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The Coil Stamps of Canada

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From January 1954 Topics

By EDWARD J. WHITING

Part Four

THE 1942-43 WAR ISSUE

**1c green, 2c brown, 3c carmine,
3c violet, 4c carmine**

Rolls of 500 Perf 8 Vertical

After five years' currency the 1937 issue was superseded by the War Issue of 1942. The 1c green, 2c brown, and 3c carmine appeared on July 1, followed the next April by the 3c violet and the 4c carmine.

These latter two were occasioned by the change in postal rates. The 1c was precancelled as in other issues.

These issues were printed (as were the previous three) by the drawback method and the same varieties of pasting-up and misalignment occur.

There were 9,975,000 of the 3c carmine printed.



**1c green, 2c brown, 3c violet,
4c carmine**

Rolls of 500 Perf 9½ Vertical

In 1948 all but the 3c carmine were re-issued in a new perforation, 9½. The 1c appeared July 13; the 1c precancelled on April 1; the 2c on October 1; the 3c on July 2, and the 4c on July 22.

1950: THE REVISED, UNREVISED ISSUES

**1c green, 2c brown, 2c green,
3c violet, 4c carmine**

Rolls of 500 Perf 9½ Vertical

In 1949 the government decided to replace the wartime designs and in 1950 issued new stamps in what are known as the *Revised* and *Unrevised* designs.

Of the Unrevised design only the 1c and the 3c appeared. The 1c Unrevised was also issued precancelled.

Of the Revised, the 1c, 2c, 3c and 4c were issued. Both the 1c and 2c of this issue were issued precancelled. The 2c first appeared in a black-brown color but in 1951, due to changes in colors corresponding to the new rates, the 2c was issued in a dark olive-green.

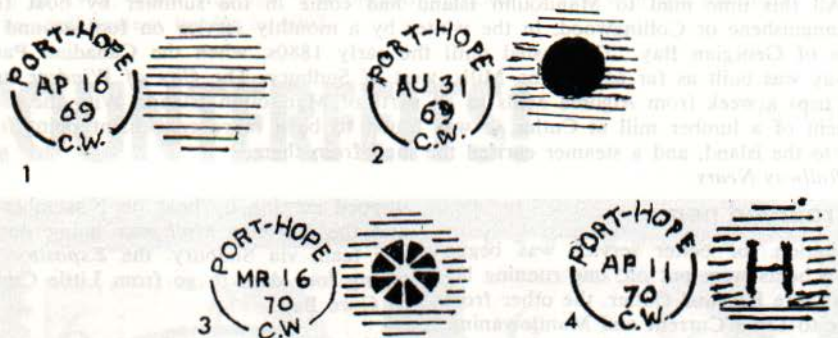
Again the drawback printing method is used with its attendant minor varieties. The 2c has been particularly noted for its



mis-alignment varieties which are more pronounced than in most other stamps issued.

(End of series)

PORT HOPE'S CORKS



A duplex hammer consists normally of two parts — i.e. a metal frame in which the killer is permanently fixed, and a detachable circular dater which is changed daily and fixed in the metal frame by a bayonet joint, or simply screwed on.

In 1860 the postmaster at Port Hope, Ontario, received a duplex hammer of the standard pattern, made by Berni of London. He used this happily for nine years until 1869, but it was good for a further nine years in a different form; for some astonishing reason he mutilated his hammer by cutting a hole in the center of the killer and inserting a small round cork!

This wore out in a month and had to be replaced by a new cork. In fact, between August 1869 and April 1870 we know of no less than *seven* corks in the mutilated Port Hope series.

Figure 1 shows the original duplex. The mutilated-duplex cancels followed in this sequence, as far as can be determined:

The earliest known date of mutilation is August 31, 1869 (fig. 2). This continued until October 1, and was then replaced by a cork with an intaglio portcullis design, dated OC 2. A strike dated OC 14 shows this cork broken in half and it was probably soon replaced by the third, a cork cut into four segments. The next dated strike recorded is another solid cork, dated DE 69. All these are found only on Large Queens. The fifth (fig. 3) was a cork cut into eight segments, and two dated strikes are known: February and March of 1870 on Small Queen indian-red 3c stamps.

The sixth is an undated cork with an intaglio flag design, and the last known mutilated duplex, on April 11, 1870, has the letter "H" carved (fig. 4). (This list varies somewhat from that given in the *Duplex Handbook*, second edition, as it includes two recent discoveries sold in the Maresch auction of May 26, 1970.)

For what conceivable reason did the postmaster mutilate his perfectly good hammer to insert ephemeral corks? The only reason I can think of is that he was an enthusiastic carver of corks, and by this means was able to use some of his handiwork.

(tenth of a series)

Manitoulin Island

- - Sixty-five years of postal history

Last of two parts — by Max Rosenthal

All this time mail to Manitoulin Island had come in the summer by boat from Penetanguishene or Collingwood, in the winter by a monthly service on foot around the shores of Georgian Bay. This lasted until the early 1880s, when the Canadian Pacific Railway was built as far as Algoma Mills, west of Sudbury. The *City of Windsor* made three trips a week from Algoma Mills to all parts of Manitoulin Island. With the establishment of a lumber mill at Cutler, it was found to be a more convenient point for a ferry to the island, and a steamer carried the mail from there.

The Railway Nears

The railroad nears

Agitation for better service was begun so two boats were put on, one running between Gore Bay and Cutler, the other from Cutler to Little Current and Manitowaning. Later Gore Bay got a daily mail service twice a week to Meldrum Bay and Cockburn Island. During these years the winter mail came across the ice from Spanish to Gore Bay, and from Massey Station (now Massey) to Little Current, being distributed from there to all sections of the Island. During the autumn and spring there was usually an interval of from a few days to two weeks when it was impossible to cross the channel by boat or sleigh, and the island went without mail.

From 1886 to 1893 Outer Duck Island, considerably off the southeast coast of Manitoulin Island, had a post office, open only during the navigation season.

