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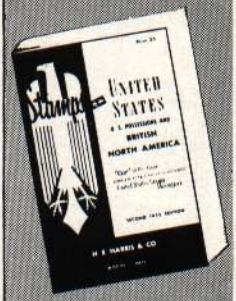
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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

I HAD the pleasure recently of a visit from Stan Shantz, member of the London P.S., Chapter No. 9 and also Stamp Editor of the London Free Press. We had a very pleasant couple of hours together and I am looking forward to meeting him once again at the Annual Dinner and Exhibition of the London P.S. on the 2nd April.

This visit, and a letter from Russ Burr, President of the Winnipeg P.S., received recently informing me that Bob Woolley, our "Perfin friend", had twice viisted the Winnipeg P.S. last year, brought to my mind the fact that, although I have been your President for two years, I have never had the visit of anyone from the Prairies or the Coast. We have among our members everywhere many business men who surely must do a great deal of travelling and I find it hard to believe that NOT ONE came to Toronto in the past two years. And I find it even more difficult to believe that some MIGHT have come to the Queen City and not thought it worth while just to call up and say Hello! to the President of their own National Society . . . and yet?

Just the same, I am looking forward to seeing many of you in Montreal on the 22-23-24 April, so ON TO MONTREAL!

I am very pleased to welcome most warmly into the ranks of our chapters Chapter No. 36, R.C.A.F. Station Stamp Club, Aylmer, Ont., Chapter No. 37, Quinte Stamp Club of Belleville, Ont., Chapter No. 38, Dublin Stamp Society, Ireland, and Chapter No. 39, Coaticook Stamp Club, P.Q., Chapter No. 40, The Société Philatélique de Québéc, Quebec, P.Q., and hope they will all derive much enjoyment and benefit from their Chaptership with the Society.

TOUT dernièrement, j'ai eu le plaisir d'une visite de Stan Shantz, membre de la London Philatelic Society et rédacteur philatélique du London Free Press. Nous avons passé deux heures agréables ensemble et je m'attends au plaisir de le revoir au banquet et à l'exposition annuelle de la London P.S. le 2 avril.

Cette visite, suivie d'une lettre de Russ Burr, président de la Winnipeg P.S., me disant que Bob Woolley, notre grand amateur de piquages privés (Perfins) avait visité la Winnipeg P.S. à deux occasions l'année dernière, m'a rappelé que depuis deux ans que j'ai l'honneur d'être votre président, personne n'est venu me voir de l'Ouest. Je sais que parmi nos membres nous avons nombre d'hommes d'affaires qui doivent assurément voyager assez souvent, et j'ai peine à croire que pas un seul ne soit venu à Toronto depuis deux ans. Et j'ai encore plus de difficulté à croire qu'il y en a qui soient venus et qui ont estimé qu'une visite au président de leur société philatélique nationale n'en valait pas le peine . . . et pourtant?

Quand même, je m'attends au plaisir de voir un grand nombre de nos membres à Montréal les 22-23-24 avril et, par conséquent, EN ROUTE POUR MONTREAL!

C'est avec plaisir que nous accueillons dans les rangs de nos sections régionales les sections no 36, R.C.A. Station, à Aylmer, Ont; no 37, Quinte Stamp Club, à Belleville, Ont; no 38, Dublin Stamp Society, à Dublin, Irlande, et no 39, Coaticook Stamp Club, de Coaticook, P.Q.; no 40, Société Philatélique de Québec, Québec, P.Q. et j'espère que toutes ces sociétés trouveront plaisir et avantage à faire partie de notre Société.

J. M. LAMOUROUX,
President.

Some Philatelic Firsts

By E. C. Powell

PART II

Have you ever wondered why we use the term "mail." The word is from a Middle English word, male, which is from a French word, malle, meaning a bag, wallet, or trunk. Since postal service, as we know it today, is of comparitively recent origin there was no word with which to designate the collective letters, dispatches, parcels, and other articles carried by the postmen. It was only natural, then, to call this postal matter by the name of the pouch in which it was transported.

