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After two years of the pandemic, the Calgary Stampede is back in business. With 110 years of existence, collecting Stampede postal history will fill a good-sized album. The cover shown here is an unusual use to Norway.

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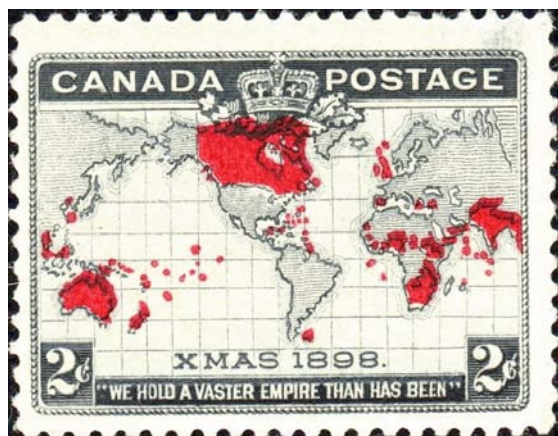
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PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION OF IMPERIAL PENNY POSTAGE RED INK: PART 3

by Gordon Demke



John Milks.

John Milks, writing in BNA TOPICS in 2003, reported on the results of a number of tests including the use of X-ray fluorescence spectra to judge the colour origins of the 1898 Map Stamp.

The focus here was on the findings for the red printing ink. Mint stamps were examined by the author, free of any atoms from a

cancelling ink. Small amounts of bromine were seen as a 'fingerprint' for the presence of eosin in British Empire regions of the stamp.

Further details were obtained by examining the stamps with ultraviolet light. No fluorescence was detected when the light was shone on the stamps' surface; however, the red colour that migrated into the underlying paper to the reverse side of the stamp was fluorescent.

The colourant was eosin: it changed reversibly from red to yellow and back to red after the addition of 3% hydrochloric acid followed by dilute sodium hydroxide solution to the surface of the ink. Eosin is a bright red synthetic fluorescent dye that is a bromine derivative of fluorescein, or one of its salts or other derivatives.

"To account for the migration of the eosin, water must have been present in the paper at the time of application. It may have been there from an earlier recess printing when the British possessions were printed typographically. It is reasonable to expect that the paper was also wet when the oceans were printed typographically."

Hence, Milks' work supports the thesis that aniline ink may have been used to print the red portions of the Map Stamp.

Milks (in The 1898 Christmas Stamp Newsletter) observed that water-wet paper was only needed to print the black design, i.e., recess printing. The carmine ink used to depict the British Empire could have been applied to dry paper since printing was by typography i.e., letterpress. *"Migration of a water-soluble, U.V. fluorescent component through the paper shows that the paper was still wet when the red ink was applied and was not dried after printing the border."*

Richard Judge.

Of interest is Richard Judge's study of the chemistry of aniline inks in the 2-cent Admiral issues of Canada available on the Institute of Analytical Philately Website. The author noted that the large number of shades, production over a long time period, and the "*well known but not catalogued 'aniline ink' variety*" suggested changes in ink chemistry, which he then evaluated using various spectroscopic techniques.

The tools used considered shade determination (reflectance), elemental determination (X-ray fluorescence), molecular compound determination (attenuated total internal reflection Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy), and possible changes in dyes (Hg-253.7 nm fluorescence).

From his analysis Judge was able to conclude that some plate 17 stamps are known to be the aniline ink variety, and that nearby plates also show bleed-through but to varying degrees. Bleed-through is most noticeable in plates 17a and 20. Plates 80 to 94 are the major contributors to the aniline ink population.

For these plates low levels or absence of chromium were observed with substantial bleed-through and fluorescence of longer wavelengths. Summary conclusions regarding aniline ink were as follows: a) some bleed-through occurs throughout the full printing history, b) the term aniline ink is reserved for excess bleed-through that is seen in only a handful of plates, and c) for those plates produced during WWI, a weak correlation between low chromium levels and excess bleed through suggests that chromium was used to fix the dye.