In Campbell Township, 20 miles southeast of Gore Bay, Grimsthorpe got a post office in 1889, named after its postmaster Samuel Grimes. A stage brought the mail twice weekly from Manitowaning by way of nearby Providence Bay. The same year, as the Murray River in Tehkummah Township on this mail route. The Slash was opened. It was named from the fire-break cut through a large wooded area many years ago to control a forest fire. Twelve miles from Manitowaning, it was on the Murray River, supplying power to a saw mill. In 1891 South Bay Mouth opened in the same township.

The Manitoulin Expositor had begun at Manitowaning in 1879, but in 1888 this weekly newspaper moved to Little Current, which was fast outgrowing Manitowaning. In 1889 it reported that the mail had

stopped coming by boat on November 28, and the *Toronto Mail* was going out by dog team via Sudbury, the *Expositor* was taking four days to go from Little Current to Gore Bay.

Wikwemikong

1891 saw Wikwemikong post office established on the Indian Reserve on the easterly peninsula of Manitoulin Island. The mission station there had been begun about 1823 by Father Proulx, a secular Roman Catholic priest. The Indian village in which the post office was located was on the east side of Manitowaning Bay, six miles northeast of Manitowaning. Mail came twice a week.

Britainville, in the southwest corner of Campbell Township, had only one postmaster during its entire existence; William McCormick, who held the position from 1892 to 1936. Mud Creek supplied power to two saw mills there. In 1893 Honora opened on the southwestern border of Howland Township; in 1897 Spring Bay, on the western shore of Mindemoya Lake, in Carnarvon Township, south of the Elizabeth Bay Inlet of Bayfield Sound; Burpee Township got Elizabeth Bay post office in 1899. At the southwestern corner of Bayfield Sound, the village of Shesheguaning got a post office called Morrisville in 1900. J. B. Graham kept it in his general store. It closed in 1908, reopening in 1911, and changing to the Indian name in 1923.

A few miles southeast of Morrisville, in the same township, Fernlee was established in 1901. The same year Snowville was opened at the northern edge of Tehkummah. On West Bay, in the Indian Reserve in Billings Township, Excelsior was opened in 1905.

The only Township on Manitoulin Island without a post office up to 1900 was Allan. In 1903, northeast of the body of water of the same name, Ice Lake was established. Its second postmaster, Malcolm McArthur, took it over in his general store in 1907, followed by Mrs. Charlotte McArthur next year. Allan Township got a second post office in 1908, when Advance was opened on its southwestern border in 1908.

Foxye, in 1911, was the last rural post office opened on Manitoulin Island, in lot 14, on the 7th concession road of Gordon Township, southwest of Gore Bay.

In 1913 the line south from the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway reached Little Current, and, for the first time, Manitoulin Island was directly connected by rail with the mainland.

COUNTERFEITS!

by Stanley Lum



I have always been interested in the earlier forged stamps of Canada. However, it was not until I read Trafton Smith's letter in *Topics* (whole number 265, April 1968, page 86) that my interest was extended to recent counterfeits. Mr. Smith is to be congratulated for both his "find" and for reporting the existence of a postally-used forgery of Canada, Scott No. 404—1962 Queen Elizabeth 4c carmine. This counterfeit is indeed rare for I have screened some 50 pounds of mixture and found only genuine stamps.

My interest in Canadian counterfeits was again revived when I read in a local newspaper that \$2 million worth of 6c stamps were seized in Quebec. But it was not until a second article (*Toronto Telegram*, September 1, 1970, page 4) that reported a woman charged with possession of 100,000 counterfeit 6c stamps when I again took up the search. This time the painstaking hunt was more fruitful; I found several copies.

The color of the forgery matches that of the genuine stamp but the overall design, probably printed by photo-lithography, is rather "flat". The easiest way to spot this item is to check the hair and eyes, which are virtually solid blobs of color.

If any member has a cover or a mint example of this item I would appreciate it very much if he will advise me the place and date the counterfeit was used; and in the case of the mint, the gum as compared with that of the genuine. Moreover, I will be willing to trade one of these 6c "stamps" for one of the 4c "stamps" described above—or for that matter for any other Canadian forgeries that I still need for my reference collection.

According to the learned philatelist Peter J. Hurst, a "forgery" is a stamp made entirely from new material and made to deceive the collector. A "counterfeit" is a stamp made expressly with the intent of robbing the postal administration by using it on the mails, with no particular thought of the philatelist. It is in this context that I use the terms "forgery" and "counterfeit". Accordingly, a forgery is just a forgery but a counterfeit is both.

Postal Stationery and the CPR

CHAPTER 6

by Horace W. Harrison

In this final chapter we list the CPR postal stationery; the basic data was supplied by H. W. Harrison, but the numbering system and format incorporates the features used by Jim Webb in his new postal stationery catalogue (see book reviews, page 185). Unlike Webb's catalogue, we list stationery using adhesive stamps; we also show other catalogue numbers: Higgins and Gage, Holmes, and Bond.

