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THE EDITOR'S PAGE

by MIKE STREET

KIND WORDS

Quite a few members have taken the time to let us know when their TOPICS arrived, and many have added compliments and/or words of encouragement with respect to our efforts at the helm of the BNAPS flagship. To all who have written, thank you.

DELIVER US!

As you will see in a moment, there seems to be no rhyme or reason to the way TOPICS gets delivered. The September-October issue was mailed in Hamilton at 10 PM, Friday, October 2. Allow for no activity until Monday the 5th, when the payment was verified, and read on. Hamilton Mountain—Oct. 7; Oakville P.O. Box—Oct. 7 (30 miles); Ancaster (7 miles), Ottawa (400 miles)—Oct. 9; Toronto (Downtown)—Oct. 13; Washington, DC—Oct. 16; Vancouver, BC, Chevy Chase, MD—Oct. 20; Kitchener (35 miles)—Oct. 21; Toronto (Central)—Oct. 23; Hay River, NWT—Oct. 24; Oshawa (80 miles)—Oct. 25; Milwaukee, Wis.—Oct. 27; Victoria, BC—Nov. 13; London, England—Nov. 18; Gibson's, BC (20 miles or so from West Vancouver)—Nov. 24; London, England (second copy to same address)—Dec. 2; South Africa—Dec. 31.

It is not a pretty picture. For the Nov.—Dec. issue we took some special steps and things seem a bit better from first reports. A similar writeup of delivery for that issue will be given next time. The story is not finished. Again, read on . . .

PLEASE CONTINUE TO COOPERATE

On November 14 I had the opportunity to speak to John G. Gagné, Postmaster of Hamilton. As TOPICS tale of woe unfolded, the surprise on his face was quite evident. He asked a few questions and then offered to do a test, at no cost to us.

With this issue, 200 of our Canadian members will receive a brief questionnaire and a postage free return envelope. Please take just a minute to fill it out exactly, or at least as accurately as you can. Don't exaggerate, because this will throw things off. Don't worry about the fact that there's no cancellation date

on the envelope — we know that information. Results will be printed.

Our American and overseas members will not get the questionnaire because of its official nature. Please let me know direct when you receive your copy.

This effort will be continued for a few more issues. With a little luck, maybe things will improve for everyone.

WE GET LETTERS!

Boy do we get letters! As my wife will tell you, Perry Como I'm not, so I'll just have to answer them in the usual way.

Seriously, I am getting a lot of mail. With my family, house, job and TOPICS, time is at a premium. I am not going to go the route of other volunteer editors and say that I can't answer mail. I can, and I will, but please be prepared for a wait. If you don't expect a reply please say so—you may get one, depending on the subject, but at least I'll know. Otherwise, urgent letters will be answered promptly and the rest will have to wait until I can get to them.

The above does not apply to letters for publication. These will be edited, if necessary, and published on an as received basis. If the occasion should arise when I feel that a letter should not be published, I'll contact the writer directly and explain why.

Your input is wanted.

CANADA '82

Just as major international FIP exhibitions only come to Canada and the USA at lengthy intervals, so too with International Junior exhibitions. These come even less often.

Anyone who lives in the Toronto area, or who is contemplating a trip to the vicinity this spring, might just take note of the dates of CANADA '82 — May 20 through 24. It will be held at the Canadian National Exhibition. You'll be supporting the future of the hobby.

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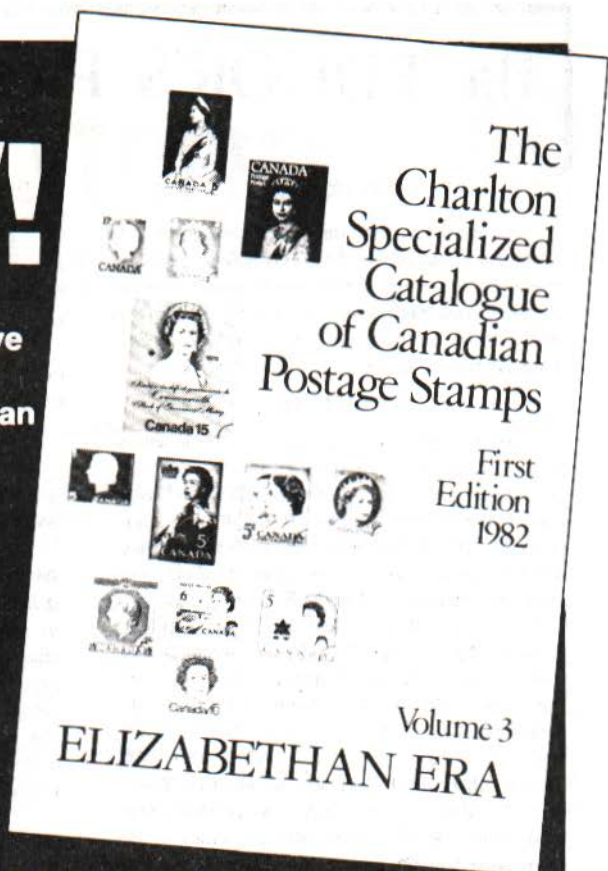
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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Jim Lehr



One good thing about problems is that they make time go quickly, and BNAPS has had more than its share of problems during the last year. Like many other groups and businesses, years of continuing high inflation have forced us to change many past practices. Most of all, we members have had to accept the realities of the market place—in the prices we pay for stamps and literature, the cost to travel to conventions and sales, and the financial requirements to keep BNAPS a strong and growing organization. I wish we could look ahead and see a leveling of inflationary cost increases, but this just doesn't seem possible at this time. Although the dues increase this year was sizeable, additional increases will be required sometime in the future. Your elected and appointed officers are working hard to cut operating costs and increase revenues, with considerable success. However, you as members can also do much to keep our dues as low as possible. For example:

1) By paying dues promptly, you not only cut the work load of the Secretary and Treasurer but also decrease postage and stationery costs and increase interest earnings.

2) In the past five years membership has remained stationary at about 1500. Since we lose about 100 members annually, we must continue to add this many new members just to remain at 1500. This is one area where members have the major responsibility. As you meet new collectors at local and regional club meetings, make sure all BNA collectors are informed about BNAPS and encouraged to join. It takes lots of contacts and discussion to add 100 new members. If we could add 200 new members in 1982, the increased dues would cover the increased costs due to inflation.

3) A revitalized Handbook Committee is

now turning out new handbooks, with more publications restricted only by our inability to finance too many books at one time. Obviously, BNAPS makes more profit when books are sold to members from the Book Department than when we sell to dealers. Just as obviously, dealers are extremely important to us, since the increased sales volume they represent allows a higher printing level and a lower unit cost and price. But books are published as a service to members, and the more members who use this service, the more books we can publish and the more earnings we can make. With TOPICS printing costs running \$15,000 or more annually, we need all the income from other sources because every cent we make goes back into the coffers to finance our activities.

4) With the price of stamps and covers continuing to increase yearly, collecting costs are restricting many of us. A revitalized Sales Department is now ready to help decrease purchase costs while offering a quick way to turn duplicates into ready cash. At the same time, the society will benefit from increased earnings from this activity. The next year or two will determine whether members wish this service to continue.

5) Finally, the best way to recover membership costs is to use all the benefits you have paid for. If you want more information in any area, write the department head or myself and we will try to answer your questions.

1982 looks like a great year for BNAPS and we hope a great year for all of you. With more study groups and regional groups forming, there will be lots of activity. Don't forget BNAPEX '82 at Virginia Beach in October (see the information elsewhere in this issue—Ed.), our annual convention. The committee is hard at work. This is a good time for you to start planning to attend.

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FIRST CLASS SERVICE?

Congratulations on the new layout of TOPICS. Just before the postal strike my copy of TOPICS took 24 days to travel from Ontario. The July-August issue took 40 days. Is this first class mail service? A person named Fran Harding, an Ottawa P.O. spokesman, stated in a newspaper interview recently that 96% of all mail is delivered on time. I can only remember receiving one piece of mail on time this year and I get an average amount of mail. I did receive a first class letter from Victoria, just 80 miles away, in 19 days. Another letter took 17 days to travel five blocks. Canada seems to be in the running for the prize for the worst postal system in the world. The passage from the bible "God made all creeping things", could well be applied to the Canadian postal system and all its employees.

H.L. Banner #460
Vancouver, B.C.

Topics is mailed at the third class rate, but 40 days is ridiculous. See the Editor's Page in this issue for more on this subject.—Ed.

ANYONE INTERESTED?

I would like to do my part in the writer's area. Is there any interest in the part-perforates, i.e. straight edges from sheets, booklets and miniature sheets? I am reconstructing these from used copies. The only reference I have is an outdated handbook by Robert A. Lewis, dated 1971. Do you know if this was ever updated?

I am also interested in cancel types of all kinds. In addition to the usual Squared Circles, RPO's, Flags, etc., I collect Town cancels, Registers, Duplexes, Rollers, Contemporary Circles (single, double, triple—of various diameters), Split Rings and Pencil cancels. I would like information on any handbooks in this area, then perhaps I could add to this with an article. Your help would be appreciated.

David Harding #3293
Victoria, B.C.

My friend Bob Lewis tells me that he is still active in part-perforates but an update is a long way off, so anything you write might fill a void. I have one article on cancellations on hand for a future TOPICS, with at least one more promised, so there is definitely interest in them. How do the members feel?—Ed.

Are you only interested in printing serious specialized articles on BNA philately, or would a lighter touch—such as the "Devil" that can be identified in the design of a more recent commemorative stamp of Canada—be acceptable? What about articles on how business and the public coped with the postal strike? That is Postal History which should be preserved, as future generations will want to study Locals issued and used, etc. Perhaps members can write in their experiences. If so, I would gladly edit and correlate the material, add it to samples of Locals and write it up for TOPICS.

