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A Time for Thanksgiving

Society Offers Much for Which to be Thankful

We all know the story of the Pilgrims and the Native Americans who in 1621 met in Plymouth, Massachusetts to give thanks and celebrate a good harvest. Whether or not this was the first Thanksgiving is subject to debate. Historians from Virginia claim that two years earlier settlers there celebrated the first American Thanksgiving.

George Washington is credited with declaring the first official Thanksgiving celebration in America. His proclamation, issued November 26, 1789, stated that the day would be "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God."

In 1963, President John F. Kennedy tried to resolve the dispute between the contending states in Proclamation 3560 which stated "over three centuries ago, our forefathers in Virginia and Massachusetts, far from home in a lonely wilderness, set aside a time of Thanksgiving. On the appointed day, they gave reverent thanks for their safety, for the health of their children, for the fertility of their fields, for the love which bound them together, and for the faith which united them with their God."

Because this is the Thanksgiving issue of *The American Philatelist*, it's appropriate to pause to consider the many blessings Providence has bestowed upon the United States and the American people. While our nation is imperfect and seems increasingly driven by contending opinions and ideologies, it is, I believe, the least imperfect nation on the face of the earth. The millions of people across the globe who would abandon their history, their language, their culture, and even their families to come here, all give powerful evidence of this

fact. Accordingly, let us give thanks for the things that unite us while minimizing those that divide.

As stamp collectors, we have much to be thankful for. Foremost is a hobby that not only gives us much pleasure and respite from the press of daily life, but which at the same time can be so educational. Without even trying, as if by osmosis, our hobby teaches us about geography, history, culture, economics, art, and so much more.

I'm thankful for the American Philatelic Society. It organizes and sanctions more than 30 World Series of Philately shows across the country each year, providing opportunities for collectors to acquire new material, view amazing exhibits, attend interesting seminars, meet new friends, and reconnect with old friends. And the APS offers many other services to our philatelic community.

I'm thankful for the show volunteers who organize and run these WSP shows that are so much fun to attend. These volunteers work so hard because they love the hobby and these shows afford the opportunity to associate with other like-minded hobbyists. Show directors are especially deserving of our thanks. There's no load so heavy as the burden of responsibility. Our show directors bear this load willingly.

I'm thankful for the youth volunteers who spend so much time sharing the joys of our hobby to pass it on to the younger generations. I took my great-niece (fifth grade) and great-nephew (third grade) to the most recent Napex show in northern Virginia. The youth mentor volunteers, typical of those at so many venues, were a delight — encourag-



The Mayflower appears on the 1-cent green stamp (Scott 548) of the Pilgrim Tercentenary issue of 1920. Interestingly, the set of three was released a month after Thanksgiving, on December 21. The Mayflower landed in Plymouth, Massachusetts in November 1620.



George Washington, depicted here kneeling at Valley Forge during Christmas 1777 (Scott 1729), later, while serving as president, proclaimed the nation's first "public thanksgiving" on November 26, 1789.



President John F. Kennedy, seen here on a forever stamp issued earlier this year honoring the centennial of his birth, tried in 1963 to resolve the differences between Massachusetts and Virginia, which both claimed the country's first Thanksgiving.



In October 2001, the U.S. Postal Service issued its first Thanksgiving special stamp (Scott 3546). The design featuring machine-appliqued needlework and a cornucopia was designed by Margaret Cusack.

ing, helpful, and generous.

I'm thankful for our dealer community: auction houses, bourse dealers, and online dealers. Without them we would not have a hobby. In the vast majority of cases, they are unfailingly helpful, polite, honest, friendly, and patient. They help us build our collections and they are always willing to share their vast storehouse of knowledge with the rest of us.

I'm thankful for our staff and executive director at the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte. They provide cheerful, expert assistance whenever called upon. Our expertizing, sales, education-youth, and administrative divisions are first-class; and our philatelic library and its staff are the best in the world.

I'm thankful for the hard-working volunteer members of our numerous boards and committees. These include the board members of the American Philatelic Research Library as well as the American Philatelic Society. From membership to fundraising, from judging to our international presence, from translation to awards, from education to finance, and more, all these committees are composed of members who are committed to our society and our hobby. They generously give of their time, their expertise, and their resources.

Finally, I'm thankful for this magazine. I've been reading *The American Philatelist* for more than 40 years. It presents the breadth of our hobby and never fails to entertain and inform. Kudos to the staff. And a special thanks to our most



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recent editor, Jay Bigalke, who has left to rejoin *Linn's Stamp News*. Jay has made a significant impact in developing the magazine's content, updating layout and design, and increasing advertising revenues.

Yes, as philatelists, we have much for which to give thanks. This is the time of year to pause and reflect.

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The Journey Continues

Great Opportunities Await the Hobby

Sitting at the helm of the *The American Philatelist* as editor for almost three years has been a wonderful experience. It is truly the society's publication because of the amount of individual assistance I have received along the way to make this philatelic journey of mine successful.

As I depart for my new role as Editor-in-Chief of *Linn's Stamp News*, I would be remiss not to reflect on the amazing support I have received from the philatelic community. I look forward to continuing those conversations, and I assure you, my APS membership dues will remain current!

The editorial team have been rock stars to work with. We pushed the boundaries of where *The AP* could go content wise. I'm fairly certain last year's run of magazines provided the Society more editorial pages than ever before in a calendar year. The

APS team as a whole helped me showcase some of the hidden treasures of our services through their columns and support.

I have had many highlights over the past couple of years, but curating the content for the Canada 150 issue was likely one of the biggest challenges with the highest reward for this calendar year. Showcasing the rediscoveries of the Mauritius printing plate and McCoy Inverted Jenny also provided some great moments to remember.

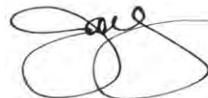
So what does the future bring? I've never been more optimistic of the hobby's continued success than I do now. There are many great opportunities available to us

at this juncture to connect with future generations of collectors. Figuring out the logistics of executing on those initiatives will be one my successor will take on and I plan on leading the charge moving forward in my new role.

I thought it fitting to place America's stamp collecting president on the cover of this issue, all through the iconic Monaco commemorative stamp from the 1940s. FDR believed in this hobby in a big way. APS members can help share the message of stamps and the society with their friends to help us grow. Give stamps to friends. Tell new people you meet about your hobby. Participate in your local club. And don't forget to add wonderful philatelic items to your collection.

Martin Miller will take over as editor starting with the December magazine. I'm certain he will be a wonderful asset to the society moving forward. Please reach out to him at martin@stamps.org with suggestions of articles you would like to write or with thoughts of anything you'd like to see changed. This is the society's publication and it's you, the members, who provide us with the material to share with everyone.

In comparison to my predecessors, my time at the APS has been a brief and very enjoyable experience. Thank you to Scott English, Ken Martin, and the entire APS team for their support. The Society is on solid footing and there are great things to come for the future. Happy collecting and see you soon!



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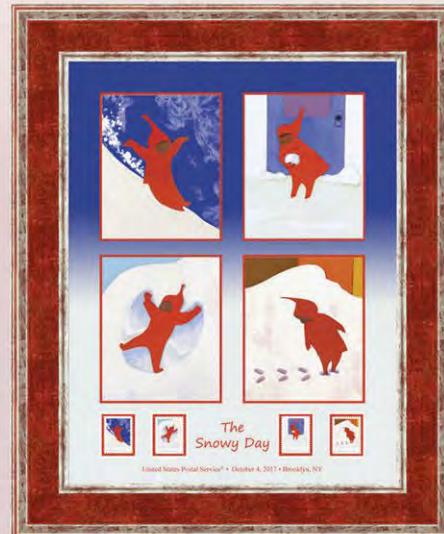
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Why Is Color of Hat's Brim Different?

Can you please take a look at these two used stamps and evaluate them. These appear to be U.S. Hat stamps from a booklet issued in 1998, Scott 3268, with serpentine die cut 11 described in the Scott catalog as multicolored blue, red, and the brim of the hat as gray.

One stamp is canceled with a special postmark celebrating Hank Aaron's 715 record-breaking home run. But instead of the brim being gray on each stamp, it is a deep blue, turquoise color. Can someone tell me what I have?

Wayne Turkowski

Utica, New York

Editor's Note: The stamps with the greenish-colored brim are likely changelings; they were originally properly printed as gray, but conditions — likely from strong light, possibly fluorescent — later changed the ink color to green. The change was documented in a story published in the July 5, 1999 edition of *Linn's Stamp News*.

At that time, the greenish brim had surfaced on stamps



Two used examples of the U.S. Hat stamp issued in 1998. The one at left has a color changeling of the gray ink that makes it look a turquoise color.

in several places. The best anecdotal evidence in the *Linn's* story noted that a patron bought a booklet of stamps with the greenish brim in San Antonio, Texas. A postal clerk said the brims on all the stamps were gray four weeks earlier when he placed the booklet in a glass-enclosed cabinet.

The *Linn's* story noted that the gray ink is called PMS gray 443 and is made up of three Pantone colors: Green, Transparent White, and Warm Red. The *Linn's* story suggested that

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Warm Red could degrade under exposure to light, which would thus result in the green color being dominant.

Confused by Interpretations of Denominations on British Stamps

As a new member of American Philatelic Society (and as both a philatelist and numismatist for decades), I was very disappointed to see inconsistencies in British monetary denominations throughout Noel Davenhill's article on the Turks and Caicos Islands in the September edition of *The American Philatelist*.

Common British abbreviations for pre-decimal coinage [before February 15, 1971] are "d" (denarius) for the penny/pence and "s" for the shilling; and the abbreviation for the decimal penny/pence is "p".

However, throughout the article, "p" is used, even to refer to the pre-decimal denominations on stamps. It was actually a shock to see the farthing referred to as ¼p instead of ¼d.

One sentence even shows two reversals, from decimal to pre-decimal and back to decimal: "A shortage of ½p denominations in 1893 led to a very large ½ on a 4p surcharge ... "

A reader wanting to start a United Kingdom or British Imperial stamp collection would very likely be confused and even make philatelic mistakes. If the author or editors felt that readers would be unfamiliar with the pre-decimal abbreviations, then a simple explanatory footnote could have been included on the first page.

Dr. Linda Ellis

San Francisco, California

Editor's Note: We appreciate your feedback on currency. Because it is something that comes up occasionally, we will look to add a footnote in the British Empire feature by Noel Davenhill.

The American Philatelist style is to use "p" for penny and "sh" for shilling. Both *Linn's Stamp News* and the Scott catalog use similar abbreviations in their articles and listings, so we are attempting to remain consistent with what other American

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More Background From Era Of Registered German Card

I am writing in regards to Vincent Centonze's article, "An Unusual Registered Item," that appeared in the September issue of *The American Philatelist*.

The item [a card sent from Germany to the U.S. in 1933] is a philatelic card, partly franked with three surplus stamps from the Misery Relief set of November 1, 1932, and also (carries) a political message.

To send postal cards by registered mail was, and is, a somewhat popular practice among German philatelists.

The card was dated and posted on April 20, 1933, Hitler's 44th birthday, and 1 month after his election as chancellor of the German Reich. Only three days after the election date, the Daily Express (UK) published its historic article titled "Judea Declares War on Germany."

These are probably the true background for the political statement of the sender, whose relatives — he seems to be sure — share his view.

K.A.R. Schuetz

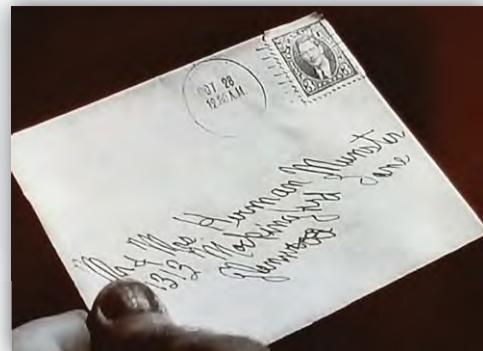
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Stamp Showing King George VI on 1960s Show

After reading Thomas Richards' excellent article on philatelic movie props in the August edition of *The American Philatelist* I came across one of those items while watching a re-



Canada 3-cent King George VI stamp (above) and a movie prop with that stamp.



run of the 1960s comedy sitcom, *The Munsters*. On the very first episode of the series, titled *Munster Masquerade* (which coincidentally was aired on the date of my third birthday, September 24, 1964), Herman Munster receives a cover with an invitation to a masquerade party. The cover is stamped

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with Canada's Scott No. 233 from 1937 (3-cent carmine), with an image of England's King George VI. [Editor's Note: The king died February 6, 1952, more than 12 years before this episode aired.]

Freddie Gutiérrez

Bayamón, Puerto Rico

A Scientific Look On How to Store Our Stamps

I was provided by the U.S. Postal Service detailed information about the protective sleeve the USPS is selling in conjunction with the thermochromic solar-eclipse stamp. "The protective sleeve was specifically created for the stamp preservation of the thermochromic ink process. Using black paper as the color for the sleeve was to prevent the stamp from direct sunlight or heat, because if the stamp is not protected over time it would reduce the heat activation process. The paper used for the protective sleeve is acid free paper."

Since most collectors keep their stamps in albums, on bookshelves — with zero sun exposure while on the shelf — it would seem that the value of this USPS protective sleeve would be minimal. I have read reports wherein collectors note that some

sheets curl, most likely due to the multi-layer, thermochromic components. However, if one places the sheets into archival quality plastic holders, and then into a binder, curling should not occur.

Further, on page 35 of the USA Philatelic Summer 2017 publication, USPS advertises (at the top left) a first-day cover album that uses vinyl plastic housing for the envelopes. Vinyl has been specifically stated to be not appropriate for long-term, archival housing of paper-based materials (i.e., stamps) by many agencies.

I have done much research on the materials that are safe to store paper-based items, such as stamps. I have had e-mail and letter exchanges with conservation section staff at the National Postal Museum, the Society of American Archivists, and the Rochester Institute of Technology specialty group on conservation of pa-

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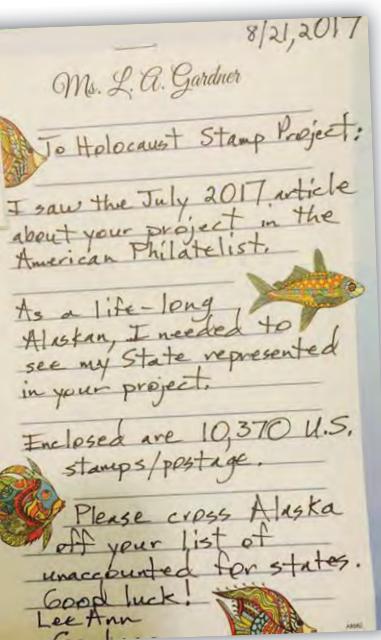


peer-to-peer teaching project that gives students a chance to not only learn, but teach others. The project began in 2009, and during my visit I had a chance to meet graduating seniors that have been with the project from the very beginning.

At the time of our donation, the Holocaust Stamps Project needed about 1.5 million more stamps to reach its goal. We asked APS members for help in getting them to that goal this year. Not only did APS members respond, but in just two

months from the publication of that article I received word that the Holocaust Stamps Project had collected 11 million stamps and were clipping and storing the last of the needed donations.

Our members gave as they could from various corners of the country, helping the project's volunteers remove a few more states off the list. In August, APS member Lee Ann Gardner sent 10,370 stamps from Alaska with a wonderful handwritten note, saying, "As a



A letter from Lee Ann Gardner accompanied by her donation of stamps from Alaska.

life-long Alaskan, I needed to see my state represented in your project." Her donation brought the total states participating to 47 along with donations from 22 countries, like Russia, Iceland, Germany, The Netherlands, Poland, and Brazil.

Another exciting development in August was a donation of 1 million stamps from Mystic Stamp Company. Elsa Carlson traveled from Foxborough to Mystic's headquarters in Camden, New York to collect 250 pounds of stamps! Mystic has long been a supporter of youth-education programs, donating stamps for our StampsTeach program and beginner's albums



Don Sundman of Mystic Stamp Company presents stamps to Elsa Carlson, of the Holocaust Stamps Project.



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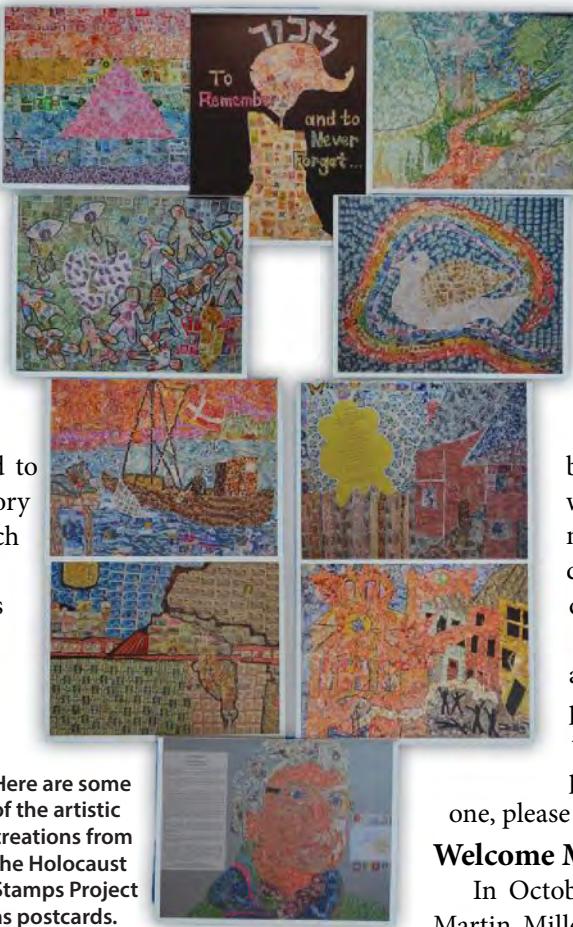
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for the Young Stamp Collectors of America. Mystic Stamps and its president, Don Sundman, also donated the reward for the missing Inverted Jenny stamp recovered in 2016 and is the biggest APS recruiter every year.

Don was on hand to greet Elsa and personally present the impressive donation. "I think it's great that postage stamps are being used for such a worthy cause," Don said, "And it's especially exciting to see young people getting exposed to stamps and learning about the history and culture that makes collecting such a fun and meaningful hobby."

Although the quest to gather stamps is complete, the school will continue similar education programs into the future with a goal to make 18 collages, with the stamps teaching different aspects of the Holocaust. Several of the completed collages are on display at the school, and you can order postcard replicas to support the school's



Here are some of the artistic creations from the Holocaust Stamps Project as postcards.

continuing education programs. For more information on the Holocaust Stamps Project or to purchase the postcards, you can visit the project's website at: foxboroughrcs.org/students-families/frcs-holocaust-stamp-project/.

Thanks again to Jamie Droste, the program coordinator and Charlotte Sheer, the program's founder and volunteer, for allowing us to be a part of this great program. We would also like to thank all the APS members who helped make our donation possible and those who donated directly to the school.

We would like to know about more great school-based projects that are going on around the country. If you are part of a program or would like help starting one, please contact me at scott@stamps.org.

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APS in 2008, but has been a collector most of his life.

His collecting interests include philatelic materials related to the USS *North Carolina*, the 1934–35 National Parks series, and a single-issue collection of the 1937 West Point commemorative.

Martin's professional experience has been impressive, ranging from vice president and general manager of Hell Gravure Systems, North America to global communications manager at Michelin Aircraft Tire Corporation, co-founder of a social media firm and founder and president of a corporate communications firm in his hometown of Greer, South Carolina.

Given my time in South Carolina, I've been asked if I knew Martin and unfortunately, our paths never crossed then. I did have the pleasure of meeting Martin and his wife, Jennifer, at our AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta, Georgia in 2016. That trip was a birthday gift to Martin from his wife, his first visit to an APS show. That show, as it turns out, had two very positive impacts; we not only got Martin as our editor, but Jennifer became a budding topical collector.

"Philately has always been the unifying point of my varied



Martin Miller.

interests — art, design, printing and history," Martin said at the time of our announcement.

"I'm honored to now have the opportunity to combine my professional experience with the hobby that holds my love and passion."

Though we had several great candidates for the job, Martin brought a combination of philatelic knowledge, editing experience, and proven experience in integrating technology as a marketing tool. His timing could not be better as we embark on a website redesign and launch efforts to connect with collectors online.

This was discussed in my June 2017 column. Our fundraising efforts are coming along well as we have raised more than \$130,000 of the \$150,000 goal for the project.

Martin's first column will appear in our December issue of the journal and you will start to hear firsthand from him about the hobby and where he plans to take the journal in 2018 and beyond.

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It May Look Like a Postal Cover ... But, It's Not

Last month we looked at a few examples of modern and vintage items that borrowed stamp or cover themes to promote products or services. Most were motif related, not specific stamps. Again, the promotional value of mail — or even perceived mail — has never been lost on marketers and has been a consistent thread throughout the past 150 years. As a result, numerous promotional mail items exist using actual postal artifacts, real stamp designs, facsimile-type cinderellas, and outright fantasy designs. This month we'll take a look at a few items based on actual stamps. The goal — in all cases — was to convince the recipient that he or she should open, read and heed the contents.

One specific delineation that should be made is whether an item was ever actually mailed. A perfect example of this is the 2007 cover shown [Figure 1], the only direct-mailed item we will feature this month. All others were distributed in other ways, including as enclosures with other mailed items or handed out in person.

This cover is a product of The Quiet Hour Ministries, based in California. This Christian outreach actually began as an Oregon radio program in 1937, but has since transformed and grown. It now raises funds to send missionaries, Bibles,



Figure 1. This bulk-rate cover, mailed from California in 2007, was made to look like a cover mailed from Rwanda.

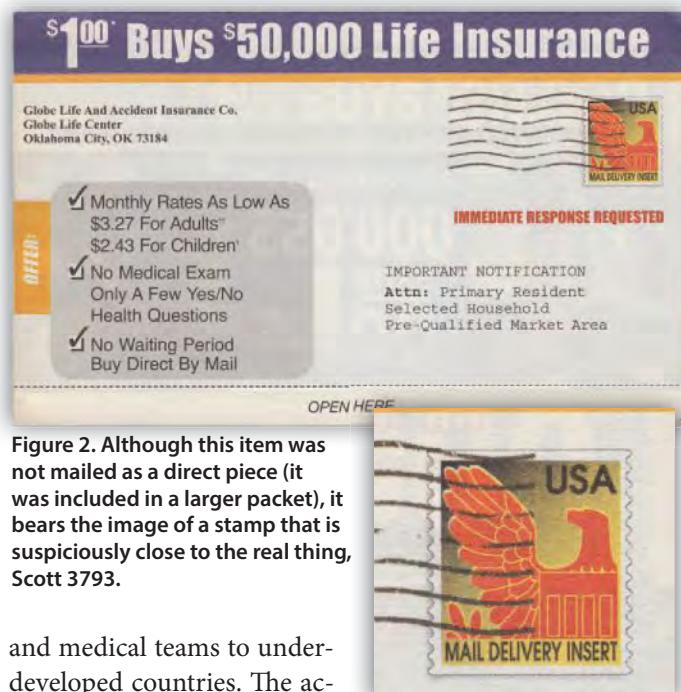


Figure 2. Although this item was not mailed as a direct piece (it was included in a larger packet), it bears the image of a stamp that is suspiciously close to the real thing, Scott 3793.

and medical teams to underdeveloped countries. The actual return address appears on the cover's reverse. However, to make opening this solicitation appealing to a recipient, the cover itself looks like a somewhat mail-worn airmail security-pattern envelope. The direct mail designer left an unprinted postage box with a serrated end pattern to appear as an affixed postage label, in which the actual bulk-rate postage has been imprinted. The return address area resembles a crudely hand-scratched address from Rwanda, along with a plea for a Bible. An apparent "Rwandan Immigration" department dated "handstamp" has been printed at lower right. In this case, although the piece is live mail, the similitude is the cover itself.