CPR: THE FIRST ISSUE

VIEW and DESCRIPTION			POST CARDS		ADHESIVES on post card		ADHESIVES on envelopes	
			Queen Victoria 1c red WEBB - P18 H & G - 19 Holmes - 1419 Bond - C-2	Queen Victoria 1c Sepia shades (none in H & G)	Green shades (none in H & G)	Sepia shades (none in H & G)	Green shades (none in H & G)	
	WEBB No.	Unused	Used	Known Only Used	Known Only Used	Known Only Used	Known Only Used	
BANFF	gothic, up & lr, Canadian 10½mm	CPR 1	20.00	15.00				
	gothic, up & lr, Canadian 9½mm	CPR 1a	7.00	5.00				
	gothic, all upper, Canadian, 15mm	CPR 2	4.00	2.00	15.00		15.00	
	gothic, all upper, Canadian 11mm	CPR 2a	4.00	3.00	NR	NR		
CHATEAU FRONTENAC	gothic u 1, 6-cannon, no ship LL	CPR 3	10.00	7.00	NR			
	roman, 6-cannon, no ship LL	CPR 3a	3.00	2.00	NR			
	roman, 6-cannon, with ship	CPR 3b	15.00	15.00	NR		10.00	
	view inverted	CPR 3c	20.00		NR		10.00	
	roman, 4-cannon with ship	CPR 4	5.00	3.00	NR		10.00	
	no ins; 4-cannon, period on Quebec	CPR 4a	5.00	3.00	NR	20.00		
no ins; 4-cannon, comma on Quebec	CPR 4b	5.00	3.00	NR	20.00			
FRASER CANON	gothic, Canadian 7½mm	CPR 5	4.00	2.00	15.00	NR		
GLACIER HOUSE	train going to right	CPR 6	5.00	3.00	NR			
	train to left, CPR in arc	CPR 7	10.00	5.00	NR			
	train to to left, CPR straight	CPR 7a	10.00	8.00	NR	NR		
MT. STEPHEN HOUSE		CPR 8	5.00	3.00	15.00	NR		
PLACE VIGER		CPR 9	6.00	3.00	15.00	NR	10.00	
HOTEL VANCOUVER	gothic, Canadian 15mm	CPR 10	4.00	2.00	15.00			
	gothic, Canadian 11mm	CPR 10a	5.00	3.00	NR	NR		

The following have been previously listed but not reported; their existence is doubted:

BANFF	Roman	Holmes - 2b H & G - 10			
BANFF	no inscription near stamp	Bond 2c			
FRASER CANON	gothic, 15mm	Holmes - 5a H & G - 6			
HOTEL VANCOUVER	gothic, 7½mm	Holmes - 10b H & G - 11			

Type style refers to lettering near or under stamp; symbol NR indicates may exist but not recorded.

CPR: SECOND ISSUE ON MULTI - COLORED CARDS

VIEW

(Those with blanks are unknown)

QV-1c rose	KE VII 1c rose	ADMIRAL 1c GREEN	ADMIRAL - 1c CARMINE				ADMIRAL - 2c CARMINE			Envelopes with adhesive stamps
Space below in one line	Space below in one line	type 2	type 6 die I	type 3 die II	type 4 die I	type 4 die II	type 2	type 3 die I	type 3 die II	
Webb-P18 H&G-19 Holmes-1419 Bond-C42	Webb-P23 H&G-24 Holmes-1424 Bond-CK2	Webb-P27A H&G-33B Holmes-1428A Bond-CL10B	Webb-P27F H&G-33A Holmes-1428J Bond-CL4A	Webb-P28B H&G-41A Holmes-1429B Bond-CL2A	Webb-P28C H&G-40A Holmes-1429 Bond-CL1A	Webb-P28D H&G-40B Holmes-1429A Bond-CL1B	Webb-P33A H&G-51B Holmes-1435A Bond-CL13B	Webb-P33C H&G-52A Hmes-1435GA Bond-CL7A	Webb-P33D H&G-52B Holmes-1435B Bond-CL7B	

WEBB No.

	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	Unu U	
BANFF	CPR35	7 3	5 3	20 15	20 15	15 10	12 8	20 15	20 15	20 15	25 20	10 10
CHALET LAKE LOUISE	CPR36		4 3	13 8	15 10	15 8	7 5	12 10	15 8	20 15	20 15	10 10
CHAT. FRONTENAC die I	CPR37	15 8	12 8									
CHAT. FRONTENAC die II	CPR38		4 3	13 8	15 10	13 10	4 3	4 3	13 8	20 15	20 15	
FRASER CANON	CPR39	10 8	20 15									
GLACIER HOUSE	CPR40	12 8	25 20									10 10
MT. STEPHEN die I	CPR41	5 3	12 8									
MT. STEPHEN die II	CPR42		6 3	15 10	20 15	15 10	7 5	15 10	20 15	20 10	20 15	
PLACE VIGER die I	CPR43	5 3	15 10									
PLACE VIGER die II	CPR44		4 3	13 8	15 10	15 8	5 3	12 8	13 8	20 10	25 20	10 10
HOTEL VANCOUVER	CPR45	12 8	5 3									
WINDSOR STN. - dining	CPR46			20 15	15 10	15 8	15 8		20 15	20 15	25 20	
WINDSOR STN. - lunch	CPR47			15 10	20 15	20 15	10 5		20 15	20 15	15 8	
EMPRESS HOTEL												10 10

CPR: THIRD ISSUE ON SEPIA CARDS

VIEW

(Those left blank are unknown)

ADMIRAL 1c		ADMIRAL 2c				SCROLL 2c	ARCH ISSUE 2c			Envelopes with adhesive stamps
green type 2	orange type 2	carmine type 2	green type 1 die II	green type 1 die III	green type 2	green type 1	green type 1	carmine type 1	brown type 1	
Webb-P27B H&G-33B Holmes-1428B Bond-CL10B	Webb-P29C H&G-43B Holmes-1430A Bond-CL22	Webb-P33A H&G-51B Holmes-1435A Bond-CL138	Webb-P34 H&G-57B Holmes-1437A Bond-CL38	Webb-P34B H&G-57C Holmes-1437B Bond-CL43C	Webb-P34D H&G-58B Holmes-1437 Bond-CL25	Webb-P40 H&G-87D Holmes-1443 Bond-CM5	Webb-P48 H&G-101F Holmes-1452 Bond-CN2B	Webb-P49 H&G-105F Holmes-1453 Bond-CN18B	Webb-P50 H&G-109F Holmes-1454 Bond-CN24B	

WEBB
No.