Haughton E. Sanguinetti
Clearwater, Florida

There's definitely a story in the effects and events of all the strikes. I have a cover cancelled—legitimately—right in the middle of a strike, and many members probably do too. Again, what do our readers think?—Ed.

EARLY USE OF THE 3¢ SMALL QUEEN

Re George Arfken's 'An Early 3¢ Small Queen Cover'. Ottawa Stamp Auctions Sept. 23, 1981 sale offered as Lot 417: 1870 Halifax Duplex (Jan. 15, 70) with VF Indian Red 3¢ (37b), E\$40+.

A Jan. 15, 1870 date is also indicated in a 1950 article by F. Tomlinson, 'The 3¢ Indian Red of Canada', which states in part, "The date of issue is reputed to be 12 Jan. 1870, but the earliest reported dated copy is 15 Jan. 1870".

Col. Fred Chaffee
Chevy Chase, MD.

This is in reply to George Arfken's query (Topics/Sept.-Oct, 1981) about early use of the 3¢ Small Queen. Although he did not illustrate it, W. P. Carter reported in *Maple Leaves* (Vol. 9, Whole No. 80, December, 1962, page 140) a cover dated January 13, 70 and carrying the two-ring "21" obliterator of Goderich. Thus it was from the same post-office as Mr. Arfken's example, but four days earlier.

We have gone to some effort to learn the earliest use of the 3¢ Small Queen and Mr. Carter's cover is the earliest known to us.

H.E. Duckworth #2166
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QUESTION PAGE?

From time to time members have questions which seem to defy all attempts to answer them. An illustration of my point is a query on a ringed 3 postal marking in Newsletter 45 of the Military Mail Study Group. It may be that none of the study group's 30 or so members can answer the question on this marking, but it is possible that at least one of BNAPS' 1500 other members might have the solution.

What about a page for member's questions, whether from individuals or from Study Groups, where the force of the whole membership can be brought to bear? Questions not answered

within, say, 3 issues, could be dropped from the series. Obviously, questions would have to rate only brief answers so too much space wouldn't be used up.

The name of the game in BNAPS is communication, and questions and answers are one of the best methods I know. How about it?

Colin Campbell
Kelowna, B.C.

While I don't see us repeating questions from issue to issue, the truth of your statement on communication is evident in the letters (above) on the 3¢ Small Queen Cover. Let's have the questions. I'll worry about the format and the space.—Ed.

NOTES

BNAPLEX '82 — YOU'ALL COME!

Your BNAPLEX '82 convention committee has met with the Cavalier Hotel to finalize arrangements and look for ways to make the words "Southern Hospitality" become a reality for our next convention, October 7-9, 1982 at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

For those of you who have time to visit a while, the 'Old Dominion', as Virginia is known, has something for everyone -- from our famed Shenandoah Mountains, with their natural wonders such as the Natural Bridge and the Luray Caverns, to Chesapeake Bay with its good fishing and beaches. You can find 'Monticello', the home of Thomas Jefferson, in Charlottesville, and 'Mount Vernon', the home of George Washington, near Washington, D.C., for those who like old homes. If you like historical battlefields, ours range from revolutionary, in Yorktown, to Civil War in Richmond and Petersburg. If soldiers interest you, the General Douglas MacArthur Memorial is in Norfolk.

The sea is important to this area and you can see ships from their beginnings--at the Mariner's Museum in Newport News--to the modern U.S. Navy which brings its ships across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel into our harbor.

The life and times of this one-time colony are displayed at historic Williamsburg, Jamestown, and in the plantation houses up and down the James River. Once you've had your fill of

reflection upon the past, you can have a quiet time at the Chrysler Museum in Norfolk, or have a blast at the 'Old Country' Busch Gardens near Williamsburg.

If you have any interest that was not mentioned, let us know and we'll try to find it for you. Everything but snow that is, because the temperature averages between 81 and 64 in September, and in October, between 71 and 53. Reservation requests are being handled through Marva Paige, 1145 Shillelagh Road, Chesapeake, Virginia 23323. Single rate \$36.00 and double \$45.00.

You'all come. We're getting ready for YOU!

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GROUP MEETS

The Beaver Tale, the newsletter of the Northern California Regional Chapter of BNAPS arrived in the Editor's mail box recently. There are almost 40 members in the group, which meets just about every month. The main topic of discussion at the November meeting, held at CALPEX, was BNAPLEX '84, which the NORCAL group will be hosting.

STUDY GROUP NEWSLETTERS

The newly formed Re-entries Study Group is well on its way, with a second newsletter already out. Similarly, the Postal Stationery Study Group hasn't wasted any time. Their



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first newsletter has been mailed, and the second is in the works. Contact information for these and the other BNAPS Study and Regional Groups can be found on the Business Side page.

MID ATLANTIC GATHERING

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Group met at VAPEX last November 13-15. The show was held at the Cavalier Hotel, Virginia Beach, Virginia which is also the site of BNAPEX '82. A dutch treat dinner at a local seafood restaurant on Friday evening saw twenty-three attending. On Saturday, sixteen members attended the regional meeting while the wives went shopping. Both groups were seen very little during the day.

At the banquet that evening, four of our members were awarded plaques for their exhibits--Winfield Clatterback, a Gold and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Award for the best BNA exhibit, 'Canada - The Victoria Years'; Ronald Ribler, a Vermiel for 'Three Cent Small Queens'; Bill Rockett, a Silver-Bronze for 'Canadian

Revenues'; and Mike Falls, a Silver for 'Iceland'. After the banquet a surprise birthday party was held for John Burnett and Dick Colberg, who both reached the big '40'. Ernestine Whiting showed her slides of the BNAPEX '81 convention and a good time was had by all.

A Sunday morning breakfast is a tradition at VAPEX, and we were honored to have our own James C. Lehr as the speaker. Jim spoke on "Why Do Collectors Attend Stamp Conventions?". The topic was enjoyed by those attending, who nodded their heads in agreement with almost everything he said. His main thought was that people attend stamp conventions to buy a few stamps, meet friends, and have a good time. We had such a good time that our fellowship spread and we gained two new applicants for BNAPS, one for life membership.

Later on Sunday, Larry Paige gave a talk on 'Canadian Flags', the oral part of his article which will be printed in the Philatelic Congress Yearbook. Larry won an honorable mention for his talk.

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IN MEMORIAM

CHARLES P. de VOLPI

With great sadness we report the passing of Charles P. de Volpi on Tuesday, November 24, 1981 at the age of 71. One of the founding members of BNAPS, Charlie, as he was affectionately known to his friends, attended every Convention except the last one in Ottawa. He wanted very much to attend, but his doctors would not let him.

Born in Montreal, he started collecting stamps when he was twelve years old. He started as a general collector and immediately developed an interest in Canadian stamps. This led, upon the acquisition of a large find of covers, to his interest in Postal History which lasted throughout his life.

By the time he was forty, he had sold all of his stamps, collecting only Postal History. In 1965-6 he disposed of this voluminous collection through J. N. Sissons at Private Treaty and Auction, retaining only his great love and interest, the Collection of the Fur Trade, Hudson's Bay Company and North West Company of Western Canada from the mid-eighteenth century until the Second Riel Rebellion.

Postal History sparked his interest in numerous other fields of Canadiana. First of all prints and illustrations, which culminated in ten monumental "Pictorial Histories" which he began to publish in 1962. The study of prints led him, and his wife Margaret, to collect china with views of various parts of Canada including many from W. H. Bartlett's "Canadian Scenery". This collection is still intact and the finest existing of its kind. It has rarely been viewed by the public, and to properly display it in their lovely home in St. Sauveur, they collected early Canadian tables, armoires and commodes. This further led to the many other fine Canadian collections which he built, to mention a few: Toys (mainly primitive), weathervanes (actually the name of his home), trivets, skates, Eskimo carvings in ivory, Indian trade silver, Canadian silver, sugar molds, powder flasks, coins & medals, prints, water colours, decoys, Canadian pewter (the largest and best documented collection in existence), samplers, and much more.

Charles de Volpi started with stamps and ended with everything. He documented all his material, building an enormous Canadiana

library which he used regularly. He also stripped and repaired his own furniture and artifacts, restoring and cleaning them himself. He became an expert in all of his collecting fields.

A pioneer collector, he was a true one who loved what he collected, and collected things only because they belonged in his collections. He never collected for financial gain, and rarely showed either his philatelic or other collections. Brimming with enthusiasm, he started many collectors and was always available with advice and documentation.

During the last years, he gave away many of his collections. His prints and illustrations on Nova Scotia and the Maritimes went to Dalhousie University, the Ontario material to the Royal Ontario Museum, the Western Canada to Glenbow, the Quebec to the McCord, the military items to The Citadel in Quebec, Bermuda to the Bermuda Maritime Museum, and so on.

He started his business life as a salesman for Perkins Paper and retired after fifty years as Chairman of the Board, owning the company along the way. He was an honorary Colonel of the Royal Canadian Hussars. For many years he served as a philatelic judge, both nationally and internationally.

He is survived by his charming wife, Margaret (who accompanied him to all BNAPS Conventions), two sons (Tommy and David) and three grandchildren.

His drive, enthusiasm, charm, humour, and most of all his presence as the foremost collector, the dean of Canadian Postal History, will be greatly missed by all.

-Bill Maresch

GEORGES APRIL

The Société Philatélique de Québec members had a sad duty to perform in meeting for the funeral of a beloved philatelic friend, Georges April. He had joined the Club in 1948 and was a past president (1958-62). Liked and appreciated by everyone, with all his experience and his congenial personality, he would come up with unexpected resources. He had spent his working days in the Quebec Provincial Ministry of Justice.

