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This sixth edition of Pim's Catalogue becomes available in the year in which New Zealand commemorates the issue of N.Z.'s first adhesive stamp. This edition lists every major variety known but does not include varieties of a minor nature in this 107-page Catalogue. Many issues have shown a marked increase, in particular the "local" issue of the Pigeon Post. The early issues covering the "Chalon Heads" of 1855 to 1872 include more than 150 alternations, all increases, and again this is due to the increasing demand for these issues.

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The remainder of the magazines were purchased by Mr. Fred Jarrett, R.D.P., F.C.P.S. (Roll of Distinguished Philatelics), at the close of the show in New York from the Switzerland Government. All are fresh copies, still in their original packages, ready to be sent to you. We have only remaining stock of this item.

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Fourteen-page article by Victor Gaudet, K.C., Postmaster of Montreal at the time, entitled "A Sketch of Postal Organization Through the Ages——With an Outline of the Development of the Postal Service in Canada". "The Specialist" by Fred Jarrett". "The 15 Cents, 1868-1900 (Big Cents Issues)" and "The 11¾ Perforation in Canadian Stamps" by Dr. Lewis L. Reford. "Rowland Hill", by Jr. Powell Davies. An interesting feature in connection with this article lies in the fact that the author is a grand-niece of Sir Rowland. Mrs. Powell-Davies is a resident of Westmount, Que. "The Revenue Stamps of Canada" by Edward E. Goodchild. "Air Mail in Canada" by T. M. Barrington. "The Relative Values of Early Canadian Stamps", based on numbers printed: by Charles J. Phillips. "Philatelic Bibliography of Canada" by Edward E. Goodchild. "Canada Precancelled Postage Stamps" by Frank S. Thompson.

Fifty pages listing Jury of Awards: Donations; List of Special Trophies; List of Exhibitions; List of Entries; Survey of the Exhibition; Auction Catalogue of 172 interesting items; plus 33 pages of interesting ads on B.N.A. offerings.

This is a find by Mr. Fred Jarrett, and all catalogues are personally autographed by this aminent philatelist. A "must" for all. This catalogue is worth many dollars to the specialists of B.N.A. stamps as a reference guide and for the many fine articles published therein. We have acquired the remaining copies of this item.

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The C.P.S. In The West

IT WAS A CASE of Veni and Vidi, but not Vici, for I did not conquer but was conquered. The way I was received and feted by our Western friends was somewhat overwhelming and at times left me almost speechless. I am giving a short, very short, résumé of my visit to the various Chapters and Clubs from Port Arthur on.

Lakehead Philatelic Association—I found in Port Arthur a lively and progressive Club, even though they are temporarily out of a home, owing to H.C.M.S. Griffon in Fort William being unavailable this season. Bert Forster, President, Joe Hughes, Past President, and the Rev. W. D. Tritis, received me royally and certainly took me around. I met some 15 or 16 members of the Club at Joe Hughes house and had a really pleasant evening. Incidentally, the Rev. Tritis is an old Edmonton man and a friend of our Vice-President W. A. Teare, of Victoria.

Regina Philatelic Society—I was duly welcomed in Regina by our worthy director, Ron Doxsee, who introduced me to the club at the Y.M.C.A. Some 20 members were present and it is quite obvious that the Regina P.S. is a very prosperous club.

Medicine Hat Philatelic Society—The President of the Medicine Hat P.S., Carl Sillak, gave me a very pleasant welcome indeed and after showing me a couple of ingenious inventions of his which would be exceedingly useful to any collector, we went around to the City Hall for a meeting of the Club. Carl Sillack is, unfortunately in very poor health, and has had difficulty in getting someone to replace him. However, I was glad to note, before I left, that a new President, F. McQueen, and Secretary had been elected, and I am certain that with new pilots at the helm, the Medicine Hat P.S. is on the way to prosperity.

Calgary Philatelic Society—One of our oldest members in Calgary, A. G. Robinson, and Mrs. Robinson, kindly piloted me around the bustling city of Calgary and after dinner took me along to a meeting of the Calgary Philatelic Society at the Mount Royal College Library. I was delighted to discover that the President, S. T. Richardson, is an ex-member of my own Club, the North Toronto S.C. I discovered a kindred soul in Mr. Chisholm and also that Mrs. Robinson was a collector in her own right, and an enthusiastic collector of B.W.I. The Calgary P.S. is a good live club, with well diversified interests.

