

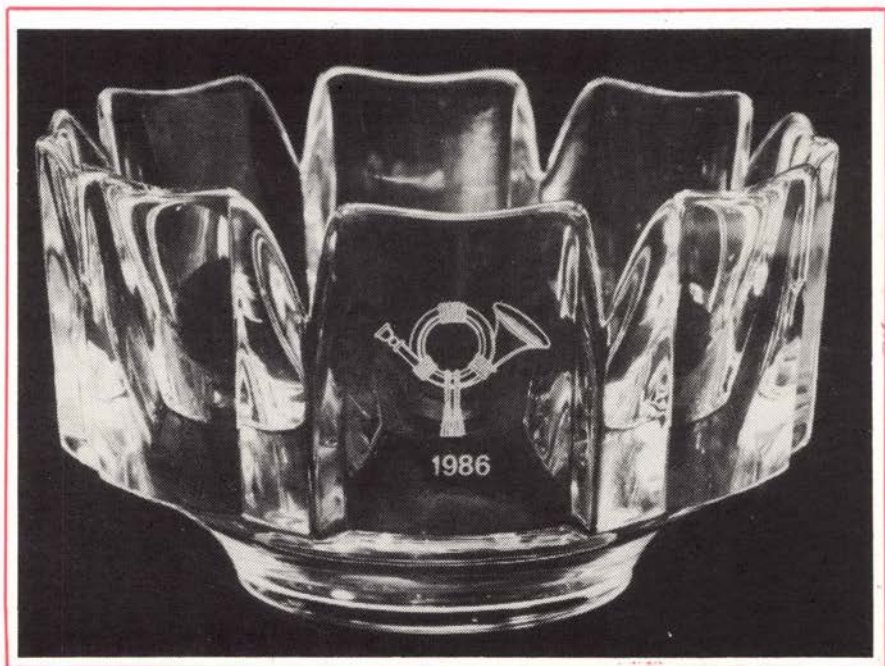


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Schleswig-Holstein Hand Stamps (1848-1851)

By Gordon A. Hughmark

The insurrection of 1848 in Schleswig and Holstein and the postal service formed under the resulting provisional government were described in a prior article.¹ This postal administration was responsible for introduction of the "Postschillinge" adhesives in 1850. In addition, hand stamps received more general use than had occurred under the Danish postal system. This article was prepared from the extensive information in the Danish philatelic literature. Of particular interest are the articles by A. Tholl^{2,3}.

The Danish 1½-ring hand stamps were in use in Schleswig and Holstein at the time of the insurrection. These hand stamps resulted from agreement in 1845 between the Danish, Thurn and Taxis, and French postal services that postage on letters from Denmark to France could no longer be paid only to Hamburg with the remainder collected at the destination. The entire postage then had to be paid to the French destination or upon arrival at the destination. Postage rates greatly varied depending on the origin within the Danish postal service so it was necessary to clearly designate the origin of a letter for which the postage had not been paid. Thus, the 1½-ring hand stamps with the date (day, month, and year) and the location name were issued to the post offices in the cities and towns of Denmark, Schleswig, and Holstein, that did not have satisfactory hand stamps and that could be expected to send foreign mail through Hamburg. Figure 1 shows a letter of 1849 with the Ahrensburg 1½-ring hand stamp. Hand stamp possession and use by post offices before 1845 was at the discretion of the post offices because the limited issue of the rectangular hand stamps beginning in 1820 was the only earlier issue of hand stamps by the general post office. In addition to hand stamp use on foreign mail, there was some use on domestic

