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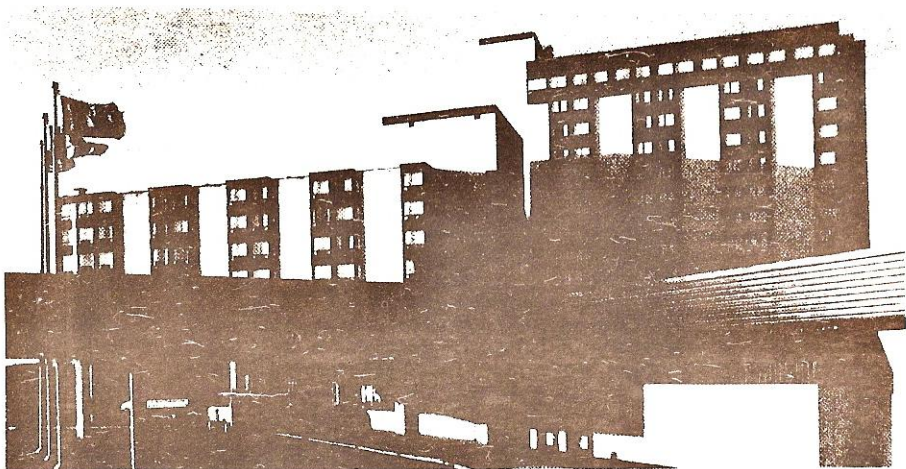
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CALTAPEX 87 will mark the 60th year of public stamp exhibitions in Calgary. Total expenses for the first show, held October 22, 1927, came to \$31.62, which included \$10 for rent of the King George Masonic Temple. This year, the show is at the Marlborough Inn, where it has been for many years.

Shall see you there, eh?



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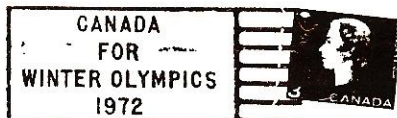
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OLYMPIC CORNER CARDS

by Glenn A. Estus

Now that your Olympic collection is growing by leaps and bounds, do not forget about all the business sponsors and licensees. OCO has authorized them to produce the various souvenirs and services needed for the athletes, officials, and spectators. These can range from official typewriter to official bottled water, thru such items as official national television, official transportation service, and official bank.

Each of these sponsors and licensees will be using its involvement with the Olympic Winter Games for publicity purposes. Illustrated herein are a few corner cards from previous Olympic Games used by some of the sponsors and licensees.

Figure 1 shows a business-reply envelope from North Country Community College in Saranac Lake, NY. NCCC was the 'Official Community College' of the 1980 Lake Placid games, and used such corner cards until well into the mid-1980s. Figure 2 shows the corner card of the Bank of Lake Placid. For those who would exhibit their collections, both of these envelopes are large #10 envelopes, which are difficult to mount on exhibition pages. This is the rule rather than the exception with this type of Olympic item. (EDITOR'S NOTE: The illustrations in this article have been cropped in size for obvious reasons.)

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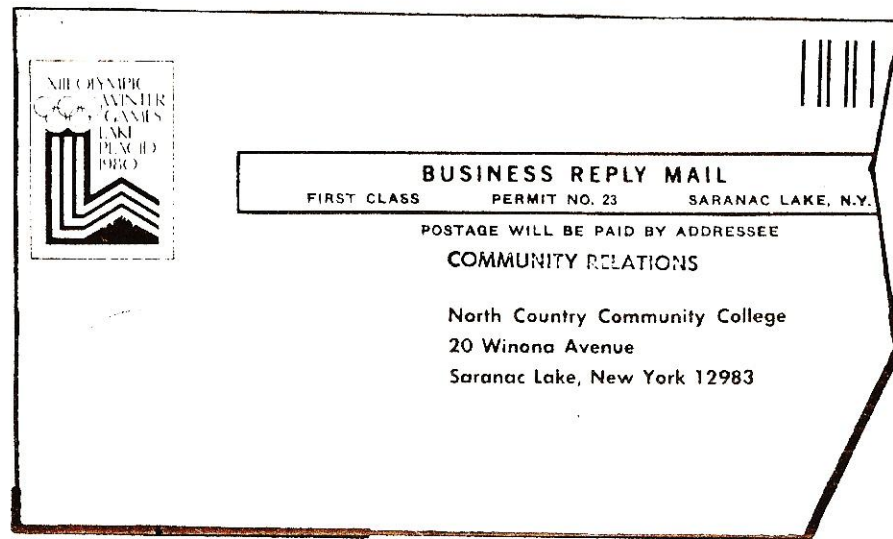


Figure 1.

