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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

"THE tumults and the shoutings have died — The captains and kings have departed" and once again we return to our normal routine.

By and large, the Montreal Convention was a great success. True, there were one or two loose spots, but somehow, everything seemed to drop in place just in the nick of time and there is no doubt that everyone had a wonderful time. I must admit that although I was quite tired out by the time I was back home, I enjoyed every minute of it.

The Exhibition was outstanding. It certainly was the best one ever held in Eastern Canada, outside Capex and perhaps the Windsor Invitation affair last year. The quality of the exhibits was high indeed and there were more than a few outstanding ones.

The actual results will be found elsewhere, but I feel some of the exhibits deserve a special mention. While Eugène Hamard's remarkable show of the Stamp and Postal History of France during the Franco-German War of 1870-71 deservedly won the Grand Award, it must have been a really tough job for the Jury to decide between his exhibit and that of Graham Fairbanks, who put on a wonderful show of the Pence issues. Rarely does one see that kind of material in such immaculate condition.

Graham Fairbanks' other exhibit, of the 1847 issue of the U.S., was also a treat and a delight to everyone who knows something of these most interesting stamps.

Early Wilmot's show of Great Britain was very good indeed and it was a particular pleasure to me to hear that he had been awarded the Christensen Trophy. I am sure our Victoria friends are delighted at this, especially as Mrs. Molesworth, also of Victoria, was awarded the Third Prize in her class, Topicals, and believe me, she was up against some really tough competition, for it was easily the largest class of all and almost every display was outstanding.

Other outstanding exhibits were those of E. M. Weisman, of Montreal, with a beautiful showing of early Capes, of Herbert Dubé, of Toronto, with three grand frames of cancellations on the 1850 Austria issue, and of J. P. Rouleau, with three interesting frames of the OHMS perforations of Canada. In the Junior section, some of those UPM juniors could have won a prize in many a Senior Show, and the winner of the first prize, Roger Beaudry, was really splendid. I am certain that this young man has all the makings of a future eminent collector.

As regards the Annual General Meeting, the attendance was somewhat disappointing. However, a few chapters, at least, were represented, although why so many members and chapters of the Montreal region kept away is beyond my comprehension.

A full list of Directors and Officers will be found elsewhere, but I would like to comment on the election of W. A. Teare, of Victoria, as a Vice-President, and of Eric Rushton of Simcoe, as a Director. Mr. Teare, formerly of Edmonton, has done yeoman work for the Society in the past and is still doing a very fine job today in Victoria and on Vancouver Island. Eric Rushton used to be President of the Stratford P.S., but was transferred to Simcoe, from which place he usually goes to the Brantford S.C. but likes to attend meetings of clubs anywhere within shooting distance, and seems to have an enjoyable time doing so. We appointed him Co-ordinator of Chapters immediately after the A.G.M. and he will

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L. M. Lamouroux, President of the Canadian Philatelic Society, speaking at the opening of the Exhibition.

THE 27th ANNUAL CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION HELD AT MONTREAL

THE EXHIBITION "EXUP VII" organised by the Union Philatelique de Montreal, as host club for the 27th Annual Convention and Exhibition of the Canadian Philatelic Society, held at the College Mont Saint-Louis in Montreal from April 22-24, was an outstanding success and was adjudged to be the best exhibition ever held in Montreal.

The Exhibition was officially opened by L. M. Lamouroux, President of the Canadian Philatelic Society before a distinguished gathering which included a number of the Consul-Generals of Foreign Governments in Montreal. The speakers included J. R. Carpenter, Superintendent Postage Stamp Division, Ottawa, and Rene Boileau, the Postmaster of Montreal.

Displays ranged from superb specialized material to beautifully presented showings by the Juniors. Outstanding exhibits included those of Eugene A. Hamard's France, A. Graham Fairbank's Pence Issues of Canada and his showing of U.S.A., which included a strip of four of the 10 cents of 1847. The entries in the Europe section were particularly strong with many really fine displays of specialized material.

Other interesting displays came from the Governments of Canada, the United Nations, the Netherlands and Ireland.

Topicals with over 25 entries were by far the largest class shown. The new Trophy, known as The Montreal Trophy, which was presented by the Montreal Advisory Committee of the Canadian Philatelic Society for annual competition was won by Georges Rodomar of Montreal with his fine showing of Maximum Cards. The C.S.D.A. Trophy, for the most popular exhibit in the show, was won by J. Chang Lee for his most attractive exhibit, "A Humorous Essay on Collecting Canada." There were several beautifully presented exhibits of Religious subjects, notably that of the Rev. J. C. Beaudin of Montreal, which was shown "Hors Concours."

The Inter-club competition for the Ford Trophy was won by the Dublin Stamp Society of Dublin Ireland with a fine display which included panes and blocks of the Bradbury Wilkinson high values showing different settings and varieties of the overprint. The second place was taken by the South Shore Stamp Club of St. Lambert, P.Q., with their showing of Egypt and the third place by the Westmount Junior Stamp Club. It was a particularly fine effort on the part of the Westmount Juniors to gain this place in an entry of seven adult clubs. Their exhibit which was beautifully written-up and presented, consisted of pages of topicals—butterflies, insects, birds and sports—entered by Helene Montreuil, Daphne Decarie, Ruth Decarie, and Harold Kalman, all of Westmount.

A Philatelic History of the Boy Scouts of the World collected and

displayed by W. E. Theobald, the Reeve of the Town of Niagara created a great deal of attention and interest. The 8th Boy Scouts World Jamboree is taking place at Niaara-on-the-Lake from August 18-28 and in honour of which Canada is issuing a special stamp. Official cachet covers have been prepared for the event under the authority of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Niagara and with the approval of the Canadian General Council, Boy Scouts Association.



W. E. Theobold, Reeve of the Town of Niagara discussing his display of Boy Scouts Stamps with W. H. Freeman

A very attractive illustrated programme was prepared by E. M. Weisman for the Exhibition.

The Post Office on the floor of the Exhibition, arranged through the good offices of G. M. Desautels, Public Relations Office, Canada Post Office, Montreal, used the slogan cancellation of the Exhibition on mail posted at the show and had a supply of recent Canadian issues in Philatelic Condition specially sent down from the Philatelic Bureau at Ottawa for sale to the public.