The postage stamp got its curious name from the fact that in the early days of mail service the amount paid for the transmission of the article was stamped on the wrapper of the letter or parcel. Actually the adhesive label we are so familiar with, and fond of, replaced the post stage stamp and became known by the description of the thing it had replaced.

The post office pen has often been joked about, but to us it would be no joke to use one made by hand from quills or wing feathers. It is interesting to note that the word "pen" from the Middle English and old French "penne," from the Latin "penna" means feather, quill. In modern French the word for a writing pen is "plume" which also means a plume, or feather, as in English.

Postage free mail is said to be franked. The literal meaning of the word "frank" is free. Benjamin Franklin, when Continental Postmaster General, used the frank "B. Free Franklin."

The envelope is so called because it envelops the letter. Paper is from the Latin, "papyrus" a reed from which the Egyptians made a kind of crude paper.

The word "post" in the meaning of mail, as in post office, postal, postman, etc. is from the French "postes"—a fixed position or station. The mail of early days was carried from post to post by couriers. Some rode horses, others travelled on foot, while others rode in swaying, rumbling coaches from stage to stage ("stage coaches").

We find this inscription on the General Post Office in New York City. It is a free translation of the tribute of Herodotus to the Persian messengers;

"Not snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift comletion of their appointed rounds."

We are familiar with the story of the Penny Black, which I understand is called in Japan the Black Penny. Probably, too, we know that Mauritius was the first British colony to officially issue its own stamps. I doubt if it is generally known that the Govt. lost money on the deal. Bernard quoted Ten Pounds for printing the stamps. He was told to print 500 of each value, the total face value being £6/5/0, so the post office lost £4/5/0, and still had the cost of handling the letters to meet.

One of the earliest references in print to stamp collecting appears in the "Family Herald" for March 22, 1851, where "T.H.S." offers 4 penny reds for "one oval off the stamped envelopes."

"T.H.S." was apparently the proprietor of Smith's Library, at 20 Brewer Street, Golden Square, London, for the Smith's Library had a ceiling decorated with 80,000 postage stamps and was certainly one of the most unusually decorated ones in all Britain. One is tempted to wonder what those 80,000 stamps were, and just what they would be worth today.

No one seems to care to state with supporting facts just who was the pioneer collector of Penny Black and other early postage stamps. But apparently there were

collectors before that. The Stamp Collectors Magazine, for March 1, 1864, is quoted as saying;

"We find by consulting an old file of newspapers that John Bourke, Esq., Receiver General of the Stamp Duties, Ireland, formed a collection in Dublin in 1774, in which year stamp duties commenced in Ireland."

The periodical goes on to describe the collection.

This Stamp Collectors Magazine apparently was not the original stamp periodical. On Dec. 1st, 1862, the "Monthly Advertiser" made its appearance. It was later called the "Stamp Collectors Review." It died out on June 15th. 1864.

The world's first, and only, daily stamp newspaper was published by C. H. Meekel, 1896.

The French were prominent in the early days of collecting. The first album was produced by Lallier, of Paris, in 1862, and the first recorded stamp auction was held in Paris three years later.

It was five years later before one was held in the U.S.A., and there appears to be some doubts as to when the first auction was held in London.

We are indebted to the French also for the perforation guage, and for many of the terms used in the hobby, including the first special name applied to the collection of postage stamps.

This was Timbromanie, later lhanged to Timbrology. It came from the familiar use of the word "timbre," a noun which means stamp. There is, however, the unfortunate fact that used as an adjective the word is a local expression for a person who has a screw loose. Perhaps it is a good name, at that.

It was exactly one day less than ten years after the Penny Black was issued, that Henry Archer's idea of perforating stamps was officially proclaimed as fit for use. He had a lot of obstacles to overcome, and had difficulty in collecting payment. He finally rereived Four Thousand Pounds.

Later, Joseph Sloper patented a machine for perforating words or initials on stamps.

