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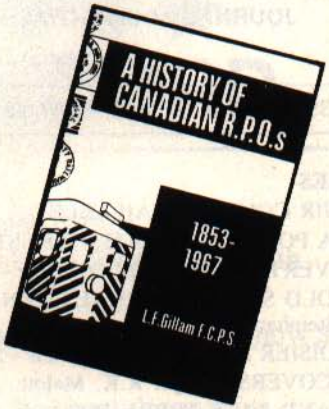
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EDITOR'S NOTES

by Jim Haskett

HAPPY NEW YEAR

As I write this, 1988 is just a few days away. To all Royal members, may this be the year that all those elusive items are found. A happy new year and happy stamping!

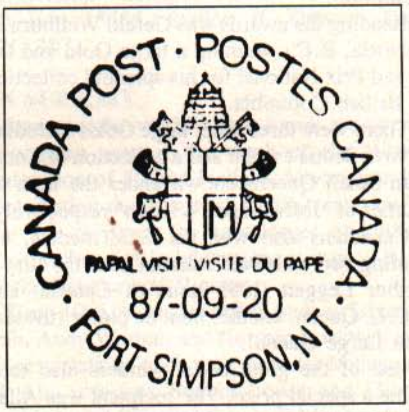
POST OFFICE HELPS

Elsewhere in this edition (Society Reports, pages 67-70) is a lengthy list of new Royal Philatelic Society of Canada members. Many of those new members are the result of a large scale distribution of R.P.S.C. membership application forms with a recent Canada Post publicity mailing. Due to the limited resources of The Royal's National Office, there may be some delays in processing of some of those applications. As membership dates from the date of processing of an application form and since the process is computerized, no member will miss any journals. (The Royal does not have a set annual date for renewal of memberships. Renewals are always based on the date the member joins the Society.)

We would like to pass on our thanks to Canada Post Corp. for including the membership forms in their mailing. As a volunteer organization with limited financial resources, the co-operation of the Crown postal corporation in providing this method of reaching many potential R.P.S.C. members is greatly appreciated.

FOR LIONS

Dr. Ian W. Taylor, a longtime member of the R.P.S.C. (membership no 9487), BNAPS and the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britian, recently received a unique honor from his Lions Club, a worldwide service organization. Dr. Taylor has been named the Arlington Heights, Ill., Lions Club official Goodwill Ambassador and in that capacity will be visiting Lions Clubs across the continent and around the world during his annual overseas vacation. Over the years he has attended Lions meetings in 57 of the 162 nations in which Lions Clubs exists, a record he hopes to be adding to in the next few years. He'd also like to contact via mail R.P.S.C. members who are also Lions to discuss mutual service club matters. Dr. Taylor, who was born in Canada and is a former Hamilton, Ont. resident, can be contacted at 769 South Milwaukee Dr. Wheeling, Ill. 60090 U.S.A.



PAPAL VISIT

During Pope John Paul II's 1984 visit to Canada (commemorated with two Canadian stamps, a 32-cent and a 64-cent – Scott 1030-31), poor flying weather cancelled the pontiff's scheduled visit to Fort Simpson, N.W.T. on Sept. 18 that year. The pontiff, however, vowed he would make the visit to the isolated northern settlement at a later date. In 1987, he was able to make good on that pledge. The pope took a day from his tour of the U.S. and flew north to Fort Simpson where he was greeted by native and Metis leaders, churchmen, politicians and hundreds of citizens, young and old, of Canada's northern territory. While no stamp was issued for this brief visit, a special cancellation, illustrated here, was available on Sept. 20, 1987 to mark the occasion.

CAPEX 87 – THE FINAL REPORT

How well did Canada do at its own World Philatelic Exhibition? We did very well, perhaps the best this country's philatelists have ever done in international competition.

Canadians garnered 116 medals in all at CAPEX *87. This included a strong junior section and very strong literature entries.

Our juniors took 14 medals and in the Literature category, Canadian entries took home 29 medals. As well, philatelists from other countries — U.S.A., Britian, Australia, Switzerland, Netherlands and Argentina — garnered another 29 medals for exhibits of Canadian and/or British North American materials. One might say never have Canadian stamps been so prominent at an international exhibition.

Heading the awards was Gerald Wellburn of Victoria, B.C., winning a large Gold and the Grand Prix National for his splendid collection of British Columbia.

There were three other large Golds including a Nova Scotia exhibit and a collection of Canadian Small Queens shown under the nom de plumes of 'Joffre' and 'Willson' respectively.

Canadians also won six Gold medals, including two with Felecitations from the Jury – Arthur Leggett (1859 issue of Canada) and S.C.L. Queen, another nom de plume (the six-cent Large Queen).

One of the gold medal winners also took home a special prize. The recipient was Allan Steinhart (Pre-stamp and stampless mailings to and from British North America, 1685-1865).

Ten outstanding Canadian exhibits received large Vermeil medals. Nine other received Vermeil, including one with felicitations to Michael Madesker for his collection of German postal parcel cards.

Of the 21 Large Silver medals awarded to Canadians, a superb exhibit of Imperial Russian Censorship marks, 1914-17, by Mieczyslaw Lubinski of Toronto receive the jury's felicitations. Of the remaining medals won by Canadians, 13 were silver, seven silver-bronze and one bronze. Since there were 63 bronze medals awarded at CAPEX, all the Canadian entries must have been of high quality.

The American Philatelist, in its review of the show, gave the CAPEX show high marks for its layout, its location and especially for the design of its dealer and postal administration booths which seemed to have the comfort of purchaser and seller in mind. About the only negatives, according to *AP*, were the hard concrete floors and high standards of the jury – several major award winners at Ameripex the previous year received lower ratings at CAPEX.

Sophie Drolet, with an exhibit entitled La Mathematique Pure, received a large Silver, the highest award given to a Canadian junior entry, Drs. H.E. and H.W. Duckworth of Winnipeg, Man. received a Gold medal for their book, *Large Queen Stamps of Canada*. Dr. J.C. McDonald, Antigonish, N.S., was awarded a Large Vermeil for his book, *Nova Scotia Posts*.

Leading the Canadian exhibits by philatelists of other countries was Col. Robert H. Pratt of Milwaukee, Wis. with a superb showing of Newfoundland. Col. Pratt won a Large Gold with special prize and was runner-up in the Grand Prix National.

Following are the chief awards for exceptional collections of Canada/BNA materials entered by philatelists of the U.S.A. and Britain:

Gold with Special Prize – Henry Lubke Jr. (Canada four-ring numerals), Horace W. Harrison (Canada's registry system)

Gold – Susan M. McDonald (BNA cross-border mail), Dr. Robert V.C. Carr (Prince Edward Island), Dr. Robert V.C. Carr (British Columbia)

Large Vermeil with Felicitations – Harry Lussey (Canadian registered letter stamps), George B. Arrfken (Canadian small queen era)

Large Vermeil with Special Prize – Harry Lussey (Canadian federal revenue stamps)

Large Vermeil – Jonathan W. Rose (Canadian issues of the provinces)

Vermeil plus Felicitations – Gary S. Ryan (BNA law stamps), Dorothy Sanderson (Cross-border mail, Canada-U.S.)

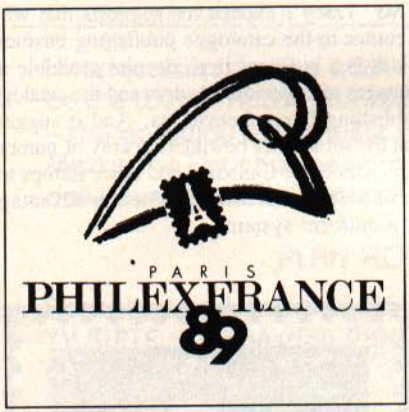
CAPEX MAJOR AWARDS

The jury results for the three CAPEX 87 Grand Prix awards in which 33 jurors took part were very interesting. The results were as follows:

Grand Prix D'Honour –	Votes
The United States Stamps, 1847-69; Ryohei Ishikawa, Japan	16
Pontifico; Guiseppe Barcella, Italy	9
Uruguary; Angela Ruiz Vegas, Spain	7
Blank ballots	1
Grand Prix National –	
British Columbia; Gerald Wellburn, Can.	25
Newfoundland, Col. Robert Pratt, U.S.A	7
Blank ballots	1

Grand Prix International –
Great Britain, the World's First Postage Stamps; Hassaan Shaida, Great Britian 11
Argentina Republic; Norman Hubbard, U.S.A. 10
The Stamps of the Neapolitan Provinces; "Fantasia", Italy 8
Danish West Indies; Peter Meyer Denmark 4

The CAPEX 87 Postal History Prize went to George J. Kramer, U.S.A. for his book, *Wells Fargo and Co., 1852-1895.*
– Courtesy CAPEX 87 Committee.



PHILEXFRANCE '89

A major philatelic event of 1989 will be Philexfrance '89 in Paris, France, July 7-17, 1989. The exhibition, an F.I.P. international one, is being held in conjunction with the celebrations marking the bicentenary of the French revolution. Slated for the Parc des Expositions, a hall of 50,000 square metres, the exhibition will include 6,000 frames. Dealers and postal administrations from around the world will participate. For additional information, write to the Canadian Commissioner, James E. Kraemer, 17 Commanche Dr., Ottawa, Ont. K2E 6E8.

DEADLINES

While your humble editor has not met his deadlines the previous two issues because of a move to Lethbridge, Alberta (for which we again apologize to members and our advertisers), we're nearly back on track this issue. And we would like to remind members and potential authors of *The Canadian Philatelist's* deadlines. Briefly, they are the 20th of the month two months prior to publication, eg. Jan. 20, 1988 for the March-April edition, March 20 for the May-June edition and so on.

This is especially important for those all-important coming events notices for club exhibitions and bourses. Please get them to me as early as possible to ensure maximum exposure in the pages of *The Canadian Philatelist.* And please note my new address: It is 23 Seneca Place W., Lethbridge, AB T1K 4M7.

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CORRECTION

In the annual financial statement of the R.P.S.C., carried in the September-October edition, wording concerning advertising income for *The Canadian Philatelist* was inadvertenly left out from the 1986 financial statement on

page 394. Under expense relating to the *CP* magazine the wording "Reciept from Advertising in the *CP* should be added to correlate with the values of $12,767.00 for 1986, and $11,033.00 for 1985. The contributions of the advertisers in the *CP* are most significant to the reduction of the costs of producing and distributing the *CP* to the members of the RPSC.

FIGHTING BACK

A Mississauga, Ont. collector, tired of flipping back and forth between Scott and Gibbons catalogues, thought he had an answer when he put together his Kwik Sort Stamp Finder in time for the CAPEX 87 show.

Douglas Tracy believed his idea of a small handbook listing stamps by their Scott and Gibbons numbers would save collectors hours of time when they wanted to consult one catalogue or the other. His handbook lists Canadian and U.S. stamps by denomination and their Scott and Gibbons numbers.

The Scott Catalogue people gave Mr. Tracy their permission to use their numbers in his handbook but, despite several attempts, the Gibbons firm was downright unco-operative, according to the author. No permission was ever granted to reproduce the Gibbons numbers.

Mr. Tracy went ahead with the publicatin of his handbook anyway, giving due credit. The Gibbons firm was not amused and slapped on a cease-and-desist order on sale and distribution of the Kwik Sort handbook.

Although Mr. Tracy argues that the Gibbons numbering system is in the public domain since more than 50 years has passed since the death of its originator and that his handbook would promote rather than damage Gibbons business since any user would still have to consult (and buy) a Gibbons catalogue, the British firm has remained adamant that it will not give its permission to use the Gibbons numbers to anyone for commercial gain or for a competing product.

Mr. Tracy hasn't given up quite yet.

He's asking that collectors who feel it is unfair to deny the Gibbons numbering system to collectors who wish to use it to voice their protest to Stanley Gibbons Ltd., 391 The Strand, London England WC2R OLX or to Kwick Sort, 916-50 Miss. Vly., Mississuaga, Ont. L5A 3S2.

While we may not necessarily support his methods, we've long believed that a handbook of the type produced by Mr. Tracy would be invaluable to collectors who use both the major English language catalogues.

We understand, too the Gibbons reluctance to grant permission to use their numbering system for commerical gains of someone else.

Among catalogues available in Canada for Canadian stamps, there are at least four numbering systems – Scott, Gibbons, Canadian Specialized and Darnell. It was considered a bit of a breakthrough when the new Canada precancel catalogue shifted to Scott numbers, albeit the new publisher of the catalogue also publishes Scott's Canada Specialized.

Mr. Tracy's experience suggests that when it comes to the catalogue publishing business, it still is a business first, despite probable advantages to collectors, dealers and the catalogue publishing firms themselves. And it suggests that the sometimes bewildering aray of numbering systems for Canadian and other stamps will remain with collectors despite the advantages of a uniform system.



NEW PORTRAIT

Jan. 1, 1988 brings a new round of postal rate increases to Canadians and with them, new definitive stamps.

The first to be issued are a new 37-cent Queen stamp and a new 37-cent Parliament stamp, both issued on Dec. 30, 1987 in anticipation of the new first-class domestic rate which goes up one cent.

The Queen stamp, the first new design with her Majesty's features in several years, is based on a 1984 photograph taken by famed Canadian photographer Yousef Karsh. □

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Letters to the Editor

MORE PLEASE, VINNIE

Thank you for giving us Vincent G. Green's magnificent article on, "Some Great Canadian Philatelists of the Past". I wish to refer to page 355 and add my voice to those thousands of members of the society who want to read "Vinnie's" history of the famous Jephcott envelope with the block of 12 and the singe 6 pence on it.
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ADD A ZERO

I refer to my article, Some Great Canadian Philatelists of the Past, Sept./Oct. issue. Somewhere along the line an error has crept into the text. Lichtenstein bought George Worthington's collection for $500,000, not the much less significant figure given in the article.
Vincent G. Greene
Toronto, Ontario

EXPO PEN FRIENDS

Australia Post are asking for a worldwide list of *Pen Friends* for EXPO '88 to be held in Brisbane, Australia. Visitors to Expo '88 can then select one or more pen friends whom they can contact.

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JAN. 8-10 — PHILEX winter exhibition, Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen St. West, Toronto, Ont. Information: David B. Bastedo, P.O. Box 980, Station K, Toronto, Ont. M4P 2V3.

JAN. 22-23 — CATHEX '88, the annual exhibition and bourse of the St. Catharines Stamp Club at the Fairview Mall, Geneva Street, St. Catharines, Ont. Free admission. Show hours 12 noon to 9 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday. Information Roy Houtby, PO Box 2145, Stn. B, St. Catharines, Ont. L2M 6P5.

FEB. 6-7 — TOPEX VICTORIA, a 700-page topical/thematic exhibition and bourse in the Ramada Inn, Victoria, B.C., Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Admission $1 (includes show cover). Members and juniors from clubs affiliated with the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs invited to submit entries. Information: Topex Victoria, Box 5164, Station 'B', Victoria, B.C. V8R 6N4.

FEB. 13-28 — OLYMPEX '88, the philatelic exhibition of the 1988 Winter Olympic Games. To be held at the Calgary Convention Centre, 9th Avenue and 1st Street, S.E., Calgary, Alberta. For information , write OLYMPEX '88, Olympic Arts Festival, Box 1988, Stn. C, Calgary, Alberta, T2T 5R4

FEB. 13 — BURLPEX '88, the annual exhibition and bourse of the Burlington Stamp Club will be held at the Appleby Mall (corner of Appleby Line and New Street), Burlington, Ont., 9:30 a.m. - 5:20 p.m. Featuring 10 dealers, exhibits and Canada Post. Free admission. Information: Frank Haller, P.O. Box 487, Burlington, Ont. L7R 3Y3.

FEB. 20-21 — NIPEX '88, the annual exhibition and bourse of the Niagara Philatelic Society will be held at the Stamford Lions Culb Hall, 3846 Portage Road, Niagara Falls, Ont., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. both days. Free admission. Information: Ed Yonelinas, R.R.1, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. L0S 1J0.

FEB. 27 — APEX '88, the annual exhibition and bourse of the Ajax Philatelic Society (R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 163) in St. Bernadette's Hall, southeast corner of Harwood Ave. S. and Bayley, Ajax, Ontario, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., free admission, door prizes and special treats for juniors. For information, write P.O. Box 186, Ajax, Ontario L1S 3C3.

MARCH 19 — The Oxford Philatelic Society (RPSC Chapter 65) holds its 39th annual exhibition and bourse and the eighth annual Ontario Topical Exhibition at College Avenue Secondary School, Woodstock, Ont., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information: Show Chairman, P.O. Box 1131, Woodstock, Ont. N4S 8P6.

MARCH 26-27 — North Toronto Stamp club celebrates its 50th anniversary year with its 45th annual exhibition and bourse at the North Toronto Memorial Gardens, 180 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, Ont., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday. Free admission and parking. Information: Stu Sheppard, 229 Elmwood Ave., Willowdale, Ontario M2N 3M8.

1988

MARCH 29-APRIL 4 — JUVALUX '88, the 9th International Exhibition for Young Philatelists under F.I.P. patronage at the International Fair Centre Luxembourg, Korchberg, Luxembourg. Canadian Commissioner: Michael Madesker, 157 Clifton Ave., Downsview, Ont. M3H 4L6.

APRIL 9 — YOUTH STAMPEX '88, a show and bourse featuring stamp exhibits by students, introductory workshops, prizes, games, and dealers, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in White Oaks Secondary School, Trafalgar Road (north of QEW), Oakville, Ontario. For information, contact Jim Stanley at (416) 878-2379.

APRIL 9-10 — NOVAPEX '88, the annual exhibition and bourse of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Spring Garden Road, Halifax, N.S. Open to the public 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. both days; free admission, special cancel, door prizes, banquet, guest speakers. For information, contact John Hall, P.O. Box 2935, Dartmouth East Postal Station. Darmouth, N.S. B2W 4Y2.

APRIL 16-17 — WINPEX '88, the fifth annual exhibition and sale of the Essex County Stamp Club in the Mackenzie Hall, 3277 Sandwich St. (near the Ambassador Bridge), Windsor, Ont. Show will feature special cover and cancellation, 17 dealers plus Canada Post and U.S.P.S. Free admission. Show hours Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday 12 noon - 4 p.m. Information: Show Chair, WINPEX '88, Essex County Stamp Club, PO Box 1503, Stn. A, Windsor, Ont. N9A 6R5.

JUNE 1-12 — FINLANDIA '88, a world philatelic exhibition celebrating the 350th anniversary of the Finnish Post Office in Helsinki, Finland. Canadian Commissioner: Dave Dixon, PO Box 1082, Oakville, Ont. L6J 5E9.

JUNE 16-18 — ROYAL '88, the 60th annual convention and exhibition of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada at the Westin Hotel, Winnipeg, Man. Host Club is the Winnipeg Philatelic Society, R.P.S.C. Life Chapter #86. For information, contact Mrs. S.A. Clark, 924 North Drive, Winnipeg, Man. R3T 0A8.

JUNE 17-19 — TOPEX AT STAMPEX, 39th Convention of the American Topical Association at the Sheraton Centre, 123 Queen St. West, Toronto, Ont. Information from Alan J. Hanks, 34 Seaton Drive, Aurora, Ontario L4G 2K1.

AUG. 26 - SEPT. 4 — PRAGA '88, FIP - sponsored show to be held in Czechoslovakia. Canadian Commissioner will be Andrew Cronin, P.O. Box 5722, Station 'A', Toronto, Ont. M5W 1P2.