By contrast, the next "cover" [Figure 2] was never mailed as an individual item (it was an insert, enclosed with a larger group of direct mail items), but gives the appearance of a mailed cover, right down to the printed Mail Delivery Insert "stamp," which appears suspiciously like one of the non-denominated 25-cent Eagle presorted first-class coil stamps of 2003 (Scott 3793). There is a return address, a recipient address ("Primary Resident...") and the fake stamp is even "canceled." This one is a close-enough reproduction it would likely cause confusion if



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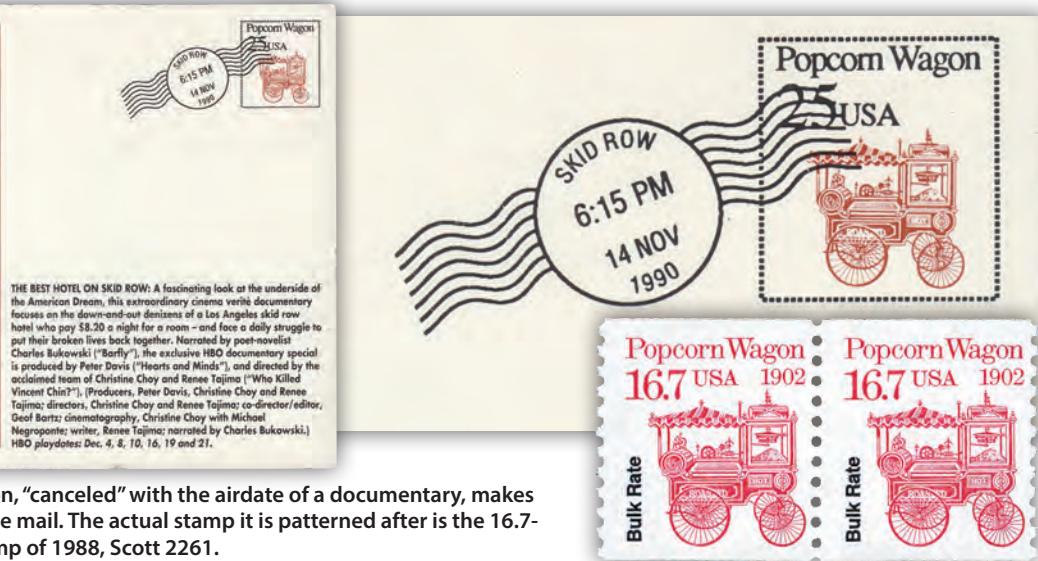


Figure 3. A "25 USA" Popcorn Wagon, "canceled" with the airdate of a documentary, makes this card appear to be a piece of live mail. The actual stamp it is patterned after is the 16.7-cent bulk rate Popcorn Wagon stamp of 1988, Scott 2261.

trimmed from the promotional piece bearing it.

Similarly, a large postcard [Figure 3] promoting a special viewing of the Home Box Office documentary, *The Best Hotel on Skid Row*, features a "25 USA" Popcorn Wagon that looks very much like the 16.7-cent bulk-rate variety shown (Scott 2261). The card's "stamp" is canceled by a November 14, 1990, "Skid Row" marking (6:15 p.m.), the airdate and time of the program.

In 1987, Philip Morris tobacco, in an attempt to spur sales of Virginia Slims, its popular brand of cigarettes aimed at women, began marketing a line of women's clothing and ac-

cessories, all under the brand Virginia Slimwear. One of the marketing tools the firm used was a fold-out paper catalog in the size and shape of vintage accordion postcard folders, only in this case it was Virginia Slims "cards," interspersed with clothing and accessories [Figure 4]. There are five different postal similitudes in the catalog, each bearing the same "stamp," a Victorian Era woman with a shocked expression, peering out from the frame of a 2-cent First Bureau frame. Each bears cancellation lines across the face and "Virginia Slimshop" as the circular datestamp part of the cancellation. Four have "handwritten" messages (two with humorous photos), and one has information about ordering clothing, as well as discounts available with the use of UPC symbols cut



Figure 4. Philip Morris created this small fashion catalog of garments that could be purchased by women who smoked Virginia Slims. The fold-out catalog was created as if it was a postcard booklet, complete with five different "cards."

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Susan

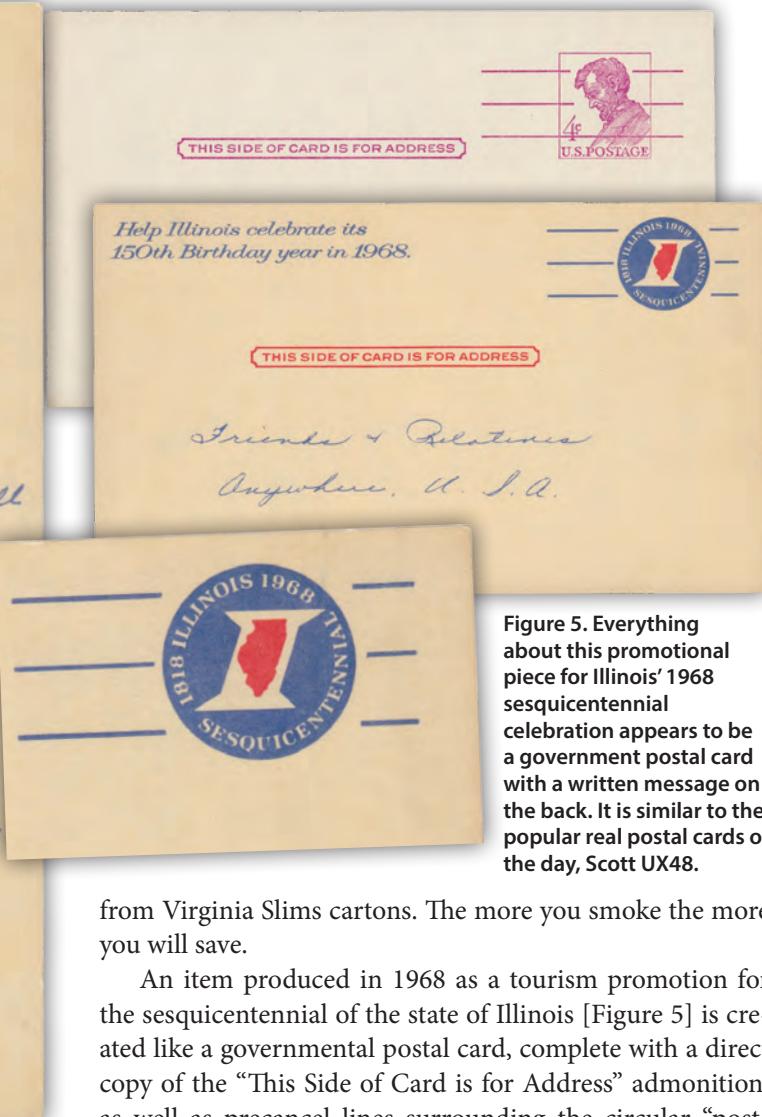


Figure 5. Everything about this promotional piece for Illinois' 1968 sesquicentennial celebration appears to be a government postal card with a written message on the back. It is similar to the popular real postal cards of the day, Scott UX48.

from Virginia Slims cartons. The more you smoke the more you will save.

An item produced in 1968 as a tourism promotion for the sesquicentennial of the state of Illinois [Figure 5] is created like a governmental postal card, complete with a direct copy of the "This Side of Card is for Address" admonition, as well as precancel lines surrounding the circular "postage" logo, very much like the 4-cent Lincoln postal card then in use. But this card was never intended to be mailed (unless enclosed with something else). It has a printed address: "Friends & Relatives, Anywhere, U.S.A." It also has a printed "handwritten" note on the reverse, letting the recipient know that Susan and her husband won't be leaving the state at all this year on vacation because there's so much to do in the wonderful state of Illinois. "Why don't you and Jack and the kids join us on our Illinois tour?"

A 1954 card [Figure 6] appears to be the cover of a pharmaceutical company promotional brochure, but it is so close

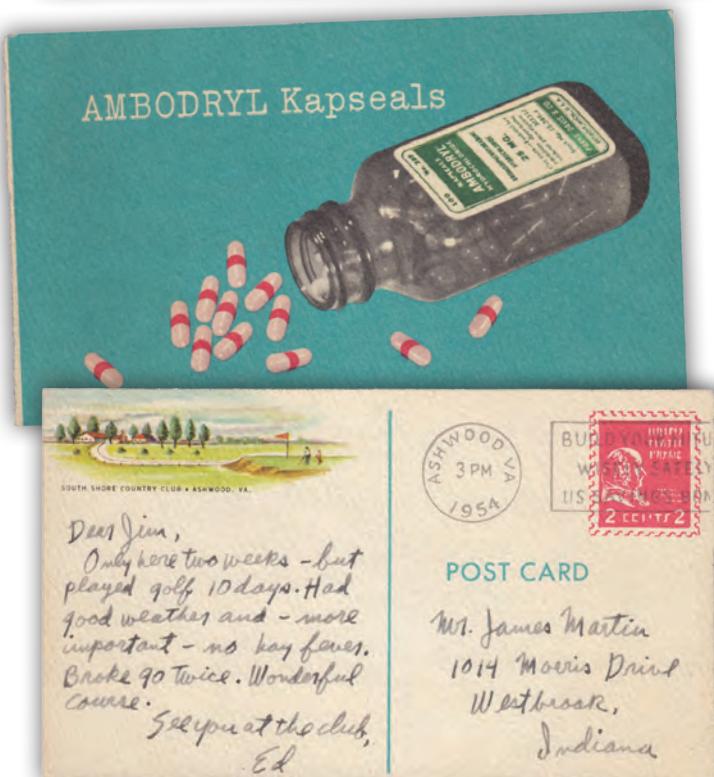


Figure 6. An early form of the popular "Dear Doctor" card features a facsimile that is close enough to a 2-cent Presidential Series stamp of 1938, Scott 806, that it could have landed the mailers in hot water.

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in appearance to the real thing it could almost be considered a counterfeit. The entire card, including the "handwritten note," is printed, with the "stamp" nearly perfectly reproducing a 2-cent Presidential series stamp. The promotion, itself (in case you didn't notice the pills on the picture side), is for Ambodryl, an allergy medicine, developed originally by Parke, Davis & Co. The note written by "Ed" refers to the great golf score he achieved, presumably thanks to the use of drugs. As a collectible, this would fall within the realm of some of the early "Dear Doctor" pharmaceutical promotions.

The "near-counterfeit" award, however, goes to the promotional card from an unknown barbecue house from the late 1970s [Figure 7].

The two-sided card (which also serves as a coupon), announces the restaurant's Saturday special (a half-slab of ribs for \$4.95), "franked" with an exact-size brown-on-orange reproduction (with no defacement lines) of an A-Series non-denominated Eagle stamp (Scott 1735, 1736, and 1743). While there almost certainly was no legal sleight intended, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service would not have been happy to find these at its agents' local rib joint.

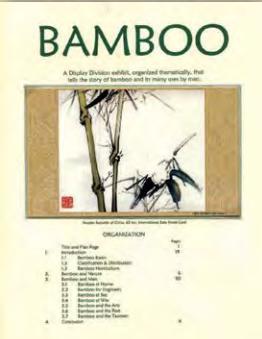
Next time we'll examine several rather interesting fantasy items that utilized various forms of stamp similitudes for promotional purposes.



Figure 7. This promotional card for an unknown restaurant features an exact full-sized reproduction of the 15-cent non-denominated A-Series Eagle stamp. This likely would have prompted action from postal inspectors if it had been discovered at the time.

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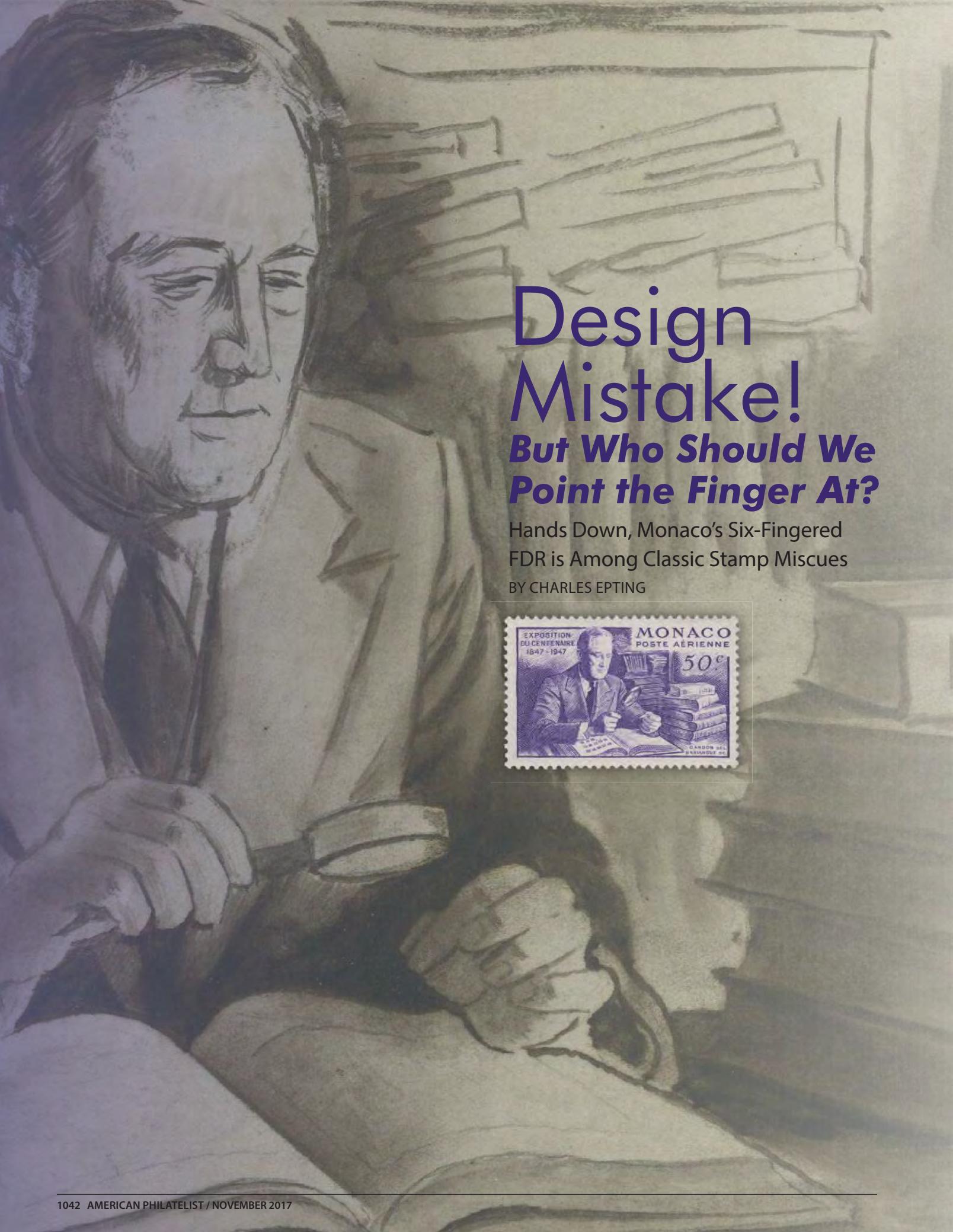
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BY CHARLES EPTING





Figure 1. Monaco's first nine FDR stamps in 1946 included five postage, a semipostal, two airmail, and an airmail semipostal. *Images courtesy of APS Reference Collection.*

Details. Stamps need them. Stamp collectors love them. And when a seemingly simple detail goes awry — especially in a big way, as in this story — there's a field day of criticism, jokes, and infamy; even more so when the stamp involves an important personality, a lauded artist, and a popular 20th-century collecting area.

On December 13, 1946, Monaco issued a set of nine stamps honoring President Franklin Roosevelt [Figure 1]. Most of the stamps merely depicted various landmarks around Monaco, with Roosevelt's head in a small oval. While the stamps were not particularly pertinent to the late president's life, they were nevertheless a success among the American stamp-collecting populace.

Monaco was the 11th foreign nation to honor Roosevelt through postage stamps. Today, the latest listings from the American Topical Association note that at least 167 Roosevelt stamps have been issued, many likely within a few years of his death. Several of Monaco's first FDR stamps were unique at that point.

The 10-cent stamp was the first triangular stamp issued for the president, while two stamps in the series were the first semipostals issued in his honor. The entire set was extremely popular and widely available from countless stamp dealers within weeks of its issuance.

Given the financial success many countries found through Roosevelt commemorative stamps, it comes as no

surprise that Monaco quickly issued another stamp with Roosevelt's likeness.

The year 1947 marked the centennial of the first United States postage stamps; to celebrate, the Centenary International Philatelic Exhibition, known as CIPEX, was held May 17 to 25 in New York City. As with most large philatelic gatherings, many countries were quick to issue stamps celebrating the event. Monaco was among them, releasing five airmail stamps for the occasion (some catalogs also include a 10-franc stamp of Prince Louis II in the series, as it was issued on the same day; however, it features a markedly different design and does not bear the CIPEX inscription).

The low value in the series is a 50-cent violet stamp showing President Roosevelt examining his stamp collection under a magnifying glass [Figure 2]. The others in the set are



Figure 2. Monaco's 1947 FDR airmail stamp that infamously shows the late president with six fingers on his left hand, Scott C16.

Figure 3. Monaco's 1947 FDR airmail stamp, Scott C16, and five other airmail stamps considered part of the set, are all shown on a proof card with imperforate stamps. Courtesy of Alex Haimann.



Figure 4. This original photo was the basis for the FDR stamp. Image courtesy of FDR Presidential Library and Museum.

[Figure 3] a 1.50-franc stamp, in rose violet, which shows the New York General Post Office (now the James A. Farley Post Office Building); a 3fr henna brown and the 10fr deep blue, which show the Monaco Oceanographic Museum and Monte Carlo harbor, respectively; and the 15fr rose carmine, which shows the New York City skyline with the Statue of Liberty in the foreground.

The photograph the engraving for the 50-cent stamp is based on was taken May 5, 1936, toward the end of Roosevelt's first term [Figure 4]. One of a series of images taken that day, the president carefully inspects a stamp under a magnifying glass, presumably before placing it in one of the albums spread before him. At a time that was undoubtedly hectic for Roosevelt as he attempted to guide the nation out of the Great Depression with the Second New Deal, some quiet time with his stamp collection must have been a welcome break for the president.



Using the photograph as a reference, the stamp image was created by noted French artist Pierre Gandon [Figure 5]. Gandon, a student of the famed École des Beaux-



Figure 5. An original sketch by artist Pierre Gandon that shows the creation of the Monaco FDR stamp. Courtesy of Alex Haimann.

his own right, engraving both the 1936 Banknote airmail and 1939 Strasbourg Cathedral stamps of France.

The younger Gandon's first stamp design was an image of a female Dahomey warrior, used on the five high values of Dahomey's 1941 definitive issue. Later that same year, a semipostal showing the coat of arms of Reims became his first stamp design for France itself. Over the following 42 years, Gandon would go on to engrave no fewer than 1,000 stamps for more than 40 countries and territories.

The 1947 Monaco CIPEX issue came at a time when Gandon was attempting to reestablish himself as an artist. During World War II, Gandon had done engraving for the Nazi-allied Legion of French Volunteers Against Bolshevism. Following the liberation of Paris in 1944, Gandon was blacklisted for a period of several months. A stamp commemorating famed actress Sarah Bernhardt, issued May 16, 1945, was engraved by Gandon but attributed to Charles Mazelin owing to the ban.

Arts, was awarded the Prix de Rome, one of the most prestigious artistic accomplishments, in Engraving in 1921. Gandon's father, Gaston Gandon, was a successful artist in

however, that Gandon found perhaps his greatest success as an artist. The first series of definitive stamps produced in France after the war was Gandon's portrayal of the archetypal



Figure 6. Artist Pierre Gandon's first major stamp designs after World War II were the Marianne issues for France. Many do not have Gandon's name on them, though Scott 553–556 do show the artist's name, Scott 548, 550, 556. *Images courtesy of APS Reference Collection.*

Marianne, modeled after his wife. While not highly regarded at the time, Marianne de Gandon has garnered considerable acclaim in the decades since its creation, and is now often ranked among the most beautiful French stamps [Figure 6].

By 1947, when the Monaco CIPEX stamps were issued, Gandon was once again producing stamps at a prolific rate. But while many of Gandon's stamps are celebrated for their intricate engraving and aesthetically pleasing designs, his depiction of FDR has become famous — or rather infamous — for an unfortunate reason. The president's left hand, holding a stamp under the magnifying glass, very clearly appears to have a sixth finger.

Obviously Roosevelt had the proper number of digits on his hands, which leads one to wonder how such an accomplished artist could have made such a juvenile mistake. A close inspection of the stamp, however, reveals that the fault does not lie with Gandon, but rather with the stamp's engraver, Gabriel Bariangue. To understand the production of this stamp, a closer look must be taken at the two names

in the lower-right corner [Figure 7].

For much of history, creating an engraving (usually for a book) was a two-step process. An artist was responsible for the original design, while an engraver translated this image into wood or metal. The artist's name was signed with "del." (for the Latin "delineavit") while the engraver's name was signed with "sc." (for "sculpsit"). Therefore — and somewhat curiously — Gandon was merely the designer of the Roosevelt stamp, while Bariangue executed the actual engraving.

Gandon's original drawing for the stamp clearly shows Roosevelt with a thumb and four fingers, as in the original photograph. Bariangue, it seems, mistook Roosevelt's palm for an extra finger, as even his earliest production tests show the error. How the stamp went through multiple revisions with no one noticing such a glaring anatomical inaccuracy is confusing, to say the least, but in the annals of philatelic history such errors are not at all uncommon.

The first mention of President Roosevelt's errant sixth finger appears to have come in a 1968 issue of the *Minkus Stamp Journal*, which contained an article detailing mistakes on postage stamps. Newspapers across the country quickly picked up on the humorous article, mentioning both the Monaco stamp and a 1956 German stamp honoring Romantic composer Robert Schumann. When the German stamp was first issued, the musical composition behind Schumann was actually a piece written by Franz Schubert; soon after, the German government noticed their error and issued a corrected stamp.

After 1968, references to the FDR stamp were few and far



Figure 7. The plate proof and a close-up of the bottom of the Monaco FDR stamp that list the names of the artist, Gandon, and engraver. Also, an imperforate number block is shown at right. *Courtesy of Alex Haimann.*



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between in both the philatelic and general press. In 1982, one newspaper compared the six-fingered Roosevelt to a 1934 Austrian stamp where a man's ears appear to be backwards, and a 1946 French colonial airmail stamp in which a pair of camels have only seven legs between them.

In the decades since its release, the 1947 CIPEX Roosevelt stamp has become one of the most famous examples of an erroneous postage stamp, with even the Smithsonian National Postal Museum highlighting the mistake on its website. Whatever the original reason for its release — a fitting tribute to a recently deceased president, or a shameless attempt to sell stamps to American collectors — one thing is for certain: Pierre Gandon never could have imagined that one of his most

enduring designs would be because of such a silly mistake.

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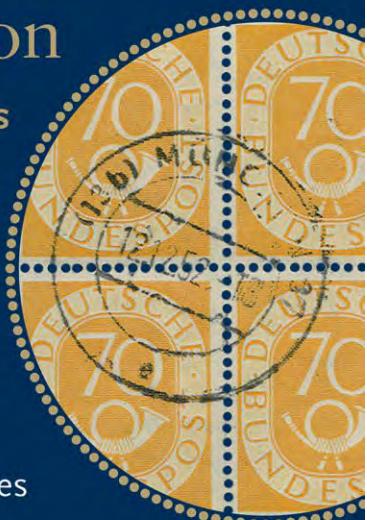
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Prevention is Best Way to Save Collections Before Disaster Strikes

BY JEFF STAGE *aps editorial associate*

Back-to-back severe hurricanes carrying torrential rain, flooding, and 130 mph winds rocked the Caribbean and U.S. mainland in late summer. Harvey and Irma claimed 200 lives, caused an estimated \$132 billion in damages, and reminded us all about the fragility of our lives. Areas affected, from Texas and Florida to Puerto Rico and many Caribbean islands, will need months and years to recover.