No one seems to know who introduced hinges into the stamp world. I remember using small pieces of margin papers in my early collecting days, but cannot recall when I first used hinges.

The first commemorative stamp was issued by Peru in 1871. It marked the 20th anniversary of the completion of the Trans-Andean rialway, a very fine piece of engineering.

The first stamp depicting a locomotive was issued in 1860 by New Brunswick, and the notorious Connell was responsible for this design.

The 90th Anniversary of the first use of Railway mail cars was recently celebrated in Chicago.

The first British commemorative appeared in 1887, with the so-called "Jubilee" issue of Great Britain, and the next one was the Hong Kong 50th Anniversary overprints of 1891, and the first charity or semi-postal appeared in 1895.

What country issued the first postage stamp booklet? It is stated that Luxemburg was the first, in 1895, but it has not been definitely confirmed.

Canada issued a booklet in 1897, and don't I wish I had one of them, and the United States offered the first postage stamp booklets on sale on April 16, 1900, although telegraph stamps in booklet form were sold by the Western Union Telegraph Co. in the 1860's.

PART III will conclude in the May issue.

Due to illness the Column **Canadian News** will not appear in this issue but will be continued in the May number.

A Canadian Find?

We were recently shown a piece of cover with a row of five one cent stamps, 1953 Queens, postmarked "Sarnia—9th Sept., 1954". The two left stamps and the right one are the normal violet-brown colour, but the two middle stamps are **olive green,** almost exactly the colour of the last Geo. VI, maybe a shade lighter.

The five stamps are mechanically cancelled, the date stamp being on the first and the wavy lines running almost to the end, covering both the olive green stamps. There is no sign whatever of any staining or tampering of any kind. We know that Sarnia is the home of Imperial Oil and Polymer rubber and a multitude of chemical products, but how this might change a violet brown to olive green is more than we could say, especially to do it so neatly and cleanly! Can any one explain this? If it is an error of colour, how could it have crept in, passed a host of inspectors and other employees on the way to Sarnia and be unnoticed until now? This piece of cover was with a host of other pieces and narrowly escaped being placed in a basin of water with them, being noticed just in time.

MAP STAMP COLLECTORS ORGANIZE

Collectors of map stamps and related material have set up their own organization for study and research as a special Unit of the American Topical Association. Charter members are now being enrolled at $1.00 a year.

Temporary officers of the Map Stamp Unit are: Allen H. Seed, Jr., New York, president; Judge Wm. R. Horney, Centreville, Maryland, and Walter Klinefelter, Red Lion, Pennsylvania, vice presidents; Wilfrid Webster, Bellmore, New York, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Eva Herod, Waukegan, Illinois; Dr. Philip F. Williams, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania; and Professor Willem J. Luyten, Minneapolis, Minnesota, are directors-at-large.

The new Unit has begun publication of its own bulletin, "The Carto-Philatelist," which features check lists of map stamps, new issues and discoveries, a map stamp exchange and informative articles. Complimentary copies of the first issue were mailed to all known map stamp collectors but anyone interested in this topical may secure a sample copy, application form and additional information by writing to Mr. W. Webster, 2493 Wilson Avenue, Bellmore, Long Island, New York.

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The Realm Of Stamps

By Montor

NEXT to our own stamps those of the British West Indies are probably the most popular with Canadian collectors. Many of the early classics in this group are of great appeal. The richness of their colourings is magnificent.

There is something very attractive about these stamps from the romantic Caribbean, and they are also undoubtedly very popular with collectors in the United Kingdom and in the United States of America. They are possibly the most popular group of British Colonial stamps. In recent years there have been some very attractive pictorial sets depicting the history and attractions of these islands. One of the most beautiful of which is the current issue of the Bahamas. The stamps of this set are all bi-coloured and show a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II together with the Crown and depict scenes from the islands. An issue of this calibre is not only attractive from the collector's point of view, but it also serves as excellent propaganda material for attracting tourists.

