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The initial planning for this issue took place in a meeting during Pacific 97. Leopold Beaudet raised the question whether the Study Group would consider publishing an article on his current study. The answer was an enthusiastic yes with the only issue being the timing. We agreed to target the Jan.-Feb. 1998 issue. With support from the Study Group Research Fund the article is included complete in this issue. It is must reading! It is an excellent article! Please see the introduction on page 72.

Stamp insurance options now available through either "Collectibles Insurance Agency" (the former APS insurance program) and "Hugh Woood Inc." (the new APS insurance organization) continue to unfold. This is a realtime situation and I suspect, to some extent, will continue to be so for some time. All of which proves once again there is no substitute for competition. The differences in coverage offered by the two firms were covered in these notes in the last issue. Cost comparisons are an individul matter. In my own case I was unfortunate enough to have a significant claim a few years ago and I was extremely pleased with the way my claim was processed. Perhaps I am a bit biased but as it turns out I have continued my insurance with the Collectibles Insurance Agency and now am enjoying improved coverage at a significant reduction (about 25%) in cost. When your policy comes up for renewal or if you wish to take a look at obtaining insurance on your holdings my recommendation would be to obtain quotations from both carriers.

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Clarification: To be certain there is no misunderstanding the April 24-26 joint meeting of the Calgary and Pacific NW Regional Groups of BNAPS opens up with cocktails and a no host dinner Friday evening April 24th followed by the joint meeting at the International Hotel (Calgary) on Saturday and an opportunity to attend the Calgary Philatelic Society annual show at the Chinese Cultural Centre on Sunday . The change from prior years is that the CPS show will be a two day show - and will be running concurrently with the BNAPS meeting on Saturday.

We welcome a new member with this issue:

Dr. Charles A. Jones, 501 Cypress Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437. Interest area is the entire Elizabethan II period.

I sometimes get the feeling the "VEP" (Varieties Expansion Program) is being worked a bit too hard. The Henderson Overprint on the "Series of the Century" hockey pane which was released on September 20, 1997 has just recently surfaced with a special overprint - i.e., Paul Henderson's autograph being added. Evidently it was limited to 15,000 unfolded panes buried in a special gift box offering which long ago sold out.

And.

the latest, the Year of the Tiger Souvenir sheet with a special overprint on 500,000 copies was released on Jan. 27, 1998. It is also sold out. Does anyone wish to offer odds on there being another surprise on the 1999 Year of the Whatever?

For those in the East and for those not attending the Calgary weekend there is a special BNAPS week-end being offered in conjunction with ORAPEX '98. A block of rooms are reserved for the evenings of Thursday April 23, Friday April 24 and Saturday April 25 @ a special BNAPS rate with up to four persons per room. Lots of activities are planned. Call Larry Page for more: 757-547-5296.

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SECTION I - GENERAL - CANADA 1998 NEW ISSUE PROGRAM ***

(Estimated Face Value - one each - 79 items - \$39.07)

Date of Issue	DENOMINATION/S	SUBJECT
Jan 8	45¢ - Domestic Rate	Year of the Tiger
Jan 8	90¢ - Souvenir Sheet	Year of the Tiger
Jan 28	90¢ - Souvenir Sheet Overprint	Year of the Tiger
Feb 18	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 10 Var	Provincial Premiers (Pane 10)
Mar?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 4 Var	Four Different Birds
Mar?	45¢ - Domestic Rate Pre-Stamped	Two Diff. Bird envelopes
Apr 16	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 6 Var	Fishing Flies
May 4	45¢ - Domestic Rate	Mining, Metallurgy & Petrol.
May 29*	45¢ - Domestic Rate	Re-creating 1898 Map Stamp
June?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 10 Var	Man Made Waterways (Pane?)
June?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 2 Var	Royal Can. Mounted Police
July 3	45¢ - Domestic Rate	William Roué **
July?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 4 Var	Senic Highways
Aug?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 7 Var	Les Automatistes ***
Aug?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 4 Var	Legendary Heroes
??	90¢ - International Rate	Bruno Bobak (Art Series)
??	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 9 Var	Housing in Canada
Sept?	45¢ - Domestic Rate	John Humphrey (H. Rights)
Sept 25	45¢ - Domestic Rate	University of Ottawa
Oct ?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 4 Var	Circuses
Nov. ?	45¢ - Domestic Rate - 2 Var	Ships-Sackville & Shawinigan
??	Xmas Stamps	Angels
??	1.00 - New Definitive Series	Wildlife- Loon
??	2.00 - New Definitive Series	Wildlife - Polar Bear

