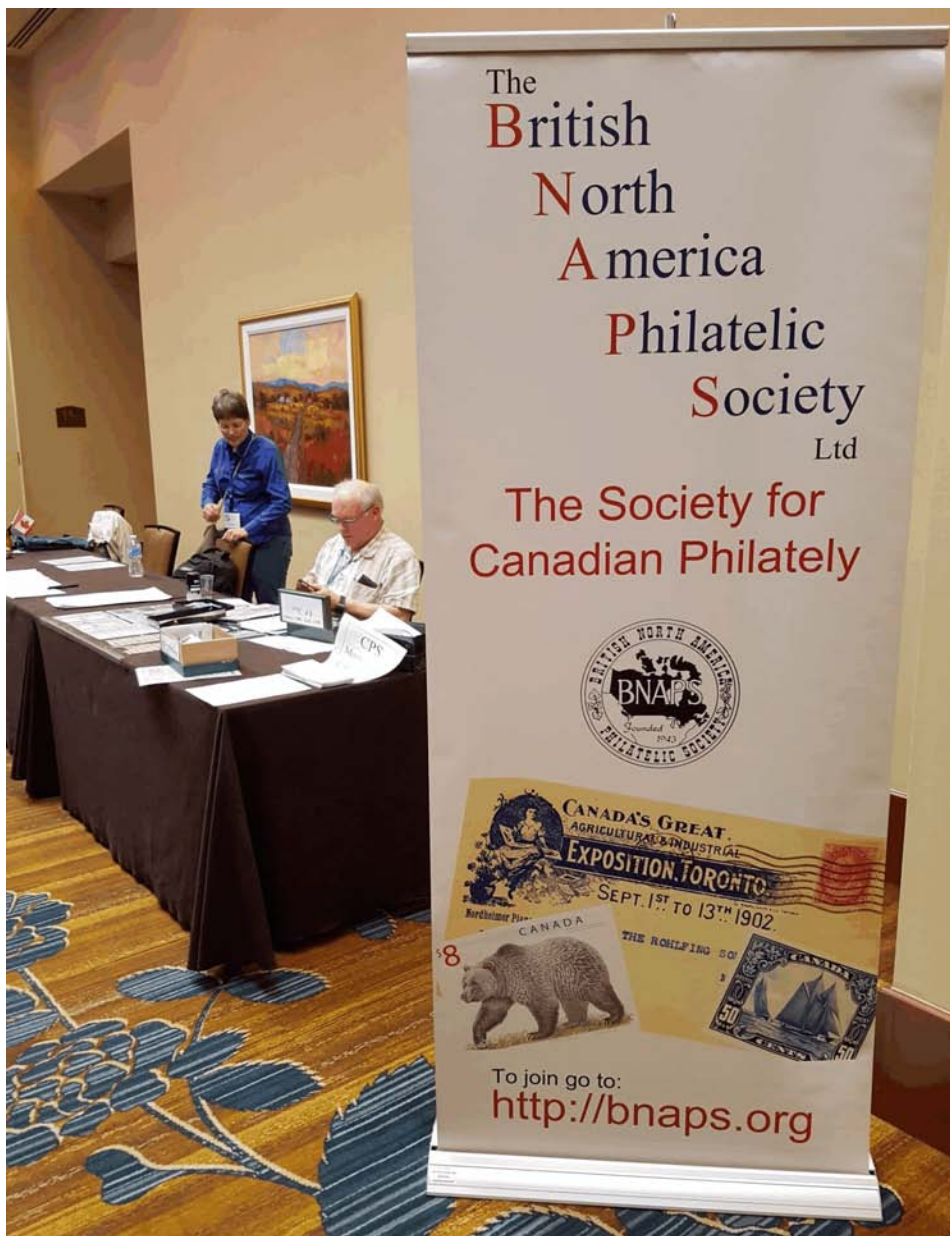


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The CPS was founded in April 1922 by Dr. Edward George Mason. It is Chapter 66 of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, Chapter 1360 of the American Philatelic Society, and Chapter 91 of the American Topical Association.

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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COMMITTEES - see page 15 for list of committee chairpersons.

BNAPEX 2017 CALTAPEX

The big show on the Labour Day weekend, September 1 to 3, has come and gone. Some scenes thereof herewith. Below is the set-up on Thursday evening.



The Opening Ceremony at 09h45 on Friday morning. Eldon Godfrey (left) in his capacity as President of BNAPS, and CPS President Murray Bialek as Show Co-Chairman.



