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Dear Friends:-

I'm sure - yes, almost positive that every stamp collector and stamp dealer in Canada is strongly opposed to our Post Office selling Canadian stamps to foreign stamp dealers at up to 30% under face value. I'm just as sure that every citizen in Canada given the correct information would also oppose our Government selling mint stamps under face value.

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I've spent a lot of time, and gone to a lot of trouble and expense to get the message across, but the boys in Ottawa are not listening.

Honourable Bryce Mackasey, Sir, please change the policy to "NO CANADIAN STAMPS TO ANYONE UNDER FACE."

Recently I purchased a very fine British Colony and Canada collection from Mr. A. V. Davage of Toronto. Mr. Davage started collecting 50 years ago with a collection his father gave him and now had 12 beautiful albums, all neatly mounted and arranged with stamps in perfect condition.

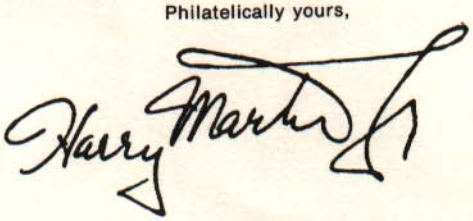
The Canada is particularly nice with a page of the 3d. Beavers, including items marked on the back that were purchased from Fred Jarret in February 1949 and Mr. Sparrow in 1947 and Mr. Barnes in 1947, and also Empire 3d's purchased in 1962.

There is a beautiful mint 2c. 1864, along with other fine 1859 issues. From there on the collection is pretty well complete mint and used, with the modern issues of course, including $1.00 issues in blocks of 4. Mr. Davage particularly liked the 50c. O.H.M.S. and purchased 5 blocks of these. One went in his collection and the other 4 he gave to his daughter, Mrs. G. Sargeant. When I told him how much I would pay for these 4 blocks, he was delighted and said that he would pass the information on to his daughter, and early the next morning, Mrs. Sargeant was here with the blocks along with the $1.00 Fish plate block and these are all now in the Empire stock.

I know that I am a little premature, but let me tell you about the big Stamp Show here in Toronto in 1978. This will be the first International Show in Canada since CAPEX and it will be held at the Exhibition grounds here in Toronto. You will be hearing more about this Exhibition, and I sincerely hope that you will give the Executive all the support that you possibly can. It is certainly going to be the BIG, BIG SHOW OF THE CENTURY FOR CANADA.

By the way, I still want to buy stamps, so if you have anything for sale, please write or telephone.

Philatelically yours,



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THOUGHTS & THINGS ..... FROM THE EDITOR

ONE DOWN, ? TO GO -

The Montreal Olympics are over and the last (we hope) of the 35 Olympic stamps has been produced. About these, Lucius Jackson, publisher of The Stamp Wholesaler'' wrote: ''The Montreal Olympics have been marked by more stamps at a higher total face value than have been issued by any previous host nation in the long history of the Olympic Games.

''In an added effort to make collectors pay for the event, Canada has issued a number of coins and medals, all at outrageous prices, and has topped this with various metallic reproductions of its Olympic stamps . . . ''

Now there are rumours that a similar scheme will be instituted to help defray the costs of the Commonwealth Games in Edmonton in 1978.

Perhaps the CP can be talked into doing the same for CAPEX 78, but I hope not. There will be a stamp(s) for the centenary of Canada's entry into the Universal Postal Union and it is a foregone conclusion that the day of issue will coinicde with Capex. Perhaps we shall see Canada's first souvenir sheet for that event. And why not? The CP seems to have tried everything else but that form.

Whether the Olympic stamp and coin issuing scheme was financially successful we may never know. However, I hope that we shall see the figures for the numbers of stamps issued, sold, FDCs serviced, metallic reproductions, souvenir books and the like, that were sold and the amounts (gross and total to COJO) realized. pmm

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The same staggered mailing system for the 1977 annual dues notices will be used again this year from September onward. It will be done on a geographical basis.

Renewal of your membership as soon as possible after you receive your notice would be appreciated.

A U.S. bank account has been opened, so from now on members will not be asked for the 25 cents service charge on foreign cheques.

AVIS AUX MEMBRES

Le même système de correspondance sera encore utilisé cette année à partir de septembre pour les avis de cotisation de 1977. Il sera fait sur une base géographique.

Le renouvellement de votre réinscription annuelle aussitôt que possible après avoir recu votre avis serait grandement apprécié.

Un compte de banque américain a été ouvert de sorte qu'à partir de maintenant on ne demandera plus aux membres de payer 25 cents de frais de service pour les chèques étrangers.

Mme G. M. Geldert
Directeur exécutif

MOVING?

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FURTHER NOTICES TO MEMBERS

ASSISTANT EDITOR [FRENCH] APPOINTED

In order that we may present articles in French, we have appointed another assistant editor. The newest of the editorial team is André Bisaillon of Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec. André will look after articles, notes, etc. from members who wish to submit material in French rather than in English.

All such material should be addressed to: Dr. André Bisaillon, 3130 rue Sicotte, Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebec, J2S 2L8.

Articles in English should still be sent to the editor or assistant editor, Dr. Fred Stulberg.

NOMINATION D'UN ASSISTANT ÉDITEUR DE LANGUE FRANÇAISE

Afin de présenter des articles en français, nous avons nommé un autre assistant éditeur. Le nouveau membere de l'equipe éditoriale est le Dr. André Bisaillon de Saint-Hyacinthe, Quebéc. André s'occupera des articles, des notes etc. des membres désireux de soumettre des articles en français plutôt qu'en anglais.

Tout correspondance doit être adressée à 3130 rue Sicotte, Saint-Hyacinthe, Québec, J2S 2L8.

Les articles en anglais doivent être envoyés à l'éditeur ou à l'assistant éditeur Dr. Fred Stulberg.

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Please note that a stamped, addressed envelope no longer needs to be included with correspondence to officers of the Society that requires a reply.

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CORRIGENDUM

You may have wondered at the caption to the photograph on p.235 of the July-August issue of the Canadian Philatelist. If you delete the second line, it will make sense. The photograph might make an interesting cachet but I don't think it would sell.

MADESKER IS SIP PRESIDENT

Michael Madesker, R.PS.C. Coordinator of Youth Activities, was elected president of the Society of Israel Philatelists at Interphil 76 last month. He thus became the first Canadian president of this society. He will serve a two year term in that office.

The Society of Israel Philatelists is one of the larger international philatelic specialists' organizations. It has 2100 members in North America alone and 48 active chapters in Canada (3), U.S.A., Mexico, Israel, South America, Great Britain and Continental Europe.

A NEW STAMP CLUB

Members in the Lindsay, Ontario region may be interested in learning that a new stamp club has been formed in their area. It is the Lindsay Stamp Club, which meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the Public Library, Lindsay, Ontario. Further information may be obtained from Bruce MacLean, President, 40 Elaine Drive, Lindsay, Ontario, K9V 4X8.

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MAURICE WILLIAMS, 1905 - 1976

Maurice Williams, doyen of Cinderella philately and well known throughout the stamp world, died, aged 70, of a heart attack on June 15th. Confined to a wheelchair since he contacted polio at school at age 14, he overcame this disability by turning to the study of stamps and was a familiar figure at exhibitions. His interests were universal and his knowledge of private posts unrivalled but he will perhaps be best remembered for his writings,both in the philatelic press and of such books as "The Fundamentals of Philately", "Stamps of Fame", "Rare Stamps", and "The Postage Stamp, Its History and Recognition" published by Penguin Books and translated into many languages. Everything was of course written with his younger brother Norman under the now famous by-line, L.N. and M. Williams, and this work will now be continued by Norman. His death is a sad loss to his family and to philately.

from Stamp Collecting,
June 24th, 1976.

INTERPHIL 76 CATALOGUE AVAILABLE

The 268 page catalogue of the exhibits at INTERPHIL 76 which contains the exclusive souvenir sheet (6 x 9 inches) issued in honour of INTERPHIL 76 by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration, and produced by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington, is available in limited quantities.

The catalogue is replete with illustrations, many in colour, on most of its pages. The contents are too numerous to detail but include a 16 page full colour reproduction of the Aristocrats of Philately, 31 of the world's greatest stamp rarities, illustrations of every major award given, illustrations of some stamps from the Royal Collection and, of course, an alphabetical index to all of the stamp exhibits.

The cost of the catalogue is $5.00 and may be ordered from INTERPHIL '76 Catalogue, P.O. Box 800, State College, PA, 16801, U.S.A. A blank copy of the International Philatelic Passport (cost is $1) will be included free with the catalogue on a first come, first served basis.

PHILATELIC FOUNDATION LEAFLETS AVAILABLE

A spokesman for the Philatelic Foundation states that copies of the past analysis leaflets:

United Sates Coils
1909 Bluish Papers
1875 Re-Issue
The Columbian Issue

are still available, free of charge, to interested collectors.

Other leaflets available free of charge are:

"Wide and Narrow Spacings on Flat Plate Coil Line Pairs"
"The U.S. One Cent Stamp of 1851, Type I (7R1E)"

Those collectors interested in obtaining one or all of these leaflets should write, enclosing a self-addressed #10 envelope , to: The Philatelic Foundation, 99 Park Avenue, New York, NY, 10016, U.S.A.

EXCHANGE REQUESTED

J. Nÿland, of the Netherlands, is looking for someone who would like to exchange Canadian for Dutch stamps. Anyone who would be interested in such an exchange should write to Mr. Nÿland whose address is: J. Nÿland, Admiraliteitslaan 422, 's-Hertogenbosch, Nederland.

CALLING ATTENTION TO

In recently published philatelic journals are three articles which I found particularly interesting. The first, on preparing tape/slide programmes is described in the Bookshelf section. The second is one of the 1976 Congress Papers: "Exhibitions, Exhibitors and Judges" by George South, M.B.E., in Stamp Monthly (Gibbons), June 1976, pp.40-43. Mr. Smith makes some personal and astute comments on these

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subjects, directing his focus primarily on international exhibitions and their judges. He concluded his paper with this comment, ". . . . exhibitors at exhibitions should exhibit primarily for the purpose of giving pleasure to others. Any award should be of minor importance. In fact, the best reward is to hear some stranger say how very much he has enjoyed your exhibit. Never let philatelists turn into pot hunters; to do so is to debase the hobby."

The third article is in an entirely different vein, being a humerous treatment of the future of collecting mint, never hinged stamps. The title alone indicates what to expect. "1984 - Unmounted Mint Still Rules (or Are Unhinged Collectors Mad?)" by E. Bygum, Stamp Collecting, July 1st, 1976, pp.1069 & 1071. Can you imagine an "unmounted mint used stamp"? Read this article and you will learn how such a contradiction could be possible.

