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THOUGHTS & THINGS

by Peter M. Mann

CORRESPONDENCE DELAYS ARE INEVITABLE

Waiting for the editor to reply to a letter you wrote to him can be a long and anxious experience. Now that our postal service has deteriorated to the extent to which we now find it, one can never be sure that the letter was received.

I do know that some mail that was sent to me has not arrived and possibly never will. But that does not explain the delays in receiving a reply that some correspondents have and will experience in the future.

Since the job as editor of The Canadian Philatelist is a voluntary one, as are all other positions in the Society, and there are equally or more important demands on my time, correspondence relating to the C.P. or the Society often must be set aside to be answered when time is available unless, of course, it is obvious that an immediate answer is required. In such cases, the letter is answered as soon as possible.

The rest of the letters accumulate until time is available to deal adequately with them. Some letters may be misplaced or end up at the bottom of the pile but they appear eventually and are answered.

All of this is leading to the comment that I am behind in answering my mail and I ask our correspondents to be patient. You will receive a reply as soon as I can write one.

Thank you for the great patience you have shown to date.

INDIA 80

A 3,000 frame International Stamp Exhibition, INDIA 80, is being prepared for New Delhi in January 1980. The organizers are sparing no effort to make it the most spectacular philatelic show ever staged in that part of the world. The philatelic trade is expected to be strongly represented at the exhibition.

The Canadian Commissioner for INDIA 80 is Mr. A. H. Hinrichs, c/o Acres Limited, 1124 Northside Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7M 1H4.

A NEW SOCIETY HAS BEEN FORMED

The Latin America Philatelic Society was formed recently and is actively soliciting membership. This is a society for those whose interests lie in the philately of Central and South American countries.

It has been formed by Piet Steen who has been publishing quarterly **The Latin Post,** now titled THE LATIN AMERICA POST, for the past two years.

Information and application forms are available from The Latin America Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 820, Hinton, Alberta, Canada, T0E 1B0.

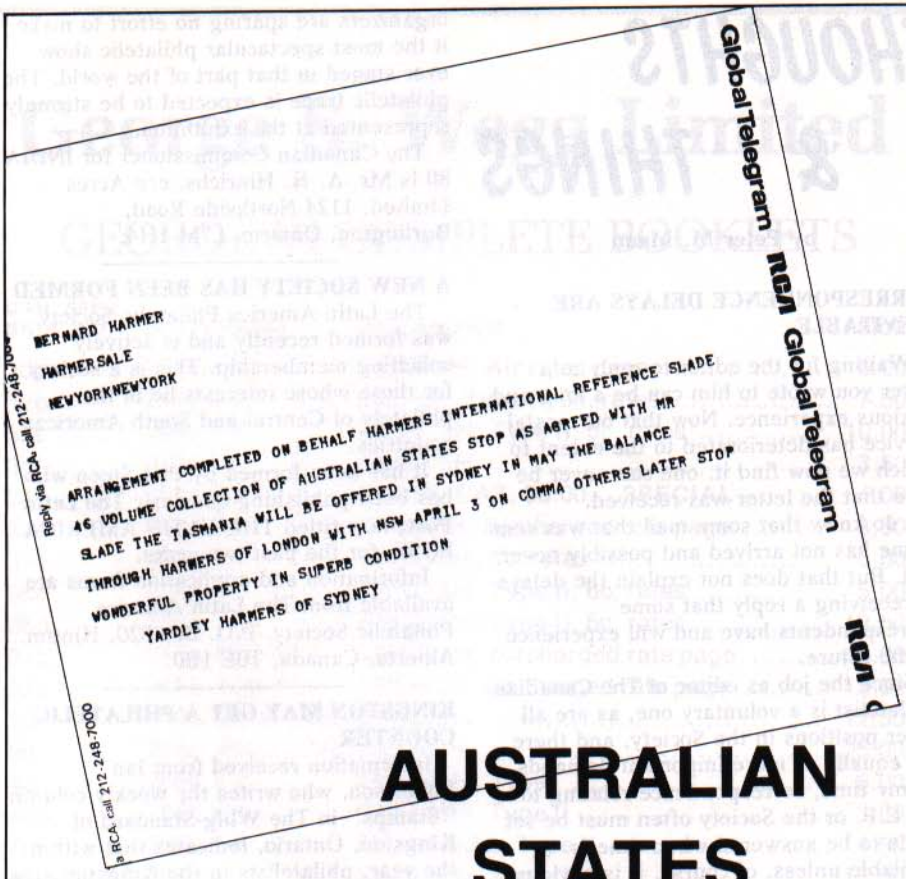
KINGSTON MAY GET A PHILATELIC COUNTER

Information received from Ian Robertson, who writes the weekly column "Stamps" in The Whig-Standard of Kingston, Ontario, indicates that within the year, philatelists in the Kingston area may be able to fill their Canadian philatelic needs at a philatelic counter in Kingston.

Philatelic sales in Canada have increased from 2.88 millions in the fiscal year 1971-72 to $10,321 millions in 1977-78, and Canada Post is naturally trying to increase that amount if possible. Establishing philatelic counters in centres of philatelic activity is one way to attempt to accomplish this aim.

A philatelic sales outlet was opened in Peterborough in October and there are two outlets in Ottawa and one in each of Port Hope and Oshawa. Kingston is in a region which could support an outlet as are Belleville, Pembroke and Cornwall, which are also being considered.

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Mr. Jarrett's life was marked by many significant accomplishments. As a young man he became the speed typing champion of Canada and wrote a text book on the subject that was used by many of the schools. His close association with the printing business possibly influenced his academic approach to Canadian philately and, in 1923, he authored a book entitled "Postage Stamps of Canada". His main work came six years later with the publication of his "Standard British North American Catalogue". This included sections on postage and revenue stamps, proofs and essays, postmarks, cancellations and precancels, postal stationery, semi-official airmails and first flights, and in fact, many other aspects of B.N.A. philately that had never been published prior to that time. This work was so innovative that it immediately became accepted as the 'bible' and inspired many collectors to embark on one or more of the specialties.

In 1921, when the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada was re-constituted after a period of inactivity, Fred Jarrett became its president. In 1961, he became the first Fellow of the Society. Almost every organization devoted to B.N.A. philately has given him its highest honour. Several years ago he was awarded the Order of Canada for his monumental contribution to Canadian philately.

For those who knew him well, he will always be remembered for his friendship, his knowledge, his intensity of purpose and, yes, his idiosyncrasies. For those who knew him by name only, he will always be the Dean of Canadian Philately.

Fred Jarrett achieved a distinction that few people ever attain. He was a legend in his own time.

F.G.S.

TRADE NEWS

Central Suffolk Auctions, Inc., P.O. Box 33, Farmingville, NY 11738, U.S.A. has announced an auction to be held at INTERPEX '79, New York on March 8-9. Canada will be among the many countries represented in this auction. A free catalogue may be obtained from the above address.

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In the last issue we announced that Dr. Fred Stulberg and I will be conducting judging seminars in western Canada during the first week in April. Our itinerary is as follows:

April 1, Sunday afternoon - Winnipeg.
Host chapter - Winnipeg Philatelic Society.

April 2, Monday evening - Regina.
Host chapter - Regina Philatelic Society.

April 3, Tuesday evening - Calgary.
Host chapter - Calgary Philatelic Society.

April 4, Wednesday evening - Kelowna.
Host chapter - Okanagen Mainline Philatelic Assoc. at Weniger's Post House, 1978 Kirschner Rd., Kelowna, B.C. $8 per person. Social - 6 p.m., Dinner - 6:30 p.m., Seminar - 7:30 p.m.

April 8, Sunday morning - Edmonton.
Host chapter - Edmonton Stamp Club.

Locations of the meetings, other than the Kelowna one, are not known. If you plan to attend any of these seminars, please contact the host club for information on time, place and cost, if any.

Fred and I are both looking forward to this trip and we hope that as many as possible of you who are interested in philatelic judging will avail yourselves of the opportunity to attend one of the seminars.

Further seminars will be conducted at the Annual Convention in Cambridge, Ont. (GRANDPEX) later in April, at PIPEX and STAMPEX in June and in North Bay, Ontario, in September.

Michael Millar,
Judging Programme Co-ordinator,
192 Shanty Bay Road,
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Letraset International Limited has made an offer to take over Stanley Gibbons International Limited, which it values at $43.8 millions.

The board of Stanley Gibbons has recommended that its shareholders accept the offer by Letraset, which is a leading manufacturer and supplier of commercial art products.

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Over in Germany the sale of a 50,000 plus Cinderella collection by one of the prestigious auction houses must have been an eye opener to the collector who somehow believes, if it is not in the catalogue it's worth nothing. This collection was broken up into many smaller lots. They fought over every lot. Then it was offered as one unit and one lucky fellow bid over $50,000.00 equivalent, which being more than the separate total, earned him the entire collection. That is a good sized average of $1.00 per Cinderella!

Over here, take a good look at any auction catalogue and note how many varieties are not listed in the general catalogues. Note also the prices realized.

In nearly 60 years of stamp dealing and a believer in the only philatelic rule that matters; "IF IT EXISTS IT IS COLLECTIBLE" I've managed to pick up a fair share of unlisted material. Sold a few over the years, but really had little time for sidelines as was too busy selling Canadian stamps.

Now will clear out what I've accumulated in proofs, essays, unlisted errors, color trials, locals, etc., etc., all from many countries, in the form of $100 lots. There will be from 200 to 1,000 different stamps in each lot. Have quite a stock, many from such famous name collectors as Ferrari, Colonel Green, President Roosevelt, King Farouk, etc. Try a $100 lot. If you like it, further orders for subsequent lots welcome. Who knows, I may even be able to assemble up to 50,000 different myself. EACH LOT MUST PLEASE OR IT'S MONEY BACK. Will mention, each $100 lot contains one stamp of which only 100 exist and this is so attested in legal form. (King Farouk had it). But really that is a minor matter compared to some of the other spectacular items in every lot.

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Now and then in these advertisements will point out certain Canadian stamps that one should go after, if only because later on they would cost much more. Consider the miniature panes that came out in the short space of less than 7 years, between 1961 and 1967. The general catalogues list 17 different. My own Elizabethan Canada Catalogue lists a few more. All had little publicity. All were strictly utilitarian; purely for the convenience of the public. They came and went rather rapidly for one reason or another. Quantities existing of some are far less than, say, the U.S.A. White Plains sheet!

Make certain you get all. Doesn't matter where. Try any dealer. Ask for decently centered panes. Try me as a last resort. I'm not too eager to sell but will help you out. I'm far more interested in buying them.

Buying? Am rather disenchanted with buying advertisements as concerns Canadian stamps. For example thought it would be a nice idea to rebuild a stock of 1868 Large Queen Canada. Over a period of 3 years must have spent at least $10,000 on all types of advertising in an effort to pick up the stamps. To me it seems those who read the message, looked up their 1868's, said "how nice" and promptly locked them up. All I ever got in that time was about $100 net worth of 1868. Mighty expensive.

To come back to the miniature panes, there are some half dozen I need, but why say which? Do you think for one moment I'll get any? What if I put it this way: I'll pay $100.00 for one certain pane and will buy all submitted in fine condition. Let us say from 1 to 1,000, and I repeat at $100.00 each. Interested? After all no general catalogue prices any even remotely that high! Those who have my Elizabethan Canada Catalogue will know which one is wanted. Others can have that information by sending in a stamped self addressed envelope (Canadian or U.S.A. stamps OK) to my Pembina address.

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Letters to the Editor

Sir:

A comment I have to make and which makes me a little hot under the collar deals with correspondence with members. Over the years I have written many letters to new members welcoming them to a fine society. I enclose a stamped self addressed envelope for a reply - ?? You guessed it. Not one had the - "whatever" - to reply. One thing I do wish now is that I had kept a record of those I had written to. Such was not the case so all I can say now is that I have that thorn off my chest.

In closing I have one last comment to make re. CAPEX '78. I enjoyed it very much. One thing that bothered me and still does was the lack of people looking at the exhibits. At times while I was walking about the floor looking at the exhibits I had the feeling - was I supposed to be here? Where is everybody? That part was most disappointing as I thought of the many people who had gone to a great deal of work preparing the exhibits plus the many hours spent in setting up for the big event. I have, over the years, entered exhibits and put up exhibits and know from experience that it is not done in a half hour.

J. Sadler,
Calgary, Alta.

A reply to Mr. Norman's letter in the Nov.-Dec. 1978 issue.

Sir:

Mr. Norman suggests that the many collectors who will write to you in reference to the excess of new issues, "will be the self satisfied snobs of the philatelic world sitting on gobs of classic material." This remark is ludicrous. Since he refers to a Canadian policy, I assume that the "gobs" of classic material are all Canadian.

Mr. Norman, you can go a long way back before you reach classic material! While I venture to say that there is good classic material to be had, I suggest that those who own it are not, in general, "snobs", nor do they, for the most part, own vast quantities. Has Mr. Norman any idea just how limited the numbers of classic mint and especially multiples are? Nobody could possibly own "vast quantities"!

