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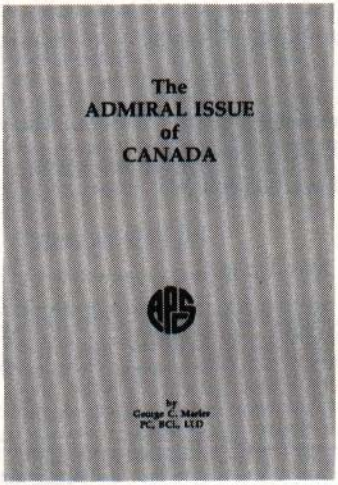
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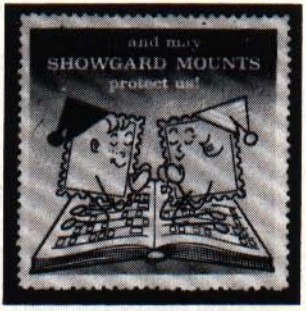
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by Ron Richards

PRE-CHRISTMAS RUSH

This issue of The Canadian Philatelist has been put to bed in record time in order that we may start the New Year off on the right track. I hope that this will be the last time that I will have to apologize for an issue being late.

Any members who like to start the New Year off with a good old fashioned resolution would perhaps like to add one concerning this journal to the list. We are in dire need of articles for the journal — and I mean articles with accompanying illustrations. If you have stamps, covers or anything pertinent with which you do not wish to part for obvious reasons, please try to arrange to have the material photographed locally and send the photos to me along with your article. Also include an invoice for the photography cost and I will see that it is paid by the treasurer. Otherwise, the way things are going, we may be without a journal by mid-year, or a journal with 26 pages of ads and not much more.

Certainly the journal would have folded this year if it were not for the efforts of the likes of Leo Beaudet, J.C. Arnell and Max Rosenthal.

OBITUARY - WILLIAM ERBACH

It is with regret that we announce the death on 1 September 1982, in Kitchener, Ontario, of a former Director and long time member of the R.P.S.C., William P. Erbach.

Mr. Erbach was elected a Director of the Society in 1953 and served in that capacity for seven years. He was a former President of the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society, RPSC Chapter 13, and a former Director of the Germany Philatelic Society of Kitchener and the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association.

Active as an officer in senior citizens clubs and other associations including the Kitchener-Waterloo Poultry Association, Mr. Erbach had been employed for over 40 years with B.F. Goodrich Canada Ltd.

The Society extends its condolences to Mrs. Erbach, the former Helen Starchuk, and to his two daughters Audrey (Mrs. Ronald Snyder) and Sandra (Mr. Kenneth Radtke) both of Kitchener-Waterloo. A son William and first wife Louise Erickson predeceased him. □

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Letters to the Editor

CAPITAL GAINS TAX

In Volume 23, No. 6 of the **Canadian Philatelist,** Mr. Colin H. Bayley, one of Canada's leading senior philatelists and a past Director of the RPSC presented correspondence between Revenue Canada and himself on behalf of the RPSC concerning The Capital Gains Tax. I recommend that this data be reprinted for the benefit of all RPSC members since all purchase philatelic material, and eventually may sell items. Lack of knowledge of the rules of Revenue Canada concerning philatelic sales could cost the collector an unnecessary amount of tax. It is understood that James Kraemer, Vice-President of the RPSC, has succeeded Mr. Bayley as RPSC liaison with Revenue Canada, and has verified that there are no changes in the original data.

I and several other stamp collectors who disposed of philatelic material through an auction dealer in Vancouver during 1979-1980, were asked by Revenue Canada to explain why the capital gains tax was not paid on the sales. Those who kept their records and description of the sale and original purchase receipts for the items of $1,000 or more, were able to explain their position. Philatelic material is considered listed personal property and no capital gains are calculated unless proceeds are greater than $1,000. If the aggregate proceeds of a number of individual items, sold together and therefore considered as a "set", are greater than $1,000, a capital gains would have to be calculated.

Readers must realize that this data applies to those who are considered collectors for a hobby only and not dealers for a business. Each inquiry by Revenue Canada on an individual's philatelic activities will be assessed on its individual merits according to the taxation law.

Collectors must remember that when they or their heirs dispose of their stamps, lotting the material is very important. Individual items or sets of items realizing a net value (selling price less dealer's commission) less than $1,000, regardless of how many lots sold, are not subject to a capital gains tax. Individual items or sets realizing a net value of $1,000 or more are subject to a capital gains tax. All individual items selling for over $1,000 are considered to have a cost of $1,000 and the net value remaining is subject to capital gains. My understanding is, for example, if I purchased a Canadian pioneer flight cover in 1975 for $800 and in 1982 sold it for $2,000 less $400 for the auctioneer's commission, I would be subject to a capital gains tax on $300.

a) FFC sold $2,000
b) Less 20% commission ($400) $1,600 balance
c) Authorized basic cost deduction ($1,000) $600 balance
d) Capital Gains Tax on 50% of Profit ($300) $300

For items costing over $1,000 without an accepted invoice by Revenue Canada, you will only be allowed to deduct $1,000 as cost. The sale of a large collection of philatelic items could produce a return of several thousand dollars so it is imperative that you retain the description of the lots from the auction and the prices realized for each lot. This data, if original copies, will be accepted by Revenue Canada.

Mr. J. Sterling Stewart referred to in the correspondence with Mr. Bayley, is still in the same position. I am pleased to state that the personnel of Revenue Canada with whom I have dealt, were most helpful and understanding in this matter as far as I was concerned. However, if a payment were due

it would have to be paid, subject to the recommendations of the reviewing officer.

I would recommend that if any member has a question concerning the sale of any of his philatelic holdings, the local Revenue Canada office be contacted for a ruling. If there is a problem that needs clarification I am sure a letter to the editor or to Mr. Kraemer would obtain consideration.

R.K. Malott
Ottawa, Ont.

(Editor's Note — The following is reprinted from Volume 23, No. 6 of the Canadian Philatelist.)

THE CAPITAL GAINS TAX

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

During the early part of 1972 Director Colin H. Bayley commenced discussions with the Department of National Revenue aimed at clarifying this legislation for our members. The following two letters are self explanatory and members are advised to retain them for reference.

June 15, 1972

Mr. J.S. Stewart
Estate and Gift Tax Division
Department of National Revenue,
Taxation
Dear Mr. Stewart:

Following our meeting at your office, of March 21, 1972, I had intended to record the substance of our discussion in a memorandum to Mr. Harry Sutherland, President, The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, since, as I pointed out to you, the Society is very much interested in the bearing, on the hobby of philately, of the new Capital Gains aspect of the recent tax reform legislation.

However, before doing this, I thought I should write you a letter setting out my understanding of the conclusions reached in our discussion, for your comment. I would have done this sooner, but I was awaiting an opportunity to discuss some further points with you and this was not possible until our telephone conversation of May 25, 1972.

I must first thank you for the insight which you gave me on the Department's basic philosophy in the matter of capital gains on collections of stamps and other collectable items, namely,

a) that in view of the readily saleable nature of rare stamps of high philatelic and monetary value, such stamps can be used to generate substantial capital gains;
b) but, that in seeking to bring this situation under reasonable taxation control, the Department does not wish to impose a system whereby philatelists would be required to be accountable for each and every stamp collected, traded or sold by them.

These two views seem to be reasonable and I was gratified to learn from you that your Department's present interpretation of the new capital gains legislation, as it applies to the hobby of philately, is that it is only items valued at more than one thousand dollars (expected current auction realization) that would be concerned; that where, in a collection, such items were present along with other items having values of less than one thousand dollars, the aggregate of these latter items, even if in excess of one thousand dollars would not be subject to the capital gains tax; and that, by the same token, a collection containing no items valued at more than one thousand dollars, but having a total value of more than one thousand dollars, would not be subject to capital gains tax on being sold.

You will recall that we also discussed the meaning of such terms as "item" and "set" as applied to philatelic tax matters, my understanding of the meaning of these terms in the context of our discussion being:

"item" — a single stamp, block of stamps, sheet of stamps; or an essay or proof either single or in multiples; or a folded letter, cover or postal stationery piece.

"set" — a number of stamps belonging together and relating to each other, produced and issued simultaneously or over a short period of time.

Finally, it is my understanding that, in order to have the information required under the new capital gains legislation, philatelists should have a record of the follow-

ing information with respect to items valued at more than one thousand dollars in their collections:

a) Original purchase price of such item or items;
b) the market value (expected auction realization) of such item or items on Valuation Day (Jan. 1, 1972);
c) the expected current auction realization of such item or items;
d) the amount realized on any such item or items sold since Jan. 1, 1972, this being, of course, a matter relevant to the owner's current income tax return.

I would appreciate receiving your comments on my understanding, as given above, of the various points which we discussed.

If you are in agreement with what I have written we would wish to publish it, together with your reply, in the Canadian Philatelist for the guidance of our membership.

On behalf of the President and Directors of The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, I should like to convey the Society's very best thanks for your courtesy and helpfulness in this matter.

Yours very truly,
Colin H. Bayley

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July 20th, 1972

Mr. Colin H. Bayley, M.B.E.,
Director
The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada
Dear Mr. Bayley:

Re: Valuation of Stamps

Thank you for your letter of June 15, 1972 which sets out the items discussed at our meeting of March 21, 1972.

Withregard to the third paragraph of your letter I would point out that policy with regard to the subject matter of taxable property is not the responsibility of this Department. These matters are determined by Parliament with the advice of the Department of Finance. However, administration of the law is the responsibility of this Department and our interpretation of the capital gains provisions as it applies to collector's items is generally as set out in your letter.

For purposes of clarification, however, I would like to make the following comments.

You use the term "expected current auction realization or price" as the definition of value. The Act uses the term "fair market value" which has been defined as "the highest price expressed in terms of money or money's worth obtainable in an open and unrestricted market between informed prudent parties under no compulsion to act and acting at arms length". We interpret this to mean what the owner could expect to receive for the property in the best market available to him, without any deduction for commission or selling cost. Whether or not auction is the best market in all circumstances is of course, open to question.