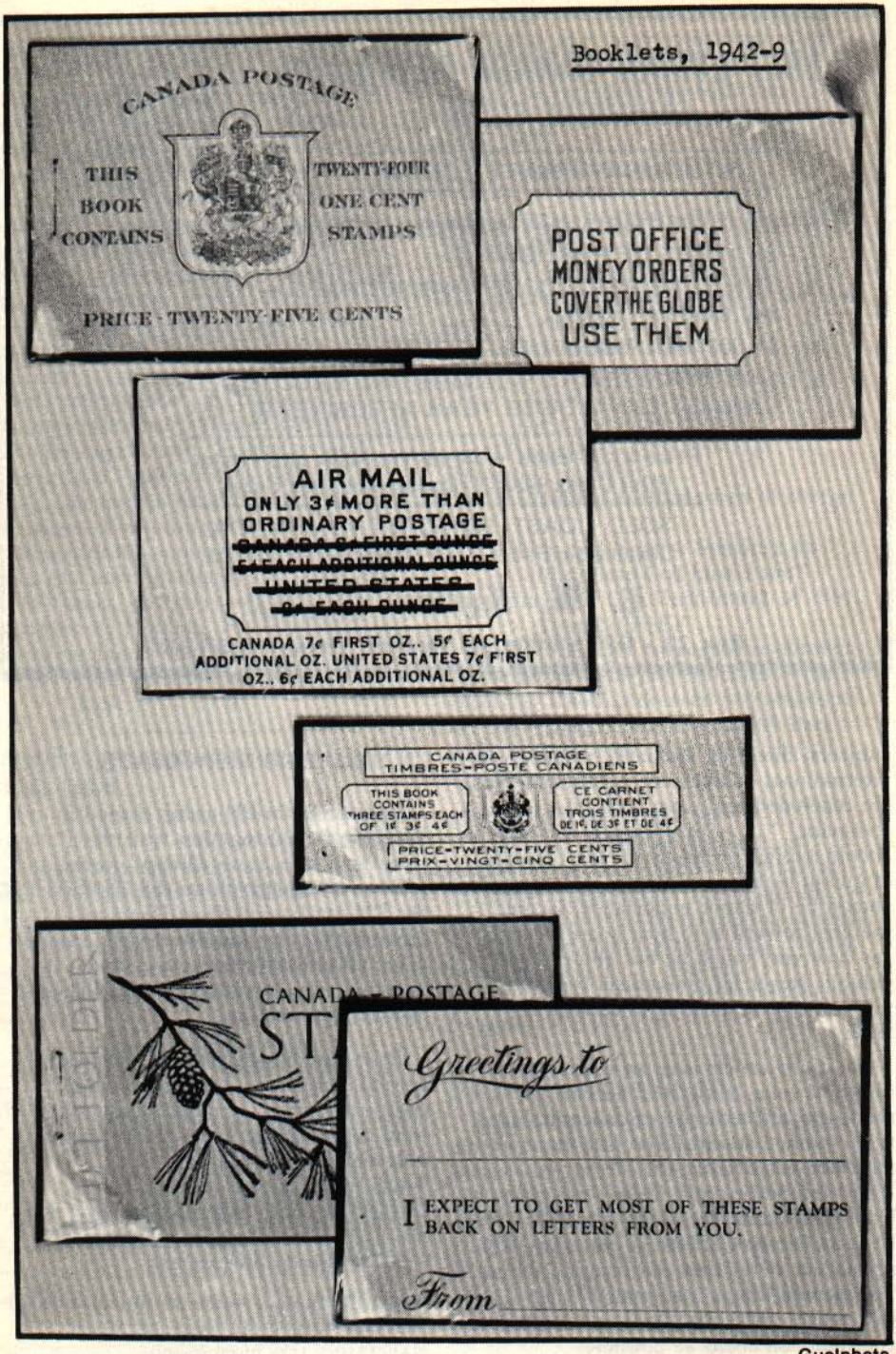
UN FIELD POST MONOGRAPH

The european UN-group (based in West-Germany) together with the "Nordic States Study Group" intend to publish a **monograph on the Field Post of the UN contingents from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden;** It should cover all philatelic aspects of their activities in **past and present UN Peace Keeping Operations.**

Collectors having letters, airletters, special cancels, cachets, postmarks, registered labels, etc. are kindly asked to send copies of the items or cancels for information either to Mr. Ch. Schlachetzki, Rethelstr. 133, D-4 Dusseldorf (Fed. Rep. of Germany) or to Mr. J. L. Emmenegger, P.O. Box 795, CH-4001 Basel, Switzerland.

We thank very much in anticipation all collectors expecting to cooperate in elaborating this monograph.

Booklets, 1942-9



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CANADIAN BOOKLETS OF THE DEFINITIVE ISSUE, 1942-9

by C. F. Black

This issue, also known as the War Effort issue, was introduced on July 1st, 1942. The first booklet, containing two panes of four of the three cents carmine stamp, appeared nine days later. Thus commenced one of the most interesting series of booklets issued by Canada.

Interest in the booklets does not lie primarily in the stamps, but in the entire booklets, which provide a surprising number of collectable varieties. It was the first issue to have bilingual inscriptions, and the only one to appear in English, French and bilingual versions. There were two innovative sizes of booklets. These were the three stamp pane 'chewing gum' size, which lasted a number of years, and the large Gift Folder, the 'Christmas Booklet' of 1947, which was not popular, and many of which were broken up in post offices.

The denominations of the stamps in the booklets were governed, of course, by the current rates of postage. When this issue was introduced, and until March 31st, 1943, the Domestic rate for first-class letters was 2c for local delivery and 3c for out-of-town mail plus 1c and 2c respectively for each additional ounce. On April 1st, 1943, the rates for the first ounce were each increased by one cent. These rates remained in effect until the issue was superceded on November 15th, 1949. Air mail rates are also relevant, as they were given on a rate page in most of the booklets. The Air mail rate within Canada, from July 1st, 1942, until March 31st, 1943, was 6c for the first ounce and 5c for each additional ounce, and thereafter, until the issue was superceded, 7c and 5c. The air mail rate to the United States was 6c per ounce until March 31st, 1943. On April 1st, 1943, it was increased to 7c. for the first ounce, and on November 1st, 1946, the rate for each ounce over the first was reduced to 5c. It is convenient to classify the booklets into groups by reference to the current U.S. Air rates, as given on the rate page.

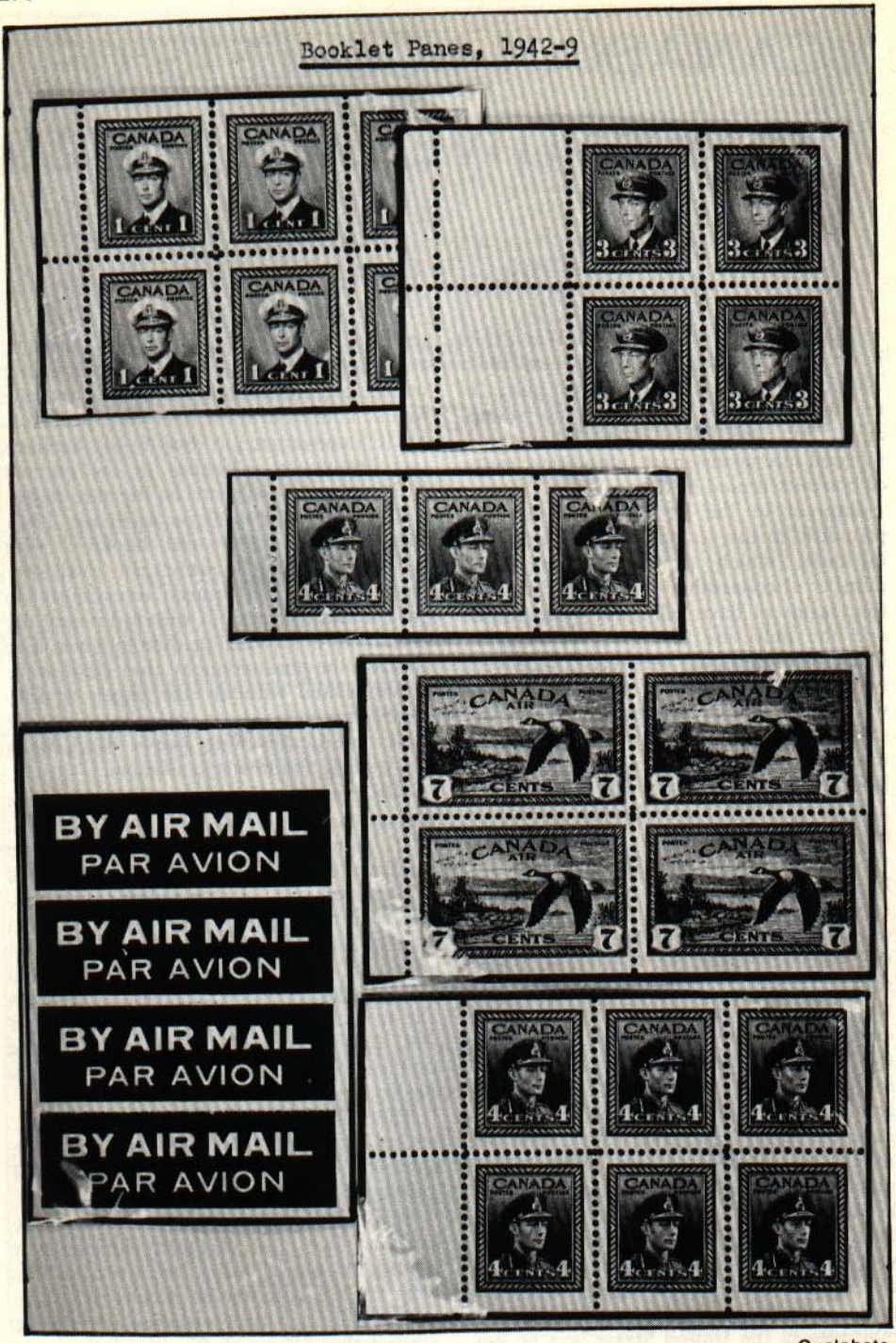
The change of rates on April 1st, 1943, was rather sudden, and booklets with revised rate pages were not available. Instructions were issued accordingly to post offices to cross out with red pencil the rate pages in all booklets then in stock. The booklets in production at that time were either issued without rate pages or with pages overprinted by crossing out the superceded rates with heavy black lines and adding the new rates below.

All booklets were produced by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa. The stamps were recess printed on medium wove paper, and line perforated 12. The ink used for two denominations, the 3c carmine and the 4c, was fluorescent. The so-called 'secret dates' appear in the inverted 'V' in the centre of the bottom scroll, '1942' on the 1c, 2c and 3c, '1943' on the 4c and '1946' on the 7c Air stamp from 1947 Gift Folder. The gum is white, except on the stamps in the Gift Folder, where it is brown.

The value of the stamps in each booklet, except the Gift Folder, was 24c, and were sold at 25c. The Folder had 98c worth of stamps and was sold for $1.00.

The front covers are in three basic designs. For most of them, during their periods of usage, two, three or more dies were used. They may be distinguished by the pattern of dots, particularly in or around the letters of the inscriptions, or

Booklet Panes, 1942-9



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around the edges of the Arms or the inscription frames.