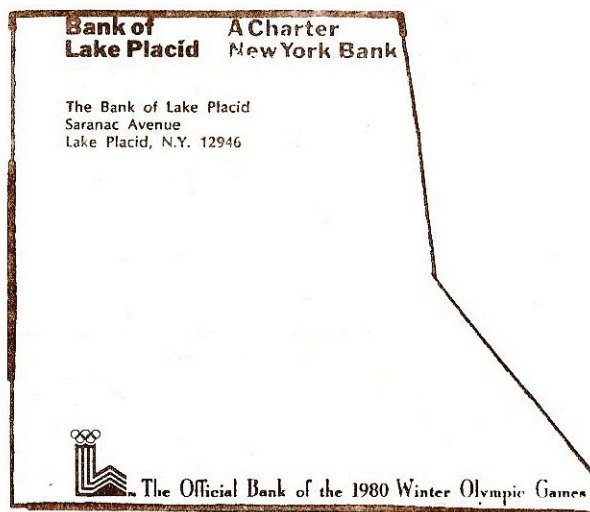


Figure 2.

Do not overlook multinational companies with branches in those countries sending athletes to the Olympics. Budget Rent A Car has offices in many nations. The Australian branch used the corner card shown in Figure 3. The Australian New Zealand Banking Group used the design in Figure 4.

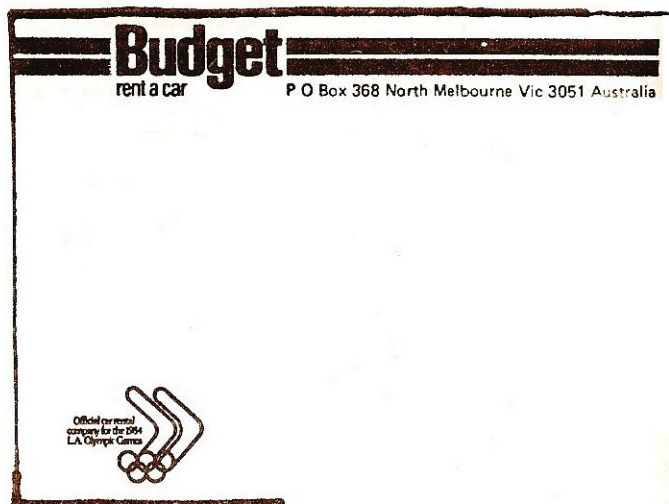


Figure 3.

Figure 4.



Lastly, do not forget about the Olympic Organizing Committee itself. Figure 5 shows the corner cards used by the Calgary, Lake Placid, and Los Angeles organizing committees.

How do you obtain these corner cards? Try to discover which businesses and organizations have such connections with OCO. Cultivate your contacts. Perhaps a neighbourhood store or firm is receiving mail from such a business. Ask your friends and philatelic acquaintances to be on the lookout for such mail. Contact OCO for a list of official sponsors. If you can obtain a list, then a friendly letter to the firm will often secure an example of its corner card. Do not be disheartened if you receive no reply, as many companies have neither the time nor staff to cater to the wishes of philatelists.



XV Olympic Winter Games
Organizing Committee

P.O. Box 1988, Station C
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
T2T 5R4

Comité d'organisation des
XV^{es} Jeux Olympiques d'hiver

Casa postale 1988, Succursale C
Calgary (Alberta) Canada
T2T 5R4

Figure 5.

Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee
Los Angeles, California 90084 USA



XIII OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES 1980
National Fine Arts Committee
Center for Music, Drama and Art
Saranac Avenue
Lake Placid, New York 12946

PHILATELIC BOOKS IN THE CALGARY PUBLIC LIBRARY: PART THREE
compiled by Emma Benning

Japanese postage stamps
Ministry of Posts and Communications, Tokyo, 1985?

