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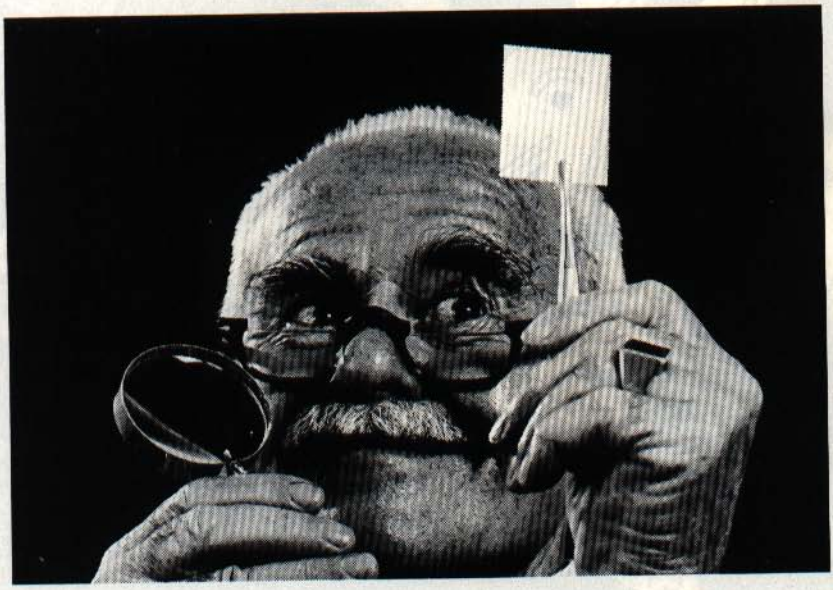
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WILL THEY EVER LEARN?

Guest Editorial

During the past few months the story of yet another archival looting has been unfolding. Although, at the time of writing the extent of the loss has not been made public, there is an indication that these new thefts will rival those from the archives of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick that were reported several years ago.

No person should condone theft of any kind let alone the theft of material that belongs to the general public. Hence, all members of the philatelic community have a strong moral (if not legal) obligation to see that material related to their interest that has been committed to an institution for safe keeping, and for the benefit of all, does not end up in private collections.

However, is there not a mutual responsibility between the institution and the collector? Does not the official or custodian of these treasures carry an equal, if not greater, accountability for their safety?

Each new theft puts an unusual and possibly unjustified demand on the philatelic fraternity. These thefts remain undetected or undisclosed for many years permitting these items to change hands many times - always in good faith. Eventually, when the loss is uncovered, the postal historian is made the criminal and is asked, even ordered, to correct the situation or take the legal consequences.

No one seems to consider that the people responsible for the thefts were not the collectors. In fact, there is every indication that conditions within the institutions themselves permit, or even encourage a person, to take full advantage of lapses in security procedures. Indeed, in each case it has been the collector who has alerted the officials of the archives that their material has reached the marketplace. Ironically, when the situation becomes public, it is the philatelic community that is asked to "clean up its act" and to assume responsibility for the safe return of the stolen goods.

Although it is illegal to possess stolen property, one cannot help but sympathize with the collector who has bought an item in good faith, treasured it, and has suddenly been told that it does not belong to him and that he must give it up. One cannot really condemn him for remaining silent. After all, it has been much safer in his hands than it was in the archives.

If someone leaves the keys to his car in the ignition and the car is stolen, he has only himself to blame. If a collector is casual about the safety of his collection and it disappears, it is really his fault. If a collecting institution does not secure its holdings so that it encorages their theft, someone other than the collector must take the blame.

The time has come for the administrators of archives to realize that they alone have the power to minimize the loss of the material that they hold in trust.

F.G.S.

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CHARLES EMERY, NEW PRESIDENT

Charles O. Emery was elected President of the Society at the annual meeting held recently in Calgary in conjunction with CALTAPEX '80. He has been a director of the R.P.S.C. for several years and is the western representative of the Judges Accredition Committee. He himself, is accredited as an apprentice on the interna-

ADDENDUM

John G. Schmidt has supplied the following additions to his "1972 Canadian Definitive Series: Caricature and Landscape. Part 2." (Nov.-Dec. 1979).

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II	WOVE	MED+/HI	Blank	13.3 x 13.2	OP-2	4 mm
II	WOVE	MED/HI	Plate 3	13.3 x 13.2	OP-2	4 mm

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WOVE	HI+/HI+	DULL/DULL	Orig.	

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tional level and has had extensive experience as a judge.

"Chuck" holds membership in many philatelic organizations. He is President of the Coquitlam Centennial Stamp Club, Vice President of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs and Vice President of Writers Unit No. 30 of the American Philatelic Society. He is a columnist for the STAMP COLLECTOR magazine and is editor of the Revenue Section of BNA TOPICS - the Journal of the British North American Philatelic Society.

His collecting interests include the Revenue Stamps of Canada, Canadian Stamps of the Victorian era, Hong Kong and Treaty Ports and the Lumber Industry on Stamps. He has exhibited extensively and has many honours to his credit.

He presently resides in Coquitlam, B.C. where he is engaged as a lumber broker. His early days were spent in Southern Ontario. He is married and has two children.

1986 R.P.S.C. ANNUAL MEETING

Yes, we can start talking about that meeting now, or at least tell you where and approximately when it will occur.

It will be held at AMERIPEX '86 in Chicago, Illinois sometime during May 21 - June 1. Ameripex is commemorating the centennials of the American Philatelic Society and the Chicago Philatelic Society.

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SEPTEMBER 19-17 — PRENFIL '80, International Exhibition of philatelic press and literature in honour of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Buenos Aires. Sponsored by La Asociacion de Cronistas Filatélicos de la Argentina, at the Palace of Posts and Telegraph, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

SEPTEMBER 25 - 28 — STaMpsHOW 80, 94th annual convention of the APS at Riverpark Convention Center, Spokane, Washington. Entry forms and prospectus from STaMpsHOW 80 Prospectus, American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 800, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 27 — Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Muskoka Philatelic Society in the Trillium Room, Gravenhurst Opera House, Muskoka St., Gravenhurst, Ont. Free admission, free parking. Information from T. E. Lyon, P.O. Box 187, Gravenhurst, Ontario, P0C 1G0.

SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 6 - SYDPEX 80, Australia's National Stamp Exhibition in the Sydney Town Hall during National Stamp Week. Information available from: Hon. Secretary, Philatelic

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Exhibition Council of NSW, P.O. Box C300, Clarence Street, 2000, Australia.

OCTOBER 4 — BANPEX '80, annual exhibition, bourse and auction of the Penobscot Valley Stamp Club at the Holiday Inn East, 500 Main St., Bangor, Maine. Prospectus, bourse space and souvenir cover information from: Chairman Gil Roderick, 52 Fern St., Bangor, ME, 04401, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 11-12 — 2nd Annual Kitchener-Waterloo OKTOBERFEST Stamp Exhibition of the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society. South Campus Hall, Univ. of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ont. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information from K-W Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 8101, Bridgeport, Ont., N2K 2G6.

OCTOBER 18 — KENTPEX, Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Kent County Stamp Club, at the Wheels Motor Inn (Hwy. 2 & Richmond), Chatham, Ont. Free parking, free admission. Co-chairman, Michael B. Deery, R.R. 3, Wallaceburg, Ont., N8A 4K9.

OCTOBER 18 — Annual Stamp Exhibition and Bourse of the Guelph Stamp Club at St. James Junior High School, 57 Victoria Rd. N., Guelph, Ont. Admission and parking free. Chairman: C. H. Laubach, 38 Lincoln Cresc., Guelph, Ont.

OCTOBER 19 — THAMESPEX '80, 15th Annual exhibition and bourse of the Thames Stamp Club at Ocean Beach Park, New London, Connecticut. Honours 75th anniversary of Rotary International. USPS and UNO post offices, souvenir cacheted cover. SASE for information from Dr. Clemens E. Prokesch, 30 Admiral Drive, New London, CT, 06320, U.S.A.

OCTOBER 24-26 — A STAMP MARKETPLACE at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, 123 Queen St., W., Toronto, Ont. Non-competitive exhibition, bourse, lectures

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and seminars. Fri. & Sat.: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun.: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Daily admission: Adults $1. For further information, send SASE to A Stamp Marketplace, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ont. M3J 2T8.

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 2 — BUENOS AIRES '80, International Philatelic Exhibition in honour of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Buenos Aires. FIP patronage. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 1 — NOJEX, 19th Annual Exhibition of the North Jersey Federated Stamp Clubs, at the Holiday Inn Jetport, Rtes 1 and 9, Elizabeth, N.J. Enquiries: Mr. Sidney Schneider, Pres. NOJEX, Box 221, Garwood, NJ 07027, U.S.A.