Georges April (BNAPS#1118) passed away Saturday, November 14, 1981 in Quebec

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City, at the age of 76—of a heart attack. He is survived by his wife Marguerite, his daughter, Mrs. Sandra Boucher, and two grand children.

We well remember his attending most of BNAPS' annual meetings, especially last September's BNAPEX '81 in Ottawa, where he seemed so happy meeting old and new friends. Always mingling philately with a keen sense of humour, he took real pleasure in sharing his knowledge. He was a man of national reputation in the fields of Canadian philately, Postal History and Revenue stamps.

—Lola Caron

NELS PELLETIER

The Toronto Philatelic Community was saddened to learn of the death of Narcisse A.

(Nels) Pelletier on Sunday, December 6. He had been a long time member of BNAPS, the Toronto Stamp Collectors Club and the Philatelic Specialists Society.

Nels formed a magnificent Canadian Semi-Official Airmail collection which was sold at auction in the late 1960's. He then turned to Squared Circle Cancellations, acquiring over 300 different examples, with a special interest in squared circle cancellations on the 1898 Map stamp.

A little known facet of Nels Pelletier's life was that he was a Canadian artist of repute. Some 17 of his paintings hang in the McMichael Gallery at Kleinburg, Ontario. On learning that the gallery had acquired some of his works, he donated others because he "wanted them to have them".

A quiet, gentlemanly, student of philately and many other things, he too will be missed.

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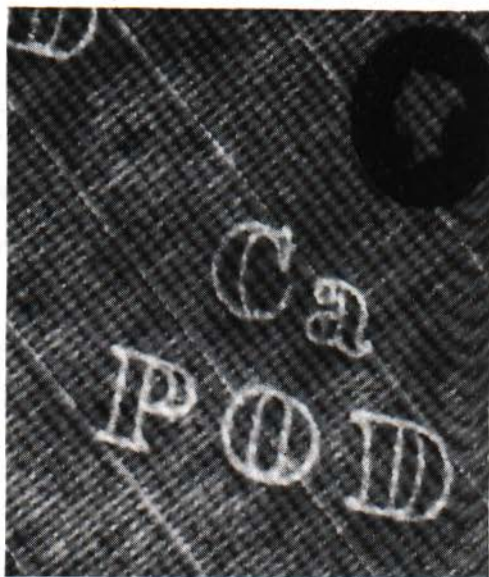
Watermarks on Victorian Postal Stationery Envelopes of Canada

by Dr Earle L. Covert

The Victorian envelopes of Canada were printed on different papers, both laid and wove, and with and without a watermark of the paper manufacturer's or user's name. These have been described in catalogues but I have never seen them illustrated.

The 1860 Nesbitt envelopes were printed on a laid paper, with batonne lines about 18mm apart, with C a / P O D watermark. The closely spaced parallel lines of alternating dark and light in the illustration are the laid lines, while the more widely spaced light lines at right angles to the laid lines are the chain or batonne lines.

The essays of the five cent envelope are on POD/US watermarked paper. George F. Nesbitt and Company of New York was producing the United States envelopes at the same time, and used POD/US paper for the essays. The white spots in the photograph are



Watermark on 1860 Nesbitt envelopes.

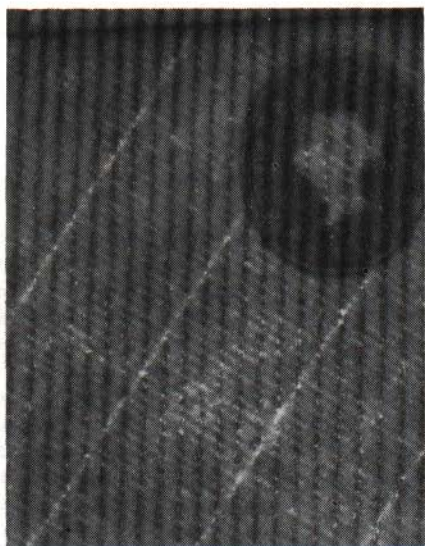
from thins where thick gum adhered to the front.

The 1877 issue was printed on laid paper with batonne lines 18mm apart, usually without a maker's or user's watermark. In 1887, however, the same envelopes were printed using laid paper with batonne lines varying from 24 to 27mm apart. The lighter cross in the 1887 envelopes is due to the effect of the chemical in the gum on the back of the envelope migrating to the front over the last 90 years.

Two watermarked varieties of the 1887 envelopes are known; CCo., and Old/Berkshire/Mills/1881. The CCo. watermark (not shown) could, possibly, stand for Canadian Paper Company. Additional information is needed. Old/Berkshire/Mills/1881 (see cover), which is obviously a manufacturer's mark, is on laid paper with batonne lines 24mm apart. This watermark has been found on both the one cent and small three cent envelopes. The one cent and both sizes of the three cent are also



Essays of the 5¢ envelope were made on paper used for the United States Post Office Depart.



Laid paper, batonne lines, 18mm apart.

known on wove paper, as are all the later Victorian issues.

With the exception of the Old/Berkshire/Mills/1881 all the watermarks shown were obtained from mint envelopes which have not been soaked or cut open. (The exception had been soaked open years ago.) The watermarks were obtained by making contact prints in the usual manner from negatives obtained on X-ray film. The method of producing these x-ray negatives is as follows: — Dupont Cronex 4 film was cut to size in the dark room, as was a cardboard backing. The film and cardboard were slipped into the envelope, or against the opened envelope, with the film against the watermark to be copied. The watermark, film and cardboard backer were then placed in a cassette with a Dupont High Plus Screen, with the film against the screen of the cassette, which was then closed. The cassette was exposed at a maximum of 25 MA at 1 second at 70 KV, to a minimum of 100 MA at 1/10 second at 42 KV, and developed in a PAKO 14X processor.



Laid paper, batonne lines, 24-27mm apart.

Variations in exposure are needed, depending on the thickness of the paper, to produce an acceptable negative. This method has also been used to study watermarks on aerogrammes and special order envelopes. Its greatest value appears to be in obtaining illustrations without damaging the envelopes in any way.

The only other "watermark" on Victorian postal stationery is found more commonly on postal bands, but may rarely be found on an envelope. It is a "stitch" watermark, about 1 cm long, running perpendicularly across a long line. This represents the mark made in the wet paper by a sewn joint on the base or screen on which the paper is made.

My thanks to Mr. Ken Crippen, Registered X-ray technologist, and Mr. Henry Douglas, Norseman Photography, for their help and patience.

The writer invites correspondence on this subject. Write to him at P. O. Box 1070, Hay River, N.W.T., X0E 0R0.

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ATLANTIC MAILS – A history of the mail service between Great Britain and Canada to 1889; J. C. Arnell, with the editorial collaboration of K. S. Mackenzie; National Postal Museum, Ottawa, 1980, 412 pp. Regular edition, \$40.00; deluxe edition, \$60.00.

Dr. J. C. Arnell's magnificent postal history account of the transatlantic mails between Great Britain and Canada up to 1889 is a major reference book that should be added to those great works on maritime postal history by Hargest, Robertson, and Staff. This book is essential for all who pursue the maritime postal history of British North America.

Throughout fourteen chapters, Dr. Arnell draws a colorful, detailed picture of the transatlantic mail packet service from early colonial days up until the Canadian Allan Line lost its monopoly to carry the mails in the late 1880's. His story unfolds in a smooth, easy style that is factual and pleasant to read, without being boring. He provides a generous number of illustrations of ships and documents, including 55 illustrations of covers, each in color, with an explanation of the postal markings and rates. The illustrations of covers are spaced throughout the chapters to provide a chronological account of letters carried over the various routes that he carefully describes. In chapters fifteen and sixteen, Dr. Arnell presents a comprehensive summary of the postal rates and rate handstamps used for the BNA maritime mails. Nine pages of illustrations show the sterling and currency handstamps in use from June 1840–May 1868.

Three sets of appendices present approximately 170 pages of invaluable information for the serious postal historian. Appendix One gives supplementary information and reference material, including: Listings of contract packets on the Falmouth-New York service through the American Revolution; packets captured or damaged during the American Revolution; packets on the Falmouth Station from 1812-1840; Naval Sloops-of-War converted to packet service in 1823; and the texts of several original documents such as the first Postal Convention between Canada and the U.S. in 1792, the 1845

"Wickliffe" agreement, and extracts from the British-American Postal Treaty of 1848.

Appendix Two presents detailed tables of transatlantic sailings from 1795-1890, compiled from newspapers and Annual Reports of the Postmaster General. Although not complete, especially in the early years, these tables are the most significant contribution made by the author to the postal historian. Tables cover Falmouth Packet sailings to North America 1795-1840, Cunard Mail-boat sailings to U.S. 1827-1840, Cunard steamship sailings to Boston and New York 1840-1867, Canadian Steam Navigation Company sailings 1853-1854, Collins Line sailings to New York 1855, Allan Line sailings 1856-1890, and Inman/Allan Line sailings to Halifax 1868-1878.

Appendix Three contains twelve maps which illustrate sea and land mail routes in British North America from 1764-1852.

(Editor's Note: A brief update of ATLANTIC MAILS is contained in the Nov.-Dec. 1981 issue of the Canadian Philatelist.)

Perhaps the only disappointment comes from the fact that this beautiful book will be somewhat expensive for the average collector to afford. This is compensated, however, by the extraordinary amount of information that Dr. Arnell has made available. A worthwhile investment by any standard. —RW

[Editor's Note: A brief update of ATLANTIC MAILS is contained in the Nov.-Dec. 1981 issue of the Canadian Philatelist.]