		Unu	U	Unu	U	Unu	U	Unu	U	Unu	U	Unu	U	Unu	U		
ALGONQUIN	CPR65	8	3	12	6	7	3	2	3	2	2	20	15	3	3	6	9
BANFF	CPR66	15	10	15	10	6	2	15	8	6	9	20	15				
CH. LAKE LOUISE, B.C.	CPR67	8	3	20	15	6	3										
CH. LAKE LOUISE, ALTA.	CPR68	25	20	8	3	2	3	3	6	20	15	3	6			15	18
CHATEAU FRONTENAC	CPR69	8	3	12	6	8	3	15	8	3	5	15	10	3	6	15	18
EMERALD LAKE	CPR70	8	3	8	3	12	6	3	5	6	9	20	15	3	5	10	13
EMPRESS HOTEL	CPR71	8	3	20	15	8	3	3	6	3	4	8	3	10	12	15	18
THE GAP	CPR72	8	3	12	6	10	6	20	15	2	4	7	3	6	9	6	10
GIANT STEPS, B.C.	CPR73	12	6			5	2										
GIANT STEPS, ALTA.	CPR74			8	3			3	6	8	3	2	4	15	20	15	18
LAKES . . CLOUDS, B.C.	CPR75	7	2	25	20	7	2										
LAKES . . CLOUDS, ALTA.	CPR76			8	3			10	12	10	14	20	15	3	5	15	18
MT. ASSINIBOINE	CPR77	7	2	10	6	7	2	20	15	20	15	3	6	15	20	3	6
MT. SIR DONALD	CPR78	8	3	20	15	6	2	3	4	3	6	20	15	15	18		
MT. STEPHEN	CPR79	8	3	8	3	6	2	15	18			10	6	3	5		
PLACE VIGER HOTEL	CPR80	8	3	7	3	6	2	10	12	3	6	7	2	2	4	2	3
VANCOUVER HOTEL	CPR81	7	2	8	3	8	3	6	9	6	9	6	10	2	4	10	10
WINDSOR STATION	CPR82	12	6	8	3	7	3	25	20	3	5	20	15	10	15	15	20



Rounding Up Squared Circles

Dr. W. G. Moffatt, Hickory Hollow, RR-3, Ballston Lake, N.Y. 12019

John Siverts wrote that he has a sharp, clear strike of KINGSTON II, 14/JU 16/98, and wondered if reports of '04' time mark might not be poorly struck examples of '14' which were misread; I have seen a photostat of a clear strike, 04/JU 6/94 belonging to Nels Pelletier. So both time marks exist! The Handbook makes mention

of '04', but John's is the first example known to me of '14'.

John also reports a 'Quaker date' for NAPINKA & WINNIPEG M.C. No. 1: E/ 2 13/02; undoubtedly the same clerk who was responsible for the 2 4/02 referred to in the Handbook. If so, then the Handbook item is FE 4 and not AP 2!

The Squared-Circle Roster

The Roster tally is now completed (over 225,000 strikes reported!), and listings begin in this column. The rarity factors listed are based on a slightly different scale than that which appeared several columns ago. The reason is that too many towns were depressed into the RF 15, 10, 5 category where the spread in number of copies made it difficult to show varying shades of scarcity. I have gone through a laborious new curve-fitting study to accommodate the fact that many towns rated about RF 40 in the 1962 Roster are now known in about twice as many copies but there are now about twice as many serious collectors seeking them. Thus, the relative scarcity is still the same, even though more copies are known than in 1962.

It has been arranged that the largest possible number of towns in the range RF 25 to RF 40 should remain unchanged in RF provided they were reported in numbers consistent with each other. Any change in RF of these towns thus represents a real change in relative scarcity, and the reasonably widespread scale of values relating price to RF — up to about RF 40 — remains unaltered.

The new scale of rarity factors used in this listing is: RF 250 (1 copy); 225 (2 copies); 200 (3 copies); 175 (4 or 5 copies); 150 (6-8 copies); 125 (9-12 copies); 100 (13-17); 90 (18-24); 80 (25-33); 70 (34-45); 60 (46-61); 50 (62-82); 45 (83-110); 40 (111-149); 35 (150-199); 30 (200-274); 25 (275-399); 20 (400-599); 15 (600-899); 10 (900-1399); 7.5 (1400-2199); 5 (2200-3499); 2.5 (over 3500).

Several notes, referred to immediately following the town name, appear at the end of the listings. An asterisk in the Jubilee column indicates that while this town was not reported on 3c Jubilee, it was reported on some other denomination of Jubilee.

	3c Jub.		2c Map		Other		Grand Total	New RF
	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr		
TYPE I								
Aldergrove	*	—	1	—	18	1	20	90
Beaverton	37	3	12	1	487	75	615	15
Beeton	—	—	—	—	21	13	34	70
Brockville	361	25	76	8	4427	199	5096	2.5
Byng Inlet North	—	—	—	—	8	—	8	150
Coleman (Note a)	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	250
Cumberland	13	—	3	—	102	7	125	40
Dutton	54	4	9	—	429	83	579	20
Grimsby	37	7	15	—	649	58	766	15
London, 1st state	—	—	—	—	1437	64	1501	7.5
London, 2nd state	130	15	—	—	4601	170	4916	2.5
London East	44	9	20	—	613	42	728	15
Mansonville	7	—	—	—	95	7	109	45

	3c Jub.		2c Map		Other		Grand Total	New RF
	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr		
Montreal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Montreal-St. Charles	—	—	2	3	65	5	75	50
Mount Forest	57	12	23	2	606	70	770	15
New Germany	1	—	1	—	28	10	40	70
Ottawa	1810	25	11	1	12478	297	14622	2.5
Rat Portage	—	—	—	—	452	69	521	20
St. Ann's	*	—	—	—	2	78	80	50
St. Hilarion	1	—	—	—	25	—	26	80
Shannonville	5	—	6	—	112	19	142	40
Springhill Mines	—	—	—	—	10	—	10	125
Terrebonne	27	4	5	2	295	27	360	25
Three Rivers	212	16	34	—	2117	41	2420	5
Westville	15	3	3	—	166	76	263	30

TYPE II, N.S.

