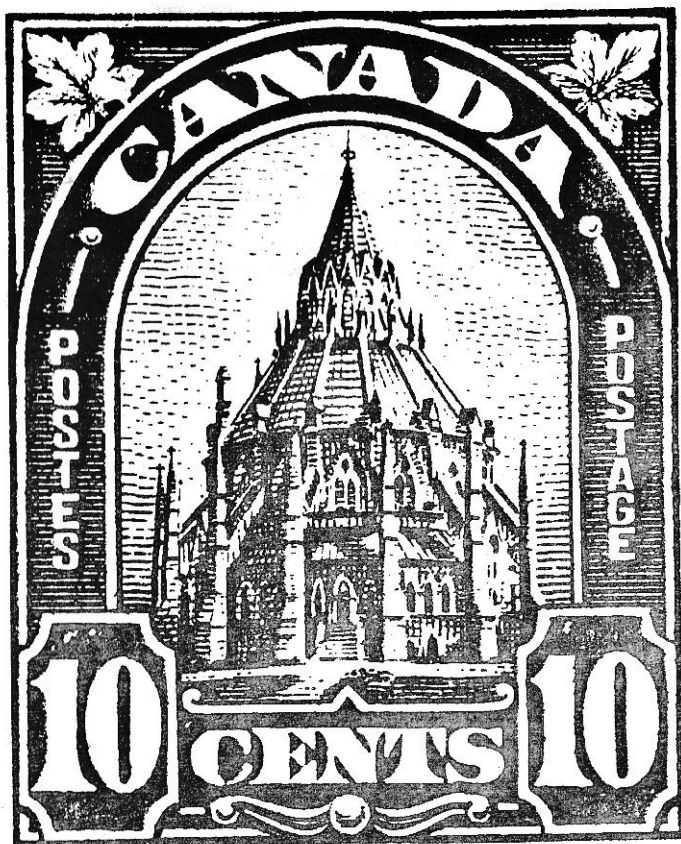


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The Parliament Library is a big building, too big for most stamp collectors who are building up a philatelic library. An article within discusses the literary side of philately.

Also within are the CALTAPEX 88 palmars, and assorted ephemera.

And if someone says to you, "You could look it up", the subject may be base ball or it could be the annual index of articles published in this bulletin.



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PHILATELIC LITERATURE COLLECTING: A LOOK AT PERIODICALS by Dale Speirs

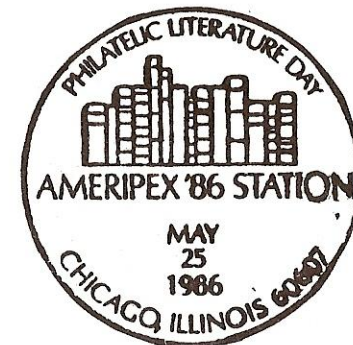
The average stamp collector has a library that usually consists of Scott, a specialized country catalog, and a few books on the collector's speciality. There is however more to literature collecting than that. I have never been too interested in the massive tomes by Boggs, etc., but prefer instead the periodicals. A book comes out in isolation; the only method of determining its worth is to read the reviews in the periodicals. The periodicals are livelier, with articles being subject to rebuttal in the next issue, and with news and notes on current philatelic events. The older periodicals, published between about the 1870s and the turn of the century were often short-lived and usually libelous, as editors back then used language on their opponents that would take a lawyer's breath away. No beating around the bush in the good old days!

There are societies devoted to writing, publishing, and collecting of philatelic literature. It seems that possibly no subject or topic of collecting has been too obscure to get its own bulletin, however short-lived. The national and international shows have classes for literature, and bulletin editors who compete regularly soon recognize each other's names on the palmars. At right are shown two commemorative postmarks honouring philatelic literature.

The Calgary STAMPede, by the way, has won the following awards. Bronze: PIPEX 86, STAMPSHOW 86, SESCOAL 87. Silver: Cardinal Spellman 87, COLOPEX 88.

Besides the periodicals, I find the auction catalogues and show bulletins useful. I prefer the specialized auction catalogues of sales devoted to one type of philatelic material, a recent example being the Firby catalogue of Sam Nickle's Pence collection. These catalogues provide a lot of detailed information in one place. General sales catalogues are not as useful unless you index them as they come in; too much data are otherwise buried in a mass of unrelated material. Show bulletins have useful articles, especially on local postal history.

On the next page I have listed a few periodicals and how to subscribe to them. As the saying goes, you should buy the book (or magazine) before you buy the stamp.



