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We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members and friends a very happy and prosperous New Year. You will notice that this newsletter is somewhat late this month and we can only blame this on the many activities of the festive season.

IMPORTANT - There will be no meeting on the 16th January. This meeting, ordinarily an auction night must be cancelled because the Board Room of Mobil Oil is needed by them that night. As you probably know, this is one of the conditions upon which we are able to occupy this space that is, that we give up the room when asked to do so. Fortunately it rarely happens.

VERY IMPORTANT - Our Society's annual exhibition and banquet is to be held on SATURDAY, JANUARY 27th. Activities will commence at about 2:30 in the ballroom of the Palliser Hotel and the program is as follows:

- 2:30 Exhibition opens.
 Dealers Bourse opens.
- 3:30 First Session of Auction
- 6:00 Banquet
- 7:30 Illustrated talk by A.G.G. deChastelain
- 8:15 Second session of Auction

The cost of the banquet which also enables you to participate in all other activities is \$3.50 and every member is urged to plan on being there. Naturally guests and visitors are most welcome. Frames are available from Bob Traquair and may be borrowed or purchased. Exhibition material is urgently required. Jack Cotton is looking after all the details of the auction and material should be in his hands not later than the 24th January. Please telephone Jack if you have any questions about the auction. For any other information, including table reservations by dealers, telephone Rudy Martin. Any chance of a car load of you Edmontonians coming down for the day? While we can't promise anything like your annual show, we can promise lots of hospitality and "shop talk". Don't forget either that by your own admission most of you feel that all the good material is in the Calgary dealers' hands.

We have had requests from various people for different copies of our newsletter and can supply most issues. The October (second issue) issue however is depleted so if any members don't wish to save their copy, would you please give it to Bob Traquair. Imagine, a collector's item already.

In case you are interested, 20 names have been dropped from our mailing list for non-payment of dues.

We haven't seen much response to our contest to see who can assemble a collection of the present Queen issue in used singles with selvedge attached to form a miniature sheet. This is probably a lot more difficult than many think and by the way, would make a terrific display at our Banquet.

You will recall that in our December newsletter we reported what must now be considered to be the theft of a circuit book of The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, having a value of \$37.00. A second book has now disappeared with unfortunate results. The cost to our Society of this second book is \$44.00 which seriously depletes our coffers. A slow, cumbersome method of viewing these circuit books has now been instituted which causes a great deal of trouble to the circuit manager as well as to the members but there does not unfortunately, seem to be any alternative unless we give up the idea of circuits entirely. We think however that everyone bringing stamps to our meetings should exercise care in ensuring that no loss is suffered.

At the December 5th meeting, Bob Traquair gave an illustrated talk on the subject "Petroleum on Stamps". This talk proved very educational to at least the speaker, as he learned from experts, the proper pronunciation of several place names.

In a previous newsletter we mentioned briefly that the Edmonton Stamp Club is holding it's Second Annual Exhibition in March. We now have further details. ESCPEX '62 will be held on March 16th and 17th in the Corona Hotel in Edmonton. This affair will consist of an exhibition, auction and, we beleive, a banquet. The exhibition is expected to have an International flavour and be even more successful than last year's, when some 600 pages belonging to over 50 owners were exhibited. It is now too late to enter material in the Auction. Mr. Bennett has additional literature on this function if any one wishes more details. We attended the exhibition last year and thought it tremendously successful. It should be a "must" for all of us.

While on the subject of Edmonton, we would like to thank Ernie Christensen for his courtesy in publishing in at least 2 editions of the Edmonton Stamp Club Bulletin, the members' ads which we have been running in our own newsletter. We wish to reciprocate this courtesy and for this reason we are carrying several ads of Edmonton people in this newsletter. Thanks very much Ernie.

We see that G.C. Bolton, a member of our Society, has been elected ^{president} ~~member~~ of the Edmonton Stamp Club. Congratulations and good luck Clarke.