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MAIL TRANSPORTATION In Nineteenth Century Ontario

by C. R. McGuire

The following series is an expansion of a paper given by C. R. McGuire at the Ontario Museum Association sponsored Heritage Conference – "By River, Road & Rail – Transportation in Nineteenth Century Ontario" – held from 25-29 January 1981 in Toronto.

Part 1

INTRODUCTION

One cannot refer to the postal system in Ontario (Upper Canada, Canada West and the Province of Canada) without considering the systems in the Maritimes and Quebec (Lower Canada, Canada East and the Province of Canada), as well as the United States. With the exception of internal mail, the postal services of all these areas were interconnected and dependent upon one another to varying degrees. This situation continued until each province joined the Dominion of Canada and came under a single Post Office Department. As much as was feasible, I have confined this paper to Upper Canada/Ontario.

In areas being settled and developed transportation played an obviously important part, as with all other aspects of pioneer life, in the movement of mails and the establishment, development and improvement of postal facilities, systems and services. The methods (and difficulties) of transporting mail were the same as those used for other purposes during the years of initial settlement in Ontario.

Tracing the complex development of the growth of the transportation of mail over a century, even for a single province, is a task much too great in scope for a paper of this nature. Therefore I will only touch upon some of the more interesting and significant references I have found for each of the different methods of carrying mail. For readers wanting more detail, I refer them to the bibliography, in particular the series written by Mr. Max Rosenthal of Toronto, who has conducted a tremendous amount of research into the history of post

offices and the carriage of mail in Ontario. His work has been published regularly since 1960 in various philatelic journals, notably *B.N.A. TOPICS* and *The Canadian Philatelist*. I strongly recommend reading these excellent articles, which pertain to the postal history of either a specific post office or a county.

OVERVIEW OF THE POSTAL SYSTEM OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA

Before dealing with transportation, an outline of the development of the Post Office in British North America would be useful as background. The first official post office in present day Canada was established in 1755 by the British at Halifax. The initial announcement* regarding this office appears in *The Boston Evening-Post* on 28 April 1755

"Notice is hereby given, that a Post Office is established at Halifax, where letters are taken in for this (Boston) and other offices on the continent, and received into this office for said Post."

Although the conquest of New France occurred in 1759, the British did not establish a postal system until the end of the Seven Years War. Following the Treaty of Paris in 1763, Benjamin Franklin (he and John Foxcroft were "Joint Post-Masters-General of all his Majesty's Provinces and Dominions on the Continent of North America") integrated the new British Provinces into the existing postal network on the continent. Franklin began by opening post offices at Quebec, Montreal and Three Rivers.

* An asterisk beside a reference in this paper indicates the item or a facsimile is in the National Postal Museum, Ottawa.



An artist's conception of a possible meeting between Franklin, Finlay and Foxcroft (standing). No historical confirmation of such a meeting has yet been made.

He appointed Hugh Finlay as Postmaster at Quebec and his Deputy in Canada. Finlay's Certificate of Appointment,* dated 10 June 1763, was signed by Franklin and Foxcroft.

Franklin and Foxcroft, although theoretically Postmasters-General, were technically only Deputies to the Postmaster-General of Great Britain. Until 1851, all postal services in British North America were ultimately controlled by the Postmaster-General in London, while functional responsibility for the system rested with his local deputy. The main difficulty under British control was that Deputy Postmasters-General were not permitted to enter into any contract for conveying mail without first consulting their superior at the General Post Office in London. In most instances this meant delays of up to four months. In the meantime, prospective contractors could change their minds, or other complications could arise. As a result it was not unusual for postal routes to be disrupted for months, or never be organized at all.

The continued expansion of the postal system, particularly with what is now the United States, was somewhat curtailed by the American Revolution. Because of his revolutionary activities, Franklin was dismissed in 1774 and Hugh Finlay was appointed to succeed him. Eventually, on 17 July 1784, Finlay

was given a new title, 'Deputy Postmaster and Manager of Posts' for the Province of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Until after the creation of Upper Canada, mails were infrequent and unreliable. It was not until 1791 that the Montreal-Quebec post-road was extended westward as far as Kingston. Major advances were made at Finlay's instigation, until he was unjustly dismissed in 1799 for irregularities in the accounts, which were actually beyond his control.

George Heriot, probably better known as the artist and writer who wrote and illustrated *Heriot's travels through the Canadas*, replaced Finlay and assumed his duties on 5 April 1800. In 1812 Heriot confirmed: "There is only one principal road of communication for a post throughout his Majesty's Provinces in North America and no other route than the present can be projected"¹. The route led from Amherstburg to Halifax, the couriers passing through Upper and Lower Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

As the province opened up, bush was cleared, farms were established, settlements became permanent, and population and commerce grew. The postal system and facilities also expanded and improved. Development of the postal service was very slow because the authorities insisted that all improvements must

pay for themselves from the revenues collected. Routes were to be self-sufficient on an individual basis—those realizing a profit could not support others. Non-self-supporting routes were discontinued, much to the dissatisfaction of people living in the areas concerned, and to the detriment of progress in general. A bitter feeling arose because the surplus revenue was transferred to the British Post Office and used to increase the mother country's postal revenue. In fact, this was the main reason George Heriot resigned in 1816.

Daniel Sutherland replaced Heriot and continued to face the same problems. To help rectify the situation, he boldly rearranged the posts without incurring loss of revenue. In doing so, he was able to open new routes and post offices where they were most required. During the war with the United States, the postal system in Upper Canada had become completely disorganized. The only posts in existence during the struggle of 1812-15 were the military expresses.

By 1819, agitation arose to transfer control of the Post Office from Great Britain to the Provincial Legislature. The main objective was to have the system administered properly, and to utilize the revenue it produced for the purposes of the province. Considerable debate resulted in the Legislature. The approach taken was that the "levying of money by the Post Office was a direct infringement of the constitution as laid down in Act 31, Geo. III, Cap. 31, which provides that 'no tax shall be levied on the people of this country except such as shall be appropriated for the public use and accounted for by the Legislature'."² As a consequence the following resolutions were carried:

(1.) "That the Post Office Department raises in this Province a considerable sum of money, contrary to the spirit of the 46th and 47th clauses in the statute of the 81st of the late king, which, it is desirable, should be under the control and direction of the Provincial Legislature".

(2.) "That a well-regulated Post Office, responsible to the constituted authorities in this province, and extended in the number of establishments, would equally tend to correct and prevent abuses in the Department, to facilitate the commercial intercourse and to promote the diffusion of knowledge".

(3.) "That the Post Office must in time become an important branch of the Provincial revenue".

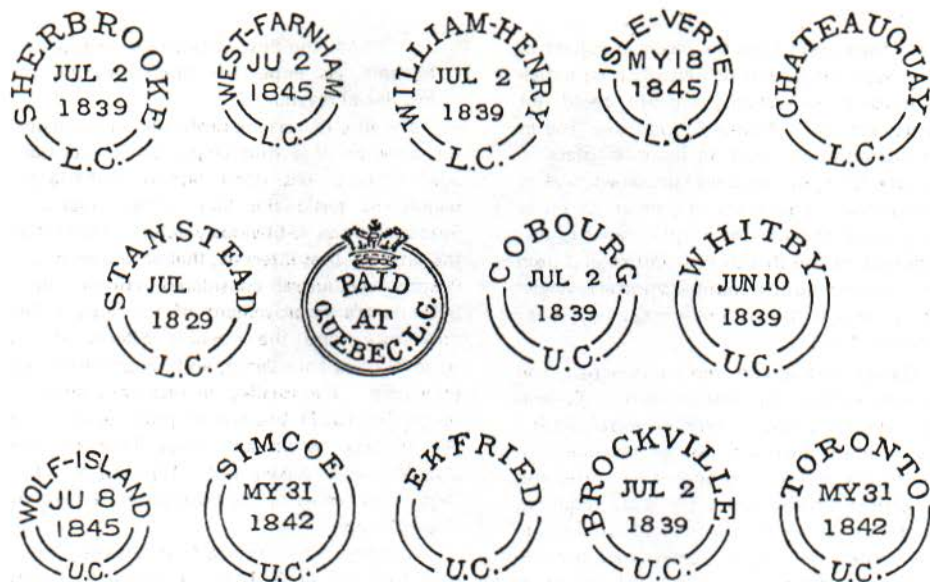
Because of various problems, in particular the question of uniting Upper and Lower Canada, nothing was done during Sutherland's regime to settle the 'post office question'. Sutherland was so obviously acting on behalf of the citizens' best interests, that at one point the Postmaster-General considered replacing him. Sutherland's improvement of the system, his popularity, and the possible effects of his removal were considered, and his dismissal was prevented. Eventually, he was compelled to resign (in 1827) because of poor health. He was replaced by his son-in-law, Thomas Allan Stayner, who served until 1851 as the last Deputy to report to the Postmaster-General of Great Britain.

Among other innovations, Stayner introduced on 14 April 1829, standardized postal markings at 105 post offices in Upper and Lower Canada. Manufactured in England, the marking devices had no provincial designation. They were intended to record the place and date of posting, the dates and points through which a letter passed in transit, and the date of arrival at its destination. Date stamps were expected to improve the speed and efficiency of the postal service because they enabled postal authorities to determine where delays in the transportation of mail actually occurred, and whether or not the most suitable route was followed in forwarding the item. After the introduction and proven success of the postmarks, Stayner wrote³:

"The use of stamps (as he chose to call them) . . . I find to be one of the utmost advantage—as they tend to create in the Post Masters habits of regularity and good order, which are essential to the safety of the correspondence and to the character of the Department".