NOVEMBER 6 - 8 — BNAPEX '80, Annual Convention of the British North America Philatelic Society, McAllen, Texas, hosted by the Texas Prairie Beavers. Information from Jeffrey Switt, c/o Bartlette Advertising, Inc., 1215 Electric Service Building, Fort Worth, TX 76102, U.S.A.

NOVEMBER 8 - 10 — Hamilton-Buffalo Stamp Exhibition, Auction and Bourse of the Hamilton Philatelic Society, Kenneth Taylor Hall, McMaster University, 1280 Main ST. W., Hamilton, Ont. Admission and parking free. Fri.: auction 7:45 p.m., Exhibition, Sat.: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun.: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Chairman, Jack Savage, P.O. Box 299, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont., L8S 1C0.

NOVEMBER 15-16 — BERMUPEX '80 to be held at the Castle Harbour Hotel. Probably a two day auction Nov. 13-14. Brochure and information from Mrs. Heidi Augustinovici, BERMUPEX 80, P.O. Box 957, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.

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NOVEMBER 28-30 — STAMPFEST CANADA 1980, 80 dealers bourse, post offices, door prizes, auction. Sheraton Exhibit Hall, Sheraton Centre, Queens St., Toronto. Fri.: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sat.: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sun.: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Admission $1.50 adults, 75c. children.

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FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1 — MILCOPEX 81, Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society at the Red Carpet Hotel, 4747 S. Howell Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Theme: "British Philately" including British (incl. Commonwealth) literature. Information available from: Karl L. Keldenrich, P.O. Box 1980, Milwaukee, WI 53201, U.S.A.

MARCH 20 - 29 — LURABA 1981, 1st International Aero- and Astrophilatelic Exhibition, under FIP sponsorship, at the Musée des Transport, Lucerne, Switzerland. Commissioner General of Luraba 1981, Max H. Wehrli, 91 Kichbergstrasse, 8038, Zurich, Switzerland.

APRIL 4-5 — SPRING SHOW '81, Annual Exhibition and show of the Edmonton Stamp Club at the Executive Inn, 105 Street. Information from Keith R. Spencer, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

MAY 22 - 31 — WIPA 1981, International Philatelic Exhibition, Vienna, Austria.

SEPTEMBER 18 - 19 - 20 — LACPEX '81. Annual Exhibition, Bourse, and Banquet of the Lakeshore Stamp Club at the Dorval Community Center, 1335 Lakeshore Drive, Dorval, Quebec. LACPEX '81 will host the 53rd Annual Convention of the RPSC. Prospectus, bourse space and other information is available from Mr. R. G. Power, P.O. Box 99, Hudson Heights, Quebec, J0P 1J0. Telephone - Home (514) 458-7368 or Office (514) 457-9000.

Letters to the Editor

LETTERS

Another late delivery

Dear Sir:

Just a note to inform you that the west doesn't get any better postal service than Ontario. My May-June C.P. was postmarked 28 May 80 taking 21 days to arrive.

. . . Keep up the good work. I enjoy the magazine.

S. A. Maitland,
British Columbia.

Thank you for your comment on the C.P. I hope your July-August issue took as long to arrive as mine did - ONE day! (Ed.)

Mail has been rather scant recently. All we have for the rest of this section are requests for exchanges as follows:

Argentina:

Elna Duval,
Malaner 995
1706 Hacdo
Pcia Buenos Aires.

Uses Yvert catalogue and collects horses and cars on stamps. Corresponds in English.

Algeria:

Lazzovli Mohamed
No. 08 rue des Frères Ziovi
Leveilley
H. Dey, Algeria.

Another junior looking for an exchange partner for stamps and postcards. Corresponds in French.

Romania:

Alexe Gheorghe
2079 Plopeni Bloc 5
Jud. Prahova,
Romania.

Economist, 40 years old, is looking for a source of mint Canada, etc. in exchange for Romania, mint and used also eastern Europe. Writes in French and Roumanian, reads English, Italian and German.

West Malaysia:

Alias Bin Mohamad
Public Bank Berhad
15, Jalan Raja Chulan
P.O. Box 2073
Kuala Lumpur, West Malaysia.

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OCTOBER 9 - 18 — PHILATOKYO '81' International Stamp Exhibition under patronage of FIP in Tokyo International Trade Center, Tokyo. Canadian Commissioner: Dr. F. G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ontario M4E 1R3.

OCTOBER 25 - NOVEMBER 2 — ROCPEX TAIPEI '81, The 1981 Philatelic Exhibition in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of China (Taiwan), at the Postal Savings Banks' Building, Taipei. Details available from: The Working Committee, ROCPEX TAIPEI '81, Directorate General of Posts, P.O. Box 22220, Taipei 106, Taiwan.

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JUIN 10 - 24 — PHILEXFRANCE 82, 1e Exposition Philatélique International se tiendra au Centre National des Industries et des Techniques (CNIT) Paris La Défense.

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MAY 23 - JUNE 1 — AMERIPEX '86, Chicago International Philatelic Exhibition, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Announce your exhibition here. Send information to the Editor at least 3 months in advance of date.

Some Illumination on the Eliza Anderson Incident

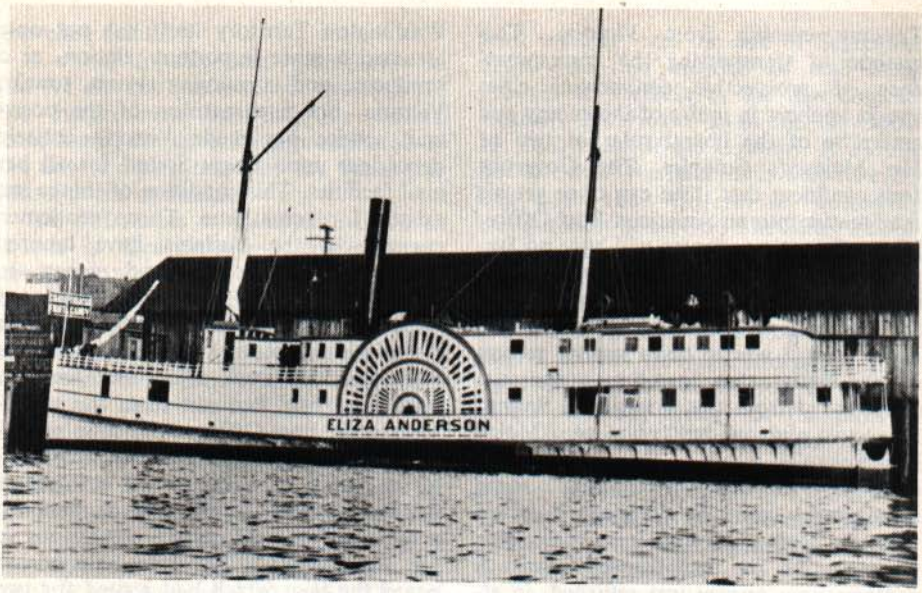
by Jacque Houser

Students of Victoria, Vancouver's Island postal history are no doubt familiar with Deaville's account[1] of the breakdown of the mail delivery service to and from Puget Sound during the administration of Postmaster D'Ewes in 1861. This account credits the demand of the Purser of the Steamer *Eliza Anderson* to be paid for his services for the discontinuation of the service. Accounts in the contemporary press of the region, however, present a somewhat different account of the incident and, in this reader's opinion, justify the action taken by the steamship operators.

We present, first, an editorial taken from the "Daily British Colonist" for March 27, 1861, published in Victoria, Vancouver's Island:

"Under a long-standing arrangement with the United States' Government, which still exists, mail matter destined for this place was to be left at Port Townsend. The Postmaster there was instructed to deliver it to our mail carrier. Up to the Spring of 1858, nearly all the mail matter received came that way. Subsequently the Pacific mail steamers brought over the mail without any cost to the Colony. Occasional mails were also brought free of charge by steamers in the trade between this port and Puget Sound. Since the mails have been sent overland from Sacramento via Portland and Olympia, we have been chiefly indebted to the steamer *Eliza Anderson* for their due transmission. She has never received any mail subsidy from our government, and we are therefore placed under considerable obligation to her owners. They, however, like all other business men, dislike working for nothing; and from time to time have urged upon the government the necessity of making an appropriation for the service. The government, chiefly owing to the many other pressing demands on our small revenue, have found it impossible hitherto to make any provision for the service."

