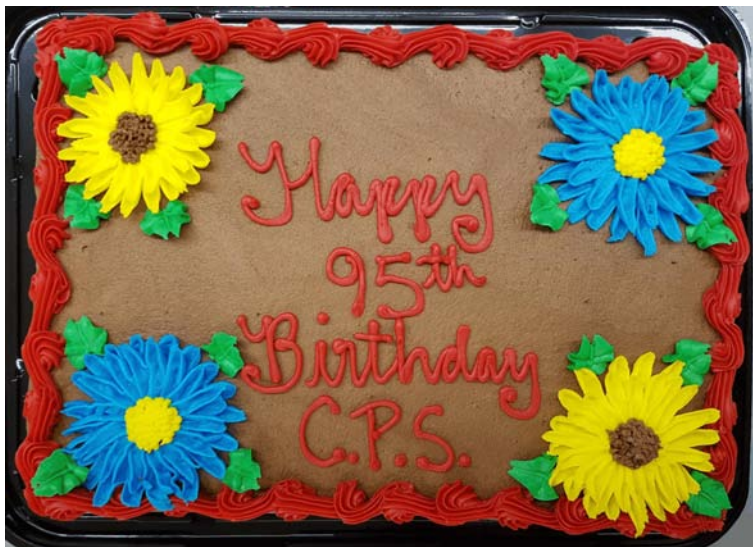


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The April meeting was the 95th birthday of the CPS. Murray Bialek brought a vanilla cake (top) and Dale Speirs brought a chocolate cake. Dale gave a short talk on the history of the CPS and then everyone sang Happy Birthday. A good time was had by all.

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The CPS was founded in April 1922 by Dr. Edward George Mason. It is Chapter 66 of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, Chapter 1360 of the American Philatelic Society, and Chapter 91 of the American Topical Association.

A cumulative subject index from issue #1 to date for the CALGARY PHILATELIST exists but because of its length is too long to be published in this bulletin. A pdf copy can be had for free at www.calgaryphilatelicsociety.com.

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MAIL ESSENTIALS IN CANADA: PART 1

by Danny Chow

We all know that to have mail delivered by Canada Post, two things are required: proper (deliverable) address and correct postage. What if either one is missing? One thing for sure, this would create extra work for Canada Post but it would also create some interesting covers for collectors.

If a letter is mailed without a deliverable address, either the address is invalid or unknown; Canada Post will try to return it to the sender. If the address is valid but the addressee (recipient) had moved, and no forwarding address can be found, then the mail will also be returned to the sender. Figures 1a and 1b show both sides of one such example.



Figure 1a

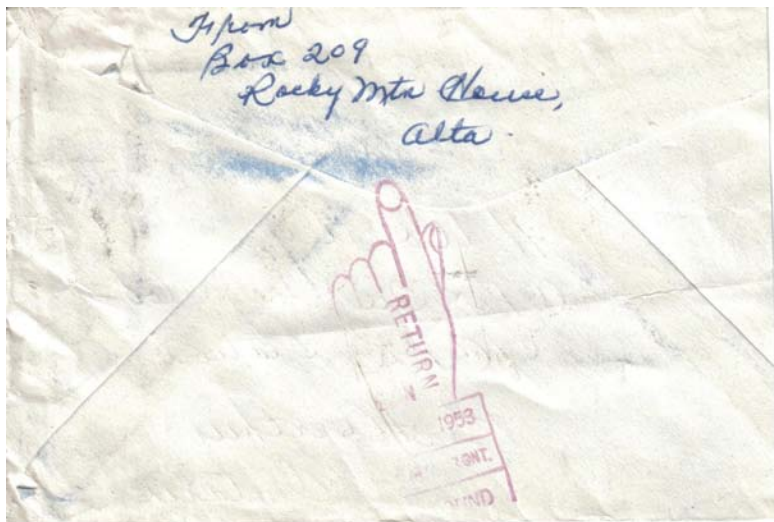


Figure 1b

What if the return address is missing? An example is shown in Figures 2a and 2b. This First Day Cover was sent to Shanghai, China on February 16, 1948. It was addressed to a P.O. box that was cancelled (indicated by the four black vertical Chinese characters below the stamp). Then it was unsuccessfully forwarded to the address shown in red ink on March 27.

Thereafter, it appeared that this FDC was sitting idle somewhere until it was finally sent back to Ottawa on June 23, where the letter was originally mailed. Because the return address was partially covered with only Winnipeg and the street number 551 shown (Figure 2c), the letter got sent to the Winnipeg Dead Letter Office (DLO) for further handling.