Annapolis	39	4	12	—	463	103	621	15
Antigonishe	38	7	3	—	349	108	505	20
Arichat	—	—	—	—	137	17	154	35
Baddeck	—	—	7	—	101	59	167	35
Canning	10	2	—	—	177	23	212	30
Canso	6	1	—	—	72	28	107	45
Freeport	—	—	—	—	37	1	38	70
Great Village	—	—	—	—	28	4	32	80
Halifax, Hammer I	*	—	—	—	6604	769	7373	2.5
Halifax, Hammer II	1687	185	596	5	9183	1610	13266	2.5
Kentville	18	1	4	—	270	25	318	25
Lunenburg	17	2	1	—	267	41	328	25
Maccan	10	2	—	—	62	18	92	45
Maitland	—	—	—	—	5	1	6	150
Newport	6	3	—	—	53	20	82	50
Newport Landing	2	1	—	—	62	56	121	40
Noel	—	—	—	—	14	3	17	100
Northport	1	—	3	1	47	17	69	50
North Sydney	2	—	9	2	165	44	222	30
Pictou	41	12	20	5	505	105	688	15
Port Maitland	3	—	5	1	84	15	108	45
Port Williams	13	2	3	1	106	29	154	35
Springhill	17	2	9	2	156	39	224	30
Stellarton	31	4	12	2	292	73	414	20
Sydney, Hammer I	48	3	4	1	413	51	520	20
Sydney, Hammer II	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Truro	159	10	57	1	2039	195	2461	5
Whycocomagh	10	2	—	1	121	38	172	35
Windsor	91	5	—	—	848	49	993	10
Wofville	1	1	2	—	44	8	56	60
Yarmouth	71	5	—	—	687	89	852	15

TYPE II, N.B.

Baie Verte	3	—	1	—	78	44	126	40
Butternut Ridge	—	—	—	—	30	27	57	60
Clifton	—	—	—	—	12	4	16	100
Fredericton	147	14	—	—	1206	156	1523	7.5
Indiantown	8	1	3	—	88	72	172	35
Milltown	2	—	—	1	124	28	155	35
Newcastle Creek	—	—	—	—	—	38	38	70

	3c Jub.		2c Map		Other		Grand Total	New RF
	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr	OC	Cvr		
Petitcodiac	—	—	—	—	55	31	86	45
River Louison	5	—	1	—	35	39	80	50
Rothsay	12	—	—	—	67	50	129	40
Sackville	1	—	8	2	165	33	209	30
Saint John, Hammer I	—	—	—	—	2302	196	2498	5
Saint John, Hammer II	462	43	—	—	3919	266	4690	2.5
Saint John, Hammer III	272	48	2	—	4194	393	4909	2.5
Shediac	14	2	4	—	188	39	247	30
Woodstock	10	27	4	—	142	28	211	30

TYPE II, P.E.I.

Charlottetown	221	15	—	—	1970	183	2389	5
Georgetown	15	2	3	—	145	38	203	30
Summerside	1	2	—	—	146	34	183	35

TYPE II, QUEBEC

Acton Vale	6	1	2	—	132	12	153	35
Aylmer (East)	12	1	1	1	176	21	212	30
Clarenceville	8	—	2	1	77	17	105	45
Danville	—	—	—	—	139	13	152	35
Eastman	1	—	—	1	35	58	95	45
Farnham	16	1	—	—	193	8	218	30
Granby	47	2	2	—	228	10	289	25
Hull, Hammer I	—	—	—	—	216	11	227	30
Hull, Hammer II	46	6	—	—	569	18	639	15
Iberville	8	—	1	1	179	45	234	30
Laurentides	12	—	10	—	156	16	194	35
Lennoxville	—	—	—	—	25	1	26	80
Levis	—	—	—	—	123	42	165	35
Lotbiniere	2	1	—	1	84	13	101	45
Magog	22	3	6	1	322	27	381	25
Matane	—	—	—	—	8	—	8	150
Melbourne	4	—	2	—	76	6	88	45
Montreal, Hammer I	13	—	3	—	323	23	362	25
Montreal, Hammer II	—	—	—	—	13	4	17	100
M'real-Belle Rive	—	—	—	—	67	4	71	50
Montreal-Hochelaga	—	—	—	—	57	2	59	60
Montreal-Notre Dame	2	—	—	—	41	5	48	60
M'real-Ste. Cunegonde	53	8	18	—	843	54	976	10
Montreal-St. Gabriel	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	175
Ppinte A Pic	—	—	—	—	8	1	9	125
Quebec	87	9	17	—	874	26	1013	10
Richmond	—	—	—	—	37	3	40	70
Riv. Du Loup Sta.	11	2	3	—	294	15	325	25
St. Anne de Beaupre	8	—	—	—	104	4	116	40
St. Gregoire	10	—	2	—	118	5	135	40
St. Hyacinthe	214	62	25	1	2627	201	3130	5
St. Johns (Note b)	2	—	—	—	2	—	4	175
St. Polycarpe	—	—	—	—	54	8	62	50
Sherbr'ke, Hammer I	63	6	21	1	996	48	1136	10
Sherbr'ke, Hammer II	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	225
Stanstead	—	—	—	—	20	2	22	90
Sutton	—	—	—	—	23	2	25	80
Victoriaville	15	—	—	—	214	7	236	30
Waterloo	14	—	—	—	276	10	300	25
Windsor Mills	5	—	—	—	58	2	65	50

*Our apologies
to the New
York Times'
David Lidman
— who came
up last
month with
the wrong
spelling
on his
name . . .*

Further Sketches of BNAPSers...

Number 149
in a series



DAVID LIDMAN

This New York Times editor has an enviable record as a stamp writer

Times but it was not until 1961 that he took over the weekly stamp column. His previous experience was as editor of the stamp magazine *Philately* in St. Louis, stamp editor of the *Chicago Sun*, and, for a number of years, editor of the *American Philatelist* (the APS publication).