As philatelists, of course, we are keepers of everything from common used stamps valued at mere pennies to irreplaceable rarities valued at thousands of dollars. But no matter where your collection falls on the scale of monetary value, there often are years of hard work and emotional attachment we have with our collections.

Lisa Souders, a senior account executive for Hugh Wood Inc., the society's official insurance carrier, said the company received "a lot of calls and many claims" related to hurricane damage, especially from Harvey because of wide-spread flooding. "It seems that more people had time to prepare and get away from Irma."

Some reports were positive.

"I did not hear any horror stories [at the show]," said Ronald Strawser, show chair for the Greater Houston Stamp Show, which was held September 15 to 17, a few weeks after Harvey hit. "One club member had 6 inches of water in his house, but I think he got most of his stamp material out of the way before water came in. One dealer said he had taken

his show stock home and meant to put it on the floor where it would have gotten ruined, but luckily put the material on a table instead, where it was untouched."

But others, not so much.

Jonathan Topper, of Topper Stamps in Houston, said he had heard from about 20 collectors with modest and five with extensive collections within a month of Harvey.

"The damage from the water results in stamps and stamp albums becoming 'bricks' when they are dried out," Topper said in an e-mail.

"If still wet, album pages are difficult to separate, etc. Handling any stamps will just tear them. Plate blocks and sheets are almost impossible to handle without separating the perforations. Most of the water in these flooded Houston homes was not clean rain water, but from overflow from

creeks and bayous and backed-up sewer systems. Water was brown and in most cases had a terrible odor. When the water receded from the homes, people found fish, snakes, rodents, frogs, etc. in their homes. So, in many cases, not only were the stamps exposed to water, but were stained from the dirty water."

Topper says he takes a special flood appraisal kit and follows disinfecting procedures when he views a damaged collection.

"I wear tight fitting latex gloves, have a respirator handy (use it about half the time) and have a small fan I keep on the table that I place in front of me and that blows the con-

Photo of flooding after Hurricane Harvey in the Houston, Texas area. Image by Kari Spencer, courtesy of iStock by Getty Images.

taminated air away from the stamp album that I am reviewing. Then, any paper I use to record my notes is copied and the original contaminated pages are thrown away. Everything has to be sterilized when done. The pens I use are thrown away, perf gauges are wiped with disinfectant so I can use them again, and stamp catalogs are wiped clean, although when this is over, I will probably have to throw them away as well."

Topper, who has lived through eight hurricanes, thinks most collections affected will be "total losses."

Archie McKee, a collector and member of the APS Expertizing Committee, lives in the Tampa, Florida area and evacuated as Hurricane Irma approached the Florida Keys, where it struck September 10.

"We do NOT stay for hurricanes; we leave early," said McKee, a former FEMA housing inspector who lived through Camille in the 1960s and saw devastation while on the job from historic hurricanes such as Charlie and Katrina. "It's hard talking to people who have lost everything, and I do mean everything."

Aside from wind and rain, the aftermath is just as destructive to collections.

"Most forget that after a hurricane, you often lose power," McKee said. "With everything soaked, humidity becomes your enemy fast."

McKee said anyone living in areas in the line of hurricanes needs to be cautious.

"Our philosophy is to stay aware, leave early, and buy the best insurance you can afford for home, auto, and personal property," McKee said.

Acting beforehand is clearly the best advice from experts. Some of the steps seem obvious, but are worth repeating:

"I pack albums into plastic bags inside sealed Rubbermaid containers," McKee said. "And anything of value goes with us. We have taken multiple cars."

Move precious paper material to higher, dryer ground. If you can't move it all, move the items most precious to you.

For items you cannot move, pack in water-tight containers; some of these containers are from other realms but could be utilized for paper collections. For example, in April, *Boating* magazine tested a couple dozen such containers for several conditions — from drowning to dropping — and gives the results here (boatingmag.com/choosing-best-waterproof-box).

Manda Kowalczyk, preservation specialist and safety coordinator at the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum, offered the following:

"I would say to make sure to have documentation either through images, a spreadsheet or handwritten notes of all your collections for insurance purposes and your own peace of mind so you know the current condition, location and general quantity, especially if there are specific items you

With everything soaked, humidity becomes your enemy fast."

coated metal cabinets.

Topper offered the following hurricane protection and preservation tips:

- Have records kept in a separate location, or scan and save them electronically on the cloud so you can retrieve them later.

- Keep the actual auction receipts of substantial items in your collection. This helps immensely during the appraisal. Even if an old receipt, I can try to identify similar stamps being sold at auction now to get a value. If that doesn't work, I can always calculate value based on inflation. At least I can establish some type of reasonable value.

- If you have a two-story house, have your stamp room upstairs if you can.

- People trying to clean items should use tap water, which is actually better than bottled water as it is chlorinated and that will stop some of the mold growth."

Everyone the APS spoke with suggested getting flood insurance.

Hugh Wood Inc. is the society's official insurance carrier, and works with insuring fine arts and collectibles. Hugh Wood has a satellite office in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania right next door to the American Philatelic Center.

Topper and American Philatelic Research Librarian Tara Murray noted that helpful information about preservation and salvage of paper collections can be found on the following websites:

- American Philatelic Society at stamps.org/Preservation-and-Care.

- American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works at conservation-us.org/membership/find-a-conservator.

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Stamps Borne of Upheaval

Symbolic Color Red Dominates the Issues of China's Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution

BY ARCHIE S. MCKEE

China has a long and tumultuous history. But 50 years ago this year, possibly one of the most tumultuous and violent events of all took place: Mao Tse-tung's (also known as Mao Zedong) Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, which in America is simplified as the Cultural Revolution. Much has been written and said about Mao's Cultural Revolution, volumes, much pro and much con. In time, history will judge. But it truly was one of the largest and most violent — estimates range from 500,000 to 8 million killed; tens of millions persecuted — and important events of the 20th century.

Historians and scholars differ on the specific start and end dates, but many would say it lasted from 1967 to 1977, 10 very long years. Mao advocated for it beginning in May 1966. The Scott Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue does not specifically identify this period, but N.C. Yang's *Postage Stamp Catalogue of the People's Republic of China Part II* starts its Cultural Revolution W issues on April 20, 1967 — starting with the red-and-gold Thoughts of Mao Tse-tung issue — and has the last issue on January 21, 1970. Yang stamp numbers W1 to W84 belong to 21 sets numbered W1 to W21 in the Cultural Revolution Issue, or 84 stamps. He also lists a total of 11 stamps in two sets (RW1 and RW2) of definitives issued during his dates, another four sets (R14-R17) through to the beginning of March 1977. Those sets include an additional 29 definitives. Chairman Mao himself called for an end to the Cultural Revolution in 1969, but most would say it continued for some time; some say it only ended with Mao's death on September 9, 1976.

In the 1960s, Mao was worried about bureaucrats straying from the revolutionary path. In order to revitalize the revolutionary changes his form of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse-tung Thought — also known as Maoism, which sought a "perpetual revolution" — Mao asked the Chinese youth to assist and named them his Red Guards.

Mao implored his new, young

guards to destroy the Four Olds (old customs, old habits, old ideas, and old culture), which they did with abandon. Universities were shut, elementary and secondary schools were closed, and the students went on what most would call a nationwide rampage. As the movement grew, workers' groups formed, as did military groups, and others, all trying to prove their unending loyalty to The Great Teacher, Mao. Many in government, education, business, and manufacturing were openly criticized, and many millions were brutalized in the name of the revolution. There are many figures put forth as to the total death toll, but officially China says the revolution was "responsible for the most severe setback and the heaviest losses suffered by the Party, the country, and the people since the founding of the People's Republic," according to the "Resolution on CPC History (1949-81)," as formally adopted in 1981 by China's Communist Party.

During this time, Red Guards were given access to China's extensive rail network to travel anywhere for free. Many used that access to travel to Beijing and stand in Tiananmen Square to hear Mao speak. Images of millions holding their Little Red Books containing quotations from Mao high over their heads were shown around the world [Figure 1].

In their desire to prove which group, and which individual, was most loyal, conflict arose within and between groups and individuals. Some groups were strong enough and brazen enough to raid military armories, seizing weapons and ammunition. The result was open conflict on the streets of many cities and towns between groups using these weapons. Mao was eventually forced to call in the military to disarm groups and maintain a sort of order.

Stamps issued during this period were political in nature, as was everything in Chinese society.

The first issue specific to the Cultural Revolution was Scott 938-948 (Yang W1 set, W1-11 stamps) issued April 20, 1967 [Figure 2]. There is a single stamp showing Mao with his red armband speak-

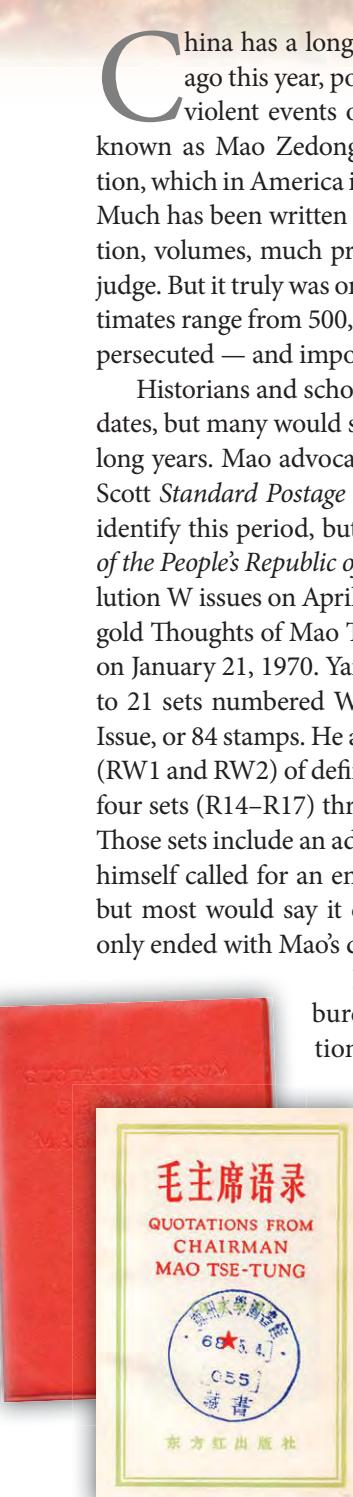


Figure 1. A copy of the cover and inside front cover of an English-titled Mao's Little Red Book. The cover is plastic and a lack of contrast prevents the title from showing very well.



Figure 2. People's Republic of China stamps issued near the start of the Cultural Revolution in 1967, Scott 938-948. The stamp of Mao shows the leader wearing a red armband of the type worn by his Red Guards. The set is titled "Long Live Invincible Chairman Mao's Thoughts."



Figure 3. Ten stamps, in two strips of five, with Mao quotations.



Figure 4. Stamps from the Long Live Chairman Mao set, also issued in 1967.

ing to the masses, and 10 stamps in two strips of five with Mao quotations [Figure 3]. If you have these stamps, be very careful in handling. The gold on many Chinese stamps is subject to tarnishing if your skin touches them.

The next series was Scott 949–956 (Yang W2 set, W12–19 stamps) issued in May 1967 [Figure 4]. In this group, Mao is pictured in various settings. You will notice that on Scott 954 and 956, Lin Biao (aka Lin Piao) also is shown. Lin Biao was the originator of the *Little Red Book*, which he used as a motivational tool for soldiers of the army. In 1967, Lin Biao was anointed as Mao's No. 2 and heir apparent. That relationship was to change dramatically with Lin Biao supposedly planning a coup d'état. Discovered before his plans could be implemented, he and some of his inner circle (and family) attempted to escape to the USSR by plane.

That attempt ended with the plane either running out of fuel or being shot down, depending on which version you wish to accept. Lin and all eight others aboard were killed.

In May 1967, a third set Scott 957–959 (Yang W3 set, W20–22) was issued



Figure 5. The "Talks at the Forum on Literature and Art," Scott 957–959, feature two stamps of text along with Red Guards parading with the *Little Red Book*, now turned white to have it contrast with the stamp's red background.

to showcase the publication of *Talks at the Forum on Literature and Art* [Figure 5]. This set is the foundation for what would be called an effort for all art “to serve the people.” This effort was led by Mao’s third and then-wife, Jiang Qing, who later was arrested as a leader of the Gang of Four. You will notice that on Scott 959, Mao’s *Little Red Book* becomes Mao’s *Little White Book*. Due to lack of contrast between the red of the books and the use of red backgrounds, the books were colored white on some stamps.

It is likely difficult for Americans today to conceive the passion and, yes, adoration the Chinese people at that time had for their “Great Teacher.” His word was not to be questioned, and his image and being were elevated to what could

be called a god-like status. Stamps could not be canceled over his image without serious consequences, though this occasionally happened [Figure 6]. Certainly any citizen uttering an unprotected word or deed against Mao was severely punished. There are now a number of books containing individuals’ stories of

Figure 6. A Chairman Mao portrait on the Sun of the Revolution stamp, Scott 965; Yang W37 stamp). The postal cancellation is purposely away from the Mao’s image so it won’t obliterate any part of the Chinese leader’s image.

the times, such as *Life and Death in Shanghai*; and there are books with numerous interviews, *Voices from the Whirlwind*, for example, of those that survived. Few were spared; the son (Deng Pufang) of Deng Xiaoping, leader of the People’s Republic of China from 1978 to 1989, was pushed from, or jumped off, a Beijing building. To this date he is confined to a wheelchair. Many intellectuals, government leaders, and later students (too many to count) were sent down to the countryside to learn from the peasants. You have to read the narratives to get a picture of the brutality and

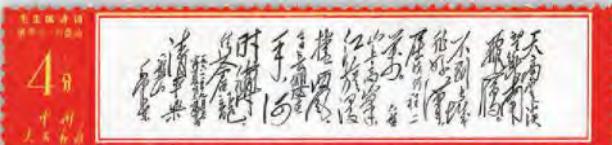


Figure 7. Mao’s poem, “The Long March,” on a stamp, Scott 967, and Mao sitting at a desk writing, Scott 980 (right).

horrible things individuals experienced.

A set of stamps issued in October 1967 — Scott 967–980 (Yang W7 set, W39–52 stamps) — feature poems penned by Mao [Figure 7]. In 1976, The Foreign Language Press in Beijing translated the text on those stamps, and later Michael Rogers, Inc. offered a publication based on the set, with the poems spread over stamps in four sizes of rectangles, three horizontal, one vertical. After translating, some would question the quality of the poetry, but anyone who has studied Chinese to English translation will tell you the process is neither a direct nor an easy task.

Shown is Scott 967 (used) titled “The Long March”:

The Red Army fears not the trails of the Long March
Holding light ten thousand crags and torrents
The Five Ridges wind the gentle ripples
And the majestic Wumeng roll by globules of clay
Warm the steep cliffs lapped by the waters of Golden Sand
Cold the iron chains spanning the Tatu River
Minshan’s thousand li of snow joyously crossed
The Three Armies match on, each face glowing

The most valuable Cultural Revolution stamp today is Scott 999A (Yang W14 set, W63 stamp) issued on November 25, 1968 [Figure 8]. The title of the stamp is The Whole Country is Red. Days (some say hours) after issuing the stamp, someone noticed that the island of Taiwan was not colored red, and the stamp was quickly withdrawn. [Taiwan, listed as the Republic of China in the Scott catalog, maintains its independence from the People’s Republic, or mainland, China. The People’s Republic claims Taiwan under its “One-China” policy.]

A small number of these rare stamps ended up in collector’s



Figure 8. A rare stamp issued in 1968 called The Whole Country is Red. It was withdrawn from the public quickly when someone noticed that the island of Taiwan was not colored red on the stamp, Scott 999A. Image courtesy of InterAsia Auctions.

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hands, and some were actually used on mailings. The last two mint stamps of this issue offered at auction were in 2016 from InterAsia Auctions in Hong Kong. One realized \$125,800, about \$977,500 in Hong Kong dollars. In an earlier auction (still 2016), a used example, one of three offered, realized \$62,200. Neither the most recent InterAsia sale nor the recent Zurich auction (also located in Hong Kong) had one for sale, neither mint nor used.

It is interesting to note that there is another stamp known during this time that also shows Taiwan a different color from the mainland. It is listed by Yang as W83 [Figure 9]. But with a catalog value of \$200,000 in the Yang 2009 edition (the most recent), most will never see it even at auction. The 2017 Scott catalog mentions this stamp, but says it was not issued and values it at \$1.15 million.

There are several stamps that one occasionally sees that were not issued; one in particular shows both Mao and Lin Biao drawn (not in a photo), facing a crowd; Mao waves and Lin Biao holds a Little Red Book aloft.

Many of the Cultural Revolution stamps have been officially and unofficially reprinted for local stamp shows and other events in China [Figure 10]. A diagonal line across the bottom right corner of the stamp indicates it's a reproduction. Also shown is the same stamp, but someone has placed a fake cancel exactly positioned to cover up the diagonal line. As the saying goes, "Buyer beware!" If this stamp were real, a good, used example would be valued at \$100, according to the Scott catalog. If you are interested in buying one, you might consider getting it expertized. To an expertizer, there are many differences, such as the printing quality is not the same; you



Figure 9. A stamp titled Map of China, Workers, Peasants, and Soldiers, that was unissued and is noted, but not formally listed in the Scott catalog. *Images courtesy of chinawhisper.com.*



Figure 10. An original 1968 Chairman Mao Support of Afro-Americans stamp, Scott 991, Yang W54, along with an official reproduction that features a diagonal line across bottom right corner. Also, the same reproduction stamp with a fake cancel added that hides the line and makes it look as if the stamp is real.

may not be able to get a hint of this from the image pictured. Also, Mao's photo is a poor image quality also indicating this is a reproduced example.

During the Cultural Revolution, stamp collecting and many other activities we take for granted in America today were considered bourgeois, and people were severely punished for partaking in such activities. Such people were labeled an "enemy of the state." Given that, it is no wonder that many of these issues are in short supply. When supply is short and demand strong, some who do not adhere to the American Philatelic Society's Code of Ethics try to maximize their income. Any and all stamps of the Cultural Revolution era are subject to repair, embellishment, removal of cancels, re-gumming, and the list goes on. When spending your good money, be careful and please heed the suggestion to have it expertized. APS in-house expertizer Mercer Bristow previously wrote an article on a Scott 996A stamp that I expertized for the APS. The stamp had been manipulated extensively by a most proficient craftsman.

Author Notes

Not all of China's Cultural Revolution stamps are expensive. There are six definitive sets [Figure 11]:

Partial Scott 1019–1037 (Yang RW1 R106–113), issued October 1, 1969;

Scott 1016–1018 (Yang RW2, R114–116), issued October 1, 1969;

Partial Scott 1019–1037 (Yang R14, R117–127), issued September 25, 1971;

Scott 1177–1178 (Yang R15, W128–129), issued October 20, 1973;

Scott 1163–1176 (Yang R16 set, R130–143), issued April 1, 1974;

Scott 1179–1180 (Yang R17 set, R144–145), issued December 1, 1974.

Note that the Scott catalog mixes the Yang RW1 and R14 sets together.

Any or all of these definitives are interesting to examine for vari-



Figure 11. A few stamps from the Cultural Revolution era definitive sets, Scott 1021, 1164, and 1178.



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ties; paper, ink, color shades, perforations, and reprintings are to be found. Considering the extreme and tumultuous times and unrest in the country, it should not be a surprise if paper supplies, ink supplies, or any number of other problems arose. Little has been published in English about these, possibly due to their low value. Many can be acquired mint for less than \$1 and used at less than 50 cents. So do not let price be a reason to scare you away from these most interesting issues.

I made a presentation to the Institute for Analytical Philately Inc.'s Second International Symposium on Analytical Methods in Philately last year on the Yang R8 set, Scott 273–281, which carries a normal perforation gauge 14 [Figure 12]. Although authorities in China claim no varieties

other than a Peking printing of the 8-fen red-orange, numerous differences in both paper and ink composition were conclusively shown using modern forensic techniques on several denominations in the set. More information can be found in the IAP proceedings publication from analyticalphilately.org.

There are many opportunities for collectors to study definitives from the People's Republic of China. If you find something interesting, consider writing a study and also joining the China Stamp Society, which recently celebrated its 75th anniversary.

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1a	10.00		74	1.00	1.00	147a	12.50	12.50	189	1.00	2.00	199	0.30	0.30	299a	0.30	0.30	384-6	0.90	0.90
3a	75.00		74a	30.00		147a	12.50	12.50	189a	2.00	2.00	199a	0.30	0.30	299b	5.00	5.00	387-91	2.50	1.50
3b	25.00	50.00	75-79	16.50	11.00	147b		15.00	189b	2.00		199b	1.25	1.00	300	0.30	0.30	394	0.45	0.30
3c sgl	55.00		77b	100.00	100.00	148a		12.50	189c	1.00	2.00	199c		3.00	300a	0.80	0.80	395	0.50	0.30
4a sgl	37.50		80-85	28.50	24.50	148b	12.50		190	1.00	1.50	199d	4.50	4.50	301	0.30	0.30	396-8	1.45	0.90
5-6	1,025.00	390.00	86-87	3.65	3.65	149a	7.50		190a	2.00		200	0.75	0.90	302-3	1.90	0.60	399-403	4.75	2.10
7-10	170.00	64.00	86a	12.50		149c	10.00	10.00	190b	2.00		200a	0.80	1.00	304-5	0.70	0.60	404-7	2.20	1.90
11-14	16.25	69.25	87a	12.50	12.50	151-3	0.90	0.90	190c	1.00	1.50	200b	3.00		307	0.30	0.30	408-11	2.50	
14 wtrmk	30.00		88-91	17.75	18.00	151a	1.00		191	50.00		200c		6.00	308	0.30	0.30	412-5	5.00	1.30
14a stain	215.00		88a	5.00		151b	17.50											416-8	0.90	0.90
15-16	40.00	50.00	92-96	30.00	29.50	153a	15.00											419	1.50	
17-20	184.00	260.00	97	0.40	0.30	154-7	1.20	1.20										420-3	4.55	1.20
21-25	37.50	24.00	97b	15.00		158	0.30	0.30										423a	0.30	536-9
25a	625.00		98	0.65	0.50	161	0.30	0.30										424-7	2.00	1.20
26-30	7.00	9.50	98a	10.00	10.00	162-5	8.50	2.50										428-9, airs 4.75	2.80	541-2
26a	20.00		99-107	41.70	33.00	166	0.30	0.30										430	0.45	0.30
26b	20.00		108-9	2.00	2.00	167-8	0.60	0.60										431-3	2.90	1.10
27a	10.00		108a	25.00		167a	10.00		192	0.40	0.40	200d	8.00		309	0.30	0.30	434-44	30.25	19.75
27b	10.00		110	0.60	0.60	167c	10.00	10.00	192a	0.40	0.40	201	0.85	0.90	310	0.30	0.30	445-54	5.00	3.00
27c	10.00		110a	25.00		168a	10.00	10.00	192b		1.75	201a	1.50	1.50	311	0.30	0.30	455-62	17.70	
28a	10.00		111-3	4.70	4.70	168b	10.00	10.00	192d			201b	5.00		311A	1.00	0.70	463-7	6.50	
28b	10.00		114-23	5.00	3.95	168c	15.00		193	0.30	0.30	201c	6.50		312, airs	2.30	1.25	468-9	0.60	
28c	10.00		116a	0.75	0.40	169	0.30	0.30	193a	0.30	0.30	201d		12.00	313, C133	0.65	0.60	470-1	1.60	
28d	10.00		124-30	41.75	38.85	170	0.30	0.30	193b	1.25	1.25	202-3	0.60	0.60	314-5, airs	2.20	1.80	472-5	26.25	
29a	17.50		124a	50.00	50.00	170b	15.00		193c			204-6	5.00	1.00	316-7	0.60	0.60	476-82	16.50	
29b	100.00		126a	40.00	40.00	171	0.50	0.30	193d			205b	20.00		318, airs	1.50	0.90	483	20.00	
29c	9.00	10.00	132	0.45	0.45	171a	22.50		194	0.45	0.45	205c	7.50		319	0.30	0.30	484-7	7.50	
30a	7.50	7.50	133-5	1.00	0.90	172-4	26.10	14.00	194a	0.45	0.45	206a	8.50		320-3	2.00	1.20	488	2.30	
30b	10.00		133a	25.00	25.00	175-7	31.00	15.50	194b	1.25	1.25	207-8	0.80	0.75	320a-3a	20.00	20.00	489	3.00	
31-41	243.50	58.50	134b	10.00	178-81,3-4	7.25	7.25		194c	4.00	4.00	209	0.50	0.50	324	0.50	0.30	490-3	10.50	
42	5.50	10.00	136-8	63.35	63.35	178a	10.00	10.00	194d			210-6	11.25	4.50	325-9	1.50	1.50	494-7	10.00	
42a	125.00					195	0.45	0.45	217-8			210-6	1.50	0.60	327a,328a	0.60	0.60	498	5.30	
42d	135.00					195a	0.45	0.45	219-29			210-6	11.70	7.15	330-4	2.00	1.50	499-504	14.30	
42f	3.50					195b	1.25	1.25	230-2			210-6	1.35	1.00	335-7	1.10	0.90			
42g	10.00					195c	5.50	5.50	230a			210-6	13.50		337a P&I	16.00				
43-50	238.50	10.75				195d	6.50	6.50	231d			210-6	50.00		337b	1.00	0.60			
43-4,6-50	38.50	5.75				196	1.00		233-44			210-6		3.60	338	5.00				
51	9.00	7.50				196a	1.25	1.50	245-6			210-6			339-2	1.40	1.20			
52	7.50	6.00				196b	6.25	7.75	247-51			210-6			343-6	1.20	1.20			
52a	12.50	6.50				196c	8.50		252-4			210-6			347-9	2.10	0.90			
53	7.50	6.00				196d	10.00		258			210-6			350-3	2.20	1.60			
53a	12.50	6.50				197	1.00	1.00	259-63			210-6			354	1.75	0.30			
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55	10.00	5.00	139	0.30	0.30	198a	25.00		197b	6.00		210-6		2.00	1.20	360-2	0.95	0.90		
55a	12.50	6.50	139b	15.00	15.00	198a		20.00	197c	8.50		210-6			363-5	0.90	0.90			
56-59	3.25	1.20	140	0.55	0.40	198-7	1.25	1.15	197d	10.00		210-6			367-3	9.85	2.10	506-15	24.00	
56a	5.00	5.00	141-2	1.20	0.90	188	0.30	0.30	198	0.40	0.40	210-6			378-9	1.15	0.60	516	1.90	
57a	3.00		142a	27.50		188a	0.60	0.60	198a	0.40	0.40	210-6			378-9	1.15	0.60	517-26	22.50	
57b	3.50	3.00	143-5	27.85	11.85	188b	0.60	0.60	198b	1.25	1.00	292-6	24.60	10.50	379	0.30	0.30	527	4.00	
58a	50.00		143a	75.00		188c	0.30	0.30	198c	4.50	297			380-2A	1.60		528-31	36.80		