Columbia Philatelic Society—From Calgary, I flew to Castlegar, thence to Trail in a comfortable Cadillac. I was met by Jack Harrison, secretary of the Columbia P.S. and Syd Spooner. I learnt with regret that the President, Rozzell Smith, was in bed with the flu and unable to attend the meeting which took place later on in the evening. Jack Harrison certainly took me around the neighborhood of Trail and showed me all the interesting points of the Columbia Valley, as far as the U.S. border. We had a wonderful dinner and meeting at the Kootenay Hotel. Incidentally, to show that my thoughts are not entirely philatelic, I enjoyed there one of the best onion soups I have ever had in Canada. After the dinner, which was attended by some 25 members of the Columbia P.S., I was presented with "Earnie", a small elephant cast out of cadmium, presented to distinguished visitorrs. After dinner, we adjourned to Jim Rogers' home where I saw some remarkable Canada officials and other stamps. The Columbia P.S. is a real live club and I was glad to note that there is good diversification.

Another plane journey from Castlegar brought me to Vancouver, where I met Stuart Johnstone, our regional director in Vancouver, with whom I had a pleasant chat over a cup of coffee, while awaiting the departure of the Victoria plane.

Greater Victoria Philatelic Society—Thanks to our worthy Vice-President, Arthur Teare, I had a really remarkable stay in Victoria. With the president of the Greater Victoria P.S., C. A. Wildig, I attended

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Postage Stamps of N.S.W. and Postal Services In Non-Australian Pacific Island Groups

Reprinted from Bulletin issued by Postmaster-General's Dept., Melbourne.

PART 1: INTRODUCTION.

The growth of the General Post Office at Sydney as the main point of mail exchange for correspondence between the scattered island residents of the British Solomon Islands, New Hebrides, Gilbert and Ellice Islands and New Caledonia commenced at the time the first white pioneers were permanently establishing themselves in mission stations and trading posts in the groups named. Because practically all mails from and to those islands were routed through Sydney, the New South Wales Post Office Department gradually evolved a postal system which catered broadly for residents in those nearer island groups, where postal facilities were either completely lacking or had not progressed sufficiently to provide an adequate service. The system was not, even at its most advanced stage, a formal procedure laid down by regulation and its operation was subject to constant variation because of unstable factors.

The significant features of the Pacific mail services, as controlled from Sydney, were the availability and regularity of transport, the routes and points touched by mail-carrying vessels, the classes of mails which could be carried, the composition or make-up of the mails and, particularly in regard to postal articles from the islands, the methods to be recognized in respect to the prepayment of postage.

This last aspect is the main subject of this article but as its consideration is affected by contemporary events these will be introduced as found relevant.

Prepayment of Postage Generally

Distinctive officially authorized postage stamps were first issued in New Caledonia in 1860; British Solomon Islands in 1907; New Hebrides in 1908 and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands in 1911. Excluding New Caledonia, which will be considered separately, the postal position in regard to the other three island groups was that, from the time of the first white settlements, the islanders had either to arrange to have cash lodged with the letters on arrival at the General Post Office, Sydney, to enable the requisite stamps to be affixed and further transmission effected, or to acquire and affix to letters postage stamps acceptable to the New South Wales post office. For many years the former method was the usual procedure but, as island settlement increased, it became the practice of Government officials and residents in the islands to have on hand supplies of New South Wales stamps. This practice developed first in New Caledonia, for reasons which will be explained in some detail later.

The availability of New South Wales postage stamps in the islands therefore first came about purely by local arrangement and was not the result of Post Office directives. Later, following the establishment of a New South Wales postal agency in the New Hebrides, some directives were issues regarding the use of New South Wales stamps in that group but similar action was not taken in regard to the other island territories. The Post Office was quite aware that the appointment of postal agents might have political repercussions.

Summarized, New South Wales stamps were available over varying periods in certain island groups but ceased to be required after adequate local postal facilities were provided. It may be emphasized, however, that while New South Wales stamps were regularly on

hand over differing periods in various islands they were not held, except in the New Hebrides, for local mail use. They were utilized for postage on articles intended to pass through the General Post Office in Sydney and while undoubtedly they were employed on some occasions to frank letters passing from island to island with territorial groups, such as the British Solomons, their use for this purpose would be exceptional as such letters could be carried only by private arrangements with officers or members of ships' companies.

PART II: BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS

The South Solomon Islands became a British Protectorate in 1893. At that time there were comparatively few white residents in the group and the usual method of handling postal articles at the G.P.O., Sydney, addressed to residents in the Protectorate was for all articles to be enclosed in a sealed bag, labelled "Solomon Islands," and delivered to the purser of a vessel proceeding to the islands. On arrival, the purser opened the bag and distributed the mail as opportunity offered.

Letters from residents were handed to pursers on outgoing vessels and were either franked with New South Wales stamps, if the resident possessed them, or were accompanied by cash to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed when the vessel returned to Sydney.

