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THOUGHTS & THINGS

by Peter M. Mann

WHERE HAVE ALL THE COMMEMORATIVES GONE?

Last year Canada Post issued 27 special (commemorative) stamps. How many have you received on your mail? If my mail is any criterion then very few have been received. Even mail from philatelists comes franked with 14c. Parliament Building definitives rather than a good copy of a commemorative. Some collectors even use postage meters (ugh!) for philatelic mail!

A quick check of my mail for the last 8 weeks reveals that only 21 copies of 10 of the 27 commemoratives were received. They were: #754 Commonwealth Games - 1; #757 Games - 2; #759 Games - 2 (one cancelled with felt marker); #764 Capex - 1; CNE - 2; Mère Youville - 4; Inuit - dog team - 3; Inuit-woman - 3; Ice vessel Labrador - 2; Ice vessel Northern Light - 1.

The rest of the mail, excluding metered covers which are usually thrown out, had 34+ covers with definitives or other commemoratives, one of which was the Caribou stamp of 1956 (#360).

Is mailing new commemoratives to oneself the only way one can be sure of getting used copies?

Why not lay in a small supply of commemoratives and use them for your philatelic mail? If you buy plate blocks for this purpose you will be doing plate block collectors a favour by reducing the number of mint blocks that are available.

Think about this.

DATING

When you see a date written as 4/7/75, you cannot be sure whether it

means April 7, 1975 or July 4, 1975. In the last issue of the Canadian Philatelist, you may have noticed that on page 403 the dates were given two ways, a completely numbered date and one which included the month spelled out.

Numeric dating, which is the term for the completely numbered date, can eliminate the confusion mentioned above by expressing the date by means of numbers. The year, month, and day, in descending order of magnitude, are expressed with 8 digits: 4 for the year, 2 for the month and 2 for the day. For example, August 10, 1978 is shown as 1978 08 10. It could also be written 1978-08-10 (the way I like it) or 19780810 which, to my mind, takes longer to decipher.

The logic of the technique is that when one is looking up past records that are arranged chronologically, one would first search for the year, then the month, and finally the day. Your present stamp catalogues are using a partial form of this system already since the lists of issues are arranged chronologically by year, then, in most cases, by month and day although the month is usually spelled out.

I plan to use numeric dating for many of the items in the journal, however, the Coming Events column will continue as is. Unless this plan meets with resounding disapproval from our members, it will be carried out from now on.

A FINE WAY TO CELEBRATE

La Société Philatélique de Québec - chapitre no. 40 - célèbre cette année son cinquantième anniversaire de fondation. Deux événements d'importance souligneront cette date mémorable. Tout d'abord, les 11-12-13 mai, Quéphilex '79 - Une exposition au niveau provincial sera présentée au Palais Municipal des Congrès (Quebec Hilton). Puis les 13-14-15 septembre . . . BNAPEX la convention annuelle de la British North America Philatelic Society. Cette dernière manifestation aura lieu au Château Frontenac à Québec.

Buying Canadian

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NORWEX 80 CANADIAN COMMISSIONER

R.P.S.C. Director, Mr. A. Hinrichs, 80 Speers Rd., Apt. 403, Oakville, Ont., L6K 2E3, has been named Canadian Commissioner for NORWEX 80, the International Stamp Exhibition to be held in Oslo, Norway, June 13-22, 1980.

Information on NORWEX 80 may be obtained from Mr. Hinrichs at the above address (see also Coming Events).

THE SOCIETY CONGRATULATES HORACE W. HARRISON



Horace W. Harrison

The R.P.S.C. congratulates Life Member Horace W. Harrison of Pikesville, Maryland, upon his election as a fellow of the Canadian Philatelic Society of Great Britain, at their 32nd Annual

Convention held on September 30, 1978, in recognition of his work in the advancement and research of British North American philately, and to the publication thereof for the benefit of other students.

Mr. Harrison is also a Life member of the American Philatelic Society, the Society of Philatelic Americans, and the United Postal Stationery Society. He is a member of the British North America Philatelic Society, the Postal History Society, and the Baltimore Philatelic Society. Mr. Harrison also serves as Chairman of the Insurance Committee for both the American Philatelic Society and the American Stamp Dealers' Association. In addition to his published works, the best known of which is "Canada's Registry System: 1826-1911", he has a number of ongoing studies of Canada's Postal Stationery. Publication of these articles will take place as soon as Mr. Harrison considers them to be sufficiently far along to warrant examination and criticism by other interested philatelists.

END OF AN ERA

For longer than many of us have been collecting stamps, the advertisements of L. A. Davenport have appeared in stamp magazines. In the December 1941 issue of Popular Stamps, he was advertising British Colonies stamps. In the March 1944 issue, which, by the way, was the "official journal of the Canadian Philatelic Society" (now our R.P.S.C.), he was supporting the Canadian Red Cross and the war effort.

A quick search through early issues of the Canadian Philatelist indicated that his first ad in this journal was in Vol. 7, No. 1 of January 1956 and, although I did not

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check completely, I would venture to say that his ads have appeared regularly ever since.

So it is with some regret, because it signals the passing of an era, that we must announce that L. A. Davenport's ad on page 5 of this issue is his last. Mr. Davenport is retiring from the stamp business after ? years.

I am sure that we all wish him well on his retirement.

TUCKER'S BERMUDA

The first part of Sir Henry Tucker's Bermuda collection which was auctioned by Harmers of London on 1978-10-17 (Oct. 17, 1978) realised £400,357, a record for a one country sale.

The Postmasters' stamps generated much interest and high prices. An envelope bearing the second type "PAID AT HAMILTON, BERMUDA", crowned circle stamp sold for £36,000. A copy of the first type "PAID" stamp in red, dated 1853, went for £32,000.

It is expected that the second sale by Harmers of New York on 1979-04-24 (April 24, 1979) will generate similar interest.

FRED W. L. KEANE

In our last issue we published a notice of the death of Fred Keane of Victoria, B.C. and some comments on his philatelic endeavours. Herewith are further comments on Fred and his contributions to Canadian philately.

Fred was a keen philatelist, a modest author and a gentleman. His research and studies on the British Columbia law stamps resulted in a 1975 publication entitled "British Columbia Law Stamp - Twenty-Five Cents Value of the Fifth Issue". Howard L. Martin assisted him.

From 1968 to 1972 Mr. Keane with R. B. Hetherington wrote a series of articles in "Maple Leaves" entitled "Precancels on the Admiral Issue".

As far back as 1955 Mr. Keane contributed articles to "BNA Topics",

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R.P.S.C. JUDGES ACCREDITATION PROGRAMME

For some time now the Society has been working towards the establishment of a list of accredited judges and has conducted several judging seminars and workshops to train people for inclusion on the list at the Apprentice and Local levels. More seminars will be conducted in different parts of the country so that all who are interested will be able to participate in the programme.

A provisional list has been established and has been circulated to all Society Directors for their comments, additions and deletions. We realise, however, that there are members of the Society who have had judging experience who may not be known either to the Directors or to me. If you feel that you have the necessary qualifications or would like further information regarding the Judges Accreditation Programme, you are asked to drop me a line.

Judging seminars will be conducted by Dr. Fred Stulberg and me in Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Central B.C. (location to be announced later) and Edmonton during the first week of April.

Michael Millar,
Judging Programme Co-ordinator.
192 Shanty Bay Road
Barrie, Ontario, L4M 1E6

"Maple Leaves" and "The Canadian Philatelist".

At the time of his death, he was a member of a group studying the "Broken-Circle" postmarks of Canada. He worked, encouraged and helped fund the study. Among those assisting Fred in this study were Ferdinand Belanger of Montreal and J. Paul Hughes of Sidney, B.C. It is hoped that his work will go on and the results eventually be made available to philatelists in a published form.

It can now be told that Mr. Keane anonymously gave his collection of Canadian revenue stamps to the National Postal Museum in Ottawa a few years ago. This magnificent collection will now be known as the "F.W.L. Keane Canada Revenue Collection". Fred's specialized collection of B.C. law stamps is included in the collection.

J. E. Kraemer.

DELAYED MAIL

We regularly experience delays in our mail service but the delays are usually relatively short — several months at the most. The Swiss PTT-Journal (Vol. 7, 1978) has reported a delay of much greater length, one of 28 years.

On Nov. 3, 1950 (1950-11-03), the airplane "Malabar Princess" of Air India, flight 109, Bombay-Cairo-Geneva-London, crashed at 4,737 metres on Mt. Blanc. Forty-eight people were killed. The rescue party which arrived at the scene five days later was able to recover part of the mail that was carried on the plane.

Other mail was recovered in 1951 and 1952 near the crash site by climbers. This mail was subsequently forwarded by the French and Swiss postal administrations.

Over the years, snow covered the debris on the glacier and gradually erased all traces of the tragedy.

On 8 June, 1978 (1978-06-08) a patrol

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Letters to the Editor

Sir:

My turning point has finally come. After some 40-odd years of collecting Canadian postage stamps I have finally decided to quit, except for perhaps some certain topical/thematical issues.

It is not enough that our philatelic department has seen fit to join the rat-race of many other countries of throwing any excuse for a stamp to the general public, many of which could surely be included in among the "Black Blot Listing", but in the last year it has become quite obvious that the Canadian Philatelic Service is catering to big business first; those who have a regular deposit service come second, and those, like me who send in pmo's for every issue we decide we would like to purchase come last. We received in return recently a pmo plus a "Dear John letter" stating that the Philatelic Service is sorry, but they are sold out and cannot fill our order; that all large orders, etc., were cut down to a minimum so that maximum customer requirements could be met, however, the same stamps may still be obtained from the Philatelic Service in the semi-annual Pre-Pack at "X" dollars.

In the latter case, I refer to CAPEX SOUVENIR SHEETS. How can the Philatelic Service truthfully cut off regular customers and state that they have cut back on huge orders in an attempt to supply as many customers as possible, then turn around and state that the sheets are now available only in the semi-annual Pre-Pack? Then I peruse full page ads of various philatelic companies in Linn's Stamp weekly stating in large, bold, letters: FOR SALE - CANADA'S FIRST SOUVENIR CAPEX SHEETS by units of 10, 100, 1000. e.g.:

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3. Bremart Stamps, Anaheim, at \$3.50 per sheet; at \$30.00 per 10; at \$240.00 per 100.
4. Philatelic Exchange, Louisville, at P.O.R. Visa and Master Charge accepted on orders of 100 or more.

Plus many more similar ads.

In addition there are numerous offers of Canada's first S/S for either subscribing to a philatelic journal, magazine, or accepting a first lot of approvals. There are also numerous offers of FDC's incorporating Canada's first S/S.