Since affordability seems to concern Mr. Norman, I suggest that even a gum collector (i.e., MNH) can acquire any post-jubilee Canadian stamps (errors and proofs excepted), for $500 or less. If he is unconcerned with gum, he can even secure many earlier items modestly. How about used? One need not be wealthy to collect Canada!

I maintain that anyone of average means can collect Canada including the "classics", however, he may have to settle for used material, specialize in a limited area or tailor his philatelic appetite to his pocketbook in some other fashion. He will not be able to afford a few of the rare items, however collecting is a hobby and surely the pleasure derived does not emanate solely from the ownership of a 12d. or the 2c. laid paper!

I would defend Mr. Norman's right to collect whatever he wishes but let us not hear any more indiscriminate criticism of more fortunate and advanced collectors.

I implore Mr. Norman not to lose sight of the fact that the purpose of a stamp is to frank a letter and not to enhance a collection. A stamp which is designed to satisfy a philatelic rather than a postal need is, in the opinion of many, merely a fancy label used to bilk collectors. Indeed, perhaps Mr. Norman has failed to note that many criticisms leveled at Canada's stamp programme are directed toward the costs of acquiring these very new issues.

I emphasize that like me, Mr. Norman is entitled to collect whatever he wishes. However, let us stop the name calling or labelling.

Most of us are thankful that there are so many new issue collectors because, if these people ever seriously took up collecting earlier material, the increased demand

would drive the prices so high that the average collector would be unable to afford even one example of scarcer items.

R. B. Winmill,
London, Ont.

President's Page welcomed

Sir:

I would like to express my pleasant surprise in reading President Stulberg's report. I think this must be the first time in the twenty years I've been a member that I have read anything concerning the deliberations of the directors of the Royal. Perhaps it was not policy in the past to make this available to membership at large? Regardless, this is a welcome innovation and one that speaks highly of the attitude of our new President and his aims for improving communication. I shall look forward to reading his next report.

Michael B. Dicketts,
Kingston, Ontario.

Sir:

I would like to say how very pleased I am in seeing our President's Page in our C.P. at long last. No one knows how busy a life our president has to live and that he has taken the time and trouble to write to tell us what he is doing and what the meetings (directors, Ed.) are about.

Before 'Dr.' President took office, I often wished that the previous presidents had time to write as we did not know what their plans were or what they were doing . . . .

M. E. Oliver,
Victoria, B.C.

ED. note: I think that I can safely speak for Dr. Stulberg and thank you for the kind comments that you directed to him and to me. They are greatly appreciated.

Information Wanted

Sir:

It would be greatly appreciated if you could assist me in a matter concerning the U.S.A. 1976 issue of the 50 state flags stamps.

For the past two years the Scott Catalogue has listed the price of a used copy of the Oklahoma flag at 30c. while the prices for the rest of the flag stamps are 20c.

Is there any special reason why the Oklahoma flag stamp is worth more than the others or is this just a printing error?

Graeme Deans,
Montreal, Quebec.

Sir:

I have discovered a very unusual stamp and I can't find or read any mention of it in any catalogue. Can any reader help me clarify the mystery?

It is the 3c. George VI stamp (251 or 252) of the War Effort series and the colour is GREY! I have it on piece. Could it be a colour trial? Printer's waste? or what?

All I know is that I can find no reference to it.

Anyone who can give me information on this stamp, please write to me at the address below.

Donald Jean,
C.P. 101,
Richmond, Quebec, J0B 2H0

Sir:

Is there any dealer or collector who has proof that booklets BK 68 I and BK 68 II with black sealing strips exist at all, as indicated on page 115 of the Canada Specialized Catalogue?

Hans Guenther W. Fricke,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dates in the Canadian Philatelist

Never have I received so many letters in response to something I had written than I have received after my comments on the dating system I have tentatively introduced in The Canadian Philatelist.

Sir:

I was really happy to read your editorial on "Dating". I have used numeric dating for the past several years.

All I can add: I hope you will convert the dates in the "Coming Events' section to this system when other readers have gotten used to it.

N. E. Krommer,
Lindsay, Ontario.

The National Postal Museum in Ottawa has set aside space for a display devoted to the story of organized Philately in Canada. Anyone wishing to donate or loan material related to the early Stamp Clubs in Canada, especially the R.P.S.C. is asked to contact Mr. Kenneth Rowe, 90 Warren Road, Apt. 403, Toronto, Ontario, M4V 2S2.

Michael Millar wrote:

Millar Michael (signed)

,sincerely Yours

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:Sir Dear

1979/01/14

Sir:

My son has been using this system for years and has been enhancing it by also putting in four more digits to indicate the hour, and if he really wanted to be more precise, he could have added another two digits to indicate the seconds.

I feel however, that to embark on a new system of numeric dating without first having an international agreement on the subject will only add to the confusion.

There are many reasons pro and con for altering our current system of dating, but unless we have international agreement I do not think that the journal should embark on introducing an entirely new system.

THE CENTENNIAL DEFINITIVES OF CANADA 1967—1973

NOTE all prices are in Canadian funds.

Canada Spec. No.	Mint Never Hinged	Singles	Blocks	Plates or M'ch'bd. Blanks	Set
10¢ OLIVE GREEN					
462i	plain paper, dex plates 1 & 2	.35	1.40	2.75	11.00
462ii	plain paper, dex tagged Wpg. 2-bar	1.25	5.00	7.50	30.00
462ii	HB paper, white gum	.80	3.20	5.00	22.00
462iv	HB paper, white gum, tagged, Wpg. 2-bar	1.80	7.20	15.00	WTD
462v	HB paper, white gum, tagged general	4.25	17.00	WTD	WTD
462vi	flrsc. paper, PVA plate 3	.75	3.00	5.00	21.00
462vii	flrsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	6.75	15.00	30.00	120.00
462viii	flrsc. paper, PVA tagged general	.90	3.60	5.75	23.00
15¢ DULL PURPLE					
463i	plain paper, dex plates 1 & 2	.60	2.40	4.50	18.00
463i	variety, as above flrsc. paper	17.50	70.00	—	—
463ii	plain paper, dex, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	1.00	4.00	7.25	29.00
463iii	HB paper, dex gum	2.00	8.00	14.00	57.50
15¢ DULL PURPLE					
463iv	flrsc. paper, PVA plate 3	.75	3.00	5.00	20.00
463iv	variety, as above almost HB paper	2.50	10.00	WTD	WTD
463v	flrsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	1.40	5.60	8.00	32.00
463vi	flrsc. paper, PVA, tagged general	1.00	4.00	7.50	30.00
20¢ DARK BLUE					
464i	plain paper, dex plates 1 & 2	.60	2.40	4.00	16.00
464i	variety, as above dull paper	5.00	20.00	—	—
464i	variety, as above only flrsc. paper	4.50	18.00	—	—
464ii	plain paper, dex, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	1.50	6.00	8.50	35.00
464iii	HB paper, dex gum	2.80	11.20	17.50	WTD
464iv	flrsc. paper, PVA, plate 2	.95	3.80	17.50	70.00
464v	flrsc. paper, PVA, tagged, Wpg. 2-bar	1.00	4.00	7.50	32.00
25¢ SLATE GREEN					
465i	plain paper, dex gum	1.50	6.00	—	—
	plate 1	—	—	8.50	34.00
	plate 2	—	—	9.50	38.00
465i	variety, as above dull paper	4.50	18.00	—	—
465ii	plain paper, dex tagged Wpg. 2-bar	3.00	12.00	16.00	WTD
465iii	HB paper, dex gum	3.00	12.00	16.50	33.00
465iv	HB paper, dex gum tagged Wpg. 2-bar	24.50	98.00	145.00	WTD
50¢					
465Ai	plain paper, dex plate 1	4.50	18.00	22.50	100.00
465Ai	variety, as above dull paper	4.95	20.00	—	—
465Aii	HB paper, dex gum	4.75	19.00	28.50	WTD
465Aiii	flrsc. paper, PVA plate 2	4.50	18.00	22.50	100.00
$1 CARMINE					
465Bi	plain paper, dex plate 1	15.50	62.00	70.00	280.00
465Bi	variety, as above dull paper	19.50	78.00	97.50	390.00
465Bii	HB paper, dex gum	25.00	99.50	120.00	WTD
465Biii	flrsc. paper, PVA plate 2	16.50	66.00	80.00	320.00
MINIATURE PANES					
457b	4¢ plain paper, dex sheet of 25 (5x5)	14.50	—	—	—
458b	5¢ plain paper, dex sheet of 20 (4x5)	22.50	—	—	—
458q	5¢ plain paper, dex tagged Wpg. 2-bar sheet of 20 (4x5)	48.00	—	—	—

Canada Spec. No.	Mint Never Hinged	Singles	Blocks	Plates or M'ch'bd. Blanks	Set
COILS		SINGLES			PAIRS
466	3¢ dull purple, plain paper, dex gum	1.00			2.20
466	3¢ precancel, plain paper, dex gum	.95			2.00
467	4¢ carmine, plain paper, dex gum	.50			1.00
468	5¢ blue, plain paper, dex gum	1.20			2.50
468	5¢ precancel, plain paper, dex gum	1.35			2.70
468A	6¢ orange, plain paper, dex gum	.40			.80
468Ai	6¢ orange, HB paper, dex gum	4.75			9.75
468B	6¢ black, HB paper, dex gum	.35			.70
549	7¢ emerald green, HB paper, dex gum	.45			.90
550	8¢ slate, flrsc. paper, PVA gum	.40			.80
550p	8¢ slate flrsc. paper, PVA gum tagged general	.40			.80
550ii	8¢ slate, HB paper, PVA, tagged general	2.00			4.00
BOOKLET PANES					
454a	1¢ brown, pane of 5, label				.35
457a	4¢ carmine rose, pane of 5, label				1.70
458a	5¢ blue, pane of 5, label				8.00
COMPLETE BOOKLETS					
BK 54	1¢ brown & 4¢ carmine rose, 1 pane of 5, label				2.00
BK 55	5¢ blue, 1 pane of 5, label				10.00
BK 56	25¢ 45¢ (5) 454c(5) 457c(5) plain paper, dex gum				1.00
BK 57	$1, 457c(25) plain paper, dex gum				6.00
BK 58	$1, 458c (20) plain paper, dex gum				7.50
BK 59	25¢, 454b(1) 459a(4) 6¢ orange, plain dex				1.25
BK 59a	25¢, 454b(1) 459a(4) 6¢ orange, HB dex gum				27.50
BK 59b	25¢, 454b(1) 459a(4) orange, printed with flrsc. ink				42.50
BK 60	$1.50, 459a(25) orange, plain paper, dex gum				8.00
BK 61	$1.50, 460a(25), black die 1, plain, dex gum				12.50
BK 62	25¢, 460a(4) black die 11 plain, dex gum				5.00
BK 63	25¢, 455a(4) 456a(4) Opel booklet, HB dex				2.00
BK 63a	25¢, as above, gutter perforated horizontally				WTD
BK 64	$1.50 460b(25) black die 1, plain paper, dex				20.00
BK 65	25¢ 460d black die 11, plain paper, dex gum				4.00
BK 66	25¢, 454(1) 456(1) 543a(3) plain, PVA gum				3.50
BK 67	$1.543b(12) 454(4) 456(4) plain, dex gum				10.00
BK 68	50¢ two panes 454(2) 456(2) 543(6) plain paper, PVA gum				8.50
BK 69	25¢ 454(3) 460(1) 544a(2) flrsc., PVA				2.00
BK 70	$1, 454(6), 460(1) 544b(11) plain paper, PVA				5.00
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I personally prefer the Canadian Forces system of two digits for the day, three capitalized letters (the first three) for the month, and two digits for the year, i.e., 29 Jan 79 or 02 Jan 79, but this is not multilingual. The European system and the one used on my postage meter seems to be more universal, namely two digits for the day, roman numerals I to XII for the month, and four digits for the year, e.g., 26 I 1979 or 26 I 79. Ask anyone if they can correctly decipher these dates. I am sure they can but that's not true of other systems mentioned.

Ivan Hrabowsky, D.D.S.
St. Catharines, Ontario.

Sir:

I was very pleased to see your reference to "numeric dating" in the January-February issue, especially because you will find my name in the list of the Committee responsible for the CSA Standard involved. I presume you got this information from the CSA Z234.4 standard, although ISO 3307 is almost identical. I suggest that a reference to the Canadian Standards Association and the Standards Council of Canada would have given more weight to your argument.

One thing that may confuse some of the readers is that you mentioned that the new system was called numeric dating, but the example you gave of 4/7/75 is also "numeric" - numbers only!

Anyway, I am obviously in favour of this, although I see that I should have used it in the date on this letter. At least I NEVER use 4/7/75 or anything like that, which is definitely ambiguous because the U.S.A. puts the month first, and all the rest of the world (except Canada) puts the day first. Poor old Canada is in between, with some doing it one way and some another, which makes for a miserable situation to be in. Thanks for promoting our new system.

