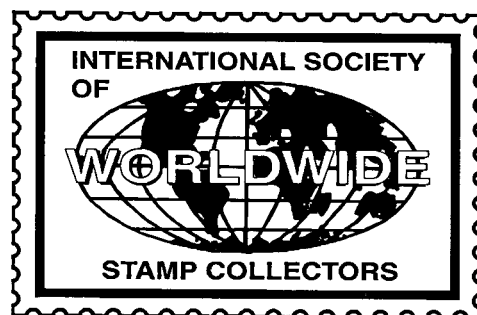


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President's Column

by Randy Smith (#1111)
ISWSC President

As I write this article, it is Thanksgiving weekend – a time not only to gather with friends and family and have a special meal, but also a time to give thanks. As this is my final column as ISWSC President, I'd like to give some philatelic thanks as well.

Although the elections are not yet official, I'm comfortable in announcing **Joanne Berkowitz (#98)** as the new President of the ISWSC. She was running unopposed, so unless there was a massive write in campaign or less than 45 members voted, she's elected! Based on her service on the ISWSC Board, I know she'll do a fantastic job as ISWSC president. Thank you, Joanne, for your work on the Board and for agreeing to lead this organization.

I'm also thankful for **Dr. Terry Myers (#736)**, our Executive Director. Terry hasn't been on board very long, but is already digging in, asking great questions, and recommending changes to improve the ISWSC. While I'll be passing the presidential baton to Joanne, I look forward to continuing to work with Terry.

To the rest of the current ISWSC Board; managers,

co-managers, coordinators and helpers of our various programs (Sales Circuit, OMNI Circuit, Swap Circuit, Auctions, Whatzit); the regional representatives; our webmaster; and our newsletter editor – thank you! (Most of their names are listed on page 2) Your efforts are what keeps the ISWSC going.

For past ISWSC leaders and volunteers – thank you for your vision and your efforts to make the ISWSC what it is today. You built a solid foundation for this organization and should be proud of your accomplishments.

And for every member of the ISWSC, thank you for your continued membership! In the coming year, I encourage each of you to find a new way to participate in the ISWSC experience – participate in one of our programs, write an article for the newsletter, run for an elected position, or invite others to become members. Maybe even all of those things! The possibilities are endless, as are the rewards.

I've been honored to serve you as president for the past four years. And I look forward to continuing to serve you as Immediate Past President. Happy Stamping!



East of Aden

by Frank Ceraso (#1420)

With your three-masted topsail schooner yacht (125-feet over all) sail South down the Red Sea; keep well in the middle, out of sight of Saudi Arabia and the Sudan. Pass the coral isles of the Dahlak archipelago off Massawa and you shall see the coasts, Yemen on the larboard, Eritrea on the starboard. Now the Bahr-el-Ahmar gets narrower and narrower, flowing fast past the searing sands of

the Danakil depression on its right, past the horseshoe shaped islet of Perim on its left, already known to the ancient Greeks as Diodoros nesos. The strait that closes the Red Sea and opens the Indian Ocean has a strong surface current inwards and a stronger undercurrent outwards, a real danger for ancient navigators. So much that the Arabs called it

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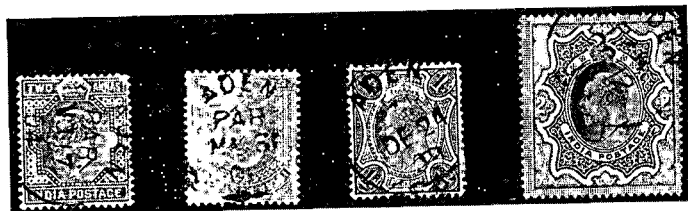


Fig. 3

Stamps of Queen Victoria were replaced in 1902 by those with the effigy of King Edward VII. Figure 3 shows (all ADEN/PAR = parcels):

- 2 As. violet used in 1904.
- 6 As. bistre, 1906.
- 1 Rupee carmine and green, 1909.
- 2 Rupees bistre and red-carmine, 1910.

After Indian stamps of King George V (Figure 4 shows the 2 As. 6 p. of 1926 ADEN-CAMP), came the first set issued exclusively for Aden, which had then become a Crown Colony; a set of twelve appeared in 1937, ½ Anna to 10 Rupees with the design of a "Dhow," typical sailing vessel of that area. Figure 5 shows the 10 Rupees olive-green.

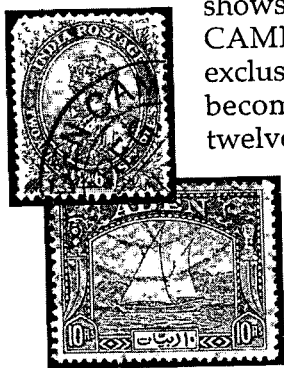


Fig. 4 and 5

Then came stamps portraying King George VI and local subjects. Figures 6 and 7 show some of the overprinted set of 1951: 10 CENTS, Aidrus Mosque; 20 CENTS, capture of Aden in 1839; 50 CENTS, Mukalla; 2 SHILLINGS, Aden harbour; 5 SHILLINGS, camelryman.