The Grand Award, the Brisley Trophy, which was won last year at Kitchener by Nick Lagios of Montreal with his exhibit of the Greek classics, was won by Eugene A. Hamard of Montreal with his fine exhibit of France covering the War Postal Service of 1870-1871.

The Awards in the various classes and the winners of the Canadian Philatelic Society's Trophies were as follows:—

B.N.A. 19th Cent. (Seagram Trophy) 1. A. Graham Fairbanks, Westmount; 2. Mrs. A. K. Cooke, Westmount. B.N.A. 20th Cent. (Woodhead Trophy) 1. J. P. Rouleau, Montreal; 2. R. J. Sutherland, Westmount; 3. Dr. J. B. Poole, Westmount. Great Britain (Christensen Trophy) 1. V. L. Earley-Wilmot, Victoria, B.C.; 2. Douglas A. Patrick, Toronto; 3. Lionel Chaput, Montreal. British Commonwealth (Harris Trophy) 1. E. M. Weisman, Montreal; 2. A. W. Blakely, Toronto; 3. Mrs. G. A. Reavely, London, Ont. Europe (Green Trophy) 1. H. Dube, Toronto; 2. A. H. Christensen, Montreal; 3. E. M. Weisman, Montreal. France (Lamouroux Trophy) 1. Eugene A. Hamard, Montreal; 2. J. P. Rouleau, Montreal; 3. Etienne Bodor, Montreal. U.S.A. (B.F. Goodrich Trophy) 1. A. Graham Fairbanks, Westmount; 2. Tom E. Elnen, Wichita, Texas, U.S.A.; 3. Douglas A. Patrick, Toronto. South and Central America, 1. L. M. Lamouroux, Toronto; 2. R. W. Insinger, Montreal; 3. Omer Labelle, Dorion, P.Q. Asia and Africa, 1. E. M. Weisman, Montreal; 2. J. Eidinger, Montreal; 3. Dr. N. O. Boyd, Windsor. Ont. Topicals (Montreal Trophy) 1. Georges Rodomar, Montreal; 2. Edgar W. Spurgeon, Willowdale, Ont.; 3. Mrs. Violet Molesworth, Victoria, B.C. Juniors, 1. Roger Beaudry Jr., Montreal; 2. Robert Adkins, Montreal; 3. Roland Lauzon, Montreal.

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CANADIAN NEWS

by
U. KNOHU

THOSE MEMBERS who have been reading their local newspapers will have been already briefed regarding the new ICAO — International Civil Aviation Organization—stamp of 5c blue colour to be issued June 1st. This is certainly a surprise issue as it was thought that the entire list of 1955 new issues were announced formally. I would guess that certain parties in Montreal, and not necessarily those directly concerned with ICAO, brought pressure to bear to issue such a commemorative stamp. I make this statement because, if my information is correct, this will only be printed in Plate No. 1 which could mean only half the usual number of stamps will be run off and if this is so it would satisfy all parties concerned and yet not clutter up the post offices who, by and large, do not favour large sizs commemorative stamps nor do the business houses.

I understand that the Postal Authorities are still not in a position to announce the day of issue of the Alberta-Saskatchewan Jubilee or the Boy Scout stamp. However, the Regina Philatelic Society, C.P.S. Chapter No. 10, has announced, in an English publication, that they are servicing first day covers for the Jubilee stamp on the day of issue, June 30th. Also it seems a fair guess that the Boy Scout stamp may be issued on August 20th when it is thought the Governor General will open the Jamboree. It is also a good possibility that this latter stamp will be a two-colour printing of Green and Gold with the Boy Scout Emblem as the main motive. A special postmark will be in use at the campsite during the Jamboree. The first day of issue covers will be serviced by the Department in Ottawa for both these issues.

A few more postal stationary items have appeared in the 1953 Queen design. A 2c postcard precancelled with three pairs of black lines which is originally sold in 8 or 16 to the sheet and also the 2c post band precancelled. There is no record of the date of issue of these two items. I had thought that the 3c offset printed postcards of the 1953 design, surcharged in black 4c, might have been released in small quantities earlier to a few post offices without the surcharge. I have now been informed that these items were never delivered to the Post Office without surcharge. They were printed but remained in the hands of the manfacturer and when information was received in December, 1953, that the rates were to be amended, they were surcharged to 4c. There is no definite date of issue but it is thought that it occurred in March, 1954.

I mentioned from time to time the scarcity of the 1953 Queen postal stationery printed from electros on order from commercial envelope manufacturers. So far I have seen specimens of this type of printing in the 4c and 5c values on envelopes. Now one of the railroads is sending out 4c 1953 design postcards which are in this electro printing. One wonders if a specialist collector of this 1953 Queen material will ever be sure he has all the types that were actually released.

More and more plate blocks of recent printings are appearing with cracked plate lines on them. The 4c 1954 Queen Lower Left No. 1 block shows such a line and also the Upper Left No. 1 of the Whooping Crane, to mention only two of several such types. While on the subject of plate blocks the 1953 Queen Stamp, 3c plate 4, is very scarce and fetching a very high price. The Philatelic's explanation for this is that it is probably due to the small use of this denomination but that large quantities are still available in their stocks for general distribution to Post Offices. I would also draw your attention to the plates that are already exhausted at the Philatelic for the recent Musk-ox and Whooping Crane stamps.

No further "G" stamps of the current issue Queen are in prospect for several months, apart from the already issued 5c value. Nor is it expected that the 4c 1954 Queen booklet will be available for some time.

There has been a number of rumours about the possible discontinuing of the 6c Queen stamp but there is no prospect at present of this.

A recent change in postal stationery is the issue of a trial printing of the 10c Aerogramme with resin gum, rather than a vegetable base gum. A small quantity of these were manufactured to learn about the use of this particular gum. Examples of this Aerogramme are available in the Philatelic Section.

Plate Number Blocks—Current issue Queen, 1954 design available from the Philatelic Section. Underlined numbers are no longer in stock:

1c—Plates No. 1 and2.
2c—Plates No. 1, 2, 3.
3c—Plates No. 1 and 2. (*)
4c—Plates No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.
5c—Plates No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
6c—Plates No. 1 and 2.

(*) Information from a very reliable collector in Eastern Quebec is that he has seen the 3c, Plates No. 3 and 4 from local post offices.