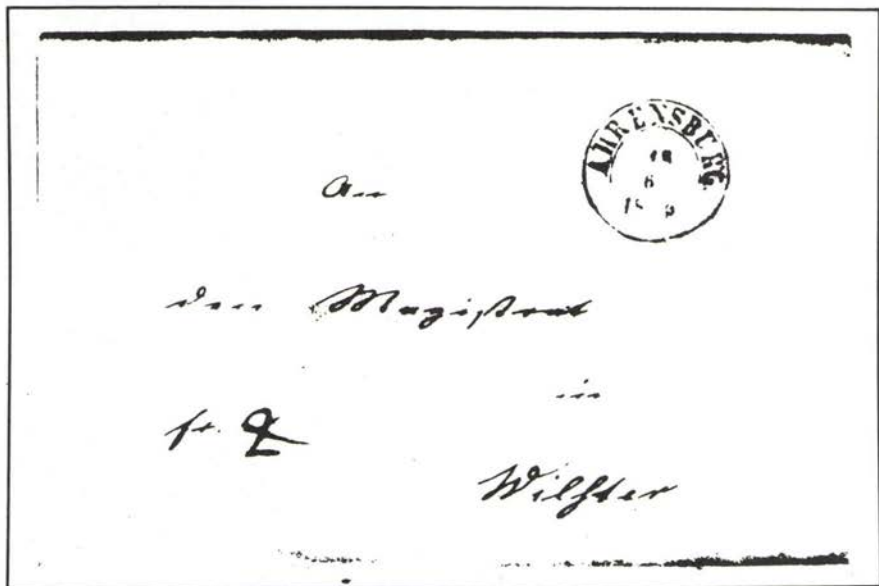


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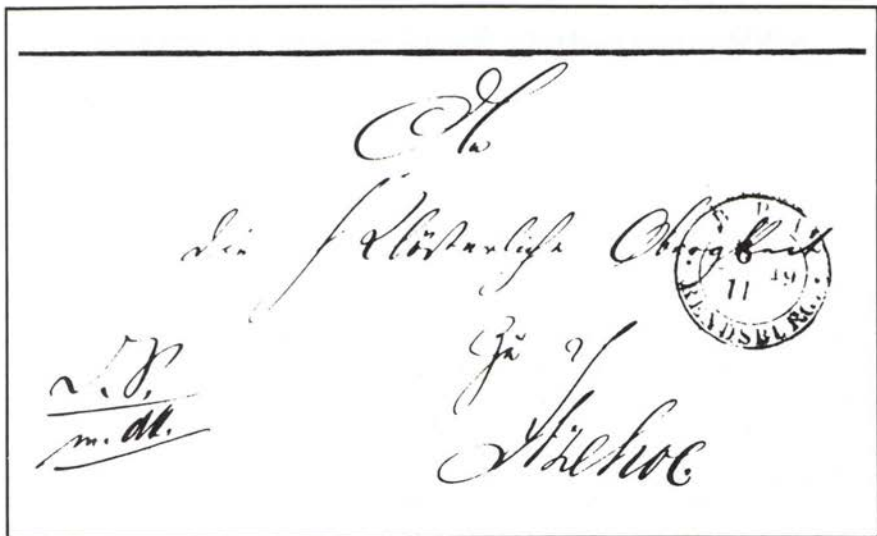


Figure 2

mail, although this was not required by the Danish postal service until 1851.

Rendsburg

Figure 2 shows a Rendsburg hand stamp for which earliest known use is May 1848. This was shortly after the Schleswig-Holstein postal service was established in March, 1848. This particular type of hand stamp is unique. Rendsburg had used a 1½-ring hand stamp up to the initial time of use of the new stamp. Tholl suggested that B.P.A. represented Brief Post Amt (Letter Post Office). The similarity between this hand stamp and the K.D.P.A. Altona hand stamp that had been used since 1838 suggests that this was to replace the undesirable K.D. (Royal Danish) with an acceptable letter.

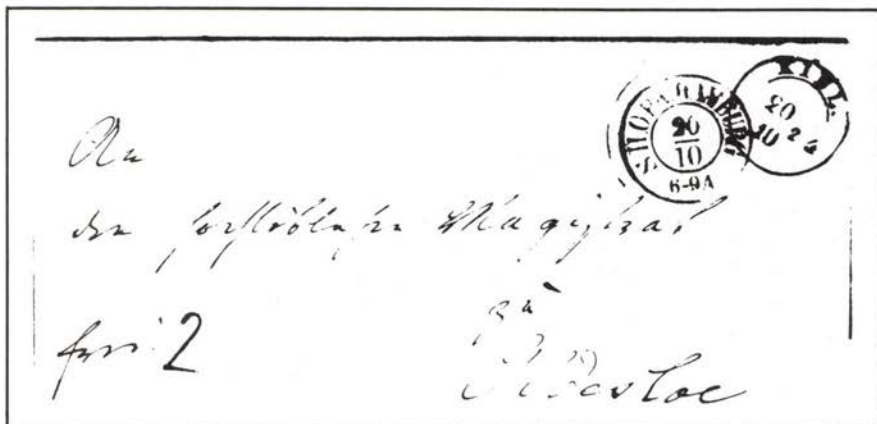


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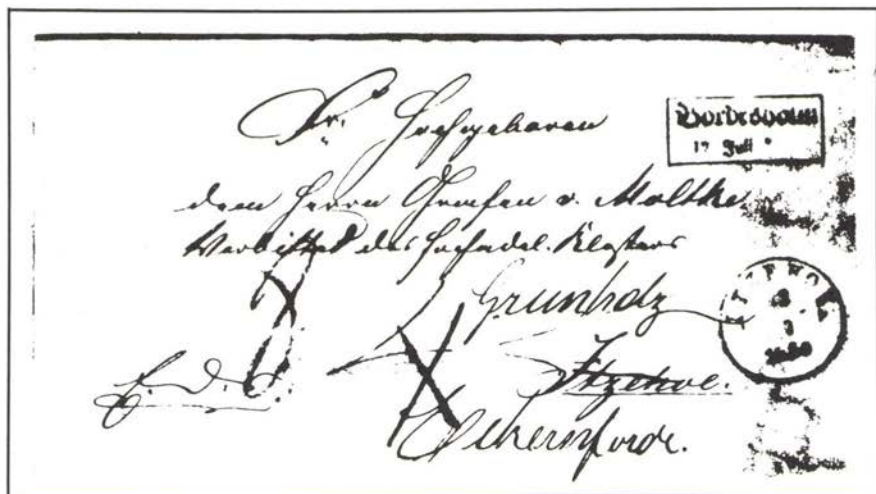


Figure 4

Hand Stamps with Clock Time

Hand stamps were required on all mail as of July 10, 1848, by the Schleswig-Holstein postal service. This requirement caused short time wear of the stamps and with repair and replacement resulted in the many variations reported by Tholl. An example was the hand stamp used at Kiel. A 1½-ring hand stamp had not been issued to the Kiel post office because a satisfactory stamp was in use in 1845. Figure 3 shows an 1850 letter from Kiel with a 1½-ring hand stamp but with the day, month, and clock time, and not the year date. This hand stamp was first used in 1849 and is similar to other new hand stamps that were used by the Schleswig-Holstein postal service.

