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OHMS stampless cover, on envelope of the Merchants Bank of Canada, mailed at Ottawa, for Ottawa delivery. Type 4-6 flag cancel. Unusual usage! Was it a favor?

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CANADIAN FLAG CANCEL BULLETIN

Jan.-Feb.'76

OUR EDITOR APOLOGIZES

What a let down, - no November issue of the Flag Cancel Bulletin and I had to miss the entire BNAPEX'75 at Toronto, which included our Seminar. So a word of explanation.

For some time I had a large cyst on my upper right arm. It grew so large I could barely get my arm into my shirt sleeve. Last July it became infected, and unfortunately the doctors could not remove until the infection was cleared up. My being diabetic did not help the situation. For the better part of July, all of August, September and October I could not pound the typewriter, the pain was just too great. In fact about all I could do was read. I had to cancel out plans for Toronto - even by plane - as I just could not hassle with the luggage. The arm was operated on October 22nd and everything was okay. I no longer have any inconvenience or pain.

While the arm has taken a great deal of time to heal, we are now back working at our normal pace. I want to thank all of you who called during this period, those of you who wrote and sent your news and best wishes, and those who sent cards. It's a great fraternity!

REGARDING THIS ISSUE

As we start this February 1976 issue we have no idea as to what all we will be able to get into the limit of 9 pages. Again, if the revised listing is not in this, - it will be in the next. We have a great deal to report, and the revised listing will be put off in favor of other items if necessary.

It is our plan to put out fewer but larger issues. Thus as a minimum we will set our sights on FOUR - 9 page issues for 1976. This will save us something in 1.) postage, 2.) stationery and 3.) work. If we can get in a fifth issue we certainly will.

PHOTOS 1927 CONFEDERATION FIRST DAY COVERS

On page 57 of the Handbook is illustrated a First Day Cover of the 20¢ Special Delivery and the 12¢ value of the 1927 Confederation Issue. This bore the Halifax Confederation Flag Cancel 43-3.

Below we illustrate some additional First Day Covers of this issue, all bearing the 1927 Confederation Flag Cancel. We do not do this to call attention to an inexpensive source of Flag Cancels! We do it to call attention to Flag Cancel collectors who may own similar items, cancelled JUN 29, 1927 - that they may have some very valuable covers, and to forget the handbook prices in such

cases. For example the cover on 57 has a market value of \$110.00.

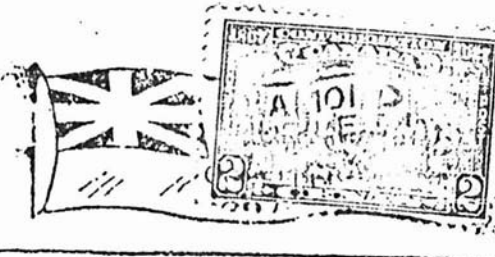
The two 2¢ Confederation covers - \$25 each.

The 3¢ Parliament - \$35.

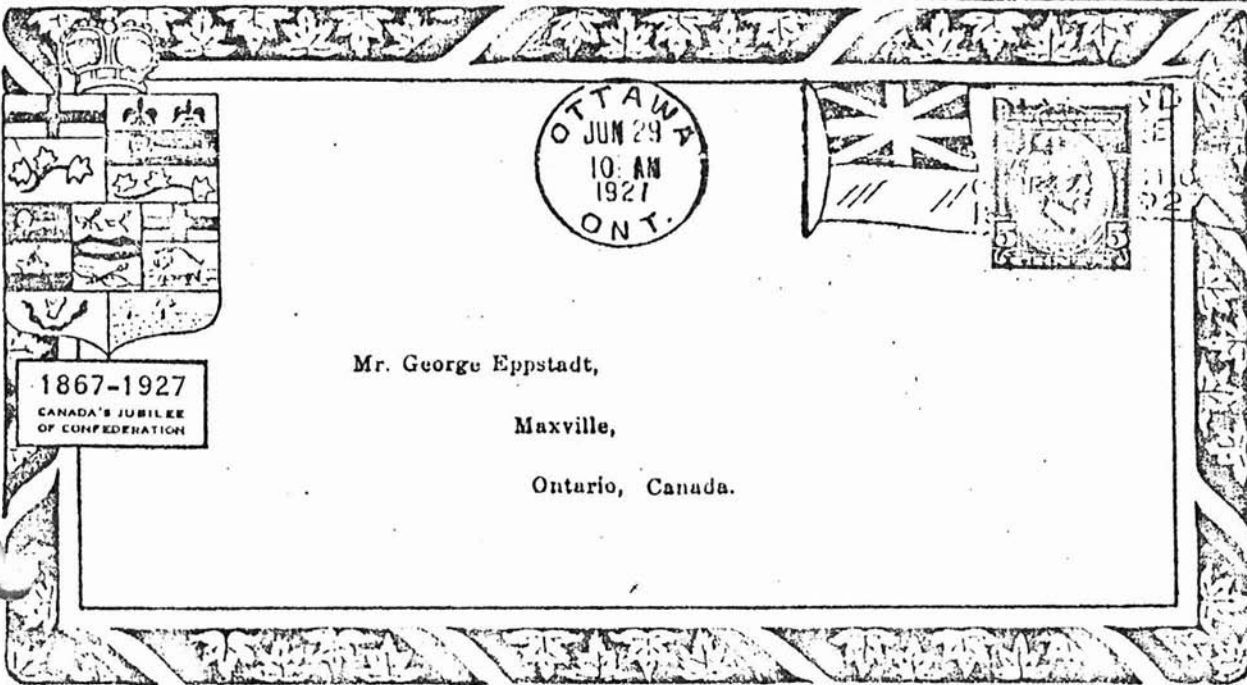
The 5¢ Laurier - \$45.