The Post Office is one of the first "ports of call" for the thousands of tourists who visit Nassau during the winter season. It is just across Rawson Square from the Prince George Wharf, and was like all of Bay Street gayly decorated with flags and bunting in her honour during the recent visit of Princess Margaret. Nassau, the capital of the Bahamas, is on Providence Island, one of the smaller inhabited islands of the Bahamas. The Postmaster of Bahamas, Mr. C. S. Thompson, is a veteran of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and fought with the Regiment in France during the First World War.

As well as the definite set of pictorial stamps from ½d. to £I., there is now also on sale a 3d. post card bearing the portrait of Her Majesty. Of particular interest to specialists in B.W.I. stamps is the fact that coil stamps are sold in slot machines outside the Post Office in Nassau of the ½d., 1d., 3d., 6d., and 1/-. denominations of the current pictorial issue. They are not available for sale in rolls. Paste up pairs showing the joins make interesting additions to a collection of these attractive stamps.

From the latest reports as we go to press it is certain that this month a most successful Convention and Exhibition is assured for the Society. A great deal of hard work has been put in by the committes of the host club, the Union Philatelique de Montreal, and it is hoped that the Convention will be attended by a record number of out of town delegates. The gymnasium of the College Mont Saint-Louis is an ideal place for an exhibition. It is spacious and the lighting is good. Montreal's tourist attractions and its traditional hospitality are too well known to need further comment.

Incidentally if any out of town members arrive on the Thursday they will be made more than welcome at the regular weekly meeting of the Westmount Stamp Club at Victoria Hall at 8 p.m. onwards.

RECORD OF NEW ISSUES

CANADA. A 4 cents purple showing head of a musk-ox designed by Emanuel Hahn, R.C.A., of Toronto and a 5 cents blue depicting two whooping cranes in flight designed by Dr. William Rowan, F.R.S.C., a professor of zoology at the University of Alberta, issued on April 4 to call attention to Canada's

Wildlife Week, April 10-16. (Illustrated on page 6).

AUSTRALIA. The new 3½d. blue stamp signifying the friendship between the peoples of Australia and the United States of America will be issued on May 4. Design will include a representation of the upper part of the American Memorial at Canberra and also a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II.

Now illustrated on page 6 is the new 1/0½ deep blue, issued on March 9, chronicled in March issue.

BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE. A new definite issue of pictorial stamps has been ordered. The designs will include the Royal Portrait and the Crown. There will be 14 values from ½d to 10/-.

INDIA. New definite set of 18 values depicting India's Five Year Plan issued on January 26th, replacing the archaeological series. 3 pies magenta, tractor in operation, 6 pies violet, textile power loom; 9 pies light brown mineral red, water lifting; 1a. blue-green, a dam; 2a. monastral blue, lady at a Charkha; 3a. monastral green, Naga woman at a handloom; 4a. crimson, pair of bullocks; 6a. light brown, Malaria control; 8a. dark blue, Chittaranjan Locomotive Works; 10a. jade green, view of Bombay; 12a. blue, Hindustan Aircraft Factory, Bangalore; 14a. yellow green, valley in Kashmir; 1R. olive green, a technician at work at Indian Telephone Industries, Bangalore; 1R.2a. grey, Cape Comorin; 1R.8a. red purple, Kanchenjunga; 2R. carmine, Rare Earth Factory, Alwaye; 5R. dark brown, Sindri Fertilizer Factory; and 10R. orange, Iron and Steel Industry. The 10a., 14a., 1R.2a., and 1R.8a. values are for foreign air mail rates.

MAURITIUS. The 35 cents aerogramme bearing the portrait of Queen Elizabeth II was placed on sale on March 1.

NORTH BORNEO. The $1 value with Royal Portrait changed was issued on April 1.

ZANZIBAR. The Crown Agents have announced the sales of the Sultan's 75th Birthday Commemorative stamps as follows: 15 cents, locally, 71,909, Crown Agents 45,110; 20 cents, Locally 89,262, Crown Agents 44,510; 30 cents, Locally 69,930, Crown Agents 44,120; 50 cents, Locally 73,541, Crown Agents 43,430; and Sh.1/25. Locally 39,132, Crown Agents 43,029.





TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Now illustrated above are the new 5d. and 8d. stamps issued on February 1.

BELGIUM. Now illustrated on page 6, set of three flower stamps chronicled in last month's issue.

Set of three stamps issued on March 25 to draw attention to the Exhibition "Charles-Quint et Son Temps" which takes place at Gand from April 2 until June 30. The designs from famous paintings are 20c scene rendering homage to Charles-Quint; 2 frs. portrait of Charles-Quint; and 4 frs. scene the abdication of Charles-Quint.



ARGENTINE. 80c brown, wheatfield; 2 pesos deep red, the front of the Eva Perron Foundation Building (illustrated above); 20 pesos blue, Mount Fitz Roy; and 50 pesos blue, portrait of General Jose de San Martin. Issued on January 12.

BRAZIL. A 40c ultramarine stamp was issued on February 3 to commemorate the inauguration of the hydro-electric plant at Itutinga.

CONGO. Two sets of four values 1.50 frs., 3 frs., 4.50 frs. and 6.50 frs. showing African views together with portrait of King Baudouin; one inscribed "Belge Congo Belgisch" and the other "Belgisch Congo Belge" issued Feb. 15th.



CUBA. A 4c blue and a 12c rose red bearing portrait of Paul P. Harris, issued in honour of Rotary's 50th anniversary on Feb. 23rd. (Illustrated above).

DENMARK. A 15 ore violet and a 20 ore brown in the series "The Kingdom during 1,000 years to be issued on April 21. The 15 ore shows the ruined caste at Hammershus and the 20 ore the Copenhagen Stock Exchange.

FINLAND. 25 marks bearing portrait of the astronomer and poet, Professor J. J. Nervander, commemorating the 150th anniversary of his birth issued on Feb. 23rd.





FRANCE. 12 frs. bistre black and brown orange to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the death of the duc de Saint-Simon who was best remembered for his writings. First day sale at Paris on Feb. 5 and on general sale two days later. (Illustrated on page 6).

30 frs. dark blue, blue and ochre issue in honour of the Rotary Movement with first day sale in Paris on Feb. 23. (Illustrated above).

Set of six stamps depicting famous French inventors with first day sales as indicated on March 5 and general release on March 7. The 5 frs. blue and light blue depicts Le Bon issued at Brachy; 10 frs. dark brown and bistre, Thimonnier issued at L'Arbresie (illustrated above); 12 frs. dark green and green, N. Appert issued at Chalons-sur-Marne; 18 frs. blue and grey blue, Sainte-Claire Deville issued at Paris; 25 frs. violet and dark violet, F. P. Martin issued at Bourges; and 30 frs. vermillion and cerise, Chardonnet issued at Besancon.

ISREAL. A commemorative stamp of 120 pruta green is being issued honouring the mobilization of the Yishuv during the Second World War. A set of six stamps are being issued to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Youth Aliyah; 5 pruta blue, immigration by boat; 10 pruta red, immigration by plane; 25 pruta green, agricultural training; 30 pruta orange, gardening; 60 pruta violet, vocational training, and 750 pruta gold ochre, scientific education.

JAPAN. New stamps announced for fiscal year beginning April 1, 1955, include commemoratives for the 15th Congress of the International Chamber of Commerce in May and the 10th National Athletic Meeting in October. Two more National Parks Series. A 10 yen stamp depicting a famous woodblock print of Japan in November and a 5 yen New Year stamp. New definite issues include a 5 yen of the mandarin ducks design in two colours by photogravure process and new 55 yen and 75 yen stamps for parcel post.

LICHTENSTEIN. 2 frs. brown portrait of the Prince of Lichtenstein and 3 frs. green portrait of the Princess of Lichtenstein issued April 5.