It is estimated that the majority of the 3,500,000 copies of Canada's first S/S were sold to dealers so how can our philatelic service truthfully say they have had to cut back on orders when dealers are offering these S/S in units of 1,000?

Yours in grief,
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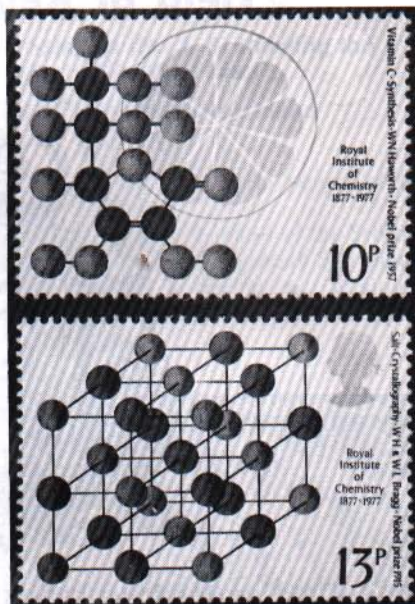
Part 2 (conclusion)

There are colour conventions in chemistry as well as in heraldry, but they are ignored on two of the set issued on the 150th anniversary of the Royal Institute of Chemistry in 1977. On the 10p (Fig. 30) the hydrogen atoms (shown in red) should be white, and the blue oxygen atoms should be red. In the salt-crystallography structure on the 13p (Fig. 30) the sodium ions should be gold instead of blue.

Two more air letter forms have contained embarrassing errors. The first is the regular issue of 1971. The original version bore the inscription 'An air letter form should not contain any enclosure; if it does it will be surcharged or sent by ordinary mail.' It should have said, as its revised version stated, '. . . may be surcharged . . .' for air letters to some countries could have enclosures, provided the total weight was not more than half an ounce.

The second, the 1977 Silver Jubilee air letter, bears a charming portrait of the Queen from a photograph by Peter Grugeon, but on the form his surname was misspelled 'Gruegon.' This photograph of Her Majesty also adorns the Canadian Silver Jubilee stamp; his name appears, spelled correctly, on the marginal inscription.

On a number of booklets there have been misspellings and bits of misinformation. Some are of particular interest to collectors of Canadiana; on a number of Pillar Box and British Birds booklets of 1971, the address of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada in London was given wrongly in two or three different ways in the Company advertisement. Another British Birds booklet of 1972 gave wrong Sun Life retirement plan information.



**Fig. 30. 150th Anniversary of the
Royal Institute of Chemistry
[Sc. 807, 809]**

Other Presentation Packs have also had misspellings and misinformation. The General Anniversaries Pack of 1970 had 'descendants' misspelled 'decendants', twice, and 'Marjorie' spelled 'Majorie' (Marjorie Saynor was the designer of some of the stamps.) On a revised pack 'decendants' was corrected, but Miss Saynor remained 'Majorie.' On the Literary Anniversaries Pack of 1971 the name of Sir Walter Scott's publisher, Ballantyne, is misspelled 'Ballantyre'; perhaps Blantyre, the birthplace of David Livingstone, was in the back of someone's mind.

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Fig. 31a, b



Fig. 32

Fig. 31a, b. Great Britain Isle of Man regionals [Sc. 1, 8] showing the change from unarmoured to armoured 'Legs of Man'.

Fig. 32. Red Hand of Ulster on Gt. Britain Northern Ireland regional [Sc. 1]

One with a philatelic flavour is the Presentation Pack for the low-value decimal definitives of 1971, which pictured some representative British stamps. One was described as '2d Blue 6 May 1840', but it was quickly pointed out that it was the 2d of 1841, with the white lines above and below the portrait of the Queen. A corrected version soon replaced the erring original.

Those who have been in London may be familiar enough with Piccadilly Circus to know that Eros, the god of love, is aiming his shaft down Lower Regent Street, not toward Shaftesbury Avenue, as stated on the 1976 Pack for the Social Reformers issue.

There are also a couple of Regional issues that warrant comment. There was a running battle for some time on the direction in which the legs of the legs of Man should be running. In any event they should have armour (which, on the stamps, they do not have) and the rowels of the spurs are greatly exaggerated. (c.f. Figs. 31a, b).

The Red Hand of Ulster, shown on the Regionals for Northern Ireland should, some say, be a left hand. The official Arms show, in fact, the right hand, as on the stamps (Fig. 32). Tradition, however, says that the first of the O'Neill kings of Ireland, in the fifth century, chopped off his left hand and cast it ashore from his invading ship, to stake his claim to be the first to

touch land, and that is the origin of the hand on the Arms.

On the 1/3 and 1/6 values of the Scottish Regionals (Fig. 33) the Scottish lion should be bordered by a double, not a single, tressure, and the 'field' should be stippled to indicate gold.



Fig. 33. Gt. Britain Scotland regionals [Sc. 5, 6] with single tressure bordering Scottish lion.

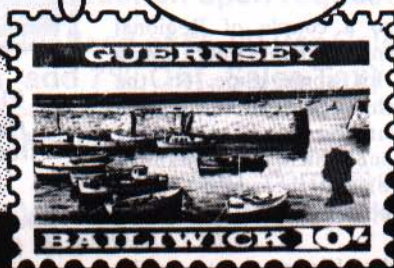
One of the most celebrated errors in the G.B. field was that on two values, the 1d and 1/6, of the first issue of the Bailiwick of Guernsey (Fig. 34a), on which a map of the Bailiwick and adjacent islands included a line of latitude given as 40°30'N instead of 49°30'N, thus placing the islands in the middle of Spain. This embarrassing mistake was quickly corrected (Fig. 34b). On the 1/- value of the same set there was a less conspicuous departure from accuracy;

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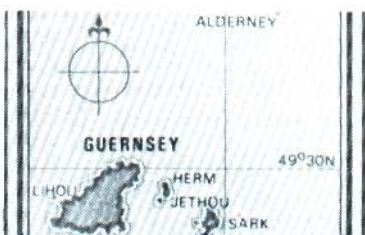
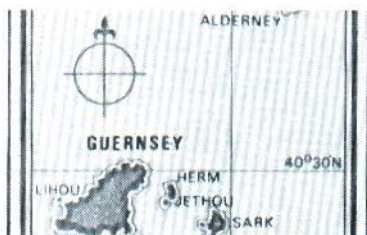


Fig. 34a

Fig. 34b

Fig. 35



Fig. 34. [a] Wrong latitude on Sc. 9, 18.
[b] Corrected latitude on Sc. 28, 29.

Fig. 35. Dasher incorrectly dated 1827 instead of 1828 [Sc. 65].

the portrait of Queen Victoria was a mirror image of the Wyon 'Young head' coinage design. On the 1972 Ships set of Guernsey the 2½p design (Fig. 35) has the wrong year associated with the ship 'Dasher'; it

should be 1838 (when H.M.S. Dasher entered cross-Channel service), not 1827.

The Isle of Man, in its short stamp-issuing life, has, as well, come up with three mistakes. On the 3p stamp of the first

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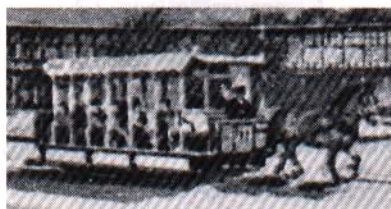


Fig. 36. The tram on Sc. 17 should have another bench.



Fig. 37. Leonard, not Leslie, Randles was the first winner in 1923 [sc. 33].

issue (Fig. 36), showing Douglas Promenade, tram No. 35 should have eight benches between the glazed bulkheads, instead of seven. On the 3p of the Grand Prix Motorcycle Race set of 1973 (Fig. 37) the name of the 1923 winner is given as Leslie, instead of Leonard, Randles. The most noteworthy lapse was that on the 4½p of 1974 (Fig. 38), on which King Edgar of England is shown in a boat rowed by eight other kings off Chester, depicted as a walled medieval city, rather than the unwall Saxon settlement it then was.



Fig. 38. Chester was not a walled town as shown here [Sc. 45].



Fig. 39. 1943 Occupation issue of Jersey [S.G. 8] with "hidden cipher G R".

An interesting study could be made of designs in which the designer inserted an element that would not have been approved by the issuing authorities, had they known. One example is found on the 1943 War occupation issue of Jersey, where on the 3d is a hidden symbol of loyalty to the British Crown (Fig. 39). At the bottom of the broken triangle around the denomination are to be found the letters 'G' and 'R' (for Georgius Rex), daringly inserted by the designer, E. Blampied. Fortunately for

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Fig. 40. The Jersey Fern
[Sc. 61].

him they were not discovered by the Germans. The only other Jersey item is a genuine error on the 3p denomination of the Spring Flowers issue of 1974 (Fig. 40), where a fern is shown with reproductive units that are almost circular, whereas they

should be linear.

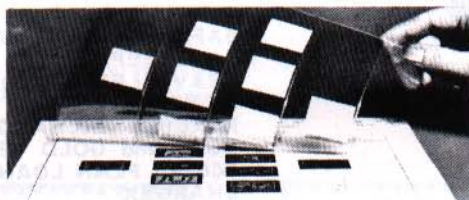
It is apparent that the life of a stamp designer in Britain cannot be a relaxed one, but at least they contribute, if unwittingly and unwillingly, to the joys of collecting. Their fallibility can lead to a fascinating and challenging sideline, and some even find it a major interest within our hobby.

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Until Manitoba became a province in 1870, there were no government post offices on the Canadian prairies. The Hudson's Bay Company, from whom the Canadian Government has bought that vast territory the previous year, had its own communications network of course. That year, when Manitoba was provincially

Although Winnipeg traces its beginning to the Red River Settlement established by the Earl of Selkirk in 1811-12, the nucleus was Fort Garry, the Hudson's Bay Company post which was built ten years later near the junction of the Red and Assiniboine Rivers, after the amalgamation of the Hudson's Bay Company with the North



Red River Settlement.



Fort Garry Gate, Winnipeg.

organized, it was supplied with a half dozen post offices, located at the few settlements in existence there. Naturally, Winnipeg, or rather Fort Garry as it was then called, the largest community and the new capital, got one.

West Company. A director and vice-governor, Nicholas Garry, was appointed to visit the North West Company's former trading posts, to arrange the personnel. Fort Garry was the Hudson's Bay Company headquarters in Canada until 1835.

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Fort Garry was incorporated as the City of Winnipeg in 1873, but it was not until May 1, 1876 that the post office also changed its name. "Winnipeg" had always been the name of the lake 35 miles northeast of the city.

