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Dear Friends:—

Early in February I drove to Chicago in my car. Usually during the winter months, I would take the plane, but I had an idea that I would be buying a lot of stamps, and so to facilitate transportation, I thought that my car would be best. The windy city was true to its reputation of cold winds, but fortunately it was dry. I found that my suspicions were correct and large purchases were made. All in all there were 14 large cartons which filled up the trunk and the back seat of the car. Included in the loot were a number of interesting collections, one particularly fine lot of Canada in superb condition, all mint. There was also two good collections of Austria, both mint and used. A world wide collection in 6 volumes with about 40,000 stamps and a world stock of over 200,000 complete sets.

My first evening there, I had the interesting experience of being taken to a Japanese Tea House for dinner. This of course, involved taking off my shoes at the door and sitting on the floor for the meal. This would not have been so bad except that it lasted for about 2½ hours. The waitresses were dressed in their Japanese costumes, although not Geisha girls, they looked after us very nicely. Another evening friends took us to the "Bakery" for dinner. This is an old bakery located in Old Town which in itself is an interesting part of Chicago for tourists. This old bakery has been left pretty much in its original decor, and now is operated by a Hungarian Chef and his Oriental wife. They are a tremendous couple, and served a gourmet dinner second to none. It has a wooden floor, kitchen type chairs, and the interior is painted all white making the atmosphere different. One interesting aspect was that they did not serve wine or liquor, but you were allowed to take your own. In our case, we had two bottles of wine, which we turned over to the waiter who chilled them and served them to us, total cost 25c. per bottle.

In my last letter I wrote about a dealers' stock of stamps that I didn't know what to do with, and that these were sitting on the floor of my office. Actually the lot was sold before the story was in print, as a local dealer just took one look and said "I'll take it."

A few weeks ago, 4 large cartons arrived at our office containing a collection for valuation. Unfortunately most of the stamps were mounted on the large black photograph type paper and included many that were stuck down. This black porous paper absorbs the moisture from the stamps, and it is quite common when this page is used to find a lot of black on the back of the stamps. This hurts the valuation. The collection contained 100's of complete mint sheets of Canada going back quite a few years, and also some fine mint and used early Canada including the Jubilees and pence issues. Vatican was almost complete. We sent along our cheque and in due course the acceptance was received.

A few years ago we purchased many lots of the British Colonies with large quantities of the Peace, Royal Visit and Coronations, however, during the last year or so, this sort of thing hasn't been coming in. However, a dealer from Montreal delivered to us, mint sheet files about 10" thick, filled with this sort of thing, and valued over $7,000.00. What was particularly interesting was the fact that it included some of the British Colonies back to George V issues, which are hard to come by in quantities.

This is Spring Changeover time, and should you contemplate disposing of some or all of your collection, be sure to get in touch with me.

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EDITORIAL:

"All generalizations are dangerous, even this one." —Dumas

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By a coincidence of the mail I received my copy of Linn's Weekly Stamp News and a copy of Gibbons Stamp Monthly on the same day. This in itself is not unusual but to read the same editorial in each certainly is. Particularly if it contains something to which one objects.

The editorial to which I refer was written by Mr. Cyril Andrews and was on the subject of the poorly organized and badly attended international show EFIMEX 68 held under the auspices of the F.I.P. in Mexico. He is critical of the method presently used by F.I.P. to allocate the international classification to exhibitions and in all fairness I must agree with him. When the F.I.P. has extended its patronage to a proposed international exhibition it should follow through and see that the event is properly carried out and that certain guaranteed standards of performance are achieved.

What I object to is Mr. Andrews bland assumption that **only** a select group of countries are fit to put on international exhibitions on a regular basis. He suggests *"the formation of a First Division Philatelic League of countries competent to stage International Exhibitions.*

An International should be held in London every ten years and I suggest one further International in one of the Iron Curtain countries every ten years. This means we need eight more countries to make up this First Division.

Possibly it may be considered that one of the South American countries could competently stage a show each decade so we are left with seven aspirants who I suggest should be the United States, France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Sweden and Holland. Each of these would take their turn in strict rotation and any other aspirants would form a Second Division and have to prove they merit election to the First Division before being allowed to stage an International."

Mr. Carl Rueth of Linns is presumably cast in the same patronizing mould as Mr. Andrews for he reprints the entire editorial just as it appeared in England.

Now don't get me wrong. I can be just as patronizing as Mr. Andrews when I have cause to be but there are many countries who have put on excellent international exhibitions in the past, Canada among them, who don't appear on his list. One might also ask what qualifications were taken into account when choosing this "first division" of philately? Did the number of social functions offered to the visiting commissioners have anything to do with it?

It sounds to me as if some people who should know better are still living in the philatelic 19th Century. Here's one colonial who doesn't agree with you Mr. Andrews, so you had better "send a gunboat"!

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The announcement by Mr. Kierans of the formation of a "Task Force on Stamp Design" (sic) has received widespread publicity in both the lay and philatelic press. It is certainly a faltering step in the right direction and, as our members well know, is one we have been requesting for a number of years.

In view of the fact that our most recent proposal was made to Mr. Kierans predecessor only last year and was turned down it is surprising and a little disappointing that not one of the members of this advisory group is a philatelist. Mr. Kierans is hoping to raise philatelic sales from $1 million to $2 million a year but is ignoring that section for

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It is apparent that the efforts of our President to get philatelic representation on the Design Panel will achieve no success unless you as members and voters apply some pressure. Please write to your local Member of Parliament requesting that the Postmaster General include a well known and respected philatelist on his design panel. **TODAY**

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THE GELDERT AWARD

We are happy to announce that the Geldert Medal for the Best Article to appear in the Canadian Philatelist in 1968 has been awarded to Mr. Max Rosenthal of Toronto. Max is a regular contributor to this, and other magazines, and his extensive background research into the postal history of Ontario has made a valuable contribution to our philatelic knowledge of this area. Presentation of the award will be made at the Annual Convention in June.

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Pardon my error but due to an oversight on my part an article was omitted from the last index. Please add to your copy "Postal History under the French Regime — Pages 91, 109". Sorry!

Also in our Exhibitors Application Form Rule 7 line 2 should of course read "June 15th" not July.

We are happy to be able to announce that the release date of the stamp commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the First Non-stop Trans-Atlantic Flight has been changed to conform to the opening date of our Annual Convention on June 13th. The Post Office Department will also be operating a special post office at the convention on both 13th and 14th of June. Arrangements are underway to provide souvenir covers of this event and details can be obtained from Major R. K. Malott, 16 Harwick Cres., Ottawa 6, Ont.

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The R.P.S.C. at Interpex

The organizers of Interpex have designated Canada as the theme of their March presentation this year. The Society has agreed to take a booth at this annual commercial show for the first time in order to make the society known to United States collectors. Our Director of Publicity Mr. Harold Gosney will attend with membership information and Mr. A. Ben David and Mr. M. Madesker will present the Youth Education Programme by means of displays of teaching materials and a slide show.