Dr. Sidney V. Soanes.
Toronto, Ontario.

Ed. First let me say to Michael Millar that he will always have trouble with the metric system, or any other system, if he insists on coverting all the unfamiliar new units to the old system of units that he knows.

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The method of writing dates as outlined in the last issue is not my brainchild. It was taken from: The Metric Guide, 2nd ed. 1976, by The Metric Task Force of the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (ISBN 0-7744-0127-3) (A Guide to the understanding and application of the International System of Units, SI (Le Systeme International d'Unites). If you are interested in the guide, you should be able to obtain a copy through your local bookstore.

The response to the editorial so far is a draw. We shall continue as we did in the last issue, i.e., giving the dates in both forms until we have a clear indication as to the form in which our members want to see the dates printed.

Exchanges wanted

G. Salam Hussain,
House 1-D
Street 56
Sector G-6/4
Islamabad, Pakistan, is looking for correspondents. Purpose not stated.

Anthony Gray,
P.O. Box 7147,
Sydenham, Christchurch,
New Zealand, is looking for someone to exchange Canadian stamps for New Zealand ones. He collects mainly used, fairly common ones and does not specialize in varieties.

Dott. Rag. Giogio Conforti,
20, Via G. Galilei,
I-50053 Empoli,
Florence, Italy, collects FDC's, First Flight Covers and "Obliterated common envelopes" (used postal stationery?) of all countries. He is looking for a source(s) of covers from Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Newfoundland.

COMING EVENTS

1979

MARCH 8 - 11 — INTERPEX '79 A.S.D.A. exposition in the New York Coliseum, 10 Columbus Circle at 59th ST., N.Y.

MARCH 9 - 10 — NIPEX 79, stamp exhibition and bourse of the Niagara Philatelic Society at Stamford Presbyterian Church Hall, 3101 St. Paul St., Niagara Falls, Ont. Fri.: 12 - 8 p.m., Sat.: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Admission free. Chairman: John A. Eyles, P.O. Box 183, Niagara Falls, Ont., L2E 6T3.

MARCH 10-11 — KAPEX '79, 23rd annual exhibition and bourse of the Kawartha Philatelic Society, Holiday Inn, Peterborough, Ontario. Saturday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission free. Chairman Dale Dilamarter, 29 Springbrook, Peterborough, Ont. K9J 1L3.

MARCH 17 — OAKPEX 79, 5th annual exhibition and bourse of the Oakville Stamp Club at Trafalgar Hall, Trafalgar Rd., at Hwy. 5. 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Admission free. Information from Chairmen: P.O. Box 524, Oakville, Ont., L6J 5B4.

MARCH 31 - APRIL 1 — 36th ANNUAL EXHIBITION and Bourse of the North Toronto Stamp Club at the North Toronto memorial Gardens, 180 Eglinton Ave., West, Toronto. Free stamp packets to all junior collectors. Prizes for juniors. Information from: G. K. Graham, 134 Avondale Ave., Willowdale, Ont., (416-226-9158).

APRIL 5-8 — PROVINCIAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION at the Dalhousie Art Centre, Halifax, N.S. Entries restricted to members of stamp clubs in Nova Scotia. Information and entry forms available from Dave Harvey, 7 Birchdale Ave., Dartmouth, N.S., B2X 1E6.

APRIL 7 — ANNUAL EXHIBITION AND BOURSE of the Barrie District Stamp Club at St. George's Anglican Church Hall, Burton Ave., at Granville St., Barrie, Ont. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Free admission.

APRIL 7 — LONPEX 87, 87th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the London

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Philatelic Soc. and Germany Philatelic Soc., Chap. 13 in the Great Hall, St. Paul's Cathedral, Richmond St. at Queens Ave., London, Ont. 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Admission Free. Souvenir cacheted cover, 75c. plus SASE No. 10 envelope (17c. postage) from Arnold Benjaminson, 298 Neville Drive, London, Ont., N6G 1C3.

APRIL 7-8 — Edmonton Stamp Club SPRING SHOW, estate auction, bourse, seminars. Prospectus and information from Edmonton Stamp Club, Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

APRIL 7-8 — SPRING EXHIBITION 1979 of the Winnipeg Philatelic Society at the Charterhouse Hotel, Winnipeg. Sat. 12 - 9 p.m., Sun. 12 - 6 p.m.

APRIL 18-23 — INPEX-SEATTLE SHOW and annual convention of the A.S.D.A. Bourse, lectures, seminars, etc. at the Holiday Inn, Sea-Tac International Airport, Seattle, Washington.

APRIL 20-22 — 16th ANNUAL EXHIBITION AND BOURSE of the Lakeshore Stamp Club, Fairview Shopping Centre Auditorium, Pointe Claire (Montreal), Quebec. Exit 52, Trans-Canada Hwy. Chairman: R. G. Power, P.O. Box 1, Pte. Claire-Dorval, P.Q., H9R 4N5.

APRIL 26-29 — GRANDPEX, exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association, Cambridge Steelworkers' Centre, Hwy. 24 exit from Hwy. 401 (MacDonald-Cartier Freeway), Cambridge, Ont. Information from GRANDPEX, P.O. Box 1082, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5E9. Please include SSAE #10 envelope.

APRIL 26-29 — R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION at GRANDPEX, Cambridge, Ontario (see above).

APRIL 28 — 51st ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. Grandpex, Cambridge, Ontario (see above).

COMING EVENTS

1979

APRIL 29 — SLIPEX 25, 25th annual exhibition and bourse of the St. Lawrence International Stamp Club at the House of Labour, 130 Sydney St., Cornwall, Ont. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information from the club at 114 - 15th St., W., Cornwall, Ont., K6J 3J8.

APRIL 28 - MAY 6 — International Philatelic Literature Fair, Venezia, Casino Municipale, Ca'Vendramin Calergi, Italy.

MAY 5-6 — CALTAPEX 79. Annual exhibition, bourse and auction of the Calgary Philatelic Society in the Palliser Hotel, Mezzanine Floor. Auction - May 4 at 7 p.m. Chairman: Philip Wolf, 10515 Shillington Cresc., S.W., Calgary, Alberta, T2W 0N8.

MAY 11 - 13 MAI — QUEPHILEX '79 sponsored by La Société Philatélique de Québec, exhibition and bourse at Palais Municipal des Congrès (Quebec Hilton). Exposition au niveau provincial sera presentée au Palais Municipal des Congrès (Quebec Hilton).

MAY 12-13 — ORAPEX '79, theme: Postal History. Annual exhibition and bourse of the RA Stamp Club at the RA Centre, 2452 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K1H 7X7. Chairman: Andy Palochik at the above address.

MAY 18 - 27 — PHILASERDICA '79, International Stamp Exhibition, Centenary of Bulgarian Post Office and of the first Bulgarian postage stamp. Sofia, Bulgaria. Canadian Commissioner: Mr. A. Cronin, P.O. Box 5722, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1P2.

JUNE 8 - 10 — PIPEX 1979, 39th annual Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs in the Royal Towers Hotel, Westminster, B.C. Sponsored by the Royal City Stamp Club assisted by the B.C. Philatelic Society. Information from PIPEX 1979, P.O. Box 895, New Westminster, B.C., V3L 4Z8.

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JUNE 15-17 — STAMPEX CANADA '79 at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, Toronto, Ontario. 60 table bourse, exhibition and lectures. Information and application forms: STAMPEX CANADA, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ontario, M3J 2T8. SASE please.

JUNE 22-24 — TOPEX '79, 30th annual exhibition, convention and bourse of the American Topical Association, Inc., Redpath Hotel and Motor Inn, Spokane, Washington. Prospectus from Dorothy Oaks, So. 2215 Sunrise Rd., Spokane, WA 99206, U.S.A.

AUGUST 23-26 — STaMpsHOW 79, Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society at The Sheraton-Boston Hotel and Hynes Auditorium, Boston, Mass.

SEPTEMBER 13 - 15 SEPTEMBRE — BNAPEX, annual convention of the British North America Philatelic Society, exhibition, bourse, banquet, social activities, ladies programme, at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel, Quebec. Chairman: Guy des Rivières, 71 St-Pierre, Québec, G1K 4A4. BNAPEX la convention annuelle de la British North America Philatelic Society. Cette manifestation aura lieu au Château Frontenac à Quebec.

OCTOBER 20-21 — GUELPH STAMP SHOW, Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Guelph Stamp Club, John F. Ross Collegiate V.I., Eramosa Rd. (Hwy. 24N) at Meyer Dr., Guelph, Ont. Free admission, free parking. Chairman: F. Rolfe, R.R. 3, Guelph, Ont., N1H 4E0.

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JANUARY 11-20 — INDIA 80, International Philatelic Exhibition at Pragati Maiden, New Delhi, India. 3000 frames. Canadian Commissioner from whom information may be obtained: Mr. A. H. Hinrichs, c/o Acres Limited, 1124 Northside Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7M 1H4.

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MAY 6-14 — LONDON 1980, London International Stamp Exhibition, Earls Court exhibition centre, London, England. 4,000 frames, 200 trade stands. Information available from The Secretary, London 1980, P.O. Box 300, London WC2R 1AF, England.
Canadian Commissioner: Dr. Fred G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ont., M4E 1R3.

MAY 29-31 — Annual Exhibition of the Calgary Philatelic Society, Palliser Hotel, Calgary, Alberta. Chairman E. A. Harris, P.O. Box 1478, Calgary, Alta., T2P 2L6.

MAY 29-31 — R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION at Calgary (see above).

JUNE 13 - 22 — NORWEX 80, International Stamp Exhibition commemorating the 125th anniversary of Norwegian stamps. Norges Varemesse. Osla. Contact address: The General Secretariat, NORWEX 80, Postboks 1043 Sentrum, Oslo 1, Norway. Canadian Commissioner: Mr. A. Hinrichs, 80 Speers Road, Oakville, Ontario, L6K 2E3.

1980

SEPTEMBER 25-28 — STaMpsHOW 80, Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society at the Sheraton-Spokane Hotel, Spokane, Washington.

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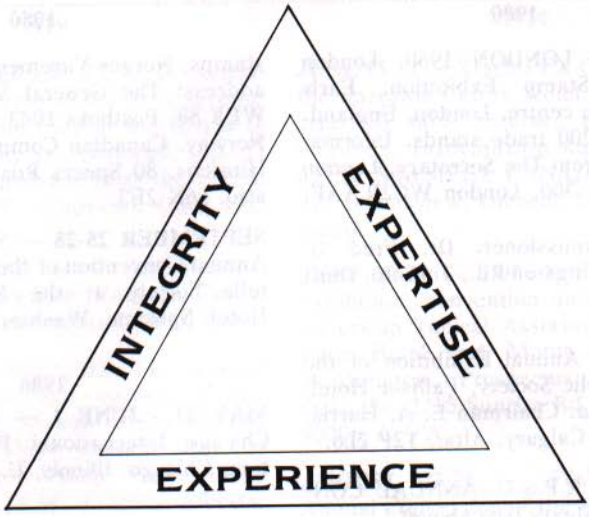
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Fig. 1. Series 2 B.C. 8a imperforate between.

The existence of part imperforate stamps in several of the British Columbia Law series has been recorded in the literature for many years. The earliest reference I have seen is in Revenue Stamps of British North America (Marks Stamp Co., Toronto, 1951), which refers to two instances. In the years since many more issues have been discovered in part imperforate condition but the catalogues now available are inconsistent in their listings.

In preparing this list I have not attempted an exhaustive inquiry to ascertain the imperforate stamps in the collections of other collectors. Rather I have drawn together information on those I have personally examined, most of them in my own collection or that of Dr. J. A. Pearce of Victoria. The original finds of most of the mint imperforates in the B.C. Law series were made by Dr. Pearce during his many years of study of these stamps. He has been most helpful during my compilation of the data presented here. Reference to known numbers of imperforate mint pairs or trios is based upon material once in his collection. These numbers must, of course, be minimal as other discoveries may have been made that we are not yet aware of. In two instances stamps I have not myself seen are included in this compilation on the basis of photographs taken by Dr. Pearce and published in British Columbia Revenue Catalogue (Bileski, 1971). These are numbers B.C. 26a and 27a.

The numbering system used here is that of the above cited catalogue (1971). The numbers differ from those of Sissons (1978). Horizontal pair is used to refer to stamps imperforate between in a vertical direction. They are designated by the catalogue number followed by (a), e.g. 26a. Vertical pairs have the perforations missing in a horizontal direction, and are designated by the letter (b) after the number. Repatriated pairs are imperforate pairs torn apart for use and subsequently identified and restored. The torn edge is usually so irregular that it acts as a 'finger print' and the pairs can be identified with

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Fig. 2. Series 3 B.C. 9a repatriated pair imperforate between.



Fig. 3. Series 4 B.C. 16a imperforate between.