Your definition of "item" and "set" shown on page 2 of your letter is noted. The term "item" is not used in the Act. When referring to capital gains the term used is "a property". Its definition would cover the definition you use for "item".

The term "set" which is used in the Act is not otherwise defined and therefore takes on its normal meaning. Your definition is in accordance with our interpretation.

The information which we would recommend that each philatelist should maintain is:

a) the original cost of each stamp or set where cost exceeded $1,000.
b) the market value of each stamp or set held on Valuation Day (December 31, 1971) where such value was in excess of $1,000.
c) the proceeds of disposition (sale price less selling costs) of each stamp or set where such proceeds exceed $1,000.

The above information is recommended for ordinary collectors, and should not be interpreted as sufficient for a taxpayer who is in the business of trading in stamps or other collector's items.

I should also point out that the above information relates to the Income Tax Act at this date as it is presently being interpreted by this Department. Ammendments to the Act or future court cases could lead to different interpretations and the Department's interpretation could change accordingly.

I hope that this will be of assistance to you and to members of The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

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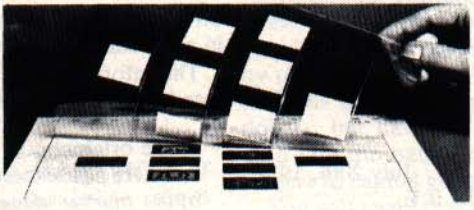
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MAY 21 — 55th Annual Convention of the R.P.S.C. at OAKPEX '83 of the Oakville Stamp Club, Oakville, Ont.

MAY 21-29 — TEMBAL '83, International exhibition of Thematic Philately, Swiss Industrial Fair, Basle. Information and entry forms from Tembal'83, Inselstrasse 51, CH-4057, Basel, Switzerland.

JUNE 9-12 — PIPEX'83, 43rd Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs at the Edmonton Convention Centre. Hosted by the Edmonton Stamp Club. Information: Keith R. Spencer, Chairman, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

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Highlights From The Early Days of The Cunard Line

by J.C. Arnell, RPSC 8170

XIX. The Collins Line and the Blue Riband

The early competition from American contract steamers and the British Post Office's reaction to it, with the resultant repercussions, has already been described (CP Nov. / Dec. 1971). These initial contracts posed no threat to Cunard, while the American public was quite dissatisfied with the situation. This led to increasing pressure on the American shipping community for greater efforts to regain the supremacy of the Atlantic, which their sailing packets had held for over a generation. Edward K. Collins, the founder of the Dramatic Line of such packets in 1836, proved to be the man to satisfy this need.

Having become convinced of the value of steam, Collins sought a government subsidy in support of a steamship service between New York and Liverpool. In November 1847, he was granted an annual subsidy of $385,000 and formed the "New York and Liverpool United States Mail Steamship Company", which from the start was known as the "Collins Line".

The Collins Line built four steamships - the **Arctic, Atlantic, Baltic** and **Pacific.** They were two-masted, wooden vessels of 2,860 tons and 285 feet long, driven by paddle-wheels and powered with 2,000 horsepower engines. Unlike the Cunard ships, with their clipper bows, these had straight stems, which was to become the American practice. They were designed to set a new standard for speed and comfort, which far surpassed what Cunard had to offer. Staterooms were larger and more luxurious and had electric call bells! There were bathrooms, smoking rooms and barber shops, and a system of steam heating. They proved to be so costly to run however, that Collins had to seek a larger subsidy. This was granted and, in 1852, he received $858,000 for twenty-six round trips, about twice as much as Cunard was receiving from the British government.

While the first Collins steamers were being built, Cunard, never one to shirk in the face of competition, ordered new larger ships. The first of these, the **Asia,** was launched at Greenock on 31 Janary 1850 from the yard of Messrs. Robert Steele & Co. She was reported to be "the largest vessel belonging to the company, or that has yet been launched from any building yard in the Clyde. Her length is 265 feet, breadth 37 feet, and tonnage 2,226 tons, n.m. Her model is much admired by competent judges, and she is expected fully to sustain the reputation which the vessels of the Cunard Line have achieved for the rapidity and punctuality of their voyages across the Atlantic." The **Asia** left Greenock for Liverpool on 25 April and sailed on her maiden voyage to Halifax and Boston on 18 May. Her sister ship, the **Africa,** made her maiden voyage direct to New York on 26 October 1850.

In rationalizing the construction of these larger steamers, Cunard wrote to the Postmaster General that

> if we were to relax now in the power and size of our Vessels, the whole service would fall into the hands of the Americans which are well sustained by their Government. We can only retain our position on the Atlantic by continuing to build powerful ships. The risk of doing so is very great, as at the termin-



1/- postage prepaid at Liverpool on 24 July 1857, backstamped with the Liverpool packet office oval on 24 July in black and struck with "5 CENTS" in red to show the amount of postage credited to the USPO. Carried by the **Persia** from Liverpool on 25 July and arrived at New York on 5 August, where struck "PAID in red.

ation of a contract the ships would be valueless, being too expensive to use for any other purpose ...These risks we have to meet at fearful cost.

The subsidy, designed to provide an efficient transatlantic postal service, was used instead to satisfy national pride. The struggle for the supremacy of the North Atlantic was to have its share of tragedy.

It is interesting to note that the developing competition was not allowed to interfere with an efficient mail service. Rather than have races across the ocean, during the winter of 1850-51, the Collins steamers were scheduled to alternate with the Cunard vessels, even to the point of having the



1/- postage prepaid at Glasgow on 22 February 1856, struck with Liverpool packet office lozenge in red on 23 February and with "5 CENTS" accounting mail in red to show amount of postage credited to USPO. Carried by the **Africa** from Liverpool on 23 February and arrived at New York on 8 March, where struck "PAID" in red.

same days of departure, namely Saturday from Liverpool and Wednesday from New York.

The best performances of the previous Cunard steamers were listed in the previous article. On her maiden voyage to Boston, the **Asia** reached Halifax in 8 1/2 days, showing the promise of holding her own in the record race. She made a second trip to Boston in July, before leaving Liverpool on 31 August for New York. She arrived on 11 September, prompting the New York **Herald** to write: "thus performing the passage in ten days, twenty-two hours and thirty minutes - one of the shortest, but not quite the shortest on record." After



Unpaid letter from Maybole, Scotland, dated 26 September 1854. Backstamped with the Liverpool packet office oval on 28 September and struck with "19 CENTS" in black to show the amount of postage owing to the GPO. Carried by the **Europa** from Liverpool on 30 September and arrived at Boston on 12 October. Travelled in a closed bag to Philadelphia, where struck with "PHILADELPHIA BR. PKT. 24" in black on 13 October to show the postage due.



Unpaid letter from London dated 20 September 1853, where struck with "3 CENTS" in black to show amount of postage due to the GPO. Carried by the **Baltic** from Liverpool to New York, where struck with "24" to show the postage due in cents.



1/- postage prepaid at London on 4 December 1852, struck with Liverpool packet office lozenge on 4 December in black and with "21 CENTS" in red to show the amount of postage credited to the USPO. Carried by a Collins steamer from Liverpool to New York, where struck "PAID" in red.

quoting from the log book of the **Asia** and listing other fast passages, including the **America**'s record-breaking run of ten days fifteen hours in July 1850, the story concluded

The whole at a glance

	D.	H.	M.
Shortest Cunard western passage - the **Asia**, dock to dock.....	10	22	30
Shortest Collins western passage - the **Atlantic**, dock to dock .	10	15	—
	—	—	—
In favour of the **Atlantic**		7	30
Allow **Asia's** detention at Halifax		4	—
		—	—
Still in favour of the **Atlantic**		3	30

> The **Asia** and **Europa**, in moderate weather, are about equal in speed - perhaps the **Europa** is a little faster; but in heavy weather the **Asia** is decidedly the best of the two steamers. Hereafter the New York Steamships of the Cunard line are to run direct to this port, without touching at Halifax. **Thus, the great struggle for the supremacy of the seas has fairly commenced.**"

The Collins steamers proved faster than their rivals and soon captured the Blue Riband. In 1852, the **Pacific** established a new record for an eastward crossing of nine days seventeen hours, and of nine days eighteen hours westbound. In the meantime, Cunard was building the **Arabia**, specifically to compete against the Collins vessels. The **Arabia** made her maiden voyage on 1 January 1853 and, encountering winter storms, was forced to put into Halifax for coal. This was like an ill omen, for although she attained a speed of over sixteen miles an hour in trials, her transatlantic performance was disappointing, and she never matched the Collins liners.

Britain had to wait for the **Persia**, the first iron Cunarder, to win back the Blue Riband. A massive paddle-wheeler of 3,300 tons and 376 feet in length, she reached a speed of nineteen miles an hour in trials. Like the **Arabia**, she encountered severe storms during her maiden voyage, beginning on 26 January 1856, and took fourteen days, three hours and fifty-three minutes to reach her New York dock. However, she lived up to expectations on the second trip to Liverpool in April, when she crossed in nine days twelve hours, and then knocked several more hours off this record on the outward leg of the next voyage a couple of weeks later.

Striving for the Blue Riband meant a dangerous overtaxing of engines and hulls, and a disregard of precautions in days when

there was no way of being alerted to danger. The Cunard Line at least kept up its reputation for safety, and in 1846 had adopted the now familiar navigation lights - white at the masthead, green on the starboard and red on the larboard (port) bow. As the steam whistle was not in use as yet, a tin horn was blown in foggy weather.

