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THOUGHTS & THINGS

by Peter M. Mann

CANADIAN CATALOGUES —

Are they accurate?

My experience with Canadian catalogues during the past two months leaves me with doubts as to the accuracy of the information in recent and earlier editions of the commonly used catalogues.

I have been told that my "Correction" of Lyman's listing of the perforation gauge of the 1972 Caricature low value definitives was wrong (CP., vol. 30, no. 3, 1979, p.193).

That statement prompted me to take a second and third look at the perforation gauge of those stamps. The result was that my "correction" stands.

The perforation gauge of the 1972 Caricature definitives (1¢ - 8¢) is 12 x 12 1/2 except for plate 6 of the 8¢ stamp which is 12.9 x 13.3, as is the 10¢ QEII stamp. Therefore Lyman's listing is wrong. Reference to the Canada Post brochure for this issue is of no help. It merely states that the perforations are 12+.

Lyman's is not the only catalogue that lists these stamps incorrectly. Canada Specialized 1979, and the Gandley, Stanley Canada/BNA Catalogue, 9th ed. are also wrong. They all list the perfs as 12 1/2 x 12. (Gibbons' Commonwealth Catalogue, the Urch, Harris Commonwealth QEII Catalogue, H. E. Harris' Spring/Summer 1979 and Scott's 1979 catalogues, all list the perforations correctly.)

These editions of the Canadian catalogues have been available for at least six months and, until now, no mention has been made of this error. What makes it more interesting is that Lyman's has been repeating this mistake since their Spring-Summer 1978 edition which listed the perfs for the first time. Canada Specialized's record is even worse. It has been repeating the error since their 1975 edition at least (I couldn't locate my earlier editions to see if the error goes back further).

In the 1975 edition of Canada Specialized, the $1 and $2 stamps of that series were listed as perf. 12. This was changed to perf. 11 in the 1976 and subsequent editions.

Since Canada Specialized corrected the high value perfs but not the low values, does this indicate that its users do not read the fine print for most of the issues? Are they interested only in the possible varieties of the higher priced items and do not check perforations of low value stamps against the catalogue listings of them?

If an error such as has been detailed above, for stamps that are readily available for checking, can be perpetuated for 4+ years, it makes one wonder how many other mistakes there may be in these catalogues.

Published results of specialized studies of several series of Canadian stamps which give the correct information (e.g., for Caricature issue - Chung, Heyn, etc.,) are available. Let us hope that Canadian catalogue editors will take another look at all of their listings, and check them against stamps if necessary, to ensure that their catalogues provide correct information for their users.

ANNUAL INDEX

You will find in this issue, the Annual Index to Volume 29, 1978, compiled by J. L, Charron, R.P.S.C. 6741. This is the 19th consecutive index that Mr. Charron has prepared for the Society. It represents the latest instalment of the longest consecutively running feature in the journal.

We owe a sincere vote of thanks to Mr. Charron for his efforts in preparing the index for so many years.

Thank you Mr. Charron.

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Letters to the Editor

THE GASPÉ POSTMASTER'S PROVISIONAL COVER — 1851

Rebuttals to the statements made by Mr. C. N. Richardson

Sir:

Although C. N. Richardson, in his article "The Gaspé Postmaster's Provisional Cover - 1851" (Vol. 30, No. 3) mentions that I have not a "philatelic mind" if I do not agree with what he has written, I must nevertheless take the chance of being classed as a philatelic neophyte and question some of his facts and theories.

He mentions that in 1904 a Mr. Donald King examined the cover and declared that the printed postage was of 1851 vintage. He failed to mention, however, that Donald King was a dealer in stamps under the name of his daughter Emily King. He was a good friend of Henry Hechler (renowned for his prowess with a printing press) and he, himself, was not above dealing in multiple printings on postal stationery. I do not wish to imply that these gentlemen had anything to do with the cover in question but would like to point out that the decades immediately prior to, and following the turn of the century were fertile years for philatelic manufacturers and few dealers could pass close scrutiny in all their dealings.

Mr. Richardson states that R. W. Kelly (who was indeed the postmaster at New Carlisle in 1851) was the local printer. Despite intensive research, I have been unable to come up with this information and would like to know the authority for this statement. If one examines the strike of the New Carlisle dater, one notices that the closed letters are filled in with ink and a good printer would not let his type get that dirty.

Mr. Richardson implies that Postmaster Kelly may have received the idea of printing the postage on the envelope from the already common use of locally prepared brass rate hammers, especially at larger post offices. The truth of the matter is that prior to the use of postage stamps in Canada (and uniform postage rates), almost all rates were shown in manuscript (pen and ink) and handstruck rate devices did not become common until after 1851. Thus, this prevelent practice that may have acted as inspiration for Mr. Kelly just did not exist.

Probably the most contentious item mentioned by Mr. Richardson is Mr. Kelly's "endorsement" placed vertically on the right side of the envelope. If it was to serve as a cancellation for the printed postage it was totally unnecessary. And a prepaid STAMPLESS cover the postage would have been recorded and accounted for in the post office ledger. Re-use of this envelope by the recipient to mail another prepaid letter would have been impossible even with the postage "uncancelled". As an unpaid letter or as a Postmasters' Franking, the printed postage would have not been necessary at all. In all probability, this "endorsement" had nothing to do with the postal aspects of the letter.

I have no doubt that this envelope was mailed at New Carlisle and passed through the Quebec Post Office on the way to Toronto in 1851. Whether the printed postage entity was on it at that time is open to question and, instead of re-assuring me of its genuineness, Mr. Richardson has amplified my doubts.

Dr. Fred G. Stulberg.

Dear Sir,

I was interested to note the article on the status of the New Carlisle cover in the May-June 1979 issue by C. N. Richardson. I was also disappointed because rather than clarifying the position it merely repeats some of the assumptions made in the original description (C.P. Vol. 14, No. 4, 1963).

Although the existence of this item has

been known for a number of years, few Canadian specialists have accepted it as anything more than a curiosity. Both Boggs and Holmes ignored it and when I questioned Fred Jarrett about it's appearance in an English catalogue, his response was that "people believe when they want to believe".

I don't think that anyone has questioned either the cover, the handstamp or the route and we know that R. W. Kelly was the postmaster of New Carlisle at this date.

At this point in time it would probably be impossible to prove if the printed "Three Pence" was contemporary. Although it might be possible to establish by microscopic examination whether the filing note is over or under the printed impression.

If it is contemporary, then R. W. Kelly was ignoring the Post Office Act of August 1850 which states as follows:-

> ". . . . except by the **permission in writing** of the Provincial Post Master General, or of some officer or person who under the regulations to be made in that behalf, may lawfully grant such permission, or to have possession of any such plate, die or other thing as aforesaid, without such permission as aforesaid, or to forge, counterfeit, or unlawfully imitate, use or affix to or upon any letter or packet, any stamp, signature, initials, or other mark or sign purporting that such letter or packet ought to pass free of postage, or at a lower rate of postage, or **that the postage thereon or any part thereof hath been pre-paid,** or ought to be paid by or charged to any person, department or party whomsoever, shall be felony, punishable by imprisonment in the Provincial Penitentiary for life".

However, New Carlisle is a small place even now and Kelly may not have realized that it was illegal. Certainly by 1852 he was using a handstamped "3d" as a paid marking.

At this point I would like to enquire what document exists to support Mr. Richardson's statement that R. W. Kelly was the local printer or is this another wishful assumption?

Both the 1963 and 1979 articles have tried to rationalize an obvious filing note into a "postmaster's endorsement." The auctioneer's description at the earlier sale read - "Three Pence in fancy frame, not cancelled but crossed by recipient's endorsement". An accurate description as any North American postal historian would agree.

Possibly the fact that both articles were written in England accounts for this mistake. 19th Century North American filing procedure when dealing with folded letter sheets was to refold the entire piece into a rectangular shape and to write a filing note on one end. Such endorsements usually included the sender's name, the subject, the date of the letter and sometimes the date of the response, Files were usually kept in wooden document boxes designed to accept bundles of folded letters. In the mid 1840's the introduction of cheap postage made envelopes possible but correspondence was still filed in the earlier way for many years. New methods for filing the letters in card folders without envelopes were introduced in the 1870's. Until then letters were filed by keeping them in the original envelopes and writing the filing information across one end. (Boggs illustrates several such envelopes).

The endorsement on the New Carlisle cover matches the requirements of a filing note exactly. It does not, however, match those of manuscript cancellations or endorsements (i.e. Location/Day/Month). It seems likely, therefore, that rather than being a postmaster's endorsement it is, in fact, Hugh Miller's filing note (i.e. Letter/R.W. Kelly/April 1851). Unless a matching example of Kelly's handwriting can be found in the archives this assumtion is more logical.

Except for Donald King's evaluation of 1904 it seems that the item in question has never been submitted for expert examination. Perhaps now that the item is once more in Canada, an opinion from the Vincent G. Greene Philatelic Foundation Expert Committee could be obtained.

Yours truly,

Kenneth Rowe.
Toronto, Ont.

THANKS FROM GRANDPEX

Sir:

On behalf of the Executive of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association and the Exhibition Committee, I would like to thank all the officials and members of the Royal whose cooperation and participation contributed so much to the success of GRANDPEX.

Sincerely,
Mike Street
Exhibition Director.

(Ed. We, in turn, thank the G.R.V.P.A. for putting on such a fine show and for hosting the Society's Annual Convention.)

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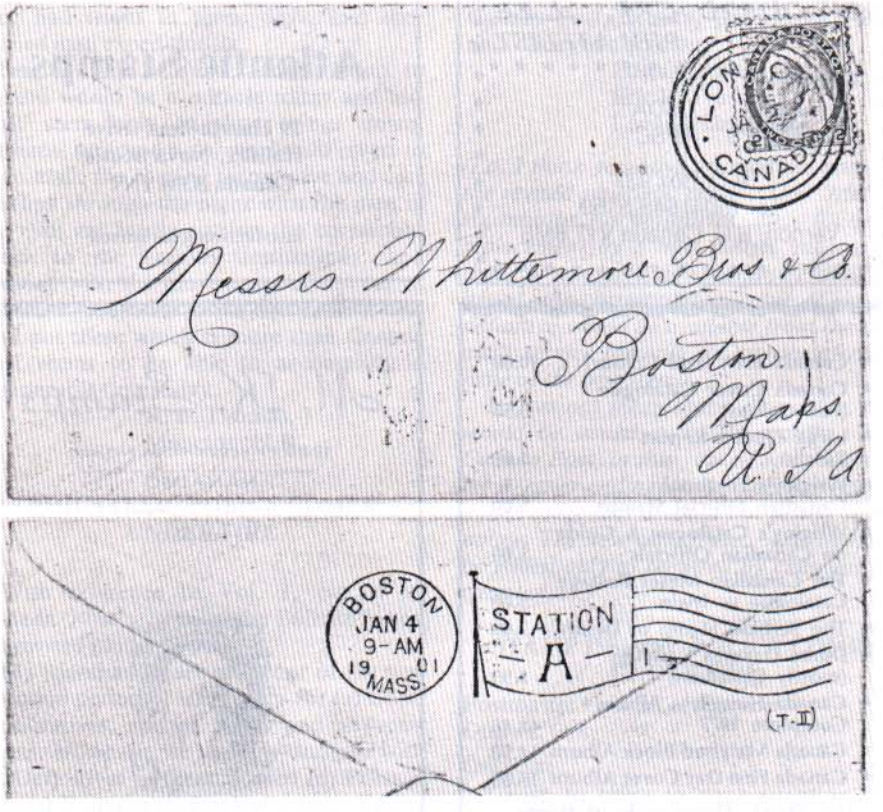

Mailed in London, Ont., Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1901, it arrived in Boston, Mass. on Friday, Jan. 4, 1901

Sir:

In the January-February issue of the Canadian Philatelist Dr. Stulberg exhibited a cover with the rather unusual date of one A.M. January 1, 1901. If Dr. Stulberg is correct in his assumption that the twentieth century began with the year 1901, then the

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cover that I am showing is also unusual. This cover was mailed from London, Canada on January 2, 1901 - the first business day of the twentieth century.

I think that you might be also interested in the addressed destination, a business company, in one of the larger cities in the United States, and just addressed Boston, Mass. U.S.A. No street and number. Things were much more relaxed and easy going in those days. On the reverse of the cover the Boston Post Office stamped "Jan. 4 - 9 AM - 1901" and with the circular date cancel the Station A Flag. I would like to think that the addressee received that letter that same day! But then they had trains in those days, and they carried mail expeditiously.