Others, not shown are the 1¢ MacDonald - \$35.

5¢ McGee - \$10
12¢ MacDonald & Laurier - \$20
and the 20¢ Baldwin and LaFontaine - \$25



10 GROSVENOR APTS.
WINNIPEG, MAN.



1867-1927

CANADA'S JUBILEE OF CONFEDERATION

Mr. George Eppstadt,

Maxville,

Ontario, Canada.

CATALOG OF STATIONERY AND ENVELOPES FOR FLAG CANCELS

CANADA POST CARD

THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE ONLY

UNION POSTALE INTERNATIONALE

POSTAGE AND PAYMENTS CERTIFICATE

OCT 4 11:30 PM 1917

JUBILEE OF CONFEDERATION CANADA

	1867	1917
Provinces	4	9
Area (Sq. Mi.)	510,000	3,729,665
Population	3,400,000	7,000,000
Railways (Miles)	2,250	30,500
Grains (Bn.)	65,000,000	1,000,000,000
Postage Stamps Issued	\$40,000	\$21,000,000
Forestry	34,000,000	175,000,000
Mines	8,000,000	137,000,000
Fisheries	6,000,000	31,000,000
Manufactures	50,000,000	1,200,000,000
Foreign Trade	114,000,000	1,500,000,000

Since 1901 the total value of field crops has risen from \$195,000,000 to \$611,000,000.
The total value of live stock in same period, from \$208,000,000 to over \$500,000,000.
Exportable surplus of agricultural products—
1868-70—\$13,000,000
1916-17—\$450,000,000

*Mrs. J. W. Beach,
Port Huron,
Ont.*

fig. 1

Not many of us restrict ourselves to collecting our Flag Cancels to any single type of cover material.

However for those who specialize in Canada's Postal Stationery Flag Cancels make an inviting challenge.

Since Flags have been in use for nearly 100 years as cancelling devices, and

are still in use, it is quite possible to put together a representative collection of Canadian Postal Stationery, all with FLAG CANCELS. Of course, before 1896 one would have to seek the "cork" types, and there are many flags which might not appear on any postal stationery, but from 1896 on, we feel that most of the Canadian post cards and envelopes, excepting rarities, could be found with some FLAG CANCEL. Fig. 1 shows the scarce 1917 Jubilee Post Card with a very late use of the Hamilton Flag #36-1.

POST CARD

UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION

CARTE POSTALE

UNION POSTALE INTERNATIONALE

THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE

COTE RESERVE A L'ADRESSE.

OCT 14 1897

*Mr. Cowen Esq
The Castle
Bartlett
England*

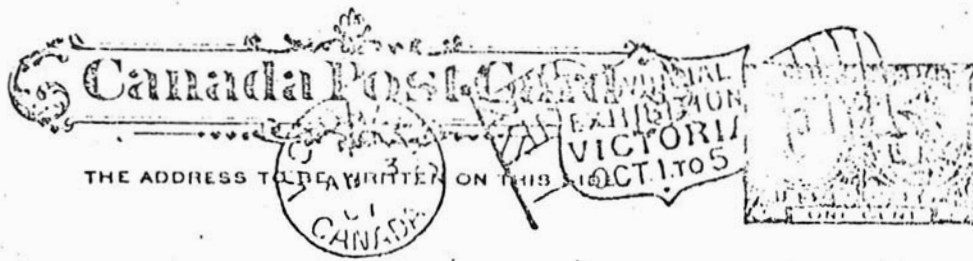
fig. 2

Fig. 2 shows the 2¢ UPU card of 1897 used to England, and bearing the equally scarce Flag #9-1 of Dec. 14, 1897, from Ottawa. A beautiful combination!