- Issued in connection with the opening of the annual convention of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada in Hamilton, ON

** - Designer of the Bluenose

*** - Painters association considered Quebec's equivalent to the Group of Seven

Several members have requested data on new issues be incorporated in the newsletter. With some mis-givings this is a tentative first step. Data presented is subject to change/correcton/revision.

Member's comments, reaction, suggestions would be appreciated.

SECTION I - EXHIBITING - ONE FRAME EXHIBITS - FINAL THOUGHT by John Arn

The evaluation form on page 44 in the last issue provides a possible 102 total points. In establishing medal levels first decide number of levels: i.e. Gold, Silver, Bronze (3 levels) or a more complex 5 levels. Set the brackets so they are easily understood. The objective is a consistent and fair award program. The award is be earned and not just given. Point levels below 60 and possibly below 70 should receive a Certificate of Appreciation.

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SECTION I - GENERAL - ELIZABETHAN II MARKET REPORT

by: Dean Mario

R. Maresch & Son continues to lead the auction market with many select offerings for the Elizabethan collector. The firm's sale of October 7-8, 1997 in Toronto offered such rare items as the 1959 5¢ St. Lawrence Seaway VF NH inverted centre single in lot 887. With a 1997 <u>Unitrade Catalogue</u> value of \$13,500, the item went to a new home for \$8,912.50 (including the 15% buyer's premium). Five stunning progressive press proofs with single colour separations of the 1969 50¢ Suzor-Cote issue (lot 890) were offered at an estimate of \$750+. They sold for \$1,006.25.

Do you need a 1969 6¢ Children Praying Christmas stamp with the black omitted? A VF NH copy was sold in lot 891 for \$1,552.50 (<u>Unitrade \$2,500</u>). How about a VF NH block of four of the same error in lot 892? Given an estimate of \$5,000+ and a <u>Unitrade</u> value of \$10,000, the block realized \$6,325. Few blocks of this error remain as many were broken up long ago.

An attractive VF NH block of four of the 1971 7¢ Autumn Maple Leaves issue (lot 896), with a stunning fold-over error causing a missing inscription and an unrecorded plate number marking*, went to a new owner for \$2,530 against a Unitrade value of \$4,000+. Perhaps a bit more affordable were lots 897 and 898, the "missing bird on totem pole" variety on the 1974 8¢ Pacific Coast Indians issue. They were offered in a VF NH block of six (897) and a full sheet of fifty (898). The block had a Unitrade value of \$225 and sold for \$80.50 and the sheet's catalogue value was \$250+ and realized \$86.25.

A VF NH 1973 15¢ RCMP Musical Ride imperf margin pair (with usual gum wrinkling and light gum disturbance) in lot 899 sold for \$299 against a Unitrade value of \$750. The spectacular 1976 Royal Military College double print error in a VF NH pair (lot 905) reached \$3,335 (Unitrade \$5,000). A single VF NH 1978 14¢ "White Queen" definitive error, with a Unitrade \$2,000, sold for a respectable \$1,092.50 (lot 909). The 1978 50¢ Prairie Street Scene "ghost town" error with brown omitted (lot 910) went to a new home for \$1,437.50 (Unitrade \$3,000). Lot 916 contained a single sheet margin VF NH copy of the 1979 35¢ Knitted Doll Christmas issue with missing gold inscriptions. It sold for \$1,035 against a \$1,750 Unitrade value. A 1983 32¢ World University Games VF NH single (lot 918), printed on the gummed side, was estimated at \$500+ and sold for \$575 (Unitrade \$900). Two 1989 Regiments VF NH LL plate blocks were offered in lots 921 and 922. They sold for \$166.75 and \$149.50 respectively.