Since this FDC was never opened nor destroyed, I would imagine that Canada Post managed to locate and returned it to the sender. As you can see, returning undeliverable mail is a time consuming process as this FDC took 4.5 months before it was returned to the sender. So make sure you have the correct address before posting my mail.

Also, if you notice that the FDC was postmarked in Ottawa with a Winnipeg return address. My guess is that the sender mailed the pre-addressed FDC cachet to Ottawa to affix the new issue stamp and apply the first day cancel before mailing it to the addressee.

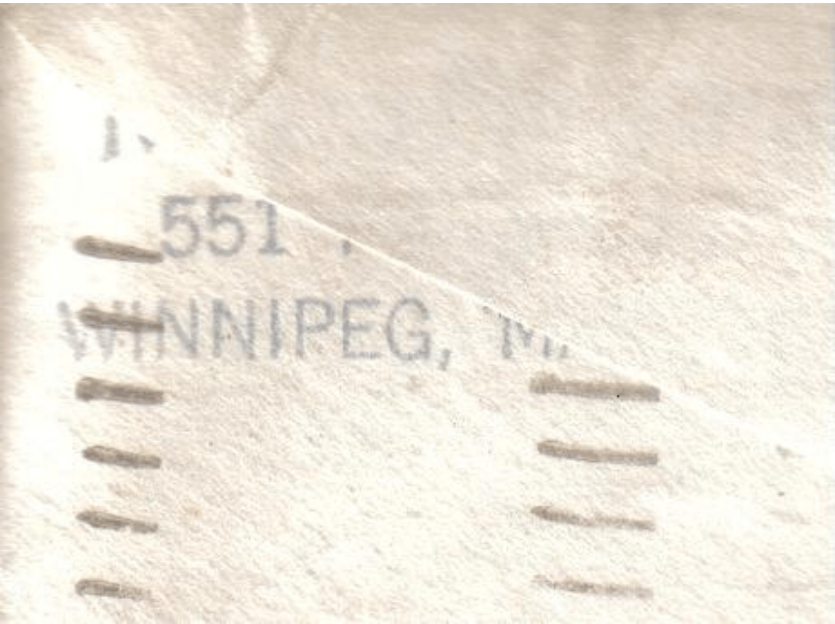
Figure 2a



Figure 2b



Figure 2c: Close-up of upper left corner of Figure 2b. Notice that when the sender sealed the flap, it obscured the street address.



The next example is shown on Figures 3a and 3b. This letter was mailed with an incomplete address. The name of the city was missing. Return address was also missing. Canada Post would first assume that the mail was to an address within the city. When that failed and with no return address, the letter was forwarded to the Undeliverable Mail Office (aka DLO), as indicated by the postmark on the back of the letter. I am not sure what the Sudbury COD postmark means. It could be just a random postmark used when the letter was sent back to the Sudbury PO before heading to the DLO in Toronto.



Above: Figure 3a

Below: Figure 3b



In any case, the DLO opened the letter and identified the missing city as Calgary. Then the content of the letter was put into an envelope (which happened to be a postage due envelope) and forwarded it to the recipient without any postage due charge. This envelope is shown on Figure 4. Please note that if Canada Post cannot deliver the mail due to invalid address or return it to the sender, the mail would be destroyed (so they say).

