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# Chicago Compex '62'

The Chicago chapter of S. C. C. is again happy to invite all members—in the U. S. and abroad—to Compex "62" as exhibitors or visitors. The show as usual will be at the Hotel La Salle and the dates are May 25-26-27th, Friday through Sunday. We have the same number of frames as in previous years. The frame fees are the same, as are the other conditions of the show. We of the Chicago chapter will again in cooperation with the National organization, have a hospitality suite. Naturally we hope to see as many of our members and friends as possible.

The program for Compex is pretty well set although the final draft will have to wait for the next issue of the Posthorn. The theme of the exhibition is "Toward United Nations"—and we have already secured a United Nations post-office and a first day of issue of one or more U. N. stamps for Compex. As usual, there will be a U. S. postoffice and we hope, a first day of a United States stamp as well.

The Gala Dinner dance, always a feature at Compex, will be Friday night. The S. C. C. and the Chicago chapter will of course sponsor the usual cocktail party, and a coffee Klotch with a general meeting of the S. C. C. So there should be stamps, a thousand frames or more, dealers galore, and social life to satisfy anybody.

Incidently the general arrangements at Compex are in the capable hands of our S. C. C. president, Roger Swanson.

We hope again to make the Scandinavian section of Compex the best section of the show. This goal we cannot reach without the cooperation from the national membership. So if you have anything you would like to exhibit, please fill out the entry blank enclosed with this Posthorn. If you cannot exhibit, make a serious attempt to get to Chicago for the show anyhow. We of the Chicago chapter promise to do our darndest to make your visit a memorable experience.

Cordially

J. Michelsen (President Chicago Chapter)

# The President's Report

This issue of the Posthorn brings to you the listing of your elected officers, with a financial report from our Treasurer, Robert Stevens.

I am very pleased with the fine officers with whom I am associated. No

finer group of hard working fellows can be found anywhere.

Our S. C. C., though small in size, is fast becoming a notable specialist group in the United States. It is my hope that all the members everywhere will take advantage of local shows and exhibitions to publicize the S. C. C. as much as possible.

Last spring when the Chicago Chapter participated in Compex, it was a

pleasure to meet so many Scandinavian Specialists from far and near.

During the coming year a copy of the Constitution and a membership listing will be printed and mailed to the whole membership. If you will please return to the club the enclosed postcard promptly, your corrected listing of collecting interests will be included in this publication.

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The Officers and Board of Governors are the eyes and ears of the S. C. C. and in order to function well they must be informed of all problems. The support of the membership is vital to a healthy S. C. C. Support your officers and

the S. C. C. will grow during 1962!

Membership Dues-received

And so I thank you for the opportunity to serve our hobby and through it serve you.

R. A. S.

# TREASUERER'S REPORT For Calendar Year 1961

## RECEIPTS

POSTHORN—Extra Copy sales at 50c		6.00	
		\$ 777.25	777.25
EXPEN	SES		
Publications:	Printing	Mailing	
January 1961 POST HORN	\$106.10	29.71	
April 1961 POST HORN	108.90	20.55	
July 1961 POST HORN	113.10	28.91	
October 1961 POST HORN	115.75	19.74	
	\$ 443.85	\$ 98.91	542.76
General Office Expenses and Printing		103.22	
Postage and Membership Mailings		92.66	195.88
			738.64
Gross Profit—1961		\$38.61	
NET WORTH as of January 1, 1962			
Balance, BEVERLY BANK, Chicago,	Ill.		\$ 433.37

Balance, EMIGRANT INDUSTRIAL SAVINGS BANK, New York 1,048.33

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Stevens, Treasurer

\$1,481.70

\$ 771.25

Approved: P. C. Mead, January 25, 1962

# S. C. C. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Scandinavian Collectors Club called for January 25, 1962, was held in the Green Room of Drakes Restaurant, 131 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, on the above specified date.

The reports of the various officers for the year 1961 were read into the minutes and the election of officers as tallied from the ballots received were made

a matter of record.

