

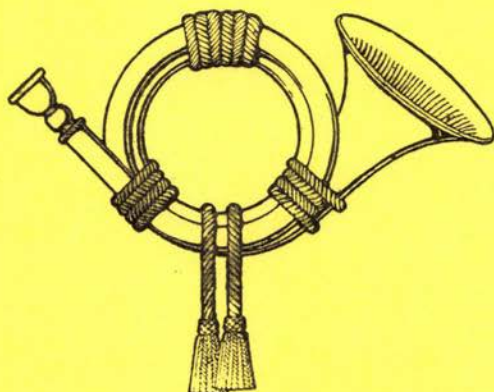
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Norway 3 Skill 3

(Facit #13)

By Harry Snarvold

Doubts have arisen of late whether the traditional specialized classification of this issue is correct. According to our handbooks and catalogues the reddish-purple shade is identical with a clear printing, and the greyish-purple with a blurred printing.

For some time I have been studying the different shades and their frequency. By and large, the result can be summarized as follows:

Clearly reddish-purple shade	25 per cent
Weak reddish-purple to greyish-purple	25 per cent
Greyish-purple to grey	50 per cent



Fig. 1. 4-block with a "normal" reddish purple shade and a clear printing.

Stamps with a greyish-purple shade thus are strongly predominant, about 70 per cent. (To draw up exact limits is, of course, not possible in view of intermediate shades). It may be added that not infrequently one comes upon stamps, even on cover, which have reached the less-than-respectable shade of grey to greyish-green.

As an instance of this, mention may be made of a cover preserved in the Norwegian Postal Museum, franked with a strip of four 3 Skill 3 plus a 1 Skill 1. The strip has a strongly changed greyish-green shade, while the 1 Skill 1 is a fresh blackish-grey.

As for the printing, considerable variations can be observed. In the relatively modest issue of about 1 million, the reasons for such variations have been given as follows:

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1) Wear on the stamp dies.

2) Poor cleaning of the printing plate.

It is, however, necessary to consider other contributing factors, such as:

3) Galvano-plastic procedure.

4) Use of natural inks (viscous, slow-drying).

It is fairly evident that the blurred printing, which is strongly predominant, cannot be attributed solely to wear on the plate. (Cf. 4 Skill 4 with a total printing of about 11 million).

Normal wear would have led to a gradual worsening of impression quality, which in view of the size of the issue should not be very marked. Instead, it must be assumed that the blurred-appearing print has come about sporadically and in varying degree in the course of the printing.

What is interesting, however, is the relationship between shades and printing varieties. The way this has been described until now, the clear



Fig. 2. The first stamp in the 4-block enlarged.



Fig. 3. Letter to France with 15 sk. (ord. rate) plus 1 sk. related to transfer with Thurn u. Taxis=16 sk. and blurred printing.

print only occurred in conjunction with the red-purple shade, the blurred print with the grey-purple shade.

The change from clear to blurred print would then have come as early as after one-third of the issue had been printed, something which seems hardly likely.

Many philatelists have probably felt a certain amount of exasperation when coming upon copies of a greyish-purple shade, but with a relatively clear print. Often such stamps are put aside without receiving an unequivocal classification.

A far more sensational documentation is a cover with a strip of five of the stamp which I was able to acquire some time ago. Here, the stamps have a marvelous, exceptionally beautiful reddish-purple shade—while the printing must be considered close to the so-called blurred print. (See illustrations).

There is thus a documented incompatibility between shades and print variations of the issue, as expressed today.

The ink, which is very sensitive to light, has gradually lost its red component, according to the influence of the environment it has been exposed to.

Through the influence of the air, and passibly light, even so-called virgin files, which are sometimes reported, have been affected to some extent.

It is also unlikely that after a very short time the printer would have changed the nice reddish-purple shade to a considerably poorer greyish one.

My personal view after this study is that 3 Skill 3 was printed in one main color, namely the reddish-purple, with normally-occurring intermediate stages.

To sum up, the shade has undergone a gradual change in the direction of grey and even greyish-green in the time that has elapsed, while the print has varied irregularly in the course of production from the clearest print to one more blurred and rough.

In view of the incontestable documentation now existing, the cataloguing ought to be changed without much delay. The different print varieties in

various shades may form a complicated picture, but as an instance a simplified version, with price level indicated, might be as follows:

Facit #13. 3 Skill 3 (3.3.68) 1.1 mill.

a) reddish-purple, Sv. kr. 1000 (80-81)

b) greyish-purple, Sv. kr. 375. Clear print, 50 per cent higher price.

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(Translated from Nordisk Filатели, No. 1, 1981, by Sven Åhman.)



Fig. 4. The 4th stamp in the 5-strip, enlarged.

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One comment might be added to help readers more fully understand the



Fig. 5. Greyish purple with a relatively clear printing.

preceding excellent article by Mr. Snarvold.

Clear and blurred prints are relative, and cannot usually be determined by a first impression as you view the whole design. The clear print is particularly identified by absence of any color inside the outline of the stems below the shield, above the "K" and first "L" of "SKILL"; and by a colorless area between the panel and wreath to the left of the shield. To a lesser extent, the sharpness of the design of the crown is an aid to differentiate the prints between clear and blurred.

Mr. Snarvold is also very modest in identifying the photographs accompanying his article. The used block of four in the reddish-purple shade is the only one recorded to date, as is the 16 Sk. cover to France via Germany.

Jared H. Richter

POSTHORN EDITOR NEEDED

With reluctance and regret your editor asks for a replacement. The demands of his other activities make it necessary that he relinquish the editorship of not only the *Posthorn* but the APS Writers Unit 30 *News Bulletin* as promptly as replacements can be had. As a Trustee, and Secretary to the Board of Trustees of the American Philatelic Research Library, Inc., he feels his capabilities can there best be utilized for our hobby and it is his intention to devote all available efforts and time to the Library activities and those of serving as a newly-elected Director of SCC, and it is for the purpose of concentrating on the Library and SCC Director duties that he asks replacement in these two editor posts.

Please contact the *Posthorn* Editor by letter if interested in the *Posthorn* editorship, giving brief details as to your qualifications and experience. This will be handed to the SCC board for consideration in the very near future so if interested do not hesitate to write.

Joe F. Frye

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Danish Bits and Pieces

By Marvin Hunewell, Associate Editor

Danish First Day Covers. Alan Warren, (who has exhibited Danish FDCs in several shows) writes:

"Dear Marv,

In reference to your request in the February *Posthorn* for early FDCs of Denmark, I have been in touch with Aa Kabell, Marselis Boulevard 21, 8000 Aarhus C, Denmark. He has just published a book on the cachets of the Vitus Bering Issue . . .

(Assoc. Ed's note: This issue was the first to have special FD cancel and is the earliest FDC priced by AFA, except for the D.F.U. overprint issue of 1938. The Vitus Bering issue is usually considered as the normal starting point for Danish FDC collecting as a popular pursuit.)

"I had written to Kabell since he was looking for cachets on Danish FDCs prior to 1941 which had some connection with the stamp itself. There were many after-the-fact handstamp cachets which simply said 'First Day Cover' in some language, but he is interested only in thematic cachets. If you have any of these, send him photocopies of what you have. He'd like to hear from you. I sent him photocopies of a few I had and he learned of a few he hadn't turned up before in his researches.

Best, Alan"

Jay Smith & Associates may soon have Mr. Kabell's book.

APS & SPA Stamp Circuits. A collector asked me not too long ago "How did you build such a fine used collection?" I told him by utilizing the APS and SPA sales Circuits. If you can afford the time and incidental expense, it's best to enroll in your specific Scandinavian country(ies) and Scandinavia. This gives the most traffic in circuits, and mixed books do hold surprises sometimes. The APS and SPA books can yield many varieties, cancellations, etc. for the specialist, and sometimes allow one to examine more than 1,500 stamps in one shipment.

The circuits also are a very good way of selling duplicates. You must be a member of APS and/or SPA to receive their circuits. I highly recommend membership in both societies, and also recommend our SCC Stamp Mart circuits if you haven't tried them. Don't expect too many surprises in SCC circuits, as SCC members really know their stamps.

Stamp Program For 1981

General Directorate Of Posts—Norway

Date of issue	Subject	Values (NOK)
26.02.81	Definitive stamps -----	1.50, 1.70, 2.20
26.02.81	Definitive stamps in booklets -----	1.30x10, 1.50x10
24.03.81	Norwegian Milkproducers' National Association (Name of Norway in the neo-Norwegian version ('Noreg'))	1.10, 1.50
04.05.81	EUROPA ('Noreg') -----	1.50, 2.20
04.05.81	Sailing vessels -----	1.30, 1.50, 2.20
10.06.81	Domestic steamship services -----	1.10, 1.30, 1.50, 2.30
25.08.81	International Year of Disabled Persons -----	1.50, 2.20
09.10.81	Musical instruments ('Noreg') -----	10.00
09.10.81	Paintings -----	1.50, 1.70
25.11.81	Nobel's Peace Prize -----	5.00
25.11.81	Christmas stamps -----	1.10, 1.30, 1.50

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Railway Post Cancels Of Norway

In the November 1980 POSTHORN (p. 177), mention is made of the work-in-progress on Norwegian railway cancellations by Jürgen Tiemer, Chairman of the Norwegian Study Group of the Forschungsgemeinschaft Nordische Staaten of the Society of German Philatelists. Jürgen has now sent a 100-page manuscript of this major research project, which we have turned over to the SCC Library so that others may have access to it.

Tiemer has taken sections of Norway and described briefly the rail lines serving each section. This general write-up is then followed by illustrations of the cancellations and varieties known. The section most thoroughly researched is the Østfoldbahn running southeast from Oslo to the Swedish border. Some examples of the rail cancellations shown are Sydbanen (7 types), Bureau Reexp. de Christiania (13 types), and Oslo-Kornsjø (6 types).

The next section describes the Kongsvinger or Mellemriksbahn extending northeast of Oslo, with cancellations of the rail lines to Charlottenberg, Magnor, Høland, Solør, and Kongsvinger. Next are the northern lines such as the Dovrebanen, Nordbanen, Nordlandsbanen and others serving Lillestrøm, Lillehammer, Trondheim, Dombas, Røros, Mo, Bøde, etc.

Then come the Gjøvikbanen and nearby lines serving Fagernes and Skreia; the Randsfjord lines to Asker, Drammen, and Hønefoss; the lines to Voss and Bergen (four dozen Bergensmanen cancellation types are recorded); the Westfoldsystem of rail lines to Larvik, Horten, Brevik, and Skien; and the southern lines to Arendal, Kristiansand, Flekkefjord, and Stavanger. In following the above sequence, Jürgen Tiemer illustrates fewer examples, and lacks the discussion which is to follow in due course. He would like very much to hear from collectors also interested in documenting these Norwegian railway cancellations. If you can contribute to the subject, write directly to Mr. Tiemer at Am Vorkamp 13, 2303 Alt-Wittenbeck über Kiel, Germany.

—Alan Warren

What's Happening In Finland

The Auction Front

Several major European auctions recently offered some good Finnish material, one being the David Feldman sale in Zurich, Switzerland.

Some of the "cannon" items were:

5 kop. 1856 small pearls, tete-beche pair on letter, brought \$101,550 while a 10 kop. tete-beche on letter fetched \$48,000.00. The 10 kop. tete-beche is no less important than the 5 kop. piece but the condition of the 10 kop. pair was a bit tired and worn. It is estimated that there are only 3 letters known with tete-beche 10 kop. pairs and one of these has been repaired.

A strip of 3 of the 10 kop. 1856 emission tied to the back of a letter realized \$21,500. A nice buy, since the color of the strip was very fresh.

In the Nordic part of the world Suomen Postimerkkeily sponsored a fine sale in Helsinki in November.

A 1 Mark, 1866 emission stamp on letter bearing a nice cancellation hit \$14,000-plus, to which 10% had to be added. Another 1 Mark stamp on letter from the same emission realized \$12,300 (plus 10%), no doubt cheaper because the condition was not as nice.

One very beautiful item was an 8 penny, 1866, tied to piece with a Copenhagen printing of the 1875/32 penny stamp, truly Luxus. It realized \$3850, including 10%.

Another rarely-seen piece was the 1866 emission 5 and 10 kop. rouletted stamps tied to a small piece, which drew \$1058, (10% included). When on a complete cover it is rated as a great rarity.

NORDIA '81

The NORDIA miniature sheet, issued for the 5 day exhibit, May 6-10, 1981, in Helsinki has developed another "extra" point of interest for our philatelic sleuths. As described in the last issue of POSTHORN, the sheet bears the reproduction of the 1856 5 kop. blue and the 10 kop. stamps, printed in red. The item honors the 125th anniversary of Finland's first adhesive stamps.

Some of the numbered sheets bear a watermark, which according to *Philatelia Fennica* appears in the 5 kop. stamp detail. The complete watermark reads CONQUEROR. Thus far the watermark is known to appear in those sheets numbered 8001-8100 and 12001-12500. In most cases only partial watermarks are evident. Someone associated with the printing states that "Less than 2000 miniature sheets bear an almost complete WM. And . . . after the running numbers of 15,000 there will be no evidence of watermarks at all."

Philatelic Literature

One very important book with a catalog-pricing approach is well in preparation and should make its debut about the opening of NORDIA in May.

It was compiled and written by Aaro Laitinen of Pori, Finland, who is really steeped in the knowledge of Finland's Figure Cancellations. Mr. Laitinen co-authored a book on this subject covering new finds with the late E. A. Hellman in 1974. Mrs. Hvidonov and I concluded the English translation of the book some months back. Mr. Laitinen had dedicated the book to E. A. HELLMAN, "The trail blazer," before his demise. It will be in Finnish, Sweden, German, and English and will be well illustrated with a very limited printing. The publisher, the very progressive Suomen Postimerkkeily of Ilppo Ylismaa. Cost to be determined. If you are interested order promptly when announced. It is a MUST for the collector, specialist or dealer.

New Discoveries

Abophil announces the following:

- 1) The 6 mark stamp honoring the 100th birthday of Maria Jotuni (Norma 881) issued in 1980 has been found imperforated on the left side. The other sides are perforated.
- 2) The 12 mark stamp honoring Michael Agricola (Norma #376) has been found with "tartumma" on the gummed side of the stamp. "Tartumma" means an offset impression which is not at all usual in modern-day emissions and is therefore of collecting interest.
- 3) It is worth noting that in these times of mammoth printings the Hvittrask 1.20 mark stamp issued in 1978 (Norma 844) enjoyed a printing of just one million. This is a very small print order for modern issues. Better pick up a few. Legible date cancellations are important in case the stamp is ever reprinted.
- 4) Abophil-Jan. describes the first forgeries of stamp booklets found in Finland. According to the brief article the forgeries have been perpetrated on Booklets AV4 and AV5. The covers of both of the items bear violet text overprints and were issued with these overprints from the town of MAARIANHAMINA. The article describes that the real overprint was applied by addressograph. The forged overprints bear "traces of a spirit duplicating machine" and the impression does not have the strong, shiny appearance of the authentic impression.