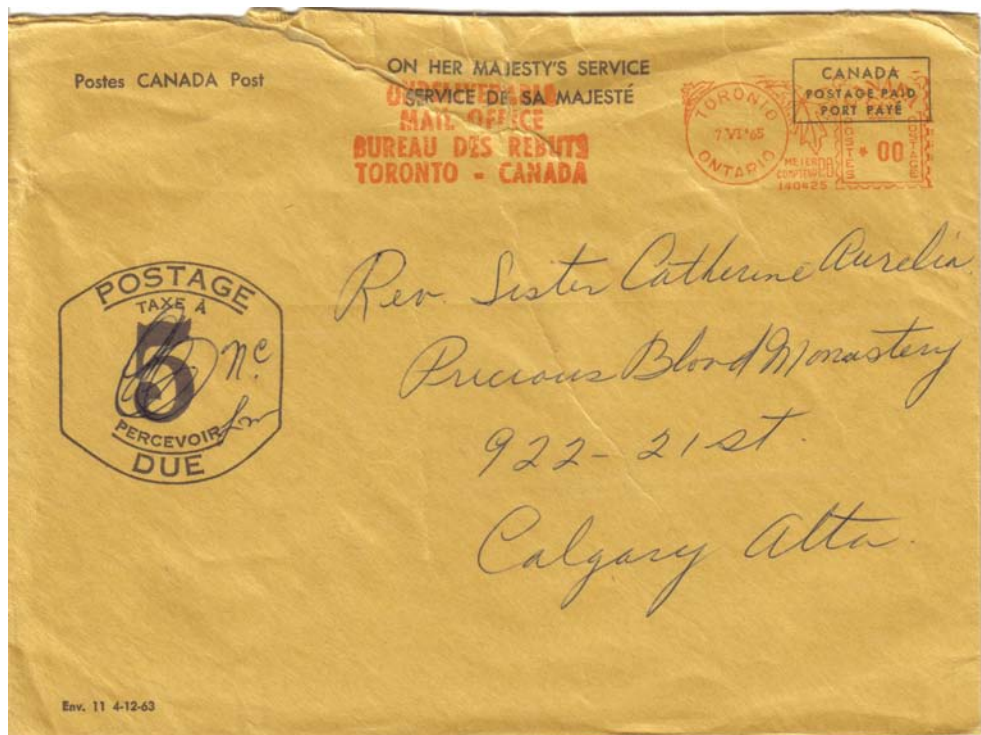


Figure 4

Figure 5, shown on the next page, is an interesting cover. This postcard was addressed to Hoyt, New Brunswick. It was somehow sent to Westfield, N.B. by mistake, as illustrated by the "MISSENT TO" postmark. Most likely because Hoyt was too small of a community to have its own post office, the mail got delivered to the closest Post Office, which is in Westfield (about 40 km away).



[To be continued]

REVISED HISTORY OF THE CPS NOW AVAILABLE

In 1992, Dale Speirs's book *HISTORY OF THE CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY* was published as a 64-page booklet, covering the first 70 years since Dr Edward George Mason founded it in 1922. Since then, Dale has been updating it. The second edition, cumulative to the end of 2016, has now been published as a free pdf. It has numerous colour illustrations, is keyword-searchable, and has increased to 159 pages. Dale will produce a third edition in 2022 when the CPS celebrates its centennial.

The book can be downloaded from www.calgaryphilatelicsociety.com. Look for the "Club History" link in the box marked "Welcome to the Calgary Philatelic Society". It is 10 megabytes in size, so the download may take a few minutes on your computer. There are no plans to produce a printed copy due to the economics, but if you are determined to have a hardcopy, you can print it yourself after downloading the pdf. Just make certain that you have plenty of paper in the printer and full ink cartridges!

THIRD WEDNESDAY AUCTIONS



Doug Kollar has been bringing in a number of estate lots for the auctions of material not previously seen within the club. If you haven't come out for the third Wednesday auctions lately, have a look.

This auction lot example was part of a set of Tanna Touva stamps.



The Third Wednesday auction on May 17 will feature a selection of half-price lots, as well as more estate lots. On June 21, instead of the regular auction, there will be a Members' Bourse. Paid-up CPS members can rent a table for \$5 and sell their own stock. Details from Doug Kollar.

STUDY GROUP NEWS

Study group memberships are free to CPS members.

JUNIOR CLUB meets monthly except July and August on second Saturdays. Information from Jim Senecal at 547-7681.

The Calgary chapter of the British North America Philatelic Society meets second Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Bartlet at 829-3580. BNAPSers held their regular monthly meeting on March 8. Dave Bartlet spoke on the Cello-Paq stamps issued by the Canadian Post Office in the 1960s. At the April 12 meeting, Earle Covert discussed one of the hottest new collecting areas of Canadian philately, that of illustrated bulk permits.

CAPE (Calgary Association Of Philatelic Exhibitors) meets fourth Wednesdays except June to August and December. For details, contact Jim Taylor at 238-3698. It is for exhibitors of all ranks from novice to international-class. If you are thinking of exhibiting, bring your exhibit along to a CAPE meeting for a critique.

For several years, Jim Taylor has been publishing a free email newsletter about national and international stamp shows, written from a Canadian perspective. He is an international representative for the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. Each year he travels to a half-dozen or more international and national shows. To download free pdf copies of Jim's newsletter, go to: www.philatelicspecialistsociety.com/internationalex.shtml.