Figure 4 shows an 1850 letter with an Itzehoe 1½-ring hand stamp showing the year date. This hand stamp was originally issued by the Danish postal service. Figure 5 shows an 1851 letter with the Itzehoe 1½-ring hand stamp with the clock time in-

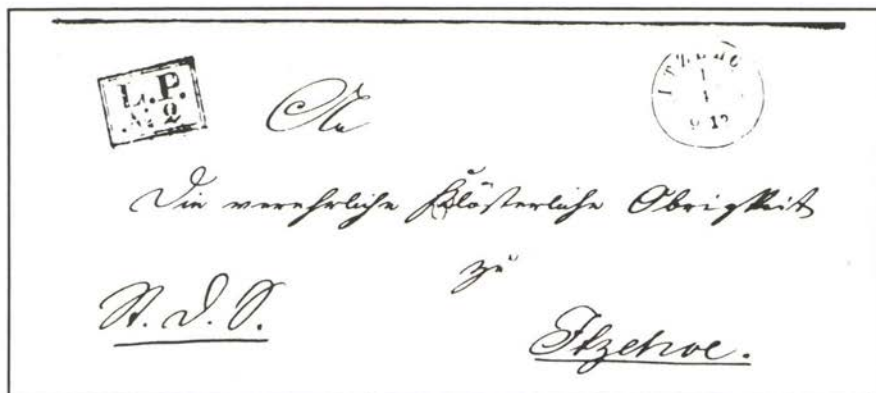


Figure 5

stead of the year date. This is another indication that the clock time was desired on the hand stamps used by the Schleswig-Holstein postal service.

Landpost

An announcement of October 1849 established Landpost-Briefbestellungen for Hanerau and Schenefeld in Holstein.⁴ These were similar to a local post and were both subordinate to the Itzehoe post office. One skilling was charged for a letter without regard to weight for this service. Figure 5 shows a letter with the Landpost hand stamp (L.P. No. 2) for Hanerau. L.P. No. 3 was a similar hand stamp for Schenefeld. A Landpost-Briefbestellung was opened for Bordesholm in January 1850 with the same postal rate as for Kiel. The hand stamp for Bordesholm is shown in Figure 4. By June 1850, nine Landpost-Briefbestellungen had been established by the Schleswig-Holstein postal administration. Hand stamps are known for all but one.

The Landpost concept was a forerunner to the Brevsamlingssted (letter collecting place) introduced by the Danish postal service in 1852 after the insurrection. It is interesting that the first Danish local post other than the Copenhagen foot post was the Holte Landpost established in 1866. Landpost has essentially the same meaning in Danish and German.

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Danish Postal Stationery Catalog

Collectors of Scandinavian postal stationery will be pleased to learn that a new edition of S. Ringström's work on Denmark, Schleswig, Danish West Indies and Iceland has appeared, replacing the valued 1968 edition which has long been out of print. The price is \$20 postpaid by bookpost and is available in the U.S. exclusively from the Philatelic Bibliopole, P.O. Box 36006, Louisville, KY 40233.

Sigurd Ringström is known for a number of philatelic treatises, some of them carried out with the assistance of colleagues. These joint efforts include such highly regarded works as *The Private Local Posts of Denmark* with Sten Christensen, and the multi-volume *Private Ship Letter Stamps of the World* with Henry Tester. These publications have established Ringström's reputation for authoritative works in high quality editions.

The new Danish postal stationery book measures 7 by 9¾ inches, contains 218 pages, and is cloth bound with sewn signatures. The book has been handsomely printed on high quality paper in easy-to-read typeface and with excellent black and white illustrations. Although the text is in Danish, there is a table of contents in English at the rear of the book, as well as a glossary of the major terms and color names in Danish with English equivalents. According to the author, the book was to have been released in the spring of 1985. However, he was disappointed with the

original printing, had the edition destroyed, and a new one printed and bound. This high standard of quality reinforces the care and effort seen in the layout and listings in the catalog.

Prices are shown in Swedish Crowns for stationery items in mint and used condition. The catalog begins with a two-page table listing the postal rates for Danish postal cards, printed matter cards, wrappers, stamped envelopes, and aerograms from 1865 to 1984. Separate rates are shown for local, inland, and foreign destinations as well as to other Nordic countries as appropriate.

Details listed for each item include dimensions, major color variants, printing varieties, paper stock types, and essays. The listings begin with the Danish single cards in skilling values of 1871 to the Queen Margrethe cards of 1984. Varieties with the fluorescent bar are also noted. Then follow the listings for double (reply) cards, official cards, railway cards, Copenhagen municipal library cards, and stamped envelopes. To give some idea of the depth to which collectors of this material can delve, Ringström lists and describes some eighteen private postal cards and twenty stamped envelopes printed to order for use by various firms and organizations. Examples include those of the directors of police and health, the minister of finance, and the state telegraph and Copenhagen telephone agencies.

The Denmark listings conclude with aerograms and printed wrappers. There is a three-page listing of the single postal cards of Schleswig, and then the final 25 pages or so list the stationery items of the Danish West Indies and Iceland, and include a table of postal rates for those two countries.

There is no doubt that Ringström's catalog will long be the definitive reference work for stationery items of the Danish areas, and the collecting community will ever be indebted to his thoroughness and expertise.

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Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation Update

By Alan Warren

Last issue we announced the translation by Kauko Aro of the work by Mikko Ossa, *Cancellations and Roulette Varieties on the Serpentine Rouletted Stamps of Finland — Issues of 1860 and 1866*. This has now been published and is available to SPF members for \$16 and non-members for \$18.50 postpaid.

Our latest publication is a translation of the *AFA Special-Katalog* which is a thorough listing of the issues of Denmark, Faroes, Greenland, and DWI. While the book can be used on its own, it is especially useful to those who already have the Danish catalog. Not all sections have been translated. For example, the Danish section has been translated up to about 1940, since the stamp listings from there on are pretty easy to understand in the original.

The translation is particularly useful for the varieties of the 19th and early 20th century issues. Lars Boes, editor of the original catalog, has seen the translation and found it far above his expectations. He expects to be at AMERIPEX and is looking forward to seeing the printed version. Orders for these two publications as well as requests for a price list of previous SPF monographs and handbooks should be sent to: Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.

Speaking of AMERIPEX, don't forget the SPF meeting which will be held at the conclusion of the SCC meeting. The SPF meeting will be held from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. on Sunday, May 25th in the Philippine Room of the Hyatt Regency O'Hare hotel.