I have no comparisons or pictures that could show differences, so one should get at least one authentic booklet for comparative reasons.

- 5) The Dec. issue of Abophil contained an interesting article on a special cancellation which evidently was designed and used at an athletic event in the TURKU sports park on May 24, 1903. The cancellation reads IDROTTS-PARKEN/ABO 24.V.03. IDROTTS-PARKEN is Swedish for Sportspark and Åbo is the Swedish word for TURKU. The cancel was applied to postcards to commemorate the event by a "temporary" post office set up at the sportspark but the card still had to be officially cancelled by the TURKU P. O.



Up to the time of the ABOPHIL article only one such cancel had been found. Now 6 more have made their appearance. In nearly all cases the cards had been bought at very reasonable prices as a part of a group purchase of a bundle of cards (see illustration).

Finnish Forgeries

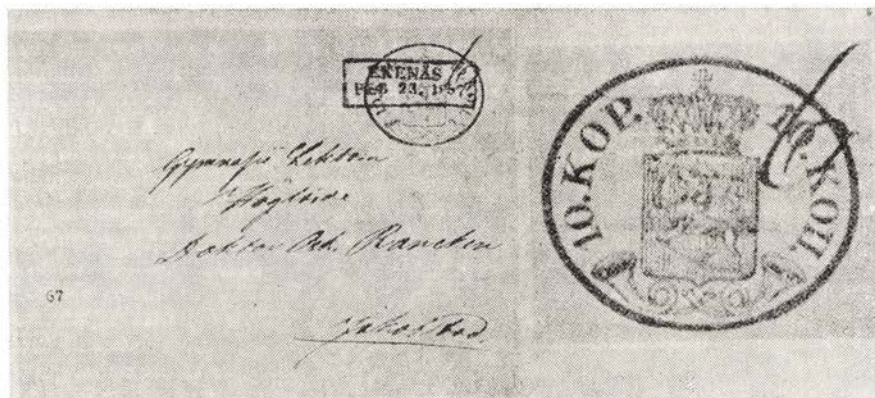
I recently received a catalog from a major European auction which featured two Fournier forgeries. They were both from the 1891 period of the so-called "ring mark stamps." One was a 3.50 rouble and the other a 7 rouble, both cancelled. The stamps and the cancellations are complete forgeries.

The 3.50 rouble stamp (featured in color) bears a beautifully centered "bridge-type" cancel KUOPIO 1 IV 98 and the 7 rouble stamp has a lovely TAMMERFORS 8 V 98. Other "pretty" Fournier forgeries recorded are: WIBORG 11 XI 97 and Helsingfors 5 III 00. The auction house was notified immediately and will, I am certain, withdraw the items.

10 Kop. 1856 Cover Forgery

NORRPHIL, a stamp club magazine published in Sweden contained another interesting (if not dangerous) cover forgery.

Pictured is a loose 10 kop. stamp that was offered in a West German auction in 1972. The stamp was defective and was offered at a low price of 150 German marks.



In 1979 the same stamp, affixed to a letter with a created EKENAS Feb 23, 1857 cancellation, was offered at a sale in Switzerland. The limit price was 10,000 Swiss crowns. The letter to which the stamp was affixed was authentic. Happily some sharp-eyed collector noticed the forgery and the lot was withdrawn. (See illustrations).

The same cover again appeared at NORWEX '80, was again exposed thanks to a NORRPHIL article, and was again withdrawn.

It will appear somewhere again until some neophyte buys it. I urge you to have Finnish material checked by an expert in Finnish material.

NORRPHIL is published by the NORRPHIL Stamp Club, Box 60, 183 21 Täby Sweden. The price is 30 Skr. for 6 issues plus airmail postage (if desired). One of the leading collectors and writers is part of the staff, Karl-Erik Stenberg.

E. A. Helman — 1895-1980

The philatelic world mourns the loss of E. A. Helman, who succumbed to injuries sustained in a vehicle accident on Dec. 14, 1980.

During his fruitful life he amassed many awards for his philatelic prowess in International exhibitions. He was the "trail blazer" in the research and compilation of Finnish "figure cancellations," (U.S.=Fancy Cancellations).

A pharmacist in his early years, he started collecting items of every description: streetcar transfers, butterflies, bugs, labels, stamps, coins, etc.

One of his great "figure cancellation" collections is at the Postal Museum in Helsinki, while a magnificent, scientifically described butterfly collection is the property of the University of Helsinki. His knowledge of entomology was incredible.

A prolific writer, Mr. Helman published privately the bible of Finnish figure cancellations in 1961, "Die Figurenstempel Finnlands," (suomen kuvioleimat). A subsequent addition to this treatise by Mr. Helman was co-authored by Mr. Aero Laitinen of Pori and again privately produced by E. A. H. in 1974.

Countless other writings and research articles exist, among them a catalog of Finnish revenue stamps (1944) and an issue on Finnish Railway stamps. (1955). He was hard at work writing a treatise concerning Ship Postal cancellations, at the time of his passing.

His existing collection of figure cancellations on stamps of virtually every emission and his prodigious collection of Entires (tens of thousands) and philatelic literature (which seemed immense to this writer) will possibly take years to record.

Scholars of Finnish philately still use as prime reference his research studies and records. Some of them, done with the great Agerthon Fabergé, are Classic in their thoroughness. He will be missed by all.

Mike Hvidonov

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Finland—10 Penny Early Cancellation

One of the fascinating aspects of philately collecting that few other collecting interests enjoy is the perennial search for "the earliest cancellation known."

Fortunately, insofar as Finnish stamps are concerned this has been made a mite easier, because of fairly good post office archive records made many decades ago and the diligent researchers and collectors of modern times.

Add to this the fact that NORMA includes month and year as early cancellation data of the 1875-1882 emissions (among others). All we have to do is find the items!

This writing covers but a small segment of Finland's stamp emissions, that of the Seal Printers 10 penny emissions. This printing arm of the government produced two separate emissions of the 10 penny stamps, gummed and perforated. One emission is best described as "grey-brown" and the second as "yellow-brown."

There are no compound perforation variations as occurs in the earlier Senate-printed 10 penny stamps because the overworked unit that perforated 11 had been retired.

The only unusual feature in the Seal printings is that of a paper variety. Most of the stamps were produced on thick paper and some inestimable portion on a thinner paper. NORMA lists the 10 penny "grey-brown" (24LBaz) z=thick paper (8,08-0,10) and (LBax) x=thin paper (0,06-0,07).

The grey-brown, thin paper variety is rated at \$150.00 unused and \$125.00 used. The yellow-brown printing is noted as existing in thin paper but is not priced. The fact that it is not priced implies that not many of this type are seen so the value cannot be determined.

Except for multiples, letters, and postage combinations on postal pieces, etc., the only other things to feature are nice cancels and early or late-usage cancellations.

Imagine my elation, when I found at a reasonable price the illustrated "yellow-brown" stamp bearing a lovely Helsingfors, double-ring indicia, clearly dated 21.7.83!

It is generally accepted that the period of use of the "yellow-brown" stamps was from the Fall of 1883 until the end of 1884 and that most cancellations are from August 1883.

NORMA notes 9-1883 as the earliest reported, while the book "M/1875," by Herbert Oesch, on the 1875-1882 emissions describes Aug. 1883 as the earliest.



Research of the records, however, reveals that some Finnish post offices received deliveries of the 10 penny, "yellow-brown" stamps at earlier dates. For instance, Helsinki PO got a shipment on July 10, 1883, Tammerfors on July 2, 1883, and Nädendal on July 30, 1883.

Thus, it is possible to find cancellations prior to Aug. 1883, perhaps even on the very first day of receipt at the post office—a veritable treasure hunt!

One note and word of caution about describing a rare early cancel on the exhibition page. The collector may never say "Earliest cancellation." It should read "Earliest cancellation known" or as an alternate "Very early usage."

If any of you find something earlier, I would appreciate the details.

—Mike Hvidonov

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Finland—"Pre-Stamp" Collecting

The interest in "pre-stamp" material has been quietly but relentlessly moving forward in prominence and stature for some years, seeking its level so surely as does coursing water.

Heretofore, the so-called "pre-philatelic" material (I prefer "pre-stamp" or "pre-adhesive") was relegated to its suitability for Postal History collections. We learn that everything requires time to pass before it is honored by acceptance—philately is no exception.

Major Finnish catalogs (1980-81) finally had to add both descriptions and basic price guide lines for "pre-stamp" material. In Finland's case these are mailings prior to 1856 when the first paste-on stamps were printed and issued to the public. Many of these early items were long ignored.

The impetus supplied by the wedding of pre-adhesive material with the adhesives enabled catalog producers as well as Postal History buffs, dealers, and auctioneers to place sound dollar evaluations on these items of many decades past. This comes to pass because a stronger market portrays with fair accuracy the availability of specific material and establishes, to a degree, Rarity.

I have been studying this fascinating subject for some years, having been inspired by Mikko Ossa's opening frame of his magnificent collection, which features some of the great, rare pieces from the pre-stamp era.

Then, too, the signs of the times indicated that the accent on Postal History, per se, virtually directed that there would be many items that would not be easy to find in the future. Europe for some time now has been Postal History bound.

Exhibiting

It is not necessary for the exhibitor who is coupling the opening frame of "pre-stamp" period examples with the Classic birth and subsequent growth of adhesive stamps and covers to do a great deal of write-up. Simple one or two-liners are sufficient. Elaborate study details are still the province of the Postal History specialist. However, you should understand the details of all of your gems.

The serious collector bent on major presentations in competitions should try to get some of the fine material showing up in the European auction world before it all disappears into permanent collections for decades. I have not seen material of consequence in U. S. sales for some time but this will perhaps change.

When showing in Finland, Scandinavia, and Europe, where judges appear to have a strong knowledge of Classic Finland, include "pre-adhesives." The opening pages of your early material MUST contain items that are "hard-to-get." In short, same representative items of significance and rarity.

it follows (alas) that rare and significant stuff is expensive. Waiting and marking time will never reduce cost. BUY NOW!

The search for old letters, especially those with contents, rivals the wonderful thrills that the scientist must feel when opening an old tomb. It excites, intrigues, thrills, and teaches.

Please exercise caution when making a purchase of this material. Dating IS of consequence. The year in most cases must be clear. It is requisite! I have seen material offered without dating. No matter what other feature points to authenticity, the item still is basically fallible and will never be approved by an expert. The best they will offer is that "it could be correct." The market is full of items that are signed and photographed that are questionable. Do not fall into this trap. It is your money.

We can compare this with adhesives that are not tied to the cover by a cancellation. There is always some doubt. Get the written attest of a top specialist in Finnish material.

Quality as always is paramount. A doggy, beat up item is acceptable ONLY if it is a very rare piece. With this exception the collector must be as demanding as possible with his presentation material, and for the sake of your spouse and your wallet.

The details of the time structure of pre-philatelic material, and the descriptions of such, are not the subject of this series of articles, because it would never end. The intent is to keep the collector informed and to "whet the appetite," rather than to write a primer or a resolute guide.

To stir up the collector who sits on the fence, I have had translated a letter transported by Sexton Post (see pictures and captions) that is of much better than average interest.

Sexton post missives belong at the very top of the list of items that should be a part of the exhibit frame.

Sexton post comprises letters that the congregational Sextons were obligated to deliver, by hand, from one congregation to another. The Sexton to which this duty fell was often the organist of the church who had other duties and obligations.

Sexton mail often bear various words indicating that the Sexton was the

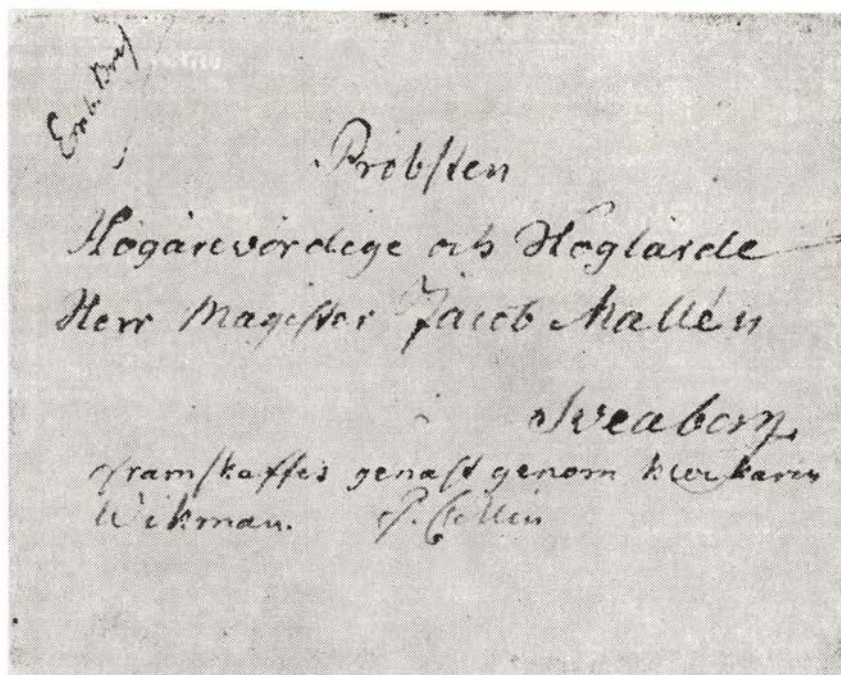
mail carrier. Some that are seen are: "KLOCKARE POSTEN" (Sexton Post or Sexton Mail); another, "FRAM FÖRES AF KLOCKARE PERSSON" which translates to "Transported by Sexton."

The wording under the name of the town SVEABORG (Suomenlinna) on the letter's face notes in Swedish that the letter "Will be immediately delivered by Sexton Wikman." The captions under the 2 illustrations give brief translations of the face and contents.

What really places this item in the "gem" range is the early dating noted in the text as Helsingfors 22 Apr., 1790. Most Sexton mail exists from the 1800's rather than from the 18th century. It is my understanding that Sexton post started as early as the 12th century. I would really love to buy some of them.

Should any of our readers have anything to add to this or some examples of earlier Sexton post we would like to hear from you in detail.

—Mike Hvidonov



Emballage letter. The Pastor. The highly honorable and learned Mister Magister, Jacob Mallen, Sveaborg.

Will be immediately delivered by Sexton Wikman.