This study, while not addressing the Map Stamp, illustrates the type of scientific tools available from which a study of the Map Stamp could benefit. It also provides support for the use of aniline ink even though not recognized by Canada stamp catalogues.

Other.

Reference was found during the literature search that the 1899 US Post Office Department stamp printing contract with American Bank Note Company explicitly prohibited the use of aniline inks. Might there have been a similar prohibition in Canada?

I examined other carmine coloured stamps around the same time as the Map Stamp (Scott 77, 78, 87, 88); no ink penetration was observed. The Map Stamp is therefore unique in that regard.

I also examined about 1,000 copies of the Map Stamp in my possession. The carmine on the face of the stamp is typically very bright/intense as compared to other stamps in that era described as being carmine. Postally used copies off-paper typically show a pink flush on the reverse side corresponding to the British possessions depicted in carmine on the face of the stamp. The vast majority exhibit the pink flush to varying degrees.

The scan below depicts the reverse of an imperf pair showing the pink flush. Compare with the front side of the stamp on page 3.



[to be continued]

CIRCUIT BOOKS REPORT

by Larry Tweedale

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Circuit book sales increased by 45% in 2021-22 over the previous year. Thank you everyone for your support! I am presently in the process of returning retired books to the owners along with their cheques. The biggest need now is to receive new books. There is a need for recent used Canada, Newfoundland, USA, recent Great Britain, and recent used Germany (2012 and newer). If you are planning on preparing new books, please consider having them ready for the Labour Day weekend. Blank books are still only \$1 each. All countries and topics are welcome. Happy stamp collecting and enjoy the summer.

CAPE

The Calgary Association of Philatelic Exhibitors held its monthly meeting on June 29. Dave Russum moderated and there were 10 participants. The discussion was focussed on the forthcoming big show this Labour Day weekend.

CALGARY STAMPEDE CARTOON BOOK

by Dale Speirs

In addition to collecting Stampede covers, I pick up old books or magazines about the rodeo from time to time but only if inexpensive. Years ago, I bought a large undated book of cartoons about the Stampede produced by Stewart Cameron (1912-1970). Cameron was born and raised in Calgary, operated pack horses in the adjacent Rockies, and for many years was the editorial cartoonist for the CALGARY HERALD.

The book, in paper covers, was one of four. I don't have the other three, which were advertised on the back. They were 24 cm by 32 cm in size. Each black-and-white cartoon had a blank reverse, and the intent obviously was that they could be removed, coloured by hand if preferred, and framed. Below is the front cover of my book.



The reason the book ended up in my Stampede postal history collection instead of my library was that it was enclosed in a full-colour envelope as shown at the top of the next page, size 25 cm by 33 cm. The book was designed to be mailed as proven by the close-up of the upper right corner of the envelope. My scanner wasn't big enough to handle this item so I had to take smartphone photographs.

It would be too much to hope for to find such an envelope used with stamps.