Fig. 4. Series 5 B.C. 25a complete row showing repatriated pair imperforate between.

certainty. See Alberta 15a in "Sissons 1978 Canada Revenues".

The list of imperforates which I have personally examined, with the two exceptions noted above, includes the following. Some of these appear not to have been reported previously. They are designated by an asterisk:

Series 1 No Known imperforates.

Series 2 B.C. 7a* 50c. 1 repatriated pair.
B.C. 8a* 10c. 4 pairs on documents. These are dated December 13, 1891 and March 11, 1892. (fig. 1)

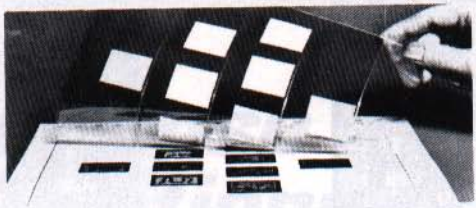
Series 3 B.C. 9a* 10c. 4 repatriated pairs and one trio repatriated. One horizontal strip of 5 used, on piece, of which the right pair are imperforate between and a second pair on piece imperforate between. (fig. 2)

Series 4 B.C. 16a* 10c. 1 pair on document and 2 repatriated pairs. (fig. 3)
19a* 30c. 1 pair.
21a $1.00 1 pair.

Series 5 B.C. 22a 10c. 4 repatriated pairs.
B.C. 23a 25c. Strip of three imperforate between 2 and 3; 1 pair and a block of six of which 2 and 3 and 7 and 8 are imperforate. All these are mint and came from one sheet which lacked the second vertical row of perforations thus yielding 5 pairs.
B.C. 23b 25c. 2 vertical pairs mint. (fig. 5). These probably came from a sheet once in the Pearce collection which lacked all horizontal perforations.
B.C. 25a* 50c. 3 repatriated pairs representing 2 sheets which lacked vertical perforations between the 2nd and 3rd rows from the right (fig. 4).
B.C. 26a $1.00 One pair figured in B.C. Catalogue (1971).
B.C. 27a $5.00 5 mint strips of three figured (1971).

Series 8 B.C. 37a 10c. 3 mint pairs and one used pair. The mint pairs probably came from a sheet missing the first vertical row of perforations once in the Pearce collection. This would yield 5 pairs. The existence of the used pair makes it likely that at least 2 sheets produced this error.

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Fig. 5. Series 5 B.C. 23b strip of three imperforate between.

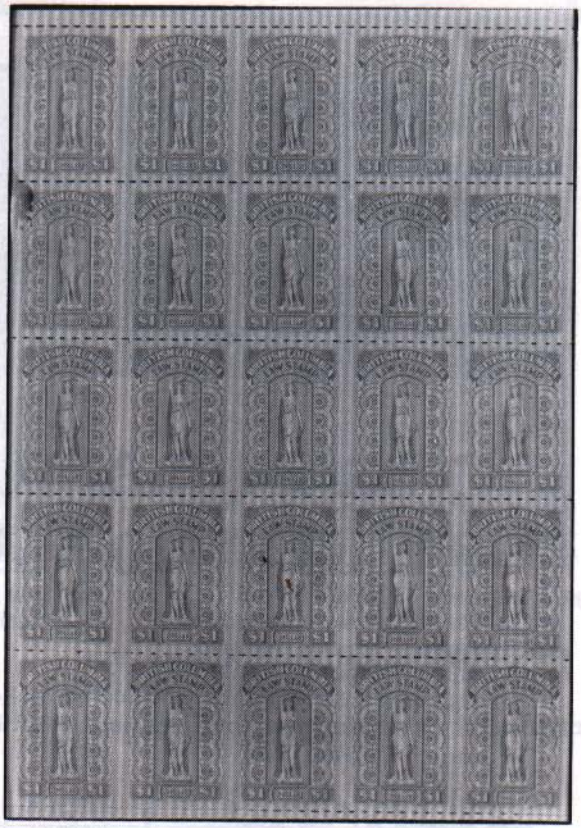


Fig. 6. Series 9 B.C. showing 5 strips of 60a in the sheet.

B.C. 38a 30c. 3 mint pairs. One sheet was discovered by Pearce with the 4th row of perforations missing.

B.C. 39a 50c. 1 mint pair. This probably came from a single sheet missing a row of perforations once in the Pearce collection. Possibly 5 pairs exist.

B.C. 40a $1.00 2 used pairs, 1 block of 4 mint and one intact sheet missing the first vertical row of perforations. The original discovery by Pearce was of 8 sheets identical to the above providing 40 imperforate pairs.

B.C. 40b $1.00 1 mint vertical pair.

Not since the 8th Series, produced between 1942 and 1948 has there been a reported instance of imperforate or part imperforated stamps among the many B.C. Law Stamps issued. However imperforate errors have turned up in both the $1.00 and $2.00 rouletted of the current issue. Neither of these has yet been assigned a differentiating catalogue number. They are produced from the same plates as C. 53 and 54 but differ in being rouletted instead of perforated. The need to differentiate the imperforate variants suggests the use of distinguishing numbers for these two issues. This has precedent as Canadian Supreme Court law stamps bearing Sisson's numbers R67 and R68 are identical except for the means of separation as are





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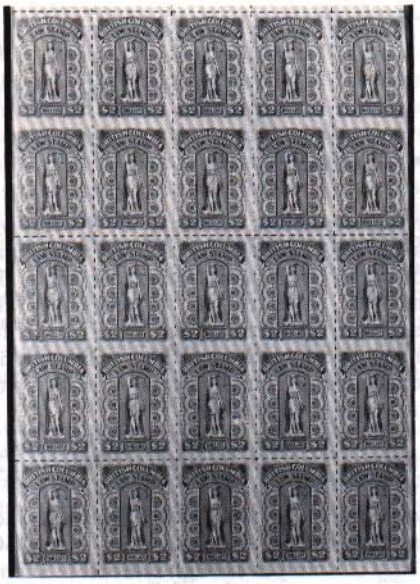


Fig. 7. Series 9 B.C. 61 sheet with two horizontal rows of perfs missing [format 61b].

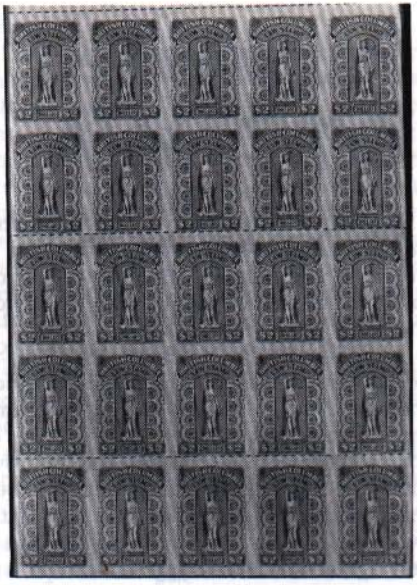


Fig. 8. Series 9 B.C. 61 sheet showing the bottom row in format 61a, the remaining stamps imperforate between in both directions but rouletted top and bottom.

gas inspection stamps R173 and R183. I suggest assigning the number B.C. 60 to the rouletted $1.00 and B.C. 61 to the $2.00.

The imperforate errors consist of a full sheet of the $1.00 with all vertical separation omitted (fig. 6); one full sheet of the $2.00 missing the horizontal perforations between rows 1 and 2, also between rows 3 and 4 (fig. 7), and another sheet of the $2.00 lacking these same horizontal perforations as well as all vertical separation (fig. 8). Thus *B.C. 60a and B.C. *61a and *61b exist, they are in the Pearce collection. I would appreciate hearing from other collectors as to their holdings of B.C. laws imperforate or part imperforate.

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It is unfortunate that we can not report new items immediately but the column is prepared two months prior to publication and this makes it impossible to bring to you the latest news when it happens.

Although the PO promised collectors to keep them informed of new items which they intended to market and at the same time insure that dealers know ahead of time what to buy, and in this way improve philatelic sales by the PO (helping to keep the government deficit down), very little evidence of this procedure exists. Again and again new items appear without announcement and collectors inform the philatelic counters of what is new rather than the other way around.

A new booklet was issued at the end of November with a face value of $3.50 using five different cover designs advertising the postal code. The booklets contain 14 cent stamps and two labels. The reason for these is unclear especially as the 17c. rate is soon coming into being. Is this a Christmas booklet?

A new aerogramme has been issued about which Mr. Malott reports. The Christmas stamps have been noticed with two different perforation types. In one case the perfs go from margin to margin, in the other case from the inside of one margin to the inside of the opposite one. These are not perforated all the way through. Obviously two perforation machines, and possibly of two different printing machines were used.

Some of the Olympic Dollar values have been destroyed. When the PO was asked how many, the reply was that this was privileged information. Why? This information is available on practically all stamps which have been sold out.

A new fast mail delivery system has been started by a private company. FACSCAN connects Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver and transmits mail within two hours. Cost is about 98 cents per document. Large users can rent a terminal for about 55 dollars a month or bring the mail to a place for processing. The terminals in fact are the mail boxes for collection and delivery. This will certainly relieve many from the problem of slow and uncertain mail delivery.

We hear with interest that the BBC is planning a course on philately with ten 25 minutes broadcasts for beginners and a later course for advanced collectors. Such an idea should be studied by the CBC. There certainly is enough interest in such a course as has been proven by a course which was once held by the RA Stamp Club in Ottawa. A large number of collectors still make the mistake of collecting everything of one country or of a number of countries but they have no system. They do not continue to collect long enough in any chosen field and their final collection represents just one of each catalogue number. Another factor is that extremely few collectors buy philatelic literature. Only one quarter of all collectors buy the Scott or other catalogues, and even fewer buy philatelic magazines or belong to a society. Education is needed here.

Some European postal authorities are planning to standardize on the size of postage stamps. One of the problems which has arisen due to automatic sorting and cancelling is the size of the stamp. Some of them are vertical, others are horizontal, some are large, others small rectangles and others are being used with various margins. Some collectors have expressed their opposition because an album page would become very monotonous with all the same sized stamps. At the same time the authorities feel that some savings can be achieved when printing. The miniature USA stamps recently released are good examples to attempt a saving.

We hear that work is under way on a book about a well known Canadian collector. To bring together the experiences of well known collectors is a welcome venture. Many of them had extensive knowledge in certain philatelic fields, have systematically planned their endeavours, have benefitted from some of their mistakes and their proper management and have gone through many phases or stages in their collecting life cycle. Much of today's collecting habits appear to turn around the economic factors. We all could learn a lot from the historical experiences of these well known collectors.

One company in the USA is selling CAPEX sheets for less than face value. These sheets are said to be damaged but who cares. Probably only US orders are accepted.

The $3.50 booklet mentioned before shows up with an interesting variety. In the left tab margin which is stuck to the cover one can find a strong vertical red or black line from almost top to bottom. These lines are similar to European colour identification marks and probably should have been cut off. In Europe these remain on the sheets and the so called traffic lights on the British stamps are examples of this. How difficult it is to find these lines on the booklets has not yet been determined.

So called hickies are fairly common in modern stamps. One appears just left of the word Postes on the 1c. flower stamp. A few sheets show this variety with a white circle and a small colour dot in the centre.

Unique Tagging Error

by Douglas Irwin

With the introduction of a new type of tagging (referred to at the time as Ottawa, and later General tagging) on the 1967 centennial definitives in November of 1971, an additional source of errors and varieties was introduced.

Coil stamps are printed in sheets of 1000 subjects (10 rows of 100 stamps each) and then separated by roulette along the imperforate margins into 10 rolls of 100 stamps each. Five different coil stamps have been issued General tagged (550p, 8c. library of the Centennial definitives; 604 and 605, 8c. and 10c. Queen Elizabeth II of the Caricature definitives; 729 and 730, 12c. and 14c. Houses of Parliament of the current definitives). The last four of these coil stamps are horizontal coils (with vertical perforations), being initially printed in sheets with 10 horizontal rows of 100 stamps. The phosphor bars were applied to these sheets along the vertical perforations with continuous bars of phosphor covering the vertical perforations across the entire 10 horizontal rows.

The 8c. coil (550p) of the 1967 centennial definitives is unique. It is the only vertical



8c. coil [550p] of 1971.

coil issued General tagged. The stamps were printed in sheets with 10 vertical rows of 100 stamps with the phosphor applied along the imperforate margins between the vertical rows. As the phosphor bars had to cover the length of 100 stamps, they were not applied in continuous bars, but in sections, resulting in joints occuring between successive bars. When the alignment of successive bars was not exact, the joint of the phosphor bars becomes noticeable and the result is a variety (depicted diagrammatically above) that is unique to the 8c. coil of the Centennial definitives.

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The Canadian Monarchy On Stamps

by Walter J. Porzecanski

Since the confederation of Britain's North American colonies in 1867 under the name of "Dominion of Canada," six sovereigns have ruled as kings and queens of this country. All but one of them have been featured on Canadian stamps in their capacity as heads of state, and the sole exception, Edward VIII, appeared on our stamps in two occasions, as the Prince of Wales (193, 212). The present monarch, Elizabeth II, is the first of our sovereigns to appear on a Canadian stamp in full colour (704).