Second day delivery from London to Boston would be a miracle today and aircraft seem only to slow things down. Perhaps, on some runs, we should revert to train mail; the roaring locomotive and cars hurtling through the night with the men in the mail car busily sorting the correspondence to the various destinations, and swaying with the movements of the car as the train speeds on to it's destination. The mail got there which is more than Canada Post seems to be able to accomplish in comparable time today.

R. B. Thomas,
Moncton, N.B.

PHILATELIC POLICY COMES UNDER FIRE

Sir:

With reference to Vol. 1, No. 4 of Canada Post's "Philatelic Bulletin" and the revised philatelic policy.

My friend and I are in favour of the new retention period of six months for (a) Commemoratives, special issues and souvenir sheets. However, we strongly disagree with (b) Definitives (c) Precancelled (d) Postage Due (e) Coil and (f) Booklet stamps having a "life" of six months only, following replacement by new design - which refers to "a new series, additional plate numbers in the current series and changes in perforation". This is, to us, pure "commercialism" at its worst, and is going to prove quite expensive to the average collector and probably prohibitive to some of the younger collectors, as in each twelve month period, will there be two each of the following: $2, $1, 80¢, 75¢, 50¢, etc.? Plus, possibly ones for the $1.25 registration and any other high values that the postal authorities deem necessary. The change in colour and denomination as a result of rate changes is, of course, necessary.

Also (h) First Day Covers, these should have a "life" of a maximum of one month, preferably of less than one week. How do other members of the Society feel towards this matter? If you agree with us, why not write (as we have done) to "Co-ordinator, Philatelic Bulletin, Philatelic Service, Canada Post, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0B5" and voice your opinion.

Edward Aitken Harris,
Eric R. Trussler,
Lennoxville, Québec.

(Ed. I think you have misread the notes on the revised philatelic policy. The "life" of six months for definitives, etc., following replacement by a new design, means just that. Whenever a new definitive design is issued, the corresponding value of the old definitive would be available from the philatelic service for only six months after the issue of the new stamp.

It does not mean that a new value, etc., would be issued every six months. Even Canada Post, in this year of what seems to be a never-ending stream of new issues, must realize that it could not justify such a policy. The new values, etc., will, we hope, be issued only as required by changing circumstances.)

STAMP ISSUING POLICY COMES UNDER FIRE

Postmaster General of Canada
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

I wish to bring to your attention, and request an explanation why it is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain a definitive stamp bearing the Queen's head.

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Canadian Imperforate Stamps Legal Ownership

by T. R. Burpee

Can one legally own imperforate stamps issued by Canada's Post Office?

The answer is a clear YES according to the accompanying letter from Emile Perrin, a special assistant to the Postmaster General. However, there are some exceptions.

The main attributes of legality seem to be: first, that the stamps are issued by the post office and, second, that they may be used for postal purposes.

The following is my summary of post office policy.

1. Stamps issued by the Province of Canada, 1851 - 1867.

These were first issued to the public in imperforate form and were used postally. These are legally held by collectors.

2. Stamps issued by Canada, 1867 - 1947.

Two categories of imperforates were issued during this period.

a. Official imperforates.
e.g., the 2¢ Edward VII imperforates of 1903-08 and the 1924 1¢, 2¢ and 3¢ Admiral imperforates. These were issued directly to the public and are legally held.

b. Favour imperforates.
During the period 1867 - 1947 a small quantity of imperforate copies of most sets and commemoratives were prepared for select distribution as favours. These are genuine postage stamps, acceptable for postage and are legally held.

3. Certain stamps issued by Canada, 1947 - 1978 (legal).

The Post Office recognizes that certain stamps in imperforate form have become available to the public through regular channels despite best efforts at quality control, e.g., Maple Leaf in Spring issued in 1971 or the imperforate coil stamps. These are considered to be the property of the owners and can be used postally. They are legally held.

4. Certain stamps issued by Canada, 1947 - 1978 (illegal).

There is now a rigid control on imperforate stamps produced in the development of postage stamps. All proofs, essays and related material are the property of the Crown. Their possession by collectors is illegal. A review of catalogues for the major auctions held in Toronto during the six year period 1973 - 1978 reveals that there has been a regular trade in post 1947 imperforate material. For the most part however, the lots involved imperforate coils stamps, the 6¢ Maple Leaf in Spring of 1971 and the 15¢ Mountie of 1973.

On two occasions in 1974 however, dies and proofs of the post 1947 era were offered for auction. This involved Scott Nos. 276, 291, 316, 328, 502 and 503. These sales would appear to be at odds with the government's policy for post 1947 issues.

Finally, in 1973, a theft of proofs took place from the Post Office's display at the IBRA'73 exhibit in Munich. Stolen were the following items: the 1972 J. Howe 8¢ progressive colour proofs and press sheet proofs and the 1972 Christmas 6¢ and 8¢ progressive colour proofs. A $3000 reward was offered through the philatelic press for their recovery.

Imperforate stamps of the post 1947 period which have been offered at auction in recent years:

June 19, 1978

Dear Mr. Burpee:

The Canada Post Office has issued imperforate postage stamps in the past, e.g. the 2¢ Edward VII imperforates of 1903-08 and the 1924 1¢, 2¢, and 3¢ Admiral imperforates. These are freely traded and collected by philatelists.

On rare occasions stamps that were to be issued with perforations have been found in post offices in imperforate condition. An example is the Maple Leaf in Spring issued in 1971. Although inspection is very thorough these postage stamps escaped detection, were delivered to post offices and sold to customers. While the Post Office Department takes steps to recover unsold remainders it recognizes that those purchased by customers are the property of the purchaser. The fact that these stamps are not perforate does not preclude their use for postage purposes. Coil stamps sold by a post office and found to be imperforate would also fall into this category.

It is alleged that at one time some imperforate Canadian stamps of new issues were given to several senior government and post office officials.

These imperforates (the "Favour Imperforates," Ed.), presumably given as souvenirs, would eventually find their way into the philatelic trade. Nevertheless they are genuine postage stamps and are as acceptable in the prepayment of postage as the perforated variety. While the number of these souvenirs (imperforated stamps) may have varied, the quantity was always very small.

Since at least 1 January 1947 any imperforate stamps produced in the development of postage stamps have been rigidly controlled. Contracts with the suppliers of postage stamps specify that all proofs, essays and related material are the property of the Crown. Any such items in the possession of collectors would be held illegally.

You will note that I do not refer to the stamps issued by the Province of Canada from 1851 until Confederation in 1867. These were not issued by Canada as constituted under Confederation. The first issue was issued imperforate. At a later period perforations were devised to facilitate the separation of a stamp from a sheet of stamps.

Yours sincerely,

Emile Perrin (Signed)
Special Assistant

Sc. No.
276 4¢ princess Eliz. (1948)
Large unfinished die proof, on card
291 3¢ George VI (1950)
Black unfinished die proof, on card
316 20¢ pulp (1952)
Trial colour plate proof in brown
328 4¢ QE II (1953)
Large die proof in colour of issue
339a 3¢ QE II (1954)
Imperforate vertical pair
341 5¢ QE II (1954)
Imperforate vertical - block of 6
- pair
502 5¢ Xmas (1969)
Plate proof in original colours

Sc. No.
503 6¢ Xmas (1969)
Plate proof in original colours
535a 6¢ Maple in Spring (1971)
Imperforate - block of 4 (mint)
- block of 4 (used)
- pairs
614a 15¢ Mountie (1973)
Imperforate - block of 4
- pairs
- single on cover

All coils issued by the Post Office since 1967 have been found in imperforate form. These have appeared regularly at auction.

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The Penny Post and Stamp Collecting

by P. Stone

This year marks the centenary of the death of Rowland Hill, originator of the penny post using adhesive postage stamps. In so doing, he also gave the world a new collectible, thereby, inadvertently, starting a new and lucrative business for governments and private citizens alike.

To commemorate these two events, I think it appropriate to reprint two poems which appeared in PUNCH, OR THE LONDON CHARIVARI in the last century.

The first poem introduces a term for philatelists which fortunately has not caught on - "Knights of the Spit-upon". In fact, it really does not apply to many of today's collectors who insist upon Mint, Never Hinged stamps for their collections.

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Has bitten the industriously-idle ladies of England. To enable a large wager to be gained, they have been indefatigable in their endeavours to collect old penny stamps; in fact, they betray more anxiety to treasure up Queen's heads, than Harry the Eighth did to get rid of them. Colonel Sibthorpe, whose matchless genius we have so often admired, sends us the following poem upon the prevailing epidemic: —

When was a folly so pestilent hit upon,
As folks running mad to collect every
spit upon
Post-office stamp that's been soil'd and
been writ upon?
Oh for Swift! such a subject his spleen to
emit upon.
'Tis said that some fool in moustachios has
split upon
The rock of a bet,
And therefore must get,
To avoid loss and debt,
Half the town as collectors, to waste time
and wit upon,
Bothering and forcing their friends to
submit, upon
Pain of displeasure
To fill a peck measure
With the coveted treasure
Of as many old stamps as perforce to be
lit upon,
To paper a room, or stuff cushions to
sit upon.
Do, dearest Punch, let fly a sharp skit upon
This new pursuit, and an ass's head fit upon
The crest of the order of Knights of the
Spit-upon.

(from Punch, or The london Charivari, vol. 2, p.76, Feb. 1842)

Our second poem was first published one hundred years ago.

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———

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Died at Hamstead, Aug. 27, 1879.
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———————

No question this of worthy's right to lie
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Whose brooding brain brought under mastery
The wasted strength of the Steam-giant grim.

Like labours — his who tamed by sea and land
Power, Space and Time, to needs of human kind,
That bodies might be stronger, nearer hand,
And his who multiplied mind's links with mind,

Breaking the barriers that, of different height
For rich and poor, were barriers still for for all,
Till "out of mind" was one with "out of sight,"
And parted souls oft parted past recall;

Freeing from tax unwise the interchange
Of distant mind with mind and mart with mart;
Releasing thought from bars that clipped its range;
Lightening a load felt most i' the weakest part.

What if the wings he made so strong and wide
Bear burdens with their blessings? Own that all
For which his bold thought we oft hear decried,
Of laden bag, too frequent postman's call,

Is nothing to the threads of love and light
Shot, thanks to him, through life's web dark and wide,
Nor only where he first unsealed men's sight,
But far as pulse of time and flow of tide!

Was it a little thing to think this out?
Yet none till he had hit upon the thought;
And, the thought brought to birth, came sneer and flout
Of all his insight saw, his wisdom taught;

All office-doors were closed against him - hard;
All office heads were closed against him too.

"He had but worked, like others, for reward."
"The thing was all a dream." "It would not do."

But this was not a vaguely dreaming man,
A wind-bag of the known Utopian kind;
He had thought out, wrought out, in full, his plan;
'Twas the far-seeing fighting with the blind:

And the far-seeing won his way, at last,
Though pig-headed Obstruction's force died hard;
Denied his due, official bitters cast
Into the cup wrung slowly from their guard.

But not until the Country, wiser far
Than those that ruled it, with an angry cry,
Seeing its soldiers 'gainst it waging war,
At last said resolutely, "Stand you by!"

And the world was kindlier closer knit,
And all man's written word can bring to man
Had easier ways of transit made for it,
And some sat silent under poortith's ban

When severed from his own, as in old days.
And this we owe to one sagacious brain,
By one kind heart well-guided, that in ways
Of life laborious sturdy strength had ta'en.

And his reward came, late, but sweeter so,
In the wide sway that his wise thought had won:
He was as one whose seed to tree should grow,
Who hears him blest that sowed it 'gainst the sun.

So love and honour made his grey hairs bright,
And while mort things he hoped to fulness came,
And many ills he warred with were set right,
Good work and good life joined to crown his name.

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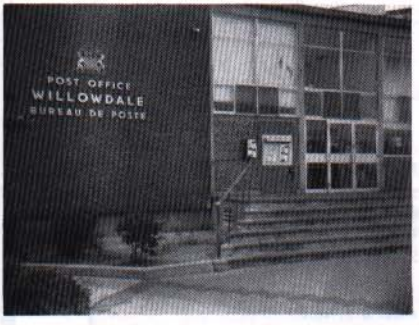

Willowdale, Ont., post office.