The 1¢ Jubilee card of 1897 can be found with a wide selection of the early Flag cancels. Types #1, 4,

5 and 6 should all be possible, along of course with a wide range of the type 7s and 8s. Fig. 3 (next page) even shows that it is possible to obtain the rare VICTORIA Type 13-1 on this Jubilee card.

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*Mr. A. E. Dubble
1017 Free St.
Orange
NSA*

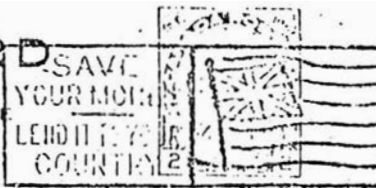
fig. 3 (Fred Langford Collection)

have been with a full cover. Cards generally have better strikes - the exception being private post cards which are deeply embossed. Card too, - are easier to mount, stay in place better, and are less bulky.

One of the adventures in Flag Cancel collecting on Postal Stationery, is the chance that one will find a good cancel on a scarce bit of stationery. For example a number of 1917 Flag Cancels from Victoria, B.C. are known on government cards. I have a half dozen in my collection - and they are all Die I, - the rare die for the

CANADA POST CARD

THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THE REVERSE SIDE



*Government Agent
Clinton
B.C.*

Fig. 4

Frankly we cannot understand the US collectors looking down their noses at Flag Cancels on Post Cards or Postal Cards.

We feel that the cancel is what we are after, and if we can get a sharp strike - or early or late use, - and it is on card, we are just as happy as we would

2¢ carmine, Webb P33i.

Fig. 4 shows an example of this card, with the Victoria #33-2. A nice combination - an early date, good strike, on Webb P33i.

Many of these gov. cards are slightly disturbed on the right hand side, or have remnants of paper still stuck down on

the card, often covering a portion of the stamp impression and Flag Cancel. Most of these came from a "find" made by Jack C. St. Laurent. So you Postal Stationery fans - why not collect Flag Cancels?

YOU NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D FIND THEM!

During World War I there was a lot of legitimate confusion regarding the use of certain WAR TAX stamps as postage. There was also a great deal of philatelic shenanigans carried out during that period which accounts for a rash of "REVENUES USED FOR POSTAGE" during that period. Many went thru without being taxed for postage due.

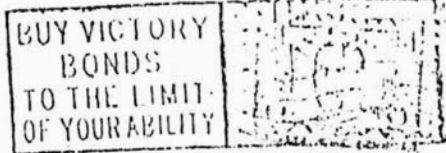
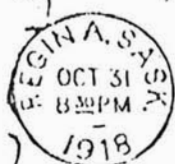


Fig. 5

scarce Flag from Regina, Sask.

Yep! that's one of the pleasures of Flag Cancel collecting, you'll find them just about any place, - even in among REVENUES!

Whether the 5¢ War Tax Revenue stamp (Gibsons #R253) did fully pay the postage of the cover, we'll never know as some eager beaver Flag Cancel buff cut this example down to a "2 x 4". As shown in fig. 5 the result is an unusual example of Flag Cancel #37-7 - a rather

INTERPHIL '76

Many members of the Canadian Flag Cancel Study Group will be attending INTERPHIL '76, May 29 - June 6, at Philadelphia. It is our big INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC SHOW that only comes once every ten years. Mickey and I have made reservations and plans to be there for the entire period. We will be staying at the Bellvue-Stratford.



Both the BNAPS and the T.P.A. will be having lounges at INTERPHIL, and I expect to spend my "rest" hours at one or the other of these two places.

Would ALL members of the Study Group who plan on being at INTERPHIL, drop me a post card, and if possible giving me the dates you are planning to attend. Perhaps, if sufficient numbers of our group will be present at any one time, we can arrange for a meeting room, where we can hold a seminar, an informal discussion, or whatever you like. BUT LET ME HEAR FROM YOU.

A "NEW" FLAG CANCEL to ADD to the HANDBOOK

Thanks to Ted Kilish, my Handbook partner who did the illustrations, - and a lot more, comes up with a new one to list. We show it herewith, - and it is type #35. It would appear that the Die is the same as the one used at Moncton and since the earliest date so far reported for Moncton is April 17th, it would appear that this flag cancel had a short use at Brandon, Man.