The visit of Queen Elizabeth to Edmonton on the occasion of the Eleventh Commonwealth Games makes it appropriate that we examine the treatment our kings and queens have received at the hands of Canada's stamp-issuing authorities. Many ardent monarchists resent the fact that the Queen's portrait is gracing our postage stamps less and less frequently; there are doubtless many other Canadians who welcome this development as natural and even desirable.

The Queen occupies an exceptional position in Canada's constitutional structure, being at the apex of our judicial, executive and legislative branches of government. It has been pointed out, for instance, that Her Majesty is the only person ever to have opened both the federal and Quebec legislatures. It is only natural, then, that the Queen's role in our stamp history be unique — and indeed it is. The Queen and members of her family are the only identified living persons who have appeared on Canadian stamps, and this policy continues up to this date. It can safely be said that our kings and queens have appeared on more of our stamps since 1851 than anyone — or anything — else (see Table I).

Critics of the monarchy are fond of saying that the first Canadian stamp ever issued — the three-penny beaver of 1851 (No. 1) — did not bear the likeness of our sovereign. That is undoubtedly true, but



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Fig. 1.

we ought not to forget that the stamp did include the cypher "V.R." (Victoria Regina) surmounted by a crown. It wasn't until 1955 that the first truly "non-royal" stamp issued by Canada can be said to have been sold: the ten-penny Cartier (No. 7), lacking a royal portrait or a royal cypher. Those people who claim that the royal cypher "E.R." ought to appear in every Canadian stamp, as it does in the stamps of some British colonies, must base their claim on something other than historical antecedents.

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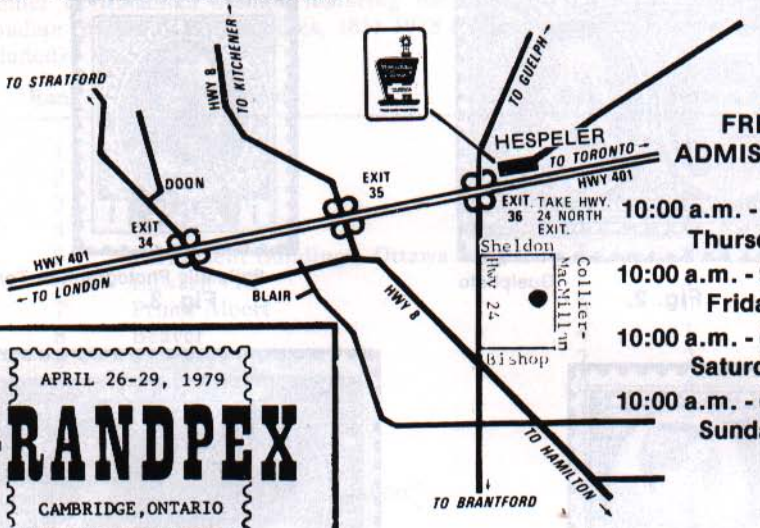
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Fig. 2.



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Fig. 5.

the time of her coronation in 1838, and a second one commissioned in 1876 (Fig. 1).

The next two Canadian commemorative sets all included some royal motifs: the 1898 map stamps (Nos. 85-6) bore a royal crown, and the 1908 Quebec Tercentenary issue (Nos. 96-103) featured twin portraits of Edward VII and Queen Alexandra (Fig. 2), as well as the Prince of Wales and his wife, Mary of Teck. It wasn't until 1917 that Canada issued her first commemorative stamp without any royal relevance at all, and that was the single stamp marking the fiftieth anniversary of Confederation (No. 135).

Meanwhile, Queen Victoria's death in 1901 had brought her son Edward to the throne. Canadian postal authorities continued the practice of including a portrait of the monarch on all definitive stamps. George V was featured, two years after his accession, on a new set of definitives issued from 1911 onwards (Fig. 3).

The sixtieth anniversary of Confederation in 1927 occasioned a relatively long set of commemoratives, and these, continuing the practice begun in 1917, did not include any reference to the monarchy (Nos. 141-8). In 1928 the apparent "de-monarchization" of our stamps continued with the release of a new set of definitives (Nos. 149-59). The set's low values all included the portrait of George V, but the medium and high values (ten cents to one dollar) featured different scenic views of Canada. This policy was applied to the 1930 definitives as well.

From 1930 on the practice more or less remained unchanged. The monarch was featured in the low-value definitives, as well as in certain commemoratives of royal relevance. Other commemorative sets, however, were produced which had no relation at all to the monarchy. Among the important royal commemoratives of this period we should mention the 1932 set issued on the occasion of the Ottawa Conference dealing with Empire trade (nos. 192-4), Fig. 4) and the 1935 set marking the silver jubilee of King George V and

TABLE I

Number of Canadian stamps featuring members of the royal family and selected Canadian themes or personalities, 1851-1978 (coil stamps included; surcharged stamps excluded)

Rank	Person or theme	Def.	Comm.	Total
1	George V	77	3	80
2	Victoria	60	17	77
3	Elizabeth II	48	12	60
4	George VI	41	4	45
5	Parliament Buildings, Ottawa	8	9	17
6	Edward VIII	7	1	8
7	Prince Albert	6	0	6
8	Beaver	4	1	5
9	Jacques Cartier	2	2	4
	Samuel de Champlain	0	4	4
10	Sir John A. Macdonald	1	2	3
	Sir Wilfrid Laurier	1	2	3
	"Fathers of Confederation"	0	2	2
	Queen Mary	0	2	2
	Edward VIII (as Prince of Wales)	0	2	2
	Queen Elizabeth (Queen Mother)	0	2	2
	Prince Philip	0	2	2
	Queen Alexandra	0	1	1
	Princess Margaret	0	1	1

Queen Mary (Nos. 211-6) (Fig. 5). These two sets are significant in themselves because they are the only ones to feature the future Edward VIII, in his capacity as Prince of Wales and heir apparent. We all know, of course, that Edward's reign lasted some eight months and he never appeared on a Canadian stamp as Edward VIII.

New low-value definitives came out in 1937 bearing George VI's likeness, as did a single commemorative (No. 237) marking his coronation.

The 1939 Royal Visit was a momentous affair for Canadians — the first visit by a reigning monarch to our Dominion. The event was accordingly celebrated with a three-stamp set (Nos. 246-8), featuring portraits of King George VI, Queen Elizabeth (the present Queen Mother) (Fig. 6) and their two daughters, the princesses Elizabeth and Margaret. This was the only time that Princess Margaret has appeared on a Canadian stamp; but the future Queen Elizabeth II had graced a



Fig. 6. Guelphoto

Canadian stamp once before; she had made her Canadian philatelic debut in 1935 (No. 211), on the occasion of her grandparents' silver jubilee.

King George VI continued to be featured in the low values of the definitives issued in 1942, 1949 and 1950. Three more royal commemoratives, however, ought to be mentioned. In 1947 Princess Elizabeth married, and this prompted a four-cent stamp (Nos. 276); the centennial of



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Fig. 8.



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Fig. 9.

responsible government in the Canadas was marked in 1948 with another four-cent stamp which featured bas-relief portraits of Victoria and George VI (Nos. 277); and the 1951 visit of Princess Elizabeth and her husband, Prince Philip, to Canada, occasioned another four-cent stamp (No. 315).

Queen Elizabeth II's accession in 1952 seemed to bring with it no changes in Canadian philatelic policy with respect to monarchs. Low-value definitives were issued in 1953 and 1954, all bearing the Queen's likeness. Single commemoratives were issued in 1953 (No. 330) and 1957 (No. 374) (Fig. 7) to mark the Queen's coronation and her first visit to Canada as queen, respectively. It should be noted that the 1957 Royal Visit stamp was the last one to feature a portrait of Prince Philip. Indeed, this attractive stamp was the last Canadian stamp ever issued to portray a member of the royal family other than the reigning monarch. This was no doubt a conscious policy decision on the part of postal officials.

The Queen's 1959 and 1964 visits were both marked by single commemoratives (Nos. 386, 433). A new trend, however, was developing with respect to the low value definitives. Whereas previously all of these had featured the sovereign's likeness and little else, the 1962-63 set included, in the upper left-hand corner of the stamps, vignettes symbolising Canada's natural wealth. These were such designs as a sheaf of wheat, a mineral crystal, and an oil rig. The subtle change in policy accelerated in 1967 with the release of the celebrated Centennial definitives. These featured a head-and-shoulders portrait of the Queen on the right side of the stamps, and Canadian scenes on the left. The scenes included the locks on the St. Lawrence Seaway, the Library of Parliament, prairie fields, and similar vistas.

Centennial year also saw the issuing of Canada's last royal visit commemorative (No. 471) (Fig. 8). Evidently postal officials felt that with royal visits becoming so frequent, the production of special commemoratives for each was unnecessary and uncalled for.

The next important change in postal policy related to the monarchy, and the one that upset so many royalists, was made in 1972 with the release of new definitives. The reigning monarch was from now on to appear solely on the most frequently used definitive (i.e., the one used for mailing a first class letter weighing an ounce or less within Canada). Thus the "caricature" stamps of 1972 featured former prime ministers on the low values, and the Queen's visage on the eight-cent stamp (No. 593). It was also the first time the Queen had "graciously consented" to the stamp design on Canadian soil. The design had been presented to Her Majesty during the course of her first 1973 visit, and the approval was then granted. Postal historians will, it seems, never know what Her Majesty's first reaction was when she saw the pen-and-ink drawing of herself.

Also in 1973 the Queen's likeness adorned Canada's two largest stamps: the set marking the Commonwealth Heads of Gov't Meeting held in Ottawa in August of that year (Nos. 620-1). A red ten-cent "caricature" stamp was issued in 1976 to meet the postal rate increase (No. 593A).

In 1975, however, pre-stamped envelopes ceased to carry her likeness; the new abstract design was introduced in that year by Canada Post because it was said to be harder to forge.

The Queen's silver jubilee occasioned what many people think is the most attractive stamp issued by Canada Post in a long time. The twenty-five cent commemorative (Fig. 9), featuring a popular portrait of the Queen by Peter Grugeon in full colour, topped the newspaper polls as 1977's most attractive stamp. Unfortunately, the fact that its face value was twenty-five cents meant that the stamp did not circulate widely within Canada. Nevertheless, it is destined to become a classic and is certainly the most attractive silver jubilee stamp issued by any country, beating even the United Kingdom's own efforts.

The new set of definitives issued a month later carried on the practice initiated in 1972 of featuring the Queen's portrait on the first-class letter stamp only. This time the stamp featured an elegant bas-relief portrait of Her Majesty. Barely two months later, however, Canada Post released for sale a new twelve-cent definitive with a view of Ottawa's Houses of Parliament. The cries of outrage from monarchists were loud and shrill, but Canada Post went ahead with its plan and the Parliament stamp (No. 714) was issued in both sheet form and coils, with the Queen Elizabeth stamp being sold in sheets and booklets. The new fourteen-cent rate which took effect in 1978 brought with it a new Queen Elizabeth stamp and a new Parliament stamp, and it seems that from now on stamp users will have a choice between the Queen and some other, more "Canadian" institution.

It might be added that the Parliament stamps are, in some people's opinion, the ugliest design produced by Canada Post in years. As for the reasons for issuing it, some pointed to the national "unity crisis" precipitated in 1976 and concluded that postal officials saw the need for a more "Canadian" symbol on the most commonly used stamps. Some cynics noticed what appears to be a fleur de lis contained within the "C" of Canada in the stamps and saw in it another example of the government's desire to appease Quebec.

If we follow the changes of 1928, 1962, 1972 and 1977, the next logical step in Canadian philatelic policy with respect to the monarchy would be the removal of the Queen's portrait altogether from our definitives. What ought to be clear to those who dread that change is that the process has been a long one, although it has accelerated considerably within the last six years.

One final note: I have chosen not to include "stamp-on-stamp" issues as related to the monarchy, even though both the 1962 Victoria Centenary issue and the 1978 Capex issues feature portraits of Queen Victoria within the stamps they reproduce.

Précis

Les souverains du Canada ont joué un rôle très particulièr dans l'histoire philatélique canadienne. Le premier timbre canadien porta les lettres royales "V.R.", et notre première série commémorative fut occasionnée par le soixantième anniversaire d'un règne. De peu en peu les effigies royales furent éliminées des timbres-poste canadiens: premièrement des timbres courants de valeur fort, puis de la plupart des timbres commémoratifs, et en 1972 des timbres courants de valeur faible. Cependant, l'émission de 1977 commémorant le vingt-cinquième anniversaire du règne de la Reine Élisabeth a indiqué que la monarchie est une matière populaire même avec les collectioneurs et le public canadien.