LUXEMBOURG. Set of four flower stamps issued on April 1 to publicise the flower show to be held during April and May at Mondorf-les-Bains the State Hydropathic Establishment of the Grand Duchy. In the background is the Marie-Adelaide Thermal Spring. 80c red and green on dark brown background, tulips; 2 frs. yellow orange and green on a bluish red background, narcissii; 3 frs. claret and yellowish green on green background, hyacinths; and 4 frs. yellowish brown red and green on ultramarine background, parrot tulips. Designed and executed in photogravure by Courvoisier at La Chaux-de-Fonds. (Illustrations on page 6).



PHILIPPINES. 10c blue depicting Father Jose Bruges, fourth in the "Famous Philippinos" series of stamps issued April 1. Also issued overprinted "O.B."

Illustrated above is the design of the three Rotary stamps chronicled in last month's issue.

PORTUGAL. Set of nine stamps honouring the Portuguese Kings of the First Dynasty were issued on March 17. The stamps portray the monarchs 10c magenta, DomAfonso Henriques; 20c bronze green, DomSancho I; 50c turquoise, DomAfsonso II; 90c emerald, DomSancho II; $1 bordeaux, DomAfonso III; 1$40. carmine, Dom Dinis; 1$50. sepia, DomAfonso IV; 2$. vermillion, Dom Pedro I; and 2$30. ultramatine Dom Fernando.

RUANDA URUNDI. Similar set of four values to Congo but inscribed "Ruanda-Urundi".



SAAR. Now illustrated is the 15 frs. Rotary commemorative and the 15 frs. stamp to publicise the World's Cross Country Bicycle Championships both issued on Feb. 28th. Other commemoratives

announced by the Saar are a 15 frs. for the 1955 Saar Fair, a 15 frs. plus 5 frs. Red Cross stamp and a 15 frs. honouring Stamp Day.

SPANISH GUINEA. A 60c and a 1p. stamp bearing his portrait were issued on Jan. 18th to commemorate the centenary of the explorer Don Emanuel Iradier y Bulfy.

TURKEY. Set of five values bearing a new portrait of Ataturk, founder of the Republic of Turkey were issued on March 1: 15k. carmine, 20k. blue, 40k. dark grey, 50k. green, and 75k. pale brown.

Set of four commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Battle of Canakkale: 15k. olive green, Relief map of the Dardenelles; 20k. red brown, Artillerymen; 30k. blue grey, the Minelayer "Nusrat"; and 60k. dark olive, Ataturk in the uniform of a colonel, issued March 18th.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Proposed new 15 cents stamp for the contemplated new "Certified Mail" service for use in first class mail for which no indemnity value is claimed but for which proof of mailing and proof of delivery would be available at reduced cost as compared with Registered mail. (Illustrated on page 6).

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Niagara's Official Cover Service is the title of the special committee set up by the Mayor and Council of The Town of Niagara to organize and supervise a first day cover for the 8th Boy Scouts World Jamboree which is being held at Niagara August 18-28, 1955. This committee is under the chairmanship of W. E. Theobald, Reeve of Niagara, a member of the CPS; W. H. Freeman, Past President of the CPS, is the Secretary-Treasurer, and R. W. Richardson, also a member of the CPS. This committee will be added to as occasion arises.

This cachet was designed by Mrs. Eugene Lamoure of Niagara, following suggestions from Mr. Theobald. It is a very beautiful piece of work. It is from a steel engraving and printed with a choice of four colours. Black, Red, Green and Blue. It has been checked very carefully for correctness of uniform. Official approval has been given the committee to use the words "Boy Scouts", insignia and badges, by the Canadian General Council, Boy Scout Association. It is illegal to use the words "Boy Scouts", insignia and badges, on souvenirs, covers, etc.