The firm's February 3-5, 1998 sale will be filled with interesting items once again including a rare and possibly unique 1957 U.P.U. photographic essay, a mint VF single and block of four of the St. Lawrence Seaway inverted centre error, selected Elizabethan imperfs, die and colour trial proofs, and a 2,800+Klussendorf cover and cancel collection in 29 Lighthouse three-ring binders! Contact R. Maresch & Son Auctions at 330 Bay St., Suite 703, Toronto, ON M5H 2S8. Telephone (416) 363-7777, FAX (416) 363-6511 or via the Internet at: bids@maresch.com or their Website: www.maresch.com [.]

Good bidding for 1998!

* See also page 67.

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PLANNING CALENDAR

This is a listing of major exhibitions and bourses with a large content of both Canadian Exhibits and Canadian Dealers. Minimum listing criteria: Two day event; 1000 page exhibition - 18 Dealer Bourse - 50% offering Canadian The Goal is to list events far in advance to encourage either material. exhibiting or attendance and preferably both.

Mar. 20-22, EDMONTON SPRING NATIONAL & REGIONAL SHOW '98 -Conference Centre Fantasyland Hotel, West Edmonton Mall, Edmonton. Info: Keith Spencer or John Box 399 Edmonton, AB, T5J 2J6; phone 403-437-1787 or 403-435-7006.

April 24-26, BNAPS - Calgary Group & Pacific Northwest Group Joint meeting with Calgary Philatelic Society SPRING SHOW on Sunday. Information: Hugh P. Delaney, 105 Pump Hill Landing S.W., Calgary, AB T2V 5C4.

April 25-26, ORAPEX 1998 RA Center, Ottawa, Ontario - Information: Paul Burega, 16

Aldgate Crescent, Nepean, ON K2J 2G4 - Phone 613-797-6259

May 8-10, PIPEX '98, Vernon, B. C. - Best Western Vernon Lodge -Phone: 1-800-524-1234 or 604-545-3385 or Fax: 604-545- 7156 Info: Jon Johnson, 9604 Kalamalka

Road, Vernon, B. C. VIB 1L3 - Phone 250-549-1838

May 29-31: ROYAL 98 ROYALE hosted by Hamilton Philatelic Society, Hamilton Convention Centre. Information: Box 1998, LCD 1, Hamilton, ON L8L 8J5

Oct. 8-10, BNAPEX '98 - Orlando, Florida - Holiday Inn International Drive Resort,

6515 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819 - Phone Holiday Inn's 800 number or 407-351--3500 or Fax 407-354-3491

Sept. 15-17 BNAPEX '99, Best Western Vernon Lodge, Vernon, B.C.

Can you help? Bill McCann reports acquiring a QE II 43¢ X 10 booklet which fits all the listing criteria under Bk 155C. The problem is the booklet is the same as the currently listed 155Ca except it is printed on Harrison paper - not Peterborough paper. Verification is easy. Check the gum on 155Ab which for sure is Harrison paper. It will be listed as 155Cc. The problem is just how many exist. Some idea of scarcity would be a big help in establishing a value.

Members are requested to please check their stock and if any 155Cc copies are found send Bill a note with the quantity.

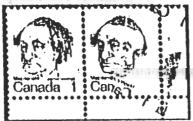
Refer Vol. VI -Page 27 - Harry Machum has provided answers to the questions raised by John Jones on the Wilding cover shown in the Sept.-Oct. 1997 issue. A.M.F. stands for "Air Mail Facility". The three stage integrated registration hand stamp "was common in the 1930's and 40's but is scarce in the Elizabethan II time period."

Arlene Sullivan reported two registered covers with markings similar to the registered markings on John's cover in the R. Maresch and Son auction of 3-5 February 1998, lots 1977 and 1978. The covers are both nicely cacheted dogteam covers and both dated in Dec. 1940. Sharp eyes Arlene! (Ed: A copy of the two catalogue listings have been forwarded to John)

Refer Vol. VI - Page 26 - Also, on the Sept-Oct. 1997 issue Myron Molnau comments on the Five Star Wire 0 binding and other options. "While wire o and plasti-coil do offer a number of advantages the 3-ring binder has much to offer. The drawbacks of pulling free and requiring reinforcements is offset by the ease of inserting additional information and notes." This a very valid observation. Myron also indicates there are occasional problems with the 3 Ring with the holes winding up in the text. Ed: I would add one more - my luck seems to run to one of the three rings being sprung and all pages then need to be gingerly furned. This of course may be solved by replacing the binder.

