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The list of books and publications in the Society Library has been omitted this year pending a revision of the list, but this will likely be published in a forthcoming issue of TOPICS. Members are referred to the 1952 Yearbook for their wants from this department.

Some outstanding articles will appear in BNA TOPICS early in the new season. October will kick off with W. E. Lea's "The Plate Problems of the Canada 1859 5c Beaver." Following this will be an article of some length, fully illustrated, by Edward J. Whiting on "The Coil Postage Stamps of Canada"; and "Canada—Notes on Postage Rates, 1897 to 1951" by F. W. L. Keane. G. P. Bainbridge is working on contributions on "B. N. A. Fakes and Forgeries", and several further chapters of the P. E. I. Handbook will appear shortly, as well as further "Newfoundland Perforation Varieties" from Marshall Kay. ★

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A Possible Key To The Color Variations

By HARRY W. LUSSEY (#167)

Much has been written on this subject and I have learned a great deal from studying Calder's book on the '59s, from Jarrett's 1929 writings, and more recently from the details appearing in Boggs' "Canada" concerning the placing of orders, etc. What I propose to submit is, I believe, a new approach in that it is an attempt to account for (not solve) certain unusual features of this issue. To the best of my knowledge the principal thoughts set forth herein have not appeared in print before—at least I have never seen them.

Following the recent purchase of a few covers I thought I would do a little work on the stamp and started by going over the correspondence appearing in Boggs' between Postmaster Griffin and the firm of Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson preliminary to the issuance of the stamp. On page 29H of Boggs' Vol. II appears details of a letter from Griffin dated March 16th, 1859, and in part it states: "I am therefore to request that you will prepare and forward at your early convenience a supply of such stamps as follows: - - - 3. One hundred thousand of 10 cents same device and color as present 6d stamps." Going back somewhat further in the correspondence I found that the printers repeatedly referred to the color of the 6d stamp as "lilac". Immediately I began to wonder how on earth, and WHY, the printers could have come up with a Black Brown stamp when the order specifically stated that the lilac color was to be continued. I did not recall having seen a discussion on this so began to do a little thinking on my own.

Violet Basic Color

It is true that the 6d stamp came in a considerable range of shades but in every instance the basic color was

violet, or lilac, and the last printings of the 6d perforated had only a slight tint of brown with lilac being the predominant color. At no time did a 6d stamp appear in a color remotely approaching a black brown. How come, therefore, that this entirely new color made its appearance with the issuance of the first 10¢ stamp? At this point I decided that if any attempt was to be made to account for this sharp deviation from orders it would be necessary to think in terms of 1859 rather than 1953 and this would be difficult.

Today we are living in a world of plenty, at least on the North American continent. We waste a great deal, throw away leftovers and a dollar does not mean too much in terms of purchasing power. Similarly in our industrial plants a high level of cleanliness has been achieved, with most of the larger ones being as light and airy as our homes. Dirty machines, windows and floors with junk lying around are things of the past. Industrial profit margins are relatively wide and with the labor factor accounting for a high proportion of the total cost of a product there is a tendency to waste materials if it will save time and cut labor costs. It is humanly impossible for us to take ourselves back almost 100 years and think and reason the way the people did in 1859. However, we can make allowances for some of the conditions and habits which historical records tell us prevailed at that time.

Waste Was Avoided

In 1859 there was not the plentiful supply of food, clothing and materials that there is on this Continent today and people were forced to avoid waste. Some of the things that they did to conserve their resources would be considered stupid today but this

is not 1859. The dollar had far greater purchasing power and the saving of a few cents here and there in the manufacture of a product meant a great deal. Frankly I have no conception of what a print shop or any other plant looked like in those days but I do think it reasonable to assume that materials were very carefully distributed to workmen and every precaution taken to keep waste at a minimum. It is absolutely impossible for me, trying to think in terms of 1859 conditions and customs, to visualize a new batch of ink being made up for a job and then any excess being thrown out when the order was finished. Why throw it out when it could be saved and used for some other job later on? Finally there is evidence, in the lack of any detailed discussion of color, in Griffin's letters that the printer was given considerable latitude in determining shade with only the basic color being mentioned. In those days people were more interested in the serviceability of a product than in its appearance.

The facts that we have to work with are that Griffin ordered 10¢ stamps to be printed "in the same shade as the 6d" which meant lilac (or violet). The printers produced a stamp in a Black Brown shade and it was apparently accepted but in subsequent printings it will be noted that lilac, and this covers purple, violet, etc., again became the basic color. What could have happened? How can we account for all of these things taking place?

Left-over Ink?

Even if we make allowance for a wide degree of latitude being given the printer as regards shade it seems improbable that the Canadian officials would have accepted a supply of stamps that were almost black when they had ordered them in lilac unless there was a good and valid reason for the discrepancy. It is likely that when the printing of the new 10¢ stamp was to be started there was some left-over ink available from the last printing of the 6d stamp. In order to avoid waste, and since the color of the stamp was to be the same, this supply probably was earmarked for use in

producing the new 10¢ stamp. If the remaining supply was insufficient for the job some new ink was probably added and it is probable that black instead of lilac or purple was used in error. There is perhaps one chance in ten million that it was the left overs from the 12d Black but let us settle for the error theory as being the more likely—and certainly it was not intentional. The proof runoff would tell the story about the obvious error in color but applying 1859 reasoning was the difference in color considered sufficiently serious to warrant making up a new batch of ink? Apparently not because the first printings show very definite indications of the presence of black ink.

This may seem fantastic but remember it was 1859. How else could we account for the Black Brown color out of a clear sky when the order called for a lilac shade? It wouldn't make sense to assume that the printers started out to make lilac and ended up with a black brown. Furthermore if they had I doubt if the Canadian Government would have accepted the stamps without a fuss. However, if it was explained to them that there would be a considerable delay if a new printing was to be made up in the correct shade and that in any event the color would soon revert to lilac it is likely that the Government agreed to take the stamps rather than reject them. Accordingly I feel this may be the story behind the Black Brown.