The Society is not a sponsor of this event nor is it soliciting material for exhibition. All inquiries should be directed to the organizers.

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INTER-AMERICAN FEDERATION

At the Mexico City International Philatelic Exhibition (EFIMEX '68) Mr. Emilio Obregon of Mexico City, head of the Mexican Philatelic Federation and Executive Vice-President of EFMEX was elected the first president of the newly organized Inter - American Philatelic Federation (I.A.P.F.) which includes national societies from twelve of the Americas.

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The headquarters of this Federation will be in Bogota, Colombia.

The I.A.P.F. Declaration is not available at this time, but briefly the executive council and the national representatives (there were I think about 16) voted that the bylaws should provide a minimum annual dues of $25.00 for each nation. A fee shall be decided by the Executive Council for any nation requesting patronage of the I.A.P.F. for an exhibition.

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PHILATELIC OBSERVANCE OF 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF SIGNIFICANT 1919 AIR MAIL EVENTS IN CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND

The arrangements for the 1969 events will be similar to those of 1968. Souvenir envelopes will be prepared for the following dates and mailed to one applicable address:

a. **17 February 1969:** First airmail flown from Vancouver, B.C. to Seattle, Washington on 17 Feb. 1919 and return (2 envelopes @. 30c. each);

b. **16 May 1969:** First day of use of the special postal die re the Alcock and Brown flight from St. John's Nfld (1 envelope @ .30c. each);

c. **18 May 1969:** The Hawker and Grieve attempt on 18 May 1919 in the "Sopwith" Atlantic (1 envelope at .30c. each);

d. **18 May 1969:** The Raynham and Morgan attempt on 18 May 1919 in the Martinsyde "Raymor" (1 envelope at .30c. each);

e. **31 May 1969:** First flight from Victoria to Vancouver on 31 May, 1919. (1 envelope at .30c. each);

f. **14 June 1969:** Alcock and Brown's successful flight across the Atlantic, non-stop, from St. John's, Nfld to Clifden, Ireland on 14-15 June, 1919. A special cachet will be used on this envelope. (1 envelope at .50c. each);

g. **4 July 1969:** Admiral Sir Mark Kerr and Major John Brackley's attempt to fly to New York on 4 July, 1919 from St. John's Nfld. The aircraft was forced down at Parrsboro, N.S. (1 envelope at .30c. each);

h. **17 July 1969:** The Raynham and Biddlescombe attempt in the Martinsyde "Raymor", (1 envelope at .30c. each);

i. **7 to 9 August 1969:** First flight across the Rockies by CAPT C. C. Hoy 7 to 9 August 1919. Vancouver to Lethbridge and Calgary and return, (6 envelopes at .30c. each);

j. **16 August, 1969:** First flight from Victoria B.C., to Namaimo, B.C. by CAPT J. Gray and LT Gordon Cameron on 16 August, 1919. (1 envelope at .30c. each);

k. **25 August, 1969:** First flight from Toronto, Ont. to New York City, N.Y. by either CAPT Billy Bishop or CAPT W. G. Barker on 25 August, 1919, (1 envelope at .30c. each);

l. **24-29 September, 1969:** First flight from Truro to Charlottetown, P.E.I. by LT J.M. Stevenson and L.E.D. Stevens on 24 Sept 1919 and return on 29 Sept 1919, (2 envelopes at .30c. each);

m. **9 October 1969:** Flgiht of the Handley-Page Bomber "The Atlantic", flown by Major H. Brackley and crew, from Parrsboro, N.S. to New York City, N.Y. The aircraft was forced down at Greenport, N.Y. (1 envelope at .30c. each).

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The Prospectus

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FORTHCOMING NEW ISSUES

26th March — 100th Anniversary of the Birth of Aurèle de Foy Suzor-Côté.

21st May — 50th Anniversary of the International Labour Organization.

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23rd June — 50th Anniversary of the Death of Sir William Osler.

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Fig. 5 — A Japanese "military mail" letter card. The date in the indistinct postmark of FPO 1 is My 18/19 — the latest recorded.

CANADIAN FORCES MAIL SIBERIA 1918 - 1919

By LT. COL. R. H. WEBB #7119

The three covers shown (fig 6) reveal that some mail went out via the Japanese postal service. The practice must have received a degree of official indulgence because Lt Ross reported that the Japanese authorities had objected to the carriage of Canadian 'free' mail. No doubt the objection explains the presence of the Japanese adhesive on the second of the covers, and possibly, to the fairly frequent appearance of Japanese "military mail" letter cards with their imprinted postage (fig 5). On the other hand, the letter cards were convenient and they made attractive souvenirs for the folks back home.

The quotation at the beginning of this section on postal services shows that No. 5 Detachment was also expected to handle British as well as Canadian mails. In those days, however, a single battalion would not have been allotted a FPO. Therefore, the 25th Middlesex would have had to forward its mail by the Russian civil postal system, which, apparently, continued to function in Siberia despite the Revolution — though not without considerable delays and hazards. By the time the 9th Hampshires arrived on the scene the restriction on movement of Canadian units inland had been imposed. Thus, the Detachment could do little more than supply normal postal services for the British Military Mission in Vladivostok, and arrange with the Russian authorities for the transfer of despatches to and from the battalions in Omsk.

Naturally the same situation applied with respect to mail from members of the Canadian liaison group in Omsk. The letter card depicted (fig 7)