An auction was held on Friday and did very well.



Jim Senecal at the podium as he calls the lots.

The dealer bourse had several firms who normally don't come out west.





David Bartlett entered a 3-D exhibit about vending machine stamps.

Jon Johnson arranged with Canada Post for this show cancel. Dave Bartlet and Peter Fleck produced the show covers, which were illustrated in the last issue of this bulletin.



2022 IS COMING!

The CPS Executive is thinking about how to celebrate the club's centennial in 2022. It will be a national show rather than a local CALTAPEX, and held in a venue such as the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Although it seems a long way off, tempus fugit and all that.

CPS President Murray Bialek is asking members to submit ideas for the celebration. We are looking for the unusual, something to make a big splash.

Also needed are younger volunteers for the centennial show. By 2022, many of the present-day volunteers will have retired due to age and long service. The next few CALTAPEXes will be a good training ground for new people, so please don't be shy about volunteering now for committee positions.

CPS YAHOO DISCUSSION GROUP

If you are a paid-up member of the CPS, one of the benefits of joining is a private discussion group on Yahoo restricted to within the club. The group is used for breaking news that would miss the bulletin, and for any general philatelic discussion that you may have. It is not a heavy-traffic site, so your email inbox won't be swamped. The day's postings by group members are compiled into a daily digest and automatically transmitted to members by Yahoo the following morning.

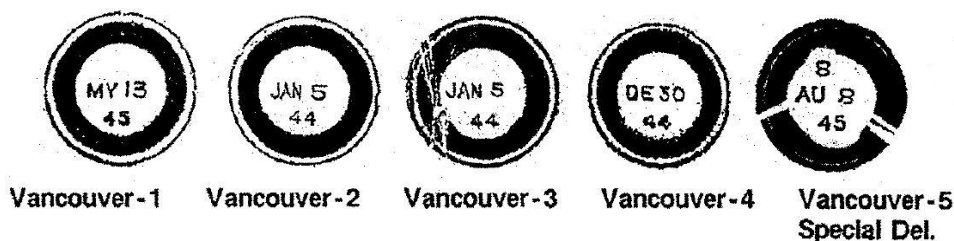
To join, see Dale Speirs in person at the meetings and give him a slip of paper with your name and email address. Yahoo may require that you register but this is free and is not intrusive. No online or telephone registrations can be accepted, in order to reduce problems with spammers.

SPECIAL DELIVERY BLACKOUT CANCELLATIONS

by Raymond Villeneuve

Blank or blackout cancelling devices were used during the Second World War in Canada as a security measure. Town names were removed from cancels and even registration boxes. These have been well documented by BNAPS study groups [1].

I would like to point out one of these special cancellations used in Vancouver, adapted specifically for special delivery letters. Proof strike images are shown below, taken from Leith [2].



Of the five different devices used in Vancouver, one was modified for use with special delivery letters originating in Vancouver and also on such letters on arrival in this West coast city. It looks as though it was modified locally. It is recognized by its distinctive filed out lines across the face of the hammer.

It was used over a specific time. The observed dates of use extend from September 28, 1943, to August 17, 1945. It always carries a 24-hour clock indicia.

Sometimes the indicia and date are found reversed in respect to the body of the hammer. Another way to explain this would be that the cut lines, seen as clock hands, indicate normally a time of 7:20 or if reversed, a time of 1:50.

Covers bearing these strikes are scarce. The two shown on the next page are from my collection.

References.