David
Lidman
No. 263

He has been a collector since youth and has been active in the major philatelic so-

NOVAPEX - BNAPS '71

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TOPICS: THE NEWSFRONT

This year's BNAPS convention looks great; particularly for lobster-lovers

Here's a rundown of the events planned for the 1971 NOVAPEX-BNAPS '71 convention at Halifax, Nova Scotia:

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25: During the evening the first arrivals to the convention are expected, and Nova Scotia Stamp Club members will be on hand to welcome them.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26: 10:00 a.m. — Registration. 2:30 p.m. — Official opening by the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia. 3:30 p.m. — Opening of NOVAPEX Post Office. 8:30 p.m. — Reception.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27: 10:00 a.m. — Symposium and Study Groups. 12:30 p.m. — Official Luncheon (proposed). 2:00 p.m. — Study Groups continue. 4:00 p.m. — A trip to Peggy's Cove, about 25 miles from Halifax, made up of "shacks, rocks and water" which blend into a mecca that is a painter's paradise, and a tourist's must. 6:30 p.m. — The trip continues to Hubbards, a few miles further, for a lobster party at The Shore Club.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28: 10:30 a.m. — Annual BNAPS general meeting. 11:30 a.m. — A stamp auction under the auspices of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club, with Capt. R. B. Mitchell officiating. 2:00 p.m. — A Tour of the city of Halifax. 7:00 p.m. — A closing banquet of exceptional nature, in proper style, dress optional. Dignitaries will be presented with Certificates of Membership to The Order of Good Tyme, instituted by Samuel de Champlain in 1608 in the Province of Nova Scotia, and available only to visitors. Other visitors will receive their membership by mail at a later date.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29: Departures and goodbyes.

FOR THE LADIES — On the Thursday there's a Get Acquainted Tea at 3:00 p.m.; at 10:30 the following morning a sherry and coffee party, and on Saturday morning there's a shopping party and tour.

The Hotel Nova Scotian, where the convention is being held, is next to the Canadian National railway station on Barrington Street in downtown Halifax, a short distance from Citadel Hill and Scotia Square.

SOME RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Canada and Newfoundland Postal Stationery Catalogue, by J. F. Webb. A 56-page soft-cover publication, price \$3.

Webb, a Toronto dealer, is a specialist in postal stationery and once purchased the Holmes reference collection, the Jephcott and several other large collections. Long dissatisfied with the numbering systems used by Higgins and Gage, Holmes, and Bond, he has devised a new system which he hopes will become standard. He has also corrected some errors and omissions of the past catalogues, but admits in his preface that it may still be incomplete; it does, on the other hand, include all the postal stationery known to him, and is thus the most complete listing so far.

While the prices, relative to one another, are fair, some collectors who have examined this catalogue maintain that they are generally too high — a criticism that has also been made of Sisson's 1969 Revenue and Semi-Official Air Mail Catalogue. But this is less serious than many will suppose; since prices are shooting up so quickly these days on philatelic items, it will only be a matter of time before the prices given reflect the true picture. Webb gives four prices in his catalogue: entires and cut-squares, in used and unused.

In the types of post cards, Webb has placed these at the center of the book so that these four pages can be removed and used in conjunction with the postcard listings. The catalogue covers envelopes, special order envelopes, election envelopes, post bands and wrappers, postage due wrappers and labels, letter sheets and aerograms, letter cards, post cards, official pictorial

cards and railway pictorial cards — as well as Newfoundland envelopes, post bands and post cards.

On the listings for certain railway pictorial post cards, Webb has wisely used a "chart system" by which the basic post card types are given across the top, with the particular view imprinted on these listed vertically down one side. Thus by stating both the view and card-type, any of these railway cards can be identified; combinations that do not exist are simply left blank on the charts, though should they be discovered at a later date they could be included.

On the whole this new catalogue is a most professional job, well-illustrated and printed.

Fundamentals of Philately, by L. N. and M. Williams. Published by the American Philatelist Society, 630 pages, \$20 through the BNAPS handbook service.

For the first time the Williams' monumental work is now available in one volume; recently it was available in separate, smaller units, some of which were out of print and fetching high prices at auctions. "The book is intended primarily to be of assistance to adult beginners seeking guidance," the authors state modestly, but in practice this is a definitive book on the subject of stamp production and manufacture, covering all printing methods, gumming, perforating, designing, inks, paper and virtually everything else, both past and present.

Our only criticism is that, in combining separate volumes into one, the publishers did not trouble to make one chapter index for the entire book.

TRADE TALK

The H. R. Harmer Organization has issued its 45th Annual Resumé covering the 1969-70 season. The 40-page booklet gives a report of the activities at its three locations (New York, London and Sydney), with the largest part devoted to highlights of its auction sales with prices realized. Presumably copies are available to those interested.

H. E. Harris & Co. has just issued a com-

pletely revised 1971 edition of *Top Buying Prices* which covers stamps of the U.S., U.N., Canada, Newfoundland, and others. It's available for 25c from the catalogue department at Boston 02117. Harris has also issued a new 1971 edition of its *Masterwork World-Wide* albums, the two-volume *Standard and Citation* brands.

Stanley Gibbons' *Collect British Stamps* is now in its 8th edition; it's a basic catalogue of U.K. stamps, but now printed entirely in color, and in a quality that is as good as anything we have seen. Each page is in a light grey background, so that the white paper of each stamp shows up against it. A first-rate effort, one that makes us wish someone would turn out a BNA catalogue in equally-good color.

And while it's quite beyond the realm of BNA, we received a note from The London Express Postal Delivery Service, 46 Chapman Crescent, Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex, England, saying that they have a few of their postal strike stamps available in 3s and 15 (new) pence denominations, authenticated. Mr. Benson of that firm points out that he is neither a dealer nor a collector, and that consequently there is no question of pre-determined exploitation of the collector in the philatelic or commercial sense.

Auction News

R. Maresch & Sons' May 13-14 auction in Toronto was a notable one. A ½d rose (Scott 8) superb mint fetched \$240, a 17c Cartier with a re-entry, mint, sold at \$210, and a 6c yellow-brown Small Queen mint, well-centered, at \$77.

Lots 237, 243, 246, and 251 (mint Jubilees, the first three superb) sold at \$525, \$475, \$360 and \$280 respectively. The Edward experimental coils (lots 293 to 296) went well: \$185 for a pair of the pre-cancelled, \$700 for three pairs of Boggs' EX-C3 to C5 with tabs; \$230 for a strip of four of C3; and \$250 for a similar strip of C5.

A new record price of \$205 was attained for a set of VF to superb Quebec mint singles (and a 10c Quebec on another lot fetched \$52!). Another record was for an MR4a, a superb mint single, which sold at \$120.