1955 Wild Life:
4c Musk-ox—All plates available except LR No. 2.
5c Whooping Crane—All Plates available except LR No. 1.

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be dealing with all chapter matters. In so doing, he will be taking quite a load off the presidential and secretarial shoulders, but we know he will do his job well, to the satisfaction of all concerned.

During the Convention, I had the pleasure of meeting many old friends and making new ones, and of discovering that the stock of the Canadian Philatelic Society was in high standing everywhere. It was a treat once more to chat with, just to mention a few, Colin Bayley, of Ottawa P.S., Guy des Rivières, of the S.P.Q., Miss Thérèse Bellefeuille, of the S.P.M., Claude Hunt, of the Quinte S.C., J. A. Sears, of the South Shore S.C. and R. K. Eadie, of the Northern Electric S.C. But I got quite a thrill to come across two stalwarts from the West, G. C. Burns, of Nelson, B.C., and Fred Hadley, of Prince Albert, Sask.

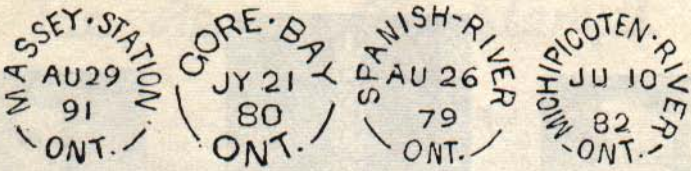
It goes without saying that Quebec was very well represented, but so was Ontario, for I counted at least 45 members from the region between Toronto and Windsor. As usual, the Windsor boys were out in force and we all knew they were there! The Exhibition was attended by an estimated eight to ten thousand people. One dealer alone sold 1,200 packets of stamps.

To all those who worked so hard to ensure the success of the Convention and Exhibition, our heartfelt thanks. The Union Philatélique de Montréal did a good job, in spite of a few contretemps, but I think I should pay a special tribute to their President, Nich Lagios, J. P. Rouleau, G. Normand, Y. Hurtubise and E. M. Weisman, who worked very hard indeed to organize things. And I would specially like to mention Mme Rouleau, who in a very quiet and unobstructive manner, did a tremendous amount of very useful work.

When Fred Green, Cyril Woodhead, Phil Miller and I climbed aboard the train on Sunday afternoon, we were all quite exhausted, but it was with feelings of great satisfaction and pleasure that we reminisced about the Convention on the way home.

To the Union Philatélique de Montréal, **un grand merci** — and may we all meet once again in Windsor in a year's time.

L. M. LAMOUROUX,
President.



DECIPHERING DIM

By Frank W. Campbell

Since working on the Konwiser & Campbell Canada stampless catalog I have been much interested in dim postmarks submitted by many collectors. While a dim mark has little money value, often the name of the place has much historic or personal value to the owner. As an example I wish a postmark of my home village in Canada, Henderson, Ont., established in 1874. I own a torn letter with HEN**ONT as the closest to my desired copy.

Some markings I kept a tracing of and it may have been two years before I decided what it might be. The trouble was that endings had been seen, and the alphabetical list of about 12,000 Canada post offices to 1895 that I have was too lengthy to observe all finals. The solution was to list the most common endings of words, as ley, son, tion, ter, ton, ing, etc. Similar words as Dale-Vale, Mills-Hills, Cape-Cove-Cave, also were listed. There were 176 River, 288 Station, 418 ville, 95 Creek, and the easy one was X with three places—Comox BC, Essex, Ont., and Upper Sussex, N.B.

Sickness in the family kept me at home, and as a pastime I made a list of the most common endings, about 200 hours actual work. This has been of wonderful help in deciphering items submitted by friends.

The known dates of the post office involved often helps, as it cannot be before the opening date. The style of postmark is at times a great help, since their starting dates are known. These starting dates for styles are illustrated in Dr. Holmes new catalog just issued, in a 12-page chapter.

The operating dates of the post office markings here illustrated are:

Gore Bay, established 1874, Massey Station 1889, Spanish River, 1868, with Spanish River Station getting confused with it sometimes, it being later, in 1887.

Michipicoten River post office was established in 1865, and took the name Mines instead of River between 1862 and 1885, then reverting to Michipicoten River. It is on the site of a former Hudson Bay Company trading post established about 1700, and is also near the uranium finds of present days. The Mines and River in the name created much confusion when studying records, as it was once thought two different places were meant.

Odd problems happen from smudged postmarks. Lately a request for what looked like 1000 B.C. was received. It might be a military marking. It proved to be 10CO B.C., the Imperial Oil Company refinery near Vancouver, so a British Columbia correspondent said.

Years ago I found what seemed "00.00" as part of a mark. Well, another copy found it to be Brockfield CO.COL. N.S. There was another Brookfield in the same province, in Queens county, and there had been a third one in Cape Breton.

Post offices that opened after 1895 are not in the list of "ends."







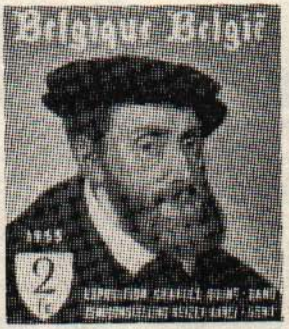
RECENT NEW ISSUES













The Realm Of Stamps

By Montor

AT A TIME when many countries are celebrating the centenaries of their first postage stamps there seems to be a definite tendency towards the greater appreciation of the classic issues.

As it will be remembered, Canada reproduced in minature the 3d. beaver on its 15 cents stamp issued in 1951. Unfortunately the size of the stamp was too small to do full justice to this attractive classic. Many other countries have likewise incorporated their first stamps as part of the designs of their stamps.

This trend has been further extended by the plans of St. Vincent to issue a new definite series of stamps designed after the first stamps of the Colony and of New Zealand to issue a stamp of similar design to its first stamp. (See New Issue Record in this issue for details.)

In connection with the International Exhibitions in Oslo and Stockholm, which are taking place this summer, reprints of the early stamps are being made available, particulars, of which, are given below with news of these exhibitions.

