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Our thanks to all members who made financial donations toward study group activities at this time. We are now in the fourth year of our newsletter. Over the past year we featured a good balance of articles and new discoveries. Your newsletter is currently in urgent need of articles. I have not received any for over half a year now. In short, YOUR NEWSLETTER NEEDS YOUR PARTICIPATION, NOW!!! Let's hear from everybody in 1984.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 26, 1984, 11 am to 1:30 pm: We will be having a seminar and meeting at Stampex Canada 1984 in Toronto. For the first hour, John Aitken will take us through a slide show and discussion on Centennial stationery, both Post Office issue and special order. John was involved with the major revisions of the stationery sections of the second edition of "Canada, The 1967-73 Definitive Issue" and has been a regular contributor of articles to the newsletter. This seminar will be followed at noon by a general meeting of the study group. We hope to have a very spirited discussion similar to our Oakville and Ottawa meetings. MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING MATERIAL FOR DISCUSSION.

Friday, September 7, 1984, 2:45 pm to 3:45 pm, BNAPEX 84: Times for study group meetings at BNAPEX 84 have been assigned by John Burnett, the study group coordinator. Bill Muttera will be our study group seminar chairman for this event. We do not know at this time what the predominant topic will be, but Bill Muttera will be presenting a slide programme. Once again, members are asked to bring interesting material for discussion.

MEMORIAL

Many of us were saddened this past October with the news of the sudden passing away of one of our most devoted study group members, Murray H. Freedman. Murray was very active in study group activities, approaching each with the utmost enthusiasm. It was Murray's material that formed the backbone of our very successful Ottawa seminar at BNAPEX 81. Murray collected exclusively Canada's Centennial Issue. He was very interested in the various UV paper varieties along with all of the errors and varieties the issue had to offer. Murray was also very interested in Centennial postal history and had a massive collection of covers, as well as Centennial Post Office and special order stationery. Murray helped prepare the Centennial section of the Canadian Stamp Handbook series issued last summer and was currently working with myself (D.I.) over the past year on a revised edition of "Canada, The 1967-73 Definitive Issue". Murray will be missed by all who knew him.

Special Order Centennial Stationery

In the second edition of "Canada, The 1967-73 Definitive Issue", we mention a number of new special order Centennial stationery envelopes which we have not seen as complete covers. We are seeking more information on these items — their exact size, type of paper, addresses or other inscription on envelope (and colour), whether or not the item has a window, etc. If anyone can send me (D.I.) a photocopy of any of the items listed below, it would be greatly appreciated. Any information which we receive, will appear in the newsletter.

- 3¢ size unknown, cut squares on pink, blue and yellow paper, user unknown, probably Rotary Club of Hull
- 4¢ size unknown, used by Norwich PUC
- 4¢ size unknown, used by Manitoba Power CO. Ltd, Flin Flon, Man.
- 4¢ size unknown, used by Rainy River PUC
- 4¢ size unknown, used by Township of Tay
- 5¢ size unknown, used by Amherstview Water System, Odessa, Ont.
- 5¢ size unknown, used by Township of Emestown, Odessa, Ont.
- 5¢ size unknown, used by Township of Vespra
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Arthur PUC
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Cannington, Ontario HEC
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Norwich PUC
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Shelburne PUC
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Town of Prescott
- 6¢or size unknown, used by Victoria Harbour HEC
- 6¢bl size unknown, used by Cannington, Ontario HEC
- 6¢bl size unknown, used by Township of Whitechurch
- 6¢bl size unknown, used by Victoria Harbour HEC

Special Order Centennial Stationery Proofs

Fifteen envelope proofs from the International Envelope Company are known to exist. The upper right corner of the envelope was removed by the printer, defacing the stamp. The quantity printed for each order and the date appears written in ink on the front of each envelope. In most instances, the envelope blanks were supplied to the International Envelope Company with the return address (etc.) already printed on. It appears that some special order stationery users had their added printing applied after the prestamped envelopes were produced. A 6¢ black proof exists for a white envelope with window but no added printing on the envelope and so the user remains unknown. The list of proofs on the next page is courtesy of Dr. George Vanderburgh.