35-10

shown, March 4th. How many others can report?

We have assigned #35-10 to this cancel. The only date known is that

FINDS ARE STILL MADE

In the June 1975 issue of Postal Histo-Mine, published by the Postal History Society of Ontario, David Proulx tells of finding

ADDITIONS TO OUR MEMBERSHIP

- 57 1006 ST. LAURENT, JACK C. R.R. #1, Salmon Arm, B.C. Canada, V0E 2T0. Jack collects the whole wide field of Canadian Philately, including Revenues, Crash Covers, Semi-Official Airmails, "Locals", Cancellations.
- 58 3018 BURGER, C. ALLAN 303 - 49 Cuffley Crescent So., Downsview, Ont., Canada M3K 1X4. Canada generally, including Postal Stationery.
- 59 2296 FOURNIER, P.L. 7 Moss Court, Ottawa, Ont., Canada. K2H 8M8 Canada generally, including federal revenues, and cut squares. Formerly of Great Britain.
- 60 3128 GIRT, NEIL A. 22 Monterey Drive, Ottawa, Ont. Can. K2H 7A6 Canada Generally including Postal Stationery. Matched Plates.
- 61 2118 JAMIESON, ROBERT H. 1 Plumbstead Court, Islington, Ont., Canada M9A 1V4 Canada generally, Cancels generally. Specialty - Semi-Official Airmails.
- 62 1049 KITCHEN, RON 1387 Pearl St., Ottawa, Ont., Can. K1T 1C6 Canada generally. A long time collector of Canadian cancels, including Flags, RPO, & Terr.
- 63 1760 LACKNER, ROBERT J. 4235 Verna Drive, Brookfield, Wisconsin, 53205. Canada generally, including all special Canadian Cancellations.
- 64 2980 McLISSAN, RAYMOND 135 55th St., Lachine, Que., Can. H8T 5B3 Canada Generally, Postal Stationery, and Flag & Squared Circle Cancels.
- 65 3046 SIMRAK, RAY Schoolane RR #1, Windsor, Ont., Can. N9A 6J3 Canada & Newfoundland generally, but his special interest is Canadian Airmail, flights, Semi-Officials, etc.

Since all of these new members came into the Study Group by last September's meeting at Toronto, that means our Group grew from a handful of some 13 members to 65 members within one year.

FLAG CANCEL AT KAPEX, Peterborough, Ont.? (also see pg. 8)

All I know is what I read in letters to me, and a recent one from Larry Paige says he heard that there will be a Canadian FLAG CANCEL for KAPEX, the show to be held at Peterborough, Ont. on March 13th. I hope someone nearby keeps us posted!

DUES WERE VOTED at \$3.00 by the STUDY GROUP MEETING

Larry and I projected the cost of producing the Flag Cancel Bulletin for 1976, and it looked as if the cost would be in the neighborhood of \$3.00 per member. Dues had been \$2, and these did not cover the full costs of 1975. If we issue only 4 issues this year, our estimate may be too high. However the members in attendance at Toronto approved the \$3 dues.

Rest assured, if the \$3 turns out not to be necessary we'll recommend a reduction for 1977. First Class postage alone however is 24¢ per issue.

Send your \$3 to Larry Paige, Sec.-Treas. of the Study Group, at 1069 Shillelagh Rd., Chesapeake, Va. 23323.

OUR CURRENT PROJECT

In addition to trying to add the "missing" flag Cancels to our collection, we have been engaged in adding an example for each month of use, when the period of use was not more than 18 months. We are also giving more attention to the "dater dial" and should there be a new edition of the hand out that would be included.

FLAG CANCEL HANDBOOK ENTERED IN INTERPHIL '76

The Handbook has been accepted as a Philatelic Literature entry at INTERPHIL '76. It's acceptance was based on it's winning a Vermeil medal at Chicago, - the National Phil. Literature show, in October 1974.

We understand that Interphil '76 plans call for one copy to be on display, and one to be available at a special "Library" of all entrants. Having won a Vermeil at the National show, - if the handbook could win say a Bronze at the International, these facts would give it something to help BNAPS with its sale.

SPECIAL OLYMPIC FLAG CANCEL at OTTAWA

We understand that there will be a Special OLYMPIC FLAG CANCEL used in connection with the ORAPEX '76 annual stamp exhibition of the RA Stamp Club. Dates are May 1-2, 1976.