P. Collin

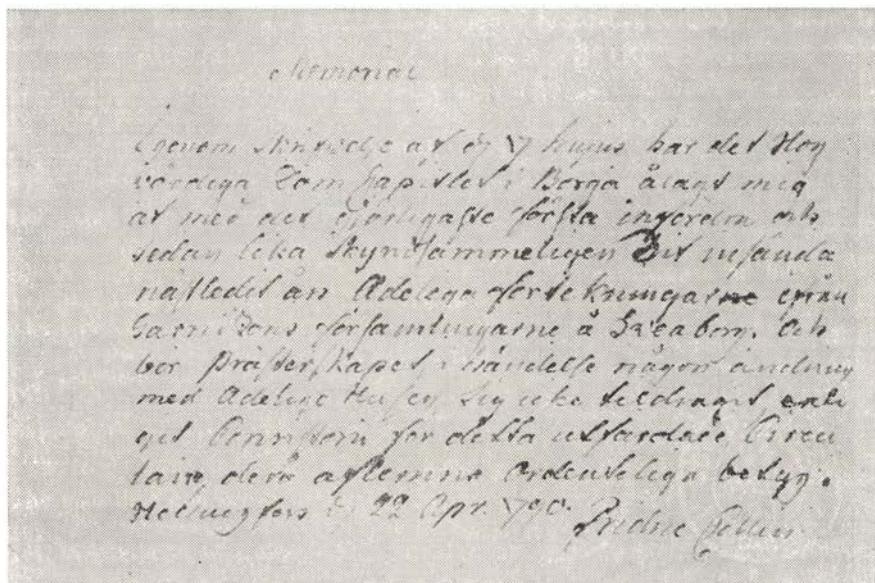
Memorandum

In a letter of the 17th of this month, the honorable diocesan chapter in BORGÅ has assigned me to submit at the earliest convenient time, and likewise expedite, last year's list of noble families from the garrison's congregation in Sveaborg.

If there are no changes in the noble family registry, the parish ministry must so witness upon the proper certificate.

Helsingfors 22 Apr. 1790.

Pridne Collin



Forgeries Of Finland

By Ed Fraser #954

North Ingermanland Pictorial Issue



Figure 1. Genuine

PART I
(POHJOIS—INKERI)

Many brief descriptions and references are made to these forgeries. Dealers' stocks as well as specialized collections of Finland and Russia frequently unknowingly have them. Certainly these are not dangerous if genuine material is available for comparison. While the several dozen forgeries I've seen have the same characteristics, study should be concentrated on the genuine stamp.

This article, Part I, is only about the 10 mark stamp, which is the one value that exists both normal and with the center inverted (Figure 3).

If anyone has information to expand or complement this article, could you contact me?



Figure 2. Forgery

Denmark

Finland

Iceland

Norway

Sweden

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Comparison of the original and a forgery:

Characteristic of:	ORIGINAL (Figure 1)	FORGERY (Figure 2)
Perforation:		
Perf. Gage	Line Perforation 11½	Line Perforation 11½
Perf. Hole Size and Spacing:		
Size:	.9 mm (note 1)	.7 (note 1)
Space (between hole edges):	.8 mm (note 1)	1.0 mm (note 1)
Alignment of Holes:	Good alignment	Frequently (e.g. maybe 1 in 10) a perf hole slightly out of line
Alignment of Perf. Rows:	Normal, parallel	Normal, parallel
Printing Process:	Lithography	Lithography
Sheet Size:	100	?
Adjacent Stamp:	Generally adjacent stamp poorly centered single copies.	does not show even on poorly centered single copies.
Registry of Center:	Often slightly displaced central design (Note 2)	More often may have a significantly displaced center
Design Size:		
Horizontal at Top:	35.6 mm	35.3 mm (i.e. smaller than genuine)
Vertical at Right:	26.9 mm	26.5-26.6 mm (i.e. smaller than genuine)
Paper:	Wove, unwatermarked	Wove, unwatermarked
Paper Color:	Slightly beige	White
Paper Color Under UV: (Short or Long)	Slightly beige	Sometimes blue
Gum:	Slightly beige	Yellowish
Gum Under UV: (Short or Long)	Slightly beige	Yellow
Design Color: (Note 3)		
Center:	Dark violet	Purplish brown
Frame:	Reddish brown to dark reddish brown	Yellowish brown to dark brown
Design Differences:		
Horizontal Lines of Central Background Sky:	Shading effect achieved by thicker horizontal lines throughout upper sky	Only a few lines thick- ened in upper sky (and may run together). Lines in upper and lower sky otherwise have similar thickness
Horizontal Lines of Brown Frame Back- ground:	Short interrupted ine segments of regular vertical spacing and thickness giving the effect of a uniform background pattern.	Slightly irregularly spaced, almost ruled looking lines giving a varying intensity to the background pattern.
Quality of Center Picture:	Picture is of two zither players	Not clear what the two people are doing.



Figure 3—Genuine with inverted center

Footnotes:

1. Approximations only. These are especially hard to estimate on rough perforated stamps.
2. Apparently all inverts have a displaced central design like Figure 3.
3. Under short or long wavelength UV light, the genuine has similar to normal lighting color, while the forgery has darker colors.

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Finland's 8 Penny Coarse Green Paper of 1869



Left:
Coarse Grey Green Paper Variety

Right:
Wove Yellow Green Paper Type

An interesting and little-discussed paper variety occurs in the 8 penny

so-called "big-toothed" emissions of 1866.

Frequently philatelic sleepers lie quite dormant, destined to become important to the collection years later.

Though the catalog evaluations of the 8 penny coarse green paper type in very fine used condition have shown steady increases over the years, I will venture to say that this variety is still a much underrated item.

NORMA: (1979) 6 Czb estimates the value of a flawless cancelled stamp at 1000 Marks (about \$250.00)

LAPE: (1978-'79) 6III ('69) fixes the value at 650 Marks (about \$162.00)

Mint copies of this stamp are not estimated for value in either catalog which in itself suggests scarcity! I have not seen offers of unused copies in years and then only in old catalogs. I have only seen 2 used copies offered in several years. Perhaps others have appeared in sales, not described as the coarse paper type because of lack of knowledge of the material.

The illustration, made by transmitted light, shows the difference between the coarse paper and the more common wove, rag type. Note the murky, clouded, almost impenetrable look of the coarse paper type (left) and the wove paper (right).

A fairly scientific analysis of the coarse paper was made many years ago and concluded that the pulp used for the paper of this small group was comprised of 90% flax and 10% Fir tree pulp.

The brownish hairlines (visible to the naked eye) are the Fir tree fibers while the long, almost colorless fibers (under microscopic study) are unground or lightly-ground flax fibers. Both the long brown and the less visible flax fibers often extend outside the edges of the stamp giving the subject a very "hairy" appearance.

It is not possible to determine how many of these stamps exist. According to archive records of the Post Office and a bill dated Oct. 29, 1866 a common green rag paper was delivered to the Senate Printers. Apparently the delivery contained some number of sheets of a coarse paper thus we cannot even speculate as to the number of stamps struck on sheets that differed from the normal lot.

The coarse green stamps are known from the year 1869 and often are cancelled in PORVOO though other cancellations are known.

—M. E. Hvidonov

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NEW ISSUE



The subject represents the ancient Finnish mail-boat, the FURST MENSCHIKOFF, named after the then governor-general of Finland, A. S. Menschikoff. It was the first Finland-built steamer intended for both passenger and postal service. The ship

was built at the Turku Ancient Shipyard, where it was launched in 1836. This paddle-steamer, equipped with two gaff-sails, had a length of 29.5 m and a breadth of 6.5 m. The steam engine gave the ship a speed of about 9 knots.

The Administration of Posts issued on August 20, 1839, a circular with stipulations concerning mail transport by sea, and in autumn the same year regular postal service by steamer started between Helsinki and Tallinn and between Turku and Stockholm.

The picture of the stamp is based on a watercolor of the FURST MENSCHIKOFF in the collection of the Helsinki City Museum.

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Master Of Steel-Engraved Stamps—Czeslaw Slania

AFA has published a lovely little catalog listing and illustrating the engraved stamps produced by the noted Polish artist Czeslaw Slania. The list of countries for which he has produced designs includes Poland, Ireland, Monaco, and San Marino. However, Slania is best known for the many engraved stamps he has created for the Scandinavian countries of Sweden, Denmark, Greenland, Iceland, and the Faroes.

The monograph is released to mark the appearance of Slania's 500th stamp—a remarkable achievement for one person. The booklet carries an introductory sketch of the artist's life and work by his close personal friend, the noted author Ib Eichner-Larsen. Czeslaw Slania was born October 22, 1921, and educated at the Academy of Art in Cracow, Poland. He joined the state printing bureau in the same city, and took up engraving. From 1950 to 1956 Slania produced 23 engravings of Polish stamps, after which he left for Sweden.

In Sweden, Slania held only odd jobs with the Post Office printing house and was seriously considering leaving for Canada, when Sweden's director of engraving fell ill, and Slania was asked to fill in. Over the years he developed new techniques in the field of engraving and was eventually appointed Engraver to the Royal Court. His 500th engraving is the recent Swedish issue in which he has reproduced Ernst Josephson's painting "The Water Elf."

In 1962 he also began producing engravings for the Danish General Post Office, and through last year he had created 179 stamps for that country alone. His efforts in producing stamps for Greenland since 1963 resulted in that country's recommendation that Slania be given a Danish Knighthood, which was conferred in January, 1974. That same year he began creating engravings for Faroese stamps.

Steel engraving has become Czeslaw Slania's life work, and his spare time is often spent in his Stockholm apartment creating stamp-size engravings of his mother's portrait, of filmstars, and of heavyweight boxing champs, while listening to classical music. We are indebted to Ib Eichner-Larsen for this portrait of the engraver-artist, and to AFA for the cataloging of his work. The booklet can be borrowed from the SCC Librarian Stanley Hanson.

—Alan Warren

Alphabetical Listing Of Members

2325	Aarhus Frimaerkehandel	1624	Jack Beale
2127	Junichi Adachi	1880	William E. Beatty
936	Sven Åhman	981	James E. Beaver
2210	Arnold R. Alanen	301	R. Bechsgaard
2258	Lise Albert	2281	John T. Beck
1551	Richard J. Albert, Jr.	2457	Leif K. Bedner
2138	Lawrence Albertson	1920	M. H. Beers
294	H. Alden	1173	H-18 Wade H. Beery
758	John D. Alden	1107	Lester A. Behnke
1379	Pete Alexander	2413	Taylor Belcher III
2286	Ole Algard	1921	Jonathan Bell
1552	J. C. Alleman	1329	William E. Benfield
1213	David Ames	817	Erik Bengtson
2473	Iver Amundsen, Jr.	1269	Richard K. Benjamin
454	H. P. Anedrsen	1347	Capt. Howard F. Benson, Jr.
2254	Ib Falk Andersen	2364	Richard K. Berg
1531	Svend Andersen	2442	Robert L. Berg
901	Verner Andersen	2372	Roger J. Berg
864	Arthur J. Anderson, Jr.	2102	Homer I. Bernhardt
952	Barbara Jean Anderson	2267	K. Bernsohn
1233	James V. Anderson	844	Herbert Bernstein
633	L. C. Anderson	2173	Bernt A. Berntsen
1129	Robert W. Anderson	1640	Alfs T. Berztiss
267	Roland E. Anderson	1114	Bernhard Beskow
599	Mrs. Roland E. Anderson	1443	William O. Bilden
2371	P. K. Andresen	1326	George G. Birdsall
1846	C. Norman Andrews	2373	Patricia Bjaaland
1613	Egil Angeid	1556	Tomas Bjaringer
892	David W. Angevine	1992	Roy Bjercke
991	Earl P. Apfelbaum	717	Brian Bjorgo
1807	John D. Apfelbaum	2283	Carl-Johan Bjork
1553	Joseph B. Arcario, Jr.	2403	Herbert L. Bjorklund
1022	Brad Arch	1448	Gayland Bjornstad
1433	Steffen Arctander	41	Irving E. Black
1041	John W. Arnold	2128	L-31 Edwin H. Blackburn
2081	Howard L. Arnould	2192	George W. Blanchard, Jr.
1586	L-32 Claes Arnrup	1741	William Blichert
1338	Kauko I. Aro	45	Mrs. Earl F. Blinn
2082	Robert C. Ashby	259	Herbert J. Bloch
2354	Kaare Askgaard	975	L-24 Fred H. Bloedow
1214	Gary T. Athelstan	2053	Hans R. Blomstrom
1215	Robert W. Backstrom	2103	John M. Blood
2328	Paul L. Bacon	1494	James F. Blose
1871	Arthur W. Bagge	1993	Roe C. Blume
1061	James R. Baker	2266	Tim Boardman
790	W. J. Banks	2241	Egon Bodtker
2257	Keith Bantz	1912	Mrs. Robert E. Boeh
847	Michael Baranovic	2410	John Bohl
653	C. L. Barber	2423	Arthur Bolduc
2451	Robert C. Bark	1686	Eric L. Bole
1446	Prof. Alfredo V. Basurto	980	R. A. Booman
1268	Howard A. Bauman	670	George W. Bostwick
2201	Allen B. Beach	1420	Harld Both, Jr.

- 1100 Charles P. Bowman
 2021 Richard H. Boyle
 958 Herbert H. Bradley
 1764 Ole L. Brandal
 811 Robert B. Brandeberry
 2071 Joachim Brasch
 1511 Ove A. Braskerud
 2341 W. G. Bregartner
 2129 Carolyn Ruth Briggs
 769 Ronald A. Brightsen
 2272 A. Mercer Bristow
 2084 Mrs. Alice Britt
 2009 Manville I. Bro
 939 Warren Brody
 497 H-11 Frederick A. Brofos
 1987 George W. Brooks
 1979 A. A. Brown
 829 Harld C. Brown
 1512 Jerry M. Brown
 632 K. Brown
 2187 Mari J. K. Brown
 2121 Norman F. Brown
 2013 Robert E. Brown
 2424 George E. Browning
 383 Burt W. Brownyer
 1892 Carl L. Bryan
 2134 L-34 Dr. John M. Buckner
 2346 Guillermo Bueso
 1216 Frank J. Buono
 1771 Forrest A. Burg
 1341 James Burgeson
 2269 William S. Burke
 1197 Frederick C. Buss
 2256 John Caffrey
 2085 Guy Louis Calhamer
 1749 Frederick H. Campbell
 2462 Neal Carbis
 2356 Daniel J. Carlin, Jr.
 2252 Charles R. Carlson
 2188 Karl Carlson
 582 Lars G. Carlsson
 2205 Kenneth Alan Carpenter
 1355 Helen Wilson Carruthers
 1907 Gene G. Cass
 2375 Nicholas L. Cerchoa III
 2246 Jo Earl Chambers
 1967 Randolph R. Charles
 39 L-2 B. I. Christensen
 1372 Maj. John J. Christensen
 2141 Peter Christensen
 2293 C. M. Christiansen
 2435 Larry T. Christiansen
 1995 Thomas S. Clark
 1814 Elmer W. A. Cleary
 2471 Arnold S. Cohen
 1009 L-26 Benjamin H. Cohen
 1192 Stephen A. Cohen
 61 L-16 Ernst M. Cohn
 1132 Ronald B. Collin
 2193 George T. Colvard
 2285 Roan Conrad
 965 Donald Conway
 1088 Peter B. Corson
 803 Wallace A. Craig
 1673 Warren H. Crain
 2425 George E. Crowley
 1802 Alonzo R. Crumley
 1066 Bruce D. Crumpton
 1086 Arthur T. Cullen
 2384 Rob Cuscaden
 43 C. R. R. Dahlstrom
 2447 Rim Danaitis
 1642 Llewellyn S. Dando
 2174 Kenneth E. Daniels
 1034 John Dasher
 1958 LTC Joseph L. Daubek
 1536 Carl Davenport
 1591 Willard A. Davey
 1349 Joseph Davis
 1835 Larry R. Davis
 2469 Douglas Dawson
 1028 John R. Day
 1657 Dr. Arno Debo
 1006 R. L. De Bus
 1462 George A. Deisz
 1337 L-27 Ben De Lambert
 1950 Kevin De Nino
 1827 Robert L. Dennis
 1769 Col. James T. De Voss
 2207 Richard Diran
 1270 A. Gustav Douglas
 1929 Fr. Marian Douglas OFM
 2142 James A. N. Dowall
 1199 Richard G. Doyen
 1942 Boo Drangel
 1328 Jerome J. Duane
 1085 M. M. Duncan, Jr.
 719 L-14) William A. Dunnett
 1166 Robert H. Du Vall
 2446 William H. Eason
 1321 Alan C. Eckert
 1887 Jon D. Edelman
 2377 Charles L. Edwards
 2175 Robert A. Edwards
 2086 Ted Eggers
 1228 Harold A. Egy
 1593 Ib Eichner-Larsen
 766 R. Eklund
 842 Dr. Rolf Bertil Eklund
 2184 Ebbe Eldrup