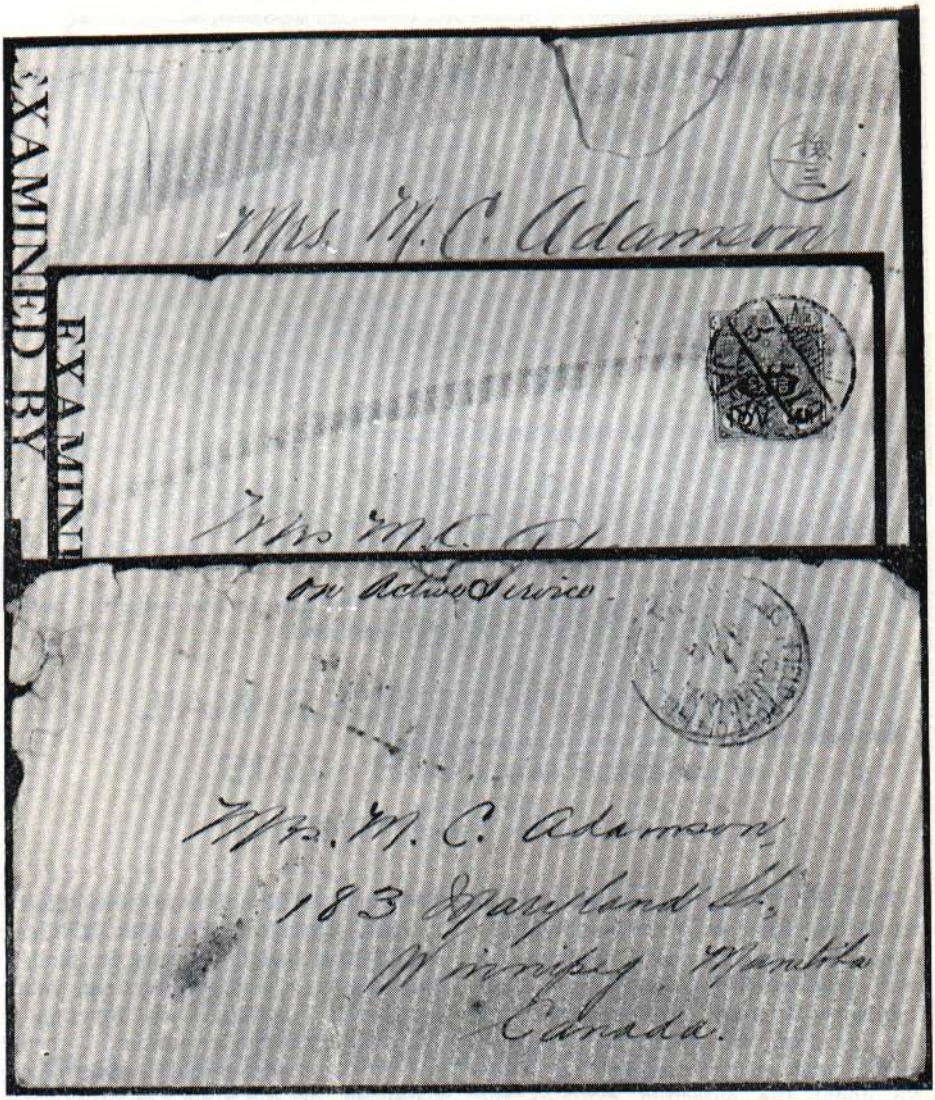


Fig. 6 — Three covers from one soldier. The upper two are believed to have been transmitted via the Japanese postal service as both have Japanese field censor marks. On the second, the censor mark ties the 10 sen adhesive, and the Nagasaki postmark is superimposed on the censor mark. The third cover, with its FPO 1 postmark dated Ap 16/19, is included simply to show that all three were from the same writer — Capt. M. C. Adamson of the 16th Field Ambulance.

with its Russian adhesives and Russian control or censor mark tells something of the troubles and delays. On the back of the card is a postmark of FPO 1 dated My 18/19 indicating a transit time of over three weeks between Tomsk and Vladivostok. The message inside gives a vivid picture of the conditions along the Trans-Siberian Railway at the time. It reads as follows:



Fig. 7 — Another letter card, written by a Canadian officer en route to Omsk and posted at Tomsk. The Tomsk postmark cancelling the two Russian adhesives (15 and 35 kopecks) is dated 22.4.19. The Russian censor or control mark in the lower left corner translates: "D N — Vladivostok — No. 13". **Courtesy E. A. Harris**

En Route,
Tomsk,
Apr 21/19

"Dear Kingman:

I sent you a wire from Nizne-Udinsk on the 15th inst re my mail. Hope you received it OK.

Well this has been a long drawn out journey which should end on or about the 24th. I have been held up (not by highway men!) for 3 or 4 days at a time. At Nizne-Udinsk we staged for 4½ days owing to activities of the Bolshies. At Taishet there was lots of excitement. I passed a number of wrecks after leaving that place — houses and stations burned, etc. It has been a most interesting trip even though I am living in a box car.

The question is will you be gone before I return. I hope so! We have heard that you leave before the end of the month!!

Well cheerio old thing. Remember me kindly to Sise.

Yours sincerely,
(H. V. Ardagh)

I ought to have some decent snapshots by the time I get back.

The Czecho-Slovakian and Canadian military postmarks on the cover (fig 8) suggest a normal transfer from one postal service to another. The location of FPO 1's postmark, however is interesting, for one would expect to find it on the back. It is surmised that the marking was placed deliberately in the upper right corner so that the letter would be transmitted without question by the civil posts in Canada. After all, Czecho-Slovakia had just barely received official recognition as a country, and its postal markings, particularly military ones, would be strange.

The concessional free rate, of course, applied to ordinary letters from members of the British and Canadian contingents provided they were posted in Canadian (or British) FPOs. It seems, in the case of the CEF (Siberia) to have

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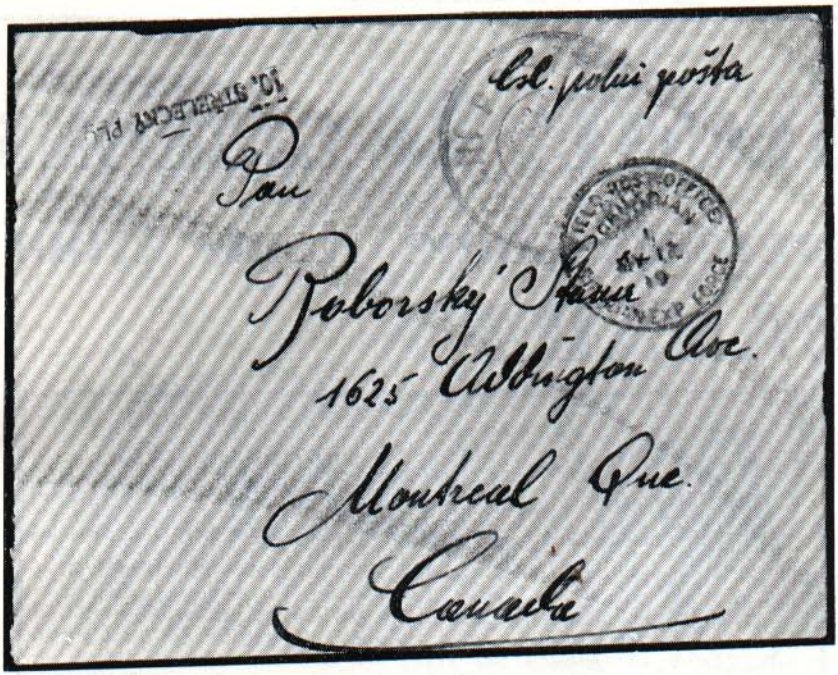


Fig. 8 — Cover from a member of the Czech Forces; apparently transferred to FPO 1 for delivery to address in Canada. Lettering in the FPO 1 postmark is noticeably smaller than in other postmarks — fig. 3 for example.

applied also to registered letters, as the cover shown (fig 9) bears witness. In Europe the fee for such letters had to be prepaid, and for that purpose Canadian FPOs maintained a supply of British postage stamps or registration envelopes with imprinted postage. In Siberia, Canadian postage would have been appropriate but it is believed that the PO Department was not prepared to allow the sale of its postage stamps in the overseas FPOs. Nor did FPO 1 have any authority to accept registered letters for transmission to Canada, at least not at first. However, a registration service apparently began about the beginning of January 1919 so, it is assumed the PO Department must have granted special permission for such mail to be carried at the free rate. As for parcels, if they were allowed to be sent by the troops, the same rate must have applied to them.