Postal Station "K", Toronto, Ont.

One day last summer upon leaving the Willowdale Post Office in Toronto I stood outside for a moment casually looking south. A small arrow-shaped sign, bearing the words "GIBSON HOUSE", pointing west caught my eye. I had often seen it but some strange urge propelled me that very moment into immediate action.

Little realising what an array of historical nostalgia I was to conjure up, I followed a small path to the rear and mounted the three steps of a beautifully preserved Georgian house. Entering through a front door with sidelights, surmounted by a stained glass eyebrow transom, I became aware suddenly of a nineteenth century atmosphere. Both upstairs and downstairs contained furniture of the period which had been assembled from near and far. The two ladies who guided me around were dressed to suit the same period and very charmingly gave me samples of cookies being prepared at the open fireplace in the kitchen.

An illustrated pamphlet, well documented by Patricia W. Hart, states that the owner, David Gibson, had emigrated from Scotland in 1825, married his cousin in 1829 after becoming purveyor of highways for the home district in 1828 at which time he got involved in politics. A staunch supporter of William Lyon MacKenzie, he represented York North in 1834 and 1836 in the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada.

In due course Gibson joined the Rebellion of 1837 and with some 400 others, took up arms against the government and marched on Toronto. The revolt ended in disaster at the skirmish at Montgomery's Tavern, a block or so north of present day Eglinton Avenue. Both he and MacKenzie fled to the United States and the sum of £500 posted for his capture and double that amount for that of MacKenzie.

Pardon being granted in 1843, Gibson returned to Canada in 1848 when he built the present house, his second, since the first had been burned to the ground during the rebellion.

In 1855 he petitioned the Government to

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Queenston, U.C., to Toronto, U.C., 1834, when W. L. MacKenzie was first mayor of Toronto

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Kingston, N.Y. to New York, 1843, when MacKenzie was in exile in the U.S.A.

open a post office naming it Willow Dale. Shortly afterward he was appointed inspector of Crown Land Agencies and Superintendent of Colonization Roads.

By now I was completely hooked. Having emigrated from the United States in 1932 and subsequently becoming a Canadian citizen, I had heard and read a lot about the war of 1812. The rebellion of 1837 though, had always seemed to me to have been a rather localized happening. However, that day my appetite had been whetted and I soon found that this historical event was no small incident. It hinged on the lives of three people: Sir Francis Bond Head, a newly appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada (Ontario); one William Lyon MacKenzie, publisher of "The Colonial Advocate", also involved politically in Canadian affairs and William Gibson, whose activities are described above.

I was fortunate in unearthing a book entitled "A Narrative" written by Sir Francis and consisting of letters to his principals in London's Downing Street, England. This newly-appointed Lieutenant-Governor, unlike his predecessors, had "sold out of

Philatelic Photographic Service

Dewsbury, England to Toronto, 1857. MacKenzie returned to Toronto and became a member of the Legislature Assembly of Canada

the Army" thereby making him politically acceptable to the people in this Province.

Before he left England, the English reformer Joseph Hume had handed him a weighty tome of some five hundred odd pages. This massive work dealt with grievances of the electorate, such as their resentment of the privileges and "family compact" among the ruling classes. It had been compiled in Canada and sent to Hume by one William Lyon MacKenzie.

Sir Francis, upon his arrival in Toronto, was somewhat taken aback when he saw large placards declaring him to be "A TRIED REFORMER."

Shortly afterwards, bearing a letter of introduction from Joseph Hume, Mackenzie appeared on his doorstep. He is described in the book in this manner:

"Afraid to look me in the face, with his feet not reaching the ground, and with his countenance averted from me, at an angle of 70 degrees, while with the eccentricity, the volubility, and indeed the appearance of a madman, the tiny creature raved in all directions about grievances here, and grievances there, which the Committee, he said, had not ventured to enumerate."

Hardly a flattering description!

Elsewhere in the same book a further reference describes him as being ". . . an insignifiant pedlar lad . . . who had succeeded in becoming the shop or errand boy of a notorious republican in Toronto." At the time of the Montgaomerys Tavern fiasco he is described as a ". . . short" man, wears a sandy coloured wig, has small twinkling eyes that can look no man in the face - he is about five foot four or five inches in height," warranting a £1,000 reward for his recapture. This man seems to have exerted so much charisma as to win over several hundred people to his cause.

Returning to George Gibson for a moment, a similar notice for recapture with accompanying reward for £500 described him as follows: ". . . about five foot nine or ten inches in height, red faced, sandy hair and red whiskers, which curl rather closely - round-shouldered - speaks with a strong Scotch accent, age about thirty five."

Thus the stage is set for action. C. W. Jefferys ably depicted in a well known black and white drawing, what a motley collection of men and weapons comprised this rebellious group. Their rifles had probably never been used other than to hunt rabbits!

A humorous note, to relieve this dismal state of affairs, was a parody of the famous poem about John Gilpin written by an extreme Tory. It appeared in the

"Cobourg Star" of February 7, 1838. The complete work, quoted in "A source-book of Canadian history" by J. H. Stewart Reid, Kenneth McNaught and Harry S. Crowe, consists of some thirty-two verses from which the following are extracts:

There lived in famed Toronto town
A man not very big,
A belted knight was he likewise -
Knight of the old bay wig.

MacKenzie was this hero called,
From Scotia's land he came,
To sow and reap - if e'er he could -
The seeds of future fame.

Said he: "My true and trusty friends,
Though we have promised been
Reform these many years, yet we
Reform have never seen.

"So now, my lads, no longer we
In anxious doubt must wait,
The time has come for pulling down
The Church, the Queen, the State.

And when he got three hundred men,
All brave ones as himself,
He then marched to Toronto town
To see and gain some pelf.

And then Toronto in a blaze
They threatened for to set,
But nearer than Montgomery's
They ne'er to it could get.

'Twas on the seventh of that month
Which we do call December,
Sir Francis Head led out his men, -
That day we'll long remember.

And then was glorious fun to see
What rabble rout could do, -
They every man took to his heels,
The word was, **Sauve qui peut.**

It must have been quite a march from Langstaff down Hogg's Hollow, up the other hill and amile or so further to Montgomery's Tavern (The Sickle and Sheaf) where they met their Waterloo against a hurriedly assembled militia, the regular army having left Ontario some time previously.

However all's well being what ends well. Sir Francis Bond Head, Bart, had made a number of decisions that had been unacceptable to Downing Street. He was recalled to England and replaced.

Mackenzie was ultimately pardoned and prior to his return to Canada he wrote a letter to the Colonial Secretary Earl Grey, explaining his reasons for being a rebel. He mentioned publishing the "Colonial Advocate", which in itself makes it difficult to go along with Sir Francis' description of this man as being an ignorant liar.

In conclusion, well may you ask, having established the site of the present day Willowdale Post Office, where is the second one that is indicated in the title? It occupies the site of Montgomery's Tavern and is known as Postal Station "K" at the corner of Yonge Street and Montgomery Avenue. This building warrants further attention since the coat of arms over its door bears the initials "E VIII", the King of England who was never crowned.

. . . And to think all this happened when an amateur philatelist happened to drop in for a few 14¢ stamps at the Willowdale, Ontario Post Office!

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ROWLAND HILL (from page 217)

And now that he is dead, we see how great
The good work done, the good life lived how brave,
And though all crosses hold him blest of fate,
Placing the wreath upon his honoured grave!

(from Punch, or The London Charivari, vol.77, p.129, Sept.20, 1879.)

There they are; I never said they were great poems. The best they do is to show us what some thought of early stamp collectors and of the man who made a hobby possible and who, of course, made communication by letter, so much easier for everyone.

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Tunisian Minutiae

by

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Sc. 149

One has to pay some attention to distinguish between Scott's Tunisia 147 (overprint g) and 149 (overprint i), both of which are a 65¢ blue stamp overprinted "25¢" in red or carmine. A comparison of Figures 1 and 2 shows the differences between the two overprints. In no. 149, the

Fig. 1 Fig. 2 Fig. 3 Fig. 4

figures are clearly fatter and of a different type face, and the bars are shorter and thicker.

There are several varieties of no. 149 which I have not seen noted in catalogues. In the first variety (Figure 2) the numerals are smaller than usual. In the second (Figure 3), the period after the "c" is missing.

No one, I think, would ever accuse these of being significant differences, but they are actually the same sort that have been noted for many classic issues, e.g., Sweden 40a, Somali Coast 47a, Griqualand West 4-82, and others. It's just that these issues have never been subjected to similar detailed studies.

True, not even I particularly care to plate these stamps to find the positions and frequencies of the differences. They are cheap enough but difficult to find in pairs. Furthermore, other issues might have more interest and printing information might be more readily available; the stamps might be just as inexpensive and very effective to teach philatelic and printing techniques.

I would guess that many overprinted issues, especially those of the war years, have some oddity or other in the setting, and are available for study if one wants to take the time to look at enough copies. And most are waiting for someone to look at them critically for the first time.

CANADA

MINIATURE PANES

NO.	DESCRIPTION	ONE PANE	PACK	
338a	2¢ green	$ 3.00	$ 6.50	
341b	5¢ blue	6.00	6.50	
402a	2¢ cameo	6.00	12.50	
404b	4¢ cameo	wanted	3.50	buy
405b	5¢ cameo	wanted	4.00	buy
405bq	5¢ cameo tagged	wanted	12.50	buy
434a	3¢ Xmas 1964	5.00	10.50	
434aq	3¢ Xmas 1964 tagged	15.00	32.50	
443a	3¢ Xmas 1965	5.00	10.50	
443aq	3¢ Xmas 1965 tagged	6.00	12.50	
451a	3¢ Xmas 1966	3.50	7.50	
451aq	3¢ Xmas 1966 tagged	5.00	10.50	
457b	4¢ centennial	wanted	8.75	buy
458b	5¢ centennial	wanted	12.50	buy
458bq	5¢ centennial tagged	wanted	22.50	buy
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...HANS REICHE

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The Post Office is considering to commemorate Canada Day annually with a stamp or even a souvenir sheet. No specific stamp has been issued for this day until this year and a continuation of this practice should bring out the importance of this day.

By the time this will be printed a new 50¢ booklet will have been issued which includes two "new" stamps, namely a 1¢ and a 5¢ Parl. stamp in a different colour than the normal sheet stamps. These will only be available in this booklet form. What is of note here is that the first day of issue has been set for this. This is a practice which should be greatly applauded, because a few appear to have some inside track when unannounced items come out and therefore making rather extensive capital gains from such events. Certainly this is an unfair condition for the large majority of collectors. We hope all new items which are to be issued will be announced in advance.

Extensive printing shifts of the one Dollar Fundy stamp exist. Some have shifts where the Dollar sign is shifted into the stamp margin, leaving no value on the actual stamp design. Others have the Dollar high up or on the bottom of the frame line. These are oddities and not constant plate varieties and care should be taken when paying for them.

An interesting new Canadian album in colour has been issued. It is called the Unity Album with 160 pages in very fine colour reproductions, Scott numbers, description and issue date for each stamp. Each page has a separate design at the top and this makes for an attractive display.

The recently overprinted and revalued postal stationery can be found with all kinds of varieties. The lines in many cases are crooked, the spacing of the lines varies, the overprint appears doubled (probably from a kiss print), the lines cover only a small part of the stamp on the right side and the position of the words appear different on some as if two different dies have been used.

The new $4.25 booklet has replaced the $3.50 booklet which was in use for only a very short time. The latter has been recalled and will be destroyed as far as the remainders are concerned. Hardly any post office knew about this one and only few carried it in stock. The vertical heavy lines in the margin of this first booklet of $3.50 have been reported on before. Collectors are eager to obtain the red, black and grey lines which should have been cut off. One variety has been noted on the 50¢ booklet of the 2¢ and 14¢ where the left margin tab shows two tagged lines and the margin over 20 mm wide.

Besides the withdrawal of the booklet, the 12¢ Parliament precancel has been withdrawn but not the flower precancel. No reason has been given for this.