Orders Mean Little

If we can proceed on the assumption that an ink pot was kept for each denomination of stamps being printed for the Canadian Government and what was left over from one printing order would be saved for the next job, the problem of classifying the various shades becomes clear, at least in one respect. If this theory is correct the number of orders means little and the number of so-called printings does not of necessity determine the number of shades that actually exist. The answer could lie in the number of times a new batch of ink was dumped into the ink pot on top of what was already there. The

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Perhaps Ink Ran Out

It seems to me that in the case of the Black Brown and the Chocolate Brown shades of the first printing, we have an excellent example of how this theory could account for the variation. The printer started out with an order for 1,000 impressions and had a supply of ink in the pot to start the job. After perhaps 800 impressions it became evident that the ink was not going to last. At that point they might have added a little thinner, which would account for the lighter chocolate brown shade, or they might have added a little lilac ink, just about enough to complete the job. The lilac would not be a sufficiently strong color to do anything more than lighten the black brown to a brownish black unless it was added in a high ratio to the remaining black brown ink. Then before starting the second printing order they may have added more of the lilac with the result that the brownish black shade was still in evidence but

the lilac was now present in sufficient quantity to give the stamp the slight purple tint (Calder's 2a). Again sometime during the printing of the second order the ink pot was replenished with more lilac and as a result the last part of the second printing (2b) was, as Calder describes it, "closely related to the first (2a) but somewhat brighter and containing more red".

By the time that the third order was being printed the black brown ink in the pot had been used to a point where the remaining traces had a minimum influence upon the new lilac ink that had been added and hence the clear lilac, purple or whatever you choose to call it. Sometime during the printing of the third order, or early in the printing of the fourth order, the printers started to add brownish lilac ink to the pot and the effects are clearly evident. The first part of the fourth order is classified as being a dull purple color, probably the result of blending the brownish shade with the clear lilac or violet ink used for the previous printing. The second part of the order is "lighter and tinged with a sort of dark violet shade" according to Calder. The addition of more brownish lilac ink to the pot offset more of the purple shade thus making the stamp appear lighter. Finally, we come to the fifth order in which the light brownish tint becomes the predominant shade. By this time the clear lilac, or purple, ink which dominated the third printing had been completely used up leaving brownish lilac, or violet, as the basic color.

Printing Orders a Guide

From the foregoing I think it has been demonstrated that in any study of this issue the printing orders have little to do with the number of shades. They are merely a guide as to the quantities of stamps used in various years. In Calder's book he reports fifty-three different shades in his detailed breakdown of the various printing orders. Obviously it would be impossible for the human eye to classify that number of shades. However, somewhere in that large number of shades, even after making allowance

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for the fact that there may be some duplication of shades in printings that are far apart, there may very well be a distinguishable shade that is scarcer than the Chocolate Brown of the first order printings. The important point, however, is that I doubt very much if there is any sound basis for the presumption that different batches of new ink were prepared for each printing and the wide variations in shades are due to the impossibility of mixing inks to match a previous batch. Everything that I have noticed in studying this stamp, and in attempting to theorize on printing methods, points to a continual blending of new batches of ink with leftovers from previous printings and this could take place at an time in the course of filling a printing order. As a test, and assuming that it will be done with at least thirty or forty dated copies or covers representative of the entire life of the issue, take the items and sort them in order of usage. If the items are kept fairly close together you will find that there is a definite blending of shades from the earliest through the intermediate and down to the latest dates. Eliminating the odd case of late usage of a shade that is noted at an earlier date you will find that each stamp will be of a shade that is somewhere between those appearing on each side of it. If a new batch of ink was prepared for each printing order and not blended with the old ink there would be wide variations in shades from one printing to the next because no human could possibly prepare from twenty-seven to fifty-three batches of ink and have each one fit in BETWEEN the preceding and succeeding shades.

A Suggestion

Here is a suggestion. I understand that many members of our Society are still studying this stamp and others are accumulating material for a specialized collection which is essentially the same thing. Time is running out on us as regards the 10¢ Consort. Some of the former large holdings have been dispersed and, with more collectors seeking the stamp, prices have been rising, thus making it more difficult all the time

to get any quantity of material suitable for study. The 1953 BNAPEX in Montreal this Fall will provide us with an excellent opportunity to get the students and specialists of this stamp together with their material and perhaps settle some of the existing problems or questions. If we could come up with some new proven data on this popular stamp it would make BNAPEX 1953 something to be remembered. How about fellows like Banfield, Bertram, deVolpi, Jarrett, Jephcott, Chapman, Llewellyn and other '59ers making a determined effort to get together at Montreal with their material and see what can be accomplished through cooperation. To start the ball rolling the writer will guarantee to have at least 50 covers available for the group! ★

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by DAN MEYERSON (#L-3)

The following list has been in the making for the past two years, and yet, strangely enough new varieties are recorded almost every month. When one realizes that we are dealing with 20th century material for the most part, the expectation is that all varieties should appear in a very short time, but such is definitely not the case. It would seem as though no record was ever made of the plates used, so we will continue to have to get the information the hard way, the way we are doing it now.

Most Newfoundland collectors are aware that the entire last set, Scott Nos. 253-266, with the exception of the 4¢, #256, and the 7¢, #258, exist in the later printings with 5-digit plate numbers in all four corners of the pane of 100. The 4¢, Scott #269, and the 5¢ Cabot, #270, also were issued with 5 digit plate numbers in the late printings. The 30¢, #267 and the "TWO CENT" overprint, #268 and the 7¢ Airmail #C19, printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co. in sheets of 200 (four panes of 50), each had a 5-digit plate number in the lower left corner of the lower left pane of 50.

The earliest recording we could find was in Boggs' book, as he listed numbers of the 1¢, 2¢ and 3¢ values of the 1919 Caribou Issue. However, a few letters directed to Newfoundland collectors convinced us that there was far more to the subject than had been put into print. We got the most help from Joe Chambers, Alex MacMaster, E. H. Hiscock, W. E. Lea, Leo Baresh, Stan Wood and Tom Hutton, one of our newest members. The others mentioned are the old stand-bys, the ones we always call on when there is information to be gathered.

The result of our pooled efforts is seen in the following list. All plate numbers marked with an asterisk have been reliably reported but they have not actually been seen by us.