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C126	0.55	0.30	C247-7	2.30	2.15	C362-3	1.40	0.80	C468-71	1.20	1.20	C612-3	0.70		C748-51	2.50	2.50	C815-6	8.25	3.00
B1-4	3.00	4.00	C127	0.35	0.30	C251-4	2.40		C364-70	3.70	2.10	C468a,70a	0.60	C164-9	3.85	2.30	C752-5	1.60	1.20	
B5-7	5.50	7.00	C132	5.00	5.00	C255-7	2.05	1.5	C376-80	4.95		C472-4	5.40	5.40	C620	4.00		C756-9	1.60	1.20
B8	0.60	0.30	C133	0.35	0.30	C258	1.00	1.40	C381-2	1.10		C475-6	2.00	0.60	C621-5	2.60	1.25	C760-1	0.95	
B8-11	1.25	0.90	C136	5.00	4.00	C259-64	5.55	2.05	C383-5	26.25		C480-5	1.75	1.50	C624a,5a	2.10		C762	0.50	0.30
C1-4	5.40	4.55	C137	0.55	0.30	C265	1.25	0.80	C386-9	2.25		Red optv	3.00		C626-7	1.15	0.60	C763-4	1.00	
C5	3.25	2.25	C137A-9	1.55	0.90	C266	6.00	3.00	C390-400	12.45		C648-91	3.10		C629-31	1.80	0.90	C768-9	9.25	4.75
C6	1.00	1.00	C142	0.55	0.30	C267-8	2.80	1.50	C417	0.70	0.65	C632-7	6.25	3.00	C632-7	5.00	2.00	C770-5	1.80	1.80
C7	5.00	5.00	C142a	10.00	0.30	C269	0.35	0.30	C411-13	2.40		C498-503	30.90		C636a	4.00		C775A-5F		
C7b cert,sgl	195.00		C143-6	1.30	1.20	C270	0.35	0.30	C414	5.										

A LOOK AT THE FRENCH OFFICES IN CHINA

The First One Opened in 1862 in Shanghai; All Closed at the End of 1922

BY GANNON SUGIMURA

Sometimes, a stamp-issuing entity isn't a country. Take, for example, the system of post offices in China operated by other countries. Officially operated because the local post office was insufficient, operating such post offices was one example of the unequal treaties between China and other nations. These offices operated without Chinese permission and China was not allowed to operate similar facilities in other countries. In addition to France, offices in China were operated by Britain, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, and the United States.

The first French office in China opened in 1862 in Shanghai. From that point until 1894, the current stamps of France would generally be available at Shanghai [Figure 1]. Such forerunners can only be collected canceled, as mint examples cannot be distinguished from ordinary French stamps. The earliest forerunners have a diamond-shaped numeric killer with the number "5104" while later ones have circular datestamp cancels reading "Shang-hai / Chine."

France would first issue distinc-

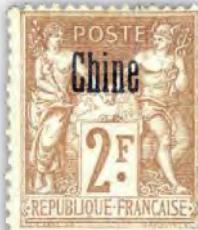


Figure 2. An 1894 French Offices in China stamp overprinted "Chine," Scott 12, and a French stamp, Scott 99, postmarked "Shang-Hai."



Figure 3. A 1902 French Offices in China stamp, Scott 35, part of a new series for specific use at French post offices in China, Scott 28.



Figure 3. A 1902 French Offices in China stamp, Scott 35, part of a new series for specific use at French post offices in China, Scott 28.

tive stamps for China in 1894, overprinting "Peace and Commerce" series stamps with the word "Chine" in red or black [Figure 2].

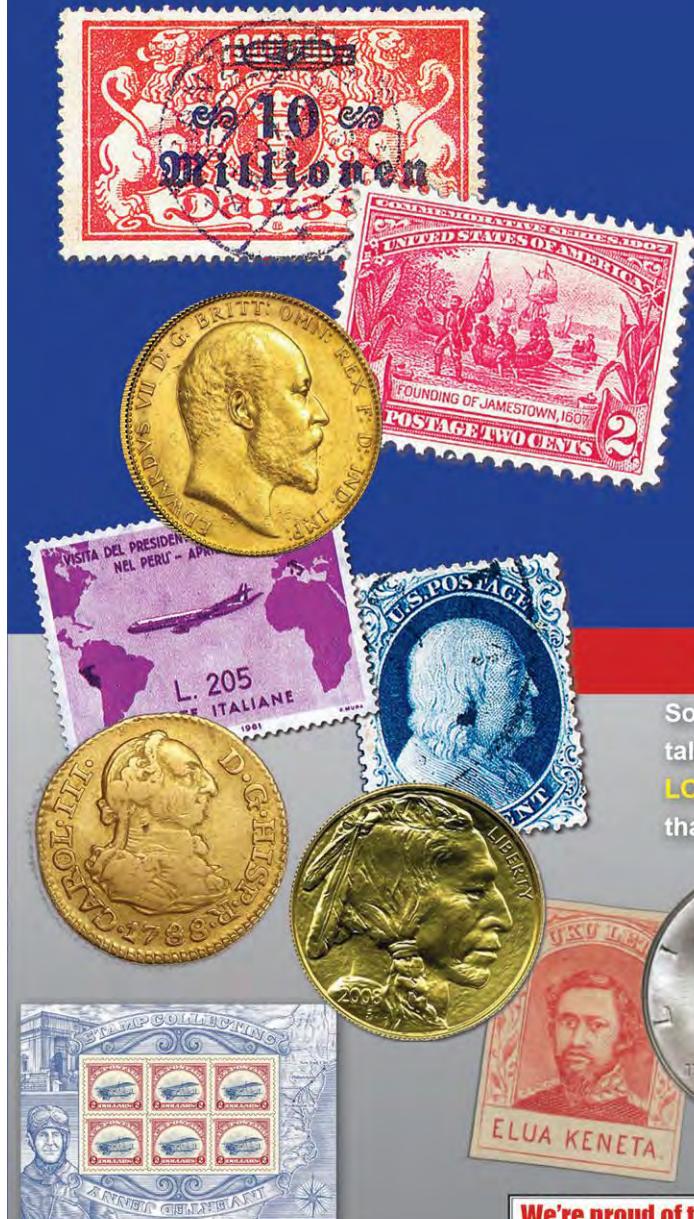
In 1902, a new series appeared, similar to France's 1900 definitives, but inscribed "Postes Francaises" and "Chine" [Figure 3]. This series was initially denominated in French francs, but was reissued in 1907, 1911, and 1922 with bilingual overprints stating the stamp's face value in Chinese currency.

For those who do not speak Chinese, the main difference is that the 1907 font is visibly smaller than the 1911 font. But the real difference was that the Chinese characters chosen were slang equivalents of the correct words. It would be as if the U.S. Post Office had issued stamps inscribed "Two Bucks" instead of "Two Dollars." The 1911 overprints corrected this error [Figure 4].



Figure 4. The 1907 series of overprint stamps (left, Scott 60) used smaller font and characters of less formal language. This was corrected in 1911 with a series that has new larger characters presenting formal language, Scott 68.

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tems in China. French offices in Chinese provinces bordering French Indochina were run by that colony, while those elsewhere answered directly to Paris. The southern offices issued overprinted Indochinese stamps [Figure 5], listed in the Scott catalog as French China Nos. 18–33 and 46–56, and also issued all the city-specific overprints (e.g. “Canton”). The two administrations were completely separate, and neither cooperated with each other nor accepted each other’s stamps.

All foreign post offices in China still operating on December 31, 1922, closed on that date [Figure 6]. The only notable exceptions were those of colonies such as Hong Kong. This included

Kwangchowan, which — despite being listed as an Office in China by the Scott catalog — was “leased” from China and run as a colony. Kwangchowan continued to exist as a postal appendage of French Indochina until it was returned to China in 1946.



Figure 5. Separate stamps were issued for French Indochinese offices in China, Scott 22 (left) and 48 (right).



Figure 6. A postmark showing the last day of use — December 31, 1922 — by French post offices in China, Scott 73.

Author’s Note: There is a fairly extensive organization in France that covers all the former French colonies, which for French collectors includes the offices abroad in China and elsewhere. The website is colfra.org and colfra.org/spip.php?rubrique.

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Great Britain 22 through 26

The Catalog Number Tells the Story

The stamps of Great Britain have many variations in design, paper, and watermarking. As an example, the Scott Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue shows a design number A5 that was used for printing stamps numbered 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26. Bluish paper and white paper (white glazed paper varieties are noted for two of these stamps) were used with three different watermarks in combination with these two paper types. This chart shows the combinations and catalog number related to the combination. All five stamps are listed as "rose" for the design color, except carmine rose for No. 26a.

When an expertizing certificate from the American Philatelic Society's Expertizing Committee notes the opinion of the expert, all that is needed for one of these stamps is the catalog number to describe it, along with the comment "genuine in all respects" and condition of unused or used. If the opinion is that it is No. 26, it can only be on white paper with a watermark No. 23.

According to the Stanley Gibbons catalog, inverted watermarks may exist on four of these stamps, while the Scott Classic Specialized catalog lists three. In both catalogs, the inverted watermark adds a small letter to the catalog number.

If our experts find this occurrence on Scott 26, they will note it as 26c, the stamp with the inverted watermark, and that number will be entered on the certificate. It would not be necessary to mention the inverted watermark, because the letter "c" describes it.

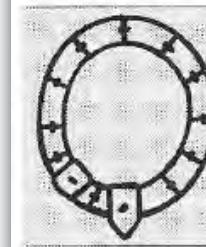
Scott catalog numbers are noted on most certificates and other catalog numbers might be included, if so noted by the experts. When there are items that are not addressed in Scott, another catalog might be referenced instead.

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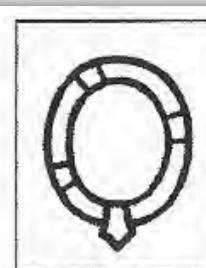
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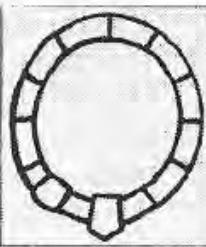
Wmk. 20 —
Large Crown



Wmk. 22 —
Medium Garter



Wmk. 21 —
Small Garter



Wmk. 23 — Large
Garter

Four different watermarks.



Great Britain Scott 22 with watermark 21 and bluish paper.



Great Britain Scott 25 with watermark 22.



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The APS Helps Club Members Purchase Stamps

Collectors wanting to expand their collections via purchases or exchanging duplicates have been a part of the hobby since the beginning. Sales and exchanges between members of the American Philatelic Society date from the time the society was founded in 1886, according to historical information on the APS website:

"Purchasing Department. Members wishing to use this service paid for the purchasing agent to procure new issues or obsolete stamps at or near face value.

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As such, the sale and exchange of stamps has become an important part of the activities of many stamp clubs. Clubs sometimes host auctions or open exchange nights during which members sell to each other through an appointed sales manager. Clubs can also consider using services offered by the APS through circuit mail sales or the online StampStore.

The Circuit Sales Department can mail circuits to clubs as a group rather than the usual procedure of mailing to an individual member with these benefits:

Club members can share the expense of return



Members of the Wyoming Valley (Pennsylvania) Stamp Club review circuit sales books at a meeting in September. Reviewing material are Jack Miller (bottom left) and Norman D. Nicol and Walter Wojcik (top). Walter and Norman are APS members. Photos courtesy of Tom Bowman, Wyoming Valley Stamp Club.

postage. Members participating in circuits incur the expense of mailing the circuit on, which costs \$7.20 per circuit. Club members can pitch in to share that expense.

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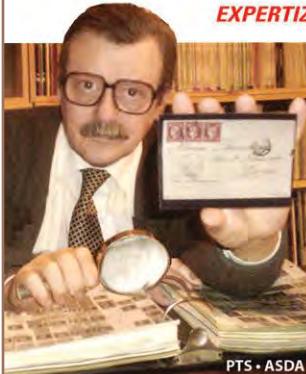
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Consider having a Circuit Books Night. How does it work? The club appoints a circuit manager who polls the members for their collecting interests. The manager then advises the APS of the club's interests and how often they would like to receive circuits. The APS mails a circuit to arrive prior to the scheduled meeting. The shipment contains 15-to-20 books of member-owned material for sale matching the interests of the club. Club members then look over the books and make purchases, with each member reporting purchases to the circuit manager. The circuit manager then marks the purchases in each book, collects funds, and returns the circuit to the APS. See full details at stamps.org/chapter-circuits.

Club Reminder: The 2018 Circuit Schedule is due soon. Clubs that currently request monthly circuit shipments have recently been mailed the 2018 schedule form that must be completed and returned by December 1 in order to avoid interruption in receiving chapter circuits. Forms are available online at the earlier noted link.

StampStore: Clubs can make purchases for club members on StampStore.org. If the club has members who are not computer savvy, consider hosting a club meeting where there is a wifi connection and introduce the group to online shopping at StampStore.org. The club could appoint an individual to manage the group's purchases: collect money, receive and disperse the items, etc. The club should first establish a user account that is tied directly to the club's APS member record. As a club, the group would qualify for member pricing and receive free shipping on orders of \$100 or more.

Selling Opportunities for Clubs: The APS Sales Division also offers selling opportunities to clubs that have philatelic items they would like to sell on behalf of their club members. Clubs interested in more details on selling, contact the APS staff at wendy@stamps.org.

Circuit Sales Categories Needed

Each month we list a few categories that are in particular short supply: U.S. Airmails, U.S. Officials, U.S. Back of Book, Baltic, Danzig, German Colonies, and Spanish Colonies. To



Top U.S. Seller

This United States 2-cent Landing of Columbus stamp (Scott 231) was a top-selling U.S. item in September on StampStore.org. Overall monthly sales reports are posted each month online at stamps.org/stampstore-sales-report. You can view sales and see what is hot for the month.

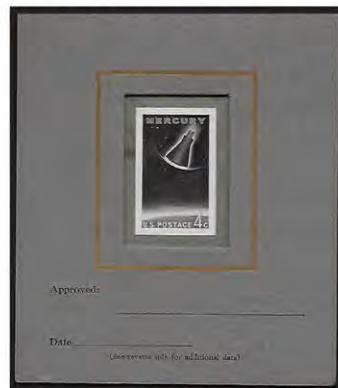
see our full list of stamps needed for circuits visit stamps.org/stamps-needed. If you have material in these areas that you are interested in selling, consider selling them through circuit sales. For those new to selling, seller information is available online or can be requested by contacting our Circuit Sales staff at 814-933-3803, ext. 231.

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We are currently overstocked in the following areas and would not recommend submitting at this time: Russia, General Germany, Europe, general global, and first-day covers.

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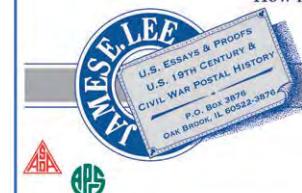
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THRILLING ADVENTURES IN STAMPS COMICS

A Look at the Golden Age of Stamp Collecting and Comic Books

BY STEVE SWAIN

I gladly confess that many hours of my mid-1950s, pre-teen days were spent buried in the pages of *Superman*, *Fantastic Four*, *Sad Sack*, *Archie*, and other equally marvelous comic books.

Sheer innocent enjoyment, educational nuggets, and support for good old-fashioned values came my way each time I eagerly poured through a new issue.

When not pursuing those adventures, I readily turned to my stamp collection and I believe I devoted more time to that avocation than to the comic books. But as I recently learned, the experience would have been more complete with the joy

of combining the two interests by with reading *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics*, an early 1950s comic publication from Youthful Magazines [Figure 1].

From 1949 to 1954, Stamp Comics was published by Youthful Magazines Inc., of Canton, Ohio, with editorial and executive offices in New York City. Youthful Magazines (also known as Youthful) specialized in non-superhero titles focusing their attention on humor, horror, romance, and Western genres. The company published notable Western titles such as *Gunsmoke*, *Indian Fighter*, and *Redskin* (later known as *Famous Western Badmen*), and the science fiction/horror series

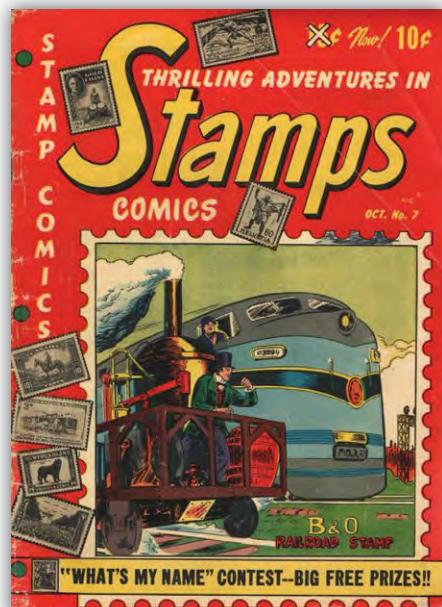
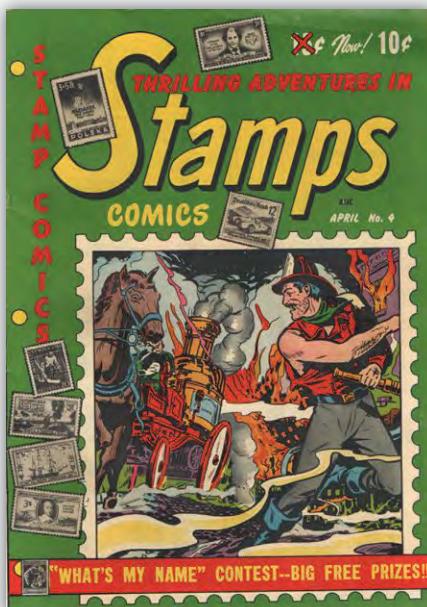
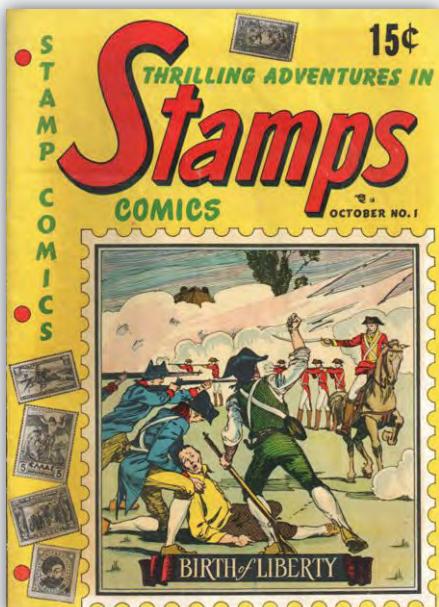


Figure 1. The covers of issues 1, 4, and 7 of *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics*.



Figure 2. Very specific places and events were linked to stamps on most of the comics' inside pages.

Captain Science (later known as Fantastic, Beware, and Chilling Tales). Altogether, the company only published 10 distinct titles, with many series changing their name and continuing the numbering of the previous title.

Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics — Youthful's only publication in the hobby genre — may sound somewhat humorous and a bit of a stretch, but the publication was a well designed and skillfully illustrated series seeking to bring to life for its readers the stories behind stamps. In the first issue's Introduction, the editors promised "glimpses of faraway places, great moments of history, strange legends, tales of horror and wild adventure, all taken from the little squares of paper issued by the post offices of every land." Each piece began with an image of a stamp followed by the story behind that stamp, told in full-color comic form. Interestingly, the stamp image at the start of the story is printed in grainy black and white with a description of the stamp's coloring. All of the stamps in the comics were printed this way to deter counterfeiting [Figure 2].

The short-lived publication had only eight issues, but each was a true gem. The publishers even indicated on the far left of the magazine's cover where to punch holes in your comic so you could store it in a 3-ring binder. All issues had no fewer than six stories with most four to five pages each. The stamps serving as the focus of the stories were both U.S.



Figure 3. Scouts and the 1-Cent Magenta of British Guiana were among the featured stories.

and foreign issues with some depicting athletes, soldiers, race car drivers or pirates, for which there was a corresponding sports, World War II or high seas adventure story.

Both the early United States Boy Scout and Girl Scout stamps (Scott 995 and 974) were highlighted in issues 3 and 4, respectively [Figure 3]. The famous and rare British Guiana 1-cent Magenta stamp (Scott 13) was showcased in a two-page Issue 5 story. One memorable tale in Issue 4 — "Escape from Maideneck" — began with a picture of a Polish stamp (Scott 545) commemorating the Nazi concentration camp at Maideneck, Poland, which led into the exciting true story of an escape from the camp.

Although the stories seemed reasonably well researched,

occasionally a bit of literary license was exercised by the writers. In Issue 4 [Figure 4], a tale about the Chicago Fire began with Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicking over a lamp in a barn that we all acknowledge as an old wives' tale. To this day, no one really knows how the fire began. An Issue 2 story depicted Teddy Roosevelt's famous Rough Riders fighting on horseback. Despite their colorful name, Roosevelt's men had to leave their horses behind in Florida and fought in Cuba on foot.

