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EDITOR'S REMARKS

Well Christmas is now past, so I have been able spend some time preparing the last Flag Pole of 1990. This issue is small but varied, a portent of an exciting New Year? Larry Paige has submitted a short piece about the Study Group meeting in Galveston and our Chairman sent his usual newsy report. There is also an article on a new Royal Train find and an update of the 1953 Coronation Flags. The latter piece is the result of Fred Hollenbeck's sterling work on the preparation of the Handbook.

It is good to receive a member's advert. Can anybody help reduce Jim McLaren's wants list? Jim has also recruited a new member:

47. Bill Early, 7 Whitefauld Road, Ninewells, Dundee, DD2 1RH,
Scotland.

There is good news from our Treasurer, who writes "Our Bank Balance is sufficient, so that we will not have to charge membership fees again until the March issue is distributed".

Best wishes to you all for 1991 and keep sending the information in!

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

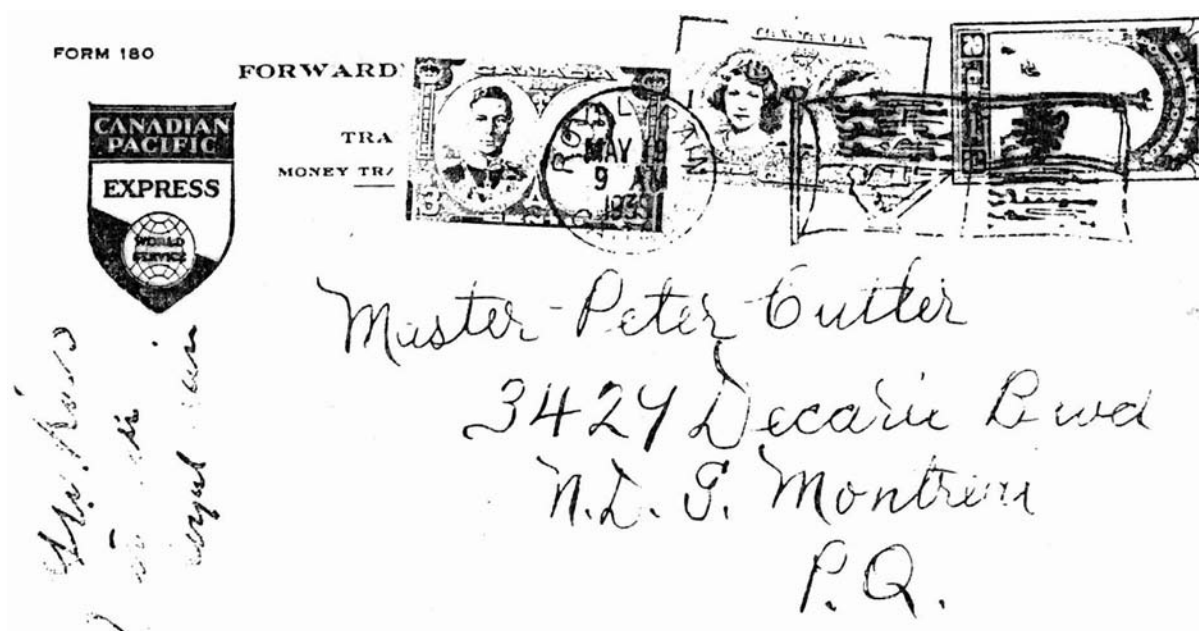
Check those Postcard Shows! Last week, in a box of postcards, I found a 21-2 from Regina for the price of the card. Many dealers at these shows are not looking at cancels, and if you are lucky, the finds are there. You should also look for International Slogans, as these can be traded with our friends in the Slogan Study Group.

I received a letter from the Royal, asking for a copy of our Newsletter (which I have sent). This is to be listed in a publication of the F.I.P. (Federation Internationale de Philatelique) which details world-wide study groups. Hopefully this will result in more international members.

Doug Lingard has access to very low printing costs and our financial position is strong. (Hence the good news on subscriptions that was reported above. Ed).

FLAGS OF THE 1939 ROYAL TOUR
Doug Lingard

The illustration below shows a Royal Train Flag Cancel dated 9.00 AM, May 19. The cover is signed by G.W. Ross, the Postmaster of the Royal Train Post Office. This is the first example of the 9.00 AM, May 19 cancel that I have seen.



I suspect that this was cancelled just before the pilot train left Caledonia Springs, where it had spent the night. This would seem to indicate that, since the English Flag Cancel was used on a cover addressed to the province of Quebec and dated 9.00 AM, the French Flag Cancel was not used on the 19th. If this is the case, the Richardson report was in error.

Can any member out there prove or disprove these suppositions?