SEPT. 19-28 — OLYMPHILEX '88, Seoul, Korea, and FIP exhibition limited to sports topicals. Canadian Commissioner: Ralph Mitchener, 1253 Sherman Dr., Ottawa, Ont. K2C 2M7.

1989

JAN. 20-29 — INDIA '89, FIP - sponsored world philatelic exhibition to be held in New Delhi, India. Canadian commissioner: David Dixon, P.O. Box 1082, Oakville, Ont. L6J 5E9.

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1989

APRIL 19-23 — IPHLA '89, an international Philatelic literature exhibition to be held in Frankfurt am Main, German Federal Republic. Entry forms, which must be received by Sept. 15, 1988, are available from Harry Sutherland, P.O. Box 100, First Canadian Place, Toronto, Ont. M5X 1B2.

MAY 5-7 — ROYAL '89, the 61st annual convention and exhibition of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada at the Hamilton Convention Centre, Hamilton, Ont. Host club is the Hamilton Philatelic Society, R.P.S.C. Chapter #51. For information, contact Vernon G. March, 200 Charlotte St., Hamilton, Ont. L8K 4V6.

MAY 21-31 — BULGARIA '89, a world philatelic exhibition held under FIP patronage in Sofia, Bulgaria. Canadian Commissioner: Andrew Cronin, P.O. Box 5722, Station 'A', Toronto, Ont. M5W 1P2.

JUNE 23-25 — PIPEX '89, the national exhibition and show of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs will be held in Edmonton, Alta. Host club is the Edmonton Philatelic Society, R.P.S.C. Life Chapter #6.

JULY 7-17 — PHILEXFRANCE '89, a world philatelic exhibition held under FIP patronage at the Parc des Expositions (Porte de Versailles), Paris, France. Canadian Commissioner: James E. Kraemer, 17 Commanche Dr., Ottawa, Ont. K2E 6E8.

1990

MAY 3-13 — STAMP WORLD LONDON 90, a World Philatelic Exhibition under F.I.P. patronage celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Penny Black, at Alexander Palace, London, England. Canadian Commissioner to be appointed.

JULY 12-17 — DUSSELDORF 90, an International Exhibition for Youth under F.I.P. patronage, to be held in Dusseldorf, Germany. Canadian Commissioner to be appointed.

AUG. 24-SEPT. 2 — NEW ZEALAND 1990, a World Philatelic Exhibition under F.I.P. patronage to be held in Aukland, New Zealand. Canadian Commissioner to be appointed.

EXCHANGES WANTED

Since the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada is the national society of philatelists in Canada, many requests for exchange partners are referred to us. As a service to our members, we are pleased to present these names so that those who wish to do so can make overseas contacts. We have no way of checking the credentials of the individuals who write to us asking that their name be published, therefore we urge that caution be taken when answering these requests.

Mr. Fransisco Suarez Amey
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P.O. Box 2222
Havana 2
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Jacques Misrakamin
18bis rue Charleroi V.d.c.
Noumea
NOUVELLE CALÉDONIE

An RPSC member from New Caledonia interested in Canadian F.D.C. and other items wishes to exchange stamps from his country, Wallis & Futuna and Polynesia. Writes in French.

DEMANDES D'ECHANGE

La Royal Philatelic Society ne s'occupe pas normalement des échanges entre philatélistes, mais comme elle est la société philatélique nationale du Canada, on lui transmet de nombreuses demandes de philatélistes désireux de trouver des correspondants pour échanger des timbres. Ainsi a-t-elle décidé, pour rendre service à ses membres, de publier les noms des intéressés d'outre-mer, afin que ceux qui désirent établir des rapports avec eux puissent le faire. Je vous signale toutefois que nous ne savons rien des personnes qui nous demandent de publier leur nom, c'est pourquoi je vous conseille d'être prudent en répondant à ces demandes d'échange.

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1000 CH Amsterdam
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Clyde Stoddart
P.O. Box 361, LR Clark's Harbour
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BOW 1P0
One of our members interested in world-wide British Commonwealth stamps wishes to trade for King George VI stamps. Writes in English.

Azzouz Benameur
B.P. 65
SAIDA, ALGERIA
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Wilson Aguiar Silva
R. Tocantins, 305 Centro, 77495
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BRAZIL
A Brazilian interested in historical dates and events wishes to exchange stamps with a Canadian. Writes in Spanish.

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20 Rue 01 Cité Touileb
BARAKI, ALGER, ALGÉRIE
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29 Cité Cambetta
Ain Benian
ALGER, ALGÉRIE
An 18-year-old from Algeria wishes to exchange stamps with a Canadian. Writes in French.

Antonio Carlos Faraco Pires
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13095 - Campinas - SP
BRAZIL
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Bouchenine Lakhdar
122 Rue 01 Cité Touileb
BARAKI, ALGER, ALGÉRIE
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Luiz Fernando C. Antones
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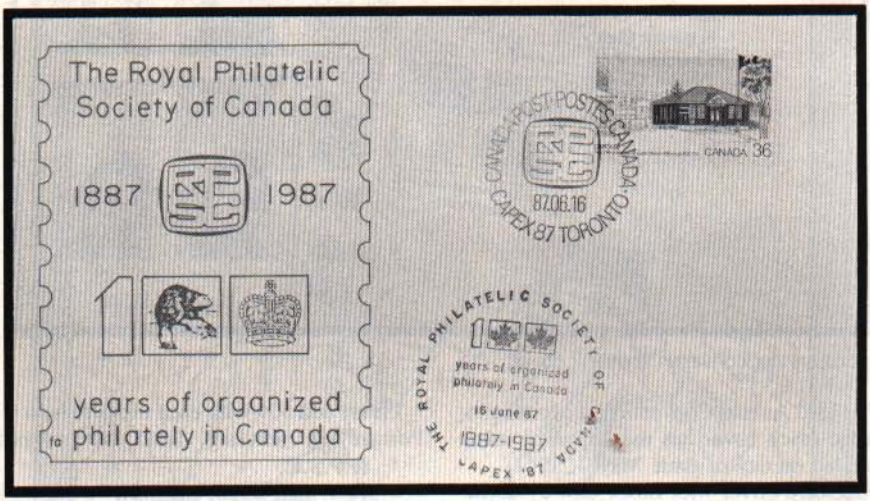


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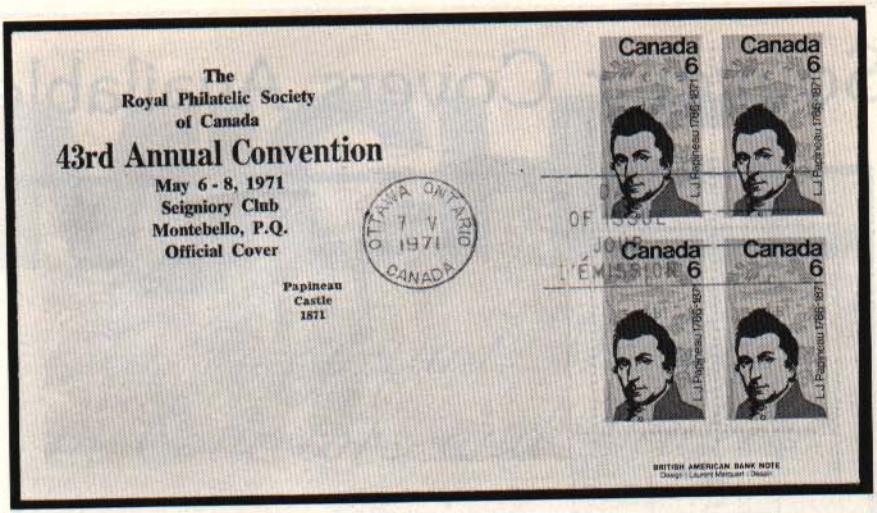
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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

by

James E. Kraemer

STAMP COLLECTING MONTH

Stamp Collecting Month has generally always been October. Most countries, including the U.S.A., set aside the month of October to promote stamp collecting. During this month stamp clubs hold exhibitions, make announcements about their meeting dates and invite new members to join the local club. Much is done in Canada to aquaint the public about the pleasure of collecting stamps. However the chief thrust by Canada Post Corporation, the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and the various R.P.S.C. Chapters across the continent has been to interest juniors in collecting stamps.

Special assistance is given to juniors by setting up programmes in schools, helping out at junior stamp club meetings by showing juniors how to handle and mount stamps, assist them in aquiring stamps, etc. In order to better serve the beginner of junior collector particularly those in organized school clubs, Stamp Collecting Month will be February.

As part of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada's promotion of stamp collecting for juniors, we have just held a very successful National Philatelic Exhibition for Youth. This was held in Toronto, Nov. 27-29, 1987. As a result of this Exhibition's success, plans are underway to hold an annual Youth Exhibition in Canada every year. A National Exhibition means that the exhibits are of a high quality with the better exhibits being eligible for international competition.

A STAMP FOR PHILATELY

The U.S.A. and most countries of Europe have issued stamps to honour philately and promote an interest in stamp collecting. Canada has never done so. With the growing interest in stamp collecting as an educational tool, a stamp by Canada to mark Stamp Collecting Month would be enthusiastically received by all philatelists. In response to the many letters I received from our members, your Board of Directors has decided to ask Canada Post Corporation to consider designing and issuing such a stamp for 1989 or 1990. If you would like to see such a stamp, we suggest that you add your support to this project by writing a letter to: Canada Post Corporation, Stamp Advisory Committee, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0B1. In the Province of Quebec, the Ministry of Culture generously supports the activites of philately particularly where it involves youth. It would please philatelists very much if similar support were received from the other provinces.

THE R.P.S.C. LOGO

Frequently we receive requests to use our Logo for various purposes. In order that there is no misunderstanding we wish to advise that any R.P.S.C. member in good standing is free to use the society logo, and his membership number on address labels, on rubber stamps, on his memo pads and letterheads if he so desires. It is not permitted to use the logo on a stamp company's letterhead nor in its advertising. We do not accept company memberships and therefore, they are not members. We do accept individual memberships from dealers and from members of a stamp company. If a stamp company lists an individual who is a member of the R.P.S.C. in an advertisement or on their letterhead and they wish to indicate that this person is a member of our society they may do so. We suggest that a copy should be sent to our national office for approval.

R.P.S.C. FELLOW ELECTED TO F.I.P. BOARD

Congratulations to Bernard A. (Bud) Hennig of Chicago, a long time member and a Fellow of the R.P.S.C. who was elected a Vice-President of the F.I.P. (Federation Internationals de Philatelie) at the recent F.I.P. Board meeting held in Copenhagen, Denmark in conjunction with Hafnia 87. Mr. Hennig has served philately well. He has been a Director of the American Philatelic Society, a president and director of the Germany Philatelic Society and

was Chairman of the Board for Ameripex '86, the International Philatelic Exhibition held in Chicago in 1986.

ROYAL '87 - OUR 60th ANNUAL CONVENTION

Have you made reservations for the "Royals 60th convention and exhibition, ROYAL '88", to be held in Winipeg June 16-18, 1988. Indications are that this will be an outstanding event. Don't miss it. The exhibition is the only National Class exhibition scheduled for Canada during the first half of 1988. A large number of outstanding exhibits have already been entered. This will be a great time to see your favourite dealer. He will likely be in the dealer bourse. Make your plans to attend now. See you in Winnipeg at ROYAL '88. □

SHORT TAKES



This bust of demure young was presented to the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada at CAPEX '87. It was given by the Federation des Societies Philatelques Francaises in honor of the 100th anniversary of organized collecting in Canada. The national federation of France has over 400 member clubs and its current president is Gabriel Gourin, F.S.P.F., of Paris, France, a former university professor who is a member of F.I.P. board of directors. (Photo courtesy of Dr. J.M. Sendbuehler, Ottawa.)

PROOF NOTES

The new catalogue of duplex handstamps brings to mind a few odd items from the proof books which may be of interest.

The last circular type "A" handstamp was proofed Jan. 23, 1909, for Huntingdon, Que.

The first oval type "B", with some space between the killer and town mark, was proofed for Montreal, Canada, on July 23, 1908. This was probably a test piece since the second handstamp was Nov. 3, 1908 for Carstairs, Alberta.

In later years the number of killer bars were reduced to 9 or 10.

The last B9 was for Banff, Alberta, on Sept. 16, 1929.

The last B11 was for St. George de Beauce, Que., on Sept. 12, 1929.

The first wavy bars was apparently a test hammer for Ottawa, Ont. proofed on Aug. 10, 1929, with 8 bars. Following a successful test a second hammer was proofed for Lachute, Que. on Sept. 29, 1929, with 10 bars. The typical 7-bar arrangement was decided on Oct. 2, 1929, three were proofed: Canning, N.S., Rosetown, Sask., and Red Willow, Alberta.

Ross Irwin

NEW POST

Richard Gratton, *The Canadian Philatelist's* French-language editor, has recently been elected president of the Quebec philatelic federation, a main stamp-collecting organization in that province.

The new duties haven't slowed him down though. He's contributing his final article in his series on stamp papers for use in the March-April edition of *The Canadian Philatelist* and continues to hunt for French-language articles for the Royal's francophone members for *CP*.

A chemist by profession, employed by Rolland Paper, Richard is an expert in stamp papers, printings and forgeries. He has published articles and essays on such things as Nova Scotia stamp forgeries and his expertise was used in exposing alterations to modern Canadian stamps that made them appear like rare missing ink varieties.

Our congratulations to Richard in his new position.

Jim Haskett

Canada Post Reveals It's 1988 Stamp Program

Canada's culture, technology, history and wildlife are the dominant themes in Canada Post's 1988 stamp program, starting with an issue commemorating a major sporting event: the **1988 Calgary Winter Olympics.** The stamps – depicting curling, alpine skiing, figure skating and luge – will be issued on Friday Feb. 12, the day before the Games begin.

The **Exploration of Canada** series continues on Thursday, March 17 with the issue of four stamps commemorating Anthony Henday, George Vancouver, Simon Fraser, and John Palliser.

Le Petit Liseur, a painting by Ozias Leduc, will be featured on a stamp Friday May 20, starting off the new **Masterpieces in Canadian Art** stamp series. The issue is one day in advance of the planned opening of the new National Gallery building in Ottawa.

Coinciding with Environment Week (May 30 - June 5), Canada Post will issue two stamps: **Wildlife and Habitat Conservation,** on Wednesday June first. The timing of the stamps is also appropriate as 1988 marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Grey Owl, a famous Canadian conservationist, and the 50th anniversary in Canada of the conservation group, Ducks Unlimited.

The final set of stamps in the **Science and Technology** series will commemorate the development of kerosene, marquis wheat, the electron microscope, and cobalt cancer therapy. The stamps will be issued on Friday, June 17 in advance of Canada Day to coincide with the opening of the American Topical Association Stamp Show being held in Toronto.

The wildlife theme will continue on Monday, July 4 with the issue of four stamps **featuring butterflies** native to Canada: the Canadian tiger swallowtail, Macoun's Arctic, northern blue, and short-tailed swallowtail. These will be issued during the International Entomology Congress in Vancouver.

A stamp commemorating the city of **St. John's Newfoundland** centennial will be issued on Friday, July 22, followed by a stamp on Friday, Aug. 5 celebrating the 75th anniversary of the **4-H Club's** arrival in Canada.

The furnace at **Les Forges du Saint-Maurice** was first fired on Aug. 20, 1738. Now a national historic park, its 250th anniversary will be commemorated with a stamp on Friday August 19.

Four **dogs** native to Canada, the Canadian Eskimo dog, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia duck tolling retriever, and Tahltan bear dog, will be featured on stamps on Friday Aug. 26, coinciding with the centennial of the Canadian Kennel Club. The date also falls duing the World Congress of Kennel Clubs, being held in Toronto, Aug. 27-30.

The 150th anniversary of the playing of **baseball** in Canada will be commemorated with a stamp on Friday, Sept. 9, followed on Monday, Oct. 3 by a set of low-value definitive stamps showing **mammals** commonly found in Canada.

The traditional **Christmas** issue next year will feature religious icons. It will go on sale Thursday Oct. 27.

Stamps featuring important individuals will close out the 1988 program, starting with a stamp Tuesday, Nov. 1 honoring **Bishop Charles Inglis.** The date coincides with the 200th anniversary of the King's Edgehill School, which he found.d in 1788.

The last issue of the year will be a two-stamp set on Friday, Nov. 18 honoring **Frances Ann Hopkins,** a painter of voyageur scenes, and **Angus Walters,** captain of the *Bluenose.*

1988 STAMP PROGRAM

ISSUE DATE	SUBJECT	*VALUE
18 Jan.	Mammels - Lynx	0.43
	Killer Whale	0.57
	Wapiti	0.74



A lynx, a killer whale and a wapiti are featured on the new definitive series.

12 Feb.	1988 Calgary Winter Olympics – Curling and Alpine Skiing	2 x 0.37
	Figure Skating	0.43
	Luge	0.74
17 March	Exploration – Recognizers (Anthony Henday, George Vancouver, Simon Fraser, John Palliser)	4 x 0.37
20 May	Masterpieces of Canadian Art – *Le Petit Liseur* by Ozias Leduc	0.50
01 June	Wildlife and Habitat Conservation	2 x 0.37
17 June	Canada Day – Science and Technology (Keroscene, Marquis Wheat, Electron Microscope, Cobalt Therapy)	4 x 0.37
04 July	Butterflies (Canadian Tiger Swallowtail, Macoun's Arctic, Northern Blue, Short-tailed Swallowtail)	4 x 0.37
22 July	St. John's, Newfoundland Centennial	0.37
05 Aug.	4-H Club	0.37
19 Aug.	Les Forges du Saint-Maurice	0.37
26 Aug.	Dogs (Canadian Eskimo Dog, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, Tahltan Bear Dog)	4 x 0.37
09 Sept.	Baseball	0.37
03 Oct.	Low Value Definitives (Mannals)	0.01
	Flying squirrel, Porcupine, Muskrat,	0.02
	Varying hare, Red Fox, Skunk,	0.03
	Beaver.	0.05
		0.10
		0.25
27 Oct.	Christmas – Icons	0.32
		0.37
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01 Nov.	Bishop Charles Inglis	0.37
18 Nov.	Frances Ann Hopins	0.37
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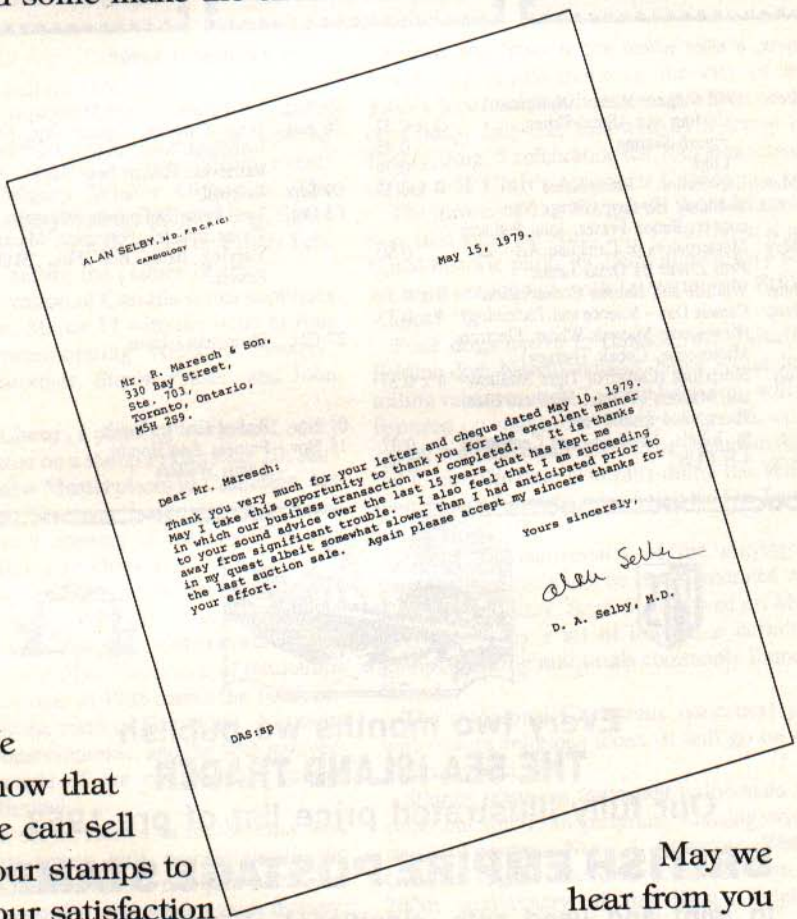
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DEALERS IN RARE STAMPS SINCE 1924

The 'Inverted Seaway' of 1959

by Larry McInnis

This article was published in the Spring 1987 edition of *Opus*, the annual compendium of studies presented to the Académi québécoise d'études philatéliques.

