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### EDITOR'S NOTES by Jim Ha

**ROYAL 88** 

Just a few weeks from now, Royal 88 opens in Winnipeg, Manitoba, a highlight of the year for R.P.S.C. members and organized philately in Canada. The June 16 - 18 gathering will be the 60th annual convention of your Society. It includes a super bourse where you may find those elusive items for your collection, a round of informative seminars to expand your philatelic knowledge, and special social events to renew acquaintances and form new friendships.

Hosted by the Winnipeg Philatelic Society, Royal 88 also includes a National-level exhibition. For those new to the hobby, exhibiting and showing well at the national level is a prerequisite to entering the big F.I.P. - sanctioned international shows such as CAPEX \*87 in Toronto last year. For collectors, a look at the exhibits is an excellent way to learn about how to put a collection together for show and to advance your own knowledge of the area(s) you collect.

Royal 88 will also be the site of the annual general meeting of the R.P.S.C., complete with the election of directors. This year's meeting is vitally important as the Society's board of directors has proposed bylaw amendments that, if approved, will modify the way in which directors are elected in the future. Under the proposed change, a nominating committee will suggest a full slate of directors, representing all parts of Canada. Directors will serve two-year terms but half the board membership will be elected annually. Biographies of those standing for election will be published in advance in *The Canadian Philatelist*. As well nominations may be made from the floor.

It's an important change in the way directors are selected by members and, if you are unable to attend this year's annual meeting, you are urged to complete and mail the proxy form which was published in the March-April edition of CP.

As a relative newcomer to the West of Canada, I can attest to the warmth and friendliness of Westerners which is sure to be apparent at Royal 88. Headquartered at Westin

Hotel in the heart of downtown Winnipeg, the host society promises hospitality par excellence. For early arrivers, there'll be a pre-convention hospitality suite, 2 - 11 p.m. on the Wednesday. And the whole show wraps up with the awards ceremonies and banquet on the 18th. FOR JUNIORS

For youth collectors, the R.P.S.C. has just made a major change. To conform with F.I.P. international regulations, the maximum age for junior collectors has been raised to 21 years from 18 for the junior category in national shows under the patronage of the R.P.S.C.

Here, in part, are F.I.P. regulations affecting juniors:

Rule 4 - Each exhibit shall be allocated the following number of frames in conformity with its assignment to the respective age class:

Class	Age	Min.	Max.
A	14 and 15 years old	24-32 pages	60-64 pages
В	16 and 17 years old	24-32 pages	60-64 pages
C	18 and 19 years old	32-36 pages	72-80 pages
D	20 and 21 years old	48 pages	72-80 pages

The age of an entrant is that attained on Jan.

1 of the year in which the exhibition takes place.

The maximum and minumum number of pages is not mandatory for national-level exhibitions held in Canada but should be considered as a guideline for young exhibitors.

Those aged 18 - 21 years who exhibit in a national show in Canada can choose to show either as a junior or in the regular competitive class.

### JUNIOR COLUMN

Shortly, *The Canadian Philatelist* will begin publishing a regular column aimed at junior collectors. As in any hobby, attracting and maintaining 'a new wave' of enthusiasts to stamp collecting is vital to the future of philately in Canada. It is hoped the youth column will be of special interest to young collectors and help provide information for older collectors interested in introducing the hobby to young people.

#### RECORD SALES

Margaret Allen, the R.P.S.C. sales manager, reports another record sales year for ROYAL circuits. In 1987, sales totalled \$165,023.40, a four per cent increase over 1986. Congratulations. If members are interested in becoming part of a direct or multiple circuit, they should write Mrs. Allen, stating their collecting interests, at: PO Box 727

Fenelon Falls, Ont. K0M 1N0 (Telephone 705-887-5386)

Chapters, too, can receive regular circuits, usually a feature of many a club meeting, by contacting Mrs. Allen.

If you have duplicates you want to sell (usually to finance the purchase of even more stamps, covers and philatelic paraphenalia), write Mrs. Allen for sales books (at 50 cents each). The commission to the Society of 15 per cent of sales and one per cent of book value for insurance.

#### CHAPTER REBATES

A reminder to all chapters that selling Royal memberships is an easy way to gain a little cash for club coffers. For each new member sponsored by a chapter, the chapter receives a \$5 rebate. Individual memberships are just \$18 plus a one-time \$5 admission fee for new members. Membership includes an annual subscription to *The Canadian Philatelist*, free of charge.

### APPRAISALS, ANYONE?

The R.P.S.C. frequently receives requests for names of appraisers for estate or insurance purposes, mainly from lawyers on the behalf of their clients.

Usually, the Society responds by sending names of stamp dealers and professional auctioneers who reside in the area of the enquirer and would provide a valuation for a price.

Just as sure as there are vast differences between catalogue value and the likely price a particular item is likely to fetch either at auction or if sold to a dealer or another collector, there is a vast range of philatelic knowledge among dealers and auctioneers.

There are some dealers and auctioneers in whom we have developed a great deal of trust and respect for their knowledge and fairness; there are others who probably wouldn't even know where to begin to look if a valuation was required on one of our postal history items.

This brings up a question, given the widespread popularity of our hobby. Should there be some sort of association for those who could serve as appraisers or valuators of stamp collections? (We imagine collectors of coins and other items are in the same boat).

There is a national association of appraisers - for those concerned normally with more mundane things such as real estate. Could or should such a group become involved with a national network of those who have the expertise to fair-



The first in a new stamp series of Canadian art masterpieces will be issued by Canada Post on May 20. Le Petit Liseur (The Young Reader) by Quebec artist Ozias Leduc will be issued in a 50-cent value. The large format (40 mm by 48 mm) stamp was designed by Pierre-Yves Pelletier, a Montreal graphic artist, and will be printed by British American Note Inc. by steel engraving in combination with photogravure. A total of 10.5 million stamps will be issued. A stamp launch will be held in Ottawa the day before the May 21 opening of the new National Gallery building where the original of Le Petit Liseur will hang.

ly judge the value of a particular stamp collection?

Or could the R.P.S.C. maintain a list of knowledgeable collectors, dealers and auctioneers who could serve as appraisers if called upon?

Comments would be appreciated, especially from any collectors who are involved with professional appraisal industry.

### INSTRUCTIONS, TOO

The foregoing raises another point. If you were to die today, would those who survive you know what to do with that stamp collection you've accumulated over the years?

If your stamp collection were to be sold, would your lawyer, spouse, or heirs know where to go to ensure they'd get the maximum value?

If such things haven't been discussed in drawing up your estate plans or with those who would be left with responsibility of disposing

of your collection which is, after all, an asset of your estate, it is a good idea to include with your collection a list of dealers, stamp auction houses, collecting friends or others you would recommend to do such a task.

Brief notes on such things as a fair market value of the collection (comparing yours with similar auction lots is one method of coming up with a 'market' value), pointers to items which are particularly valuable, and the like would make disposal easier, especially for those who have little or no philatelic knowledge.

### CO-OPERATION

PRAGA '88, the F.I.P. world exhibition in Prague, Czechoslovakia, Aug. 26 - Sept. 4, will be an international show with a difference.

Late last year, FINLANDIA 88 and PRAGA 88 officials signed an agreement which should lead to a new era of co-operation for international stamp shows in Eastern Bloc nations.

Under terms of the agreement, PRAGA has agreed that for the first time, exhibition-goers in Czechoslovakia will be able to buy western stamps, paying in local currency.

That should open up new areas of collecting and philatelic exchanges for collectors on both sides of the 'Iron Curtain'.

### MOST POPULAR STAMP

The Winnipeg Philatelic Society is conducting its 12th annual Canada stamp popularity contest and has asked our co-operation in getting R.P.S.C. members to join in rating Canadian definitive and commemorative issues of 1987.

If you are interested in participating, drop the editor of the Winnipeg Philatelic Society's excellent publication, The Buffalo, a note. The address is The Buffalo, Winnipeg Philatelic Society, Box 1425, Winnipeg, Man. R3C 2Z1. Please do it quickly as the deadline for the poll is May 31.

### THANK YOU, BRIAN RUSSELL

The centrespread of this issue contains the index of Volume 38, numbers 1-6, the 1987 issues of The Canadian Philatelist. The index again this year has been prepared by Brian Russell, a longtime R.P.S.C. member. Thanks once again, Brian. Your work is very much appreciated.

A quick count reveals that in 1987, your CP contained 52 full length articles along with dozens and dozens more briefer notes contained in regular features such as Postmarked Ottawa. The President's Page and Editor's Notes.

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#### SCOTT ON COMPUTER

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The new catalogues, due in 1989, will be 8¼" by 10%", just about the size of the standard 8½ by 11 sheet of paper. By comparison, current Scott catalogues are 7½" by 9¼". The plethora of new stamp issues by some countries may be behind the enlarged size of the new catalogues. After all, if a publisher can get a few more listings and illustrations per page, it substantially reduces the total number of pages required for the voluminous catalogues, keeping down costs to buyers without necessarily making the type smaller.

#### CAVEAT EMPTOR

When a Toronto collector saw a British auction catalogue with a rare 12½ perf large queen stamp, one with a RPSL certificate, he jumped at the chance to bid on it. And he was overjoyed that his bid was successful, even though the stamp was in less than perfect condition.

His joy, however, soon soured and it started two years of frustrations and much correspondence across the ocean in unsuccessful attempts to receive some of his money back.

After the collector received the stamp (and paid for it), he washed it in an attempt to clean it up a bit, a not uncommon practice among collectors. In doing so, he accidently thinned it. No problem to the collector who was still happy with his purchase though he noted the thin with a pencil notation on the expertization certificate.

Later, when comparing the stamp with the more common varieties of large queens, he noticed an unsettling similarity in color and perforations. A quick measure with a perf guage confirmed the worst; it was indeed the common perf, worth just a fraction of the rare variety he thought he had purchased.

Noting the auction house's guarantee, he wrote the firm, proposing a refund settlement in view of the thin and informing the firm that he had noted the thin on the certificate. He was taken much aback when the auction house threatened him with blacklising, legal action and

all sorts of other nasty things for attempting to alter the appearance of the stamp and for changing the certificate. No resolution of the refund request was ever reached; the auction house shortly thereafter went out of business, apparently after numerous complaints from disgruntled customers.

The collector then tried for some sort of satisfaction from the British stamp dealers association. No luck there – the association apparently is powerless to intervene when the dealer or auction house is no longer a member.

The expert committee of the RPSL, too, couldn't help, though it did issue a new certificate for the stamp, noting it was of the common perf variety and that it had a thin in addition to previously listed faults.

To this day, the collector remains without the rare stamp he thought he had purchased and out of pocket a considerable sum of money.

In it, there may be a lesson for all collectors. First, expert certificates are opinions of experts and they can sometimes err. They are not absolute guarantees of the authenticity of a stamp. When you purchase a rare or valuable stamp, always check it immediately to be sure you're getting what you pay for. Most reputable stamp firms will stand behind their sales - indeed most auction catalogues spell out the procedures to be taken if you suspect what you purchased is not what you think you were buying. For rare and expensive items, it is usually worth the small investment of second and third opinions on the authenticity of an item before making the sale final. If you can view a stamp or other item before a sale, do so and try to get an expert on it to view it with you.

Stamp collectors and stamp dealers are among the most trusting and trustworthy people in the world. No reputable firm would ever knowingly mislead its customers – word of mouth from an outraged client can kill a business and dealer groups such as the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association act quickly to root out any unscrupulous members.