While Cunard suffered accidents involving collisions, which have already been covered, none resulted in the loss of the vessel. Collins was not as fortunate. In September 1854, the **Arctic** was rammed by a small French steamship, the **Vesta,** in a dense fog about 54 miles southeast of Cape Race. The **Arctic** was not judged to have been seriously damaged, so no emergency was sounded, while in fact she was severely holed and sank very quickly. Of 371 persons on board, 322 lost their lives, including Collins' wife, only son and one daughter. Sixteen months later, in January 1856, the **Pacific** left Liverpool with 186 persons on board, determined to best the **Persia,** which was departing on her maiden voyage at the same time. She disappeared without a trace and was presumed to have struck an iceberg, as her straight stem offered little protection to a vessel built without bulkheads. The **Persia** limped into New York several days overdue, having herself hit an iceberg, which buckled her bow.

With the loss of the **Pacific,** the Collins Line was left with two steamers. At the time, the **Adriatic,** a magnificent vessel of 3,670 tons, was nearing completion. She had been ordered after the loss of the **Arctic** and was intended to compete with the **Persia.** Although she was launched on 8 April 1856, she did not make her maiden voyage until 23 November 1857. By this time, the American Congress was reacting unfavorably to large subsidies for its merchant marine. As a result, the Collins annual subsidy was reduced in 1857 from $858,000 to $346,500, which was less than had been originally granted a decade earlier.

The company endeavoured to keep going, but this action by the government, coming as it did after its losses at sea, put it in a hopeless position financially. On 3 February 1858, the **Baltic** sailed from Liverpool for the last voyage of the Collins Line. The three remaining vessels were seized by creditors and sold at auction. The company had never paid a dividend, and may be said to have been a victim of having placed speed above safety. □



1/- postage prepaid at Manchester on 8 April 1852, backstamped with the Liverpool packet office oval on 9 April and struck with "5 CENTS" accounting mail in red to show amount of postage credited to the USPO. Carried by the **Asia** from Liverpool on 10 April and arrived at New York on 21 April, where struck "PAID". Instead of being delivered, it was listed in the newspaper and struck with "ADVERTISED" in black.



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CANADA VARIETIES & ERRORS

Item No.	Scott No.			
V401	298		coil strip with corner flaw. F-VF * NH	$ 10.00
V402	444p		"single band" error, good shift. VF * nh single	10.00
V403	464		major perforation shift, margin pair	50.00
V404	513p		Jumbo stamp due to perf shift at left margin, 41 mm wide!! VF * NH single	2.50
			Jumbo stamp due to perf shift at left margin, 41 mm wide! VF * NH horizontal pair, one normal	4.00
V405	554		"perforation shift", perfs through "C" of "CANADA" VF * NH single	9.00
V406	587		"perforation shift" "LA" of "LAURIER" missing on left, perfs through "C" of "CANADA" VF * NH single	5.00
V407	597a		"joined bears" or "rump" variety, dark blue colour shift extends rump of one bear into face of another. VF * NH single ..... $4.50. Plate block	18.50
V408	667	(A)	"Broken N" of "CANADA" pos. 4-5 in VF * NH vertical strip of 4	1.75
		(B)	"Broken N" of "CANADA" in VF * NH positional plate block of 8. U.L. or U.R.	4.00
V409	705		Mauve background blurred, 75% of white frameline filled in. Attractive variety with normal ... SPECIAL BLOCK OF 4 VARIETY ONLY	3.00 10.00
V410	713		Major COLOUR SHIFTS. Gray cameo doubled, plus downward shift of maroon "CANADA" 1/2 below frameline. Background blue is strongly mottled with gray. Single ..... $6.00. Marginal Block	30.00
V411	714		Dot or period beneath "e" of "postage". VF * NH pair, one normal	2.00
V412	715		"Printed on gum" side. VF * NH single	22.50
V413	715		**"KISSPRINT", Strong reverse red imprint on gum side of stamp with normal for comparison**	30.00
V414	715	(A)	Missing "lightning rod" variety in block of 4	4.00
	715	(B)	Missing "lightning rod" variety plus "light in window" variety in positional block of 16	9.00
	715	(C)	Same as "B" except plate 1 or plate 2 inscription	13.00
	715	(D)	Same as "B" except missing rod corrected & light in window not corrected (pos. 4-2)	7.50
V415	715		**Major red smudging** creates **Parliament "aflame"** variety. VF * NH	10.00
V416	715		"Slash" in "4" of "14", pos. 6-5. VF * NH in block of 4	4.00
V417	716		"Eyebrow" variety, position 1-1 in corner block of 4. VF * NH	4.00
V418	726		Fundy "Fat $1" with base broadened with extra dot of colour. VF * NH in pair, one normal	8.50
V419	729		12¢ coil with tag shift "single band" VF * NH single	2.50
V420(A)	744-7		extra "Masthook" variety on mackinaw boat in L.L. plate block	1.25
(B)	744-7		as above in plate block of 6 showing normal and variety	2.50
V421(A)	789		"CRYING QUEEN" - teardrop in pos. 2-3 in VF * NH block of 6	20.00
(B)	789		"CRYING QUEEN" - teardrop in pos. 3-7 in VF * NH block of 12	20.00
V422	790		**Major perf shift** almost in centre of stamp. Vertical pair. STRIKING EXAMPLE!	35.00
V423	790		Thick "1" in "17" variety. VF * NH single	3.50
V424	790		Tag shift "single" band error. VF * NH single	3.50
V425	790		Tag shift "single" band error PLUS THICK "ONE" VARIETY. **SCARCE!!**	15.00
V426	797a		(booklet 79) "BROKEN TIARA" variety, bold stroke through tiara in U.R. 17¢ stamp	4.00
V427	797a		(booklet 79) "EXTRA FLAGPOLE" variety caused by extra row of dots on L.R. 5¢ stamp	5.00
V428	797a		(booklet 79) Large "semicircle of dots" in selvedge	3.50
V429	806		17¢ coil, single band of tagging. Single ..... $4.00. Multiples Pro Rata	4.00
V430	806		17¢ coil **"doctor blade" flaw** causing green smudge to run horiz. through stamps. Strip of 4	5.00
V431	806		17¢ coil **"red spots"** randomly spread over design (probably due to ink remaining on 14¢ dies) Single ..... $1.00. Pairs ..... $2.50. Strip of 4	5.00
V432(A)	01		narrow spacing, strip of 3, VF * NH - $15.00. (B) Same as "A" but block of 6 VF * NH	30.00
V433	03		narrow spacing, strip of 3, VF * NH	15.00
V434	04		narrow spacing, strip of 4, VF * NH	22.00
V435	950		30¢ maple leaf coil, tag shift, single band error. Single ..... $2.00. Pair	4.50
V436	945b		NEW (20 x 30¢ + label) Bklt. F.D.C. complete booklet tied neatly to cover 30 June, 1982. SCARCE!	12.00

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An Update To The Checklist For Canada's 1977 Definitives

by John G. Schmidt

(Revised 3 October 1982)

The original checklist was published in "**The Canadian Philatelist**", Vol. 32, No. 2, March-April, 1981. It is now time to further discuss and update this series.

To make it a little easier for collectors to keep track of this series, I have adapted a numbering system similar to that used by Scott's in their U.S. Specialized Catalogue, with a few variations. I have assigned a number to the first issued stamp in a series of like designs. Subgroups were then added to cover either different printers, different perforations, precancels or ex-booklets.

ie **705** 1¢ Flower CBN 1 (Type A) FDI **April 22, 1977**
ie 705-**i** 1¢ Flower **BABN** 2 (Type B) **(12.9 x 13.3)**
ie 705-**P** 1¢ Flower CBN (12 x 12 1/2) **Precancelled**
ie 705-**ii** 1¢ Flower BABN (12 x 12 1/2) **ex-Bklt No. 77**

Checking the 1981 Canada Specialized Catalogue, Scott's numbers 705 through and including 730 were assigned to this series. Checking further indicated that the following numbers have not been used or were also assigned to the series, 731, 781 through and including 812. In the listing that follows, I have utilized 705 through and including 731, 784 through and including 788 and 796 through and including 802.

I have still retained the "inscription placement on sheets" of the first article and repeat it here for continuity.

Type A - Printer's name, plate number and designer's name appear in the upper and lower selvage at all four corners of the sheet.

Type B - Printer's name, plate number and designer's name appear in the left and right hand selvage at all four corners of the sheet.

Some general comments on the series:

1) Methods of printing. Canadian Bank Note Co. is using steel engraving (one color) and lithography (multicolor) to produce their stamps.

This method produces even textured colors, especially noticeable in large solid areas. The British American Bank Note Co. is using steel engraving (one color) and gravure (multicolor) to produce their stamps. This method produces a blotchy colored texture, especially noticeable in large solid areas. BABN's colors are not as vivid as CBN's.

2) Size of stamps. It was noticed that the stamps of the booklet panes are smaller than companion sheet stamps. Booklet stamps measure 16.0 mm wide by 19.75 mm high while those of the sheets measure 16.25 mm wide by 20.1 mm high. Other size differences are noted in the listing.

3) Tagging of the stamps. CBN - 4 mm wide - most with an even texture. BABN - 4 mm wide - most with an uneven texture. The following plates were not tagged (they are also noted in the listing):

75¢	Eastern City	Plate No. 1
80¢	Maritime City	Plate No. 1
$1.00	Fundy N.P.	Plate No. 2
$1.50	Waterton Lakes N.P.	Plate No. 1
$2.00	Kluane N.P.	Plates No. 1 & 2

1¢ Multicolored Bottle Gentian
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
705 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
705-P CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Precancelled - Note 1
705-i BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)
705-ii BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 77)

2¢ Multicolored Western Columbine
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
706 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
706-i BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 78)
706-ii BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)

3¢ Multicolored Canada Lily
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
707 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
707-P CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Precancelled - Note 1
707-i BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)

4¢ Multicolored Hepatica
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
708 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
708-i BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)

5¢ Multicolored Shooting Star
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
709 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
709-P CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Precancelled - Note 1
709-i BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)

10¢ Multicolored Sparrow's Egg Lady Slipper
First Day of Issue - April 22, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
710 CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Plate No. 1 (Type A)
710-P CBN (12 x 12 1/2) Precancelled - Note 1
710-i CBN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B)
710-ii BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 3 (Type B)

12¢ Multicolored Jewelweed
First Day of Issue - July 6, 1978
Designer - Heather Cooper
711 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
711-P BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Precancelled - Note 2

15¢ Multicolored Canada Violet
First Day of Issue - August 16, 1979
Designer - Heather Cooper
712 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
712-P BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Precancelled - Note 3

Notes 1) Warning message and bars are printed by the letter press method in black ink. Warning message is printed (in English then French) up the left side and down the right side of the sheet.