It was the first English-language article to be published by the Académie.

Since the article's publication, a few more facts have been learned, such as the inventory of inverts held by the National Postal Museum. The text has, therefore, been modified slightly to reflect this.

This is not intended as a "learned" presentation, but rather something that may arouse the curiosity of some philatelist who can and will devote the time and effort in tracking down the rest of the story of Canada's only invert error.

For example, a half-pane of stamps, dry-mounted, was stolen at gunpoint in Montreal in 1980. Is the other half of the pane really in the Royal collection? The postal museum came into existence long after the 1959 error to the Royal collection. A thorough search of Resource Group 3 in the National Archives might provide some more information.

I hope you enjoy this tale of Canada's most famous error. □



The 'Inverted Seaway' of 1959 is Canada's best-known error stamp.

The first Canada-United States joint stamp issue was the modest 5-cent Canadian two-color stamp to mark the June 26, 1959 official opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. A 4-cent stamp with an identical design was issued the same day by the United States.

There were differences, of course, but outside the design.

- The Canadian stamp is perf 12. The U.S. stamp is perf 11.
- The inscription (in red) at the top of the Canadian stamp is St. Lawrence Seaway-Voie

maritime du St-Laurent. On the American stamp, also in red, it's St. Lawrence Seaway.

- There's the obvious, too: One has Canada in red at the bottom and the other has United States.
- In the centre, blue, design of the Canadian stamp, there's "postage" and "postes", the first vertical and the latter horizontal. On the American stamp it's "postage" vertically.
- In the lower right of the main design of the Canadian stamp is 5¢ while it's 4¢ on the American stamp.

That takes care of the obvious differences. They're necessary differences, considering the requirements of two different countries, one officially bilingual - Canada - and one officially unbilingual - the United States. And it seems forever that the U.S. postal rate has been lower than Canada's, which is reflected in the design.

There's another important difference in the design that is minor, but importantly Canadian - the hidden date.

On the Canadian stamp, the date, 1959, is tucked amoung the waves of the southwestern end of Lake Erie, just to the lower left of the oval showing the American eagle. On the U.S. there are only waves.

A pre-issue article in the June 1959 edition of *BNA Topics* stated the designs had been announced simultaneously in Ottawa by Postmaster General William Hamilton (PC-N.D.G.) and in Washington by the U.S. Postmaster General, Arthur E. Summerfield.

"Except for the necessary differences in captions and denominations," the article said, "the stamps are identical in design, the result of the co-operative efforts of Canadian artists A.L. Pollock and Gerald Trottier, and American artists Wiliam H. Buckley, Arnold J. Copeland and Ervine Metzl."

At the time, PMG Hamilton said the joint stamp issue "salutes the opening of a new link in a vastly improved channel for trade and a powerful source of hydro-electric energy for both our nations."

PMG Summerfield said, "These beautiful new stamps worthily commemorate this great development, which will mean so much to world trade and peace."

It's doubtful the comments of either had any bearing on reality, since the Seaway is not a major hydro-electric source, nor has it contributed much to world peace.

The United States Postal Service delivered 126,105,050 stamps, each one boringly like another.

Canada Post ordered only 40 million of its version, but took delivery of 40,110,100 from the printer, Canadian Bank Note Co.

Each was **not** boringly like another.

On Aug. 2, 1959, it was discovered some Canadian Seaways stamps were <u>different</u> - <u>quite</u> different.

Some either had the inscription inverted, as the Canada Specialized Stamp Catalogue claims (that means the red), or the main design (blue) as described in the Scott Canada Specialized which is more commonly accepted, visually if not technically.

It was Canada's first and only invert. It's not the most valuable Canadian stamp by any means, but it's certainly the most interesting, if only in its story.

There can be no argument whatsoever that it is Canada's most valuable invert, and it's the rarest, most scarce and so on. The <u>only</u> invert can easily fit these claims.

Which leads to the natural question: How scarce is it? How many were there?

Let's see what we can determine, from history, and from information received as recently as August 1987.

The first discovery was made in Winnipeg, appropriately the place of business of Kasimir Bileski, who was to be a major factor in the history of the inverts from then on.

PMG Hamilton estimated that only 300 copies of the invert got out to the public. On Oct. 8, 1959, he said such an error would never happen again.

"The printer has adopted an ingenious printing technique to guard against errors in the future, " he said.

He was right. There has never been another invert, not from the Seaway stamp printer, Canadian Bank Note Co., nor any other printer. There have been other errors in other stamps, however, but never an invert error.

WINNIPEG FIND

The Seaway invert saga started Aug. 20, 1959 when an office boy for a Winnipeg firm was sent out to buy 30 5-cent stamps. He went to the nearby sub-post office at the T. Eaton department store.

On his return to his office, three of the 30 stamps were placed on envelopes and put into the mail immediately.

As more were to be placed on envelopes, a secretary noticed that no matter which way they were handled, part of the stamp design was upside down.

Every office has at least one stamp collector. The collector noticed the error and went to Eaton's to see if more inverts were available. None were.

In the meantime, the secretary had sent off a fourth envelope franked with an invert, leaving a balance of 26.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 200, divided into four panes of 50.

The "Winnipeg find" now accounted for four mailed and 26 saved, for a total of 30. It must be presumed that the other 20 in the pane were sold in singles or small quantities over the Eaton's counter and went out, the error unnoticed, on regular mail.

On Sept. 11, 1959, a pane of 5 was discovered in postal stock at Winnipeg. H.R. Yorke, director of postal services in Winnipeg, reported it was returned to Ottawa.

This could well be the pane that was broken in two, either in Winnipeg or, more likely, in Ottawa, one half being drymounted for display and the other half reportedly donated to the royal collection.

PETERBOROUGH PANE

On Sept. 12, 1959, the Canadian Press newsgathering service reported that a pane of 50 inverts had been discovered at Peterborough, Ont., by a postal clerk, Melvin Deschamps. It was returned to Ottawa.

This full pane remains intact, marked "Peterborough" on the back. It is the pane that was on display in the Court of Honor of CAPEX 87.

That would account for the two panes that came into the possession of the national postal museum, about which you'll hear more later.

K.E. Eastman, Canadian Bank Note's assistant plant superintendant, said in 1959 that a full sheet of 200 stamps would be in error.

So let's now look at one sheet of 200.

Two panes totalling 100 stamps were discovered in Winnipeg. That leaves 100 more. A pane of 50 was discovered in Petergorough and sent to Ottawa. That leaves 50.

PICTON DISCOVERY

In early August 1959, the inverts turned up in Picton, Ont., and, in fact, may have been the first discovery.

An invert on a postcard an another on an envelope show a cancellation of Aug. 10, 1959. These are included in calculations below.

It indicated at least a pane at Picton.

It's believed that 25 of the inverts were used on Aug. 10, to send out mail from the local Bank of Nova Scotia.

Of the other 25 in the pane, here's what seems to have happened:

The "finder" kept a mint single, gave away a mint single and kept a dated used single.

That's three, leaving 22.

Of the remainder, a mint block of 12, a mint block of 4, a pair and two singles, plus two used – for a total of 22 – were sold for $21,250 by J.N. Sissons Ltd. of Toronto to Bileski.

Let's add up. That's 30 accounted for in Winnipeg and 20 out there somewhere, for a pane of 50. Another pane of 50 was sent to Winnipeg to Ottawa. That makes up half the sheet of 200.

There was a pane in Picton, 25 sent out on bank mail, 22 sold through Sissons to Bileski and three kept by the finder, which accounts for a total pane of 50.

And there was the pane returned from Peterborough. That's a sheet, for a total of 200 errors accounted for.

On Sept. 15, 1959, the head of the Ottawa philatelic bureau, J.R. Carpenter, reported that an Ottawa collector had brought him a block of six of the inverts.

Nothing more is known about this. It should, perhaps, be discounted. Think about it: How many collectors, finding a major error such as an invert, would run to a postal official and turn it in? It's not plausable.

What is curious, too, is PMG Hamilton's Oct. 8 statement that only 300 copies of the invert got out to the public.

Was he considering the two panes of 50 each returned to Ottawa, one from Winnipeg, one from Peterborough, meaning 300 were out there somewhere for the public?

We've only accounted for one sheet so far, including the two panes returned to Ottawa.

It was curious arithmetic, but pure politics.

If, indeed, some naive collector turned in six inverts, there was clear indication of yet another pane, and therefore another sheet.

Personally, I doubt that six were turned in.

The postal museum has two blocks of 4, a strip of 10 (2 strips of 5) and 7 mint singles, for a total of 25, which we'll examine later. In

any case, there is no block of 6.

That should have been the end of the accounting. Hamilton was in error and only one sheet got out, half of which went to the public and half returned to Ottawa.

But it's **not** the end of the story.

The 25 stamps held by the postal museum do not make up a single pane; they don't seem to fit together, according to a museum official.

Following an article I wrote on the Seaway invert in mid-1985, I received a letter from the well-known American philatelic writer, Herman "Pat" Herst, Jr. He had been a dealer for years and played an important if unknown, role in the "Saga of the Seaway Invert."

JOLIETTE MYSTERY

Herst wrote to me to ask why no one had ever written about the "Joliette find" of the invert.

Herst was a New York dealer and auctioneer who often came on buying trips to Montreal from the 1930s to the 1960s.

Not long after discovery of the inverts became known, a collector in Joliette wrote to Herst, stating he had received a bill from a local utility company that had an invert on it.

Herst told me he wrote to the utility company to determine if they had any left, or where they got them. He admits that his American English was no match for the utility's French, and he wrote to the Joliette collector to say so when he got nowhere.

Herst's story from that time is interesting, but some-what confused by the memory of a person, aged, and ill at the time of writing to me.

Herst told me he met his collector contact in 1961 at North Hatley, during the annual meeting of the British North America Postal Society, which he had just joined.

Herst reported his contact had a vertical strip of 10, which he wouldn't sell. What he had to sell was 20 envelopes, each with an invert affixed. They had been placed on the utility company's bills, but had been "liberated" before mailing.

Herst told me he bought the 20 covers for $900 each and offered them for sale at $1,000 each at the BNAPS convention. There were no takers, so he took them back to New York.

Herst figured that since he hadn't been able to sell the uncancelled stamps on cover, he'd remove them. He told me he used Stamplift.

He then advertised them for sale in Stamps Magazine. He took a single ad.

A dealer in New Jersey bought them all at $1,250 each.

As an interesting aside, Herst said that although he had "sweated" the stamps off envelopes, never once has he seen a Seaway invert offered for sale by a dealer or at auction with a comment about no gum or disturbed gum.

Calculations at this stage showed the "Joliette find" with a strip of 10 retained by the finder, the one received on cover, and 20 on envelopes sold to Herst.

That left 19 unaccounted for, using Herst's calculations.

An article of mine, in the May 19, 1986 edition of *Linn's Stamp News* brought a quick response from Jean Lépine, proprietor of La Boutique philatelique, in Joliette.

On June 16, he wrote to tell me that he had read the article, and he could provide the epilogue, at least about the "Joliette find".

Here is the story.

Rolland Perreault, accounting clerk for Donat Piette Ltée of Joliette, bought a pane of 50 Seaway stamps at Joliett's main post office to use for mailing his monthly statements to customers," Lepine said, "two friends came in - Bertrand Vanasse and Henri Lafontaine."

One, or both, realized something was wrong with the stamps.

On June 16, 1986, Perreault told Lepine the story: Three stamps had already been used on mail that had been posted when the error was discovered, 17 stamps were on window envelopes ready for the mail and 30 were left.

It was Vanasse who sold the stamps on cover to Herst in North Hatley, at $900 each. Herst was out by three in his recollection when he said he had bought 20.

It's interesting that Herst bought 17 inverts attached to envelopes at $900 each, which he couldn't sell in Canada, yet managed to sell them in one lot at $1,250 each with one ad.

The others involved in the Joliette find were not such astute businessmen.

Perreault sold his 10 stamps in New York at $880 each, U.S. funds ($912 Canadian).

Lafontaine literally gave away his 20 stamps to Bileski at a mere $525 (Candian) each.

That accounts for the full pane of 50.

One of them, obviously not Lafontaine, wrote to Bileski on June 13, 1961, "I read in your advertisement of Mekeel's, June 2 (1961) that you bought almost 90 per cent of all the inverted



Even rarer are used copies of the Seaway invert.

Seaway stamps. Did you ever know that a sheet is supposed to have been found here in Joliette? I think that most of it has not been put into the market. I never saw that sheet mentioned anywhere."

Whoever wrote the letter complained to Herst that he never received a reply.

Now we know why. Bileski bought nearly half the Joliette find at half the price the others were getting.

So, it's time to recap again.

Canadian Bank Note's assistant plant superintendant, K.E. Eastman, knew errors would affect full sheets of 200.

We've accounted for 200, in Winnipeg, Picton and Peterborough.

Now we know of 50 in Joliette.

And what of the 17 stamps sweated from envelopes by Herst? He told me, "There is little doubt in my mind that the ones I got off cover were regummed and sold as mint, for I have never seen any offered with tampered gum."

So what of the 100 we've been told were returned to Ottawa, 50 from Winnipeg and 50 from Peterborough?

The Peterborough pane plus the odd lots (except for a single on display at the Laurier Ave. postal museum) are stored in a museum vault.

And that adds a new dimension. It has generally been assumed that two full panes were in Ottawa's possession, one from Winnipeg and one from Peterborough.

Since we know the Peterborough pane is intact, why not assume that the Winnipeg pane was broken into two, as I've already suggested, half for the Royal collection and half for display?

So what about the odd-lot 25 the museum holds?

IN ADDITION

The museum's Roger Baird told me he does not believe they were obtained at auction or through any purchase, so should be considered as an addition to the numbers already known.

The dry-mounted half-pane was put on display at Le Salon de la philatelie, a show sponsored by La Fédération Québécoise de Philatélie, held at complexe Desjardins Jan. 23 to 26, 1980, a Wednesday to Saturday schedule.

Early Saturday morning, Jan. 26, the half-pane was stolen by armed robbers.

Official reports, confirmed by postal officials, indicted that two men wearing ski masks to cover their identity, one of them armed with

a shotgun, approached the exhibit about 1 a.m. Jan. 16.

There had been much publicity about the display, setting the value of the half-pane at $500,000, which was not at all unrealistic at the time. It was the grand era of philatelic investment. During the day, there was one security guard for the exhibit. After hours, there were two guards. Neither was armed.

The postal official who was involved in the 1980 show recently recalled the event.

He said the unarmed security people were quickly intimidated by the armed robbers. One produced a screwdriver and attempted to dismantle the frame where the half-pane was displayed. The screwdriver proved to be too little for such a job.

He then produced a hammer from a jacket pocket and proceeded to break the glass of the frame.

The exhibit was then removed and the pair their escape.

The escape was interesting, according to my informant. By the time the robbery was complete, not only the special guards, but other guards had assembled. For every advance they made, they were confronted with the masked bandit and his shotgun.

The robbery was a complete success.

Was it ordered by a collector who could afford to hire professionals, much like stealing a famous painting? Does the collector look at it today and gloat, as Midas did with his gold?

One postal offical told me he thought the robbery might have taken place after the publicity surrounding the highly-valued Seaway inverts, probably by "some kids who thought they could sell it quickly."

I don't subscribe to that theory. The invert pane might have been the most valuable item on display, but it would be the hardest to sell.

NEARLY WORTHLESS

The half-pane was mounted on some material that would make a true philatelist cry. It was, in effect, stuck to a surface that made it a permanent museum display and worthless for the philatelic market.

"Even Pat Herst couldn't do anything with this block," was the way one museum official put it.

There is no doubt there were two sheets of the Seaway invert, 400 stamps. The "Joliette find" proves there was more than one sheet of 200, not to mention the 25 museum stamps.

Now for the final counting: 100 to Ottawa in panes; 25 that got there somehow from somewhere; 50 in the "Winnipeg find"; 50 in the "Picton find"; 50 in the "Joliette find" for a total of 275 of two sheets totalling 400.

Where are the other 125?

There are more than those missing, of course. Of the "Winnipeg find" some 20 are unaccounted for. Of the "Picton find" there are the 25 believed sent through the mail by the bank.

Since the "Joliette find" went unreported until 1985, are there others we haven't heard of yet?

MOST INTRIGUING

It's Canada's most intriguing stamp. It's not the most valuable, but it's the most intriguing.

In the best of times, at the top of the speculation boom of the late 1970s and early 1980s, a copy of the Invert would easily fetch $14,000 or more.

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On Dec. 7, 1986, John W. Kaufmann Inc. of Washington, D.C., in its "Gems of Philately" auction, brought $6,875 for a mint never hinged copy of the invert.

But how about this?

An invert on cover, describer in the Kaufmann catalogue as having its estimated value based as a used copy off cover, brought $11,550.

I found this interesting because such a prestigious auction firm had chosen to ignore the fact the stamp was on cover and instead valued it as just a used copy. The high price realized was, no doubt, because it was on cover.

At the Feb. 14-17, 1961 auction of Harmer, Rooke & Co., auctioneer Ezra Cole (now a high-class dealer and agent in his own right), got $2,800 for a "superb, on cover, lightly cancelled copy" of the invert.

This was near the time Herst was paying $900 on cover, uncancelled. He couldn't get $1,000 on cover and so sold them at $1,250 as singles. He should have left them on covers and had his Joliette contact have them cancelled there.

It is surprising that no Canadian specialist has done a study on the Seaway invert. Awards are given at shows to those who exhibit a replating of the one-penny rose of Britain in 1858, but on one has been able to track down the missing, or unaccounted for, 125 Seaway invert stamps. □

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Those old Stamp Journals Can be Entertaining to Read

by Allen Sterinhart

A lot of fun can be had from reading old copies of philatelic magazines, here are some excerpts from a few:

The Canadian Philatelist, March 1983, Vol. II. No. 7, published by L.M. Staebler.