PLATE NUMBERS

Scott # Die # Perforation

83				R3UL*	R4UR		
115		LC1*	RC2	3*			
116		LC1	RC2				
117		LC1*	RC2*				
133			2LL				
164		comb 13.5x13.5		3LL			
164		comb 13.5x13.8		2LL			
164		line 14x14		2LL			
165		comb 13.5x13.5		3UR*			
165		comb 13.5x13.8		2LL	3UR		
173		comb 13.5x13.8		2LL			
183			1UL	2UL			
184			1UL	2UL	3UL	4UR	5UR 6UL
184		line 14.1x14.1				4UR*	
185				R2UL*	R3UL*		
186	Die I		R-UL*	R2UL*	R3UL		
186	Die II			2UL*		4UL	
186		line 13.7x13.7			R3UL*		
186		line 14.1x14.1	R1UL*				
187			R1UL	2UL	3UL		
189				R2UL	3UL		
189		line 13.7x13.7		R2UL			
189		line 14.1x14.1		R2UL*			

Scott # Die # Perforation

191	Die II		R2UL	3UL	4UL	5UR	6UR	7UR
191	Die II	line 14.1x14.1		3UL				
191	Die II	Imperf.		3UL*				
245			2UR					
246			2UR					

In the case of Nos. 115-117, the prefix RC and LC mean Right and Left Center respectively. The Left Center number is opposite stamp #40 and the Right Center number is opposite stamp #49. The one without a prefix was reported by Boggs, but no further information was given. In the case of Nos. 185-191, the prefix "R" signifies that the plate number is reversed.

The numbers on the 1941 set with the 5 digit numbers are herewith recorded.

Scott #	253	Plate Number	42430	All positions
"	253	"	43965	" "
"	254	"	43078	" "
"	254	"	43968	" "
"	255	"	43066	" "
"	255	"	43967	" "
"	257	"	43966	" "
"	259	"	41601	" "
"	260	"	43702	" "
"	260	"	43838	" "
"	261	"	41789	" "
"	262	"	41784	" "
"	263	"	41796	" "
"	264	"	41795	" "
"	265	"	41791	" "
"	266	"	41793	" "
"	269	"	43359	" "
"	270	"	43476	" "

In addition to the positions listed above, portions or all of the plate number in a different type are occasionally found at the left center or top center of the sheet.

Scott #267	Plate Number 1	All Positions—L.L. block #16367
" C19	" " 1	" " " 16479

The last two stamps were printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co. of Ottawa. ★

The 1954 Convention of the Canadian Philatelic Society will be held in Kitchener, Ont., April 22-24, with the Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society playing host. A full and interesting program is being arranged, full details of which will appear at a later date for the information of those BNAPSers who are also members of C. P. S.

From The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly (England): "Canada is thoroughly ashamed of her Coronation stamp; even those responsible for it admit its faults. The new 4¢ Elizabeth definitive is also under fire and it wouldn't surprise many if a new design came out pretty quickly. (Let's hope that those responsible for the terrible stamp designs have learnt a lesson.)



Dr. James C. Goodwin, BNAPS 171

One of Canada's foremost obstetricians, Dr. James C. Goodwin, passed away suddenly at his Toronto home on August 3rd.

The senior attending obstetrician and gynecologist at Toronto General Hospital, Dr. Goodwin had been teaching associate of the University of Toronto Medical School since the completion of postgraduate work there in 1930. He was an active member of the Academy of Medicine of Toronto as well as the Ontario and Canadian Medical Associations and at the time of his death was president of the Medical Historical Society of Toronto, his interest in native history extending far beyond his profession.

Philatelically, over the last twenty years he had built up a collection of material on the early settlers of Upper Canada, particularly those of the Toronto and Niagara districts, and was a leading authority on all Canadiana.

He specialized in postal history and this collection is considered to be one of the best in the world—frequently called “a small museum” inasmuch as it includes books, prints, maps and medals, old letters and stamps with documents relating to Upper Canada, especially of its naval and military history.

Dr. Goodwin's column, “The Post Horn and Saddle Bag”, has been a very popular feature of BNA Topics since its inception some 18 months ago.

During Capex year he was president of the Toronto Stamp Collectors Club, and at its last meeting was elected president of the Canadian Association for Philatelic Exhibitions and likewise was a member of all the National and International Philatelic and Postal History Societies.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Kathleen Williams Goodwin; two sons, James Jr. and John; and a daughter Barbara, all of Toronto, and to whom his host of philatelic friends extend their sincere sympathy.

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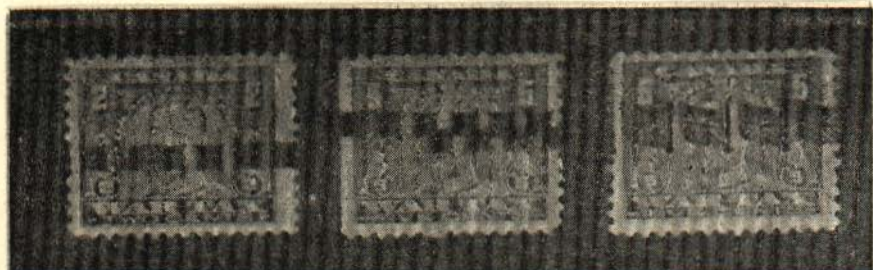
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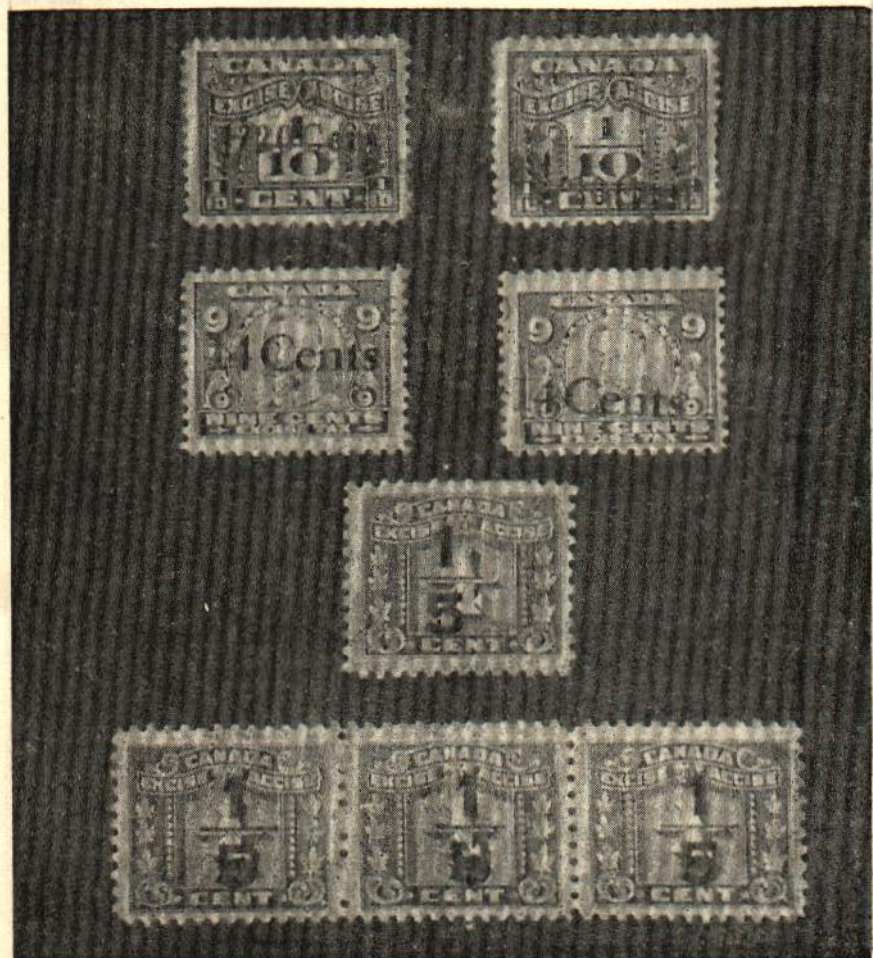
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B. N. A. REVENUES AND TAX PAIDS