Field censorship seems to have been in effect right from the start as signatures, obviously those of censors, are to be seen on all early covers. Serially numbered rubber censor stamps are believed to have been issud about the first week in December and thereafter as major units arrived from Canada. The earliest recorded cover with the distinctive rectangular mark (fig 10) is dated 8 Dec 18. At least sixteen stamps may have been in use, for several covers bearing marks with numbers between 002 and 016 are known. Why these stamps were not taken into use sooner is another matter for conjecture but doubtlessly it had something to do with the delayed departure of the main body. Local procurement, of course, would hardly have been in keeping with good security practice. The requirement for field censorship must have been cancelled sometime in February because

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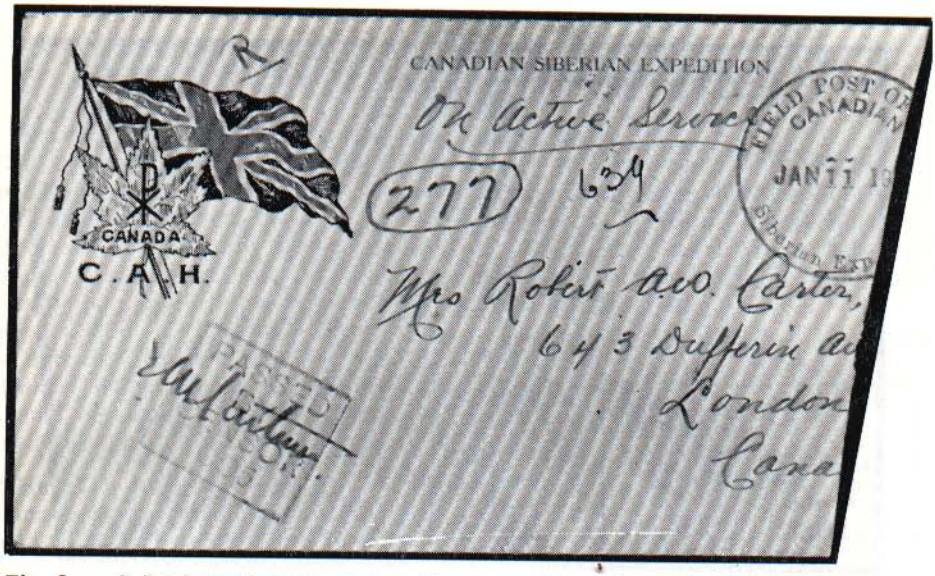


Fig. 9 — A Registered cover sent at the concessional free rate. The two numbers in MS above the address probably refer to entries in the register books maintained by the station mail room and FPO respectively. The rubber stamp mark (magenta) appears twice on the back as well, together with postmarks of Vancouver Fe 1/19) and London (Fe 9/19). The 'R' above the Union Jack suggests the FPO had neither registration stamp nor labels.

the latest recorded date on a cover with either a censor mark or signature is 12 Feb 19. Nevertheless, covers transmitted by the Japanese and Russian postal services after that date show evidence of having passed through the censors of those countries (figs 5 & 7). Also, letters arriving in Canada were still subject to civil postal censorship as the "EXAMINED BY CENSOR" labels prove (fig 5).

Included among those covers which have been illustrated are two of the specially printed "corner card" envelopes supplied by auxiliary service organizations (figs 4 & 9). The Y.M.C.A. type needs no explanation — several varieties are known. The C.A.H. type, however, is not so familiar. The abbreviation correctly stands for "Church Army Huts", which was an organization active in Gt Britain and on the Continent of Europe. As its name implies it provided huts where troops in barracks and encampments could go to read or write, or just to meditate in a religious atmosphere. Usually, there were both

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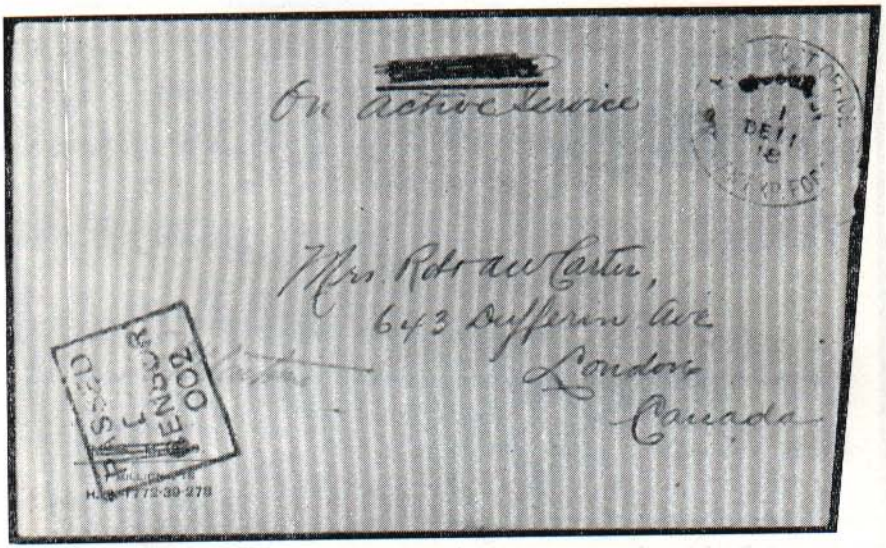


Fig. 10 — Cover showing early use of the rectangular censor mark.

Protestant and Roman Catholic huts, and naturally, the letters C.A.H. would be freely translated on occasion as "Catholic Army Hut". In fact some correspondence from troops in Siberia was written on stationery having that expression spelled out at the top of each sheet. The cover illustrated in fig 9 is the Protestant type. Envelopes issued by the Catholic huts usually had the abbreviation "K of C" (Knights of Columbus) added in the Maple Leaf, and there were lines in the lower left corner for the sender's name and address; two varieties are known.

After seven months of operation FPO 1 closed its doors on 27 May 1919, and about a week later, No. 5 Detachment CPC bade farewell to Vladivostok and Siberia. The CEF expended about a half million man-days in that far distant land, yet after fifty years, less than a hundred 'Siberian' covers are believed to be extant. A few more may lie buried in boxes, trunks and other boarding spots from where it is hoped they will emerge to confirm or deny at least some of the assumptions in this article.