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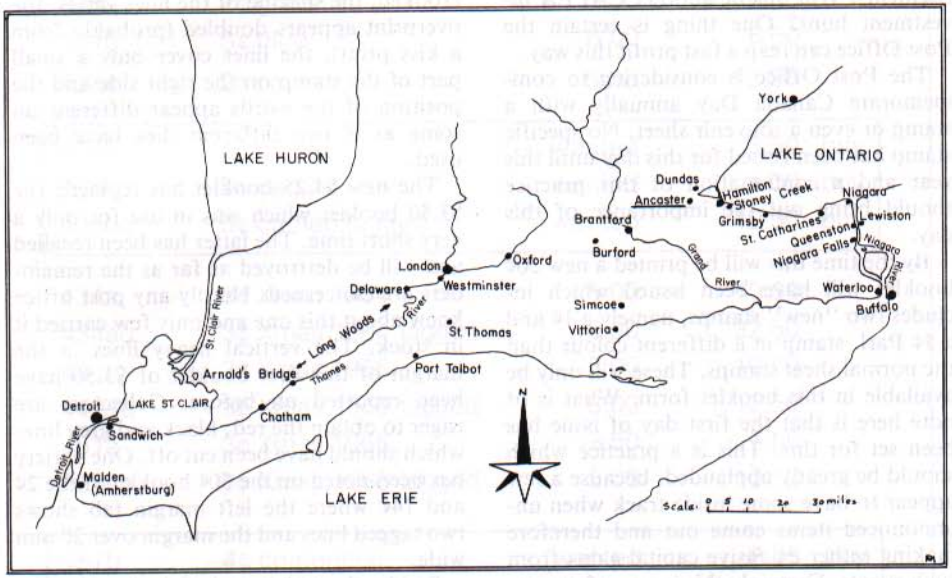


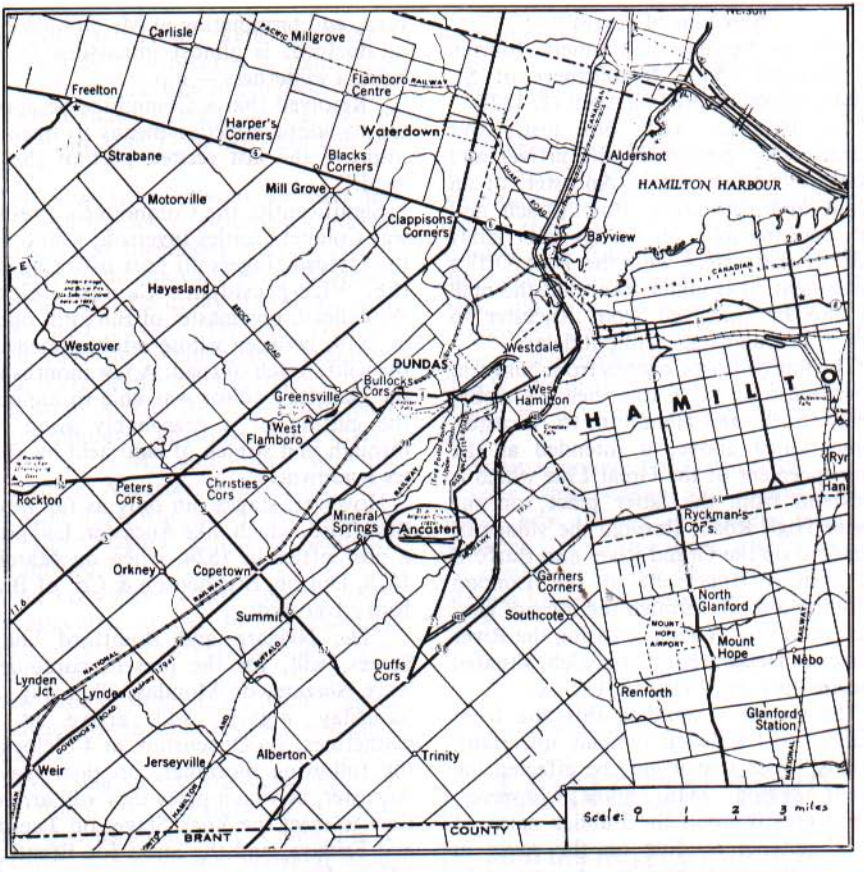
In the account book of William Allan, Postmaster of York (later Toronto), now in the Toronto Reference Library, is copied out this letter, of April 5, 1824, to John Wilson, postmaster of Amherstburg.

"I am directed by the Post Master General, to transmit you a parcel of Way Bills to be used between your Office and Ancaster each mail. The same will go from the Post Office at Ancaster to you. It is for the purpose of showing when any delay occurs. You are to fill up the day and date of courier's departure from your Office, as also, the intermediate Post Masters the hour of arrival and departure from each office. Similar letters to the above have been sent to Mr. Crooks at Niagara and Mr. Burwell at Ancaster."

Thus appears the first mention of a newly-opened post office at Ancaster, run by John Burwell. A couple of miles north, Dundas had had a post office since 1814. The newer village of Hamilton, to the northeast, would not get a post office until 1825. They could not guess then that Ancaster and Dundas would one day become mere western suburbs of Ontario's second largest city, Hamilton.

Ancaster

Between 1786 and 1790 the first settlers in Ancaster Township had located west of Fifty Mile Creek, between "the Mountain" and Lake Ontario. In 1791 Richard Beasley, the original settler of future west end



Ancaster's environs today

Hamilton, and James Wilson built a saw and grist mill, the beginning of Wilson's Mills. The main street was to be called Wilson Street. St. Jean Baptiste Rousseaux moved to Ancaster in 1796, buying out Beasley's interest in the mill. Since then the community has been called Ancaster village.

Richard and Samuel Hatt built more mills there in 1798. By 1803, the mills of Ancaster, and a general store opened by Rousseaux, were attracting farmers and lumbermen from miles around. Soon after 1800 a mail route run by an Indian courier, was established from Montreal to Detroit, with Ancaster as a branching off point for a side route to Niagara. Settlers could get mail delivered "in care of Rousseaux's Mills, Ancaster", or "Union Mills" after 1809, when the Union Mills Company bought them. By 1810 mail came through fortnightly and after the 1812-14 War, weekly.

The prominent Dundas historian T. Roy Woodhouse believes that John Burwell kept the Ancaster post office at 407 Wilson Street. James Chep, who became postmaster in 1830, as located at 321 Wilson Street. Job Lodor settled in Ancaster early in 1820. Securing control of the water power rights in the hills around, he founded an empire of grist and saw mills. A letter from him (Smith-Chisholm Papers, Ontario Archives) to H. Smith, Post Master, Wellington Square (now Burlington), written December 29, 1836, is postmarked with a small double circle broken by ANCASTER, with "29 Decem, 36" written in.

"New Line of Stages"

Under this heading the Farmers' Journal and Welland Canal Intelligencer of St. Catharines commented on April 11, 1827:

"On Thursday last, 5th inst., our villagers were greeted by the arrival and departure, on her way to Ancaster, of an elegant and substantial Post Coach and four, carrying mail on the contract lately made to that effect with the Post Office Department. It is understood that the mail will also be conveyed from Ancaster to York in a regular stage without delay.

"The line of Post Coaches from Niagara, via Queenston, St. Catharines, Grimsby, Stoney Creek, and Hamilton, to Ancaster, as mentioned above, is intended as the commencement of the Great Line which is to extend from the latter place, on the present High Road, through the village of Brantford on the Grand River and Burford and Oxford (Ingersoll) in the London District and so on through the tract of land called the Long Woods, crossing the River Thames at Delaware, to Sandwich, situated opposite the City of Detroit, U.S.A.

"The time of extending this line from Ancaster to Sandwich remains uncertain, but it is hoped that it may be effected the present season. This must, however, depend greatly upon the Publick spirit of the inhabitants residing on the route in repairing the road, bridges, etc., so as to render them passable at all seasons of the year."

Gore Gazette

In 1827, the Gore Gazette, the first weekly newspaper in Wentworth County, then part of the Gore District, appeared in Ancaster. On August 11 it reported:

"At a meeting of the inhabitants of Oxford and Burford, held at the Inn of Captain Henry Carall, in Oxford, on Thursday the 26th July, 1827 to take into consideration the present bad state of the Oxford and Burford Road, Capt. John Weir was called to the Chair and George W. Whitehead, Esq. appointed Secretary — when it was

"Resolved that whereas it is intended to run a Public Stage from Ancaster to Sandwich, and whereas that part of the road leading from Mr. Calvin Martin's, in Oxford, and terminating at Mr. John Yeigh's in Burford, is almost impassible from it being a wilderness — it is

"Resolved that a Committee be appointed to adopt effective means to open and improve the last recited part of the said road."

Significantly, the Committee's President was Colonel Charles Ingersoll, who opened the Oxford (Ingersoll) post office in 1822, the Vice-president Captain George Whitehead, postmaster of Burford, opened in 1819, between whose establishments lay the wild stretch of road. A few months later the Gazette's editor was able to announce the cutting of a reasonably good road through that stretch of land held by absentee landowners.

However, stages ran only as far west as Brantford, which, like Ancaster, had gotten a post office in 1824, when on March 1, 1828, Dutton, Stephenson & Co. of Brantford advertised:

"The Niagara and Brantford line of Stages, will, for the present continue to leave Niagara, on Monday, Thursday, and Saturday nights, and arrive at St. Catherines, via Queenston, at 4 o'clock on the following mornings, on their way to Ancaster, at which place they will arrive in time to meet the York Stage, on Tuesdays and Fridays, and the Stage for Brantford, which leaves Ancaster on Wednesday, Saturday and Monday mornings; and return to Ancaster from Brantford on Fridays, Sundays and Thursdays, in time to take the Stage for Niagara, which leaves Ancaster on the same evenings, and the Stage for York, which leaves the same place on Tuesday and Friday evenings."

Stages From Niagara to Sandwich

In the middle of April the Buffalo Journal commented: "We are informed by our Post-Master, J. Guiteau, Esq., that a daily mail will commence running between this place and St. Catharines via Waterloo (Fort Erie), in a few days. The route will extend from St. Catharines to York and Kingston, and to Malden (Amherstburg) twice a week. Letters and papers by this route will pass into Canada without payment of postage to the Line."

Stage connections in Ancaster were made

at the Ancaster Hotel, kept by Plumer Burley. Likely shortly after a mail stage began to run all the way to Sandwich (now a part of Windsor, Ont.), on the Detroit River, for on May 17 he advertised in the Gore Gazette:

"Mail Stage Line between Ancaster and York. The Proprietor respectfully informs the Public that the above Line of Stages now starts from Ancaster every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings, at 4 o'clock, and passing through Dundas, which it leaves at 5 o'clock, and Hamilton, which it leaves at 6 o'clock, arrives at York on the same days at 3, P.M. They leave York on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, at 4 o'clock, A.M., and return thro' the same places to Ancaster, by 3 o'clock, P.M. on the same days, where they meet the Mail Stages from Niagara, and from Sandwich and Brantford."

An advertisement dated July 1, 1828, which appeared in the July 3 Farmers' Journal, of St. Catharines, gave details on the latter run.

"New Line of Mail Stages from Niagara to Sandwich, three times a week, through in four days.

"Leave Niagara on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Sundays, at 3 o'clock A.M., pass through Queenston at 4; St. Catharines at 7; Ancaster at 3 P.M. and arrive at Brantford the first night. Leave Brantford at 4 A.M.; pass through Burford and Oxford and arrive at Westminster (Bryon, west of London) the second night. Leave Westminster at 4, and arrive at Arnold's Bridge, River Thames (10 miles east of Chatham, a little east of Kent Bridge), the third night. Leave the Thames at 4, and arrive at Sandwich the fourth night, in time to cross over to Detroit the same evening.

"Returning: Leave Sandwich at 4 o'clock A.M. every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday; stopping at the same places as in going up and arriving at Queenston and Niagara on the 4th day in time to cross the River and proceed to Rochester in the daily line from Lewiston, the 5th day from Detroit.

"Passengers at Buffalo, for Detroit, by taking the Stage to St. Catharines on Monday, Thursday, or Saturday, will intersect this line in time to proceed to Detroit without delay."

New Coach to York

On June 21, 1828, the Gore Gazette boasted:

"A beautiful new coach has been built in this village, for the purpose of running between this and York, for which place it started, for the first time, this morning. . . . It is scarcely two years since the mail between these places ceased to be carried on horseback, and no regular public conveyance was established on the road till within that period. Through the enterprise of Mr. Burley, the proprietor of the above named coach, we have now a Stage three times a week."