BNAPEX 2017

The registration form, exhibit rules, and entry form for BNAPEX 2017 are now available at: www.bnaps.org/bnapex2017 Deadlines are much tighter than for regular CALTAPEX shows, so don't delay if you are thinking of attending events or exhibiting. Because BNAPEX is a national-level show, there will be more demand for frames.

The dealer bourse and exhibits will be free to the general public, but seminars and events are restricted to paid-up delegates. Hugh Delaney is arranging a tour to Head-Smashed-In, Fort Macleod, and Vulcan. There will be an auction Saturday night and an Awards Banquet on Sunday night after the show closes.

NWMP PHILATELIC EXHIBIT AT FORT CALGARY

by Cec Coutts

Fort Calgary is now displaying my police exhibit titled "Posted: Stamps And The N.W.M.P." This exhibit will acquaint the viewer with postage stamps and postmarks as they relate to the North West Mounted Police 1874 to 1904. Exhibit pages are displayed on a wall of the Fort museum with a map in the background where one can follow the "March West". The exhibit will probably run through the summer.

COWTOWNERS WIN BIG AT EDMONTON

Here are the palmares for CPS members who trekked north on the weekend of March 25 and 26 to the Edmonton National Spring Show. An impressive haul of medals!

Reserve Grand Award Donald Wilson (Australian Mail to the UK to 1891)

American Philatelic Society Medals of Excellence:

1900-1940 material	Jon Johnson (WWI Canadian Army Nursing Sisters Serving Overseas)
1940-1980 material	Jim Taylor (St. Pierre & Miquelon Definitives, Airmails and Dues Series of 1947)
post-1980 material	Earle Covert (Religious Groups Using Illustrated Permits)
Research Award	Donald Wilson (Australian Mail to the UK to 1891)

British North America Philatelic Society

Best BNA exhibit Earle Covert (Canadian Centennial Postal Stationery)

Elizabethan Study Group:

Corgi Award Earle Covert (Canadian Centennial Postal Stationery)

Postal History Society of Canada

Best BNA Postal History Exhibit
Jon Johnson (WWI Canadian Army Nursing Sisters Serving Overseas)

American Topical Association Awards

ATA First Award Jim Taylor (Continental Drift and Plate Tectonics)

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors

AAPE Gold Pin	Walter Herdzik (Northern Rhodesia to North America 1925-1964)
AAPE Creativity	Sandra Freeman (Lampooning the Three Axis Amigos)
Headings and Plan Award	Donna Trathen (Christina Broom, her work as a photographer)

WE Award Walter Herdzik (How do they know it's Airmail?)

Canadian Aerophilatelic Society Award

Sandra Freeman (Development of Bolivian Airmail 1905-1945)

Philatelic Specialists Society Award

Donald Wilson (Australian Mail to the UK to 1891)

Large Gold Donald Wilson (Australian Mail to the UK to 1891) (91 points)

Gold
Earle Covert (Canadian Centennial Postal Stationery) (88 points)
Donna Trathen (Christina Broom, her work as a photographer) (86 points)
Jim Taylor (St. Pierre & Miquelon ... of 1947) (86 points)
Sandra Freeman (Development of Bolivian Airmail 1905-1945) (85 points)
Jon Johnson (WWI Canadian Army Nursing Sisters ...) (85 points)

Large Vermeil Jim Taylor (Continental Drift and Plate Tectonics) (82 points)

Vermeil Earle Covert (Religious Groups Using Illustrated Permits) (76 points)

Large Silver
Walter Herdzik (Northern Rhodesia to North America 1925-1964) (73 points)
Sandra Freeman (Lampooning the Three Axis Amigos) (71 points)

Silver Walter Herdzik (How do they know it's Airmail?) (69 points)

Silver Bronze Earle Covert (1991 Flag Stamp on Postal Stationery) (63 points)

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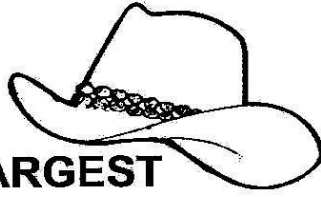
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Unless stated otherwise, telephone numbers are area code 403. Alberta is on Mountain Time. Any advertiser can be reached through the CPS e-mail at calphilso@shaw.ca, but please allow time for forwarding to offline members.