Until about the middle of 1943 the back covers were inscribed 'POST OFFICE MONEY ORDERS . . . .' or the French equivalent 'LES MANDATS DE POSTE . . . .' The inscriptions were then changed to 'POSTAL NOTE SCRIP . . . .' or 'BONS POSTAUX D'APPOINT . . . .' On the 4c English and French booklets with the April 1943 overprinted pages both back cover inscriptions are found on otherwise identical booklets. Currently, on the back covers of the Gift Folder there seems to be an inconsistency. The English inscription is 'POSTAL NOTE SCRIP . . . .', but the french is not the equivalent 'BONS POSTAUX D'APPOINT . . . .' but 'LES MANDATS DE POSTE . . . .'

On both front and back covers there are shade variations, some of them quite marked.

Two papers were used for the printed pages. A shiny off-white paper was in use until about mid-1946. It was followed by a dull white paper. At least one pair of booklets, the 1c, 3c and 4c Combination booklet, English and Bilingual, with 7c and 5c U.S. Air rates, may be found with either paper.

In this issue, for the first time, three lengths of staples were used, 12mm, 14mm and 17mm. The 17mm was the most generally used.

DATES OF ISSUE AND QUANTITIES ISSUED

Denomination	Panes	Language	Date of Issue	Quantity Issued
1c	4 panes of	Eng.	24 Nov. '42	699,000
	6 stamps	Fr.	16 Feb. '43	145,000
		Bil.	8 Jan. '46	99,000
2c	2 of 6	Eng.	6 Oct. '42	75,000
		Fr.	6 Apr. '43	10,000
3c Carmine	2 of 4	Eng.	20 Aug. '42	4,650,000
		Fr.	29 Aug. '42	560,000
1c	1 of 4	Eng.	14 Sep. '42	700,000
2c	1 of 4	Fr.	12 Sep. '42	102,000
3c Carmine	1 of 4			
3c Violet	2 of 4	Eng.	28 Aug. '43	1,201.00
		Fr.	7 Sep. '43	61,000
		Bil.	8 Jan. '46	407,000
4c	1 of 6	Eng.	3 May '43	24,114,000
		Fr.	12 May '43	1,789,000
		Bil.	8 Jan. '46	3,001,000
1c	1 of 3	Eng.	1 Sep. '43	5,464,000
3c Violet	1 of 3	Fr.	18 Sep. '43	496,000
4c	1 of 3	Bil.	23 Jan. '46	992,000
3c Violet	1 of 6	Eng.	1 Dec. '47*	404,500
4c	1 of 6	Fr.	1 Dec. '47	100,000
7c Air (Goose)	2 of 4			
Airmail labels	2 of 4			

* Panes from these booklets are known on covers postmarked 28 Nov. '47.

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Back cover 2 - Inscribed 'POSTAL NOTE SCRIP.....' or
'BONS POSTAUX D'APPOINT.....'
The length of staples is 17mm, except where noted.

A - PERIOD OF ISSUE 20 AUG. '42 TO 31 MAR. '43, EXCEPT AS NOTED.

Back cover 1
U.S. Air rate (on rate page) 6c. for each ounce.

Serial	Denomination	Language	Remarks
1	1c	Eng.	
2		Fr.	
3	2c	Eng.	
4		Fr.	Issued 6 Apr. '43. Rate page has superceded U.S. 6c Air rate.
5-7	3c Carmine	Eng.	Stapes (a)12mm, (b)14mm, (c)17mm.
8-9		Fr.	Staples (a)12mm, (b)17mm.
10	4c	Eng.	Issued 3 May '43. Rate page has superceded U.S. 6c Air rate.
11		Fr.	Issued 12 May '43. Rate page has superceded U.S. 6c Air rate.
12	1c, 2c, 3c Car.	Eng.	
13-14		Fr.	Staples (a)14mm, (b)17mm.

B - TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOLLOWING CHANGE OF RATES ON 1 APR. '43.

Back cover 1, except where noted.
U.S. Air rate 7c. for first ounce, 6c. for each ounce over first.

Serial	Denomination	Language	Remarks
15-16	1c	Eng.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) Optd.
17-18		Fr.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) Optd.
19-20	2c	Eng.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) None.
21-22		Fr.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) None.
23-25	3c Carmine	Eng.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) None (c) Optd.
26-28		Fr.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) None, (c) Optd.
29-30	4c	Eng.	Rate page - (a) None, (b) Optd.
31-33			Back cover 2.Rate page opt. Staples: (a)12mm, (b)14mm, (c)17mm.
34-35		Fr.	Rate page - (a) None, (b) Optd.
36			Back cover #2. Rate page optd.
37-38	1c, 2c, 3c Car.	Eng.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) Optd.
39-40		Fr.	Rate page - (a) X'd out, (b) Optd.

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C - PERIOD OF ISSUE 1 APR. '43 TO 31 OCT. '46.

Back cover 2.
U.S. Air rate 7c. for first ounce, 6c. for each ounce over first.

Serial	Denomination	Language	Remarks
41	1c	Eng.	
42		Fr.	
43		Bil.	
44	3c Violet	Eng.	
45		Fr.	
46		Bil.	
47-48	4c	Eng.	Staples (a)14mm, (b)17mm.
49		Fr.	
50		Bil.	
51	1c, 3c Vio., 4c	Eng.	
52		Fr.	
53		Bil.	

D - PERIOD OF ISSUE 1 NOV. '46 UNTIL SUPERCEDED ON 15 NOV. '49.

Back cover 2.
U.S. Air rate 7c. for first ounce, 5c. for each ounce over first.

Serial	Denomination	Language	Remarks
54	1c	Eng.	
55		Bil.	
56	3c. Violet	Eng.	
57		Bil.	
58-60	4c	Eng.	Staples (a)12mm, (b)14mm, (c)17mm.
61		Bil.	
62-63	1c, 3c Vio., 4c	Eng.	Paper for printed pages (a) Shiny, (b) Dull.
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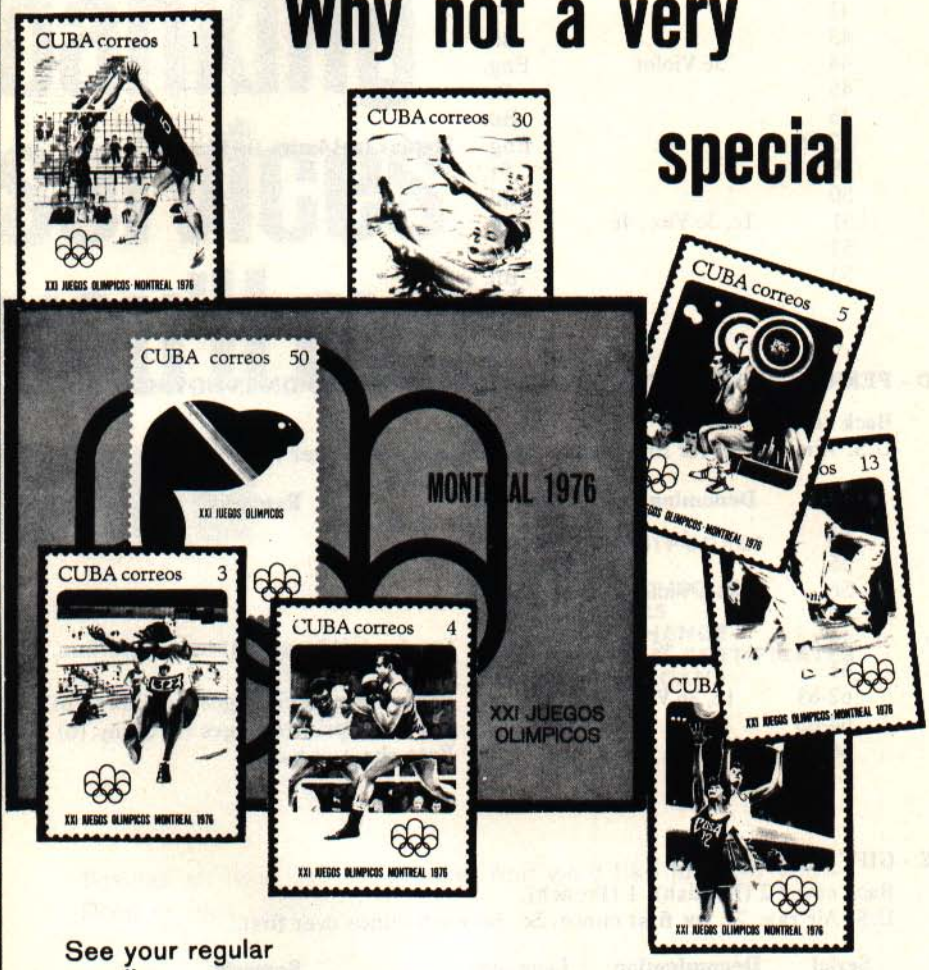
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Collecting South America Topically

By Steven Slavik

South America is truly as fabulous a treasure mine for North America collectors as it was for the Conquistadores. In ten minutes I have thought of almost twenty topical collections I would be delighted to make, had I time and the finances for the effort. Any one of them would be a collection interesting to form, educational in its presentation of international affairs, and also beautiful. For example, consider a collection based on the theme of Lima, Peru. Peru has issued many stamps which portray landmarks in and about Lima, maps, explorers, liberators, and statesmen of Lima. Peru has also issued stamps overprinted "LIMA" for postal and philatelic use. Chile overprinted Peruvian stamps and postal stationery in Lima during their occupation of Peru in 1879-82. One could also consider for such a collection covers posted to and from Lima, unique first-flight air covers from Lima to North America and to other South American capitals, and the like. Moreover, Spain has issued stamps commemorating the explorers of Peru, archbishops of Lima, and others. In fact, such a collection is possible for any capital city in South America. Even lesser cities such as Maracaibo or Ushuaia in Tierra del Fuego could be treated with just as much interest but more searching may be required.

Also consider river-boat mail or other travelling post office mail in South America. I have seen records of so-called "Fluvial" mail from the Amazon, the Paraguay, and Parana rivers. There are also the "ambulancias" from Chilean and Bolivian railways, and such surely exist from the Argentine, with its extensive railway system. The history of air post could fill may albums with airmail overprints, regular airmail issues, first flight covers, Zeppelin covers, and wreck covers.

South American countries are great for commemorating presidential visits. I can call to mind many issues illustrating intra-continental visits of presidents and very nearly as many intercontinental visits from Europe and Asia to South America countries.

Three major wars in South America in the philatelic period ought to offer interesting material for study and collection. The War of the Pacific has been well covered in philatelic literature, and some material is listed in Scott's under Occupation Issues of Peru. The War of the Chaco, fought between Bolivia and Paraguay, ought to offer material to a diligent searcher, especially as it occurred in the 1930's. Further back in history, the war between Paraguay and the Triple Alliance (Brazil, Argentina, and Uruguay) in the 1860's did generate some military covers from each of these countries, and foreign postal service in Paraguay, although it may be difficult to find material now.