Canadian Stamp News
10 Tempo Avenue
North York, ON, M2H 2N8
-tabloid biweekly, \$19.98

BNA Topics
Box 1070
Hay River, NT, XOE ORO
-bimonthly digest published
by British North America
Phil. Soc.. Subscription
\$20 plus \$3 initiation fee.

Maple Leaves
52 Stamperland Gardens
Clackston, Glasgow G76 8HG
Scotland
-bimonthly digest published
by Canadian Philatelic Society
of Great Britain, £8.50 sterling.

PHSC Journal
216 Mailey Drive
Carleton Place, ON, K7C 3X9
-quarterly digest, published by Postal History Society of Canada, \$12.50

Canadian Philatelist
Box 5320, Stn F
Ottawa, ON, K2C 3J1
- bimonthly digest published by Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, deals
with worldwide philately but emphasizing Canada.

American Philatelist
Box 8000
State College, PA 16801, USA
-monthly 8½ by 11, published by American Philatelic Society, deals with
worldwide philately but emphasizing United States

South African Philatelist
Box 375
Johannesburg 2000, South Africa
-monthly 8½ by 11, published by Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa,
deals with worldwide philately but emphasizing southern Africa. R30 annually.

Topical Time
Box 630
Johnstown, PA 15907, USA
-bimonthly digest, published by American Topical Association

Philatelic Literature Review
Box 8338
State College, PA 16801, USA
-quarterly digest, published by American Philatelic Research Library, US\$10



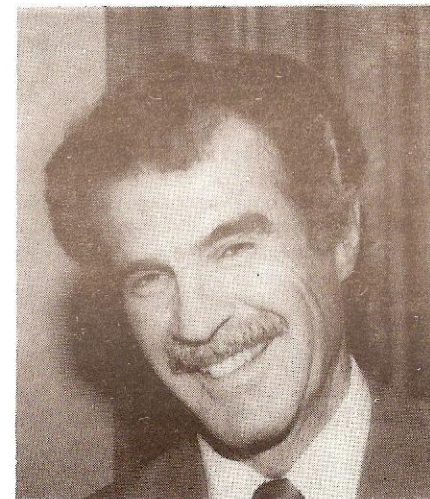
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FACES AROUND THE CLUBROOM: MIKE MCPHAIL

Mike looks after the C.P.S. circuit books. Just look for a crowd gathered around a table covered with green booklets, and you will find him.

Circuit books are an ideal way to sell your unwanted stamps at a fixed price that you determine. Ask Mike for details on how to get your own books circulating.



CALTAPEX 88 PALMARES

Non-competitive: Sam Nickle (Franco-Canadian mails before 1878)

Large gold: S. Kenyon (Canada 1898 Map stamp)

Gold: Bradley Harris (Canada Bill stamps)
Jim Taylor (St. Pierre & Miquelon to 1946)

Large silver: Mike McPhail (Australia George V)
John Van Staden Jr. (U.N. peacekeeping)

Silver: Ray Skrepnek (Canada George VI Officials)
Tom Moore (Canadian airmails)
Perry Holinshead (Alberta post offices)
Greg Sereda (Liberia errors, proofs, varieties)
John Van Staden Jr. (Calgary Olympics covers)

Bronze: M. Poulin (Postal stationery and cards)
John Van Staden Jr. (Calgary Olympics stamps)
Dale Speirs (B.N.A. damaged, delayed, and returned mail)
S. Kenyon (U.S. special covers)
P. Smith (Diana and the dragons)
A. Smith (Whaling)
Dale Speirs (Calgary Olympics covers)
Nicole Van Staden (Butterflies of Africa)

CALGARY CHAPTER OF BNAPS

The Calgary Chapter of the British North America Philatelic Society meets on second Wednesdays at members homes. A subject is chosen for each meeting, and each attendee brings an example of that subject to show the others. The schedule of meetings for the forthcoming year is as follows.

November 9 - Art Davey residence
December 14 - Christmas social and dinner, restaurant t.b.a.
January 11 - Mike Reid
February 8 - Ed Harris
March 8 - Bill Pawluk
April 29 - regional meeting in conjunction with Stamp Day 89
May 10 - Sam Nickle
June - barbecue t.b.a.

For further information on BNAPS, contact Phil Wolf at 251-4109 or see him at the C.P.S. meetings.

AUSTRALASIAN AND BRITISH STUDY GROUPS

The Australasian Study Group meets third Wednesdays. For information, contact Leanna Johnson at 282-9775.

The Ireland and British Europe Study Group meets every second month. For information, call Steve Davis at 237-5806, or David Warren at 253-7342.

