

The Circuit

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Can You Identify These Stamps?

by Ken Costilow

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From the Desk of the President

Elsewhere in this issue of "The Circuit" you will find an announcement of a membership contest. An increase in membership is essential to the survival of ISWSC. PR can only do so much and then membership participation takes over. The best advertising is still by word of mouth from satisfied participating members. Let's talk it up at the local club and while you're at it, why not contact other members in your area and make up a local chapter. Four members should be sufficient to start a chapter and #1 is still available.

Our treasury is hurting from the cost of the newsletter and dues being our only source of income. One measure we are going to take to help alleviate this situation is to skip the summer issue of "The Circuit." This will be the edition that you receive approximately 1 Aug. Savings on one issue amount to approximately \$150.00. Another measure is the donation auction that was announced in the last issue. You will get the details as soon as we get a volunteer auctioneer and finalize the rules. Another Fund raiser for the treasury is participation in the

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From the President (Continued)

club stamp sales circuit. Roger Bergeson, the manager, has told me there are a few more participants and new material is arriving. Remember, all profits from the sales circuit will go into the club treasury.

I have received a number of letters from members complaining of a lack of response from other members when they are sent inquiries regarding trades. Everyone has stated their preferences on their membership applications, whether they want to trade or not, and if mint, used, or both. It would seem to be a common courtesy to at least respond with a no if you already have all you can handle as I do. It should also be a common courtesy on the part of the person making the inquiry to enclose an SASE or at least a stamp. Some time delay should be expected on both ends. I have a couple of trading partners that I only hear from once or twice a year. It's a busy world, maybe we all need to slow down a little and enjoy life more.

It has been suggested by several members that the "Circuit" be used as a referral forum for your good sources of worldwide stamps or whatever areas you collect. This will also help out our dealer members and their advertising reve-

nue is very important to all of us. If you have been satisfied with a dealer's service, prices, etc., let us all know. In the same vein, if you have been unsatisfied, give others the benefit of your experience. Just drop a note to our editor, Arlene Futrell at RD #1 Box 65, Stokes, N.C. 27884. So long for now.

Ken Jenkins #15
President

Advertising Policy: All ads dealing with philatelic concerns are acceptable. We reserve the right to edit out objectionable language. Advertisers are expected to respond to all inquiries, so be sure you can handle the responses before you offer to trade, buy or sell. If you have a bad result from answering an ad, contact the editor. We will try to resolve the conflict.

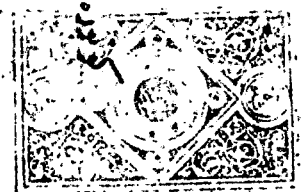
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Make all checks payable to ISWSC.

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If you can identify any of these stamps, will you please send the information to the editor. Thanks!

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

I just received the Jan.-Feb. issue a few days ago and was much encouraged by it. Let's keep that input to the editor flowing! Send her a blurb about your collection, special interests, tips, etc. Then maybe others will also send and you will get to read theirs---and we'll all benefit.

Current bank balance is \$428.40 and as soon as we are billed for publishing the last "Circuit" that amount will be reduced by about \$95. So, our treasury continues to drop. Send in those dues, please!

The club announces with regret the passing of Antone Mello #269. The club's sympathy and prayers are extended to his widow, Gilda. His many trading friends will miss him very much.

In addition to all those listed in the last issue, dues are now expiring (thru June for some) for: 21, 37, 39, 48, 63, 79, 83, 85-88, 157, 160-161, 164, 218, 220-223, 225-229, 231-237, 239, 285, 287-292. Whew! Please send your \$5.00 to Herb #31 and your 250 stamps to Ken #142. (Note: new Vice President Ken Costilow has replaced Ken Jenkins as head of our Youth Stamp Program.)

With the dues change in April, 1987, dues for each member expiring in different months, and many members paying dues other than the correct amount, thus requiring pro-ration, and most of all, mistakes by yours truly, I have had to start a new recording system which has not been completed yet. Thus I have made a few mistakes. #'s 21, 48, and 138 were incorrectly dropped in the last issue. They are, of course, now restored. Dues, however, have just now expired for 21 and 48. So.....my apologies.

Betty and I will be traveling in Spain 23 March-5 April but keep those cards and letters AND CHECKS coming anyway. Until next issue, HAPPY COLLECTING.

Herb #31
Sec'y-Treas.