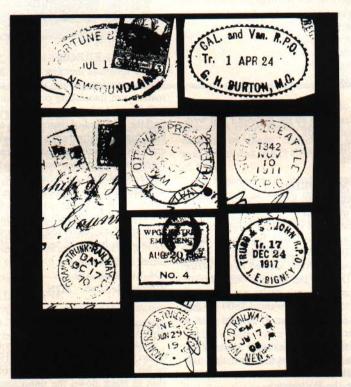
But, despite certificates, experts, dealer associations and all the other safeguards in the business side of collecting, errors can happen. Like any other business involving buying and selling, it is ultimately up to the purchaser to take precautions to ensure himself/herself that what is being offered for sale is genuine in all respects.



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### Letters to the Editor

### LET'S SEE STREET CARS

Subject — a street car stamp to commemorate the old street cars of Canada.

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The mayor of Vancouver thinks such a stamp is a good idea as do all the mayors I had written to across Canada.

Robert N. Brown Rexdale, Ont.

### SEAWAY MEMORIES

The Seaway stamp story certainly brought back some memories.

I feel some others should be accounted for. There was a find in Smith Falls and one in Eastview, Ont., now called Vanier. A cover with one from Eastview arrived in our office at National Defence one day and our Sergeant showed the cover to me. It was not addressed to my Directorate but he wanted \$800 for this one, which, at the time, I thought was a ridiculous price.

My inquiries at the Eastview Post Office resulted in a response that the remaining part sheet, not yet sold over the counter, was gone, according to the Postmaster.

In addition, one other complete sheet was found in Ottawa, the post office not identified, which later on landed up with a woman here. Two dealers were after it at once but both did not buy it as this sheet was very badly centered and both felt that the price asked for it was much too high for that condition.

The above would indicate that an additional three sheets must have been around.

Hans Reiche Ottawa, Ont.



### PRINTING ERROR

As a longtime member of R.P.S.C. I would like to commend all the staff for a most informative and interesting publication.

Talking of interesting items maybe you might find the enclosed of interest. It is a copy of the 8/87 historic shipwrecks series with a distinct error. It seems that a piece of errant paper has found its way between the press and stamp leaving a blank bar of 2-mm wide. I am now wondering if this is one of a kind or if other collectors have come across similar items.

Please feel free to publish this photostat if you wish and if any collectors have a similar item, I would be happy to hear from them.

Derek E. Kotchie 104 Avondale Ave. Willowdale, Ont. M2N 2V2

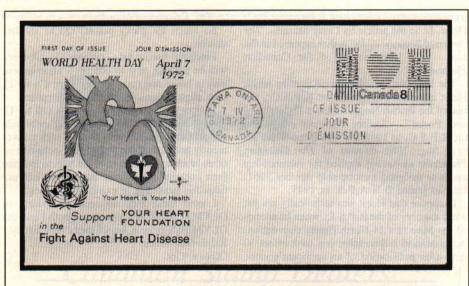
### SOUTHHAMPTON FIND

I read with interest the article by Larry McInnis on the "Inverted Seaway" of 1959. He ended his article by saying that no one has been able to track down the unaccounted for 125 Seaway Invert stamps.

A sheet of 50 was sold to customers in the Southhampton (Ontario) post office. Mr. James Clancy (postmaster, retired) confirms this and Mr. Victor Allen (collector of stamps) arranged for the sale of some of these to Mr. Bileski of Winnipeg in 1959.

I hope the above is of help in the continuing saga of the Seaway Invert.

Dan Mercer Southhampton, Ont.



### 'HEART' COVERS

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John C. McCreaExecutive Director Canadian Heart Foundation

#### SMITH FALLS PANE

I find Larry McInnis' article in the January-February Philatelist on the Inverted Seaway very interesting. As the author himself implies, there are still gaps to be filled in this story. For one, he makes no mention of the Smiths Falls pane.

Shortly after the issue of the stamp a Smiths Falls lady made a small purchase at the Post Office—I won't quote the exact number but it was between 10 and 20—of the Seaway Stamps. After she had used most of this lot in the mail the invert error was noticed. I believe two of the remaining stamps were sold to an Ottawa dealer, but in any case I was shown the remaining single of the lot and made an offer to buy it. However, the owner decided to hang on to it for a while. Two or three years later I was given to understand that a New York dealer

came to Smiths Falls and persuaded the owner to sell.

In an auction in the past two or three years I believe there was a commercial cover carrying a Smiths Falls cancellation so this was no doubt another stamp from that same pane.

There was a rumor about the same time as the other discoveries that a pane had turned up at a Post Office in one of the small centres on Lake Huron, either Goderich or somewhere in that area. I was never able to confirm this, but the Smiths Falls one is definite.

George Wegg Toronto, Ont.

### PICKY POINTS AND FREEZER BAGS

As historian of the R.P.S.C., and therefore wishing to see that our society is mentioned when it should be mentioned, I'd like to com-

ment on a statement attributed to Herman "Pat" Herst, Jr. in the article by Larry McInnis, *The 'Inverted Seaway' of 1959*, that appeared in the Jan. - Feb. 1988 number of *The Canadian Philatelist*.

The 1961 North Hatley annual meeting which Herst attended was that of the R.P.S.C., not that of the British North America Philatelic—not "Postal" — Society. Herst did indeed join the R.P.S.C. in 1961. He was listed in the July - Aug. 1961 number of *The Canadian Philatelist* as having applied for membership and was assigned membership number 7661. He had joined B.N.A.P.S. in 1945.

I suppose that Herst was technically not yet a full member of the R.P.S.C. when he attended the May 11 - 14 North Hately convention. Admission to full membership took effect 30 days after publication of an applicant's name in The Canadian Philatelist.

So much for picky points. On to another matter.

I recently discovered — perhaps the discovery will be nothing new to others — an excellent way to house and transport standard 8½ by 11 inch album pages for exhibiting purposes.

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I used these bags to send an exhibit to OLYMPEX '88 in Calgary and both I and the OLYMPEX people found them very handy. Ralph Mitchener

Ottawa, Ont.

### Ontario Post Office Closings, 1985 - 1987

Canada Post Corporation has announced that the following Post Offices have been closed in Ontario during 1985, 1986 and 1987. No post offices were closed in Ontario during 1984.

Post Office	Organization Number	Grade	Population	Month Closed	County/District	Township
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Cambray	310719	3	214	May 86	Victoria	Fenelon
Chippawa Hill	392804	1	250	Sept. 86	Bruce	Amabel
Columbus	331163	2	194	May 86	Ontario	East Whitby
Creighton Mines	450669	4		July 86	Sudbury Dist.	Snider/Creighton
Enniskillen	331651	4	139	June 86	Durham	Darlington
Hilliardton	451517	1		April 86	Timiskaming Dist.	Hilliard
Lakeside	392634	2	122	June 86	Oxford	East Nissouri
Palermo	334553	2		June 86	Halton	Trafalgar
Port Alma	394181	2	121	April 86	Kent	Romney
Rama Road	336939	2		June 86	Ontario	Rama
Ramsey	452629	2		Aug. 86	Algoma Dist.	
Ridgeview	451029	6		July 86	Sudbury Dist.	
Sam Lake	453633	3		Aug. 86	Kenora Dist.	Drayton
Sheskeguaning	454680	1		Sept. 86	Manitoulin Dist.	Manitoulin Is.
Snow Road	314773	2	36	July 86	Frontenac	Palmerston
Whitevale	336378	3		June 86	Ontario	Pickering
Dobie	450758	1		Mar. 87	Timiskaming Dist.	Gauthier
Lake Traverse	315664	1		May 87	Nipissing Dist.	White
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#### 1988

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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 — Canadian Stamp Dealer's Association first annual exhibition and bourse at the Shereton Centre, Toronto Ont. Featuring TOPEX, the annual exhibition and convention of the American Topical Association hosted by Stampex Canada. Information on TOPEX: A.J. Hanks. 34 Seaton Dr., Aurora, Ont. L4G 2K1. Bourse: Philatelic Exhibition Consultants Inc., 157 Clifton Ave., Downsview, Ont. M3H 4L6.

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. 6 — FENPEX IV, the annual exhibition and bourse of the Fenelon Stamp Club at the Senior Citizens Hall, 105 Lindsay St., Fenelon Falls, Ont. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information: Ron Thorburn, Fenelon Falls, Ont. K0M 1N0.

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. 8-10 — BNAPEX '88, annual exhibition, bourse and convention of the British North America Philatelic Society at the Virginia Beach Resort and Conference Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia. Host group is the Mid-Atlantic regional group of BNAPS. For accommodations, contact Marva Paige, 1145 Shillelagh Road, Chesapeake, Virginia 23323.

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

NOV. 25-26 — UKRAINPEX-88 FALL, a stamp exhibition being held in conjuction with the celebrations of the Millenium of Christianity in Ukraine, at the Convention Centre of the Harbour Castle Hotel, Toronto, Ont. Hours: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Nov. 25 and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Nov. 26. Information: Dr. R. Zelonka (Chairman, Exhibiting Committee), 1274 Monks Passage, Oakville, Ont. L6M 1R4.

#### 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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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.

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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.

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#### 1990

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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 Stamp Exhibition under F.I.P. patronage in Aukland, N.Z. For information, contact the Canadian Commissioner: W.L. (Bill) Percy, 8 Hyland Ave., Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3A2.

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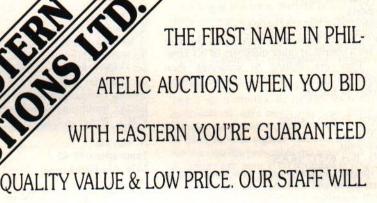
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### PRESIDENT'S PAGE

by James E. Kraemer



Historic Winnipeg is the site of Royal '88. This print shows the city as it was in 1880.

ROYAL 88 in Winnipeg is just around the corner and ROYAL 89 in Hamilton is only a year away. We hope to see you at both shows.

At this time I would like to comment on some of the philatelic journals from other countries. Most of them are quite different from those printed in Canada and the U.S.A. The first noticeable difference is in the use of colour. Approximately 90 per cent of the stamps illustrated in the European periodicals are in colour. The effect is spectacular. The second chief difference is in the content. Three quarters of the articles in the European philatelic journals are of a thematic or topical nature.

High-speed printing presses that print many colours at one time using electronic scanning equipment that is computer-controlled enable the printer to run volume quantities at very little more cost than if printed in black and white. The key to practibility is volume. Although *The Canadian Philatelist* is mailed to more collectors than any other Canadian philatelic society's journal, we fall short in volume. While we print 6,000 to 7,000 copies an issue, the European journals run 35,000 to 50,000 per issue. We would very much like to produce *The Canadian Philatelist* in colour but it does not appear possible at this time. We will continue to monitor the latest technology and costs in the hope that eventually we will be able to print at least part of CP in colour.

There is no secret that there is a drift by European philatelists from what is referred to as traditional philately to thematic collecting.

It is possible that this is the result of the proliferation of postage stamp issues. The collector today cannot keep up with the many new issues that are constantly being released. Besides it would cost a small fortune to collect one of each stamp issued in a year. Sensing the shift to topical collecting, more and more countries produce stamps that are topical or of a thematic nature. As we analyse the trend to thematic collecting there are other factors that probably tend to popularize this type of collecting. More and more women and young people are becoming interested in our hobby. Many of these newer collectors are thematic collectors. Also we have to take into consideration the fact that the hundreds of thousands of collectors living in non-Western countries are unable to afford the cost of hard-currency new issues and therefore collect thematic subjects.