Consider also four commodities which we in Canada frequently obtain from South American countries: bananas, coffee, oil, and minerals. Each of these is a topical philatelic mine in itself. The number of stamps depicting bananas, coffee, oil, and minerals or mining is extensive, but the number of available commercial covers from South American producers of these items to North America must be tremendous. For example, consider the trade in coffee. Covers to the United States from coffee producers in South America must end up somewhere. In addition, but probably very difficult to obtain, the trans-Atlantic correspondence between the members of the world coffee cartel in Africa and South America would make an

exciting contemporary collection. Correspondence from oil and mining or mineral-producing companies can be treated in the same way. Alcan, for example, might have as big a share in South American mining as they do in West Africa, and many Canadian suppliers of scientific equipment, such as Wild-Leitz, have sold material to South American industry through government loans. The firm of A. H Thomas in Philadelphia maintains a large export business of major scientific equipment which would go to universities as well as these industries. Covers from the transactions of such businesses should be plentiful and inexpensive.

A collection which interests me right now, and involves no more than the cost of the stamps (as opposed to covers) is one of foreign-made issues for South American use. With ease I can think of countries which have contracted to the Bundesdruckerei, Berlin; Staatsdruckerei, Vienna; Instituit de Gravure, Paris; the American Bank Note Company, New York; Heraclio Fournier, Vittoria, and the F.N.M.T. of Madrid, for their stamps. And this list of printers does not mention English firms, or South American firms which have contracted to print stamps adjoining countries. An example of the latter is the Casa de Moneda of Chile which recently produced stamps for Paraguay. Alternately, one could collect locally lithographed or engraved issues, or counterfeits, or reprints.

Last, but hardly least, one could consider a postmark collection on types A73-A77 (Scott) of Brazil. I have seen red, purple, green, black, single-line or double-line circular date stamps; oval date stamps, postmarks with large letters or small letters, undated and mute cancellations, straight-line and octagonal cancellations. And such a collection is perhaps the cheapest of all since the stamps are so common.

Thus it is easy to see that there are very many topics relative to South America that could be collected. Although I haven't been collecting these countries for very long, I have found it easy to obtain stamps and catalogues from South American dealers, philatelic and historic literature in English, and above all, these interesting subjects, many of which have threads into our daily life and recent history, can provide material for years of collecting.

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Fig. 1. Canada's St. Lawrence Seaway Stamp [Sc. 387] of June 26, 1959.



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Fig. 2. U.S.A. St. Lawrence Seaway Stamp [Sc. 1131] issued on the same day as Canada's.

THE ST· LAWRENCE SEAWAY
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The key to the Seaway is that majestic waterway, the St. Lawrence River, issuing from the Great Lakes and flowing over 1300 miles before it merges into the Atlantic Ocean, with every mile along its course entwined with the history of Canada and the United States.

To the Indians who first used the river system of the St. Lawrence, its tributaries and the Great Lakes, as the first highways into the heart of the continent of North America, there were only minor navigational obstacles. Their birch-bark canoes could travel with little inconvenience, and in winter, when the river was frozen, they travelled on foot. However, with the arrival of the white man and the shipping of large cargoes in the more cumbersome, wooden, flat-bottomed bateau, travel along the waterway was hindered by the many dangerous rapids and other hazards presenting major obstacles. The completion of the Seaway fulfills the dream of these early pioneers of three centuries ago, of a waterway which would make it possible for ocean vessels to sail over 2,300 miles from the Atlantic Ocean to the inland ports of the Great Lakes.

Generally, the initial canal-building period is considered to be the first half of

THE WINNIPEG TAGGED

I'm often asked: "how come you live in Winnipeg and have yet to advertise a comprehensive lot of Winnipeg Tagged stamps?" Procrastination I suppose. After all it took the general catalogues quite a few years to admit that Canadian Tagged stamps existed and even now no attempt is made to separate the Winnipeg Tagged from the much later General Tagged.

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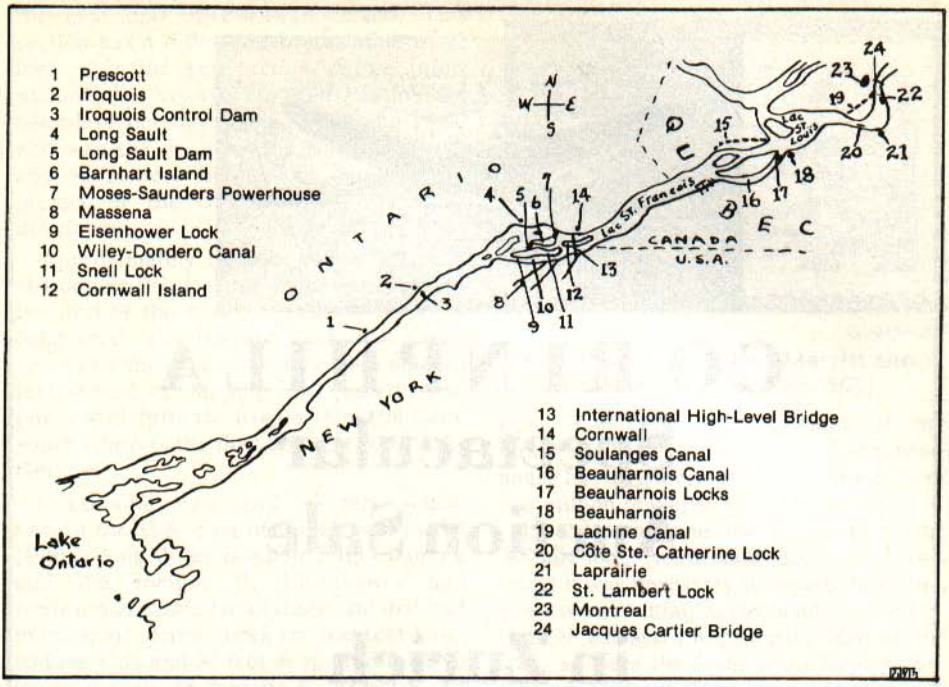
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the 19th century, which was the period during which the first 9 foot canal system was completed, but the first attempt to improve the river system was actually made in 1700 when a by-pass of the Lachine Rapids was initiated by Dollier de Casson, Superior of the Sulpicion Seminary. By 1895 both countries realized the need of a deep-water channel from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean and they appointed a joint commission (the first of several over six decades) to study and advise on constructing such a channel, and, when the Boundary Waters Treaty was entered into in 1909, an International Commission was made part of the treaty. But throughout the ensuing years the U.S. Congress repeatedly refused to approve the St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project. Finally, in 1951, the Canadian Government adopted plans to start construction on an unilateral basis. This idea of an All-Canadian Seaway stirred the U.S. into action, and in May 1954 the United States Congress passed legislation authorizing the U.S. to join Canada in carrying out the project, and finally work commenced, at several points on the river, in the autumn of 1954.

The western end of the Seaway begins at the Lake Erie entrance to the Welland Canal between Lakes Erie and Ontario. The canal, a by-pass of Niagara Falls, was originally built by Wm. Hamilton Merritt (Fig. 3) and opened in 1829. It has eight locks, 800' by 80' by 30', two of which are twin locks, with a total lift of 326 feet.

Leaving the canal and crossing Lake Ontario the Seaway enters the St. Lawrence River. The next 68 miles is referred to as the Thousand Islands Section, and here scattered rock shoals were removed and extensive dredging was carried out to deepen the channels to the 27 foot minimum.

Adjacent to the Thousand Islands Section is the International Section covering 44 miles, from just east of Prescott, Ont., to



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the east end of Cornwall Island. This section has a difference in elevation of 92 feet. It is the key section of the International Waterway. Through it runs the boundary between Canada and the U.S., and was the main reason for negotiation and agreement before the great power project of the St. Lawrence could be developed.

Approximately 10 miles below Prescott, at Iroquois Point, is the most westerly and the first of the seven Seaway locks to be completed. The Iroquois Lock is a single one, since the drop in water level is only six feet. It enables shipping to by-pass the first power structure, the Iroquois Control Dam, which controls the flow of water from Lake Ontario.

Continuing east and slightly south, toward the U.S. part of the river, lies the 10-mile-long Wiley-Dondero Ship Channel, and the Dwight D. Eisenhower and Bertrand H. Snell Locks three and one half miles apart. These locks are 860 feet long, 80 feet wide and 30 feet deep, and raise or lower vessels 45 feet each. Beneath the Eisenhower Lock is a tunnel which conveys traffic to Barnhart Island where the powerhouse is situated.

The Snell Lock was named in honour of Congressman Snell, of New York, who introduced the first bill. The canal was named in honour of Senator Alexander Wiley and Congressman George Dondero, who wrote the final bill and succeeded in getting it passed by Congress. These locks and canal enable shipping to by-pass the Long Sault Spillway Dam and the powerhouse which is also a dam.

The Spillway Dam is located entirely within U.S. territory crossing the south channel of the St. Lawrence. It controls the amount of water in the power pool and also releases the proper amount for the river below.

The power dam spans the north channel of the St. Lawrence and consists of the powerhouse which bears two names: the Canadian section, the Robert H. Saunders-St. Lawrence Generating Station, honouring the late Mr. Saunders who had worked for years on the power project; and the American section, the Robert Moses Power



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Fig. 3. Wm. Hamilton Merritt and the Welland Canal [Sc. 655].

Dam, honouring the Chairman of the Power Authority of New York. The powerhouse has 32 generators and produces over two million horsepower of electricity.

In order to build the power pool (the 30-mile-long, man-made Lake St. Lawrence) it was necessary to expropriate land, move towns, villages, roads and highways. In all 38,000 acres were buried beneath the lake, as were the Long Sault Rapids. Before construction of the giant power project began huge cofferdams were built to turn or hold the mighty river and just below the powerhouse site the largest cofferdam in the world was constructed.

Two miles downstream from the Snell Lock, connecting Cornwall, Ontario, and Massena, New York, is the new International High-Level Suspension Bridge, providing highway access between the two cities. The main suspension of the bridge is 3,840 feet long and is carried on two 232 foot high towers, and it has the 120 foot clearance required for ships on the Seaway. Canada built the substructure and the United States, the superstructure, with the costs being shared according to the actual lengths of bridge in each country. The two countries jointly own and operate the bridge.

Cornwall is the home of the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority of Canada, and Massena is the headquarters of the U.S. Agency, the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp.

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Dredging of the lake channel was carried out to bring it to the regulation 27 foot depth. In the Soulanges Section the Seaway then passes through the Beauharnois Power Canal, and at the eastern end of the canal are two locks to bypass the Beauharnois Powerhouse and to get ships to the next stage of the river. Each lock raises or lowers 40 feet, and the down-river lock has a four lane highway tunnel beneath to insure uninterrupted vehicular traffic.