The five other post offices established in 1870 were: Lower Fort Garry, southeast of Selkirk, Eagle's Nest, north of Selkirk, Middle Church, north of Winnipeg, St. Andrews, southwest of Selkirk and Indian Mission.

Lower Fort Garry, built in 1831, is an Historic Site for it is the only stone fort in western Canada so well preserved. Eagle's Nest post office had its name changed in 1876 to Peguis, after the chief of the Saulteau tribe at Red River, who in 1816 had befriended the Selkirk settlers. The name Middle Church refers to St. Paul's Church, located halfway between St. Johns and St. Andrews. The latter was named by the Selkirk settlers after a church founded back in 1829.

At the northeast corner of Lake Manitoba was a fishing station called St. Laurent. Indian Mission post office opened

there in 1870, closed a year later and reopened in 1874 as St. Laurent, with Rev. J. Mulvihill as postmaster.

BEFORE THE FLOOD

In 1871, the Red River Settlement, now the Province of Manitoba, was about to be flooded by a new kind of settlement.

From the Indian community at St. Peter's to Winnipeg, the river front was already well occupied, and the farms of the Métis (halfbreeds) and the Orkney and Kildonan Scottish settlers presented an almost unbroken line along the west bank of the Red River. Kildonan post office opened that year.

St. Peter's post office, named after an Anglican Mission church still standing across the river from the Cathedral Boys' School near Selkirk, was opened on July 1 of that year (1871). On May 1, 1876 its name was changed to Dynevor, after a Welsh baron whose family helped in Indian work there. Nearby Mapleton was also established in 1871.

Settlement was sparser on the east bank of the Red River. Opposite the mouth of the Assiniboine River, St. Boniface was already in existence. It got a post office in 1872. Now the largest French-Canadian city outside of Quebec, it was named after an 8th century English missionary by Abbe Joseph Norbert Provencher. Originally it was a chapel ministering to the needs of Catholic settlers. By extension, the name was applied to the settlement on the Red River which became a city in 1908.

Farther south, St. Norbert, named after the abbe who named St. Boniface, spread on both sides of the crossing of the Riviere Sale. It got a post office in 1871.

PEMBINA

In 1850 the Hudson's Bay company had built a trading post called North Fort Pembina just inside the Canadian boundary. It replaced one formerly located on the north bank of the Pembina River, at its junction with the Red River, which put it on the American side of the boundary. The name derives from an Indian word for a berry which grows in the valley.

Pembina is well known to postal historians as the border point where mail from

eastern Canada came into Manitoba from the United States, before there was an all-Canadian route. An official post office, however, was not opened until 1871. The Canada-U.S.A. boundary survey was completed in 1873 and a Customs Office was opened in the company post by F. F. Bradley. In the spring of the following year, the Emerson Colonization party arrived. It was named after the American writer Ralph Waldo Emerson by W. N. Fairbanks, one of the founders of the settlement.

That same year, 1874, William Watt gave up Pembina post office on the east side of the river and Bradley opened West Lynne at the company post on the west bank. However, in June 1879, the post office was moved back east across the river and was renamed Emerson and was municipally united with West Lynne ten years later.

UP THE ASSINIBOINE

Up the Assiniboine River from Fort Garry, the English settlements of St. James and Headingly were already in existence by 1871. That year the latter had a post office established. Headingly had its beginnings as an Anglican Missionary settlement, established by Rev. Griffith Corbett in 1851. He named it after his former Yorkshire parish. St. James was named two years later when Rev. W. Taylor established that Anglican parish about two miles west of Fort Garry. Its post office was opened in 1872.

The small parish of St. Charles had arisen between them in 1854. Its post office came into being in 1871. Beyond these parishes, on the edge of the White Horse Plain, stood the village of St. François Xavier, the centre of the White Horse Plain hunt. It had been known first by the name of that geographical feature, but later it was called Grantown, after Cuthbert Grant who, in 1824, had been encouraged by the Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company to persuade about 50 Métis families to leave Pembina, from which the Company had withdrawn its fort for fear of the Indians, and settle on the plain. St. François Xavier parish came into being in 1828 and, when a

post office was opened there in 1871, it took that name.

Settlements at Pigeon Lake, a Hudson's Bay Company establishment, and Baie St. Paul, a French and Indian community, already extended the Assiniboine settlements towards the Portage settlements. Both got post offices in 1871.

THE PORTAGE SETTLEMENTS

Portage la Prairie, where the French fur traders portaged a few miles across the prairie between the Assiniboine River and Lake Manitoba, saw a post office established in 1871.

West of it, on section 35, township 11, range 8 west, the Scottish settlement of Burnside got a post office that same year, named by its postmaster, Kenneth McKenzie. In 1897 it became Burnside Station but reverted to the shorter designation that same year and was renamed Ridgeland the following year (1898). In 1904 a further name change altered it to Ridgeway!

A name descriptive of its terrain was given to High Bluff, when it got a post office in 1871. It was north of Portage la Prairie on section 13, township 12, range 6 west.

The North or Ellice Trail ran northwest from Portage la Prairie and crossed the White Mud River at Palestine. A post office called White Mud River opened in 1871 at a fishing station which had been established by the portage people in 1858 on section 25, township 13, range 9 west. Its name was changed in 1874 to Westbourne. Palestine was established in 1872 and was renamed Gladstone in 1879.

Southeast of St. Laurent, Métis had settled in the 1850's at Oak Point which juts into Lake Manitoba. It got a post office in 1872.

The French word for oak appeared in the name of a village southeast of Winnipeg called Point du Chêne. The west end of the Dawson Road, from Fort William to the Red River Settlement was here. Completed in 1871, the year that Pointe du Chêne post office was opened, it was the route by which many early settlers came to the area. From 1874 to 1890 the post office was called Ste. Anne, then Ste. Anne des Chênes.

Fred Stulberg found

An Unusual Date



During a normal search through a box of two dollar covers (formerly twenty five cents covers) the one illustrated above seemed to stand out. This was not because of the flag cancellation since its usage at Toronto was common at that time.

The dater or hub, however, seemed to have a preponderance of ones and zeros and a closer look showed that the mailing was processed on January 1, 1901 at 1:00 a.m. This was the first hour of the first day of the first year of the century — or was it?

The question arises as to whether 1900 or 1901 was the first year of the twentieth century. Most people who responded to a personal poll felt that the change came from 1899 to 1900. However, a small but insistent group said that the latter was the case. They cited the fact that the first year

was 'year one' (there was never a 'year zero') and a complete cycle of one hundred years would have ended in the year 100 and the start of the next century would be the first day of the next year. This, of course, would continue from that point on.

The group that disagreed with this hypothesis stated that, since a century begins every one hundred years, the beginning of the second century came with the first day of the year 100, not 101, and that all subsequent centuries changed with each hundredth year.

Whether the ultimate resolution shows that this cover was processed on the first day of the nineteenth century or was a year late, no one can deny that the date is, at least, unusual.

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454iv	variety, as above dull paper	.90	3.60	4.50	—
454v	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.45	1.80	3.50	14.00
454vi	HB paper, dex gum	1.25	5.00	10.00	WTD
454vii	HB paper, dex gum tagged Wpg. 1-bar	4.50	18.00	WTD	WTD
454viii	frsc. paper, PVA Plate 5	.05	.20	2.50	10.00
454viii	frsc. paper, PVA tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.20	.80	1.50	6.50
454viii	frsc. paper, PVA tagged general	.10	.40	1.50	8.00
454i	precancel, plain paper, dex gum	.40	1.60	3.00	WTD
454vi	precancel, frsc., PVA gum	.50	2.00	WTD	WTD

2c GREEN					
455i	plain paper, dex gum	.05	.20	—	—
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	plate 2	—	—	1.50	6.00
455ii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.30	1.20	3.00	12.00
455iii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.20	.80	2.25	9.00
455iv	frsc. paper, PVA	.10	.40	—	—
	plate 1	—	—	10.00	45.00
	plate 2	—	—	10.00	45.00
455v	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.50	2.00	WTD	WTD
455vi	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged general	.10	.40	1.50	6.25
455i	precancel, plain paper, dex gum	33.00	132.00	165.00	WTD

3c DULL PURPLE					
456i	plain paper, dex gum	.05	.20	—	—
	plate 1	—	—	1.90	8.00
	plate 2	—	—	2.50	10.50
456ii	variety as above dull paper, plate 2	.75	3.00	5.00	WTD
456iii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.25	1.00	2.50	10.00
456iv	variety, as above dull paper	1.00	4.00	6.00	25.00
456v	precancel, plain, dex gum	.50	2.00	5.00	WTD
456vi	precancel, frsc., PVA, tagged general	1.25	5.00	10.00	WTD
456vii	precancel, frsc. paper, dex gum	1.00	4.00	8.00	WTD

4c CARM. ROSE					
457i	plain paper, dex gum, plate 1 & 2	.20	.80	2.50	10.00
	plate 3	—	—	4.50	17.50
457ii	variety, as above dull paper	1.00	4.00	6.00	—
457iii	variety, as above frsc. paper	2.50	12.00	15.00	—
457iv	plain paper, dex gum tagged Wpg. with bar	—	—	—	—
	either edge	.50	2.00	5.00	WTD
457v	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.50	2.00	5.00	20.00
457vi	frsc. paper, PVA, plate 3	.35	1.40	17.50	WTD
457vii	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.35	1.40	3.00	12.00
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457xii	variety, as above precancel frsc. paper	7.50	30.00	40.00	WTD
457c	perf 10 (ex booklet)	1.00	3.50	—	—

5c BLUE					
458i	plain paper, dex gum, plates 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5	.10	.40	1.50	4.75
458ii	variety, as above dull paper	3.50	WTD	WTD	WTD
458iii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.60	2.40	4.00	15.75
458iv	variety, as above dull paper	.95	3.80	—	—
458v	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.40	1.60	5.00	20.00
458vi	HB paper, dex gum	.35	1.40	4.75	WTD
458vii	HB paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.65	2.60	4.95	WTD
458viii	frsc. paper, PVA, plate 6	.10	.40	2.25	9.00
458viii	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.50	2.00	3.50	14.00
458ix	precancel, plain paper, dex gum	1.85	7.40	WTD	WTD
458x	precancel, HB paper, dex gum	.75	3.00	7.50	30.00
458xi	precancel, frsc. paper, PVA gum	1.35	5.40	8.75	WTD