6¢ black proofs (not precancelled)

- #8 white paper; window; mottled gray interior; used by Toronto-Dominion Bank; return address Box 492, Station A, Vancouver, Canada
- #8 white paper; window; mottled gray interior; used by Toronto-Dominion Bank; return address Box 8200, Terminal A, Toronto, Canada
- #8 white paper; window; used by Town of Prescott
- #8 white paper; gray interior; addressed to Box 700, Edmonton 15, Alberta
- 9" X 4" white paper; addressed to Box 1287, Don Mills, Ont; used by IBM
- 9 9/16" X 3 5/8" white paper; window; user unknown

7¢ green proofs

- #8 white paper; window; used by Town of Orangeville
- 9" X 4" white paper; addressed by Box 1287, Don Mills, Ontario; used by IBM proofs exist from both printings (August 1971 and October 1971)

8¢ violet-brown (Alaska Highway) proofs

- #8 white paper; window; used by Town of Orangeville
- 6 5/8" X 4 1/2" white paper; used by a fraternal organization; no return address as extra printing was added after stamped envelopes were printed
- 7 1/4" X 3 5/8" kraft paper; window; used by Arthur Public Utilities Commission
- 9" X 4" white paper; window; used by Vespra Township

8¢ slate proofs

- 7 1/4" X 3 5/8" kraft paper; window; used by Shelburne Public Utilities Commission proofs exist from two printings

NEW WINNIPEG TAGGED VARIETY

Elmore Von Hagen has sent me a set of corner blocks of the 6¢ orange, perf 12½ X 12, Winnipeg tagged on fluorescent paper. These are much brighter than the majority of the 6¢ tagged stamps and should be added to table 13 of the new second edition of "Canada, The 1967-73 Definitive Issue" as C (Winn. Tag W2) on off-white paper, pale orange ink shade, fluorescent grade 2 and reddish-brown on light blue flecked (UV colour) and in Can. Stamp Handbooks as 459p D smooth Dex 12.4 X 11.9 W2 B

6¢ MISPERFS

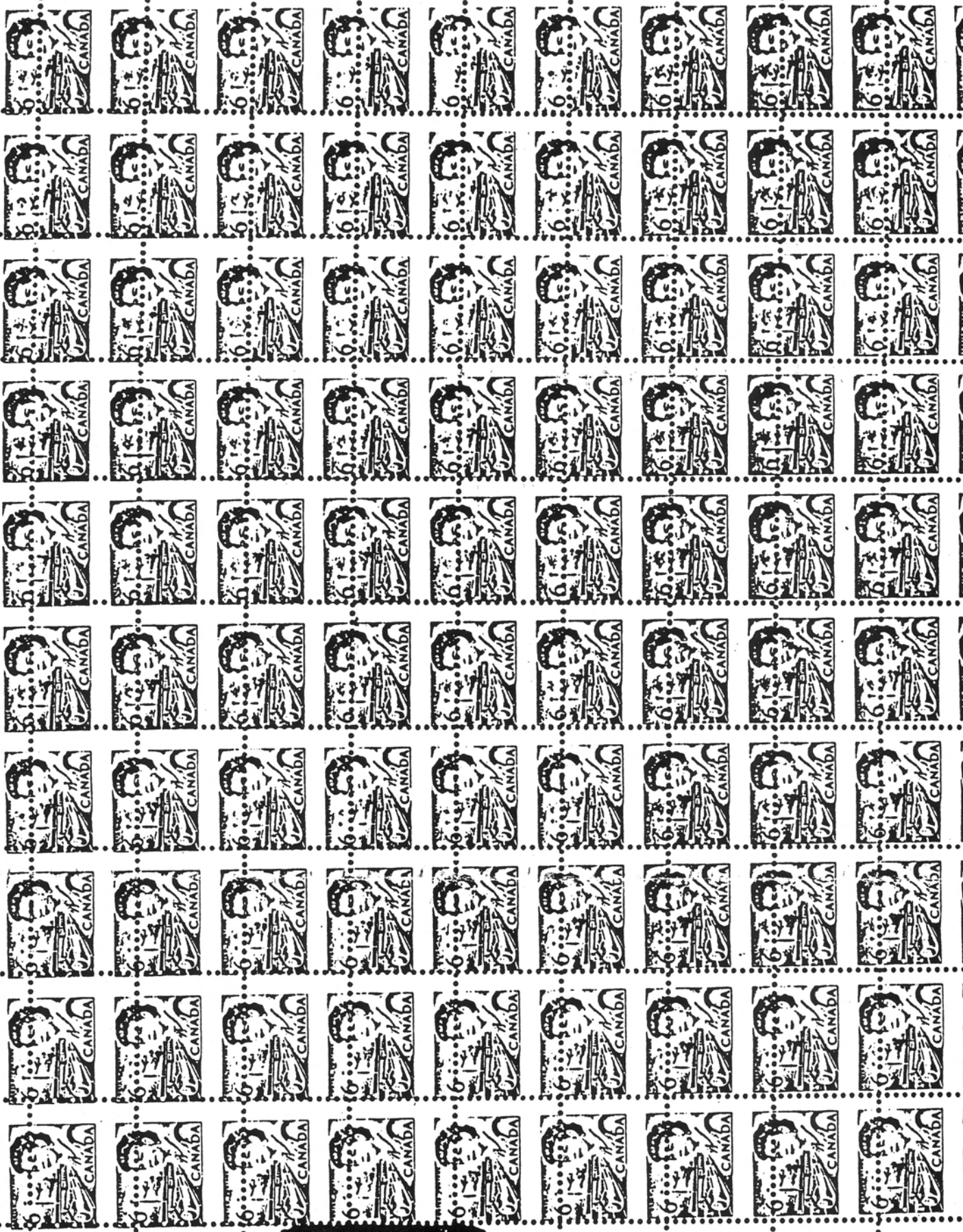
All of the misperfs of the 6¢ black are on the PVA gum CBNC printed stamps. The most common misperf of the 6¢ black results from the vertical perforations being shifted into the stamp design. A number of varying examples are shown.