Instructions*, circulars* and other publications* concerning post office procedures and regulations were printed for reference purposes. There were also booklets* of instruction for use by postal employees involved with specialized work.

On 1 May 1835 Stayner created the Office of Surveyor. Surveyors (later Post Office Inspectors) were responsible for the proper operation of the system and its facilities. They ensured the correction of all irregularities they



Examples of later versions of Stayner's date stamps (with provincial designations)

discovered. Often referred to as the 'Eyes and Ears of the Postmaster General', they were expected to be on the job literally day and night. Among their many duties, Surveyors arranged for land mail contracts and organized and laid out mail routes.

To extend postal service to scattered settlements, where the amount of correspondence was so trifling, meant a heavy loss of revenue. The traders and settlers argued that "no circumstance could have so beneficial an influence in accelerating the progress of their improvements as a proper and liberal regulation of their internal postal system"⁴. In addition, the general public and merchants were forever demanding better postal service. As a consequence, service was improved and extended as the variables permitted. Always conscious of keeping costs to a minimum, Post Office authorities were equally interested in having the best possible service and facilities. As new methods of improved transportation were found, postal officials would study and test them temporarily, implementing on a permanent basis those showing sufficient promise of improving the speed and efficiency of processing, carrying and delivering the mail.

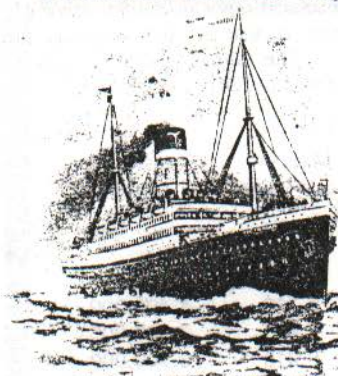
Up to the mid-eighteen hundreds, most correspondence between foreign countries and the Canadas was with Great Britain or the

United States. Transatlantic mail would normally go through either Quebec, Halifax or New York. There were preferred ships and routes⁵. Senders would indicate their preference by writing the name of the ship and/or route on the outer cover or envelope. Postage was collected from the addressee upon delivery of letters. Abuse of this system, by recipients refusing to accept their letters and pay the postage due, was one of the major reasons Sir Rowland Hill introduced prepayment of postage by postage stamps. This resulted in Great Britain issuing the world's first stamps on 6 May 1840 with other countries adopting the scheme soon after.

Initially, postage was charged by the sheet of paper weighing one ounce or less. Each additional sheet or enclosure, regardless of the size, meant that the rate was doubled, tripled and so on. Not until 5 January 1844 were postage rates charged according to weight regardless of the number of sheets. The new system popularized the use of envelopes. Under the old method, a letter in an envelope was considered as two sheets of paper, which had to be paid at the double rate.

In 1840 an official enquiry investigated the state of the Post Office in British North America. In its Report the Post Office Commission severely criticized Stayner (The National

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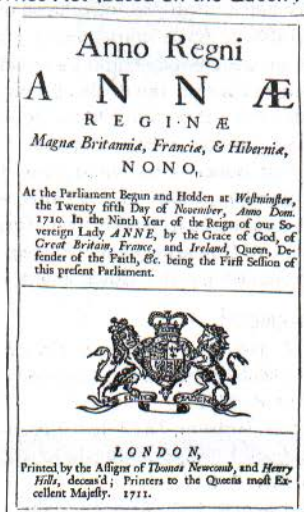
Handwritten notes in cursive script, including the word 'Regence' and other illegible text.

Advertising postcard for the well known nineteenth century Allan line of Royal Mail Steamers

Postal Museum has Stayner's copy, with his handwritten notes refuting the various allegations against him and his operation of the Post Office). One of the Commission's major recommendations was that each of the colonies administer its own postal system. In typical bureaucratic fashion this transfer of control did not finally occur until 6 April 1851. In the first year after assuming responsibility for its own system, the number of post offices in the Province of Canada increased by nearly 50%. In addition, many new routes were opened and others extended. Internal postage rates were simplified and reduced to a uniform three pence (5 cents) per half ounce, thereby eliminating the much higher average rate of nine pence, calculated according to distance travelled. The deficit that resulted was borne by the colonists without complaint because the improved service was adequate compensation. One of the most notable innovations was the introduction of postage stamps on 23 April 1851, with the option to pay postage either in stamps or cash. Another innovation was the publication of a *Postal Guide* which first appeared in 1863. (Beginning in 1875 these invaluable reference books were revised on an annual basis.) James Morris was the first Postmaster General of the Province of Canada. It may interest readers to know that Sir Oliver Mowat held the position for two short terms in 1864, as did John A.

Macdonald who was Postmaster General for a day — 6 August 1858 — as a result of some political manoeuvre of the time.

At Confederation, the services and administrations of the former stamp issuing Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were integrated under a single Post Office Department of the Dominion of Canada. Sir Alexander Campbell was the first Postmaster General. On 1 April 1868, the first Post Office Act (based on the Queen Anne Act*



Title page of the Queen Anne Act

of 1710) took effect. One of the improvements made at this time was that the domestic postage rate was further reduced to 3 cents per half ounce. Increased use of the system by the public helped to offset the subsequent rise in costs. Because of the importance of the mails,

and significant advances in methods of transportation, the postal service and facilities improved more in the last third of the century than it had in the previous seventy years.

The following chart indicates the growth of the Post Office in Ontario.⁶

Year	No. of Post Offices	Miles of Post Routes	No. of Letters
1791	7(a)		
1817	12		
1828	101	2,368	
1840(b)	405	5,736	1,400,000
1851(b)	601	7,595	2,132,000
1852(b)	840	8,618	3,700,000
1861(b)	1,775	14,608	9,400,000
1868(b)	2,449	18,716	14,750,000
1900	3,280	(c)	90,062,500

- (a) Including Detroit & Michilimackinac, now located in the United States.
 (b) Figures include Canada East and West.
 (c) In addition to an indeterminable number of miles of post routes, there were the following: miles of service by water, 379,377; by rail, 16,354.

Domestic postage was again reduced, to three cents per ounce, in 1889, and just prior to the end of this era, on 1 January 1899, the postage rate was further reduced to 2 cents per ounce. The potential reduction in revenue was again offset by the increased number of letters posted. It is interesting to note that the Imperial Penny Postage scheme (two cents Canadian per half ounce) was introduced on 25 December 1898. As a consequence, for a period of seven days letters could be mailed to most destinations within the British Empire for one cent less than that same letter could be sent between points within Canada. For example, a half ounce letter could travel from Toronto to Bombay, India for two cents, while it could cost three cents to send it from Toronto to Hamilton. A Domestic Penny Postage was quickly introduced by the Government when

complaints from the public became wide-spread.

METHODS OF TRANSPORTING MAIL

Often a combination of several different modes of transport were used by a traveller to complete a journey in nineteenth century Ontario. A mail bag often accompanied passengers, their baggage and shipments of goods. A summary of the various methods and their respective "hey-days" are as follows:

- pre-1850—Private and official couriers on foot or snowshoes, horseback or dog team
- pre-1850—Private and official couriers on foot or snowshoes, horseback or dog team and canoes or bateaux
- pre-1856—Stage coach/sleigh
- post-1856—Railway
- post-1866—Steam boat
- post-1899—Motorized vehicles

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Clarence Stillions, a native of Illinois, is Chairman of the Editorial Board of TOPICS and a member of the Board of Governors. He is now a resident of Maryland where "he figures out how to make buildings stand up"—so he says. He is a structural engineer, with a B.S. and M.S. from the University of Illinois.

He met Jack Levine at Calgary '73 and was put to work on the '74 convention. Since then, he has been a most active member.

A childhood hobby of general collecting was changed to BNA but is now mainly Newfoundland. We saw some of his collection at last year's show.

Clarence is also a member of both the Royal of Canada and London, the C.P.S. of G.B., the A.P.S., and local societies. He will get to show us his expertise next October at the Virginia Beach show.

(Editor's Note. Congratulations to the boss — CA started off the New Year by getting married on January 2.)



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MINUTES of the 1981 ANNUAL MEETING of the BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Held at the Skyline Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario, September 26th, 1981.

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Lehr at 10:05 a.m. There were 79 members present.

In opening the meeting Jim Lehr extended greetings and welcome to those present and a big "thank you" to the local members who furnished us with such a fine convention.

Since they had been published in TOPICS, and the Secretary had received no corrections or additions to them, reading of the minutes of the 1980 Annual Meeting was dispensed with.

Jim Lehr then gave the President's Report to the Society (Appendix A).

Leo LaFrance followed with the Report of the Chairman of the Board of Governors (Appendix B). Among other things this report told the Society that starting January 1, 1982, dues will be \$15.00 Canadian per year, and that the Society will no longer consider U.S. and Canadian funds as at par. The Board will be meeting more often than once a year to transact business. The Board created three Honorary Members in recognition of their considerable contributions to B.N.A.P.S. They are

Walter Hoffman, Frank Campbell, and
Vinnie Greene

There followed some discussion about the timing and frequency of the Board's meetings, as well as the charge for Life Membership vs. the annual membership dues.

Ed Whiting then made the Secretary's Report (Appendix C), indicating that our membership has decreased to 1,470 of which about 2/3 are residents of Canada. He also reported on the winners of the V. G. Greene Award, the President's Certificate, and new Emeritus Members (Appendices R, S & T).

The Treasurer's Report (Appendix D) was handed out to those present. Jim Lehr presented his evaluation of our financial situation, which was followed by some general discussion.

Neither Vice-President had a report to present.

C. A. Stillions then read the Report for the Editorial Board (Appendix E).

The Editors' Reports were then read by Jim Lehr for Derek Hayter (Appendix F), and by Mike Street (Appendix G).