CANADIAN VARIETIES approval service has openings for new customers. Request a selection for your inspection. P. E. Stamps, 130 Wallace Ave., Toronto, Ontario, Canada M6H 1T5

HELP! HELP! The following needed to complete Caricature & Landscape Series Scott 586-605. Perforated Initials, Horizontal Pairs, Blocks of 4,



Corner Blocks (and P. O. sets), Imprint Blocks (and sets), also Landscape 1 bar tags. Will pay premium. Will accept single but prefer above configurations. Need 593 P. O. stock ribbed all four corner blocks. As a fellow collector I need your help. John M. Hillmer, 364 Seaside Ave., #1810 Honolulu, Hawaili 99815.

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Bourse Opportunities - 1998

Feb. 27-Mar. 1 - Great Western Stamp Show, Richmond Inn, 7551 Westminster Highway, Richmond, B.C.

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This early Karsh cover shows an interesting rate overpayment. There is a Saskatoon July 12 8 PM 1953 machine cancel tying a pair of 2¢ Karsh and a 4¢ QE II Coronation issue to make up 8¢. Addressed to Holland, the rate via air should be 15¢. To the left of the QE II commemorative is a pair of 4¢ Karsh definitives canceled in red with circular handstamps dated Jul 15, 1953 which read "Despatch Branch Saskatoon, Sask." It was first theorized the sender had mistaken the airmail rate with the domestic air letter rate of 7¢ and thou ght with 8¢ he was overpaying by a penny. Then, the theory went, the post office, realized it was underpaid, decided not to mark it postage due, affixed and canceled the two 4¢ Karsh, and perhaps had sent a notice of "forwarded as a courtesy" to the sender. However, the hypothesis was disproven by a close examination. Under magnification, it is clear two perforations of the right 4¢ Karsh are tied by the machine cancel! Therefore the sender had originally applied 16¢ postage making it a 1¢ overpaid air rate cover.

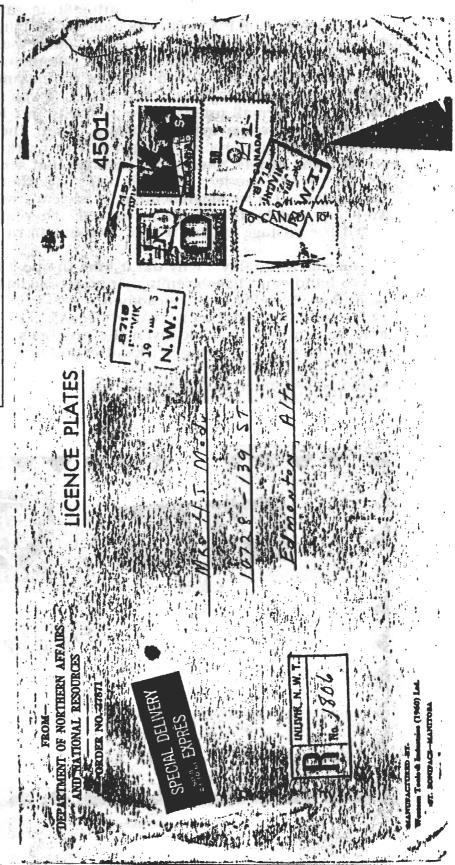
July 12 was a Sunday. Why did it take the post office perhaps as much as 3 days to hand cancel the seemingly uncancelled 4¢ stamps? Would it normally take 3 days (Sunday to Wednesday) to get an airmail letter to the "Despatch Branch" and then send on its way overseas? A former post office employee tells me it was entirely possible given the practices at the time. Unfortunately there are no other receiving marks attesting to total transit time.

I would be very interested if anyone has a more plausible explanation.