By E. L. PIGGOTT (#629)

It has been interesting to observe from new applications for membership in BNAPS that many collectors do have an interest in British North America



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In stamp collecting the real pleasure lies in acquiring items that have fulfilled legitimate needs and when these emissions have been an integral part of the affairs of the nation, both in good times and bad, the paper chase becomes even more interesting.

There are of course those who have not bothered with B. N. A. Revenues and Tax Paid, possibly thinking there is no considerable variety, few legitimate errors and little possibility of uncovering new varieties. Let me assure you, major and minor varieties abound which can add zest to the hunting and the field is far from being completely explored. Illustrated, therefore, are a few emissions worth watching for in overprints and surcharges of Federal issues only. It is pertinent to mention that many items along this type will be difficult to locate as time passes.

In the three War Tax emissions note the black square precancels, the five cent denomination with "double overprint" and the other in the same value with "flags inverted". In the Excise emissions note the different positions of the surcharge which are minor varieties at least. The 3/20 Cent surcharge on the 1/10 two leaf excise is a fine example of a misplaced surcharge in an extremely low position. The writer has not seen many of the 1/5 on 1/4 showing the 1/5 surcharge to the left and the badly broken "5" which appears in the strip of three of this denomination is a good minor variety. It would be of interest to know if this broken "5" is constant on some of the plates. The nine cent purple with "14 Cents diagonal surcharge" is an elusive item. This stamp has also been seen with inverted and double surcharge as have other denominations including the diagonal surcharge which are likely to give the variety hunter a merry chase.

At one time very few collectors undertook to collect B. N. A. Revenues and Tax Paid in a systematic way, because of lack of information arising out of the fact that suitable catalogues or listings were not readily available. This, however, is now happily a thing of the past. ★

"The Stamp Collectors' Herald", Vol. 1, No. 1, has been received from the publishers, Kitchener-Waterloo Philatelic Society, Kitchener, Ontario. The name chosen for the organ of this active chapter of the Canadian Philatelic Society, reminds us of one of Canada's most successful philatelic publications, "The Stamp Herald", which was published in Kitchener at one time some years ago. Copies of this bulletin may be had from the so-

ciety for the cost of a stamp to cover mailing.

"Collectors Guide", published at Trail, B. C., by BNAPSer Gustav Hagen, will move to Rose Valley, Saskatchewan, September 1. Mr. Hagen states that as soon as he is settled at his new address he will be able to accept orders for printing at reasonable rates.

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Trail of the Caribou

By Freres Meyerson



We've heard from Dr. Willan in answer to our note in the June issue of TOPICS concerning lot #330 in the Robson Lowe Sale held in London on May 20th. Dr. Willan says, "I believe it is actually a set of the original proofs, but there is no way of proving that for most values. The perfs, despite what the sales catalogue states, are identical with the issued stamps. The catalogue description of colors is right for the 1¢, which is slightly more blue than the issued stamp, and of course the 3¢ and 10¢ are different. I do not agree that the 8¢ is a deeper shade than the issue, nor do I agree that the printing is actually clearer. Curiously enough the catalogue description ignores the 4¢, which is a definitely different shade, being very much more red than the blue violet of the issued stamp. The fact that the 1¢, 3¢, 4¢ and 10¢ are demonstrably the original proofs makes it probable that the whole set is such, but there is no way of proving it for the other values, as the order for the stamps stipulated that the proofs to be submitted were to be on the paper to be used for the issue, gummed and perforated as to be issued". That is Dr. Willan's opinion and since he knows far more about this issue than anyone else we certainly go along with him and wish to thank him for the time and effort he took in setting us right.

Mr. E. H. Hiscock has had occasion to read the article by Marshall Kay in the May issue of TOPICS relative to the perforation varieties of the Gilbert Issue which Mr. Kay records as 13.2 comb and 14.1 line. Mr. Hiscock reports that his copies of the 7¢, 14¢ and 32¢ line perforate measure 13.7 rather than 14.1. We immediately checked our line perforate copies and found that we had all of the values in the line perforate 13.7. By all of the values, we mean the 7¢, 9¢, 10¢,

14¢, 20¢, 24¢ and 32¢, in fact all of our copies measure 13.7, we don't have any that measure 14.1. It is entirely possible that Mr. Kay didn't measure his copies but merely recorded them as 14.1 because they were undoubtedly line perforate and the line perforate stamps had always been listed as 14.1. We've just noticed that Gibbons lists all of the line perforate with the exception of the 10¢ value as existing in 13.8, about the same as Mr. Hiscock's findings. Now it is entirely possible that the line perfs exist in both 13.7 and 14.1, but personally we don't believe it. So let's please check all of our copies of the line perfs and see what we can find. We'll also refer the matter to Mr. Kay when he returns this fall. Thank you Mr. Hiscock for being so observant and refusing to take the printed word for granted.