"The owners of the *Eliza Anderson* had offered sometime ago to carry the mail weekly, or four times a month, between here and Port Townsend, for $250 per month and a remission of port charges, $12.50 per trip or $50 per month. Thus the subsidy required would be equivalent to $300 per month. Except that proposition was accepted, Government was told that it would have to provide other means to carry the mail across the Straits. Our post office being a losing concern, and the subsidy demanded appearing too high for our small revenue, the proposition was not accepted. Yesterday, however, the matter was brought to an issue. The Harbor Master charged the *Anderson* full port charges, instead of half port charges to steamers carrying mails, according to the provisions of the "Harbor Dues Act, 1860". Acting strictly on his instructions, the Harbor Master was probably right in doing so, as no certificate was shown from the Post Master certifying that the *Anderson* was a mail steamer. Considering the service rendered to the colony by carrying our mail gratuitously, Captain Flemming deemed it a great hardship to be compelled to pay the dues—and we think so too. He



Eliza Anderson at Seattle dock. Courtesy of the Historical Society of Seattle and King County, Museum of History and Industry.

consequently notified the Postmaster General, Mr. D'Ewes, that he would carry the mails no longer, except on the terms previously proposed. Government, we understand, offered $100 per month as their ultimatum; but that proposition has been rejected. As matters now stand we have no mail connection with Puget Sound."

"It is certainly a very unpleasant situation to be placed in. Our trade with Puget Sound and Portland is continually increasing; and a considerable portion of the English and foreign mail from California comes via Olympia. It is absolutely necessary, therefore, that some immediate provision be made for the conveyance of the mail between here and Port Townsend. An offer has been made to carry the mail across for $100 per month in a fast-sailing schooner; and we presume if no arrangement can be made with the steamer *Eliza Anderson,* some such proposition will have to be accepted. We certainly think it would be far more to our advantage to pay something more to a steamer; besides the past service of the *Anderson* deserves some consideration. Regularity in the transmission of mail matter would be more likely to occur via steamer than by a sailing vessel. If, however, our puny revenue will not enable us to pay the subsidy asked, the only thing that remains is to do the best we can under the circumstances. Regular mail facilities with Puget Sound is highly important to the trade of this place; it is necessary, therefore, to make some provision for its transmission at once. Even if we effect direct steam communication with San Francisco, and have the English and foreign mails from there brought by sea, yet we will require mail facilities with Puget Sound."

The editor of the Port Townsend, Washington Territory paper, "The North West", reprinted the above comments in his issue of April 4, 1861 and presented his own views on the editorial page of the April 11, 1861 edition. His editorial in support of the action of the steamer company follows:

"The Vancouver Island Mail arrived on the schooner *Harriot,* Capt. Coffin, on

Tuesday evening from Victoria. This method of transporting the correspondence of prospective commercial cities speaks voulmes in praise of the energy and enterprise of the liberal ruler of two of Her Majesty's Colonies. The Governor feels confident that if he can once get his mail matter into an American Post Office, his small potatoe concern will have no further trouble and be at no more expense concerning it. Ever since the founders of the northern semi-civilized communities know what it was to be in regular receipt of mail matter, they have been gratuitously furnished from this side of the Sound. Some two and one-half years ago, Major Van Bokkelen wrote to the authorities at Victoria, in the hope that some arrangement could be effected to secure from the Home Government a reasonable compensation for mail transportation. A contemptuous answer was returned, in effect that they intended thereafter to have their mails direct from San Francisco, and desired no mail facilities with Puget Sound ports. So long as American coast steamers gave them a regular mail, they were comparatively independent of the Sound, although a portion of their mail matter still went from this side. In the hope of inducing some California mail boat to risk the trip up the harbor of Victoria regularly, it was ordained that one-half of the harbor dues—amounting to the magnificent sum of "two pun' ten" or about twelve dollars and fifty cents in federal cuurency—should be remitted, in consideration of their bringing the mail! Such comprehensive generosity overcoming the steamboat men, they never took the chance of losing their ships—not even for such a prize as a remission of half the harbor dues. Whether the law-making solons of the two colonies did expect an immediate visit from San Francisco, of all the steamers plying thereabouts, to the suspension of all their legitimate business, and each one pressing forward with a mail for the prize, we do not know; we certainly did not hear such anticipation expressed."

"But the onward march of events has somewhat changed the aspect of affairs. Washington Territory itself has not only assumed a more important relation, as a producing and consuming region, toward Victoria, but a suspension of the ocean mail service has made Victoria entirely dependent upon Puget Sound for all her mail facilities. This condition of things has existed for some time. Those gentlemen engaged in the business have labored patiently, spending time and money, to gratuitously bestow upon the people of Vancouver Island and British Columbia the priceless boon of a regular and prompt mail. We have week after week seen the ponderous bags brought from the steamboat to the Post Office, sometimes requiring the services of three stout men, and after a patient distribution of newspapers from all parts of the world to the inhabited portions of Her Majesty's possessions in the North-West, they were shipped on board the boat which had waited for two hours to receive them. In vain has Capt. Flemming notified them of the necessity for an arrangement to compensate his steamer for the trouble and delays incident to such service. They were so indolent or so indifferent that sometimes he found it necessary to dispatch a man to their office for the return mail bags, which they would not even bring down to his boat. The final repudiation of his right to a remission of half harbor dues capped the climax, and Captain F. notified them that unless they agreed upon terms, he should no longer carry the mail. They declined. The mail was not admitted on board the *Anderson*. On his last trip they enquired if he were not entitled to the remission of half-dues as a Mail steamer, and offered the return. Capt. Flemming declined the acceptance. A mail was then sent down to him which he sent back. The *Eliza Anderson* did not carry British mails."

"The course pursued in this matter by the authorities at Victoria is unworthy the great and magnanimous government they claim to represent; and we believe that when such conduct is known in proper quarters, Captain F. will not only be rewarded as justice demands, but the parties to this picayunish business will have occasion to regret their participation in its

groveling details."

It would appear, then, that failure to pay for services rendered was the basis for the disagreement but that the discontinuation of the service was precipitated by the unwise action taken by the Vancouver Island postal authorities.

The differences in moneys involved as shown in Deaville's and contemporary newspaper accounts is of academic interest only. Of greater importance is Deaville's erroneous statement about the resumption of mail service to Victoria by the *Eliza Anderson*. There is no evidence in the contemporary press to indicate that Capt. Flemming brought mail to Victoria again that year. On the other hand, numerous accounts in the "British Colonist" tell of the various small sailing vessels employed to carry the mail between Victoria and Port Townsend during the period between April 12 and November 13, 1861. The list of vessels participating includes, at least, the following:

Harriot	Wild Duck
Carolina	Flying Mist
Petrel	Mystery

In September of 1861 the Puget Sound mail contract changed hands and about the first of October the responsibility for mail delivery service was assumed by the Str. *Enterprise* brought to the Sound from San Francisco especially for the service. The Str. *Eliza Anderson* remained on the Sound as the "opposition boat", but was not involved in carrying the mails until after the new contractor failed financially and the *Enterprise* was sold to the Hudson's Bay Co. in late March of 1862.[2]

The April 29, 1861 issue of the "British Colonist" reports that the owners of the schooner *Petrel* were given a contract to carry the mails between Victoria and Port Townsend for $25 per week. This contract appears to have been in force until July 24 when the *Petrel* left for the North West coast to carry a group of explorers engaged to investigate an overland route to the Cariboo from Butte Inlet. The sloop *Wild Duck* was then engaged and, although no details of the contract were found in the contemporary press, carried the mail between Victoria and Port Townsend until at least the end of September 1861. The first mention of mail being brought to Victoria by the new contract steamer, *Enterprise,* is in the November 13, 1861 issue of the Colonist. It is quite possible that Overland Mails were on every trip of the *Enterprise* following inauguration of service. The editor's selection of events to chronicle did not always take into consideration the needs of future history students.

The account is not offered to belittle the efforts of Mr. Deaville. Instead, it is offered to complete the story of an incident in the fabulous history of the posts in colonial Vancouver's Island. In this instance, the full story is even more fascinating than that presented by Deaville. As so often happens, later research has expanded our views and knowledge of a long ago event in history.

Notes

1. A. S. Deaville, The Colonial Postal System and Postage Stamps of Vancouver Island and British Columbia, 1849-1871, page 73. Readers should note the typographical error in Deaville's account of the *"Eliza Anderson* Incident". The year is 1861, not 1871.
2. In Chapter VII Deaville states that the British Columbia and Victoria Steam Navigation Co. owned the *Enterprise.* It is quite possible that Deaville became confused with the many steamers bearing the name *Enterprise* and operating in northwest waters. Contemporary newspapers and standard references for northwest maritime history all report that this *Enterprise* was purchased off the Puget Sound mail route by the Hudson's Bay Co. and remained in its services until her destruction in 1885.

The *Eliza Anderson* experienced a long and generally illustrious life on Puget Sound and adjacent waters. She was launched at Portland, Oregon in November 1858 and was soon brought to Puget Sound. During the years between 1859 and 1870, she was the principal carrier on the Olympia-Victoria run enjoying the benefits of the mail contract during part of

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China's Most Famous Philatelist

By Zhanh Huan



Jiang Zhifang, (1907-1980) working on his reminiscences "Sixty Years of Stamp Collecting".