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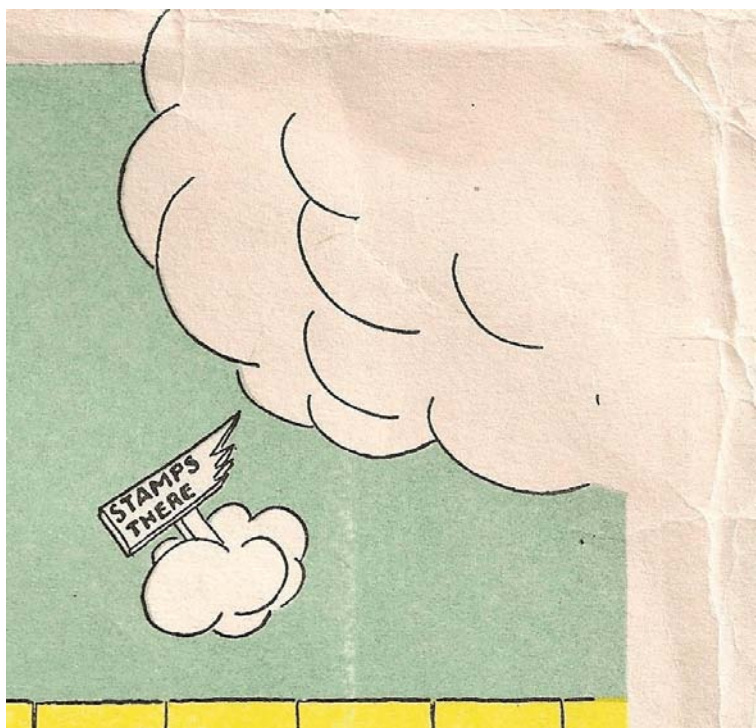
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CPS 2022 BNAPEX SHOW STATUS AS OF JUNE 30

by Dave Freeman

Exhibits:

Exhibit space for the National side is filled and any new exhibits will be wait-listed for the show. There is still room for BNA exhibits but if the exhibitor wants to have the exhibit judged by both the National and BNA judges, the judging of the BNA exhibits by the National exhibits will be wait-listed.

As of the end of June there were over 115 frames listed for judging on the National side and over 60 frames listed for the BNA side. Some of the BNA frames are being judged by both sets of judges. We are expecting more BNA exhibits to be added this month.

Registrations.

If you are registering for any of the dinners, tours, or show entrance fees there are still spaces available as the registration deadline for capturing the bonus bourse credits for a full registration will be extended until July 8. After July 8, you can still register for those events, but the bonus bourse credit will not be available (the bonus bourse credit requires a full registration of the two dinners).

Hotel.

The same applies for booking hotel rooms at the Hyatt Regency. The deadline has been extended as will the bonus bourse credit but just to July 8 on the bonus bourse credit. The preferred hotel rate will be held until July 29.

Show Opening.

The official opening of the show is scheduled for 09h45 on Friday, September 2. The opening to the public will be 10h00. The show will close at 18h00 on Friday, 17h00 on Saturday and 15h00 on Sunday. Entrance fees are \$5 per day or \$10 for the three days. If CPS members volunteer for a shift they will not be required to pay an entrance fee for that day.

Show Auction.

The auction will take place on Saturday after the show closes. Viewing of the lots will start after 17h00 with the auction after a suitable time for viewing. All bidders will be required to register for a bidder number to bid at the auction.

Dealer Bourse.

So far, we have 14 dealers coming to the show and we are working on more. There will be 5 dealers from Eastern Canada who do not normally come out west often.

CPS 2022 BNAPEX VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

by Larry Tweedale

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There is a need for more volunteers in a variety of positions for our 100th Anniversary show. Please contact me as soon as possible. Current openings still available are:

Thursday, September 1, 18h00 to 21h00

Set up frames: 2+ people needed.

Escort Exhibitors: 2 people needed.

Directing dealers from cargo bay to show room: 2 people wanted.

Friday, September 2

Registration Desk: 14h30 to 18h00

Souvenir Table: 08h30 to 11h30, 11h30 to 14h30, 14h30 to 18h00

Junior's Table: 12h00 to 15h00, 15h00 to 18h00

Meeting Room Assistant/Monitor: 09h15 to 17h15 (times to be determined)

Saturday, September 3

Souvenir Table: 14h30 to 17h00

Junior's Table: 12h00 to 14h00, 14h00 to 17h00

Meeting Room Assistant/Monitor: 09h15 to 17h15 (times to be determined).