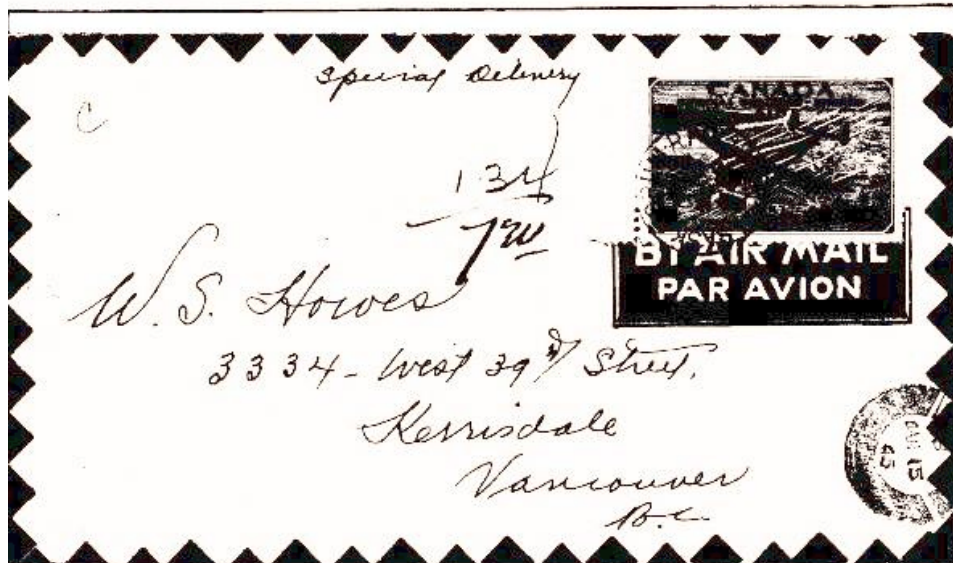
- 1] Dilworth, H.M. (1969 May) Canadian "Blackout" Postmarks of West Coast Ports. BNA TOPICS 26:127-133
- 2] Leith, Ron (1995 July-August) Canada World War II Blackout Cancellations. CANADIAN PHILATELIST 46:262-271

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If you haven't paid up already for the 2017-18 season, please send your \$15 cheque to the CPS, Box 1478, Calgary, T2P 2L6, or see the Membership Chairman Julius Szekrenyes at the general meetings. You can also go to the club Website and use Paypal for your membership renewals. Visit www.calgaryphilatelicsociety.com

CIRCUIT BOOKS

The CPS has operated a Circuit Books department for decades as a service for its members who want to buy or sell trade inexpensive stamps. These are the kind of stamps that dealers can't afford to handle because the catalogue value is too low. The labour cost in selling a 20-cent stamp is far greater than the stamp's value.

To get around this problem, CPS members can buy blank circuit books, hinge their inexpensive stamps into them, and catalogue and price them. The books go out for a year to other club members, who can inspect them at meetings or auctions, or check out books and take them home for more leisurely examination. Each individual book has stamps of one country or group of related countries or colonies.

The circuit books are a good source of used and oddball stamps. The current committee head is Larry Tweedale. He brings the books to the general meetings and third Wednesday auctions for members to peruse. Talk to him about how the procedure works, and to buy blank books. You can find him and the books at the back of the room. The photo below shows Larry at right, with a couple of customers browsing.



CONNECTIONS TO OUR PAST: PART 5

by Dale Speirs

[Previous installments appeared in CALGARY PHILATELIST #126, 130, and 132 to 134.]

This continues a series about the earliest CPS members who helped make this society what it is today. Not only are they long gone, but so are those who knew them.

Alan Sorby joined the CPS in 1924, two years after it was organized, and was member #27. He was quite active in the club over many years. He was Show Chairman in 1934 for what was Calgary's second public stamp show (the first was in 1927). During the war years, the CPS almost became extinct, but was held together by him long enough to survive into a brighter future in the 1950s.

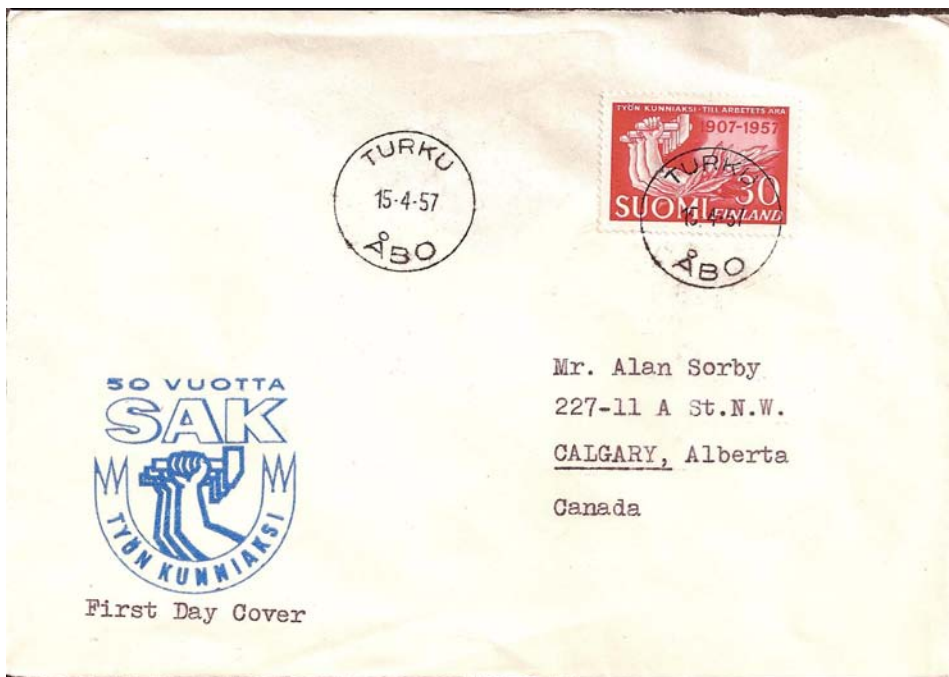
Positions held by Sorby were:

Director for the terms of 1929 to 1930, 1934 to 1936, 1941 to 1946, 1948 to 1949

Vice-President from 1930 to 1932, 1946 to 1947

President from 1932 to 1933, 1939 to 1941, 1947 to 1948

In 1955, he became the sixth Honourary Life Member.



SELECT STAMPS AND COVERS

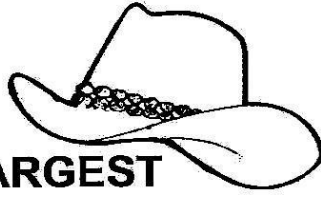
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Unless stated otherwise, telephone numbers are area code 403. Alberta is on Mountain Time. Any advertiser can be reached through the CPS e-mail at calphilso@shaw.ca, but please allow time for forwarding to offline members.

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 jcjperfins@hotmail.com

BUY, SELL, OR TRADE: Great Britain and colonies, Canada and provinces, many other countries. Let me know interest. Robin Mitchell at (250)346-3275, mitchellcb39@gmail.com, or Box 56, Brisco, British Columbia V0A 1B0.

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.

WANTED: Pilot-signed First Flight covers and also any signed material by Canadian notables. Contact Glenn at pgdaze@gmail.com

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 August issue of this bulletin was mailed from the Falconridge retail postal outlet at Shoppers Drug Mart, using the Birds of Canada stamps.

At the September 6 meeting, the President's Pot was presented to all the volunteers who helped out at BNAPEX 2017.

Publications by CPS members:

Jim Taylor had a letter to the editor in the 2017 September issue of AMERICAN PHILATELIST, concerning the royal princesses of 1939.

Raymond Villeneuve had an article in PHSC JOURNAL #167 (Postal History Society of Canada) on the postal history of Cumberland Township, Ontario, just east of Ottawa.

Stampede City Stamps (see ad on page 13) is run by Dwayne Miner. For those visiting his store at 14 Street SW and 17 Avenue, be advised that the free parking lot at the rear of the premises is no longer free because the land is now under new ownership. It is enforced by a private security firm. If you drive, you will have to find free parking somewhere on the streets. Alternatively, bus routes 2, 6, and 7 pass the building.

Pat Prevey has started a second Juniors Club at Woodcreek Community, this one for the south half of the city. She can be contacted at 238-3435. Jim Senecal (547-7681) will continue to operate the North Junior Club at Edgemont Community. Both clubs will meet on third Saturdays 10h00 to noon.

COMMITTEES

Archives	Dale Speirs	701-0174
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- silent	Jim Senecal	547-7681
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Juniors	Jim Senecal (north side of city)	547-7681
	Pat Prevey (south side of city)	238-3435
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Membership	Julius Szekrenyes	282-7982
Programmes	Penny Borrowman	686-2662
Webmaster	Dave Bartlet	829-3580

MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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Vehicles in both Kerby lots must have licence plate numbers registered inside the building at the computer terminals. This is a 24/7 policy and the CPS is not exempt. Otherwise your vehicle will be clamped or towed.

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September	16	Junior Club meeting
	20	Auction
	27	CAPE meeting
October	4	General meeting
	11	BNAPS Regional Group
	18	Auction
	21	Junior Club meeting
	25	CAPE meeting
November	1	General meeting
	1	deadline for December bulletin
	8	BNAPS Regional Group
	15	Auction
	18	Junior Club meeting
	22	CAPE meeting
December	6	Christmas social
	13	BNAPS Regional Group

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.

BNAPS (Calgary Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society) meets second Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Bartlet at 829-3580.

JUNIOR CLUB meets monthly September to November and January to May on third Saturdays. Information from Jim Senecal at 547-7681 (north side of city) or Pat Prevey at 238-3435 (south side of city).

CAPE (Calgary Association Of Philatelic Exhibitors) meets fourth Wednesdays except June to August and December. For details, contact Jim Taylor at 238-3698.