Burley announced on October 18:

"The York, Niagara and Sandwich Mail Stages, now arriving and starting from the Ancaster Hotel three times a week, and in the course of a few days the York and Niagara Stages will arrive and depart every day."

(To be concluded)

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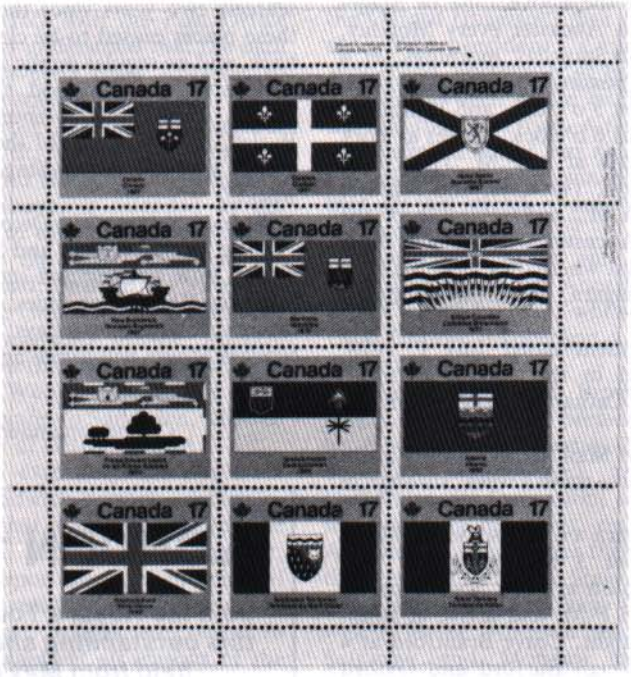

June 15 - Canada Day 1979 - miniature sheet, 12 x 17¢
July 3 - Canoe-Kayak Championships 1 x 17¢
Aug. 16 - Women's Hockey Championships 1 x 17¢
- Low value definitive 1 x 15¢

The miniature sheet of 12 x 17¢ will produce the scarcest single stamps of the year. Only 60 million stamps will be printed, i.e., 5 million sheets which means only 5 million of each design. I suspect that few of these stamps will be used singly for regular postage.

For the record, the stamps were designed by Raymond Bellemare of Montreal, and were printed by 6 colour lithography on coated-one-side litho paper by Ashton-Potter Ltd., Toronto. Perforations are said to be 13+, the gum is PVA and all stamps will bear the general tagging.

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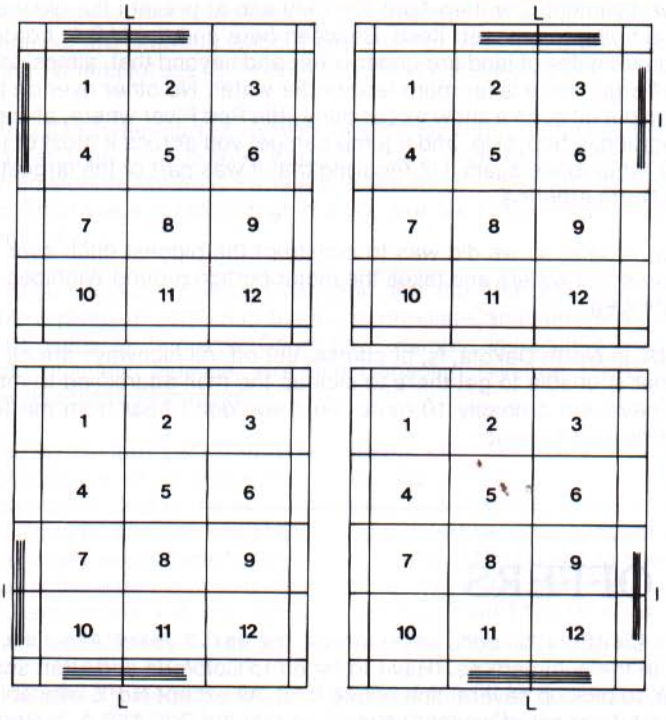

REVISED PHILATELIC POLICY

Postmaster General, the Hon. J. Gilles Lamontagne, announced a number of changes in Canada Post's philatelic policy. Most of the changes went into effect on 1 April 1979 with the remainder becoming effective on 1 July 1979.

We will mention only some of the major changes. The entire story of the changes can be found in the Canada Post Philatelic Bulletin, Vol. 1, No. 4, which is available, free of charge, from the Philatelic Service, Canada Post, Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0B5.

Some of the changes are being made to render philatelic orders more suitable for computer processing, to reduce the amount of handling, and to speed up response to customers' orders. (That will be a welcome change. Ed.) Other changes will help to offset increasing costs of some philatelic business, particularly the processing of the many smaller orders received.

Effective 1 April 1979, a minimum order requirement of $5 for cash orders or for special or mixed orders by Collectors' Subscription Service (CSS) account holders. Orders for less than $5 will be subject to a 50 cents service charge.

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Effective 1 April 1979, the retention period for commemorative stamps, special issues and FDC's was reduced from one year to six months. The retention period for definitives, precancelled, postage due and coil stamps, booklets and stationery

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This advertisement is written April 30, 1979 and at present the old vast Agassiz Sea is trying to reassert itself. Between here and the U.S.A. border some 2,000 square miles of land are under water and beyond that, almost 200 more miles to Fargo, there is far more land under water. No other river on this continent can put on such a show as our puny little Red River where, at least in the U.S.A. portion, a hop, skip, and a jump can get you across it most of the time. Not now, when once again it is recalling that it was part of the largest body of water in North America.

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"Nowadays, subjects are carefully selected, well-known artists and designers are commissioned to prepare the artwork, the printers are encouraged to use the most modern methods for stamp production, and the Stamp Advisory Committee works with the Department throughout the whole process."

Extrait de l'allocution prononcée par l'Honorable J. Gilles Lamontagne, le ministre des Postes, le 3 mars 1979.

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"De nos jours, les sujets sont choisis avec soin, des artistes et des designers bien connus sont chargés de préparer les maquettes, les imprimeurs sont encouragés à utiliser les méthodes les plus modernes pout la production des timbres et le Comité consultatif des timbres collabore avec le Ministère tout au long de ce processus."

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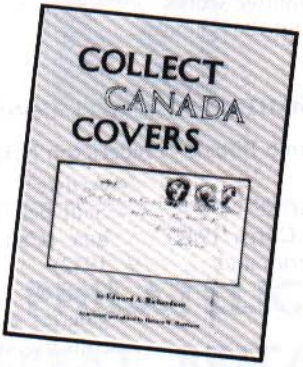

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The President's Page —

A Report to the Membership

by Fred Stulberg

Much has happened since my last report to you. Mike Millar and I judged the North Toronto Stamp Club annual exhibition before embarking on our very successful trip through the western provinces presenting the judging seminars. No doubt this will be found in detail in another section of the C.P. While in Edmonton, judging their annual exhibition, it became necessary to substitute for Ernest Borgnine as guest speaker at the awards banquet when it was discovered that he would be unable to be there.

Returning from the West, there was just enough time to prepare for the Annual Convention of the R.P.S.C. held at Cambridge, Ontario. It was different from the usual "Royal" conventions in that activities were directed mainly towards participation by the members of the eleven groups that form the Grand River Valley Philatelic Society. Many have had little or no exposure to the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and the experience was an eye-opener to many collectors in south western Ontario. Attendees included members from Vancouver, B.C. to St. Johns, Newfoundland.

The exhibition itself had over two hundred (sixteen page) frames which included a significant Junior Section. It was judged according to National standards and was of unusually high calibre. Over 80% of the participants were members of the G.R.V.P.A. A judging seminar was held in conjunction with it.

The Annual Meeting of the R.P.S.C. was, of course, held at that time. The election of the Directors saw two new members to the board. Michael Millar of Barrie and Allan McKanna of Toronto now become part of the governing body. The officers' reports disclosed, for the most part, a healthy, expanding position. The Sales Circuit, under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Allen maintains its growth. The Chapter Cordinators, Mr. and Mrs. T. Lyon also told of increased chapter involvement. Michael Madesker, Cordinator of Youth Activities, reported the possibility of an International Youth Exhibition in Canada in the early 1980's. Michael Millar informed those attending of the Judges Accreditation Program and mentioned that arrangements are ready for finalization. The Editor, Peter Mann, and the advertising Manager, Dick Malott, reported an expanding situation. The Treasurer, Arthur Leggett, presented a

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1. Fred Stulberg and Elliott Harmer (G.R.V.P.A. President) open Grandpex. 2. Jesse Carrick is presented the Best Junior (15-18) Award by E. Harmer, Grandpex Chairman, Mike Street, in background. 3,4. Part of the 200+ frame exhibition. Dave Dixon, one half of D. & D. Covers, in lower right of Fig. 4. 5, 6. A portion of Canada Post's exhibit. 7. Philip Servos receives a Small Gold and the JPA Certificate of Merit from Mike Street. 8. Michael Madesker is presented with his R.P.S.C. Fellow's certificate by Fred Stulberg. 9. Grandpex registration desk. 10. Mike Street presents a special award to Pauline Fyfe. 11. E. Harmer presents Best Junior (under 14) to David Harris. 12. Best BNA Award is given to J. DiCiommo by Mike Street. —Photos by Rick Sage.

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Society Reports

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(*) Has requested that street address be omitted

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Notice to Some New Members

Last month, Canada Post returned to the Secretary, Five membership cards, five copies of the By-Laws, five welcoming letters, and a note stating "found in damaged condition at Toronto".

The names on the membership cards and the welcoming letters did not match so it is not known how many other letters to new members may be missing. There may also be members who have received a resealed envelope with the wrong membership card or welcoming letter.

The new members that may be affected are those listed in the March-April issue of the C.P.

If any members in that list have not received their membership cards, or have received the wrong cards, please let the Secretary (P.O. Box 1054, Station A, Toronto, Ont., M5W 1G5) know in order that they may be replaced.

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Your Chapter Co-Ordinators have a problem they are not qualified to handle. Major Malott has made a group of slide sets to do with the Canada Post Card series. These came without any commentary, and if any member of the Society is ready, willing and able to make said commentaries we would send the slides to be used for the respective commentaries, paying the postage both ways.

Another problem is the return of slide programmes. Most of the members do not realize that there is only one set of slides for most of the programmes, with the result that if a slide programme is held beyond the second day after the meeting required for it could well be late for the next Chapter.

One Chapter demands that the programme of their choice arrive on the Friday before the Monday meeting date. No other day but that one Friday will do. Something we cannot undertake to guarantee, considering the vagaries of Canada Post. All this leads to **PLEASE HELP US.** Get your used programmes in the mail promptly. First Class mail, either insured for $50.00 per set of slides in the parcel or by registered mail, as stated in Slide Programme regulations. Some Chapters forget to do this. And give us some reasonable leeway for arrival date. We try.

In connection with new slide programmes, we have been promised many new sets of slides, with commentaries. So many with those exchanged with South Africa that we are working on a new Slide Programme list to be sent to the Chapters during the summer. There will also, we hope, be a new list of lectures before the Autumn.

We welcome five new Chapters, and one re-activated.

No. 160 The Schwarzwald Stamp Club
No. 161 The South Simcoe Stamp Society
No. 162 The South Regina Philatelic Society
No. 163 The Ajax Philatelic Society
Re-activated Chapter 17 The Westmount Philatelic Society.

We also must regretfully advise your Chapter Co-Ordinators have been informed that Chapter No. 102, The Ottawa South Philatelic Society has been disbanded. It seems that the members just faded away. Too bad!

From your Chapter Co-Ordinators
T. E. Lyon fro
Doris & Ted Lyon.

JUDGING PROGRAMME COORDINATOR --

The Judging Seminar trip to Western Canada during the first week of April was most successful. The weather may have been cold but Dr. Stulberg and I were given a warm welcome wherever we went and this more than compensated for the cold and snow. While letters have already been sent to the Clubs' and individuals concerned I would like to acknowledge the arrangements made on our behalf by the Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Edmonton Clubs and the Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Association. The Seminars were all well attended and the audiences most enthusiastic. We both got a great deal of personal enjoyment out of meeting so many members of the Society from the distant parts of this great Country. For me it was really great to be able to put "faces to names" of people with whom I had corresponded for the five years that I was Chapter Co-ordinator. But the trip also served to point out that we who

live in the Central/Southern area really don't know how fortunate we are in the matter of the number of stamp exhibitions that we have available to us. I think that we tend to become rather blasé about them even to the point of complaining that there is not much point in going to such and such a show because there will only be the same "old bunch of dealers" whose stock we went through just last week at the so and so show. While this may be a problem for us in deciding which show to attend on a particular Saturday - do we go to Oakville or Woodstock for example, or Barrie, London or Kitchener?, which were scheduled for the same dates - for many people in the West getting to one show a year is a major problem as well as being, possibly, the high point of their philatelic activity for the year. Perhaps our trip to the West will stimulate more exhibition activity there. I certainly hope so.