One pane of 100 was found where the horizontal perforations were shifted 2/3 of the way up into the stamps above. This pane came from the lower half of the sheet. The top of the pane has super margins above the top row of stamps and the inscription Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa No. 2 can be seen from this pane and from the bottom of the adjacent pane on top.

Normally these inscriptions would be trimmed off as the stamps are Ottawa tagged. Jim Hennok took a photocopy of this pane before he split it up many years ago. The pane is slightly larger than a normal sheet of paper and so a row of stamps are cut off the photocopy. The photocopy on this page shows the lower right corner block from this pane.

OTTAWA #12

CANADIAN BANK NOTE CO. LIMITED
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There are numerous examples of perforation shifts to be found on the 6¢ black. All seem to be found on 460fiii (PVA gum, Ottawa tagged). Perforation shifts shown below are measured in millimeters from the centre of the vertical margin to the centre of the perfs to the right of margin.

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ mm

 $3\frac{1}{4}$ mm


4 mm



5 mm

NOTE
C.B.N.C.
INSCRIPTION



6 mm

Our quest for pushing back the earliest recorded dates for the hibrites is progressing slowly. I have not heard from any member with an earlier date for over six months. Here are the earliest dates we have so far. If you can push one of our dates back, then please take the time to write us. I am also including our earliest dates for the Ottawa tagged centennials.

<u>Ottawa tagged</u>	<u>Our earliest date</u>	<u>Canada, The 1967-73 Definitive Issue date</u>
1¢	January 2, 1972	November 1971
2¢	March 16, 1973	December 1972
3¢ precancel	nothing	April 1973
4¢	nothing	April 1973
6¢ black	March 3, 1972	February 1972
10¢	April 19, 1972	February 1972
15¢	March 9, 1972	February 1972
<u>Hibrites</u>		
1¢	June 21, 1971	June 1971
1¢ Winn. tag	nothing close	Sept 1971
5¢	nothing close	December 1971
5¢ precancel	nothing close	August 9, 1972
5¢ Winn. tag	nothing close	December 1971
6¢ orange	August 14, 1969	August 1969*
6¢ orange Winn. tag	nothing close	December 1969
6¢ black	January 7, 1970	January 7, 1970
8¢ Alaska	July 4, 1971	July 1971
10¢	November 30, 1971	November 1971*
10¢ Winn. tag	January 29, 1972	January 1972
10¢ Ottawa tag	April 19, 1972	December 14, 1971
15¢	March 27, 1971	March 1971
20¢	December 22, 1971	August 1971
25¢	October 29, 1971	October 1971
25¢ Winn. tag	nothing close	September 1971
50¢	March 10, 1971	March 1971
1¢	June 2, 1971	March 1971
6¢ orange coil	July 16, 1970	December 1969

*These dates are from the new second edition.

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Since some members object to having their address published, only the names of members are listed.