There was discussion of mailing costs, deadlines for copy, experimentation with type faces and the relative efficiency of the Canadian and U.S. Postal Services. Bernard Harmer asked why TOPICS had been turned down for 2nd class mail privileges. He was advised that the matter was still open and is being pursued.

Dave Dixon presented the Advertising Manager's Report (Appendix H).

Bob Boudignon presented the Circulation Manager's Report (Appendix I).

Norman Brassler gave the Membership Committee Chairman's Report (Appendix J).

Alan Steinhart's Handbook Committee Chairman's Report was read on his behalf (Appendix K).

Jim Lehr made a verbal report for the Book Department on behalf of Bill Pawluk and Doris Hollingshead. The formal report (Appendix L) has since been received from Bill Pawluk.

Bob Jamieson presented the Sales Circuit Manager's Report (Appendix M).

Larry Paige presented the Study Group Coordinator's Report (Appendix N).

The Librarian's Report was read on behalf of Harry Machum, who was unable to be present (Appendix O).

Vinnie Greene made his Report as Chairman of the Library Board (Appendix P).

Ron McGuire then presented the Report for the Permanent Convention Committee Chairman (Appendix Q). Included in his report was the schedule of forthcoming conventions as follows: 1982—Virginia Beach, Virginia, October 7-9; 1983—Winnipeg, Manitoba, September 1-3; 1984—San Francisco, California;

1985—Calgary, Alberta; 1986—still open; 1987—possibly Newfoundland.

During discussion of Ron's report, Wilmer Rockett took the floor and gave us information about next year's convention in Virginia Beach.

All of the Reports were accepted as presented.

There was no unfinished business carried over from last year.

Under New Business, Harry Sutherland presented a resolution concerning Vinnie Greene's nomination for membership in the Order of Canada. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The meeting was then adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Edward J. Whiting,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A

The PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Although the excellent "Membership Handbook and Directory", edited in 1979 by our Secretary, starts by listing the constitution and by-laws of BNAPS, it has become obvious to me that few members truly understand how our Society operates. I would like, therefore, to lead into my report by outlining briefly just what the President's responsibilities are. As chief administrative officer he appoints all permanent committee members and administrative officers, who serve at his pleasure. He directs both appointed and elected officers in the performance of their duties. He and all elected officers are members of the Board of Directors, which is responsible for approving and monitoring fiscal policies, defining proper membership conduct, altering the constitution and by-laws if necessary and any other areas requiring new policy decisions. The President or any other elected officer may be removed or suspended by a two-thirds vote of the Board.

With this background explanation, you can understand that this has been a year of transition for BNAPS. Two carryover problems from the past, the erratic publication of TOPICS and the unsatisfactory administration of the Sales Department, required immediate and lengthy action. TOPICS problems were due primarily to an arrangement with our long time printer whereby TOPICS was "fitted in" between other work. Since printing costs had increased in an alarming fashion over the last two years, we began to search for new potential printers outside the high cost Toronto area. At the same time, the Editor, Editorial Board and Advertising Manager requested that they be allowed to resign due to increased business pressures which would not allow them to expend more time on TOPICS. They agreed, however, to carry on during the first half of the year

while we were searching for a new printer and their replacements, an offer which was much appreciated. The results of these efforts is now obvious in the July/August issue of TOPICS, the first issue done by the new Editor and new printer (who incidentally is also a member of BNAPS). This issue also represents a considerable decrease in publication costs.

By replacing the Sales Manager and retiring all sales books, we have finally solved the problem which forced members to wait several years to obtain their circulated books and payment for sales. Although the improper mailing and subsequent loss of one circuit resulted in an appreciable charge to our insurance fund, this too has now been settled. We are now ready to reactivate the Sales Division under new and expanded guidelines which should prevent some of the problems of the past, while improving service to our members.

In addition to these major problems, many of our other appointed officers who had served for a number of years requested that they be relieved. Thus it became necessary this year to replace all the appointed officers except the Librarian. As many of you know, this requires preparing a list of members with the necessary background for each job and then persuading a qualified candidate to accept the responsibility. I believe that we have been extremely lucky in obtaining an exceptional group of new officers. Get to know them whenever possible, since many of them will be future candidates for higher elected positions.

My biggest disappointment in these first nine months is the lack of time to do more visiting with members. I hope to meet with all our Regional and Local membership groups during the next year. But don't wait for me to contact you if you would like a visit. I'm always

interested in hearing from members, so drop me a line if you have any question, problem or recommendation.

Finally, I would like to express appreciation, personally and for all the membership, to all those officers who have worked so hard for

us in recent years. There have been many problems, not always of their making, but the jobs were always done!

Jim Lehr
President

APPENDIX B

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

My remarks will be brief and highlight the main items considered by the Board during the year and at this meeting.

Our major concern has been that of solvency and adequate cash flow to satisfy our commitments. With the constant inflationary trend our expenses have outstripped income.

In view of this the Board has decided that a dues increase, to \$15.00 in Canadian funds, will be effective Jan. 1, 1982. Since most of our liabilities are payable in Canadian funds, this was felt to be reasonable. Also, we have not asked for increased dues since 1975.

Since we do have many areas of concern requiring Board action, your Board has decided to meet more than once a year in order to handle situations in a more propitious manner.

Changes were made in the Constitution to make it easier for the Sales Department to function in a business-like manner.

Our Insurance program was reviewed, and

changes were authorized where it was felt necessary to do so.

As you are aware, publication of TOPICS has been changed, with a new Editor and Printer starting with the July-August issue. It is expected that these changes will get the magazine back on a routine scheduled basis. One should remember, however, that we are still at the mercy of the Postal Services in both the U.S. and Canada when it comes to delivery.

From time to time the Board makes Honorary Awards, and it gives me great pleasure to announce that three members have been elevated to the status of Honorary Member. They are: Walter Hoffman, our first president; Frank Campbell, the eminent postal historian; and Vincent G. Greene, a very longtime servant and benefactor of the Society.

Leo LaFrance
Chairman of the Board

APPENDIX C

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

B.N.A.P.S. Membership and B.N.A. TOPICS circulation recap, as of 20 September 1981

Stated membership as of 1980 convention:		1505
Additions, 8 Nov. 80 -- 20 Sept. 81		
Replaced on the Rolls	13	
New Members	<u>64</u>	<u>77</u>
		1582
Deletions, 8 Nov. 80 -- 20 Sept. 81:		
Deceased	15	
Resigned	28	
Dropped for non-payment of dues	<u>69</u>	<u>112</u>
Total membership as of 1981 convention:		1470

Membership is made up as follows:	Canada	912	Regular	1393
	U.S.A.	497	Life	63
	Overseas	<u>61</u>	Emeritus	<u>14</u>
		1470		1470

TOPICS Circulation:

Membership	1470
Administrative	55
Subscription	9
Exchange	11
"Courtesy"	3
"Extra"	<u>52</u>
Total	1600

Your secretary, in the interest of a smooth transition for whomever will succeed to the post in 3 years, is writing up in detail a complete job study and description of his duties and procedures.

Due to economic considerations the 1981 edition of the Membership Directory has been cancelled.

We are in the process of securing the services of another volunteer to take on some of the Secretary's duties, and thus relieve his work load.

The most populous Provinces and States, membership-wise, are Ontario with 451, British Columbia with 133, Alberta with 96, California with 75, New York with 70 and Texas with 32.

Edward J. Whiting
Secretary

APPENDIX D

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

as at June 31, 1981

(with comparative figures for June 30, 1980)

United States Dollars)

	ASSETS	YEAR ENDED	
		JUNE 30	
		1981	1980
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash in Bank		7,466	1,156
Cash held by Dept. Heads		696	2,390
Term Deposits		16,840	33,554
Accounts and Interest Receivable	2,959		
Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	<u>274</u>	2,685	2,990
Inventory -- Books		4,540	1,570
Prepaid Expenses			
Squared Circle Handbook	1,010		
Other	<u>517</u>	<u>1,527</u>	<u>609</u>
		33,754	42,669
RESTRICTED FUNDS			
Marketable Securities -- at cost		<u>2,466</u>	<u>2,466</u>
		<u>36,220</u>	<u>45,135</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	3,918	8,752
Due Owners on Sales Circuits	---	938
Prepublication Orders — Squared Circle Handbook	2,066	---
Prepaid Dues	6,116	6,016
	<u>12,100</u>	<u>15,706</u>

FUND BALANCES

General Funds		
Appropriated — Convention Funds	617	410
— Insurance Fund	4,091	4,775
— Life Membership Fund	916	1,451
	<u>5,624</u>	<u>6,636</u>
Unappropriated — Members Equity	11,595	15,892
Total General Funds	<u>17,219</u>	<u>22,528</u>
Restricted Funds		
BNAPS Foundation	6,901	6,901
	<u>6,901</u>	<u>6,901</u>
	<u>36,220</u>	<u>45,135</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

for the year ended June 30, 1981

(with comparative figures for the year ended June 30, 1980)

(United States Dollars)

	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30	
	1981	1980
REVENUES		
Membership Dues	13,965	13,631
Membership Fees	106	85
Book Department (Schedule I)	281	274
Interest Income	3,585	2,603
Dividends	213	180
Gain on Foreign Exchange	---	1,680
Sales Circuit Dept. (Schedule II)	824	713
Other Income	26	---
	<u>19,000</u>	<u>19,166</u>
EXPENDITURES		
BNA Topics (Schedule III)	15,582	15,532
Library and Circulation Dept. (Schedule IV)	118	133
Stationery and Supplies	1,048	(31)
Postage	1,062	478
Bad Debts	(21)	45
Insurance Expense	1,017	476
Membership Roster	-	2,826
BNAPLEX	373	1,543
Handbook Expense	---	1,190
Bank Charges	27	34
Other Expense	27	26