In future issues of *The Canadian Philatelist* we will be devoting part of the content to thematics. I am certain members will find these articles very interesting. If you do, let us know. Your directors and officers are very dedicated to giving our members the content that they enjoy most.

Speaking of content, *The Canadian Philatelist* will soon have a column that will be devoted to Juniors. Our junior collectors (those under 21) have been successfully participating in National and International exhibitions for several years. As you know Canada hosted an International Philatelic Youth Exhibition, "Canada 82" held in Toronto May 20 - 24, 1982. We have been asked to host another World Exhibition for juniors and expect to make an announcement in a few weeks. News concerning our column for juniors will be announced in *the Canadian Philatelist* as soon as details have been finalized.

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In my President's Page column in the September - October issue, I made an error in my listing of the awards won by a fellow Canadian collectors' society.

Based on the preliminary list of awards for CAPEX '87, I mentioned that the Postal History Society of Canada (R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 134), received a Silver with Felicitations for its CAPEX—15th Anniversary edition.

In fact, as the final Palmeres shows, the P.H.S.C. received two awards for its publications—a Large Silver with Felicitations for its CAPEX—15th Anniversary edition and a Silver for its four regular editions.

My apologies for this to the P.H.S.C. and its members.

By the way, the P.H.S.C. still has copies of the 15th anniversary edition. They are available, at \$15 postpaid, from the Secretary, H.F. Narbonne, 216 Mailey Drive, Carleton Place, Ont. K7C 3X9.

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### The Dominion Philatelist: Notes From Before 1900

by Allan Steinhart

H.F. Ketcheson of Belleville, Ont. published *The Dominion Philatelist*. In Vol. 1, No. 1 of January 1889, he offered the following for sale:

1851 3d - 15¢ 1¢ - 2¢ 1859 5c - 2c 10¢ - 5¢ 121/2¢ - 12¢ 1859 set of four - 18¢ 1868 3¢ hard paper - \$1.00 1/2 - 2¢ 1868 1¢ - yellow - 3¢ 1¢ - red brown - 5¢ 2¢ - 2¢ 6¢ - 2¢ 121/2¢ - 8¢ 15¢ - 8¢

1868 set of eight varieties - 28¢ 1877 Reg. 2¢, 5¢ and 8¢ set - 30¢

In a column by 'Young Canada', it was noted: "Canada is soon to have two new stamps, viz. 12½ ct. and 15 cts." There was substantial article by William B. Hale, later editor for *The Eastern Philatelist*, on detecting counterfeits of British Columbia stamps.

In a column, Ketcheson commented on the 1868 Large Queen watermarked stamps, noting: "I am the one that called the attention of the collecting world to the fact that they existed."

He noted *The Philatelist*, (an English publication), for February 1870 had an article on the stamps of B.N.A. by W. Dudey Attel which said "issue for Confederation April 1868, threecent vermillion, carmine, brownish red. Note—There is also in the last series of adhesives a three-cent printed on paper watermarked with the maker's name..."

In the same issue, H.L. Hart of Halifax advertised some stamps for sale:

N.S. - 3d - 40¢

1¢ and 2¢ used - 8¢ each

Nfld.- 10c, 12c, 13c and 24c unused -\$1.00 6c and 13c used - 23c

3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 6½d, 8d and 1s unused - \$1.00

Canada - 2¢ REG. Carmine - 5¢ 2¢ REG. Brown error genuine -\$1.00

In Vol. 1, No. 9 of the same publication, dated September 1889, a dealer on St. Pierre and Miquelon, A.M. Brehierm advertised the following for sale:

- French Colonies general issue 13 set of 1881-2 mint - \$1.00

St. P. & M., 8 stamps surcharing S.P.M. used - 5 on 4, 5 on 40, 10 on 40, 15 on 40, 5 on 20, 5 on 35, 5 on 75, 5 on 1 F.
\$2.00

It was noted that Henry Hechler was president of the Canadian Philatelic Association; Donald King of Halifax was secretary and H.L. Hart of Halifax was treasurer. Dealer E.Y. Parker of Toronto was librarian and H.F. Ketcheson was purchasing agent. W.H. Brouse of the Bank of Toronto at Toronto was an applicant for membership. He was one of the founders of the Toronto Stamp Collectors Club.

The issue of July 1889, Vol. 1, No. 7, included a longish article by Donald A. King of Halifax on the 12 penny black, its reason for issue, and some extracts from Postmaster General reports about quantities issued etc.

In the October 1889 issue, Vol. 1, No. 10, Ketcheson advertised as follows:

Canada - 3d wove pair, 30¢

3d strip of 3 - wove, 50c

3d strip of 4 - wove, \$1.00

3d laid paper, 90¢

3d laid strip of three, \$1.50

6d laid paper, \$2.00

T.S. Clark of Belleville advertised covers for sale with heading, "Don't you want original envelopes?" He listed some items as follows:

Canada - 6d and 3d on cover, \$2.25

6d only on cover, \$2.00

6d pair on cover, \$5.00

3d cover, 15¢

3d pair on cover, 30¢

3d strip of 3 on cover, 50¢

3d strip of 4 on cover, \$1.00

In the November 1889 edition of *The Dominion Philatelist*, Ketcheson had an advertisement selling British Columbia stamps "unused, original gum and in the finest possible condition, as follows:

1865 10¢ blue - \$1.00

1868 2¢ brown - 30¢

1866 3d blue - 25¢

1868 50¢ violet - \$2.00

1868 5¢ bright red - 75¢

1868 10¢ rose pink - \$6.50

1868 25c orange - \$1.00

1868 \$1 green - \$6.00

In the December 1889 edition of *The Dominion Philatelist*, King continued his article on the 12 penny and noted "at least one specimen is known on thick wove as in The Philatelic Records for July 1888, in the proceedings of the Philatelic Society of London, Mr. Ransom showed an undoubted post-marked specimen of the 12 pence on strout wove paper".

The article reiterated the total number of pence stamps issued at:

1/2d - 3,389,960

3d - 3,528,700

6d - 402,900

7½d - 82,110

10d - 151,500

12d - 1,510

These figures included perforated copies.

In the February 1890 edition, it was noted the Canada 15-cent Large Queen had again changed colour and now appeared in bright violet. It was also noted that Donald King had decided to sell his collection which included a "fine line of the bisected N.S. stamp; P.E. Island 2d rouletted, the first of these stamps ever offered for sale (of this stamp, only three copies

are known), 2s Nova Scotia, and a choice lot of N.S. on covers". The sale was to take place in New York in March, conducted by J.J. Casey.

The Dominion Stamp Company of Peterborough, Ont. was offering a 3d imperforate Canada for every U.S. 90-cent stamp sent in. C.F. Rathfuchs of Washington, D.C. was advertising to purchase Nfld. 6d and 2s, N.B. 1s, N.S. 1s, B.C. 5 cent imperfs and Canada 12d, 10d, 7½d imperf, ½d, 3d, and 6d perf, 2 cent 1864 issue and 5 cent Large Queens. It gives an idea of what was scarce and desirable at this time.

In the March 1890 *Dominion Philatelist*, H.L. Hart of Halifax advertised to sell 1p, 3p and 6p Nova Scotia stamps at \$1.25, 50 cents and \$2.00 with a fee of "25 per cent extra for any of the above on the original enevelopes".

In the same issue was a lengthy article on "stamps of Nova Scotia translated from the French of Le Timbre Poste". The article noted a copy of a N.S. circular from the Postmaster-General.

"As postage stamps have been received from England, notice is is herby given that the 3 pence, 6 pence and one shilling can be bought at this office, Monday, September 1, next". The circular went on to note to make sure the stamps were firmly attached. It was signed by Woodgate and dated General P.O., Halifax, Aug. 25, 1851.

In the same article is was noted that in the Postmaster-General's report of 1860, "Postage stamps of the new design and adapted to the decimal system were with the consent of the Governor-In-Council obtained from the American Bank Note Company and put into circulation October 1, last (1860)".

A supply of 19,000 sheets or 1,900,000 stamps, equal in value to \$132,000 was obtained from the above-mentioned firm on payment for their manufacture and accessories of \$901.88. There was also a note about the two-cent county rate, the P.M.G. wrote in a subsequent report, "To enable to execute that part of the Act (County Postage Act) passed at the last session, which reduces the letter rate to two cents for letters deposited in a post office for the same county, it became necessary to procure for the public a stamp for the prepayment of this class of letters, and an order was given to the American Bank Note Company, of New York, for a supply, and 5,000 sheets were for-

warded to this department at the price of \$226.00, including the engraving. The reduction of the rate commenced on May 11 last (1863)...."

In this same issue, Ketcheson advertised his first auction sale to take place on April 23, 1890. Some of the lots were quite interesting, such as:

Lot 3 - ½ penny Canada imperf in original envelope

Lot 4 - Canada, strip of three ½d imperf and three ½d perforated used on envelope to pay 3d rate, one ½d perf has come off

Lot 5 - Canada 6d laid paper on envelope

Lot 7 - N.S. half of 6d used on envelope to pay 3d rate

Lot 8 - N.S. one shilling fine

Lot 11 - Canada 3d 1851 laid paper issue block of six unused, original gum

In the April 1890 edition of *The Dominion Philatelist*, it was reported that a "6 pence Canada perforated of 1858 brought \$11.00 at auction recently". It was also reported that T.S. Clark of Belleville "has a genuine 12 pence Canada in his collection".

In the July 1890 edition, there was a report of a few auction prices in London sales during the previous year. They included:

British Columbia, 5 cent imperf - £6

Canada 12 p - £20

Canada perf 6d laid paper (?) - £6/15/0 New Brunswick 1s unused - £6/5/0

Ketcheson reported that T.S. Clark showed him a one-cent yellow small queen on close ribbed paper. H.L. Hart was now advertising New Brunswick sets of one cent to 17 cents unused at 75 cents and the N.B. 3d at 80 cents used or \$1.00 on cover. Also the N.S. 1s.

Ketcheson had another auction scheduled to take place in Montreal on Aug. 13, 1890. Among the items featured were:

Lot 7 - 1851 Canada 6d wove paper, light cancel, wide margins on envelope

Lot 17 - B.C. 1868 10¢ rose pink unused pair, perf 12

Lot 19 - B.C. 1868 50¢ violet pair unused

Lot 21 - B.C. 1868 \$1 green pair unused

Lot 23 - B.C. 1868 2¢ brown unused pair

Lot 25 - N.S. 1s used on greenish paper Lot 27 - N.S. 3d pair, dark blue, on cover

Lot 30 - N.S. prov. 7½d - two and one half 3d on cover to G.B.

Lot 58 - Can. - 6d wove pair on cover

Lot 61 - Can. 3d block of four, one slightly damaged, unused

Lot 63 - Can. 3d ribbed close, strip of three

Lot 69 - Can. 1¢ 1870 small queen on close ribbed paper, pair, first ever offered for sale

Lot 127 - N.S. 81/2¢ green on original cover

Lot 129 - N.S. prov, 7½d to G.B. - 6d and one-half of 3d on original cover

Lot 153 - N.B. 1d, three copies on cover

Lot 177 - N.S. pair of beautiful 1d and 3d one on cover, lightly cancelled

Lot 183 - P.E.I. - 3d of 1859, perf 9, 9d lilac 1861, 3p, perf 13, all nice on original covers (3)

Lot 186 - Can. 3¢ brown and 2¢ brown reg., both guaranteed used errors by J.R. Hooper

Lot 191 - Nfld. 10¢ black 1866 used, all on entires - 20 covers

In the November 1890 Dominion Philatelist, Ketcheson reported that the 6-cent small queen "has appeared in a dark red brown colour".



