PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Commencing another year in the history of the Canadian Philatelic Society, the newly elected Directors and appointed Officers wish to assure the members of the Society that all of the departments are in operation and that it is the earnest desire of the officers that their work shall be carried on efficiently to the satisfaction of the members.

During the first four weeks there have been four meetings of the Directors and much thought and discussion given to the methods adopted for serving the Society.

Mr. S. R. Given continues to carry the responsibilities of the Recording Secretary and with his long service contributes considerable stability to the Board of Directors.

The Directors are pleased at having been able to induce Mr. Herbert Buckland to accept the office of Corresponding Secretary. The greatly appreciated service given when he was Librarian made him one of the old C.P.S. stalwarts and members regard him as a genial, courteous fellow philatelist.

The Sales Manager, Mr. A. L. Reid, appointed a year ago, accomplished a great deal toward getting his department functioning perfectly. He keeps in close touch with the Auditor, Mr. R. M. Heenan who has frequently volunteered good suggestions for the improvement of this department. The Sales Manager had himself bonded and he succeeded in getting the Directors to reduce the charge on the sales which is applied to the Insurance Fund. Mr Reid needs more suitable stamps and he wants to have a great many more members to patronize the Sales Department. He is well equipped and he is very prompt in making returns.

The Library is a valuable service and Mr. J. M. Stephen has it all in ready access for the members who apply to him for assistance in their research work.

The expertizing of stamps is in charge of Mr. B. K. Denton who makes an exhaustive study of stamps and who knows a great deal about paper and colors. The late Mr. Frank Aretz endeared himself in many ways to his philatelic friends and when his labour ended here the Society realized a great loss. Philatelists will now be helped in their difficulties by Mr. Denton as Counterfeit Detector.

The Exchange Department was well organized by Mr. G. G. Macdonald about five years ago and it is growing each year.

For several years the Directors have tried hard to provide a suitable philatelic magazine for the members. This has been a hard problem with many discouragements. At the present time, a special committee is experimenting with a series of bulletins which may prove satisfactory until a magazine can be provided. All members are invited to offer suggestions and to contribute stamp information and gossip to the committee of which Mr. Ed. Goodale of Hamilton is the Chairman.

There has never been a Board of Directors in the Society more devoted to the development of a strong national philatelic society than is the present group of good workers pulling well together. The only remuneration they hope for is in expressions of satisfaction from members who make use of the services provided. Let us all try to visualize what a strong society should be and let us all help to develop one with suggestion, criticism and commendation when possible.

E. S. BALL.

The Canadian Philatelic Society Incorporated held their Annual Meeting on April 16th at the Royal York Hotel. One of the directors elected, Mr. R. J. Woolley, subsequently resigned on account of pressure of other activities. Mr. E. Goodale of Hamilton, was appointed Director at the first meeting of the Directors. We regret to say that Mr. L. M. Rathbun has underwent an operation since his election to the Board, but we expect and hope that he will be able to sit in with us at all future meetings.

DIRECTORS & OFFICERS OF THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY 1938

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NEW CANADIAN ISSUE

It has been officially announced from Ottawa that the new regular issue of higher values would be placed on sale at all Post Offices on June 15th next.

The only official office for first day covers is to be Ottawa. Representations have been made by your directors and also by some affiliated clubs that the cancellation should positively identify covers as official by means of a slug in the cancelling machine.

MARKET NOTES

The 7ϕ & 20ϕ of 1912; 3ϕ of 1928; 10ϕ U.E.L. and 1ϕ green coil 1930 have dropped from the latest Ottawa list. Most starred items can still be obtained centered, if ordered as singles. 1930 coils and booklets are worth buying, also mint 1928 issue and 1928 dues.

Newfoundland - New 2, 3, 4 and 7¢ values appeared May 12th, and with 198-202, 204, 209 and 210 are available direct. (Chief Accountant G.P.O., St. John's). Good buys, when obtainable, are 193 and 195 mint and 164-187. Few dealers have any stock.

SALES DEPARTMENT

Sales Manager, A. L. Reid, 58 Oak Park Ave., Toronto, Ont.

The Sales Manager would like to hear from any members wishing to enter books of stamps for sale, or receive books on approval. A copy of the rules of the sales circuit and blank books, may be had by writing sales department for same. For the benefit of members entering books of stamps for sale in the department, the insurance rate has been lowered from 2½% on the value of the book to 2½% of the amount sold, which will be to the advantage of members entering books for sale.

CANADIAN VARIETIES by Gordon J. Kingdon (Hamilton Philatelic Society)

Among varieities reported thus far in the current issue of Canadian stamps, the various errors found on one subject of the 20¢ denomination (Niagara Falls) place it next in importance probably to the major re-entry discovered in the 50¢ value and also showing in several position on the stamp.