Chinese philatelist Jiang Zhifang travelled widely in Europe during the troubled years that preceded and followed the Second World War.

In 20 years he travelled, studied and worked in Belgium, England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal and Poland in response to the shifting political imperatives of the time.

He also had a private ambition, one that seemed as elusive as the lofty goals pursued by the world's statesmen: he was looking for the reissued 9-cent stamp that would complete his collection of the first set of commemorative stamps issued in China.

The 9-fen (cents) stamp was to elude Jiang until 1953, after he returned to China and found one in the collection of a friend and fellow philatelist.

Jiang said later he was as happy on finding the stamp as Columbus was when he discovered the New World.

His single-minded pursuit of the nine-fen stamp was typical of Jiang's dedication to his hobby, a characteristic that made him the most famous collector in China until his death in April this year at the age of 73.

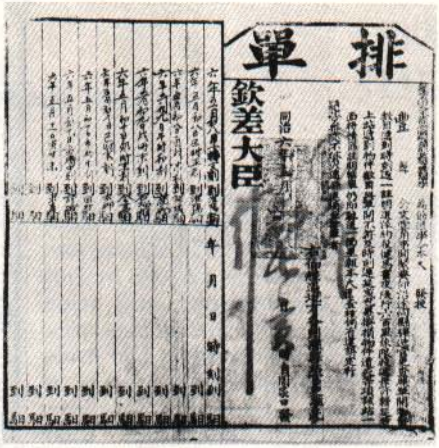
His extensive collection is now owned by the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications to whom he gave his stamps in 1966 for safe keeping.

His collection and his 100,000-word reminiscences "Sixty Years of Stamp Collecting," which he finished just before his death, provided valuable information on the development of China's postal system.

Among the rarities in his collection are:

A letter delivered by a private concern





Above, *One of China's first set of "big dragon" postage stamps issued in 1878.*
Right, *the "paidon" used in 1867 by civil officials for official dispatches.*

known as the Civil Letter Bureau in 1859, when private letters were delivered by commercial firms.

A "paidan" (form) issued in 1867 and a general's "huopiao" (warrant) in 1906. Before public postal services were known in China civil and military bureaucrats used the "paidan" and "huopiao" to send official dispatches.

China's first "big dragon" postage stamps, issued in 1878.

China's first commemorative stamps issued in 1894 in celebration of the Empress Dowager's 60th birthday.

"Provisional neutrality" stamps issued in Nanjing (Nanking) during the 1911 revolution pending the downfall of the Manchu dynasty.

A postcard marked with China's first air mail postmark from Beijing (Peking) to Tianjin (Tientsin) on May 6, 1920.

China's first air mail stamps issued in 1921.

Stamps issued by the Workers' and Peasants' Democratic Government in the revolutionary base areas during the second Revolutionary War (1927-37).

An imperfection of the collection is the absence of stamps from Taiwan.

What makes his albums remarkable, however, is the fact that most of his Chinese stamps were acquired abroad.

Jiang Zhifang was born in Chansha, the capital of central China's Hunan province, in 1907 when China was still under the rule of the Manchu dynasty.

His father, a scholar and a high-ranking government official, used to receive letters from Hong Kong, Southeast Asia and France, and the stamps attracted Jiang and started the 12-year-old boy on a hobby that would last the rest of his life.

His interest was enhanced when his private tutor said that stamp collecting would help him learn foreign languages and something about other countries.

Like many other collectors, Jiang was most interested in foreign stamps at the beginning. He tried to get at least one from each country — the English penny black, the Liberian triangular stamp, the largest one from Jamaica, the smallest from Victoria.

In 1927, he went to Japan to study in Nagasaki, where he became acquainted with the noted Japanese philatelist Isamu Hayashi. Through Hayashi, he came to know the value of certain postmarked postcards and envelopes and by the time he graduated two years later, he had a



A general's "huopiao" used in 1906 by the military for official dispatches.

collection of 2,000 stamps.

It was at this time that Jiang began to concentrate on Chinese stamps and during the 20 years he studied and worked in Europe, he visited many stamp shops and philatelists, seeking valuable items.

In the 30s, through a friend in Changsha, Jiang received many stamps and postmarked envelopes in Europe from the Chinese revolutionary base areas. They are now among the rarities in his collection.

In 1932, Jiang became a member of the Royal Philatelic Society of Brussels. An aged Belgian member gave him a postcard marked with China's first air mail postmark — Beijing to Tianjin, 1920. With this and other envelopes bearing early air mail stamps between Chinese cities from 1921 to '28, Jiang won a silver medal at the Aerophilatelic Exhibition in Brussels in 1933.

During the Second World War, he moved from Brussels to Lisbon and there, at the 1944 International Stamp Exhibition, he was awarded a golden medal for his 1,000 Chinese stamps with "big dragon" and "small dragon" designs,

In September, 1951, two years after the founding of the People's Republic of China, Jiang Zhifang finally returned to China. Among his items of luggage were two large suitcases of stamps.

Soon after his arrival in Beijing, he met two pedlars in a small secondhand goods market. Each was carrying a sheet of paper, a "paidan" and a "huopiao." Jiang immediately recognized their value and bought them.

At the 1957 International Stamp Exhibition held in Moscow, the two forms and ten envelopes with postmarks of China's revolutionary base areas from 1927-37 won him the first prize — a gold medal and a cup.

The long-delayed official thanks to Jiang for giving his collection to the state at the beginning of the turbulent Cultural Revolution, were finally conveyed to him in February 1979 in a ceremony at Hunan University in Changsha. Jiang received the credit due to him and a number of awards.

Earlier this year, he was invited to a Beijing exhibition of Chinese stamps, the largest of its kind in China, and was thrilled to find some important parts of his old collections on display.

The excitement proved too much for him, however, and a few days later he fell ill. On April 4th, 1980, he died in hospital of a heart attack. □

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Postmarked OTTAWA

A REGULAR FEATURE

...HANS REICHE

At a recent show we noted a few copies of the 2c. brown 1930 issue in a very light brown shade. This Die II is not listed in any retail catalogue with this light brown shade. It must be uncommon shade. This issue has a few rather peculiar shades. The 1c. orange comes in a very deep or light orange. The 5c. blue is listed often in the pale blue shade and it can be found fairly regularly. The 10c. exists in a lighter olive shade.

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The Diefenbaker stamp is printed on a very thin transparent type of paper. This kind of paper has not been noted on many stamps. Because of this thin paper difficulties must have been encountered with the perforation. Many perfs are missing or only indented but not cut.

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It is catalogue time again and the major publishers are busy bringing out their new editions. One thing is obvious from all of them. Prices have begun to level off. The sharp increase in all stamps previously noted has stopped, especially in the more modern issues. Speculation has dropped and the actual stamp collectors control the market. This is a much healthier condition and one which we hope will last. Dealers at shows feel again like dealers, selling five, ten, twenty dollars worth of stamps to collectors rather than sheets and large stocks to investors. A few dealers continue to operate in this unhealthy mode and we wish them "Hals und Beinbruch" (We hope you understand). Into the same catagory fall dealers who continue to forse auction bids to higher levels, not because they want the item, but simply to prevent others from buying low or at normal prices.

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Although we have written only recently about the possibility of photographing your stamps as a means of protection, it is obvious that the recovery of some material stolen from two dealers would not have been possible but for the excellent records which had been kept. Photos and records by a word processing system made this possible. Word processing systems are just more sophisticated typewriters with memories and very fast update capabilities. Inventories can be kept and updated immediately and records are available from small memory disks or printouts. Copies can be made in minutes. In addition, photos can be taken with specialy built high speed cameras for regular or microfilms. A number of inquiries around Ottawa have indicated that Mr. E. Odell can do this kind of photography for a very low price. These methods should seriously be considered by all dealers and collectors.

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Zeppelins have always fascinated people. A group in England plans to build them again for transportation. It would not be surprising if special stamps will be issued to commemorate the flights. The German Zeppelins were very popular until the time when the Hindenburg ignited on landing in the U.S. Many countries issued special stamps. Dr. H. Eckner the pilot of many German Zeppelins tried in 1934 to convince the Federal Aviation Commission that commercial operation would be practical. The facts of his experiences and discussions are recorded in a new book called The Zeppelin Dream by J. F. Danner, a member of the Germany Philatelic Society. Another interesting book is The Postal History of Saxony with maps, postal rates. □

The Stories Behind Overprints of British Honduras

by Geoffery F. Briginshaw

In the last four months of every year, hurricanes batter the West Indies and mainland countries located on the west side of the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico. British Honduras (Belize since 1973) in particular has suffered considerably from them.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, September 10, 1931, most of the people of Belize City were in the streets celebrating Independence Day, the 133rd anniversary of the Battle of St. George's Cay (in which the British defeated the Spaniards and the 'British Settlement of Belize' achieved its independence). A hurricane, accompanied by an enormous tidal wave, swept over the city and caused the loss of almost 1,000 lives and damage to every building. Mail planes on regular flights were used to drop medical supplies and mail and to fly in doctors.