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460ci	plain paper, dex gum, plate 4	.35	1.40	2.50	10.50
460cii	variety, dull paper, dex gum	—	—	WTD	—
460ciii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.50	2.00	4.00	15.50
460civ	precancel, plain paper, dex gum	2.75	WTD	WTD	WTD
6c BLACK PERF 10					
460a	perf 10 (ex booklet)	1.00	4.00	—	—
460b	variety, HB, perf 10 (ex booklet)	69.50	278.00	—	—
7c EMERALD GREEN					
543i	plain paper, dex gum	.30	1.20	—	—
	plate 1	—	—	7.95	33.00
	plate 2	—	—	3.95	16.00
543ii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.50	2.00	3.95	16.00

6c ORANGE PER 10					
459i	plain paper, dex gum, plate 1, 2	.50	2.00	5.00	WTD
459ii	variety, frsc. paper, dex gum, plate 1	1.60	6.40	WTD	WTD
459iii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.50	2.00	3.75	14.50
459iv	frsc. ink, plain paper, dex gum	43.50	172.50	WTD	WTD
459v	precancel, plain paper, dex gum	3.00	12.00	20.00	WTD

6c ORANGE PERF 12 1/2 x 12					
459bi	plain paper, dex gum, plate 3	.40	1.60	4.00	WTD
459bii	variety, frsc. paper, dex gum	9.00	36.00	WTD	WTD
459biii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.75	3.00	6.00	24.00
459biv	variety, frsc. paper, dex gum	WTD	WTD	WTD	WTD
459bvi	HB paper, dex gum	29.50	WTD	WTD	WTD
459v	HB paper, dex gum tagged Wpg. 2-bar	—	—	—	WANTED MINT

6c BLACK PERF 12 1/2 x 12 DIE I					
460i	plain paper, dex gum, plates 1, 2 & 3	.25	1.00	2.75	10.50
460ii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.75	3.00	6.00	WTD
460iii	variety, frsc. paper, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	1.00	4.00	6.00	WTD
460iv	HB paper, dex gum	17.50	70.00	97.50	WTD

6c BLACK PERF 12x12 DIE I					
460fi	frsc. paper, PVA plates 1 & 2	.35	1.40	2.50	11.00
460fii	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 1-bar	.35	1.40	2.50	10.50
460fiii	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged general	.35	1.40	2.50	10.50
460fiv	printed on the gummed side	11.95	47.50	67.50	WTD
460fi	precancel, frsc., PVA gum	3.95	16.00	23.50	WTD
460fiii	precancel frsc., PVA, tagged general	.85	3.60	7.50	WTD

8c SLATE					
544i	plain paper, dex gum	.30	1.20	—	—
	plates 1 & 2	—	—	3.50	14.00
	plate 3	—	—	7.50	35.00
544ii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.35	1.40	2.50	10.00
544iii	plain paper, dex gum, tagged general	.35	1.40	2.50	9.75
544iv	frsc. paper, PVA plate 4	.30	1.20	3.75	WTD
544v	frsc. paper, PVA tagged Wpg. 2-bar	.60	2.40	4.50	17.50
544vi	frsc. paper, PVA, tagged general plates 5 & 6	1.60	6.25	7.25	28.00
544vii	variety, as above 1-bar tagged	3.95	16.00	—	—
544viii	HB paper, PVA	7.50	30.00	48.00	WTD
544ix	variety, as above almost HB paper	4.50	18.00	37.00	—
544x	HB paper, PVA, tagged Wpg. 2-bar	6.75	27.00	WTD	WTD
544xi	almost HB paper, PVA, tagged general plate 7	.65	2.60	4.50	18.00

8c VIOLET BROWN					
461i	plain paper, dex	.55	2.20	—	—
	plates 1	—	—	4.00	16.00
	plate 2	—	—	4.00	16.00
461ii	HB paper, dex	15.50	62.00	WTD	WTD



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The Future of Philatelic Experts

by William Purves

NOTE: This is based on an address given by Mr. William Purves of Australia to the members of the Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada when he was in Toronto as a member of the CAPEX jury; as interpreted by Fred Stulberg.

Philately today faces a problem that could well influence its future. This concerns the responsibility of training and maintaining a "race" of philatelists who are capable of giving an expert opinion on items related to our hobby.

The current trends in collecting seem to work against the development of philatelic experts as we know them. Nine out of ten serious collectors are becoming more and more specialized and, as their field of interest narrows, so does the extent of their general expertise. In addition to this, the market prices of specialized material has reached such proportions that many of their collections are formed as "status" collections for exhibitions and the academic interest in them is secondary. In other words, important collections are becoming the products of the chequebook rather than products of the brain.

One cannot deny that experts are students. Also, not all experts or potential experts have the means to compete with the person who is out to form a 'Gold Medal' exhibit. Thus, if we are to create and preserve inquisitive and analytical philatelists, we must change the present situation. Perhaps the introduction of a class in international competition for research collections only would stimulate the necessary interest along these lines. Perhaps the establishment of expert committees deal-

ing with specialized material only would solve some of the existing problems.

Many of the recognized expert committees are jammed with material (The Royal Philatelic Society, London currently handles 6000 items a year) and are asked to give opinions on a broad spectrum of philatelic articles. Hence, if 'national' expert committees are formed that would consider material related only to their specific area, then it would relieve the burden of existing expertisation groups and would also serve as the spawning grounds for specialized experts. This is presently being done in Australia (under the supervision of Mr. Purves) and in Canada by the Vincent G. Greene Philatelic Research Foundation. Certainly more are needed.

The expert of today and tomorrow must be different than the expert of yesterday. Comprehensive philatelic knowledge is no longer sufficient. As sophisticated technical processes proliferate, it becomes imperative that experts recognize their uses and abuses and apply them to their opinions. Hence, if we wish to stimulate and preserve expertise in philately, we must create a situation that will take advantage of our many 'national' specialists and encourage young collectors to become apprentices. In this way we can insure the future of philatelic experts.

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A new military post office was opened this year but closed shortly after opening. CFPO 114 at Naquara, Liban, opened 21 June and closed 30 September. For collectors of these cancels this one probably will be a hard one to find.

Another odd Post Office cancel has been noted. "Short Paid Canadian Mail Is Rated Up Double Postage Due."

A very interesting two volume handbook was issued in full beautiful colours called "Swiss Stamps (Schweizer Briefmarken)". Each stamp, starting with pre-stamped covers 1786 (Bern to Sachseln and marked in red "4 X" — X for Kreuzer) is shown on a separate loose sheet. One pre-stamp cover is shown and addressed to: Monsieur, Monsieur Nicodeme de Flue, Chevallier de L'Ordre Royale et Militaire de St. Louis, Seigneur Landame et Banneret du Louable Canton d'Unterwalde, ancien Bailif du Thurgoire et Directeur des Sels a Laxlen Canton D'Unterwalde. In addition to the stamps, the history and cancels of Swiss stamps are shown. The majority of items came for the PTT Museum in Bern.

Speaking of Philatelic Museums, we notice that the Cardinal Spellman Museum intends to publish a book called "A Historical Survey of Precancels". It will present the development of this interesting field in the USA. Two other books are available from the Museum. These are Charles A. Lindbergh, a Biographical and Philatelic Study, and the 2 Cent Recut Dies US Stamped Envelopes. The last museum bulletin contains a paper on ultraviolet photography.

The 12 Cents flower stamp has now been issued precancelled with a red overprint instead of the usual black. The warning inscriptions are in red and now at top and bottom rather than at the sides as previously. A single block of four of the 6c. Pearson precancel has been found with a

double overprint. The partial warning strip is doubled as well.

If you like to experiment with stamps, put a few mint flower stamps in the sunlight for a short period and compare them with the others. You can almost get any colour change you like to have. Recently a chap bought a sheet of a flower stamp which appeared to have entirely different colours than the normal stamp. He mailed this sheet, for which he had paid a four figure Dollar sum, to a dealer. The dealer returned this sheet to the unfortunate owner in an envelope which had on top a block of four of the same stamp in the same colour change. The owner first thought that the dealer had taken this block from his sheet, but he soon found out that the block on the cover (and so his full sheet) simply had been exposed to the sun for a while. Value of the sheet now was just face, a single dollar figure — a good lesson.

There appears to be a fairly large number of so called double perforated coils on the market lately. Strips have been seen which contain four stamps with a double perforation and the top and bottom stamps with regular perforation. It is not clear why the middle coil stamps in the strips show the doubling and not the others. It was assumed that the perforator covers a total of 13 stamps which is evident from the imperforated strips which have been found for the last number of years in the coils. Is there a possibility that the machine can perforate only a few, such as four stamps, or do we have here a homemade variety? Care when purchasing these double perforated coils is suggested.

A collector in Ottawa just showed us a 14c. Christmas stamp with the gold inscription doubled. Due to the colour it is hard to see and can easily be overlooked.

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Postmaster General the Hon. Gilles Lamontagne announced in November that postal rates will be increased on April 1, 1979 (1979-04-01). Although all of the rate increases were not given, the main ones are: Canada and U.S.A. first class letter

mail and post cards, 1 oz. 17c.; International (excluding U.S.A.) air mail letters and post cards, 1 oz. 35c.

These new rates are reflected in the denominations of the stamps listed below.

1979 POSTAGE STAMP ISSUE SCHEDULE

Jan. 24	- High value definitive		
	Fundy National Park (New Brunswick)	(1)	\$1.00
Feb. 1	- Quebec Winter Carnival, 25th anniversary	(1)	14c.
Mar. 8	- Low value definitives		
	QE II (same design as 14c., new colour)	(1)	17c.
	Parliament Building (same design as 14c., new Colour)	(1)	17c.
	Canadian Trees series - Pine tree	(1)	35c.
Apr. 10	- Endangered species		
	Spiny softshelled turtle (<i>Trionyx spinifer</i>)	(1)	17c.
	Bowhead whale (<i>Balaena mysticetus</i>)	(1)	17c.
Apr. 27	- Postal Code - promoting use (se tenant?)	(2)	17c.
	High value definitive		
	Kluane National Park (Yukon territory)	(1)	\$2.00
May 3	- Canadian authors series (se tenant?)		
	Frederick Philip Grove	(1)	17c.
	Emile Nelligan	(1)	17c.
May 11	- Col. John By (se tenant with second stamp?)	(1)	17c.
	Col. Charles-Michel de Salaberry	(1)	17c.
June 15	- Provincial and Territorial Flags	(12)	17c.
	Miniature sheet		
Aug. 16	- Sports (se tenant?)		
	Women's Field Hockey World Championship (Vancouver, B.C.)	(1)	17c.
	Canoe-Kayak World Championship (Jonquiere, Quebec)	(1)	17c.
Sept. 17	- Inuit series (se tenant pairs?)		
	Shelter and Community Life	(4)	17c.
Oct. 17	- Christmas 1979 - Antique toys and symbol of	(1)	15c.
	U.N.O. Year of the Child (3)	(1)	17c.
		(1)	35c.
Nov. 15	- Aircraft series (new) (se tenant pairs?)	(2)	17c.
	Amphibians	(2)	35c.