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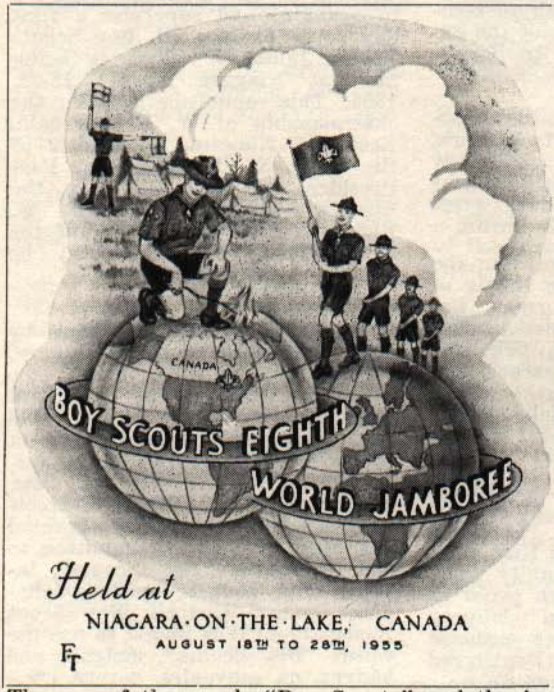
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THIRD CANADIAN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION HANDBOOK and OFFICIAL CATALOGUE issued for the stamp exhibition held in Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, Quebec, October 5-9, 1925. This is a 150 page official exhibition catalogue same size and similar in structure to the "CAPEX" Official Exhibition Catalogue (on sale at 55c). Over 100 pages of B.N.A. articles with 18 full pages of illustrations from the collections of Dr. Lewis Reford, Montreal and Mr. A. H. Lichtenstein, New York City.

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This is a find by Mr. Fred Jarrett, R.D.P., F.C.P.S., and all Catalogues are personally autographed by Mr. Jarrett. A "must" for all. This catalogue is worth many dollars to the specialist of B.N.A. stamps as a reference guide and for the many fine articles published therein. Due to the limited number on hand, this item is not for sale, but we shall give it to any person that purchases over 10.00 of Canadian Philatelic Catalogues and Handbooks for the list of items we have in stock as listed below. This feature is to encourage the use of and the reading of Canadian Philatelic Literature.

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EXUP VII — PROGRAM

Montreal, P.Q. — April 22, 23, 24, 1955

Friday, April 22nd—Mont St. Louis Gymnasium.

7 p.m.—Cocktails with honor guests.
8 p.m.—Official opening and judging of Exhibits.
Registration of members and visitors.
11 p.m.—Closing time.

Saturday, April 23rd—

10 a.m.—Opening of the Exhibition and Bourses — Registration of members and visitors.
The 27th annual meeting of C.P.S.
11 a.m.—C.P.S. Directors' Meeting.
2 p.m.—Juniors' Program for boys and girls under 21 years old. Special prizes and souvenirs.
3 p.m.—Auctions, 50 lots Canada, British Colonies, etc., many superb lots (min. catalogue value, $5.00).
7 p.m.—Closing time.
7 p.m.—Cocktails at the Queen's Hotel Lounge.
8 p.m.—C.P.S. 27th annual banquet, Spanish Room.
Distribution of the awards and trophies also drawing of raffle tickets.
10 p.m.—Dance till closing.

Sunday, April 24th—

1 p.m.—Registration of members and visitors—
Opening of the Exhibition and Bourses.
10 p.m.—Official closing of the Exhibition and Bourses.

ACTIVITIES

We are expecting to have an exhibition of around 300 frames, including the 'hors-concours' section. The dimension of the frames are 24x32, which hold six continental sheets.

The auction which will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, will consist of around 50 lots, limited to 3 lots per member, with a minimum of $5.00 catalogue value per lot.

Banquet is to be held at the Queen's Hotel, Spanish Rooms. This hotel is located in the heart of Montreal at St. James and Windsor Sts. The price of the banquet is $5.00 per person.* The Queen's Hotel is one of the finest hotels in Montreal. For those wishing to attend church services on Sunday morning, churches of all denominations are nearby in downtown Montreal.

(*)including Cocktail, Banquet and Dance.