Part II: British Solomon Islands

One aspect which caused considerable difficulty for several years was the delivery in the islands of registered letters when the person or persons to whom they were addressed did not attend at the ship's side to sign the official receipts. Eventually, on the 18th August, 1903, the Australian Postmaster-General of the day decided that registered letters addressed to the British Solomon Islands would not in future be accepted for transmission. This decision was communicated to the Universal Postal Bureau, Berne, which informed member-countries of the Universal Postal Union but, despite the prohibition, registered letters addressed to the Solomons accepted by the post office clerks in various countries continued to reach the General Post Office at Sydney and caused continuous administrative difficulties.

The Department thought that the registered letter problem had been overcome two years later when, on the 14th September, 1905, it accepted the offer of the then Resident British Commissioner in the Solomon Islands Protectorate (Mr. Arthur Oliphant) to receive all registered letters addressed to residents, sign official receipts and arrange for their subsequent safe delivery. However, as Mr. Oliphant very shortly afterwards relinquished the position the arrangement was not carried out. Not until 1907 was the position regarding registered letter delivery improved as in that year a private mail bag was provided for the Resident Commissioner and all registered letters for island residents there enclosed.

As there was no registered mail service from the British Solomon Islands, the earlier arrangements still pevailed. Letters intended for registration had to be forwarded in the usual way to Sidney, accompanied by the requisite amount in cash (or affixed New South Wales stamps) to cover postage and registration costs from Sydney.

Handling of Ordinary Mail

In regard to the carriage of ordinary mail from Sydney to the Solomons, two separate bags were made up as from September, 1904. One, containing articles for residents of Gizo, was addressed to the Resident Magistrate at Gizo, who undertook to deliver its contents. The other bag for residents elsewhere in the Solomon Islands continued to be under the Commissioner at Tulagi, was introduced in 1907.

Following Mr. Oliphant's retirement in 1905, Mr. T. W. Edge-Portington became Acting Resident Commissioner for a short period until he was succeeded by Mr. Charles M. Woodford, who had been a resident of the islands since 1897. *(To be continued in next issue)*

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a meeting of the Club at which at least forty people were present and where great philatelic activity was evident. It was a most enjoyable evening. I met Alec Hall, president of the Vancouver Island P.S., C. J. Richards, secretary of the Greater Victoria P.S., a couple of compatriots, M. and Mme. Trumandeau, a compatriot of our good friend Max Cohen, Merv. Weyneton, from Australia, and many others. The next day, I visited what must surely be one of the most beautiful spots in the world. Butchart Gardens, in the company of Arthur Teare and Mr. Wildig. After, I was passed across to P. W. Mason, who took me to lunch and a ride around and then to his home to see a lovely garden and a very fine collection of B.W.I. Before leaving Victoria, I called on two dealers, Russell Stamp Shop and Reg. Nairne, and picked up a few interesting little items and from Reg Nairne, a promise of some Tibet covers if he received them back from a prospective client in San Francisco (They were awaiting me when I arrived home!)

Vancouver—My stay in Victoria came all too quickly to an end and I was on my way to Nanaimo, passing on the way Gerry Wellburn's home town, Duncan, thence by ferry to the Queen City of the Pacific Coast, Vancouver, where I was met by a most genial host, Stuart Johnstone, our Regional Director in Vancouver. He took me to his home for dinner and after, showed me one of the finest collections of Canada I have ever seen, including such treasures as a copy of a recently acquired copy of the Twelvepenny Black. To enumerate all that Stuart did for me in Vancouver would be impossible, but I certainly saw more of the city and its surroundings in two days than the average tourist sees in a week. I had dinner with the "21" Club, a gathering of collectors meeting once a month for dinner and a talk. There is no president nor secretary, and every one takes the chair in turn and gives a talk on some facet of philately with which he is acquainted. The night I was there, Harry Bradshaw was in the chair and gave a most interesting discourse on Japan, showing some forty or fifty pages of the exhibit that won the Grand Award at the S.P.S. Convention in San Francisco last year. I managed to visit a couple of old Toronto friends and also some of the city's dealers. I have been hearing of the Stanley Stamp Co. for quite a long time and finally met the Eatons and found them as described to me, both, father and son, charming gentlemen and great professional philatelists. I also called on Fred Langer. I missed the Armstrong bus on the day of my departure so had an extra half-day in Vancouver and visited the All-Nations Stamp Shop on Homer St., where I had extraordinary good fortune of picking up some Half-centime newspaper surcharges of France, described in a number of the Philatelic Magazine which I read in the train on leaving home and of which I had never heard before! I am beginning to think that I am blessed with serendipity!