This list totals 39 separate stamps with a face value of \$10.14. How much the final total will be depends upon the number of

revisions the programme will be subjected to during the year.

For matching plate/inscription block

collectors, it is impossible to say what the cost will be. In only one case (June 15, miniature sheet) do we know that the stamps are to be issued *se tenant*. Whether or not the other stamps issued on the same day will be *se tenant*, as in previous years, remains to be seen.

However, assuming that the various pairs of stamps listed above will be *se tenant*, matching plate/inscription blocks

will cost \$113.10.

In addition to the stamps listed above, we can expect to see new coil stamps (17c. Parliament Building; new booklets (will they be 75c.? - 4 x 17c., 2 x 2c., 3 x 1c.?; a \$1.25 booklet or a \$1.50 booklet? or \$?) and, as announced in the CP Philatelic Bulletin No. 2, a new series of postage due stamps.

NEW \$3.50 BOOKLETS



New \$3.50 booklet pane.

The Canada Post Office has finally released a set of five cartoon booklets valued at \$3.50 each. They contain a pane of 25 stamps of the red and gray, tagged, Queen Elizabeth II issue, perforated 12 x 12½, in three rows. The upper row consists of 9 stamps, the middle and lower rows each consist of 8 stamps and a label "Code it. . . / Post it! / Codez et/postez!". The pane is folded into three rows of three stamps and is attached by a gummed margin to the cream coloured cover which measures 6" x 2 7/8" (15.2 cm x 7.2 cm). The inside of the cover is blank.

The front of each folder has one of five different cartoons pertaining to coding mail. The back has a common design - two heads looking over a sign reading "Please remember to use the Postal Code in the mailing address . . . and in your return address" and "N'oubliez pas d'indiquer le code postal dans l'adresse du destinataire et dans votre adresse de reexpedition."

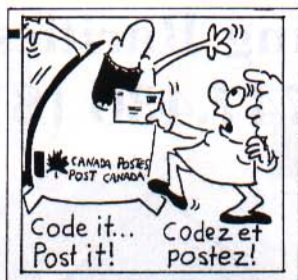
The cartoons are within a thin black frame measuring 2 5/8" x 2 5/8" (6.7 cm x 6.7 cm) with "Code it. . . / Post it! / Codez et/Postez! within the frame at the bottom.

Each booklet costs \$3.50 and a set of five, in a prepackaged set, costs \$17.50. An inserted card reads "1978/5 Pictorial Postage Books/Carnets de Timbres Illustres 5/\$17.50.

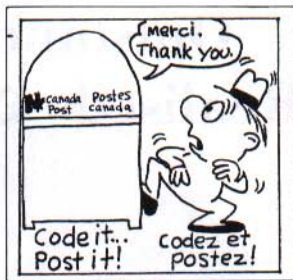
These stamp booklets were first released from the Postal Museum in Ottawa on Tuesday, 14 November 1978 (1978-11-14). A quantity were cancelled on envelope on the first day of availability in the Ottawa area. Other areas of Canada may have received the booklets a few days earlier (Ed. We are still waiting for them in Guelph). The black counter mark has been found on all five designs. Further information may be obtained from Maj. R. K. Malott, 16 Harwick Cresc., Ottawa, Ont., K2H 6R1.



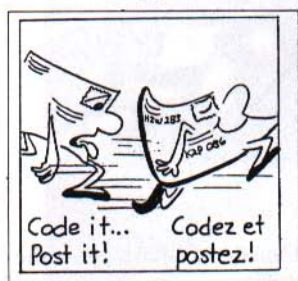
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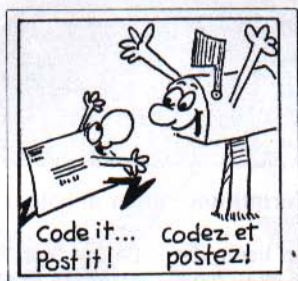
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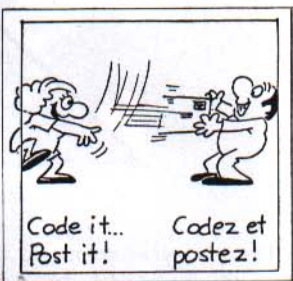
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The past year seems to have been the year of the great auctions. We have reported, elsewhere in this issue, that the first auction sale of Sir Henry Tucker's Bermuda collection realised \$948,846 in October and that Sweden's 3 skilling banco colour error brought \$609,000. Then there was the Diamond Jubilee auction sale No. 4146 of Harmers of London on 1978-11-08. It was held to mark the 60th anniversary of H. R. Harmer's first auction sale of 283 lots which brought £1,228 (\$2,910). This auction of only 107 lots, each of which was a rarity, brought a total of £310,175 (\$735,115).

One month later, 1978-12-07, the Stanley Gibbons' auction of 313 lots of world philatelic rarities realised a sensational £747,430 (\$1,771,409) in less than two hours! This was the most valuable one day sale ever held by the company and was possibly one of the finest collections of rarities ever assembled.

The most expensive item fetched \$112,575 against an estimate of \$118,500. This was the finest example known of an unused 1861 Cape of Good Hope wood-block 4d vermilion "error of colour" (Sc. 9b) shown above.

One of only three known sets of colour trials of the Cape of Good Hope 6d and 1/- triangular stamps produced before 1862, and formerly in the collection of the late

Earl of Crawford, made \$47,400 against the estimate of \$52,140.

A cover front sent to London in 1862, bearing two of the rare 4d 1857-59 stamps of Ceylon (Sc. 5) and the 1d deep blue on blue paper (Sc. 1), sold for \$45,030 (estimated at \$59,250). This is the finest of only three such known combinations and is said to be one of the 'top ten' rarities.

Another rarity also realised \$45,030 (est. \$47,400). This was the lot of the five best values (\$1, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5 [Sc. 241-245]) in blocks of four of the U.S.A. Columbian Exposition issue. An envelope sent to Bordeaux - 1848 Post Paid, earliest impression, Mauritius 2d indigo-blue on yellowish paper (Sc. 4a) - fetched \$42,660. This is probably the finest example of this stamp extant.

The two most valuable Great Britain lots both sold for \$33,180. The first was a magnificent unused corner block of 18 1841 1d red-brown stamps (Sc. 3) described as an exhibition piece, while the other was an exceptional unused block of 24 1854-7 2d blue stamps (Sc. 13), which is believed to be the largest known multiple of that issue.

The auction results given above serve to point up two things: 1, exceptional material will fetch exceptional prices, and 2, there seems to be no shortage of money for fine philatelic items.



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Apparently there has been no internationally accepted definition of what a postal history collection should comprise. That situation was rectified at a joint meeting of the F.I.P. Postal History and Traditional Philately Bureaus held in Prague on 10th September 1978 (1978-09-10).

At that meeting the following definition of a postal history collection was approved by a large majority (Mr. Dubus, France, opposed).

"A Postal History collection should aim to show the methods and means of franking and payment of postage and dispatching and routing of correspondence. It should consist primarily of covers of all kinds, and may also contain relevant illustrative material including adhesive stamps off cover. The emphasis of the collection should be mainly on the history of postal communication and therefore research and knowledge in the exhibit may be as important as the material shown."

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A Report to the Membership

by Fred Stulberg

As was expected, the new Presidency of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada brought with it a myriad of items needing attention. Some were anticipated, others were not. No sooner were things under control when a major problem reared its ugly head. As a culmination of recurrent staff problems that have plagued our Honourary Executive Director, Mrs. G. M. Geldert, in her efforts to compete with the civil service in Ottawa for secretarial help, it became necessary to move the administrative office to Toronto. Although the Ottawa address is still valid, correspondence sent to the Toronto address will receive quicker attention. It is:-

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Fortunately, our experience with CAPEX allowed us to secure capable office staff and the transition took place with the minimum of chaos.

Once assured that administrative continuity was being maintained, I could start to think of visiting chapters. In September Michael Madesker, our Coordinator of Youth Activities, and I, attended the second annual exhibition of the Cambridge Stamp Club, and met with Michael Street to discuss certain things pertaining to the forthcoming R.P.S.C. Convention being held at Cambridge from April 26 to 29, 1979. This promises to be a hospitable convention with many innovative functions. Later that month, together with our Judges Accreditation Coordinator, Michael Millar (I seem to have an affinity for people

named Michael), we judged the annual exhibition of the Muskoka Philatelic Society and spent some time with Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Lyon, our Chapter Coordinators.

The visits to chapters increased during October. There was first a talk at the Lakeshore Stamp Club at Dorval, Quebec and discussions with President Geoffrey Newman and Past President Darrel Bedford about the possibility of the members of their Club sponsoring the R.P.S.C. convention in 1981. Then it was back to Toronto and on to Guelph to address the members of that stamp club at the banquet associated with their annual exhibition. At the same time, it was possible to discuss a few problems with our Editor, Peter Mann. The following week the "Royal of Canada" was honoured when your President was asked to officiate at the opening ceremonies of STAMPEX, CANADA at Toronto.

Incidentally, a meeting of the Directors and Officers was scheduled to take place during the time of STAMPEX and a synopsis of their deliberations is included in the latter part of this article.

Towards the end of the month it was off to Peterborough to address the members of the Kawartha Philatelic Society and, at the same time, discuss some of the problems that the postal strike was causing Margaret Allen, our Director of Sales. This pilgrimage to the Kawartha Philatelic Society has been made annually for the past thirteen years. The month ended with an address to the members and guests at the twenty fourth Annual Banquet of the Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada.

The month of November opened with a short trip to one of our newer chapters, the Bramalea Stamp Club, as a judge at their second annual exhibition. Then, for the last scheduled out-of-town engagement of the year (winter travel can be uncertain) it was off to Kitchener to speak to the members of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association who were, that evening, guests of the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society. The Grand River Valley group is a union of over a dozen clubs and societies in Western Ontario. They will be our hosts at the forthcoming Convention of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada in the spring, with Mike Street as the chairman.

Our Society was represented at the nineteenth Annual Exhibition of the Royal Philatelic Society of New Zealand held at Wellington during the latter part of November. At the request of their Honorary Secretary, Mr. D. E. G. Naish, an exhibit titled "Early Handstruck Legislative Markings of Canada" was sent 'down under' for their Court of Honour. The last time this happened was fifteen years ago when the late Dr. G. M. Geldert, then President of the R.P.S.C., sent a portion of his collection to mark the seventy-fifth year of that Society.