Tom R. Hutton, London, England, weighs in with some further confirmation that the line perf Gilberts are all 13.7 or 13.8. He quotes from Gibbons Stamp Monthly for Feb. 1953: "The six values known with perf 13.8 came from a second printing, but as the 10¢ is not known to have had a second printing it looks as if perf 13.8 was used to some extent for the first printing". From the above we assume that Gibbons will acknowledge the existence of the 10¢ value in the line perf in the 1954 catalogue and thus complete the list of those values thus far recorded in the line perf 13.8.

From Stan Wood we are in receipt of a page out of Gibbons Stamp Monthly for March 1939 listing the plate numbers on the 2¢ green, Scott #186. They record an entirely new variety, a normal "2" on the Die 2. We had previously recorded a reversed "2" on the Die 1. Both positions are Upper Left. This is the first instance of a normal number as well as a reversed number. ★

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I COLLECT USED BLOCKS OF CANADA!

By ED. RICHARDSON (#168)

First, let me make it clear that I do collect Used Blocks of Canada—and I don't have a whole mess of 'em to "pan off" on a new convert. I really like to collect them, and feel that many collectors in their scramble to build a nice collection of B.N.A. have pursued the Mint and Plate Blocks without once giving a thought to the possibility of building up a collection of those often scarcer but more often less expensive used blocks.

You may be quite orthodox and stick to used blocks of four, but as for myself the "bigger the better". I want no monotony in my collections, therefore it doesn't matter one bit if my set of 1932 Ottawa Conference is made up of one block of four, one of six, and one of nine with a Plate No. Arranged carefully, the pages lend themselves to a more artistic and a more interesting layout than would be the case with a symmetrical set all in blocks of four. So I have the habit of replacing smaller blocks with larger ones when they come along.

As for dated cancels, I insist on them, particularly from 1912 on. The stamps must be used within a few months or year of issue, with few exceptions. But I don't want a bunch of blocks soaked off first day covers, all bearing the first day cancel. One in the set might be okay, but I prefer cancels from different towns, some showing slogans, a few military cancels, and some odd ones here and there. Again I'll replace an ordinary cancel anytime an odd one comes along.

Sure, I'd save those that come along with Plate Nos.—why not? Philatelic? Maybe, but I get a lot right off my correspondence when Canadian friends have been kind in using them. Just because it has a Plate No. doesn't indicate philatelic use—I've gotten some right off commercial packages.

Once in a great while you get something unusual in the way of a cancellation. Once soaked off some blocks from first flight covers, where the

Cachet had cancelled the entire block!

When it comes to plate varieties, re-entries, overprint varieties, etc., these are quite nice to have in your used block collection.

For the most part I tend to mount my used blocks as a separate collection by themselves. However I note that all the used blocks prior to 1912 have been gradually removed and placed in other collections. The Small Queen's used blocks are in the Small Queen's Albums, and the same is true of later Queens and Edward's Issues. The early blocks of '59's and '68's never got into the Used Block collection in the first place. I suppose as time goes on, and I tend to build up collections of later issues, like the Admirals or the Medallions, etc., the used blocks will go into those collections too.

One thing I haven't done is to place precancelled blocks in my Used Block collection. They seem to be something different, and when they come along they always go straight into my precancel collection.

Where do you find the darn things? Almost anywhere you'd expect to find stamps. First, save those that come on your correspondence. Most Canadian dealers and collectors will co-operate with you. Next, look over those bundles of first day and first flight covers you've had kicking around. Some nice cancels come from those "Royal Train" cover of 1939 too.

Most dealers have a few used blocks kicking around, and surprising enough many sell them for exactly four times the single price. This indicates that not too many have been looking for this kind of material, or the price would be higher. There are exchanges possible. Collectors in Canada have numerous opportunities to get used blocks, including the higher values. Some have friends in banks or commercial houses that save them. Many Canadians I know exchange these for mint U. S. Plate Blocks or Used Blocks of U. S. Commemora-

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Bringing News About People and Stamps

By Rev. J. S. Bain

From the land of the Maple Leaf came two BNAPSers who stopped for a visit in Santa Rosa, California. It was indeed a pleasure to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Alex MacMaster and renew acquaintance after CAPEX. I say two BNAPSers although strictly speaking only one of them is an actual member. However to Mrs. MacMaster goes the credit for starting Alex in stamps. Little did she think that the present of a stamp collection would start him on the way to forming one of the world's outstanding Newfoundland collections, and then finally into the professional field, where we find

him today in the Stanley Stamp Company, Vancouver, Canada. BNAPSer MacMaster reports that Newfoundland stamps prior to 1920 are very firm in price, with the early material being eagerly sought after. He states that the entire BNA field is constantly in demand.

BNAPS

Going through some letters from the "Henry Jessop" correspondence I came across a letter dated Montreal, July 15th, 1847. It was written by one George Kenett who enclosed a draft for \$250.00. Then he writes "You

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Sketches of **BNAP**Sers by V. G. Greene

No. 48—BERT K. DENTON

One of the world's foremost students of the 19th century stamps and postal history of British North America is Bert K. Denton of Bombay, India, formerly of Montreal and Toronto. Born in Montreal on June 4, 1911, he was educated there and graduated from McGill University (B.Sc) in 1934. A chemist by profession, Mr. Denton is employed by the Monsanto Chemical Company of St. Louis, Mo., and is Managing-Director of their India Company in Bombay. For some years he was manager of the Toronto office and joined the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club of which he was President, 1944-45.

Mr. Denton started collecting stamps as a youngster and in 1935 began to seriously study the early issues of Canada and Provinces of which he has now a collection of the first rank. He also has first-class collections of the first issue of Chile; India 1854's; Cape of Good Hope triangles and a choice Postal History collection especially strong in B.N.A.