Fig. 6

By 1953 the new monarch was Queen Elizabeth II, for whom several stamps were issued, the cents values in one colour each with different perforations, the shillings bicolour with centre sepia for the first set, black for the second. Figures 8 and 9 show: 2/-, protectorate levy, canceled ADEN-CAMP, 30 AU 55; 5/-, crater pass; 10/-, tribesman, ADEN /PAR, 18 DE 58; 20/-, Aden in 1572.

Fig. 7



Fig. 8

The colony of Aden included two Sultanates under British protectorate, SEYUN and SHIHR & MUKALLA. Figure 10 shows a stamp of the latter,

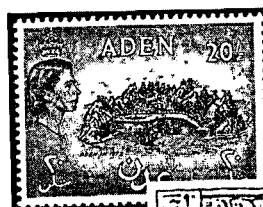


Fig. 9



Fig. 10

portraying a very important person: Sir Saleh bin Galib al-Qu'aiti, Sultan of Hadhramaut, keeper of the Wadis (rivers), ruler of the

Coast. And that is where the real power rested, long time ago; not in Aden, not in Seyun, not in Lahej. The chief town of the Sultan was Mukalla. Well away, East of Aden.

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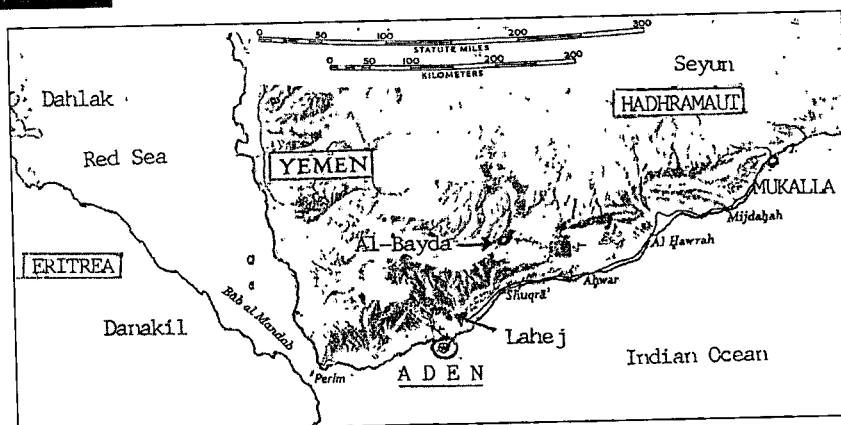
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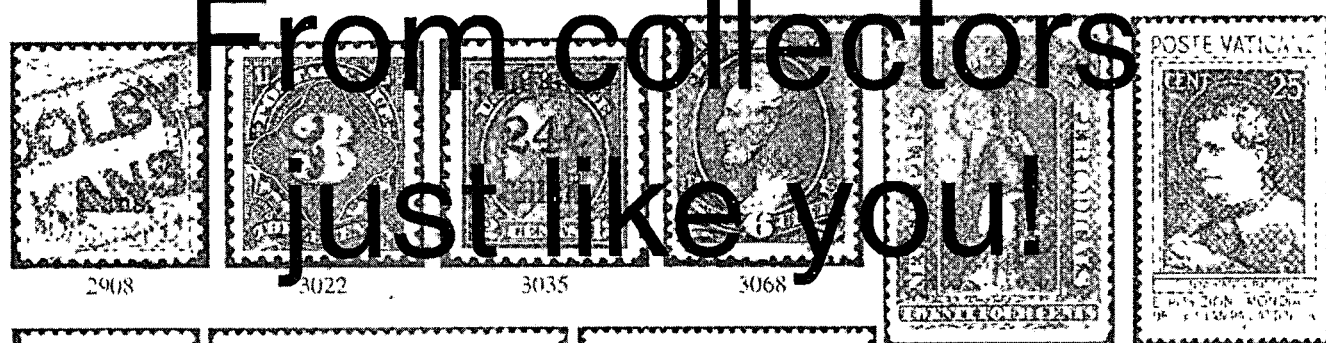




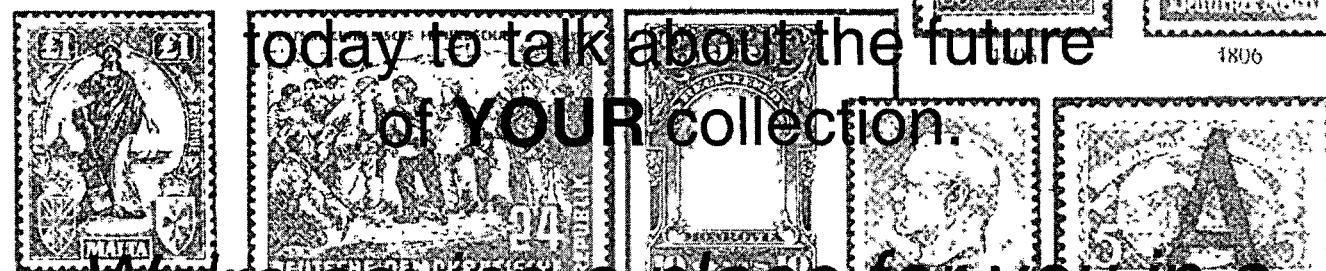
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Closing February 11, 2006