Some excerpts from his own advertisements:

"Packet #6 – contains 50 varieties of choice Canadian stamps, including issues of 1851, 1859, 1868 to date, nearly all varieties; Registration 2¢, 5¢ and 8 cent; a choice line of Provincial stamps, including Nova Scotia cent and pence issues on and off original envelope; Prince Edward Island, a fine lot of cent and pence issues; New Brunswick 1, 2, 5 and 17 cent, and many other fine stamps – $5.00 sent postpaid by registered mail."

Staebler, in an advertisement for wholesale stamps:

Canada

1859 – 10¢ $1.60 per 10, $15.00 per 100
– 12½¢ 1.60 per 10, $15.00 per 100

1868 – 1¢ brown red 1.15 per 10, $11.00 per 100
– 6¢ brown .50 per 10, $4.50 per 100
– 5¢ & 6¢ small queen assorted .07 per 10 .50 per 100
– ½¢ small queen .05 per 10, .45 per 100
– 2¢ Registration .05 per 10, .45 per 100
– 5¢ Registration .05 per 10, .45 per 100
– 2¢ Carmine Registration .10 per 10, .65 per 100
– 1¢ 1859 issue .25 per 10, 2.45 per 100
– 5¢ 1859 issue .16 per 10, 1.50 per 100
– 3d wove 1.60 per 10, 15.00 per 100

The 5-cent 1859 Beaver was also available at $16.00 per 1,000 or $75.00 per 5,000 and 1-cent 1859 at $25.00 per 1,000. The 5-cent green registered was advertised at $3.50 per 1,000, $15.00 per 5,000 and $275 for 100,000 copies. The New Brunswick 5-cent green was $20 per 1,000 and $98 per 5,000; the 2-cent orange $40 per 1,000 and $190 per 5,000. Unused New Brunswick 1, 2, 5, 10 and 17 cent were $3.25 per 10 sets.

In the same issue, under the exchange department, a collector offered a fine Nova Scotia 1d to sell for $3 and a 10-cent New Brunswick cut in two and used for a 5-cent, on original envelope at $7 or exchange for a 7½d green Canada.

W.J. Beatty of the Post Office Department in Ottawa desired to exchange a 10-cent mint Nesbitt entire for a 7½d issue.

R.F. McRae of Montreal offered a large lot of specials such as: 1857 ½d used $1.30; 1858 ½d used perforated $4; 1851 3d wove pair used .50; 1851 6d laid paper used $4; 1855 10d blue used $4; 1869 3¢ red laid paper used $1.60; 1868 2¢ watermarked $2.75; 1875 3¢ Registered unused .90; New Brunswick 3d used on envelope $2.50, Connell proof $4; 1857 ½d unused $3; 1851 3d laid paper used .65; 1851 3d ribbed paper used $1; 1857 7½d used $7; 1868 1¢ red brown laid paper $12; 1868 1¢ red brown watermerked $1.75; 1868 3¢ watermarked $1.50; one-half of 10¢ on envelope $8; 3d on envelope $1; one half of 6d used as 3d on envelope $8.

A copy of Clark's Second Auction Sale in Belleville, Ont., dated April 12, 1892, lists a number of interesting items:

Lot#1 – 1851 3d laid paper pair on original cover, reserve $1.50
#7 – 1852 3d ribbed paper on entire cover, reserve $1.50
#14 – 1857 ½d on entire cover, reserve $2.50

#23 - 1859 1¢ pink, 50 on original covers, reserve $2.50
#33 - 1870 1¢ red brown laid paper, reserve $13.00
#26 - 1859 10¢, three shades, one almost black, reserve $1.00
#37 - 1875 8¢ registered, unused, reserve .60
#222 - Nfld. 1855 5d brown, used on cover, cut close, heavily cancelled, reserve $1.00
#224 - Nfld. 1863 8d block of 12 unused watermarked, reserve .15
#229 - Nfld. 1876 2¢ green roulette strip of 3, unused with imprint, reserve $1.25
#233 - N.S. 1d red brown pair on original envlope, good margines, reserve $9.00
#234 - N.S. 3d, three shades on three envelopes, reserve $4.00
#238 - N.S. 3d strip of three unused & part gum, reserve $6.00
#263 - Canada 1888 10¢ carmine red, 100 copies, reserve $1.00
#265 - Canada 5¢ Registration stamps, 500, reserve $2.00
#297 - 1877 15¢ slated block of 25, reserve $1.00
#299 - 1877 15¢ slate block of 12, reserve .45

In Vol. II, No. 11 of *The Canadian Philatelist*, L.M. Staebler advertised "Nova Scotia, Provincial 7½d (6d and ½ of 3d) on original envelope, fine cancellation, a very fine copy of this rare provincial at $16.50."

Also advertised was a Barnard's Cariboo Express "Collect and Canada 12½¢ 1859 unsevered pair used on original envelope" at $12.50 and a Prince Edward Island 2d rose on cover, perf 9, at $1.75 and also a 3d perf 9 at $1.75.

The 25-cent rate cover to British Columbia with Barnards Express Collect label is unknown today but would be a absolutely fabulous cover in any 1859 collection or British Columbia collection.

In the February 1893 *Canadian Philatelist*, Vol. II No. 6, published by Staebler, it was noted under the auction department that C.H. Holden in his January sale at Muskegon, Mich. on Jan. 25, 1893 sold a pair of new Brunswick shillings for $85 US. Albrecht and Company's 10th sale on Jan. 25, 1893 had a British Columbia $1 green unused, perf 12½, which sold for $12.40 US. Scott's Stamp and Coin company reported that a New Brunswick one shilling, used and fine, sold for $40.50, a Newfoundland one shilling scarlet at $48, a Nova Scotia one shilling violet unused at $37.50 and a Newfoundland 6½ pence scarlet vermillion on original letter went for $27.50 at their Jan. 26, 1893 auction.

In the same edition, Staebler advertised: "Wanted to purchase at once 100,000 5-cent Registration Stamps of Canada at $1.75 per 1,000 cash".

T.S. Clark, in his fourth public auction at Belleville on Jan. 27, 1893, had some interesting lots for sale. The prices listed are the reserves.

#62 - 3d laid paper, pen cancelled, very fine, .60
#64 - 3d laid paper, pair, pen cancelled, cut close one side, $1.00
#74 - 6d laid paper on cover, good margins, $3.35
#75 - 6d laid paper on cover, good margins, lighter cancel, $3.25
#83 - 6d wove on cover, 1858, purplish shade, large margins, $3.25
#86 - 6d purple, thick spongy wove paper on half of cover, 1858, cut close at bottom, $4.00
#88 - 6d purple, thick spongy wove paper on cover 1858, good margins, $5.00
#99 - 3d perforated on cover, very good, $1.25
#105 - 2¢ 1868 watermarked pair, very fine, $5.00
#108 - 15¢ lilac 1868, watermarked, good, $6.00
#114 - 1888, 10¢ pink on ribbed paper 2 copies, good and fine, $2.00
#117 - proofs on thin paper, 3d black and red, 6d orange, 7½d orange and green, 10d blue (6 pieces), $3.00
#592 - 1869 1¢ yellow large 25 copies, $1.25
#593 - 1870 1¢ yellow small 5,000 copies, $2.50
#594 - 3¢ small queens, 10,000 copies, $3.00

Clark also had some unusual items in his first sale on Dec. 25, 1891 which was held at the St. lawrence Hall in Montreal.

#47f - 3d hard ribbed paper, strip of three, lovely condition, $3.50
#47h - 3d wove pair, very fine and brilliant, .40
#48 - 6d wove block of four, unused, original gum, $32.00
#58 - 6d perforated, well-centred, light cancel, $20.00
#205 - New Brunswick 6d yellow cut diagonally and used as 3d on entire cover, $3.00
#205 - N.B. 6d on entire cover, good margins, $6.00
#209 - N.B. 5¢ brown Connell original, unused, stained slightly by acid on upper left hand corner and on right side but nevertheless a very fine stamp. $85.00

#250 – PEI 4d black (1869) cut diagonally and used as 2d, finely postmarked on entire cover, fist specimen of this rare provisional off'd by auction as far as I know, $20.00

In *The Canadian Philatelic Journal* published by H.E. French at St. Catharines in December 1888 appeared an advertisement for Newfoundland stamps from Jos. Cox and Co. of St. John's, Nfld.:

	unused	used
– 3d triangle, green	.12	.25
– 5d 1857, 1863 brownish	.20	.50
– 4d 1863 lake	.15	—
– 2¢ perf 1866 green	.10	.05
– 5¢ perf 1866 brown	—	1.50
– 10¢ perf 1866 black	.15	.10
– 13¢ perf 1866 orange	.20	.20

In *The Philatelic Advocate* of September 1897, published by Starnaman Bros. of Berlin, Ont., J.E. Marsh of Berlin was offering unused ½¢ or 6c Jubilees at 40¢ each. T.H. Campbell of Brantford advertised as a summer bargain, postfree, six 3d Beavers at 15¢ each. The Star Stamp Co. of Hamilton wanted to exchange ½¢ Jubilees for 6¢ Jubilees. Canuck noted in his column that "partial sets of Jubilee stamps were placed on sale in Toronto on August 9th. So great was the rush that the 2,000 sets were bought up in three hours. I know that two-thirds of these were secured by dealers and speculators." In spite of this, Wm. F.I. Weaver of Berlin, Ont. was offering ½¢ and 6c Jubilees at 25¢ each and 8¢ registration stamps at $1.99 unused.

In the same edition, Wm. R. Adams of Toronto advertised full sets of Jubilees at $17.25 a set including the card.

In the December 1893 edition of *The Canadian Philatelist* by L.M. Staebler there was a review of the 54th edition of the Scott Catalogue. It was noted that there "the different sizes of perforations, varities of paper and the watermarked issure of 1868, are now for the first time listed." It was also noted the 3d laid paper had advanced from 75¢ to $1.00, the 10d blue from $4.50 to $6.00, the ½d from $1.50 to $2.50. The ½d ribbed was listed at $15.00 and the ½d perforated at $5.00. The 6d perforated was now listed at $25. In the 1859 issue, the 10¢ violet catalogued at 30¢, the 12½¢ at 30¢ and the 17¢, 75¢. In the provinces, the N.S. 1 shilling violet was $60, the 1 shilling mauve was $75. The N.B. 1 shilling violet was $50 and the 1 shilling mauve $75. The previously unpriced Connell stamp was now listed at $100. In P.E.I., the different sizes of perforations were now catalogued as were the compound perfs of 1865.

In the June 1893 issue of Staebler's *The Canadian Philatelist*, a list of "new post office rules" was included, such as:

- "Persons are earnestly requested not to send postal cards with money orders enclosed..."
- "Nitro-glycerine must be forwarded at the risk of the sender..."
- "When letters are received bearing no directions, their persons for whom they are intended will please signify the fact to the postmaster..."
- "As all postmasters are expert linguists, the address may be written in Chinese or Cree..."
- "Ducks cannot be sent through the mail when alive. The quacking would disturb the slumber of the clerks on the postal cars..."
- "The placing of stamps upside down on letters is prohibited. Several postmasters have recently been injured while trying to stand on their heads to cancel such stamps..."

Much of interest can be gleaned from older journals. □



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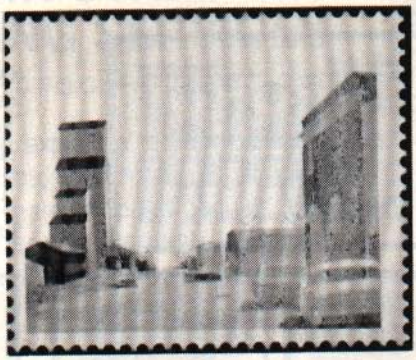
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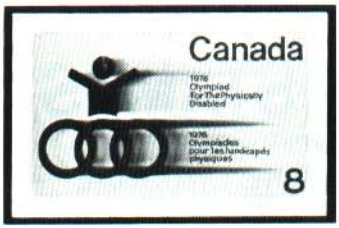


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Courvoisier's Canada Essays

by James E. Kraemer

It is said the Helio Courvoisier S.A., of La Chaux-de-fonds, Switzerland, prints stamps for more countries than any other company in the world.

Mr. André Tripet who was a Counsellor with the Swiss Embassy in Ottawa in the late 1940's and during the 1950's and later Courvoisier's Director of Marketing would have dearly loved to have his famous company produce a stamp for Canada.

Perhaps the closest Courvoisier ever came to designing and printing a stamp for Canada was in 1976. The Olympiad for Physically Disabled was held in Toronto that year. Among other, Courvoisier was asked to design and submit quotations for a stamp for Canada. They produced eight designs. We are please to be able to reproduce these eight design essays in our journal for the interest of our members. Whether Courvoisier's price was too high or whether Canada Post was too concerned with adverse criticism if they placed an order outside Canada, we do not know.

The stamp for the Handicapped Olympics showing an archer in a wheelchair was issued on Aug. 3, 1976. The designer was Tom Bjarnason, an internationally known illustrator from Toronto, Ont. He produced a multimixed media painting for use in the design. The Canadian Banknote Company, Ottawa, Ont., printed 12,400,000 of these stamps by five colour lithography. □













The design by Tom Bjarnason of Toronto, Ont. that was eventually chosen by the Canadian post office to commemmorate the 1976 Disabled Olympiad.

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Crash Covers

by Major R.K. Malott, Rtd.

The development of air mail services in Canada, as in the U.S.A. and other parts of the world, has been marred by aircraft crashes of various types inwhich crew and/or passengers have been killed and the mail destroyed or delayed. The Canada Post Office has made a conscientious effort to get the salvaged mail to the addressee. The collection of these interrupted or crash covers makes an interesting addition to the collection of Canadian air mail flight covers.

There is a listing of known crash covers from aircraft crashes relating to Canada in the American Air Mail catalogue, volume I, Fifth Edition, 1974. There is also a list of Canadian crashes from which no known crash covers have been reported. In addition I am adding covers from aircraft crashes in Canada and Newfoundland that exist but have not been listed. Any readers that have crash covers from any of these three lists are invited to contact me, Major R.K. Malott (Retired), 16 Harwick Cres., Nepean, Ont. Canada, K2H 6R1 to compile an inventory count of these items.

A. Known Crash Covers Listed in AAMS Catalogue

1923

1. 23.2 March 29. VICTORIA, B.C. CANADA - FAM 2-2:00 p.m. Victoria to Seattle. Pilot E. Hubbard's plane was forced down in water. 11 pouches of mail were salvaged in watersoaked condition and forwarded by boat with mimeo reading: "United States Post Office, Seattle, Washinton, March 31, 1923. This mail in transit via S.S. President Grant from Yokohoma, was damaged by water in an accident to the seaplane in service between Seattle and Victoria, B.C. Edgar Battle, Postmaster, Seattle, P.O. 3:31:23 P.M."

1924

2. 24.1 October 1. ESTEVAN, SASK. - Pioneer - Estevan - Winnipeg. Plane crashed at Bienfait, Sask, Pilot A.E. Alton injured. 1926 letters carried were forwarded by train and backstamped Winnipeg, 10:30 p.m. Covers bear special semi-official, black and red stamp. Cachet in violet, double oval, with three lines reading: "Via Aeroplane - Oct. 1, 1924-Estavan, Sask."

a. Special cover with U.S. postage and postmarked WAHPETON, NORTH DAKOTA Sept. 26. Aircraft was a Curtiss Biwing JN-4.

1925

3. 25.3 July 26. SEATTLE, WASH. - Attempted resumption of Seaplane Service between Seattle and Victoria, B.C.

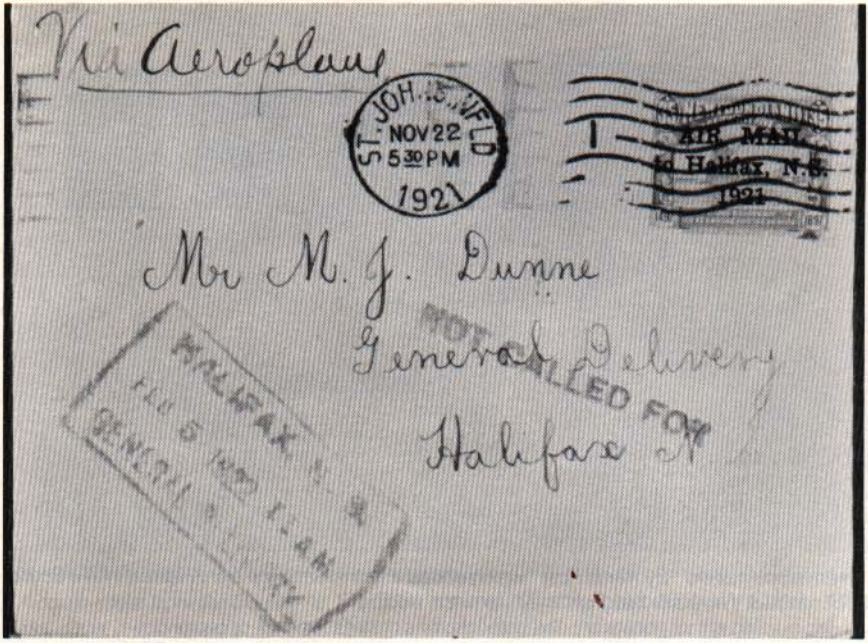
1929

4. 29.4 January 28. FOLLEIGH LAKE, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA-OGF-First flight, Halifax - St. John. Pilot T.A. Lawrence. Plane was forced down, arriving Feb. 2. Covers backstamped at 12:00 noon.

1930

5. 30.4B March 21. OVER LAKE ONTARIO - Toronto to Buffalo. Mail damaged in flight due to overheated motor. Pilot landed at Buffalo and put out the fire. One known cover was postmarked Toronto Mar. 21 3:30 p.m., 1930 at Postal Terminal. No endorsement. Authenticated by J.J. Kiely, P.M. at New York, by mimeo accompanying the damaged piece.

6. 30.12A September 25. SOUTHESK, ALBERTA, CANADA - 2:30 a.m. Pilot W.G. Holden killed. Plane nose-dived in heavy fog. Covers known are oil soaked and burned. Cachet in purple, reading: "DAMAGED IN AIR PLANE WRECK" was applied.



A crash cover from the Botwood, Newfoundland to Halifax, Nova Scotia flight of 10 December 1921. No cachets were applied to the interrupted mail from this flight.



An envelope from an interrupted flight Halifax, Nova Scotia to St. John's, Newfoundland circa 20 January 1922. No crash cachets were applied to the covers of this flight on which little is known. Note instructions in upper left corner, "By Air Ship to Nfld via Halifax."



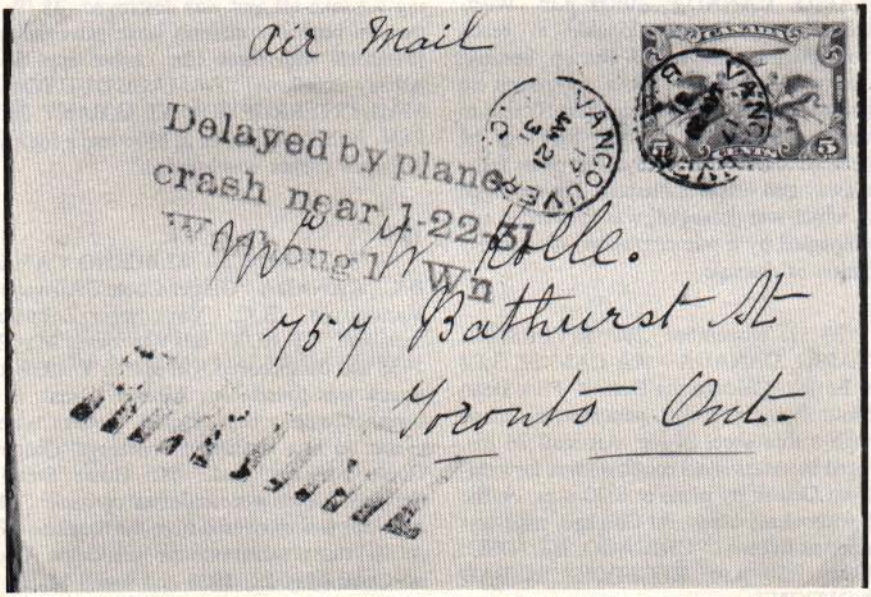
An envelope maked "By Aerial Post" which ended as an interrupted flight Halifax, Nova Scotia to St. John's, Newfoundland circa 20 January 1922.