FOR SALE: Five Unity albums with Canada stamps complete to 2012, and pages to 2015. Contact Al at 282-1030 or dorandal@telus.net

WANTED: Canadian perfin covers and Canadian military covers and postcards. Contact Jon Johnson at 253-8411 or jcjpferfins@hotmail.com

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FOR SALE: Queen Elizabeth Machins, stamps and strips of four VFNH, about \$100 face value. **WANTED TO BUY:** Early German and British Colonies stamps to George VI. Call Godfrey at 464-3252.

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FOR SALE: Current Canadian stamps, very fine used. Contact Michael Teekens, 83 Headingley Road #1, Mount Waverley, Victoria 3149, Australia, or michateekens@gmail.com

WANTED: We volunteer at the MCC thrift store in Calgary. They raise money for worldwide disaster relief and are looking for donations of old albums and pages, covers, and bulk stamps. Contact Greg Lang at 282-1644 or Gerry Vader at 293-0158.

WANTED AND FOR SALE: Wanted: stamps of India. For sale: Stamps of Egypt, Ceylon, and Burma (advanced collection). Contact jay_chahal@shaw.ca

WANTED: Used GB Machin Queen stamps with any selvage attached. Cash or trade (many countries). Call Georg at 547-0409.

FOR SALE: various QE2 Canada plate block sets between Scott #727 and #1070, various QV to KGV Canada VFNH singles and pairs between Scott #51 and #300. Contact Les at 278-3511.

FOR SALE: Large accumulation used off-paper, mostly pre-1990s commemoratives. Canada, USA, GB, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand and kiloware. Phone Roland 243-1637 or decaenr@shaw.ca

CLUB NEWS

The April issue of this bulletin was mailed from the Canyon Meadows Rexall Drugs retail outlet at Elbow Drive SW and Anderson Road, using the Daisy commemoratives.

Publications by CPS members:

Dale Speirs had Part 2 of his postal history of the Mormon diaspora in southwestern Alberta in the 2017 February issue of POSTAL HISTORY JOURNAL (USA). He also had Part 2 of his history of the Turkey Track post offices (along Highway 3 east of Lethbridge) published in the PHSC JOURNAL, dated 2016 Summer but not printed until this March.

Jim Taylor's "Saint Pierre et Miquelon: An Enclave In Canadian Waters" appeared in the 2017 Mar/Apr issue of CANADIAN PHILATELIST.

Earle Covert published an article on tax collections on mail incoming to Canada from USA, in the 2017 First Quarter issue of BNA TOPICS.

Steve Davis published a book AIRMAIL POSTAL HISTORY: A COLLECTION OF ARTICLES, a copy of which is now in the CPS Library.

Cecil Coutts had two more books (copies deposited in CPS Library), which are: BLACKOUT POSTAL MARKINGS 1942-45: EAST AND WEST COAST REGIONS, and volume 3 (Québec and Maritimes) of INTERNATIONAL RAPID CANCELLING MACHINES. If you want to buy copies, visit www.bnaps.org

At the April 5 general meeting, Jon Johnson was awarded the President's Pot for his work on the BNAPEX committee, particularly the most critical position, that of hotel liaison. Dale Speirs then gave a brief talk on the history of the CPS, it being the 95th anniversary of the club. Everyone sang Happy Birthday to the CPS, and enjoyed two delicious cakes (see front cover).

At the May 3 general meeting, Jim Senecal was awarded the President's Pot for his work at the Spring Bourse. Don Wilson then spoke on varieties and errors of the Australian States.

COMMITTEES

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MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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2017

May	17	Auction
	24	CAPE meeting
June	7	General meeting
	14	BNAPS Regional Group
	21	Members' bourse - \$5 per table
	21	deadline for July bulletin
July	14	Kerby Centre - free Stampede breakfast in main gymnasium. Meet at 08h00.
August	9	deadline for August bulletin
September	1 to 3	BNAPLEX 2017
	6	Annual general meeting
	6	deadline for October bulletin
	9	Junior Club meeting
	13	BNAPS Regional Group
	20	Auction
	27	CAPE meeting

MEETINGS and AUCTIONS are at the Kerby Centre, Room 205 (Lecture Room), 1133 - 7 Avenue SW, at 19h30. Auction lots should be in before 19h30 to allow viewing. If you park in either of the two Kerby lots, don't forget to register your vehicle's licence plate at the computer terminals in the building.

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BNAPLEX 2017 will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Centre Street and 7 Avenue SE, on the Labour Day weekend. Details at: www.bnaps.org.