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2415	N. V. Ellerton	1145	Allois Geiersbach
1594	Richard W. Ellicott	1558	Dr. Torben Geill
2087	Seymour Ellis	1644	Joseph Geraci
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2276	R. Dennis Engblom	1694	Joyce B. Gibson
1985	David A. Engdahl	2088	Richard G. Gibson
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1025	Gerald Engstrom	2381	Bruce R. Gilberstad
911	Victor E. Engstrom	2239	Leroy William Giles
1496	Leonard F. Engwall	850	Theodore George Gilinsky
2368	John O. Enright, Jr.	2461	David Gjerde
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2137	Carl G. Erickson	2301	Scott L. Glenn
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1986	Pat Erickson	1330	Melvin I. Goldfarb
1650	Raymond R. Erickson	2388	Harry J. Goldsmith
2470	Arne M. S. Eriksson	2167	Marjorie B. Gordon
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1608	Henry B. Eubank	2467	Huntly W. Grant
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2073	Stephen R. Falken	1873	Milton Greenberg
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1939	Robert Fashingbauer	1559	O. B. Grimstad
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2105	Brian Fedro	827	Robert C. Gross
2170	Melvin Feiner	1797	Gerald H. Grosso
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1732	Elsa G. Flickinger	945	Harvey G. Gudmundson
1429	S. Frank Flyman	1361	Marshall Gumbiner
2223	W. C. Fossett	2123	L-30 Per Gummesson
2074	Capt. G. Richard Fraas	541	Rolf Gummesson
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954	Edwin Fraser	676	R. J. Gustafson
2106	Ole Frederiksen	1982	John O. Guyer
1219	Jack A. Freeman	1526	Bert R. Haas
2280	James R. Freeman	1697	Fred Haber
2014	Einar Frigland	2049	John A. Haggstrom
772	L-25 Robert A. Frigstad	1645	Col. Benjamin P. Hague
2343	Mark Fromer	2268	Arthur Halpern
2374	James H. Frudenberg	1201	Donald F. Halpern
1031	Joe F. Frye	1254	Robert W. Hamerschlag
2198	Allen L. Funch, Jr.	1972	Charles Hance
955	Wallace J. Gaarsoe	1726	Rodney L. Hanchett
1693	George Ganim	2439	Christopher M. Hansen
2189	Ned J. Gardner	1610	Erik Hvidberg Hansen

1362	Erland F. Hansen	2146	Owen L. Hooker
2298	Glenn F. Hansen	2107	Francis M. Hopkins
519	Jan Hansen	1983	M. Burton Hopkins, Jr.
242	Kai H. Hansen	1895	J. Michael Horn
1734	Ralph H. Hansen	924	L-28 Per Houeland
1308	Soren Hansen	2147	Gary H. Houser
1271	Charles A. Hanson	2430	John W. Hovy
974	Stanley H. Hanson	1767	Miroslav Hruska
1515	Thomas C. Hanson	2090	Norman J. Hughes
2124	Hajime Harada	1596	Gordon A. Hughmark
2260	Joyce Harford	2195	William C. Humphreys
160	Bernard D. Harmer	1561	Marvin D. Hunewell
1309	Mrs. William J. Harper	2416	B. H. Hunter
1516	W. Joseph Harris	2304	Alfred J. Hurst
2229	Kazuhiko Hasegawa	1960	Victor N. Hutchinson
1881	Robert D. Hatch	1610	Erik Hvidberg-Hansen
2194	William R. Hatchard	1286	Michael E. Hvidonov
923	James F. Hawkinson	1951	Ellinor Hyder
1008	Barbara S. Hazelwood	2024	Roy M. Ingebretsen
2418	Atain Hebert	344	L-4 Thorsten Ingeloff
1615	Matt Hedley	1274	J. Robert Irwin
2466	Wesley A. Helberg	1416	Jack Isaacson
2465	Paul W. Helgesen	2178	Bo L. Isaacson
1423	Lars Hellberg	2458	P. Myron Iverson
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2271	Henry A. Helmisto	404	Eino Jaarmo
2344	Bruce C. Hemer	704	Capt. K. Jahr
826	Erik Hemmingsen	1701	Irving D. Jakobson
1134	Walter S. Henderson	1782	P. M. Jangaard
1364	Pennard Hendler	2376	Robert J. Jaskovskis
2144	Aletha S. Hendrickson	1682	Walt Jellum
1374	Rodger C. Hendrickson	1725	Allan Jensen
1837	Bernard A. Hennig	2383	Erling M. Jensen
2322	Isabel L. Henrich	1120	Holger H. Jensen
753	John Jewett Henry	2394	Kurt L. Jensen
2335	Donald G. Herbert	1542	Paul H. Jensen
1220	Fred Herlevsen	2464	Peter Jensen
2177	Aina Hermanson	1147	Rolf Jensen
2334	Anna K. Herrmann	1497	R. H. Jensen
2290	Christian Hestenes	1752	Robert Jernigan
1518	L-21 Henry T. Hettger	815	Henry L. Jespersen III
1255	George H. Hickox	1597	Gunnar Jessen
1506	Charles L. Hicks	2236	Fred C. Johannes
1470	Vernon R. Hill	2010	Chester F. Johansen
1471	Donald W. Himer	1598	Harold E. Johansen
1273	Torben Hjerne	1206	Harold E. Johansen
1616	David G. Hoel	1206	Armand E. Johanson, Jr.
2041	Doris B. Hoff	2361	Frederick B. John
1700	John L. Holbrook	2148	Hawk Johnsen
2208	Richard O. Hollinbeck	182	C. I. Johnson
2305	John B. Hollje	2330	Edward C. Johnson
2023	Eric T. Holmes	2287	Edwin L. Johnson
2422	Ken-Eric Holmgren	2352	Edwin N. Johnson
1773	William J. Holton	2025	J. Johnson

132	J. M. Johnson	2249	Erik A. Lahti
1753	James E. Johnson	2332	Samuel M. Lainoff
2119	Malcolm L. Johnson	2455	A. R. Lamb
893	Maxwell Johnson	75	Waino W. Lana
2132	Neil F. Johnson	1095	Robert W. Lang
2282	Raymond D. Johnson	2245	Gerald H. Larsen
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738	Willard S. Johnson	2096	Karl Larsen
2365	Craig Johnston	802	Glen D. Larson
1350	R. Geraint Jones	2409	John O. Larson
2400	Jon Adalsteinn Jonsen	1683	Paul A. Larson
2018	Wilbur Jonsson	2224	Wayne L. Larson
2235	Mart Jorasaare	1398	Lars-Erik Larsson
1080	Dr. Donald R. Jorgensen	1676	Eino Larrila
1913	Virginia Josefski	2320	Andrew Lattu
1342	Archie B. Joyner	2472	Laurence Laughlin
2321	Richard A. Julian	2452	Dan Laursen
2190	Henning Kaaber	1794	Carolyn E. Lawrence
2439	Hjalmar Melvin Kampen	2043	Mrs. Barbara R. LeBlanc
1651	Allen J. Kaplan	1499	Joseph D. Lee
1850	Bernard Kaplow	2151	Dr. Corinne B. Leek
1952	Eric P. Karlson	588	O. S. Leifson
1988	Karl Karrolin	2027	Donald H. Lengacher
1660	Jerome V. Kasper	2028	Paul J. Lentz, Jr.
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2312	Karl Lee Kaup	2296	E. G. Lesney
2390	Donald K. Kauppi	1037	Raymond Leth
1000	Edwin L. Keitz	2370	Carl A. Leuthold
1599	Denwood N. Kelly	2007	Marshall D. Leventer
2095	Lansing Kernochan	2029	Melvyn J. Lewis
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2386	J. A. Kibbee	262	David Lidman
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639	Eric B. T. Kindquist	1884	Bengt T. Lilja
680	F. J. Kirchman	724	Arthur L. Lind
2389	Paul Kirkelund	618	O. Linde
2279	Norman G. Kittel	1600	Rolf Linder
2262	James H. Kelin	1288	Kenneth E. Lindsay
1424	Frederick D. Knoche	1816	Robert D. Lipscomb
840	Gerald M. Knudsen	2168	John B. Lisle
2278	Martin W. Knudsen	2109	Albert P. Little, Jr.
1029	Arnold E. Knudson	973	William H. Littlewood
1157	Bent Knutson	1056	S. Ljunggren
1730	Arne Knutsson	1756	Oskar S. Ljunghammar
2338	Richard A. Koch	1119	R. S. Lockeberg
1661	John M. Kokko, Jr.	2429	David John Loe
2265	Yutaka Kondo	2468	Wolfgang Lohrich
925	George B. Koplowitz	1745	William A. Long
2026	Carl-Otto Kostol	2030	Gunnar Martin Loshamm
2319	Philip H. Kraft	2031	Michael E. Lowe
2432	Harry A. Kremeier	821	David H. Ludden
1247	George A. Kuhhorn	2032	Paul C. Lukens
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2326	James H. Lahnanen	1310	Rev. Paul M. Lunell

DELAWARE CHAPTER 13 SCC
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL AUCTION

General and Specialized Scandinavia

June 23, 1981

Chapter 13 has assembled some extraordinary material for its fifteenth annual sale. Attention is called particularly to the Danish West Indies section, which includes many scarce and seldom-offered items in very fine condition. We describe conservatively and quality is generally far above average. Scandinavian collectors of all levels should find material of interest. Almost all lots are unreserved.

Usual auction rules prevail, with lots sold to the highest bidder at a small advance over the second high bid, or to the earlier bidder in case of ties. All lots guaranteed genuine or as described. Gum can be assumed unless otherwise stated.

Abbreviations: VF—well centered, fresh; F—perfs clear of design; VG—sound stamp but perfs cut design; *—unused, may be hinged; o—used; Cv—cover or card; NH—never hinged; LH—lightly hinged, no remnant; E—est. net value; o/w—otherwise; UL—upper left; LR—lower right, etc.; cds—circular dated cancellation. Defects are always described.

1981 Facit numbers are used, followed by the corresponding Scott numbers in (). Prices are Facit's, converted to \$ at 1 Sw.Kr.= \$0.21.

Send bids to Scandinavian Collectors Club, Chapter 13, P. O. Box 59, Rockland, DE 19732. Successful mail bidders will be notified and lots mailed on receipt of payment, including postage charge, or lots may be sent directly, with bill enclosed, to buyers known to us from earlier sales. A Xerox copy of any lot will be sent on request accompanied by an addressed, stamped envelope. A list of prices realized will be sent to all bidders.

Lot	Facit# (Scott#)	Facit (in \$)
DANISH WEST INDIES		
1	* 5a (5) 1874 1c, perf 14x13½, 1st ptg., few sht perfs, no g, F	84.00
2	* 5d (5) same, 4th ptg., 1 sht perf some faint toning, no gum, F	31.50
3	* 5d (5) same, Var. "Defective 'c' in 'cent'," most o.g., VG-F	31.50
4	* 5e (5) same, 5th ptg., usual light gum crease, F	31.50
5	* 5e (5) same, 5th ptg., corner perf missing LR, o/w F	31.50
6	* 5f (5) same, 6th ptg., VF	31.50
7	* 5g (5) same, 7th ptg., 2 shortened perfs, o/w F	19.00
8	o 5g (5) same, 7th ptg., used, FVF	17.00
9	* 5h (5) same, 8th ptg., VF	19.00
10	o 5h (5) same, 8th ptg., FVF	17.00
11	* 5i (5) same, 9th ptg., v. minor hinge thin, o/w VF	19.00
12	* 6a (6) 1874 3c, 1st ptg., disturbed gum, bright color, F-VF	73.50
13	* 6b (6) same, 2nd ptg., part o.g., perfs touch at B, VG/F	84.00
14	* 6b (6) same, "white wedge" var., sev. shortened perfs, disturbed gum, o/w F	168.00
15	o 6c (6) same, 3rd ptg., FVF	36.75
16	o 6d (6) same, 4th ptg., sev. short perfs, v. well centered	14.75
17	* 6e (6) same, 5th ptg., corner perf missing, small thin, o/w F	26.25