Continuing eastward is Lake St. Louis, approximately fourteen miles long by seven wide, and again extensive dredging was carried out to bring the lake channel to the 27-foot minimum. At the eastern end of the lake begins the Lachine Section. Here the Seaway leaves the river and enters the 18 mile long Laprairie New Navigational Channel which takes all Seaway traffic through to Montreal Harbour and the eastern end of the Seaway. The point of exit from the lake is opposite the entrance to the old Lachine Canal. For the next two miles an overland channel has been provided to bypass the Lachine Rapids, along the south side rather than north of the rapids, before entering the last two locks, the Côte Ste. Catherine and St. Lambert Locks.

Both these locks have the same general dimensions of all the Seaway locks, i.e. 800 feet by 80 feet by 30 feet. The Côte Ste. Catherine Lock raises or lowers vessels 30 feet, and the St. Lambert, the most easterly of the Seaway Locks, the final 25 feet.

Spanning this section of the Seaway are five bridges: the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Honore Mercier, the Champlain, the Victoria (owned by the Canadian National), and the Jacques Cartier. All but the Champlain (completed in 1961) were already standing and sound, so that alteration only, rather than total rebuilding was necessary. New sections were built on the south end of each bridge with vertical lifts and new approaches.

Modification to the Jacques Cartier Bridge was a spectacular project in itself, especially as it was carried out with very little interruption of the existing traffic, which was a continuous flow into and out of the heart of the City of Montreal.

About 1,000 feet from the Jacques Cartier Bridge the Seaway ends, and from this point vessels continue on down the St. Lawrence, and the final 1,000 miles to the Atlantic Ocean through a natural deep-water channel.

Before completion in a little over 4½ years and an expenditure of over a billion dollars, peak employment had reached the 22,000 count, and construction entailed moving over 210,000,00 cubic yards of earth, pouring over 6,000,000 cubic yards of concrete, building 45 miles of dikes and digging 69 miles of channel. It also involved relocating 47 miles of highway, 40 miles of double-track railroad and 650 families.



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Fig. 4. Royal Visit Stamp [Sc. 386]

On June 26, 1959 another historical event in the history of these two great nations took place when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II (Fig. 4) joined President Dwight D. Eisenhower in dedicating the newly opened Seaway, and the dream of a great waterway linking all parts of the world with the heart of the North American continent became a reality.

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The Canadian Bank Note Co. printed the stamp for Canada, in sheets of 200, panes of 50, perf 12, from one plate. The quantity issued was 40,110,000 with a limited number of 15,000 matched plate block sets. The imprint appeared in the top and bottom corners of each sheet.

The design was created by Messrs. A. L. Pollock and G. Trottier, of Canada, and W. H. Buckley, A. J. Copeland and E. Metzl, of the U.S.A.

Almost as incredible as the Seaway itself was the variety of this stamp which appeared shortly after release, with the centre inverted. Of the 400 stamps (8 panes) believed to have been printed in error, about 250 have been accounted for. Additional varieties are: doubling in the word 'CANADA'; missing 'CAN'; and the missing 'Da'. The 'hidden date' can be located in the lower portion of Lake Erie just above the 'NA' of Canada.

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THE BEGINNINGS OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HASTINGS COUNTY - Part II, Conclusion

In reply to a questionaire from a Legislative Commission inquiring into the Canadian Post Office in 1841, D. Cameron, Belleville's postmaster at that time, replied: "this Office is peculiarly situated. The mails both from the east and west arrive late in the evening. Regularly in the spring and fall, or at any season when the roads are bad, there are two arrivals and two departures during the night, now it would be almost impossible for one person to give the close attendance required in the Post Office during the day and do all the night work too. An assistant is almost indispensible."

TRENTON

Trenton is situated on the Bay of Quinte at the mouth of the Trent River and was originally part of Murray Township, Northumberland County, but was immediately adjacent to Sidney Township, in Hastings Co. When it was incorporated in 1853, it joined the latter county.

The first permanent settler of Port Trent, as Trenton was originally designated, was a United Empire Loyalist, James Smith. He erected a log house on the west bank of the river in 1790. Henry Ripson bought the Smith property and built the first grist mill on the river. Ripson's property was bought in turn by Adam Henry Myers in 1808. Myers had come to Canada in 1805 from Bremen, Hanover.

In 1817 Sheldon Hawley settled at Port Trent on the east side of the river, and engaged in mercantile pursuits. When River Trent post office was established there in 1826, he became the postmaster. The son and namesake of Adam Henry Myers, and William Robertson were also pioneer merchants. Robertson became postmaster of River Trent in 1832.

A letter from Adam Myers to R. A. Tucker, Kingston, dated 16 December 1842, is postmarked with a small double circle broken by RIVER TRENT, with "17th Decr" in manuscript. Another letter from Myers, dated 11 July 1848, has a slightly larger double circle broken by RIVER TRENT, with JY 15, 1848 set in thin type.

With the incorporation of the village and its change of name in 1853, its post office also became Trenton.

MARMORA

In the early 1800's, Marmora was a small settlement of nine log houses. When surveyors began to work in the area, they reported finding indications of iron ore. Charles Hayes, of the Iron Works at King's Dock Yards, in England, came to Canada and in 1820 he asked the legislature for permission to open a road from the site of Stirling to Marmora and to establish an iron works at nearby Crowe Lake. By the beginning of 1821, a 15 mile road had been opened. Later that year, he reported that he had a "vast number of men working on the Iron Works."

The iron works were built on the east bank of Crowe River. A group of buildings appeared including commercial structures, and Marmora Iron Works post office was opened in 1822 with Charles Hayes as postmaster. It was the first post office inland from Lake Ontario throughout the many miles between Perth and Newmarket. In 1825 Anthony Manahan was appointed manager of the works and shortly thereafter, he became the postmaster.

On a letter from Hayes to Surveyor-

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General Ridout, dated 27 February 1823, the only marking is "Free", written in red. A letter of 7 March has the amount of postage written in the upper right, in the lower left are his initials and the date joined by a bracket, but no indication of the name of the post office.

Marmora Iron Works post office closed temporarily in 1828. When it reopened in 1830 it was known simply as Marmora. Its Postmaster in 1841, James Fidlar, wrote to the Post Office Commission of the Legislature that his "salary or commission for the year ending the 5th July last, from the General Post Office at Quebec, comes to 15s. 10d., and for commission on United States postage, in account with the Post Offices at Queenston and Kingston, 2s." However, a more lucrative side to his post was his "franking privilege, with regard to newspapers and letters sent and received, worth £10 per annum."

Settlement of Rawdon Township, which lies between Sidney and Marmora Townships, began about 1820 along its southern border in the vicinity of Stirling. Another Fidlar, Ed., opened Rawdon post office in 1832. It became Rawdon West in 1851, and Stirling the next year. It is not surprising that its postmaster, then W. Judd, who would be intersted in improving communications, was listed by the Canada Directory as being the Secretary of the Sidney, Rawdon and Victoria Road Company. It noted that "this road will extend 12 miles to meet the Plank Road from Belleville, and will be completed within the present year (1851)."

SHANNONVILLE

Joseph Brant, or Thayendanegea, in 1793 selected two tracts of land for his people, the Iroquois. This land was to be given to them by the government for their assistance in the Revolutionary War. One tract was on the Grand River, the other was on the shores of the Bay of Quinte, immediately east of Thurlow Township. That portion of the tribe which settled on the Bay of Quinte reservation was led by Brant's cousin, Captain John Deserontou. In 1819 they surrendered the first four concessions north of what is now Highway 2; in 1840 they surrendered the remaining northern portion. The land they gave up became Tyendinaga Township.

In the letter of Belleville postmaster Thomas Parker mentioned above, dated December 5, 1822, he wrote: "I received a letter from Major Wilmot requesting me to attend the sale of crown lands at Shannonville on Monday the 16th inst." Shannonville is on the Salmon River just within the Indian Reservation. The village and mill site had been leased from the Indians in 1819, to build the first mill in the township. In that year of 1833, Shannonville post office was opened. The name was derived from the Ports who had come from the vicinity of Shannon, Ireland.

John H. Blacker became postmaster of Shannonville in 1835. A letter from him to Peter Robinson, sent April 20, 1836, is postmarked with a large double circle enclosing SHANNONVILLE, U.C., with the date written in.

MADOC

The settlement of Madoc Township, the area east of Marmora Township, began about 1830. Donald McKenzie built a grist and saw mill and opened a store, the first in the township, on Deer Creek, a tributary of the Moira River. These provided the nucleus of a villge. The Madoc post office opened in 1836 and S. McKenzie became the second postmaster in 1838. To the Legislature's Post Office Commission, on February 18, 1841, he divulged:

"The amount of my emolument for the year ending the 5th July last, was £1 17s. 10d. derived from the commission on Postages usually allowed and from no other source. Owing to the situation I hold, as clerk to D. McKenzie, Esq., I have no Office rent to pay, but as I have occasion to be absent a good deal, the Post Office duty devolves upon an assistant, whose pay amounts to more than all the emoluments I ever received from the Office."

Sidney Township, like Thurlow Twp. was first surveyed in 1787 and lies immediately west of the latter. About 1837 Abel Scott built a mill at the site of Frankford, on the Trent River, and the place was known for many years as Scott's Mills and sometimes as Cole Creek, after the tributary of the Trent on which the mills were located.

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However, Lieutenant-Governor Sir Francis Bond Head visited Scott's Mills that year and the place was named Frankford officially, based on a variation of his first name. In 1838 Frankford post office came into being.

The township immediately north of Thurlow, called Huntingdon, was first settled about 1817. Philip Luke settled in the neighbourhood of Moira. Moira post office appeared in 1841 on the lake of the same name. Four years later, Luke became the postmaster of the West Huntingdon post office, newly opened at the corner of the 3rd concession road and the 2nd sideroad (the Huntingdon Macadamized Road).

Hungerford Twp., the next township east of Huntingdon, had its earliest settlement in 1816, on Sugar Island which lies on the south side of Stoco Lake. Hungerford post office was established in 1846 on the northwest corner of the lake. It was renamed Tweed in 1852.

The Melrose post office was opened in 1818 at the 3rd concession road and 15th sideroad of Tyendinaga Twp.

DESERONTO

Mill Point, in the very southeast corner of Tyendinaga Twp., on the Bay of Quinte, received the impetus for its growth from the erection of large saw mills in 1849. Mill Point post office opened in 1851, with James Bowen as postmaster. From 1857 to 1859 the post office was actually called Bowen, then it reverted back to Mill Point. In 1881 the Indian captain who led the Iroquois in that area was remembered when the name was changed to Deseronto. Until 1870 the postal guides listed it as being in Richmond Township, Lennox and Addington County, although it only touches that municpality on its eastern edge.

Marysville post office was established in 1851 at the intersection of what is now Highway 2 and the 30th sideroad of Tyendinaga.

Foxboro, formerly Smithville, on the Moira River, was founded by William Ashley who purchased lot 2, concession 5 of Thurlow Twp., in 1824. In 1835 he began to manufacture wagons. He became postmaster when Smithville post office was opened in 1851. As there was also a Smithville in the Niagara Peninsula, there must have been considerable confusion. This was eliminated by changing the name of the Hastings Co., village to Foxboro, 10 years later.