Elected officers for 1962 are as followws:

Roger A. Swanson President
Earl G. Jacobsen Vice-President
Robert P. Stevens Treasurer
Jens W. Nyboe Secretary

Elected Board of Governors:

Svend Yort \_\_\_\_\_\_ 3 years
Herbert Bernstein \_\_\_\_\_ 2 years
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Paul Mead \_\_\_\_\_ 1 year (elected in 1960 for 3 years)

The Board of Governors made the suggestion that due to the high cost of mailing and printing of ballots for the national election each year, we should change the date of the annual meeting so as to avail ourselves of the four issues of the Posthorn. A saving of complete mailing charge would help to show a balance at the end of the year, especially because of the tight budget under which we exist now.

The following changes were voted and carried relative to the Constitution

and By-Laws:

Article 3, Section 4\_\_\_annual meeting in December. The month of December was changed to read JANUARY.

Article 3, Section 5 \_\_\_\_similar change.

Article 4, Section 2\_\_\_shall be held on the second Thursday in December each year. Changed to read fourth Thursday in January each year.

The subject of a paper recently written of suitable merit to warrant publishing a bonus issue was discussed. It was noted that several such papers had come to the attention of the President, and that they were suitable for publication. However, Treasurer noted that this year we only netted about \$50.00 profit, so the subject was tabled for the present.

Before the meeting adjourned, the President again appointed R. E. Danielson as Editor of the Posthorn. The members present gave him a rising vote of ap-

preciation for the splendid year that he had just completed.

#### CHICAGO CHAPTER NEWS

The Chicago Chapter elected the following officers to serve in 1962: C. J. Michelson, president; J. Nyboe, vice president and Olaf A. Olson, secretary and treasurer.

## WANTED

Mr. R. A. Brightsen, 339 Middlegate Drive, Bethel Park, Pa., wishes to purchase the following back-issues of the POSTHORN: Vol. 1, Nos. 1-4, Vol. 2, Nos. 1-4, Vol. 5, No. 4, Vol. 16, Nos. 2-4, Vol. 17, No. 1. Members who would like to sell any or all of the above are urged to contact Mr. Brightsen.

Dr. E. G. Jacobsen of 231 South Lombard Ave., Oak Park, Illinois, is looking for a single of Norway #3 and a single of Norway #5 on cover. He also needs in his plate of Norway #3, positions A1, B20, C22, D2, D12.

# A Rare Cover From Fyn





It is thought that only a single imperforate or part-perforate sheet of the 5 øre brown typographed "wavy lines" issue of Denmark slipped through the control and was sold to create the variety, Scott No. 89a. Apparently some or all of the imperfs came into the possession of Count Ahlefeldt Laurvig Bille, most famous of Danish collectors, who lived in a fantastic moated manor house near Rudme on Fyn. Following his death a Copenhagen dealer purchased the collection in 1936 and issued a catalogue based on it, listing the imperforate variety as mint single, pair and four-block, and pair on cover.

The writer recently secured such a cover, postmarked Rudme, Feb. 25, 1927, and addressed to the Count, probably by himself or on his order. We are reliably informed that only one other cover exists, and is not likely to be marketed. Anyone know of others?

-W. J. Banks, SCC 790

# **COMPEX 1962**

Chicago, May 25, 26, 27

## OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK

## Scandinavian Collectors Club, Chicago Chapter

I will need	frames. (A frame is 24x36	inches, holds 6 pages.)
Price for	1 frame is	\$3.00
	2 frames	\$5.00
	3 frames	\$6.00
	4 frames	\$7.00
Add cost of insur	ance and return postage	Total
		A VVIII
	lress of exhibitor.	
Signature and ad		

Send exhibit to

Exhibition Chairman S. C. C. c/o Stamp Auction Service 22 W. Monroe Street, Chicago 3, Illinois COMPER 1962

# Faroe Facts and Finds

by W. J. Banks (SCC 790)

The 1919 Faroe Island 2/5 øre provisional surcharges usually show fairiy even placement, considering that they were applied to the individual stamp by a crude handstamp (made by affixing pieces of printer's type to a small block of wood with a section of chair-leg as handle). This is due to the fact that Andersen—the assistant who was in charge of the Thorshavn office in the absence at the time of the postmaster, and designed the surcharge—soon hit upon the idea of placing a ruler along the horizontal row of stamps as a guide during application of the handstamp.