ELIZABETH II CORONATION FLAG UPDATE

by
Fred Hollenbeck and Doug Lingard

The following is a revision to the 1953 Coronation Flags based on the work that has recently been done by Fred Hollenbeck. It includes information from a survey that Fred sent to a number of members of which members Almond, Paige, Robinson, Robertson and Sessions were kind enough to complete. If any member has a missing date or an example for a "K" date, please send a photocopy to Fred so that we can have the most complete information in the new handbook. The values are based more or less on the total examples reported in the seven collections which is quite a small sample. If any member would like to propose different values please contact Doug Lingard. Some of these cancels are quite scarce as only 6 examples were reported for Fredericton and 7 for Moncton and Saint John. On the other hand, there are more than 35 examples of the Vancouver and Toronto Die 1 cancel in the 7 collections.

Chapter XXI

ELIZABETH II CORONATION FLAGS

Since the Richardson handbook was published, very little new information has been reported. The Ottawa invert seems to have been used for only a brief period of time and is still known with only the 12:30 pm and 1:00 pm time markings. Although Richardson did not indicate so, separate cancelling dies were used with each of the Toronto dater hubs. However, no additional hub/cancelling die varieties have surfaced since the Richardson handbook was published.

Type 71 - The ENGLISH Version

Toronto Dater Hubs and Cancelling Die Varieties



Hub I



Die I

"ONTARIO"



Hub II



Die II

"CANADA"

"L" indicates an example is in the Lingard collection.
 "R" indicates an example was reported to be in the Richardson collection.
 "X" indicates an example was reported by a study group member.
 "K" indicates that an example is known or was reported by Richardson in the August 1978 edition of the *CANADIAN FLAG CANCELLATION BULLETIN*.

English Version

NO.	Town	June								Values
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
71-1	Calgary	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	\$ 3
-2	Charlottetown	L	L	L	X	X	X	L	K	7
-3	Edmonton Terminal A	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	4
-4	Fredericton	L	R	R	X	R	-	-	-	10
-5	Halifax	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	5
-6	Hamilton	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	3
-7	London	L	L	L	L	L	L	R	K	3
-8	Moncton	L	R	L	K	L	L	-	-	10
-9	Ottawa	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	X	3
-9A	Ottawa inverted	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	50
-10	Regina Term A	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	4
-11	Saint John N.B.	L	L	R	R	L	L	-	-	10
-12	St. John's Nfld.	L	L	L	K	L	L	-	-	7
-13	Saskatoon	L	L	L	L	-	X	-	-	5
-14	Toronto Ontario	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	2
-14A	Toronto Ontario Canada	L	X	L	L	L	L	K	-	3
-15	Vancouver	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	2
-16	Victoria	L	R	L	L	L	L	-	-	4
-17	Windsor	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	4
-18	Winnipeg	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	K	3

For covers dated June 7th add \$5 and for covers dated June 8th add \$10.
 First day covers with flag cancels are worth about 70% of listed values.

As Richardson indicated, these cancels were probably intended for use from June 1st to June 6th, with some offices extending their use until the 7th or 8th. Probably, an example from Fredericton dated June 6th and one from Saskatoon dated June 5th will eventually surface.

Type 72 - The BILINGUAL Version

Montreal Dater Hubs and Cancelling Die Varieties



Hub I

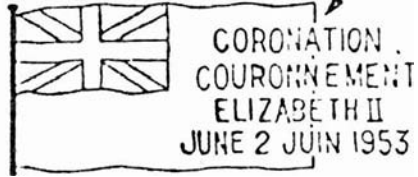


Die I

Widely spaced "P. Q" in dater and flag ends at "N" of CORONATION



Hub II



Die II

Narrower "P. Q." in dater and flag ends at "A" of CORONATION

Bilingual Version

NO.	Town	June								Values
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
72-1	Montreal Die I	L	L	L	L	L	-	-	-	\$ 4
-1A	Montreal Die II	L	L	L	R	L	X	-	-	7
-2	Quebec	L	K	L	L	X	-	-	-	7

THOUGHTS ON GALVESTON 1990
Larry Paige

Only about 7 or 8 people attended the Study Group Meeting. Fred Hollenbeck, who gave a talk on the 1939 Royal Visit, is updating the Royal Visit for the Handbook and he needs your reports.

The attendance at Study Groups at the annual conventions is low because of the costs incurred and the large distance that many have to travel. This is the main reason that we have to be active with articles for the Newsletter. Let us look out some of our interesting material and get busy producing articles. We cannot depend on a few to do all the writing for us. Everybody has interesting material that others would like to see and read about. If we don't start supporting the few that are contributing, one day there will be nothing to publish.

PICTURE CORNER

Jeff Switt has submitted this attractive cover with a fine strike of Edmonton 26-01. Whilst later dates have been reported, the cover demonstrates the first day of use of the Confederation Commemorative, September 15th, 1917.

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Jim McLaren (member 32) wishes to buy:

1. Covers with clear cancellations of Flags 3, 5 and 9.
2. Covers with French Bickerdike Flags.

Send photostats and prices required to Jim at 15 Murray Place, Viewlands, Perth, PH1 1BP, Scotland.