2) Warning message and bars are printed by the gravure method in red ink. Warning message is printed across the top (in English then French) and bottom (in French then English) of the sheet.

3) Warning message and bars are printed by the letter press method in black ink. Warning message is printed across the top (in English then French) and bottom (in French then English) of the sheet. In this denomination, the printer left the inscription on the sheets delivered to Canada Post.

In the Flower stamps above, two methods of printing were used. One was steel engraving (one color) and lithography (three colors) for the following stamps: 705, 705-P, 706, 707, 707-P, 708, 709, 709-P, 710 & 710-P. The other was steel engraving (one color) and gravure (three colors) for the following stamps: 705-i, 705-ii, 706-i, 706-ii, 707-i, 708-i, 709-i, 710-i, 710-ii, 711, 711-P, 712 & 712-P.

"A" Red Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - December 29, 1981
Designer - Raymond Bellemare
784 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)*
784-i CBN (12.9 x 13.3) Plates 2 & 3 (Type B)*
*BABN stamps measure 16.1 mm wide by 20 mm high while CBN stamps measure 15.9 mm wide by 19.8 mm high.

30¢ Red Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - March 1, 1982
Designer - Raymond Bellemare
785 BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 82)

Stamps 784, 784-i & 785 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) method of printing.

30¢ Multicolored Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - May 11, 1982
Designer - Raymond Bellemare
801 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
801-i BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 83)

Stamps 801 & 801-i were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and gravure (two color) method of printing.

5¢ Violet Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - March 1, 1982
Designer - Raymond Bellemare
787 BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 82)

10¢ Dark Green Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - March 1, 1982
Designer - Raymond Bellemare
788 BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 82)

Stamps 787 & 788 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) method of printing.

12¢ Blue & Gray Queen Elizabeth II
First Day of Issue - March 1, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
713 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B)
713-i BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 77)

14¢ Red & Gray Queen Elizabeth II
First Day of Issue - March 7, 1978
Designer - Heather Cooper
714 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
714-i BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 78 or 80)

17¢ Green & Gray Queen Elizabeth II
First Day of Issue - March 8, 1979
Designer - Heather Cooper
715 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B)
715-i BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 79 or 81)

30¢ Purple & Gray Queen Elizabeth II
First Day of Issue - May 11, 1982
Designer - Heather Cooper
786 BABN (12.9 x 13 3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)

Stamps 713, 713-i, 714, 714-i, 715, 715-i & 786 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and gravure (two colors) method of printing.

1¢ Gray Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 28, 1979
Designer - Reinhard Derreth
716 BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 79)

5¢ Purple Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 28, 1979
Designer - Reinhard Derreth
717 BABN (12 x 12 1/2) (ex-Bklt No. 79)

12¢ Blue Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - May 3, 1977
Designer - Reinhard Derreth
718 BABN (12.9 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
718-i CBN (12.9 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B)
718-iP CBN (12.9 x 13.3) Precancelled - Note 1

14¢ Red Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 7, 1978
Designer - Reinhard Derreth
719 CBN (13 x 13.3) Plates 1, 2, 3 & 4 (Type B)

17¢ Green Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 8, 1979
Designer - Reinhard Derreth
720 CBN (13 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B)

Stamps 716, 717, 718, 718-i, 718-iP, 719 & 720 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) method of printing.

15¢ Multicolored Trembling Aspen
First Day of Issue - August 8, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
721 BABN (13.2 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type A)

20¢ Multicolored Douglas Fur
First Day of Issue - August 8, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
722 BABN (13.2 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type A)

25¢ Multicolored Sugar Maple
First Day of Issue - August 8, 1977
Designer - Heather Cooper
723 BABN (13.2 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type A)

30¢ Multicolored Red Oak
First Day of Issue - March 7, 1978
Designer - Heather Cooper
724 BABN (13.2 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type A)

35¢ Multicolored White Pine
First Day of Issue - March 8, 1979
Designer - Heather Cooper
725 BABN (13.2 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type A)

Stamps 721, 722, 723, 724 & 725 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and gravure (three colors) method of printing.

50¢ Multicolored Prairie Town
First Day of Issue - July 6, 1978
Designer - Tom Bjarnason / Engraving - Arthur Ponting
726 BABN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)*
726-i CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plates 2 & 3 (Type B)*
*BABN stamps measure 31.7 mm wide by 26.0 mm high while CBN stamps measure 31.8 mm wide by 25.7 mm high.

60¢ Multicolored Ontario City
First Day of Issue - May 11, 1982
Designer - Tom Bjarnason / Engraving - Yves Baril
802 CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B)

75¢ Multicolored Eastern City
First Day of Issue - July 6, 1978
Designer - Tom Bjarnason / Engraving - Arthur Ponting
727 BABN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B) Untagged

80¢ Multicolored Maritime City
First Day of Issue - July 6, 1978
Designer - Tom Bjarnason / Engraving - Arthur Ponting
728 BABN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B) Untagged

Stamps 726, 727 & 728 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and gravure (three colors) method of printing. While stamps 726-i & 802 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and lithography (three colors) method of printing.

$1.00 Multicolored Fundy National Park
First Day of Issue - January 24, 1979
Designer - Ron Bolt
729 CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B)
729-i CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 2 (Type B) Untagged

$1.50 Multicolored Waterton Lakes National Park
First Day of Issue - June 18, 1982
Designer - Brent Laycock / Typography - William Tibbles
730 CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plate No. 1 (Type B) Untagged

$2.00 Multicolored Kluane National Park
First Day of Issue - April 27, 1979
Designer - Alan Collier
731 CBN (13.3 x 13.3) Plates 1 & 2 (Type B) Untagged

Stamps 729, 729-i, 730 & 731 were produced by the steel engraving (one color) and lithography (four colors) method of printing.

Coil Stamps

12¢ Blue Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - May 3, 1977
796 CBN (10 vertical)

14¢ Red Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 7, 1978
797 CBN (10 vertical)

17¢ Green Houses of Parliament
First Day of Issue - March 8, 1979
798 CBN (10 vertical)

"A" Red Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - December 29, 1981
799 CBN (10 vertical)

30¢ Red Maple Leaf
First Day of Issue - May 11, 1982
800 CBN (10 vertical)

The 30¢ **Red** Maple Leaf only appears as ex-Bklt No. 82 (785) and in coil form (800).

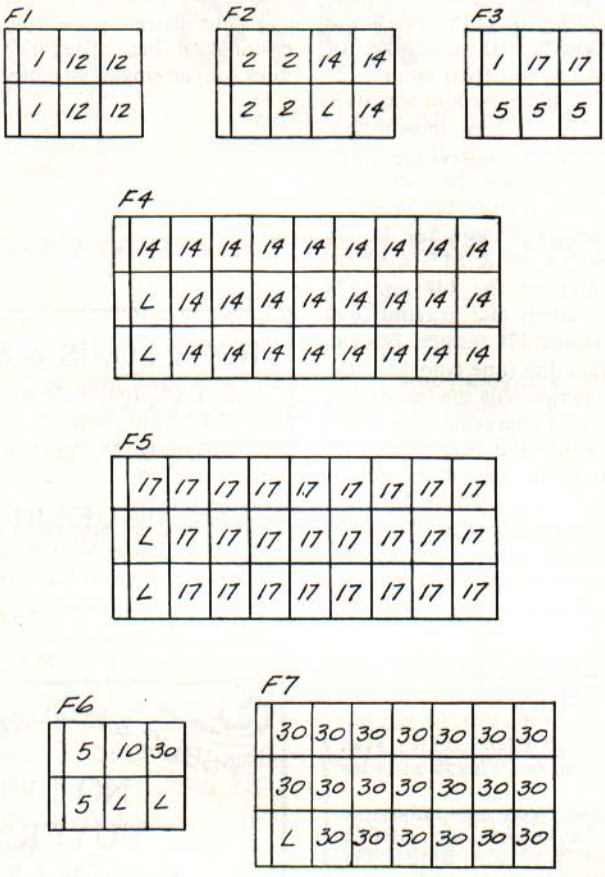
All coil stamps were produced by the steel engraving (one color) method of printing.

Booklets

Bk No. 77 50¢/F1 2x1¢ (Flower) + 4x12¢ QE II)
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - November 1, 1977
Note: Covers consist of 10 different flower and tree designs in brown ink. Light brown wavy lines appear on outside of cover.

Bk No. 78 50¢/F2 4x2¢(Flower) + 3x14¢(QE II) + 1 Label
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - April 1, 1978
Note: Covers consist of 10 different flower and tree designs in green ink. Light green wavy lines appear on outside of cover.

Formats



Bk No. 79 50¢/F3 1x1¢(Parl.) + 3x5¢(Parl.) + 2x17¢(QE II)
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - March 28, 1979
Note: Covers consist of 10 different flower and tree designs in blue ink. Light blue wavy lines appear on outside of cover.
Bk No. 77, 78 & 79 have "Counting Tabs" on Douglas Fur booklets.

Bk No. 80 $3.50/F4 25x14¢(QE II) + 2 Labels
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - November 14, 1978
Note: Covers consist of 5 different "Code it ... Post it" cartoons in black ink.

Bk No. 81 $4.25/F5 25x17¢(QE II) + 2 Labels
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - July 3, 1979
Note: Covers consist of 5 different "Code it ... Post it" cartoons in purple ink.

Bk No. 81-i Same as above except light brown wavy lines appear on outside of cover.