Our Youngest Member

By W. H. 'Bill' Lamkin

Recently I was pleasantly surprised to receive a membership application from a 9 year old young lady, Miss Rachel Marie Towle, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ross Towle of Union City, California. In searching the records, I found that Rachel is our youngest member!

I wrote and asked Rachel how she became interested in stamps. She replied: "Last Christmas I got a stamp book of Swedish stamps. I like Swedish stamps because I am Swedish and because they have neat drawings on them and the last reason is that they are fun to collect."

"Sometimes my Dad buys stamps from Chile. I have a lot of stamps from Sweden. I hope that I can fill up my whole book so I can get a new book to collect stamps in. I also went with my Dad to his stamp meeting. One time a lady gave me stickers because I was good at the meeting."

Rachel says that she is Swedish because her great-grandfather was born there. Her great-grandfather was born in Småland near the town of Västervik. He came to the United States around the turn of the century.

Rachel's father, Dr. Towle, is the editor of *Postal Stationery*, and he said Rachel has been collecting since she was 6 years old! She began by collecting topicals like Christmas, butterflies, fish, etc. He said while he was president of the Phoenix Philatelic Association, she helped with the First Day Covers for the 1982 Aging stamp. What a wonderful way to start a child into the elements of our hobby!

Rachel's ambition 'to fill up her book so that she can get another and collect more stamps' is just like the rest of us. This is one of the things that keeps us in the hobby — getting more stamps, filling that last blank space, getting a new album and starting all over again.

One of the reasons that I am emphasizing Rachel is that stamp collecting is not among the most popular of hobbies these days. There is too much on TV for our children to become interested in our little pieces of paper. There is a clear indication that the older collectors must get out and spread their enthusiasm among the young as Dr. Towle has done. The USPS is trying hard to get the hobby rolling again but they do need our help. Unless we get at it, the hobby we love so much is going to die on the vine.

I recently made a survey of the new members taken into the SCC in 1985. Of the group of 75, 25 were over 50 years of age, 37 were between 30 and 50, 8 were under 30, and 5 would not tell their age! It can easily be seen that we need young blood. How do you go about getting this new blood? It is difficult and a plan that works one place with one group will not necessarily work with another. Rachel shows that it can be done.

I must say that my children grew up believing that old dad was a little nuts for fooling with those 'dumb things'. However, I am not giving up on my grandchildren just yet. Have you encouraged a novice collector lately?

Welcome aboard, Rachel!

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SCC insignia pins are available to members. The pin is 10k gold filled and has a clasp backing which allows it to be used as a tie tack or as a lapel pin. Send \$5.00 in check or money order, payable to SCC, to Ronald B. Collin, P.O. Box 63, River Grove, IL 60171.

Norske Særstempler: A Review

By Alan Warren

Handbok over Norske Særstempler by Odd Harald Johannessen; Norsk Filatelistforbund, Oslo, 1985, 232 pages, softbound, ISBN 82-7319-023-4.

This catalog of special and first day cancellations of Norway is a handsome addition to previous works of this nature for Sweden, published by SFF; Denmark, by E. Menne Larsen; and Finland by Tuomas Piironen. A similar catalog for Finland by Kalle Vaarnas (1947) is sadly out of date, but does include first day cancels up to that time.

The Norwegian catalog begins with a foreword by NFF President Paul H. Jensen, followed by an explanatory introduction in Norwegian, German, and English on using the catalog. The special cancellations are listed first, chronologically and beginning with the Christiania fieldpost mark of 1892. The catalog numbering is a simple logical system using the year date. Hence the first entry for 1892 is listed as 1/92. Some 1500 special event marks are listed through 1983, with excellent illustrations of each strike. The catalog will be especially useful to thematic collectors seeking design motifs in the pictorial cancels.

Each entry for a special event cancel includes the place and date of use, a brief description of the purpose, and a thematic reference based on the universal decimal system used in libraries for subject, e.g., 37 Education, 63 Agriculture, 78 Music, etc.

The second section of the catalog lists some 200 first day marks, also illustrated, from 1939 through 1984. These are numbered sequentially from FD 1 to FD 213. The catalog concludes with two useful listings. The first listing is an alphabetical index by city where the special or FD event took place. Obviously the entry for Oslo is quite long. The second list gives the German and English translations of the special and first day events indexed by the catalog numbering systems.

Johannessen's handbook is a valuable tool for the cover collector of Norway. I obtained my copy from Philabook International in Holland. Check with the literature dealers who advertise in *The Posthorn* for price and availability.

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Greenland Reports

By Dan Laursen, Ph. D.

Dan Laursen was born November 3, 1909 in Copenhagen, Denmark, where he graduated from the University of Copenhagen with his Ph.D. in 1950. His doctoral thesis dealt with Greenland's postglacial marine geology. He was in Greenland in 1931, 1939, and 1946, participating in scientific expeditions. In 1957 he was a Fulbright grantee and began teaching in the U.S., the last period before his retirement in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He also did research for the Danish Carlsberg Foundation's DANA Collections (marinebiology) on material from the Caribbean and the Atlantic Ocean.

He inherited his father's stamp collection and philately became his lifelong hobby, resulting inter alia, in the foundation of Haslev Stamp Club in 1937, a club of which

he is now an honorary member. He is presently a very active member of SCC and the Tucson Stamp Club. In addition to his Greenland and Denmark collections, he specializes in the Danish wavy-line issues. He is a contributor to the Danish stamp magazines *Skilling* and *Danish Philatelic Magazine*, and S.C.C. Chapter 17's *Luren*.