Summary

The Canadian monarchy has occupied a very special place in Canadian philatelic history. Canada's first stamp bore the royal cypher "V.R.", and our first commemorative stamp set was issued on the occasion of a royal diamond jubilee. Little by little the portraits of reigning sovereigns have been removed from Canadian stamps: first from high-value definitives, then from most commemoratives, and in 1972 from low-value definitives. The 1977 issue commemorating Queen Elizabeth's silver jubilee, however, has shown that the monarchy can be a popular subject with stamp collectors and the general public alike.

Wiping Flaws and Misapplied Colour in Niger Issue

by Steve Slavik

Those who collect the modern issues of France or of their former colonies are aware that multi-colour Giori or TD-3 (as they are called in France) presses do not always produce perfectly aligned colour registration. But some stamps from the 1960 Fauna issue of the Niger are especially interesting. This engraved series of stamps was printed in Paris on TD-3 multi-colour presses by the Atelier de Fabrication de Timbres Postes in 1960, and different copies of the same values show both typical flaws and strange anomalies.

To discuss these stamps properly, a review of the printing process will be helpful. When a stamp of only one colour is involved, rotary recess printing is straightforward. A roller of plastic material rests partly in an inkwell and is also in contact with the printing cylinder on which it deposits ink as it turns. If the inking is to be correct, any excess of ink must be removed from the printing cylinder, leaving ink in only the engraved recesses. The printing cylinder is therefore wiped by another roller (or in some cases a doctor blade) which may have a to-and-fro-motion, taking up excessive ink and which is in turn cleaned in a chemical bath.

In general, stamps have several colours. Since 1949 rotary presses have permitted printing as many as three colours from one plate. In that case the process is a bit more complicated. There must be as many ink rollers as there are different colours. Each of the the rollers must ink only that part of the engraved plate that is to print that colour. In order to do this, each inking roller must have parts cut out leaving intact only those parts required to ink the appropriate area of the printing cylinder.

In practice, each ink roller is first passed over the cylinder to receive a reproduction of the engravings, then the parts that do not correspond to the given colour are cut out. To sum up, with three-colour rotaries one must have three inking rollers each cut out in a different pattern so that each one touches only the part of the printing plate intended to receive its colour. Constant varieties can result when ink rollers are recut and apply a different shaped area of ink to the cylinder.

Some special considerations pertinent to the use of this press are useful to keep in mind. There may be a tendancy for neighboring colours to run together, because of poor wiping, or because the borders of the colours are too close together, or because the inks and paper (which is usually dampened) dry too slowly. To obviate some of this, the die engraver can leave some white space between colour areas.

Also to help eliminate smearing of darker colours into lighter ones, part of the printing can be done with the plate cylinder rotating in one direction, and the rest of the printing done with the plate rotating in the opposite direction. Or the wiping cylinder can rotate in a carefully chosen direction.

In some cases irregular differences, other than smears, can be found to be due to wiping patterns. Different colour distributions between stamps can be the result of differences in the wiping. If two productions in different formats of the same design have been made with the same die, such as sheet and coil, a wiping in one direction can attenuate the ink more in the lines having the same direction as the wipe than a wipe in another direction.

The stamps pictured here are Scott #91 for Niger. They have four colours: red, yellow, green, and blue (not black, as Scott



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Fig. 1.



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Fig. 2.



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Fig. 3.

says), or shades thereof. The green is an overlay of the blue on yellow and varies with the shade of the blue. Figure 1 shows the issue with a standard inking and a few colour mixings in the tips of the grass, the necks, and heads. The primary flaw is a weakly coloured line along the back of the largest crane, perhaps not rocked-in properly, but probably just poorly inked. In figure 2 we see a fair copy, but one which has been "underinked' in the area surrounding the "IF", resulting in a ragged edge of the dotted red colour. Figure 3 shows a stamp with several differences from the previous two. Not only do the dots in the area surrounding the "IF" fade out more than they do in the stamp in Fig. 1 (which has a more definite edge), but there are heavy smears in the crowns of both the largest and the middle crane. This is accompanied by a white spot where the ink has been removed altogether to the right of the leg of the largest crane, just above the grass. Another difference in the stamp of Fig. 3 is that the feathering along the bottom of the blue part of the body of the two largest cranes is missing. The body in this copy is distinctly more grey (and less blue), as if (in combination with the lack of feathering) a bluish overlay had been omitted. Also there is a loss of the belly outline in the largest crane.

How can we account for these flaws? Consider the variations in the dotted backgrounds to the "IF." Although the dots seem to have the same distribution, in Fig. 3 the edge dots are much lighter, so that the edge appears to fade. Assuming that only one press was in use to print these stamps, with a properly rocked-in cylinder and only one inking roller for the red for the entire issue, we have to conclude that the flaws are due to different stages of the plate, or different plates, or irregular kinds of weak inking. These are a lot of assumptions, and I don't know how to judge between all the possible causes just now. But from examination of the photos I think we can exclude a worn or different plate.

If different inking rollers were used, due to wear or standard replacement, or due to a second press, then a different pattern of ink might be applied, and could most easily account for these differences.

There are more distinct flaws in the stamp of Fig. 3: the smears, the scoop, the loss of feathering in the blue bodies, and the loss of the yellow and red belly outline in the largest crane. The easiest to explain are the smears. Smears are present in many stamps done by this process and are undoubtedly due to poor performance of the cleaning cylinder. In this case, as with

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POST·SCRIPTS

AN OCCASIONAL FEATURE

BY MAX ROSENTHAL

Southwest from Montreal — The First Post Offices

Part 1.

During the regime of Count Frontenac, in 1673, a seigniory six miles deep and nine miles long was carved out of the bush on the south shore of the St. Lawrence River, opposite the southwest end of Montreal Island, and given to Charles Lemoine, Seigneur of Longueuil, to be called Chateauguay. The lots in it were laid out long and narrow so that its settlers could build their houses close together for mutual defence. In 1764 Madame Youville, founder of the Convent of Grey Nuns at Montreal, bought Chateauguay Seigniory. Five years later the nuns built the first dam and a grist mill, at a little settlement at the mouth of the Chateauguay River.

South and west of Chateauguay, Beauharnois Seigniory came into being only fifty years after the creation of Chateauguay Seigniory. Square in shape, 18 miles per side, it was ceded by the French king to the Governor, Charles, Marquis de Beauharnois. In 1795, Alexander Ellice, a member of an important commercial house in London, bought it.

As the Seigniories of Chateauguay and Beauharnois occupied most of the wedge-shaped piece of land west of Caughnawaga, there remained in Quebec only a ragged shaped section of waste land between them and the United States. Deputy Surveyor-General Chewett surveyed this tract in 1788-9, apparently to provide land for loyal soldiers who had served in the American Revolution. A large county named Huntingdon was formed out of the district lying west of the Richelieu. Chewett divided it into townships, taking from the old Huntingdon County the names Hemmingford, Godmanchester and Hitchingbrook, for them.

It was not until 1810 that Beauharnois village began to assume the aspect of a community. Seignioral agent John Milne opened a store in the Seigniory House on the bank of the St. Lawrence River at the mouth of the St. Louis. In 1825 John Ross and William Beckett came from Montreal to open a business there.

The first settler in Huntingdon village in 1817 was a squatter, Benjamin Palmer. Then William Bowron came from England and was made Crown Agent. He had a town plot surveyed as the village of Bowron. However, it was laid out in 1825 by William Lalanne as Huntingdon.

POSTAL SERVICE BEGINS

Up to 1829 there was no post office south of the St. Lawrence River west of Montreal. Settlers depended on Montreal or the United States post offices for their mail, losing one or two days to send a letter, or to find out if there was one for them. When someone from their area visited Montreal, he would ask at the post office for letters for all of his neighbours. A letter to Great Britain cost the equivalent of one dollar and seldom took less than six weeks.

A mail route was established in the spring of 1829. On it was the existing Laprairie and the newly established post officers at Chateauguay and Beauharnois. The postmaster at Chateauguay was A. McDonald and T. McDonald was the postmaster at Beauharnois.

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$1 Fundy Nat. Park, 1979-01-24

WE GOOFED

When we listed the 1979 stamp programme on page 31 of the last issue, we indicated that the Inuit stamps (4 x 17c.) would appear on September 17th. That date is wrong. Unless the stamp programme is revised, the Inuit stamps will be issued on SEPT. 13TH.

Notes From PHILATELIC BULLETIN Vol. 1, No. 3

Low value Flower Definitives:

The 1c. to 10c. flower definitives, printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, have been found to have been printed with fugitive ink pigments. These tend to change colour when exposed to ultraviolet light or sunlight. Collectors are advised to exercise caution when contemplating buying what appear to be colour varieties of these stamps.

New Printing Contracts

The revision of definitive stamp printing contracts will result in several denominations being printed by a different security printer in the future.

The British American Bank Note Company (BABN) will print all future requirements of the low value flower definitives. They will be used to replenish the current stocks of Canadian Bank Note Company (CBNC) printed stamps.

They will be issued with Plate 2 inscriptions and will be perf. 13+ (CBNC stamps were from Plate 1, perf. 12 x 12½). The new printings will be one colour steel engraving and three colour gravure. This reduces the number of press runs required from two [steel engraving plus lithography (CBNC)] to one.

BLANK CORNERS REMOVED

As of the first issue of 1979 ($1 Fundy stamp) blank corner blocks of new issues are no longer being supplied to customers by the Philatelic Service. It was felt that since the same paper stock was used for both inscription and blank corner blocks, the Service could not justify maintaining double inventory of all corner and panes.

In future, blank corner blocks will be available only on regular post office panes. However, blank corners of pre-1979 issues may be ordered from the Philatelic Service until 1979-04-01 (1 Apr. 1979).

NEW AND FORTHCOMING

1979-01-24 - $1 definitive, Fundy National Park. Designed by Ron Bolt and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa, on P.V.A. gummed, coated one side lithography paper by one colour steel engraving (pl. 1) and four colour lithography. It is 48 mm x 30 mm in horizontal format. perf. 13+ in panes of 50 stamps.

It has already been reported that at least three shades of the brown colour were noted in philatelic stock.



1979-02-01



1979-03-08



1979-03-08

1979-02-01 — 14c. 25th Anniversary of the Quebec Winter Carnival. Designed by Antoine Dumas of Quebec city and printed by Ashton-Potter, Limited of Toronto on P.V.A. gummed, coated one side lithography paper by 5 colour lithography. It is 30 mm x 36 mm in vertical format, perf. 13+ in panes of 50 stamps. All of the 28 million stamps are general tagged.

1979-03-08 — 17c. Queen Elizabeth II and 17c. Parliament Building low value definitives. These are the same designs as used previously for the 12c. and 14c. definitives.

The QE II stamp, designed by Heather Cooper, is printed by the British Americam Bank Note Company on P.V.A. gummed, coated one side gravure paper by gravure (green, grey) and steel engraving (pl. 1) black.

The Parliament Building stamp, designed by Reinhard Derreth, is printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company on P.V.A. gummed uncoated paper by one colour (green) steel engraving (pl. 1).

Both stamps are 20 mm x 24 mm in vertical format, perf. 13+ in panes of 100 stamps.

1979-03-08 — 35c. definitive, White Pine, Pinus strobus, designed by Heather Cooper and printed by the British American Bank Note Company on P.V.A. gummed, coated one side gravure paper by three colour gravure and one colour steel engraving (pl. 1). It is 24 mm x 30 mm in vertical format, perf. 13+ in panes of 50 stamps, all general tagged.

AVAILABLE ITEMS

1978 Souvenir Collection of all 1978 issues, including the CAPEX '78 souvenir sheet. It comes with plastic mounts for each stamp and a 8½" x 11" booklet, 3 ring punched. The booklet contains background information and technical details for each stamp. $11.00 (face value of stamps is $10.21).

Ships of Canada: Heritage Stamp Collection. This is a 20.4 cm x 15.1 cm. 96 page bilingual booklet written by Thomas Appleton, former historian for the Ministry of Transport.

The collection includes blocks of four of the four ships issues (1975-1978). The text provides background information on the ships and includes over 80 line drawings and photographs, a brief biography of the designer of the stamps, Tom Bjarnason and a brief discussion of stamp production. The cost is $6.95.

5c. Flower definitive (#710) plate 2, printed by the British American Bank Note Company, Ottawa.

14c. Parliament Building (#715) plates 3 and 4, printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa.

Both were released at the Pioneer Post Office, National Postal Museum, Ottawa on 1979-01-23 (23 Jan. 1979).

50c. Street Scene (#723) plate 2, printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa. The colours appear darker because the new printer uses a combination of one colour steel engraving (pl. 2) and three colour lithography instead of the combination of steel (pl. 1) and gravure that was used in the original printing by the British American Bank Note Company.

It was released for sale at the Pioneer Postal Museum on 1978-12-13 (13 Dec. 1978).



1979-03-08

Limited numbers of first day of sale covers of plate blocks or combinations of single of the two printings (50c. stamp) were prepared. Information is available from Maj. R. K. Malott (Ret'd), 16 Harwick Cresc., Ottawa, Ont., K2H 6R1.