Telephone	91	
Interest Expense	213	
"BNA Outline" Expense	3,098	
Unrealized Loss or (Gain) on Foreign Exch, Fluctuations	662	1,569
	<u>23,297</u>	<u>23,821</u>

EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER REVENUES

<u>4,297</u>	<u>4,655</u>
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SCHEDULES
for the year ended June 30, 1981
(United States Dollars)

SCHEDULE I	YEAR ENDED	
	JUNE 30	
	1981	1980
Book Department		
Sale of Books	1,571	1,169
Cost of Books Sold	1,005	773
Gross Sales Revenue	566	396
Department Expenses	285	122
Net Book Department Revenue	<u>281</u>	<u>274</u>

SCHEDULE II		
Sales Circuit Department		
	1981	1980
Commissions on Stamp Sales	753	682
Sales Circuit Expense	(71)	(31)
Net Sales Circuit Revenue	<u>824</u>	<u>713</u>

SCHEDULE III		
BNA Topics Revenues and Expenditures		
	1981	1980
Expenditures - Printing	15,940	14,663
- Mailing and Postage	2,878	3,591
- Other	90	86
	<u>18,908</u>	<u>18,340</u>
Advertising Revenue	3,326	2,808
Net BNA Topics Expenditures	<u>15,582</u>	<u>15,532</u>

SCHEDULE IV		
Library and Circulation Departments		
	1981	1980
Miscellaneous Sales of Topics	58	215
Library Expense	21	165
Circulation Department Expense	155	183
Total Expense	<u>176</u>	<u>348</u>
Net Library and Circulation Dept. Expense	<u>118</u>	<u>133</u>

E. A. Harris
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD

The Editorial Board has undergone a substantial change in the past few months. A new Chairman and two new members have assumed office. A third new member is to be appointed.

It is the responsibility of the Editorial Board to assist the Editor to produce the best possible magazine. The best possible magazine means authoritative articles on all phases of BNA philately, attractive graphics (for we are a

visual hobby), produced in a timely and consistent manner. To this end the Editorial Board will be searching for articles and people to provide technical assistance to the Editor as needed. The Board will accept assistance and comments from all members in order that BNAPS has the best magazine.

Clarence A. Stillions
Chairman

APPENDIX F

REPORT OF THE FORMER EDITOR

Though we were using the most inexpensive printer in Toronto, rising costs were making the magazine a most expensive product. The problem of long production time was never overcome.

I take this opportunity of wishing the new editor, Michael Street, every success in his new endeavour.

Derek Hayter

APPENDIX G

EDITORS' REPORT

Having been editor for only three months, I don't have much to report. The July/August issue was ready on time, but delivery was delayed due to the Canadian Postal Workers' strike. Printing costs for the issue were as quoted -- considerably below previous costs.

The September/October issue is on time. Preliminary work is complete and printing will start this weekend. This issue will be shorter than the last due to lack of material.

It is my intention to produce all future issues on time, that is, by the middle of the issue period. Delivery, unfortunately, will be at the mercy of the Post Office.

In July, TOPICS applied for registration as second class mail. The request was turned down on the grounds that TOPICS was mostly news, of interest to the members and the general public. This decision is being appealed. If the appeal is successful, the applicable postage rate will drop dramatically.

The future of TOPICS can be summed up

in one word —ARTICLES. One reason the Editorial transition was so smooth was that there was so little to transfer. At this point, the cupboard is almost bare.

While I am pleased with the number of articles which have come in since I started working on TOPICS, I cannot be sure that the flow will continue, so I must mention the matter here today.

Whether working on your collection, reading philatelic literature or talking to other collectors, I ask you, the members of the Board, and the members at large, to always keep TOPICS in mind. Original articles are necessary, but suggestions to reprint material from other publications — and early issues of TOPICS — are also welcome. Simple suggestions of topics which members would like to see covered in TOPICS are wanted as well. Please keep TOPICS in mind.

Mike Street
Editor

REPORT OF THE ADVERTISING MANAGER

Before I begin my report, I would like to thank Dr. Art Groten for his help in seeing that all advertising functions were transferred to me in an efficient manner. Needless to say, with Art's help, the transfer went off without a hitch.

The advertising billings for the past year totalled \$3,693.85, an increase of \$402.05 over the previous year. Once again we owe all our loyal advertisers our thanks for their unwavering support, even though TOPICS again encountered difficulties in meeting its publication schedule.

My first official act as Advertising Manager was to notify all advertisers of a rate increase, the first since January 1977. This increase takes effect with the September-October 1981 issue of TOPICS and should help ease some of the financial pressure of ever increasing costs.

I'm happy to say that in the area of classified advertising, we have lowered the rates. The reason for this is to encourage more members to use this medium to dispose of their duplicate material and to pick up wanted items for their collections. We would like to see the classified advertising section of TOPICS expanded, and I will work to achieve this goal.

I have begun a campaign to contact prospective advertisers for TOPICS. However, we must keep in mind that we should concentrate on securing advertisers who will offer our members not only quality material, but also quality service. I can assure you that I shall strive to achieve this.

Dave Dixon
Advertising Manager

APPENDIX I

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

A definite decline in the sales of back issues of TOPICS has taken place during the past year. Sales are now negligible while operating costs, particularly postage, continue to rise.

The trend seems to be towards photocopies of material required at a cost per page well below the purchase price of a back issue of TOPICS at \$2.50.

It would appear that the above reason, along with an economic recession and a spiraling cost of living, has placed our commodity on the 'luxury list'.

If the trend continues I would recommend the elimination of the position of Circulation Manager. A custodian for a Depository of back issues of TOPICS could be appointed (e.g. Secretary or Librarian) to do what little now has to be done to satisfy members needs.

There is relatively little to report for it was a very quiet year.

Bob Boudignon
Circulation Manager

APPENDIX J

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Having been appointed Chairman some two months ago, I have spent most of the time learning the details of the job. Former Chairman Clarence Stillions and Secretary Ed Whiting have been most helpful in indoctrinating me. In this short span of time I have encountered no problems.

For the year 1980-81 there have been 40 applications approved by the Committee with 9 currently pending. Three more have just been received and processing will begin immediately.

Norm Brassler
Chairman

REPORT OF THE HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

I was asked to take charge of this committee at our convention at McAllen, Texas in November, 1980. I wish to thank the former Chairman, Mike Dicketts, for his work on behalf of BNAPS.

During the past year two BNAPS handbooks have appeared. The combination First Supplement to the Catalog of Tobacco Tax Paid Stamps of Canada and Newfoundland / A Study of the Liquor Bottle Seals of Canada, by Brandom and Vilter, was produced and is now available from the Book Department. Canada-B.N.A. Philately (An Outline), by Ed Richardson, was produced and was distributed to all our members free. A number of extra copies were produced for new members and for retail sale, of which a large quantity have already been sold to help defray costs to BNAPS.

The new Squared Circle handbook by Moffat and Hansen is now ready. It was produced in a quantity of 1500. This was a major

financial commitment by your society and has caused us to temporarily hold back active production of handbooks until a significant proportion of this cost has been recouped. There are other handbooks in the process of preparation, including one manuscript by ex-Chairman of the Board Robert Pratt on which production will begin shortly.

It is projected that this Committee will reprint a number of past BNAPS publications which are no longer available and for which there seems to be a steady demand.

The Handbook Committee wishes to thank the authors and future authors with whom it has had the pleasure of working this past year, and the members of the BNAPS executive it has been my pleasure to work with. We look forward to more publications on the subject of BNA philately.

Alan L. Steinhart
Handbook Committee

APPENDIX L

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HANDBOOK DEPARTMENT

Due to my having assumed the position of Handbook Distribution Manager at the commencement of the new society year, I am not able to provide you with an in depth analysis of the activities of the department for the 1980-81 year. Accordingly, I have asked the Treasurer to provide the annual meeting with an account of the sales activity of the handbook department.

I wish to inform you that the printing of "The Squared Circle Postmarks of Canada" handbook, authored by Glen Hansen and W. G. Moffat, has been completed, and I am in the process of accepting delivery of 1500 copies from the printers. As requested, I have delayed the distribution of the handbook until its formal announcement at the convention. In addition to the above, other handbook titles in

stock include: a) The Canadian Flag Cancellation Handbook, 1896-1973, Ed Richardson; b) Catalogue of Tobacco Tax Paid Stamps of Canada and Newfoundland, Lee W. Brandom; c) A combined handbook; First Supplement to the Catalogue of Tobacco Tax Paid Stamps of Canada and Newfoundland (Lee W. Brandom)/ A Study of the Liquor Bottle Seals of Canada (E. F. Vilter).

Stocking of these books represents a sizeable investment for the society. It is my understanding that, in the past, the inventory held by the handbook department head has not been insured against fire & water damage, theft, etc. I suggest that the society seriously consider acquiring the necessary insurance coverage.

Should additional BNA manuscripts be sponsored by the society in the near future,

storage will become a problem. It all depends upon how quickly we distribute the handbooks currently in stock.

The president's memo re: "Annual Meeting Reports" suggests that reports of newly appointed officers serve as a vehicle for future planning. In this regard, I wish to inform you of the following initiatives:

- a) Given the importance of the Handbook Department to the Society's revenue position, commencing with the month of September, I will be providing you with a monthly revenue/cost/inventory profile for each handbook;
- b) I am in the process of examining the various costs associated with the packaging and delivery of the handbooks, in order to achieve a balance between cost effectiveness and timeliness of delivery;
- c) Advertisements, articles regarding changes in distribution policy, etc. will be inserted in appropriate philatelic journals;
- d) The Treasurer and I have worked out a satisfactory arrangement for the transfer of monies received by the handbook department;
- e) It is still too early to determine whether or not there exists a need for a decentralized approach to handbook distribution. The

distribution of the Squared Circle Handbook will assist in determining the need for such an approach.