As with many Golden Age comic books, each issue of *Thrilling Adventures in Stamp Comics* included several enticing, full-page ads for stamps and supplies [Figure 5]. By accepting a one-year subscription to *Thrilling Adventures in Stamp Comics*, you could choose to receive a packet of "200 unpicked, unsorted foreign stamps" or a "stamp collector's kit" containing an album, 100 all-different stamps and 200 hinges. The White Ace Educator album from Washington Stamp Exchange was offered for only \$2.50, complete with a free packet of 500 foreign stamps. (In January of 2016, Washington Stamp Exchange announced that after 76 years it was discontinuing producing its ArtCraft first-day covers due to the decreasing volume of sales that could no longer sustain the high costs of production.)

In several issues of the comic, readers were encouraged to enter a "barrels of fun for everyone" contest called "What's My Name" [Figure 6] where the reader attempted to identify a person as the main subject of a stamp, hopefully revealed by clues provided in a 2-page story. Readers with correct answers were awarded "two big prizes absolutely free." The prizes were 100 all-different stamps and an "exciting booklet" with information about "where to look for and identify stamps worth fortunes and how to start a stamp club for fun and profit." Interestingly, the contest rules did not include a provision of stamps on approval being sent to those who participated in the contest, as did many of the offers in the comics' stamp advertisements.

Instead, it appears that the editors simply wanted to identify possible new subscribers since the contest rules clearly stated you did not need to subscribe to *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics* to enter the contest.

The editors and publishers of *Thrilling Adventures*



Figure 4. Sometimes, fiction was mixed into stories of otherwise factual incidents, such as the Great Chicago Fire and Teddy Roosevelt's military exploits in the Spanish-American War.



Figure 5.
Stamp-related
advertisements
were an
expected
and natural
occurrence in
the series.



Figure 6. The illustrations and text of "What's My Name?" helped readers identify who appeared on stamps.

in Stamp Comics should be commended not only for providing many pages of classic comic adventures based on the subjects and themes of postage stamps, but for also devoting quality content and stories to the promotion of the stamp collecting hobby [Figure 7]. One- and two-page educational pieces offered guidance on how to collect stamps, how to start a stamp club, and what to consider as a topic for a specialized collection (e.g., topicals, air post stamps, printing methods or perforations).

Enlightening tidbits, with appropriate stamp images, were presented in the “Oddities in Stamps” pages [Figure 8] highlighting such items as a surcharge overprint that blotted out the emperor’s face on an Austrian stamp used by Yugoslavia when it separated from Austria-Hungary and became an independent state. “An amusing stamp oddity” was presented as the Transcontinental Railroad commemorative issue of 1944 (Scott 922) that seemed to depict smoke from the train engine’s stack and a flag to the right of the train blowing in different directions. “Wind can’t blow two ways at once,” explained the writer.

And certainly supporting the characterization of *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics* being in the Golden Age of comics were pages encouraging community activity and social values, such as supporting the Red Cross, purchasing U.S. Savings Stamps and Bonds and joining Scouting organizations [Figure 9]. It is highly unlikely that such promotions grace the pages of today's comic books.

Because there were only eight issues of *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics*, it is reasonable to assume that obtaining issues — and in good condition — could be difficult and relatively expensive. Granted, there are not many comic book or antique dealers selling the comic, but issues are indeed available. At the time of this writing, several eBay offerings are asking less than \$30 for various single issues; however, one offering was commanding a much higher price of \$300 for a copy of the first issue. Several online comic book stores show all eight issues as “out of stock.”

I recently acquired copies of issues 1, 2, 4, and 7 of *Thrilling Adventures in Stamps Comics* and I am eager to locate copies of the other issues to relive the excitement and mystery of reading about faraway places, strange legends, wild adventures, and extraordinary events in history. With all of that embell-

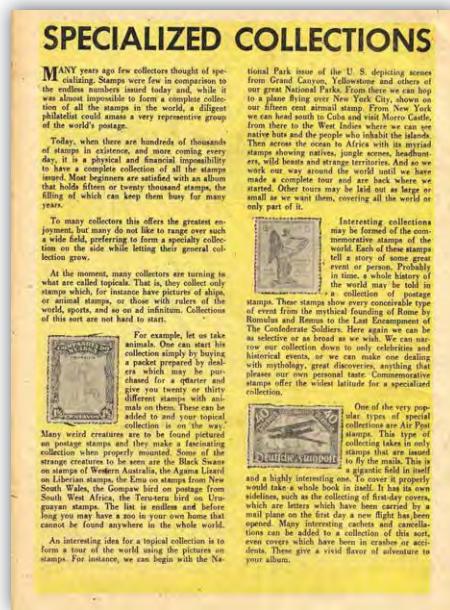


Figure 7. Specialized areas of philately were featured in a regular column.



Figure 8. A feature found in every issue is "Oddities in Stamps."

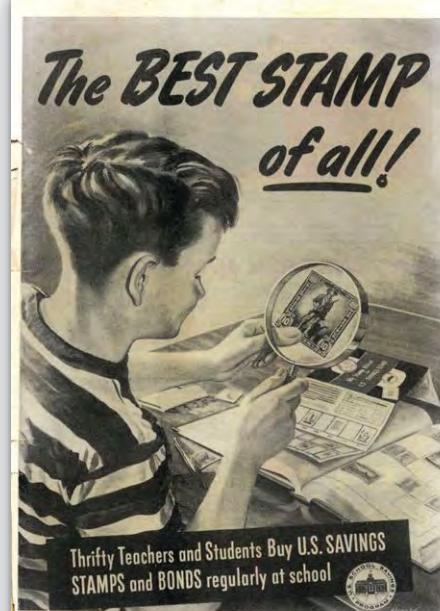


Figure 9. Charitable causes and social pursuits were promoted in the comic book series.



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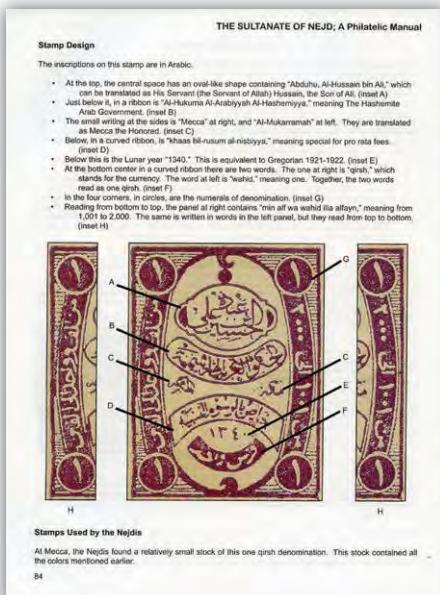
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The Sultanate of Nejd: A Philatelic Manual: A Study of Early Saudi Arabian Philately, by Ghassan Diab Riachi.

If you're anything like me, you ooh and aah whenever you see bold, colorful, exotic foreign stamps in exhibits, catalogs, or with dealers. You may admire them greatly, but probably scratch your head and wander away.

This might be especially true with early stamps of Saudi Arabia. Between the colors and the intricate designs and Arabic calligraphy, these stamps are amazingly striking and beautiful. But then, I have no clue what I am looking at.

Well, author and expert Ghassan Diab Riachi is changing that, even for novices such as myself. This labor-of-love book takes an intimate look at the early stamps of the area that in 1932 became the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia under the leadership of King Ibn Saud,



Page from the book *The Sultanate of Nejd: A Philatelic Manual: A Study of Early Saudi Arabian Philately*.

who brought together four regions: Hejaz, Nejd and parts of Eastern Arabia (Al-Ahsa) and Southern Arabia ('Asir). Saudi Arabia takes up a large portion of the Arabian Peninsula, bordered by the Red Sea and Persian Gulf.

The book is a detailed study of the early stamps from Nejd, dealing with the stamps, postal history, history of the stamps, cancellations, overprints, surcharges, handstamps, and forgeries.

"The Nejdis used postage, postage due, and revenue stamps of Hejaz," the book states. "They also used the remaining stock of Ottoman stamps that was available in Mecca from when Hejaz was an Ottoman province."

The book also states that collecting this area can be a significant challenge. But for anyone who wants to take on challenge, this would be your Rosetta Stone, a map to the lost treasure, and key to a fascinating philatelic kingdom.

Oversized full-color images and detailed, easily understood text are throughout. Many of the images are enhanced with blowups of details, notations, and designated keys.

There are 17 major chapters and a bibliography. Chapters include a 62-page "Introduction" followed by the equally long "Stamps Found in Mecca."

The "Introduction" offers regional history, including royal lineage, personalities (historic and philatelic), an interpretive guide to written Arabic — both letters and numerals — a glossary of important Arabic words, a calendar, and philatelic guide to everything from gum and inks (blue or black?) to hand-stamp placements, issue dates, Nejd re-prints, forgeries, and so much more.

"Stamps Found at Mecca" looks at everything philatelic (designs to plate flaws) for individual issues, from Ottoman stamps to postage and revenues, such as railway tax.

Subsequent shorter chapters include "Chronology of Nejd Issues," "First Pilgrimage Issue," and in be-

tween, several chapters on handstamps and overprints.

"It is my opinion that this great manual will induce more collectors to become interested in these stamps in spite of the difficulties involved, and that it will withstand the test of time," writes John M. Wilson in the foreword. Wilson is an expert in Saudi philately.

"There are many items included here that are not so far listed in any other work."

Riachi used his own collection and expertise to create this manual.

The author was born in Lebanon, became a stamp collector at age 15, moved to the United States in 1982, received bachelor's and master's degrees in civil engineering from the University of Texas at El Paso, been a philatelic writer focusing on stamps of the Middle East for *Linn's Stamp News*, and has become a collector, expertizer, and authority of stamps of Saudi Arabia.

Published by RJI Publishing, Los Cruces, New Mexico. Hardcover, 408 pages, 8½ inches by 11 inches. Regular hardbound copies are \$129.95 plus shipping; a slipcase edition (50 printed) on gilt-edge pages and housed in a slipcase is \$185 plus shipping. For more information and shipping costs, write to Ghassan Riachi, Box 220135, El Paso, TX 79913; or e-mail riachi@whc.net.

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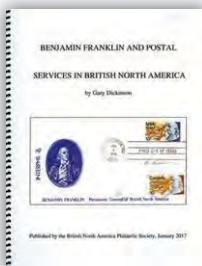
The British North America Philatelic Society has published several new books this year, including three we will look at here.

They are two volumes of active collectors' material — *Benjamin Franklin and Postal Services in British North America*, and *Canadian Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees in Europe during the Great War* — along with a volume of material that belonged to a deceased legendary Canadian philatelist, *The Arthur W. Leggett Exhibit: Decimal Stamps*

of Canada. All, along with other books from BNAPS, are available to borrow through the American Philatelic Research Library or to purchase through BNAPS available from Sparks Auctions, 1550 Carling Ave., Suite 202, Ottawa, ON K1Z 8S8, Canada, or bnaps@sparksauctions.com. Or, order on the web via sparks-auctions.com/bnapsbooks.

Benjamin Franklin and Postal Services in British North America, by Gary Dickinson.

The bulk of this book focuses on the stamps and first-days produced for a well-known joint issue between Canada and the United States, the 1976 Benjamin Franklin stamps (U.S. Scott 1690; Canada Scott 691). Also included is some background and material involving two other stamps from Canada featuring Franklin and his legacy, the 1963 First Land Route



(Scott 413) and the 2013 Franklin-Quebec City issue (Scott 2649).

The author, by the way, is a longtime collector and exhibitor of Canadian first-day covers and cachets.

Before it gets into showing material, the book offers a 5½ -page summary of Franklin and his connections to Canada. A lot of us recall Franklin as the founder of the American postal system, and he certainly had important political liaisons in England and France, but was he also involved in that northern area that would eventually become Canada? Yes. Franklin, first the postmaster in Philadelphia, was from 1753 to 1774 deputy postmaster general of all British settlements in North America. Franklin did travel to Quebec City, Trois Rivieres, and Montreal in 1763, establishing post offices at those locales. Thus, he certainly influenced the early postal system north of the 49th parallel, albeit often as an absentee postmaster spending much time in Europe.

After that, the book includes a lot of nice illustrations with the author show-

Joint Canada-US FDCs

The official CPO cachet appeared with day of issue cancellations from the two countries both with and without embossed markings. The plain cachet is shown in Figure 5.02 while Figure 5.03 has Colorado art pasted onto the basic CPO cover. Four stamps with four different cancellations are featured on each of the four sides.

The Armatress cachet in Figure 5.05 has an added American flag and an inked-in square in the upper left corner. It also has four stamps with four different cancellations including two official day-of-issue markings and two from Interphil International Day.

Figure 5.04: CPO cachet with four stamps and cancellations.



Figure 5.04: CPO cachet with four stamps and cancellations.



Figure 5.05: CPO cachet with flag and add-on cachet.



Figure 5.06: Armatress cachet used twice.

Figure 5.07: CPO cover with Colorado cachet.

The Armatress cachet in Figure 5.06 did double duty for the Interphil stamp (Scott #1632) issued on January 17, 1976 as well as for both Franklin stamps issued on June 1. All four stamps including the Canadian one were cancelled with the official U.S. first day of issue slogan marking.

Armatress also used the American version of its Franklin cachet for the Canadian stamps as shown in Figure 5.07. The example shown here includes #693 and is signed by designer B. Reilander.

Colorado used two different cachets for the Canadian stamps as shown in Figures 5.08 and 5.09. The first picture Franklin reading at a table while the second uses a head and torso oval portrait. All cancellations are the day of issue types on the appropriate stamps.

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A page from the Benjamin Franklin and Postal Services in British North America.

ing much of this material throughout in chapters titled "The Stamps," "The Canadian Stamps on First Day Covers," "The American Stamp on First Day Covers," "Joint First Day Covers," and "Summing Up."

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Canadian Bernard Reilander and differed slightly in coloring, plus denomination and country name, of course. The 10-cent Canadian stamp required just one printing plate, while a dozen were used for the U.S. stamp, thus creating numerous printing errors, mainly color shifts.

Dickinson writes that 21 different first-day cachets are known just for the Canadian joint-issue stamp of 1976 and there are more than 60 for the U.S. stamp. Twenty-five different covers are documented franked with both stamps.

The Canadian 5-cent stamp shown in the book was issued in 1963 to mark the 200th anniversary of postal service in Canada. The stamp doesn't show a portrait of Franklin, instead it presents a horse rider and a map of the earliest known postal route in Canada. The stamp was issued when first-day-cover-making and collecting was at its apex in Canada, writes Dickinson. More than 30 different cachets are known. In contrast, the 2013 Franklin stamp marking the 250th anniversary of Canadian postal service has only two cachets.

Even if you don't collect Franklin, modern first-days, Canada, or joint issues, the book is certainly worth a good look, especially if you are a topical collector, possibly thinking of how to expand your collection or even your exhibit. This volume shows a topical cover collection done extremely well.

Published in June 2017 by the British North America Philatelic Society, Ottawa, Canada. Spiral bound, 8½ by 11 inches, 82 color pages. \$49 Canadian, plus shipping (40 percent discount for BNAPS members).

Canadian Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees in Europe during the Great War, by J. Michael Powell.

This book is based on the author's 2014 eight-frame award-winning exhibit, along with material added since then to help tell an even greater story of Canadian POWs and civilian internees during World War I.

It has taken the author years to obtain the hundreds of covers and postcards sent both to and from Canada,

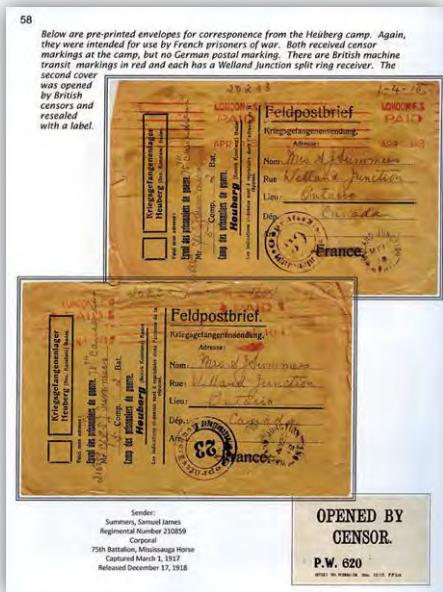
as well as collateral photographs, images of postmarks and other items — and that was just the beginning of the effort. The author then conducted an incredible amount of research to not only locate each of the dozens of camps geographically, but also to identify mail right down to the name, rank and unit

of the sender or receiver at those camps.

In the Preface, the author explains the difficulties of the material.

"Published information specific to philately of Canadian Great War prisoners in Europe is very limited," he writes. "... In general terms, this material is quite scarce. ... Condition is an issue with this material. Although exceptions can be found, most of the paper used for prisoner of war stationery, particularly in Germany, was of poor quality. Much of it is very brittle, and items were easily damaged."

Inside are many covers from POW camps to Canada and vice versa, all reproduced well enough to see manuscript writing and postal markings, including cancellations, censor marks, and auxiliary markings. Text explains the items and some items are blown up



A page from the *Canadian Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees in Europe during the Great War*.

for easier perusal. Several photographs help tell the story.

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The Arthur Leggett Exhibit: Decimal Stamps of Canada, 1859–1868, Ronald E. Majors, editor.

This latest volume in the BNAPS exhibit series shows an award-winning collection from one of Canada's great modern philatelists. Not only was Arthur Leggett (1916–2011) — a car dealership owner by profession — a collector and exhibitor, but was active as an officer in the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and one of the founders of the esteemed V.G. Greene Philatelic Expertizing Committee.

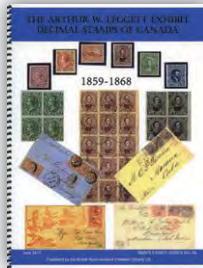
The book offers 132 pages of Leggett's stamps and covers, including essays and proofs, different printings, earliest known uses, and plenty of other rarities. What is shown was the last time this collection was altogether, the editor explains in the introduction.

"Shortly before his passing, Art sent me his only coloured copy of this exhibit that was broken up in the '90s," Majors writes. I scanned each and every page and returned the bound copy to him. However, his copy is now not to be found..."

Majors arranged permission from the Leggett family to print this book. Thank you, Mr. Majors, for having the foresight to make this copy and for sharing it. Anyone interested in early Canadian philately will obviously eat this up.

A two-page obituary is included in the introduction allowing those of us unfamiliar to learn much more about this noted philatelist.

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ish North America Philatelic Society, Ottawa, Canada. Spiral bound, 8½ by 11 inches, 144 color pages. \$66 Canadian, plus shipping (40 percent discount for BNAPS members).

Catalog of Sanitary Service Stamps, Veterinary Inspection Stamps and Tuberculinization Stamps Issued by the City of Rosario de Santa Fe, Argentina, by Benedict A. Termini, M.D.

If you collect stamps long enough you are bound to find yourself looking at a stamp, or several, that leave you scratching your head. You know they are not postage, not semipostals, not airmails, and might be revenue stamps

of some sort. But it's a big mystery because as much as you pore over your favorite general catalog, these stamps just aren't there.

This catalog is



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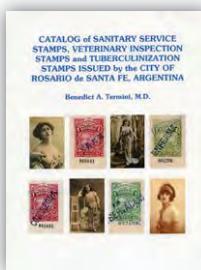
devoted to just those kinds of stamps, the ones that are likely not in the back of the book; in this case, mostly to a very specific type of stamp. The author advertises the new work by stating, "New Prostitute

Revenue Catalog Available."

I guess that sums it up pretty well. Oh, there are two pages devoted to veterinary inspection stamps and another single page to tuberculinization stamps, but mostly we find stamps issued to prostitutes (or their madams) that basically put a stamp on the women's health status.

The stamps were issued from 1893 to 1927 (possibly later) by the city of Rosario de Santa Fe, Argentina to women who worked in the greater metropolitan area that sets 186 miles northwest of Buenos Aires, on the western shore of the Paraná River in the central part of the country. They were likely issued with the hopes they would keep venereal disease in check. The author notes that women registered to work in the sex trade would have to take a booklet to a doctor, who would examine them and affix a stamp to the booklet. This would happen at least twice a week, the author surmises.

"Women found to be working without a current certification of good health could be subject to disciplinary



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measures, possibly including mandatory hospitalization," Termini writes.

The catalog, on slick top-end paper, is based on the author's extensive research and collection and includes detailed, oversized images of dozens of stamps. Six pages of introductory material offers everything from the 14-article list of regulations for bordellos and prostitutes in Rosario to an explanation of how items within the catalog have been valued.

The catalog sets up a unique identi-

fication system for the stamps (66 specific entries so far) and markings, and there are plenty of explanatory notes and extra details to help anyone who is trying to identify such stamps. A similar system is set up in the back of the catalog for the handful of veterinary and tuberculinization stamps.

By the way, a copy of the author's exhibit on the prostitute stamps is available for viewing via the American Philatelic Research Library's website ([stamps.org/userfiles/file/MyAPS/Exhibits/TerminiProstituteRevenues-362424.pdf](#)).

Also, there is a QR code in the book that can be scanned to easily access the exhibit.

Self-published in 2017. Softcover, 8½ inches by 11½ inches, 44 pages, fully color illustrated. \$20 postpaid from the author, 8520 Meadowbrook Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76120-5204; e-mail: termini@charter.net.

Catalogs

Scott Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, Volume 6 (Countries beginning with the letters SAN through Z, in two books)

The 2018 catalog concludes its first year of the new split-book format with the release on September 1 of Volume 6 divided into A (countries beginning with letters San through Tete) and B (countries beginning with letters Thai through Z). Amos Media Co., publishers of the catalog, issued one split catalog every month for six consecutive months to cover the stamps of the world. Scott catalogs more than 700,000 stamps from 600 stamp-issuing entities. The split volumes are being packaged and sold together as one by the publisher.

The 2018 Volume 6A of 898 pages has countries San Marino through Tete; the 962 pages of 6B covers Thailand through Zululand. An editor's note for each volume reviews the updates and changes in each volume.

As with the previous five volumes, each split volume has all of the same important standards, including an illustrated identifier, explanations of philatelic basics (from condition and printing methods to paper types and watermarks), lists of philatelic societies and expertizing services, common design types, currency conversion, full catalog country index, catalog abbreviations, and classifications of stamps.

An editor's note in the front explains what is new or changed since the 2017 catalog was released. Here are some highlights from that note in Vol-

ume 6A: About 1,700 value changes have been made for Tanzania, many of them 10 percent downward for stamps of the mid-1980s through 1999. The changes are mostly because of currency adjustments. There are a few value increases in stamps of the 1960s and 1970s.

"Almost without exception" the 350 value changes for Sri Lanka are decreases of about 10 percent.

Moderate value increases are scattered throughout the listings of Saudi Arabia.

Value changes in Slovakia show an increase in market activity.

A full review of South West Africa resulted in more than 750 value changes.

Sudan, a country with great internal strife for many years, received 350 value changes and stamps issued since 2009 showed significant strength and some substantial rises in value.

And here are highlights of the Volume 6B editor's note:

Almost 2,650 value changes occurred for Thailand, with scattered increases among the classic period.

Virgin Islands received a thorough review that resulted in more than 900 value changes, with more robust in-

creases among classic issues.

More than 1,900 value changes are found in the Turks and Caicos Islands, with scattered increases among the period from 1900 to 1928.

There were only 70 value changes in Turkey, but most are upward.

Many Transvaal stamps saw an increase in value.

Among the editorial changes, new images of Yugoslavia-Trieste have been added and chalky paper varieties of the Virgin Islands 1938 King George VI issue are now listed as Scott 76a–86a.

Scattered increases are found in Southern Rhodesia and Syria.

Editors made 190 value changes, a mix of increases and decreases, in Sweden.

