



THE ROUND-UP ANNEX

squared circle study group newsletter

VOL. 13

NO. 4/59

SEPT, 1990

As promised in the last issue of the Annex, a review of the correspondence received by yours truly is included in this edition. I do not always have the time to acknowledge the receipt of your letters and articles; but rest assured that I will get to them eventually.

STANLEY VAN ALLEN - Mr. Allen sent a letter and six (6) accompanying photocopies of pages from his collection. Items ranged from a nice series of Jubilee and Map strikes to items on postcards and covers in the Edward period. Among the many items of note were the following:

✓ Byng Inlet North - A new early date with a strike dated -/OC 22/93 on a a 3 cent Small Queen. *Kalbfleiner*

Winnipeg, Hammer IV - This strike has a significantly earlier date than previously reported; -/OC 23/93. Mr. Van Allen states that it is poorly struck but that two study group members have confirmed the Hammer IV. It may be possible that it is a "95" strike since a blurred "5" may be mistaken for a "3". I will try to get additional information from Mr. Van Allen in time for the next issue.

✓ Pembroke, Ont. - A new early date of use, one day after the proof strike date; strike is dated -/MR 9/94.

JIM FELTON - Jim's letter offered some thoughts on the publication of a Fifth Edition of the Squared Circle Handbook:

" 1993 is fast approaching and something ought to be done during the centennial year (BNAPS 1943-93). Looking at my copy of the 4th, I see I have notes for just about every hammer, meaning there's little in it not obsolete.

What I envision is something more of the scale of the 3 earlier editions, ie. an inexpensive paperbound handbook. I'd like to retain having a strike from each hammer/state illustrated then give the dates and timemarks without the little charts and appurtenant remarks. Using a vertical orientation presenting the data for one hammer, it looks like four across by 2 or 3 down - 8 or 12 per page.... I'd like the reverse spelling listing, but that's about all from after page 237 I'd keep." ✓

* * * * *

MACCAN. N.S. MILLTOWN. N.S. TORONTO
STRACHAN. AVENUE WESTON. ONT



-/AU 16/97 PM/JY 10/97 AM/JY 15/97 -/OC 21/97
one cent

GRETNA. MAN. MEDICINE. HAT. ASSA M.C. II
SOURIS-WINNIPEG



-/SP 9/?? -/AU 22/97
- SUNDAY- EAST/SP 9/97

ROTHESAY. N.B. WOODSTOCK. N.B. /BERVILLE. QUE BIRTLE. MAN



-/JA 9/98 -/JY 16/97 -/AU 17/97 -/AU 5/97 -/NO 30/97
- SUNDAY-

PEMBROKE



-/MR 9/94
- EARLIEST-

- DANVILLE. QUE -



-/SP 5/08

-/AU 15/08

BYNG INLET
NORTH



-/OC 23/93
- EARLIEST-
SUNDAY!!

ONT
LONDON, I



PM/AU 27/94
2, STRIKES

MAN
WINNIPEG. IV



-/OC 23/93
- EARLIEST-

ASHCROFT
STATION. B.C.



-/NO 22/97

CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE (CONTINUED)

TED KERZNER - Ted also shared some thoughts on a new Edition of the Handbook in his June 15, 1990 letter:

" Lastly, a thought or two about Handbook V. It has always seemed to me that with the elimination of certain of the useless data, some of the repetitious tabular information at the back, most of the photographs and white spaces, and the elimination of the material on the barred circles (which deserves a small work of its own), you could produce a handbook which would be informative, useful and small enough to be conveniently carried around. If it would run about 150 pages and were the size (and dimensions) of Webb's it would do the trick, with most pages carrying data on three hammers, some two, and in the odd case, a single hammer per page. yes

The page layout I have been playing with would still permit illustration of each hammer, which I beleive is important, as for the less experienced, it would be the only way that they could distinguish between hammers.

As to the difficult questions of numbers recorded both on and off cover, I think some effort should be made to try and continue that feature, depending on what material you have from Dr. Moffat that indicates the reliability as to what was published in Handbook IV. In some cases, those numbers can now be added to based upon subsequent discoveries and, in at least one case, probably should be reduced."

WHIT BRADLEY - Whit, the editor of the Map Stamp Study Group newsletter, sent me the following interesting clipping from a recent Maple Leaves (April, 1990):

" I really ought to buy a lottery ticket when I consider the odds on the following set of circumstances! I'm always on the lookout for squared circles on Map Stamps, particularly Halifax, with various time marks, for a calendar collection. Recently I acquired a few at auction and when cleaning them for plating and mounting, I noticed than on one the date, etc. was the same as on a stamp already on the page; time mark 2, FE 3/99.

I had already plated the copy as one having a major re-entry, ie. position 17 on black plate 2, with red plate A. This caused me to glance at the plating information on the one already in the album - I couldn't beleive my eyes - the same position 17 on black plate 2, red plate A - the majoy re-entry again!

One wonders what combination of circumstances contrived to bring these two stamps together on that album page after 90 years; where had they been in the intervening period?"

(PS - After reading the above article, a CPSGB member sent Whit yet another Map strike of the Halifax hammer, time mark 2 dated FE 3/99 but it was position 28!)

IF NOT CALLED FOR IN TEN DAYS
RETURN TO

B. MORROW

REGISTRAR

PETERBOROUGH ONT.

B. Morrow

MA 20 1906

Michaelson in the square



*J. Willis Bay
Barrister
Belleville Ont*

PETERBOROUGH, ONT. NUDE STRIKE

* * * * *

CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS FOR ADMIRAL PERIOD SQUARED CIRCLES

WATERLOO, ONT. - Just when I thought I had most everything figured out about WATERLOO, ONT. hammer use, along comes Bob Lee's Auction No. 59. I noted in the February, 1990 Annex that the June, 1922 strike reported in the Fourth Edition Handbook was likely an error, since all strikes I have observed were dated July, 1922. Lot 2003 contained 14 WATERLOO, ONT. strikes, including one dated PM/AP 17/22. Consequently, this hammer's use in 1922 is much broader than previously thought.

GORE BAY, ONT. - The same auction also contained a strike on the GORE BAY hammer, dated -/OC 12/25; 1925 is a previously unreported year of use for the hammer.