Probably many of you are planning on attending the World's Fair in Seattle this year and if so you may be interested to know that there are several philatelic functions being held in conjunction with the fair. The Collectors Club of Seattle is hosting the 22nd annual Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition and Convention to be held May 28th to 30th. For further details of this exhibition and other functions we would suggest you write to the Club at 908 East Madison at Broadway, Seattle 22, Washington. When in Seattle a few years ago we dropped in at the club rooms and were made most welcome. If you are in Seattle any time it would well be worth your while to do likewise. The club rooms are open every night.

The following letter, received by one of our local stamp dealers, (in the form of a circular letter not because he was an offender) is, we think, particularly interesting:-

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION

Dear Sir:

It has recently come to our attention that a stamp dealer was advertising in his catalogue both used and unused unemployment stamps for sale.

The sale of unused unemployment insurance stamps by persons other than those authorized in writing by this Commission is prohibited. Section 101 (2) of the Unemployment Insurance Regulations covering this prohibition reads:

"No person shall keep for sale, offer for sale, purchase for sale or sell any unused unemployment insurance stamps, other than a postmaster authorized by the Post Office Department, or a person authorized in writing by the Commission, at such place and subject to such conditions as may be determined by the Commission."

The possession of used unemployment insurance stamps other than those affixed to insurance contribution records is also prohibited, and your attention is drawn to Section 101 (6) of the regulations in this regard which read as follows:

"No person shall have in his possession any used unemployment insurance stamps except while they are lawfully affixed to insurance contribution records and such records are in his possession in accordance with these Regulations."

I must therefore request that you forward to this Commission at the above address any unemployment insurance stamps which are in your possession or which may come into your possession, other than those purchased by you from the Post Office for the purpose of paying contributions on behalf of your insurable employees. No postage is required on letters mailed to this office in connection with this matter.

If you should receive any unemployment insurance stamps on consignment for resale, whether they are loose or in a collection, they should be returned to the consignee informing him that the sale of such stamps is prohibited under law.

Your assistance and co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,
Jas. McGregor Director.

AUCTIONS As we mentioned in our last newsletter, the rules regarding our club auctions were amended at the November 7th meeting. The rules as they presently stand are as follows:

AUCTION RULES

1. All lots for auction must be accompanied by such official entry form as may from time to time be established by the executive of the Calgary Philatelic Society.
 2. All lots submitted for sale by auction are to have a minimum value of \$1.00 with no reserve.
 3. The commission on lots sold shall be 10% of the amounts realized at auction. There shall not be a commission charged on lots "bought in" by owners.
 4. Any lot is returnable for refund on day of sale if merchandise is not found to be as described on entry form.
 5. Minimum bid raises are to be:
 - 10¢ on lots \$1.00 to \$2.00
 - 25¢ on lots over \$2.00 to \$5.00
 - 50¢ on lots over \$5.00 and up.
 6. Terms of sale are cash.
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CLASSIFIED

Wanted: Northern Postmarks on Cover
E.J. Christensen
11612 - 94th Street
Edmonton

WANTED: Europa stamps, preferably used!
Jack Cotton
2824 - 37th St. S.W.

I still have several years available in
Stampede Covers
Jack Benningen - 157 Wildwood Drive

WANTED: Western Canadian letters and
cards prior to 1905
Sam Nickle - 3015 - Glencoe Road

See me regarding Canadian Perfins.
Murray Ward
10732 - 131 "A" Avenue Edmonton

Large Queens and pre-cancels wanted.
Dr. Bill Orobko
300 Birks Bldg. Edmonton

✓ Highest prices paid for stamps of Natal
G.C. Bolton

Coils and Military Cancels wanted
Bill Rorke - 208 Clarke Bldg. Edmonton

Canadian varieties, booklets &
rfins and pre-cancels.
dance invited.
ne - 2709 Montcalm Crescent

Wanted: Money order cancels on piece &
Fair covers.
Gordon Hill - 1612 - 50th Ave. S.W.

Canada 1859 - 1928 - all issues
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Buy, Sell & Exchange - Topical Stamps
Birds, flowers, sports etc.
Tom Mercer - 7305 - 78th Ave. Edmonton

For Sale: Mint and used of entire world.
Extensive stock of Mint and used Canada
and Plate Blocks.
John Jarabec - 1718 - 7th St. S.W.

Wanted: Anything - yes, anything in
Canada.
Norm Tunna - 6511 Laurentian Way