SMALL ADVERTISEMENTS

These ads are free to paidup C.P.S. members. Mail your ads to the Editor, Box 6830, Stn D, Calgary, T2P 2E7, or hand them to Dale Speirs at the meetings. Next deadline is January 18, for the issue appearing in mid-February.

WANTED: Worldwide bicycle stamps, single mint or used. Any depiction of bicycles, riders, wheels, etc. Telephone 288-4557, Denis Hoddinott.

FOR SALE: OLYMPEX 88 show catalogue. Professionally printed and illustrated, with articles on Olympic philately, winter sports philately, and Calgary postal history. Price is \$6 each, postpaid from C.P.S., Box 1478, Stn M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2L6.

WANTED: Ukrainian stamps, postcards, envelopes, bills, medallions, and any thematic of the Ukraine. Phone Andrew Avramenko after 4 pm at 236-2037, or see me at the meetings.

BUY/SELL/TRADE Canadian and British Commonwealth complete booklets. Call Philip Wolf at 251-4109.

WANTED: Canadian military mail. Call Philip Wolf at 251-4109.

BUY/SELL/TRADE Canada CDS and split-ring 'socked on the nose' cancels. Contact Mike Reid at 281-6062.

WANTED: Surely someone out there must have Liberian stamps and/or covers to get rid of! Anything 1962 or older is useful to me; maybe I've got something you want. Please call Greg at 285-0239 evenings or weekends.

BUY/TRADE philatelic items pertaining to Calgary Olympic Winter Games. Stamps, meters, envelopes, cancels, slogans, mail to and from OCO and CODA. Write John Van Staden Jr., Box 604, Stn J, Calgary, or telephone 285-1874.

WANTED: Town-dated singles, blocks, and plate blocks of Canada, especially pre-WW2. Phone Ed Harris at 274-0021.

WANTED: Soccer or ice hockey stamps, mint or used, plus covers. Contact G. Bakehouse at 248-4696.

WANTED: Worldwide stamps picturing owls. Single mint or used required. Call 239-7774 and ask for Clive or Kathryn.

WANTED: Clean unmarked copies of the following periodicals, no ads cut out, water stains, underlining, or massive tears. Write first to Dale Speirs, Box 6830, Stn D, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2E7, or telephone 243-1752 and leave message on answering machine.
American Philatelist - 1963 Aug, 1956 Feb, 1955 Sep to Dec, 1953 Jan to Mar, 1952 Oct to Dec, 1949 Jul, 1946 Dec, 1945 all except Sep and Dec
Philatelic Literature Review - whole numbers 27 to 51 inclusive
BNA Topics - whole numbers 1 to 31, 33 to 79, 83, 85 to 99, 103
Maple Leaves - 1958 Dec, 1957 Jan to Oct, 1956 Dec, 1955 Dec, 1954 all except July, 1953 all issues needed, 1952 all except Nov, 1951 all except July, 1950 all issues needed, 1949 Feb to Dec
Canadian Philatelist - 1959 Jan, Feb, 1958 Jan, Feb, Jul, Aug
Topical Time - 1987 Jul to Dec, 1986 Jan/Feb, 1985 all issues needed
Popular Stamps - 1955 Jul to Sep, 1954 May, Jul, Aug, 1953 Jan, Jul, Aug
SPA Journal - 1982 Mar, Aug, 1981 Jan to Mar, 1980 Mar to May, Aug, Nov

MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

1988

Nov 16		Auction
23		Auction
Dec 4		Sunday bourse
7		Wine and cheese party

1989

Jan 4		General meeting
18		Auction
18		Deadline for February bulletin
25		Auction
Feb 1		General meeting
15		Auction
22		Auction
Mar 1		General meeting
15		Deadline for April bulletin
15		Auction
22		Auction
Apr 5		General meeting
19		Auction
26		Auction
May 3		General meeting
17		Auction
17		Deadline for June bulletin
24		Auction
Jun 7		Election meeting
21		Auction
28		Auction

MEETINGS and AUCTIONS are at the Kerby Centre, second floor, 1133 - 7 Avenue SW at 730 pm. Auction lots should be in before 730 pm to allow bidder viewing.

BULLETIN articles and advertisements should be mailed to the Editor, Box 6830, Stn D, Calgary, T2P 2E7, or handed to Dale Speirs at the meetings.

SUNDAY BOURSES are held at the American Women's Club, 1010 - 14 Ave SW, from 10 am to 430 pm. For table bookings, contact Walter Jackson at 242-4128.