Sunday, September 4

Registration Desk and Souvenir Table combined: 09h30 to 12h00, 12h00 to 15h00

Junior's Table: 10h00 to 12h30

Take down frames: 3+ people needed, 15h00 to approximately 17h00

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2022

There will be a live AGM at the Kerby Centre. Our club is run entirely by volunteers ,ten of whom compose our Board of Directors. The Board meets about four to five times per year. One director is stepping down so here is your opportunity to volunteer. If you are interested in becoming a director please contact Murray Bialek at 403-241-2006 or mbialek@shaw.ca as soon as possible so that he can add your name to the ballot.

EDMONTON SUMMER SOCIAL AND AUCTION

The Edmonton Stamp Club will have a summer meeting and auction on Monday, August 8, at the Central Lions Recreational Centre, 11113 - 113 Street. Doors open at 16h00 for auction viewing. Free sandwiches/snacks/beverage by 17h00. Auction begins at 18h00. Admission is \$2. Catalogue available in June. The auction will have 300 lots of worldwide singles, sets, albums, and boxes.

CALGARY BNAPS

The Calgary Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society held its monthly meeting on June 22 via Zoom. Dave Bartlet was the host and there were 15 participants.

The initial discussion was reports and slide shows from several members who attended the CAPEX 2022 international show in Toronto from June 9 to 12. Dave Bartlet displayed the multitude of show covers, Picture Postage stamps, and Canada Post overprinted souvenir sheets available at CAPEX. He has many of them still available, so if you are interested contact him at dave.bartlet@shaw.ca or telephone 403-829-3580.

The theme of this meeting was stamp show or exhibition covers. Dave Piercey showed covers from past BNAPEX shows in Alberta. Dave Bartlet followed on with BNAPEX covers from eastern Canada and the USA. Ray Villeneuve showed a CAPEX 87 passport with stamps and covers.

Dale Speirs displayed show covers from the now-defunct Red Deer Stamp Club (1964 to 1999). Mark Oakley presented a Canadian Bank Note Company souvenir page from CAPEX 78 with original engravings of the first Special Delivery stamp.

On an unrelated topic, Arnie Janson showed two covers, each with a bisect from the same stamp a century ago, sent to different addresses, and finally recently reunited in his collection.

COWTOWNERS OUT OF TOWN

Several CPS members won awards at CAPEX 2022 as follow.

Exhibits:

Dave Bartlet: "The Baby Sisters" won Large Vermeil. "British Columbia Hospitals Aid Stamps 1933" won Large Vermeil. "Booklet Varieties Of The Admiral Issue" won Vermeil.

Jim Taylor: "France 1934 Anti-Tuberculosis Campaign" won Large Vermeil and Best In Class. "Royal Visit Of George VI and Queen Elizabeth To France" won Vermeil. "The Gull Fast Train" won Silver.

Literature:

Jon Johnson won Large Vermeil for "Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials"
Earle Covert won Large Silver for "Canada Illustrated Permits"

Jim Taylor won Large Silver for "Foreign Destinations Of Pre-UPU Mail From St. Pierre et Miquelon" and another Large Silver for "The 1925-27 Voyage Of The German Survey Ship Meteor"

MEMBERS' BOURSE RESUMED

Before the pandemic, the third Wednesday in June was a members' bourse rather than a called auction. After a two-year absence, the bourse returned on June 15 under the direction of Jim Senecal. Tables were \$5 each, a bargain for any bourse.



Unsold auction lots were offered at substantial discounts by Doug Kollar.

Other members had the opportunity to sell their items by the binder or the box instead of lotting them individually for the auctions.



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FOR SALE: Set of CHINA PHILATELY magazines from 1983 to 1998. In English, complete run of 96 issues. Price negotiable. Contact Penny Borrowman at (403) 667-1543 or email pkborrowman@yahoo.ca

WANTED: "A Beginner's Stamp Album" with letters in a black frame on a blue background. Produced by Hilroy 1960s. Call Milton at 403-797-6644.