Bk No. 82 50¢/F6 2x5¢(Maple) + 1x10¢(Maple) + 1x30¢(Maple) + 2 Labels
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI-March 1, 1982
Note: Covers consist of line drawings of the 10 provincial legislature buildings in black ink. "Counting Tab" is on the Newfoundland Legislature booklet.

Bk No. 83 $6.00/F7 20x30¢(Maple - same as 801) + Label
BABN (12 x 12 1/2) FDI - June 30, 1982
Note: Cover consist of a line drawing (black ink) of the Parliamentary Library building in Ottawa.

Booklet stamps were produced by several different methods. Booklet No. 77 - steel engraving (one color) for both the 1¢ and 12¢ stamps and gravure (three colors) for the 1¢ stamp and gravure (two colors) for the 12¢ stamp. The same method was used for Booklet No. 78, however, in addition, the label was printed by the steel engraving (one color) method. Booklet No. 79 - steel engraving (one color) for the 1¢, 5¢ & 17¢ stamps and gravure (two colors) for the 17¢ stamps. Booklets No. 80 & 81 - steel engraving (one color) for the 14¢ and 17¢ stamps and both labels and gravure (two colors) for the 14¢ and 17¢ stamps. Booklet No. 82 - steel engraving (one color) for the 5¢, 10¢ and 30¢ stamps plus the two labels. Booklet No. 83 - steel engraving (one color) for the 30¢ stamps and the label and gravure (two colors) for the 30¢ stamps.

Conclusion: It seems as though this series has come to an end, except for possibly new plate number printings. We have seen several first class rate increases - from 12¢ to 14¢ to 17¢ to 30¢. This, together with the use of two printers to produce stamps of the same design and within the same denomination, has caused 63 different collectibles for the singles collector. □

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Mail Arrangements for Prisoners of War and Internees Held in Canada During W.W. II

Part One

(Prepared by the Research Section of the National Postal Museum. Photos Courtesy of E.R. Toop, Ottawa.)

(1) **Enemy aliens interned by Canada**
Shortly after the declaration of war between Canada and the German Reich steps were taken by Canadian military authorities to establish camps for the internment of enemy aliens at fourteen points in Canada, and the Post Office Department was called upon to deal with letters and parcels addressed to or sent by such internees who were held as prisoners of war under the Defence of Canada Regulations.

(2) **Internment Operations**
The direction of matters concerning prisoners of war and enemy aliens was in the hands of the Director of Internment Operations who was an officer of the Department of the Secretary of State. Subsequently this officer's title was changed to Commissioner of Internment Operations.

(3) **Free Postage**
The International Convention relating to prisoners of war provides that letters and parcels addressed to and mailed by prisoners of war shall be exempt from all postage, while the Regulations covering the Maintenance of Discipline among and Treatment of Prisoners of War (P.C. 4121) draw a distinction between prisoners of war captured in warlike operations and enemy aliens interned as prisoners of war under the Defence of Canada Regulations, the first being known as prisoners of war Class 1, and the second as prisoners of war Class 2.
P.C. 4121 permitted the Director of Internment Operations to modify the article of the Convention relating to free postage in such manner as he might deem fit and as it was found that the interned enemy aliens were unnecessarily exploiting the free postage privilege by using the mails to send their laundry out to be washed and returned, it was recommended by the Internment Operations that free postage should not be allowed on parcels mailed in Canada addressed to or sent by prisoners of war.
This recommendation was taken up with the Post Office Department and concurred in, with the result that instructions were sent out to all Postmasters in February 1940, that effective immediately all parcels mailed in Canada addressed to or sent by the prisoners of war (i.e. prisoners of war Class 2) must be fully prepaid with postage in the usual way, except in

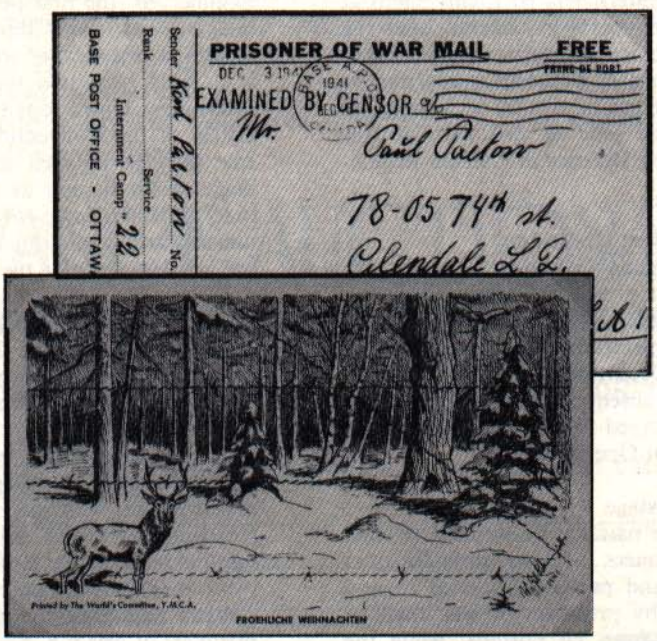
those cases where the parcel bears an official red label issued to the sender from the office of the Director of Internment Operations and reading "Canada - Internment Operations - Postage Free" - in which case the parcel might be accepted without payment of postage.

(4) **Mail Arrangements**

Early in September 1939, instructions were given that letters and parcels for interned persons were to be despatched to the civil Post Offices serving the Internment Camps and that the censorship of mail to or from the internees would be undertaken by the camp authorities. Such censored mail received from the camps was to be forwarded to destinations, but mail bearing no indication of censorship was to be sent to the Chief Postal Censor.

By the Fall of 1940 there were only two Internment Camps operated for the purpose of holding enemy aliens, one at Petawawa, Ont., and the other at Kananaskis, Alberta. The postal service was instructed that domestic letters or letters originating in Canada addressed to these two camps were to be forwarded direct to the camps while letters of foreign origin were to be diverted to the Chief Postal Censor. Parcels of both domestic and foreign origin addressed to internees were sent directly to the Internment Camp and not to the Chief Postal Censor, such parcels being examined on arrival at the Internment Camps.

Letters written by the internees for delivery in Canada were not diverted to the Chief Postal Censor, but all correspondence addressed to destinations outside of Canada were forwarded to censorship for examination and after censoring were sent forward, those addressed to the United States and South America being despatched through the Ottawa Post Office; those for Continental Europe via New York and Lisbon through Montreal; those



Illustrated postcard provided by the YMCA for use by POW inmates of Canadian camps for Christmas.

for England through the Base Post Office; and those for Baltic and Balkan States via Vancouver.

All mail for or from these two Internment Camps passed through the Petawawa and Seebe civil Post Offices. Letters for the internees were received at these Post Offices included in ordinary letter packages labelled for the Post Office or were some times made up in direct packages for the internment camp. Such packages were opened at the civil Post Office so that any letters of foreign origin might be picked out for diversion to the Chief Postal Censor. Parcels for both camps, whether of domestic origin or originating in countries outside of Canada, were delivered by the civil Post Offices when called for by officials of the internment camps without being routed to the Chief Postal Censor.

With the object of alleviating the work thrown upon the two civil Post Offices it was arranged with the Camp Commandants, through the Director of Internment Operations, to have letters written by the internees addressed for delivery in Canada made up at the Camps in packages labelled "Canada" and letters addressed to places outside of Canada packaged and labelled "Chief Postal Censor, Ottawa". In this way packages of letters for places in Canada were opened, the letters date stamped and distributed for despatch to destinations, while the packages labelled for censorship were forwarded to Ottawa unopened.

The majority of the civilian internees housed at the Kananaskis Internment Camp at Seebe were transferred in July, 1941, to an Internment Camp near Fredericton, N.B., and the balance were sent to Petawawa. The Kananaskis Camp was converted into an Internment Camp for German prisoners of war from Europe. It was also the intention at that time to turn the Internment Camp at Fort Henry (Kingston, Ont.) into a camp for Canadian internees, but this apparently did not materialize.

A group of internees were moved from Petawawa to a new Internment Camp at Hull, P.Q., in August of the same year, and arrangements were made to have the internees use the Base Post Office, Canada, as their postal address. The Internment Operations requested that mail for this new camp be delivered at the Internment Operations Office to be transmitted to the Hull camp. Mail written by the internees was collected by the camp authorities and after being examined was sent to the Base Post Office, Ottawa, for disposition.

In August of the following year the Petawawa Internment Camp was changed to a prisoner of war Class 1 camp, the internees formerly quartered at that camp being transferred to the Fredericton Internment Camp.

Internment camp No. 101 situated at Angler, Ont., and formerly occupied by German combatant prisoners of war, was changed to a Canadian internees' or enemy aliens camp and used for the detention of Japanese internees.

(5) **Prisoners of war and Internees from the United Kingdom**

Steps were taken in June 1940 to establish internment camps for the accommodation of German prisoners of war and British internees transferred from Great Britain to Canada. The first consignment consisting of approximately 4,000 internees and 2,000 combatants arrived in Canada at the end of July.