STAMP PAPER

The various printing processes used to print Canadian postage stamps, steel engraving, photogravure and offset lithography, require three different finished papers to achieve top quality reproduction of postage stamp designs. The total volume of paper used for postage stamps is relatively small, and therefore the different stocks were developed around commercial standard paper stocks.

For the past several years, two different base stocks have been used. The base stock for sheet-fed lithography printing, e.g., Inuit stamps, has used a commercial offset base paper. The base sheet contains traces of optical brightener, which can be seen on the gummed side but is usually effectively masked by the clay coating on the side to be printed. The amount of show-through of the optical brightener (fluorescence) on the printed side may vary within a run, depending on minor variations in the clay coating.

A bulkier base stock has been used in the production of paper for steel engraved printing, e.g., the one- to seven-cent Prime Minister definitives. This same base paper is also used, with a different clay coating, for printing by gravure or by a combination of gravure and steel, e.g., the 15- to 30-cent Tree definitives.

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Au cours des quelques dernières années, deux types différents de papier support ont été utilisés. L'impression par lithographie alimentée par feuilles (exemple: les timbres consacrés aux Inuit) est faite sur du papier support offset qu'on trouve dans le commerce. La feuille support contient des traces d'un agent de blanchiment optique, visibles sur la surface gommée mais qui sont d'ordinaire bien masquées par la couche d'argile appliquée sur la surface à imprimer. En raison de légères variations de la couche d'argile, l'agent de blanchiment optique (fluorescence) peut paraître à differents degrés sur la surface imprimée d'un même tirage.

Le papier à imprimer par gravure sur acier est fabriqué à partir d'un papier support plus bouffant (exemple: les timbres courants de 1c. à 7c. représentant les premiers ministres). Ce papier support sert également, avec une couche d'argile différente, pour l'impression par photogravure ou par photogravure et gravure sur acier (exemple: les timbres courants de 15c. et 30c. consacrés aux Arbres).

Afin d'améliorer encore la qualité du papier à timbres, les trois imprimeurs, Ashton-Potter Limited, la British American Bank Note Company et la Canadian Bank Note Company, ont travaillé avec le fabricant de papier. Les Papeteries Abitibi Provinciales, a la standardisation du papier support.

A compter de l'émission, en 1979, du timbre consacré au carnaval d'hiver de Québec, un papier support standardisé plus bouffant sera utilisé pour la fabrication des trois types de papier fini. Cette simplification permettra au fabricant de

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further, the three printing companies, Ashton-Potter Limited, British American Bank Note Company and Canadian Bank Note Company, have been working with the paper manufacturer, Abitibi Provincial Paper, to standardize the base paper.

Beginning with the 1979 Quebec Carnival stamp, a standard bulkier base stock will be used for all three of the finished papers. This will allow the paper manufacturer to produce the one base stock in large quantities, in three or four production runs a year, and to control the consistency and quality of the base paper better. As before, the base paper will then be gummed and prepared for the different stamp printing processes: left uncoated for steel engraving; either coated one side for gravure or gravure and steel printing; or coated one side for litho or litho and steel printing.

This change to a standard base stock for all three finished papers should result in improved consistency of Canadian stamp paper and a reduction in observable paper variations.

papier de produire le papier support en grandes quantités, en trois ou quatre productions par année, et de mieux en contrôler l'uniformité et la qualité. Ce papier sera ensuite gommé et préparé en vue de l'impression des timbres selon les différents procédés: laissé couché pour gravure sur acier, couché d'une côté pour photogravure ou photogravure et gravure sur acier, ou couché d'un côté pour lithographie ou lithographie et gravure sur acier.

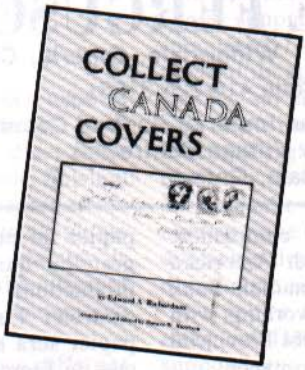
L'adoption d'un seul papier support standardisé pour la production des trois papiers finis devrait améliorer l'uniformité du papier des timbres-post canadiens et faire diminuer le nombre des variations perceptibles dans le papier.

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The Executive Committee of CAPEX '78 announced, after its final meeting, that the exhibition was a financial success and that all pledges have been refunded to the guarantors.

Over 45,000 admissions to the show, the largest of its kind ever held in Canada, were recorded during the nine days of the show.

The parent organization, The Toronto Association of Philatelic Exhibitions, will remain in existence to conserve the remaining assets, e.g., the 3,000 16 page exhibition frames, etc., for the benefit of future international exhibitions in Canada.

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THE CHAPTER COORDINATOR--

Another Canadian Philatelist is due shortly, sooner than we had expected. As usual, we have both good news and bad news. The good news is that through the kind offices of Julian Giorgi of the Westmount Philatelic Club programmes Nos. 15/3, 24 and 41/1 have cassette tapes. Only one tape for each set as noted. Julian has promised more as they get programmes.

Further good news is that we have three new programmes. No. 89, Angels of Mercy, the story of the Red Cross, No. 88, the Postal History of the Suez Canal, with cassette, and No. 90, Doctoring of Postage Stamps. Nos. 89 and 90 do not have cassettes. These were the result of a trade with the Audio Visual Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, which was arranged through the kind offices of Jim Kraemer as mentioned in the last issue. If these get enough requests we will try for more.

The bad news. Medals are costing you more as of this notice. The new, smaller, small silver and vermeil will go to make up a five tier level of awards for those chapters that wish to go that far. All medals will now be $4.50 each.

We note in Volume 30, No. 1 that Peter Mann has been getting mail with meter postage, instead of stamps. So are we. We agree with Peter - Ugh!!!.

Also, we have noted that some of you are returning the slide programmes by parcel post. It is obvious as the packages do not

have the green First Class Mail sticker, also the amount of postage tells us. Some are not even insured, and if any are lost in the mail, your club is liable for the $50.00 valuation. These **must** come back to us by First Class Mail, either registered, or insured for $50.00 for each programme. If there are two programmes in your parcel, it must be insured for $100.00. Surely you don't want your Club stuck for a programme replacement.

In the hope of meeting as many as possible at GRANDPEX '79, and with all good wishes to all our members.

T. E. Lyon for
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THE SALES CIRCUIT--

Our supplies of Canadian stamps are still not adequate to meet all our requests. The Sales Circuit needs Canada - M, MHN and used as well as coils and revenues (both Canada and Provincial). There is a demand for booklets and panes, as old as possible. The same applies to plate blocks, the older issues are requested.

There are requests for all countries, even a few for Central and South America. We particularly need good Australia - mint and used, New Zealand, Newfoundland, Channel Islands, Germany, France, Belgium, The Netherlands and British Colonies, just to name a few.

Since last November I have had an assistant so we have been able to send out circuits more often. It would still be a help if each chapter could let me know, at least six months in advance, the meeting dates when they require circuits.

For those who have books in the circuit, we are on a better schedule for retirements. Your books should be back within a maximum of eighteen months.

We have a private telephone line now and the number is still 1-705-887-5386.

Margaret Allen (Mrs.),
Director of Sales,
P.O. Box 727,
Fenelon Falls, Ont., K0M 1N0

THE COORDINATOR OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES--

It is truly good to see that new developments are taking place in helping the young philatelists in their endeavors. The Borough on North York, Ontario established a stamp program in several of its libraries, societies are allowing space in their exhibitions and symposiums on youth philately are taking place in many countries.

GRANDPEX in Cambridge, Ontario will host the '79 Convention of the Royal April 26-29. One of their features will be a stamp exhibition with generous space provided for the youth section.

June 15-17, STAMPEX Canada will have a junior section within its Seventh Annual Exhibition. On June 16 there will be a youth seminar within STAMPEX.

Interested entrants should contact both organizations for further information. (See Coming Events pages for addresses).

Michael Madesker,
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FROM THE CHAPTERS--

The Yellowhead Stamp and Coin Collectors Society (Chap. 153) was rather busy in 1978. In addition to the exhibition which was reported on in the last issue, they ran a 'local post' for tourists during July and August.

From the Chapters



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Hinton, Alberta local post 1978.

They set up a mail box in the Chamber of Commerce's tourist information booth to receive stamped letters that tourists wanted to mail from Hinton. The mail would be taken from there to the post offcie daily to meet the 3 p.m. deadline for outgoing mail.

In order to call attention to this service, it was decided to prepare special stamps that would be affixed to the mail that was carried from the tourist booth to the post office. There was no charge for the service or for the stamps. Tourists could donate whatever amount they wished and that money was set aside for the Youth Programme of the chapter.

The Society prepared two series of five stamps each, 2500 of which were printed in sheets of 20 (4 x 5), perf. 11.75. The two series used a common frame design in green with vignettes and values in black. The series were: Local Construction (5, 10, 25, 50, 100) and Indian Heritage (1, 2, 3, 4, 15), arranged vertically in ascending order in the sheets of 20.

Special cancellations were available as shown in the accompanying photographs.

The service was a great success. About 100 sets of the ten stamps were used during the two months. Twenty-five first day covers were prepared and quickly sold out. Envelopes bearing one of the sets of five stamps with a special cancellation were also prepared and sold for $1.50 at the tourist booth. It was learned that some of these envelopes were sent to Japan,

Germany and Australia.

The general feeling was that the venture was worth while and it may be repeated in 1979, possibly with a new series of stamps (labels).

For collectors of local labels, there may be a few envelopes and sets of stamps available at $1.50/set of 5, from the Yellowhead Stamp and Coin Collectors Society, P.O. Box 820, Hinton, Alberta, T0E 1B0. All proceeds go to the chapter's Youth Philatelic Programme.

Chapter 131

The West Suburban Stamp Club (Chap. 131) of Plymouth, Michigan, is conducting a mail auction in conjunction with their 10th Anniversary Stamp Show on April 28-29, 1979.

The auction will feature U.S. and Foreign stamps, postal history material and philatelic literature. The catalogues are free and may be obtained by sending a SASE to the West Suburban Stamp Club, P.O. Box 643, Plymouth, MI 48170, U.S.A.

Chapter 41

The RA Stamp Club (Chap. 41) will hold its 18th Annual Exhibition and Bourse on May 12-13 at the RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, K1H 7X7. The theme of the show is Postal History and the Postal History Society of Canada has been invited to hold its regional meeting and seminars there during the event.

The show committee has prepared a souvenir cover bearing the Col. John By commemorative stamps (issued the day before the show) and a letter from early Ottawa (formerly Bytown). It will be cancelled with a facsimile of the postmark that was used in Bytown's first post office in 1829.

Covers will be available for $1 from Gordon Richardson, ORAPEX 79 Covers, RA Centre at the address above.

The show will feature some 3,000 pages including postal history of Bytown by R.P.S.C. Director, Colin Bayley, some 25 dealers and an auction. Information is available from the chairman Andy Palochik, c/o the RA Centre.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NOTE: Notice of your change of address must be sent to the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, P.O. Box 1054, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1G5. Please allow six weeks for the change to be made in the Society's mailing list.

WIPING FLAWS (continued from page 107)

others, it is due to extra ink on the surface of the plate, smeared but not removed.

Notice that the scooped ink by the cranes' legs is in vertical alignment with the smeared crowns. Here the ink has been completely removed by too much pressure of the cleaning cylinder.

The loss of feathering in the two largest cranes is probably the result of a smaller area of the printing cylinder receiving the ink. In most cases the blue is printed onto a larger area and expands between the lines of the yellow ink into the wings and tail. If one had the stamp before him, he would see that the red background overlaps considerably the smallest crane on the bottom and that the blue is displaced considerably to the right, whereas in Figs. 1 and 2, it is displaced to the left. Thus it appears that the inking roller is designed to print a larger area than that outlined by the engraved lines and they are not usually perfectly registered.

The missing belly line in Fig. 3 is a combination of faults in the red and yellow. It could be a coincident inking problem or a real engraving (or rocking-in) fault. It seems impossible to tell without examining more copies than I have but, considering the almost literally hit or miss methods, it is likely an inking fault.

In conclusion, I think this is an educational series of stamps because it was printed in 1960 using a technique that was well known and much used by the Parisian printers. The issue is a good example of the art of multicolour printing yet it is full of flaws when examined closely.

Literature Reviews

CANADA TAGGED STAMPS HANDBOOK by Ken Rowe, M. Kinrachuk, editor. Saskatoon Coin and Stamp Centre Ltd., 217 - 23rd Street East, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7K 0J3. 21.2 cm x 28.0 cm., 6 + iii + 39 pages, illus., offset, paper covers, stapled with plastic page grip. n.d. [1978?]. $3.95 from the publisher or many dealers.

"This booklet is a brief listing of Canadian tagged errors, tagged stamps up to 1973, and tagged perfins. It is not presented as the best, the only, or even an adequate reference work." That is how the author introduces this handy compendium.