Catalogue of Israel postage stamps - Michael H Bale
Ilfracombe, England, 1983

Some Canadian stamp errors - Kasimir Bileski
Winnipeg, 1982

Canada, The definitive 1967-73 issue - Irwin and Freedman
GS Wegg, Toronto, 1984

Charlton specialized catalogue of Canadian postage stamps - Papaspyrou
Charlton Press, Toronto, 1982

Charlton stamp guide - George Papaspyrou
Charlton Press, Toronto, 1980

Charlton 1982 Canada stamp and storybook: Canada's heritage in postage
stamps - James Montagnes
Charlton Press, Toronto, 1981

De Rooy/Hali booklet catalogue: Canada, 1981-82
De Rooy/Hali Publ., Waalwijk, Netherlands, 1981

Canada cover catalogue - Will Gandley and Dwight Stanley
Canadian Wholesale Supply, Paris, Ontario, 1980 and 1982

Canada plate block catalogue - Will Gandley and Dwight Stanley
Paris Graphic, Canada, 1982

Admiral issue of Canada - George Marler
Amer. Phil. Soc., State College, Penns., 1982

Canada: The Admiral issue 1911-1925 - George Marler
Unitrade Press, Toronto, 1980

1985 standard catalogue of Canadian booklet stamps - Bill McCann
Unitrade Press, Toronto, 1984

Canadian philately: Bibliography and index, supplement - Cimon Morin
National Library of Canada, 1983

Canada steel engraved constant plate varieties - Hans Reiche
Unitrade Press, Toronto, 1982

Collect Canada covers - Ed Richardson
Amer. Phil. Soc., 1978

Early rapid cancelling machines of Canada - David Sessions
Unitrade Press, Toronto, 1982

Canadian Map stamp of 1898: A detailed study - F Tomlinson
Cand. Phil. Soc. G.B., London, 1960, 1972

First decimal issue of Canada 1859-68 - G Whitworth
Royal Phil. Soc., London, 1966

Canadian OHMS official postage stamps - Roy Wrigley
R Wrigley, Vancouver, 1956?

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FROM THE TREASURER

At the general meeting held on March 4, 1987, a motion was passed to increase annual dues from the present \$7.50 to \$10.00. This change will affect members starting for the year 1987/88. To avoid congestion and confusion in the collection of dues at the first regular meeting in September, it is intended to enclose a self-addressed envelope in the next bulletin to assist all members in paying their dues by mail. Receipts and membership cards will be available for paidup members to collect at the September meeting, without having to wait in line. Your cooperation is asked in this regard.

JUBILEE YEAR

This year marks not only the 60th year of stamp shows in Calgary, but also the 60th anniversary of member auctions, which first began on May 17, 1927. The C.P.S. did have a few auctions before that, but not of member's lots.

SMALL ADVERTISEMENTS

These ads are free to paidup members of the C.P.S. who want to buy, sell, or trade philatelic material. Limit per issue is ten lines, including name and address. Send ads to Editor, Box 6830, Stn D, Calgary, T2P 2E7. Next deadline is May 13 for the June issue. In the event of a postal strike, telephone ads to 243-1752 evenings or see Dale Speirs at the meetings.

FOR SALE - Collections, circuit books, Stampede covers, Canada, British Colonial and western Europe stamps. Every Sunday at Beddington flea market, Centre Street and 80 Avenue North, 10 am to 4 pm.

WANTED TO BUY - Clean, unmarked copies of the following publications. Write first to Dale Speirs, Box 6830, Stn D, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2E7. BNA Topics: whole numbers 103, 99 to 85 inclusive, 83, 79 to 33 inclusive
Maple Leaves: 1958 Dec

1957 Jan to Oct incl.

1956 Dec

1955 Dec

1954 all needed except July

1953 all needed

1952 all needed except Nov

Catalogue and guidebook of Canadian official stamps - Roy Wrigley
J & M Publ., Vancouver, 1982?

The philatelic truck - JH Bruns
Bureau Issues Assoc., Takoma Park, Maryland, 1982

Angels to zeppelins: A guide to persons, objects, topics, and themes on
United States postage stamps. - DJ Lehnus
Greenwood Press, Westport, Conn., 1982

Official blackbook price guide of United States postage stamps - M Hudgeons
House of Collectibles, Orlando, Flor., 1979

New Zealand and dependencies stamp catalogue - Brian Moore
Seven Seas Stamps, Dubbo, N.S.W., Australia, 1982?

Australasian stamp catalogue
Seven Seas Stamps, Dubbo, Austral., 1984?