The following were the locations of the first Internment Camps established:

Camp "C" Gravenhurst, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "E" Espanola, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "F" Kingston, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "M" Mimico, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "Q" Monteith, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "R" Red Rock, Ont. (Permanent)
Camp "I" Ile aux Noix, P.Q. (Temporary)

Camp "J" St Johns, P.Q. (Temporary)
Camp "L" Cove Fields (Quebec) P.Q. (Temporary)
Camp "S" St. Helen's Island (Montreal) (Temporary)
Camp "T" Three Rivers, P.Q. (Temporary)

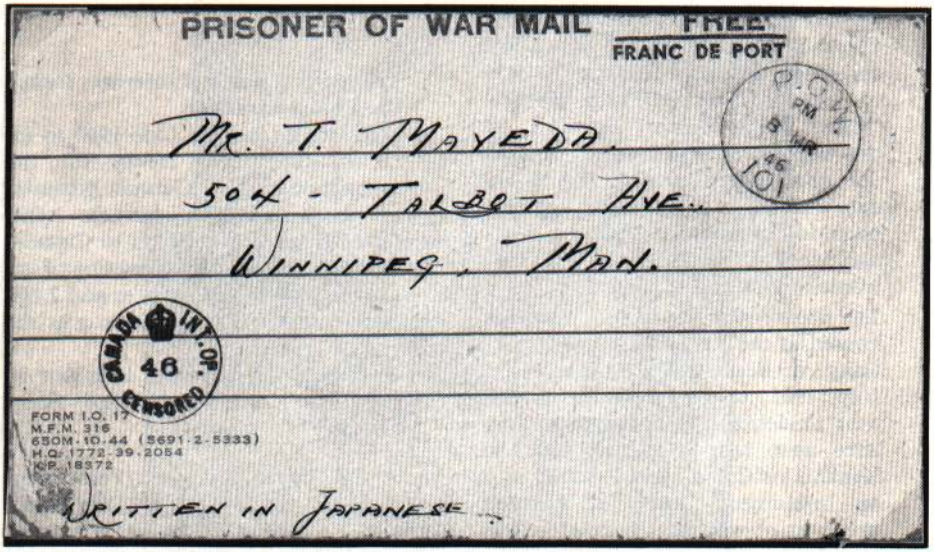
All prisoners of war were instructed to notify their correspondents to address their mail to "Camp (Letter) Internment Operations, Base Army Post Office, Canada", the addressee's name to be inscribed in block letters in order to assist the postal sorters.

(6) **Free Postage**

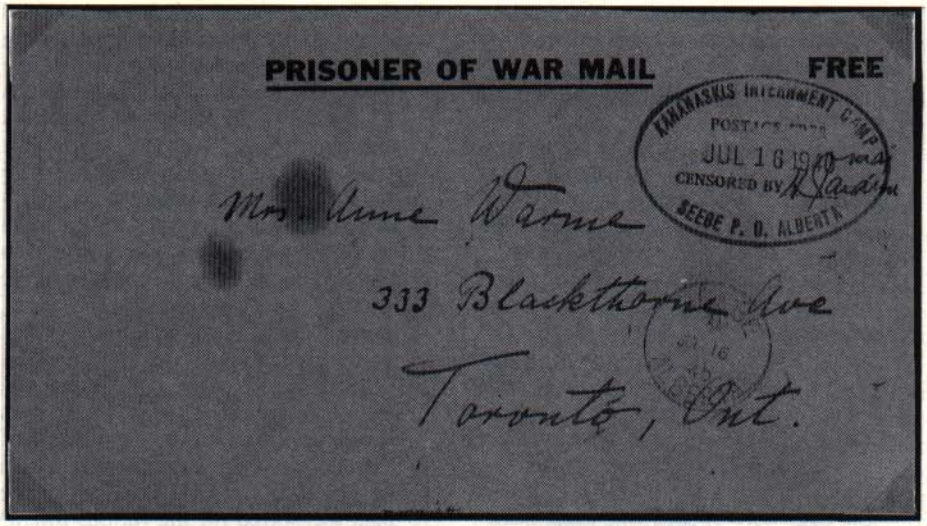
Prisoners of war were temporarily supplied with P.O.W. letter heads and envelopes and were permitted to send, free of postage, two letters a week. This scale of issue was subsequently changed as follows:

Officer Prisoners of War	- Three letters and four postcards per month
Officer Protected Personnel	- Six letters and eight postcards per month
O.R. Prisoners of War	- Two letters and four postcards per month
O.R. Protected Personnel	- Four letters and eight postcards per month
Internees	- One letter and one postcard per month

NOTE: Protected Personnel included members of the medical units, Chaplains or Medical Officers attached to combatant units, provided they have satisfactory certificates, also other ranks serving in combatant units having the status of stretcher-bearers or medical orderlies who not only possess certificates but are able to



POW letter form written in Japanese, from a Japanese POW at Camp 101, Angler, Ont. This cds was proofed Feb. 12, 1943, and the free franking and censoring was done at the POW camp.



An early cover from PW No. 207, G. Warme, a civilian internee at Camp "K", Kananaskis Internment Camp, Seebe P.O. Alta., free franked July 16, 1940 with oval censored rubber handstamp 46 x 31 mm.

This camp was originally allotted letter "K" & on Oct. 15, 1941 was re-designed from a code letter to number 130, indicating the Military District & Camp number. It was not until Feb. 1943, when circular date stamps were proofed, that the circular POW steel hammers were used on outgoing POW mail from the various camps.

Kananaskis Internment Camp housed civilian internees & Enemy Merchant Seamen (EMS) from Sept. 29, 1939, to July 1941, at which time the majority were transferred to Fredericton, N.B., & the balance to Petawawa, Ont. At this time Kananaskis was converted to an Internment Camp for German POW (OR) Class 1.

prove they were employed on protected duties only, at the time of capture. Special printed forms were provided to prisoners of war for correspondence as follows:

(1) for ordinary letters - folder letter form I.O. 17;
(2) post card - card I.O. 20;
(3) post card for acknowledging parcels - card I.O. 21;
(4) for business letters - form I.O. 19.

Prisoners of war were not permitted to mail parcels.

(7) **Mail arrangements and procedure**

Members of the military personnel attached to the Internment Camps were requested to have their mail addressed to the regular civil Post Office without any reference to Internment Operations or Internment Camp so as to prevent such mail being routed via the Base Post Office. Outgoing mail was also posted at the civil Post Office.

Postage meter machines were used at the Monteith, Medicine Hat and Lethbridge Internment Camps from December 1943 to December 6th, July 30th and November 26th, 1945, respectively. These machines were utilized for the prepayment of postage on letter and other mail posted by camp officials and guards, and on air mail written by prisoners of war.

Letters written by prisoners of war were collected by the camp authorities and made up in face-slipped packages as follows:

(1) letters for countries outside of

Canada except the United States;
(2) letters addressed to places in Canada;
(3) letters addressed to the United States;

and in the event of letters being handed in, written in a language not capable of translation by the camp interpretor, a package made up for the Director of Internment Operations.

The letter packages were then placed in a mail bag - a sufficient supply of which was furnished by the Civil Post Offices - labelled for the Base Post Office, Canada, and despatched twice a week through the civil Post Office. The frequency was later on increased to tri-weekly despatches.

Upon arrival at the Base Post Office, the bags were opened, the letter packages cut, the letters date stamped and the packages tied up again, placed in a bag and sent to the Chief Postal Censor.

On return of the mail from the Chief Postal Censor, the Base Post Office diverted the package addressed to the Director of Internment Operations to his office; the packages labelled "Canada" and "United States" were transferred to the Ottawa Post Office for sortation and despatched to destinations, and the balance of the mail was also enclosed in a bag and despatched by the Base Post Office to the Chief Postal Censor, Liverpool, England.

Incoming mail reaching the Base Post Office from Overseas for prisoners of war and internees in Canada was promptly turned over to the Chief Postal Censor for examination. Upon its return to the Base Post Office the mail was sorted for the various Internment Camps, placed in newspaper tie sacks, fastened with lead seals and labelled for the individual Internment Camps. These sealed sacks were then



POW meter cancel June 28, 1944 from a German prisoner at Camp 133, Lethbridge, Alta. This camp was a barracks type Internment Camp with a capacity of 12,500 & housed German OR (other ranks). The camp opened Nov. 1942 & closed June 30, 1946.

All POW surface mail was entitled to free mailing, however, air-mail was required to be prepaid by the sender, thus the 30¢ rate for this cover. The reverse has a German circular censor handstamp & censor tape.

placed in outer letter bags and labelled for the Post Offices at the points where the Internment Camps were located.

Before the final sortation could be accomplished it was necessary — owing to the frequent movement of prisoners of war from one internment camp to another — to have the address of each letter and parcel verified by means of nominal rolls which were furnished for the use of the Base Post Office by the Internment Operations.

The letters were sorted alphabetically, the names were then looked up individually on the nominal rolls and the number of the internment camp placed on each item. This naturally slowed down the work of despatching the mail to the various Internment Camps, but in cases where changes of location had been effected it expediated the ultimate delivery of letters and parcels to the addressees.

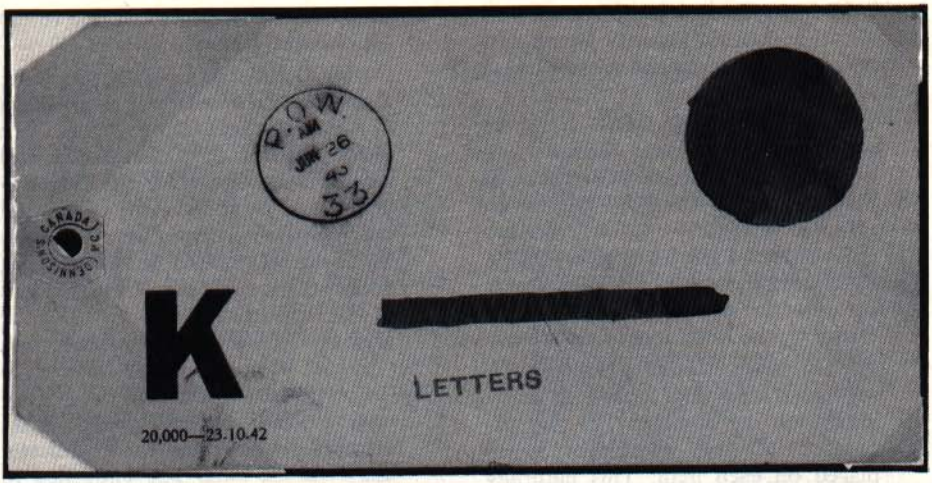
Instructions were given that mail received at the Base Post Office for prisoners of war and internees which originated in Canada or the United States was to be diverted promptly to the Chief Postal Censor, and on its return was to be held at the Base Post Office until such time as despatches of mail from Overseas were to be made up.