I had lunch with Gerry Ketcheson, president of the British Columbia Philatelic Society and at his home saw a remarkable collection of China, New South Wales and Western Australia. The British Columbia P.S. is in none too good a situation at –present, owing to some unfortunate occurrences, but I am confident that it will soon be out of the doldrums and as active and progressive as ever. Such a fine old club can not long remain in the dumps.

Kamloops Stamp Club—To my great regret, I missed the Armstrong bus, owing to the stupidity of a clerk at the Bus terminal, who omitted to inform me that the bus time was in the process of being changed, so could not stay the night with Bob Duncan, as planned, and had to proceed directly to Kamloops, where I was met by several members of the Kamloops Stamp Club in spite of the late hour, and taken around to Dr. Burns' home, where we had coffee and chatted into the wee sma' hours. The Kamloops club has a human dynamo for a Secretary, Frank Torregiani, and the way that man took me around Kamloops was nobody's business! I really saw the place and met a host of philatelis, Mrs. Veale, the President, Dr. Burns, Vice-President, Dr. Banno, our old member

Ashton Hodgson and many others. A splendid banquet took place at the Leland Hotel, where some fifty or more people were present, and where I heard an interesting talk by Mr. Walburn, of Precancel fame. The Kamloops is a real live club and will go a long way.

Edmonton Stamp Club—I was met in Edmonton by the president of the Edmonton Stamp Club, F. N. Harris, E. C. Powell, one of our oldest members there and Harris Macleod, a great Canadian collector. Driven by Frank Harris' charming daughter, I must have driven much more than 50 miles in that dynamic city and it certainly is a boom place. Noted however, that with their tremendously wide streets, they still have traffic problems and parking is just as painful as our older cities in the East! I had a delightful dinner at the Corona Hotel with eight or nine members of the Edmonton Club and also had the pleasure of meeting another ex-North Toronto member, in the person of Stewart Kenyon, secretary of the Edmonton Club.

Saskatoon Stamp Club—I met W. I. Fawcett, secretary of the Saskatoon, and we had a meeting at the Y.M.C.A. where five members of the Club turned out. This was better than it sounds, for it was Sunday and the Thanksgiving weekend. Anyway, I spent a very pleasant afternoon.

Winnipeg Philatelic Society—And finally, I arrived in Winnipeg, the birthplace of the Canadian Philatelic Society, where I had been forewarned, I was going to find terrible hostility against the Society. Malarkey! I enjoyed myself in Winnipeg as well as any other place on my tour. The way Russell Burr, President of the Winnipeg P.S., Harry Godard, and others received me was heartwarming. The latter took me around the City, including a visit to K. Bileski's home, a real show place, surely one of the most pleasant places one could have to work and study stamps. Harry also took me home and showed me, over a cup of coffee, a most amazing accumulation of Canada. I attended a meeting of the Winnipeg P.S. and who should I bump into, in the elevator, but our old friend Bob Woolley, complete with his new "Perfin" handbook in his hand! The meeting was well attended and I had a barrage of questions to answer, but I hope, and sincerely believe, that I thoroughly cleared the air and that the Winnipeg Philatelic Society will shortly become Chapter No. 45.

That concluded by visits and it only remained for me to go home. To say that I enjoyed my trip would be a churchillian understatement! As I have already said, it was overwhelming, but it certainly was a delight to me to find the C.P.S. stock in such high standing everywhere. I am very hopeful that besides Winnipeg, Calgary, Vancouver Island and Kamloops will soon become Chapters of the Society. The only sour note I encountered was in New Westminster where I was told that the Royal City Stamp Club had no wish to have any connection whatsoever with the Canadian Philatelic Society and not the slightest desire to meet its President. Needless to say, I did not insist, but I do hope that before many moons have passed, this sorry state of mind will have passed.

I feel that my visit was worthwhile. I do hope I have succeeded in my object, proving to our Western friends that the "C" in C.P.S. means "Canadian" and that while we at Headquarters may live in the East, we do not think in terms of the East only, but always have in mind the interests of collectors all over Canada, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. If I have, then my journey was amply repaid.

In conclusion, there remains to me but to thank all the kind people who did so much for me. I cannot mention everyone, but I feel that I must single out our directors, Ron Doxsee, Arthur Teare and Stuart Johnstone, for the manner in which they paved the way for me. With its interests in the hands of such good and capable men, the Society can rest easy and I hope most sincerely that they will continue to represent us for man years to come.

L. M. LAMOUROUX, President.

The Realm Of Stamps

By Montor

NOW that the new season is well under way after the summer recess members will be again hard at work on their stamps and it is not by any means too early to prepare now for the C.P.S. Convention and Exhibition which is being held in Windsor, Ont., on April 26, 27 and 28. This next C.P.S. show promises to be outstanding and the Windsor Y Stamp Club, who are hosts to the convention, have been busily engaged for some months in the preparation of their plans.