Lonsdale came into existence in 1851 in Tyendinaga on the Salmon River, on lot 32, south of the 4th concession. At the intersection of the Macadamized Road (2nd sideroad) and the 7th concession road, the St. George, Hastings Co., post office opened also in 1851. There would be confusion between this post office and that of the same name in Brant County. In 1857 the Hastings County St. George post office became known as Ivanhoe.

A half a mile from the southeast corner of Stoco Lake in Hungerford Twp., Stoco post office was opened in 1851. A letter sent by Wm. R. Rombough of Hungerford, on February 19, 1852, to the Crown Lands Commissioner, Quebec, bears the postmark STOCO, U.C., FEB. 19 1852 printed by hand, with a rectangle drawn around it. Apparently M. McCoy had not yet received a hammer for the new establishment.

The year that Canada took over the management of its Post Office was 1851. It saw the start of a great expansion in the number of post offices and the period of postal beginnings can be said to end at that time.

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SEPTEMBER 18-19 — ROYPEX 76, 37th annual exhibition and bourse of the Royal City Stamp Club in the Arenex, Queen's Park, New Westminster, B.C. Members of R.P.S.C. Chapters are invited to exhibit. Souvenir Covers available at 50c. each. Prospectus from The Royal City Stamp Club, P.O. Box 895, New Westminster, B.C., V3L 4Z8.

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SEPTEMBER 18-19 — AEROPEX '76, Exhibition and Bourse of the stamp clubs of Hughes Aircraft Co., and TRW Defense and Space Systems Group at TRW facilities in Redondo Beach, California. Information and prospectus from: E. K. Harrison, E2/3015, TRW, One Space Park, Redondo Beach, CA, 90278, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 25 — MUSPEX '76 Exhibition of the Muskoka Philatelic Society in the Gravenhurst Opera House, Gravenhurst, Ontario. Information from: Box 187, Gravenhurst, Ontario, P0C 1G0.

SEPTEMBER 25-26 — COLPEX 76, annual exhibition and bourse of the Collectors Club of Michigan at the Sheraton Hotel, Southfield, Michigan. Information from J. Marihugh, P.O. Box 247, Dearborn Hts., MI, 48127, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 2-3 — GUELPHPEX 76, Annual Exhibition, bourse and dinner of the Guelph Stamp Club at the John F. Ross Collegiate, Guelph. Further information from Co-chairmen: Mrs. E. Schmidt or Mr. S. Thorning, c/o P.O. Box 575, Guelph, Ont., N1H 6K9.

OCTOBER 2 — Postal History Society of Ontario's FALL MEETING at GUELPHPEX 76 (see above), 1.30 p.m.

OCTOBER 2-3 — 6TH ANNUAL EXHIBITION, AUCTION and DINNER of the David Thompson Stamp Club, in the Legion Hall, Castlegar, B.C.

OCTOBER 9 - 10 — German-Canadian Stamp Exhibition for Young Philatelists, Soest, Germany. See page 101 for details.

OCTOBER 14-24 — ITALIA 76, Milan Italy. Canadian Commissioner: J. N. Sissons, Suite 27, Mezzanine Floor, King Edward Hotel, 37 King St. E., Toronto, Ontario, M5C 1E9.

OCTOBER 16 - KENTPEX '76 - annual exhibition and bourse of the Kent County Stamp Club at the Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ontario.

OCTOBER 29-30 — Annual Stamp Exhibition and bourse of the East Toronto Stamp Club at the Cedarbrae Shopping Plaza, Lawrence Avenue East and Markham Road, Scarborough. Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information from Raymond Reakes, Secretary, 188 Woodmount Ave., Toronto, Ontario, M4C 3Z4.

OCTOBER 31 — EXHIBITION and BOURSE of the Stratford Stamp Club in conjunction with the annual exhibition and bourse of the Stratford Coin Club, in the Stratford Royal Canadian Legion Hall, St. Patrick St., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information after May 15th from chairman: K. Koch, 40 Birmingham St., Stratford, Ontario, N5A 2S6.

NOVEMBER 5-7 — INPEX CANADA '76, International Northwest Postage Stamp Market sponsored by International Northwest Chapter ASDA at the Sheraton-Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson Street, Vancouver, B.C. Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday 12 noon to 6 p.m. Admission $1 a day.

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1977

APRIL 21-23 — R.P.S.C. CONVENTION at B.C.PEX '77, Vancouver, B.C.

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1977

JUNE 24-26 — BRANTPEX '77 of the Brantford Stamp Club for Brantford's centenary.

AUGUST 19-21 — AMPHEX '77, National Youth Philatelic and Literature Exhibition and bourse. Plankinton House Hotel, 609 N. Plankinton Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Prospectus and general information from Amphex 77 Committee, P.O. Box 265, Two Rivers, WI, 54241, U.S.A.

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André collectionne le matériel philatelique canadien et tout particulièrement les timbres neufs avec les variétés de papiers et les erreurs. Il s'adonne également à la collection des jours d'émission et des carnets de timbres.



Biographical note

Born in Montreal, André Bisaillon studied Veterinary Medicine at the Université de Montréal. After receiving his D.V.M. degree in 1969, he pursued his studies for the degree of Master in Veterinary Sciences which he obtained in 1972. After two years at the University of Saskatchewan, he came back to Saint-Hyacinthe in 1973. Bachelor, André is assistant professor in Veterinary anatomy and embryology at the Faculté de Médicine vétérinaire de l'Université de Montréal.

The collecting interests of André are the Canadian stamps, in particular mint stamps, paper varieties and errors. He collects also first day of issues and booklets.

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A number of writers have been asking if it is still necessary to deface an accurate reproduction of a Canadian stamp. All publications from the post office advertising new stamps and their sales material have the reproductions defaced. The recent importation from Germany of a small brochure depicting recent Canadian stamps in full size and colour was held back by the Customs Service. Reproductions which are reduced or enlarged or not in the exact colours apparently are readily acceptable. A postal regulation issued by the PMG outlines the regulations for stamp reproductions. Illustrations in full natural colour and natural size must be defaced. If the size of the reproduction is increased or decreased in size by at least 50%, it does not need defacement. Unfortunately many publishers are unaware of this regulation and sometimes find themselves in difficulties because of it.

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The 15c. Sc. 594 is an interesting item. Plate 1 with the light blue background and perforated 12 x 12 exists with a small crack on the right side of the design of stamp 10. The crack is just above the word Canada. Suddenly a dark blue shade appeared which looks like the new plate 2, but it is still perforated 12 x 12 and still has the crack. no plate number can be given for this one as the stamps come from field stock only. Then the new plate 2 appeared, perforated 13.2 x 13.2, in dark blue but without the crack. The question here is why does the second issue, plate number unknown, still have the crack and why has plate 2, with the same dark blue lithographed portion of the plate, no crack? Was the negative retouched?

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The Post Office has been considering the introduction of a two and a five dollars booklets. These would fill the gap between the 25c. booklet and a complete sheet or roll of stamps. Booklets of similar values have existed for many years in some European countries and recently the U.S.A. has issued a number of higher value booklets.

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While scanning some recent philatelic literature and auction lists we noticed some rather peculiar descriptions which are intriguing, to say the least; e.g., attractively centered (whatever that means).

fresh, postoffice condition, regummed (we did not know that the post office regums stamps)

joint bar (maybe a paste up?)

Provincial stamp (what is meant here is a provisional stamp)

lively copy (shoot before collecting?)

50c. Bluenose with bottom margin all perforated (?)

transparent smudge cancellation, rare (rare for the round file)

valuable home made copy of 5c. Beaver (any others?)

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A large number of stamps in less than perfect condition are being sold through auctions. One auction house in the USA concentrates on such material and it is amazing what prices are realized for these stamps. For example, a 4 Dollar Jubilee used with a thin and slightly creased brought $195. The 3d. on laid paper, cut into on all sides fetched $156. Similar prices

were obtained for others including many high value US stamps. Of course, it is up to an individual collector to decide how much he is willing to pay, but somehow we have the impression that some simply like to fill a space in their album regardless of quality and, apparently, of the price. There are few buyers of equipment such as cars who do not ask themselves before a purchase what is it worth over a certain period of its life. Maybe some of these collectors should ask that same question when buying stamps.

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Of interest is a recent announcement by a German auction firm that it sells different kinds of original production gums for stamps. One such bottle brought about $50. Methods of applying the gum to ungummed stamps for repair are common in Europe (maybe even here?). With the help of such original material and the existing complex vapour deposit systems, stamps can be regummed or repaired so that they are almost impossible to detect. We have seen some of the Bluenose and Parliament stamps which came from Europe and no magnifying glass or UV light could detect the regumming. The edges of the perforations which normally show some signs of regumming did not in these cases. We hope dealers have some way of detecting such repairs in order to protect their customers and themselves.

The hording of large quantities of modern Canadian sheets does not pay off in the long run. One collector bought about $120,000 worth of the G overprinted 20c. stamps. When he attempted to sell them, a few dealers were interested in buying one or two sheets each from him but not the lot. He finally sold the lot for far below face value and it may take years for the dealer who bought it to get rid of the lot.

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One does not have to buy 1000 complete rolls of the recent 8c. coil stamp in order to find imperforate pairs, but one dealer did just that. He found none. He will certainly have a lot of postage stamps for a long time. But the same dealer received some compensation when he found a strip of four of these imperforate coil stamps in an ordinary mission mixture. Probably very few genuine used strips exist.

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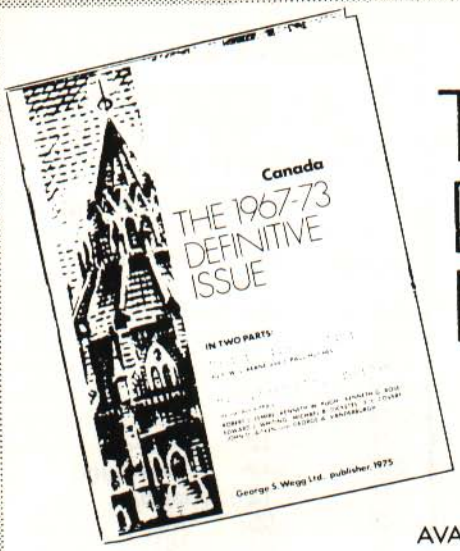
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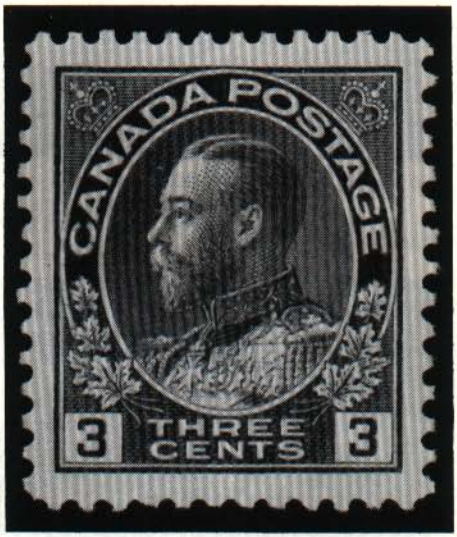
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Part Three
The 3c. and 4c. values

the 3c. brown (fig. 1) was issued to combine the 12c. postage and the 1c, war tax in a single stamp and eliminated the war tax issue. Plate material, in my experience, is somewhat difficult to obtain but there is little to be said about the stamp itself. It is found both in both Wet and Dry printings and is the pale brown shade. The lathe work specimens include type "B" normal and inverted, type "C" and type "D" Wet normal and inverted and "D" Dry normal. The perf 12 vertical coil is most elusive as a single on commercial covers used within even ten years of the reported date of issue in 1921. I am still looking!