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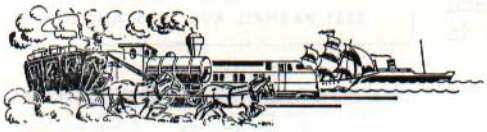
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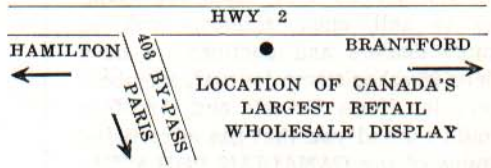
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Catalogues list a number of major paper varieties for Canadian stamps and it is sometimes difficult, even for the expert, to agree with what is meant by a certain paper type. The following terms can be found: wove paper, ribbed paper, laid paper, thin paper, thick paper, horizontal or vertical wove paper, blotting paper, cardboard paper.

Why are so many paper types used for stamps? In the beginning Canadian printers had very likely many problems when trying to produce a clear impression of a stamp on paper. Machines were not as sophisticated as they are today. Printing inks were not so well defined for the purpose of printing stamps. Paper differences were encountered due to improper control measures. Paper availability of certain types may have played some role and of course cost must have entered somewhere. Experimentation with papers was carried out and this is sometimes evidenced by a sudden change from one paper type to another type in the same stamp issue.

The correct choice of a paper type for a particular stamp is a very critical one. Not only will the quality of the final stamp impression depend on this but also the ink and gum absorption, the sensitivity to environmental conditions such as heat and moisture and to some extent the ease of separation. The printer will be interested to keep the wastage to a minimum. Examples of poor paper choice are the late Newfoundland stamps which curl and the early Persia issues which when moistened absorb the moisture faster than you can stick the stamp on an envelope. Not much thought was given to the influence of the cancellation ink and the chemicals used for tagging until recently. The type of printing process used greatly influences the choice of a paper and recent Canadian ventures into the photogravure required changes in the paper requirements.

Years ago printers of Canadian stamps were not aware or concerned about minor variations in the paper. It was of little consequence whether or not the paper was a vertical wove type or if the paper was slightly thicker on one end of the roll than on the other. On the other hand, and as far as we can determine, there was never an attempt to change from a vertical wove paper to a horizontal. All papers used for Canadian stamps come from a roll of vertical wove paper. The reason why we see a number of Canadian stamps on one or the other is because the plate layout was turned around on the printing cylinder by 90° to accommodate certain layout features. The use of laid paper on some early issues appears to stem from the need for counterfeit protection but the use of this paper for the large Queens may have been purely accidental. With few exceptions the thickness of papers was not strictly controlled and many thickness variations can be found in the earlier issues and including some of the more recent stamps. The blotting type paper which can be found on some stamps may have been experimental because these often tie in with certain shades. The cardboard paper varieties of the 2c. Numeral is certainly experimental but others exist with such heavy paper. One example is the 3c. purple 1949 King George VI. A similar comment applies to the papers of which the 2c. and 5c. Admirals are examples of experimental usage. Others which can be found with paper thickness variations may very likely come from uncontrolled portions of the paper

roll, especially near the start or end of a roll. I do not want to imply that these stamps are not collectible but a lot more studies will have to be carried out to determine their place.

Since 1937 many Canadian stamps can be found with what has been listed in one catalogue as laid effect paper. There has never been a laid paper used for modern Canadian stamps and what appears to be laid lines, is the impression of a worn paper making blanket.

Of interest is that almost from the beginning the printers ordered stamp paper in Canada by hundred weight not total length. Specifications call for a certain weight, thickness tolerance, surface finish, impurity content, brightness etc. Of course tolerances used to be rather liberal and only electronic thickness gauging has tightened up these tolerances. Paper making was an art and still remains an art and with it variations from lot to lot must be expected within certain limits.

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Some time ago the 1962 3c. violet QE stamp appeared in a reddish violet shade. This shade was issued near the end of its issue. We believe this later shade is not as plentiful in mint condition as the original shade. But to our surprise we have now seen the tagged stamp in this late shade and this certainly must be difficult to find, especially because it did turn up only recently.

Offsets are not constant plate varieties but, nevertheless, are collectable, especially if large portions of the design appear on the back of the stamp. Amongst some recent offsets are the 1954 2 cents green QE and the combination booklet pane of 1 cent and 4 cents. Only the red portion of the 4 cents was found offset. Sometimes you may find a doubling of the design or portion of the design on the front rather than on the back. This can not be termed an offset. It might be a double print or what is often referred to as a "kiss" Print. There are various ways by which such a "kiss" print can be produced but in all cases the design does not show the same clear printing features as the original. It is often a partial and incomplete print, sometimes faint and fuzzy. A good example is the famous Seaway stamp where the red portion appears as a "kiss" print. It is not a double print as so many believe and has only limited value. Forgeries of this exist which are clever and hard to tell from the original but when prices of three figures are quoted for such items, it is obvious that someone is making a fortune on some inexperienced collectors.

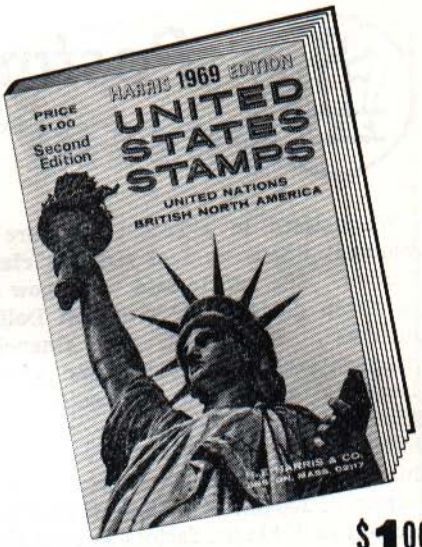
Did you ever look at your new 6 cents stamps? A number of these stamps show a variety which appears to be constant. Similarly to the well known constant plate variety of the 2 cents 1935 issue with the extended frame line at the right bottom, the 6 cents has this extended frame line. At the present time we do not know where on the sheets this occurs but out of about 100 copies we found 5 copies with the extended frame line. The line is about 1mm to o.5mm long.

The new 8 cents and 12 cents Postage Dues are now out but you will have to get your copies from the Philatelic Agency in Ottawa. The reason for some of these values is not clear. 12 cents would cover a letter which has no postage on it at all. How many have you seen without any postage? And how about the 3 cents? There is no 1½ cents rate in Canada, so why this 3 cents value?

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I have read with concern and dismay the editorial comments in the Nov.-Dec. Philatelist regarding the Canadian Stamp Dealers' Association. The reference to American dealer-collector relations now being discussed in a U.S. trade publication does not enlighten or concern collector-members of the Royal.

This appears to be some sort of exercise in self-criticism among the dealers in the U.S.A. Granted, their problems and ours do have something in common, and we in the C.S.D.A. indulge in similar exercises from time to time. The difference is that we do not air our internal affairs in a trade magazine ostensibly published for dealers only, but which in actual practice appears to be read quite widely by others.