Post Office Department

NEW ISSUES

Twenty-six million stamps depicting the maple leaf in summer will be issued by the Canada Post Office on June 16. The 6c stamp measures 24 mm by 40 mm and is being printed in a process of five-color lithography by Ashton-Potter Limited of Toronto.

This is the second of four special stamps designed by Miss Alma Duncan of Galetta, Ontario, for the series *Maple Leaf in Four Seasons*. The stamp's design shows a fledgling maple plant sprouting from the brown earth and bearing two, bright green leaves.



Speaking to the World, a 15c stamp marking the inaugural of powerful new transmitters for Radio Canada International, and *100 Years of Measured Progress*, a 6c stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of national census-taking in Canada, will be issued by the Post Office Department on June 1.

The Radio Canada stamp was designed by Burton Kramer of Toronto. It measures 40 mm by 24 mm and a quantity of 10 million is being printed. Hans Kleefeld, also of Toronto, designed the Census com-



memorative, which measures 30 mm by 24 mm; 25 million are being printed. Both stamps are being done in three-color lithography by the Canadian Bank Note Company of Ottawa.

Radio Canada International is the short-wave transmission service of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. It was inaugurated February 25, 1945 with the dual purpose of providing Canadian armed forces abroad with news and entertainment from home and projecting Canada to listeners in other countries. It also serves to stimulate an interchange of trade and an exchange of programs with other countries. The transmitters are located near Sackville, New Brunswick.

Canada's national census is conducted every 10 years by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Its original constitutional purpose was, and still is, to provide information on which electoral representation is determined. At an estimated cost of \$35 million, and with the recruitment of some 48,000 temporary workers, the 1971 census promises to be the biggest peace-time operation of its kind this country has ever experienced.

Collectors may order their stamps at face value through the philatelic service.

TOPICS: THE BUSINESS SIDE

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Treasurer's Report

Leo J. LaFrance,
Ossining, N.Y.

This report reflects the financial position of the British North America Philatelic Society for the year ended December 30, 1970.

The balance sheet of the Society was audited by a Certified Public Accountant and his statement is as follows:

We have examined the balance sheet of the British North America Philatelic Society as of December 31, 1970 and the related statements of income and retained earnings for the year then ended. The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of accounting records and such other auditing procedures as was considered necessary in the circumstances except as stated in the following paragraphs.

We did not conduct a physical inventory of the handbooks and investments and we did not confirm the Accounts Receivable. We satisfied ourselves as to their propriety by other auditing procedures.

The attached statements do not reflect the operation of the library during 1969 as we have not yet received a financial report for that year. The amount due owners from stamp circuits has not been adjusted as this figure was not available. Based on prior years' operations these adjustments should not have a material effect on the earnings of the Society.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet presents fairly the financial position of the British North America Philatelic Society at December 31, 1970 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

John R. Love, CPA

British North America Philatelic Society ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1970

Assets	
Cash in Bank — Treasurer	\$ 9,281.01
Cash — in Custody of Sales Manager	1,341.59
Cash — in Custody of Librarian	648.26
Cash — in Custody of Handbook Agent —	
U.S. Dollars	320.06
Canadian Dollars	42.31
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5% Growth Certificate — At Cost	1,703.00
C. M. Jephcott Memorial Fund — At Cost	2,466.15
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	4,169.15
Accounts Receivable	
Librarian — (Dividends)	110.70
Handbook Agent — Canadian Dollars	268.97
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	379.67
Inventory — Handbooks	1,923.80
— Postage	25.17
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	1,948.97
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$18,131.02
Liabilities and Retained Earnings	
Prepaid Dues	\$ 265.00
Life Membership Fund	293.00
CAPEX Loan Fund	700.00
Due Owners on Sales Circuits	1,360.86
Insurance Fund	3,589.17
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	\$ 6,208.03
Retained Earnings December 31, 1969	11,846.11
1970 Profit on Operations	76.88
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	11,922.99
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & RETAINED EARNINGS	\$18,131.02

British North America Philatelic Society
INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1970

Income	
1969 Dues	\$ 29.25
1970 Dues	5,393.46
Fees	95.40
Year Book	484.05
Dividend Income	135.55
Handbook Sales — Net	761.44
Circuit Sales — Net	326.93
Miscellaneous	319.02
	\$ 7,545.10
Expense	
Topics Expense — Net	\$ 6,364.04
Exchange — Net	53.08
Bank Charges	17.44
Stationery, Postage and Printing	745.31
Miscellaneous	288.35
	7,468.22
NET INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 76.88

OFFICIAL NOTICE

The Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following names as candidates for the Board of Governors for a three-year period from 1972 to 1974:

G. B. LLEWELLYN (384) C. R. McNEIL (649) D. G. ROSENBLAT (1445)

Written consent of the above three has been received by the undersigned and hereby filed.

— Alfred H. Kessler
 Chairman, Nominating Committee

Editor's note: While other persons have been approached for suggested candidates' names, none have been received. In effect, the three above (who are currently on the board for the three-year period that ends this year) are being nominated by acclamation and there will be no ballots issued this year.

It is assumed that, for next year, the Nominating Committee will serve notice far enough in advance that the membership as a whole will have time to offer candidates — enough candidates to make up a slate on which elections may be held.

From the Secretary

JACK LEVINE
 Raleigh, North Carolina

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		1107

Notes From the Librarian

MICHAEL SQUIRELL
Lively, Ontario

Members have been making more use of the library and I hope this trend continues through the summer months — and on after that.

I am making up the library listing to be ready for the year book early next year, and credit is due to Stewart Kenyon, who had already completed 95 per cent of the indexing, thus making my job that much easier. Our first librarian, R. J. Duncan, had compiled an index of all the sets of older publications that we have and reprints of these will be appearing in *Topics* in the near future.

Thanks go out to Colin Campbell, librarian of the Okanagan Mainline Philatelic Association, for sending me a copy of *X-Rays and Philately*.