A Changing of the Guard

When the Greenland Home-rule took over the postal service on March 6, 1986, from the Royal Greenland Trade (KGH) P.S., the new institution of course had to change its name from the Danish: Grønlands Postvæsen to the Greenlandic Kalaallit Allakkeriviat.

For those who are interested in an interpretation or translation here we go: Kalaallit simply means Greenland and is pronounced with a long "a" signified by the written double aa; the double "ll" signifies a sound as the English sl, in this case as in slit, kind of a sibilant sound. Allakkeriviat is a word which is built up by adding to an etymon. This is the usual way to form words and entire sentences in the Greenland language. The etymon is Allakkat meaning letter(s) to which is added the affix - (l) erivoq = to have to do with or to carry = to mail; to this combination is furthermore affixed -vik meaning: place where one —; and finally the definite person suffix -at or in other words:

allak(aq) + - (l) eri - + - vik - at

letter - mail - place where one - the

i.e. the place where letters are mailed. Pronunciation something like aslarkeriviat.

At the same time Kalaallit Allakkeriviat got a new logo. In the usual red oval is now of course Kalaallit Allakkeriviat plus the Greenland Coat of Arms (the upright sitting polar bear) but without the crown. The day was celebrated with a new stamp showing the new flag and the logo. Idea and sketch by Thue Christiansen, engraving by Arne Kuhlmann.

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SCC maintains one of the largest Scandinavian Philatelic Libraries in the world. All SCC members in good standing are eligible to borrow materials. Send your request for materials, along with a check for \$4.00 payable to SCC Librarian. All requests for materials should be sent to Stanley H. Hanson, SCC Librarian, 1648 Campbell Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60016. For small articles, photocopies are available from the SCC Librarian at 10¢ per page plus postage. Refer to the SCC Library Index published November 1982 for latest listing of available materials.

Royal Philatelic Society, London, to Publish Comprehensive Philatelic Bibliography

To record the centenary of the RPS Library, which falls in 1987, the Royal Philatelic Society is proposing to publish a bibliography of major sources of information on the stamps (including postal stationery and fiscals) and postal history of the world. It feels that such a publication would be an appropriate way of celebrating this event and would be of benefit to philatelists everywhere.

It is soliciting leading collectors' assistance in identifying those sources which they consider of prime importance in their study field. These generally fall into the following sequence of importance:

- major handbooks or catalogue handbooks on country or subject
- monographs on particular issues or subjects (e.g. postal rates)
- key articles on subjects not otherwise covered
- official publications (e.g. Post Office directories, gazetteers)

To these should be added:

- Study Circle (with address) or other journals
- published bibliographies of subject/country
- major auctions

Secondary references, which would be expected to appear in the above, are not required. Where a well-known earlier work has been replaced, a note to this effect would be welcome.

For each entry the following information is requested:

- Author (name, initials) or editor(s) for journals
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A comment on the usefulness and accuracy of each would help the compilers to make their final choice on what to include and what to omit. It would help if each item was submitted on a separate postcard-sized card.

Translations into wider-known languages from some of the lesser known languages are sometimes published in journals; information on such items is especially welcome.

An appendix will include addresses of the major philatelic libraries and specialist societies.

Contributions should be sent to Roy Dehn, c/o the Royal Philatelic Society, 41 Devonshire Place, London W1N 1PE, England, who has agreed to act as general editor.

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President's Message

By Wayne Rindone

It is going to be quite difficult to accomplish, but it is our goal to get this issue of *The Posthorn* into the hands of most of the membership prior to the commencement of our Annual Convention at AMERIPEX '86 at the Chicago O'Hare Convention Center beginning May 22. If we achieve this goal, we will not only have returned to the regular publication schedule for *The Posthorn*, but we will owe a considerable debt to acting editor Joe Frye and our publishers at Wilcox Printing for a job very well done. If we happen to not quite make it, we know we can count on your continued patience, and we will plan to have copies of this issue available at the AMERIPEX exhibit in any event.

We included a detailed schedule of SCC events and contact addresses for AMERIPEX in the February *Posthorn*. We hope to see many of you at the SCC dinner Friday evening, May 23, and at the General Meeting on Sunday, May 25, at 1 p.m. And please do stop by the SCC Booth to say hello and find out what is going on at any time during the show. We have been assigned exhibit booth number 43, which we will be sharing with the United Nations Philatelists for the duration of the show. The AMERIPEX committee has offered to provide free passes to booth workers we let them know about in advance. If you are interested in helping out and have not already communicated your interest to Ron Collin, you may wish to call him at (312) 589-1420 to see if it is still possible to sign up.

Donors Scott and Joanna Taylor have provided the AMERIPEX committee with a beautifully engraved Swedish crystal Corona Bowl for the SCC International Award. At the Committee's request, Joanna arranged to have the bowl photographed, and that photo has been reproduced on the cover of this issue. According to Joanna, getting the photograph was quite a production, involving dim indirect lighting in an otherwise darkened room, a black felt background, and a small piece of felt in the interior of the bowl. Whatever the details of the technique, it succeeded in making the engraving of the SCC posthorn on the bowl show clearly. I am sure you would be welcome to stop by the SCOJO Stamps booth at AMERIPEX if you would like Joanna to regale you with the full story.

Recently I received from Sweden a short VHS-format videotape about Stockholmia 86 exhibition that begins at the end of August. I understand that Alan Warren also received a copy as President of the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation. He has sent a letter to chapter presidents offering to loan his copy to interested chapters. I will bring the copy I received to AMERIPEX, and we hope to make arrangements so that it can be viewed during the show. This will probably be done by getting a VCR for the Club Suite at the Holiday Inn, and if there is sufficient time and the proper equipment, we may be able to show it at the general meeting. After the show I will leave the videotape with Stanley Hanson for addition to the holdings of the SCC Library. You should contact Stan if you wish to borrow it for viewing, and he will do his best to fill as many requests for this in advance of Stockholmia as possible.