The regular 1c. - 5c. King George V definitives of 1922-29 (sc. 92, 94-7) were surcharged with an equivalent amount, which was to go towards the relief fund for the sufferers of the catastrophe, and were issued on May 2, 1932 (Sc. B1-B5). These stamps alone raised $23,700.

The next major devastation of Belize City, by a hurricane named Hattie, occurred just over 30 years later on October 31, 1961. By this time the custom of giving hurricanes feminine names (Because they are so tempermental?) in alphabetical order had become well established since its origin in the Second World War. Hurricane Hattie was, therefore, the eighth hurricane to be spawned that year.



Hurricane Hattie overprints, Ja. 15, 1962 (Sc. 163-4).

Again, a relief fund was set up and some of the then current (Queen Elizabeth II) definitives were overprinted 'HURRICANE HATTIE' by De La Rue in aid of the fund. The 1c., 10c., 25c., and 50c., of the 1953-57 issue (Sc. 144, 149, 151-2) became Sc. 163-6 when they were issued on January 15, 1962.

This last of a series of such incidents over the years convinced the authorities





***Above** and **right,** Hurricane Hattie overprints of Jan. 15, 1962 (Sc. 165 -6). **Below right** (upper), "Self Government/1964" overprint (Sc. 182); (lower) "Dedication of Site/New Capital/9th October 1965" overprint (Sc. 195).*

that the time had come to move the capital by creating a new city, named Belmopan, on a lush plain 50 miles inland.

After self-government had been achieved in 1964 (Sc. 182-6) the dedication of the site of the new capital on October 9, 1965 was recognized with yet another series of overprints issued on July 1, 1966 (Sc. 195-9). Both of these issues used the same basic stamps, the 1c., 3c., 4c., 10c., and 25c. stamps of the birds issue of April 2, 1962 (Sc. 167, 169, 170, 172, 174). This truly beautiful series was designed by the American ornithologist Don. R. Eckleberry. Harrison & Sons deserves great credit for the execution of the multi-colour photogravure printing of the stamps.

Apart from the 1965 overprints, the move to Belmopan and the gradual development of the new capital city is well charted on stamps. The 50c. of July 15, 1968 (Sc. 213) ostensibly recorded International Human Rights Year but it depicted the monument on the new site which was dedicated by Arthur Greenwood, the then Colonial Secretary. The actual move to Belmopan was celebrated by a set of six stamps issued on January 31, 1971 (Sc. 269-74) which depict important landmarks and public buildings.

The final overprinted issues of British Honduras came out in 1970 and 1971. To publicize the 1970 census, the 5c., 10c., 15c. and 25c. of the fishes issue of 1968 (Sc. 218-21) were overprinted "POPULATION/ CENSUS 1970" (Sc. 251-4). The International Year against Racial Discrimination was publicized in 1971 by overprinting the 10c. and 50c. stamps of the fishes issue of 1968 (Sc. 219, 222) "RACIAL EQUALITY/YEAR - 1971".







Top *and* ***bottom right,*** *Jan. 31, 1971 issue marking move of the capital city to Balmopan.* ***Left,*** *"Population/Census 1970" overprints and,* ***lower left,*** *"Racial Equality/Year-1971" overprints of British Honduras.*

In 1973 British Honduras changed its name to Belize (the original name of both the country and the city from 1705 to 1840) and, on June 1 of that year, issued another series of overprints. But that, and the continuing boundary disputes with neighbouring Guatemala, is another story.□

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London 1980

by

Fred Stulberg

Canadian Commissioner



GPO

It was difficult to believe that a gestation period fraught with so many problems could produce such a child. Despite the rapidly escalating costs, the threatened labour problems, the apparent disorganization during the formative stages as well as lapses of communication in the later stages, the exhibition emerged as a child of significant beauty.

As is expected from London, the exhibits were generally of high calibre. London has the reputation of receiving a large number of applications and is able to choose the ones of known excellence. Hence, for the minority who attend the international exhibitions to see the exhibits, LONDON, 1980 was a treat. This was enhanced by the frame arrangement which permitted the extensive use of auxiliary lighting and an exceptional view of each and every frame.

There was a large number of dealers and postal administrations from all over the world and, to the benefit of the 100,000 or more attendees, these were on the same floor at Earls Court Exhibition Hall as were the exhibits. As a matter of fact, the vastness of the exhibition also led to one of its greatest problems. Despite ubiquitous charts and direction signs, it was difficult to quickly find a specific place in the hall.

As usual, there were the line-ups for admission, for the souvenir trade sheets, for the first day of issue items and special cancellations of the British Post Office and for the Court of Honour display of part of The Queen's collection. As mentioned previously, the exhibits were far from being overcrowded and the majority of people were seen at the dealers. Her Majesty, The Queen paid a surprise visit to the exhibition on opening day.

There were approximately twenty Canadians who exhibited (including Literature) and, at the request of several exhibitors, the names will not be published. However they did quite well with one small gold, two vermeils, five large silvers and the rest with lesser awards. Few failed to receive a medal of some kind. Our National Postal Museum



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received a special award for its exhibit. A pleasant surprise was the large number of Canadians who attended the exhibition. A conservative guess would put the number at approximately one hundred and fifty. Almost all parts of Canada were represented with the largest contingent from Ontario.

Although the weather was cooperative with brilliant sunshine and warm temperatures for almost the entire show, there were other factors that influenced attitudes and practices. For one thing, the cost of being in London for a ten day period was extremely high. On returning to Canada one was tempted to answer the question of the customs officer "Have you anything to declare?" with the one word "bankruptcy!". Also, a general strike in Britain was to take place the last day of the exhibition which led to an almost empty building on that day. This served to intensify the complaints of many dealers already affected by the apparent lack of spare money for major purchases.

Despite the trials and tribulations, London still maintains its position as the 'Premier' international exhibition. If one were to judge the exhibition itself as one would judge the exhibits, LONDON, 1980 would likely receive a small gold, probably with felicitations.□

London 1980

Report on the Judging of Postal History

by Kenneth Rowe,
Secretary International Federation of Postal History Societies

In the March-April issue of The Canadian Philatelist, we published a letter (p. 82) from Kenneth Rowe to Allan L. Steinhart, Pres. PHSC, in which he expressed his concern about the placing and judging of Postal History exhibits at London 1980. The following report presents Mr. Rowe's assessment of the conditions that actually existed.

As members will recall, a great deal of concern was expressed by postal historians (G.B. excepted), about the decision to group postal history with the geographic divisions of traditional philately.

Following my circular letter to member society representatives, I was invited to act as a replacement Literature Judge from the F.I.P. list when the original F.I.P. appointee was forced to withdraw. The fact that I was also a postal historian being fortuitous. It did, however, give me an opportunity to observe and participate in the judging of postal history exhibits at first hand.

At London 1980 Philatelic Literature was judged six weeks before the exhibition and this allowed the literature jurors to participate in the regular judging session in

their specialty when the exhibition itself opened. This was advantageous in that it allowed for the more efficient use of a rather small jury (37 jurors + 6 observers = 43).

Under the chairmanship of R.A.G. Lee the jury was split into 11 groups as follows:-

Groups	Frames	Total Jurors	Postal Historians
1 National class	264	4	1
2 Commonwealth	825	8	2
3 Europe	1173	14	3
2 Rest of World	905	9	2
1 Air	344	3	-
1 Thematics	215	3	-
1 Youth	140	2	-
11	3866	43	8

Each of the eight groups dealing with the first four classes had a postal historian as a member of the team. Therefore each postal history exhibit was judged by a group which consisted of an average of three philatelists and one postal historian.

When the results were discussed any postal history exhibit awards that were questioned were given a second evaluation by a five man team comprised of postal historians **only** (including myself). The changes suggested by this team were accepted by the balance of the jury.

I personally looked at **every** postal history exhibit when the awards were finalized. Obviously in some cases the awards were either higher or lower than I personally would have given but there were no gross iniquities. Certainly the Jury Chairman, R.A.G. Lee, made every effort to ensure that all exhibits were judged fairly and equitably.

In view of this I can make the following statement:-

> "I am satisfied that the Postal History exhibits at London 1980 were judged as well as they could have been under the circumstances."

I think this result was only to be expected given the composition of the jury and the British sense of fair play. In other words, postal history was judged as it always was before there was a separate classification. It is on this point that I part company with the London decision.

There were several reasons why we all campaigned for a separate classification after PHILYMPIA 1970.