FOR SALE: The Commonwealth Collection 14th March 1983 limited edition issued by the Commonwealth Secretariat. Certificate of authenticity and a letter from Queen Elizabeth. Hard cover book in a sleeve, mint condition. Souvenir Collection of postage Stamps of Canada from year 1979 to 1991. Books are in mint condition, most unopened. Prices vary depending on the year. Call Willi at 519-381-9203

WANTED: Calgary Stampede covers, letterhead and collections. Please contact Dave Freeman at 403-281-0500 or email at dfreeman@latitude.ca

WANTED: Italian or French colonies pre-independence, Western Europe pre-1940, British colonies pre-QE2, Australian States. Call Jim Senecal at 547-7681.

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

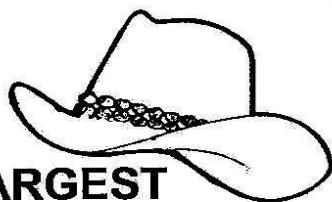
WANTED: Pilot-signed First Flight covers and also any signed material by Canadian notables. Contact Glenn at pgdaze@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Current Canadian stamps, very fine used. Contact Michael Teekens, 912 Olympia Crescent SE, Calgary, T2C 1G7, or michateekens@gmail.com

ZOOM MEETINGS

Zoom software is free and can be viewed on laptops, smartphones, or tablets, regardless of operating system. It is best to view the meeting on Wifi. If you use your data allowance, a typical meeting consumes about 200 megabytes per half-hour. For technical assistance, please contact Dave Bartlet at dave.bartlet@shaw.ca

If you have not been taking part in Zoom meetings, email Dave so that he can put you on the mailing list. A day or two before the meeting, you will receive an email containing a link to the meeting. About five minutes before the meeting, click on the link and Zoom will automatically connect you.



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CLUB NEWS

The June bulletin was mailed June 6 at the Exchange Gift RePO in Calgary Place (5 Avenue SW and 2 Street, second floor on the Plus 15 link). The Calla flowers stamps were used.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Our club is looking for a member to volunteer as our Program Co-ordinator. Responsibility involves lining up eight monthly speakers. If you can help with this task, please contact Murray Bialek (403-241-2006 or mbialek@shaw.ca).

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2022-2023

The time for members to pay their annual dues has once again arrived! Your dues for the 2022-2023 year are now due. If you have not already paid your dues at one of our live meetings, you may pay your dues of \$25 as follows.

Preferably via e-transfer directly from your bank account to the CPS Membership Director, Murray Bialek, at mbialek@shaw.ca

or via cheque made out to “Calgary Philatelic Society” and mailed to:

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MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

2022

July	20	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
August	3	Deadline for August bulletin, no later than 18h00
	15	Deadline for CPS 2022 BNAPEX show catalogue
September	1	Show set-up at Hyatt Regency Hotel in the evening
	2 to 4	CPS 2022 BNAPEX national stamp show Hyatt Regency Hotel, 7 Avenue SE and Centre Street
	7	AGM and elections - Kerby Centre
	7	Deadline for September bulletin
	14	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	21	Auction - Kerby Centre
	28	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
October	5	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	5	Deadline for October bulletin
	12	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	19	Auction - Kerby Centre
	26	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
November	2	General meeting - Kerby Centre
	2	Deadline for November bulletin
	9	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom
	16	Auction - Kerby Centre
	23	CAPE meeting - via Zoom
December	7	Christmas social - Kerby Centre
	7	Deadline for December bulletin
	14	BNAPS Regional Group meeting - via Zoom

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Meetings and **Auctions** are at the Kerby Centre, 1133 - 7 Avenue SW, Room 205 (Lecture Room), at 19h30. Auction lots should be in before 19h30 to allow viewing.

BNAPS (Calgary Regional Group of the British North America Philatelic Society) meets via Zoom on second Wednesdays. Contact Dave Bartlet at dave.bartlet@shaw.ca.

CAPE (Calgary Association Of Philatelic Exhibitors) meets via Zoom on fourth Wednesdays. For details, contact Dave Russum at russumd@telusplanet.net