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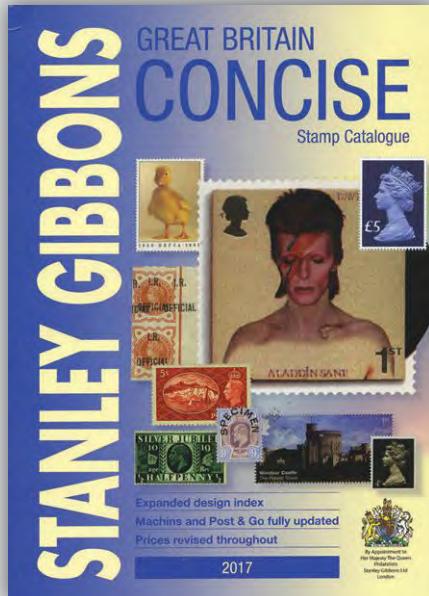
the United Kingdom has released its 2017 Great Britain Concise, Netherlands and Colonies and Western Pacific catalogs. Stanley Gibbons, which also sells stamps and philatelic supplies, is the leading English-language producer of specialized catalogs in Europe.

For those familiar with Scott catalogs, there are similarities and differences between the two. Both offer full-color illustrations, listings for major issues of postage, airmail, revenue, and specialty stamps, plus their varieties, stamp descriptions and first-day-of-issue dates. Both companies use their own copyrighted catalog numbers, also color descriptions may vary.

Orders are available through stanleygibbons.com.

Great Britain Concise (32nd Edition)

The Great Britain Concise has been an annual edition since 1986, one of the few annuals now from Stan-



ley Gibbons. But this is home turf for the long-established Brit-based philatelic publisher, and this is where the company firmly applies a major effort.

"It would be easy to assume that updating a catalogue like the Concise would be a relatively straightforward

task — add another year's new issues, check over the prices, and send it off to the printer," the Preface states. "... we wish it was as simple as that, but if it were, preparing the catalogue would be a lot less interesting for us and the result would be a lot less useful to you."

Enough said! So, what's new?

The Preface explains how decisions are made, often using precedent. It notes two cases — the 65th Anniversary of the Queen's Reign and Post & Go labels — which had only limited releases, even within the United Kingdom. But based on past decisions (the 1924 and 1925 Wembley Exhibition stamps being stated), the decision to include the modern releases was "an easy one." The Post & Go section gets its own 10-page design and description section by 10 pages of checklists in table form.

The Preface notes that previously unknown rarities (3½p UPU stamp of 1974 with bright mauve postmark

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completely omitted and the imperforate 2003 Wildings miniature sheet) have been added, along with some varieties of other stamps.

As for prices, most of the increased market activity over the previous year has been around recent issues, with prices for security Machins and Post & Go stamps continuing to rise.

The catalog, at nearly 500 pages, seems to be a never-ending resource for information and organization, from a listing of all issues (by monarch, of course), not to mention regional issues (from Channel Islands general issue and England to Scotland and Wales), plus postage dues, postal fiscal stamps, post office stamp booklets (including detailed listings for decimal, barcode, Machin, and different types of self-adhesive booklets).

The information up front is invaluable, from information about pricing, philately (color identification to watermarks), not to mention the commemorative and miniature sheet design indexes.

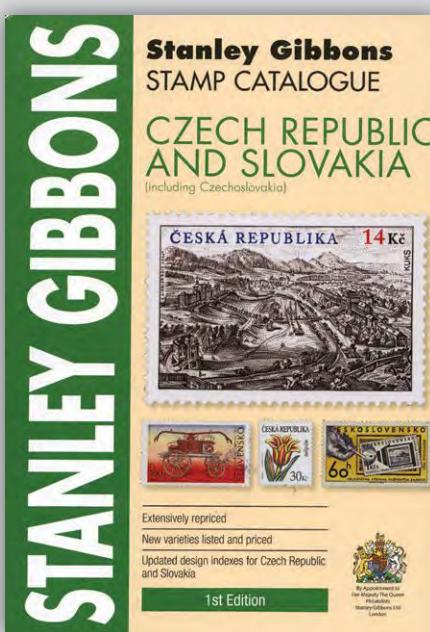
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Czech Republic and Slovakia (First Edition)

This area used to be combined with Poland, but Stanley Gibbons has separated them. The Poland catalog was issued in 2015 and now comes this one, which, aside from the title countries, also includes Czechoslovakia (1918–1992), plus Czechoslovak army in Siberia, East Silesia, Bohemia and Moravia.

The editor notes that all prices have been “thoroughly” revised and updated by experts, new varieties have been added, and the design indexes have been updated. New issue listings include the Czech Republic through February 2017 and Slovakia through November 2016.

Curious about catalog price changes, I compared a half-dozen randomly picked listings from this 2017 version and compared them with the last time this group was combined in a 2012



catalog. Here is what I found, using British pricing as found in the catalog:

Czechoslovakia No. 1 (year 1918): 2012 – 22.00 mint; 21.00 used; 2017 – 26.00 mint, 32.00 used.

Czechoslovakia No. 1416-23, set of 8 (year 1964): 2012 – 10.00 mint; 5.25 used; 2017 – 13.00 mint, 7.25 used.

Czech Republic No. MS11 (year 1993): 2012 – 5.25 mint; 4.75 used; 2017 – 6.00 mint, 5.50 used.

Slovakia No. 20 (year 1939): 2012 – 19.00 mint; 21.00 used; 2017 – 19.00 mint, 27.00 used.

Slovakia No. 428-430, set of three (year 2003): 2012 – 7.00 mint; 5.20 used; 2017 – 9.50 mint, 8.00 used.

Bohemia and Moravia (German Protectorate) No. 12 (year 1939): 2012 – 3.25 mint; 13.00 used; 2017 – 4.00 mint, 40.00 used.

Of the 12 prices examined, all but one increased with that one staying the same. Sure, it's a tiny sample and I will let the reader draw his or her own conclusions, but I would say it certainly implies that the editors did their research.

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Leeward Islands (Third Edition)

Right off, this catalog covers much

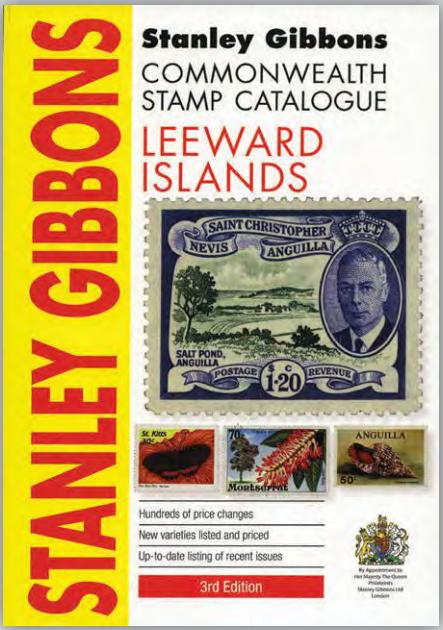
more than the four pages devoted to the Caribbean British colony for which stamps were issued from 1890 to 1954. Those stamps — on and off cover — are highly sought and well collected.

In addition, though, this member of the Commonwealth Stamp Catalogue series covers other British-connected Caribbean locales: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, British Virgin Islands, Montserrat, and St. Kitts and Nevis, both individually and combined.

This updates the last edition (2013), though I could not find any editor's note bringing attention to any updates or changes.

The catalog does, however, include the usual very detailed and instructive pages covering General Information (pricing for stamps and covers), illustrated Condition Guide, Technical Matters (printing, paper, perforations, gum, watermarks, color, specimen stamps, etc.), Abbreviations, and International Glossary as well as the usual section on how to read entries. An introduction to each major chapter offers further enlightenment — history, monetary changes, etc. — on collecting that area.

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The Northern New Jersey World Series of Philately show, known as Nojex, this year moved from its traditional Memorial Day weekend to a September date, a week after Labor Day. It also switched to a new venue in Newark, New Jersey. **Nick Lombardi** won this year's multiframe grand award for his "The 1903 Two Cent Washington Shield" Issue. **Mark Schwartz** won both the multiframe reserve grand and single frame grand with his "Postal History of Salem, Mass. Domestic Mail through Sept. 1883 (Act of 1863), Foreign Mail Up to U.P.U." and "Boston's PAID in Grid Cancels on the U.S. Imperforate Issues of 1847–56."

Congratulations to **Bob Hohertz** who won the multiframe grand at the



Omaha Stamp Show 2017 exhibit chairman Kerry Heffner (left) presents Bob Hohertz with the multiframe grand award.

September Omaha show for his exhibit, "Revenue Stamped Paper of the Spanish American War Tax Era." The multiframe reserve grand went to Jim Maxwell for "Mail From Along the Erie Canal, 1825–1862." Fran Adams received the single frame grand for "The Charter of the United Nations." Robert Burney's "Feathers & Fur on Stamps & Hooks" was voted the Most Popular Exhibit.

September was a busy month for Hohertz because he was an exhibit judge at Balplex the week prior to Omaha and the week after Omaha he attended Milcopex as president of the American Revenue Association which

had its annual meeting in Milwaukee.

The Milcopex multiframe grand went to **Jean Jacques Tillard** for his exhibit, "Saint-Pierre et Miquelon, Le Type 'Groupe' 1892–1908." Retired APS Director of Administration **Frank Sente** won the multiframe reserve grand and the American Revenue Association grand for his "Fiscal History of the U.S. Documentary Taxes, 1898–1902." The Milcopex single frame grand went to **Dan Undersander** for "The World's First Commemorative Stamped Envelope — the 1876 Centennial." The show attendees voted **Robert Henak's** "SPUDS: Potatoes in the U.S. at the Turn of the Last Century" the most popular exhibit.

Weathering the Storms

This column usually mentions only World Series of Philately (national level) shows. However, the Greater Houston Stamp Expo deserves a shout out for holding its show just a couple weeks after Hurricane Harvey devastated the area. This show may be best known for its annual single frame color competition. This year's color was red and Liz Hisey won the award for best single frame red exhibit for "Little Red Riding Hood and the Big Bad Wolf." The show's 2018 color is purple.

We are also delighted that as of yet we have not heard of major losses by any members from hurricanes Harvey and Irma. It will truly be amazing if our



The Ochopee, Florida, post office. Photo courtesy of Steve Bahnsen.

44 members in Puerto Rico managed to escape major damage from Hurricane Maria.

Thanks to member **Steve Bahnsen** who sent us a story from the Naples, Florida newspaper reporting that Hurricane Irma was no match for the 61-square-foot post office in Ochopee, Florida. The post office, claimed to be the smallest in the United States, lost power but resumed operations five days after the storm. Unfortunately, the post office's clerk, Shannon Mitchell, was not so lucky, as her home was a total loss. Incidentally, Ochopee has one 131-mile route that serves more than 900 residents. The mail route covers deliveries in parts of three counties and includes delivery on an Indian reservation.

Society Kiloware

Many years ago, the American Philatelic Society had a group photograph at its annual conventions. The Precancel Stamp Society still does. Recently, the Midwest Philatelic Society of Greater Kansas City decided this is a good idea



Midwest Philatelic Society of Greater Kansas City recent club photograph.

and had its first club photograph (at least in current members' memory).

We are always delighted to meet visiting members, whether they travel just a few miles or thousands of miles. Individuals traveling thousands of miles to visit the American Philatelic Center in central Pennsylvania is not uncommon. In September, we welcomed **Robert Martin**, from Hawaii, who brought along one son from Chicago and a second son from York, Pennsylvania. **John Wenzel**, from San Diego, who became a member July 31 of this year, drove from San Diego, California to visit, and while here renewed his membership early for 2018. It took **Tom Rogers**, of Arizona, a little longer before his first visit as he became a member late last summer. **Stuart Mukamal**, who traveled from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with **Linda Burke**, was not a member when he arrived, but saw the light and joined during his visit.

We hope some of them will join other members such as **Stan Fairchild**, **Virginia Randolph**, **Paul Apinwall**, **Dick Colberg**, **Bill Schultz**, and **Alan Warren**, who routinely make one or more pilgrimage each year.

Speaking of Bill Schultz, congratulations for his efforts which have led to an exhibit — “You’ve Got Mail” — that will be shown at the Chester County (Pennsylvania) Historical Society from around Thanksgiving through at least April. The exhibit material spans 100 years, from 1790 to 1890.

Seeking Award Nominees

Bill is also one of 134 winners of the Carter Volunteer award since first being offered in 2008. Unfortunately over a couple of the years there have not been

as many nominees as awards available: up to five per year for national volunteers, up to 10 for local volunteers, one for young adults (ages 25-to-40), and one for young philatelists (ages 15-to-24). Other than for the young philatelist, five years of service is required.

We know there are many deserving collectors out there. The latest issue of the Wichita (Kansas) Stamp Club Newsletter listed more than 20 members who helped with their show. The Philatelic Society of Lancaster newsletter indicates its recent auction had so many participants that they ran out of bidding paddles. Someone must be organizing this auction.

How many clubs have a newsletter editor or other officer who has served for five or more years? Or does your club have a star new member recruiter, a Boy Scout merit badge counselor, or someone who has organized a youth club?

Your nominations for deserving volunteers are needed by December 15 for consideration of the 2018 Carter Awards. The nomination form is available from stamps.org/awards or on request from our office. Nominees may be considered for five years from the time of nomination.

December 15 is also the deadline for nominations for the Kehr Award for enduring contributions to the future of philately, the Peterson award for furthering philatelic knowledge through literature, and the Luff Awards, which are our highest awards for living philatelists.

Thanks, Jay; Welcome, Martin

Finally, as I write this the editorship is in transition between **Jay Bigalke** and **Martin Miller**. I would be remiss



Jay Bigalke and Martin Miller at the American Philatelic Center in late September during an editor transition. Martin became the new APS editor in October and his column will debut in the December magazine. Below is the farewell “last day of issue” cake the APS team created for Bigalke.

if I did not thank Jay for allowing me to stretch deadlines to the point of breaking to allow the latest coverage of events possible for a monthly.

Thanks, Jay, for all your efforts for the APS over the past few years. Good luck as you return to *Linn’s Stamp News* as its new editor-in-chief. And welcome aboard, Martin.

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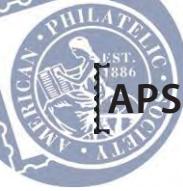
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What Happens When ...?

APS Advisers Can Help Collectors Plan Estates

The American Philatelic Society Estate Advisory Service is available to heirs of our members. Whether members don't know about the service or they don't want to think about the circumstances under which it would be needed, the APS is here to say that it is important to give your heirs advance notice about what you honestly have in the collection.

We say "honestly" because we have found that some collectors might embellish or even downplay the collection's worth to justify their collecting passion to their family. We

urge APS members to have accurate information in written form. An inventory listing helps if the collection is to be sold or donated. You can find a lot of information here at this link, stamps.org/estate-planning.

Supplying names of friends who are collectors gives heirs the advantage of having welcome advice from someone who already knows the collection. Perhaps these resources are members of a local stamp club. If you're not a member of a local club, we urge you to join one right away. You not only increase your knowledge of the hobby, but you will also develop friendships for making the hobby more enjoyable for you and for the added benefit of having someone available to help your heirs handle the collection.

Connections between collectors and dealers are important. If you have had a regular dealer or two over the years, be sure your heirs know who they are and how to contact them. When an active member passes away, his or her heirs can seek help from the APS over the next 12 months. The

APS can offer heirs information about volunteers who can provide advice about how to handle the collection, whether it will be stored, maintained, or sold. The society provides names of volunteer advisers within a reasonable distance from where the collection resides.

The society also will send a copy of guidelines to be followed by the advisers, a report form the advisers will complete, and a letter explaining the process. The heir then makes the contact with those members to arrange visits for a basic evaluation, not a formal appraisal, of the collection. The adviser can offer advice based on what the heir wants to do with the collection. A copy of the completed report form is given to the heir with a copy sent to the Society. The guidelines for an adviser are set by the APS Board of Directors and are as follows.

APS Estate Advisory Service Committee Guidelines

By volunteering to participate in the APS Estate Advisory Service, you have indicated a will-

The APS has handouts offering advice and basic guidelines for planning an estate. The APS also offers members cards on which collectors can name advisers or dealers that might help in disposing of material. These can be pasted into albums or placed prominently within collections.

Planning Your Philatelic Estate

Protect the future of your collection

Property of **APS No.**
My heirs should contact the following person(s) for assistance in handling my philatelic estate:

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Name	Phone No.

If names have not been provided, heirs of an APS member may, within one year of the member's demise, call upon the APS for advisory assistance.
Write: APS Estate Advisory Service
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American Philatelic Society
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Bellefonte, PA 16823
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ingness to offer assistance to the heirs of deceased members according to the following guidelines.

- You agree to act as a representative of the Society first, and place the needs and desires of the heirs requesting assistance above your own. As a member in good standing, you are bound by the adopted APS Code of Ethics. Since all conduct is a reflection on the Society, both collector and dealer members of the advisory committee must conduct all transactions and interactions with the heirs in a professional manner.

- You agree to travel a reasonable distance to inspect properties at no charge, unless agreement prior to travel is reached with the heirs to cover basic expenses.

- You agree to levy no charge for a general evaluation and basic advice concerning the disposition of the material

- You agree to serve only as an adviser, and not to exert any pressure on the heirs to make a decision on disposition of the collection.

If you are not qualified to give proper advice, you agree to so inform the heirs being assisted and refer them to another committee member provided in our initial letter to them. They have been given the name and address of one, two or three committee members.

- Based upon the type and value of the collection, you are to suggest the most efficient and profitable method of disposition, whether by auction, private treaty, directly to a philatelic firm, or by some other means.

- If a formal detailed appraisal is requested, or required for estate purposes, you agree to contract for the appraisal in writing.

The requirement for a written contract, with all terms specified, is for the protection of both the adviser and the heirs. If a formal appraisal is conducted, the basis for any fee shall be established before the appraisal is made.

- If material must be shipped for inspection, the adviser will establish with the heirs in advance all shipping instructions, including method used and who will pay the costs of shipping and return, insurance in transit, and any expenses incurred during inspection.

- You agree to submit a written report to us on the outcome of the assistance rendered. A blank report form is included in the estate package sent to the heirs at the time they request assistance.

- You agree that if you are unable to follow these APS Board-established guidelines, you will send us a written explanation why, so that your name can be removed from the list of committee volunteers.

Advisers Needed

The APS is soliciting APS members who are experienced and are comfortable with giving advice on collections. We currently maintain a list of 187 APS members who have volunteered to provide this advice and/or assistance. There are states in which there are none. The goal is to provide one to three names of members who are within a reasonable distance from the collection or heir.

The following states do not have volunteers, but we can also use advisers in any other states: District of Columbia, Hawaii, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

And these states have only one or two advisers: Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

If you would be interested in serving the hobby in this capacity, contact Tom Horn for more information at twhorn@stamps.org or 814-933-3803, ext 227, or visit stamps.org/estate-advice.

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Plans for 2018 AmeriStamp Expo and the American Philatelic Society Winter Convention are wrapping up as we march toward the show scheduled for February 23 to 25 in Birmingham, Alabama.

If you're planning to attend the show at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex, you will want to consider making reservations at the show hotel before it's sold out.

The show hotel is the Sheraton Birmingham Hotel, 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd., North Birmingham. Show rates run from \$135 to \$155 a night, plus tax. Paid valet parking is available.

The show will attract approximately 50 dealers, a dozen societies, 40 meetings and seminars, and the annual single-frame Champion of Champions competition. There are hopes that the U.S. Postal Service will include a first-day ceremony at the show.

Between 300 and 350 frames of national-caliber



The Sheraton Birmingham Hotel is the official hotel for AmeriStamp Expo 2018.

The "Show Time" Calendar features a list of upcoming shows and APS events (shown in green). To obtain a listing, please submit a "Show Time" form, available online at [www.stamps.org/Show-Calendar](http://www.stamps.org>Show-Calendar) or by mail from APS headquarters. Information must be received 60 days before desired publication time.

The listings are free to World Series of Philately and other shows that are sponsored by an APS chapter or affiliate. Other shows/bourses may purchase listings for the month of the show/bourse and the month prior **only**. The listing fee is \$25 per show per issue. Shows designated ***B*** are bourse only.

Grand award winners from shows are eligible for the annual APS World Series of Philately Champion of Champions competition. Visit www.stamps.org>Show-Calendar for a complete listing of shows and APS events.

Connecticut

November 4

MANPHIL; Manchester Philatelic Society, East

Catholic High School, 115 New State Road, Manchester. ***B*** Contact: John Bereuter, 860-978-7856; jrbereuter@cox.net; www.manchesterphilatelic.webs.com/

Pennsylvania

November 4

Annual Reading Stamp Club Show; Reading Stamp Club, Leesport Farmers Market, 312 Gernant's Church Rd, Leesport. ***B*** Contact: Kent Weaver, 610-779-0175; kewsr78@yahoo.com

California

November 4-5

SACAPEX Stamp Show; Sacramento Philatelic Society, Sacramento Scottish Rite Temple, 6151 H Street, Sacramento. Contact: Joanne Berkowitz, 916-455-3659; joannebe@pacbell.net; www.sacramentophilatelicsociety.org

Florida

November 4-5

FSDA Sarasota Fall Stamp Show; Florida Stampdealers Assoc. & Venice & Sarasota Stamp Clubs, Columbus Hall, 4880 Fruitville Rd, Sarasota.

B Contact: Sheldon Rogg, 727-364-6897; h.rogg@verizon.net; www.floridastampshows.com / www.floridastampdealers.org

Michigan

November 4-5

AAPEX 2017; Ann Arbor Stamp Club, Morris J. Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College, 4800 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor. Contact: Harry & Dottie Winter, 734-761-5859; harwin@umich.edu; www.annarborstampclub.org

Pennsylvania

November 4-5

PITTPEX '17; Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh, South Fayette Fire Hall, 661 Millers Run Rd., Bridgeville. Contact: Bryan Gross, 412 352-1317; maxaugusta@aol.com; www.presidentdrive.com

Texas

November 10-11

30th Annual Mid-Cities Stamp Club Expo 2017; Mid-Cities Stamp Club, Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 South Main Street, Grapevine.

exhibits will be on display. The exhibit registration deadline was November 1, but limited space might be available. Exhibitors who have not registered and are still interested should contact the APS Shows Department (contact info below) immediately.

In Other Show News

StampShow, scheduled for August 9 to 12 in Columbus, Ohio, is already drawing interest from specialty societies planning meetings and conventions at the show. Those already planning to meet include the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club, Universal Ship Cancellation Society, the Military Postal History Society, the Confederate Stamp Alliance, the American Association of Polar Philatelists, and the Penguins on Stamps Study Group. Societies that want to meet should contact the APS Shows Department to make arrangements.

The APS maintains a directory of specialty societies on its website. Listings include contact information and information about awards for exhibiting. To ensure that the site is up to date and accurate, we ask societies to please review this and send us any changes via contacts below.

To Contact Us

For information on AmeriStamp Expo, visit the APS website at stamps.org/stampexpo. For AmeriStamp Expo information or updates, contact Kathleen Edwards at 814-933-3803, ext. 217 or via e-mail to stampshow@stamps.org. The society awards listings can be found at stamps.org/show-awards.