18	*	6f	(6)	same, 6th ptg., no gum as usual this ptg., VF	-----	19.00
19	*	6h	(6)	same, 8th ptg., VF	-----	19.00
20	*	7b	(7)	1874 4c, FVF	-----	14.70
21	*	7b	(7)	same, LH, F	-----	14.70
22	o	7b	(7)	same, pair tied to 2c env. corner, left stamp nicked		29.40
23	o	8	(8)	1874 5c, pair, thin paper variety, FVF	-----	31.50+
24	o	9a	(9a)	1874 7c, 1st ptg., F	-----	73.50
25	*	9b	(9)	same, 2nd ptg., F	-----	26.25
26	o	9b	(9)	same, unusual oval cancellation, VF	-----	63.00
27	*	9b I	(9b)	same, inv. frame, LH, light corner gum crease, FVF		52.50
28	o	11b	(11)	1874 12c, 2nd ptg., canc. 1879, F	-----	31.50
29	o	12	(12)	1874 14c, defective, attractive space filler	-----	525.00
30	*	13	(13)	1874 50c, no gum, o/w almost VF	-----	78.75
31	o	14 I	(16a)	1896-1901, perf 12 $\frac{3}{4}$, 1c w. norm. frame , rare, F	-----	273.00
32	o	15 I	(17a)	same 3c, with normal frame , rare, VF	-----	231.00
33	o	16b	(18)	same 4c, FVF	-----	11.50
34	*	16b I	(18b)	same 4c, inv. frame , disturb. gum o/w VF	-----	147.00
35	o	16b I	(18b)	same stamp used, inv. frame , v. scarce, FVF	-----	147.00
36	Cv	16 Vb	(18a)	same, bisect on cv., cds 14.4.03, filing crease not near stamp, part of flap missing, neat cover	-----	31.50
37	*	17a	(19)	same 5c, LH, fresh and FVF	-----	47.25
38	*	17b I	(19a)	same, normal frame , LH, minute ink spot UL, VF		525.00
39	*	18	(20)	same 10c, FVF	-----	73.50
40	*	18 II	(20b)	same, var. "dot betw. T and S, minor aging, FVF		84.00
41	*	18 I	(20a)	same, inverted frame , a rarity and VF	-----	840.00
42	*	23a	(14a)	1887-1905, opt. "1 CENT," 1st ptg., no gum, F	-----	115.50
43	*	23a II	(14b)	same, double surch. , 1st ptg., no gum, stained at top o/w FVF example of scarce stamp	-----	252.00
44	*	23b	(14)	same 1c opt. on 7c, second ptg., FVF	-----	52.50
45	*	23b I	(14c)	same, 2nd ptg. w. inverted frame , F	-----	94.50
46	*	24b II	(24a)	same, 2c on 3c opt., perf. 12 $\frac{3}{4}$, straight foot var., F	-----	9.50
47	*	24b Vb	(24b)	same, inv. fr., var "1901" , small figures, FVF		399.00
48	*	24b III	(24, 24c)	same, pair, one norm. and one inv. frame F+		273.00
49	*	24b VII,II	(24a)	same, block of 4, one w. str. foot var., F	-----	36.75+
50	*	25	(27a)	1887-1905 Cph. ptg., 2c on 3c, normal frame , some aging, v. well cent., scarce	-----	252.00
51	*	26	(25)	1887-1905, local ptg., 8c on 10c opt., VF	-----	16.80
52	*	26 I	(25c)	same, 8c on 10c, scarce inv. frame , F	-----	294.00
53	*	26 II	(25b)	same, norm. frame, var. "dot betw. T and S," LH VF		21.00
54	*	26 V,III	(25,a)	same, blk of 4, 1 stamp "straight foot," F	-----	84.00+
55	*	27	(28)	same, Cph. ptg., FVF	-----	8.40
56	o	27 II	(28a)	same var. "dot betw. T and S," FVF	-----	14.70
57	o	27 III	(28,b)	same, pair, one w. inv. frame , tiny thin in normal frame stamp, rare and fine	-----	315.00
58	*	29b II	(40a)	1905 5 bit on 4c surch., inv. frame , no gum, stained, o/w F	-----	36.75
59	*	29131	(40-2)	1905 set of 3 surcharges, fresh and FVF	-----	41.00
60	Cv	33	(32)	1906 picture postcard, stamp tied by Frederiksted cds, also Christiansted cds, crease on corner stamp and card		63.00
61	o	41	(43)	1907-8, 2 singles tied to piece by KINGSHILL canc. E10.00		
62	*	L5-8	(J5-8)	1905, 2nd post. due set cpl., fresh and fine	-----	26.25
63	*	L8 I	(J8a)	same, 50 bit red/gray, perf 14x14 $\frac{1}{2}$, FVF	-----	16.80

DENMARK

64	o	2 (2)	1851 Fire RBS, 4 lg. even margins, num. canc. "43", VF	68.25
65	*	20-4R,27R (16-20R,24R)	1886 reprints, bicolor sk. vals., sl. aging 2 stamps, o/w VF	59.85
66	o	24 (20)	1870 16 sk. grn/gry, 2 missing perfs, faint corn. cr.	147.00
67	o	32 (29)	1875-1904 12ö, perf 14x13½, 28 used copies, VG-VF	70.56
68	o	52 (37)	1882 Arms, 20ö blue, small corn. numerals, F	29.40
69	o	58 III (45var)	1884-1902 Arms, p. 12¾, var. "open O," F	23.00
70	Cv	70 (73)	1908 printed wrapper w. 10ö added, to Baden	E20.00
71	*	95AI (94,89)	1921 10+5ö vert. se-ten. pr., 5ö corn. cr., o/w VF	10.50
72	*	96AI (95,90)	1930 5ö+10ö vert. se-tenant pair, F	3.165
73	*	101 I (223b)	1933 5ö green tete beche pair, NH, VF	16.80
74	*	101 I, 110 I (223b,228a)	5ö grn, 10ö org. tete beche blocks of 4 with margin numbers, FVF	107.00
75	o	102, 278 (223a,B6)	1937 se-tenant pair, VF	22.00
76	*	132AIy (98,59)	1918 7+3ö vert. se-ten. pr., 7ö sm. thins, VG	8.40
77	o	132AIy (98,59)	same used, FVF	8.40
78	*	137AI (103,97)	1913 20ö+5ö vert. se-tenant pair, LH, F+	9.50
79	*	138AI (104,89)	1921 20ö+5ö vert. se-tenant pair, NH, FVF	3.15
80	o	201-12 (164-75)	1924 Postal Anniv. cpl., select copies, FVF	26.25
81	*	243-5 (B3-5)	1929 Cancer semipostals, LH, FVF	47.25
82	*	278+102 (223d)	1937 booklet pane, se-ten. blk., NH, FVF	29.40
83	*	290 I (230b)	1939-40 booklet pane, se-ten. blk., NH, VF	6.30
84	o	290 I (230b)	same use, perdfs trifle ragged, no selvage, o/w VF	5.00
85	*	Tj1-3R (O1-3R)	1885 reprints of 1871 officials, with gum, FVF	31.50
86	*	1968 Grundtvigs Kirke	essay, Type A on ordinary pap., NH, VF	E6.00
87	*	1951 Centenary Exhib.	Souvenir Sheetlet	E3.00
88	o	Small stockbook, cancellation accum., 135 Swiss type + 34 star type, nearly all on Facit 40 or 58 (Sc. 28,45a), some duplic.		E20-30

FINLAND

89	*	203-5 (B24-6)	1937 Semipostals, Red Cross, ships, LH, FVF	22.00
90	Cv	Cacheted first day covers (61)	in cover album, 1974-1977, About half are unaddressed. (Betw. Fac. 747-824, Sc. 470-606)	75.60
91	*	I1-7 (1-7)	NORTH INGERMANLAND, cpl. set, F	388.50
92	*	I8-14 (8-14)	1920 N. INGERMANLAND, cpl. set, FVF	50.40

GREENLAND

93	*o	28-36,41,44 (26-35)	1950-60 Fr. IX cpl. used exc. 5 Kr is *, VF	38.40
94	o	P9 (Q6)	1916-33 Pakke-Porto 20ö, "Nr. 28 avane" canc., VF	15.75
95	Cv	1958 Scottish E. Greenl. Expedition, and Gronlands Postkontor 31/7/58. Cachet somewhat smeared		E7.00

ICELAND

96	*	5 (5)	1873 3sk gry, perf 12½, no gum, 2 sm thins, o/w VF	189.00
97	o	8e (15)	1876-1901 3a yel., "skipped perf" var (2), F	18.90+
98	o	11 (10)	same, 6a gry perf 14x13½, FVF	13.65
99	o	13 (12)	same, 16a brown, F	25.20
100	o	50 (51)	1902-04 4a rose/gray, I GILDI, F+	28.35
101	*	383,383 I (335,var)	1961 50a red, var. "vert. line in 'D,'" No. 90 in sheet, in pair w. normal, NH, VF	3.75+
102	o	383 I (335)	same variety used single, VF	3.75
103	o	Tj18 (O28)	1902-03 16a official, perf 14x13½, FVF	36.75
Iceland Cancellation Lots—				
104	o	EDINBURGH,	nicely centered on Fac. 80 (Sc. 75), VF strike	E4.00

105	o	KOBENHAVN and (FRA)ISLAND on Fac. 176 (Sc. 155), rd. corn. tear -----	8.40
106	o	LEITH, partial canc. on Fac. 26 (Sc. 26), F -----	E2.00
107	o	Boxed (Skipsbr)ief on Fac. 110 (Sc. 88), F -----	E2.00
108	o	Numeral canc. No. 20 on pair F.65 (Sc. 36), cpl. VF strike ----	19.30
109	o	Numeral canc. No. 47, 3 strikes on blk of F.128 (Sc. 111) ----	9.35
110	i	Numeral canc. No. 8, 4 strikes on reinf. blk. F.110 (Sc. 88), VF	10.70
111	o	Numeral canc. No. 14, cpl. strike on F.170 (Sc. 146), VF -----	4.60
112	o	Numeral canc. No. 138, VF strike on F.170 (Sc. 146), stained --	2.75
113	o	Numeral canc. No. 185, clear strike on F.170 (Sc. 146) -----	28.35
114	o	Tollur canc. on 1934 Air, 20a (Fac. 205 II) (Sc. C16), VF ----	10.50
115	o	Tollur canc. on 1934 Air, 50a, (Fac. 207 I) (Sc. C18), VF ----	10.50

NORWAY

116	o	5 (5) 1856 8sk Oscar, 1 sh. perf., Thronheim 1857 canc., VG --	47.25
117	o	34 (22) 1878 1 Kr. Oscar II, Christiania cds canc., VG -----	10.50
118	o	90 (64) 1907 1 Kr. Haakon VII, Kristiania cds canc., F -----	42.00
119	Cv	128 (102) 1924 picture postcard to USA, Kristiania cds, F ----	10.50
120	o	198-201 (B5-8) 1935 Nansen semi-postals, B7 sl. stain, o/w VF	23.10
121	*	198-201, 255-8 (B5-8, 15-18) 1935-40, 2 charity sets, FVF ----	36.75
122	*	202-6, 213-22 (162-76) 1937 second redrawing cpl., LH, VF ---	70.35
123	*	413-5, 441-3 (B54-6, 59-61) 1953-57 North Cape, LH or NH, VF	42.00
124	*	456y-458y (370-2P) Olav V, 1969 phosphorescent ptg., LH, VF -	18.00
125	*	680-1 (394-5) 1972 Exhib. opt. "Interjunex 72," w. ticket, NH, VF	7.35
126	*	Tj56-66 (O44-54) 1942-44 Officials cpl., NH, VF -----	10.90

SWEDEN

127	*	7 (6) 1858 Arms, 5ö green, very well centered, FVF -----	157.50
128	o	7 (6) same stamp used, nice SODERTELJE canc., F -----	25.20
129	*	9 (8) 1858 Arms, 12ö blue, nicely centered, FVF -----	157.50
130	*	10 (10) same, 24ö orange, 3 shortened perfs, part o.g., FVF	315.00
131	*	11 (11) 1858 Arms, 30ö brown, no gum, v. well centered, VF	294.00
132	o	11 (11) same stamp used, pulled perf at top, v. well centered	35.70
133	o	12 (12) 1858 Arms, 50ö rose, sm. tear UR margin o/w F -----	94.50
134	o	12b (12a) 50ö dk. carm., 1864 canc., minor crease o/w/ FVF	110.25
135	o	12f (12) same 50ö carm. rose, FVF -----	94.50
136	o	65 (66) 1903 Stockholm P. O. 5Kr blue, lt. cancel, F+ -----	33.60
137	Cv	232 (C7) 1930 Airmail cv. to Switzerland, crease and sm. tear not near stamp, minor aging -----	63.00
138	Cc	390B,539x,547,542A,BB,543 (414,627,B50,620-2) Two registered covers to Ohio, one is FD ice hockey champ., FVF -----	19.40
139	Cv	558612,883-6 (612B,558x,1041-4) 1974 Air cv. to Delaware, VF	12.90
140	Cv	261A,C,262A,C,263-5 (268-74) 1938 Nya Sverige FDC, 7 stamps, "Delaware" cancellation. FVF -----	29.40
141	o	740-4 (899-903) 1971 Four language presentation booklet with 10-block with FD canc., VF -----	E10.00
142	o	Revenues, 17 diff., FVF -----	E2-3.00
143	*	Locals, Malmo, 5 diff., FVF (1950 Hurt and Williams) -----	4.15
144	o	Scandinavia, 340 mostly diff. on paper, mostly recent commems	E10.00

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| 2253 | Ingolf B. Melberg | 1909 | Hugo R. Norman |
| 1678 | Dr. W. E. Melberg | 1946 | Leif J. Norrholm |
| 1706 | Glen M. Meldgaard | 174 | J. W. Nyboe |
| 2369 | E. A. Menninger, Jr. | 1513 | Charles W. Nye |
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| 1736 | Reino A. Merikallio | 2243 | Gunilla Nunne Oh |
| 2351 | George Merilainen | 2126 | Juhani Olamo |
| 1955 | Robert A. Meyer | 522 | L-12 Fredrik G. Olausen |
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2033	Folmer Ostergaard	1522	Roland L. Powe
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1919	Yubun Osugi	1898	M. J. Price
2478	John Ott	1236	Dudley B. Priester
1318	John D. Ott	703	Herbert T. Pritchett
2204	Russell E. Ott	1263	Carl W. Probst
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2156	Erik Paaskesen	1571	Dr. Clemens E. Prokesch
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2157	Andy M. Palochik	1208	William D. Radford
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1425	C. A. Parker	1290	Arthur W. Ranta
964	Mrs. Evelyn Parks	1572	Stephen M. Raphael
1888	Kenneth E. Parr	992	Gunnar H. Rasmussen
967	Raymond J. Patzer	1738	Herbert A. Rasmussen
2323	Casper F. Paulson, Jr.	2315	William John Rathje
2367	Howard E. Paulson	2391	Erkki Raveala
1636	Robert E. Paulson	1046	Richard W. Reach
2453	Warren H. Pearse	2060	Rene Reboh
2313	John E. Pearson	1759	Shirl D. Reed
2216	Allan K. Peckel	2034	James J. Reeves
2255	Thomas Pedersen	2348	George D. Rehnquist
2459	Arthur E. Peltosalo	1962	William Reim
557	Dr. John H. Peters	2100	Paul D. Reimert
2309	Billy Petersen	2061	Daniel L. Roades
1454	Duane G. Petersen	720	L-13 Jared H. Richter
2437	John K. Petersen	1914	Andrew J. S. Riddell
23203	Raymond E. Peterson	657	W. Aitken Riddle
1842	A. Delbert Peterson	2382	Howard C. Riemann II
1404	David A. Peterson	2291	James J. Rigney
965	Harold D. Peterson	2101	Wayne P. Rindone
337	Henry H. Peterson	1485	Roland Rindshoj
2206	James Peterson	394	S. I. J. Ringstrom
504	Dr. John D. Peterson	2062	Tom Rinman
2191	Larry D. Peterson	1486	Maurice Rioux
2480	Orville K. Peterson	1739	Phillip F. Robbins
2345	Robert A. Peterson	1963	Eric Roberts
1187	Roy S. Peterson	1709	Howard A. Robinson
1057	C. B. Peterzen	2366	Louise Rochon
2412	Arne Pettersson	1647	J. Roelofs
2242	Sigurdur R. Petursson	1925	Harry Q. Rhode
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1141	William R. Pieper	1573	Dr. Floyd D. Roos
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530	F. T. Pierpont	2336	Robert J. Rose
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1708	Eric O. Pisila	2316	Harry W. Roth
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1584	Gilbert N. Plass	1710	W. E. Rowland
1926	Fredrik H. Plesner	2182	Evelyn M. Rowley
1602	H. F. Plesner	1332	Donald M. Rubin
1369	Petter A. Poppe	2362	Dave A. Ruch