In the course of his business Mr. Denton travels a great deal, generally accompanied by his attractive wife Hazel, and is well known in philatelic circles throughout the world, particularly in Great Britain and the United States. He was the only Canadian to serve on the International Jury of the stamp Exhibition held in London in May, 1950, but was unfortunately unable to accept an invitation to serve on the CAPEX Jury in 1951.

Mr. Denton's other hobby is sailing and has his own boat with which he sails in the vicinity of Bombay and has won prizes against the keenest competition. A member of the exclusive Royal Bombay Yacht Club and the East India Sports Club, London, Mr. Denton is also a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, London; member of the American Philatelic Society; Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club; Philatelic Society of India and the Society of Postal Historians. His

philatelic friends in Canada and the United States hope that he will soon return to this continent permanently, as there are no more popular British North America philatelists than Mr. and Mrs. Bert K. Denton. ★



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MULOCK ON THE 1898 MAP STAMP

Mr. Editor—Having seen a number of references in various publications referring to the letter bearing the first "Map Stamp" to be used at Ottawa Post Office—who sent it and to whom—and having seen no answer given; it might be of interest to collectors of this famous Christmas stamp to learn the inside story.

The original manuscript letter is in the possession of a leading Canadian specialist in England, by whose courtesy this copy appeared in a prominent English stamp publication. Attached to the letter is the actual stamp on piece of original, and at the beginning of the letter has been added in manuscript, probably by the Duke of Norfolk, "Mulock re Penny Postage, Jan. 16, 1899."

W. J. Foster (#748)

Letter from Hon. William Mulock, Postmaster-General of Canada (who designed the stamp), to the Duke of Norfolk, Postmaster-General of Great Britain, in which he says:

"My Dear Duke,

At last Christmas Day has arrived and with it the inauguration of the 'Inter Imperial Penny Post' scheme, and this letter to Her Majesty's Postmaster-General will be the first communication at the new rate to be stamped by the Post Office of Ottawa, the Dominion Capital.

"You will, I am sure, be gratified that the action of the London Postal Conference has given unbounded satisfaction throughout this country, and occasioned most grateful feelings towards your Government and particularly those members of it to whom we are indebted for the measure, namely Mr. Chamberlain and yourself.

"Whilst its commercial importance is not underestimated, still it is as a new and powerful link of Empire that it has touched the hearts of the Canadian people and evoked their most enthusiastic approval. It may be somewhat difficult for those in staid old England to enter into our feelings

and perhaps they may at times be inclined to consider our appreciation of the Imperial connection as almost quixotic in its intensity, but it is founded on good and sufficient reasons.

"In conversation with you I ventured to express the belief that the measure would prove popular in England and hope I was not mistaken. I never sympathized with the 'Little Englanders' who imagined that Imperial greatness would be promoted by cutting the Colonies adrift and it is encouraging to us of an outlying part of the Empire to find the people of the Mother Country approving of measures calculated to promote Imperial Unity. Already I have read several English newspaper utterances all favourable to the Penny Post Scheme and their good effect on public opinion here is not likely to disappear.

"Wishing you the compliments of the season,

"I am,

Yours sincerely,

W. MULOCK."

Ottawa,
Christmas, 1898.

"P. S.—The quotation on the postage stamp is from Sir Lewis Morris's Jubilee Ode of 1887 entitled 'A Song of Empire', a production of much literary merit with a manly patriotic strain running through it, and is well worth reading.—W.M." ★

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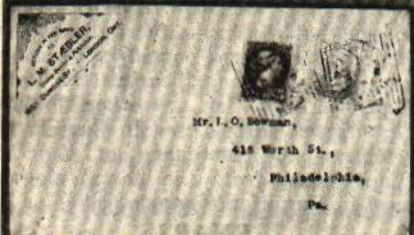
Mark on 7¢ Goose

Dear Editor: On page 148 of the May issue of BNA TOPICS is a letter and a picture of the 7¢ Goose stamp showing a mark near the bill of the goose, sent to you by Robert S. MacCallum (#740). On looking over my first days, three singles, block and pair, I find one single first day from Ottawa with this same mark. I am a novice in this kind of work, but I don't think it looks like a gouge; if it was, it would be shaped more like a tear-drop. I would say it is some foreign body on the plate. As to position or plate number, I have no idea.

G. Duncan (#968)

Illustrated Covers

Dear Editor: I have noted articles



by Mr. Piggott under the caption "Canadian Illustrated Covers". I have taken a "Look Into This" and enclosed you will find three Canadian covers with the following corner cards, which I hope you will find interesting. (See picture above.—Ed.)

1. Corner card, "Mutual Marriage Aid Association" of Hamilton, Ontario, addressed to Minneapolis, Minn. It is evident that the party to whom addressed could not be located, as it was returned to the sender.

2. Corner card, "L. M. Staebler, Stamp Dealer & Publisher", London, Ont. I started stamp collecting at Petrolia, Ontario, nearly 60 years ago; however, I have no recollection of Mr. Staebler of London, Ont.

3. Corner card, "Look Into This", drop letter to Coteau Landing, Quebec.

In addition to the above, I am also enclosing a 3¢ Small Queen of Canada which bears a very distinct cancellation of a SHIELD. This is the first cancellation of this kind that I have seen on a Canadian stamp. Perhaps someone can give details as to the origin of this cancellation.

Charles L. Brisley (#811)

"The Post Horn and Saddle Bag"

Readers of BNA TOPICS will be glad to hear that the column conducted for many months under the above name by the late Dr. Jim Goodwin, will continue to be a feature of our magazine. President Harry Lussey will write the material for this column, with the help of other leading postal history specialists, and it will appear under the same heading as a permanent memorial to one who was always unselfish in sharing his knowledge of Canadian history with others. Mr. Lussey's first article will likely appear in the October issue. ★

AN UNRECORDED RE-ENTRY

By W. E. LEA (#687)

Daniel C. Meyerson of New York recently sent for my inspection a pair of Newfoundland 1861-62, 1d Chocolate Brown (SG 17—Scott 15a) on Stacey Wise paper, in order to check the vertical and horizontal measurements, in an endeavour to ascertain the variations in the shrinkage which occurs on these stamps.