Canada is a large country with a scattered population, making it difficult for a national organization to be operated efficiently for all concerned. I am sure the Royal has similar problems.

The C.S.D.A. welcomes constructive criticism from any source but would like to clarify the objects of our organization. We do have the best interests of philately at heart but do not seek the philatelic limelight.

Our members are pledged to give fair and honest treatment in buying and selling postage stamps. When complaints are received about a member, the matter is fully investigated without fear or favor. The majority of complaints we receive concern non-members of the association. It has also been drawn to our attention, that a number of collector-dealers and others are habitually selling stamps without collecting sales tax as required by law, and perhaps an editorial word of warning would have been of more merit than questioning our policy.

Assistance given by our association has resulted in the recovery of stolen property, identification thereof and conviction of the culprits, benefitting members of the Royal and others on several occasions. Effective action depends on prompt notice being sent to our secretary, as property stolen anywhere in Canada can be on sale the same day thousands of miles away.

It is interesting to note that C.S.D.A. members or their firms provided 11 advertisements for 7½ pages in the issue in which we were criticized. Our members also provide a good proportion of the bourse at your convention.

Yours truly,
H. Beaupre,
President C.S.D.A.

Editors Note: Thank you, Mr. Beaupre, for clarifying the position for our members.

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Dear Sir,

Your Philatelist is a joy to read and I like the stand you take on issue. I, as a collector not endowed with the vast background of a specialist, appreciate being enlightened on what to some is sacred territory. For example some people may enjoy collecting Plate Blocks and if this enjoyment is accompanied by the Knowledge that their collection may never appreciate much in value, fine. You did the membership at large a service in at least making this point.

Sincerely,
M. Logan, 8726

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Dear Sir,

Your "Philatelist" article on the postal strike was most interesting. I have been putting some material together on the strike and can add the following:

1) a party in Vancouver printed three different labels 10c., 25c. and 50c. called Stern Parcel Service. These prepaid U.S. or foreign postage and delivery by land from Vancouver to Blaxne and Bellingham, Washington. Dates and numbers issued unknown. Some one else may have further data.

2) I have two covers with regular postal cancels as follows (A) a letter cancelled and mailed in and delivered in Beaumaris, Ontario, July 24th, 1968 (B) a letter cancelled and mailed in Cranbrook Station, Nova Scotia, July 26, 1968 to Waterville, N.S. alongside stamp is written "'via Shuttle Service". The friend who sent the latter item says "the little P.O. usually run by storekeepers were not picketed and the rural mail carriers continued to pick up and deliver mail. Both covers have regular post-office cancels.

John T. Pratt.

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Dear Sir,

There has now been time enough for those interested to report on my list of C.P.R. View Cards which appeared in the July-Aug. '68 issue of the Canadian Philatelist. To date, only one card, previously reported and not present in the five largest collections, has been reported. A member in the U.K. sent me #9, KGV 2cents Red, Vert. and Horiz. Lines, Die B or II Place Viger Hotel. This card's existence leads me to believe that others previously reported may also exist and I would like to appeal to the membership to get out the July-Aug. '68 Issue and review their holdings to make sure that they hold none on the lists. If they discover that they have one or more, please send to me by Registered Mail at Box 5780, Baltimore Md. 21208, U.S.A. and I will return the same way, reimbursing for the postage expenditure.

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ministration — not without just cause when one considers the hefty increase in postage rates and the apparent decline in service. To add insult to injury, Mr. Kierans, as reported in a news release dated 6 January, announced the formation of a Task Force On Stamp Design.

The news release then proceeds to list the members of the Task Force — the Director of Information and Public Relations, Canada Post Office; two designers; two painters and the Visual Arts Officer, Canada Council and in the next to last paragraph of the release, states the purpose of the Task Force — to ensure that the stamps issued by the Canada Post Office meet the highest international standards of philatelic and artistic merit.

It seems strange and insulting that, having stressed the need for Canada's future stamps to meet the highest international standards of "philatelic" merit, he has purposely not included on the committee anyone of known philatelic leanings or merit. It is additionally strange and insulting that the idea of an advisory committee on stamp design was suggested to the then Postmaster General by the President of the RPSC— and turned down.

Considering that philatelists have a vested interest in Canada's postage stamps, to the tune of an average one million dollars annually (not including over the counter sales at post offices), they should have some representation on such a task force and it is hoped that the Royal will take up the cudgel in this direction. The Postmaster General recognizes that the sales through the Philatelic Section and Post Offices of commemorative and definitive stamps constitutes an important source of revenue — surely then, it should follow that the philatelist should have some input into the design and production of Canada's stamps. Incidentally, may I congratulate you on the excellent face-lifting on the Canadian Philatelist front cover. A very striking design.

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Now to a different subject. I think our new cover of the Philatelist looks like H —. There is nothing to the format that would indicate that we are the "ROYAL". It looks more like a billboard advertising a TV tube. The word "Royal" suggests to me and I'm sure to many others a Crown, a coat of arms, etc. Would be very much interested to know "who" approved the new cover and why a new cover was required. I think Mr. Wright would be well advised to stick to his Faculty of Medicine as I fail to see any artistic talent in this new cover design of his. Also I don't think illustrating medical items has any connection with philately. Let's get back to a "ROYAL" cover and do away with this latest attempt at modern improvement.

A. F. Miller (Life Member)

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CAFSEC will attempt to lay the groundwork for a philatelic exhibition to be held either in 1969 or 1970. A committee for this purpose will be formed later in the year.

CAFSEC looks forward to enrolment of its 200th member by the end of December and the establishment of at least two Chapters during the early part of 1969. It reports with considerable pride extension of its popularity into the United States with over 20 members there from the USA Armed Forces.

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Mr. Cunningham's address was illuminated with a number of designs of Canadian Stamps featuring rejected items of the 1969 program.

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MARCH 22 & 23. Kawartha Philatelic Society Inviting Gold Medal exhibits from other shows. The Holiday Inn, Peterborough, Ontario. Details—L. P. Dominick, 568 Romaine St., Peterborough.

MARCH 29 & 30. North Toronto Stamp Club Exhibition. North Toronto Memorial Gardens.

APRIL 26. Quinte Stamp Club, 11th Annual Exhibition & Bourse at Kiwanis Centre, Belleville, Ont.

MAY 3. Barrie District Stamp Club, Annual Exhibitoin, St. Georges Anglcan Parish Hall, Barrie, Ont.

MAY 9 & 10. St. Catherines Stamp Club Exhibition, Fairview Mall. R. Kingdon, 20 Willowdale Ave., St. Catherines.

MAY 10 & 11. R.A. Stamp Club Exhibition & Bourse, R.A. Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa. Chairman—Major R. K. Malott, 16 Harwick Cres, Ottawa 6.