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Fig. 1: Strip of four imperf. test coils.

# Canada's Test Coils of the 1960s

by E.R. Toop

This article is about the Canadian test coil, engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co. Ottawa, Ontario. (fig. 1) and (fig. 2). Reference to this item in philatelic circles carries various nomenclatures such as test coil, Canada test coil, test coils, Centennial testing coil and imperforate testing pieces. While philatelic descriptions may vary, the Canada Post Office referred to this item as "dummy rolls" and "dummy roll postage". I prefer simply to call them "test coils" for the purpose of this article.

These test coils were produced by the Canadian Bank Note Co. in 10 rolls side-by-side, similar to the regular Centennial 6-cent orange coil stamp with a break-off feature. They can be found imperforate and perforated 10. The inscription reads: "For testing purposes only—aux fins d'essai, Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa".

A few of the test coils have appeared from time to time in auctions and philatelic dealer lists. They also have received a number of brief write-ups in *The Canadian Philatelist* (vol. 23, no. 3, P. 102; vol. 27, no. 3, P. 186; and vol. 30, no. 3, P. 169).

A September 1978 Vancouver auction listed an imperforate pair with an estimated value of \$85. Another Toronto auction in 1978 listed an imperforate pair and imperforate strip of four; however, no estimated value was mentioned. In July 1979, an imperforate pair was listed by a philatelic dealer for \$55 and finally, in October 1980, a further listing by another philatelic dealer offered imperforate pairs for \$9.50. These offers are but a few of probably many over the past few years and show a great disparity of prices as noted, notwithstanding great interest by philatelists.



Fig. 2: Strip of four test coils perf. 10 vertically.

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6.00 6 x 100 = \$6.00 6 x 100 = \$6.00 CANADA POSTAGE

Fig. 3: Outside wrapper of test coil roll with "dummy" markings.

Whether one classifies this item as philatelic or merely as a testing piece is best left to the individual. It did, however, play an important part in the development of the 100-coil stamp rolls used today. It was officially used by Canada Post as part of their new approach to marketing postage stamps in roll form in conjunction with the new plastic stamp dispenser, both of which were made available in April 1969.

The initial supply of test coils to Canada Post were imperforate and apparently rolls of more than 100 were produced by the Canadian Bank Note Co. Equipment development by Canadian Bank Note Co. to meet production levels of the 6-cent orange stamp for the post office obviously encountered numerous technical problems which delayed production of the 6-cent orange Centennial coil until the end of February 1969.

A chronological sequence of activity, beginning in 1967, follows. It is hoped this information will provide a better insight of the facts relating to a rather mysterious and interesting item used in conjunction with marketing of the new 6-cent orange Centennial coil of 1969.

### June 19, 1967

The director of accounting, Canada Post, wrote to Scribe Internationale Inc., Rosemount, Ill., in response to their letter of enquiry June 1, 1967 re: The availability of dummy roll postage for testing in vending machines they were producing. They were advised that dummy roll stamps should be available in January 1968. The size of the rolls would be 500 stamps; however, later in 1968, dummy rolls containing 3,000 stamps produced from an uninterrupted webb would be available. Rolls of 3,000 stamps made up of spliced rolls of 500 and regular rolls of 3,000 dummy stamps were offered as being available later in 1968 and requested advice as to the number of each roll re-

quired. A nominal charge would likely be made for any rolls supplied.

The Scribe Company was also advised that the new roll stamps (6-cent orange) would measure 24 millimetres across the width of a roll which is the horizontal dimension of each stamp, and the vertical dimension of each stamp would be constant at 20 millimetres from the centre to each row of perforations. The perforations would be 1 mm x 1 mm; that is to say, the diameter of the perforation would be one millimetre and the dam or spacing between tangents would be one millimetre.

#### December 4, 1968

The PMG, Eric Kierans, responding to Charles Turner, MP, House of Commons, Ottawa, regarding an enquiry on behalf of Tansley Import Co., London, Ontario, about the availability of dummy stamp rolls conforming to the specifications of the new rolls of 100 stamps to be offered for sale early in 1969, advised the equipment to produce the new rolls had been developed to the stage whereby production could be anticipated to begin by the end of 1968. Barring any major setback in equipment development, The Canadian Bank Note Co. confirmed February 17, 1969 as a delivery date for an initial supply of the new stamp rolls. Sales in post offices were planned to begin March 1, 1969. Dummy rolls representing actual production would not be available until about the end of December 1968, the date when regular production was expected to start. The reason for this was that the perforating of new rolls would be done on new equipment and the perforating mechanism was still not operative. Some unperforated dummy rolls had been produced on the new equipment and a tube of 10 of these rolls were enclosed for whatever use they may be to Tansley Import Co.

Tansley Import Co. would be advised im-



Fig. 4: Strip of perf 10 test coils with one larger size coil creating perforations in middle of subsequent coils.

mediately when perforated dummy rolls became available.

### February 7, 1969

The Postage Stamp Division, Canada Post, in a directive to directors of postal service and postmasters, grades 12 and 13, advised of the planned introduction of rolls of 100 by 6-cent stamps (6-cent orange) and a new plastic stamp dispenser—Rol-Pac. This was a new approach to marketing postage stamps in roll form, together with a new plastic stamp dispenser, slated for release on or about April 1, 1969.

The rolls of stamps would be sold at face value from stamps printed in sheets of 1,000 which would be perforated and rolled to form a tube of 10 rolls of 100 stamps, easily detached from the tube by snapping it off.

The new stamp dispenser, Rol-Pac, manufactured of durable opaque polystyrene was to be sold at five cents each. This, together with the new 6-cent roll at face value, was intended to encourage the public to purchase stamps in quantity, thereby reducing wicket transactions with resultant savings.

Publicity and illustrated posters introducing the new 100 by 6-cent roll postage and plastic dispenser would be provided to post offices by the public relations branch.

A sample of the Rol-Pac and a 'dummy' tube of stamps was also supplied to district directors and postmasters grade 12 and 13 to illustrate their use and ease of separation of each roll of 100 stamps.

### February 14, 1969

This memorandum to file from the Postage Stamp Division explained the method to be used by the Canadian Bank Note Co. to join broken rolls with transparent joining tape applied on the bottom of the stamps as soon as the manufacturing equipment could be modified.

This method of joining was authorized by the postage stamp division on February 14, 1969.

### March 11, 1969

In this memorandum to file from the Postage Stamp Division, further action was outlined to be taken relative to the Rol-Pac plastic stamp dispenser and display stand.

Discussions with the Toronto District comptroller resulted in arrangements to provide an "attachment", a clear plastic blister which would contain one Rol-Pac dispenser, a dummy roll of postage on the end of which would be attached six, 6-cent stamps. The 6-cent stamps would protrude from the dispenser and form part of the display.

The Toronto office would provide assistance to Precision Packaging Co., Don Mills, Ont. to attach six, 6-cent postage stamps on the end of each dummy roll to be inserted in the Rol-Pac dispenser. One clear plastic blister would be distributed to each staff post office and each postal station.

Thirty-seven rolls of 100 x 6-cent stamps (six stamps to each Rol-Pac) for a total of 3,700 stamps, which included one roll for spoilage,



Fig. 5: Strip of six test coils showing imperf examples changing to perf 10.

were mailed to the Toronto comptroller. Six hundred and ten dummy rolls were also forwarded to the comptroller.

The Toronto Postage Stamp Depot was to arrange for packaging and distribution of the blister packages to all offices outlined.

### March 11, 1969

The Postage Stamp Division, in its letter to the director of accounting, confirmed that the plastic wicket display stand developed in 1967 to stimulate sales of the commemorative stamp box would again be used to display the new Rol-Pac dispenser and the 6-cent roll postage.

Arrangements had been made with Precision Packaging Co., Don Mills, to manufacture 600 clear plastic blisters, each of which would contain a Rol-Pac dispenser with a dummy roll of postage inserted and six, 6-cent stamps attached to the end of the roll, protruding from the dispenser and appearing as part of the display.

The requirement for 37 rolls (one roll for spoilage) of 6-cent stamps to meet the needs of the manufacturer in preparing the displays, plus 600 Rol-Pac dispensers, was approved by the director of accounting on the basis that any unused portion of the extra roll of postage stamps would be returned to the Postage Stamp Division. Displays would be supplied to all staff post offices and postal stations. Patrons would not be able to tear off stamps from the display.

### March 12, 1969

This letter from the director of accounting, Canada Post Headquarters, to Tansley Import Co. of London, regarding their previous enquiry for dummy rolls identical in size, format and perforations to the new 6-cent x 100-on rolls together with a strip of five stamps taken from a preliminary production run of the new 100-on 6-cent rolls, compliments of Canada Post.

Tansley Import was also advised that the new rolls of 100 x 6-cent stamps were being produced on equipment designed and constructed by the supplier, The Canadian Bank Note Co. Ltd. Progress in developing this equipment had been somewhat slower than anticipated because of numerous technical problems; thus production did not begin until the end of February.

Although difficulties still being encountered resulted in production being about one-third of that projected for this time, the month of March



Fig. 6: A pair of the six-cent orange perf 10 stamp and the test coil perf 10.

was being devoted to building an inventory sufficient to permit distribution and sale of the new rolls by April 1 or shortly thereafter.

### March 20, 1969

This letter from the Toronto District director of postal service to Precision Packaging Co., Don Mills, confirmed shipment of 600 dummy rolls to which the regular 6-cent roll postage stamp (6-cent orange) had been attached. In some instances five, 6-cent stamps had been attached and in others six, 6-cent stamps were attached. It was felt both lots would adequately serve their purpose in the display.

Precision Packaging was requested to advise the Toronto District director when the blister packages were ready for delivery to the Canada Post Office.

### March 21, 1969

The Toronto District director in his letter to the director of accounting, Canada Post Headquarters, Ottawa, confirmed the preparation of the Rol-Pac dispenser blister but regretted that the memorandum of instructions from Canada Post Headquarters did not accompany the supplies received for preparation of the rolls to be contained in the dispensers. Original instructions had been received by phone and, notations made during the telephone conversation that five stamps were to be attached to each dummy roll. Upon receipt of the supplies, preparation of the dummy rolls with five stamps was commenced and 361 rolls were prepared in this manner before receipt of the headquarters memorandum. The remaining 239 rolls were prepared with six stamps attached to each roll.



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Fig. 7: Another example of the test coil wrapper.

As a result, 461, 6-cent stamps were surplus to the requirement in preparing the 600 dummy rolls and were enclosed with this letter.

### March 28, 1969

The Postage Stamp Division of Canada Post Headquarters to district directors of postal service and postmasters, grades 12 and 13, confirmed distribution to postage stamp depots of the new Rol-Pac dispenser and rolls of 100 x 6-cent stamps (6-cent orange), with sales in post offices to begin April 21, 1969.

Production of this new type of roll postage necessitated the development of a new manufacturing process and new machinery was engineered by the manufacturer, The Canadian Bank Note Co. Production was in the early stages but would not operate at total capacity until several further refinements were completed. Accelerated production would meet all future demands.