Now, as promised earlier, here are some of the highlights of the deliberations of your Directors and Officers as the result of their meeting in October. Firstly, at that time Director John Ayre and Editor Peter Mann were in hospital and unable to attend. However, as of the time of writing, they are both out and well on the mend.

(1) Director Colin Bayley reported that his negotiations with the Tariff Board of the Department of National Revenue continue in an effort to obtain special consideration for imported materials related to hobbies and collectibles.

(2) Dick Malott, our Convention Coordinator, mentioned that the Calgary Stamp Club will be our hosts for the annual convention in 1980.

(3) Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Lyon stated that the stocks of chapter medals were being quickly depleted and that new ones were ordered. However, costs have sky-rocketed

and it will be necessary to charge \$5.00 a medal for the new stock.

(4) Michael Millar outlined future plans for judges accreditation. A preliminary list of judges will be published shortly. He is organizing a trip through the Western Provinces where he and the President will present judging seminars at some of the major cities.

(5) Director Kenneth Rowe, who was also Executive Secretary of CAPEX, reported that there was only a slight monetary profit from CAPEX with almost all outstanding bills paid. All guarantees would be retired shortly. There is a significant capital profit in that all the frames are paid for. He mentioned that the CAPEX Executive had approved having an international philatelic exhibition in Canada ten years hence and, until this has been resolved one way or the other, the frames will be stored and will not be disposed of.

(6) Director Andrew Hinrichs, who had just returned from Bogota, Columbia where he represented the Society at the F.I.A.F. Exhibition, ESPAMERA '78, reported that while there he had been asked to find out whether the R.P.S.C. would like to host an Inter-American Philatelic Exhibition in Canada at some future date. This was approved in principle and both he and Michael Madesker were asked to investigate and report back.

(7) Honorary Vice-President James Kraemer, who is also Manager of our National Postal Museum, mentioned that there was a distinct possibility that a small area would be made available to our Society, in the new Postal Museum Building. It was felt that, if this materialized, a committee would be formed with the idea of establishing a philatelic display showing the history of organized philately in Canada using many of the artifacts that were presently held by some of the directors and members.

The next meeting of the Officers and Directors will take place in Ottawa in a month or so and another President's report to the membership will follow.

COMING EVENTS

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JANUARY 20-21 — PhilaFair '79, exhibition and bourse in the Holiday Inn South/Airport 6331 South 13th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Admission and parking free. Sat: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sun: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Information available from Tom Kassel, P.O. Box 130, Milwaukee, WI 53201, U.S.A.

FEBRUARY 17-18 — BERMUPLEX 79, Annual Exhibition and Bourse to be held in the Holiday Inn, St. George's, Bermuda. Judging to be to international standards. Sat. 17th: 10.30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun. 18th: 10.30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Robson Lowe International stamp auctions Thurs., 15th, Fri. 16th. Prospectus and reservation forms from Bermuplex 79, P.O. Box 937, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.

MARCH 8 - 11 — INTERPEX '79 A.S.D.A. exposition in the New York Coliseum, 10 Columbus Circle at 59th ST., N.Y.

MARCH 9 - 10 — NIPEX 79, stamp exhibition and bourse of the Niagara Philatelic Society at Stamford Presbyterian Church Hall, 3101 St. Paul St., Niagara Falls, Ont. Fri.: 12 - 8 p.m., Sat.: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Admission free. Chairman: John A. Eyles, P.O. Box 183, Niagara Falls, Ont., L2E 6T3.

MARCH 10-11 — KAPEX '79, 23rd annual exhibition and bourse of the Kawartha Philatelic Society, Holiday Inn, Peterborough, Ontario. Saturday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Admission free. Chairman Dale Dilamarter, 29 Springbrook, Peterborough, Ont. K9J 1L3.

MARCH 17 — OAKPEX 79, 5th annual exhibition and bourse of the Oakville Stamp Club at Trafalgar Hall, Trafalgar Rd., at Hwy. 5. 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Admission free. Information from Chairman: P.O. Box 524, Oakville, Ont., L6J 5B4.

APRIL 7-8 — Edmonton Stamp Club SPRING SHOW, estate auction, bourse, seminars. Prospectus and information from Edmonton Stamp Club, Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

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APRIL 20-22 — 16th Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Lakeshore Stamp Club, Fairview Shopping Centre Auditorium, Pointe Claire (Montreal), Quebec. Exit 33, Trans-Canada Hwy. Chairman: R. G. Power, P.O. Box 1, Pte. Claire-Dorval, P.Q., H9R 4N5.

APRIL 26-29 — GRANDPEX, exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association, Cambridge Steelworkers' Centre, Hwy. 24 exit from Hwy. 401 (MacDonald-Cartier Freeway), Cambridge, Ont. Information from GRANDPEX, P.O. Box 1082, Oakville, Ontario, L6J 5E9. Please include SSAE #10 envelope.

APRIL 26-29 — R.P.S.C. ANNUAL CONVENTION at GRANDPEX, Cambridge, Ontario (see above).

APRIL 28 — 51st ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. Grandpex, Cambridge, Ontario (see above).

MAY 5-6 — Annual Exhibition and Bourse of the Calgary Philatelic Society in the Palliser Hotel, Mezzanine Floor. Auction - May 4 at 6:30 p.m. Information from: Calgary Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 1057, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2K4.

MAY 5-6 — ORAPEX '79, RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario. Theme: Postal History. Chairman: Andy Palochik.

MAY 11 - 13 MAI — QUEPHILEX '79 sponsored by La Société Philatélique de Québec, exhibition and bourse at Palais Municipal des Congrès (Quebec Hilton). Exposition au niveau provincial sera présentée au Palais Municipal des Congrès (Quebec Hilton).

MAY 18 - 27 — PHILASERDICA '79, International Stamp Exhibition, Centenary of Bulgarian Post Office and of the first



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13628 Allendorf, Walter, Kitchener, Ont.
7939 Firth, L. Gerald, Pittsburgh, Pa.
11819 Hebert, Laurier, Montreal, P.Q.
15034 Hiron, Allan F., Willowdale, Ont.
14009 Irvine, John, Agincourt, Ont.
14064 Jackson, Lucius, Underhill Center,
Vermont
9022 Marshall, Charlew W., Victoria, B.C.
11785 Patenaude, Georges, Montreal, P.Q.
7816 Rodko, E. A., Regina, Sask.

Honour Roll

The following members and/or chapters
are given credit for adding new members
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8788 Anasir, E.
9522 Alden, John
9409 Allen, Margaret (Mrs.) (7)
11600 Ayre, D. E. (2)
8132 Bennett, Gerald
10581 Bourgoin, Paul G.
10050 Buss, D.
13564 Cazalais, C.
7198 Clark, Emerson A.
12311 Collier, G. W.
10291 Cooper, Alex
10325 D'Aoust, Roland J.
15527 Desjardins, C. A.
12368 Dixon, David C.

6830 Douglas, H. R.
14644 Edrich, Mrs. E.
14891 Elliot, J. R.
12828 Emery, C. O. (8)
7007 Ethier, J.
14482 Etkin, Eric
7353 Feero, F.
15635 Giorgi, Julian
7485 Goodger, N. H.
14507 Gran, J. H.
8913 Gronbeck-Jones, D.
8477 Hansen, G. E.
13300 Harper, J. S.
8260 Jamieson, R. H.
9371 Kannegieter, J. B.
8283 Knox, Thomas (6)
12541 Kollman, Arthur E. (3)

- 4254 Kraemer, J. E.
 13393 Lesko, J. F.
 12895 Lingen, R.
 10545 Lyon, D.
 12017 Lyon, T. (2)
 5358 Malott, R. K. (13)
 7297 Mann, Peter
 9570 McPhee, D.
 7537 Millar, Michael (3)
 12204 Miller, Jim
 7152 Millman, P. M.
 8882 Narbonne, R. F.
 12543 Nordquist, R. R.
 12492 Norum, Shirley
 14256 Nystrom, D.
 13507 Olesnyckij, J.
 10245 Palochik, A. M.
 12246 Patrong, Helge
 10363 Patsalides, John G.
 15605 Peterson, R.
 11807 Richards, John
 14688 Roushorn, W. D. (2)
 14717 Robb, J. W.
 12501 Roett, Dr. M. F.
 13261 Shumway, R. Chad
 9899 Smallman, John R.
 8273 Stulberg, Dr. F. G. (6)

- 6216 Sutherland, Harry
 11932 Szekrenyes, Dr. J. W.
 13023 Walsh, John M.
 6734 Walther, M. (2)
 7277 Webber, S.
 3238 Wegg, G. S.
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 85 Sudbury Stamp Club

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 9409 Allen, M. (11)
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 7554 Caron, L.
 11466 Carver, R. (6)
 10548 Clark, B. (2)
 12738 Costin, A. (5)
 11702 Ferlecki, P. (3)
 12673 Hamblin, N. C.
 15199 Herzich, B. (6)
 10545 Lyon, D. E. (22)
 12017 Lyon, T. (6)
 12595 Maltais, N. E.
 8890 McKay, H. E. (11)
 126 Muskoka Phil. Soc.
 10004 Summers, R. R.
 12851 Walker, R. (3)
 Executive Director (68)

THE CHAPTER COORDINATOR - -

Another issue of the Canadian Philatelist and it has been brought home rather forcibly to us that through an oversight Programme #83, Canadian Stamp Varieties by J. F. Webb, was not marked as not available in the list of slide programmes. It seems that it came without a commentary

and one is being written. To date it has not been received.

On the plus side, arrangements have been made to trade three slide programmes with the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. This exchange came about through the kind offices of Jim

Kraemer. As each programme becomes available it will be announced in The Canadian Philatelist.

The new shipment of medals is due at any time, and when it does arrive we regret to advise that the cost of medals will rise drastically. Just how much we cannot say at the moment, but it will probably be

doubled. Watch for the announcement in the next Canadian Philatelist. There will also be medals for a wider classification of winners. These will also be announced in the Canadian Philatelist.

Ted Lyon for
Doris & Ted Lyon.

THE SALES CIRCUIT--

One of two matters have come to my attention during the fall season. Some members and Chapters seem to have difficulty filling in the Sales Advices properly. The first column is for items taken. Here you should put down the number of stamps taken from each book. A set counts as one item. It isn't necessary to note the page and number of each stamp, just count the items removed (stamps or sets). This helps us keep a more accurate check on each book as well as speeding up the process.

In the sales books it would be appreciated if you would mark each space from which a stamp has been removed, either with initials, R.P.S.C. number or a rubber stamp. Some Chapters have their members initial the spaces and then the sales representative initials them again when the book is checked.

