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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Louis Lamouroux, Toronto

You will no doubt have heard that it has been decided to hold a NATIONAL STAMP WEEK in Canada in November. This has the support of the Canadian Stamp Dealers' Assn., as well as of The Canadian Philatelic Society. In Toronto, NATIONAL STAMP WEEK will be marked by a Stamp Exhibition to be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall, and, from all accounts, this promises to be a very fine show indeed.

Your Board of Directors hope that each and every one of you, individual members and Chapters, will do their very best to make a success of this, our First NATIONAL STAMP WEEK, in Canada. The more successful it is the better it will be for our great pastime.

I hope that you have been giving serious thought to that fine exhibit you are going to send to Kitchener, next April, and that as soon as we once more start the furnace going and the Canadian countryside takes on that glorious Fall colouring, you will take the hint and start getting that exhibit together.

Don't forget, the Kitchener boys intend to make next year's C. P. S. Convention one of the most outstanding ever held, and you can do your part by getting together an exhibit of your material which will be worthy of the occasion.

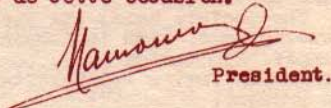
Philatelically yours,

Sans doute, vous savez déjà qu'on a décidé de célébrer la SEMAINE NATIONALE DU TIMBRE au Canada, au mois de novembre. Cette semaine a l'appui non seulement de la C.S.D.A. mais encore de la Canadian Philatelic Society. A Toronto, on organise, pour cette exposition, du matériel d'une richesse remarquable.

Votre conseil d'administration espère que chacun, qu'il s'agisse des membres individuels ou des sections régionales, fera tout son possible pour assurer le succès de cette semaine. Mieux elle réussira, mieux il vaudra pour le plus grand bien de notre grand passetemps.

J'espère que nombre d'entre vous ont songé sérieusement à ces belles pages que vous allez envoyer à Kitchener au mois d'avril prochain, et que dès que nous recommencerons le chauffage des maisons et que la campagne canadienne se revêtira de son magnifique coloris automnal, vous comprendrez l'allusion et vous vous mettrez à réunir ces pages.

N'oubliez pas que les gar de Kitcheneront germement l'intention de faire du congrès de l'année prochaine de la C.P.S., le plus beau qui ait jamais eu lieu, et vous pouvez leur donner un coup de main sérieux en vous engageant à leur envoyer, pour leur exposition, du matériel vraiment digne de cette occasion.


President.

IT'S GETTING LATE -- BUT THERE'S STILL TIME

With the C.P.S. Annual Dues becoming payable on April 1st of each year - just at the end of the philatelic season - it is mighty easy to overlook the little job of sending in your \$3.00 Annual Membership Fee.

Your C.P.S. Officers and Directors are realists. They know that while your intentions may be of the best - when summer comes many collectors push 'things philatelic' to the back of the desk (and of the mind) until cooler weather draws them back to stamps again.

So Directors never advocate removal of delinquent members from the active roll until they have had ample warning and opportunity to 'come through'.

However, in a few days SECOND NOTICES will be sent to all unpaid members, and continued absence of your cheque will result in early removal from good standing. IF YOU GET SUCH A NOTICE, YOU'LL RESPOND AT ONCE, WON'T YOU?

News From Our Chapters and Clubs

With most clubs closed at present there's not much news from our Clubs and Chapters. However, by next issue we expect to have details of the openings for the new season. Most of our items deal with new officers this time:

COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY (Trail), Chapter 11, closed out the season on June 20th with a grand evening, entertaining 17 visiting members of the Spokane (Wash.) Inland Empire Philatelic Society.

Following a banquet, and Exhibition of favorite sheets were displayed. Two films "Stagecoach to the Stars" and "How United Nations stamps are made" were shown, and two short illustrated talks on "Canadian Varieties" were given by J.V. Rogers and A. Jenkins.

80 items were disposed of in the fine Auction which followed, also a self-lighting magnifying stand which was donated by visiting members.

Visitors wives were entertained during the meeting at the home of Mr. & Mrs. J.V. Rogers in Tadanac, where members followed to partage of light refreshments to conclude the night.

Next morning visitors enjoyed a conducted tour of the \$30-million Waneta Dam on the nearby Pendoviele River.

LONDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY, London - Ont. send us the result of their Annual meeting which saw Paul Dawson, 37 The Ridgeway, chosen as President for 1953-54. Vice-Presidents Harold Johnstone and F. Howard Whitfield; Secretary W. T. Clark, Treasurer L. D. Winder; Asst. Secy. W. A. Dore; Auctioneer Ken S. King, and a fine and reliable group of Directors were also appointed.

The Society holds its first Fall Meeting Sept. 25th in London Masonic Temple, 250 Queens Ave., London, and cordially invite all philatelists to be present.

OAKVILLE PHILATELIC SOCIETY, Oakville Ontario, report the results of their election which saw Harry Worms, of Indian Grove, Pt. Credit elected as President; Alan Gray, Bank of Toronto Oakville, Vice Pres.; Mrs. A. G. Beardmore, 198 Gloucester, Secretary; and Bernard Bugler, 137 Burnett St., as Treasurer.

This is our first word from our Oakville Chapter. Best luck to them and their new officers for 1953-4.

GETTING READY

Summer is 'off-time' for collectors, but your C.P.S. Officers and Directors keep right at the task of planning your Society's activities, holding their regular Director's get together each month.

In July they met at the summer home of Director Doug. Patrick, on Ward's Island, Toronto, where Doug. and Mrs. Patrick entertained in a most gracious manner.

In August, they chose a Saturday for a Director's Meeting at the new home of Past President-Director W. H. Freeman at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

The Director's meetings are always well attended by the Directors and Officers from Toronto, and very often other Directors within travelling distance of Toronto are also present.

They are not social affairs, but several hours are devoted to intensive discussion of how your Society can best serve the interests of you members, and philately as a whole.

This summer a major topic is the part C.P.S. will play in the plans for 'National Stamp Week', in which we will take a very active part.

Some interesting announcements will be forthcoming from these meetings at an early date.

SALES DEPARTMENT

The Sales Department continues to surprise, sales reaching a surprising volume despite the summer days, so much so that the Sales Manager could use a great deal of new material to start off the Fall Season.

There's always a big demand during the Fall and early Winter, and those members starting off with new books in September should see them depleted and retired in short order.

So load up a few books with good material (of almost any classification) and get them in to Cyril with as little delay as possible. You'll reap large and quick profits from the time & effort of making them up. Send to - Sales Mgr. C. Woodhead, 123 Albertus Ave. Toronto.

CHAPTER SECRETARIES: Won't you be good to us and see that your Editor is on your mailing list to receive any bulletins, publications, or news releases that may come from your Club or Chapter area. You like to know what other Clubs are doing --- they want to know about your club's activities. How about getting together through the News Letter.

THIS COVER BUSINESS

(An article condensed from a recent issue of the Post Office Employees' Magazine - "Postways".

Philatelists from all parts of the world, particularly Canada and the U.S., gave the Post Office staff at Ottawa an especially busy April, when tens of thousands of philatelic covers poured in for First Day Cancellation on the issue of the new Canadian set of 5 denominations May 1st.

Every few moments, the large staff under the direction of J. Aronson, Superintendent, W. Lord, assistant superintendent, and 12 assistants, found new bags of philatelic mail coming to the desks from cities of Canada and U.S.A.

75% of the orders received at the Ottawa Post Office came from the U.S. - many original cachets -- mostly portraits of Her Majesty in different colour-schemes depending on the color of the stamps requested. Collectors, it seems highly valued the special cancellation - the Crown and the Monogram E I I R, and "day of issue - jour d'emission" which was used in Ottawa.

Some very valuable philatelic covers were serviced. One U. S. Collector, sent a cover for service upon which already were affixed a wide variety of unused Queen Victoria stamps, dating from the earliest times, as well as other stamps portraying the Royal Family for several generations. There was an 8¢ Nova Scotia, a 1¢ Nova Scotia black, a 5¢ New Brunswick green, two one-half cent stamps with Queen Victoria head, a 2d. P.E.I. Queen Victoria rose, and a 3d. P.E.I. Queen Victoria blue.