Whilst examining this pair I was amazed to find a re-entry hitherto unrecorded, which I believe should interest collectors of Newfoundland on both sides of the Atlantic. Specialists with large blocks and pieces, both of the Purple-brown (SG 1—Scott 1) and of this stamp, might wish to examine them in an endeavour to determine the position of this very important major re-entry—especially so, as I understand from Sir John Wilson that the Perkins Bacon Records, which are shortly to be published by the Royal Philatelic Society, do not chronicle a repair to the Newfoundland one penny plate.

This new discovery, which should not be confused with the re-entry mentioned in "The Postage Stamps of Newfoundland" by Winthrop S. Boggs (which has already been positioned as No. 25 on the sheet), shows the following major features:

Duplications in the J, O, N and S of "Johns".

Marks in the Upper Left I. square.

Duplications in N, E, W of "Newfound" and the E of "One".

Two marks to the left-hand side of the Crown, whilst the pearls below the Orb in the Crown are more clearly defined.

The flower of the Thistle shows elongated lines, which extend into the point of the Star.

I consider this re-entry of major importance to Newfoundland students, and should be very pleased to hear from collectors who can confirm this. Will all specialists reading this article kindly examine their copies of Scott 1 and 15a (SG 1 and SG 17) or proofs of the 1d stamp, in order that

all information can be collated. It is essential to establish whether—

- (1) The re-entry occurred before the plate was put to press.
OR (2) prior to or during the 1861-62 issue. ★

(Continued from page 247)

would have received the enclosed before this, but most all means were required for the opening of the new Theatre here. We opened on Saturday last to a good house. The . . . since have not been so good, we having a powerful opposition at present in Welch's circus". The "new Theatre" referred to was the "Theatre Royal". This is a good example of the historical combined with philately.

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Following the chase of the 5¢ registration stamp perforated 12x11½ as reported by BNAPSers White, Lussey, and Dilworth, I decided to go over an accumulation of this stamp. After "perfin" about 50 copies I had one 12x11½. It was an undated specimen, and hence has no information to contribute, except to report another copy of this scarce perforation.

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BNAPSer Marjorie Harris writes to say that she has a facsimile of the Mulready envelope posted in Vancouver, B. C., Canada, bearing the date May 6th, 1940. Can any other BNAPSers report covers used in Canada to celebrate the centenary of the 1d Black apart from the postal slogan used in Hamilton, Ontario?

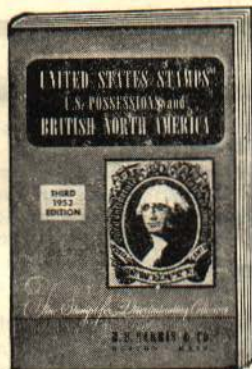
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First day covers showed up again, and I wish to thank BNAPSers J. Miller Allen, Frank W. Campbell, and Frank R. Norris for Great Britain coronation cover, The Ross House, Winnipeg, and the Canada 4¢ Coronation, respectively. BNAPSer Norris mails his from "Slocan, B. C., Canada, the smallest incorporated city on the North American Continent". ★

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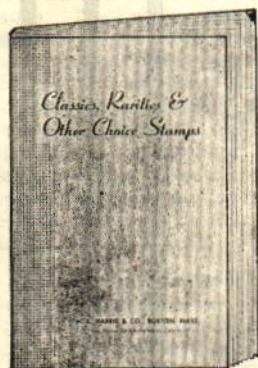
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From the President...

Dear Fellow BNAPSers;

As the time of the Montreal Convention and Exhibition approaches I would like to urge all those intending to take an active part to do their utmost to assist the Host Group headed by our Vice President Charles deVolpi. We can ease their job very simply by sending in our reservations for rooms and our exhibit entries at the earliest possible date. This may not seem much but I can tell you that it means a great deal to those handling the arrangements—and remember they are doing it for you.

The Montreal Group has been hard at work and among other things has obtained two medals which will be given as special awards and they will be well worth winning. The provisions of the competition are simple and will be announced by the Group. Put your best foot forward and get in the race. Needless to say these awards are in addition to the customary Grand Award and the highly coveted BNAPS Medals. Other awards are also planned.

While on the subject of Exhibitions you may be interested in knowing that the Officers of your Society have been and still are hard at work trying to devise ways and means of improving future exhibitions. We believe that a setup can be created that will permit 20th Century material to compete on an even footing with 19th despite the universal tendency to relegate the 20th to the background in the judging. We feel that the collecting and study of 20th Century material should be encouraged and stimulated while it is around. There is also a distinct possibility that former Grand Award winners can be brought back into competition on a basis that will not discourage the average member from competing. Finally we are working to the end that the collector who has a relatively small but nevertheless worthwhile specialized collection will not be knocked out of competition by the collector having the means to display a wide range of philatelic gems. We want to make it an Exhibition for all.

Amidst our plans for our Annual gettogether and the fun that goes with it, BNAPS has suffered a loss in the death of Jim Goodwin that cannot help but have a sobering effect upon us all at Montreal. Jim passed away on August 3rd very suddenly and we have lost a fine man, one of the greatest students of Canadian Postal History and a member whose contributions to TOPICS have highlighted our magazine for many months. Many of us have benefited from the extensive knowledge which Jim built up through research, study and correspondence and then unselfishly made available to all through his Column, "The Post Horn and Saddle Bag". To the Chairman of our Board, Lloyd Sharpe went the sad task of representing BNAPS at the funeral and our deepest sympathies have been extended to Mrs. Goodwin and the family. Let us hope some fitting way can be devised to perpetuate Jim's memory in a Society he did so much for.

HARRY W. LUSSEY, President



From the Sales Manager...

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We asked for suggestions of any other ways we might serve you and here's one submitted. We provide proper size envelopes for mailing to each member on a circuit so how about the same consideration to those who send in the books? "You Asked for It"—and you shall have it. Any further suggestions?

It's a big order our new goal, but we have a strong feeling that you'll put it over. We have lots of fine material on hand—most anything you might want to see—and more is always coming in. Many members are availing themselves of the advantages of the Department and most of the applicants as they are admitted to membership almost immediately (usually request the circuits on their application) enjoy the same privilege. With such a fine potential "market", our "big order" doesn't seem so impossible. We hope to be able to report that our newest "wishful thought" wasn't so wishful.