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Cover measures 12 1/2" X 6 1/2" and was posted 19 VIII 1965 by the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to mail a set of Licence Plates from INOVIK, N. W. T. to Edmonton, Alta. Mailing was Registered/Special Delivery and franked with \$1.85 using Cameo period high value definitives. Fun cover: Registration 35¢ for indemnity not to exceed \$25 + Special Delivery 25¢ + 5¢ for first ounce + 3¢ each additional ounce x 40 ounces =\$1.20 =\$1.85



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The dead black paper variety (no fluorescence) of the 2¢ Laurier is one of the more illusive varieties. Shown are portions of two full field stock panes - tagged but both totally black paper and each with a nice added variety.

At the right are shown columns 8, 9 & 10 from one of the panes with a fine preprinting crease starting in the upper selvage and continuing through stamps 10, 20, 29, 30, 39, 49, 59, 69 and 79.

On the block of 36 copied from the second full pane (rows 2 through 7 and columns 5 through 10) there is a very nice green ink smear on six of the stamps.

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SECTION IV - ENVIRONMENTS - MULTIPLE RATES COVER (IN PERIOD?)

by: Arlene Sullivan

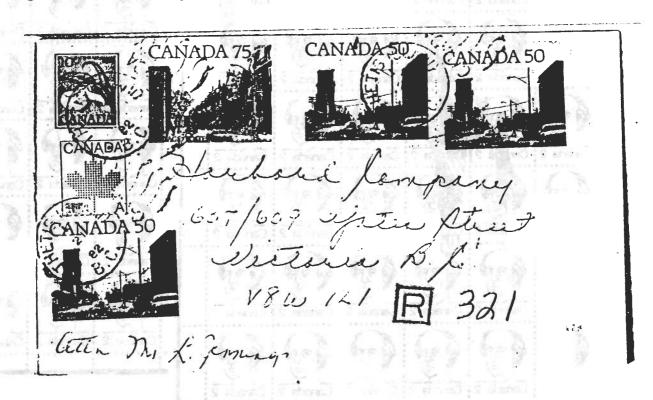
This cover was mailed from Thetis Island, B.C. on January 22, 1982, three weeks after the largest jump in postal rates in Canadian history. The Maple Leaf "A" stamp (30c) paid the new domestic first class rate for 0 - 30 g. The registered rate of \$1.85 was paid by the 10¢ Lady Slipper definitive and two denominations of the Street Scenes issue - two 50c "Prairie Town" (Austin, Manitoba) stamps and a 75c "Eastern City" definitive. The third 50c stamp paid for the return of a pink "Acknowledgment of Receipt" card. (A remnant of this can be seen gummed to the back of the cover).

The registration stamp on this cover is a simple boxed "Rn; the registration number is written beside it. Back stamps are:

- CDS in black, NANAIMO 21 2 82 BC
- Larger CDS in black, Registration Section, 23 1 1982, Victoria / B.C. M.P.O. (illegible; may be postal code)
- Similar CDS in red, Registration Station (illegible), 25 1 1982 Victoria, B.C. V8W ???

The CDS on the front of the cover is actually a duplex, with CANADA running vertically up the right of the circle and wavy killer lines to the left. This is a fairly late usage of this type of duplex.

Ed. Note: The Issuance of the "A" stamp on 29 Dec. 1981 signaled the end of the Environment series. However, the first Artifacts issues did not appear until 19 Oct. 1982.. Further, both the 30¢ and 32¢ Queen Elizabeth Cameo issues came later (the 32¢ in 1983) as it took time for the system to switch to the new definitive series. This cover very nicely documents a number of significant Environment period rates.

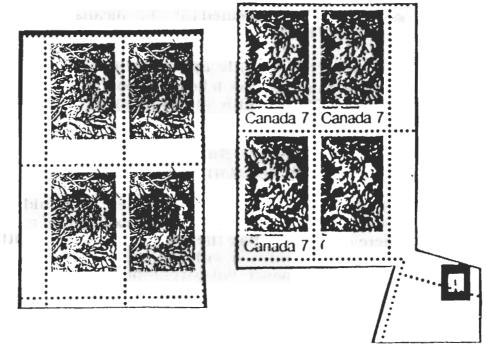


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SECTION V - COMMEMORATIVE - THE 7¢ AUTUMN LEAF STAMP WITH MISSING INSCRIPTION - by: Joseph Monteiro

This article briefly reviews the well known 7-cents Maple Leaf in Autumn error. Most philatelists are familiar with this missing inscription error. What is not well known is that this error arose from two different causes. One because the sheet missed the inscription of the second plate and the other because the missing inscription was caused by a paper fold. This article is written to basically inform members of this Study Group of the second cause of this error.