The special publicity flight from Estevan, Saskatchewan to Winnipeg, Manitoba of 10 October, 1924 ended at Beinfait, Saskatchewan. A special vignette was used on the flown envelopes but no crash cachet was applied.



A crash cover from the Boeing Air Transport crash at Park City, Utah, USA on 11 March 1929. This cover is addressed to Toronto, Ontario and cacheted with the reason for the delay in delivery. A collection of Canadian crash covers should include interrupted covers from air crashes about the world addressed to locations in Canada.



A crash cover from the Varney Air Line crash on baldy Mountain, Washougal, Washington, USA. The envelope, mailed from Vancouver, British Columbia, 21 January 1931, has the three-line cancel explaining the delay in transmission.



A crash cover from the Canadian Airways Limited crash at Dunnville, Ontario, 19 December 1931. There were no crash cachets applied to the envelopes although a mimeographed note of explanation accompanied each envelope returned to the addressee.

1931

7. 31.15A December 19. DUNNVILLE, ONTARIO, CANADA, 10:00 p.m. Westbound. Toronto-Detroit. Unable to reach Detroit, the pilot Edward C. Burton, because of heavy fog, turned about to return to Hamilton. Finding his gasoline insufficient to return and unable to land in the fog, he parachuted and landed safely. The plane fell a mile away and was demolished. The salvaged mail, which was damaged, was forwarded and accompanied by a mimeographed note of explanation of damage.

1933

8. 33.11 November 29. RIVERSIDE, ONTARIO, CANADA – AA-CAM 27, 3:04 p.m. Buffalo-Chicago via Detroit. Pilot Dean C. Smith flying in storm, pancaked his plane through a thin sheet of ice. All mail 76 lbs. salvaged in watersoaked condition was forwarded from Detroit by plane at 8:20 p.m. on the 30th without markings. At Chicago, mail was stamped as follows: "CHICAGO, ILL. DEC. 1 1933, 1:30 p.m. RECEIVED IN BAD CONDITION".

1934

9. 34.1 January 30. ALBANY, N.Y. – AA-FAM 1. 3:35 a.m. Albany-Montreal. Trip T. Pilot S.T.B. Cripps. Plane caught fire in preparing for take-off and was destroyed. 45 lbs of mail in burned condition were salvaged and fowarded with three line cachet applied at Albany as follows: "DAMAGE DUE TO AIR MAIL INTERRUPTION AT ALBANY, N.Y. JAN. 30th." On arrival at Montreal a four line bilingual cachet was applied.

1938

10. 38.5A May 17. ALBERNO CANAL, B.C., CANADA "Ginger Coote" Airways of Vancouver, B.C. Vancouver-Zeballos. Seaplane "CF AUX" left Vancouver May 27, 1938 and disappeared. On March 9, 1939, the wreck was found near Alberno Canal, B.C. together with a bag of mail. Letters bore a cachet in box reading "Courtesy "Ginger" Coote Airways, Ltd., 515 Howe Street". Salvaged pieces were endorsed on back: "This envelope was recovered from the Seaplane "CF AUX" that crashed into the hillside on Alberno Canal May 27, 1938 and found March 9, 1939. The contents were intact. Signed Benj Nicholson, Postmaster, Zeballos, B.C. March 31, 1939".



An interrupted cover from a fire onboard the aircraft at Albany, New York on 30 January 1934. A bilingual explanation was applied to each envelope along with a regular one since many were destined for Montreal, Quebec.



This interesting crash cover from the crash of the Flying Boat Calpurnia on 27 November 1938 at Lake Habbaniyah, Iraq started as a Canadian First Day cover from Ottawa dated 15 November 1938. The envelope addressed to New Zealand has a two line cachet for explanation for the delay.

1941

11. 41.1A February 6. ARMSTRONG, ONTARIO, CANADA, T.C.A. Montreal to Winnipeg. Capt. W.E. Twiss, and First Officer C.E. Lloyd and 10 passengers lost their lives in this crash. The TCA Aircraft CR-TCP, Lockheed 18-56 Lodestar approaching Armstrong for a landing and went down in the bush about a mile south of Armstrong. Cover reported and verified was postmarked Montreal Feb. 6, 1941 and addressed to Vancouver. It was backstamped at Winnipeg in blue, Feb. 8, 1941, and the face of cover bears a hand set typed cachet in blue reading "Received Damaged at Winnipeg".

12. 41.6 October 30. SHEDDEN, ONTARIO, CANADA - AA-AM 7. 10:10 p.m. New York-Chicago via Detroit. Trip 1, Pilot David I. Cooper killed. Plane caught fire and crashed. 694 pieces were salvaged in burned condition and forwarded from Detroit after application of cachet.

1954

13. 54.2 April 8. MOOSE JAW, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA - TCA-Toronto-Vancouver. Capt. I.H. Bell of Vancouver and First Officer D.W. Guthrie as well as the balance of the crew and all passengers were killed. A Harvard Aircraft flown by a student pilot collided with the four-engine North Star at 2,000 feet altitude, causing it to crash in flames. Canadian officials state that a half ton of mail was aboard. Many pieces of recovered mail show much damage and were endorsed "SALVAGED FROM T.C.A. WRECK", or "DELAYED OR DAMAGED, M. JAW. PLANE WRECK", applied in several different colours. The quantity of bags of mail by destination was: Calgary (29), Edmonton (28), Lethbridge (3), Vancouver (44), and Victoria (10).

1956

14. 56.4 December 9. VANCOUVER, B.C. - Trans-Canada Air Lines. 6:00 p.m. Capt. Allen J. Clark, pilot, and all crew and passengers lost. Reported as the worst Canadian air line disaster in history. The 4 engined North Star left Vancouver, B.C. at 6:00 p.m. and the last radio contact with the pilot was at 7:09 p.m., reporting that the port engine was afire. On May 13, 1957, airline spokesman reported that pieces of wreckage had been found on the 8,200 foot Mount Sleese, 70 miles east of Vancouver. Under date of June 18, 1957, the District Director of Post Service at Vancouver reported that "only a few letters have been salvaged" and these were forwarded wherever possible after having been endorsed "Salvaged from Plane Wreck".

1959

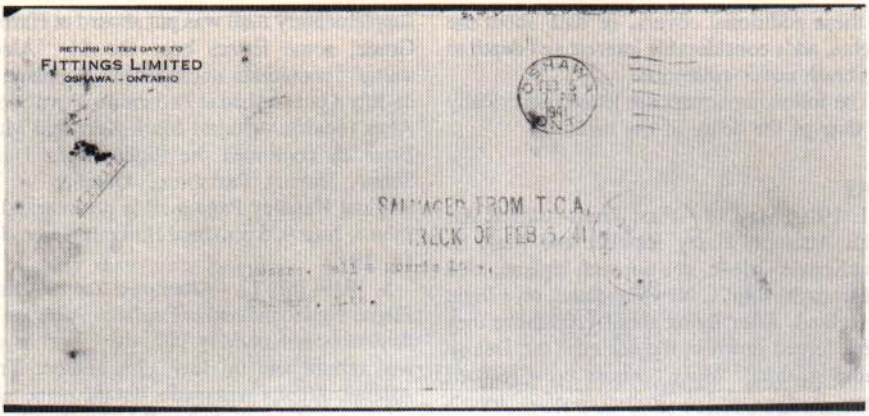
15. 59.2 February 23. BADDECK, N.S. CANADA - First flight of "Silver Dart" replica plane from Baddeck N.S. Shortly after take-off the plane, piloted by W/C Paul Hartman, crash-landed. Plane carried about 300 pieces of mail, mostly from high Canadian officials. Letters were franked with the new 5¢ Canadian Stamp, issued the same day, and had a printed and a hand-stamped cachet. Mail was undamaged.

1970

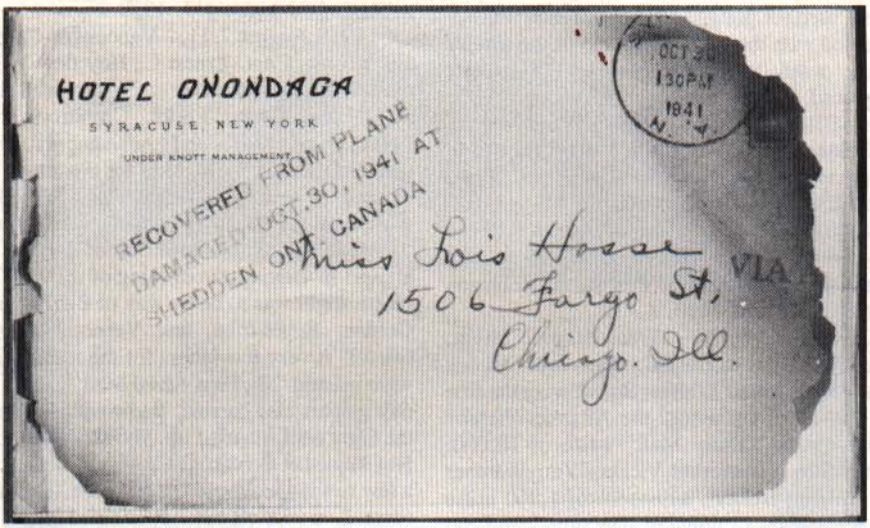
16. July 5. TORONTO, ONTARIO, Air Canada DC-8 Jetliner Flight 621. The Air Canada DC-8 jetliner flight 621 crashed at the Toronto International Airport after an abortive attempt to land. The Captain, Peter Hamilton and the Co-pilot, First Officer Donald Rowland, were killed as well as 107 other passengers and crew. There were 1,100 pounds of mail aboard the aircraft composed of 43 bags of first and third class mail and 126 registered letters. About 600 pounds of mail were salvaged and 650 pounds lost. All salvaged mail received a black cachet in one of two sizes "SALVAGED FROM/AIR CRASH JULY 5".

B. Aircraft Crashes From Which No Crash Covers Are Known (Listed in AAMS)

1. 27. Mar., 1940 Leamington, Ontario
2. 18 Sept., 1946 Gander, Newfoundland
3. 20 Dec., 1950 Penticton, B.C.
4. 19 Jan., 1952 Sandpit, B.C.
5. 17 Dec., 1954 Toronto, Ontario
6. 18 Dec., 1954 Brampton, Ontario
7. 9 Dec., 1956 Vancouver, B.C.
8. 23 June, 1957 Port Hardy, B.C.
9. 12 Aug., 1957 Montreal, Quebec
10. 3 Feb., 1959 Gander, Newfoundland
11. 29 Nov., 1963 Montreal, Quebec
12. 7 April, 1969 - Saguenay Airport, Sept. Isles, Quebec. The Air Canada Viscount was destroyed by fire. One passenger was killed and all mail reported destroyed.



This crash cover from the Trans-Canada Airlines (TCA) crash at Armstrong, Ontario, 5 February 1941 has the two-line out TCA cachet explaining the delay.



American Airlines flight AM7, New York to Chicago, crashed at Shedden, Ontario, 30 October 1941. This badly burnt envelope addressed to Chicago bears the three-line cachet of explanation.

13. 5 Aug., 1974 – Quebec City, Quebec Crash 90 miles north of city of Laurentian Air Services DC-3. Five Killed, and injured – no mail reported.

14. 9 Sept., 1974 – Nanaimo, B.C. A twin engine Grumman Goose of West Coast Air Services Ltd. crashed 30 miles southwest of Nanaimo. All eleven on the aircraft were killed and no mail was reported salvaged.

C. Canadian Crash Covers Known From Interrupted Flights or From Crashes Not Listed

Several pioneer and semi-official flights in Canada, including Newfoundland, ended in crashes or forced landings, thus delaying or preventing the delivery of mail. Many of the Newfoundland flights are the pioneer attempts to cross the Atlantic, non-stop. The inclusion

of these additional covers, or data about the flights, adds considerable interest and depth to the crash cover collection.

The following covers are listed numerically by date of the delay of the mail:

1919

1. 1919, May 18 – First Trans-Atlantic Air Mail Attempt. Harry Hawker and Maj. K. MacKenzie Grieve, in a Sopwith biplane, took off from St. John's, Newfoundland, on a flight to Ireland. After flying about 1100 miles they were forced down in the sea near the Danish tramp steamer "Mary" whose crew rescued them. Postmaster J.A. Robinson of St. John's overprinted 200 copies of the 3¢ brown "Caribou" issue of Newfoundland with the inscription "First Trans-Atlantic Airpost, June 1919". These were initialed by him in manuscript on the back "J.A.R." 95 copies were used for postage. The bag of mail was immersed with the plane and some of the stamps were washed off the covers, but usually replaced.

2. 1919, May 18 –-Second Trans-Atlantic Airplane Attempt. Capts. Raynham and Morgan in a Martinsyde plane attempted a flight later the same day, but crashed on take off. About 20 covers were aboard, which bear the 3¢ Caribou issue. These covers exist with manuscript overprint by Postmaster Robinson "Aerial Atlantic Mail, J.A.E."

3. 1919, June 14 – Trans-Atlantic Flight, Newfoundland to Ireland. Capt. John Alcock and Lieut. Arthur Whitten Brown were the first to make a flight across the Atlantic, thereby winning the "Daily Mail" prize of 10,000. They flew a converted Vickers-Vimy bomber to Clifden, Ireland, a distance of 1,960 miles in 16 hours – 12 minutes. The Newfoundland government over-printed the 15¢ scarlet, regular issue, with a surcharge reading "Trans-Atlantic Air Post, 1919 One Dollar." Covers bear Airpost stamps and are cancelled St. John's June 10–13, and some are backstamped at London, England, June 17.

4. 1919, July 4 – Flight to the Unite States by Handley Page Bomber. The Handley Page crew abandoned the idea of a trans-Atlantic attempt when news of Alcock and Brown's success was received. Three pounds of mail for the expected trans-Atlantic attempt had been alotted to the plane in June and on July 3 a small supplementary mail was put aboard at Harbour Grace; some letters bear the $1 "Alcock stamp", sometimes uncancelled. The plane left on July 4 but crashed at Parrsboro, Nova Scotia. After repairs, Admiral Mark Kerr and Major Brackley continued the flight to the United States, leaving Parrsboro, October 9. The original Handley Page mail is postmarked St. John's, June 9, 5 p.m. and Harbour Grace, June 14, 1919.

5. 1919, July 12 – Attempted Trans-Atlantic Flight, Newfoundland to England. After the unfortunate crash on May 18th, the "Martinsyde" was rebuilt and on July 12th another Trans Atlantic attempt was made, but the plane again crashed and the flight finally was abandoned. 85 covers were aboard of which 25 were added for this second flight. The additional covers bear $1 "Alcock" stamps and are cancelled St. John's, Newfoundland, July 12, 1919 and backstamped January 7, 1920.

6. 1919 August 7-11 – Vancouver-Calgary and Return, Capt. Ernest C. Hoy flew a Curtiss JN-4 from Vancouver to Calgary with stops at Vernon, Grand Forks, Cranbrook, and Lethbridge. Mail and newspapers were delivered at each point. Mail for the return trip was picked up at Lethbridge. This was the first flight over the Rocky Mountains. Cachet reads "FIRST B.C. – Alberta Aerial Post." He arrived in Calgary the evening of the 7th. The return flight was to be by way of Banff, Field, Golden, Revelstoke, and Vernon, to Vancouver. A very few letters for the return flight were marked "By First Aerial Mail", and a few newspapers also carried. Bad weather delayed the flight until August 11th. Shorthly after noon, Hoy landed at Golden, B.C. where 3 letters and a few newspapers were put on board. The plane crashed on take-off but Hoy escaped injury. He completed the trip to Vancouver by train where the letters were backstamped on August 13th. Almost all the mail was of an official nature and very little has survived.

August 7, Vancouver-Calgary ..... (45 covers, papers)
a. August 7, Vancouver-Vernon ..... (4 covers, papers)
b. August 7, Vancouver-Grand Forks . (2-6 covers, papers)
c. August 7, Vancouver-Cranbrook (at least 1 cover, paper)
d. August 7, Vancouver-Lethbridge..... (2 covers, papers)
e. August 7, Lethbridge-Vancouver..... (2 covers, papers)
f. August 11, Calgary-Golden ..... (2 covers, papers)
g. August 11, Calgary-Vernon* ..... (1 cover, paper)
h. August 11, Calgary-Vancouver* ..... (4 covers, papers)
i. August 11, Golden-Vancouver*..... (3 covers, papers)
* not carried past Golden, B.C. due to crash

#87 Wed. Nov. 29-44
9.00 P.X.

My dearest Anson:-

Your Nov. 18th letter came in yesterday, just Ten days enroute, an Air Mail. So sorree that my Airgraph was such a long time getting to you, well of course I nver did like the bally things anyway, only reason I used it was because I did not have another form.

Of course you wont think me Nuts if again I mention the fact that you have not received any of my Sept parcels, which is strange to say the least. Have you an explanation about it. Wonder if that is your punishment for telling me in one of your letters 'Not to send so many parcels', could be! If by chance you should ever receive them, hope you [illegible] neglect to mention the fact somewhere along [illegible] your yesterday's letter you appear [illegible] whole thing, of course I mean yo[illegible]n give up hope of your gettin[illegible]tivities????? Your Father [illegible] have a really pat of a [illegible] feature



This salvaged letter and envelope dated 29 November 1944 to a Canadian airman overseas has the familiar two-line crash cachet applied to the envelope, "Salvaged From/Air Crash."



A crash cover, addressed to Lancaster, New Brunswick, from the British Overseas Airways Comet crash near Calcutta, India on 2 May 1953. The envelope bears the three-line blue cachet of explanation.