Lot Number	Lot Description	Minimum Bid
1	USA. #163 PI Blk of 6, (imperf), issued w/o gum, VF, sm hinge mark.	
2	USA. #727 2 FDCs cancelled in Newburg, NY, unaddressed.	
3	USA. #2975 Civil War Pane. MNH, Face \$6.40, Cat \$17.50.	\$6.40
4	USA. #C49 full sheet. plate #25762, 6¢ 50th Anniv. US Air Force.	5
5	USA. #C54, full sheet. Plate #26391, 7¢, 18c8-58 Balloon flight-Jupiter.	7
6	USA. FDCs 1937 possessions series set of 4 covers, 2 w/ pen address, Bookman Cat \$60	10
7	USA. First flight, 1937, Presque Isle, ME; back stamped Houlton, ME, addressed	.75
8	USA. 3 FDCs, Aircraft Cachets, clean & unaddressed, # 1293, 1294, 1295.	15
9	USA. 149 stamped envelopes, 127 mostly 8-30¢, heavy dupe, with some interesting items. 35 1899 (2¢ trans miss) to 1950 covers; 7/7/50 USS Missouri strike, flag strikes, 2 officially sealed. 35 1950-2003 with some interesting items. Owners est. value \$30. HBO	
10	USA. M Bicent postal stationary, 9 business 9 regular envelopes. Cat 9+	2.50
11	USA. #U527 4¢ Blk Mt Vernon, Official to Postmaster Mill River, Mass circa 1932, penalty cancel, top a little ragged other wise excellent, cut square cat \$16.	6.50
12	USA. #U527 4¢ Blk Mt Vernon, Official to Postmaster Mill River, Mass circa 1932, penalty cancel, excellent, cut square cat \$16.	6.50
13	USA. 165 covers (size 10 envel), 1980 to present, incl multi stamped philatelic, commercials, FDCs, some older. HBO.	5
14	USA. 135+ covers/postcards/postal cards many U, 1900 to recent, some enclosures, great for study.	20
15	USA. 91 cut squares 1893-. Air mail & regular issues.	2
16	USA. 69 diff Christmas Seals, 1914-1964, Good condition.	2
17	USA. 57 U block, mostly 1930's, some se-tenant, PBlk of 10n -8¢, PBlk 6 - 20¢ Roosevelt, + 100 commems & regular issues on & off paper. Cat \$53	10
18	USA. 11 postcards 1965-76. 4 postal stationary 1970-76, unaddressed.	1.25
19	Aitutaki. 142 U on paper, commems, regular & officials. est Cat \$87+	
20	Algeria. over 80 M&U diff.	3.50
21	Australia. #159-151, 163-165. 184-187 all MLH VF, Cat \$53+	20
22	Australia. Early Sets & singles mostly M, some U, #1 / 205, Cat \$85+	20
23	Australia. FDC 12th commonwealth games, Sc# 842-45, 844a, 1984 Olympics, Sc# 922-24, PO covers, Unaddressed. est CV \$5.75	3
24	Australia. 257 registered covers, lots of labels, post marks, stamps. These are to the "British High Commission" for passport visas. (2 pounds+)	15
25	Australia. Series III, 1981, set of 42 22¢ pre-stamped post cards, set in original box.	15
26	Australia. Series IV, 1982, set of 42 27¢ pre-stamped post cards, set in original box.	15
27	Aust. States / Gurnsey. 2 retired ISWSC Sales books, M&U, CV \$117	30
28	Austria. #127 Franz Josef 10K, VF, SON lite cancel, Cat 62+.	27.50
29	Barbados. 90 M&U diff, Cat \$20±	7
30	Belgium. CB3 on Ghent Intl Air Mtg. Bruelles CDS & event cancel, Nice interesting item.	9
31	Belgium. #21, U, "424" postal code, inclu l. margin.	7
32	Belgium. 7 F-VF U stamps, Q437, Q456-459 (top values of set). Q464-465.	6.50
33	Belize. 16 MNH sheets of 50. #313-317, 328, 329, 331-335, 340-342, 367, 2006 Cat \$190.20	
34	Brazil. 1943 Brapex #609-11, FDC 100th annv. of 1st issues, 2 diff showcards - show cancels red & blu, 1 mailed env w/S/S show cancels, censord-regist. various markings. Interesting!!	10
35	Brazil. #7, inclu rt margin, U. Average. 2.50	
36	British Colonies. 2 APS sales books, remainders, net priced at \$60+	
37	British Guiana. over 35 M&U diff.	
38	Camaroun. on pages to 1946, remainder collection, Cat \$108	20
39	Canada. 6 copies MNH, #1172a perf 13, 3 w/stains, 1 surface scruf, 3 VF, CV \$15 each.	10
40	Canada. #271-272, MLH, F-VF.	25
41	Canada. #103 very lite can, good balance.	22.50
42	Canada. #270 imprint blk of 4 MNH, C4 MNH Ottawa Conf ovpt, O41 & O44 pl blks of 4 MNH	8
43	Cayman Islands. 25 M&U diff.	
44	Chad. Sheets of 8, painting series, Sc# 205-210, 1969. Cat \$10.	3
45	Chile. over 135 M&U diff.	4
46	Chile. # 34, MH, VF, clean fresh color.	10
47	Chile. #3, U, F.	12
48	China - PRC. 300 diff, mostly large, years 1949-2002	7
49	China. about 450: Sun Yat-Sen (200), junks (100), Martyrs (50), plane, trains, ships (25), Misc. (75), dupes but good variety,	3
50	Columbia. over 450 M&U diff.	12
51	Congo. over 200 M&U diff.	8
52	Cook Islands. 235 U on & off paper. HBO	10
53	Cuba. 260 M&U on & Off paper. sets & singles.	10
54	Czechoslovakia. 524 U on & off paper, CV \$133±, M CV \$228±, many sets, Sc # 1031-36, 1169-74, 1589-93, 1542-47 w/no gum, 1134a imperf. HBO	60
55	Danzig. over 85 M&U diff. comp to \$20 for 50.	5
56	Ecuador. over 450 M&U diff.	17.50