Canadian revenue stamp catalogue - ESJ Van Dam
ESJ Van Dam, Bridgenorth, Ontario, 1982 and 1984

American stamp collector's dictionary - HM Konwiser
Tudor, NY, 1949

Dictionary of stamps in colour - JA Mackay
M Joseph, London, 1973 and 1976

Musson stamp dictionary - DA Patrick
Musson Book Co., Toronto, 1972

Stamp collector's encyclopedia - RJ Sutton
Philosophical Library, New York, 1966

How to prepare stamp exhibits - C Foster
New Mexico Phil. Assoc., 1973

Reference manual of BNA fakes, forgeries, and counterfeits - KW Pugh
Brandon, Manitoba, 1977

British Elizabethan stamps: U.K., Guernsey, Jersey, Isle of Man - D Potter
Batsford, London, 1971

Handbook of British colonial stamps in current use, Sept. 1949 - R Cade
H.M. Stationery Office, London, 1950

Stamps of British North America - Fred Jarrett
Quarterman Publ., Lawrence, Mass., 1975

Stamps, posts, and postmarks - Ian Angus
St Martin's Press, New York, 1975

World of classic stamps 1840-1870 - JA Mackay
Putman, New York, 1972

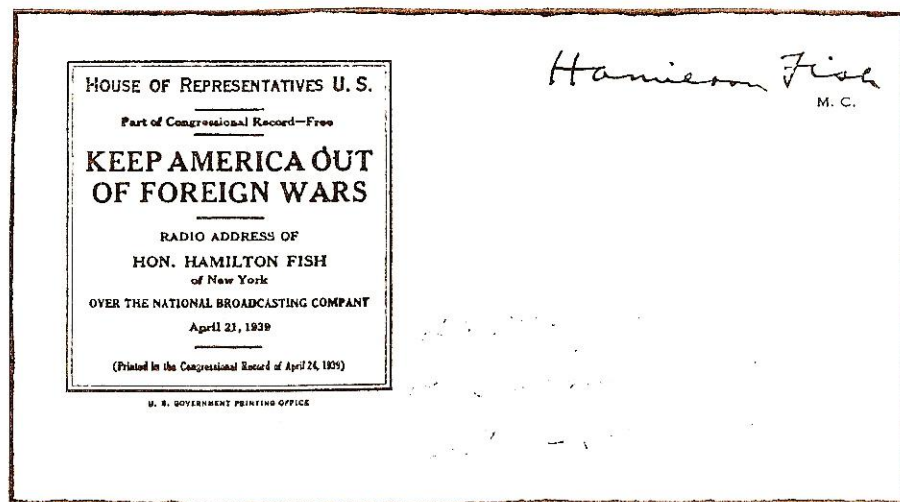
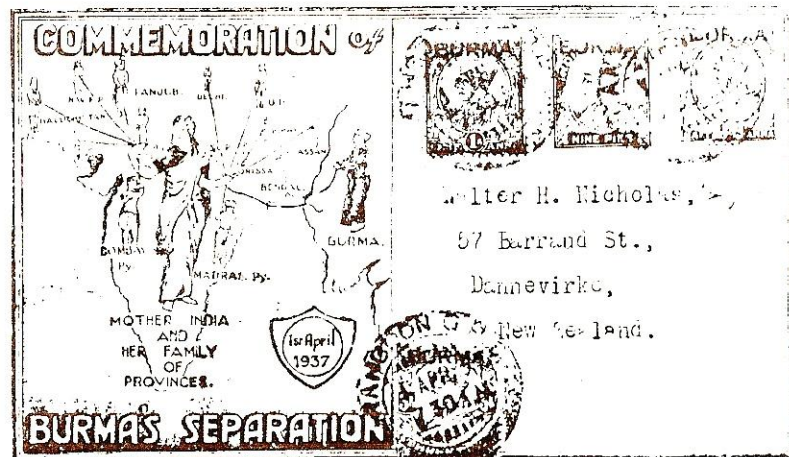
Romance of the postage stamp - Gustav Schenk
Jonathon Cope, London, 1962

Postage stamps of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia - Nicholas Argenti
Quarterman Publ., Lawrence, Mass., 1976

Postage stamps and postal history of Newfoundland - Winthrop Boggs
Quarterman Publ., Lawrence, Mass., 1975

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POLITICAL PHILATELY (PART 4): SEPARATISM AND ISOLATIONISM
by D.C. Speirs



In 1934, the stamp-printing branch office in Melbourne installed a new printing press known as the Hoe Rotary Recess Printing Press. This event marks a significant milestone in the development of stamp production in Australia. Before this event, there had been several engraved stamps (intaglio) produced, such as the 3d blue Kookaburra (Scott #19), but this new press introduced for the first time a major volume of stamps for the Commonwealth that would be printed by the engraved process.

This press brought other changes. As the name suggests, it was a rotary press, meaning that the printing plates would be curved around a drum, not flat as before. The paper is fed into a rotary press from a reel rather than single sheets fed into a flatbed press; the former is known as printing 'in the web'. Stamp sizes and perforation gauges were also changed to fit the new stamps' size.