At the end of November we have 134 members who wish to receive circuits. Some of these we can supply every month but not others. About a third of the requests are for Canada only and we just

cannot fill every request as soon as we would like. Canadian collectors are having a little longer to wait because of this. I can assure them that they have not been forgotten if they have not received a circuit yet.

I would ask you to be sure to let me know if you wish used or mint stamps or both. Anything you can tell me about your needs would be helpful.

I imagine that everybody knows by now that we need Canadian books made up and sent in. This includes everything except recent plate blocks.

We also need Great Britain, France, The Netherlands and Newfoundland especially, plus all the other countries except those in Central and South America.

The blank books are still 3 for \$1.00 postpaid but shortly in the new year they will be going up slightly. A new lot is being printed and costs will be higher.

Have a happy philatelic 1979.

(Mrs.) Margaret Allen,
Director of Sales.

FROM THE CHAPTERS--

SASKATOON STAMP CLUB [Chap. 80]

The annual stamp and coin show of the Saskatoon Stamp Club (Chap.80) and the Saskatoon Coin Club was held in the Holiday Inn, Saskatoon from Friday, Oct. 7th to Sunday, October 9th. Displays at several shopping malls on the preceding Thursday advertised the show which attracted over 800 visitors and 30 dealers.

Ten senior and five junior philatelists entered displays in competition in the stamp section of the show.

B. Cook, Secty.-Treas.

REPORT FROM HINTONPEX 1978

August 12th and 13th were quite busy days for the Yellowhead Stamp and Coin



Revised Souvenir Card

Collectors Society (Chapter 153). Those were the days on which the public was invited to attend the third annual HINTONPEX philatelic exhibition in the R.C.M.P. Centennial Museum in Hinton, Alberta.

Competitions were open to all members, juniors and seniors, and were restricted to 5 pages per exhibit because of space limitations. While this may look like a restriction for advanced collectors, it was done so that new collectors would have a chance to participate.

The theme of our exhibition was CANADIAN UNITY. We had chosen a souvenir card and sheet representative of this theme since it was also the 111th anniversary of Confederation. We went ahead with the card and the sheet before we received permission from the postal authorities to reproduce a Canadian stamp on the sheet, and that is where our difficulties began.

For those who may be planning something like we did, perhaps our experience can be of benefit since we must learn from the mistakes that we all make.

This is what happened. After I had sent out press releases for advanced publicity and some four weeks had passed, it takes that long to have some news items published, I received a phone call from

Ottawa. It was pointed out to me by the caller that the reproduction of the Canadian Confederation stamp on the souvenir sheet and card had been done without first obtaining permission from the Post Office. That was a No No.

I agreed but explained that our intent was to promote Canadian unity and assured the caller that nothing underhanded was planned. However, I could not get permission to sell any of the cards or sheets for the society until the reproduction was approved so I applied in writing for same.

The request was received in Ottawa and I heard nothing. I was getting worried that permission would not be granted with the consequence that there would be quite a few disappointed collectors who wished to add both the card and the sheet to their collections. In case we would not receive permission, something had to be done soon and done quickly. And it was.

I went to the printer and explained the problem. A redesigned card was prepared and a new souvenir sheet, with the official emblem of Canadian Unity Campaign in red and blue was adopted. This would replace the Canadian Confederation reproduction in the souvenir sheet and on the card. The wording on the card remained

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Literature Reviews

In 1900, the Montreal Philatelist published the following review of *The Philatelic Spectator* which was published in Berlin (Kitchener), Ontario. "Although this is called the first number of volume II, we have never seen any numbers of volume I. We must congratulate ourselves on this if they were at all like the January number for a more poorly printed, trashy sheet it would be difficult to find." . . . "We have no doubt, Mr. Editor, you will often find interesting notes in our columns and we give you full permission to use them with acknowledgement of their source, but if you have no brains of your own, don't steal other people's ideas and pass them off as your own."

Have we become too genteel since 1900?

CATALOGO ESPECIALIZADO DE ESTAMPILLAS DE VENEZUELA, Sexta edicion 1978. [Specialized Catalogue of Venezuelan Stamps, 6th ed. 1978] by Prof. Juan Jose Valera. Filatelia Valera, Apartado Postal 6929, Caracas, Venezuela. 15.2 cm x 19.9 cm, xvi + 476 + 20 pages, illus., offset, paper cover, 1978. US \$12.00 from the publisher.

This catalogue covers Venezuelan philately, starting with a complete and detailed listing of the country's stamps and varieties thereof. The stamps are listed by Yvert, Scott and Professor Valera's own numbers and are priced mint and used. Numbers issued and all other relevant information are given.

Fiscal stamps are listed and priced as are local, postal stationery and aerogrammes.

Illustrated price lists of pre-stamp markings are a separate section as are first flights, Christmas T.B. seals and propaganda labels. In fact, if there is any aspect of Venezuelan philately not covered by Professor Valera, your reviewer has yet to find it.

The catalogue is in Spanish but the very clear layout is easily understood and used.

A. H. Hinrichs

HOW TO COLLECT STAMPS. H. E. Harris & Co., 645 Summer St., Boston, MA 02210, U.S.A. 11.5 cm x 17.8 cm, ii + 188 pages, illus., maps, tables, paperback. 1978. US \$2.25, higher in Canada from many dealers.

Harris has brought out a new paperback reference guide which could be useful to the advanced collector as well as the beginner. It covers, albeit briefly, all aspects of collecting from tools and accessories through an extensive worldwide stamp identifier (67 pages) to an enlarged U.S. Stamp Identifier (19 pages), an illustrated dictionary, table of foreign numerals and twelve clear outline maps which locate stamp issuing countries.

This is a book that many stamp collectors, particularly those who are just beginning to collect, could put to good use.

LYMAN'S CANADA, BRITISH NORTH AMERICA POSTAGE STAMP RETAIL CATALOGUE. The 28th Edition. Winter 1979. Robert W. Lyman [Canada] Ltd., P.O. Box 23-B, Station V, Toronto, Ont., M6R 3A4. 13.6 cm x 21.3 cm, 128 pages, col. illus., paperback. 1978. \$2.50 from most dealers.

This, the first colour edition of the familiar and popular Lyman's Catalogue, departs significantly from the new layout that appeared in the Spring-Summer Edition.

The illustrations, now in colour (more on this later) are laid out differently, in most cases with greater separation between individual illustrations. The listings of the stamps, particularly those of the earlier issues, e.g., Geo. V low value definitives, no longer indicate the colour of the stamp, they only have the notation George V. This is an unfortunate change since, in many cases, the coloured illustrations do not depict the colour of the stamp with any accuracy.

On the other hand, additions to the listings such as date of issue and quantities



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Pricing seems reasonable and the mint list now indicates that the prices are for mint never hinged very fine copies. Unless one read the introductory notes in previous editions, one would not know that the prices in those were also for MNHVF. Booklet panes on page 90 show only four increases in prices, miniature sheets (page 89) show no price changes.

The catalogue concludes with a useful 5½ page checklist of all the stamps and varieties listed in the body of the catalogue.

Now for the main feature of the "new" catalogue, the colour. In our review of the Spring-Summer edition, we asked what the introduction of colour would do to the cost of the catalogue. The answer is nothing! The cost has remained the same but for the \$2.50, can one expect perfect fidelity of colour? If so, it was not attained. The best that can be said for the colour of the stamps pictured is that it bears a family resemblance and, in the copy seen, the fidelity varies from page to page. Blues, olive-greens and reds seem to suffer badly and greens are not much better. The deficiencies in the colours seem to be worst in the early issues, not quite as bad in the middle issues, and after the 1967 issues the colours are quite good although the Capex and CNE issues are not well done. The provincial issues at the back of the catalogue are, for the most part, barely adequately portrayed in their natural colours.

It is a creditable attempt to provide a full colour catalogue at a low price. It is hoped that future editions will correct the many obvious deficiencies.

PHILATHEQUE: LE COMTE DE VAUDREUIL by Anatole Walker. A Walker, 8844 Notre-Dame est, Montréal, Québec, H1L 3M4. 21.5 cm x 27.1 cm, 168 pages [unnumbered], illus., maps, stitched paperback. 1978. \$7.50 postpaid from the author.

Mr. Walker's second volume of Philattheque utilizes the same sources and

presents data in the same format as volume one *Comte de Soulanges* (Can. Phil., Vol. 29, No. 4, p. 279, 1978).

A series of documents has been prepared for each of the 35 post offices that exist or have existed in Vaudreuil County, Québec. The data in each of these series is set up as in the earlier volume, i.e., the date of the opening of the post office, the names it has held and when the name changes were made, list of postmasters and when they served, revenue on an annual basis, postmarks are illustrated when available, the distribution of mails from that post office, who held contracts for the distribution, when they held them, distances involved and costs.

The book begins with line graphs indicating the dates of operation of 38 post offices and sub post offices in the country. These are followed by reproductions of parts of four "postal maps" which are portions of Postal Maps prepared for the post office in four different years. These portray visually the postal evolution of Soulanges and Vaudreuil Counties and show the spread of the railroad in the counties. Other maps, portions of topographical charts, are interspersed among the documents to indicate the locations of the post offices and their environs.

This volume is not a postal history but it provides, in a single source, much information that will be of great use to future investigators of the postal history of this county.

STANLEY GIBBONS ELIZABETHAN SPECIALISED CATALOGUE OF MODERN BRITISH COMMONWEALTH STAMPS. 15th ed. 1979. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand, London WC2R 0LX, England. 16.9 cm x 22.8 cm, xvi + 1296 pages, illus., softbound. 1978. £8.50, higher in Canada from some dealers.

This catalogue of postage stamps and booklets of Great Britain, the British Commonwealth and the post independent issues of Ireland, Pakistan, Rhodesia and South Africa belonging to the 'Elizabethan Era' (post 6 February 1952 [1952-02-02]) has long been an indispensable reference

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For the Canadian collector we have finally seen the 'Inverted Seaway stamp' increase to a reasonable £2250 mint and £1750 used. The Centennial Issue is treated in detail, listing and pricing paper and tagging varieties and booklet panes. Gum varieties are not listed since it is stated "It seems probable that all gums used for this issue had a synthetic base and should be classed as PVA."

The edition has been thoroughly revised and additional illustrations incorporated, e.g., Botswana and New Hebrides local surcharges, to aid identification. And again, going back to Canada listings, the 1972-76 Indian Issues and the current definitives and postage dues have been rewritten for clarity. The sources of the designs of the Indian issues have been deleted in this edition.