Lot Number	Lot Description	Minimum Bid
57	Ecuador. 1945 circa cover, Lg pre-address env. w/PANAGRA violet hand stamp, 7 stamps on back, censor strip on cvr.	
58	Egypt. Over 180 diff. all pre - 1950, M&U	9
59	Estonia. 50 diff, M&U,	5
60	Euopa Issues. over 55 M&U diff.	
61	Fiji. 257 used on paper. dupes, CV \$78+	5
62	Fiume. 114 ± stamps on pages. Foto Copy, Forged Stamps of Fiume, dealer reported some low values may be conterefts.	25
63	France. #300 MLH, VF, clean and fresh, cat \$21.	6
64	French Guinea. Remainder collection on pages, 1892-1940 -, Cat \$106+	20
65	Gabon. Remainder collection on pages, 1904-1934 -. Cat. \$73+	12
66	Germany. 75+ covers, 95 stamps, fan mail covers to actress/singer. dupe and several with fan covers	
67	Germany. 100+ covers mostly commems. some fan mail covers with additions, about 135-150 stamps.	
68	Germany. after 1940, APS sales book remainders, net priced \$22±.	7.50
69	Germany. 2 states, 3 retired APS sales books, M&U, cat \$495±	100
70	GB. #222, 250, 251A, 271, 272, 273, 274, 286, 287, 288, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 324, 326, all U. 2004 Cat \$116 +.	35
71	GB. #7b, 8b, 8c machins, 4 lg show covers (in colors) stamps for cooks w/ bklt panes of 15 stamps, each w/ £, selvage of each pane has recipe, very unusual lot.	10
72	GB. #136 9p, bulls eye canc (cnds), a bit heavy, but clear.	8.50
73	GB. #210-20. VF. MH, deep rich colors, CV \$51±.	12.50
74	GB. 1950 S/S London Intl Stamp Expo shows copies of rare stamps.	8
75	GB. 3 FDCs cacheted - #2076-80, 1953-62, 2069-73, est V \$10.	5
76	GB & Channel Islands. sets, S/S Sc# 874a(6), IOM, Guernesey Sc# 307, Jersey Sc#245a(2), CV \$45± U CV \$33± HBO	25
77	Greece. over 260 M&U diff.	9
78	Greece. 22 cvrs w/60± stamps, 1940'-60's, some w/censor tape, from Partanon films to Columbia Pics in Rome.	
79	Guatemala. 482 M&U, mostly dif, 1871-1978, evenly spread, many airs, some S/S, mounted on Scott Spec. pages in good condition, CV \$161+	25
80	Hungary. Airs C30-3, VF, MH, CV \$40.	17.50
81	Hungary. Issues of 1967. 100± MNH Stamps on pages, encased mounts, topicals, Cat \$47+	9.50
82	Iceland. #221b, #224 F-VF, MLH, Cat 63.	13.50
83	Italy - Trieste. C1-C6 MH, VF, Cat \$59	14
84	Italy/Vatican City. M. mostly complete sets, 1960s.	8
85	Jamaica. 94 U on & off paper, CV \$32+, M, M blks, S/S # 207a, + set, #458a + gutter strip of 6, #382a, 401a, 386a, 405a, 1960s - 80s. CV \$154+ HBO	45
86	Lebanon. 367 M&U stamps.	9
87	Liechtenstein. #8, M lite H, VF-XF.	11
88	Liechtenstein. #80 MH, sm blk dot under hinge, crackled gum, ctred to bottom right, Cat \$55.	10