Major historical events were unfolding on the world stage. King George V died in early 1936. A new portrait series of Edward VIII was well along in the planning stages when the king abdicated, and George VI became heir to the Throne.

The first series of small-sized stamps (17 mm X 22 mm approx.) was officially introduced on Coronation Day in May 1937. The series ranged in denomination from ½d to 6s, to service the postal rates in effect at the time. For now, I would like to discuss some of the features of the lower values, for these stamps are still available in quantity, and for the most part are attractive to the budget-conscious collector.

The portraits of Queen Elizabeth (now Queen Mother) and her husband George VI were taken by Dorothy Wilding, who at the time was the official royal photographer. The Australian fauna series, sometimes called the zoological series, includes: ½d kangaroo in an orange shade officially referred to as chrome, 4d koala bear in green, 5d merino sheep in a purple color and in the same design as the larger issue from 1934 (Scott #147). The 6d represents a kookaburra (brown), the 9d platypus is grey, and the 1/- lyrebird in green is the same design as Scott # 141. The first issues of these stamps are marked by several important differences from the later issues. For example, the design size was first 17.5 mm X 22 mm (later 17 mm X 22 mm), perforations of 13½ X 14 were later changed to 14.75 X 14, and the first paper used was thick and coated with a chalklike substance on the surface.

The original chalk-surfaced paper was used on the 3d, 4d (just once, a very scarce item), and the 1/4. For some reason, the paper surface and the ink were not compatible. The 3d blue of the King is especially prone to ink stripping and subsequent loss of fine detail. If you can find stamps with this feature, then they are worth grabbing. The current catalog lists mint copies of these at \$75; normal ones are \$15. These stamps are fairly easy to recognize by the very white appearance of the King's face and the side wattle leaves; this is caused, of course, by the failure of the ink to adhere to the paper correctly. This 3d blue stamp was the subject of many articles over the years. There are three dies for these stamps as well, which adds to their interest for the collector who likes to dabble in the printing elements of the hobby. The early papers of these issues were watermarked with the familiar C of A over crown all-over watermark.

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Shortly after these stamps came into general use there were complaints that the tough paper made it difficult to tear apart the individual units without damage to the stamps. To overcome this problem, and to make up coils for vending machines similar to the ones in use in England at the time, it was agreed to change the horizontal perforations to make them finer. The result was a perforation of 14.75 X 14. The first issue in the new perforation was the 1d Queen Elizabeth in July 1938. Later, another perforation improvement for coils was developed by mixing the size of the holes, that is, having two small holes followed by ten larger ones, then two small again and so on. This is, I think, a unique situation in philately.

Assembling a representative collection of these fascinating issues showing the different dies, shades, papers, perforations, and coils would be quite a challenge, but also a fine way to learn about the production side of stamps from this era. I have not mentioned the variety of shades, the wartime covers, overseas use, and other features that could be part of a comprehensive collection. There were also three stamps in this series that were surcharged with overprints to reflect a ½d war tax. Look out for these and see if you can spot the difference in each of the methods used by the printer.

If you are interested in learning more, or sharing your knowledge on these and other issues from Australia, may I suggest that you come along to one of the Calgary Australasian Study Group meetings. You will be most welcome. If there are any particular subjects that you would like to see in this spot in future issues, I would be pleased to hear from you. Write to me in care of Box 1478, Calgary, T2P 2L6.

MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS IN 1987

April	26		Stamp Day 87
May	6		General meeting
	13		Auction
	13		Deadline for June STAMPede
	20		Auction
June	3		Election meeting
	17		Auction
	24		Auction
September	2		General meeting
	2		Membership dues are due
	16		Auction
	23		Auction
October	7		General meeting
	7		Paid your dues yet?
	9		CALTAPEX 87
	10		CALTAPEX 87
	11		CALTAPEX 87
	21		Auction
	28		Auction
November	4		General meeting
	18		Auction
	25		Auction
December	2		Wine and cheese party

STAMP DAY and CALTAPEX are held at Marlborough Inn, 1316 - 33 Street NE.

MEETINGS and AUCTIONS are held at Kerby Centre, 1133 - 7 Ave SW, starting at 730 pm. Auction lots should be in prior to 730 pm.

AUSTRALIASIAN STUDY GROUP meets third Wednesdays. For info, call Leanna Johnson (282-9775) or Don Fraser (274-7411).

CALGARY CHAPTER OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA PHILATELIC SOCIETY meets second Wednesdays. For info, call Phil Wolf (251-4109).