PLAN NOW TO SHOW AND ATTEND THE CONVENTION.

There is no doubt that stamp collecting is gaining in popularity and every member should give Cyril Woodhead their support in bringing in new members to the Society. It is only by increasing the membership substantially that an enlarged "Canadian Philatelist" can be produced. There are literally hundreds of thousands of people in Canada who are stamp collectors—some eminent philatelists, other just ordinary general collectors—who take no part and give no support to organized philately. They would derive a great deal more pleasure and enjoyment from their hobby if they joined their local club in the first place and the C.P.S., their national society in the second place.

It is these bodies that shoulder the work and responsibility of putting on exhibitions, of publishing the hobby and of educating the children in stamp collecting. Surely they deserve a fuller measure of support.

So let every member get behind the Society's membership campaign and interest their stamp collecting friends in joining the Canadian Philatelic Society. It is to everyone's advantage to help build up the Society and this is the most practical way of doing it.

The British North America Philatelic Society's Seventh Annual Convention and Exhibition "BNAPEX 55" held at the Hotel Statler, at Hartford, Connecticut, was a most successful and enjoyable affair. The Connecticut "Nutmeggers" Group acted as hosts under the chairmanship of Leon W. Banks and the arrangements made for the entertainment of the delegates were really excellent. Special mention should be made of the wonderful arrangements made by the ladies for the entertainment of the wives of out-of-town members who were taken on several most enjoyable tours in and around the city. The convention was well attended with States as far away as California and Florida being represented. There was a strong delegation from Toronto.

A special cancellation reading "BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOC. CN. STA. HARTFORD, CONN.," and date was used at the special post office at the Exhibition. Philately in the United States is indeed fortunate in having the full co-operation of the Post Office in matters as these.

As to the exhibition at Hartford it was not large but contained some fine B.N.A. material. The Grand Award was won by Harry W. Lussey (New Milford, N.J.), with his very fine display of the Admiral issue of Canada. Gold Medals were awarded to Daniel C. Myerson (Harrison, N.Y.), for a lovely display of the pence issues of Newfoundland, and to Marcus W. White (Worcester, Mass.), for his very fine essays and proofs of Canada and Newfoundland postal stationery.

Silver medals were won by Charles P.de Volpi (Montreal) for Stampless Covers and by Roy Wrigley (Vancouver, B.C.), for Canadian Officials. While Bronze Medals were awarded to Walter P. Carter (Willowdale, Ont.), for

3 cents Small Queens; George B. Llewellyn (Philadelphia, Pa.), for Stampless Covers; James T. Culhane (Morristown, Pa.), for Newfoundland; Wilmer C. Rockett (Glanside, Pa.), for Canadian Revenues and Harry O. Rex (Plainville, Conn.), for War Tax Stamps.

Next year's convention of the Society will be held in Toronto.

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It has been announced that "FIPEX", which will be held from April 28 to May 6, 1956, in the New York Coliseum, will have four "First Days". The United States Post Office Department authorized the issuance of four different postal items during the exhibition.

These will include a 3-cents stamp, a souvenir sheet, a post card and an envelope, the latter probably an air mail.

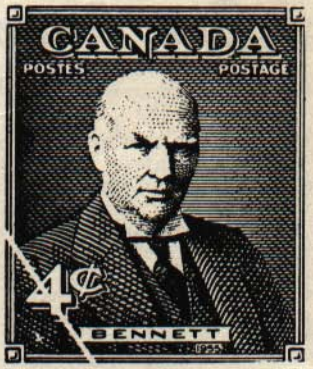
"FIPEX" officials have also been assured by the United States Post Office Authorities that they will co-operate wholeheartedly to make this stamp exhibition a success from every standpoint. Participation by the Post Office Department in the exhibition itself will surpass that of any previous show.

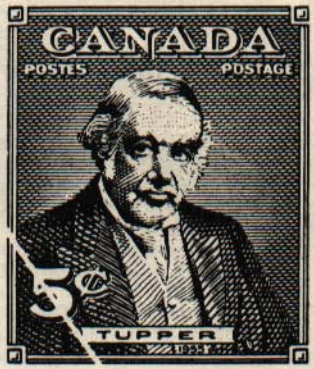
It has also been announced that several Foreign Governments have already indicated that they have ambitious plans for participation in "FIPEX". It is anticipated that an unprecendented number of Foreign Governments will send exhibits, thus making it a truly international philatelic exhibition.