Contact: Ralph Poore, 817-235-8472; rspoore@ralph-s-poore.com; www.mid-citiesstampclub.com

Ohio **November 11**
98th Annual Stamp Exhibition; Rubber City Stamp Club, Akron General Health and Wellness Center, Rte. 18 at Crystal Lake Road (4125 Medina Rd), Akron. Contact: Tom Hirschinger, 330-336-8227; tgheroium7@aol.com

Pennsylvania **November 11**
71st Annual Johnstown Stamp Show; Johnstown Stamp Club, St. John Gualbert Activity Center, 110 Adams St., Johnstown. Contact: Charles D. Holtzman, Jr., 814-532-0199; chazhjr@msn.com

California **November 11-12**
Filatelic Fiesta 2017; San Jose Stamp Club, Elks Lodge, 444 West Alma Ave, San Jose. *WSP* Contact: Jessica Rodriguez, 408-656-0623; sanjosestampclub@gmail.com; www.filatelicfiesta.com

Ohio **November 11-12**
MSDA Cincinnati Area Stamp Show; Midwest Stamp Dealers Association, Four Points by Sheraton Cincinnati North, 7500 Tylers Place Blvd., West Chester. *B* Contact: Jim Bardo, 847-634-2676; jfb7437@aol.com; www.msdastamp.com

Illinois **November 17-19**
CHICAGOPEX; Chicago Philatelic Society, Westin Chicago Northwest, 400 Park Blvd., Itasca. *WSP* Contact: Charles Berg, 773-775-2100; stampkingchicago@hotmail.com; www.chicagopex.org

New York **November 18**
Autumn Stamp Festival; Buffalo Stamp Club, VFW Leonard Post, 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga. *B* Contact: George H. Gates, 716-633-8358; gghg53@aol.com

Ohio **November 18**
Black River Stamp Club Show; Black River Stamp Club, St. Judes School, 590 Poplar St., Elyria. Contact: Dennis Sadowski, 440-937-0069; blackriver.stampclub@gmail.com

Oklahoma **November 18**
Lawton Ft Sill Stamp Show; Lawton Ft Sill Stamp Club, Knights Inn, 2202 NW Hwy 277, Lawton. *B* Contact: Glenn Stebleton, 580-355-7135; gasstebleton@live.com

Illinois **November 25**
SUPEX 2017; Suburban Collector's Club of Chicago, Union of Operating Engineers Hall, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside. *B* Contact: Scott Mitchell, 708-254-3198; scott.mitchell@advocatehealth.com

Virginia **November 25**
Fairfax StampFest; Elk's Club, 8421 Arlington Blvd.,

(Rte. 50), Fairfax. *B* Contact: Campbell Cochran; carytj@yahoo.com

Connecticut **November 26**
Fourth Sunday Collectibles Show; New Haven Philatelic Society, Annex YMA, 554 Woodward Ave., New Haven. *B* Contact: Brian McGrath, 203-627-6874; hukeda@comcast.net; www.facebook.com/nhps1914

Florida **November 30**
Collecting Hometown/ Genealogical Postal History; APS On-the-Road Course, Courtyard by Marriott Orlando Downtown- prior to FLOREX, 730 N. Magnolia Ave, Orlando. *APS* Contact: Janet Houser, 814-933-3803; jehouser@stamps.org; stamps.org/On-the-Road-Courses

Ohio **December 1-2**
Worthington Stamp Club Show; Worthington Stamp Club, St. Andrews Parish Hall, 1899 McCoy Road., Columbus. Contact: Marie Gibbs, 614-260-0952; kevmar1821@gmail.com; www.worthingtonstampclub.com

Florida **December 1-3**
FLOREX-The Florida State Stamp Show; FSDA & Central Florida Stamp Club, Central Florida Fair Grounds, Commercial Exhibit Hall, 4603 West Colonial Drive (SR 50), Orlando. *WSP* Contact: Francis Ferguson, 407-493-0956-Cell; show@florexstampshow.com; www.florexstampshow.com

Michigan **December 2**
Fernpex 17; Birmingham/Ferndale Stamp Club, Sokol Hall, 23600 W. Warren, Dearborn. *B* Contact: Fred Como, 313-527-2059; karate1dad@netscape.net

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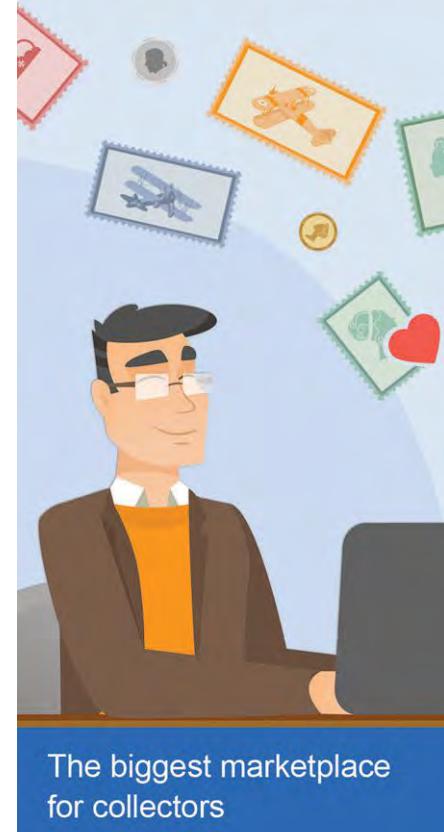
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California

December 2-3
PENPEX; Sequoia Stamp Club, Community Activities Bldg., 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City. Contact: Kristin Patterson, 408-267-6643; penpexredwoodcity@yahoo.com; www.penpex.org

Wisconsin

December 2-3
MSDA Milwaukee Stamp Show; Midwest Stamp Dealers Association, Crowne Plaza - Milwaukee Airport, 6401 S. 13th Street, Milwaukee. *B* Contact: Jim Bardo, 847-634-2676; jfb7437@aol.com; www.msdastamp.com

Illinois

December 8-9
MSDA Holiday Show - West; Midwest Stamp Dealers Association, Embassy Suites by Hilton, 707 E. Butterfield Rd., Lombard. *B* Contact: Jim Bardo, 847-634-2676; jfb7437@aol.com; www.msdastamp.com

California

December 9-10
San Diego Postcard, Stamp & Paper Show; Al Bahr Shriners, 5440 Kearny Mesa Rd, San Diego. *B* Contact: Ralph Bowman, 619-508-3299; thepapergallery@mac.com; www.thepapergallery.com

Connecticut

December 24
Fourth Sunday Collectibles Show; New Haven Philatelic Society, Annex YMA, 554 Woodward Ave., New Haven. *B* Contact: Brian McGrath, 203-627-6874; hukeda@comcast.net; www.facebook.com/nhps1914

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New Jersey

January 4-6
Garden State Stamp and Cover Show; New Jersey



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Michigan

January 6-7
BIRPEX 2018; Birmingham Stamp Club /Ferndale Stamp Club, Birmingham Masonic Temple, 37357 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. *B* Contact: Fred Como, 313-527-2059; karate1dad@netscape.net

Louisiana

January 19-20
Winter Stamp Fest & Postcard Show; Crescent City Stamp Club, Doubletree New Orleans Airport, 2150 Veterans Memorial Blvd, Kenner. *B* Contact: Doug Weisz, 773-914-4332; weiszcovers@yahoo.com; www.cccsno.org

Georgia

January 26-28
Southeastern Stamp Expo; Southeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs, Hilton Hotel Atlanta Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Norcross. *WSP* Contact: Scott Mark; sestampexpo@gmail.com; www.sefsc.org

Florida

February 2-4
Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition; Sarasota Philatelic Club, Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. *WSP* Contact: Liz Hisey, 941-444-0777; lizhisey@comcast.net; www.sarasotastampclub.com/show.html

South Carolina

February 10-11
Myrtle Beach Stamp & Postcard Show; Myrtle Beach Stamp Club, Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, 101 Fantasy Harbour Blvd., Myrtle Beach. *B* Contact: Donn M. Ebert, 843-347-0087; lilfort@scccoast.net; sites.google.com/site/myrtlebeachstampclub/

Arizona

February 16-18
ARIPEX; Arizona Fed. of Stamp Clubs, Mesa Convention Center, 263 N. Center St., Building "C", Mesa. *WSP* Contact: Kevin Lesk, 480-240-0388; ariplex2017@gmail.com; www.ariplex.org

Florida

February 17
Annual Stamp Show; West Volusia Stamp Club, Sons of Italy, 1270 Doyle Rd., Deltona. *B* Contact: Mike Daley, 407-417-7818; miked129e@gmail.com; floridacsp.com/wvstamp/

Kansas

February 17-18
The Cessna Show; The Cessna Stamp & Coin Club, Cessna Activity Center, 2744 George Washington Blvd., Wichita. *B* Contact: Ralph E. Lott, 316-683-6593

Ohio

February 23-24
Toledo Stamp Expo 2018; Stamp Collectors Club of Toledo, Holland Gardens, 6530 Angola Rd., Holland. Contact: Clifford Campbell, 419-874-6241; www.toledostampclub.org

Alabama

February 23-25
AmeriStamp Expo; American Philatelic Society, Sheraton Birmingham Hotel, 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd., North, Birmingham. Contact: Kathleen Edwards, 814-933-3803 ext 217; stampshow@stamps.org; www.stamps.org/AmeriStamp-Expo-ASE

Florida

March 3
14th Annual Stamp and Coin Show; Flagler County Stamp and Coin Club, Elk's Lodge #2709, 53 Old Kings Road, Palm Coast. *B* Contact: David Rosenthal, 386-437-0368; www.stampandcoinclub.com

APS & APRL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The holiday season is rapidly approaching. When you are planning your travels, please note that the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, will be closed:

- Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24
- Friday, December 22 and Monday, December 25
- Monday, January 1

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New York	March 3-4	BUFFPEX 2018; The Buffalo Stamp Club, VFW Leonard Post, 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga. Contact: George Gates, 716-633-8358; gghg53@aol.com	Frespex 2018; Fresno Philatelic Society, Veterans Memorial Building, 435 Hughes Ave., Clovis. *B* Contact: Dick Richardson, 559-431-5013; starstamps@thegrid.net	
Ohio	March 3-4	McKinley Stamp Club Show; McKinley Stamp Club, St. George Serbian Orthodox Social Hall, 4667 Applegrove St., NW, North Canton. Contact:	St. Louis Stamp Expo; Area Clubs, St. Louis Renaissance Airport Hotel, 9801 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis. *WSP* Contact: Mike Peter; www.stlstampexpo.org	
Ohio	March 16-18	Garfield-Perry March Party; Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, La Villa Conference and Banquet Center,	Missouri	March 16-18
Wisconsin	March 22-24	DANEPEX '18; Badger Stamp Club, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4402 E. Washington Ave., Madison. Contact: Bob Voss, 608-838-1033; lestamps@charter.net; www.wfscstamps.org/Clubs/Badger	Alberta	March 24-25

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Adams, Cherryl E. (228097)

Pueblo, CO HISTORY-PRE-1940 WORLDWIDE-SCIENCES-NATURE; 71; Retired

Adler, Charles I. (227975) **Great Neck, NY** US-CANADA-GREAT BRITAIN-WORLDWIDE; 75; Retired

Aho, Arthur G. (228017) **Charlottesville, VA** US-CANADA-FINLAND; 73; Retired

Alaniz, Kristen B. (227996) **Phoenix, AZ** US, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, FDC, USED-ISRAEL; 44; Professor

Albanese, Phil J. (227981) **Harrington, DE** US 19TH CENTURY, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING, PARCEL POST, WASHINGTON/FRANKLINS, CITY PRECANCELS; 76

Allen, Larry T. (228062) **Grants Pass, OR** WORLDWIDE-US-BRITISH ASIA; 69; Retired

Ardora, Kaylan T. (228110) **Tacoma, WA** ICELAND-NEW ZEALAND-CANADA-GREENLAND-VIKINGS; 66; Retired

Aschenbrenner, Kathleen M. (228063) **Rice, MN** US USED-CANADA-WORLDWIDE; 84; Retired

Baker, Margorie L. (227976) **Oakley, CA** COMMEMORATIVES; 94; Retired

Baldwin, B. G. (228149) **Brooks, GA** US; 91; Retired

Baron, David C. (227969) **Fairfax, VA** US, PLATE BLOCKS-UNITED NATIONS-USED WORLDWIDE-SHIPS/BOATS-AVIATION; Retired

Barondeau, Jacquelyn (228028) **Rapid City, SD** US-CANADA; 70; Retired

Bennett, Sidney S. (228076) **Venice, FL**; 78; Retired

Benning, Judy Ann (228111) **Verner, ON** US-CANADA-EUROPE-WORLDWIDE; 71; Accountant

Berman, Alex (228053) **Farmington, MI** FDC-US-WORLDWIDE-FFC; 71; Attorney

Billis, Peter (228018) **Lancaster, PA** GREECE & AREA; 52; Self Employed

Blackmon, Michael (228096) **Palestine, TX** US COMMEMORATIVES, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, COVERS, FDC, RPO/HPO/TPO/STREETCAR CANCELS; 66

Bogardus, Bruce (228140) **South Chatham, MA** US COMMEMORATIVES; Retired

Booth, Brian S. (227999) **New York, NY** US, FDC-BRITISH AMERICA; 60; Teacher

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Applications 227662 through 227783 as previously published have been accepted for membership by the Board of Vice Presidents.

SUMMARY

Total Membership, August 31, 2017 29,118

New Members 120

Reinstated 46 29,284

Deceased 11

Resignations 6 17

Total Membership, September 30, 2017 29,267

(Total Membership, September 30, 2016 was 30,375 a difference of -1,108)

Bourbeau, Donald A. (228098)

Rochester Hills, MI US-CANADA-BRITISH COLONIALS-GREAT BRITAIN; 69; Retired

- Brenner, Michael E. (228054) **Holts Summit, MO** US-BRITISH COMMONWEALTH; 62; Retired

Brewer, Reggie (228000) **Mabank, TX** OLDER STAMPS; 56; Retired

Brodesser, Ronald C. (228001) **Bronx, NY** WORLDWIDE- ENGRAVED-TOPICALS-US PLATE NUMBER SINGLES; 80; Retired

Brommer, James E. (228072) **Mechanicsburg, PA** US AIRMAILS, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, PLATE BLOCKS-GREAT BRITAIN-CANADA; 76

Brown, Eric J. (228048) **South Lake Tahoe, CA** US, AIRMAILS, CANCELS, POSTAL CARDS, POSTAGE DUES, USED; 52

Brown, Robert (228002) **Gainesville, VA**; 81; Retired

Buchanan, Barbara S. (S-227989) **Conestoga, PA**; Retired

Buchanan, Lee M. (227988) **Conestoga, PA** US 20TH CENTURY, COMMEMORATIVES, CLASSICS, DEFINITIVES, SOUVENIR SHEETS, PLATE BLOCKS; Retired

Bullis, William F. (228112) **Palm Coast, FL** US-EUROPE-LATIN AMERICA; 75; Retired

Burley, Philip A. (228029) **Hazelhurst, WI** US-CANADA-NORWAY-GREAT BRITAIN; 57; Retired

Burnett, Michael J. (228030) **Norfolk, VA** US MINT; 74; Retired

Burns, Jill M. (227990) **New Tazewell, TN** US, FDC, PLATE BLOCKS, TN POSTAL HISTORY, COMMEMORATIVES-IRELAND; 54

Butner, Gary W. (228099) **Sarasota, FL** US; 79; Retired

Callarman, James J. (228073) **Bella Vista, AR** US, COMMEMORATIVE/PANELS, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, AIRMAILS

Cameron, John (228151) **Woodhaven, NY** US PLATE BLOCKS, SINGLES-UN; 91; Retired

Carpenter, Steve R. (228113) **Flower Mound, TX** US SHEETS; 68; Retired

Chappell, Bruce (228114) **Westbrook, CT** PRE 1925 US-HARDING ISSUES; 66; Sales

Chasse, Michael (228027) **Sierra Vista, AZ** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, SOUVENIR SHEETS, COMMEMORATIVES, BOOKLETS/ PANES; 58; Computer Engineer

Clayton, Al (228055) **Wake Forest, NC** US; 79; Retired

Clendenning, William F. (228115) **Wisconsin Rapids, WI** MIINT US; 75; Retired

Cole, Katie (227984) **Grand Rapids, MI** STAMP DESIGN ERRORS-US COMMEMORATIVES; 43

Countess, Richard (228064) **Westlake Village, CA** PRE 1965 BRITISH EMPIRE; 71; Retired

Cox, George R. (228031) **Lincolnton, NC** US, BOOKLETS- WORLDWIDE; 85; Antique Clock Repair

Crowley, Cale (228132) **Baltimore, MD** ZAMBIA; 74; Priest

Cusick, Cecil E. (228065) **Springboro, OH** US; 73; Retired

Czarnecki, Charles S. (228019) **Buffalo, NY**; 68; Retired

Dahlinger, Randy (228066) **Madison, WI** US COMMEMORATIVES; 64; Consultant

DaSilva, John (228123) **Chatham, MA** ART-ARCHITECTURE- DANCE-US 19TH CENTURY- CANADA-GREAT BRITAIN- FRANCE; 54; Architect

Daugaard, Erling (227935) **Otterup, Denmark**; 71; CEO

Davenport, Susan (228133) **Palmyra, VA** US-WORLDWIDE; 67; Retired

Deery, Michael (228108) **Wallaceburg, ON** WWII VIOLATION MAIL, WARNINGS, ADVISEMENTS, HELD MAIL, RECOVERED MAIL; 76; Retired

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Green, John (227986) **Las Vegas, NV**

Grell, Lewis (228136) **Pulaski, PA** PRE 1990 FDC; 85; Retired

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Gunter, Willard P. (228089) **Prairieville, LA** US; 56

Guzik, Edward F. (228003) **Roselle, IL** US, 20TH CENTURY, PLATE BLOCKS; 75; Retired

Haas, Douglas H. (228004) **Lancaster, CA**; 82; Retired

Hain, Mark (228120) **Marietta, GA** US PLATE BLOCKS, COMMEMORATIVES, USED, AIRMAILS, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS (FEDERAL)-POSTAGE DUES

Hall, Eric D. (228034) **Brunswick, OH** BRITISH & FRENCH COLONIES-RUSSIA-AIRMAILS- ZEPPELIN-PRE 1930 US; 56; Attorney

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Gazzola, Robert A. (228135) **Arlington, VA** US; 79; Lawyer

Gilbon, Howard D. (228125) **Cortlandt Manor, NY** US-DUCK-UN-TOPICAL-WORLDWIDE; 67; Retired

Green, John (227986) **Las Vegas, NV**

Grell, Lewis (228136) **Pulaski, PA** PRE 1990 FDC; 85; Retired

Grupp, David F. (227992) **Matthews, NC** US; 67; Retired

Gunter, Willard P. (228089) **Prairieville, LA** US; 56

Guzik, Edward F. (228003) **Roselle, IL** US, 20TH CENTURY, PLATE BLOCKS; 75; Retired

Haas, Douglas H. (228004) **Lancaster, CA**; 82; Retired

Hain, Mark (228120) **Marietta, GA** US PLATE BLOCKS, COMMEMORATIVES, USED, AIRMAILS, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS (FEDERAL)-POSTAGE DUES

Hall, Eric D. (228034) **Brunswick, OH** BRITISH & FRENCH COLONIES-RUSSIA-AIRMAILS-ZEPPELIN-PRE 1930 US; 56; Attorney

Hart, Howard V. (228145) **Pewaukee, WI** WORLDWIDE; 87; Retired

Hazell, Cheryl (228078) **Hilton, NY** CLASSICAL; 55; Teacher

Hebert, E. Virginia (228056) **Westfield, MA** US; Retired

Heller, Jeff (228049) **Austin, TX** BRITISH COLONIES-FRENCH COLONIES-GERMAN 3RD REICH/OCCUPATIONS-BELGIAN CONGO-PORTUGUESE COLONIES-ITALIAN COLONIES; 61

Henline, Scott (228116) **Avondale, AZ**; 91; Retired

Hennicke, Chris R. (227995) **Saint Charles, MO** US-ICELAND-GREAT BRITAIN-CANADA-ISRAEL; 52

Higgins, Blake (228102) **Tucson, AZ**; 78; Retired

Hitchcock, David J. (J-228103) **Poolesville, MD** HISTORICAL-US-POPCULTURE-DISNEY; 19; Student

Hoffman, Christopher R. (228090) **Coram, NY** PRE 1970 US & WORLDWIDE, PLATE BLOCKS; 57; Pharmaceutical Representative

Hogan, Ted (228091) **Palo Alto, CA** US-PHILIPPINES; Teacher

Houtz, Robert C. (228005) **State College, PA**; 82; Retired

Howard, John D. (228117) **Carolina Beach, NC** US GOVERNMENT FLIGHTS, PIONEER FLIGHTS; 75; Retired