Another cover included a Weeping Princess, a 4¢ Royal Wedding, a 4¢ Royal Visit, a New Zealand penny stamp showing Her Majesty and Prince Charles, and a 1¢ Canadian bearing portraits of Her Majesty when Princess Elizabeth, with her sister, Princess Margaret (1939). The covers were sent in under cellophane for servicing, and it meant that the clerk had to extract the cover, affix new stamps required, cancel them, and return the cover to the wrapper.

One big American collector, operating on a serveurself basis, came all the way from New York to Ottawa, where she engaged a staff to prepare covers, and to place them in the mail on May 1st, thus assuring them of the special cancellation accorded on that date to mail picked up in the Capital City. She arranged bright and early to obtain a supply of the new stamps which were affixed to the covers. They must have spent an extraordinarily busy time since the covers she had to mail numbered between fifteen and twenty thousand.

BRITISH CONTROLS REMOVED

The British Philatelic Association announces that as a result of negotiations with the Board of Trade and Government Depts., it has been agreed that as from 30th June, 1953 the Control operated by the B.P.A. will close, and stamps consigned from abroad to philatelists in G.B. need no longer be addressed to 3, Berners St., London, but may be sent direct to the consignee. The control was imposed as a war-time measure in 1940 and continued after 1945 under the Exchange Control Act but it has now been decided that the export of stamps from the U.K. shall be treated in exactly the same manner as are other goods.

ALBUM SHEETS

Crown Album Size - \$ 1.50 per C
 Rapkin Album Size
 Medium - 8½ x 10¼ - 1.25 per C
 Junior Size
 7½ x 9½ - 1.00 per C.

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National Stamp Week for Canada

PROGRESS REPORT

Here is a condensed report of Arrangements, Committees and Information, as issued by the National Committee.

1. This National Stamp Week was first conceived by the Canadian Stamp Dealers' Association, who appointed a committee of four, namely - Mr. A. C. Johnson, chairman, with Messrs. H. Martin, Jr., G. H. Crouch, and Dr. Maresch, to start the planning stage.
2. Letters and offers of support have been received from the Canadian Philatelic Society, C.B.C. Stamp Club, and many Clubs and Societies across Canada. The A.S.D.A. have written regarding co-operation with the American Stamp Week (Nov. 16-21) and to exchange information, etc.
3. Date of CANADA'S FIRST NATIONAL STAMP WEEK has been set as Nov. 9th-14th, a week before the American Week, to avoid counter publicity; to enable Canadians to attend the American Exhibition in New York; and furthermore because of inability to obtain Exhibition Space in Toronto the same week.
4. The EXHIBITION will be held in Toronto's Columbus Hall, (Sherbourne and Linden Sts.), Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, November 11, 12 and 13th. All local clubs have given assurance of clubs and members and have shown 100% willingness to supply frames and material for the Exhibition.
5. A Dealer's Bourse (with tables available to C.S.D.A. Members only) will be held in the same building on the same dates.
6. The Post Office Department is considering a special Postal Cancellation Slogan advertising the event.
7. Envelope Labels publicizing Canada's National Stamp Week are available to affix to mail and advertise the event.
8. Members of the Executive Committee plan on visiting the Opening Nights of all Local Stamp Clubs to answer questions and explain plans.
9. Detailed records will be kept of all Publicity Arrangements, Contacts and Plans, to be available for the planning of future Stamp Weeks.
10. The C.D.S.A. have established a general fund of \$200.00 to be used by the Executive Committee for general expenses, and dealers taking Bourse Table space have pledged a contribution to the general fund to help defray cost of the Exhibition, etc.

The Executive Set-Up of CANADA'S NATIONAL STAMP WEEK, to date:

1. The Executive Committee:
 Chairman - Mr. A. C. Johnson
 Members: Miss Dawson, Messrs. H. Martin, Sr., F. Jarrett, F. Green, D. Patrick, E. Drake, H. Nicolle, A. H. Hinrichs, R. J. Haviland, J. Banks, J. Webb, H. Martin, Jr. (Treas.), and R. G. Crouch (Secretary).
2. Location Committee:
 Chairman: Mr. A. C. Johnson, with Messrs. F. Green and E. Drake.
3. Publicity Committee:
 Chairman: Mr. J. Banks, pro tem., with power to add.
4. Exhibition Committee:
 Chairman: Mr. H. Nicolle, pro tem., with power to add.
5. Financial Committee:
 Chairman: Mr. H. Martin, Sr., with power to add.