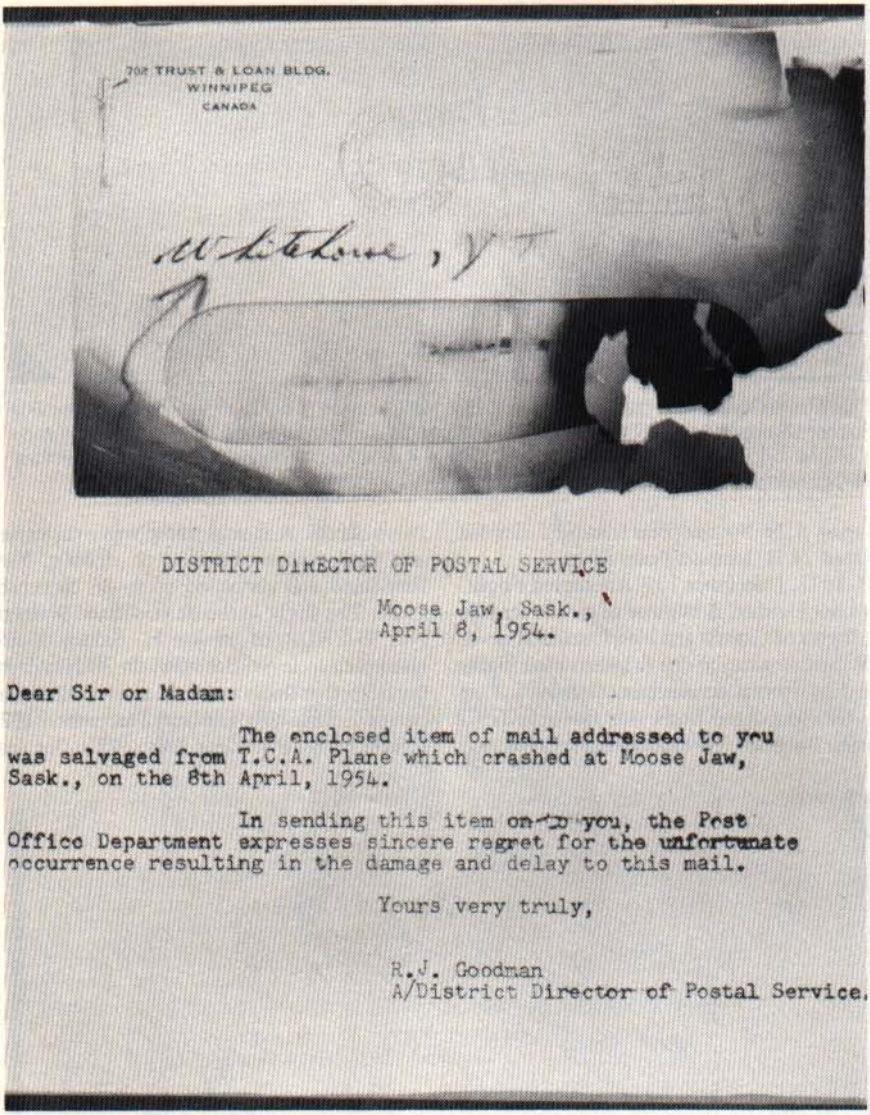
7. 1919, October 9 – Parrsboro, N.S. – Greenport, N.Y. On July 4th, 1919 the Handley Page Bomber "The Atlantic" en route from Newfoundland made a forced landing at Parrsboro, and was badly damaged. The mail was forwarded from Parrsboro. The plane was repaired and on October 9th took off for Greenport, Long Island. A small amount of mail was taken on at Parrsboro, postmarked Parrsboro Oct. 9, with a new two line black cachet "Handley Page Aerial Mail from Parrsboro N.S.". The special mail was mailed the next day at Greenport and received the cancellation of Greenport, Long Island, New York.

1921

8. 1921 March 24-April 26 – Peace River-Ft. Vermilion-Hay River-Ft. Providence-Ft. Simpson and return. The Imperial Oil Co. wanted to reach its Discovery well on Bear Island north of Ft. Norman for purposes of supply, further mapping and exploration of the Northwest Territory. Two Junkers planes "Rene" and "Vic" were piloted by Elmer G. Fullerton and George W. Gorman. The flights met with mishap at Ft. Simpson and the "Vic" was flown back to Peace River while the "Rene" was left behind for repairs. It is questionable if any mail survived.

March 24, Peace River-Ft. Vermilion . . .
a. March 27, Ft. Vermilion-Hay River . . . .
b. March 28, Hay River-Ft. Providence. . . .
c. April 26, Ft. Providence-Ft. Simpson . .
d. April 26, Ft. Simpson-Peace River . . . .

9. 1921 May 27-August 21 – Peace River-Ft. Vermilion-Ft. Smith-Hay River Ft. Simpson-Ft. Norman and return. Pilot Elmer G. Fullerton carried the chief geologist for Imperial Oil Ltd., with him in the Junkers "Vic" and this time succeeded in reaching Ft. Norman before a broken pontoon forced the plane down on the MacKenzie River. It was put



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Moose Jaw, Sask.,
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Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed item of mail addressed to you was salvaged from T.C.A. Plane which crashed at Moose Jaw, Sask., on the 8th April, 1954.

In sending this item on to you, the Post Office Department expresses sincere regret for the unfortunate occurrence resulting in the damage and delay to this mail.

Yours very truly,

R.J. Goodman
A/District Director of Postal Service.

A badly burned envelope from the Trans-Canada Airlines (TCA) Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan crash of 8 April 1954. The envelope does not have a crash cachet applied but a letter of explanation for the delay is attached.

on a raft for the last 50 miles to the oil site at Bear Island. The pontoon was repaired. The "Vic" returned to Ft. Simpson on August 6, and finally on August 21st, both the "Vic" and the "Rene" returned to Peace River. The success of these flights, despite the great difficulties, was to have a great influence on the development of the Far North. No mail is believed to exist.

May 27, Peace River-Ft. Vermilion .....
a. May 30, Ft. Vermilion-Ft. Smith .....
b. May 31, Ft. Smith-Hay River .....
c. June 1, Hay River-Ft. Simpson .....
d. June 2, Ft. Simpson-Ft. Norman .....



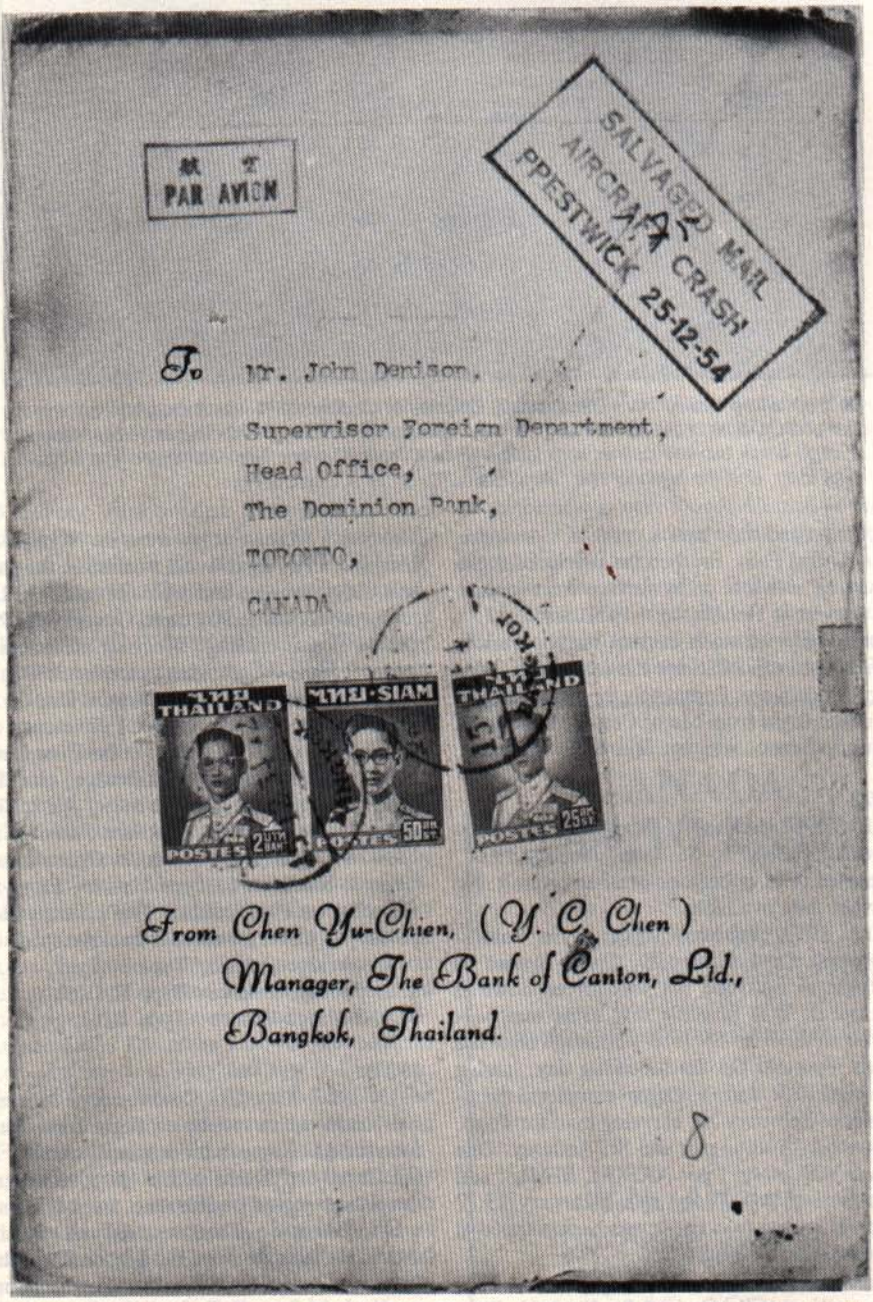
This Moose Jaw crash cover of 8 April 1954 has the large 1 cm high letters, black two-line cachet "Salvaged From/T.C.A. Wreck". This cachet's dimensions are first line 1 cm high by 7.5 cms long, and second line 1 cm high by 6.4 cms long. There are also two Inspectors' purple stamps, No. 3 from Moose Jaw.

e. August 6, Ft. Norman (Bear Island)-Ft. Simpson
f. August 21,Ft. Simpson-Peace River .....

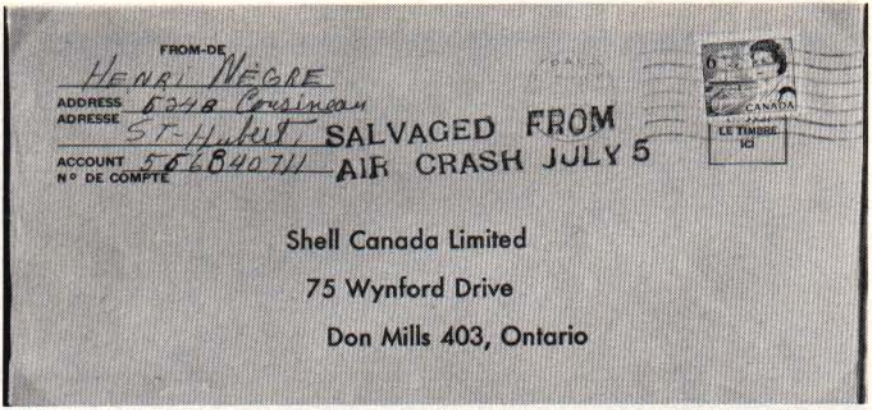
10. 1921, December 10 – Attempted Flight, Botwood, Halifax. A number of the pioneer air mail flights of Canada and Newfoundland never made their destination due to interrupted flights caused by storms or mechanical failure. One such Newfoundland flight was that scheduled between Botwood, Newfoundland and Halifax, Nova Scotia. A special stamp was over-printed and mail was accepted at St. John's, Newfoundland and cancelled up to 26 November 1921. The flight in the de Havilland 9 aircraft No. G-EADP of Major F. Sidney Cotton attempted to leave Botwood on 30 November but defective floats and then a severe ice storm delayed departure until 10 December 1921. Engine trouble at Deer Lake, 95 miles from



This Moose Jaw crash cover mailed from Windosr, Ontario on 7 April 1954 bears the smaller crash cachet in red, "Salvaged From/T.C.A. Wreck" which occured at Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan on 8 April 1954.



A Christmas card from Bangkok, Thailand to Toronto, Ontario was salvaged from the BOAC, crash at Prestwick, Scotland on 25 December 1954. It received the boxed, three-line purple cachet, "Salvaged Mail/Aircraft Crash/Prestwick 25-12-54".



This envelope mailed from Causapscal, Quebec on 3 July 1970 was salvaged from the Air Canada DC-8 air crash at Toronto International Airport on 5 July 1970. This envelope received a large black two-line cachet with letters .6 cms high. The first line "Salvaged From" is 8.5 cms long, and the second line "Air Crash July 5" is 9.1 cms long.

Botwood and then later a crash at Cassandra, near Grand Falls, finished the attempted flight. The mail was sent on by surface and eventually arrived at Halifax on 4 February 1922. There were no crash cachets but the various postal data cancellations substantiate the long time for delivery. Fortunately the pilot who took over the flight from Major Cotton, Captain V. Sydney Benett, was not injured in the crash.

1922

10a. 1922, January ? – Mail cacheted "First Airmail Halifax to St. John, January 1922" reported to have been on crashed aircraft. No further data available.

11. 1922, February 25-26 – St. John's-Botwood. On February 25, Cotton started on a flight to Botwood but was forced down at Caronear. It is possible that some mail was taken on there for St. John's although none has been reported. On the following day, having returned to St. John's, Cotton completed the attempt of February 25, carrying mail for Fogo, Botwood, Twillingate and St. Anthony. One cover with violet "per AREIAL MAIL" and postmarked at St. John's on February 23, 7 p.m. is known to exist. It was backstamped at Botwood on February 26.

12. 1922, June 22 – Lethbridge-Ottawa, Pilot Lieut. "Jock" Palmer and Lt. Hugh H. Fitzsimmons flew the mail which comprised 993 covers, of which only slightly over 150 exist today. As the plane was landing at Minot, No. Dakota, a woman drove a car in front of the machine. In trying to avoid a collision, the plane was badly damaged and could not continue. Letters were forwarded by train. Covers bear Post Office slogan reading "Register all letters of value". Most covers were cancelled 3:30 p.m. June 21. Special envelopes were sold at $1.00 each. Three different types of envelopes are know: Type 1; "Greetings via the First Canadian Air Mail Plane from Lethbridge, Alta. The Little City with the Big Future". Type 2; Simmilar to above with "Southern Alberta, the Land of Irrigation and Sunshine, Greets You". Type 3; Simmilar to Type 1 with "From the Crow's Nest Pass" added. This is on a yellow envelope, Covers were not backstamped.

Lethbridge-Ottawa Type I .....
a. Lethbridge-Ottawa Type II .....
b. Lethbridge-Ottawa Type III .....

1927

13. 1927, May 23 – Commander Francesco DePinedo. In an attempted flight from Newfoundland to Rome in his seaplane, an S55 Flying Boat – "Santa Maria II", the plane developed engine trouble near the Azores and was forced down at sea, rescued and towed to shore. He later resumed his flight and reached Rome on June 16, 1927. The Newfoundland government issued a special stamp for this flight, overprinting the 60¢ black "Cabot issue" with a surcharge "Air Mail, DePinedo, 1927". 225 surcharged stamps were used for mail and



This envelope was flown on the replica Silver Dart at Baddeck, Nova Scotia on the 50th anniversary of flight 23 February 1959. The replica crashed on landing but no crash cachet was applied as these envelopes were souvenir mail only.

25 covers were mailed with unsurcharged stamp. Covers were cancelled at St. John's with circular obliterator ST. JOHN'S N'FLD MAY 20 10-AM 1927. The mail also received an additional local postmark when arriving at TREPASSEY MY 21 27 NEWF'D. The covers are backstamped Rome June 22, 1927, but some are dated June 16, and other with both dates.

14. 1927, August 29 – 1927-London, Ontario-London, England Sponsored by the Carling Brewery of London, Ontario, offering a $25,000 prize for any Canadian or British pilot who could make a non-stop flight from London, Ontario to London, England. Carling bought a Stinson Momoplane and selected Capt. Terrance B. Tully as pilot and Lt. James Victor Medcalf as navigator to make the attempt in the "Sir John Carling". A special stamp was authorized and printed and about 90 covers were prepared and postmarked at 4:00 a.m. August 29th. The plane took off around 6:00 a.m., but ran into very bad fog at Kingston, Ontario. It was forced to return to London. The rules were revised and it was decided to land at Harbour Grace, Nfld., to refuel before making the long hop to England. When the mail for the flight was postmarked again and taken to the plane, one cover was either left out or removed. The plane took off on Sept. 1, and got as far as Caribou, Maine where it was forced down. On Sept. 5, Tully and Medcalf succeeded in reaching Harbour Grace. Early Sept. 7, they took off for England and were never seen again. Despite a lengthy search, no trace of the plane was ever found. All mail on board was lost. The cover removed from the bag bore stamp No. S-35.

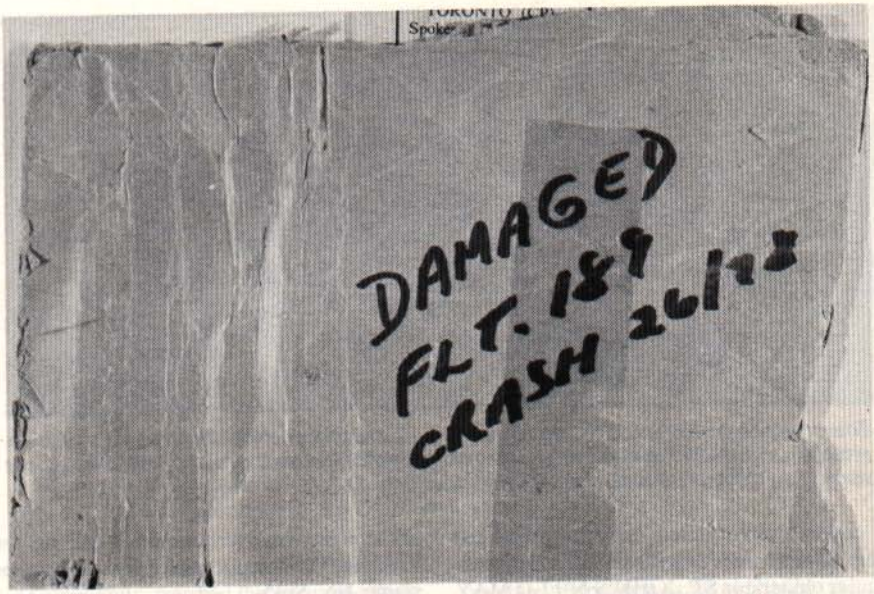
London, Ontario-London, England . .(1 known)

15. 1927, November 24 – Yukon Airways & Exploration Company Limited -White Horse-Mayo-Wernecke-Keno Hill-Dawson. Pilot

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Aboard the Air Canada DC-8 aircraft that crashed at the Toronto International Airport was a package of wedding invitations destined for Winnipeg, Manitoba. The package eventually received by the worried bride-to-be was marked "Damaged Flt. 189 Crash 26/78."

A.D. Cruickshank, due to extreme weather conditions, the plane a Ryan Monoplane, a sister ship of Lindberg's, was forced down, when found the mail was taken to its intended destination by dog teams arriving Mayo, Dec. 4, Wernecke, Dec. 5, Keno Hill, Dec. 6 and Dawson, Dec. 8. The plane was subsequently repaired and took off again weeks later.

White Horse-Wernecke ..... (70 pieces)
a. White Horse-Mayo ..... (75 pieces)
b. White Horse-Keno Hill .... (very small)
c. White Horse-Dawson ..... (very small)

1928

16. British Columbia Airways, Limited operated between July 23 and August 25, 1928 only. It lost its plane and crew on the latter date. 1928, July 23 – Experimental Service, Victoria-Vancouver and Return. An experimental flight was made on the above date. As the company's semi-official stamps were not ready, covers bear only regular postage, either 2¢ or 7¢. They have a three line cachet in black reading "First Flight-Air Mail-Victoria-Vancouver, B.C." Pilot was Harold Walker.

Victoria-Vancouver ..... (396 pieces)
No mail was salvaged from the crash of 25 August, 1928 but an envelope from the first flight of the company pays tribute to the lost crew and passengers.