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- 1084 Marsh, Victor, 13 Ston Rd., Riverside, Twickenham, Middlesex, England
- 1085 Moore, Christopher A., 64 Oakmount Road, Toronto 9, Ont., Canada
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RESIGNATION RECEIVED

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RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

- Fontaine, Peter H., Cross Street, Harwich Port, Mass.

DECEASED

- Goodwin, Dr. James C., 516 Medical Arts Bldg., Toronto 5, Ont., Canada

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TOAL MEMBERSHIP, June 15, 1953	780	
NEW MEMBERS, August 15, 1953	21	
		782
RESIGNATION ACCEPTED, August 15, 1953	1	
DECEASED, August 15, 1953	1	
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP, August 15, 1953		780

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

ARTICLE IV, Section 3—As amended Annual Meeting 1950.

Three (3) members to the Board of Governors shall be so elected each year by ballot during January for a term of three (3) years.

Nominations may be filed with the Secretary by any 5 members in good standing not later than 90 days prior to the date of elections. At least 90 days prior to the election date, the President of the Society shall select and appoint 3 members of the Society to serve and function as a Nominating Committee whose prime purpose shall be to prepare and present a slate of nominees for each elective office to be voted. Each nomination made shall be published in BNA TOPICS not less than 60 days prior to the election date.

An official ballot shall be prepared by the Secretary, containing all nominations, spaces for marking against each name, and space for the signature and number of the member casting the ballot. No ballot other than the official form shall be valid. Ballots shall be returned to the Committee on Elections, which shall be appointed by the President at a time prior to the election. The Committee on Elections shall canvass the vote and report the results at the election meeting and refer a similar report to the Secretary for filing and notice in BNA TOPICS. A plurality of all votes cast shall be required for the election of a candidate. If no one candidate shall receive a plurality of votes cast for an office, new ballots shall be issued for the election to that office.

From the Treasurer...

Income and Disbursement Account

JANUARY 1, 1952 TO DECEMBER 31, 1952

BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1951

Dues in Advance—1952	\$ 223.37	
Dues in Advance—1953	3.62	
Dues in Advance—1954	3.00	
Topics—Advertising in Advance	2.60	
Custody Account	6.25	
Life Membership Fund	629.00	
General Funds in Custody of Editor	87.75	
General Funds on Deposit	33.49	\$ 989.08

INCOME

Membership Dues:		
Dues in Abeyance from 1951	22.58	
Dues of Members Replaced on Rolls	12.00	
Dues for 1952	1755.94	
Membership Fees (New Members)	124.00	1914.47
Dues for 1953	215.90	
Dues for 1954	6.00	
Dues for 1955	5.45	227.35
Life Membership Fees	100.00	100.00
Topics:		
Advertising—1949 (Previously written off)	8.47	
Advertising—1949	7.50	
Advertising—1950	15.00	
Advertising—1951	79.00	
Advertising—1952	338.60	
Advertising—1953 in Advance97	
Sale of Back Issues	1.50	451.04
Yearbook:		
Advertising—1950	3.50	3.50
Advertising—1951	55.00	55.00
Advertising—1952	308.15	
Sale of One Copy35	308.50
Circuit—Sale of Books	14.25	14.25
BNAPEX-52—Income in Excess of Expenses	68.21	68.21

\$4131.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Topics:		
Printing Ten Issues and Index	\$1507.40	
Cuts	279.90	
Plates, Mailing and Shipping	49.70	
Postage	147.22	
Envelopes	89.82	\$2074.04
Yearbook:		
Printing	283.00	
Cuts	28.20	
Plates, Mailing and Shipping	6.40	
Postage	25.21	342.81
General Expenses:		
Postage	100.00	
Statement Forms	20.71	
Ballots and Envelopes	14.00	
Inserts in Topics	20.00	
Printed Postcards and Envelopes (Seq'y)	30.58	

Membership Cards and Envelopes	14.75	
Bank Charges	2.59	
Advertising	66.75	
Miscellaneous	6.00	265.38
Library	50.00	50.00
Typewriter for Editor	104.50	104.50
BNAPEX-52 Medals (Treasury to be reimbursed)	24.42	24.42
Total Disbursements		\$2861.15
Funds on Deposit		1147.04
Funds in Custody of Editor		55.00
Funds in Custody of BNAPEX-52 Chairman		68.21
		\$4121.40

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As of December 31, 1952

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1953 Dues in Advance	\$ 219.52	Funds on Deposit	\$1147.04
1954 Dues in Advance	9.00	Funds in Custody of Editor	55.00
1955 Dues in Advance	5.45	Funds in Custody BNAPEX Chm.	68.21
Topics—Advt. in Advance97	Typewriter (Depreciated val.)	84.50
Custody Fund	6.25	Accounts Receivable:	
Life Membership Fund	675.90	Topics:	
		1951 Advertising	6.25
SURPLUS:		1952 Advertising	65.76
As of 12/31/51 ..	\$333.69	Yearbook:	
For Year 1952 ..	227.80	1951 Advertising	3.50
As of 12/31/52 ..	\$561.49	1952 Advertising	23.00
	561.49	BNAPEX-52 Medal Costs ..	24.42
	\$1477.68		\$1477.68

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For the Year 1952

INCOME

Adjustments for Prior Years	\$ 8.47	\$ 8.47
Membership Dues—Regular	1972.31	
Membership Dues—Replaced on Rolls	12.00	
Membership Dues—From Life Membership Fund	54.00	
Membership Fees—New Members	131.00	2169.31
Topics:		
Advertising	341.20	
Sale of Back Issues	1.50	342.70
Yearbook—Advertising and Sale of One Copy	308.50	308.50
Circuit—Sale of Books	14.25	14.25
BNAPEX-52—Income in Excess of Expenses	68.21	68.21
Accounts Receivable:		
Topics—Advertising	65.76	65.76
Yearbook—Advertising	23.00	23.00
Total Income		\$3000.20

EXPENSES

Topics—As per INCOME AND DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	\$2074.04
Yearbook—As per INCOME AND DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	342.81
Library—As per INCOME AND DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	50.00
General Expenses—As per INCOME AND DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT	265.38
Typewriters—Amortization	31.17
Medal Die—Amortization (Final)	9.00
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