A communication was also received from the Chief Postal Censor inviting attention to the fact that mail might be posted in the United Kingdom intended for prisoners of war or internees in Canada which would be prepaid with postage and without bearing any indication that it was prisoner of war mail as it might not even be addressed in care of the Base Post Office. Instructions were, therefore, given that mail bearing a number and the name of a prisoner of war and possibly the letter destination of an internment camp, but nothing else, or any mail similarly insufficiently addressed which might be presumed to be intended for a prisoner of war or internee, was to be forwarded to the Base Post Office to be diverted to the Chief Postal Censor.

During October and November, 1940, a considerable movement of prisoners of war took place; Camp "L" at Cove Fields (Quebec), P.Q. was closed, and arrangements made for the forwarding of mail from one camp to another until new nominal rolls were available. This mail was placed in an inner bag addressed to the Camp Commandant of the Internment Camp to which the prisoners of war were transferred and then put in an outer bag labelled to the Postmaster of the civil Post Office serving the Internment Camp. After opening the outer bag the Postmaster delivered the inner bag unopened to the camp official calling for the internmant camp mail.

Some time later when new nominal rolls had been supplied to the Base Post Office and the various Internment Camps, instructions were issued to Camp Commandants by Internment Operations that should any mail be received for a prisoner of war or internee at a camp at which he is not held, reference to the nominal roll would reveal his correct camp address. Mail re-directed to other camps was, as formerly, placed in outer and inner bags and despatched to the proper Internment Camps, but if there were not sufficient pieces of mail being redirected to other camps such mail was to be placed in an inner envelope addressed to the Camp Commandants, which was in turn to be placed in an outer envelope addressed to the Postmaster at the civil Post Office serving the Internment Camp, specially endorsed "Prisoner of War Mail".

A change was also effected in the making up of mails for Internment Camps by the Base Post Office whereby the mail was to be enclosed in a sealed sack addressed by means of a yellow tie-on tag with the letter "K" in the lower left-hand corner, to the Post Office at the place where the Internment Camp is located. Upon receipt at the Post Office of address,



"K" tags were first placed into use May 1, 1941, and identified mail made up by the Base Post Office, Ottawa, for the Internment Camps. Mail was enclosed in a sealed sack addressed by means of a yellow "K" tie-on tag and sent to the Postmaster at the Post Office where the Internment Camp was located. The bags were delivered to the Camp Commandant unopened.

The letter "K" stood for the German word "KRIEGSGEFANGENENPOST" meaning Prisoner of War Post. Many of the "K" tags were used more than once although according to old established postal regulations a mail bag label should not be used a second time. Owing to the great necessity for economy due to existing conditions, the regulation could be disregarded, provided the original address and impression of the Base Post Office date stamp was totally obliterated and the new address placed on the other side of the tag.

In the example above the Army Base Post Office impression of May 17, 1943, and destination of Petawawa, Ont., were obliterated and the tag reused at POW Camp 33, Petawawa, June 26, 1943, to send letters to the Internment Mail Section, Base Post Office, which is noted in manuscript on the reverse of the tag.

the Postmaster simply delivered the bags so addressed to the camp representative who called for the internment camp mail. The letter "K" stood for the German word "Kriegsgefangenpost" meaning Prisoner of War Post.

In consequence of the possibility of mail sacks being used for unlawful purposes by prisoners of war, steps were taken in May, 1941 to have a continuous record kept at the civil Post Offices serving Internment Camps on the number of newspaper tie sacks delivered to and received back from Internment Camps. This record was sent to the District Director of Postal Services at the end of each month, and if it showed that the number of sacks delivered exceeded the number used for outgoing mails or returned to the Post Office the matter was taken up with the Camp Commandant concerned.

Because of the loose way in which registered mail was being handled it found necessary to place in operation a uniform procedure whereby registered items in future were charged by the Base Post Office on registered letter bills made out for the Post Offices serving the different Internment Camps. The registered items were enclosed in a registered package or envelope even if there was only one registered article to be despatched. The Post Office of delivery checked the registered items with the entries

on the registered letter bill, entered them in a Registered Articles Delivery Book (No. 31) and secured the signature of the authorized camp official for each individual registered piece. At the Internment Camp the registered articles were entered in another Book No. 31 kept at the camp, and an individual signature obtained from each addressee upon delivery. Undelivered registered articles which for any reason could not be delivered to prisoners of war were taken by a camp official to the civil Post Office to be re-registered and despatched to the Base Post Office.

Arrangements were made in September 1941 to authorize prisoners of war held in Canada to use air mail for sending letters to Europe. The air mail postage at the rate of 30 cents per half ounce had to be prepaid by the writer. Air mail letters were placed in special packages face-slipped "Air mail only" and despatched to the Base Post Office daily. This privilege was also extended to enemy merchant seamen.

It was decided in February 1943 to obtain special dating stamps for use at the various Internment Camps for date stamping letters written by prisoners of war. As these were official dating stamps and could only be used by a sworn Post Office employee, steps were taken when the stamps were available to have the officials at the camps who were entrusted with the stamps sworn in and fully instructed as to their use. These special dating stamps were worded as follows:

P.O.W.
(date)
133

Each dating stamp contained the official number designation of the Internment Camp - No. 133 above being simply employed as an example. As soon as the new dating stamps were brought into use the Base Post Office discontinued date stamping letters written by prisoners of war which were received in mails from the Internment Camps.

During the month of July 1943 a few cases were directed to the attention of the Post Office Department where letter cards written by prisoners of war interned at Internment Camps had been posted at civil Post Offices instead of being postmarked with the P.O.W. special dating stamp and enclosed in the mail bag made up by the Internment Camp authorities for the Base Post Office. This meant that such letter cards had been taken outside of the camp enclosure by someone and mailed at an outside Post Office as a favour to prisoners of war. District Directors of Postal Service in whose districts Internment Camps had been set up were requested to instruct their own offices and all Post Offices located in the vicinity of Internment Camps to ensure that if any letter cards or letter folders written by prisoners of war are observed passing through the mail they were to be picked out of the mail stream and specially diverted to the Chief Postal Cansor with a memorandum giving particulars as to the time and date they were found in the mails.

(8) **Direction of Internment Camps**

The title of Commissioner of Internment Operations was changed in February 1943 to Director, Prisoners of War, who was attached to the Department of National Defence (Army) instead of to the Department of the Secretary of State.

(9) **Opening and Closing of Internment Camps**

A new internment camp "B" located at Little River, about twenty miles from Fredericton, N.B., was opened in August, 1940, and as soon as it was placed in operation temporary camp "T" at Three River, P.Q., was closed.

In October, 1940 the Internment Operations advised that new Internment Camps were to be opened as follows:

Camp "A"	Farnham, P.Q.
Camp "N"	Sherbrooke, P.Q.

Camp "W" Neys, Ont.
Camp "X" Angler, Ont.

As there were no civil Post Offices in operation adjacent to or at Neys and Angler, the former place being near Coldwell, a station on the C.P.R. with the Post Office situated at Port Coldwell, and Angler being located about 4 1/2 miles from Peninsula at which point there was a Post Office, it was decided that in these two instances non-accounting Post Offices were to be placed in operation inside the Internment Camps with the Camp Commandants sworn in as Postmasters.

These two Post Offices were known as Neys and Angler and were served by North Bay and Fort William R.P.O. Train No. 1 which stopped at the two railway stations long enough to permit the exchange of mails. Both offices which were opened January 16th, 1941 despatched mails to the Base Post Office daily. Mails for prisoners of war at the Neys and Angler Internment Camps were made up by the Base Post Office while correspondence and other mail addressed to the camp officials and guards was despatched on these two offices by North Bay and Fort William R.P.O. Train No. 1.

Several changes were made in connection with the different Internment Camps during the period July to October, 1941. Among the principal changes were the conversion of the Kananaskis Camp at Seebe from a civilian internees camp to a prisoner of war camp, while Camp "B" near Fredericton was changed from a prisoner of war camp to a civilian internment camp. Camp "R" at Red Rock was closed.

On Octber 15th of the same year, a change was made in the manner of designating Internment Camps by substituting a number for the code letter formerly used, the first or the first two figures of the camp number indicating the number of the Military District in which the camp was situated. Below is a list showing the changes:

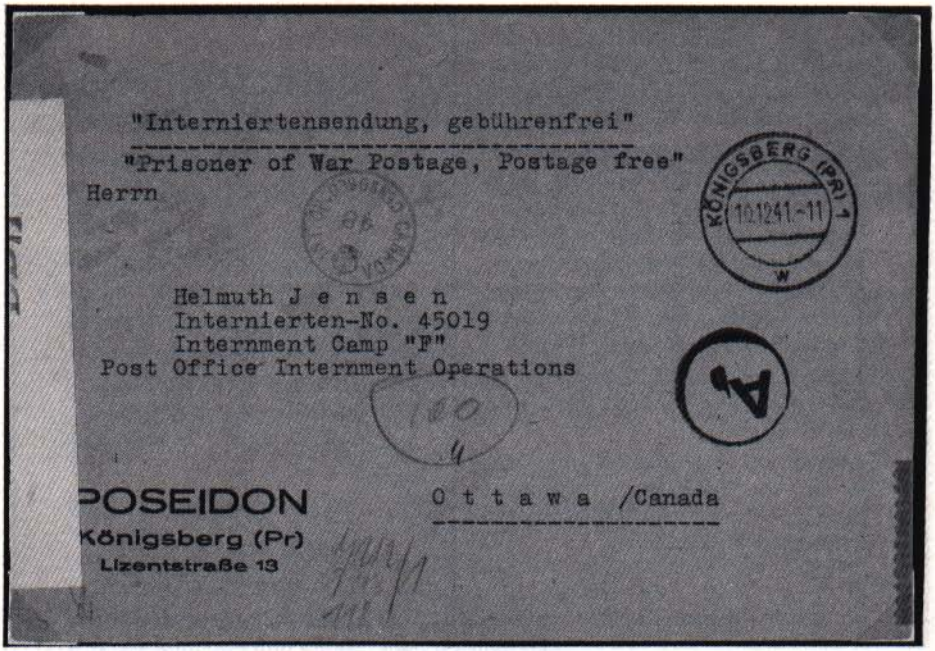
Military District	Camp Designation Old	New	Location
2	"C"	No. 20	Gravenhurst, Ont.
2	"E"	No. 21	Espanola, Ont.
2	"M"	No. 22	New Toronto, Ont.
2	"Q"	No. 23	Monteith, Ont.
3	——	No. 30	Bowmanville, Ont.
3	"F"	No. 31	Fort Henry (Kingston), Ont.
3	"H"	No. 32	Hull, P.Q.
3	"P"	No. 33	Petawawa, Ont.
4	"A"	No. 40	Farnham, P.Q.
4	"S"	No. 43	St. Helen's Island (Montreal), P.Q.
7	"B"	No. 70	Fredericton, N.B.
10	"W"	No. 100	Neys, Ont.
10	"X"	No. 101	Angler, Ont.
13	"K"	No. 130	Seebe, Alta. (formerly Kananaskis)

Internment Camp No. 30, Bowmanville, Ont., was opened at the end of November and the necessary instructions given for the handling of the mail to and from the prisoners of war.