However, at least one or more sheets were surcharged before this method was adopted. Most badly placed surcharges are probably from these early efforts, and usually are found dated in the early part of the 11-day period of



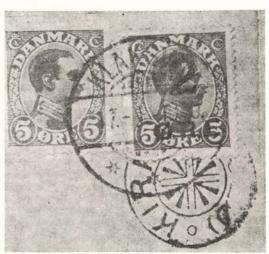
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normal use (Jan. 13-23). Since multiple frankings are scarce, it is seldom that a pair appears showing the surcharges so poorly aligned as those on the cover here shown, dated Jan. 14. SCC member Herbert Bernstein recently discovered a cover dated the 13th; until then the 14th was thought to be the first day of use and covers of this date are still very scarce. We understand that only one other multiple of the 2/5 stamps bearing so early a date has been reported.

Cleaner strikes, with fairly even inking, also apparently resulted from the use of the ruler and the more careful work it encouraged. Most examples showing poor inking (such as that on the cover dated the 15th, with the "E" largely

missing), are no doubt from the early "freehand" efforts, too.

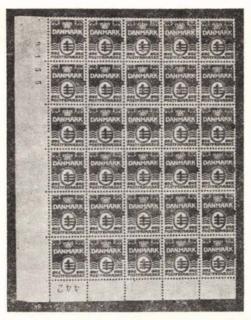
A number of the small offices (brevsamlingssteder) in the Faroes did not receive supplies of the 1919 provisional 2/5 øre surcharged stamps. A few covers have been found on which a 5 øre stamp was affixed and cancelled at the office of origin. The letter was then forwarded to the larger office along with 2 øre in cash. There the 2/5 surcharged stamp was added to make up the new 7 øre local letter rate, applying at that time to mail between all points in the island. The provisional stamp therefore bears the cancel of the main office only.



This item from Kirke, remote hamlet on the northern isle of Fuglø, has intrigued the experts, since it is the first such cover reported which shows NEITHER stamp cancelled by the local postmark. Did the Kirke office indeed affix the 5 øre stamp and simply miss cancelling it? (Roland King-Farlow thinks this more likely). Or did they figure, "We might as well send along 7 øre to Klaksvig as 2 øre." Or was Kirke actually out of stamps entirely? (a theory which Herbert Bernstein thinks quite possible). We may never know!

The second ("wide") printing of the 20/1 øre Faroe provisional surcharges came into use about May 30, 1941 and consisted of 40 sheets of 100 only. To show what bargains are obtainable through the auctions of our good friend and fellow-member Carl Pelander, the writer obtained from that source a mint lower left corner block of 30 of this printing, at a price which would have been reasonable even for the commoner "narrow" printing. Messrs. King-Farlow and A. Tholl, the leading authorities on these stamps, inform us that the largest multi-

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ple of the second printing previously known to them was a 4-block!

The 30-block lends further confirmation to the supposition that the printing plate used for this surcharge was the same as that of the second printing of the 50/5 and 60/6 surcharges, except for the substitution of the "2" digits. It shows the same minor fault in the "0" of the righthand "20" in stamp No. 55 which Messrs. King-Farlow and Tholl record as occurring in that position in the higher value sheets, but which had not been plated previously in the 20/1. The block also shows the somewhat more noticeable imperfections in the "0" of No. 92, which however had been plated before.