On the occasion of the International Stamp Exhibition, "Norwex-Oslo-1955", a limited quantity of the Norwegian centenary stamps which were issued on January 3, will be overprinted "Norwex-Oslo-1955". They will be on sale only at the special Exhibition post office from June 4 to 12 against the surrender of an admission ticket costing Kr. 1. The total cost of the set will be therefore Kr. 2.05.

It has also been anounced that for the Exhibition the Postal Administration will print a block of four of Norway No. 1. One of the stamps will be a reprint of Norway No. 1. and the other three stamps in the block will be the well known flaws, "the Double Foot", "the Cracked Plate" and "the Retouched Corner". The cost will be Kr. 3. per block. These as well as the over-printed Centenary set may be ordered from the General Secretary, P.O. Box 104, Oslo.

For the Exhibition "Norsk Filatelistforbund" is issuing in English the section about Norway No. 1. as a special print. It has been revised and brought up to date and the new block of four of Norway No. 1. will be mounted in each copy. The price will be Kr. 10. per copy and these reprints may also be ordered from the General Secretary, P.O. Box 104, Oslo.

To mark the Centenary of the issue of the first Swedish postage stamp a reprint of the first Swedish stamps, the famous "skilling banco" series will be issued on July 1. The issue is being made in conjunction with the International Stamp Exhibition "Stockholma 55" which is to be held from July 1 to 10.

The stamps will be printed in sheets of nine in the same colours and on the same type of hand made paper as the original issue. They may, however, be distinguished by the watermark, a crown with the date 1955, and by two parallel lines over the value in the lower part of the design.

The stampe will only be on sale at the Exhibition Post Office and will only be sold in sets comprising of the 3, 4, 6, 8 and 24 (ore) values. An admission ticket costing Kr. 2 will entitle the holder to purchase one set. In order that collectors may obtain a "First Day Cover", stamped with the "skilling banco" series and postmarked July 1, 1955, provision has been made for advance orders. The price for a set will be Kr. 2. 45, the same as for exhibition visitors. Orders and remittances should be sent to Stockholmia 55 Secretariat, Generalpoststyrelsen, Stockholm, 1.

at the latest by June 10. The fee for a registered letter i.e. 80 ore, should be added if a mint set is ordered.

The Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition, "FIPEX", to be held in New York, organised by The Association of Stamp Exhibitions Inc., will take place from March 3 to 11, 1956. The show will be the opening event to be held in the New York Coliseum now under construction at Columbus Circle.

At the annual meeting of the Association the following officers were elected: — Hon. President, Harry L. Lindquist; Hon. Treasurer, Theodore E. Steinway; President, Richard S. Bohn; Vice-Presidents, Peter G. Keller and Jacob S. Glaser; Secretary, Edwin E. Elkins; and Treasurer, Sidney F. Barrett.

Collectors are invited to support this exhibition by joining the Association. Life membership costs $25., sustaining membership $10. and annual membership $2. Applications for membership may be obtained from the Secretary, Edwin E. Elkins, 22. East 35th Street, New York 16, N.Y. Collectors and dealers can also support "FIPEX" by pledges to the guarantee fund.

The 37th Annual Philatelic Congress of Great Britain is to be held this year in Norwich from May 17 to 20. A special commemorative postmark has been authorised and this will be used on the souvenir cacheted covers posted during the four days of the Congress. Orders for the covers may be sent to the Hon. Overseas Organising Secretary, Mr. J. Sanders, 7 Commercial Road, Southampton.

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RECORD OF NEW ISSUES



GREAT BRITAIN. Stamped postcards bearing the portrait of Her Majesty Quen Elizabeth II, as illustrated above, were placed on sale at all Post Offices in the United Kingdom on April 6. They were designed by John Farleigh, C.B.E., and the profile portrait of the Queen was engraved by Messrs. De La Rue & Co. The postcards were produced by the surface printing method by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co. The colour of the 2d. stamp is brown and a 2½d. red letter-card of the same design will be issued about the middle of May.

CANADA. A 5 cents blue to mark the tenth anniversary of the International Civil Aviation Organization, ICAO, will be issued on June 1. The stamp was designed by Walter Lohse, who was born in Belgium and who is now a staff artist with The Gazette Printing Co. Ltd. of Montreal. It will be printed only from Plate No. 1 and will be issued in panes of 50 subjects.

ADEN (QU'AITI STATE IN HADHRAMAUT). A new definite issue has been ordered from Waterlow & Sons Ltd. of twelve values from 5 cents to 10/—. The designs will include a portrait of The Sultan and will feature pictorial subjects illustrating local trade and industry.



AUSTRALIA. 3½d. blue to mark the friendship which exists between the peoples of Australia and America issued on May 4. Illustrated above.

AUSTRALIA. It is officially announced that 64,635,960 of the 3½d. Australian Antarctic Territory stamp were issued and 3,204,320 of the 2/-. Olympic Games stamp.

GRENADA. The 50 cents stamp has been ordered with Royal Cypher changed.





JAMAICA. Set of four pictorial stamps to celebrate Jamaica's 300th anniversary as a British territory is being issued on May 10. They have been printed by the recess process by Thomas De La Rue & Co. Ltd. with the vignettes in black and the borders in the colours listed below. 2d. green, Man-o'-War at Port Royal, (illustrated above); 2½d. blue, Old Montego Bay; 3d. claret, Old Kingston; and 6d. red, Abolution of Slavery Proclaimed 1838. (illustrated above). The design of the 6d. stamp was used in 1919 but was never issued. The stamps were withdrawn from all Post Offices and the supplies burnt. Copies are known overprinted "Specimen".

MALAYA-MALACCA. The 1, 2, 25 cents, $2. and $5. values were issued with Royal Portrait changed on April 27.

MONTSERRAT. The 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 24, 60 cents, $1.20, $2.40 and $4.80 values are being issued with Royal Portrait changed on May 2.



NEW ZEALAND. On July 18 a set of three stamps is to be issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of New Zealand's first postage stamps. The set will comprise of a 2d. brown and green showing a Maori mail carrier with Auckland township and harbour in the 1850's shown in the background; a 3d. carmine portraying Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II set in a frame similar to that of the original full face Queen Victoria stamp of 1955, and a 4d. dark and light blue showing a Douglas DC3 airliner in flight. They are being printed by the recess-engraved process by De La Rue & Co. Ltd. of London.