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The Crown Agents announce that a second edition of the handbook "British Colonial Stamps in Current Use" is in preparation. The first edition was released in 1950. The new edition will contain about 150 pages with a map of the world bound into the book and will cover stamps placed on sale up to the end of October 1955.

Supplies are expected to be available in November from leading dealers in Canada and the United States or from the Crown Agents' office in Washington, D.C. The price will be $1 post free.





RECORD OF NEW ISSUES

CANADA. Two further stamps in the series commemorating the Prime Ministers of Canada will be issued on November 8. The 4 cents purple portrays the then Rt. Hon. Richard Bedford Bennett who was Prime Minister from August 7, 1930, to October 23, 1935, and the 5 cents blue depicts the Hon. Sir Charles Tupper who was Prime Minister from May 1, 1896, to July 8, 1896.

The stamps as illustrated above were designed from photographs supplied by the Public Archives of Canada and were engraved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company of Ottawa. They are of the same format as the previous stamps of this series and are printed from plates 1 and 2 and are being distributed in panes of 100 subjects.

RECENT NEW ISSUES

























A 25 cents pictorial stamp depicting the Chemical Industry and two further commemoratives in the wild life series are in preparation. The 4 cents value shows a cariboo and the 5 cents a mountain goat. Details of these stamps and the dates of issue have not yet been announced.

FALKLAND ISLANDS. The ½d., 1d., 2d., and 9d. values have been ordered with the Royal Portrait changed.

SWAZILAND. The Crown Agents have announced that a new definite issue of twelve values from ½d. to £ 1. has been ordered from Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. The design will include a portrait of Her Majesty together with the Crown and will feature pictorial subjects. All the stamps will be printed in two colours by the recess process. Particulars of the set are as follows: ½d. black and orange, Havelock Asbestos Mine; 1d. black and green, a Highland View; 2d. black and brown, Swazi Married Woman; 3d. black and red, Swazi Courting Couple; 4½d. Black and ultramarine, Swazi Warrior; 6d. black and magenta, Kudu; 1/-. black and olive, design as ½d. value; 1/3. black and sepia, as 3d.; 2/6. green and red, as 1d.; 5/-. violet and grey, as 4½d.; 10/-. black and violet, as 2d.; and £1. black and blue-green, as 6d.

UNON OF SOUTH AFRICA. A special 2d. stamp will be issued on December 1 to commemorate the Union Covenant Celebrations which will be held in Pietermaritzburg from December 13 to 18. The stamps will be printed alternatively in English and Africaans in sheets of 120 subjects and they will be on sale at all post offices in the Union during the month of December. A date stamp specially designed for the occasion will be used at the temporary post office which will be opened at the festival camping site from December 13 to 18.

AUSTRIA. A S 2.40 dark green stamp issued on October 19 with validity for postage on October 24 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the United Nations. Authorized printing one and a half million.



DENMARK. A 30 ore red stamp bearing his portrait to commemorate Soren Kierkegaard on the occasion of the centennial anniversary of his death, as illustrated above, will be issued on November 11.

FINLAND. Set of three semi-postals will be issued on November 24, the surcharge being for the benefit of the Finnish Red Cross Society. The set as illustrated on page 9, consists of a 10m. plus 2m. blue, 15m. plus 3m. red-brown and 25m. plus 5m. green. Printings have been authorized of 500,000 of the lowest value and 400,000 of each of the two higher values.

A 25m. stamp issued November 1 to mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the town of Lahti as illustrated on page 9. Authorized printing one million.

GERMANY. A 20 pf. red and black stamp, as illustrated page 11, was issued on October 5 on the occasion of the European Railway Congress at Wiesbaden. It is printed on paper watermarked "DBP" and a printing of 10 million was authorized.

ISRAEL. Four values of the new definite series, "The Tribes Set", will be issued in November, as follows: 10p. green, Emblem of



Reuben; 30p. blue, Levi; 60p. ochre, Naphtali; and 100p. wine red, Asher.

A 160p. black, green and red will be issued in November, showing a motor ambulance, to mark the 25th anniversary of the Magen David Adom in Israel which institution fulfills the tasks performed in other countries by the Red Cross.



ITALY. A 25 lira grey and brown stamp, as illustrated above, was issued on September 1 to mark the International Medical meeting held in Verona from September 1 to 4. It shows a medallion portrait of Girolamo Fracestro and a view of the arena at Verona.

A 25 lira black and deep ivory printed on white paper watermarked multiple stars issued on October 4 showing the Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi.

JAPAN. A pair of 5 yen stamps as illustrated on page 9 were issued on October 30 to mark the 10th National Athletic meeting.