The 3c. red made its appearance in 1923 when the basic letter rate changed from 2c. to 3c. The reason for the recent upsurge in the popularity of the Admirals is alluded to in Marler's book. He stated, in 1949, that the 3c. red was still on sale in Ottawa. Dealers shunned the Admirals all through the 30's and 40's because of the Ottawa stocks. When these were finally exhausted professional holdings were minimal. With the 3c. red we have the same coil sheet varieties and imperfs that were described for the 1c. yellow and 2c. green. The 3c. imperf. has been used to fake the coil sheet rarity but it should not fool one familiar with the issue. Fig. 2 shows a genuine imperf x 8 on cover. Of the six plates used to produce the imperfs, #126 through #128 have the imprint at the bottom above the lathe work. The top margin of the upper panes is blank although ink smudges across the top have led some to assume it is



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Fig. 1. 3c. Brown

a form of lathe work. Plates #129-131 were back door items. They have the imprint at the top and the shade differs from that of plates #126-128. No lathe work was entered on these plates.

In 1931 a shortage of 3c. stamps developed when the letter rate was increased from 2c. to 3c. Surplus uncut coil sheets of the 3c. Admiral were perforated 12 horizontally as a provisional sheet stamp late in June 1931. Covers with the 12 x 8 provisional dated in that period, are scarce. The remaining supply of the regular 3c.

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Fig. 2. Cover with imperf x 8 block

Admiral sheet stamps was also drawn on until the 3c. value of the scroll issue became available. Thus this stamp had two periods in which it prepaid the letter rate - from late 1923 to 1926 and again in 1931.

The 1926 horrors also involve this stamp. When the letter rate dropped to 2c. on July 1, 1926 the remainders of the 3c. carmine were scheduled for overprinting 2c. However, handling gummed and perforated sheets on a press proved impractical. Essays of the overprint are known in orange and black, in both sizes of type (Fig. 3) and on both Die I and Die II stamps. A vertical pair of the essay used on a registered cover is in my collection (Fig. 4). The double surcharge, various misplaced overprints and blocks showing the upper pair without overprint are found. The two line items include the double and triple surcharges as well as a block of four with the upper pair showing the surcharge double with one inverted. "Imitations" have been marketed.

The 4c. bistre was the result of the postal rate changes of October 1921. It became available in mid-1922 and paid the rate to the U.K. and other Empire points. Figure 5 shows a pair paying the 8c. rate to Denmark in 1928. The stamp itself comes in a wide range of shades from a greenish



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Fig. 3. Block with two sizes of type of the overprint essay.

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Fig. 4. Vertical pair of overprint essay.



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Fig. 5. 4c. bistre, 8c. rate to Denmark.

to a so-called golden yellow on the early wet printings. Lathe work "D" normal and inverted exist. This is the lowest denomination of the eight values, 4c., 5c. violet, 7c. brown, 8c., 10c. brown 20c., 50c. and $1.00 which exist in imperforate from. While it is reported that 200 copies of each value exist the infrequency with which they appear in auctions indicates only 100 of each value. The "Georgian Stamps of Canada" published in 1936 by the Capital Stamp and Stationery Co. of Ottawa reports "one sheet of 100 is known". The export of a bottom or right margin copy of any denomination would disprove this since the only corner blocks known are upper ones.

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Fig. 1. Albanian candidate for the "most ridiculous design".

In my search for superlative stamps of different categories, I think I have discovered a good candidate for the most ridiculous design. It is the 60q of the 1966 Albania doggy set, one of the thousands of meaningless stamps churned out nowadays with an eye to the topical collector.

This particular stamp has moved from the realm of the merely banal to that of the sublimely ridiculous. Consider noble Fido who has treed the villian (Fig. 1). When I first saw this stamp, I actually laughed out loud, the only time a design has ever so moved me. Then I bought the stamp, so perhaps the Albanian joke is on me.

The recent set of British stamps commemorating nineteenth century social reformers has not been well received by the general public and the philatelic press. Apparently the designer failed in his attempt to communicate his message by the use of hands trapped in various unhappy situtions. This theme is not immediately apparent and the sombre colours are not conventionally pretty.

In regard to single stamps, I would tend to agree with the common opinion, but the multiples are integrated in a clever fashion. This is perhaps most noticable on the 10p stamp which shows a child's hands



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Fig. 2. - One of Britain's Social Reformer stamps. Compare with fig. 3.

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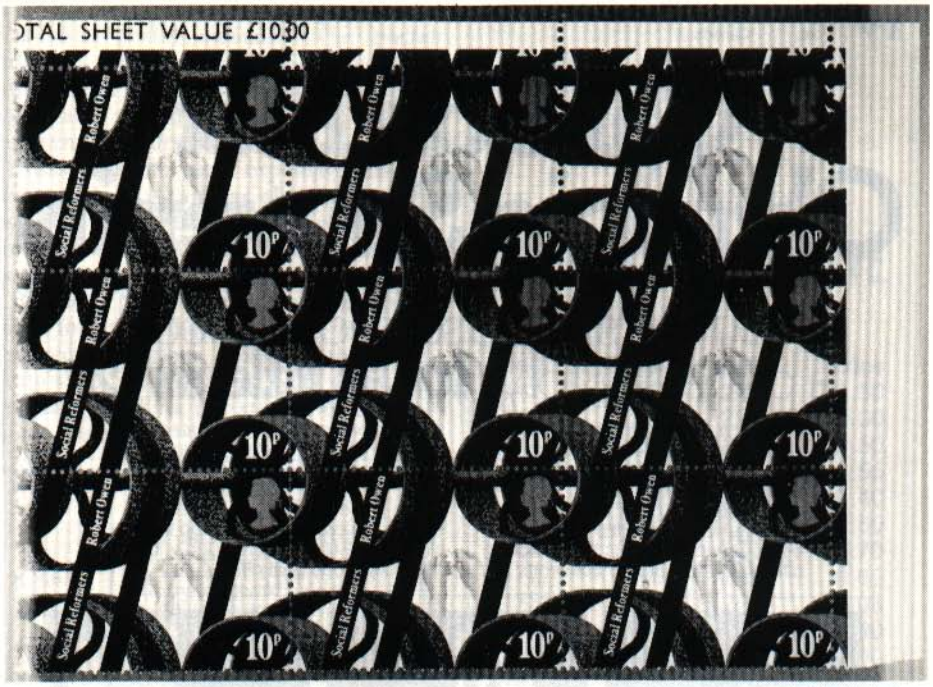
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Fig. 3. Multiple of the Social Reformer stamp shown in figure 2.

surrounded by the belts and pulleys of an old fashioned textile mill.

Single stamps of this design (Fig. 2) are unusual looking but are not particularly effective. However, in multiples (fig. 3) the idea comes to life, and the little hands, lost in the maze of machinery, are pathetic and touching. Note also how brilliantly the complicated patterns of the single stamps tie together to make an overall pattern on the sheet.

However, since stamps are normally collected and used singly, the experiment cannot be considered a complete success. Nonetheless, the British Post Office should be commended for trying something a little different. There are far too many safe but dull designs about.

The Belgian postal museum in Brussels should be on the agenda of every philatelist who visits that city. It is located in a quiet part of town not too far from the glorious central square in an elegant old building. Stamps and postal history material are professionally displayed in beautiful cases, and the entire museum is luxuriously carpeted. All in all, the impression is that this museum is worthy of its setting in prosperous, elegant Brussels.

As one would expect, the stamps and postal history of Belgium and the former Belgian colonies have the most display area. In one room there is a complete collection of Belgium mint, and there is a 'dynasty room' where all the Belgium stamps depicting the royal family are shown.

One of the cases that fascinated me contained a collection of telegraph equipment and hexagonal telegraph stamps, including proofs, specimens, cancellations and covers. This is typical of the degree of specialization in the museum — very impressive and delightful.

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collateral material one would hope to see in a national postal museum. The postal stationery collection was particularly good, with the first postcard of the country (1871) plated and a study of retouched dies of nineteenth century postcards.

Brussels is the most expensive place I have ever seen — a glass of mineral water costs the equivalent of 90 cents. But admission to the Postal Museum is free, just about the only free thing I came across in Brussels. If I ever return to that city, I intend to pay another visit to the museum. Also worth another look are the many stamp shops on the rue du Midi which are especially good for the stamps of Francophone countries.

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The remainder of the 1976 stamp programme has been revised because of the increases in domestic postal rates.

A new 10 cents definitive stamp will be issued on Sept. 1. Its addition to the 1976 list will be offset by the deletion of the 6 cents stamp from the planned four stamp Christmas set.

The final portion of the 1976 programme is:

Sept. 1 - 10c. definitive.

Sept. 17. - 4 - 10c. Iroquoian Indians, the last of the native peoples series.

Nov. 3. - 8c., 10c., 20c., Christmas stamps depicting stained glass windows.

Nov. 19. - 4 - 10c. Inland Vessels in the Canadian ships series.

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Toronto marked the occasion by building a "Triumphal Arch" at Avenue Road and Bloor Street which was then the centre of one of Toronto's major residential areas. A press report states that "electric lights were used with great freedom by all merchants and the business section of the city was gay with flags and bunting." The welcome exceeded that given their father twenty-one years earlier.

However, the year 1901 was significant for a reason other than the death of Queen Victoria and the Royal Visit and, in fact, gave validity to the name "Triumphal Arch". It was then that the acute phase of the Boer War in South Africa was over (although it took the British troops two years more to end hostilities) and Canadian troops were returning home. One of the camps from which the troops were demobilized was set up at Exhibition Park (now the Canadian National Exhibition) which, incidentally, also served as a troop camp during World War I and World War II.

Arrangements were made for the royal couple to review the troops on October 11. A special postal device was made to mark the event and many of those present mailed a souvenir of the occasion to relatives and friends with the postage portion cancelled by this commemorative marking.

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The cover illustrated above is of special interest not only because it was (free) franked but also because there is a ten day lapse between the Exhibition Park Camp mark and that of the Assistant Postmaster of Toronto. Apparently the postmaster at Toronto had some of these souvenirs made for his own personal use and distributed them at his leisure to favoured people. In this case it was to Mrs. J. Knox Leslie, a prominent and pioneer resident in the eastern section of Toronto. Few of these official post office cachets have survived.