1171	Theodore B. Ruhoff	2233	Jochum Eilfverberg
2475	A. T. Runfeldt	1291	Arthur Silverstadt
2067	Joseph M. Running, Jr.	1479	Byron C. Simmerman
2481	Patrick Ruddy	1787	James P. Simson
831	Bjorn-Erik Saarinen	1151	James P. Sites
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869	J. Richter Salvesen	2136	Ralph K. Sjoberg
2411	William R. Sampson	2292	Marion J. Skogman
2221	John P. Sande, Jr.	2202	David S. Slee
1225	Carl W. Sanders	1153	William Slettedahl
2443	Sven Sandstrom	1576	Beatrice V. Smith
1818	Karl Ulrik Sanne	2196	Dewey H. Smith, Jr.
1493	Allan Sass	1824	Jay Smith
2251	Robert A. Satterly	1358	Levi P. Smith, Jr.
1810	Wayne K. Saukko	1714	William F. Smith, Jr.
1603	Herbert P. Sauvage	1899	Harry Snarvold
1325	Borje O. Saxberg	1964	Robert W. Snelsire
1418	John W. Schaad	979	Jacob E. Snyder
857	William C. Scheetz	1455	Wayne C. Sommer
102	L-17 Robert W. Scherer	1258	T. Soot-Ryen
1574	Frederick John Schiffman	938	Arnold Sorensen
1956	Howard H. Schloss	1932	Leif B. Sorensen, M.D.
661	H. J. Schlueter	1788	Brian B. Sorenson
1314	Jack F. Schmidt	935	William B. Spaid
1523	Karl J. Schneider	1419	Don Starkweather
2244	Donald Schodorf	2294	Vytautas Staskauskas
85	F. J. Schoendorf	2250	Max Statman
2209	Robert Scholl	2203	Geoffrey Stead
2222	Hartwig Schottler	1251	Michael A. Stefanowicz
207	Herbert F. Schryver	2274	Rodney Steffey
2125	Frank N. Schubert	2218	Samuel Stein
2460	Larry P. Schultz	2259	Kurt F. Stemmer
2217	Allan Schuman	2441	Marilyn J. Stenger
2211	Fred Scinto	236	Robert P. Stevens
1990	David K. Scott	1139	Frederick Stockberger
1209	Charles E. Sculley	2160	Henry P. Stockwell
1604	Norman Seastedt	1521	Jeffrey C. Stone
2408	Jay Segal	483	H-16 L. H. Stone
1149	Seymour M. Segal	40	Robert G. Stone
1158	Frank P. Sequino	2165	Arthur N. Storhaug
2407	Richard E. Sessa	1933	Clarence A. Strandell
796	L-22 Frank E. Shaug	2263	Jack W. R. Strandfeldt
2385	Myrtle N. Sheets	1413	Gerald H. Strauss
1007	Robert H. Shellhamer	760	Edward P. Street, Jr.
1210	James R. Shepard	2395	Ronald M. Streeter
2228	Howard M. Sherpe	1638	C. Clifford Strem
2115	Masafumi Shigaki	507	G. D. Stribley
686	William T. Shinn, Jr.	2405	Delbert C. Strunk
1786	Robert G. Shive, Jr.	1900	Joe D. Stuart
2158	Charles D. Shoemaker	2161	John J. Sullivan
1793	Thomas L. Shuck	2463	Bjorn Sundstrom
1545	George W. Sickels	2116	Mark R. Suomala
1711	Udo I. Sietins	570	Elmer C. Susemichel
1502	Gerald S. Silberman	2317	Robert H. Svenson
2135	Donald E. Siler	1322	Ole Svinth

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| 2393 | Sixten C. Swanberg | 694 | Richard S. Wahlberg |
| 2183 | Arthur E. Swanson | 2363 | Robert B. Waite |
| 1934 | Ralph J. Swanson | 1855 | David C. Walden |
| 711 | Roger A. Swanson | 1194 | Gordon L. Wall |
| 283 | H. Sward | 1965 | Robert J. Wallace |
| 2399 | Donald R. Swearingen | 1280 | Mercer C. Walter |
| 1927 | Frank L. Sweetser | 1087 | Alan Warren |
| 2434 | Gerald R. Swanson | 2080 | Allan E. Warrington |
| 2347 | John Tackmier | 2240 | Ruperta S. Waters |
| 2342 | J. G. Richard Talbot | 2331 | Thomas J. Watman |
| 1901 | Timo Taskinen | 1293 | Claude M. Weil |
| 2449 | Janet A. Tassin | 1346 | Ian Wellings |
| 232 | A. Tate | 336 | Norman Welo |
| 2337 | Michael F. Taugher | 1252 | John A. Wenger |
| 1879 | Richard Deane Taylor | 891 | Harold Wennersten |
| 2092 | Duncan R. TeTague | 59 | H-10 C. H. Werenskiold |
| 1934 | Bernard Tepper | 1457 | Arnold G. Werner |
| 2064 | Gloria Jean Tetting | 2068 | Dorothy Werth |
| | H-15 Peer Thomassen | 2093 | Charles F. West |
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| 1062 | Mrs. Freedrick Thompson | 2247 | Dag S. Westgaard |
| 1279 | L-23 Neil D. Thompson | 1458 | Dr. Robert A. Weyhrauch |
| 2427 | William H. Thoner | 667 | Wayne Wheelock |
| 1266 | Thor Thorsteins | 1354 | B. R. Whipple |
| 1103 | L29 Sigurdur H. Thornsteinsson | 1226 | Miss Helen Serjeant White |
| 2273 | Avid Thorstensen | 2289 | Charles A. Whiting |
| 561 | Arthur Thorwald | 2162 | Gregory S. Whitt |
| 2307 | Erik W. Thulstrup | 645 | C. A. Whitlesey |
| 1948 | Arne Thune-Larsen | 2197 | Charles F. Wickwire |
| 2479 | Carl L. Thurman | 392 | Rev. Arthur E. Widiger |
| 1074 | Frank L. Tilson | 833 | Floyd Wiklund |
| 1811 | Sik Woo Ting | 315 | L-9 T. H. Wilcox |
| 1760 | Raymond Todd | 2284 | Christine Williams |
| 2275 | Knute A. Tofte-Nielsen | 1055 | Wilho E. Williams |
| 2324 | Kenneth B. Tomer | 1579 | Harold Williamson |
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| 1820 | Belle Trask | 2248 | Stephen A. Wineteer |
| 2406 | Donald J. Tucker | 2310 | M. Anne Wingett |
| 988 | William Tucker | 1606 | Lester Winick |
| 2350 | Ray L. Tumaonis | 1039 | Charles Winter |
| 1152 | John R. Turner | 1580 | Bertil A. Winther |
| 2417 | M. E. Tuttle | 743 | W. Wolff |
| 1122 | Jaan Untveil | 2164 | Wayne I. Woogen |
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| 2340 | Gordon Van Den Broek | 1878 | Charles E. Worthen, Jr. |
| 1869 | K. Van Every | 1762 | William N. Wyman |
| 2318 | John A. Van Lund, Jr. | 1581 | W. T. Wynn |
| 1292 | Gordon S. Veith | 1721 | Berkley C. Yeakle |
| 2040 | T. E. Vennesland | 2355 | William P. Yeomans |
| 2169 | David Vikan | 1937 | Howard York |
| 2016 | Daivd A. Villadsen | 158 | H-13 Svend Yort |
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 2311 William Zellers
 2357 Alfonso G. Zulueta, Jr.

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 1768 John F. McGee
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 1785 James R. Mitchell, Jr.
 1804 Gunnar Nerbo
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 2064 Gloria Jean Vollbrecht
 2083 E. F. Barker
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 2108 Richard S. Hebert
 2111 John B. Marsh
 2112 Bud S. Miller
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 2186 J. A. Walker
 2213 Gabriel F. Gargiulo
 2214 John Galietta
 2219 David Bize
 2225 Larry A. Snyder
 2234 Poul R. Christenson
 2237 Benpamin E. Pearson

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735 Mrs. J. J. MacDonald (Evelyn)
 813 Russell Christenson
 832 Henrik Pollak
 931 Clyde A. Rano
 942 Jerome E. Hagstrom
 946 Oke J. Spendrug
 960 John E. Offerdahl
 985 Reidar Norby
 1058 Alton G. Shogren
 1063 Dave Levenson
 1069 Roy Johnston
 1071 Stephen T. Sugar
 1198 Mrs. Lillian S. Daubert
 1241 Mrs. B. D. Mitchell (Karen J.)
 1316 Robert Kallberg
 1335 Mogens R. Jacobsen
 1344 Mr. Botha de Wett Roed
 1412 Roman Solecki
 1439 Ronald Robert Ogg
 1482 Lawrence C. Held
 1487 Mrs. Botha de Wett Roed
 1503 Arthur A. Bateman
 1575 Anthony J. Schirato
 1592 George J. Donegan, Jr.
 1652 Mrs. Inez Maag
 1653 Ole Nordhaven
 1689 Gudrun Eide
 1691 Carl Eskildsen
 1728 John Bache-Wiig
 1751 Herbert M. Davidson

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Share your knowledge — submit an article or short item.

Chapter News

Chapter 2, Philadelphia

The January meeting featured a showing of the slide program "Viking History Through Stamps," from Delaware Chapter 13, prepared by M. I. Bro and R. D. Lipscomb, utilizing mostly Scandinavian stamps to tell the story of the Viking era.

The March meeting featured a showing of the film "Timbromania," a highly entertaining movie of interest to collectors as well as non-philatelists. Ernest Borgnine and the Stamp Advisory Committee are shown in action, the Apfelbaum firm of Philadelphia, Col. Jim DeVoss at INTERPHIL, Irwin Weinberg and the famous one-cent British Guiana stamp, Pat Herst on Nassau Street, and President Roosevelt and James Farley in early film clips pertaining to stamps.

Arrangements for borrowing the film can be made directly with Audio Visual Services, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802.

Chapter 5 Plans Activities for Philatelic Show 81 in Boston

The SCC's New England Chapter will actively participate in Philatelic Show 81, the second annual stamp show and exhibit of the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs, at the Plaza Castle of the Boston Park Plaza Hotel, October 10-12, 1981.

This event will include a bourse and a number of educational and specialty activities. The Grand Award winner for the exhibit will be eligible for the APS annual Champion of Champions competition.

SCC Chapter 5 will man an SCC booth during the show to provide information about the SCC and its publications and to promote membership in Chapter 5. Chapter 5 is also arranging for SCC medals to be awarded to qualifying exhibitors at the show, and will be encouraging collectors of Scandinavian material to enter and to compete for them.

Chapter 5 will arrange for an SCC Regional meeting during Philatelic Show 81. Program and time will be included in the August POSTHORN.

Further details:

Exhibit Prospectus: Dr. Guy R. Dillaway, Exhibits Chairman, P. O. Box 181, Weston, MA 02193.

Bourse Details: Mr. Robert Topaz, Bourse Chairman, 34 Maryellen Road, Waban, MA 02168.

—David Walden, President SCC Chapter 5
211 Forest Street, Arlington, MA 02174—617-646-2968

Chapter 21 News

February meeting was held at the FILATELIC FIESTA in San Jose on February 21. Bryan Whipple spoke on Iceland philately.

President Jerry Moore showed the Chapter 13 slide show "Danish Kings" at our March meeting. On April 25 we met at WESTPEX with another slide show from Chapter 13, "Viking History Through Stamps."

Our new meeting place is the City Federal Savings and Loan, corner of Fruitvale and McArthur Blvd., Oakland, CA, second Thursdays in any month when we do not meet at a show. Please call Jerry Moore at 415-479-6231 for our current plans if you are going to visit us. Visitors are always welcome.

Librarian's Report

To The Officers and Board of Directors of The Scandinavian Collectors Club
Year 1980

Receipts:

Balance on hand January 1, 1980	\$115.17
SCC Treasurer	300.00
From Members for Postage and Photocopies	112.24
Donations	2.81
Checks over 1 year not cashed, redeposited	4.90
Total	\$535.12

Disbursements:

Purchase of Philatelic Books, Monographs, and Etc.	56.76
Excess Postage Refunded to Members	38.36
Postage Expense	56.80
Photocopy Expense	50.50
Slide Program and Duplication	20.90
Binding Expense	117.90
Library Supplies	4.87
Total	\$346.09

RECAP.	Receipts	\$535.12
	Disbursements	346.09
	Balance in Checking	\$189.03
	Account at The Irving Bank, Chicago, Ill.	

1980 Resumé

Library Material Sent Out	236
Audio-Visual Material Sent Out	24
Library References	106
New Philatelic Material	127
New Audio-Visual Programs (AV)	1
Slide Duplication for Archives	35
New Cassettes Added	1
Volume Binding	19
New Philatelic Journals, exchange	2
Photo Copies (Members 291, Library 214)	505

1980—an excellent year for the SCC Library. Through the cooperation of the Membership and Officers, OUR library is second to none in this specialized field. Prudent purchases of philatelic material and donations of material from the membership have been responsible in keeping our costs down.

I wish to thank the Officers and Membership for help and advice during the past year. Stanley H. Hanson, SCC, SPF — SCC Librarian

Library News

By Stanley H. Hanson, SCC Librarian

Thanks to Ron Collin, Frimarkshuset AB, Phil Robbins and Alan Warren, for their contributions of Library material to our Library. How about you?

Members can use the facilities of the SCC Library. These are the rules: \$4.00 check payable to the SCC Librarian; your name, address, and SCC number (excess postage will be refunded); list of material wanted. Material to be returned after 21 days via insured Parcel Post. Photocopies are 10c per page plus postage. Can we be of help?

The Library wishes to purchase a paper cutter and an adjustable paper puncher at least 5 or 6-hole. Any offers?

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Catalogs and Miscellaneous

- A-178-EGFr "London 70" International Philatelic Show. May 1980, London. Bulletin #1, illustrated. 6x8½". 70 pp.
- A-179-EGFr "London 80" International Philatelic Show. May 1980. London. Bulletin #2, illustrated. 6x8½". 96 pp.
- A-180-GEFr "Wipa 81" International Philatelic Show. May 1981. Wien, Austria. Bulletin #2. 6x8½". 48 pp.
- A-181-S-Fr "Preofil 80" Exposicion Internacional De Literatura y Prensa Filatelica. Sept. 1980. Buenos Aires, Argentina. 6x8½". 40 pp.
- A-182-E The American Philatelist #2. 1980. Lists all members and various services of the APS. 8½x11". 432 pp.
- A-183-D-E Czeslaw Slania, Liv og virke. Ib Eichner-Larsen. 1981. Danish and English. Catalogs and lists the 500 stamps that "CS" has engraved over the past 30 years for 9 governments. Excellent setup, illustrated. 6x9". 32 pp.