The plastic wicket display stand developed in 1967 to stimulate sales of the commemorative stamp box which was supplied to all staff post offices and postal stations was used again to display the new Rol-Pac. A clear plastic blister containing the Rol-Pac was manufactured as an attachment to the display stand. The blister was mounted on a red circular base and attached to the stand by a self-tapping screw. A new advertising show-card was inserted in the top of the display.

The Rol-Pac attachment was shipped to all post offices and postal stations originally supplied with the plastic display stand. Replacements for display stands supplied to postmasters in 1967 were not made and if the original stands could not be located, the Rol-Pac attachment was to be displayed in a prominent location or used in conjunction with an easel-type poster supplied from Headquarters for viewing by the public.

The Rol-Pac dispenser was normally to be sold only with a roll of postage.

### April 18, 1969

The Postage Stamp Division, Canada Post Headquarters, in this letter to Lee-Kent Ltd., Willowdale, Ontario, requesting dummy rolls, confirmed that 10 dummy rolls identical in size, format and perforation to the 100 x 6-cent orange rolls were enclosed, compliments of Canada Post. Lee-Kent was also advised that the manufacturer had not yet established a selling price of the dummy rolls to Canada Post and that additional dummy rolls were available if required.

### December 8, 1980

The Engineering Branch, Canada Post Head-quarters, in response to an enquiry from a stamp dealer as to how imperforate testing pieces (test coils) were turning up on the philatelic market, advised that the Canadian Bank Note Co. considered these as non-postal items having no philatelic value. They were neither requested nor authorized by Canada Post Office. It was further stated that these test pieces were produced a number of years ago for testing the feasability of gummed labels in different kinds of roll format. As they were purely for internal use, the Canadian Bank Note Co. was somewhat puzzled as to how examples become available to outside sources.

It will be observed from the foregoing that these test coils were an integral part of Canada Post's marketing strategy in the sale of the Rol-Pac dispenser and the new 6-cent orange coil stamp. As this was a departure from previous production of coil rolls of 500, new techniques were required by Canadian Bank Note Co. Thus, we have the test coil having served a very useful purpose, not only in overcoming technical problems, but also as a useful marketing tool.

It is interesting to note that imperforate test coils generally were provided until such time as perforating difficulties were overcome, at which time specimens were made available



Fig. 8: A strip of five six-cent orange stamps attached to test coils as used in the Canada Post Office marketing demonstrations.

identical in size, format and perforation to the 6-cent orange Centennial Coil.

As to how test coil examples became available to philatelic sources, it is, in my view, simple to explain, given the quantities supplied to various organizations as indicated.

Philatelic curiousity, in particular about items used by the Canada Post Office, serves to indicate a need for official explanations as they occur. While the test coil described is not postally valid, it does, however, form an import facet of our philatelic history.

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# HAFNIA'87: A Report

by Major (Rtd.) R.K. Malott, F.R.P.S.C.

I had the privilege of attending HAFNIA '87 in Copenhagen, Denmark, October 16 - 25, 1987 as the Canadian Commissioner and taking 16 philatelic entries and 3 literature entries for RPSC members. One of the 23 original philatelic entries from RPSC members, 16 were approved for competition as well as the three literature entries. The entries were in: FIP, 1; Traditional, 8; Postal History, 4; Aerophilately, 2; Thematic, 1; and Literature, 3.

Canada Post did not have any entries in the postal section nor were any postal staff present. A representative company from Sweden ran the Canada Post booth which, after the arrival of their shipment of Canadian stamps and postal souvenir card (No. 10) for HAFNIA '87, did a brisk business. The souvenir card, depicted the Air Canada 36° commemorative stamp, along with appropriate wording in Danish, English and French. A used copy is depicted with this article. Used copies were available only from the sales booth at HAFNIA '87.

A limited cancelled quantity were obtained by the Canadian Aerophilatelic Society and are available at \$5. each, postpaid, from Major R.K. Malott, V/Pres, CAS, 16 Harwick Crescent, Nepean, Ontario, K2H 6R1. Payment may be made by personal cheque made payable to "The Canadian Aerophilatelic Society".

HAFNIA '87 took place at an exceptional facility, the Bella Centre, on the outskirts of Copenhagen. The Bella Centre is the largest and most up-to-date exhibition centre in Northern Europe. It has the latest technical facilities to handle problems of humidity, sunlight, head and security. Within the walls of this outstanding building were the extensive exhibition areas of philatelic material, the bourse for several dozens of dealers, and postal departments of dozens of countries. Even Pjerrot, the famous Danish clown dressed in white, was there, as well as a zoo of small animals and poultry to keep the children amused.

Those who have an opportunity to travel to

countries at a time when an international or world philatelic exhibition is on, do so and give yourself a real treat. The wonders of philately are expressed in a hundred ways, as it was on our North American shores—first at Ameripex '86 in Chicago, Illinois, and then at CAPEX '87 in Toronto, Ontario.

There were not many Canadians attending this exhibition, due to distance and costs. Harry Sutherland, F.R.P.S.C., and a director and officer of the R.P.S.C. was there as a member of the Jury. Two dealers present were The Classic Collector of Ottawa and Andrew G. Holtz of Toronto. One of the Canadian exhibitors was also present for a few days, Chris McGregor of Vancouver, B.C.

There were 836 separate listed philatelic exhibits and 203 literature entries. The three major awards were:

- Grand Prix D'Honneur to Rolf-Dieter Jaretzky of the Federal Republic of Germany for his Brunswick (German State) exhibit;
- The Grand Prix National to Peter Meyer of Denmark for his exhibit of Danish West Indies;
- Grand Prix International to "Maximus" (pseudonym) of Great Britain for his exhibit of Classic Cape of Good Hope, 1853 - 1863.

As usual, the special exhibits and the wide range of philatelic exhibits were awe inspiring.

The awards given to the 19 Canadian exhibitors and the title of their respective exhibits follows:

### FIP CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS:

Large Gold:

R.K. Malott: Canadian Pioneer and Semi-Official Flown Air Mail Covers, 1953 - 1934. (8 frames).

Small Gold:

Chris McGregor: Greenland: (6 frames). Large Vermeil:

Hyman Nathanson: French Colonies: The General Issues of the Classic Period: (6 frames).

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Edmund Walton: Switzerland, Standing Helvetia, 1882-1907: (5 frames).

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W/C E. Patrick Sloan, Ret'd: South Atlantic Air Mails, 1920 - 1940: (5 frames).

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Donald R.J. Welsh: Fiji: King Cakobau and Queen Victoria issues, 1871 - 1902: (5 frames).

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R.K. Malott: Canadian Crash Covers 1919 - 1978: (6 frames).

Large Silver:

Spehro Pefhany: Canada Postage Due, 1900 - 1966: (5 frames).

Large Silver:

Michael Madesker: Germany: Parcel Post in Old German States, prior to 1925: (6 frames).

Silver:

Fred Fawn: A study of the Canada 1989 2° map stamp: (5 frames).

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Clifford Guile: Death of Money: (5 frames).

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Dave Dixon: Handstruck Markings of Saint John, N.B. 1867 - 1902: (6 frames).

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Ron Richards: The Canadian Philatelist: Issues of 1986 - Literature.

Silver Bronze:

Karel Fischer: Czechoslovakia: the Kosice issue specialized: (5 frames).

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Andrew Cronin: The Postal History of Bessarabia: (5 frames).

**Bronze:** 

"Taffy" Williams: The Story of the Red Cross on Stamps and Covers: (6 frames).

Bronze:

Denis Hamel: Les Expositions Philatéliques
—Literature.

Diploma:

Piet Steen: Latin American Post-Literature.

Congratulations to all who won awards at HAFNIA '87 and also to those that applied but were not selected this time. The competition to exhibit and to be selected to exhibit is very competitive with almost 50% applying being denied the privilege.

The selection has been made for the Canadian entries for Finlandia '88 and Praga 1988. The three international philatelic exhibitions for

1989 are still available for application to enter. If you are interested in applying to exhibit please write to the appropriate Canadian Commissioner.

India '89:

January 20 - 29, 1989 in New Delhi, India. Contact Mr. David Dixon, P.O. Box 1082, Oakville, Ontario, L6L 5E9 (Applications must be submitted to Dave Dixon by April 30, 1988)

Bulgaria '89:

May 21 - 31, 1989 in Sofia, Bulgaria. Contact Mr. Andrew Cronin, P.O. Box 5722, Station "A", Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1P2.

Philexfrance '89:

July 17, 1989 in Paris, France. Contact Mr. James E. Kraemer, President RPSC, 17 Commanche Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K2E 6E8.

Another exhibition to be held May 19 to 22, 1988 in Vienna, Austria is LUPO WIEN '88. Eight aerophilatelic exhibits were selected for competition from Canada for this all aerophilatelic/astrophilatelic exhibition to be held under the auspices of the Fédération Internationale des Sociétés Aérophilatéliques (FISA) and following Fédération Internationale de Philatélie (FIP) rules. I have the honour of being the Canadian commissioner and also a member of the Jury. Entries closed February 15, 1988.

Although these international philatelic exhibitions are very important, don't forget the local and national philatelic exhibitions are just as important for all exhibits must first prove themselves locally and nationally before the bigtime exhibitions. Check you philatelic publications for local and national exhibitions and then apply to compete. It's educational, it's fun, and sometimes you might earn an award.

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December 25, 1898, the official first day of the Map stamp with a Halifax squared circle cancel.

## Cancelling 'The Map'

### by Whitney L. Bradley

The Canadian map stamp was unique in many ways. It was the first multicolored stamp issued and was produced by two entirely different processes - steel engraving for the black borders and continental lines, and a two-stage color process from electrotype plates, for the land masses and oceans. It was a strikingly beautiful stamp for its time, coming as it did in black, red, and various ocean colors, ranging from gray or lavender and light blue through blue-green to much deeper blues.

Much has been written about this stamp. It was issued on December 25, 1898 (but with a generally recognized first day of Dec. 7) and has become known as, "the Christmas Stamp". It was very popular with the public, appearing as it did on the threshold of a new century. As a result it is very collectable and is not scarce by any means. Hundreds of thousands of used copies exist accompanied by similar quantities

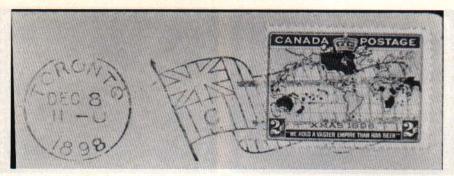
of mint, both in singles, blocks and multiples. Every collector of Canada should have several in their albums, although many stop at one or two as long as the different colors of oceans are represented.

But what are the variables?

Firstly, the black was printed using four plates, each of which is distinguishable from the other and having 100 positions (10 x 10) on each plate. All the black plates have reentries and retouches, varying from one or two (plates 1 and 3) to well over 50 in the case of Plate 5. The red color was applied by two plates, A and B, and the ocean color came from perhaps as many as 10 plates. The colors were combined as follows:

Black Plate 1, 2 and 3 with Red Plate A Black Plate 5 with Red Plate B

The ocean colors used with the Black Plates were:



December 8, 1989, the second day of issue of the Map stamp with a Toronto "C" flag cancel.