89	Liechtenstein. #80 lite cancel BR (cto?) nice centering Cat \$65.	15
90	Liechtenstein. M sets & singles, sheet of 8 #650-53, #s 369, 885(2), 710(4), blks, dupes, CV \$78±; U 27, CV \$18±. HBO	30
91	Liechtenstein. MNH S/Ss #710, #885, Cat 6.50	2.75
92	Liechtenstein. B1-3, 1925 Pince Johann II, MH, VF, fresh colors.	11
93	Liechtenstein. FDC - Maximum Cards, 3 sets, S&W Olympics, 1984 & 88. CV \$9+.	5
94	Liechtenstein. FDC - World Soccer Championships, cacheted, unadd.	.75
95	Liechtenstein. #102. M HR, VF, 1 perf missing BR corner, Cat \$75.	22.50
96	Luxemborg. MNH S/Ss #474, #650, Cat 5.50	2.50
97	Monaco. #47, MLH, VF, fresh clean copy.	12.50
98	Monaco. #337 Response from Director of office of Emissin regarding stamp acct. Monaco to Rome.	5
99	GB. # Type A324. 3 postal cards, 850th anniv of St Bartholomew Fair, colorful circus graphics.	3.5
100	Monaco/San Marino. M&U sets & singles. HBO	7
101	New Hebrides. MNH #132 (BR), #151 (FR), 2 sheets of 9 Tree Industry, Cat \$6+	2.50
102	New Zealand. #1084 \$20 value, #1412 \$10 value, both MUH VF, CV \$36.	15
103	New Zealand. 9 singles, 58 compl sets, all U VF, lite cancels, on cards, mostly from 80s - 90s, cat \$135	25
104	New Zealand. Butterflies 1075-1079, \$1.2,3,4,5 values, MUH.	7
105	New Zealand. 37 M sets & singles, Cat \$65+	15
106	Norway. #192, 202, 301 4 stamps commercial (color) cover, various labels.	5
107	Papua New Guinea. 80 U off paper. 10K Bird, 10K artifact hi value, Cat \$84+	10
108	Paraguay. 801 M&U to 1957. wide variety, many dupes incl. some better issues. Many cpl M sets incl. #374-519 nearly cpl, mostly M, som U Scott Spec. pages. CV est. \$300±	40
109	Philippines. Early. #21/250, Cat \$118, duplication, nice pickings here.	16
110	Philippines. 613 U on & Off paper, dupes, 77 M plus 2 s/s, includes sets #515, 853a,b, 889a, 1043-46a, C70. U CV \$144+ M CV \$39+ HBO.	20
111	Qatar. 75 M&U diff.	4
112	Romania. 140 stamps, MH & MNH, from 1931-1955, Gibbons CV \$240.	45
113	Russia. 12 full sets, MNH, on blk stock page, almost all are paintings, very attractive.	
114	Russia. 1950's stamps M&U, some better, on pages, Cat \$146+	28
115	Russia. Collection of over 1,750 U&M stamps, some SS. Cat \$525-575, values to \$6, inc C18, C58-62, 3333(3), 5723-34, and more, some Dupes. HBO	75
116	Russia. 30 Postal Stationary items. 16 from exch, 8 unused. 6 FDCs, postcards.	2
117	Salvador. over 180 M&U diff.	7.50
118	Samoa. 128 U stamps on & off paper.	10
119	Saudi Arabia. #170a purple-black, MH, F/VF centering to bottom, cat 20.	5