Given that the Handbook Distribution Manager now reports to the President, I have not as yet had the opportunity to discuss with you and Alan Steinhart how the position will interface with that of Chairman of the Handbook Committee. It is my hope that the Handbook Distribution Manager will play an integral part in any discussions concerning handbook pricing policy, advance orders, discounts, etc.

It is imperative that the society establish a set of policy guidelines concerning: a) pricing, repricing, discounts to members and dealers, volume purchasing, advance ordering, payments, etc.; b) specifically defining the tasks and role of the Handbook Distribution Manager Position; c) specifically defining the reporting structure of the position.

I am certain that there exist other topics deserving of mention, however, the above captures several initiatives and concerns which I wish to bring to your attention.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend this year's convention being held in Ottawa. Nevertheless, I would like to offer my best wishes for a successful convention.

Bill Pawluk

Handbook Distribution Manager

APPENDIX M

SALES CIRCUIT REPORT

Editor's Note — The report of the Sales Circuit Manager was printed in the Nov/Dec TOPICS under the title 'BNAPS Sales Circuit On The Move Again'.

APPENDIX N

REPORT OF THE STUDY GROUP COORDINATOR

We have had seven study groups active this year, including the newly organized Centennial Definitives study group. The Flag Cancel group has reorganized, with 30+ active members, and is producing a newsletter again.

I also have hopes of announcing two new groups that will be starting this year. They are the Re-entries and the Newfoundland study groups. This will be announced in TOPICS in the very near future. We appreciate the Con-

vention Committee working with us to allot more time for the seminars. This year will be the first BNAPEX to have an award for the best exhibit by a study group member. This is being done in the hope that it will draw more exhibits by study group members in the future. We are looking forward to a prosperous year for the study groups.

Larry R. Paige

Study Group Coordinator

LIBRARIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

Since taking over the library, this is the first time I will be able to report a full year's activities. The past year for me has been most trying at times, as would any new position one takes on, yet on the other hand most enjoyable in the fact of the people that I have met either through a letter or personally. Also the knowledge that I have gained in the past year, both in philately and how to use the library, will help me provide better service to our members in the future. At this time I would like to thank both Bob Boudignon and Mike Squirrel for their continued support in library matters.

The first and foremost purpose of a library is to supply information to those who seek it. In the past year the library, in spite of the Post Office's extended holiday, handled 49 requests. I was able to fulfill, either in whole or in part, 42 of these. I think this proves the need for a library in a society such as ours, and that it is being used.

In this age of high interest rates and a shrinking dollar, the library especially enjoys receiving a donation. I would like to thank the following people: Mr. Allan Steihart for his two new handbooks; Mr. David Ewens for three copies of the Postal Guide; and Mr. Andy Anderson, who I am sure is either trying to make the Post Office a paying venture or trying

to fill my basement. In any event again a hearty thanks to you all.

The one major problem that both I and members have had is the lack of an up-to-date library list. This is being looked into. Until the problem is resolved, would members requesting material please use the following procedure: Where possible please quote a library number, or from the listing of the Canadian Philately Index, by Cimon Morin of the National Museum. Should members not have any of these listings, please supply the following: Title, Author, Publisher, and page numbers if a certain section is required. This will help me no end in locating the material, be it in our own library, or in another society's.

In the last year we have had a great many changes in Officers as Department Heads. To these people should go a vote of thanks for the time and effort they have put into the Society. For all who are now taking up the challenge, "Keep Smiling".

As I write this report I still do not know if work will allow me to attend the convention, so I extend best wishes to everyone for a most successful convention.

Harry Machum
Librarian

APPENDIX P

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBRARY BOARD

Our library continues to be run satisfactorily under the able management of our librarian, Harry Machum.

In these days of inflation, I suggest to the Board of Governors that the insurance be increased on our library, which is one of the best libraries of the stamps and postal history of British North America in existence.

V. G. Greene
Chairman

THE CONVENTION COORDINATOR'S REPORT

For my first year as Convention Coordinator I was fortunate to have the convention we are now enjoying held in my home town and organized by people I knew. I observed a well operated affair and was able to attend a few meetings to see the group in action. If all future conventions have as good a crew, with similar results, the Board and membership have no worries as to the quality and caliber of the annual get-togethers.

I understand the following forthcoming events are well in hand and we can look forward to activities and hospitality in the established tradition:

7-9 Oct. 1982: Virginia Beach, Va., Chairman, Wilmer Rockett.

1-3 Sept. 1983: Winnipeg, Manitoba, Chairman, Beverlie Clark.

1984: San Francisco, Ca., Chairman, Garvin Lohman.

1985: Calgary, Alberta

(For 1985, Sam Nickle and Ed Harris have both verbally confirmed their intentions, but the promised letter of confirmation which I have requested has not yet been received.)

For 1986 I am still looking for volunteers for an exhibition on the southern side of the border. Can anyone help?

The St. John's Philatelic Society may take on the 1987 Convention and I have asked them to let me know definitely by March 1982.

A review of the award system was conducted. After much correspondence it has been decided to retain the medals, to be made of an appropriate imitation metal. A paperweight is being considered as a standard Grand Award prize, and its acceptance should be decided at this Convention.

A review was also made of the Exhibition Rules and Regulations, based on Dr. Fred Stulberg's presentation. A document representing a consensus of Board input was prepared. This will be the Society's "bible" in exhibition matters.

Our Chairman requested that these reports be made interesting as well as informative, and that we include some of the problems and situations we have encountered. In my case, the main problem is getting people to reply, either saying 'yes' or 'no' to a question, or to confirm what they tell me verbally. Procrastination by outsiders is one thing, but by one's fellow members of the executive is another, and should really not occur.

C. R. McGuire
Convention Chairman

THE VINCENT G. GREENE AWARD FOR 1980

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- FEBRUARY 27-28** — **APEX '82**, exhibition and bourse of the Ajax Philatelic Society. St. Andrews School, Exeter Rd., Ajax, Ont. Admission free. Information: Michael Hovey, P.C. Box 266, Ajax, Ont. L1S 3C2
- MARCH 13** — **OAKPEX '82**, annual exhibition and bourse of the Oakville Stamp Club. Trafalgar Hall, Trafalgar Rd. at Hwy. 5. Information: OAKPEX '82, P.O. Box 524, Oakville, Ont. L6J 5B4.
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- MARCH 27-28** — Annual exhibition and bourse of the North Toronto Stamp Club. North Toronto Memorial Gardens, 180 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto. Information: Jim Rayner, Beeton, Ont. L0G 1A0.
- APRIL 2-4** — **STAMPFEST '82 (SPRING SESSION)**, dealers bourse. Sheraton Centre, Toronto. Information: STAMPFEST, CANADA, 127 Cartwright Ave., Toronto, Ont. M6A 1V4.
- APRIL 2-4** — **SPRING SHOW '82**, annual exhibition, auction and bourse of the Edmonton Stamp Club. Executive Inn, Edmonton, Alberta. Information: Keith Spencer, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.
- APRIL 3** — **LONPEX '90**, annual bourse and exhibition of the London Philatelic Society. St. Paul's Cathedral, Richmond St. at Queen's Ave., London, Ontario. Spring meeting of the Postal History Society of Canada will be held in conjunction with this event.
- APRIL 24** — **PEMEX '82**, annual exhibition and bourse of the Pembroke Stamp Club. Canadian Legion Hall, Pembroke, Ont. Information: PEMEX '82, 522 Centre St., Pembroke, Ont. K8A 1K3.



- MAY 20-24** — **CANADA '82**, International Philatelic Youth Exhibition, Queen Elizabeth Bldg., Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, Ont. Co-sponsored by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and Canada Post, under the patronage of the F.I.P. Information: CANADA '82, P.O. Box 204, Postal Station Q, Toronto, Ont. M4T 2M1.
- JUNE 3-6** — 54th Annual Convention of the R.P.S.C. at **VICTORIA 82**, Empress Hotel, Victoria, B.C. Sponsored by the Greater Victoria Philatelic Society and the Vancouver Island Philatelic Society. Information: George Freeman, 3963 Cumberland Rd., Victoria, B. C. V8P 3J7.
- JUNE 11-21** — **PHILEXFRANCE '82**, F.I.P. sponsored International Philatelic Exhibition, Paris, France. Information: Canadian Commissioner, Mr. Guy des Rivières, C.P. 245, Station B, Quebec, Quebec, G1K 7A9.
- JULY 2-4** — **STAMPEX '82**, annual National exhibition and bourse, featuring the annual meeting of the Postal History Society of Canada. Sheraton Centre, Toronto. Information: STAMPEX '82, 565 Alness St., Downsview, Ont. M3J 2T8
- SEPTEMBER 1-5**: **SAN MARINO '82**, International Exhibition of Postal Stationery. Republic of San Marino. Information: Dr. G. A. Vanderburgh, P.O. Box 204, Shelburne, Ont. L0N 1S0.
- OCTOBER 7-9**: **BNAPEX '82**, BNAPS own annual convention, exhibition and bourse. Cavalier Resort, Virginia Beach, Virginia. Information: Larry Paige, 1145 Shillelagh Road, Chesapeake, VA. 23323.

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JUNE 9-12 — **PIPEX '83**, 43rd Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, Edmonton Convention Centre. Hosted by the Edmonton Stamp Club. Information: Keith R. Spencer, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2J6.

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