Unreservedly recommended for Commonwealth collectors.

STANLEY GIBBONS STAMPS OF THE WORLD 1979. 44th ed. Stanley Gibbons Publications Ltd., 391 Strand London WC2R 0LX, England. 23.3 cm x 28. cm, xii + 1668 pages, illus., hardbound. 1978. **\$24.95 from some dealers.**

What can you say that has not already been said about a catalogue that is now in its 44th edition? It is the only annual one volume catalogue that lists and prices all of the postage stamps of all the countries in the world. In order that this list be contained within a single volume, the list is simplified, that is, it does not bother with shade, watermark or perforation varieties.

Although the price listings are based on the other more detailed Gibbons' catalogues, the stamps of a number of countries have been specially repriced for this edition. These countries include Andorra (French and Spanish Post Offices), Austria, Belgium, China, Egypt,

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The majority of the 42,250 illustrations are clear enough for identification purposes but there are many that are too faint, too dark, or too fuzzy to show details of the designs of the stamps.

This massive volume concludes with an Appendix of stamp issues, arranged by countries, that do not seem to be justified for postal uses or because the distribution of them seemed to lack control. This is followed by an Addenda and Corrigenda bringing the listings up to about March 1978, and finally by a full country Index.

BRIEFLY NOTED:

YAMSHCHIK [The Post Rider] No. 3, 82 pages, 1978. \$4 from The Canadian Society of Russian Philately, P.O. Box 5722, Station A, Toronto, Ont., M5W 1P2.

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drawings but not so clear illustrations of covers and some stamps. Among the several articles are "Russian and Ukrainian Currency Stamps, 1915-18" by Paul B. Spiwak, "Straight Line Mailcoach Cancellations of the Post in the Russian Empire" by Fr. Huysman and "Part III, The Literature of Russian Philately" by P. J. Campbell. Shorter notes, reviews, ads and comments make up the remainder of this fine journal.

THE LATIN POST, Vol. 2, No. 3, Oct. 1978, 22 pages. Quarterly, \$10 per year from Latin Post, Box 820, Hinton, Alberta, T0E 1B0.

The offset printing of this number has greatly improved its appearance. Much of this issue consists of notes on new issues of Central and South American countries compiled and written by the editor. Contributed notes are "Some Remarks about Brazil's New Issues" by Hugo P. Castello, and "Ecuador: On the Confusion of Postal and Fiscal Emissions" by D. Sher. Worth looking at if your interests lie in this area.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE REVIEW, Vol. 27, No. 3, Third Quarter, 1978.

"A Partial Bibliography of Cuban Literature" by Dr. Jose A. Ferrer-Monges is concluded in this issue with the entries 318-657 covering, as did the preceding entries, Cuban philately from forgeries to postal history. The rest of the issue has regular features: Philatelic Literature Price Trends, listing of new acquisitions, book reviews and Philatelic Literature Clearinghouse.

ROMANIAN PHILATELIC STUDIES, Vol. 2, No. 4, 1978, 12 pages. Quarterly, \$5 per year payable to Romanian Philatelic Club, c/o Miron Abramovici, 209 Berger St., Somerset, NJ 08873, U.S.A.

Two issues ago Romanian Philatelic Studies was xerographically reproduced and was looking for a new editor. The present number has the same editor but it is now typeset and printed on coated paper — a feature which greatly improves the quality of the reproduction of the illustrations as well as the text. This issue contains

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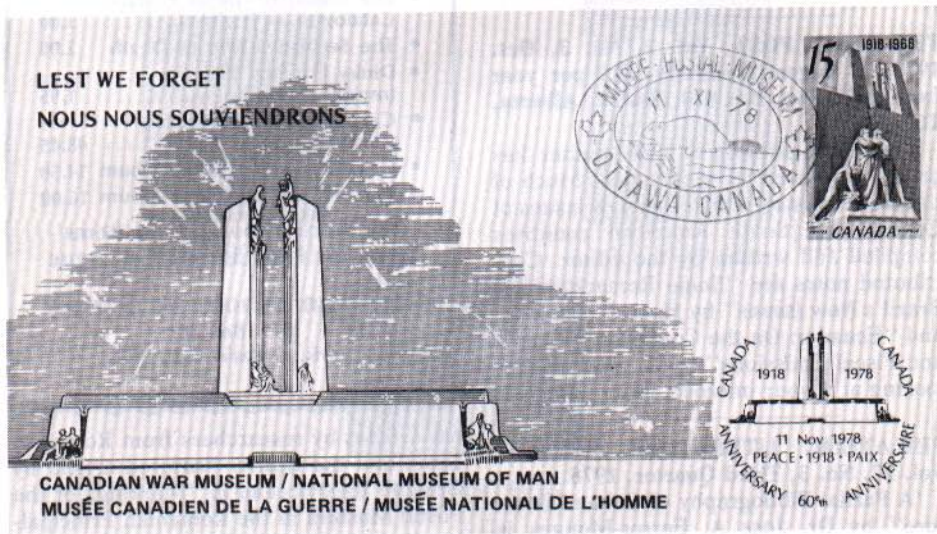
ten articles by researchers from Romania, Israel and the U.S.A. Featured article by Gregore Racoviceanu is "Markings of the Postal Masters in the Romanian Principalities", and among the others is "Contributions to the study of the First Moldavia Issue" by Kiriak Dragomer. The rest of this greatly improved quarterly has eight more items, reviews and advertisements. Recommended for Romania collectors.

SCOTT'S STAMP MARKET UPDATE. Vol. 1, No. 1, 16 pages, coated paper, 1978. Quarterly, US \$20 for 2 years [before 1979-02-01]. Scott Publishing Co., 3 East 57th St., New York, NY 10022, U.S.A.

The subtitle "A Quarterly Report on Current Trends and Prices" tells what this new periodical (3 hole punched) will provide. The normal format will be 32 pages and, besides price updates of U.S. stamps, those of Great Britain and other countries including Canada, Germany, Switzerland, etc., there will be statistical data, tax planning, auction information, etc. It is directed towards dealers and investors.

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The Canadian War Museum (CWM), a division of the National Museum of Man, National Museums of Canada commemorated the 60th anniversary of the termination of the First World War, in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), by hosting 90 Canadian First World War veterans from various battalions of the Canadian Expeditionary Force at the CWM on 10 November 1978. On this occasion an extensive exhibition of First World War Art and artifacts was opened. The exhibition "Tragic Victory", will be open for public viewing for four months ending on 31 March 1979.

A specially designed souvenir envelope and insert describing the event was prepared and issued on 11 November 1978. The envelope depicts the Canadian memorial at Vimy Ridge coloured rust with the

bilingual legend - "Lest We Forget/Nous Nous Souviendrons" and "Canadian War Museum/National Museum of Man/Musée Canadien de la Guerre/Musée National de l'Homme." At the lower right is a bilingual circular cachet imprinted on the envelope in black displaying the war memorial at Vimy Ridge with the titling "Canada 1918 - 1978 Canada/11 November 1978/Peace 1918 Paix/Anniversary 60th Anniversaire.

The envelope bears a copy (copies) of one of three different stamps cancelled on 11 November 1978 by the beaver cancellation of the Canada Post Museum at Ottawa. The stamps used are either the 1968 Vimy Ridge 15c. commemorative (#486); three John McCrae 5c. commemorative (#487); or one 14c. stamp of current design depicting the Canada Peace Tower

(#715) in which is enshrined the Books of Remembrance listing the names of all the Canadians who gave their lives during the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War.

The insert in the envelope reads:

"TRAGIC VICTORY"

11 November 1978

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"UNE VICTOIRE TRAGIQUE"

le 11 novembre 1978

Cet enveloppe souvenir margoent la cessation des hostilités de la Première Guerre Mondaile, le 11 novembre 1978, est un hommage de Musée Canadien de la Guerre, Musée National de l'Homme, Musées Nationaux de Canada.

The envelopes may be ordered from: Tragic Victory Envelopes, c/o The Canadian War Museum, 330 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, K1A 0M8.

The costs of the envelopes are:

- (a) Can. \$1.75 (US \$1.50) for each envelope with one 15c. Vimy Ridge commemorative;
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The Canadian War Museum celebrates its 100th anniversary in 1980. It is planned to issue another souvenir envelope with an appropriate design and cachet for that event.

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the same but a gold border was added and some of the black background was deleted. So we had prepared ourselves for the worst which would be refusal of permission to use the Confederation stamp reproduction.

However, about ten days before the exhibition, I received a phone call which informed me that permission would be granted in this particular instance, and later this was confirmed by letter. We were very pleased with this and decided we would also promote the alternate card since they had been prepared just in case.

People attending the exhibition were delighted when they found that they had a choice of two cards and two souvenir sheets. Many purchased both of the cards and the sheets and we explained by letter to all who had ordered cards by mail, what

had happened so that they too would have a chance to purchase what they wanted. In the end it worked out well, but we learned our lesson. Our plans had almost backfired because we had checked the regulations first.

Our show was opened by the Hinton postmistress, Margaret Woods, who cancelled the first few cards and declared the exhibition open. From then on a steady flow of interested people went through and, even though we do not yet have room for a bourse, we had a slide programme that was much appreciated.

On the evening following the show, we held our supper in the local steak house. It was much enjoyed by all who attended.

Piet Steen.

Thoughts and Things [continued from page 7]

of the French Mountain Constabulary, training at the base of the Bossoms Glacier (1,200 m.) near Chamonix, came

across several bundles of letters and a mail sac under the ice. The letters, whose addresses were still legible, made up part of dispatch No. 260 from Calcutta by air to Geneva, 1 November 1950 (1950-11-01) carried by the plane that crashed 28 years earlier and 3,500 metres higher.

The find comprised 57 complete letters, 26 of which were destined for Switzerland and 31 addressed to ten other European countries, and 55 scattered sheets of correspondence.

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Irwin Weinberg several years ago. However, the British Guiana stamp now catalogues in Scott at \$350,000 and in Gibbons for £350,000. If one takes the latter valuation, it exceeds the price paid for the Swedish stamp.

Just a year or so ago, the authenticity of the Swedish stamp was in doubt. Intensive study of the stamp by experts removed all doubts and it has been declared a genuine colour error.

EVERYBODY WANTS T' GET INTA DA ACT!

First it was Guernsey and Jersey that established independent postal administrations and began to make money with their numerous stamp issues. The the Isle of Man entered upon the scene in order that it get its share of the collectors' wealth. Now we read in Stamp Collecting Weekly (Sept. 14, 1978) that Alderney, another of the Channel Islands, is proposing to establish its own postal service and issue its own stamps.

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