A 10 yen stamp showing a girl playing a vidro, a kind of flute made of glass, in four colour photogravure will be issued early in November to cemmemorate 1955 Stamp Hobby Week as illustrated on page 9.



A New Year 5 yen stamp, as illustrated above, will be issued on December 20. Design shows a "Kokeshi" doll and it will be printed in two colours by photogravure. Authorized printing six million.



LUXEMBOURG. Set of four stamps were issued on United Nations Day, October 24, to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the United Nations. The designs are symbolic of the chief aims and achievements of the United Nations. The themes of the stamps which are bi-coloured, with the frame in the first colour are as follows: 80c. the Charter; part of the preamble of the charter, brownish black and slate blue; 2 fr. security, symbolized by playing children, brick red and dark brown; 4 fr. Justice, the sword and balance of justice, slate blue and brick red; and 9 fr. Assistance, depicting assistance to underprivileged nations, dark brown and bluish green. A special cancellation was used on the first day of



issue at Luxembourg City. Illustrated above.

NETHERLANDS. Set of five semi-postal stamps "For the Child" 1955, the surtax being for child welfare. They will be placed on sale on November 14 and will be available at all post offices until January 13.

The stamps, as illustrated above, were designed by S. L. Hartz of Haarlem and they will be printed in two colours in photogravure by Joh. Enschede of Haarlem. The second colour, which is related to the main colour, will only be applied to emphasize the latter, and to give more depth to the whole composition.

The series will consist of reproductions of the following portraits: 2 plus 3 cents green, Willem van Loon, painted by Dirck Dirckz, Santvoort, (1610-1680).

5 plus 3 cents red, portrait of a boy, painted by Jacob Adriaanszoon Backer (1608-1651.)

7 plus 5 cents brown, portrait of a girl, painted by an unknown South Netherlands master.

10 plus 5 cents blue, Philips Huygens. painted by Adriaan Hanneman (1601-1671.)

25 plus 8 cents purple, Constantijn Huygens, painted by Adriaan Hanneman (1601-1671.)

NETHERLANDS NEW GUINEA. Three paradise bird stamps overprinted in red with the value of the surcharge and the emblem of the Red Cross issued on November 1, the surcharge being for benefit of the New Guinea Red Cross. Denominations: 5 plus 5 cents, 10 plus 10 cents and 15 plus 10 cents. They will remain on sale until January 31 with postal validity until December 31, 1956.

NORWAY. Two new values in the current series bearing the portrait of H.M. King Haakon VII have been issued. The 40 ore violet in September and the 90 ore yellow on November -, the opening day of the International Christmas Seal Exhibition, which was held in Oslo from November 1 to 3.

Official stamps bearing the inscription "Off. Sak." have been issued in the following denominations: 5 ore red-lilac, 10 ore grey, 30 ore red, 40 ore violet and 60 ore blue.

PHILIPPINES. Two air mail stamps were issued on October 20, a 20c. purple and a 50c. blue-



green in honour of Lieut. Jose Gozar. The stamps, as illustrated above, bear his portrait, the picture of a fighter plane and the insignia of the Philippine Air Force. A printing of four million of the 20c. value and five million of the 50c. stamp have been authorized. A cachet and special canceller were used at Manila on the day of issue.

SWITZERLAND. To honour the 10th Anniversary of the United Nations on October 24, at the request of their European Office in Geneva, a commemorative stamp and a new series of service stamps were issued, both of which are destined for the prepaying of postage on postal items of the United Nations Organization in Geneva.

The commemorative is a 40c. bi-coloured stamp in blue and gold ochre and will carry the dates 1945-1955 at the top of the stamp.

The new series will consist of six values in two designs. The 5c. grey, 10c. green and 40c. blue showing a terrestrial globe and the 20c. red, 60c. brown and 2 Fr. purple depicting a winged figure from a sculpture in the U.N. Building in Geneva. Illustrated on page 9.

These stamps were placed on sale on October 24, the commemorative will be on sale until December 31 and the regular set until further notice.

A special postmark will be used in the post office in the U.N. Building at Geneva from October 24 until December 31.

TURKEY. Now illustrated on page 9 are two of the commemorate stamps chronicled in last month's issue.

UNITED NATIONS. Two stamps a 3 cents blue and an 8 cents green will be issued on December 9 in honour of Human Rights Day. The design of the stamp is by H. Woyty-Wimmer, who is a member of the U.N. Postal Administration's International Panel of Artists, and associated with Thomas De La Rue & Co. Ltd. of London.





UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Now illustrated above are the ½ cent orange portraying Benjamin Franklin issued at Washington, D.C., on October 20 and the 6 cents red depicting Theodore Roosevelt which will be issued at New York on November 18.