It is also announced that a distinctive date-stamp will be used at the special post office at the International Stamp Exhibition which is being held in Aukland from July 16 to 22 in celebration

of New Zealand's postage stamp centenary.

It is anticipated that the 1955 Health Stamps will be placed on sale on October 3. This year there will be three values, a 1½d. plus ½d. dark and gold brown; a 2d. plus 1d. claret and green and a 3d. plus 1d. dark brown and red. They will be all the same design which will consist of a child's head surrounded by the words "King George the Fifth Memorial Children's Health Camps Fed". They are being printed by the recess engraved process by Bradbury Wilkinson and Co. Ltd of London in sheets of 160 subjects.

A set of stamps will be issued to commemorate the Southland Provincial District which is to hold its centenary celebrations during 1956.

Coil stamps of the following Queen Elizabeth II series have been released in the following denominations:—2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/—., and 1/6.

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

RHODESIA AND NYASALAND. Two special stamps will be issued on July 15 to commemorate the discovery of Victoria Falls by Dr. Livingstone on November 16, 1855. The 3d. ultramarine and grey green shows an aircraft flying over the Falls and the 1/-. purple and deep blue shows a portrait of Dr. Livingstone and a view of the Falls. They are printed by Waterlow & Sons Ltd., London.

ST. VINCENT. A new definite issue has been ordered from Waterlow & Sons Ltd. comprising of 12 values from 1 cent to $2.50. The design of the nine lower values will feature a portrait of H. M. Queen Elizabeth II based on the issue of 1861, which was printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. Ltd. The three higher values will show the badge of the Colony based on the design used in the issue of 1880. The stamps will be printed by the recess process.



ARGENTINE. A 3 pesos stamp, as illustrated above, issued on March 21, in the interests of "Greater Production". The clapsed hands represent labor and economy and the ribbons the emblems of the General Economic Confederation and the General Confederation of Labor.

BELGIUM. Set of three stamps issued on March 25 to draw attention to the Exhibition "Charles—Quint et Son Temps" which is being held at Gand from April 2 to June 30. The ensigns taken from famous paintings show 20c. Rendering him homage when a child (l'Albrecht de Vriendt); 2 frs. Portrait of Charles Quint (Titien) as illustrated on page 8; and 4 frs. His addication (Louis Gallait).

BRAZIL. A 60c. green stamp to commemorate the Third Aeronautical Congress was issued on March 13. Five millions were printed.

On March 17 a 40c. reddish-brown stamp was issued to commemorate the centennial of the City of Aracaju. One million were issued.



FINLAND. A 15 and 25 marks, as illustrated above, to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Establishment of Christianity in Finland will be issued on May 19.

FINLAND. A 25 marks stamp issued on the occasion of the National Philatelic Exhibition at Helinski from March 30 to April 3. Only 130,000 copies were printed and it was only available to those buying a 100 marks admission ticket to the exhibition. Illustrated on page 8.

FRANCE. A 12 frs. plus 3 frs. blue green, yellow green and sepia issued on March 19 to commemorate "Stamp Day" depicting the Balloon Post of 1870 when balloons were used for sending mail during the siege of Paris.



A 25 frs. blue, brown and black issued at Saint-Junien featuring the glove making industry as illustrated.

A 12 frs. sepia and brown violet issued on March 26 at Limoges showing the Cathedral at Limoges.



FRANCE. A 12 frs. blue green, as illustrated above, to commemorate the 200th. anniversary of the birth of the famous writer le Chevalier de Florian (1755-1794). It was placed on first day sale at Sauve (Gard) on April 2 and on general sale two days later.

GERMANY. Set of four air mail stamps has been announced. 5pf. lilac and black, 10 pf. green and black, 15 pf. blue and black and 20 pf. red and black. The design shows the crest of the Deutschen Lufthansa.



ISRAEL. Illustrated is one of the series of six stamps issued to commemorate the 20th. anniversary of the Youth Aliyah.



ISRAEL. A 150 pruta green, black and yellow was issued on April 26 in honour of Memorial Day and the seventh anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel.



ITALY. A 25 lire purple stamp, as illustrated above, to draw attention to income tax declarations and payments issued March 15 on paper water-marked multiple five pointed stars.

JAPAN. A 10 yen commemorative stamp will be issued on May 16 to mark the 15th Congress of the International Chamber of Commerce. Incorporated in the design is the wording "XVth. Congress of ICC, Tokio". It will be printed in photogravure in sheets of 20 and three million will be issued.

LICHTENSTEIN. 2 frs. brown and 3 frs. green issued on April 5 now illustrated on page 8.

NETHERLANDS. A 10 cents scarlet to commemorate the fact that on May 5 ,1955 it will be 10 years since the liberation of the Netherlands was completed. Printed by photogravure by Jos. Enschede of Haarlem on paper watermarked circle. It will be on sale from May 4 to 31. (Illustrated on Page 8.

Set of five summer stamps to be issued from April 25 to June 24, the surcharge being devoted to cultural purposes. Designs are of buildings characteristic of Netherlands architecture of the last 50 years. The colours and designs are as follows: 2c. plus 3c. grey, Factory building at Rotterdam; 5c plus 3c. light green, Post Office at The Hague; 7c. plus 3c. deep carmine, The Stock Exchange, Amsterdam (Illustrated on page 8); 10c. plus 5c. greenish blue, Town Hall, Hilversum; and 25c plus 8c. reddish violet, Office building at The Hague. The stamps are of horizontal format, except the 7c. plus 5c. value, and are printed on unwatermarked paper from steel plates by Joh. Enschede.

NORWAY. The 20 ore, 30 ore and 55 ore Centenary stamps which were issued on January 3 will be overprinted "Norwex-Oslo 1955" for sale at the Exhibition. (See page 8).

When stocks of present official stamps are exhausted the letters "O.S." will be replaced with the text "Off.Sak." The design will also be changed.

SAAR. "Saarmesse 1955" 15 frs. issued April 18; "Red Cross 1955" 15 frs. plus 5 frs. issued May 5; and 15 frs. "Day of the Postage Stamp" to be issued June 5 now illustrated on page 8.

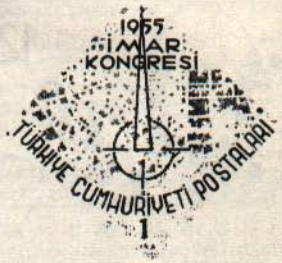


PORTUGAL. Now illustrated is one of the series of nine stamps honouring the Portugese Kings of The First Dynasty issued on March 17.