The introductory text includes diagrams of the tagging types that are recognized by the author, dimensions of the tagging and an essay on the purpose of the tagging.

Using the Canada Specialized Postage Stamp Catalogue numbers, the stamps have been listed chronologically, except for the Centennial Issue and the Indians series, which are grouped for convenience. Each stamp has the paper type(s) indicated (8 types recognized), tag type(s) and the dimensions of the tagging.

The listings of errors in tagging that follow the list of the normal stamps have paper and tag types listed plus a rarity factor [A (1-5 known) to E (501+)]. Perfins follow the errors and include the Woolley numbers.

Gum types are given only for the Centennial issue.

This is a useful handbook if tagged stamps are of interest.

PHILATHEQUE: LE COMTE DE BEAUHARNOIS by Anatole Walker. L. A. Walker, 8844 Notre-Dame est, Montreal, Quebec, H1L 3M4. 21.4 cm. x 27.4 cm., 132 unnumbered pages, illus., maps, tables, stitched paperback. 1978. $7.50 postpaid from the author.

Mr. Walker's third compilation of primary data of the postal history of Quebec counties is for Beauharnois County, southwest of Montreal.

The presentation of the data follows the same format as his two previous volumes (Can. Phil., vol. 29, no. 4, 1978, vol. 30, no. 1, 1979) and need not be described again.

Sixteen main post offices have been dealt with plus eleven sub post offices (Beauharnois Aux. 1-5, Valleyfield Aux. 1-6). The sub post offices are treated in less detail than the others, often listing only the date of opening, closing, reopening and postmasters.

In general, the reproduction of the typewritten pages is good as are many of the illustrations of the circular date stamp impressions. Registration stamps and money order office number stamp impressions do not fare as well. Many have an overall grayness, probably due to the colour of the piece upon which they were applied.

The reproduction of the maps of the county show variations in quality. Those that were made from topographical maps are adequate, those made from the Beauharnois County Map (1977) of the Ministere des Terres et Forêts de Québec are often too faint to read the names, and the same can be said of the four Postal Map reproductions. In the case of the Postal Map reproductions, the clarity of them probably reflects the clarity of the originals. In two of the maps, many of the place names are illegible.

Despite these minor deficiencies, the present volume is a valuable contribution which students of Quebec postal history should have on hand.

THE POSTAL HISTORY AND STAMPS OF BERMUDA, Rev. ed., by M. H. Ludington. Quarterman Publications, Inc., 5 South Union Street, Lawrence, MA 01843, U.S.A. 20.2 cm x 23.7 cm., xiii+432 pages, illus., maps, index, hardbound. 1978. US $40.00 from the publisher.

In preparing this new edition of his 1962

book, Mr. Ludington took the opportunity to make minor corrections and additions and to incorporate material from the 1968 supplement. Also included is the author's 1975 article on the King George V high value stamps. The addition of an index to Book I has added to its usefulness.

The book is in two sections. Book I, Part I, covers the postal history of Bermuda from Stockdale's postal service of 1784-1812 through to 1948. Part II lists and illustrates postal markings separately or on cover and includes a short note on forged cancellations. This is followed by several appendices which reproduce the texts of original documents relative to the postal history in Part I.

Book II describes and illustrates the postage stamps of Bermuda to the U.P.U. issue of 1949 and includes the plates used, paper, varieties, etc. Postal stationery is described and illustrated and the two appendices summarize the printings, dates of the stamps received and a check list of the issues. This section also lists artists' designs, essays, proofs, specimens and the stamps themselves.

The concluding supplement contains the additions and corrections which are based on information that became available after publication of the first edition in 1962.

This is another fine Quarterman publication which makes available to Bermuda collectors a valuable reference book that has been out of print for years. Recommended highly.

THE COMMONWEALTH QUEEN ELIZABETH II STAMP CATALOGUE, 1977 EDITION. Alan Bain, editor. Urch Harris & Co. Ltd., 7 Richmond Hill Avenue, Bristol BS8 1BQ, England. 18.6 cm x 23.9 cm, 680 + xvi pages, illus., coated paper, softbound. 1978. Available from the publisher, price not given.

Here is a catalogue that can be compared with the Gibbons Elizabethan Catalogue since it covers the same period. Each has its good and its bad points depending upon what you want in a catalogue. Overall, this catalogue comes out well.

It has a 3 column page format for most of the countries covered. The only departure from this is found in the Great Britain section up to July 1969. In that section a two column format is used because the stamps were issued in two forms: plain and with phosphor bars. This has necessitated two additional price columns and consequently a two column format.

Coverage is reasonably full with many varieties listed and illustrated for all countries. Canada fares reasonably well although paper varieties, other than those of the definitive issues, are seldom recorded.

Definitive stamps are listed first in chronological order and are followed by special (commemorative) issues, also chronologically, with official stamps, postage dues, etc. coming last.

The illustrations are good, very clear for the most part, and significant varieties are also illustrated. However, some of the illustrations of the varieties are a little small to show the essential features.

Pricing seems reasonable although most prices are lower than those in Gibbons, a factor which should not deter one from using this fine catalogue.

The numbering system is that of the publisher and does not fit in with either the Scott's or Gibbons numbering system. This factor must be taken into account when using or contemplating using the catalogue.

SPEZIALKATALOG: POSTSTEMPEL GANZSACHEN UND SONDER-EINSCHREIBZETTEL ZU DEN OLYMPISCHEN SPIELEN 1976. [Special Catalogue of postmarks, postal stationery and special registration labels of the Olympic Games 1976] by Manfred Winternheimer. Internationalen Motivgruppe "Olympiaden und Sport", Justus von Liebigstrasse 14, D-6707 Schifferstadt. West Germany. Binder: 20.8 cm x 23.6 cm., pages: 14.8 cm x 21.0 cm., 8 + 81 + 2 + 215, illus., offset, looseleaf 2-ring vinyl binder. 1977. $18.95 [including English-French-German glossary] from Olympic Cancellations Reg'd, 2050 Decarie Boulevard, Montreal, Quebec, H4N 3J3.

This is a German language illustrated descriptive listing of the special cancella-

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tions, cachets, postal stationery, postal meter impressions, registration labels or stamps that were used in connection with the 12th Olympic Winter Games at Innsbruck 1976 (81 pages) and for the 21st Olympic Games in Montreal 1976 (215 pages).

The listings are arranged according to the type of cancellation by host country, participating country and by non-participating country, in that order.

The Canadian postal meter impressions bearing the Montreal Olympic symbol occupy the largest section (72 pages) since it illustrates the impressions and lists the meter numbers and the companies using them.

The quality of the printing varies from fair to good with the illustrations of postal stationery and cachets suffering the most. Many of these appear to be reproductions of photocopies which were not good copies to begin with.

This is a comprehensive listing which should be most useful for collectors of olympic material.

COLLECT BRITISH STAMPS 23rd Ed. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R OLX, England. 16.5 cm. x 19.4 cm., 60 pages, col. illus., softbound. 1978. $3.25 from many dealers.

Once again this popular small catalogue has been thoroughly revised over the past six months and presents the latest market prices at the time of printing. It includes the Regional issues (both obsolete and current), the pre-independence issues of the Channel Islands, postage dues and officials, an up-to-date list of the Post Office Picture Cards and details and prices of first day covers, presentation, gift and souvenir packs. It is an excellent inexpensive catalogue for GB collectors who do not go in for varieties, errors, etc.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC PERIODICALS by Chester M. Smith, Jr. American Philatelic Research Library, P.O. Box 338, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A. 21.6 cm x 27.9 cm., 80 pages, index, softbound. 1978. US $14.00 from the publisher.

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The handbook is in three major sections. The first is the bibliographic tables, which give the basic bibliographic data known for each periodical. These include the reference number, title, place of publication, publisher, initial date of publication with volume and number. When it could be determined, the whole number range is given so, in most instances, one knows the number of individual issues that exist for the journal. Minor notes for some entries tell the name or number of the series, if there is more than one; the content of the periodical, if it contained only ads or was partially philatelic and notes on successor or predecessor journals.

An index by publisher and the geographic index of publications follow and are cross referenced with the listings in the bibliographic tables.

All of the American periodicals listed in the Catalogue of the Philatelic Library of the Earl of Crawford and in the Supplement to the Cataloque, Philately: A Catalogue of the Collectors' Club, Philatelic Literature Review, First and Second Series, Scott's Monthly Journal and The American Philatelist are included in this handbook. The catalogues of the sales of major philatelic literature libraries and the holdings of the American Philatelic Research Library were utilized in compiling this listing which includes elusive journals that were often short-lived and overlooked in the reference mentioned above.

The handbook, which was printed in limited quantities, is actually a philatelic periodicals catalogue and is a must for all bibliophiles, libraries and collectors of this material.

THE AMATEUR COLLECTOR'S STAMP CATALOGUE OF SWITZERLAND 1979, edited by H. L. Katcher. The Amateur Collector Ltd., P.O. Box 242, Highgate, London N6, England. 13.7 cm x 19.3 cm., 132 pages, illus., card covers, wire multi-ring binding. 1978. $11.70 [seamail] $13.90 [airmail] from the publisher.

Here is a convenient size catalogue that is hard to fault. It is excellently printed on coated paper with reduced but clear illustrations. The wire binding allows the book to lie perfectly flat or with the pages turned back. However, this is where one could fault it. The rings are a little too small for easy turning of the pages. Care must be taken if the holes are not to be torn open when turning the pages.

It is a comprehensive catalogue which illustrates, lists (using Zumstein numbering system) and prices Swiss philatelic items from postage stamps through hotel post, railway stamps to Telegraph stamps and Red Cross Frank Stamps. It concludes with an extensive price list of mint and used blocks of four.

Prices reflect the market and have been increased except for 105 reductions. The average increase is 31% with many in the 50% to 70% range.

Recommended.

BRIEFLY NOTED:

PHILATELIC LITERATURE REVIEW, Vol. 27, No. 4, Fourth Quarter, 1978. American Philatelic Research Library, P.O. Box 338, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A. 75c. per copy.

The main feature in this issue is "A Tentative Bibliography for the Study of Missouri Postal History" by David S. Zubatsky. There is also an extensive section of philatelic literature reviews.

SCANDINAVIAN INTERNATIONAL PHILATELY, Vol. V, No.1, Jan. 1979. Edited and published by C. Nieuwland, P.O. Box 8042, Rotterdam, Netherlands. Quarterly, f15/year.

This small quarterly paper covered journal, average of 20 pages, provides a listing of philatelic literature and price lists of new and used books, catalogues and magazines pertaining to the Scandinavian countries.

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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Visitors always welcome at meetings. For information contact William C. Carracher, President, B.C. Philatelic Society, 744 West 69th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. V6P 2W3.

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GUELPH STAMP CLUB
(Chapter 98, RPSC). Meets first and third Wednesdays, September through May, third Wednesdays June through August, at 8 p.m. in the Guelph Library, Norfolk at Paisley Streets, Guelph, Ontario. Secretary: Ernie McFarland, 46 Harrison Ave., Guelph, Ont. N1H 5K4. Visitors most welcome.

HAMILTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY
Chapter Fifty-one. 2nd and 4th Mondays Sept. to May inc. Lower auditorium of the Canadian Martyrs Church at the corner of Main Street West and Emerson Avenue in Hamilton (across from McMaster University campus). Secretary - Mr. Andrew Chung, McMaster University. P.O. Box 299, Hamilton, Ontario L8S 1C0.

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(Chapter 13 of the R.P.S.C.). Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month (except during June, July and August) in the Elizabeth Room of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church (Queen Street Entrance). Visitors Welcome. Pres. Gordon Warnock, 192 Blucher St., Kitchener, Ont.

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501 St. John's Blvd., Pointe Claire, Quebec. Meeting nights 2nd and 4th Thursdays September till June at 7:20 p.m. President - Geoff Newman; Secretary - Margaret Dunnett. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1, Pointe Claire-Dorval, P.Q., H9R 4N5. Visitors Welcome.

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Meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month (July & August excepted) at the North York Memorial Community Hall. 5090 Yonge St. Willowdale, Ontario. Sec'y: Mrs. M. Summerfield, Phone 221-0375. Visitors Welcome.

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R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 135 meets 7:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, year round at Trafalgar Hall Auditorium, Trafalgar Road at Hwy. 5, Oakville. R.P.S.C. Representative: Dave Dixon, P.O. Box 529, Oakville, Ont. L6J 5B9. Visitors Welcome.

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Regular meetings will be held in the basement of The Saint Charles Garnier church, 1215 Chanoine Morel, Sillery. As in the past we will hold meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of the month - 7:30 Hr., to 10:00.

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Meets monthly on the second Thursday, Room 112, Provincial Museum, at 8 p.m. Sec'y: Chas. W. Marshall, 1472 St. David St., Victoria, B.C., V8R 4Z3. Visitors always welcome.

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Meets 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays, except July and August at St. Pauls Runnymede Church, 404 Willard Ave., near Jane and Annette, Toronto. Visitors welcome.

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