The 7-cents Maple Leaf in Autumn (Scott No. 537i) was issued on September 3, 1971. The stamps were printed in panes of 50 or two panes of 50 stamps per sheet by Ashton Potter Limited, Toronto, Ontario with a perforation of 11. The design captures the autumn splendor of the Maple Leaf. The inscription on the stamp is bilingual showing the English and French word for 'Autumn' 'Automme'. below it is the word 'Canada' and the value '7' shown on the right. In this missing error inscription, the inscriptions in grey in the bottom rectangular area below the design are omitted. There are two types of errors (see illustrations).



The first type of error occurred because the sheet failed to receive the impression of one of the plates engraved with the inscription described above during the production of the stamps. This can happen when two sheets get stuck. The bottom one fails to get the impression of the second plate. Another explanation for the error is lack of ink, however this generally leaves an impression on the paper. One explanation that has been provided is that "One [sheet with part of the inscription] was put aside for examination but it was placed on the finished pile and soon afterwards more landed on top and away went the whole lot to be perforated."

The second type of error occurred because of a paper fold at the right bottom corner of the sheet. It appears that a paper fold at the bottom covered most of the area where the inscription appears. As a result, only part of the grey

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inscription appears, the left side of the alphabet 'C' of 'Canada' and the 'Aut' of the English inscription 'Autumn'. The paper fold also shows an unrecorded plate marking of 'l' on one side. It appears that the paper fold covered the area when the stamp was receiving the impression of the plate with the inscription. However, when the stamp was receiving the impression of the Maple Leaf design, the paper fold must have opened as the entire impression appears on the stamp. This error is unique, unlike the type one error.

The first type of error was found in two areas: Sherbrooke, Quebec; and Magog, Quebec. On September 17, 1971, a French Canadian high school teacher, Mr. Alain Duplessis, bought 20 panes of the 7-cents Maple Leaf stamps from a Sherbrooke post office. He purchased the stamps as he had to mail 1000 letters being an adviser to a pen pal club. After removing two of the stamps from the error pane he noticed the error. This pane of 50 stamps was ultimately sold to Mr. Bileski. The second pane of 50 is believed to have turned up in Magog, Quebec. Late in October 1971, a schoolboy brought part of an envelope to a Montreal dealer on which was a used error of this 7-cent Maple Leaf. The error had the postal markings of Magog. Attempts to trace the remaining stamps of this pane ended in failure. The remaining 49 stamps with the error from the Magog pane seem to have disappeared [3]. This means that a total of 51 stamps are known to exist. The other 49 have not been accounted for.

The second type of error recently appeared in an auction catalogue. The catalogue describes this error as follows: "896 **537i: -the MISSING GRAY caused by dramatic FOLD-OVER at lower right comer and showing an UNRECORDED PLATE MARKING, unquestionably a UNIQUE SHOWPIECE, n.h. and very fine..PHOTO..4000+" [8]. The plate marking (i.e. '1') was not known to philatelists to this date. Since paper fold errors are unique, it can be presumed that there is only one starnp with nearly all the inscription rnissing.

Before concluding, a word of caution is in order. It should be noted that the inscription can be removed by an eraser. An example of a fake that surfaced was a pair, where one stamp has the inscription and the other does not [7]. This fake should not be confused with the paper fold error, as the paper fold error has the extra fold of paper and part of the inscription.