So called the "Broken Leaf" variety, it may be located as Subject No. 16 on Plate No. 1, lower left. The vertical pair comprising this and the stamp immediately below (No. 21) are said to show at least 10 plate and printing errors including dots and hair lines -- the majority, however, being in the first mentioned.

Of these, the most outstanding are: (a) a heavy irregular spot of color that may be seen without a glass in the white panel of POSTES and adjoining the "T" thereof. (b) the "Broken Leaf" showing in the top tip of the leaf pointing into the upper right corner of the design where three or four color dots are missing and the upper outline of the leaf is comparatively indistinct to give the "broken" appearance. (c) pronounced plate scratch between the lower tips of leaves in the same cluster and showing (also without a glass) in the sky of the main design. (d) several diagonal hair lines (chrome cracks) one of which extends from the last "A" of CANADA to and through the "R" of NIAGARA and on through the lower margin into the design of the stamp beneath. Another, but fainter, line runs diagonally through the stamp and there are two short lines in the upper margin.

POSTAGE of the same subject has been reported to show signs of doubling but this as yet cannot be confirmed by the writer.

The following application has been received: Ian Cleveland Morgan, 3462 Peel St., Montreal, proposed by W I. McTavish.

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EDITORIAL

One of the matters to come before your board this cummer is the publication of a list of the members of the society and what they collect. If you are already a member please send in up-to-date list of what you collect. If you are not already a member, why not fill in the application blank - NOW?

The West Toronto Stamp Club recently had a debate at one of their meetings on the Subject "Should First Day Covers be collected?" The debate was won by the negative side under Mr. J. B. Filsinger.

We regret to note that on the anniversary of the Coronation most of the Coronation stamps can be bought at less than they could a year ago. The Current Issue of that old and well known house organ (The Emco Journal) quotes them at prices which will take some beating. Remember when you could buy the 1897 Jubilees at face value. (Nuff said)

We were recently shown a cutting from the Family Herald and Weekly Star of a news item of June 26th, 1897. This news item described how the Montreal Post Office had been using cancelling machines since May 1896. They were, however, particularly proud of the Jubilee Flag Cancellation which was first used on June 20th, 1897.

We are much pleased with the annual review of the British Columbia Philatelic Society. This can be obtained for 10¢ plus 3¢ postage from T. F. Daggs, 511 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C. Those interested in Canadian Plate Numbers, Canadian Precancels, Great Britain Penny Blacks, Studies of Forgeries, Zeppelin Covers, Stamps of the Soudan, Charity Stamps of Holland & Hawaiian Cancellations will all find a worth while article to their liking.

PERFORATED INITIALS ON CANADIAN STAMPS

We have a member in Hamilton who can identify many of the initials found on the various issues. In passing we would mention that the letters O.H.M.S. have been definitely traced to the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Victoria, B.C. We understand that the use of this perforation has now been discontinued. (This month's Stamp Review)

PRECANCELLS

Post Offices supplied with precancelled postage stamps of the King George VI issue from January 1st to March 31st, 1938 -

l¢ precancells have been supplied to Oshawa, 3893; Saint John, N.B. X910; Brandon, Man, 5099; Moose Jaw, Sask, 7120; Yorkton, Sask, 7977; Lethbridge, Alta., 8605; Victoria, B.C., 9890; 2¢ and 3¢ Kingston, Ont., 3340; 3¢ London, Ont., 3470; 1¢ & 3¢ Hamilton, Ont., 3100; 3¢ General Type, Brampton, Ont. & St. Justin, P.Q.

We are advised by the Editor of the Canadian Precancel Catalogue that all copy for the new catalogue is now in the hands of the Publisher, Hoover Bros.

We want every member to feel that they are associate editors of this bulletin and welcome short snappy articles on any phase of Canadian Collecting.

We would like to draw your attention to the wealth of material in the hands of our Librarian. He will be more than pleased to forward to members articles on hand in regard to your particular interests.

We have some interesting information on hand for next bulletir for Collectors of Canadian Meter Cancellations, but would like to hear from a senior collector of these who would be willing to give us a News paragraph or so each month. We also need a senior collector of Canadian Revenue Stamps in a like capacity.

A group of Ontario Collectors headed by G. L. Woodrow are working towards the publication of a catalogue of Canadian Advertising Slogans. In the meantime our directors are willing to allot slogan collectors space in the Bulletin each month to publish a check list of Slogans, working from the current issues back. If you are interested in these or have a friend interested in same, drop us a line, now, which will insure publication of 1938 check list in an early bulletin.

We are also particularly anxious to secure an associate editor for Eastern and Western Canada in this department so as to make Check List as complete as possible.