Finally, I must remind the membership that as of late March, we are still soliciting applicants for the positions of *Posthorn* editor and SCC Publicity Manager. Joe Frye is doing a fine job as editor for the duration, and Bill Lamkin is similarly per-

forming the Publicity Manager duties until we have a permanent replacement for Marv Hunewell in that position. The appointments for these positions will not be made until AMERIPEX at the earliest, so please do let me know if you are interested. Bill has available a written description of the Publicity Manager's duties that Marv prepared, and I am sure that Joe would be willing to answer questions on what to take to perform the Editor's duties.

I hope to see many of you at AMERIPEX!

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The Editor's Notebook

By Joe F. Frye

The suggestions in my column in the February 1986 issue of *The Posthorn* were not intended to be "rules" and such should not be inferred. They were suggestions which, if followed, will distinctly reduce my workload and make far more likely the acceptance — by this or any other editor — of copy prepared in accordance with them and submitted by any writer for publication.

The biggest problem was, and remains, excessive and improper use of CAPITAL LETTERS. You see more such in this paragraph than you will in this entire issue. Look and see. If the capital letters form English words they almost certainly do not need to be — and will not pass my blue pencil as — capitals except in very unusual cases. The printers of the Bible do not use capital letters for the words of Christ or God. Why try to outdo that precedent?

Do not underscore anything other than the title of a book or journal (which will be italicized in this publication, and your underscore used to indicate italic to the typesetter). Capitals and underscores can't be removed. They are like paint. Easy on near impossible off.

I will arrive in Chicago just in time to miss the FDC ceremonies on Thursday, May 22 and will remain until early Monday morning May 26, 1986, for the Ameripex goings-on. I have a board meeting of Writers Unit 30 and their open meeting and seminar to attend, plus their Writers Breakfast at the Holiday Inn on Sunday, May 25, 1986. Otherwise I am at the disposal of the SCC.

For those who might wish to locate me I will be sharing a room with Mr. George M. Martin, counsel emeritus of the APS and APRL, and the room will likely be in his name only, at the Holiday Inn-O'Hare.

This issue has been given the best efforts of Wilcox Printing to get it to as many of you as possible in time to be of benefit in Ameripex schedule information. I had other demands on me which resulted in the bulk of the copy being supplied to Wilcox at their office on Monday, April 28, and this last piece, my little contribution, is being sent them to arrive on May 2.

Is there not a would-be editor out there someplace?

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Copies of all past issues of the Posthorn are available. Contact Fred Bloedow, 810 Dobson St., No. 1A, Evanston, IL 60453 for details and order blanks.

Letter to the Editor

Editor, *Posthorn*

I have a cover which was mailed May 8, 1985, from Stockholm. Among the stamps which were used to post this large envelope are a block of 4, showing birds, from the "Julpost 1984" booklet (*Facit* No. H355 or the set is No. 1324-1327. *Scott* No. is 1520A). These stamps are very clearly of a white fluorescent variety, yet I am told that Sweden has not used white fluorescent paper since the late 70's.

If other S.C.C. members have similar examples of this booklet in a white UV variety I would like to hear from them.

Thank you sincerely,
Jerry D. Moore
615 Woodbine Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

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The Executive Secretary Speaks

By William H. Lamkin

I have very little to speak about this issue. I suppose that I can say a little about dues. We now have some 130 members that have not paid their 1986 dues. This is a large number for this late in the year. I hope that all of you delinquents heed the snide remarks on the postals that I have sent out and get those dues in. If you have not paid by time for the August *Posthorn*, you might be a little embarrassed to find your name listed therein as not having paid.

I have had some good comments on almost every phase of our club activities. Maybe it is that I get just the good remarks and not the bad ones. I always welcome both types of comments. My wife tells me that I know everything. I know that when she tells me this, she does not know the things that I do not know. That is good.

I have had a very nice letter from Mr. H. T. Pritchett, the founder of the Scandinavian Philatelic Society of the United Kingdom. He expressed his condolences over our loss of Bob Gross, and said he was going to Stockholm '86 and would be glad to meet with any SCC members.

The Posthorn

I have been going over the mailing list of *The Posthorn*, and much to my chagrin, I found that some new members were not getting their copy. I hope that these folks will not hold it against SCC for not being on the list. All those that I have been able to identify have been notified and I hope they will send me a list of *Posthorns* they have missed. I will attempt to get their copies to them even if they are a little late.

Addresses

I continually keep getting notices from the USPS that some copies of *The Posthorn* cannot be delivered due to the addressee having moved and left no forwarding address. Some copies come back merely marked with the forwarding ad-

dress and the copy has not been forwarded. This is usually because the addressee has not guaranteed forwarding postage. When copies come back, SCC has to pay 73 cents postage due. This soon runs into money especially when I have to write letters or cards to try and determine where the 'lost' member is. The biggest expense of my office is postage. So, try and think about good old SCC when you move and send me your address as soon as you know where you are going!

Another thing about the members addresses. If anyone knows of a member that has passed away, please let me know about it. In many instances *The Posthorn* has continued to go out as addressed when it should not have been sent. This is not a good subject but it is a thing that many of us do not think about. It is, however, a necessary thing for our records.

Dealers

I have a stock of business reply cards for the use of dealers in scouting for new members. Let me hear from you about how many you can use and send to your good Scandinavian customers. They cost you nothing and they do bring in some new members. You will get credit in *The Posthorn* for each new member that you get to join the SCC.

Auction

Our Houston, Texas chapter 22 is having an auction in October, and all SCC members are invited to participate. Further information from their President, Bob Paulson, P.O. Box 484, Ballaire, TX. 77401.