# A Short Description of the Parcel Post Stamps of Greenland — 1905 through 1937

## By Eric Wowern

1905 Thick paper. Perf. 12 all arou		Thin grey paper. Perf. 11	
1 1 øre olive green 10,		1 øre olive green	20,000
2 5 — dark red brown 2,		2 — yellow	15,000
3 10 — dark blue 4,	1020	Very thick paper. Perf. 1:	11/2.
1912 Thick white paper. Perf. 12— imperf. sheet margin.		15 øre reddish violet 20 — dark red	12,500 12,500
4a 5 øre light brown 1,	080 1924	Thin paper, vertically cur	led.
4b 5 — light brown 1,	320	perf. 11½.	/
4c 5 — light brown	440 22	1 øre olive green	10,000
	100	5 — dark red brown	12,500
	= 00	10 — dark blue	10,000
	000		10,000
a: perf. all round, b: one straig		Thin paper. Perf. 11½.	10 605
edge, c: two straight edges.	20	2 øre yellow or orange	12,625
1916 Medium paper. Perf. 11½—	1926	Thin paper, horizontally perf. 11½.	curled,
imperf. sheet margin.	26	20 øre red	45,000
	600 1926	Thin paper, perf. 111/2.	
6b 1 — olive green 4,		10 øre greenish blue	12,500
	520	Thin paper, horizontally	The second
	600	perf. 11½.	curred,
	680	1 øre olive green	16,500
7c 2 — yellow 1,	000		Charles and the same
8a 15 — violet 3,		1929 Thin paper, perf. 11	
8b 15 — violet 3,	300 29	20 øre red	163,750
8c 15 — violet 1,	190 1929	Very thin paper, perf. 11	1/2.
9a 2c — red 3,	600 30	5 øre dark brown	10,000
9b 20 — red 3,		10 — greenish blue	25,500
9c 20 — red 1,	000 32	15 — violet	5,500
1918 All b and c numbers. 1912 a	and 1930	Thin paper, perf. 111/2.	
1916 reperforated 11½.		70 øre violet	15,625
		1 Kr. brownish yellow	50,000
	25	3 — brown	15,000
10c 5 — light brown 11b 10 — blue	70	Thin paper, perf. 111/2.	
11c 10 — blue		20 øre red	60,000
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		Thin paper, perf. 11½.	59 105
12c 1 — olive green 13b 2 — yellow	100	20 øre dark red	53,125
13c 2 — yellow	40 1937	Medium paper, perf. 10%,	off-set
	000	printing.	
	F00		25,500
	500 39	1 kr. yellow	25,500
	800 1937	Medium paper, perf. 10%.	
	40	10 øre greenish blue	25,000
1918 Thick paper. Perf. 111/2 all rou		20 — red	25,000
		70 — violet	25,000
17 10 — dark blue 10,	000 43	1 kr. brownish yellow	25,000
For each stamp the quantity is	sued is giv		1

Used stamps are usually postmarked in Copenhagen; when Greenland postmarks are applied prices are higher—in particular when the postmark is found on other denominations than 20 øre and 1 kr.

GREENLAND
The "Pakke Porto" Issues

Year	1905	1914-15	1915-15	1915-37	1930	1936	1938
Ferf.	12	12	111/2	111/2	111/2	11	101/2
Process	Typo.	Typo.	Typo.	Typo.	Typo.	Litho.	Typo.
Printer	Thiele	Thiele	Thiele	Thiele	Thiele	Andreas	en Schultz
Paper	Toned	Opaque	Toned	Whtone	ed White	White	White
Gum	Yellowi	ish White	White	White	White	White	White
Value							
1 ore	X		X	X			
2 ore		X	X	X			Ca.
5 ore	X			X			•
10 ore	X	X		X			X
15 ore			X	X			
20 ore			X	X			X
70 ore					X	X	X
1 Kr.					X	X	X
3 Kr.					X		

#### DETROIT CHAPTER NEWS

## Detroit Scandinavian Collectors To Exhibit

March 10th and 11th will be the days Scandinavian stamps of all the Nordic Nations will come forth from their resting places in their owner's albums to be viewed by the stamp collecting public.

Annually this exhibit is held at the K. of C. Hall on Lesure and Grand River. Avenues, with admission free. Twenty-five dealers will be on hand to assist

philatelists in augmenting their collections.

The Detroit Chapter of the Scandinavian Collectors Club are co-sponsors of the show along with the North-West Stamp Society, Michigan's largest club.

Again this year, a smaller local club has been invited to show, and will be the Detroit Chapter of the Precancel Society. Each club competes within its own membership, the winners being awarded suitable gold, silver and bronze medals as well as certificates. The last two years the Grand Award has been won by exhibits of Finland.

Our January meeting was held at the home of Nels Otterson, with another 100% attendance. Mrs. Otterson put on a smorgasbord that Stockholm's finest restaurants would be hard put to duplicate. Oliver Wanton gave a talk on the career of Hans Lagerlof, millionaire Swedish immigrant, with a run down on his philanthropic activities in stampdom.

The February Meeting will be held at the home of the Albert E. Anderson's who soon after will be on their merry way to Seattle and the World's Fair.

-Ken. Brown

#### NEW YORK CHAPTER NEWS

From Carl H. Werenskiold we received the list of officers for the New York Chapter for 1962:

L. W. Hinrichsen, president; W. Wolff, vice president; C. H. Werenskiold,

secretary; B. M. Bendixen, treasurer and E. Kjelling, librarian.