For the reception of prisoners of war sent to Canada from the Middle East a new Internment Camp was established in May 1942 at Ozada, Alberta, about 2 1/2 miles east of Seebe and designated as Camp No. 133. The mail for this camp was labelled with the "K" tie-on tag marked "K2", Seebe, to indicate that it was intended for the Ozada camp.

Prisoners of war housed at the Angler, Ont. camp were transferred to camp No. 133, and Japanese civilian internees from British Columbia were transferred to Angler in June, 1942. A number of Japanese internees were also held at the Petawawa Internment Camp.

The status of the Petawawa Internment Camp which heretofore had been used for housing Canadian internees was changed in August 1942 to a prisoner of war Class 1 camp and the appropriate instructions for the handling of mail for this class of internment camp were given through the



This letter dated Dec. 10, 1941 was received at Base APO, Ottawa Feb. 25, 1942, having been directed to a German POW at Camp "F", Fort Henry, Ont. POWs were moved for various reasons as evidenced by Camp No. 100, Neys, Ont., marking in blue where Helmuth Jensen was detained.

District Director of Postal Services, Ottawa.

Advice was received in January 1943 for the opening up of a new Internment Camp at Lethbridge, Alberta, to be known as Camp No. 133 to which all the prisoners of war quartered at Ozada (formerly also designated as Camp No. 133) were transferred.

In April the opening of another new Internment Camp at Grande Ligne, P.Q., to accomodate German officer prisoners of war was advised. This camp was designated as Officers' Internment Camp No. 44 but was, however, not open until well towards the end of June. Also Internment Camp No. 132 was opened at Medicine Hat, Alberta, in May.

Internment Camp No. 21 at Espanola, Ont., was closed as from May 20th. No mails were despatched to Espanola by the Base Post Office after May 13th and mail received after that date was forwarded to Camp No. 133, Lethbridge.

The Neys Internment Camp was temporarily closed in December 1943 but was re-opened again on August 15th, 1944. In the meantime steps had been taken to establish a Post Office at Neys, outside of the Internment Camp, on the revenue basis, this office being opened June 5, 1944 and hereafter served the Neys Internment Camp in the same way as other civil Post Offices located in the vicinity of Internment Camps.

The Internment Camp at Fort Henry (Kingston) No. 31, was closed November 16th, 1943.

A temporary Internment Camp, No.

10, was opened at Chatham, Ont. in May 1944, to be in operation approximately six months. It was temporarily closed November 15th, 1944 and again re-opened on May 1st, 1945.

This camp was transferred to Fingal, Ont., as Internment Camp No. 10 in December, 1945.

A new Internment Camp, No. 135, was opened at Wainwright, Alberta, on January 29th, 1945, also a new Internment Camp, No. 45 was opened at Sorel, P.Q., on May 1st, 1945.

Farnham Internment Camp No. 40 was re-opened in October, 1944, as a P.O.W. Camp.

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By now most collectors have been informed through various philatelic writings that there is a difference in the commemorative stamps issued for Canada 82 and the souvenir sheet stamps. The size of the stamps, namely the reproductions, have very slightly different dimensions. The reproductions on the souvenir sheet are a tiny bit larger than the normal sheet stamps. The amount is in the order of 0.2 mm. One can therefore identify the stamps coming from sheets and from souvenir sheets. Because only two million of the souvenir sheets were issued, the singly used stamps could be much more difficult to find than the normal sheet stamps which were issued in much larger quantities. How this happened is not known, but it must be assumed that some slight differences occurred in the photographic process.

Offsets occur frequently on some modern stamps. This is due mainly because the high speed printing allows little time for proper drying of the stamps before one sheet is placed on top of another sheet. Sheets which are cut up for booklets and then placed into the booklet covers have been noted where the booklet cover offsets on top of the stamp pane in the booklet. We now find some of the recent 50¢ booklets where the ink from the stamps offsets on the inside booklet cover. Stamps from the top row have been found with this offset on the cover.

All collectors will remember the problem with the initial Ottawa tagging attempts and migration and bleeding caused by the tagging material. Reports recently indicate that the tagging easily smears on to envelopes or album pages as well as onto hands when handled. Does this mean that further experiments are being carried out with the tagging material, probably to cut costs? Collectors should be aware of this and if such problems are noted, report these to the Post Office.

A new book will soon be published about the 5¢ Beaver stamps. Extensive studies have been made by such well known collectors as Senator Calder, Major Chapman, Major Grenier and Mr. Whitworth. All have written about the 5¢ Beaver. Now Mr. Whitworth is planning to bring out another book just on the 5¢. It will be very interesting how much more has come to light in the last few years about this controversial stamp issue.

Canada Steel Engraved Constant Plate Varieties list a variety called Extra flagpole, fine line from roof to top for the 12¢ blue Parliament Definitive of 1977. Only Plate No. 1 is mentioned. Now, Mr. R.M. Fournier provides some answer. A sheet shows that stamps No. 31, 41, 51 and 61 all have a fine line consisting of fine dots running from the right tower upwards. No. 61 has two additional fine lines in parallel to the left of the other line. The sheet, a field stock item without a plate inscription, appears to come from one of the right panes.

We wonder how many times collectors have mislaid some items and only after years find them again. Sorting and keeping track of all stamps is not easy and if one is busy at work there is not much time one can spend on stamps. And in summer it may be better to hit a ball on the back than a stamp with a hinge. Many years ago we were allowed to find a customer for one of the largest 5¢ Beaver collections. We believed all stamps were in this lot. Suddenly we found another lot of them covered up by some regular postage sheets. This kind of situation could spell trouble. Not completely analogue to this is the story of a very good friend who never believed in keeping track of his stamps and their value. He purchased about $5000.00 each over the last 15

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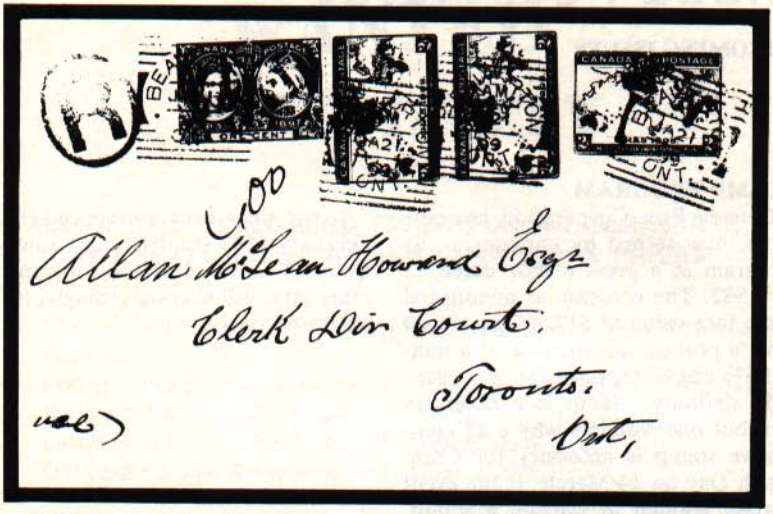
The Canada Post Corporation has perhaps set a new record by announcing its 1983 program in a press release dated 13 October 1982. The program as announced contains a face value of $17.40, but we all know that a postage rate increase of a minimum of 6% can be expected for next year.

The $5 definitive stamp is a necessary addition, but one wonders why a $2 commemorative stamp is necessary for Commonwealth Day on 14 March. If the event is important enough to warrant a stamp, why is it being issued at a rate that most people won't see or use?

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New information has been added to all sections and in particular the Advertising, Collections, Local Publishers, Modern Cards and Publishers sections have been substantially changed. Two new sections include Artists' Signatures and Expeditions/ Explorations.

The check lists introduced in the second edition have been expanded in additional sections. Prices have been revised by the compilers and independently examined by a postcard dealer to ensure accuracy.

CANADIAN STAMP HANDBOOKS EDITED BY MICHAEL MILOS. THE FIRST CENTS ISSUE 1859-1868 by Geoffrey Whitworth. Published by Canadian Stamp Handbooks, P.O. Box 215, Stevensville, Ontario L0S 1S0. 15.5 cm x 23 cm. 10 pages, loose-leaf, 3-hole punched, 1982. $3.50.

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THE POSTAGE STAMPS AND POSTAL HISTORY OF CANADA by Winthrop S. Boggs. Reprint edition by Quarterman Publications, Inc., 5 South Union St., Lawrence, MA 01843, U.S.A. $60.00 from dealers. Distributed in Canada by Unitrade Associates, Toronto.

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This catalogue presents some problems since some of the main words were not to be found in my rather limited Swedish / English dictionary. However, it is well laid out, clearly printed and well illustrated. These factors allow one to gain much from it.

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