ALAPEX 1986

One of our good members, Mr. Benny R. Brown, received a silver award for his exhibit of the Faroes at ALAPEX. The show was sponsored by the Birmingham Alabama Philatelic Society. They are now planning for ALAPEX 1987.

Note: Any club planning on an exhibit can contact me for a supply of membership applications and other informative data on SCC. It is even possible to arrange for an SCC table at many of these shows.

Estate Problems

In the March 1986 issue of *Luren*, the publication of the Scandinavian Philatelic Library and Chapter 17, here is an interesting item. Chapter 17 maintains the SCC Estate Advisory Committee for the heirs of deceased members. They write letters of condolence to the member's family, offering their condolence and help that may be required in disposing of the member's philatelic interests. To the committee's chagrin, they are often told the philatelic library items have been thrown out as being "too old and no one would want them." Recently there was a loss of over ten years of Finnish philatelic magazines and other data for this reason. It is a shame, when a person maintains a library of this type with loving care, that this would be the final result.

Please let your heirs know what you have and let them know what can be done with it. The Executive Secretary has free estate labels for your albums, ask him for them.

There are many active buyers of every type of philatelic material. Among these are our own SCC Library as well as the Scandinavian Philatelic Library of Southern California. Of course, both would prefer a donation rather than having to buy.

Publicity

We have had some good publicity during the past quarter. An article appeared in the *New York Times* on December 14, 1985, and in a recent issue of the *News of Norway*. Both these items have produced a great number of inquiries regarding SCC membership and our journal, *The Posthorn*. We have gained five new members from these requests and more are coming in every day.

If you know of any media here in the U.S. that might give us some publicity, write them or send me their name and address.

We thank both the *Times* and *News of Norway* for their consideration.

Errata

The Executive Secretary not only speaks but he also makes a goof now and then. Somehow, the name of our good friend Harlan Miller was omitted from the previous membership summaries as being one of our Honorary Members! Perhaps I should begin a new column with a title like "The Executive Secretary Goofs!" I do apologize to Harlan for this error and hope that he will not hold it against me for too long.

'LOST' Life Members?

Can you furnish current addresses?

L-15 Armstrong, Thomas F. Jr., 838 Store Road, Harleysville, PA 19438.

L-8 Anderson, Axel H., Box 91, Osterville, MA 02655

L-4 Ingeloff, Thorsten, 137 00 Västerhaninge, Sweden.

H-13 Buyer, Carl-Emil, 68-37 Yellowstone Blvd., Forest Hills, NY 11375.

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Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

Danish censorship authority Bo Bjerre Jakobsen discusses return handstamps used in that country during the period 1945-47 in *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* 8/85. Niels Klottrup illustrates 19th century covers from Australia to Denmark, and Carl E. Jørgensen continues his series on Danish registry numbers in the same issue.

In *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* 4/1985, Niels Klottrup writes about a confusing period in Danish postal history, the first quarter of 1875. Ib Krarup Rasmussen discusses preliminary designs for the first airmail issues of Denmark during the early 1920's.

Het Noorderlicht, January 1986, the journal from Holland, is a double issue, with the supplement representing an index to this periodical for Nos. 1 through 80, covering the years 1964-1984. The index is done by country, and then chronologically within each country by title of article, with no author index. The January issue itself carries an article by C.F. de Baar on the recent publications of the group devoted to Greenland postal history, and J.C. ter Welle discusses 19th century Danish cancels illustrated with several interesting covers.

Norsk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift 1/1986 continues with the series on steamship postal routes by Tore Gjelsvik, this time about the Ytre Namdalen routes. Two articles describe ITALIA 85, and Harry Snarvold continues his detailed study of the posthorn issues with engraving types of NK 38.

The December 1985 *Scandinavian Contact* from England has an extended article on varieties of the Norway 5 øre Johnsen postal cards of 1881-85. David Loe continues his long series on post offices of Iceland. R.M. Fishenden continues the series on varieties of Swedish official stamps with a chapter on the large 30 øre value, Plate I.

Issue 4/85 of the Norwegian publication *Frimerker som Hobby* continues the series of articles by Christer Brunström on Swedish local posts, and Herb Pritchett writes about the British fieldpost in Iceland during WW II. This issue also announces that a small study group has formed to research the Christiana/Oslo cancellations, including the numeral marks. If you are interested in joining the study group, write to Petter Sørsdahl, Skjelderupsgatan 17, 0559 Oslo 5, Norway.

The December issue, 9/85 of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* has an interesting table of foreign exchange rates during the Danish skilling period of 1851-1875. Skilling equivalents are shown for the major European countries and other Nordic countries as well as the US and Russia during this period. The table was compiled by Ole Steen Jacobsen. This issue also has an extensive article by Kristian Hopballe, in which he attempts to catalog some 34 varieties of the English censor tapes used during WW II. He begins with the "P.C.66" tapes used, for example, on a 1939 letter from Iceland to Sweden.

Issue No. 4/85 of the publication of the FG Nordische Staaten in Germany has the usual contributions from the various study groups. The Faroes section has an article by Bjørg Jacobsen on handling the post in Svinair. The section on Finland discusses early twentieth century cancellations, and lists 143 town cancels used during the period 1889 to 1917. The Norway area has another part in a series on Norwegian proofs and reprints, and Wolfgang Löhrich writes about Swedish local post up to 1863.

Posthistorisk Tidsskrift 1/1986 from Denmark has the second installment of Søren Jessen's article on the postal history of Slangstrup. Also bound into this issue is H. Truelsen's 1985 installment on Danish machine cancels with text, which can be inserted in the author's catalog.