SWEDEN. Set of five values of the "Skilling banco" stamps will be reprinted for sale at the Exhibition "Stockholmia 55". (See page 8.



TURKEY. Illustrated above is one of the four stamps commemorating the Battle of Canakkale issued on March 18.



TURKEY. Set of four stamps were issued on April 14 on the occasion of the Town-planning Congress held at Ankara. The design, as illustrated, shows the plan of a town and set consists of 5k. dark grey, 20k. blue green, 50k. olive brown and 1 lira dark violet. 150,000 of each of the two lower values and 100,000 each of the two higher values were issued.

SWITZERLAND. A set of five Pro Patria stamps will be issued on June 1. The 5c. plus 5c. grey shows the Institute of Technology in Zurich, the 10c. plus 10c. green and light green, the Saane; 20c. plus 10c. carmine brown and reddish light brown, Lake of Aegeri; 20c. plus 10c. brown and light brown, Grappelensee; and 40c. plus 10c. blue and light blue, Lake of Bienne.

UNITED NATIONS. A 3 cents orchid purple and 8 cents Kingfisher blue to be issued on May 11 to honour the work of UNESCO. The design was the work of George Hamori of Israel.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. 3 cents stamp, as illustrated above, in honour of the Armed Forces Reserve with first day sale at Washington, D.C. on May 21.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. The Postmaster General has announced the approval of a special stamp to commemorate the "Atoms for Peace" programme.

FIRST RCAF STATION GETS STAMP CHARTER

Philatelic and RCAF history was made when the Aylmer RCAF Station Stamp Club received its charter certificate from the Canadian Philatelic Society. It is the first RCAF station to organize a stamp club among its adult personnel.

Presentation of the charter was made by Fred J. Mills, of Aylmer, who assisted in the organization of the club, whose president is Cpl. C. B. Hiseler.

An exhibition of stamps by members of the club was provided, with awards being presented to the winners. The CPS plaque and a silver tray for the first prize exhibit went to Cpl. S. Thow, while second and third awards went to AC Jim Skinner and Cpl. C. B. Hiseler respectively.

Sqdn.-Leader J. Haines received the charter on behalf of the station commander, while Sgt. Patrick Magdalinski was master of ceremonies. Visitors included collectors from Woodstock, Aylmer and London.

THE SECRETARY ANSWERS THE MEMBERS

Dear Fellow Members:

We have passed yet another Convention. The Exhibition showed a great advance in quality of material with diversified owners, the Winners were undoubtedly very popular choices, for once the Judges received plaudits rather than as usual, raspberries. The Trophies went as far apart as Victoria, B.C., to Dublin, Ireland. As we now settle down to a new season may I personally ask all of you good members to let me have your dues of $3.00 for this year in good time, also each and every one of you try and sponsor a new member, for the Society must grow with its added expenditures.

To John Leconteur, have you read Howe's Book on Canada in the Library, if not write me again and I will get you satisfaction. To Mr. McPhee, Vancouver, my apologies for P.O. error. To Alex Otten, Kingston, Ont.: have tried similar emblems and find no more than 10 per cent enjoy the privileges, and numbers as mentioned are not relevant, only as special knowledge to Postal authorities, no dual collecting is necessary.

Special to all Chapters of C.P.S., also prospective entries. Director Mr. Eric Rushton, late of Stratford P.S., now at 95 Colbourne St. N., Simcoe, Ontario, has been appointed Co-Ordinator of Chapters and will devote his energies to promoting the welfare of Chapters to Society.

Write him, he is a very good fellow, with the boundless enthusiasm for all collectors.

Cordially yours,

Your Secretary.

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Inter-Club (Ford Trophy) 1. Dublin Stamp Society, Dublin, Ireland; 2. South Shore Stamp Club, St. Lambert, P.Q.; 3. Westmount Junior Stamp Club, Westmount. Canadian Stamp Dealers Trophy for the most Popular Exhibit in the Show, J. Chang Lee, St. Lambert, P.Q.

The B.N.A. Collectors Club Silver Tray for the best B.N.A. exhibit in the show was won by A. Graham Fairbanks, Westmount with his outstanding exhibit of the Pence Issues of Canada.

Trophies of the Union Philatelique deMontreal were awarded as follows:— The Roby Trophy for the best exhibit in the show, Eugene A. Hamard. The Lagios-Des Forges Trophy for the best Junior exhibit, Roger Beaudry Jr.. The Rouleau-Normand Trophy for the best exhibit of Canada, A. Graham Fairbanks; The Lieutenant-Governor's Medal, E. M. Weisman. The Canadian Philatelic Society's Plaque, J. Eidinger. The S.P.A. Certificate, A. Graham Fairbanks.

The Judges for the Exhibition were Dr. Richard A. R. Maresch, Toronto, Guy des Rivieres, Quebec, and W. H. Freeman, Niagara on the Lake. The Judges for the B.N.A. Collectors Club of Montreal's award were Charles P. de Volpi, C. G. Kemp and Peter J. Hurst.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Philatelic Society held on the Saturday it was reported that marked progress has taken place in all Departments during the past year.

The following Directors and Officers were elected for the year 1955-56: President, L. M. Lamouroux, Toronto. First Vice-President, A. H. Christensen, Montreal. Second Vice-President, D. A. Patrick, Toronto. Third Vice-President, W. A. Teare, Victoria, B.C. Secretary-Treasurer, F. C. Green, Toronto.

The following were also elected Directors of the Society:— Cyril Woodhead, Toronto; V. W. Crouse, Windsor, Ont.; W. H. Freeman, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.; Wm. Erbach, Kitchener, Ont.; R. R. Doxsee, Regina, Sask.; J. P. Rouleau, Montreal; and Eric Rushton, Simcoe, Ont.

The following appointments were also confirmed:— Sales Manager, Cyril Woodhead, Toronto; Librarian, Herbert Buckland, Port Perry, Ont.; Editor of the Society's Journal "The Canadian Philatelist," Phil Miller, Toronto; and Co-ordinator of Chapters, Eric Rushton, Simcoe, Ont.