Since the Western trip, Judging Seminars have been held at GRANDPEX in Cambridge, ORAPEX in Ottawa and STAMPEX in Toronto. One further presentation of what has come to be known as "The Mike and Fred Magic Lantern, Talk and Light Show" will be given in North Bay on the 22nd September. Any members in Northern Ontario who are interested in attending are asked to contact Mr. Ian C. McKellar, 831 Ski Club Road, NORTH BAY, Ontario. P1B 8G2, for further details.

The Accredited Judges lists follow. Anyone who attended one of the Judging Seminars given so far this year whose name does not appear on the Apprentice list is requested to send an application to me so that They will be included in the revised list. Also following are the Regulations which will govern the Judges Accreditation Programme the Criteria which must be met by any Club or Society who wish to stage a National Level Exhibition in Canada.

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Regulations Governing the Judges Accreditation Programme of the R.P.S.C.

1. All participants in the Judges Accreditation Programme must be members in good standing in the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

2. To become a participant in the Judges Accreditation Programme, members must apply in writing to the Judging Programme Co-ordinator and must attend an approved Judging Seminar.

3. Unless adequate proof of previous judging experience is presented to the Judges Accreditation Committee at the time of application, all new participants in the Programme will be required to start into the Programme in the Apprentice Category.

4. Upward progression in the programme will be as follows:-

From Apprentice to Local/Regional
participants must
(a) attend one Judging Seminar.
(b) serve as an Apprentice on the jury at one local show.
(c) serve on the jury at one local show.

From Local/Regional to National
participants must
(a) attend one Judging Seminar.
(b) serve as an Apprentice on the jury at two National shows.
(c) serve on the jury at one National show.

From National to International
All persons desiring International Accreditation must produce the neccessary credentials to the Judges Accreditation Committee, i.e., International Shows apprenticed and International Shows judged, as well as areas of expertise.

Note:- Any qualified person who wishes to apprentice at the International Level is requested to contact the International Liaison Director of the Society for further details.

5. To maintain accreditation at the Local/Regional or National levels participants must, in each two year period, fulfil any two of the following requirements:-

1. Judge an exhibition at their qualified level.
2. Apprentice at the next level.
3. Present a Judging Seminar.
4. Attend a Judging Seminar.

6. The Judging Programme Co-ordinator will, in each two year period, send out a questionaire to each participant in the Judging Programme. The questionaire will solicit a resume of the judging activities of the participant in that period. Failure to return the questionaire or no judging assignments or activities as outlined above will result in the removal of that participant's name from the Accredited Judges list.

National Show Criteria:

Any Stamp Club or Philatelic Society wishing to stage a National Show MUST comply with all of the undermentioned criteria.

1. FRAMES: The show must have a minimum of 100 16 page frames or equivalent.
2. EXHIBITORS: The show MUST be open to any qualified exhibitor.
3. JUDGES: If 5 judges are used at least 3 MUST have National Accreditation. If 3 judges are used ALL must have National Accreditation.
4. PROSPECTUS: The prospectus must clearly state that the judging is to be of National calibre.
5. AWARDS: The awards must be 5 tier metal standard - i.e., Large Gold, Small Gold, Large Silver, Small Silver and Bronze.
6. DURATION: The show duration must be at least two (2) days.
7. JUDGING SEMINAR: Each National Show must include a Royal Philatelic Society of Canada approved Judging Seminar.
8. RPSC RECOGNITION: To receive recognition from the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, the above conditions must be justified to and approved by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada Judging Committee at least sixty (60) days in advance of the show.

NOTE: The current members of the RPSC Judging Committee are:- Dr. F. G.

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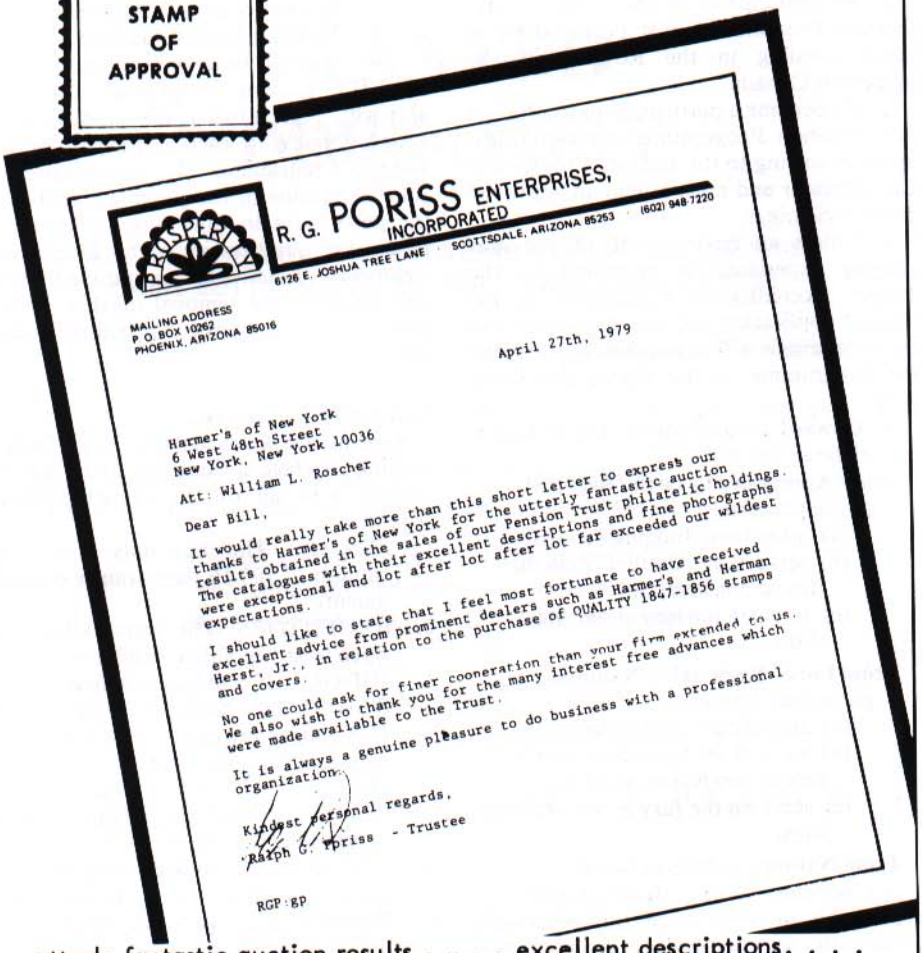

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Enquiries concerning any aspect of the Society Judging Programme are to be directed to the Co-ordinator at 192 Shanty Bay Road, BARRIE, Ontario, Canada. L4M 1E6.

THE CONVENTION COORDINATOR--

C.P.S./R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

Convention Coordinator, Dick Malott, is attempting to compile a list of the dates and locations of the Annual Conventions of the R.P.S.C. and its pre-1959 society, the Canadian Philatelic Society.

The following is a chronological list of known locations. If you have any information that would fill in the blanks, please contact Dick Malott, 16 Harwick Cresc., Nepean, Ont. K2H 6R1.

Dick is also looking for souvenir envelopes, cachets, labels, etc., from all of these conventions or associated exhibitions. If you can supply any for the R.P.S.C. display in the National Postal Museum, please contact Dick Malott at the above address.

Donation of the covers would be much appreciated.

R.P.S.C./C.P.S. ANNUAL CONVENTIONS

Date	Location
1923	Yorktown, Sask. (Can. Phil. Society)
1924	Winnipeg, Man.
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1949	Montreal
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1951	Toronto
1952	London
1953	Toronto
1954	Kitchener
1955	Montreal
1956	Windsor
1957	Ottawa
1958	BNAPS Victoria
1959	Sarnia
1960	Kitchener
1961	North Hatley P.Q.
1962	Windsor
1963	Niagara Falls
1964	Edmonton
1965	Halifax
1966	Hamilton
1967	Ottawa
1968	Alexandria Bay, N.Y.
1969	(3) Toronto
1970	Winnipeg
1971	Montebello
1972	Edmonton
1973	
1974	Winnipeg
1975	Quebec
1976	Philadelphia, USA, Interphil
1977	Vancouver
1978	CAPEX Toronto
1979	GRANDPEX Cambridge

CHAPTER MEETINGS

BRITISH COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Meetings every Wednesday at 8 P.M. in the Dickinson Room, Stry Bowling Alley, 144 East 7th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. President Mr. W. Carracher, 744W 69th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. V6P 2W3.

CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

(Chapter 66) Regular meetings: First Tuesday of the month, Calgary Central Library, 616 Macleod Trail, 7:00 p.m. Auction: Third Tuesday of the month, CUPE Hall, 104 - 13th Ave. S.E., 7:30 p.m. President: E. A. Harris, P.O. Box 1641, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2L7.

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ISRAEL PHILATELY

(C.A.F.I.P.) RPSC Chapter No. 76. Meetings every third Monday of the month (except) July and August) at 7:30 p.m. at Coleman's Delicatessen, 3085 Bathurst Street, Toronto (at Lawrence). Visitors always welcome. President: Peter Brull, P.O. Box 397, Willowdale, Ontario. M2N 1Y2.

COLUMBIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Chapter No. 11. Meetings held monthly on the Fourth Monday at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Secretary - Mrs. E. Bailey, 1490 Fourth Ave., Trail, B.C. V1R 1S4. 364-1303. President - Mr. Thurlow Fraser, Box 8, Rossland, B.C. 362-7778.

EDMONTON STAMP CLUB

Touring stampers welcome. Meetings on alternate Mondays in the cafeteria of St. Joseph Composite School. Pres. - Keith R. Spencer, ph. 434-0270; Membership - Terry Krawec, ph. 469-8789. Address all mail c/o the Club, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

GREATER VICTORIA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

(Chapter 32 of the R.P.S.C.) Meets in Windsor Park Pavillion at 8:00 p.m. on the third Friday of each month. Secretary Mrs. Gladys Clarke, 1737 Mortimer St., Victoria, B.C., V8P 3A9. Telephone 477-0261. Visitors Welcome.

GUELPH STAMP CLUB

(Chapter 98) Meets first and third Wednesdays, September through May, third Wednesdays June through August, at 8 p.m., in the Guelph Public Library, Norfolk at Paisley Sts., Guelph, Ont. Secretary: Z. Kozlovic, 209 Gordon St., Guelph, Ontario N1G 1X2. Visitors most welcome.

HAMILTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Chapter Fifty-one. 2nd and 4th Mondays Sept. to May inc. Lower auditorium of the Canadian Martyrs Church at the corner of Main Street West and Emerson Avenue in Hamilton (across from McMaster University campus). Secretary - Mr. Andrew Chung, McMaster University. P.O. Box 299, Hamilton, Ontario L8S 1C0.

KINGSTON STAMP CLUB

RPSC Chapter 49 meets the second & fourth Monday, Sept. to May, at 7:30 p.m., at the Hall of St. George Cathedral, Johnson and Wellington Sts, Kingston, Ont. Correspondence to: Secretary Roger Lapoint, Kingston Stamp Club, Box 361, Station 'A', Kingston, Ont. K7M 6R7.

KITCHENER-WATERLOO PHILATELIC SOCIETY

(Chapter 13 of the R.P.S.C.). Meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month (except during June, July and August) in the Elizabeth Room of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church (Queen Street Entrance). Visitors Welcome. Pres. Gordon Warnock, 192 Blucher St., Kitchener, Ont.

LAKEHEAD STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 33. Meets second Wednesday and last Friday monthly from September to June in the Faculty of Education Building. Visitors always welcome. J. van Greem, Secretary-Treasurer, 230 Peter Street, Thunder Bay "P", Ontario P7A 5H9.

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB

501 St. John's Blvd., Pointe Claire, Quebec. Meeting nights 2nd and 4th Thursdays September till June at 7:20 p.m. President - Geoff Newman; Secretary - Margaret Dunnett. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1, Pointe Claire-Dorval, P.Q., H9R 4N5. Visitors Welcome.