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120	Solomon Islands. FDC & S/S, Sc#530-33, Sc# 534, M booklet Sc# 532a.	6
121	Solomon Islands. commonwealth games, 1982, sheet of 8 + label, Sc# 475-76, S/S Sc# 480a. FDCs Sc# 475-77, 478-80, PO cover unadd. CV \$3.44, est value \$15.	6
122	Solomon Islands. 172 U on paper, dupes, Cat \$35+	5
123	Spain. 6 cvrs from Barcelong/Seville to So. America, 1937-8 (civil war period), censor markings, multi franking, 3 cvrs w/Seville locals.	7.50
124	Spanish Colonies. over 120 M&U diff.	4
125	St. Kitts - Nevis. 40 M&U diff.	
126	St. Vincent/Grenadines. 103 U, M incl #504-7, 483-494, sheet of 12 w/ovpt SPECIMEN + 5 singles w/ovpt. CV \$34.	9
127	Switzerland. Retired sales books, 400+ M&U stamps, from early to BOB, CV \$1000+, marked retail about \$400.	130
128	Switzerland. #628 Sept. 1977, X-mas/new years pict. post card of alpine, folded card, w greetings in 4 languages.	
129	Switzerland. MNH #656 sheet of 8 Lemnax '78, cat 7	3
130	Switzerland. MNH #708-709, sheet of 10 + labels, Railway Cent. Cat 9.	3.50
131	Switzerland. MNH #B541, sheet of 8, Pro Aero Foundation, Cat 20	6
132	Syria. Over 100 M&U diff, cat \$22+	4
133	Thailand. 150 U, est CV \$82+, M sets and singles CV \$93+	17
134	Thurn & Taxis. #28 w/APEX certif. genuine w/fake cancel, certif incl. Cat \$475.	17.50
135	Togo. over 125 M&U diff, Cat \$25+	4
136	Trinidad & Tobago. FDC, set of 3 plus SS for 1980 Summer Olympics	1.50
137	Trinidad & Tobago. over 65 M&U diff, Cat \$13+	3
138	Turkey. M sets & blocks of 4, incl #B150 blk of 6, sheet of 25 #1798 (folded), Cat 30	7
139	Tuvalu. MNH #118-121, presentation pk + M set. Cat 2	1
140	Uruguay. On album pages, from 1899-1955, 235± stamps, some dupes, mostly basic values.	
141	Worldwide. 44 covers, 3 FDCs, 3 spec cachets, set of 3 Swaziland 1937 coronation; 1 dual franking (US & Austria), several air letters. Owners est value \$15	
142	Worldwide. 320 diff U stamps mixed condition, common, from all over.	
143	Worldwide. An interesting selection of worldwide M&U stamps & sets, CV \$93+	
144	Worldwide. Selection of worldwide M&U stamps & sets in an Omni books, CV \$157+	
145	Worldwide. Selection of worldwide M&U stamps & sets on Omni pages, CV \$134+	
146	Worldwide. Several ounces of M&U stamps, CV stated at \$300+	
147	Worldwide. stock cards, omni pages, lots of interesting M&U stamps & sets, CV \$335+	
148	Worldwide. 8 omni pages, fees, with CV \$400+ in M&U stamps, great selection.	
149	Worldwide. Cigar box full of retired circuit books, packets from many countries, some covers. HBO	25
150	Worldwide. Cigar box full of worldwide packets, some retired circuit books, cards & covers. HBO	25
151	Worldwide. Cigar box full of retired circuit books, covers, stamp packets from all over. HBO	25
152	Worldwide. Over 900 M&U stamps on sales pages, mostly basic values, many colorful.	6.50
153	Worldwide - Topical - BIRDS, sets and singles, M&U, 15 sets, dozens of singles, all birds, for topical collector, Cat \$157	20
154	Worldwide. Over 200 singles & compl sets on cards, M&U, lots of good value here, Cat \$350	30
155	Worldwide. Topical - SPACE. 16 sets, singles, & S/S M&U, nice little group, cat \$35.	5