Black Plate 1 - Lavender or gray

Light BlueDeep Blue

Black Plate 2 - Lavender or gray

- Very deep blue

Black Plate 3 - Lavender or gray Black Plate 5 - Lavender or gray

- Bright blue-green

Thus there is an indication that because each stamp is different from its neighbour to some degree (in red or black) there can be as many as 800 different copies. The collector attempting to acquire one of each or to reconstruct the eight sheets faces a formidable challenge but it can be done!

Frederick Tomlinson, in his epic work, The

Canadian Map Stamp of 1898, suggests that after an examination of about 5,000 copies the percentage of each, based on ocean color, is as follows:

Pl. 1	Lavender	10%
	Light Blue	8%
	Deep Blue	8%
Pl. 2	Lavender	10%
	Very deep blue	21%
Pl. 3	Lavender	24%
Pl. 5	Lavender	6%
	Bright blue-green	13%

Thus a philatelist attempting to reconstruct the lavender printing of Pl. 5 (6%) has his work and search ability cut out for him.

So much for this part of the lore and mystique



December 8, 1898, the second day of issue of the Map stamp with a Montreal flag cancel. (Receiver mark: Liverpool December 17, 1898).



Ottawa duplex cancel December 7, 1898, time period 3, the first day of issue of the Map stamp.

surrounding the stamp. An examination of many thousands of cancelled copies of this stamp by the author suggests a use period of about 14 months to Jan. 31, 1900 as follows:

Dec. 7, 1898 to Dec. 31, 1899

Jan. 1, 1900 to Jan. 31, 1900

Feb. 1, 1900 and later

94%

2%

Thus 98% of identifiable used copies will be in that 14 month-period. But what about the cancels! The use period crossed the boundary lines of all cancels popular with the postmasters of the day. In the big offices where use of machine cancels by the Bickerdike machine were coming into use; to the medium sized ones where Circular Date Stamp, Duplex and Squared Circle cancels were the vogue, to the Railway Post Offices and the many runs used to transport mail before the airplane appeared; and finally to the small offices where split rings and fancy corks were used. Rollers and Registration marks were common. Let's look at a few:



Clarence Creek, Ont. split ring cancel on the Map stamp. The stamp is position 29, Plate 5, the major re-entry.



Knowlton, Que. split ring cancel January 1, 1899, a New Year's Day cancel on the Map stamp.

### The Flag Cancel

This marking consisted of a circular dater and a flowing flag applied by machine. Of the 16 different Bickerdike machines in use in December 1898 and one Imperial machine (Montreal) plus five changes in the Montreal cancellation, all can appear on the Map. These were all generally Type 8 with varying use of the letters A to G; in Montreal A.C.D.E.; in Hamilton A and B; Ottawa G; Toronto A to F. Thus 22 different combinations are possible.



Feversham, Ont. split ring cancel. Stamp is position 45, plate 2.

The Circular Date Stamp (CDS) And The Split Ring

Frank W. Campbell's work, Canada Post Offices 1755 to 1895, lists something like 10,500 locations, not all of which were open during the Map period (191 pages, 55 per page) and in the course of accumulating Map stamps over 40 years, the author has accounted for over 740. So there is still a way to go and many are yet to be found!



Montreal, Que. Dead Letter Office circular date stamp.



Meadow Creek, Alta. split ring cancel and a receiver, the duplex cancel of Tetsworth, No. 78.



Renfrew and Sharbot Lake railway post office cancel.

### Railway Post Office Office Cancellations

Many collectors devote all their time, resources and energy to chasing this marking. Lew Ludlow's work, Canadian Railway Cancellations, lists a total of 2,866 major

listings from which the author has identified 257 run cancels as being possible on the Map stamp. Of three major RPO collections, 134 have been found (or 52.1%). There is still lots of searching to do!



C.P.Ry. Ottawa and Port Arthur railway post office cancel.



Galt and Elmira railway post office cancel. Stamp is position 95, plate 1.



Merrickville, Ont. squared circle cancel, December 6, 1899.



Nanaimo, B.C. - the cut-down squared circle canceller, state II.

### **Squared Circles**

Of all the cancels to be found on the Map, perhaps the most eagerly sought after is the 'Squared Circle' and this results in unusual rarity factors. Moffat and Hansen's work, The Squared Circle Postmarks of Canada, lists 268 (inc. 11 RPOs) as existing, of which 204 might reasonably be expected to occur on the Map.



Port Colborne and Port Dalhousie railway post office cancel, a very scarce one. Stamp is position 43, plate 5, a major re-entry.

Happy hunting - as there are a few where only one or two are known.

### **Duplex Cancellations**

The Duplex hammer is composed of two parts: a dater which indicates the post office of origin, province and date, and an obliterator (or killer) which is normally a series of bars in a circular format, and used to cancel the stamp so that it cannot be used again. Regulations of the period (1860 to early in the 20th century and up until the present) require that the envelope be postmarked and that the stamp be cancelled. Normally this meant two strikes, a dater and an obliterator. The Duplex hammer combined the two and required only one strike.

Robert Lee of Vernon, B.C. has produced a listing of these cancels, carrying on from the original work of E.A. Smythies Canadian Duplex Cancellations of the Victorian Era 1860 - 1902. Some 6,000 different hammer mark-



North Sydney, N.S. squared circle cancel January 9, 1898, an error since the Map stamp was not issued until December 7, 1898.



Berlin (Kitchener), Ont. roller cancellation,



A pen cancellation on The Map stamp.



Two pretty cork cancellations on the Map stamp.





A 'sunburst' fancy cork cancellation.



A thumbprint cancellation, an unusual one.

ings are known. Most of these are quite common but others are so rare that no strikes have been reported to date. As these are listed on Mr. Lee's computer, it was relatively easy for those likely to occur during the Map period to be separated. There are 75 different, so it is not too difficult a group to get together as most of them are the larger cities of the time.

Here is where I want to make an important point, which is a necessity for those collectors interested in cancellations. Many of the earlier Canadian stamps were small in size and thus much of the cancel was only partially on the stamp. With the advent of the larger size for ordindary postal use eg. 3-cent Jubilee, Map, and 2-cent Quebec, there was a greater opportunity for identification than, say, on the 3-cent Small Queen. If a cover was found, of course that was the ultimate prize.

The remaining cancellations can be grouped



Port Haney, B.C. split ring, April 17, 1899 and the very rare Port Haney cork cancellation.

in a general category and include colours, fancy corks, rollers, registration markings, government frankings, pen cancels, foreign transit marks, anything to obliterate or kill the stamp and prevent its being used again - even a thumbprint!

Perhaps special mention should be made of the fancy corks. These originated generally in the smaller offices where government supplied obliterators were not available and postmasters were left to their own resources. These were largely non-existant at the start of the Map period. However a few can be found and thus make an interesting study.

All of the foregoing illustrates one aspect of philately that can be pursued at no great cost but which requires a keen eye and diligent searching. It is probable that any one category, or several, will never be completed, but that's what makes the search so much fun.

# Early German Precancels

by Hans Reiche

Very early German precancels exist on the 1851 Hannover 1 silbergroschen imperforate stamps. It is not well known how such early precancels came into use.

Most precancel collectors would be familiar with the more modern precancelled stamps of several countries such as France, Canada, U.S.A., Belgium and others but few have heard of these very early German Old States precancels.

The post office clerks in Hannover were held repsonsible for any stamp that had escaped cancellation and effective fine procedures were in force to assure that no uncancelled stamps left the post office.

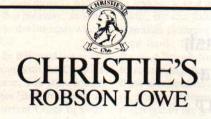
To avoid this fine, post office clerks at the

Hannover post office made certain that all stamps were cancelled. They drew a vertical, horizontal or diagonal line across rows of stamps with an ink pen before cutting up the sheets for use on letters handed in over the counter. This is the reason why one can find covers with such stamps pre-cancelled and not tying the stamp to the cover. The following Hannover post offices are known to have made use of this method:

Bremervorde, Burgdorf, Clausthal, Esens, Gottingen, Goslar.

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AN OCCASIONAL FEATURE

### X. COLLECTION AND REMITTANCE OF POSTAGE.

Vignette III (CP, Sept./Oct. 1985) described the 1792 U.S. - Canada Postal Convention, which established the Deputy Postmaster General for the Canadas as an agent of the U.S. Post Office for the collection of U.S. ship and inland postage on unpaid letters coming into the Canadas, and on Canadian letters being sent into or through the United States. In consideration thereof, a 20 per cent commission was allowed, with the rest being paid into the General Post Office of the United States.

Over the next 35 years or so, unofficial arrangements were made between frontier post offices with their counterparts across the border for the exchange of mail, accompanied presumably with the required postage, either prepaid or unpaid. This led to the Canadian departmental order of January 12, 1829 announcing that, with the agreement of the U.S. Post Office, only Stanstead, Montreal, Prescott, Kingston and Queenston were to be exchange offices. Letters from elsewhere in the Canadas were to be sent to the most convenient of these offices, together with the U.S. postage associated with them, except for the 10 per cent commission allowed the receiving office. It would appear that the other half of the 20 per cent commission was shared equally by the exchange office and the Deputy Postmaster General, as the latter was responsible for accounting to Washington for all the U.S. postage collected in the Canadas. By 1840, the number of mutually agreed exchange offices had increased to 11 under the same terms, except that Kingston accounted directly to Washington for the U.S. postage.

Early in the period, the postage was paid in specie, but with the development of banks in Canada, which issued their own notes, these were accepted in payment as well. For security reasons, P.O. instructions dated 23 April 1836 made provision for the deposit of postal revenues with agents of the Bank of Upper Canada, instead of sending it in specie or bank notes to the General Post Office. If this were not practical, postmasters were "advised to send Drafts on Quebec or Montreal at sight, or at a short date; or if they send Bank Notes, they must cut them in two parts, sending one portion at a time, and reserving the second portion, until the receipt of the first is acknowledged." At the same time, notification was given that, because notes of unchartered banks were difficult to exchange, only notes of the "legally Chartered Banks of the Province" would be accepted by the Deputy Postmaster General (Thomas Stayner) as remittances in payment of postal revenues.

While no reference has been seen as to the method used to remit the U.S. postage to Washington, it is presumed that it was done by commercial drafts (bills of exchange) at sight or at short date. However, as a July 15, 1837 order of Stayner's indicates, the U.S. Postermaster General required that all future remittances were to be in specie. This prompted the direction "that henceforth you receive nothing but legally current Specie in payment for United States' Postage, which Specie you will remit, at regular periods, to the distributing Post Masters in direct communication with the United States, to whom it may respectively be payable, in order to its being put in train for transmission to Washington". Stayner then observed that he might have to insist that all postage (British as well) be paid in Specie, "but being exceedingly loth to add to the embarrassments under which the public at present labor from the scarcity of hard money, I shall abstain from resorting to this measure, as long as I can do so with Justice to the interests which it is my duty to protect".

However 10 days later, he followed this with: "until the Banks throughout both the Canadas redeem their Notes in Specie, you will require the payment of all Postages (British as well as America) in the legally current Coins of your Province. Wherever it can conveniently be done (more particularly in Upper Canada,) I wish you to deposit this Specie in Bank, on my account, provided the Cashier will give an acknowledgement promising to repay the money in kind when required by me". He listed three acceptable banks-Bank of Upper Canada, Montreal Bank, and City Bank (of Montreal), and all their branches. This notice concluded with: "I trust that the difficulties in the Money Market which create the necessity for these new regulations...will soon cease, and that we shall be able to revert to our former and much more convenient mode of collecting this revenue".