The 7 cents stamp of the new ordinary series portraying Woodrow Wilson will be first placed on sale at Staunton, Virginia, on January 10. The portrait was reproduced from a drawing by F. Graham Cootes.

WESTMOUNT JUNIOR STAMP CLUB HOLDS ELECTIONS

On Thursday, October 20, annual election of club officers took place.

Elected as president was Wayne Bungay. Dick Clements was voted vice-president. Re-elected to their previous posts were Helene Montreuil as treasurer and Daphne Decary as secretary. Steve Gilbert was elected membership whip succeeding Udo Tomson. These officers will be installed in their position on November 10.

Also of interest was the presentation of the Levine Memorial Trophy to the Junior Club on October 28. The presentation was made on behalf of Mrs. Levine by Mr. L. G. Buck, president of the senior club. The trophy is in memory of the late I. H. Levine, a member of the Westmount Stamp Club. It is to be awarded annually at the club banquet in June to the member contributing the most to the club.

The Secretary's Column

Greetings! The following are a few items we have covered during the past few weeks. On October 22nd, President Lamouroux and Messrs. Woodhead, Green and Rushton drove to Belleville, Ont., to meet our new Chapter, The Quinte Stamp Club. We were met at the Hotel Quinte by its genial manager and Claude Hunt, secretary of the Quinte Club. Claude was a past member of the old Rosedale S.C., now the North Toronto S.C. After a nice dinner at the hotel we left to go to the Kiwanis Centre to meet some 70 members and friends. Introductions were made by Claude Hunt and then the C.P.S. entertained for an hour and a half and those who know Cyril Woodhead, well nuff sed. A fine time was had by all and thanks to the Quinte Stamp Club.

On October 26th we travelled to the Toronto Hydro Commission and gave a show to the Hydro S.C. This is a small club of some 15 members but a most enthusiastic one. Here again a fine evening was enjoyed by everyone.

On October 29th we hopped a slow freight to Kitchener, where at the Walper House we were serenaded by Bill Erbach who said to throw the Bums out, meaning Cyril and I. However, we were able to pop into St. John's (Anglican) Church Hall in time to enjoy a Bourse. Later, 101 sat down to the Twentieth Birthday celebration of the Kitchener - Waterloo Philatelic Society. After S h e r l o c k Holmes and Dr. Watson (this was Cyril and I) discovered Bill Erbach getting away with the sugar and silver and anything else that was within boarding house reach, we enjoyed a wonderful show. Hearty congratulations to the Kitchener officers for a fine party. We are looking forward to their 25th anniversary.

And now after some fun something a little more serious. How about that MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN. Cyril Woodhead has some fine prizes, so won't you please help us. Read our advertisement in this issue. By helping us gain new members you are helping yourselves.

Your Secretary,
F. C. Green.

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WESTMOUNT STAMP CLUB

The Rev. Dr. George F. Dewey gave a most interesting talk on the Small Queens Issue of Canada to a packed meeting of the Westmount Stamp Club on October 13. Dr. Dewey is particularly well qualified to speak on this subject as he is an acknowledged authority on the 2 cents value and has made an extensive study during the past 20 years of the stamps of this interesting issue.

At the close of his address he was warmly thanked by Mr. A. H. Christensen, on behalf of the members, for his most instructive discussion on these fascinating stamps.

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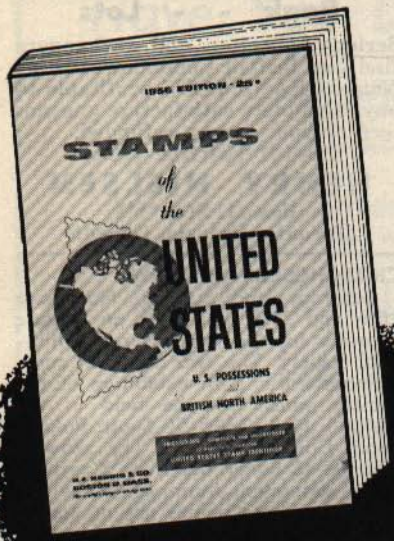
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I notice in the September list of new issues on page 13, you record a "set of six semi-postals featuring famous Frenchmen issued for the benefit of the French Red Cross" etc.

As a topical collector of Red Cross I recently received a bulletin from Mr. Cyril Balmforth, Hon. Sec., Red Cross Study Circle in England, in which he refers to this issue as follows — "There is no Red Cross in the design and the Gibbons Catalogue describes the set as for National Relief Fund. They appear, therefore, not to be of the "A" class, but possibly of the "B" stamp status. Enquiry from France is being made," end of quote.

The Study Circle classify Red Cross stamps under the two headings A and B as follows:

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