Announcing A Membership Contest

Many ISWSC members are also APS members and are familiar with the APS recruitment incentives. I would like to announce a similar membership contest for ISWSC also at this time. Commencing immediately, any members signing up five new or re-instated members in a year will receive free dues for a year for themselves. The contest time limits will be for the calendar year and the person getting the calendar year and the person getting the most new members over five by 1 Jan. 1989 will get an additional year's free dues. There will be an application blank in each newsletter. Feel free to reproduce it as necessary. When the club brochures become available you can get copies of them to take to your local stamp club meeting and/or shows. The brochure will also have an application blank incorporated. Be sure and get your name and membership number on the application as the sponsor to get credit for recruitment. Let's get with it folks and watch ISWSC GROW.



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Roster Additions: Please Post!!

- #298 Peter F. Warncke 21 Jan 88 No Used
2015 Indiana St.
Vallejo, Calif. 94590
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4095 Cote-des Neiges #8
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Modesto, Calif. 95356

**Vice President's Report**

First of all, a few words of introduction. I have been a member of the ISWSC for three years and enjoyed receiving *The Circuit*, participating in the OMNI circuit, and making a lot of new stamp exchange contacts during that time. I have been a World-wide collector all my life, and a member of the APS since 1975. Dave Nelson confirmed that I do not pretend to be a "politician" - by noting that I did not vote for myself in the election. Although I was a volunteer for my position, it remains that an "elected" official should have a "platform." So, I submit to the membership that my platform is "to do all I can to insure the continued success of our Society." With that bit of "motherhood and apple pie" out of the way, on to the business at hand!

It appears that my primary duty will be to receive and distribute the stamp donations that are a part of the dues. Ken Jenkins will continue to maintain the distribution to appropriate recipients until all his current holdings are exhausted so as to avoid unnecessary postage costs. Already, I have received a goodly number of donations, so I am happy to report that renewals and new members seem to be coming in at a reasonably steady pace.

Ken Jenkins has arranged a meeting room for the ISWSC at NEVPEX '88 and Spring Meeting of the American Philatelic Society in Reno, Nevada. The meeting is set for 11:00 AM on Saturday, 9 April. Location is the Pioneer Auditorium. All members attending the show or who will be in the area should plan to join Ken, to get acquainted, and perhaps talk a little bit about ISWSC!

Ken Costilow #142
Vice-President

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The W. A. Charnstrom Co., of Minneapolis, Minnesota, has issued their newest catalog featuring used stamps from around the world on both the front & back cover. The front cover is a full size page covered with mounted worldwide stamps with only the center of the page covered by a facsimile envelope addressed to W.A. Charnstrom Co., so the stamps stand out prominently. We can use more of this kind of advertisement.

Incidentally, W. A. Charnstrom Co. sells mail-room furniture and equipment to businesses who process large quantities of mail.R. Kallal

SEEN ANY EXCHANGE CIRCUITS LATELY?

Several months ago there were exchange circuits being passed among our members. Has anyone seen one of those circuits lately? Some members have been wondering if they are still circulating. If you've had one sent to you recently, will you let the Editor know, please?

Thanks!!

Answers to Stamp I.D. Quiz

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| 1. Spain | 15. Norway |
| 2. Hungary | 16. Montenegro |
| 3. Montenegro | 17. Epirus |
| 4. Finland | 18. Poland |
| 5. Greece | 19. Montenegro |
| 6. Yugoslavia | 20. Yugoslavia |
| 7. Russia | 21. Austria |
| 8. Egypt | 22. Crete |
| 9. Turkey | 23. Bosnia and Herzegovina |
| 10. Japan | 24. Central Lithuania |
| 11. Finland | 25. Lebanon |
| 12. China | 26. France |
| 13. People's Republic
of China | 27. Albania |
| 14. Korea | 28. Persia (Iran) |

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

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OMNI EXCHANGE

**JOIN
THE ISWSC OFFICIAL
STAMP EXCHANGE**

**Write to: Tom Allison (#42)
Box 252
Wilmette, IL 60091**

The Editor's Line

Our president has announced a very interesting contest. Get out that information to all the collectors you can.

If you see an article in a newspaper or magazine about stamps or collecting that you think our members would enjoy reading, send me the full name of the publication and full address along with the page number of the article. I will write to try to get permission to use it so we all can enjoy it. There is always a chance we couldn't use it (I've been turned down!), but there is also a chance we can.

And YOU send an article about your collecting. We need your ideas! It makes for the kind of newsletter we like best.

Welcome to you who are new members!

Arlene Futrell #2
Editor

R. D. 1 Box 65, Stokes, NC 27884

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