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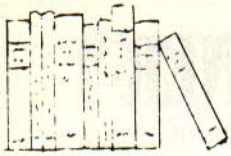
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PHILATELIC LITERATURE REVIEW, Vol.25, No.2, June 30, 1976. American Philatelic Research Library, P.O. Box 338, State College, PA, 16801, U.S.A.

Earlier issues of this publication have been reviewed in previous issues of the Canadian Philatelist. It is listed here to bring attention to a short (3½ pages) but very useful article by John E. Lievsay. It is entitled "Preparation of a Tape/Slide Program" and clearly sets out the requirements of a successful programme and the steps to follow in its preparation. It is not strictly philatelic as the steps may be applied to any subject that could be used for such a programme.

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PHILATELIC AGENCIES, 1976. 2nd ed. By Frank Hlavacek, P.O. Box 17633, San Antonio, TX, 78217. 8½" x 11", 8 pp, offset. $1 from the publisher.

Here is an up to date listing of philatelic

agencies that sell mint stamps to collectors. It ranges from Abu Dhabi to Zambia and provides addresses, language used (English or French), and whether First Day service is available. It also indicates those countries which have received the "Tread With Caution" listing of the APS Watchdog Committee.

There are notes on how to conduct inquiries, send orders, and some points to consider when you try to decide whether to buy your requirements from a dealer or directly from the source.

Added to this useful list is a philatelic journals subscrition list and a number of stamp offers. It is well worth its cost.

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UNITED STATES SPECIALIZED CATALOG OF FIRST DAY COVERS, 1976-1977. 43rd ed. Compiled and edited by Leo August and Gerald Strauss. The Washington Press, 1776 Springfield Avenue, Maplewood, NJ, 07090, U.S.A. 1976. 13.3 cm x 20.3 cm. 106 pp., illus, paper. $1.50 [U.S.].

Two pages more and a price rise of 25c., more postmark illustrations and, of course, upward revisions of prices (706 of them), are the changes that are to be found in this 43rd edition. Air mail covers have shown an average increase of 10%, commemoratives have also increased but the catalogue prices for the UN covers have remained generally steady.

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THE MAILBAG

President H. Sutherland replies to Mr. Long's letter regarding capital gains tax information.

"I note on p.195 of the Canadian Philatelist for May-June 1976 a letter from Mr. Frank A. Long with respect to capital gains tax information.

There have been no further developments of which I am aware apart from those referred to, the most important one being that set out in the November 1972 number of the Canadian Philatelist. If there are any further developments with respect to this subject they will, of course, be referred to in the Canadian Philatelist.

H. Sutherland,
President.

Further information on Yukon postal markings have been received from W. G. Robinson.

". . . . I have received a good deal more data from the National Postal Museum, thanks to Jim Kraemer, and can now report the following dates from their records:

1. Clinton Creek
   — opened Nov. 13, 1968
2. Faro — opened Oct. 1, 1969
3. Keno Hill — closed June 25, 1968
4. McCabe Creek
   — closed Aug. 29, 1969
5. Whitehorse Sub. 1
   — opened Oct. 26, 1972
   — closed Apr. 27, 1973
   — reopened Aug. 1, 1974

I have located some data on the Quill Creek P.O. (Can. Phil., Jul.-Aug., 1976, p.207). The office opened at mile 1111, Alaska Highway, Jan. 27, 1972 and closed July 31, 1973. The Postmaster was the Hudson-Yukon Mining Co., a subsidiary of the Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co.

I have also noted recent use of a "POST OFFICE/DAWSON, YUKON" circular rubber dater similar to that of Whitehorse (c.f., Can.Phil., Jul.-Aug., 1976, p.207, fig. 5B)."

W. G. Robinson.

Associate Editor of BNA TOPICS, Allan L. Steinhart, has provided more information on the use of Roman numerals for months in Canadian post office date stamps.

"In regard to the various letters written trying to explain the use of Roman numerals in Canadian cancelling devices, all your correspondents are partially incorrect as the use of Roman numerals began in Canada in 1948. The following directive appeared in the Post Office Weekly Bulletin of May 15, 1948, Vol. XXXVIII, No. 1419:

4. In future the month of the year shown in post office date stamps will be indicated by Roman numerals. It is the intention of the Department eventually to use Roman numerals to indicate the month of the year in Post Office date stamps, e.g., 5-IV-48. This will be done at all Post Offices as the present type becomes exhausted. A start has already been made in the province of Quebec.

I hope this information will be helpful to the various correspondents who have written in on the subject."

Allan L. Steinhart,
Associate Editor,
BNA TOPICS.

Ed. note. Further communication with Michael Millar indicates that he has become aware of some misinformation in his letter on this subject in the last issue. He has indicated that a corrected version will be forthcoming.

John A. Ross would like to see an improvement in the handling of orders by the Philatelic Section and questions the efficiency of the Certified Mail Service.

"The new "Canadian Stamp News" had a write-up on the people who were in charge of and ran the Postage and Retail Products Branch of Canada Post, i.e.,

Messrs. Nightingale, McDowell and others.

I sincerely hope that other members have not had the exceptionally poor service from them that I have had recently. From around 1955, when I first opened a deposit account with them, until about a year ago, I always had very good service from them.

On April 1, 1976, I forwarded a cheque for $50 to be applied to my account and asked them to forward to me the $1 and $2 Olympic issue. I never received them and the $50 was not credited to my account until May 10. On May 19 I forwarded to Mr. McDowell a cheque for $110.00 by certified mail to make sure that there were sufficient funds in my account for any more stamps that might come out. I received back the certified mail card from Mr. McDowell but no answer to my letter which again requested the $1 and $2 Olympic stamps. The $110 forwarded on May 19 was not credited to my account until June 16.

When I could not get the stamps or an answer to my letter, I wrote to the Honourable Bryce Mackasey re the matter on June 11. Mr. McDowell then wrote to me on July 7 in answer to my letter to the Postmaster General. He informed me that the $1 and $2 Olympic stamps were being processed and that I should receive them shortly. To date (July 24th) there has been no sign of them. I had written to Mr. Nightingale about the matter, also to Mr. McDowell and the PMG on June 29, again by certified mail. Not only has Mr. Nightingale not replied but all that I got back in response to a second letter was the unsigned certified mail card on July 19. The Postmaster General returned the certificate card immediately but I am still awaiting the card from Mr. McDowell.

What is the use of certified mail if these Canada Post officials act in this manner about them?

Have any other members had this trouble?"

John A. Ross.

Charles Addington, comments further on nameless postmarks.

"In brief answer to Michael Miller's comments (July-Aug.) on my defence of name postmarks in Canada, just four explanatory points. Firstly, area mail processing does not necessitate code-only postmarks; both the UK and USA postal authorities have demonstrated this fact. Secondly, normal Canadian Procedure, particularly in rural and suburban areas, has been to postmark mail with the name of the nearest cancelling office. Thirdly, the probable preference of many collectors, not to mention the mailing public, is for name postmarks; comparable evidence from the US confirms this point of view. Finally, it is indeed possible to devise names for area postmarks; UK examples are: - LONDON S.W.I., EXETER DISTRICT, BLACKBURN & N.E., FYLDE COAST, SOUTH WEST COUNTY DURHAM; US examples are: WEST PALM BEACH AREA, NORTHERN VIRGINIA. As for further suggestions, wouldn't a letter from TORONTO-YORK be better than one from M1P 4T0 and one from PEEL-TORONTO better than L4W 1T0? Perhaps the Canadian Post Office has some better, less dull ideas."

Charles Addington

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THE SALES CIRCUIT--

By the time you read this we will be into a new season for the Sales Department. I was very busy during the summer returning retired books, however, due to all the changes last year, there are several books for which I have no return address. If you think that you should have received your book(s) and haven't, please let me know.

Many chapters have not sent me their meeting dates for 1976-77. If I know these dates ahead of time it would help me give you better service.

I shall let you know in the next issue which countries we need for the sales circuit. In the meanwhile, you can be sure that Canada, Australia and New Zealand are needed.

Margaret Allen,
Sales Department Director.

THE CHAPTER COORDINATOR--

A new philatelic season is just about to get underway so now is the time to send in your requests for slide programmes. Please keep in mind that programmes are scheduled on a first come, first served basis. If you want a particular night an early booking is advised.

The seminar on exhibitions and judging, which was sponsored by the Society and conducted by Dr. Stulberg and me during Stampex, was a great success and all Chapters will have received their copy of the brochure. Because it was printed in a limited quantity, I regret that I am unable to supply extra copies. There is no copyright on it however, and Chapters are welcome to make copies of it if they want to.

The Society is now proposing to inaugurate a system of apprentice judges who would eventually be certified as being capable of judging local club exhibitions. In order to gauge the interest in this proposal, I would like anyone who would be interested in becoming an apprentice judge to write and let me know.

Michael Millar,
Chapter Co-Ordinator

THE COORDINATOR OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES--

NATIONAL CULTURES ON STAMPS

Of the many peoples who have contributed to Canada's cultural and economic development few have been honoured by having an entire Province named for their ancestral land.

Nova Scotia is the name that commemorates the early Highland settlers who began arriving in Canada over two hundred years ago and made their contributions in every field of endeavour: medicine, agriculture, politics, etc. The first large group arrived at Pictou on September 15, 1773



Arrival of Scots in Nova Scotia [Sc. 619]



Great Britain: Highland Gathering.

aboard the ship "Hector". The bicentennial year of this great occasion (1973) was designated by Nova Scotia as "The Year of The Hector" and commemorated with a province-wide festival. The Canada Post marked this historic event with a special stamp, thus inaugurating a series of stamps honouring the contributions of immigrant peoples to the prosperity and multicultural character of this Nation.

In August, 1976, the British Post Office issued a series of stamps commemorating British Cultural Traditions. One of these stamps is devoted to the Highland Games which take place every year in Scotland. It is interesting to note the similarity and yet a diversity in the design of the Canadian and British stamps. The British stamp depicts a piper leading people in a dance, the Canadian stamp also features a man with bagpipes, he, however is at the head of a family arriving to carve out themselves a new life in a new land.

There are many stamps issued in Canada commemorating people and their contributions to our land. A great number of these individuals had their roots and beginnings in other countries, all had ancestors who came to Canada as immigrants. It would be most interesting to start a stamp collection in which similarities and diversities could be illustrated by using postal issues of the various countries.

Should anyone have a collection of this nature now, please send a description to the Coordinator of the Youth Education Program of the Royal.

Sincere congratulations to our representatives at JUVAROUEN '76 in France. Frances Bowley received a silver-bronze medal, Peter Madej a bronze, and diplomas were awarded to Jay Carrick, Debbie Madesker and Uli Walther.

M. Madesker

CAPEX*78

THE ROYAL AT VANCOUVER IN '77

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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Chapter 73, Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. Founded - 1 December 1960. Meets every Second Wednesday of Each Month except July and August at St. Georges Anglican Church Hall at 7:30 p.m. Corner of Burton Ave. and Granville St., Barrie, Ont. Visitors Welcome.

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