Orders for these should be sent to Mrs. Wendy Bromley, ORAPEX '76, % Ottawa Civil Service Recreational Association Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ont., Canada K1H 7X7. Price is \$1.25 for three postpaid. Remittances should be by MONEY ORDER, payable in CANADIAN FUNDS, payable to the Ottawa Civil Service Recreational Association.

These are sold on a first come first served basis with only 1,500 copies available. Nuff sed.

That SEMINAR at TORONTO

Since I didn't make it, I couldn't very well present the material I had planned. I understand that generally a good discussion did take place.

It has been reported to me that the following members were present:-

#2 Ray Peters	#11 Bill Rockett	#47 L.A. Walker
#3 Waynes Curtis	#13 Fred Stulberg	#48 Doug Crawford
#7 Ted Kilish	#14 Wally Gutzman	#50 Vic Crouse
#8 W.L. Millman	#16 Dave Proulx	#51 John Siverts
#9 Larry Paige	#22 Ed Harris	#59 Pete Fournierr
#10 John Payne	#31 Mike Squirell	#60 Neil Girt
#61 Bob Jamieson	#64 Ray McLean	That's a total
#62 Ron Kitchen	#65 Ray Simrak	of twenty-four
#63 T.J. Lackner	#58 Allan Burger	members!

Also the following BNAPSers were also present as guests:-

Reg. A. Powell	Max Rosenthal	Chet Davies
Walt Spurgeon	Jim Keally	Bert Llewellyn
Jim Kraemer	Tom Murray	C. Stillions
	W.A. Elliott	

OOPS! I OVERLOOKED TWO NEW MEMBERS!

In preparing the list of new additions, I referred only to the list of new members sent me most recently by Larry Paige, however back during my illness I find he also reported two others:-

66	2792	<u>KERZNER, Theodor</u> , 2112 Carraige Hill, 80 St. Clair Ave., East, Toronto, Ont. Canada M4T 2N6. Collects Canada, Newfoundland and the Provinces generally, including precancels.
67	2501	<u>QUITTENTON, Maurice</u> , P.O. Box 92, Dockton, Wash. 98018. Collects the broad spectrum of BNA philately, including most cancels, revenues, proofs, s/o airs, and specialty is 1898 XNAS Map Stamp.

MORE ON KAPEX-Peterborough FLAG (see pg.6)

Since writing the short squib on page 6, we have received additional information from Douglas Crawford #48. We also have received a copy of the flag, dated ??? Feb, but the strike is too poor to illustrate herewith. The flag consists of a staff at left, two large waves, two lines reading:-

1956 - KAPEX - 1976
MARCH 13-14 MAR??

Doug tells me the Flag cancellation is being used regularly on commercial mail from February 16th thru March 15th. However the apparent official cachet dates with the cancel are March 13-14.

TWO DATER DIES in LONDON ENLIST NOW #52-9

DIE I



DIE II

Ted Kilish has shown us an example of #52-9 with a slightly different dater die, which we call Die II and assign it nos. 52-9A.

Die I "ONT." measures 8+mm.

Die II "ONT." " " 10+mm.

So far Die II is known only for April 29, 1942.

Die I is known as early as Aug. 1, 1941, and as late as July 2, '42.

WE ILLUSTRATE the TWO DIES of KITCHENER DATER (#53-7)

DIE I



DIE II

In the May 1975 issue of the FLAG CANCEL BULLETIN we listed the two dater dies, with dater hub II assigned #53-7A.

We illustrate the two dies herewith:-

Die I - distance between "O" of "ONT" and "K" of "KITCHENER" is 5mm.

Die II - distance is 10mm.

Thanks to Ted Kilish for the Illustrations.

OUR NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the Canadian Flag Cancel Bulletin will be one all collectors will especially want to have for reference. The entire issue will be devoted to Handbook revisions:-

- A.) Additional Flags not listed in Handbook
- B.) Additional Hub (Dater) varieties not listed.
- C.) Complete revision of early and Late Dates
- e.) PRICE REVISIONS on some 50 or so Flag Cancels.

This is an issue you will not want to miss. Make certain you have paid your \$3 Study Group Dues, in order to insure your receiving this valuable issue, and subsequent ones, as **THE NEXT ISSUE WILL BE SENT ONLY TO PAID UP MEMBERS** of the Study Group!

We hope to have this special issue out before INTERPHIL '76.

If you have any unreported data which you have been procrastinating, and not getting around to report, now is the time to get that data in, to make the revision as up to date as possible.

REMINDER CHECK LIST

- Have you taken care of your 1976 BNAPS Dues?
- Have you sent your \$3 Study Group dues to Larry Paige?
- If you are going to attend INTERPHIL '76, have you advised