NORTH TORONTO STAMP CLUB

Chapter 5 of the Royal. Meetings at 7:30 p.m. on Second and Fourth Thursdays (except in July and August) at Dewi Sant Welsh United Church, 33 Melrose Avenue. Visitors Welcome.

NORTH YORK PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month (July & August excepted) at the North York Memorial Community Hall. 5090 Yonge St. Willowdale, Ontario. Sec'y: Mrs. M. Summerfield, Phone 221-0375. Visitors Welcome.

NOVA SCOTIA STAMP CLUB

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Est. 1922. First Affiliate of the R.P.S.C. (1934). Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, Sept. - June, Nova Scotia Museum. Corr. Sec'y: Miss Marilyn Murphy, 5872 Merkel Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3K 2J3. Visitors Welcome.

OAKVILLE STAMP CLUB

R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 135 meets 7:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, year round at Trafalgar Hall Auditorium, Trafalgar Road at Hwy. 5, Oakville. R.P.S.C. Representative: Dave Dixon, P.O. Box 529, Oakville, Ont. L6J 5B9. Visitors Welcome.

CHAPTER MEETINGS

OTTAWA PHILATELIC SOCIETY
(R.P.S.C. Chapter No. 16). Meets Thursdays at 8:00 p.m., September through May in the Chateau Laurier. Contact E. B. Manchee, 2420 Rector Ave., Ottawa. K2C 1M3. Phone: 828-6346. Visitors Welcome.

THE PHILATELIC CLUB OF MONTREAL
(Chapter 122 of the R.P.S.C.) meets the first and third Thursdays of each month, September through June at 7:30 P.M. , at the Notre Dame de Grace Community Centre, 5311 Côte St. Antoine Road, Montreal. Guests always welcome. Information: P.O. Box 264, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 2T2.

R A STAMP CLUB - OTTAWA
(Chapter 41, RPSC). Meets 7:30 p.m. Every Monday at The R. A. Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. (Except June, July and August). Visitors Welcome - Phone 733-5100.

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

ST. LAWRENCE INTERNATIONAL STAMP CLUB
Cornwall, Ont. Massena, N.Y. (Chapter 54). Meets the first Tuesday in Massena, N.Y. & third Tuesday at House of Labour, 130 Sidney St. Cornwall, Ont. Time 7:30 til 10:30 p.m. of each month. (Except July and August). Visitors always welcome. Secretary Mr. Robert Kitchener 114 - 15th Street West, Cornwall, Ontario K6J 3J8.

VANCOUVER ISLAND PHILATELIC SOCIETY
(Chapter 52) Meets monthly on the second Thursday, Room 112, Provincial Museum, at 8 p.m. Secretary: Anthony J. Bunting, 307 - 219 Gorge St. E., Victoria, B.C. V9A 1L1. Visitors always welcome.

WEST TORONTO STAMP CLUB
Meets 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays, except July and August at St. Pauls Runnymede Church, 404 Willard Ave., near Jane and Annette, Toronto. Visitors welcome.

WINNIPEG PHILATELIC SOCIETY
Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Planetarium Bldg., 190 Rupert St. Postal address: Box 1425, Winnipeg, Man. R3C 2Z1.

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financial statement showing a fairly large deficit in operations for the past year resulting mainly from the production of the Membership Directory and increased cost for printing the C.P. However, this was anticipated at the General Meeting held last year in conjunction with CAPEX and an increase in dues was passed at that time which will cover the loss but will not show until next year's report. The Secretary, Ms. Roddie Gould, gave a membership report which told of an increase to slightly over 5000 members.

The President summarized his previously published reports but, in addition, asked that the directors establish a committee to assess the present administrative structure of the Society as it relates to our present needs and to bring in a report at the next general meeting outlining any changes that they feel are necessary.

Two new Fellows of the Society were elected by the Board of Fellows. John Ayre of St. Johns, Nfld. was chosen especially for his work in promoting philately in the far eastern province. Michael Madesker of Toronto, Ont. was made a Fellow for his contribution to the promotion of Youth Activities at the local, national and international levels as well as his monumental contribution to CAPEX.

The Directors' meeting that followed the General meeting saw ratification of the proposed list of judges as well as approval of the criteria for exhibition certification. Also, the Directors approved the committee suggested by the President at the General Meeting.

The Officers of the Society were elected before the meeting adjourned.

COMING EVENTS

1979

AUGUST 18 — 5th Annual Exhibition of the Collingwood Coin and Stamp Club in the Lions Den, Main St., Collingwood, Ont. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission free. Information from: Collingwood Coin and Stamp Club, P.O. Box 565, Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 4B2.

AUGUST 23-26 — STaMpsHOW 79, Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society at The Sheraton-Boston Hotel and Hynes Auditorium, Boston, Mass.

SEPTEMBER 7-9 — STAMPFEST CANADA "79", philatelic bourse, Sheraton Exhibit Hall, Sheraton Centre, Queen's St., Toronto. Admission $1/day. Information from Stampfest Canada, 127 Cartwright Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M6A 1V4.

SEPTEMBER 13 - 15 SEPTEMBRE — BNAPEX, annual convention of the British North America Philatelic Society, exhibition, bourse, banquet, social activities, ladies programme, at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel, Quebec. Chairman: Guy des Rivières, 71 St-Pierre, Québec, G1K 4A4. BNAPEX la convention annuelle de la British North America Philatelic Society. Cette manifestation aura lieu au Château Frontenac à Quebec.

SEPTEMBER 13-16 — ASDA's STAMP FESTIVAL '79, Madison Square Garden, New York. Advance ticket information (direct mail packet) from ASDA, 840 Willis Avenue, Albertson, NY 11507, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 15 — COPEX '79, 10th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Cobourg Stamp Club, St. Peter's Church Hall, King St. East at College St., Cobourg, Ont. Free admission, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cacheted cover.

SEPTEMBER 15-23 — BRASILIANA '79, Third FIP International Exhibition on Thematic Philately and First Inter-American Exhibition of Classic Philately under FIAF at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Canadian Commissioner: Michael Madesker, 157 Clifton Ave., Downsview, Ont., M3H 4L6.

1979

SEPTEMBER 28-30 — CORNPEX '79, biennial exhibition and bourse of Chapter 133, the Corn Belt Philatelic Society in the Scottish Rite Temple, downtown Bloomington, Illinois. Information from General Chairman, Louis Rediger, Box 625, Bloomington, IL 61701, U.S.A.

SEPTEMBER 29 — MUSPEX 79, annual exhibition and bourse of the Muskoka Philatelic Society, Trillium Room, Gravenhurst Opera House, Gravenhurst, Ont. Free admission. Information from: Ted Lyon, Box 187, Gravenhurst, Ontario, P0C 1G0.

SEPT. 29 & 30 — David Thompson Stamp Club's 9th Annual Exhibition & Bourse in the Arena and Community Complex - 6th Ave. South - Castlegar, B.C. For information write c/o P.O. Box 3273, Castlegar, B.C. V1N 3H6.

OCTOBER 5-6 — Vancouver Island Stamp Exhibition and bourse, Christ Church Memorial Hall, 912 Vancouver St., Victoria, B.C. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. daily. Admission 50¢ with show cover. Information from: G. Freeman, 3963 Cumberland Road, Victoria, B.C., V8P 3J7.

OCTOBER 5-7 — First Canadian International Postcard Exposition, Sheraton Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson St., Vancouver, B.C. Chairman: K. C. Garner, Associated B.C. Deltiologists, P.O. Box 80773, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 3Y1.

OCTOBER 5-7 — ASDA 2nd Annual Southwest Show, Adams Hotel, Phoenix, Arizona.

OCTOBER 20 — KENTPEX, annual exhibition and bourse of the Kent County Stamp Club at Wheels Motor Inn, Chatham, Ont., (Hwy 2 and Richmond St.) Free admission, free parking. Chairman: Dr. Bill Greenwood, 78 Victoria Ave., Chatham, Ontario N7L 3A1.

COMING EVENTS

1979

OCTOBER 20-21 — GUELPH STAMP SHOW, Annual Exhibition, Bourse and dinner of the Guelph Stamp Club, St. James Junior High School, 57 Victoria Rd. N., Guelph, Ont. Free admission, free parking. Chairman: F. Rolfe, R.R. 3, Guelph, Ont., N1H 4E0.

NOVEMBER 8-11 — ASDA National Postage Stamp Show '79, New York Coliseum.

NOVEMBER 9-11 — HAMILTON-BUFFALO STAMP EXHIBITION, auction and Bourse of the Hamilton Philatelic Society, Crestwood Restaurant (Strathbarton Mall) 1565 Barton St., Hamilton, Ont. Auction, Fri. 7:45 p.m., Exhibition and Bourse, Sat. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Chairman: Barry Hong, 50 Jerome Crescent, No. 806, Stoney Creek, Ont., L8E 1K6.

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JANUARY 11-13 — Southern Florida ASDA Exposition, Deauville Hotel, Miami, Florida.

JANUARY 11-20 — INDIA 80, International Philatelic Exhibition at Pragati Maiden, New Delhi, India. 3000 frames. Canadian Commissioner from whom information may be obtained: Mr. A. H. Hinrichs, c/o Acres Limited, 1124 Northside Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7M 1H4.

MAY 6-14 — LONDON 1980, London International Stamp Exhibition, Earls Court exhibition centre, London, England. 4,000 frames, 200 trade stands. Information available from The Secretary, London 1980, P.O. Box 300, London WC2R 1AF, England.
Canadian Commissioner: Dr. Fred G. Stulberg, 577 Kingston Rd., Toronto, Ont., M4E 1R3.

MAY 23-27 — JUPOSTEX - EINDHOVEN 1980, International Youth Stamp Exhibition in Eindhoven, Netherlands, sponsored by the Netherlands Federation of Stamp Collectors. Canadian Commissioner, Michael Madesker, c/o R. Madesker & Son Ltd., 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ontario, M3J 2T8.

MAY 29-31 — CALTAPEX '80, Annual Exhibition, Bourse and Banquet of the Calgary Philatelic Society, Palliser Hotel, Calgary, Alberta. Prospectus, bourse space and other information from: E. A. Harris, P.O. Box 1478, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2L6.

MAY 29-31 — R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION at Calgary (see above).

JUNE 13 - 22 — NORWEX 80, International Stamp Exhibition commemorating the 125th anniversary of Norwegian stamps. Norges Varemesse. Osla. Contact address: The General Secretariat, NORWEX 80, Postboks 1043 Sentrum, Oslo 1, Norway. Canadian Commissioner: Mr. A. Hinrichs, 80 Speers Road, Oakville, Ontario, L6K 2E3.

SEPTEMBER 25-28 — STaMpsHOW 80, Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society at the Sheraton-Spokane Hotel, Spokane, Washington.

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MAY 23 - JUNE 1 — AMERIPEX '86, Chicago International Philatelic Exhibition, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Announce your exhibition here. Send information to the Editor at least 3 months in advance of date.

Literature Reviews

FAKES & FORGERIES OF NEW BRUNSWICK & PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND by Captain R. B. Mitchell, R.D. Published by Scotia Stamp Studio Ltd., 1723 Barrington Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, B3J 2A4. 17.4 cm x 21.8 cm, 44 pages, typewritten, illustrated, offset, soft covers. 1979. Available from many dealers and the publisher @ $5.00.

This book is a follow-up of one entitled Nova Scotia Fakes and Forgeries which was released in 1977 by the same author. It projects the same enthusiasm, comprehensiveness and authority as Captain Mitchell's initial book.

The first part of the publication covers the items of New Brunswick and deals with the Pence Issues and the people responsible for their manufacture. With the same degree of thoroughness, the author tells of the Cents Issues, the Connells and the fake bisects and cancellations. All aspects are accompanied by illustrations.

Part II deals with the forgers and forgeries of Prince Edward Island. It has sections on the forgers, the Cents Issue, as well as the reprints and reproductions from the dies and plates. Again, where necessary, the text is complemented with illustrations.

Certainly Captain Mitchell's knowledge and love of his subject shines through and, as one reads through this work, the enthusiasm becomes contagous. Indeed, the only fault that can be found deals with the illustrations which can only be described as inadequate.

F.G.S.