1929

17. Yukon Airways and Exploration, Limited 1929, April 2-5 – Dawson-Mayo-Aklavik. The "Queen of The Yukon" A Ryan Monoplane crashed & was wrecked at Mayo on April 5, thus bringing this attempted flight to Aklavik to an end. A very small mail was aboard.

1930

18. 1930, August, 3 – Harbour Grace J.H. Mears and H.J. Brown in their Lockheed-Vega monoplane attempted to fly around the world to break the Graf Zepplein's 21-day record. Plane crashed, after take off in dark, at Harbour Grace, without serious injury to the aviators. Official mail prepared at Harbour Grace used the 5¢ Caribou stamp postmarked August 3.

19. 1930, October 9 – Second "Columbia" Trans-Atlantic Flight. The sturdy monoplane "Columbia" again crossed the Atlantic under the guidance of Capt. J. Errol Boyd, Canadian World War veteran and Lieut. Harry P. Connor, U.S.N., Navigator. After flying 2,650

miles the "Columbia" was forced down to the beach at Tresco Island, 25 miles from Lands End, England. Taking off from Tresco Island the "Columbia" continued to Croydon Airport. Covers are backstamped London, October 13, 1930. The Newfoundland government overprinted 300 copies of the 36¢ "Caribou Issue" with overprint "Trans-Atlantic Air Mail, By B.M. "Coloumbia", September 1930, Fifty Cents." Some letters were carried bearing regular postage stamps. Some letters bearing Canadian postage and cancelled at Montreal on September 12, were also carried.

1931

20. Western Canada Airways Crash at Bagot, Manitoba 20 February, 1931 Air Mail.
A Western Canada Airways Fokker Aircraft F-14, Registration G-CAIE, piloted by Norman G. Forester, crashed at Bagot, Manitoba. The pilot survived the crash but his two passengers, Dr. Allyn and Mr. George Lewis, were killed. The aircraft was a mail plane and some of the envelopes were salvaged.
The Canadian Report on Civil Aviation for 1931 lists three accidents in scheduled air mail route flying, one of which was the above accident of Forester's.
The report states that this accident involved slight injury to the pilot and the death of two passengers through misadventure caused by unforeseen and suddenly changing weather conditions. During 1931 there were 10 pilots, 16 passengers, and 1 third party on the ground killed in aviaton accidents in Canada.

1944

21. The war-time delivery of mail to the servicemen of the Canadian Armed Forces was on occasion interrupted by air crashes. Mail was salvaged from an air crash in March 1944. A two line cachet "Salvaged From/Air Crash" in purple appears on the front of each letter.

22. Canadian Forces RCAF Crash in U.K. August 1944.
The war-time delivery of mail to Canadian military personnel overseas was unfortunately interrupted by tragic air crashes. Armed Forces Air Letters to Canadian personnel overseas, mailed from Canada in July 1944 were in a crash sometime prior to 10 August 1944. Salvaged from an air crash they were marked as such in a two line purple cachet, "SALVAGED FROM AIR CRASH".

23. 1945, January 25 – On January 25, 1945 the Canadian RCAF carrying Dakota 978 crashed and burned on take-off at Beggin Hill, England. The aircraft, enroute to Canada, was carrying Canadian Forces mail, much of which was destroyed or damaged. (Data from Director of Postal Service, Canadian Armed Forces, March 29, 1972.)

1954

24. Prestwick, Scotland December 25, 1954: British Overseas Airways Corporation.
On Christmas Day, December 25, 1954 a B.O.A.C. Stratocruiser crashed at Prestwick, Scotland. All aboard were killed. There was also $60 million in diamonds on the aircraft and all were recovered by loading the earth for serveral feet around the crash into railway cars and shipping all to London. The earth was sifted and the diamonds recovered. Some of the mail aboard was recovered in a badly damaged condition and some was in good condition. All mail received an official violet rectangular cachet in three lines: "SALVAGED MAIL/AIRCRAFT CRASH/PRESTWICK 25-12-54" Most of the mail was destined for Canada and some to the U.S.A. □

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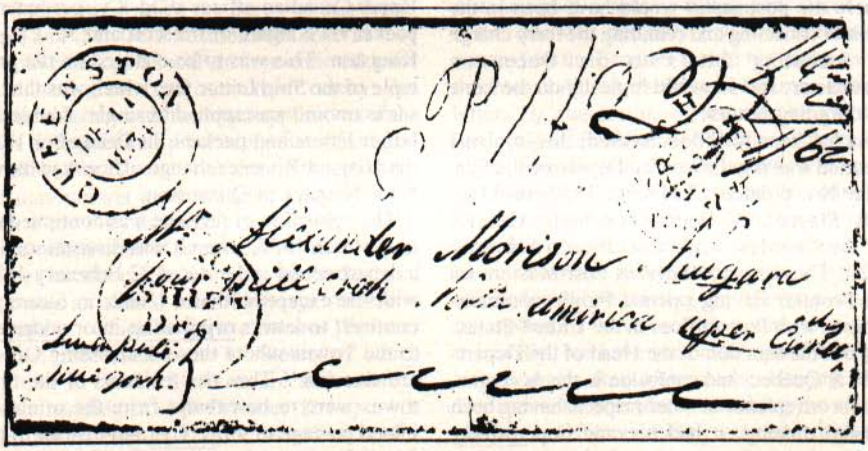
VIII. Early and Late Ferry Postage

In the early 1800s, local letters were exchanged at various points across the water courses separating Upper Canada and the United States — Cornwall / Fort Covington, Prescott/ Ogdensburgh, Brockville / Morristown, Kingston / Cape Vincent, Niagara / Youngstown and Queenston / Lewiston. In addition, the regular mails between the larger Canadian towns and New York normally passed through either Queenston or Kingston.

Shortly after the transborder postal service was re-established after the War of 1812, the postmasters at Queenston and Kingston, without official sanction, began collecting 2d. Cy. and 3d. Cy. respectively to cover the cost of ferrying the mail across the Niagara and St. Lawrence Rivers. The Kingston charge was higher because there were two ferries involved — one on either side of Wolfe Island.

An 1817 letter from New York via Queenston has "Ferry 2d." in manuscript in addition to the regular postage, while a contemporary one from Sangerfield, N.Y., which had 12½ cents postage prepaid to the border, has "AP N3" and "N5" for a total postage due of 8d. Cy., representing the 3d. ferry charge and 5d. inland postage from Kingston to Brockville, its destination. Most incoming letters had the ferry charge included in the total postage due without separate identification.

There are very few examples of early outgoing letters from Canada, which were mailed at points away from the border towns. However,



Letter from Perth, Scotland mailed on 6 November 1834 with 1/3 Stg. postage to Liverpool prepaid. Carried by an American sailing packet to New York, where struck with "NEW YORK/SHIP" on 5 December and rated 27 cents postage due. Datestamped at Queenston on 11 December, where the U.S. Postage was converted to 1/4½ Cy. and 2d. Cy. ferriage added to make 1/6½ Cy. postage due.



Letter mailed at Belleville, U.C. on 29 May 1834 with 1/7 Cy. postage to New York prepaid, representing 4½d. Cy. postage to Kingston (not shown), 3d. Cy. ferriage, and 18 3/4 cents U.S. postage. Carried by an American sailing packet to Liverpool, where rated 1/4 Stg. postage due as an incoming ship letter.

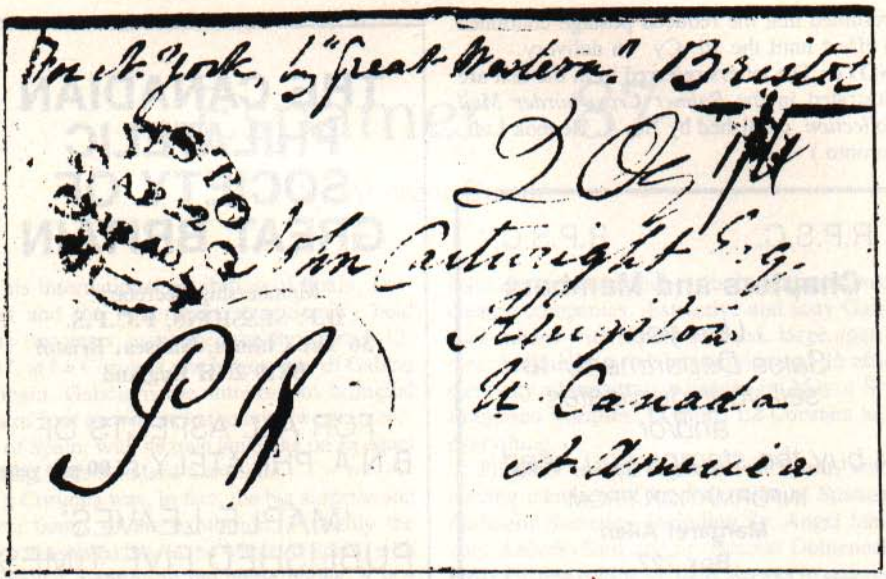
one written at "Yonge St., Upper Canada towards Lake Simcoe" in January 1828 has "Pd. 7 & 2d." in manuscript, where 7d. Cy. was the inland postage to Queenston and 2d. Cy. the ferry charge. As there is no receiving office postmark, it is not know where it was mailed, but it seems likely that it was at York, where the postmaster would have been in the habit of collecting and remitting the ferry charge on incoming letters to the Queenston postmaster, and so would logically do the same on outgoing letters.

As has been well documented, this informal practice was regularized by Departmental Circular No. 6 dated 12 January 1829 issued by T.A. Stayner, the Deputy Postmaster General for the Canadas, with effect from 5 February 1829. This began: "Several Post-Masters on the Frontier having opened Public communications with Post-Offices in the United-States, without the sanction of the Head of the Department at Quebec, and confusion in the Accounts, and inconvenience in other respects having been created thereby, it had become imperatively necessary to put a stop to so great an irregularity, and to form some plan that should place the Post intercourse between the two countries, upon a more respectable and efficient footing than had hitherto existed."

The circular then stated that in an arrangement with the U.S. Post Office, only five Canadian post offices were to exchange mail with their cross-border counterparts — Montreal and Stanstead in Lower Canada and Kingston, Niagara and Prescott in Upper Canada. It also formalized "ferriage postage" for the three Upper Canadian offices at 2d. Cy. per letter or packet via Niagara or Prescott and 3d. Cy. via Kingston. This was to be charged on the principle of the Ship Letter fee, which was that the same amount was applied to single, double and larger letters and packets. In December 1830, the Niagara River exchange office was moved from Niagara to Queenston.

The collection of ferriage was continued until 6 March 1837, when it was discontinued by a departmental order dated 22 February 1837, with the exception that it "will, in future, be confined to letters originating in or addressed to the Towns where these distributing Offices are situated." Thus the residents of the three towns were to be exempt from the minimum inland postage of 4½d. Cy. and instead to pay 2d. or 3d. Cy. to have the post office take their letters across the respective rivers to the opposite American post office.

On 18 January 1844, Stayner, who was still the Deputy Postmaster General, wrote to Lt.



Letter mailed at Shipton, England on 12 April 1840, with 8d. Stg. postage prepaid as an outgoing ship letter. Carried by the Great Western from Bristol to New York, where struck with "NEW YORK/SHIP" on 3 May and rated 20 3/4 cents postage due. At Kingston, this was converted to 1/1 Cy. and 3d. Cy. ferriage added for a total postage due of 1/4 Cy.

Col. Maberly, the Secretary of the General Post Office, London, questioning the continuance of this reduced postage. As his comments on the long-standing practice are interesting, it is given in full:

"Supposing it to be the desire of His Lordship The P.Mr.Genl. to abolish as soon as may be convenient, all local or conventional rates which have grown into use in this Country, that are inconsistant with the exact application of the Laws & Regulations proceeding direct from Imperial Authority, and considering that the subject may not yet have attracted your notice, I think it my duty to invite your attention to the usage which obtains at several of the Frontier Offices in communication with the U. States of imposing an abated rate of postage on letters & papers, which originate in our Frontier Towns, addressed to the U. States, or which originate in the U. States & are addressed to people residing in such Frontier Towns. — It is, in the case of letters, the substitution of a charge of 2d. Currency (in one case 3d.) p packet — instead of 4½d. Cy. p letter — of ½d. Currency. p newspaper, or Sheet of Pamphlet instead of a penny p newspaper & a penny p oz upon Pamphlets.

"These reduced charges came into practice many years ago, and were intended to meet the circumstances of the Country at the time. — In most instances, the conveyance by our Mails is only halfway across a River, perhaps a distance of ½ a mile — it was considered that if the rate was not very low, the Inhabitants situated on the Frontier would not make use of the Post at all, but would send and receive their letters by clandestine means, for which they possess great facilities. — Whether such reasoning will be allowed to operate now, will be for His Lordship The P.Mr.Genl. to determine. — I cannot at this moment recollect that any other anomalies in our postage charges exist. — I have reformed many since I have been in office, but this respecting the "Ferry postage" (so called) I have not ventured to disturb materially, but have contented myself with putting it under Regulations (the January 1829 Departmental Circular) — making the charge uniform at Offices similarly situated, which was not the case before I was appointed — each Postmaster having made such charges as he thought sufficient to cover the expense of the ferriage.—"

No action was taken on this letter and it is

presumed that the reduced postage continued in effect until the 3d. Cy. on delivery.
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Espamer - 87

by Andrew Cronin

This international exhibition of Spain, Portugal and the Americans, traditionally held every two years, was staged this time Oct. 2-12, 1987, at La Corunna, the largest city of Galicia in Spain. Galicia is the autonomous bilingual area of four provinces in the northwestern corner of Spain, with its own language on an equal footing with standard Castillian.

La Corunna was, in fact, the big surprise and nicest bonus of the exhibition. Probably the most underrated city in the whole of Spain, with scarcely a mention in the guide books, it is a thriving and growing centre of 350,000 people, with a picturesque port on the gulf side and beaches on the Atlantic Ocean, distinctive architecture including a Tower of Hercules, the interior of which dates back to the third century A.D., extensive industry and commerce, festivals, concerts and visits by international theatric companies, distinctive and tasty Galician cuisine with superb seafood, large apartment buildings, a fine bus service and an efficient city administration headed by Mayor Sr. Francisco Vázquez. In short, La Corunna has everything.

Philately is well organized in Spain, with leading members of the federation of Spanish Philatelic Societies, including Sr. Angel Sánchez Arévalo Sanz and Sr. Pascual Domenech Ortiz Urbina rolling up their sleeves to receive the collections for the show. They were backed up by a hard-working team from the Philatelic Society of La Corunna, headed by its Vice-President and the Coordinator for ESPAMER-87, Sr. Angel Aparicio Martínez and with all the documentation computerized.



Special souvenir sheet of four values was issued for Espamer-87.

The Spanish Ministy of Communications went all out to ensure the success of the show with subsidies and receptions, providing a souvenir sheet with two distinct gummings, two de luxe proofs of the same sheet, a show card from the Spanish Mint, a distinctive postmark for each day, special folders and covers, additional office staff, etc. The security was thorough, the hospitality overpowering and there were several trips offered to other interesting places in Galicia including the historic capital of Santiago de Compostela.

Attendance was excellent at the 2000-frame show, especially on both weekends and the exhibition post office was always busy. Apart from the host country of Spain, there were judges from Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, France, Greece, Peru, Puerto Rico, Portugal, Uruguary and the United States. There were entries from all those countries, as well as from West Germany and including 15 entries from Canada, which this, writer took over as Commissioner. There were three bulletins, a catalogue and a palmarès published, all of a very high printing standard and mostly multi-coloured.

The Canadian exhibitors did well and the results were as follows:

GOLD:

Andrew Cronin, Postal History of the Carpatho-Ukranine.

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LARGE SILVER:

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A REGULAR FEATURE

An interesting error exists in Scott's Specialized Catalogue of United States Stamps. It lists the 2¢ brown violet Columbian Exposition issue in two different plate layouts which were used for manufacturing this value.

Plates of 200 subjects were used which were cut apart after printing into two panes of 100 stamps each. Guide arrows indicated where the cuts were to be made. Each sheet shows half of the arrow.

In addition Scott lists plates of 100 subjects in two panes of 50 each for this value. In fact the plates of 100 did not have two panes and were never cut apart. These plates did not have a guide arrow in the margins for cutting because it was not needed. Full sheets of 100 coming from the 200 or the 100 subject plates can only be distinguished by the presence of or the lack of the arrow.

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Few collectors know that the first printing of the U.S. Panama-Pacific issue of 1912 2¢ value was never put on sale as planned on 1 Jan. 1913. Instead they appeared three weeks later.

The first printing of 32 – million stamps was destroyed, with a few samples kept for the record, due to a major mistake. The initial printing showed the San Pedro Miguel locks instead of the Gatun locks.

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There appears to be some misunderstanding of what can be called a double overprinted precancel on larger size stamps, such as the Jubilee or map issues. These stamps can be found with both a horizontal and a vertical precancel. In the case of the vertical overprint, the overprint often is on one or the other side of the stamp, either left or right. In addition, a second overprint (not always complete), sometimes shows up on the opposite side. For example, a map stamp may have a bar overprint on the right side vertical and also another partial bar overprint on the left side. Such precancels should not be confused with actual double overprints.

A double precancel must clearly show a second overprint near the first one. Recently, auction houses have listed double precancels on larger stamps with two separate bars as described earlier. These are not double precancels.

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Canadian bank note companies continue to have problems in obtaining the special papers for printing stamps. This is rather amazing since Canada is one of the foremost paper producers.

Paper from England has been used for some time but certain types were not very satisfactory because of the tendency to curl. Papers from two specific companies have been used, one from Harrison and one from Rolland. The Rolland paper is no longer available, however, and all stamps printed previously on this paper are now beng prined on the Harrison paper.

The 50 - cent vending booklet has now been changed over to the Harrison paper using Plate No. 2. The back cover has an 'H' instead of the R, indicating the paper change. Another feature is that often a stamp printed by one bank note company will suddenly be printed by another one. Sometimes a change from one to another company will not produce a marked difference in the appearance of the stamp. In many cases, it is possible to note the difference when the printing company is changed. Such changes are seldom listed in the Scott catalogue but specialized literature will identify such printings.

Certainly the number of changes made to recent issues equals if not surpasses the many changes to the Centennial issues. Some of these changes are documented by special announcements from Canada Post but not all changes are noted. For anyone who likes to keep his/her collection of these modern issues updated, a continuous lookout and search for such new material is required.

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While visiting a dealer recently, we noted a complete wall full of bid sheets in his store with stamps mounted on small cards and a space for anyone to enter a bid. Each card had a deadline when the card would be taken off the wall and the highest bidder would then get the lot. Cards

are left up for about two weeks. This idea apparently has attracted many to this store.

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The new Commenwealth Catalogue of Stanley Gibbons once again shows a decrease in prices of almost 60% of all stamps listed. My prediction is that this may be the last major decrease. It's interesting that some of the newer issues of GB with tagging have increased in price. □

Literature Reviews

CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN DUPLEX CANCELLATIONS, by Robert A. Lee, 1987, published by and available only from the author, PO Box 937, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M8, 21 1/2 cm by 28 cm, (standard 8 1/2 by 11 in., 152 pages, black and white illustrations, looseleaf three-ring punched $15.95 (with gold stamped three-ring binder $24.95; deluxe library bound edition $25.95).

Here's a catalogue that should set the philatelic world abuzz with research. The result of several years work by the author with the help of a who's who of Canadian cancellation collectors, this catalogue is an in-depth study of all known official and unofficial duplex hammers from 1860 to date. In all, 6,000 are listed each with a catalogue number, identification code, proof date, earliest and latest known useages, as well as time marks.