MAY 31st to JUNE 8th. International Exhibition Sofia, Bulgaria. Canadian Commissioner W. H. P. Maresch, 8 Temperance St., Toronto.

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TRADE NOTES

The earliest known strike of the Byng Inlet North squared circle cancellation realized $77.50 in the November sale of Middlesex Stamp Auctions of Hyde Park, Ont. It was on a 3-cent small queen with the date, July 25, 1893 very distinct. The previous "earliest" strike as listed in Alfred Woodhead's, "The Squared Circle Postmarks of Canada," was Dec. 21, 1893.

The buyer was a Hamilton collector, who outbid a half dozen mail bids which were above the $50 mark.

An unhinged very fine copy of the 8-cent registration stamp, F-3, was knocked down to a London collector at $45 by Auctioneer Stan Shantz (RPSC 5395), who operates the Middlesex Stamp Auctions.

He is planning another auction in mid-April, with two or three sales yearly, now that he has retired from his staff position with The London Free Press. He will continue to write his well-known stamp column on a contributory basis.

THE CENTRAL ONTARIO ROUTE
THE FIRST POST OFFICES

By MAX ROSENTHAL, RPSC 8584

The importance of having a line of communication between Lake Simcoe and the Ottawa Valley, removed from the American border, had been recognized in Canada since the War of 1812-14. The Civil War and subsequent Fenian activity against the vulnerable border once more brought forward the need for a thoroughfare through central Ontario which could be used for military and colonization purposes. The easterly section, known as the Mississippi Road, surveyed in 1857, was nearing completion. Extending still farther east from the latter, the Lavant Road had been surveyed in 1858.

In 1864 survey work was begun on the section westward to Lake Simcoe. Straight lines were impossible.. The terrain was such that the road had to wind around lakes, rivers, rocks, and hills. It was the intention at the outset to regard the road as an extension to the Mississippi Road, but, about the end of that year, the new road was named for Governor-General Lord Charles Stanley Monck — the Monck Road.

Let us travel along this central Ontario route, and see what post offices were established along these roads, going from west to east.

The Monck Road

The Monck Road begins at Lake Couchiching, a few miles north of Atherley, in Mara Township, Ontario County, as a county road. At sideroad 18 was opened in 1872 Rathburn post office, kept by T. Cuddahee in his general store. The name likely comes from the Rathburn Lumber Company. New lumber limits were opened up as the new areas were made accessible by the opening of the road. There was a tri-weekly mail by stage from Atherley.

At the eastern boundary of Mara Township, Sebright was opened in 1873. Here the Monck Road enters the Canadian Shield, and, except between Uphill and Head Lake, it and the other roads traverse its granite and other ancient rocks for the rest of the route. Here one also enters Dalton Township, Victoria County. At sideroad 20 Dartmoor was established in 1870. From Sebright on it is now District Road 503.

At the eastern boundary of Dalton Township, and huge limestone hill, Uphill post office came into being in 1872. Its postmaster, Joseph Calhoun, was famous for his North Star Hotel. Head Lake post office, in Laxton Township had already been opened in 1862, in lot 13 on the west side of that body of water, on a portion of the Monck Road which already existed then. Later as it was to move southeast to the concession 6 road, in lot 7. At the earlier location William Halladay was postmaster.

Also in Laxton Township, where the Monck Road crossed the present Highway 35, Norland had also been established in 1862, at a falls on the Gull River. T. I. Halliday, perhaps related to Head Lake's postmaster, was a general merchant in Norland, but A. A. McLauchlin, proprietor of the grist and saw mill, was postmaster. The McLauchlins were the first mill owners, in 1857-58. The mail stage from Lindsay north ran through Norland.

Crossing the Gull River one enters Somerville Township. In concession 12 lot 14 Dongola post office appeared in 1897. The recapture of Dongola, in the northern Sudan, by Kitchener's forces the year before was recent history. At the Burnt River the Monck Road entered an already existing village, Kinmount, on the Bobcaygeon Road. The first mill there was built by John Hunter, who opened the post office in 1859.

The Monck Road curves northeast out of Victoria County into Snowdon Township, Haliburton County.

At sideroad 20, in the village of Snowdonville, Gelert post office was established in 1880. It contained saw and shingle mills on the Burnt River, and shipped lumber, bark and timber. Its postmaster was William F. Ritchie, who sold flour and feed. Gelert post office was later established five miles north, in a straight line. The railway station just south of old Gelert was named Furnace Falls.

In lot 31 concession 4 Devil's Creek post office was opened in 1874 in Rat River village. Both names were superseded in 1883 when the postal name was changed to Irondale. On the Burnt River like Kinmount, it had a stage twice a week to that place.

The Monck Road enters Glamorgan Township, whose settlement began about 1870 with the road's opening. Among the first settlers, Charley Way took up his location at its junction with the Buckhorn Road, where he became proprietor of the hotel, and opened Gooderham post office in 1873. Saw mills shipped pine and cedar logs and lumber. Mail came by stage from Kinmount twice a week.

In Monmouth Township, Hotspur was opened in 1880 on the Monck Road. It was on the tri-weekly stage route from Kinmount to Deer Lake. In Cardiff Township, Cheddar opened the same year as Gooderham, 1873, where the Burleigh Road ended at the Monck Road. It had a weekly mail. That section of the Monk Road is now Highway 121.

The Mississippi Road

From here on the Monck Road was originally the Mississippi Road, although eventually the whole stretch was called by the former name. In Farday Township, Hastings County, it crossed the Hastings Road, near Highway 62, that crossing destined to become Bancroft.

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spring of 1855, right behind the surveyor came two young Englishmen, James Cleak and Alfred Barker. They settled on the shores of Quarry Lake, alongside the newly laid out Hastings Road. They were followed by another English immigrant, J. C. George.

York River post office was opened in 1861 by Cleak. He received an annual salary of $15. Mail was received from Glanmire, near Mill Bridge, once a week. Isaac Stimers was the first mail contractor ,and usually walked the 30 miles, for which he received $128 a year. The post office was transferred to J. C. George in 1871. He received an increase of $2 a year.

The first commercial activity around York River came with the lumbermen about 1869, to cut virgin pine. The Bronson Lumber Company first logged the area. Senator Billa Flint, of Belleville, obtained a large grant of land, and built a planing and woollen mill. As virtual founder of the town he felt that some recognition should be bestowed, and in 1878 he applied to the Postmaster-General for a change of name for the village to Bancroft, his wife's maiden name. The people didn't take kindly to the proposition, and sent a petition to the government asking that there be no change. However, the senator prevailed, and in the autumn of 1879 the name was changed.

That opposition kept up for a while is shown by a letter in the Ontario Archives, written by Flint to Postmaster-General Sir Alexander Campbell on December 26th, 1879.