B.N.A. REFERENCE MANUAL OF FAKES AND FORGERIES: Releases 6 & 7 combined. Kenneth Pugh, 134 - 20th Street, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada, R7B 1L4. 112 page, 3-hole punched. $14.80 postage paid from author and many dealers.

And they keep on coming. And they are still informative. And the same high quality of reproduction remains. And there is more to come.

Releases 6 & 7 have been combined in an effort to keep costs down and the author is to be commended for seeking ways other than changing the high quality of the previous releases to keep costs within the range of the average collector. Let us hope that this situation can be maintained.

This section, which can be integrated with the previous ones has three biographies of the famous forgers, Fournier, Oneglia and Panelli. It also includes six pages on the pence issues of Canada, twenty two pages on the first cents issue, three pages on the Small Queens, one on the Map Stamp, two more on the OHMS perfins, twenty on the fakes and forgeries of British Columbia and fifty-five on those of Nova Scotia. Also included are two pages of updated information to replace ones previously issued.

'For those who have obtained all the previous releases, there is really no need to belabour you with the excellence of this work. For those who have not yet started to collect these releases, it must be pointed out that there are not very many of the earlier ones left and the author will supply them on a first come basis at $7.15 each including postage.

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THE CANADIAN LATHEWORK DESIGN by Hans Reiche. Distributed by Unitrade Associates, P.O. Box 172, Station A, Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1B2. 10.7 cm x 22.8 cm, 12 pages, illus, offset, illustrated card cover. 1979. $2.50 from many dealers.

This slim booklet describes the several lathework or engine turning designs that first appeared in 1917, in the upper and lower selvages of certain of the Admiral issue stamps. The size of the lathework bands, the stamps involved and the pattern on those sheets of stamps are given, as are the eight or more theories that have been propounded for their presence. These are discussed in turn and, finally, additional information is provided. However, the author states that the true story for the presence of these bands may never be known.

The booklet is clearly printed but has a few typographical errors. There is even an inverted illustration which is the subject for an inserted corrigendum. The illustration of the types of lathework (page 2) is inverted, thereby reversing the identifications of the types. The illustration on page 3 of the "Narrow Band of Lathework Type B" would seem to show no lathework at all. However, the thin dark line at the bottom of the illustration is all that is left of the lathework.

This is an interesting booklet.

HARRIS REFERENCE CATALOG OF POSTAGE STAMP PRICES FOR UNITED STATES, UNITED NATIONS, CANADA & PROVINCES. Spring/Summer 1979 Edition. H. E. Harris & Co., Ltd., P.O. Box 0, Boston, MA 02117, U.S.A. 10.5 cm x 17.8 cm, 4 + 486 pages, illus., paperbound. 1979. US $2.50 or equivalent from many dealers.

This familiar pocket size catalogue lists every stamp of the countries and territories indicated by the title. Although rarities are excluded, the listings include almost everything else, coils, envelopes cut squares, Canadian miniature panes, tagged stamps, plate blocks, etc. UNO and the Ryukyus have prices only for unused stamps, the other countries have prices for both unused and used.

A new feature of this edition is a four page "premium Guide" which indicates the percentage over regular price (for "good average" copies) that one might expect to pay for fine, very fine and extra fine copies in both hinged and never hinged condition.

This is a popular, handy and useful catalogue.

THE SWISS PHILATELIST, R. F. Bulstrode editor. The Amateur Collector Ltd., P.O. Box 242, Highgate, London N6 4LW, England. 16.2 cm x 22.0 cm, 12 pages, illus., paper. 1979. £0.75 ($1.80 by air) for three numbers.

This is a small illustrated house organ (frequency of publication not stated) which contains original articles, reprinted articles and notes, new issue chronicles, price updates on selected Swiss stamps and special offers by the Amateur Collector Ltd.

Among the articles in this issue (Nos. 76/77/78) are Swiss "Guarded Train" Mail by R. F. Bulstrode, The E & F Thin Paper Strubels by H. L. Katcher and two articles on Swiss revenues by M. N. Thaler.

A free specimen copy may be obtained from the above address. This is a useful publication for Swiss collectors.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE REVIEW, Vol. 28, No. 1, First Quarter 1979. American Philatelic Research Library, P.O. Box 338, State College, PA 16801, U.S.A. Quarterly, $(US) 4.00 per year.

This issue continues Robert G. Stone's "A Bibliography of Philatelic Literature on the French Colonies, Protectorates, and Overseas Territories". It also has "Bibliography of the Revenues Stamps of the United States' Territories, Possessions and Occupied Areas" by Elliot C. Charbot, "Index to the Embossed Revenue Stamped Paper News" also by Charbot, "Worldwide Revenue Literature" by G. M. Abrams and "Philatelic Literature Price Trends" by William Hagen, plus the regular features of this journal.

HJMR NEWSLIST: PHILATELIC LITERATURE EDITION, Special Edition, Vol. 9, No. 2, Apr./May 1979. HJMR Co., P.O. Box 6638, Hollywood, FL 33021, U.S.A. 25¢.

This edition of the 28 page tabloid newspaper format newslist is devoted to hundreds of offers of new, old and out-of-print philatelic literature from all countries.

Canadian Philatelic Literature

Two new publications have appeared since the last issue of the Canadian Philatelist. They are:

PHILaTeLiA CHIMICa, Vol. 1, No. 1, May 1, 1979. The official journal of the ATA study group in chemistry on postage

stamps and other related philatelic material. Richard Gratton, editor. 450 St. Antoine, Les Cedres, P.Q., J0P 1L0. 20.5 cm x 27.8 cm, 16 pages, illus., offset, stapled. 1979.

This new journal is free to members of the ATA study group. Annual membership fees are $5.00 anywhere in the world.

The journal has reprinted articles on the study groups' subject, with the main article being "Chemistry on a Postage Stamp" by D. A. Armitage. Unfortunately, the original source of the article is not given. Other items deal with Pasteur on France type A23, Lise Meitner on a 1978 Austrian stamp, illustrations of the Royal Institute of Chemistry commemorative stamps FDCs, maximum cards and U.S.S.R. covers for Mendeleyev and his periodic table.

PHILATELIC EXPRESS. JCM Publications, 845 McCarthy Boulevard, Regina, Saskatchewan S4T 6P7. 20.3 cm x 27.8 cm, 40 unnumbered pages, illus., offset, saddle stitched, paper covers. 1979. Monthly, 60¢ per copy, $6.00 per year, Canada and U.S.A., $12.00 per year everywhere else.

This is a new venture, printed on newsprint and bound in magazine format. For the most part the printing is clear but the illustrations suffer the fate of the offset process, i.e., often too dark.

The first issue contains a wide miscellany of articles, short notes, news views and advertisements. The main article (5 pages) is an unsigned article on Sir Rowland Hill, giving a short biography and telling of his introduction of the penny post and adhesive postage stamps.

Other items are notes on some dealers, e.g., Manfred Walther, B. Schulze Stamps Ltd., L & R Stamps, to name three of the six described. There are reports of several exhibitions, correspondence, a list of philatelic societies (mostly in the U.S.A.) and columns by Marcel Sager and Lyle F. Lueck.

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apparent incidious attempt to reduce the number of Queen stamps. Is there some political purpose behind this? Obviously a second design of the same denomination is not needed, and is therefore a dreadful waste of tax payers' money.

It is noted you have carried on this policy with the new 17¢ definitive. I also note you have printed Plates 1 & 2 of the Parliament Bldg design, and only Plate 1 of the Queen's head. This would appear to confirm my fears that your department is purposely reducing the quantity of Queen stamps available.

I have canvassed a number of Post Offices in the Greater Vancouver area. They all say the same thing, i.e., they are only required to carry a 17¢ denomination, and they have no jurisdiction over what design stamp they are provided by Ottawa. Some have stated they notice an increasingly amount of the Parliament Bldg's design.

I respectfully request an explanation.

Yours truly,

Mr. D. F. Derrick
Coquitlam, B.C.

Sir:

I have been asked to write on behalf of the Columbia Philatelic Society regarding our Club's dissatisfaction at the great number of postal issues from Canada's Post Office at present and to point out the fact that we consider them to be quite unnecessary. This policy of issuing so many stamps each year is bringing Canadian stamps into dispute.

We would further suggest that letters might be sent from other concerned philatelic clubs expressing their point of view in the matter.

Yours very truly,

E. Bailey, Secretary,
Columbia Philatelic Society.
Trail, British Columbia.

Sir:

I am asking you for a favour and hope you will see your way clear to assist me.

There seems to be a conspiracy in official circles not to assist philatelic research. Could you please publish my request regarding Displaced Persons Camps. Without

the help of philatelists my efforts over the last year and a half will have been in vain.

DISPLACED PERSONS CAMPS

Eight million people of many nationalities passed through DP camps in Germany, Austria and Italy during 1945-8. No proper check lists exist, though a few camps which issued adhesive stamps have been researched. Who can help in compiling lists of camp names, locality, dates etc.? I have started the search in libraries with some success. Letters to Ministries, UNO, Red Cross, so-called exile groups have drawn either no reply at all, or regrets and non-co-operation. I am trying to gather as much information about the camps as I can get. This then is an appeal for co-operation and assistance. The job will certainly take a long time.

Please write to:

Peter C. Rickenback,
14 Rosslyn Hill,
London NW3 1PF,
England.

Sir:

I have a mint strip of four of No. 549 and wonder if any members have one like it.

One of the stamps has a 'scar' running from the Queen's left eye to the lower part of her chin. A vertical engraving line is missing leaving a scar-like space that is visible to the naked eye. This should be a constant variety in a roll of the 7¢ coil No. 549.

I would be most pleased to hear from anyone that has a copy or has seen a copy like the one described.

Elmer R. Bills,
1304 E. Lake Road,
Hammondsport, NY 14840,
U.S.A.

Sir:

I must take issue with the remarks made by Hans Reiche in the May-June, 1979 CP. He states that "on an average, magazines take 39 days to travel an average distance of 300 miles."

While I cannot speak for the Canadian Postal Service, that issue of the Canadian Philatelist reached me in 13 days, including a change of address.

If you have taken a tour through the Post Office, one can readily see the enormous job that the Postal Service performs.

Your very truly,
Alan Barasch,
Birmingham, Alabama.

How would you treat this condition?

Sir:

I have a very fine mint never hinged strip of three, Canada No. 41, the 3¢ vermillion which, unfortunately, is oxidized. Would your readers know of a way to get rid of the 'oxidation' yet keep the gum intact?

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Paul J. Arcand,
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1979 International Summer Special Olympics, to be held at The State University of New York at Brockport, NY, Aug. 8-13, will have available, an official FDC of the Special Olympics Commemorative stamp (Aug. 9) and two different multicoloured commemorative covers (Aug. 10, 11) with the Special Olympics logo, and a special cancellation. The covers

cost $1 each or 3 for $2.50. Orders, including a stamped self addressed No. 10 envelope, are to be sent to Commemorative Stamp Committee, SUNY College, Brockport, NY 14420, U.S.A.

Gibbons Announces New Style Sectional Catalogues for "Europe" and "Overseas" Countries.

Gibbons will begin a publishing programme on July 13, which will see new style catalogues superceding the present three volumes of the "Europe" and the four volumes of the "Overseas" catalogues. All foreign countries will be grouped on the basis of collecting interests.

The new style catalogues will allow for a more flexible publishing programme. Collectors will not have to buy so many pages of countries they do not want. The new scheme will also permit more frequent editions for countries in popular demand.

The complete range of countries in the new groupings are planned for publication by the end of 1980.

The publication programme is:

July 13, 1979

- France (France, colonies, post offices, Andorra, Monaco) £5.00
- Germany (Germany, States, colonies, post offices) £4.00
- China (China, Taiwan, Tibet, foreign post offices) £5.00

Autumn 1979

- Austria & Hungary (Austria, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Hungary)
- Benelux (Belgium & Colonies, Netherlands & Colonies, Luxembourg)
- Central America (Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama)

Winter 1979/80

- Scandinavia (Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden)
- Africa since Independence A-E (Algeria, Angola, Benin, Burundi, Cameroun, Central African Empire, Chad, Comoro Is., Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia)
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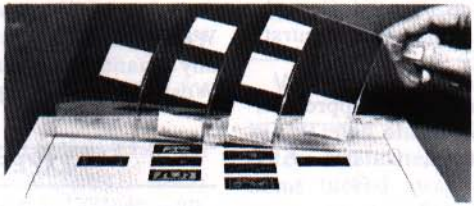

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