Jacobs, Theodore H. (228104) **Fort Walton Beach, FL** SOUTH KOREA; Retired

Janczak, Thomas F. (228074) **Greenfield, WI** US-WWII; 75; Retired

- Johnson, Richard A. (227991) **Wister, OK** US COMMEMORATIVES, BUREAU ISSUES, AIRMAILS, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, CHRISTMAS SEALS; 78; Retired
- Jordan, Michael (228035) **Lafayette, CA** US-BRITISH COMMONWEALTH; 71; Retired
- Karl, Dorothy M. (228068) **Seabeck, WA** US-WORLDWIDE; 81; House Care
- Keating, Eugene A. (227985) **New Oxford, PA** WORLD WAR II-US AIRMAILS, FDC, REVENUES/TAX PAID-WAR COVERS/STAMPS; 44
- Keith, Ken (228126) **Cedarburg, WI** MINT US-1960/65 RUSSIA; 89; Retired
- Kelly, Kevin (228079) **West Palm Beach, FL** US-AUSTRALIA; 61; Physician
- Kennedy, Wayne B. (228036) **Columbia, PA** US; 69; Retired
- Kirsch, John B. (228075) **Trevor, WI** US-MICRO NATIONS-REVENUES-CANADA; 54; Engineer
- Kliewer, Philip (228016) **Tulsa, OK** US AIRMAILS, COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, PARCEL POST, POSTAGE DUES-WORLDWIDE USED; 66
- Knight, Gordon B. (227997) **Ames, IA** US, 19TH CENTURY, COMMEMORATIVES, COVERS, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES; 56; Professor
- Konetzny, Robert E. (227978) **Fort Myers, FL** US; 68; Retired
- Krebs, W. Phillip (228146) **Kenosha, WI** SINGAPORE-US-CHILE-SWITZERLAND; 67; Retired
- Krishnamurthy, Ramnarayan K. (228014) **West Windsor, NJ** COSTUMES-MASKS-INDIA-BELGIUM-ASIA-UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION-DANCE
- Kumer, Michelle (228020) **Land O Lakes, FL** US-CUBA; 55
- LaLancette, Michael E. (228006) **Essex Junction, VT** EARLY US; 68; Retired
- Lang, C. Marvin (228147) **Stevens Point, WI** DENMARK-CHEMISTRY & PHYSICS-US; 78; Retired
- Lavandoski, David (228007) **Albuquerque, NM** US-WORLDWIDE; 57; Sales/Marketing
- Lim, Geok Cheng (228037) **Pittsburgh, PA** SPECIAL POSTMARKS-MAXIMUM CARDS-FDC; 37; Homemaker
- Lowrie, John C. (228008) **Denver, CO** US; 51; Attorney
- Lubliner, Warren (228141) **Delray Beach, FL** US EARLY 20TH CENTURY; 70; Retired
- Luffy, Justin (228109) **Garland, TX** US BULLS EYE/SON CANCELS, CANCELS, FANCY CANCELS, COIL LINE PAIRS, COILS, COMMEMORATIVES; 28
- Mallon, Francis A. (228038) **Livonia, MI** US; 78; Retired
- Marquand, Brent (228039) **Knoxville, TN** EASTERN EUROPE-CHANNEL ISLANDS-SCANDANAVIA; 66; Retired
- Mathews, R. J. (228040) **Crossville, TN** WORLDWIDE; 84; Retired
- Maxwell, Edward J. (228041) **Cedarville, NJ** US-CANADA-1800/1948 GERMANY & AUSTRIA; 74; Retired
- McCormick, James T. (228021) **Williamsburg, VA** PRE 1953 BRITISH COMMONWEALTH-PRE 1935 US; 76; Retired
- McGrath, William A. (228069) **Coxs Creek, KY** US-FRENCH COLONIES-VATICAN-EUROPA-UN; 76; Retired
- McIntosh, Gabriella (227998) **Gretna, LA** HUNGARY-CATS-BIRDS-US-ITALY-SPAIN-GERMANY-ENGLAND-FRANCE-JAPAN; 39
- McPeck, Terry D. (227974) **Avondale, AZ** US, AIRMAILS; 55
- Means, Melvin N. (228127) **Pasadena, CA** US-HAWAII-BERMUDA-COVERS; 81; Retired
- Meche, Glenn W. (228050) **Texas City, TX** DISNEY-US BLOCKS/GUIDELINE BLOCKS, COMMEMORATIVES, FDC, 20TH CENTURY; 63
- Michaelson, Lynda K. (227971) **Gilbert, AZ** US 19TH CENTURY, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES, FDC, CHRISTMAS SEALS-WESTERN HEMISPHERE-ZEPPELIN COVERS/STAMPS; 60; Retired
- Miller, Jack (228148) **Kingston, PA** BRITISH COMMONWEALTH-KGVI ERA; 71; Teacher
- Mills, Jim (228085) **Atascadero, CA** US, AIRMAILS, DEFINITIVES, COMMEMORATIVES, POSTAGE DUES, SPECIAL DELIVERIES
- Morgan, James C. (228094) **Washington, DC**; 45
- Nedelcu, Radu (227980) **Bucuresti, Romania** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES, NEWSPAPERS & PERIODICALS, PRIVATE PERFS, WASHINGTON/FRANKLINS; 64
- Nicholson, Sandra L. (227972) **Dover, NH** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, CLASSICS, AIRMAILS
- O'Loughlin, Shirley (228080) **Maple Grove, MN** US USED; 75; Retired
- Obold, Joseph K. (228057) **Philadelphia, PA** US PLATE BLOCKS; 80; Retired
- Oleskey, John (227982) **Hollsville, PA** US-CANADA; 58; Insurance Company/Marketing
- Pagone, Francesco (228105) **Brooklyn, NY**; 74; Retired
- Pape, Clayton C. (228070) **Joliet, IL** US-TRAINS/TRANSPORTATION-BIRDS-ANIMALS-FLOWERS; Retired
- Parsatoon, Patrick (228139) **Rego Park, NY**; 61
- Paxson, Robert E. (228137) **Ocala, FL** US; 70; Retired
- Pekkala, Michael J. (228106) **Emigrant, MT**; 65; Retired
- Perry, Lawrence D. (228081) **Corpus Christi, TX** US; 86; Retired
- Pettit, Erik (228009) **Andover, MN** POST 1930 US, MINT; 41; Production Supervisor
- Pickens, John B. (228086) **Oklahoma City, OK** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY; 70
- Pollard, Thomas R. (228052) **Knoxville, TN** US, FDC, PLATE BLOCKS-MEDICINE/DRUGS/HEALTH; 53; Cardiac Surgeon
- Procak, Jeff (228026) **Jersey City, NJ**
- Rehrig, Rod (228118) **Zephyrhills, FL** US-TOPICAL; 74; Retired
- Reid, Robert N. (228121) **Lusby, MD**; 70
- Rekhelman, Vladimir (228010) **Brooklyn, NY** IMPERIAL RUSSIA-SOUTH UKRAINE-RUSSIAN LEVANT; 57; Manager
- Reyes, Carmelo L. (228092) **Haines City, FL** WORLDWIDE; 72; Retired
- Ricketts, James W. (228042) **Sacramento, CA** US-ISRAEL; 70; Retired
- Rightmyer, Robert (227979) **Prince George, VA** USED US; 73; Accountant
- Rights, Theodore H. (228107) **Hamilton, MO** EARLY US ON COVER; 78; Retired
- Robidoux, Walter L. (228059) **Smyrna, GA** US-RUSSIA-CUBA-LIECHTENSTEIN-HUNGARY-CHINA-KOREA; 71; Retired
- Rockowitz, Sheldon L. (228093) **Morristown, NJ** US-NEW ZEALAND-NEW SOUTH WALES; 69; Retired
- Rumpf, William G. (228084) **San Jose, CA** US AIRMAILS, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING, CHRISTMAS SEALS, PATRIOTIC COVERS, HI POSTAL HISTORY, STAMPLESS COVERS
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- Salley, Jason D. (228095) **Woodbridge, VA** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, CONFEDERATE STATES, CHRISTMAS SEALS; 42; Professor
- Sammons, James O. (228071) **Addison, TX** CHINA; 86; Retired
- Sandler, Rich (228128) **North Miami Beach, FL** WORLDWIDE; 74; Retired
- Seifert, Mark (228150) **North Ridgeville, OH** US SINGLES, PLATE BLOCKS, FDC; 50; Vice President
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- Short, Nancy J. (228129) **Kitty Hawk, NC** US-WORLDWIDE; 76; Retired
- Silfies, Ronald (228142) **Oak Ridge, NC** US; 80; Retired
- Smith, David R. (228015) **Marion, IL**; 64; Retired
- Smith, Mark (228043) **Annapolis, MD** US; 63; Self Employed
- Steel, Henry (228025) **Brookville, PA** US COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES; 69
- Stein, Frank (228130) **Madison, WI** ELECTRIC; Professor Emeritus
- Sternberg, Howard A. (228082) **Tamarac, FL** WORLDWIDE; 81; Retired
- Strantz, Robert E. (228131) **Fishers, IN** US-ZEPPELINS; 72; Retired
- Swarthout, Robert G. (228044) **Addison, NY** PRE 1930 US, REVENUES; 70; Retired
- Taylor, Mick (227993) **Portland, OR** US USED, OR POSTAL HISTORY-SOUTH AFRICA/ENCLAVES-WORLDWIDE USED-EPHEMERA; 48
- Townsend, Donald (228045) **Chicago, IL** US-MINT-OLDER
- Taylor, Dennis (228087) **Clinton, TN** USED WORLDWIDE; 74
- Trefz, Todd M. (228119) **Kalispell, MT** US-WORLDWIDE; 55; Retail Sales Private Security
- Turner, Mat M. (227968) **Saint Louis, MO** FRANCE-FRENCH COLONIES-FRENCH ANTARCTIC TERRITORY-FRENCH POLYNESIA-PAINTINGS; 52; Financial Advisor



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Wanzenberg, Alan (228011) **Ancram, NY** FDC; 66; Architect
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Yang, Jia Yu (228012) **Shanghai, China** CHINA-US AIRMAILS, COVERS-ART-HONG KONG-SHANGHAI; 43
Yunn, Michael (228122) **Irwin, PA** Zambon, David (228083) **Longwood, FL** US-GREAT BRITAIN-MACHINS; 72; Retired
Zeiger, Fred E. (228047) **Trenton, MO** US, BOOKLETS, FULL PANES, PLATE BLOCKS; 78; Retired
Zevos, Dorian (227994) **Athens, GA** US, AIRMAILS, NY POSTAL HISTORY, DEFINITIVES-LATIN AMERICA-GERMANY
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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per-based materials, U.S. National Archives, as well as a consortium of international experts.

All agree that there are only two plastics that can be safely recommended to store paper-based material: polyethylene and polypropylene. All agreed that "vinyl" (which is polyvinyl chloride) cannot be recommended to house paper-based materials as the chlorine molecule may be leached, combine with hydrogen molecules in the water-vapor in the air, thus creating hydrochloric acid, which will eat through paper-based materials.

Fred Korr

Oakland, California

Deciphering a Postal Rate From the Roman States

As a collector of Roman States postal history, I enjoyed the article, "Mail from the Pope's Army" by Thomas Pratuch, in the August edition of *The American Philatelist*.

Admittedly, I know little about military mail and stampless covers. The letter shown as Figure 10 on Page 779 is from Viterbo to Ischia and properly franked with a 2-baj (bajocchi) stamp. On June 9, 1866, the currency changed from the Pontifical scudo to the lira (1 scudo = 5.375 lira; 1 baj. = 5 centesimi).

Inside the country, from July 7, 1866, any destination in the country was 10 centesimi. The letter shown has a 2-baj. Stamp, which is equal to 10 centesimi. At the time, either the baj. or centesimi stamps were valid. The postal marking is a "2." The centesimi was in use, so the sender wanted to use the baj. stamp; the clerk marked the need for 2 baj. to equal the correct 10-centesimi rate.

I hope this is helpful.

Rev. Edward J. Mullowney, SSJ

Baltimore, Maryland

Honoring the Jarvises as Leaders and Mentors

As our enthused and enlightened Executive Director Scott D. English stated in his July column in *The American Philatelist*, Ed and Judy Jarvis represent the highest levels of

dedication and devotion to "our world of stamps" for their intense service to and with Westpex, thus earning the couple a Carter Volunteer Award.

My words here are poor and of no consequence to the elegant expressions shared by Mr. English and others. All I can state is that Ed and Judy exemplified the statement of the late King George VI: "The highest of distinctions is service to others."

Their collaborative work, with others, elevated Westpex into the stratosphere of international philately. Their key success was to recruit, encourage, and support a team of philately celebrants, all volunteers. And, to that team, for whatever reason, I was recruited to join. Me, someone with particular no skill or advantage. But for the Jarvises, I can only state the opportunity — and it is an opportunity — has enhanced, enlarged, and expanded my philatelic knowledge and enjoyment.

For those reasons, I must class the Jarvises as both mentors and friends.

The late and beloved Princess Diana once remarked that "only do what your heart tells you." The evidence that the Jarvises have lived, toiled, and led by that credo is Westpex.

It is only fitting that the many whose lives, hobby, and times, have been enriched and enlightened by the Jarvises, take like thought and share from their heart their compliments and commendation.

This undocumented quotation echoes what my heart feels: Truly great mentors are hard to find, difficult to part with, and impossible to forget.

Michael S. Turrini

Vallejo, California

Corrections and Clarifications

• A book review in the October issue incorrectly named the founder as *La Posta*. Philatelic author Richard W. Helbock founded *La Posta* in 1969.

• The "Worldwide in a Nutshell" column in October included an inaccurate population figure for the Seychelles. As of September, the population of the island nation is 94,855 as of September, according the worldometers website.



2017 NEW STAMPS

BY JEFF STAGE

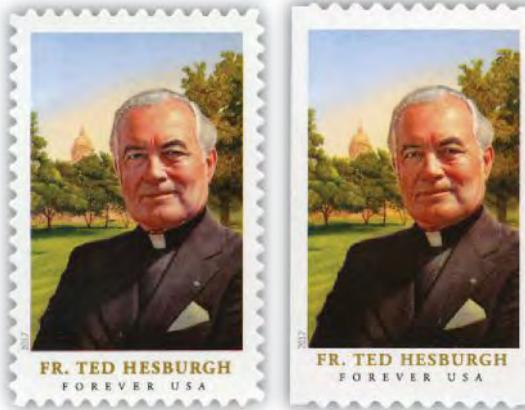
Father Theodore Hesburgh

Single Stamp in September Honors Lauded Religious Leader

Father Theodore “Ted” Hesburgh — an influential Roman Catholic priest and longtime president of the University of Notre Dame — is featured on a commemorative issued in two formats September 1 by the U.S. Postal Service. Hesburgh, who died in 2015 at the age of 97, became president of Notre Dame at the age of 35, was a charter member of the Commission on Civil Rights in 1957, awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1964, and received the Congressional Gold Medal in 2000.

This was the only new stamp or postal stationery released in September by the U.S. Postal Service. A stamp called Celebrating African American History and Culture and depicting the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of African American History and Culture, originally scheduled for September, was postponed to October 13.

The Father Theodore Hesburgh forever stamp — issued as a pane of 20 and in coils of 50 — drew a large crowd to the A-list type of first-day ceremony held at Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center on the Notre Dame campus



The two versions of the Father Theodore Hesburgh commemorative forever stamp. The pane version is at left and the coil version at right



Condoleezza Rice with Digger Phelps and Megan J. Brennan at the Hesburgh ceremony. Photograph by Jay Bigalke.

FATHER THEODORE HESBURGH COMMEMORATIVE FOREVER STAMPS

USPS Item Number: 474704 (pane),
799404 (coil)

Format: Pane of 20, 240 stamps per revolution; coil of 50, 408 stamps per revolution

Issue Date and City: September 1, 2017,
Notre Dame, Indiana

Art Director, Designer, and Typographer: Ethel Kessler, Bethesda, Maryland

Artist: Tim O’Brien, Brooklyn, New York

Modeler: Joseph Sheeran

Manufacturing Process: Offset,
microprinting

Printer and Processor: Ashton Potter,
Williamsville, New York

Press Type: Mueller A76

Print Quantity: 15 million stamps (pane); 2 million stamps (coil)

Paper Type: Nonphosphored Type III,
block tagging

Adhesive Type: Pressure-sensitive adhesive

Ink Colors: Black, cyan, magenta, yellow,
Pantone Matching System 7557c brown

Stamp Sizes: 0.84 inches by 1.42 inches,
21.34 millimeters by 36.07 mm (pane
stamp image); 0.98 inches by 1.56
inches, 24.89mm by 39.62mm (pane

in South Bend, Indiana. Formal speakers at the ceremony included Postmaster General Megan J. Brennan; Notre Dame graduate Condoleezza Rice, 66th Secretary of State of the United States; the Rev. John I. Jenkins, president of the University of Notre Dame; and Richard “Digger” Phelps, former Notre Dame basketball coach and a former member of the Citizens’ Stamp Advisory Committee.

The Postal Service had multiple retail stations located throughout the sports complex. According to the University of Notre Dame, approximately 3,300 people attended the first-day ceremony.

The stamp art features an oil-on-panel painting based on a 1980 photograph of Hesburgh standing on the campus of Notre Dame, where he served as president for 35 years.

Illustrator and portrait painter Tim O’Brien, of Brooklyn, created the artwork based on a photo by Bruce Harlan, a Notre Dame graduate (Class of 1949), who served as the university’s official photographer for four decades. The photo is the main artwork on Hesburgh’s biography page on the Notre Dame web-

stamp overall); 5.92 inches by 7.50 inches, 150.37mm by 190.50mm (pane); 0.84 inches by 1.4482 inches, 21.34 millimeters by 36.78 mm (coil stamp image); 0.98 inches by 1.5882 inches, 24.89mm by 40.34mm (coil stamp overall)

Plate Numbers: “P” followed by five single digits, plate number every 17th stamp on coil version

Marginal Markings on Pane Stamp: Plate numbers, header “Father Theodore Hesburgh” (front); “©2016 USPS,” USPS logo, bar codes, plate position diagram, promotional text

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Unveiling of the Father Theodore Hesburgh commemorative stamp at Notre Dame. *Photograph by Jay Bigalke.*

site (<http://hesburgh.nd.edu>). O'Brien's artwork has appeared on previous U.S. stamps, including Judy Garland, Moss Hart, and Hattie McDaniel.

The Notre Dame Main Building dome — known popularly as the Golden Dome — is visible in the background of both the painting and the original photograph on which it is based. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamp, which also shows a part of the dome.

The two varieties of stamps are nearly identical in size, differing only in height. The pane stamp has an image area of 0.84 inches by 1.42 inches and an overall size of 0.98 inches by 1.56 inches; the coil stamp has an image area of 0.84 inches by 1.4482 inches and an overall size of 0.98 inches by 1.5882 inches, according to the Postal Service. A plate number appears on every 17th stamp on the vertically oriented coil. The coils were sold at the event and are only available through the Postal Service's fulfillment center.

Hesburgh was president of Notre Dame from 1952 to 1987, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross, and one of the nation's most influential figures in higher education, the Catholic Church, and national and international affairs.

"With his leadership, charisma and vision, he turned a relatively small Catholic college known for football into one of the nation's great institutions for higher learning," said the Rev. Jenkins. "In his historic service to the nation, the church and the world, he was a steadfast champion for human rights, the cause of peace and care for the poor."

Hesburgh was a passionate advocate for civil rights, and was appointed a founding member of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission in 1957. He joined hands with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. at a 1964 civil rights rally in Chicago, singing *We Shall Overcome*.

Hesburgh was born May 25, 1917 in Syracuse, New York, where he grew up as the second child of five in a religious family. He attended Catholic schools and said he knew he wanted to become a priest at the age of 6. Teachers in 1937 sent him to study at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, Italy, where he graduated in 1940 with a degree in philosophy.

Hesburgh returned to the U.S. at the start of World War II

and studied theology at Holy Cross College and the Catholic University of America, from which he earned a doctorate. During his studies he was ordained, in 1943, as a priest for the Congregation of Holy Cross at Notre Dame's Sacred Heart Church (later renamed the Basilica of the Sacred Heart). Inspired by an inscription carved in stone above the church's door, Hesburgh dedicated his life to "God, Country, and Notre Dame."

He started teaching at Notre Dame in 1945 and became president of the university at the age of 35 in 1952, serving in that role for 35 years until his retirement in 1987.

Here are a few highlights of Hesburgh's life, according to the Notre Dame News Service:

Hesburgh received 16 presidential appointments, from presidents Dwight Eisenhower to George W. Bush, in which he was involved in most major social issues including civil rights, peaceful uses of atomic energy, campus unrest, Third World development and immigration reform.

He was in service to four popes. Hesburgh received 150 honorary degrees, the most ever to a single individual.

Under Hesburgh's guidance at Notre Dame, the annual operating budget rose from \$9.7 million to \$176.6 million, the endowment from \$9 million to \$350 million, and research funding from \$735,000 to \$15 million. Enrollment increased from 4,979 to 9,600, faculty from 389 to 950, and degrees awarded annually from 1,212 to 2,500. Women were first admitted in 1972.

Illustrator and portrait painter O'Brien teaches at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. He has a knack for pop culture, often infusing it into artistic visions and his work has been published most notably in *Time* magazine as well as *Smithsonian*, *GQ*, *Rolling Stone*, *Newsweek*, *TV Guide*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *National Geographic*, *The New York Times*, and via publishers Harper Collins, Penguin, and Scholastic, according to his website (obrienillustration.com).

O'Brien has received multiple awards and recognitions from several groups, including the prestigious Hamilton King Award from the Society of Illustrators, and has more than a dozen paintings in the collection of the National Gallery, Washington, D.C.



ISRAEL HOLIDAYS

Holidays celebrated in the Hebrew month of Tishrei, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, are among the most important of the Jewish year. Israel, on September 12, issued three stamps for the holidays emphasizing customs that are carried out in the dark.



SPAIN GASTRONOMY

On September 20, Spain continued its Gastronomy series with a minisheet of two stamps featuring the rice of Calasparra and wine from Jumilla, local foods from the region of Murcia. The stamp promotes the protocols and standards assuring quality.



ICELAND SEABEAD ECOSYSTEM

On September 14, Iceland released its second pair of stamps depicting life in the seas, this time showing zigzag coral and a giant file clam. The coral, found at a depth of 650 to 3,300 feet, is one of three types that grow in Icelandic waters.



CZECH REPUBLIC BLUE MAURITIUS

On September 6, the Czech Republic issued a stamp-on-stamp design featuring the Blue Mauritius, issued September 20, 1847. There are only 12 known of the blue stamp and at least one is expected to be exhibited at the Prague 2018 international show.



AUSTRALIA ANTARCTIC TERRITORY

On September 19, Australia issued three stamps — one for each of three eras — marking the 100th anniversary of its exploration and scientific work in the Antarctic. The photograph on the stamp is by Jonathan Wherrett.

NEW WORLDWIDE STAMPS

A quick peek at stamps issued in September from 10 different countries around the world.



GUERNSEY

PRINCESS OF WALES' ROYAL REGIMENT

On September 1, Guernsey issued six stamps and a souvenir sheet marking the 25th anniversary of formation of The Princess of Wales' Royal Regiment.

One of the individual stamps shows Diana, Princess of Wales.



PORTUGAL

YOUTH FESTIVAL

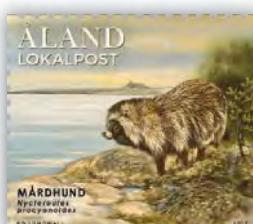
On September 15, Portugal issued four artwork stamps in advance of the 2018 European Youth Festival in Cascais. "When we all have gray hair and look back at these stamps, we will always remember the boldness and courage of our youth," a city official said.



CANADA

SEMIPOSTAL

On September 27, Canada Post issued a booklet of 10 featuring two whimsical cat designs created by Andrew Lewis. The permanent stamps carries an additional charge of 10 cents that is donated to the Canada Post Community Foundation.



ÅLAND

FOREST INHABITANTS

Forest mammals prevalent in the forests are on three commemorative stamps, issued September 15 by Åland. Painted by Bo Lundwall, a leading Swedish nature artist, the stamps show a mountain hare, least weasel, and raccoon dog.



NETHERLANDS

FASHION ICONS

The Netherlands, on September 11, issued a souvenir sheet of 10 stamps featuring the fashion design work of Viktor (Horsting) & Rolf (Snoeren), the face of Dutch fashion the past 25 years. The designers have made a worldwide name for themselves.



WORLDWIDE IN A NUTSHELL

BY BOB LAMB

French Southern and Antarctic Territories

Status: French Overseas Territory

Area: 169,800 sq. miles

Population: Summer about 300, Winter about 150

Currency: 100 cents = 1 Euro (€1 = \$1.19)



INDIAN
OCEAN

ST PAUL
AMSTERDAM



The French Southern and Antarctic Territories — or the *Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises* (TAAF) — consist of five widely dispersed districts: three archipelagos in the southern Indian Ocean (Kerguelen, St. Paul and Amsterdam, Crozet), the Iles Eparses, or Scattered Islands, around Madagascar and Adélie Land, the French claim on Antarctica itself. The TAAF has no permanent population. Its administrative capital and its resident administrator are in Reunion. Apart from Adélie Land which constitutes 98 percent of its total land area, it is small, altogether about the size of Luxembourg. But the islands command an Exclusive Economic Zone of nearly 900,000 square miles, including some important fisheries.

The colorful French explorer, Yves-Joseph de Kerguelen-Trémarec is credited with discovering the Kerguelen Islands in 1772 and claiming them for France. Visitors to the islands were transitory: whalers, seal hunters and scientists. In 1950 France established its first permanent meteorological station on Kerguelen to support aviation to Antarctica.

Amsterdam and St. Paul Islands, located more than 1,000 miles north of Kerguelen, were also volcanic in origin. They were claimed by France in 1843 at the urging of fishermen from Reunion. A permanent meteorological station was established on Amsterdam in 1950.

Crozet Island was discovered in 1772 by Julien Crozet who claimed it for France. In 1938 it was declared a nature preserve. A small research station was established in 1961, which became permanent in 1963.

Adélie Land, the part of Antarctica claimed by France, was discovered in 1840 by the French explorer Jules Dumont d'Urville, who named it after his wife. The territory includes about 220 miles of coastline. Its inland borders are sectors of a circle running about 1,600 miles to the South Pole. The first research station, Port Martin, was operated from 1950 to 1952 when it was destroyed by fire. Its replacement, the Dumont d'Urville Station, has been a permanent facility since 1956.

The Iles Eparses (the Scattered Islands), five disputed islands around Madagascar, were made the fifth district of the TAAF in 2007. Their attachment to the territory is anomalous since they are much closer to the equator than to Antarctica. Most of these islands have a small military presence in the form of weather stations.

The early expeditions to the territory mainly used French stamps on their mail, though a special cancellation was used for mail from Kerguelen from early in the 20th century. After 1924, the area was administratively under Madagascar. Covers from that period are known with stamps from France, Madagascar, and South Africa. In 1950, the postal service for the growing network of scientific and

military facilities in the territory was regularized using Madagascar stamps, though covers with Reunion stamps denominated in CFA francs are known. In 1955, as Madagascar approached independence, Paris created the TAAF. On October 28, 1955, the first TAAF stamp went on sale, overprinted on the current 15-franc Madagascar definitive. On April 25, 1956, six specially designed definitives were released.



The first stamp used in the French territory is an overprint of a Madagascar stamp featuring birds native to the African island nation, Scott 1.



The king penguin appears on the high denomination of a 1960 set featuring birds, Scott 19.



The Ecology of St. Paul Island stamp of 1998 includes native birds and a helicopter, Scott 239.



Charles De Gaulle appears on a set of two common design stamps in 1972, a little more than a year after he died, Scott 52.



Emperor penguins appear on the territory's first airmail stamps issued in 1956, Scott C2.



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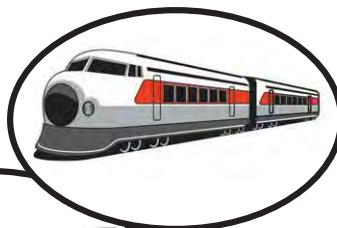
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