MONTREAL COLLECTORS SEE SWISS FILM

At their regular weekly meeting on March 24 the members of the Westmount Stamp Club had the pleasure of seeing a most interesting film in colour produced by the Swiss Government showing the manufacturing of postage stamps.

Arrangements for the showing of the film were made by the president, Mr. Carl Mangold, through the courtesy of Dr. F. Kaestli, the Consul-General for Switzerland in Montreal.

Members of the other C.P.S. Chapters in the Montreal area were invited to attend the showing of this most interesting and instructive recording of the processes involved in the preparation and production of stamps. This was the first time that this film has been shown in Canada.

HISTORICAL NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

The 8th Boy Scout World Jamboree is being held at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada, August 18-28, 1955. A world jamboree is held once every four years and this is the first time that it has been held outside of Europe.

Niagara-on-the-Lake is a small town located at the mouth of the Niagara River and Lake Ontario. The official name of the community is "The Town of Niagara". The title of Niagara-on-the-Lake is for postal purposes only.

It is a very historical town, dating back to the 18th century. It was originally called "Anghiara", "Butlersburg" and "Newark". Niagara was at different times a legislative, military, educational, commercial, naval, and social centre: the centre too of the Indian trade and the refuge of the escaped slave. Niagara can lay claim to having the first parliament of Upper Canada, 1792, the first newspaper in 1793, the first Agricultural Society in 1792, two of the first churches, the first library in 1800, the first law society, and one of the first Grammar schools in 1808. In its earliest periods it was an Indian village and one of the chief towns of the Neutral Indians.

On the outskirts of the town stand Fort George, built by the British 1796, but was almost completely destroyed by fire during the war of 1812. It has since been rebuilt by the Niagara Parks Commission from the original plans, and is now open to the public.

Nearby stands the Navy Hall, erected during the American Revolution. Lieut. Governor Simcoe had chosen Niagara to be the capital of the newly formed province of Upper Canada and the first session of the parliament was held in the Navy Hall September 17, 1792. The building has been completely renovated and is used today as a museum open to the public.

Another very interesting building is St. Mark's Church. It was built in 1804 and is one of the few buildings to survive the sacking and burning of the town in 1812. At this time it was used as a hospital by the American forces during their occupation of the town. With its ivy covered walls and old graveyard it is simply a little bit of England. A very remarkable feature of this church is that during its entire life there have been but six rectors, the last one being appointed this past summer.

A short distance away stands St. Vincent de Paul's Roman Catholic Church, built in 1934. In its graveyard stands the Polish Veterans burial ground, the resting place of many of those Polish men who came from all parts to train here in Niagara during World War I.

Another beautiful old church is St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, built in 1831 to replace the church erected on the same spot in 1794 and destroyed when the town was burnt in 1812. It is one of the finest examples of small church architecture in Ontario.

Then there is the oldest Masonic Lodge in Canada, organized in 1792. The Masonic Hall, formerly called the Stone Barracks, was built in 1816 from ruins of the town on the site of the first Masonic Hall.

Visitors to Niagara particularly those who have an interest in Canadian history, will have a delightful time wandering around our town, admiring the many old and historical buildings and homes.

STOP THE PRESS

Convention News

As we go to Press we have word from Montreal that The B.N.A. Collectors Club of Montreal are presenting an award for the best B.N.A. exhibit in the opinion of the judges.

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Mr. Wrigley is anxious to hear from collectors of any heretofore unlisted varieties, and particularly of Official Stationery, that they may be incorporated in the new catalog.

THE SECRETARY ANSWERS THE MEMBERS

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We deeply regret to inform our members of the sad passing of #3268 Ed Goodale of Hamilton, a past President and Director of Archives of the Society. Ed Goodale was always a stalwart of the Society and all members will, I am sure, feel the great loss of a grand member and friend.

We welcome back A. H. Christenson of Montreal who has been basking in the climes of Florida and Bahamas. Our Vice President has been sadly missed for his sage guidance and tremendous vitality as a member of The Montreal Advisory Council. See you at Montreal, OK lets go.

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