On Saturday night the Annual Banquet was held at the Queens Hotel when the Trophies and Awards were presented to the winners. It was followed by a most successful dance and entertainment which lasted well into the early hours of the morning.

The Union Philatelique de Montreal under the presidency of Nick Lagios and especially the convention and exhibition committees under the co-chairmanship of J. P. Rouleau and G. Normand are to be sincerely congratulated on the great success they have made of this Convention and Exhibition.

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The 27th Annual Report of the Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Society Inc. held at The College Mont St Louis, Montreal, April 23rd, 1955

President L. M. Lamouroux, Chairman. Meeting opened at 10.00 a.m.

There were 9 Directors and 40 members present.

The minutes of the 26th Convention at Kitchener were read by the Secretary.

Mr. L. Goldman, Windsor, moved and Mr. Erbach, Kitchener, seconded the reading and accepance. Passed.

The President's Address

The President welcomed all delegates to the Convention and outlined the various activities and work accomplished during the year, also mentioned the aims for the coming year with special mention of a drive for further increase in the membership and the proposed visit to all major centres west of Toronto to Victoria, B.C., in the late summer. Mr. Lamouroux ended his address on a note of great optimism.

The adoption of the Address was moved by Mr. Lamouroux, Toronto, seconded by Mr. Phil Miller, Toronto. Passed.

The Secretary's Report

Mr. Fred Green told the delegates that during the past year the Society had lost 186 members through delinquency, failing to pay dues. Since the facilities of the Society were used by these members from April to October, this caused a serious loss financially to the Society. However, despite these losses, the year closed on March 31st with an increase of 1 over the membership roll of 1954. 1030 to date April 23rd we announce the members further increased from 1031 to 1060 with 40 Chapters.

The adoption of the Secretary's Report was moved by F. Green, seconded by Mr. V. Crouse. Passed.

The Treasurer's Report

Mr. F. Green spoke of the tremendous difficulties during the past year endeavouring to meet the cost of our greatly improved C.P. Advertising fell short of meeting costs which were $3636.89 with advertising receipts of $1267.00. This made it very difficult to give any further services to our members. However, even showing a deficit, we are hopeful that with an increase this year of members, this deficit will be eliminated.

Owing to the absence of our regular Auditors the books have not been audited but will be at a later date and published in the Canadian Philatelist.

Mr. Green moved adoption of Report, seconded by Mr. A. H. Christenson. Passed.

Library Report

Submitted by Mr. Herbert Buckland, read by F. Green.

Items sent out	239
Letters mailed	112
Parcels sent	112

Cash Statement

RECEIPTS

Cash	$67.12
Stamps	8.82
	$75.94

DISBURSEMENTS

Postage	$20.28
Express	3.42
Expenses	39.09
	$62.79
Cash in hand	13.15
Total	$75.94

In conclusion Mr. Buckland requested the Directors make a grant to the Library of $25.00to meet renewals of magazine subscriptions.

Mr. Buckland moved the adoption of the Library Report, seconded by Mr. Woodhead. Passed.

Sales Department Report

Mr. Woodhead again gave a wonderful report of continued success. Total Sales for the year reached $13,642.93 an increase of approx. $1.000 over 1954. The insurance account which is the property of The Society has reached $1711.78.

Mr. Woodhead moved the adoption, Seconded by Mr. Christensen. Passed.

Chapter Reports

Members of 14 Chapters were in attendance each reporting added

interest within their Clubs and affirming strong support to the C.P.S.

New Business

Mr. W. H. Freeman presented Mr. W. Theobald, Reeve of Niagara on the Lake who spoke on the Boy Scouts World Jamboree to be held at Niagara next August.

Mr. Vic. Crouse spoke on the next Convention to be held at Windsor, Ont. and issued a warm invitation to all to be present and assured all of a very fine convention.

1957 Convention

Miss Mae M. Hanselman of Brantford presented a bid for this Convention. Mr. Colin Bayley of Ottawa also spoke and bid for the convention on behalf of the R.A. Club and The Ottawa Philatelic Society.

Mr. Wm. Erbach presented a bid for the 1960 Convention, on behalf of the Kitchener Clubs.

Acts of the Board of Directors

On a Motion by The Westmount Stamp Club, Seconded by Mr. Colin Bayley, these were heartily approved. Passed.

Adjournment

On a Motion by J. P. Rouleau, Seconded by C. Woodhead The 1955 Convention was adjourned to Windsor, Ontario, April 1956. Passed.

Immediately following this meeting the Directors met to elect the Board for the ensuing year, Mr. Colin Bayley of Ottawa acted as Chairman whilst nominations for President were held and all the Board of Directors as now constituted will be able to start a new year with confidence and energy. Our new Director from Simcoe, Ontario, Mr. Eric Rushton will take over from the Secretary all operations of the Chapters.

Thanks to The U.P.M. for a fine and successful Convention au-Revoir, on to Windsor with the hope we shall see you all there.

Signed
Fred. C. Green,
Secretary Treasurer,
C.P.S.,
April 24-55.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

During the past year, we have made good progress. We have had a goodly number of new members and renewals have been fairly good. As always, there are far too many members who drop out for some mysterious reason. This seems to me to be a tremendous wastage and I would ask every one of our members who might be in contact with a non-renewing member to do all that is possible to get him to renew.

As I pointed out in THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST in the course of the year, there are far too many members who do not send in their dues until they receive a second or even a third notice. This is most unfair on an already overworked Secretary and places on his shoulders a quite heavy extra load. So I plead to you to pay your dues on time and thus eliminate not only an unjustified extra burden, but also an appreciable measure of extra expense.

In the course of the past year, we have admitted several new Chapters, and to them I extend a warm welcome into our ranks. There are now only four of the more important centres of Canada where we have no Chapter; Calgary, Winnipeg, Hamilton and Halifax. In Charlottetown, we have not even a single member. This seems extraordinary to me and I hope to be able to rectify this in a certain degree during the ensuing year. There seems to be some extraordinary idea floating around in some quarters that the CPS wishes to interfere in the working of clubs, even to the point of sending some long-winded representative give long and tiresome reports. Where this originates, I do not know, but I would earnestly ask everyone to do his best to dissipate this idea. We have only one ambition in regard to every one of our Chapters, help it in every way possible and do our very best to make it as strong and sound as it can be and a worthy representative of collectors in their district.