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 U = Used
 M = Mint
 MNH = Mint never hinged
 MLH = Mint light hinged
 MH = Mint hinged
 HH = heavy hinged
 HR = hinge remnant

Other Abbreviations Used:

FDC = First Day Cover
 OCV = Owner's Catalog Value
 1/6 = not all numbers included
 LC = light cancel
 HV = high value
 MGN = margin
 BKLT = booklet
 SE = straight edge
 PNC = plate number coil
 CVR = cover
 SM = small
 ADD = addressed
 DUPES = duplicates
 UN BKLT = unexploded booklet
 CV = latest Scott Catalog value
 HBO = held by owner

DG = disturbed gum

HC = heavy cancel

EST = estimated

WTK = watermark

DON = donation lot

CR = crease

LG = large

ENV = envelope

SEP = separated

S/S = souvenir sheet

1-6 = all numbers inclusive

SON = socked on nose cancel

CDS = circular date stamp

NG = no gum

BLK = block

w/ = with

PEN = pen/pencil notations

TH = thin

EX = except

OVPTS = overprints

EA = each

AVG = average

+ = plus

& = and

CPL = complete

DIF = different

INCL = include (s) (ed)

COMEMS = commemorative

UNCIRC = uncirculated

ID = identification (Cat #)

RET = retired, returned

KG = King George

QV = Queen Victoria

QE = Queen Elizabeth

Lot Number	Lot Description	Minimum Bid
156	Worldwide. 5 S/S, Bulgaria, Ivory Coast (2), Mauritania (2), CV \$10.65.	3
157	Worldwide. 36 Australian misc. covers, some interesting machine cancels, 39 worldwide misc covers. Some special occasion covers.	8
158	Worldwide. 7 retired APS sales books, net priced at \$220+, priced well of Cat, Nice group.	80
159	Worldwide. Over \$250 Cat remaining in 15 worldwide trading books, most values under \$1, some dupes.	5
160	Worldwide. 3 retired APS sales books, net priced \$64+ (at about 40% cat), 200 M&U stamps, dupes	20
161	Worldwide. 1000+ stamps, sorted by country, dupes, winter fun.	4
162	Literature. USA. Encyclopedia of Plate Varieties on U.S. Bureau-Printed Postage Stamps, by Loran C. French, published by Bureau Issues Assoc. Inc. 1979. minor wear, great for searching for varieties. HBO	25
163	Literature. First Ed. Handbooks publ 1977, Washington-Franklins 1908-21; US Definitive Series 1922-1938, by Martin Armstrong, Exc condition.	30
164	Max Johl, US. Postal Stamps of 1902-35, 1976 edit., exel condition w/Jacket. HBO	35
165	Stock Book. 34 black & acetate pages in a 22 ring flexible binder, for souvenir & full sheets.	
166	Supplies. 2 dealer display binders, w fold back covers and stand. lots of Harco 5 1/2 X 8 1/2 pages. HBO	
167	Scott pages, New. Sweden 1987-1998; Denmark, Norway and Finland pages 1996-1998, cost about \$50.	15
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Whatzit?

by Richard Barnes (# 2425)
Whatzit? Coordinator

September 1, 2005 I was presented with this Whatzit. We were setting up for the Edmonton Stamp Club's fall show. This show coincided with the year and month of the province of Alberta's 100th anniversary of becoming a province. Previously it had been part of Canada's Northwest Territories. This show was also hosting the British North America Philatelic Society's BNAPEX 2005.

When confronted with four stamps (fig 1, 2, 3, 4), I was asked what I could tell them about them. I had never seen these stamps before. However these stamps identify themselves as being local posts. They also display the logo for the Alberta Centennial. They are nicely printed on good paper and perfed 12. I commented that the designs were crude but was corrected. The designs are naive, or artistic or impressionistic. I could feel the hook so I asked why the interest in these stamps? The club was the main sponsor of Alberta's first local stamps and needed assistance at the booth selling these stamps at the

show. I ended up spending the better part of the weekend sitting in a booth at the stamp show.

These stamps are the result of the inspiration and leg work of John Attrell. A province wide competition asked kindergarten to grade 12 students, "in their own hand, to design a stamp that would tell people something important about the community they live in." Using the Centennial theme gave the students 100 years of events to select from. I was told that there were close to 8,000 different submissions to the contest. Seven teams of judges were needed to go through the all the entries. The grand winner was Colette Cseke.

Mr. Attrell had to coordinate many organizations in order to see this effort come to fruition. The selvage of the stamp pane (fig 5) recognises many of the participants in this project, Canada Post, the Calgary Philatelic Society, the Canadian Stamp Dealers Association and the Edmonton Stamp Club. The printer of the stamps was Don Bowen of Calgary.

For further information contact the Edmonton Stamp Club, P.O. Box 399, Edmonton, AB, Canada, T5J 2J6; website at www.albertastampdesign.homestead.com; or e-mail: jattrell@shaw.ca.

Now is the time to ask members for your assistance. Found among early Finland (Grand Duchy) is a red/carmen/scarlet imperf (fig 6). I do not know what I have. I doubt that it is Finish. It does not look to be an Imperial item nor a Soviet stamp. The paper of this crudely printed item is thick enough to perhaps make this a square cut from an envelope.

I would prefer use of this column to be member driven. Please contact me with your Whatzits.

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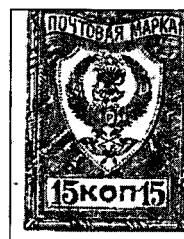