Danish West Indies

- C-32-D Postale problemer efter Dansk Vestindiens indtraeden i den Internationale Postunion. Torben Geil, SCC, 1980. Danish. Article on DWI problems as a member of IPU regarding rates. Illustrated. 8½x11". 3 pp. From **Nordisk Fil. Tidd.**

Denmark

- D-135-E The King Frederick IX Definitives of Denmark. W. J. Potter. 1955. English. A study of the issue, listing types or dies and printing shades. Illustrated. 7x10". 3 pp. From **Stamp Collecting.**
- D-136-E The 4 Sk. Stamps of Denmark 1854-1863. Douglas Collard. 1961. English. Monograph on the issue, lists the various printings, tips on identification of same. Illustrated. 7x10". 2 pp. From **Stamp Collecting.**
- D-137-G Bundes Gefekblatt des Norddeutschen Bundes. May 1868. German. A governmental proclamation on Postal Convention between the North German States and the Kingdom of Denmark. This is a copy of the original document. Excellent postal history. 6x8". 14 pp.

Faroes and Greenland

- G-29-G Canceled, Star and other, of the Faroes. Dieter Mickel. 1980. German. Interesting article by the German Study Group Leader. Lists value in DMK. 6x8". 3 pp.

Finland

- F-42-E Finland - The 1875-90 Issue. Ernest H. Wise. 1963. English. Excellent treatment, illustrated. 8½x11". 3 pp. From **Stamp Collecting.**
- F-43-N Finland Posthistorie og Filateli. Ørn Graham, SCC. 1980. Norwegian. Monograph on Finland's Pre-Stamp, Stamp, and Postal Stationery postal history. Illustrated. 8x11". 9 pp. From **Frim. s. Hobby.**
- F-44-G Feltpost in Finland. H. G Moxter 1980. German. Excellent article. 6x8". 4 pp.

Iceland

- I-52-E Icelandic "Fishes" 1939-45 Perforations. E. H. Wise. 1962. English. Excellent check list of types of perforations on this issue. Illustrated. 7x10". 2 pp. From **Frim. S. Hob.**
- I-53-N Vedhengeller "Tab" pa de Islandski Frimerkene. Sig Thorsteinsson, SCC. 1980. Norwegian. Monograph on the Icelandic issues having the "Tab" on the full sheets. Complete listing according IF, AFA, and Facit catalogs. Illustrated. 8½x11". 5 pp. From **Frim. S. Hob.**

- I-54-N Pr. Budpost i Streik. Sig Thornsteinsson, SCC. 1980. Norwegian. Article on Icelandic Budpost. Illustrations of various covers Sept. 20-24, 1977. 8½x11". 2 pp. From *Frim. S. Hob.*
- I-55-D Et Maerkvaedight I Gildi '02 '03 Maerke. Folmer Østergaard, SCC. 1908. Danish. Monograph on the I Gildi '02-'03 overprint. Illustrated. 8½x11". 2 pp. From *Nordisk Fil. Tids.*
- I-56-E The Revenue Stamps (and other non-listed material) of Iceland. John B. Norton, Jr. 1980. English. A 4-part series of articles on this back-of-the-book material. 8½x11". Illustrated. 26 pp. from *Iceland Philatelic Journal.*
- Norway**
- N-150-E Sorting Norway's "Posthorns." E. H. Wise. 1965. English. A helpful guide as to when the various Posthorns were issued. 7x10". 1 pp. from *Stamp Collecting.*
- N-151-E Norway: The West and North Coasts. D. May Startin. 1959. English. A readable article on the postal routes on the West and North coasts. Very informative. Illustrated. 7x10". 2 pp. From *Stamp Collecting.*
- N-152-E Tromso Locals. Author and date unknown. English. Interesting article 1880-83 Tromso By-Post Local Stamps. Lists engravers, printers and other pertinent information. Illustrated. 8½x11". 1 pp.
- N-153-E Bouvet Island; 1934. BVC. 1978. English. The full story on this controversial issue. Lists stamps issued and where they went. Illustrated. 8½x11". 2 pp. From *Ice Cap News.*
- N-154-N Britisk Feltpostkontor, Oslo, 1945. Fred Brofos, SCC. 1980. Norwegian. The full story on British FPO in Oslo. Fred Brofos was there with the American Army Command. Excellent cover illustrations. 8½x11". 4 pp. From *Frim S. Hobb.*
- N-155-G Norwegische Bahnpost. Jurgen Tiemer. 1980. German. Study of ALL Norwegian Railroad Post Office cancels of the various branch lines of the Government rail system. Lists all Bahnpost cancels and illustrations of same and maps of the R. R. System. 8½x11". 105 pp. From the Norwegian Study Group of F.S.N.
- N-156-N Amerikansk Feltpostkontor, Oslo, 1945. Fred Brofos, SCC. 1980. Norwegian. The full story of the American APO 544, Oslo, Norway. Excellent cover illustrations. 8½x11". 3 pp. From *Frim. S. Hobb.*
- N-157-N Huseby-Holmenkollea 100 Ar 1979-1979. Arne J. Bay. 1980. Norwegian. Monograph on Holmenkollen railroad stamps for this famous rail route. Ample illustrations. 8½x11". 7 pp. From *Norsk Fil. Tidd.*
- Sweden**
- S-111-E Dies and Varieties of Swedish Stamps. Wilfred Bently. 1955. English. A study of Swedish stamps produced on the Stickney Press. Gives details of the 1920-1934 Arms, Lion, Full Face Portrait Types and the Posthorn and Portrait Types of 1920-1938. Illustrated. 7x10". 4 pp. From *Stamp Collecting.*
- S-112-S Handbook over Sveriges Frankotecken 1855-1946. Swedish Philatelic Society. 1948. Swedish. This is an update of S-25-S. A handbook in-depth study of the Swedish issues for the period. Illustrated. 6x9". 360 pp.
- S113-SE Svenska Frimarket 125 Ar, Swedish Post Office. 1980. Swedish and English. Another beautiful brochure from the Swedish Post Office on 125 years of stamp production. Color illustrations. 6x9". 16 pp. English summary.
- S-114-SEGFr Stockholmia 74. Daily program of events. 6½x9½". 8 pp.

President's Message

One of our new SCC members is **Rim Danaitis** who resides in Kuujuaq, perhaps better known as Fort Chimo, located near Ungava Bay in northern Quebec Province, Canada. Fort Chimo was established in the latter part of the nineteenth century by the Hudson's Bay Company. Rim collects the stamps of Canada and Austria as well as Scandinavia.

Jörgen Tiemer, Chairman of the Norwegian Study Group of the F. G. Nordische Staaten in Germany has sent additional material on the railway cancels of that country. This research data will be turned over to the SCC Library where interested collectors may have access to it. We were also pleased to receive year-end greeting cards from Jörgen as well as **Wolfgang Holz**, Chairman of the Icelandic Study Group, both of whom we met at NORWEX 80 in Oslo.

George Koplowitz, President of the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, reports that SPF has now achieved status as a public foundation, in addition to their tax-deductible classification as an educational organization. **Stanley H. Hanson** has been appointed Librarian for the Foundation, and donations of library materials to SPF can be deducted, at fair value, as a charitable contribution.

Plans are moving ahead for SCC's 1981 Annual Convention at NOJEX, to be held October 23-25 in Elizabeth, NJ in conjunction with NOJEX, the annual show and bourse sponsored by the North Jersey Federated Stamp Clubs, Inc. I am sad to report that NOJEX President **Sidney Schneider** passed away rather suddenly in January. Sid was also President of the American Philatelic Congress. His place at NOJEX has been taken over by **Nathan Zankel**, who is already working with our SCC Convention Planning Chairman **Eric Karlson** on details. Longtime SCC member **Brad Arch** also serves on the NOJEX Board of Directors. Plan now to exhibit at NOJEX and attend the annual meeting.

A news item in the February issue of **Stamp Show News** indicates that the official agents in North America for the stamps of Norway are Straight Ltd., 1325 Franklin Ave., Garden City, NY 11530. They have certain minimums for ordering and would be of interest only to dealers. Inquiries should be directed to Michael Butler at Straight.

GOTHIA 81 was held April 24-26 in Göteborg, Sweden. SCC was invited to enter THE POSTHORN in the literature section, and we also furnished a set of the SCC medals to be awarded by the show's jury as appropriate.

As part of our effort to promote membership growth for SCC, Publicity Manager **Mary Hunewell** ran a classified ad in LINN's in March under the societies column. This type of advertising brought good response in the past, and will be used in other philatelic weeklies later in the year.

Philatelic shows during the winter months are scarce, but we note that **Michael Falls** took a silver-bronze with his exhibit of "Iceland" at VAPEX 80 last fall in Virginia Beach.

Since taking over as SCC Treasurer, **Don Himer** does not have the time needed to carry on the position of Literature Promotion Chairman. We need a volunteer for this important position. The main task is to submit examples of our publications, usually a complete year-set of THE POSTHORN, in literature exhibitions which are frequently held in conjunction with national and international philatelic exhibitions. SCC publications have taken a number of awards in such competitions, and the publicity gained by this exposure helps bring SCC to the attention of a wider audience. Most exhibitions of-

fering a philatelic literature category, such as the annual APS STaMpsHOW, provide entry forms. The SCC Literature Promotion Chairman is responsible for submitting the completed applications to the entry chairman for the show, and forwarding copies of SCC publications for the competition. Volunteers should drop me a line at Box 17124, Philadelphia, PA 19105.

—Alan Warren

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GEORG MENZINSKY

The philatelic world lost one of its foremost authorities this winter with the passing of Georg Menzinsky at the age of 73. Named an Honorary Member of SCC in 1975, his contributions not only to Swedish philately but to philately in general were considerable in both quantity and in importance. He was a board member of Sveriges Filatelist-Förbund 1939-1943 and served in many capacities over the years in a variety of philatelic organizations. These included president of the Stockholm Philatelic Club, board member of the Friends of the Swedish Postmuseum, and counsellor in FIP.

Georg was an authority on Scandinavia, classic Sweden, and the German states. His collections were noted for their breadth and revealed a tremendous knowledge. His vast knowledge made him a much sought-after jury member at international shows, and he served as a jurist at 28 international shows over a period of 25 years. Some of these included the U. S. shows FIPEX, SIPEX, and INTERPHIL.

Menzinsky's articles appeared numerous times in "The London Philatelist" and "Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift." He authored publications in the series of handbooks published by the Swedish Postal Museum, such as "Postage Stamps of Sweden, 1920-1945" which appeared in English. He was recipient of the Royal Philatelic Society's large medal, and in 1957 signed "The Roll of Distinguished Philatelists." He will be missed by SCC and the philatelic world at large.

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SCC Calendar Of Events

By the time you receive this issue, COMPEX 81 and the SCC regional meeting there will be history. However, two SCC meetings still remain this year. Mark them on your calendar and plan to attend and also exhibit at both of them.

The second authorized regional meeting for 1981 will be held in conjunction with PHILATELIC SHOW 81 in Boston, October 10-12. Note that this is Columbus Day weekend, with the show running Saturday thru Monday. The show is sponsored by the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs, and SCC New England Chapter 5 will have a booth and special programs. The exhibition will take place in the Plaza Castle, recently taken over and refurbished by the Boston Park Plaza Hotel. A prospectus can be obtained from Lois Evans, Box 752, Quincy, MA 02169.

The 1981 National Scandinavian Collectors Club meeting will be held October 24 at NOJEX, sponsored by the North Jersey Federated Stamp Clubs. The show runs October 23-25 at the Jetport Holiday Inn in Elizabeth, NJ, just outside New York City and close to Newark airport. New York Chapter 7 and Northern New Jersey Chapter 9 will be putting together a program for SCC attendees.

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Editor's Mailbag

Ron Collin sends an announcement from the Icelandic Postal Service noting Icelandic currency reform effective Jan. 1, 1981. The new krona will be equal to 100 old kronur and the use of aurar, at 100 to the krona, will be resumed. New coins and currency will be placed in circulation on the same date with old such issues being withdrawn "over a period of time."

The validity of all Icelandic stamps issued after January 1, 1973 has been extended and "the sales price of these stamps in new aurar will be equal to the printed quotation of value."

After June 30, 1981, when exchange of coins and currency has been completed, only stamps issued after Jan. 1, 1973, may be used for postage. Older stamps may be exchanged at post offices for stamps which remain valid.

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Postverk Føroya, Box 603, Garden City, NY 11530 (Stangib Ltd., official agents, North America) offers a one-page pricelist of available Faroes stamps free on request.

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Marvin Hunewell sends a copy of his reply to the question in the Editor's Mailbag, February 1981 to the inquirer, **George Brooks**—"Where is Hvornum? It is in the northern part of Jutland, about 10 km southwest of Hobro." Marvin adds in a p.s. to the editor that his source is from his copy of "Kort over Danmark" from the Geodaetisk Institut, 32 double pages of maps for a total of 111 pages of cartographic details. Cost was about \$17 US, and while Marvin gave his source as a friend in Denmark it might be less of an imposition to inquire about it from the Institut, which I presume can be reached in København.

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COMPEX 81 will be held at the Expoenter, 350 North Orleans St. (opposite the Merchandise Mart) on May 1-3, 1981. 9000-page exhibit, 86-dealer bourse, SCC Regional Meeting (2 p.m. May 2), and lots of other action. Do come and enjoy this major annual event.

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C. Nieuwland, whose "Scandinavian International Philately" service, P. O. Box 8042, Rotterdam, Holland, has served our specialty so well for many years with specialized literature, continues his offerings. Write him direct for details. His January 1981 mailing notes that the new edition of the AFA Specialized is due this spring.

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Kirsten Ehlers, Væredamsvej 7, DK-1619 København V, Denmark, sends a new version of the Letter-Collecting Cancel handbook "KE Special Katalog 1981." These attractive and popular "star" (inside double-ring and variants) cancels are illustrated, listed alphabetically by time period of use, and priced by current market information. Price for the book not furnished, presume US bookseller should have it, Jay Smith for example.

71 pages, 5x9" approx., Danish text (not a problem at all). Soft bound, excellent offset printing.

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Luren, that excellent monthly journal of SCC Chapter 17, brings a supplementary article to "Die Postzensur in Finnland" by Hans G. Moxter—"The Postal Datestamp used on Censored Mail from Tornio 1914-1916" as its lead article in the March 1981 issue. It is almost unbelievable how much good Scandinavian philatelic information this 8-page 8½x11-inch publication brings

in each issue, and its (US-Canada) \$6 or (All others) \$8 cost is a pittance compared to the benefits. The price schedule notes "Mailed 4 times annually," presumably to other-than US/Canada addresses. Address is Box 57397, Los Angeles, CA 90057. Grap the opportunity ere they realize postage and everything else took another rocket ride last week and raise the ante on you!

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Jim Burgeson's second year of production of his "Sweden Ring Type Stamp Study Unit" journal has begun. The March 1981 issue is noted as Vol. 2 No. 1" and shows beginnings of improved excellence from reader response. He asks for "a dozen self-addressed, business-size envelope for his use in mailing the newsletter." You Sweden specialists get off your duffs and write him at Box 75172, Los Angeles, CA 90010 and help out with information and \$ too!