The catalogue begins with an explantion of its, by necessity, complicated identification code, which describes the type of postmark and killer of these widely-used cancellations.

Each province and territory has its own section. There are separate sections for armed forces, Berri, transportation and unofficial types.

The many varieties of postmarks and killers are accurately illustrated.

The catalogue will be a boon to collectors of this type of cancellation which is still in use in some small post offices. It's sure to spark a new round of research among collectors looking for those elusive early and late dates, unlisted time mark variations and so on. It could do for duplex cancellations what Moffat and Hansen did for squared circles through their work.

The loose-leaf format will be a godsend for duplex collectors. With annual updates planned by the author and research sure to turn up plenty of new dates and other information a catalogue that can grow over time is a necessity. And through desk-top publishing techniques, it's available at a price most can easily afford.

The author is to be congratulated for his diligent (and loving) work so far. His work should prove a springboard for much research by many collectors of Canadian postmarks. It increases the interest in Canadian philately in general.

JPH

STANLEY GIBBONS TWO REIGN CATALOGUES - AUSTRALIA AND DEPENDENCIES (2nd edition); NEW ZEALAND AND DEPENDENCIES (2nd edition); EASTERN PACIFIC (1st edition), published by Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., Parkside, Ringwood, Hants, BH24 3Sh, 14 1/2 cm by 21 cm, softbound, black and white illustrations 86, 124 and 88 pages respectively, IBSN 0-85259-174-8, 0-85259 -179-9, £4.50, £4.95 and £4.95 respectively, plus 75 p overseas surface mail, (available in Canada from Unitrade Associates, 127 Cartwright Ave., Toronto, Ont. M6A 1V4).

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1. Animals on Stamps – Part 1, by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 42 slides (F) C

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4. Birds on Stamps – Part 2, by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 44 slides (F) C

6. The De La Rue Key Types of the British Empire Stamps, by Harold Gosney, Richmond Hill, Ontario, 40 slides C

7. The Faroe Islands, by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 39 slides C

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12. The 1945 Overprints or Cork Marks of East Germany, by Alfred Heinz, Benjamin Beede and John Carnevale, 36 slides

13. Coins on Greek Stamps, by George Angelis, 26 slides

14. The Age of Discovery & Exploration, by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 46 slides

15. Canada, an Introduction to the Admiral

Issue, by H. Reiche, Ottawa, 34 slides (F) C

16. Music on Stamps, by Neils A. Miller and Ann Ovens, 101 slides (F)

17. Medical History on Stamps, by Dr. A.W. Squires, Togue, Maine, 60 slides

18. Canada, The Maple Leaf Issue 1897-98, by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 52 slides C

19. Geology on Stamps, W.H. Baur, Chevy Chase, Maryland updated by Alan Dean of Montreal

20. Preparing your collection for Exhibition & Pleasure, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 38 slides (F) C

21. Denmark – The "Wavy Lines" Typographical issues, 1905-35 by W.J. Banks, Toronto, 40 slides

22. Canada – The Duplex Concellations of the Victoria Era 1860-1902, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 46 slides

23. Norway – The Cancellations and Usages of the Skilling Issues 1855-75, by Svend Yort, Chevy Chase, Maryland, 40 slides

24. Canada – The Registration System 1827-93, by Horace W. Harrison, Pilesville, Maryland, 60 slides (F)

25. Stamp Errors, by L.N. Williams, 21 slides (F)

26. Hints for Stamp Collecting, by Stanley Phillips, 21 slides, (Black & White) (F), can be replaced by Programme #41

28. Canada – Perf & Imperf., by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 49 slides C

29. Irish Free State Overprint Issues, 1922-37, by V. Linnell, Montreal, 40 slides C

31. Holy Land Postal History, 1850-1950, by Dr. Albert Frieberg, Willowick, Ohio, 90 slides

32. Canada – The ½¢ Small Queen Issue, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 41 slides

33. Malta – The Postage Stamps tell its Story, by Harold Gosney, Richmond Hill, 50 slides (F)

34. A philatelic Horoscope, by William Vis, Barrie, 71 slides

35. Ornaments on the R.P.O. cancellations of British Columbia, by R.T. Frazer, Rossland, 75 slides

36. Heraldry on Philatelic Items, by E. Beaubien, Orleans, 49 slides

37. Canadian Pioneer Airmail Envelopes & Stamps, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa, 80 slides

38. Canadian semi-official Airmail Stamps, on and off cover, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa, 80 slides

39. Canadian Air-mail Stamps – Regular & Varieties, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa, 80 slides

40. Canadian Confederation, by Capt. G.A. MacKenzie, Astra, 50 slides

41. Stamp Collecting – Its Basics, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 47 slides
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42. Canada – Cancellations on the Admiral Issue, by H. Reiche, Ottawa, 47 slides

43. The B.N.A. Postal Markings used on Trans Atlantic Stampless Letters, by Dr. J.C. Arnell, Ottawa, 70 slides

44. Some Varieties on the Winnipeg Tagged Stamps, by K. Rose, Calgary, 40 slides (F)

45. The Henry Heckler Story, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 72 slides

46. Scouting on Stamps, by G.H.W. LeMesurier, Ottawa, 74 slides (F)

47. Famous People in Canadian History, by Capt. G.A. MacKenzie, Astra, 51 slides

48. Canada, Its Beauty on Stamps, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa, 57 slides

50. Canadian United Nations Military Postmarks, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa

51. Canadian Interrupted (Crash) Flight Envelopes, by Major R.K. Malott, Ottawa

53. Canada, Aerogrammes, by C. Stephens, Belair, Florida, 70 slides

54. Handstruck Markings of the Legislature of Canada during the Victorian Era, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 64 slides (F)

55. Canada – Metered Postage, by Prof. R.W. Irwin, Guelph, 40 slides

56. Famous Women on Stamps – Part 1, by Betty Killingbeck, Peterborough, 50 slides

57. Famous Women on Stamps – Part 2, by Betty Killingbeck, Peterborough, 50 slides

58. Prince Edward Island, by Dr. R.V. Carr, Youngstown, Ohio, 74 slides

59. The ½ c. rates of Canada, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 35 slides

60. Canada – The Large Queen Issue of 1868, by Dr. R.A. Chaplin, 78 slides

61. British Postal Markings, Part 1, London, 1660-1850, pre-stamped and stampless, by M. Millar and J. Holmes, 75 slides C

65. Canada's First Hidden Date Era, 1935-70, by R.M. Burrell, Pt. Claire, 75 slides

66. Hunting for Hidden Dates, by R.M. Burrell, Pt. Claire, 75 slides

67. The Barred Circle Cancellations of Canada & Newfoundland, by Dr. R.A. Chaplin, Toronto, 53 slides

68. What's New in Old Canada, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 40 slides, (based on his column in *The Canadian Philatelist)*

71a. Canada, The 1967 Definitive Issue, Sheet Stamps, by R.W. Prince, Barrie, 39 slides

71 b. Canada, The 1967 Definitive Issue, Coils & Booklets, by R.W. Prince, Barrie, 30 slides

72. Religious Architecture on Stamps, Part 1, by Norman Goodger, Woodstock, 34 slides C

73. Religious Architecture on Stamps, Part 2, by Norman Goodger, Woodstock, 60 slides C

74. Canada, The Admiral War Tax Stamps, by Dr. R.A. Chaplin, Toronto, 64 slides

75. Fiji, Its Stamps and Postal History, by Dr. D. walsh, Toronto, 64 slides

76. Canada, The Post Offices and Postal Routes up Yonge St., by Max Rosenthal, Toronto, 53 slides

77. Canada, Manuscript Postmarks, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 45 slides

81. Postal Stationery & the Canadian Pacific Railway, by Horace W. Harrison, Pilesville, Md., 45 slides

82. Canada-U.S.A., Cross border Markings, by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 50 slides

84. The Exploration of the Eurasian Arctic, by the Lakeshore Stamp Club, Pionte Claire, 86 slides (F), This program requires the use of two projectors and screens simultaniously

85. Canada and the Balkan Connection, by Andrew Cronin, FRPSL, Toronto, 56 slides

86. The Byways of Greek Philately, by Andrew Cronin, FRPSL, Toronto, 51 slides

87. Forgeries of the Nova Scotia Pence Issue of 1851-57, by Capt. R.B. Mitchell, 8414, Halifax, N.S., 20 slides

88. Postal History of the Suez Canal, from the Audio-Visual Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. C

89. Angels of Humanity, The Story of the Red Cross, from the Audio-Visual Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. C

90. Doctoring of Postage Stamps, from the Audio-Visual Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa

91. Japanese Occupation Issues of the Dutch East Indies, by E.F. Matthews, Oakville

92. Canadian Low Value Definitives of 1973-76, by D.H. Schweizer, Mississauga

93. The Ship Issue of German South-West Africa 1900-1915 by Low Abrams, c/o the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. C

94. South African Airmails 1925-39 by Rudi Jeidel, c/o the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. C

95. The Waghorn Story, the Overland Mail Routes, Cairo to Suez, by Rudi Jeidel, c/o the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. C

96. "The Last Laugh" (Thematic Study of Death) by Dr. F.G. Stulberg, Downsview, 62 slides

97. The Two Cent Small Queen Stamps of Canada by Ted Nixon, Toronto, 55 slides

98. The Revenue Stamps of Mexica, by Andrew Cronin, FRPSL, Toronto, 55 slides

100. Booklets of Canada 1900-23 (Part 1) by Michael Madesker, Toronto, 36 slides

104. Doctors who were First, Profl Asher Dubb, c/o the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, 52 slides C

105. Children's Stories & Fairy Tales, Audio-Visual Committee of Southern Africa. C

106. Pitcairn Islands by Dave Hunt, Philatelic Federaton of Southern Africa. C

107. The King's Head Stamps of South Africa by Stan Naylor, Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, 60 slides C

108. Malta, Postal History, Part 1, by Hymie Mervis, Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, 37 slides C

109. Bridging the Atlantic by Airmail, by A. Leslie Leon, Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, 36 slides

110. The Maori, Their Culture and Legends, by Mill Helen robertson, Winnipeg Philatelic Society, 38 slides C

111. The Christmas Stamps of Canada 1898-1981, by the Kirkland Lake Stamp Club, 31 slides, 14 minutes C

112d. The Canadian Revenue Stamps, by Joseph Shelton, Richmond Hill, Ont. 62 slides C

113. Heart & Soul, The Story of Cardiology, by Asher Dubb, The Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa, 66 slides C

114. A Century of the Telephone, A.J.C. Netherlands, 54 slides C

115. Canada's Barrel Postmarks, Dr. Robert C. Smith 13425, Ottawa, 73 slides C

116. The Spice of Life, Exchange with Australia, 73 slides, 19 minutes C

117. Coming to Terms with Stamps – Stamp

Terms Explained, Exchange with Australia, 44 slides C

118. Telegraphy Through the Ages, N.F.C. Netherlands, 61 slides, 29 minutes C

119. Bill's Quizz, W.G. Burden, Truro, N.S, A questionaire on Canadian Stamps

120. Centennial Stationery, by Douglas C. Irwin, Niagara Falls, Ontario #14752, 65 slides

121. Centennial Essays & Proofs, by Douglas C. Irwin, Niagara Falls, Ontario #14752, 40 slides

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* Indicates the program is not currently available. An announcement will be made in *The Canadian Philatelist* when it is.

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Y-B Perforations, 26 slides
Y-C Canadian Indians, Tape
Y-D Story of Printing, 49 slides and write-up
Y-E Seven wonders of the world, 23 slides and write-up
Y-F Printing of Stamps, 30 slides and write-up
Y-G Miniature sheets of Canada, 25 slides and commentary

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R.P.S.C. Chapter 163 meets 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, September to June in St. Bernadette's Hall, S-E corner of Harwood & Bayly, Ajax, from 7 to 10 p.m. All visitors welcome, especially junior collectors. Address: P.O. Box 186 Ajax, Ontario L1S 3C3.

AMICALE des PHILATELISTES de l'OUTAOUAIS

R.P.S.C. Chapter 190 meets every Thursday, September to April in the basement of the Saint Benoit Church, 170 Sherbrooke Street, Hull, Qué. Visitors welcome. For information, P.O. Box 422, Gatineau, Qué. J8P 7A1.

BARRIE DISTRICT STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter 73 meets second Wednesday of each month, except July, August and December at 7:30 p.m. at Parkview Centre - 191 Blake Street, Barrie, Ont. Table Auction at every meeting, visitors welcome! Contact: President John Robinson - 170 Anne St., North, Barrie, Ont. L4N 2B8.

BRAMALEA STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 144 meets 1st Sunday (1:30-4:00 p.m.) and 3rd Tuesday (7:30-9:30 p.m.), September to June at Terry Miller Recreation Complex, Meeting Room 2, Williams Parkway (between Dixie Rd. & Bramalea Rd.) Bramalea, Ont. All visitors welcome. Correspondence to: Bramalea Stamp Club, P.O. 2041 Bramalea, Ont. L6T 3S3.

BRANDON & DISTRICT PHILATELIC SOCIETY Brandon Stamp Club

Meets 4th Thursday of each month (except July, Aug. & Dec.) in the Activity Room of Brandon Public Library, 638 Princess Ave., Brandon, M.B. at 7:00 p.m.

BRITISH COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Meetings every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Kensington Community Centre, 37th Ave. & Dumfries St. (One block east of Knight St.), Vancouver, B.C. Visitors welcome. Mail to the Club, Box 2356, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3W5.

CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

(Chapter 66) Regular meeting: First Wednesday of month, 7:00 p.m. Auctions on third and fourth Wednesday of month, 7:30 p.m. Kerby Center, 1133 7 Ave. S.W. No meetings in July and August. Correspondence to Calgary Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 1478, Station "M", Calgary, Alta. T2P 2L6.

CANADIAN AEROPHILATELIC SOCIETY CHAPTER - #187

Holds regular meets at major philatelic exhibitions. The Chapter plans to hold meetings and seminars during CAPEX '87 in Toronto between 13-21 June and will be host to the annual congress of the Aerophilatelic Federation of the Americans (AFA). For information on the Chapter, contact the Secretary, Ken R. Johnson, 1046 Chateau Crescent, Gloucester, Ontario, K1C 2E1.

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ISRAEL PHILATELY

(C.A.F.I.P.) R.P.S.C. Chapter 76 meets every second Monday of the month (except July and August) at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst Street, Willowdale, Ontario. President: Dr. Mitchell Levine, 159 Willowdale Avenue, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 4Y7.

CREDIT VALLEY PHILATELIC SOCIETY - MISSISSAUGA -

Chapter No. 67 meets the 2nd & 4th Monday of every month (except on holidays and in July & August) at 7:30 p.m. at Forest Avenue Public School, 20 Forest Ave., in Port Credit. Visitors always welcome. Further information, contact E.A. Read, (416) 278-4716.

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Chapter No. 138 meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays (except June/August) 8 p.m. at the South Delta Library, 1321A - 56th Street, Delta, B.C. Visitors always welcome. Further information: Bill Heather, (604) 943-5303.

EAST TORONTO STAMP CLUB

Stan Wadlow Clubhouse, Cedarvale Ave., first east of Woodbine, at Cosburn, north of arena. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month (except in July & August). Sec'y: Raymond Reakes, 188 Woodmount Ave., Toronto, Ont. M4C 3Z4. Visitors always welcome.

EDMONTON STAMP CLUB

Touring stampers welcome. Meetings on alternate Mondays in the cafeteria of St. Joseph Composite High School. Address all mail c/o the club. P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2J6.

ESSEX COUNTY STAMP CLUB (WINDSOR)

RPSC Chapter 154 meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month (except July, August and December) at Roseland Golf and Curling Club, 455 Kennedy Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. All collectors and visitors are welcome, whatever your interests. Information from: The Secretary, Essex County Stamp Club, P.O. Box 1503, Station A, Windsor, Ontario N9A 6R5

ETOBICOKE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

RPSC Chapter 78 will meet for the 1987-1988 season as follows: Wednesday, Sept. 9 – then Wednesday, Oct. 7, Wednesday, Nov. 4/87 at Fairfield Senoir Citizens Centre, 80 Lothian Ave., Etobicoke, Ont. The Wednesday, Dec. 9/87 meeting will be at Montgomery Inn, Etobicoke. Then the first Wednesday of Jan; Feb; Mar; Apr; May; Jun; – 1988, at Fairfield Senoirs Centre. All the meetings start at 7:30 p.m. VISITORS ARE WELCOME. Information from Pres. C.E. Allen, 5 Aintree Court, Toronto, Ont. M8W 2E1, telephone 251-3425.

FENELON STAMP CLUB

Fenelon Stamp Club R.P.S.C. Chapter 176 meets the 2nd Monday of each month in the Fenelon Falls Public Library at 7:30 p.m. President Ron Thoburn, P.O. Box 646, Fenelon Falls, Ont. K0M 1N0. Visitors welcome.

HAMILTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Welcome all visitors to our membership meetings held twice monthly on the second and fourth Mondays of each month except June, July and August when the Society meetings on the second Monday only. We meet at the Hamilton Fire Fighters Club, 501 Concession Street (off Upper Wentworth) in Hamilton at 6:30 p.m. (Entrance and parking at rear of building). A bourse of up to 14 dealers attend every meeting with the Society's Sales Circuit and Library. Admission - Visitors - 75¢.

KAWARTHA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Chapter 58, R.P.S.C. Meetings 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of months September through June (exclude 4th Tuesday in December and June) 7:30 p.m. Meeting place St. Johns' School, corner of Braidwood and Jane St., Peterborough, Ont. Contact Lloyd Mosher, Pres. Mailing address of Club: Box 2222, Peterborough, Ont. K9J 7Y4.

KELOWNA & DISTRICT STAMP CLUB

Chapter 90 meets monthly, 1st Wednesday, Sept. to June, from 7 - 10 p.m. in the Kelowna Secondary School Cafeteria, 575 Harvey Ave. Business meeting 8 p.m. followed by an auction - visitors always welcome. Address: Box 1185, Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 7P8.

KENT COUNTY STAMP CLUB

Chapter No. 7 Regular meetings the fourth Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December) in the cafeteria of John McGregor Secondary School, 300 Cecile at 7:30 p.m. Visitors always welcome. Secretary Jake Mieras, 38 Lincoln Road, Chatham, Ontario N7M 4Y7.

KINGSTON STAMP CLUB

RPSC Chapter 49 meets the second & fourth Monday, Sept. to May, at 6 p.m. for juniors and 7 p.m. for all members, at the Hall of St. George Cathedral, Johnson and Wellington Sts., Kingston, Ont. Correspondence to: Kingston Stamp Club, c/o Ronald Tritton, P.O. Box 1202, Kingston, Ont. K7L 4Y8.

LAKEHEAD STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 33, meets second Wednesday and last Friday monthly from September to June in the Emergency Measures Building. Visitors are welcome. Edith Dombrowsky, secretary, Lakehead Stamp Club, 174 Elron Crescent, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7C 5T5.

CHAPTER MEETINGS

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB

Meets at St. John's Church, 98 Aurora, Pointe Claire, Quebec. Meeting nights 2nd and 4th Thursdays, September till June, at 7:30 p.m. President Ray Ireson. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1, Pointe Claire, Dorval, P.Q. H9R 4NS.

MEDICINE HAT COIN AND STAMP CLUB

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NORTH TORONTO STAMP CLUB

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