On September 30, 1837, Stayner was able to report that the Bank of Upper Canada would redeem its notes and those of the Gore Bank

in Specie, so that these notes were again acceptable. By the following May 29, the Lower Canadian chartered banks - Ouebec Bank, Montreal Bank, City Bank (of Montreal) and the Bank of British North America - had returned to redeeming their paper notes for Specie, so these also became acceptable for the remittance of postal revenues. As there was no further reference to the remittance of U.S. postage to Washington, and in 1839 Stayner was sending the Freight Money receipts to Abraham Bell & Co., New York in the form of drafts on Prime, Ward & King of that city, it may be presumed that similar ones drawn on a Washington merchant bank were being sent to the U.S. Post Office.

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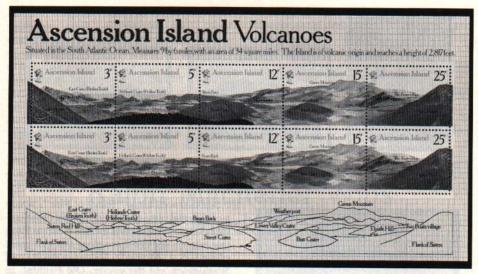


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Ascension Island souvenir sheet (Scott 234a) depicts the many volcanoes that produced the island in the south Atlantic.

### Continents in Motion

by C.P. London

The Mid-Atlantic Ridge runs from Iceland in the Arctic through the Faroes, the Azores to Ascension, St. Helena and Tristan da Cunha in the south Atlantic. It is scientific theory that over 100 million years ago when the Jurassic period began, South America and Africa were locked together. As these two great continents pulled apart, the earth's plates moved out from under the other exposing their thinned edges. The thinness of these plates and their constant periodic movement far below the Atlantic Ocean results in openings or ruptures that allow hot lava from the earth's core to belch upward creating new islands. In 1973 such an eruption formed the island of Heimney off the coast of Iceland.

Part of the 12,000-mile long Mid-Atlantic Ridge was shown on a 1980 stamp from Ascension, (Scott No. 268), as well as on a stamp of Tristan da Cunha, (Scott No. 283). Both stamps honour the Royal Geographic Society. Ironically the society ridiculed Alfred Wegener, the German scientist and his continental drift theory at its annual meeting in 1923. Subsequently more research, more evidence and the availability of sophisticated electronic in-





Iceland's Hekla eruption is comemmorated on Scott 246 and 248.

strumentation with precise measuring capabilities have given credence to Wegener's theory.

Thinned edges along the earth's plates account for the vast majority of the earth's more than 800 volcanoes. Surtsey Island, near Iceland, is shown as an errupting volcano in 1963 on Scott No. 372 and in April 1964, Scott 373 and in September 1964, Scott 374. These Iceland stamps were issued as a set on June 23, 1965. This famous volcano is on the northern part of the "Ridge of Fire", another name for the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, and took shape as a new island in 1963.







The volcanic creation of Surtsey Island in 1963-64 is depicted on three Icelandic stamps, Scott 372-74. The 1.50 Kr value shows the eruptions from underwater in November 1963. The 2.00 Kr shows surface eruptions in April 1964 while the 3.50 Kr stamp depicts the island as it cooled in September 1964.





Two Tristan da Cunha stamps (Scott 320, 323) show the formation of that volcanic island in the south Atlantic.



U.S. stamp (Scott 744) shows the geyser Old Faithful.

Another well know "Ridge of Fire", where a continental plate edge in movement cause earthquakes and eruptions is the San Andreas Fault that runs on and off shore along the west coast of the U.S.A. Mount St. Helens in the State of Washington and the geyser, Old Faithful, in Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, (Scott No. 744) are both on the leading edge of the earth's plates along this fault. Subterranean hot springs with scalding water bubbles to the earth's surface in Yellowstone as well as in Iceland. Rekyjavik, the capital of Iceland has harnessed this source of heat. It is the major heat source for keeping the city warm during the long winter months.

No doubt the key to the movement apart of the continents of Africa and South America was found 250 years ago by Edmund Halley (who plotted the orbit of Halley's comet) when he visited St. Helena (Scott No. 316). In mapping the earth's magnetic fields, Halley was puzzled by his distorted compass readings.



Edmund Halley, whose research 250 years ago was a key in the formation of the Continental Drift theory, is remembered on a stamp of St. Helena (Scott 316).

Lines of magnetic forces in the earth's crust showing rock alignment and other characteristics at the time the formation hardened are known as Halley Lines. Over millions of years the polar axis has moved about, even changing its field, yet the alignment of ferrite particles locked in by the hardening of the rocks pointed to the pole and thus dated the rock. Rocks from the same formation occurred in South America and at matching points in Africa. This has become another proof that these continents have drifted apart.

Postage stamps admirably tell the story of this continental drift and the resulting volcanic activity.

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### Ralph Mitchener Wins Geldert Medal for 1987

The Geldert Medal for 1987 has been awarded to Ralph Mitchener of Ottawa for his series entitled, "A Centenary of Nationally Organized Philately in Canada, 1887 to 1987".

Part One, "The Beginnings", appeared in Volume 38 No. 3 - May/June 1987, pages 185 - 193.

Part Two, "The Early Days" appeared in Volume 38 No. 4 - July/August 1987, pages 296 - 303.

Mr. Mitchener's series was of special interest to members of the Society since 1987 was the 100th anniversary of organized philately in Canada.

Although Mr. Mitchener's series will be continued in future issues of *The Canadian Philatelist*, the committee felt that the work to date deserved the 1987 Geldert Medal.

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# Postmarked OTTAWA ... HANS REICHE

### REGULAR FEATURE

A rather unusual tete-beche pair has been found recently. The 34-cent Parliament Building stamps has been seen with two stamps in tete-beche and a gutter between the two stamps of about eight mm width separating the two stamps. One of the stamps has a straight edge on top and the right side down to the gutter. All the rest of the edges are perforated, this pair may come from a booklet which may have had a foldover part.

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We wonder what collectors will have to say about the new plan by our "well beloved" Canada Post Corp. to have all parcels which do not have postage paid by postage meter to be a higher fee. Any parcel carrying stamps would be charged an additional amount. One wonders how long it will take before this procedure may be adopted on letters as well.

It appears that some auctioneers have taken lessons in social behaviour. At a few auctions, it has been noted that the room in which the auction was held was overheated to a degree that many bidders were drowzy or fell partly asleep during the bidding process. This resulted in some absolutely crazy bids on some lots; in other cases, bids were not even one tenth of the estimate. Apparently some drowzy bidders did not care or even realize what bid they had made and so prices went up and up far beyond the actual value of the item. In other cases when bidders became sleepy, some bids were ridiculously low. In front, the auctioneers sipped on nice cool white wine and the bidders were left dry. In interrogating people, this trick often works. Any comments?

The famous Swiss auction house of Corinphila has moved from the prestigous Bahnhofstrasse to much less known district far above nice Lake Zurich. The cost of the previous location must have been a factor. Many other dealers who used to be on this street moved to other less costly locations.

In Las Vegas, we were offered money for the slot machines for our stamps. Mint and used US stamps were preferred. Six stamp companies are located there but most sell only modern stamps.

A 3-cent Large Queen has recently been found with the laid lines vertical instead of horizontal. At this time it can not be determined if this is a genuine laid line, which it appears to be on first sight. It may also be some sort of offset from a cover which made use of laid line paper and from which this particular stamp was removed from. Speaking of laid-line 3-cent stamps, about 35 years ago the writer recorded a block of 10 of this stamp but unfortunately, did not record where this was found, sold or auctioned off. Probably this block, which was mint, has long been torn apart for singles.

Work on the varieties of the Small Queen issue continues here in Ottawa and it is hoped that in not to distant future a completely revised, updated and very much expanded book on this subject will be published. A wealth of new data has collected, much of it changing some of the previously held ideas on this issue. One of the item is the knowledge of three different plates for the 6-cent instead of the two plates normally listed by publications.

Never assume that a dealer does not know his material and that you can find some rare items which he did not recognize as such. In a small German stamp store in Lahr, a 1-cent yellow Admiral card was in the window. It was dated June 7, 1922, a first day which is very rare. The writer thought that in Lahr, who would know anything about this date.

What is the price for this card?

Well, I really do not know what to charge for it.

It is just a common 1-cent KGV stamp but may be you would take DM 5 for it? Well, I do not like to part with it. Would DM 10 be enough?

Finally, an offer of DM 45 was made and the dealer said, "For a first day I'd rather keep it!"

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Has anyone noticed the announcement by the US Post Office that a regulation has existed for many years prohibiting the resale of mint precancelled stamps? The regulation says that once a stamp has been cancelled, it is used. Sale of such stamps can only be legal if they do not have gum. One dealer has already been charged with selling mint precancels.



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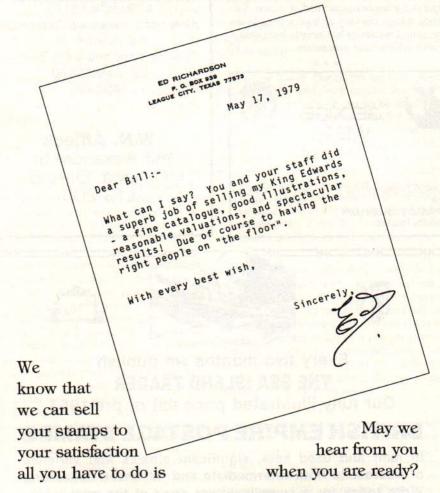
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STANLEY GIBBONS GREAT BRITAIN, Vol 4. Queen Elizabeth II Decimal Definitive Issues, 5th edition, published by SG Publications Ltd., Parkside, Ringwood, Hampshire, England BH24 3SH, 14 cm by 21.5 cm, 457 pages, black and white illustrations, softbound, copyright 1988, ISBN: 0-85259-184-5, £14.95 plus £2.50 overseas surface mail.

Here's Stanley Gibbons latest specialized catalogue for that dedicated group of Machin issue collectors, the long-running and highly popular British decimal definitive first issued in 1971. Having gone through many printings in engraving (high values), photogravure, and lithography, along with coils, booklets and multi-value coils, with a variety of phoshphors, the Machins offer a tremendous (and mainly inexpensive) challenge to collectors. With literally hundreds of millions of stamps used yearly, the many printings have produced a wide variety of printing flaws. So great has progress in the study of the decimal Machin issue been, that it now rates its own catalogue - the decimal commemorative issues which were included in the previous edition will get their own SG catalogue later this year.

Listed in the 5th edition are new developments in short phosphor band varieties, and full listings for Machins printed on advanced coated paper. Window booklets, new phosphor inks and booklet panes with imperforate margins are included for the first time.

Since the previous edition was published in 1985, there have been many price changes — almost all of them upwards.

If Machin collecting is your interest, here's a specialized catalogue you can't be without.

CANADIAN 'HIDDEN DATE' STAMPS 1935 - 1987, written and published by J.J. Johnston, #27, 2315 198th St., Langley, B.C. V3A 4P4 Canada, 17.5 cm by 21.5 cm, 68 pages, black and white illustrations, softbound, available from the publisher at \$5 Canadian for U.S. and Canadian addresses, \$7 to any other country.

As many collectors of Canadian stamps will know, most Canadian stamps, definitive and commemorative, have small 'hidden' dates incorporated in their designs. The main exception is those stamps that include a date or year date — the 5-cent Expo '67 stamp is one example — as a prominent part of their main design features.