"I have just received news by mail from Bancroft, that a party is setting up a petition to send to you to have the name of the post office changed back to 'York River', thinking that if changed it would compel me to alter the name of the village.

"This inanety is out of spite to me personally because I will not consent for the party to have full sway at Bancroft. I therefore trust that when the petition comes to hand, that a copy with

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"I also beg leave to ask that no action be taken in the matter of change of name as Bancroft has become fully established, and there is no good reason why it should be changed."

The Mississippi Road now leaves Bancroft as District Road 500. In lot 21, concession 12 just north of the road, in Dungannon Township, Bronson post office was opened in 1874, named after the pioneer lumber company. It had a mail stage twice a week to L'Amable, a few miles south of Bancroft. At sideroad 5 in Mayo Township, on the Mississippi River, Hermon was established in 1877, with a tri-weekly mail.

Lennox and Addington County was entered. At the western boundary of Ashby Township, Hartsmere was opened in 1882, in Long Lake village. William Bremner, Jr. kept the post office in his general store. Mail was weekly.

At the Addington Road, now Highway 41, Denhigh post office had been established in 1863. The Mississippi Road now headed southeasterly into Abinger Township. At the road crossing in lot 12 concession 16, the first small store was begun by Charles M. Kenyar, who opened Vennachar post office in 1865. District Road 500 ends at Denhigh, and the rest of the route, where still in use, is now township roads.

Crossing into Frontenac County at the western edge of Miller Township, one came to Wensley, opened just before 1900 by F. H. Wensley. In Palmerston Township, in lot 27, concession 3, the Mississippi Road passed Ompah, established in 1865, on Trout Lake. Its postmaster, Henry Dunham, ran the Dunham House. Mail was weekly.

The Lavant Road

As the Lavant Road, the central Ontario route crossed into Lavant Township, Lanark County. At the Kingston and Pembroke Railway, Lavant Station post office was opened in 1884. It was privileged, because of its location, to receive a daily mail. Four miles east one comes to Lavant village, in lot 7 concession 7. Archibald Browning opened Lavant post office in 1868.

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This section of the catalogue brings us up to the "L" countries which are well covered in the competent manner that we have come to expect from this work under Mr. Flading's editorship. Some adenda notes to previous sections and, what was most interesting to me, revised prices for many items. This means that one of the problems of catalogues of this type, price revisions, is being dealt with in a competent manner.

Kenneth Rowe.

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Fundamentals of Philately, Section 5. By L. N. and M. Williams. Published by The American Philatelic Society's Literature Committee, P.O. Box 800, State College, Pa. 16801. 176 (7x10) pages, bristol cover. $4.50, postpaid, from the publisher.

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List of the Post Offices in the County of Simcoe, 1830 to 1967. Larry Whitby and Michael Millar.

This handbook (28 pages) is a comprehensive study of those post offices that were established (and closed) in Simcoe County, Ontario from the time of Penetanguishene (1830) until the 100th anniversary of Canada's Confederation (1967). It is divided into four sections.

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Copies are available from M. Millar, 192 Shanty Bay Road, Barrie, Ontario; L. Whitby, 112 Mary Street, Barrie, Ontario or J. Webb, 22 MacKay Drive, Thornhill, Ontario. Price is $1.00.

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Railroad Postmarks of the United States, 1861-1886 by C. L. Towle and H. A. Meyer. Published by the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society and obtainable from Melvin W. Schub, 6 Laconia Road, Worcester, Mass. 01609, U.S.A. Price $10.00 U.S. postage paid.

The comprehensive use of route maps (75 in this book) makes the work an extremely valuable reference work for the postal historian quite apart from its worth as a catalogue of the markings themselves. It is well illustrated and indexed both by marking and railroad and, covering as it does a most complex period of railroad development in the United States, it will become the standard reference work on the subject. The valuation system used will be of continuing guidance. Worth a place on anyone's bookshelf.

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In 1790 and for 18 years thereafter the main island became the secret hideaway for a group of mutineers from the H.M.S. Bounty which had vanished after a mutiny not long after it sailed from Tahiti, bound for the West Indies. Fletcher Christian, a young lieutenant, staged the successful mutiny against Capt. William Bligh.

The mutineers took a fateful step when they cast Bligh and 18 loyal crew members adrift without chart or compass in the ship's 22-foot boat with a scant supply of bread and water to face almost certain death on a merciless ocean.

The Bounty turned back to Tahiti from which a small group later proceeded to Pitcairn.

The castoff was the subject of a famous etching by artist Dodd. The Bounty had carried a crew of 42 men of which 16 mutinied while seven craftsmen were forcibly held at their tasks. The ship returned to Tahiti where most of them chose to stay.

Christian, haunted by the taunts of Bligh that he would live to see him hanged, was afraid that the long arm of the admiralty law would reach him.

Having read Carteret's book in the Bounty library, Christian set his course for Pitcairn, accompanied by only eight of the mutineers, 12 Tahitian women and six Tahitian men. There they landed in 1790. To prevent discovery by passing ships and to make it impossible to leave the island home, Christian

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ordered the Bounty burned to the waterline.

For sometime an idyllic life was enjoyed. Then jealousy over the women and rivalry over land holdings brought violent death to most of the mutineers.

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One of them, John Adams, had a dream in which he believed he saw the angel Gabriel, became remorseful, repented of his sins, read the Bounty Bible and founded a church. He decided to lead the good life and became a community leader.

Fate of the castoffs remained unknown to the mutineers but the master navigator Bligh, who had accompanied Captain Cook on his second voyage around the world, won his battle against the sea. In the frail craft, he covered 3,618 miles, avoiding contact with cannibal-infested islands. He did touch on some small uninhabited islands to glean shell fish and wild fruit for his men. He overcame starvation, thirst, and exhaustion under a blazing sun in a historic open boat voyage to reach Timor, near Java.

Taking passage home, Bligh later became an admiral. He died in 1817 and was buried in the churchyard beside Lambeth Palace.

For 18 years the volcanic cliffs and dangerous anchorage at the main island successfully screened the mutineers from discovery by passing ships.

Eventually, in 1808, an American sealer made a stop to search for fresh water. The astounded crew of the Topaz uncovered the mystery of the missing Bounty and saw a model community under the direction of John Adams, sole survivor.

The commander of the Topaz inform-

ed the admiralty and thus revealed to the world the last chapter in the lives of the Bounty mutineers. Soon several British ships visited Pitcairn which became the first British colony in the Pacific. Later, one brought a pardon for the penitent old mariner, who died in 1829.

Overpopulation caused the British to move the colonists to Tahiti in 1831 but home-sickness and disgust at the shocking morals of the Tahitians resulted in the return of the settlers to Pitcairn within months.

Once again, in 1856, a British transfer carried them off, this time to Norfolk Island, just then released from use as a penal colony. It was an unhappy move and by 1859 most of the settlers were back on Pitcairn.

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