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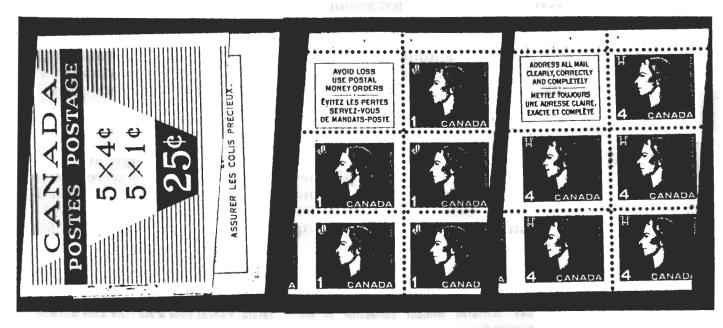
SECTION V - FIRST DAY PRESENTATION FOLDERS - 1977

by Jerome C. Jarnick and Andrew Chung

Canada Post has distributed several types of souvenirs for the launch of a new stamp. With the release of the Queen Elizabeth's Silver Jubilee stamp of February 4, 1977 a new souvenir was released. It consisted of a small blue cardboard folder, measuring 204mm x 127mm, folded vertically to 102mm x 127mm. A maple leaf, 43 mm in height, is embossed in the lower right corner. The interior of the folder is dark grey with a block of four of the new stamp or set of stamps mounted in Showgard type clear plastic mounts on the right. The bright blue color of the cover is distinctive and does not match any of the blues of the Stanley Gibbons Colour Key, though it is somewhat like Gibbon's "New Blue". A "Day of Issue" pictorial postmark is struck on the inside right panel of the folder. The stylized maple leaf logo and words "Canada Post" and "Postes Canada" appear in white at the lower left corner of the back of the folder. These folders were provided for selected commemorative and definitive issues from the Silver Jubilee issue tbrough the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference issue of September 19, 1977.

Authors note: Attempts to illustrate these folders met with complete failure. The cover is colorless and the dark grey interior would not provide enough contrast for the postmark to be shown

SECTION IX - ALL OTHER - CAMEO BOOKLET - UNLISTED & POSSIBLY UNIQUE by John Arn



Cameo booklet panes (Scott 401a) 1¢ brown and (404a) 4¢ carmine are both part of a single booklet (McCann Bk 53). This totally intact booklet, as shown, (staple removed to shut down the rusting and to facilitate study and display) was cut on the diagonal. It is a Type II cover ("Local - 4¢ 1st ounce") and the cover design measures 63mm. Both the cover and the two panes are low fluorescence. Unlisted and possibly unique.

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SECTION IX - ALL OTHER - RED DUES - NOTES ON USAGE: by John Arn

Some interesting statistics developed from a review of a sizable lot of Red Dues used on covers, cards and Post Office receipt forms.

There were 210 separate items in the study.

Canceled & tied to document - 156

Not canceled:

No Markings of any type - 44

Cancellation but uncanceled
postage due stamps placed
over the cancellation - 3
Ink or pencil cancellations - 7

Total not canceled 54

In virtually all instances the amount of postage due affixed could be matched to an amount which had been indicated as due. The only exceptions to this were **special service types such as payment for second delivery and** collection of postage due on Business Reply cards or envelopes.

On average one out of four (25.7%) were not tied. There were only a few ink or pencil markings. (I had expected more). There were also a few canceled by ink and also by machine or hand stamp and these were classified as tied.

Where the cancellation was covered with uncanceled postage due stamps they were classified as uncanceled stamps. If the process had been reversed these documents would be much more desirable.

Failure to cancel the stamps did not appear to be related to the random manner many postage due stamps are affixed. Evidently the failure to cancel was due to a combination of poor practice in not following postal regulations and certainly to some extent due to the pressures of time.

The use of Red Dues spanned the period 8 Feb. 1967 through June 30, 1982 when they were withdrawn from philatelic sale. The stamps were not recalled and their use was permitted to continue until field stocks were depleted. This makes identifying late usage an interesting adjunct to a study of their usage. Two questionable examples of late usage are shown below and the following page.

You have received with this card, a mail Vous avez recu, avec cette carte, un envol

To avoid delay and for your convenience, this was delivered without collection of the postage due.

Date

| Montant | Montant | Due | dû | 27 | 4

Please affix this value of postage in the area indicated on the other side of this card, and mail it.

Veuillez apposer sur cette carte le montant d0 dans l'espace prévu à cette fin au verso et la poster.

A Postage Due card for 27¢, dated 13 Nov. 1985, was delivered with the insufficiently paid item.