The chapter meets every second Wednesday in the month (excepting July and August) at the Norwegian Seamens House, 62 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

# **New Issues**

## FINLAND

Issued to commemorate the Centenary of the Finnish State Railways







On January 31, 1962, Finland will issue three stamps, 10 mk will show the first Finnish engine, Ilmarinen; 30 mk a steam engine; 40 mk a modern Diesel engine. The design by Olavi Vepsalainen and engraving by R. Achren and B. Ekholm.

On February 15, 1962, Finland will issue a stamp commemorating the 609 years of the Finnish people's political fundamental rights.

The motif, the Mora stones where Finland for the first time participated in the election of the king and thus acquired political rights. The design by Olavi Vepsalainen, the engraving by B. Ekholm, the value 30 mk.



SWEDEN

To Commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Local Mail Delivery in Sweden



In November, 1861, the government granted a request made by the Post Office Board for the employment of postmen (letter carriers) in the big towns. The first postmen were employed in 1862 and at the end of 1864 the delivery service had been introduced in 48 towns.

Before that time the mail delivery was arranged in such a way that information about letters arrived was given on lists outside the post offices. Everyone in the district could there find out if there were any letters for him at the office counter. In Stockholm, however, letters were delivered by postmen, employed in the Post Office, also before 1862 but only on a reduced scale.

So to commemorate the 100th anniversary, Sweden will issue two new stamps in coils, the 30 ore will be violet and the 1 krona 70 ore will be red. The 30 ore stamp will also come in booklets perforated 3 sides.

The design of the stamps will be the same for both of them. The design was made by the artist Pierre Olofsson and the text drawn by the artist Karl Erik Forsberg. Czeslaw Slania engraved the stamps. First day of issue January 29th, 1962.

#### NORWAY PLANS THREE ISSUES

Norwegian issues during 1962 will mark the 50th anniversary of aviation in the country, the centenary of the birth of the mathematician Vilhelm Bjerknes and the centenary of the Norwegian Forest Authority, according to word from Oslo.

Aviation came to Norway on June 1, 1912, when Lt. H. Dons piloted a German Rumpler plane across the Oslo fjord from Horten to Fredrikstad, via Moss. A few days later Capt. E. Sem-Jacobsen took part in Norwegian military maneuvers with a French plane given to Norway by Norwegians in France.

Prof. Vilhelm F. K. Bjerknes, who died in 1951, was one of Europe's outstanding mathematicians and his researches were of importance in the develop-

ment of radio and in meteorology and oceanography.

June 15 will be the centenary of the Norwegian Forest Authority which was set up to direct use of the forests which are so important in the Norwegian economy.

Norway is still discussing plans for issue of further Nobel Peace Prize stamps, further Europa issues and a proposed stamp advocating Nordic cooperation.

# Notes From the Editor's Desk

Turns out that we made a mistake in our biography—short as it was of Mr. Werenskiold. He was not born in Norway but in the United States. Which does not make our birthday wishes any less sincere!

A fellow by the name of Charles Sneller who had an exhibition of Photographs in Miami Museum of Modern Art turns out to be none other than our own member Dr. Sneller of Peoria, Illinois, Court Photographer of International Philately. Anybody who has seen his beautiful work as it pertains to personalities in the stamp world, cannot doubt that his accomplishments in the general field of photography are equally great.

The Vineland Chapter is really cooking with gas! By now they have 21

active members and more coming.

The president, Herbert Bernstein, is to be heard every Tuesday night on Vineland radio station W. W. B. Z. in a stamp talk. Better advertising for our hobby is hard to get. Congratulations Herb.

More S. C. C. members sent us notes expressing their satisfaction with and approval of the last issue of the Posthorn, than any time in the last two years. We are naturally happy that you liked it; but we must remind you that you, individually and collectively must furnish us with enough news and articles to keep us going.

### SOJEX "61"

A few more bits of information of general interest about Sojex arrived on the editors desk. In addition to Svend Yort and Dr. Stericker who judged the Scandinavian section of Sojex, S. C. C. members Vincent Domanski and Michael Miller served other sections in a similar capacity.

Incidently Sojex "62" is already a going concern with a late fall date set. Our Vineland chapter as a participating group is out to duplicate its success of

last year.

The next issue of the Posthorn will contain all the details.

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