The 'hidden dates' were first dealt with by Boggs in his masterpiece of the stamps of Canada. Later, Garret Satfield of Stockton, California picked up where Boggs left off and assembled all known secret marks on Canadian stamps up to that time. Mr. Johnston continues that work through 1987 issues.

His book contains a listing and illustration for all 'hidden date' stamps issued since 1935 plus those which don't have hidden ones because the year of issue was part of the main design. In recent years, Canada Post has switched to a copyright symbol plus the year of issue — some very difficult to find unless you know where to look. With this handbook, you'll be able to find them quite easily.

A self-published book and the product, we'd guess, of desktop publishing, it's a pretty straightforward and easy to follow work. Unfortunately, the illustrations don't match the rest of the work, looking like badly reproduced photocopies. Despite this shortcoming, the hidden date illustrations are clear enough to direct the reader to the hidden dates of any stamp. The book serves the purpose for which it was published.

JPH

HAWAIIAN STAMPS, AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY, by Emmett Cahill, published by Orchid Isle Publishers, Box 807, Volcano, HI. 96785 U.S.A., 14 cm by 21.5 cm, 40 pages, black and white and colour illustrations, softbound, copyright 1987, ISBN: 0-916630-64-1, available from the publisher at \$5.95 U.S.

This amply illustrated booklet is more history than stamps. Indeed, using Hawaiian stamps and postal stationary as illustrations, it tells the fascinating history of the island. Beginning with the rare 'Missionaries', progressing through the monarchy and the short-lived republic and finally to statehood, it's a history filled with personalities and intrigue. As well, the author has illustrated part of the islands' history, flora and

fauna through stamps of other nations which illustrate Hawaiiana.

Included in the preface are an outline of the islands' postal history and a map which shows all post offices on the Hawaiian islands from 1850 to 1900.

The intrigues of the monarchy are well-told along with skullduggery of some of the islands' white settlers who finally forced annexation of the tropical paradise by the U.S. following the brief period of provisional and republican governments, 1894-98.

The author states he intended the book to provide entertainment for collectors and information for those interested in Hawaii's history. That does it. Its illustrations, both black and white and in colour, are clear and accurate.

It's worth noting that save for some rare early stamps and some of the provisional issues, most Hawaiian stamps aren't all that expensive. If you're a Hawaiian collector or considering being one, this book is a low-cost and fascinating introduction to the history of the islands and its stamps.

JPH

OPUS V, Les cahiers de l'Académie Québécoise d'Etudes Philatéliques. 22 x 28 cm, 180 pages, illustrations en noir et blanc, Disponible par la poste. AQEP; Boîte postale 24, Succursale Beaubien, Montreal Qc, H2G 3C8. Version boudinée 25\$ ou version reliée 30\$, ajouter 5\$ pour emballage et expédition.

L'AQEP a procédé au lancement d'un cinquième OPUS lors du Salon des Collectionneurs, en octobre 1987. Selon sa formule habituelle, l'OPUS regroupe les textes d'une dizaine de chercheurs. Comme chacun oeuvre dans des domaines différents, on ne peut parler d'une publication homogène ou à thème bien que, cette fois-ci, la philatélie canadienne y occupe plus d'espace. Voici les études qui ont retenu l'attention d'un comité de sélection de l'AOEP.

Un texte-clé ouvre la marche. Jacques Nolet fut de ceux qui remontèrent la piste jusqu'au graveur Yves Baril. Le Ministère des Postes et la Canadian Bank Note Co l'avaient tenu dans l'ombre durant 33 ans. Dans un texte structuré comme lui seul peut le faire, il nous présente l'homme qui a produit plus de 150 timbres canadiens et dresse l'inventaire de ses travaux. Cette

recherche est le fleuron de l'AQEP, un digne couronnement pour sa cinquième année.

Sous la plume de Denis Masse, les plantes qui décorent les timbres-poste canadiens de 1851 à 1964 s'animent. Dans un style où l'on reconnait la plume de l'amant de la philatélie et du vulgarisateur, il nous entraîne sur les traces laissées par Bernard Boivin, botaniste décédé depuis peu. Celui-ci préparait un ouvrage sur les plantes dans la philatélie canadienne. Grâce à sa succession qui lui a remis son manuscrit, les thématistes cherchant des informations sûres pourront utiliser les assignations faites par ce spécialiste.

De nos jours, les expositions sont fréquentes et font partie de notre environnement philatélique. Le père Jean-Claude Lafleur nous entraîne à sa suite vers le difficile jugement d'une collection. Ce vétéran des jugements nous livre quelques réflexions sur l'état du juré, les critères d'appréciation, les méthodes de travail et les problèmes sur lesquels, inévitablement, tout juré buttera.

La vignette consacrée au mémorial canadien en 1939 poursuit l'étude menée par Lola Caron concernant la visite royale de 1939. Après une mise en situation historique, le timbre-poste est décrit dans tous ses états et les nombreuses enveloppes-souvenir supportent le répertoire des oblitérations commémoratives.

Larry McInnis réjouira tous ceux que la petite histoire captive. Dans un anglais télégraphique, il raconte les inversés de la Voie maritime. De leur découverte peu après l'émission en 1959 en divers points du pays jusqu'à ce qu'ils sont devenus, tout y passe...Le tout est entremêlé de savoureuses réflexions personnelles.

Les faux timbres-poste de la Nouvelle-Ecosse ne résistent pas à l'analyse qu'en fait Richard Gratton. Il en répertorie 91 types, soit 7 fois plus que les 13 authentiques! Par l'analyse des pigments et des papiers, il établit des critères scientifiques qui serviront de référence pour les générations futures. Bien que soignée, sa présentation comporte 31 graphiques et tableaux de résultats spectroscopiques qui dérouteront les non-initiés.

C'est un nouveau venu, Claude Gignac, qui nous livre les flammes d'oblitération utilisées à Québec de 1955 à 1969 sur des appareils Perfect et Pitney-Bowes. Ces messages publicitaires ont découragé plus d'un collectionneur par leur nombre et leur variété, mais plus encore par l'absence d'un ouvrage illustré et mis à jour des flammes du Québec. Cet essai, bien que partiel, nous indique la voie à suivre.

L'OPUS V ne serait pas complet sans les travaux de Jean-Guy Dalpé, un vétéran de la recherche philatélique. Il a le flair d'aborder un nouveau thème plusieurs années avant qu'il ne devienne à la mode. Alors que nous vivons la deuxième génération d'IPS au Québec, il avait déjà repéré les empreintes de la première génération de machine à oblitérer de l'International Peripheral System Co. Introduites dans les petits bureaux depuis 1970, bon nombre de celles-ci sont présentement hors-d'usage et leurs empreintes deviendront des raretés marcophiles modernes.

Les cahiers de l'Académie ne se limitent pas à la philatélie canadienne. Cette année, Jean Storch et Robert Françon nous proposent la naissance de la Marianne de Gandon. Des séries provisoires de 1943 jusqu'à la Marianne de fin 1945, tous les intermédiaires et les non-émis sont illustrés. Le texte très sobre contribue à bien apprécier le sens aigu de l'histoire qu'ont

ces deux auteurs. Ce texte n'est pas inédit cependant puisqu'on le retrouve dans les Documents Philatéliques publiés en France.

Les thématistes retrouveront la deuxième tranche d'une recherche initiée dans l'OPUS III: Les guerres civiles et la philatélie. Jean Lafortune répertorie les vignettes de la péroide 1930 - 1979 mais n'aborde pas les marques postales de ce thème.

Signalons finalement un évènement encore chaud: Ameripex 86. L'exposition a produit son lot de souvenirs philatéliques et paraphilatéliques. Yvon Tousignant nous les présente et commente la pertinence de chacun.

Voilà, j'ai fait le tour de l'OPUS V. Vous réalisez comme moi que pour apprendre et pour consulter, il demeurera un outil de référence pour les années à venir. La réalisation est excellente, tant pour le graphisme que pour l'illustration. C'est un produit qui s'est encore amélioré...

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### AJAX PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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 and August, at 7:30 p.m. at the Parkview Centre - 191 Blake Street, Barrie, Ont. Table Auction at every meeting. Visitors welcome. Contact: Sec.-Treasurer Lew Metzger - 164 Wellington St. East, Barrie, Ont. L4M 2C8

### 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.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY Meetings every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Post

House, 1010 Home Street (at Nelson); Vancouver, B.C. Visitors welcome. Mail to the club c/o Mr. Leslie Upton, Secretary. 607 East 6th Street, North Vancouver, B.C. V7L 1R4

#### 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 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 Ayenue, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 4Y7.

### COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Chapter 11 RPSC meets 7:30 every fourth Tuesday. Visitors welcome Box 465, Trail, B.C. V1R 4L7 Phone 368-9601

### 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.

### **DELTA STAMP CLUB**

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.

### 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 pm. All collectors and visitors are welcome, whatever your interests. Information from: The Secretary, Essex County Stamp Club, PO. 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. KOM 1NO. Visitors welcome.

### **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

### 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: 1269 Royal Dr., Peterborough, Ont. K9H 6R6.

### **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 Abie Heersma, 73 Jasper, Chatham, Ont. N7M 4C1

#### 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.

### 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, P.Q. H9R 4N5.

#### MEDICINE HAT COIN AND STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter #146 meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 7:30 p.m., Room #14 at the Veiner Centre, 225 Woodman Avenue S.E. Visitors are welcome. Club address is Box 1353. Medicine Hat. Alberta.

#### NORTH TORONTO STAMP CLUB

Chapter 5 of the Royal. Meetings at 7:30 p.m. on Second and Fourth Thursdays (except in July and August) at Bedford Park United Church, 100 Ranleigh Avenue, Toronto. Visitors Welcome.

#### **NOVA SCOTIA STAMP CLUB**

Halifiax, Nova Scotia, est. 1922. First affiliate of the R.P.S.C. (1934). Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, Sept.-June, Nova Scotia Museum. Corr. Sec'y: John Hall, Nova Scotia Stamp Club, P.O. Box 2935, Dartmough E. N.S. B2W 4Y2. Visitors welcome.

### OAKVILLE STAMP CLUB

Chapter No. 135 meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the "Pine Room", Oakville Arena, Rebecca Street, Oakville. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 524, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5B4, Geoff Hill. President.

#### OTTAWA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 16, meets Thursdays at 8:00 p.m. September through May in room 021, Marion Hall, University of Ottawa. Visitors welcome. Information from P.O. Box #9442, Alta Vista Terminal, Ottawa. Ont. K1G 3V1.

### R A STAMP CLUB - OTTAWA

(Chapter 41, RPSC). Meets 7:30 p.m. every Monday at The R.A. Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. (Except June, July and August). Visitors welcome - phone 733-5100.

#### SAINT JOHN STAMP CLUB

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 8 p.m. at St. Malachy's High School with exception of June to August. Auction at each meeting. Secretary, Saint John Stamp Club, Box 6783, Station A, Saint John, N.B. E2L 4S2.

### LA SOCIÉTÉ PHILATÉLIQUE DE QUÉBEC

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

### CHAPTER MEETINGS

### TORONTO HARMONIE STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter 94 meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at Victoria Park Secondary School, 15 Wallingford Rd., Don Mills. We start at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Seminar Room. Visitors are always welcome and enquiries should be directed to J. Doehler (416-438-4862) at the above address or P. Mustard (690-9711).

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