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Philatelic Literature Review, quarterly journal of the American Philatelic Research Library, Inc., State College, PA 16801 (P. O. Box 338), brings in its third quarter 1980 issue the excellent reviews by PLR editor **Charles J. Peterson** of the 1981 **Norgeskatologen**; **Sugurd Løkeberg's** 1978 **Norsk dampskipspost**; **T. Soot-Ryen's** **Norges sportel-, juster- og stempelmerker**; **Norske masinstempler med tekst 1903-1978** (1978, NEF, Oslo); and other Scandinavian-area literature of recent publication. Well worth the \$1.25 single-copy cost from the APRL just for these reviews, and ask for membership details as well. This is the authority for philatelic literature in the English language—bar none!

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Frimärkshuset AB, **Mäster Samuelsgatan 5, 111 44 Stockholm, Sweden**, sends the 1981 editions of their **Facit Norden** and **Facit Sweden** catalogues for our review.

Facit Norden 1981—for those grinding their teeth at the "Big" **Facit Special Catalogue** being in Swedish text, here is your answer—this much smaller version is, though basic issue and not specialized fly-speck in coverage, 100% in English as well as in Swedish text! Also the illustrations—of every face-different design in Scandinavia—are in full color and truly remarkably accurately depicted in shade as well as (approximately half-size) details!

Pricing of course in SKr and current, not including "MOMS" tax.

Facit Sverige 1981—as the **Facit Norden 1981** but Sweden coverage only, English text, color illustrations, etc., as the larger tome.

Price for these estimable and beautifully-produced references not furnished. They should be available from US sellers such as **Jay Smith**, of course.

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GF Frimærker, **Floradalen 31, 2830 Virum, Denmark** (U. S. contact: **G. H. Strauss**, Box 321, Bloomsburg, PA 17815) sends notice of the 1981 **Faroe and Greenland catalogues** availability. Three different items—comprehensive **Faroes** (GF 10); **Greenland stamps** (GF 5), and **Greenland postmarks** (GF 6) are announced, approximate prices \$8.75, \$8.00 and \$7.25 respectively. Contact **Strauss** if you're interested, or the publishers if you're overseas.

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The mailbag still holds a few granules of goodies but time is closing in. More next time. Hope to see many of you at the Spring and Fall APS Shows in State College, PA, and Atlanta, GA, and at the SCC annual convention in Elizabeth, NJ Oct. 23-25, all of which **Marian** and I plan to attend.

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Short-Lived Swedish Post Offices

By Donald F. Halpern

When compared to other countries, the Swedish postal system has its history carefully recorded back to its inception in 1636. One of the many books that document Swedish Postal History is "Sveriges Fasta Postanstalter Genom Tiderna." This book lists every Swedish Post Office in alphabetical order, when the P. O. opened, closed, changed names, or reopened. For those of us interested in the relative scarcity of selected postal markings, the alphabetical index could only be used if one knew of the specific town. To date, I have not seen a listing of short-lived Swedish Post Offices and therefore have prepared lists of offices open less than one year, two years and five years.

The following is a list of Swedish Post Offices which were closed or whose names were changed after being open one year or less. An asterisk following the name signifies that a Post Office was opened at a later date with the same name or another Post Office in another location had that name.

Post Office Name	Opened	Closed	Date Reopened or New Name
Albomellby	1/5/1875	31/ 1/1876	
Alviksnäs	1/2/1930	30/ 6/1930	Alviken
Aplered	1/5/1884	30/11/1884	23/12/1902
Bengtstorp	1/4/1874	31/ 5/1874	Wikersvik
Biskopsberg	1/1/1877	31/12/1877	
Björkö*	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Arholma
Björnekulla	1/1/1874	30/11/1874	
Björnsäter*	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Wester-Björnsäter
Bockara	1/1/1874	7/11/1874	
Bredestad	1/1/1874	22/11/1874	
Erodda	1/4/1893	31/ 8/1893	Slimmingeby
Eslaryd	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Degerfors i Värmland	1/9/1867	31/12/1867	Prior to and there- after known as Degerfors*
Dogsberg	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Frösve
Eskhult	1/1/1874	31/ 3/1874	Drängsered
Fors*	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Bispgården
Fors*	6/9/1875	31/12/1875	Fors station from 1/1/1876 - 14/5/1939
Geijerfors	1/2/1916	31/12/1916	1/7/1942
Gersheden	1/11/1878	30/ 4/1878	Bansäter
Göinge-Gryt	1/1/1876	30/ 4/1876	Wanås
Gullön	1/6/1930	14/12/1930	
Hargshamn	16/6/1894	30/ 9/1894	1/12/1894
Heagård	3/3/1876	30/11/1876	Norra Vram
Hellestad	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Torna-Hällestad
Hessleby*	1/1/1874	7/11/1874	
Hingstorp	1/1/1874	30/ 9/1874	Torsås
Hvellinge	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Skytts-Hvellinge, then Hvellinge on 28/4/1886
Härnäs	1/7/1874	31/ 1/1875	Hemsjö
Högsäter*	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Högsättersby
Hüljes	1/5/1874	19/11/1874	15/5/1939
Ielinge-Herserud	1/3/1912	31/ 8/1912	Herserud
Jäbbarp	15/5/1874	29/ 4/1875	Kalmsått
Kelinge	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Glostorp
Kjulsta	1/1/1879	31/ 3/1879	Jäderön
Kolåsen	15/6/1901	15/ 9/1901	7/6/1929
Kroppa	1/1/1875	14/12/1875	Nykroppa
Kungsbarkarö	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Kullehamn	1/1/1874	31/ 3/1874	Hellvi
Kullehult	1/1/1884	31/12/1884	
Källviksnäs	1/10/1945	31/ 3/1946	Källviksudd
Lilla Slågarp	1/1/1875	26/ 7/1875	
Lis*	1/1/1874	31/ 3/1874	Lisbo, then Lis from 1/11/1897 - 31/12/1920
Lunden	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	
Lunne	1/1/1875	30/11/1875	Tidan
Långflon	1/1/1903	31/12/1903	

Malma*	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Mjartäck*	1/1/1874	22/11/1874	
Mjativik	1/4/1894	31/10/1894	
Mofalla*	1/1/1875	31/ 8/1875	2 P.O.s in Mofalla; one closed.
Norbro	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Wernlands-Ero
Perstorp	1/1/1874	32/ 5/1874	Abilol
Refvinge	1/5/1891	31/ 8/1891	
Sannagården	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Semb	1/1/1874	22/ 5/1874	Asigne
Setterbo	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Sillhåfda	1/1/1874	16/ 8/1874	
Sjönevad	1/1/1874	31/ 3/1874	
Skedalahed	1/5/1909	31/ 7/1909	Also 9/5/1891-7/10/1906
Skefthammar	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Gimo
Stavsnäs	1/7/1913	31/ 8/1913	1/2/1933
Stenqvista	1/1/1875	30/ 6/1875	
Strandvik	1/1/1874	31/ 3/1874	Wikersvik after 1/6/1874
Sventorp	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Sventorpsby
Sventorpsby	1/1/1876	26/ 7/1876	Igelstorp
Såfva	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Balingsta
Sålboda	1/11/1908	30/ 9/1909	Värmlands Sålboda
Södra Hjortseryd	1/1/1876	31/ 7/1876	
Södra Wram	1/1/1875	31/ 5/1875	Billesholm
Tingby	1/1/1874	9/ 8/1874	Smedby
Torpa	1/1/1875	28/ 2/1875	Ramfall
Torsebro	1/1/1877	30/ 6/1877	
Turinge	1/1/1875	30/ 4/1875	
Wallby	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Trögds-Wallby
Wallstorp	1/1/1874	22/11/1874	
Wedbo Solberga	1/1/1874	14/ 9/1874	Solberga
Wendel*	1/1/1875	31/ 5/1875	Wendelsby 1/6/1875
Wisnum	1/1/1876	31/10/1876	
Wånga	1/1/1875	31/10/1875	Wånga by (Vångaby)
Ågård	1/1/1874	31/12/1874	
Åkersbruk	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	
Åryd	1/1/1874	31/ 7/1874	Märserum
Åsbo-Sönnarslöf	1/1/1874	30/11/1874	
Örnebo	1/6/1919	30/11/1919	
Ökma	1/1/1874	1/ 2/1874	Österökma
Örnavik	1/4/1884	31/10/1884	
Österåsen	1/2/1902	30/ 4/1902	Österås
Östra Ryd	1/1/1875	31/12/1875	Rydboholm

This list was prepared from the information contained in Sveriges Fasta Postanstalter Genom Tiderna, Yngve Nylander, Stockholm Postverket Tryckeri, 1948, second edition, 1963.

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Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

The October 1980 issue of *Het Norderlicht* from Holland has as its lead article an index to the stamps of the Scandinavian countries which portray writers of every bent, including critics, novelists, poets, historians, etc., which will be of interest to the topical collector. Another article discusses fluorescent paper issues and their detection.

The feature article in *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift* No. 4 for 1980, by the new president of *Posthistorisk Selskab*, Visti Skanvad, is about the postal history of his home town of Hadsund.

The November issue of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* continues its series on the Danish provisionals, this time with detailed discussion on the 20ø overprint of 1926. This issue also carries a short illustrated item by Børge Lundh on retouching of Thiele Plate I, no. 100 of the Fire RBS.

The December issue of *Frimerker som Hobby* continues with a series of articles describing in detail the major events at NORWEX 80, including an article we wrote covering the SCC meeting on June 19. Fred Brofos continues his series, this time with an item on the British Fieldpost in Oslo, 1945. Ørn Graham presents the second part of a series of article on the postal history and stamps of Finland.

Issue No. 4 for 1980 of the *Philatelic Literature Review* published by APRL calls attention to an interesting "Cinderella" publication originating from Sweden. Although the emphasis is on back-of-the-book material from that country, other countries are mentioned from time to time. The publication is in Swedish with English summary. A recent issue discusses Swedish registration labels and railway parcel labels, and continues a bibliography of Cinderella material. Details on this publication can be obtained from Esbjorn Janson, Godvädersgatan 16, 41738 Goteborg, Sweden.

The December issue of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* published by KPK continues with two more installments on the 1926-27 Provisional issues—the 12 øre and 7 øre surcharges. Other items in this issue discuss the 5 øre Gebyrmaerke issue of 1934, and problems with DWI after it joined the postal union in 1877.

The January issue of *Het Noorderlicht* discusses the use of Danish Christmas seals in the Faroes and the eventual printing of their own seals. Another item reviews the Norden issues of the five associated countries. The journal of the "Skandinavie" society of the Netherlands is edited by Dr. J. W. J. van den Berg who also serves as Chairman. Officers include W. A. Rap, Secretary; and B. J. Hastrich, Treasurer. The organization is already planning its 20-year anniversary in 1984.

The publications (No. 4, 1980) of the *Forschungsgemeinschaft Nordische Staaten im Bund Deutscher Philatelisten e. V.* contain loads of information. Mention is made of Jib Burgeson's Swedish Ring-type study group, which we sent along in hopes that the German organization's Swedish Study Group might be able to contribute to this research. Their *Wikingerberichte* is even more crammed with information, with reference to several recent issues of *THE POSTHORN*. Günter F. Tölcke writes about the Danish returned letter stamps, and W. Steven discusses mail between the Faroes and the other Scandinavian countries. Chairman of the Swedish study group Wolfgang Löhrich discusses the fluorescent issues of that country.

The December issue of *Scandinavian Contact* from England carries an up-to-date listing of the postal code numbers for Norwegian towns, some of

which have been changed. The Iceland columnist V. A. Daniels describes a 22-page booklet published in that country which also lists their postal codes. R. M. Fishenden lists some thirty constant flaws appearing on the 20 øre red, Swedish large official.

Postiljonen Rapport No. 1 for 1981 is devoted largely to information on MALMEX 81 held in mid-March. The bourse and show offered about forty dealers, a dozen postal administrations, and only fourteen exhibitors. Primarily a trade show, several auctions were featured. An article in this issue discusses the theme of stamp collecting playing an important role in literature, citing a number of novels over the years as examples.

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Icelandic Stimpilmerki

EARLIEST KNOWN USAGE

By George W. Sickels SCC 1545

Seven years ago in *The POSTHORN*, I listed 14 November, 1918, as the earliest date of usage of this definitive revenue issue. Official records seem as elusive as ever that my Icelandic relatives by marriage have been unable to trace them for me. Even the Icelandic Handbook of 1973, published by the Felag Frimerkjasagnara of Reykjavik, suggests their appearance early in 1919, a fact denied by the existence of several stamps with 1918 dates.

Subsequent search located a stamp with a manuscript date of 1 November, 1918, in the collection of Roger Allen of Nicaragua. However my trip to Iceland this past summer uncovered the Stimpilmerki illustrated above with 1 October, 1918. This date is probably genuine rather than a human mistake because ten other assorted revenues with dates in October were in the lot.

This date seems likely to be a first date of usage. The law authorizing the Stimpilmerki was dated 12 August, 1918. Six weeks seem a reasonable amount of time for the stamps to be designed, produced, and distributed. All of the postage stamps which I have seen used during the interim period are dated in the month of September, except one which was used in December. That the interim plan was extended in some instances after the initial date seem plausible.

However, just as plausible is the fact that the definitive stamps may have been distributed and used in September. Therefore, the question of first day is still open to further hunting until such time as history reveals the official information.

Any information about Stimpilmerki used prior to 1 October, 1918, is eagerly solicited.

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- 255 "Postal Issues of Finland." Carl E. Pelander, 1940. 64 pp. Pub. for Finnish Relief Fund by Scotts.

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ICELAND'S NUMERAL CANCELLATIONS: A LITTLE-KNOWN USAGE

by Wayne C. Sommer

It is well enough known that numeral cancelers ceased to be distributed after 1945, having reached the number 300. Also, starting in 1930, withdrawals of the earlier ones was begun when entirely different designs for cancellations were made available.

What is not so well known is that the usage of the numeral cancelers also was revised. Instead of applying the mark to each piece of mail, the postal people were instructed to apply it to the mail bag, leaving the cancellation of stamps to be done in the district postoffices.

A copy of the authorization for this new usage has not been seen by the writer, but in 1973 its existence was made known during a visit to the collecting station at Arnarstapi in west Iceland. The postmistress there recalled that such a change had been ordered. Then in 1976, the current resident farmer at the former collecting station of Braedratunga furnished proof of the use of numeral cancellation on the mail bags. He brought out some of the mementoes of his father's post office operation which had ended in 1963.

Among these articles was a wooden tag with a sealing wax impression of the #267 which had been the cancellation of the station. This discovery made an otherwise excellent cup of coffee taste all the better, thanks to both the kindness of Sveinn Skúluson and his wife Sigridur Stefánsdóttir.

The unpainted wooden tag is 50x120x5 mm and drilled with two holes for the fastening cord. On one side a gob of sealing wax holds the cord and is impressed with numeral cancellation #267. The other side is covered with an adhesive label addressed to Reykjavik.

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