1. It is obvious that a well balanced team of postal historians will do a better job than a philatelic team with only one postal historian. Postal history as a specialization rests on a different conceptual foundation than does philately and it can only be effectively evaluated by a team familiar with its basic requirements.
2. One of the most important factors in judging at an international exhibition is the ability to compare similar exhibits with one another. When postal history exhibits are judged geographically this type of comparison is difficult. It was, in fact, almost impossible at London, due to the configuration of the exhibit area.
3. Postal history, like Airmails and Thematics, and unlike philately, includes many exhibits which cross geographic lines and cannot be judged in a geographic framework.

I will give London full marks for trying to be fair but it wasn't really necessary. There was really never a satisfactory answer given as to the reason for splitting up the classification. The layout was needlessly confused because of it and it would have been simpler for all concerned to have grouped postal history together in one area.

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NORWEX '80

by David Dixon, Canadian Commissioner

NORWEX 80 was held in Oslo, Norway, from June 13 to 22, 1980. There was a total of nine exhibits from Canada, eight of which were awarded medals.

The exhibition was held in a modern two storey building at Sjølyst. The building is similar, in some respects, to the Automotive Building at the C.N.E., the venue of CAPEX '78. The dealers and Post Offices were situated on the mezzanine which enabled visitors to look down at the exhibits on the ground floor. There were two additional exhibit halls with approximately 3200 frames in competition.

The National Postal Museum of Canada displayed its "Little Norway" exhibit in eight frames. This exhibit proved to be very popular with the Norwegians including His Majesty King Olav V who paid a special visit to the show to see it.

Oslo, with a population of 450,000, is a delightful city. It is situated at the head of the Oslo Fjord, has many beautiful parks and is surrounded on three sides by hills. There are numerous museums in the Oslo area including an excellent Postal Museum which is well worth a visit. Most Norwegians speak English so language was not a problem for the English-speaking visitors.

The Jury of Norwex 80 consisted of 35 jurors and five apprentices under the chairmanship of Leiv A. Brecke of Norway. Among those serving on the jury was Jacques Stibbe, President of the F.I.P.

Awards to Canadians are:

Gold - R. K. Malott - Canadian Pioneer Air Mail 1911-1934

Vermeil - F. G. Stulberg - Canada-U.S.A. Cross Border Mailings to 1837
- M. Rasic - Postal History and Postage Stamps of Serbia (1840-1921)
- Literature Class (with Felicitations from the Jury)

Silver - J. DiCiommo - Canada - "Large Queens of 1868" (with special prize)
- D. Dixon - The War Tax Stamps of Canada
- C. Morin - "Canadian Philately Bibliography and Index, 1864-1973" - Literature Class

Bronze - A. Greblis - Latvia - Postal History
- J. LaFleur - Les Conquérants de la Méditerranée. □

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The loophole in the F.I.P. regulations is that it does not specifically state that separate classifications have to be exhibited separately.

It is my understanding that an amendment to the regulations will be proposed at the F.I.P. meeting at Essen in November, which will prevent this happening again. I hope that all postal historians will write to their national F.I.P. representative and ask him to support this amendment. □

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Alberta



Saskatchewan

The 35c. Olympic stamp has been removed from the 1980 issues and all stocks have been shredded.

The next issues for 1980 are:

August 27

One 17c. stamp each for Alberta and Saskatchewan to mark the 75th anniversary of their entry into Confederation. The designs are reproductions of aerial photographs by George Hunter with typography design by Chris Yaniff Limited, Toronto.

The stamps were printed in panes of 50 stamps in four colour lithography on coated one side litho paper, by Ashton-Potter Limited, Toronto. Perf 13+, with BVA gum, 22 millions of each stamp were prepared, all general tagged.

September 3

Uranium Resources is the subject of a 35c. stamp designed by Jacques Charette of Ottawa from a photograph, by Hahns Blohm, of a molecular model of Uranite. Uranite is one of the basic uranium minerals found in Canada.

The stamp is printed in four colour (red, black, silver, blue) lithography on coated one side litho paper, in panes of 50 stamps, by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa. 11 millions were printed, perf 13+ with PVA gum. All are general tagged.

The opening of the new National Postal Museum at 180 Wellington St. Ottawa, on



Uranium resources

July 2, 1980, saw the introduction of the new Museum cancellation which was shown in the C.P. last year (May-June 1979, page 175).

Examples (1 per envelope) of the cancellation may be obtained by sending a stamped (17c. for Canadian and U.S. destinations, 35c. for all others) self-addressed envelope to:

The National Postal Museum,
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180 Wellington St.,
Ottawa, Ontario,
Canada K1A 1C6.

The Philatelic Bulletin, Vol. 3, No. 1, has recently appeared with the results of the Canada Post's popularity poll, Revised 1980 issue programme, a note on 1975-80 prestamped envelopes and two items

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Swiss Postal Services Special Stamps



Day of issue, September 5, 1980

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regarding the philatelic service. Note that no mention was made of the deletion of the 1980 Olympics stamps.

The poll results are interesting but not unexpected.

Most attractive stamp issue -
Aircraft - 31.7%
Least attractive stamp issue -
Christmas - 28.3%
Most significant (in subject matter) -
Canadian Flags - 26.7%
Least significant (in subject matter) -
Postal Code - 27.4%.

Let us hope that if Canada post conducts a similar poll in the future, they may get more response if they supply a post card with prepaid postage.□

Literature Reviews

THE 1967-78 POSTAGE DUE ISSUE OF CANADA: A DEFINITIVE STUDY by Andrew Chung. Published by the author, printed by Standard Forms, Box 223, Dundas, Ont. 17.6 cm x 21.6 cm, 2 + 46 pages, illus., tables, offset, saddle stitched paper covers, 1980. $5.00 from dealers or George Wegg, Ltd., 36 Victoria St., Toronto, Ont. M5C 2N8.

The 1967-78 postage due issues, which the author calls an 'issue', have provided a fair amount of interest to collectors because a common design has been issued four times, in two different sizes (21 mm x 27 mm, and 20 mm x 15 1/2 mm), two different gums (dextrine and PVA), two different perforations (12 x 12 line perf and 12 1/2 x 12 comb perf) and two pane layouts with three different settings of the marginal inscriptions. About the only common feature of all four sets (issues?) is the printer which was The Canadian Bank Note Company for all four.

Since the labels were issued only a required to replenish stocks, there are no issue dates, only the year in which they first appeared.

The author discusses the physical features of the labels and then goes on to discuss the fluorescence of the papers and provides a table of his findings for all of the values issued.

A useful feature of the handbook is a key that can be used to identify stamps of sets 2 and 3 if the gum has been removed. Printing freaks and a constant flaw are briefly mentioned.

By far the greatest portion of the text deals with the use of postage due labels. This is presented in a series of tables, derived from the Canada Postal Guide of the appropriate times, which set forth the regulations to be applied, how the postage due is determined for domestic, international to the U.S.A. and other countries, registered mail, etc. This section is followed by descriptions of the various usages of the labels and illustrations of many of the various uses of the labels, postage due handstamps, meter impressions, postage due notice cards, delivery notice cards and the like.

This is a very useful compilation of data which anyone with the smallest interest in the subject should read and study.

DE ROOY/HALI BOOKLET CATALOGUE CANADA 1980, by Walter de Rooy and John Hali. Published by De Rooy/Hali Publishing Co., Hollandsingel 35, 5144 CN Waalwijk. The Netherlands. 14.4 cm x 21.0 cm, 3 + 40 pages, illus., saddle stitched, full colour card covers, 1980. Approx. $7.00, available from the publisher or some dealers.

We thank member L. J. van Kampen, of The Netherlands, for making the catalogue available to us. It is one of a series of booklet catalogues by the authors/publishers.

Although the catalogue was compiled and published in The Netherlands, it is entirely in English and prices are given in U.S. dollars. Canadian booklet collectors will find it an essential part of their reference literature.

The authors, with the help of Peter Harris of Great Britain, have provided a complete priced list of unexploded booklets from the Queen Victoria 24c. booklet of June 11, 1900 (their number 1) to the $4.25 booklet of July 3, 1979 (their number 81).

Each entry includes the author's number, the number of the booklet in other catalogues (Canada Specialized, Scott, Gibbons, Yvert & Tellier, and Michel), layout of pane, description of cover, i.e. text(s), colours, binding, a list of varieties and number produced. All panes and covers are illustrated. The basic booklets and varieties are priced when possible.

Most of the varieties described are those of the covers, i.e., stapled or stitched, sealing strips, texts, counting marks, etc., however, they do list and price tagging,

paper and gum varieties.

The pricing seems reasonable. This is a useful handbook.

LITERATURE REVIEWS

STANLEY GIBBONS STAMP CATALOGUE. PART 5. CZECHOSLOVAKIA & POLAND. First Edition 1980. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R OLX, England. 14.5 cm x 21.5 cm, x + 178 pages, illus., flexible covers, 1980. $29.95 from dealers.