The library now has a copy of the *Fournier Forgery Book*; this was made up from remainders found in the infamous gentleman's estate. There's also an article that appeared in the *London Philatelist* of January 1971 that may be of interest to members, called *Canadian Air Mails: Early Pioneer and Semi-Official Flights*, by John Marriott, 10 pp., illustrated.

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(See pages 184 and 185 for more details)

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LOST MAIL

George A. Penchard, the corresponding secretary for NOVAPEX-BNAPS '71, tells us that all mail delivered to his address on May 17 was stolen. He requests that all members who wrote him between May 13 and 15 should write him again.



DR. JOACHIM FRANK

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South African member, Dr. Joachim Frank—and what a delightful letter it was! He first extended an invitation to one and all to attend the International Exhibition coming up in May.

Dr. Frank lives over 900 miles from BNAPSer John Wannerton, in the town of Florida, North (I would love to know why this name was picked!!), Transvaal—a suburb of Johannesburg. He came here as a child from Holland and received his education at the University of Witwatersrand. He took further training in both South

Africa and England, is a specialist in gynaecology, and has a private practice.

The doctor is a young man in his early thirties but already has an excellent collection of early Canada with a special interest in varieties in general, and both the Large and Small Queens. He states that he has just been too busy to exhibit but did visit the CPS of GB convention a year and a half ago, and hopes in the future years to attend a BNAPS convention.

Besides BNAPS and CPS of GB, he is quite active in the Johannesburg Philatelic Society. Other hobbies include "some bad golf" (his words!). The good doctor complains of the unavailability of decent material locally and the reluctance of foreign dealers to send good items. Maybe some of our BNAPS members, especially our dealers, can be of assistance and drop him a line.

Come visit us, doctor—Newfoundland in 1972 would be well worthwhile.

—Dr. R. V. C. Carr

...and some doodles by The Editor

There seems to have been some delay in getting things rolling for this year's BNAPEX convention, in Halifax—but now things are popping on all cylinders and everything looks to be in fine order.

Russ McNeil began writing letters to everyone but The Queen and Joe Louis (all solid-spaced), enough to fill a decent-sized handbook—outlining past procedures and offering enough suggestions to operate a dozen philatelic conventions.

A program has now been drawn up (see *Newsfront* on page 185) and hotel rates have been issued (page 184); everything's set now and all that remains is for you, and you, and YOU, too, to get down there to Halifax.

This issue will be somewhat late, but fortunately it's a combined one. There are two main reasons: the near-overwhelming amount of charts and lists it contains, which take a great deal of checking, and the fact that I've been busy with other activities.

The error in giving David Lidman's name as "Lidmar" in the last issue is most regrettable. There are hundreds of facts contained in each edition of *Topics*, and it is impossible to check every last one; it would be appreciated, therefore, if our contributors would double-check their copy before submitting it.

MAIL FROM OUR MEMBERS

Two varieties?

Please find enclosed two pictures of examples of errors, or varieties, or flaws (I'm not just sure of the classification).

The Kelsey stamp is from the bottom row, probably near the left corner of a pane of 50, and shows very clearly under a magnifying glass "an island complete with barren trees on the prairie" beneath Kelsey's chin. This stamp was purchased at the Chapleau Post Office by yours truly, in a mint block. It was only noticed about a month after purchase last fall. I have subsequently found a used example also.



The Maple Leaf in Four Seasons: Spring—shows a fairly large ink blot (actual copy) (i.e. not retouched) in the upper margin at the tip of the stem. And is to be found fourth from the right-middle row, I think, in a pane of 50 but is not found in a plate pane from Ottawa, as I have examined my purchase from the mint and cannot find it. This too, was purchased at the Chapleau Post Office—by another collector in Chapleau, who noticed the flaw afterwards. I have several copies of this example both in strips of five horizontal and in blocks of four.

I am a relatively new member (pending) and do hope that this will be of interest

to the other members as well as making interesting reading for *Topics*.

The photographer is also a stamp collector, Mr. H. Ketterer of Chapleau.

I have not heard of or read of the "island complete with trees on the prairie" Kelsey stamp from any other source to date and wonder if any of your readers have.

—The Rev'd. Kenneth Gibbs

That Christmas issue

Due to a rapidly expanding Society and an unfortunate set of circumstances, the December 1970 issue of *Topics* was printed in a supply which fell short of the necessary requirements of officers of the Society in the operation of their duties.

Thus due to this happening the Circulation Department has NO copies of the December 1970 issue on hand, for present or future requirements, of old and new members.

This situation is regrettable; however, to offset it the Circulation Department *does* have a supply of Xerox copies of this issue. These copies are unfortunately not suitable for binding into a volume since they are slightly smaller in size than the original.

For those members interested in a copy or copies of this reproduction of the December 1970 issue, may I request they contact the undersigned.

Robert F. Boudignon,
Circulation Manager,
Box 639,
Copper Cliff, Ontario

Maritime postal history

Enclosed is information relative to the series *Poste maritime Francaise* by Raymond Salles. Students of maritime postal history are probably familiar with Mr. Salles' works, but other BNAPSers might also be interested, particularly in volume IV. Mr. Salles writes that he has very few Canadian readers, and I think it is only because we have not heard much about him.

—Margaret Toms

Raymond Salles' address is 74 Rue de la Tour, Paris 16, France; there are seven (continued on page 195)

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Anyone for Coils?

On the subject of the 6c coils (*Anyone for Coils?* — *Topics*, May 1971) one point needs correction. The new manufacturing technique of these coils has *not* eliminated the "jump" variety, instead it now occurs

after every twelfth stamp, instead of every 25th as from 1935-1967.

True, the spacing variety (Bileski's term is perhaps preferable) is not very noticeable in many cases. The normal spacing is 4.0 mm and most of the spacing varieties are about 4.2 mm (always greater than normal, it seems). However, some spacings are greater than this—I have a 6c black with a spacing of 5.0 mm.

Incidentally, has any reader found a "paste-up" on a 6c coil? I have specimens from the 1967 3c and 4c rolls and presumably they exist on the 1967 5c, but I have not found any on 6c rolls.

—Peter H. Harris

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