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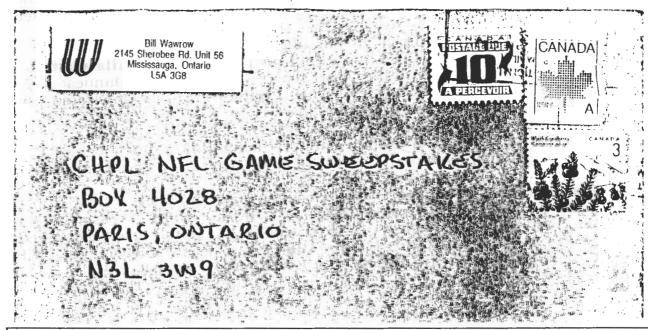
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Procedures requested payment be affixed to the postage due card and returned to the Postmaster. The 27¢ was paid with five different denominations of postage due stamps from the 2nd & 3rd series and were tied by an Islington Post Office, Islington, ON steel registration hand stamp. (A very nice item but so neat as to raise suspicion it is an inspired philatelic item).



ISLINGTON POST OFFICE 4975 DUNDAS ST. WEST ISLINGTON, ONTARIO M9A 1BO

The date cannot be read on the letter from Mississauga, Ont. to Paris, Ontario. However, the 43¢ postage includes the 3¢ Crowberry issued in 1992. (The "A"" stamp (30¢) was released on Dec. 29, 1981 plus a 10¢ Red Due). The 43 cent 30 gram lettermail rate was in effect from 1 Jan. 1993 through 31 July 1995. The 10 cent postage due stamp was unacceptable postage and the mailing was therefore shortpaid. Andrew Chung has advised procedures were put in place on 1 Sept. 1985 which should have required the cover be returned to sender for the difference in postage which was shortpaid - 10¢. (A very late unauthorised usage which was not detected).



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SECTION IX - ALL OTHER - THE 1985 \$8.50 BOOKLET - by Leopold Beaudet

At the time publishing this study was discussed we knew we would have at least 50 pages. The nature of the project precluded serialization as the informational value of the study would almost certainly be lost and there would be a continuous string of unnecessary postal expenses.

We settled, tentatively, on releasing the article at this time as a special issue with only perhaps 3 or 4 pages of the regular newsletter. This had the very definite advantage of holding the production schedule with a February mailing yet not requiring a great deal of work by the Editor and would facilitate his heading to the warm climates of Arizona and Southern California for six weeks.

As the time approached, the effects of El Nino on weather patterns seemed to eliminate both the desirability or need to visit the warm climates. More important, there were a number of items in the Corgi Times pending file which if not published now would be hard to incorporate in future issues primarily in terms of timeliness but also the added costs of extra-page issues.

Accordingly, as you see, this is virtually a normal issue with the entire study included as a free standing supplement. In so doing we have accomplished a number of objectives:

- First, to demonstrate the complexity and challenge of modern Canadian issues. In this case it is a booklet. But any number of other modern issues offer similar challenges.
- Second, unlike earlier time periods, there is not much literature available on any Canadian modern subject. Consequently, the author is on his own with the result reflecting his own basic research. Here is one such study.
- Third. the excellent presentation and scope of this article cannot help but become a classic reference work for others wishing to undertake in depth study of other aspects of modern Canadian philately.

Mr. Beaudet is well known in Canadian literature. He has had a number of excellent technical articles published in the **Canadian Philatelist** as well as many of the trade journals. Most recently he and John Jamieson teamed to write a comprehensive article on <u>Fake Double Perf Coils Uncovered</u> which was published in this newsletter, Vol. V, No. 6.

Whether you collect booklets or not is incidental. You will find this study without parallel in modern Canada philately. I know you will enjoy the article.

Also, we have a request. Once you have read the article please examine your holding of the \$8.50 Booklet (McCann's BK89 & 89A). Please feed the plate information on any panes you have which have not yet been examined by Mr. Beaudet direct to him. Address: 1386 Louis Lane, Ottawa, ON K1B 3P3, Canada or Phone: (613) 749 8897 or E-mail: lbeaudet@magi.com