STANLEY GIBBONS STAMP CATALOGUE. PART 20. SOUTH AMERICA. First Edition 1980. Published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R OLX. England. 14.5 cm x 21.6 cm, x + 537 pages, illus., flexible covers, 1980. $29.95 from dealers or Philatelic Supply Co., 127 Cartwright Ave., Toronto, Ont. M6A 1V4.

Publication of these two parts of the Gibbons catalogue makes eleven of the proposed twenty two parts available.

The listings for Czechoslovakia follow the regular pattern, starting with the issues of the Czechoslovak Republic (1918-1960) followed by those of the Czechoslovakian Socialist Republic (from 1960) and are completed up to the Oct. 1, 1979 issues. The Czechoslovakian Army in Siberia issues are listed separately as are those of Bohemia and Moravia (German Protectorate Mar. 1939 - May 1945), Slovakia (Mar. 1939 - 1945) and East Silesia (1920). There have been some editorial improvements, particularly to the lists of stamps of Bohemia and Moravia and of Czechoslovakia between 1934 and 1949 with attached se tenant labels.

Poland's listings follow a similar pattern, i.e., the 1860 issue of Poland as a Russian Province, then as a Republic (1918-1939). The third section lists stamps issued under German Occupation 1939-45; section 4 lists the issues of the Polish Exiled Government in London 1941-44. Sections 5 and 6 treat the issues of the Republic (1944-52) and the Peoples' Republic (from July 1952) respectively, up to the issue of Oct. 9, 1979. Other lists include German Occupation (1915-18), Polish Military Post of 1918, 1942, and Polish Post Offices abroad. In all, this is a fairly comprehensive treatment of the stamps issued by the several Polish governments.

Prices have all been revised. The printing and binding is fine. All illustrations of the stamps are clear.

Part 20. South America, brings together the listings for the South American Republics in one volume for the first time. Attention has been paid to the clarification of the listings with improved layout, additional details and new information. Special detail has been given to the "Christopher Columbus" issues of early Chile, the 1887-88 lithographed 'Escuelas' issues of Venezuela, the postal-fiscals of Ecuador, the 1860 'Arms' types and current complex provisionals of Peru, and the new issues of Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay.

The revised prices, particularly those of the classics of Bolivia and Brazil show the greatest increases. Substantial advances are shown for Chile, Peru and Venezuela.

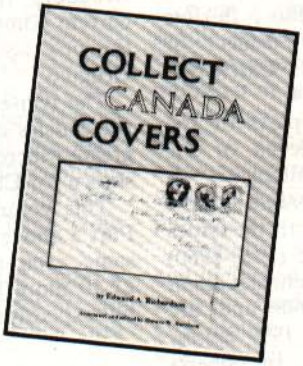
This volume is of the same quality as Part 5 above and the Canadian price is the same even though the English price is £1.50 more than Part 5! These are good but expensive catalogues.

SCOTT STANDARD POSTAGE STAMP CATALOGUE 1981. 137th ed. VOL. 1. UNITED STATES AND AFFILIATED TERRITORIES, UNITED NATIONS, BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS. Published by Scott Publishing Co., 3 East 57th St., New York, NY 10022, U.S.A. 19.2 cm x 23.5 cm, xviii + 761 + 34 pages, illus., advertising, soft covers, 1980. US $18.00 or equivalent from many dealers.

There is little changed in the 1981 edition of this commonly used catalogue. Computerization, greater use of colour abbreviations and the dropping of the cents from prices of $1000 and up are the most obvious changes. Odd spaces have appeared in the lists where the reset type is shorter than in previous editions.

The other new parts are the addition of listings for the U.N. offices in Vienna, the

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incorporation of Rhodesia UDI issues and the separate list of issues of the newly named country Kiribati, formerly the Gilbert Islands, which is listed separately.

Prices have been revised giving a record number of changes, Canada alone having 1,043. Although the Canada prices, for the most part, have increased, the trend is towards stabilization. There was even a drop in price, i.e., 1975 Coastal Ships declined 20c., a drop which was reflected in other catalogues.

The paper is good, text legible, but the illustrations tend to be a little too dark.

Useful.

THE HARRIS POSTAGE STAMP PRICE INDEX FOR STAMPS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA SINCE 1845. Published by H. E. Harris & Co., Inc., Dept. ODM-153, Boston, MA 02117, U.S.A. 13.3 cm x 21.0 cm, 192 pages, illus., soft covers. 1980. US $2.95 + 75c. postage from the publisher or an equivalent price from dealers.

If you are interested in knowing how a certain stamp or stamps have changed in value since 1950, this book will serve you well.

The book provides postage stamp retail prices taken from the "Harris US/BNA Catalog", stamp by stamp, mint, used and some plate blocks, decade by decade, from 1950 to 1980. It also provides the per cent increase in the market sell price from 1975 to January 1980.

The book is designed primarily for someone who is seeking market data for investment purposes but it is also of use to the collector who is interested in learning how much of an investment his hobby collection has become.

It also shows that the more recent commemorative stamps, those of both the U.S. and of Canada, will probably realize little more than face value for some years.

THE LATIN AMERICAN POST, Official Organ of the Latin America Philatelic Society. Vol. 4, No. 1, April 1980. 21.6 cm x 27.9 cm, 22 pages, illus., offset, 3 hole punched loose leaf. Sample copy US $2 and information on the society from P.O. Box 820, Hinton, Alberta, T0E 1B0.

Any collector with interest in the stamps of Latin America and who is not familiar with this periodical, would do well to invest $2 for a sample and information on the society. I am sure that he will like what he sees.

The current issue contains, among many other items, an announcement of a stamp exchange circuit, letters to the editor, a map and article on El Salvador, an illustrated note on a 1925 Brazilian money order, Corner Card collecting, a review of a Dominican Republic catalogue, a display of some pages of a Columbia exhibit, and much else, including ads.

Try it.

ROMANIAN PHILATELIC STUDIES, Vol. 4, No. 3, 1980. The quarterly research bulletin of the Romanian Philatelic Club, c/o Miron Abramovici, 209 Berger St., Somerset, NJ 08873, U.S.A. $7.00/year.

The bulk of this 20 page bulletin is taken up with an article on Romanian quarantine seals and cachets which is reprinted from The American Philatelist. There are other short notes of interest to Romania collectors.

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Letter to All Members

23 July, 1980

To My Fellow Members,

As most of you are now aware, at the commencement of Dr. Fred Stulberg's term of office as our President, he stipulated he would assume the office for a two year tenure, which expired this spring at our annual meeting in Calgary. During his term of office, the by-laws were amended to officially establish a two year term for succeeding presidents.

It has been my very great privilege to have been elected by our directors to fill the current two year term, during which I propose to carry on with a number of projects initiated by Fred, and hopefully, begin a few of my own.

At our recent directors' meeting, held in conjunction with Stampex in Toronto, we decided on a number of important matters, the highlights of which you should be made aware of are as follows:

1. We have officially concluded a reciprocity agreement between our Society and the American Philatelic Society, so that nationaly qualified judges can serve for either society in either country. Mike Millar, our Judging Committee chairman, is to be congratulated on negotiating this agreement, the details of which will be published in CP by Mike, An official acceptance ceremony will be held in September in Spokane, in conjunction with the APS annual Stampshow. Both Mike and I will be there.

2. A decision was made to revamp all business practices and arrangements of our society to update all matters of finance such that we are operating in a business manner consistant with currently accepted good business practice, and such that a system of budgeting control can be implemented. This is perhaps an administrative matter of no great concern to many members, however, I feel it is worth mentioning, as it should cut down on certain expenses, and allow significant sums of money to be made available to our society for general purpose or for specific projects.

It will definitely free your directors from the need to deal with all financial matters, as routine budget items will be dealt with by the appropriate departments. We should then be able to more properly concentrate on improving services offered to members.

3. A major decision was reached with respect to our Society involvement in youth programs. We have allocated a sizeable sum of money for the development of a youth program under the very capable guidance of Mike Madesker, our Youth Program Co-ordinator, on a one year experimental basis, with the understanding that if sufficient interest can be shown, and enough progress made, we will then, no doubt, proceed on a more permanent program.

4. A final matter is that of upcoming annual meeting/show locations and arrangements. Our convention manager, Major Dick Malott, will be immediately publishing a list of upcoming sites, and we are entertaining bids for the unallocated years.

As well, we have established a special show committee chaired by Keith Spencer, to investigate all matters concerning our annual meeting, e.g. bourse contracts, protocol to be observed at a show, selection of program and seminars, scheduling, etc. This should result in our being better able to assist the host club in presenting an improved show, of increased interest to our members and to the public.