Fig. 6

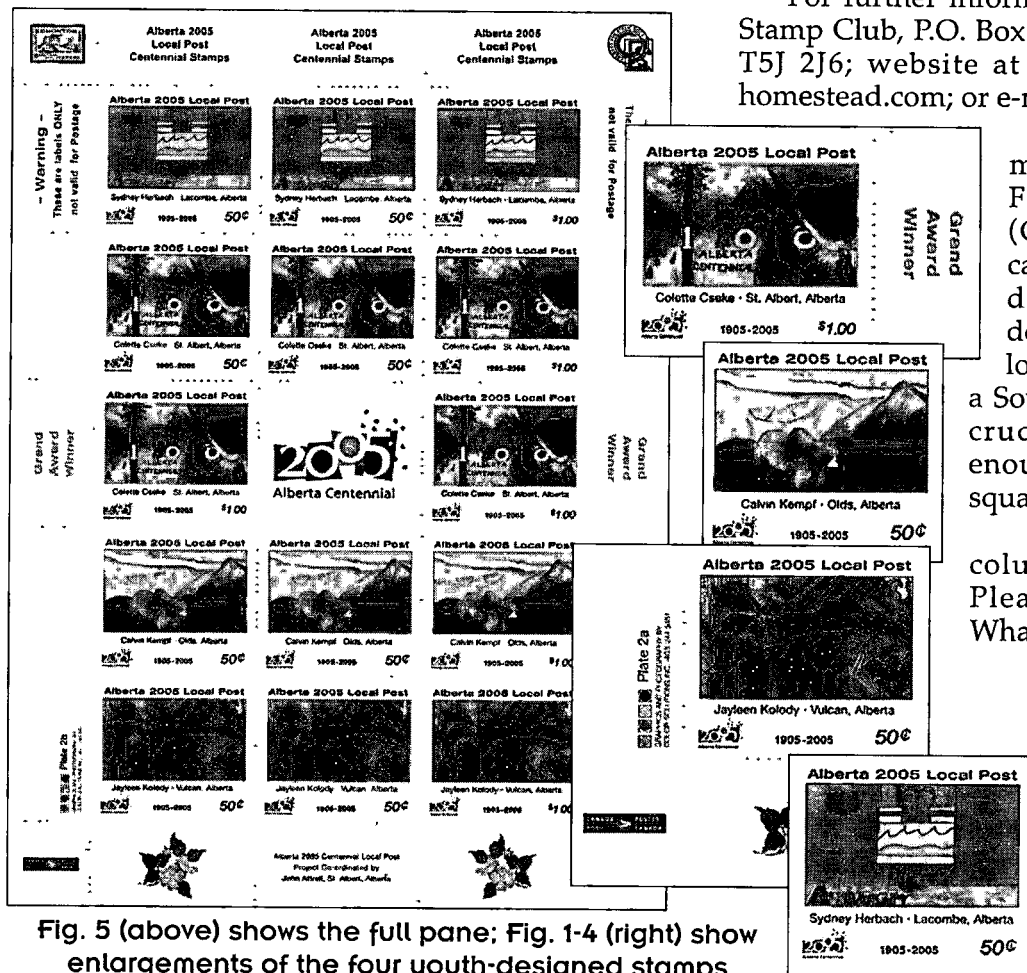


Fig. 5 (above) shows the full pane; Fig. 1-4 (right) show enlargements of the four youth-designed stamps

The Best Trip I Never Took

by Terry L. Myers, M.D., Ph.D. (#736)
ISWSC Executive Director

I travel – a lot. During the early part of my academic career much of my work was supported by grants from the March of Dimes and this required me to travel frequently to give motivational talks to groups of volunteers as well as presentations at scientific meetings at home and abroad. I was early selected as a national lecturer for a scientific society and spent a couple of weekends each month giving talks on campuses across America.

Participation in the federal People to People programs meant my wife and I gave lectures at medical schools around the world. And in my final pre-retirement job I visited three different medical training programs each week somewhere in the U. S. for nearly three years. To celebrate our retirements my wife and I took a private jet trip around the world. Along with other vacations I have now managed to visit 127 countries/territories.

Bringing home souvenirs for my kids, wife, and office workers early on became a chore. I finally resolved it by simply mailing postcards from each location I visited – carefully selecting an after dark view for my son with an alternative life style that means he seldom sees daylight, some official looking building for my attorney son, something cute for my wife, and something really depressing to send to my boss to imply the hardships I was enduring.

More recently I have also been sending one back to the first grade class our new daughter-in-law teaches in an attempt to help them learn a little geography. And of course all of the stamps are carefully chosen by visiting the local post offices to get the best selection of new issues.

I also have had the opportunity to visit a lot of stamp shows around the world. I probably enjoy the European ones the most since they usually have several dozens of dealers from many different countries and I can take my want list along to try to fill in the many holes in my collection.

In September 2002 I attended an international show in Amsterdam. It was huge! During a casual conversation with the stall attendee at the Icelandic Philatelic Bureau booth I ascertained that she really was from Reykjavik rather than being a local Dutch person just hired for the show. I asked if she would

mind taking some postcards home with her and posting them for me and she indicated she would be delighted to do so.

It turned out the show sponsors had stacks of postcards at their information booths that were extremely generic in that the picture side was just stamp reproductions and there were several varieties available free for the asking. So I addressed a few, bought enough Icelandic stamps and attached them and the young lady took them home.

If you could do it for one, why not for a few more? I quickly had postcards in briefcases of dealers on their way to Croatia, Italy, Germany, Gibraltar, France, the Faroe Islands, all the Scandinavian countries, Jersey, the United Nations offices in Geneva and Vienna and several more. Everyone I asked was more than happy to participate in my scheming and every single postcard was posted as promised.

Shortly after I returned home a barrage of postcards arrived and I was busily concocting stories about how I had stopped over in this place, driven over the weekend to that place, made a quick side trip to another place, and had people really impressed at the number of places I had managed to visit on my trip! But then somewhat later the ones from French Polynesia, Singapore, Thailand and Brazil started showing up and it was a bit harder sell before I had to finally confess to what I had done.



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