Our financial situation is not satisfactory. We are aiming at a reserve fund of $5,000 and are hoping to attain this in the course of

the next five or six years. We are still as far from attaining this objective as before. How can we correct this?

Our main expense is obviously THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST. It is hardly possible to save very much, if anything, in its printing and mailing costs, but we could cut them down somewhat if we had more advertisers. We are somewhat optimistic in this regard, but we can not retain advertisers if they do not get results, and we certainly do not want to ask them for a hand-out. I earnestly entreat you to patronize our advertisers as much as they can, and please do not forget the mention C.P. when making your purchases.

In a further attempt to lick our financial problem into shape, we are putting on a membership campaign in the fall. If we can raise 400 new members, our financial problems would be shelved, for the time being at least. I earnest plead with every member and Chapter to do everything in their power to obtain at least one new member each. Do this, and our problems are largely solved and your Board will be able to go ahead with more new plans.

As some of you already know, a Presidential Visit is adumbrated for the comingfall. Arrangements are well in hand and Winnipeg, Regina, Medicine Hat, Calgary, Trail, Vancouver, Victoria, Edmonton, Saskatoon, and possibly Port Arthur and Sudbury, if time permits, will be visited. Inevitably this will entail a certain expense, but your Board of Directors, and our Montreal and Toronto Advisory Committees whom we have consulted on the matter, are unanimously of the opinion that this expense is entirely justified and will undoubtedly pay dividends in the near future.

In the past year, we have constituted in Montreal and Toronto, an advisory Committee, composed of eminent collectors in both cities and whose counsel we will seek from time to time. I would like to say right now that our friends in Montreal have already proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that we have taken a great step forward by so doing. Their help has been invaluable in the past year, and we are very much indebted to these gentlemen. I may say that we are taking steps to constitute such Advisory Committees in other centres, as circumstances warrant.

Looking forward into the future, I do not think that I am being too optimistic in saying that the general outlook for the Society is very favourable. True, we are a bit in the doldrums as regards finance, but I am confident that measures being taken will do a lot towards correcting this situation.

In conclusion, I must thank all our directors and officers for the invaluabue help they have given and for the Trojan work they have done on behalf of the Society. Such men as Allen Christensen, our Vice-President in Montreal, W. A. Teare, our Director in Victoria, and Stuart Johnstone, our regional Director in Vancouver, just to mention a few, would be an asset and a tower of strength in any organisation. Officers such as Fred Green, our worthy Secretary and Treasurer, Cyril Woodhead, our Sales Manager, and Phil Miller, our Editor, are infatigable workers, full of energy and enthusiasm. With men of this calibre at the helm, I do not think the Canadian Philatelic Society needs to worry very much about its future. It is bright and gleaming.

I beg to move the adoption of this Report.

L. M. Lamouroux.

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WHY NOT COMMEMORATE EVANGELINE?

We have received from Peter Bell, Secretary of the British Columbia P.S., chapter No. 31, a copy of a resolution which was adopted at a recent meeting of the Club, and which we reproduce:

"That this Society urge the Postmaster General of Canada to use his good offices to see that a Commemorative or Historical Stamp be issued this year, in good time for the forthcoming Bicentenary of the Expulsion of the Acadians in 1755, with which the names of Grand Pré and Evangeline are indelibly associated.

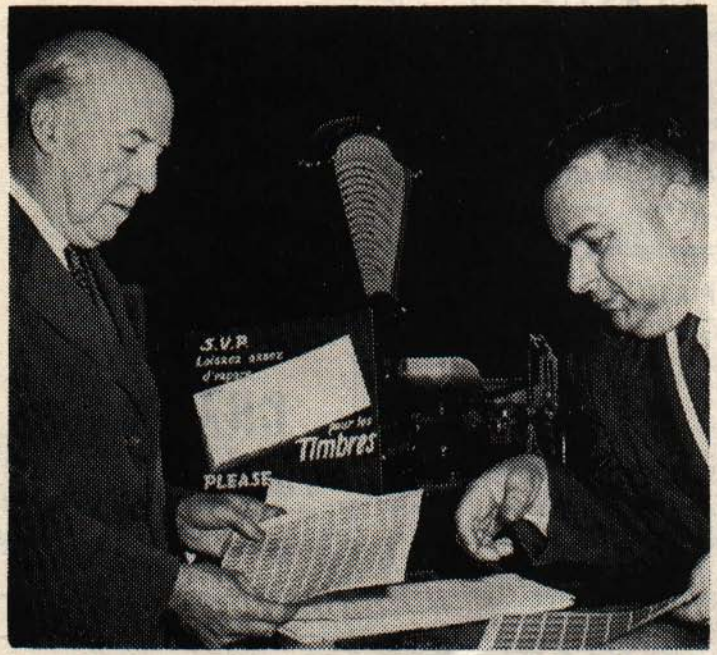
"And that copies of this resolution be sent to the Rt. Hon. Louis St-Laurent and to the Hon. George Marler and also to the Press."

Well done, British Columbia P.S.! We are sure every Chapter and Member of the Canadian Philatelic Society from coast to coast will be keen to do something along the same lines and to do their best to ensure the issue of a stamp commemorating such an important and notable event in the history of our country.



J. Chang Lee, of St. Lambert, P.Q., with his exhibit which won the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association Trophy for the most popular display in the Exhibition.

PERSONALITIES AT ANNUAL EXHIBITION



Fred Jarrett, of Toronto, Honorary President of the Canadian Philatelic Society examining sheets of stamps with G. M. Desautels at the Exhibition Post Office

NORTHERN ELECTRIC EXHIBITION

The Northern Electric Philatelic Club held its exhibition last month with display of the exhibits at its Sherarer Street plant and afterwards at the Lachine plant. As last year this exhibition created great interest amongst the employees of the company. The exhibits were judged by Reg. Haldimand and A. H. Christenson of the Westmount Stamp Club.

The Grand Award was won by H. McCallum with his beautifully presented showing of the stamps of Greece. The other awards were as follows:—First: R. K. Eadie, Swiss Sidelines: second: J. E. Pugh, Unusual stamps of the British Empire: third: P. Williams, Southern Rhodesia. Honourable mention went to J. des Forges for his showing of Vatican City.

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