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52nd Annual Convention

CALTAPEX '80

The first impression that one gets upon arriving at Calgary is the awareness of explosive expansion. This seems to kindle an extreme feeling of pride among the Calgarians which projects as warm hospitality to its visitors. It was in this environment that CALTAPEX took place.

Following the official opening at which Dr. Fred Stulberg, President of the R.P.S.C. participated, there were three days crammed with meetings, seminars, receptions, tours and dinners. These ended with the Awards Banquet at which William Maresch of Toronto was the guest speaker.

The bourse was made up of over 50 dealers from across Canada and the United States. The exhibition itself contained over one hundred and sixty (Sixteen page) frames with exhibits from over forty collectors. There was an extensive Court of Honour section containing a display from our National Postal Museum and six other well known gold medal exhibits. All judges were from Western Canada and all had at least national accreditation with the R.P.S.C. Charles Emery of Coquitlam, B.C. was chief of the jury. The exhibition has recognized R.P.S.C. national status.

To the members of the R.P.S.C. probably the most important meeting was the 52nd Annual Meeting which was held in conjunction with the show. The officers presented their reports and not one had a dischordant note about the future of the 'Royal'. The election of the Directors saw only one change. James E. Kraemer was elected in place of Andrew Hinrichs who resigned after over 25 years as a Director. The election of Officers that followed saw Charles O. Emery as President, Mrs. S. A. Clark as first Vice President, James E. Kraemer as second Vice President and Fred G. Stulberg as Executive Secretary. All other positions remain unchanged.

The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada is indebted to Ed. Harris, Chairman of CALTAPEX '80 and his committee; to Joe Werner, President of the Calgary Philatelic Society and his members. The job they have done was monumental and will long be remembered with fondness.□

F.G.S.

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THE CHAPTER COORDINATOR - - -

No news for this issue but we would like to welcome our newest Chapter, No. 169, The Scarborough Stamp Club, whose representative is (Mrs.) Francine Davis, 84 Fairbank Blvd., Agincourt, Ontario, M1W 1Z7.

We also extend a belated welcome to Chapter 168, the Collingwood Stamp and Coin Club, and their Chapter Representative D. James Measures, P.O. Box 536, Collingwood, Ont., L9Y 2B2.

Doris & Ted Lyon.

JUDGING PROGRAMME COORDINATOR --

The major item of news in connection with the Judging Programme is that an agreement has been reached with the American Philatelic Society for reciprocal recognition of the Accredited Judges of each Society. The full text of the agreement will be published in a future issue of the "Canadian Philatelist". However, briefly stated, it provides for recognition of the Accredited International and National Judges of each Society - A.P.S. does not issue accreditations below the National Level - who are neither citizens nor permanent residents of the other country. In other words, A.P.S. will recognise our National and International Accreditation for persons other than U.S. Citizens or permanent residents of the United States and we will recognise A.P.S. Accreditation for persons other than Canadian Citizens or permanent residents of Canada. This means that a R.P.S.C. accredited National or International judge will be able to maintain his accreditation by serving on the jury at an A.P.S. approved exhibition and vice versa for A.P.S. accredited judges. This agreement will be signed by the Presidents of both Societies at the American Philatelic Society Convention in Spokane, Washington on the 27th September. A signal honour for our Society and our Judging Programme has been an invitation from Mr. Bernard Hennig, the Chairman of the A.P.S. Judges Accreditation Committee and a member of the R.P.S.C., to present our Judging Seminar lecture and slide programme, commonly referred to as the "Mike and Fred Travelling Magic Lantern and Talk Show", to the A.P.S. Convention. Our President, Charles Emery, who will be serving on the jury in Spokane, and I will be giving the presentation.

The next item is to advise the Chapters and members of the Society in the Maritimes that Dr. Stulberg and I are proposing a Judging Seminar trip to the East Coast during April 1981. This will be similar to the very successful trip that we made to Western Canada in April 1979. Dates are not set as yet but the trip will be made to coincide with the bi-annual exhibition of La Société Philatélique de Québec. Tentative locations are Halifax, St. John and St. John's, but other locations would be considered if there was enough interest. I will be writing to the Chapter Representatives concerned very shortly to initiate arrangements.

The following people have successfully fulfilled the requirements of the local/Regional Level apprenticeship and are accordingly granted accreditation as Local/Regional Judges:-

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Lyon, D., Gravenhurst, Ont.
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Measures, D. J., Collingwood, Ont.
Zeman, O., Mississauga, Ont.

With reference to the above list. Anyone who is currently on the Apprentice list and who feels that they have fulfilled the requirements for accreditation should advise me as soon as possible so that we can publish their names as being accredited.

Anyone who has any questions regarding the Society Judging Programme can direct them to me at - 192 Shanty Bay Road, BARRIE, Ontario. L4M 1E6

Mike Millar

FROM THE CHAPTERS - - -

CALTAPEX Exhibition Results:

Fifty-eight competitive exhibits received three Large Gold, seven Small Gold, nine Large Silver, fifteen Small Silver, eleven Bronze, three Junior Silver and one Junior Bronze awards.

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CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY
(Chapter 66). Regular meetings: second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in the Fort Calgary Interpretive Centre, 750 - 9th Ave., S.E., 7:30 p.m. President: E. A. Harris, P.O. Box 1641, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2L7.

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ISRAEL PHILATELY
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COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY
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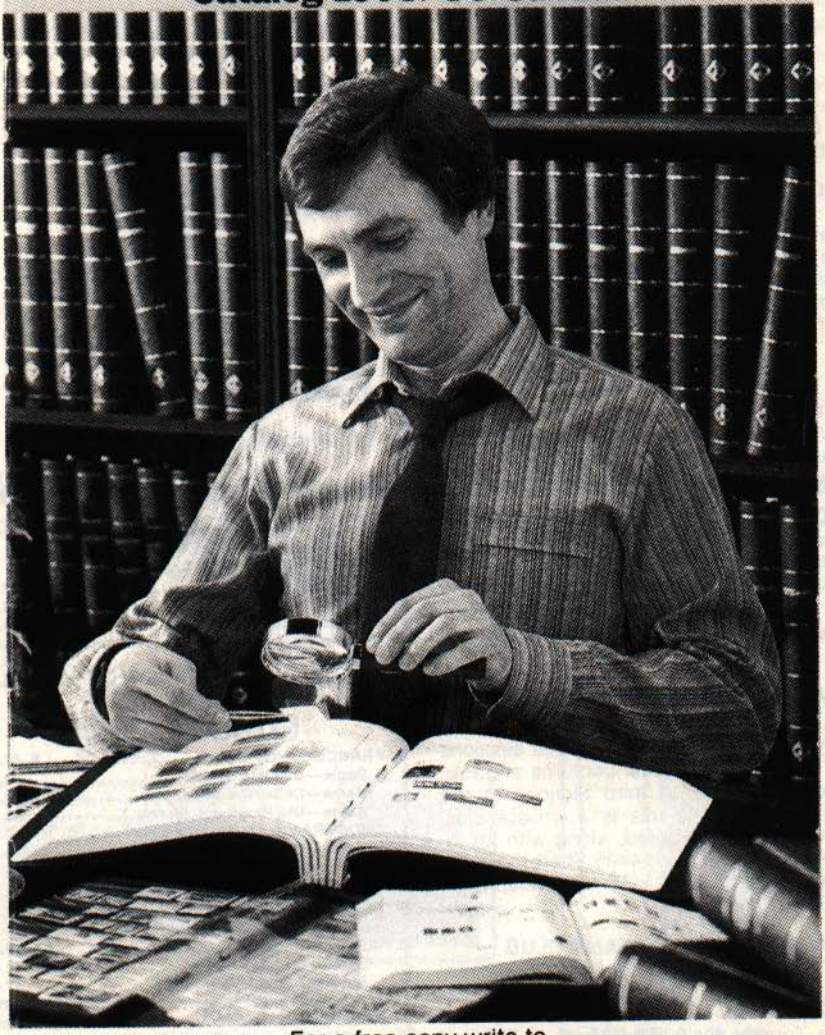
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As a last comment, I hope that you can see that we, your directors and officers, have embarked on a major modernization and improvement program. It is therefore important that we hear from any of our members who may have suggestions or constructive criticisms. Any such letter received by us will be personally handled by either myself, or the person in charge of the department to which the suggestion applies.

We hope that you will write to us at this time in particular as we are anxious to have your input as part of the decision making process to improve our service to you. May we have the pleasure of hearing from you?

Best philatelic regards,
Chuck Emery, President

ELIZA ANDERSON

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Inspecting the auction room of the newly 'opened' Gallery are (l to r) Charles G. Baugh of the Philadelphia Post Office, Martin and Diane Apfelbaum, Thacher Longstreth, Pres. Greater Phildelphia Chamber of Commerce, and the architect who worked on the restoration, Otto E. Reichert-Facilides.

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