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PRESS RELEASE Postmaster General Bertrand announces that a special 4-cents postage stamp will be issued on Thursday, 15th, January, 1948, to commemorate the marriage of Her Royal Highness, the Princess Elizabeth, to Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, R.N.

The overall dimensions of the stamp will be approximately 22 mm. x 26 mm. and it will be vertical in arrangement. The stamp will bear a portrait of Princess Elizabeth, from a photograph by Dorothy Wilding of London, England. This portrait has been chosen by Her Royal Highness and approved by His Majesty The King. The colour has not yet been decided upon but will probably be reddish-brown. The stamps will be issued in sheets of 100.

Plans are being laid to have the stamp placed on sale at all the principal Canadian Post Offices on the 15th January, 1948. First Day Covers will be handled only by the Postmaster at Ottawa. The stamp will also be on sale, by mail order, through the Philatelic Division of the Post Office Department in Ottawa, on and after the 15th of January.

FIRST DAY COVERS The Canadian Philatelic Society is preparing suitable FIRST DAY COVERS at: Singles - 2 for 25 cents. Blocks of four - 25 cents each. Order early from Cyril Woodhead, 529 Winona Drive, Toronto 10, Ont.

While we are on the subject. How about: Starting that collection you have all been thinking about. A collection of stamps bearing the portrait of Her Royal Highness. Show her life in postage stamps. Small stamp albums can be procured from many well-known Stamp Dealers just suitable for this purpose. The A.C.E., Official organ of the African Collector's Exchange, has a good idea - a beautiful album suitably engraved. The portrait of Her Royal Highness as a title page. The album pages engraved with the Coat of Arms of the various Countries who have issued stamps bearing Her Royal Highness' portrait.

NEXT MEETING The following is an extract from the report of the Chairman of the house committee. "On contacting various public and private halls to secure a place to hold our meetings, I have found in practically all cases that all the halls have been booked solid before the Fall season commenced, so it has been very discouraging to be turned down on every occasion, and it was not until Wednesday, November 5th that we were able to secure accommodation for the November meeting, which is FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28th, at the First Hungarian Presbyterian Church, 206 McCaul St., On visiting this. location, we find the basement of this church is the type of quarters we have been looking for, but the fee is considerably higher than we are accustomed to pay, but as it is so difficult to secure accommodation anywhere at this time of year we agreed to rent this location for the next meeting. IT IS JUST SOUTH OF COLLEGE STREET."

In order to be able to do this, we are going to ask the support of every member who attends these meetings. You will be asked to sign the attendance register at the door and purchase three draw tickets for 25 cents. Not the price of a show, to have a good time with stamps. There will be three raffle prizes and two attendance prizes, which will be secret numbers - that is - five prizes in all. If everyone co-operates we will be able to put this over. Remember our Slogan - "GET THE STAMPS AND THE COLLECTOR'S TOGETHER". We must also have good material for the Auction to realize good prices.

The C.P.S. Bulletin is quite an improvement in its new form, and the Editors are to be complimented. The C.P.S. is certainly growing. We would like to point out to the Editor, however, that our organization is the Toronto District UNIT, not Union. Thanks, Chris. We are looking forward to the next issue.

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