In *Norsk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* 2/1986, editor Erling Sjong writes about the destruction last year of the remaining copies of the 55 and 80 øre Gustaf V medallion series, the so-called Värnamo issues. Egil H. Thomassen discusses the NORMASH (Norwegian Mobile Surgical Hospital) in Korea with examples of covers sent from there. Two long-running series have additional installments — Harry Snarvold's on the posthorn issues, and Tore Gjelsvik on the 19th century steamship routes.

The semiannual publication *Bältespännaren*, read by Cinderella enthusiasts, has an article by Ake Torkelstam in the 2/1985 issue on the paper postal seals of Sweden, and another by the same author on telegram letters of Sweden. Ulla Lindberg writes about Express Mail in that country ("Kurirpost"). The journal also has articles about back-of-the-book items from Britain, Egypt, and Holland. In *First Days* for January 15, 1986 published by the American First Day Cover Society, Alan Warren has an article on the FDCs of the Christian X definitives of Denmark.

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Applications for membership in SCC can be obtained from William H. Lamkin, Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 302, Lawrenceville, GA 30246-0302. Send for a supply and distribute them to your stamp collecting friends.



Transfers & Reentries

By Alan Warren

The AMERIPEX jury of 51 members and apprentices includes several important authorities in the Scandinavian area. Among them are Roland Frahm of Sweden, Paul H. Jensen of Norway, George B. Lindberg of Sweden, and apprentice Egil H. Thomassen of Norway.

The other major 1986 exhibition is STOCKHOLMIA, which will take place August 28 to September 10. 1,092 philatelic entries plus 203 literature exhibits have been accepted to fill the 5500 frames. Sweden exhibits will take 133 frames and the other Nordic countries will fill 242 frames, in the traditional philately section. Postal history is seen as a major interest, constituting 1,059 frames.

Two important anniversaries will be marked at the Stockholm show — the centenary of the Philatelic Society of Sweden (SFF) and the 350th anniversary of the Swedish Post Office. One of the major attractions will be the opportunity to see the famous yellow three skilling banco, which has not been seen since STOCKHOLMIA 74. On January 23, 1985, first day of issue ceremonies were held at State College, PA. to introduce the joint US/Sweden issues promoting stamp collecting. Gösta Ohlsson, president of SFF, took part in the ceremony and presented to the USPS a letter addressed to Queen Christina of Sweden, received by her March 24, 1636, a month after the Swedish post office was established.

An item in the March 24 issue of *Linn's* announces that the USPS has appointed Frimärkshuset of Sweden as the exclusive agent for U.S. stamps, stationery and other philatelic items. The firm is the well known publisher of the *Facit* catalog, and the exclusive arrangement is for the promotion and sale of U.S. issues in all the Nordic countries. It is obvious that the USPS is following the ideas discovered quite some time ago by other postal administrations to capitalize on the sale of new issues.

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Scandinavian Area Awards

By Alan Warren

At the Worthington Stamp Club show in Columbus, OH, Gary Saum won a silver for "Danish West Indies, The Bicolored Issue." The grand award at SUNPEX was taken by Chris McGregor with his "Greenland" exhibit. Chris also won the APS 1900-1940 award and the SCC medal. Norman S. Kopp received a vermeil, the APS medal of excellence for the post 1940 period, and the Postal History Society medal for his "Postal History of the Faroe Islands" at MILCOPEX.

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Library News

By Stanley H. Hanson, SCC Librarian

Our thanks to Fred Bloedow, Ron Collin, Leonard Hartmann, Gordon Hughmark, Frank Mooney of Iceland, Sveriges Filatelist Förbund, and Alan Warren, for their contributions to our Library.

A tip, if you can't located certain material check the miscellaneous file under the country you are interested in the Index.

See you at **AMERIPEX** and **STOCKHOLMIA**.

Supplemental List #11 Catalogs and Miscellaneous Items

- A-251-E** *Fifty First American Philatelic Congress 1985*. English. Annual Edition. Illustrated, 7½x10½", 221 pp.
- A252-S-E-G-F** *Stockholmia 86 Bulletin #2*. About the international exhibition, August 28-Sept. 11, 1986, Stockholm, Sweden. Illustrated, 6x10", 96 pp.
- A-253-E** Catalog. Membership roster and Library catalog. Scandinavian Library Southern California Inc., 5½x8½, 92 pp.
- A-254-E** Video Cassette, English. 1986. Publicity for Stockholmia 86. VHS Type. 15 min. long.

Norway

- N-295-N** *Norsk Sære Stempler*. Odd Johanessen, 1985. Norwegian Handbook, illustrates all special cancels: 1st days, special events, etc., when used, 1898 — 1984. Summary in German and English. 8½x6", 231 pp.
- N-296-E** Photocopies of the Gold Medal Award Collection of Norway. "The Skilling Era, 1855 thru 1976," by "Vi King." 8½x11", 119 pp.
- N-297-G** *Handbook #9 Polar Philatelie*. German. Published by the German Polar Study Group. Stamps, covers, postal cards and cancels. Illustrated, 6x8", 46pp.
- N-298-N** *Prøruten Horton-Harwich*. Egil Thomassen, 1985, Norwegian. About the first flight from Norway to England March 1927. Illustrated, 8½x11", 7pp. From *NFT*.
- N-299-N** *Adviser Med Sendt Med Fly Til Mandal og Farsund Norway, August 29, 1918*. Gunnar M. Losham, SCC, 1985; Norwegian. About one of the early Norwegian flights. Illustrated, 8½x11", 2pp. From *NFT*.
- N-300-N** *Tysklands Brigaden og Feltpostkontor Tyskland-Oslo*. Sven Bølum, 1985. Norwegian. Full details on this Military Post Office; much background material. Illustrated, 8½x11", 5 pp. From *Frim. Forum*.
- N-301-N** *Den Første Direkte Luftpost fra USA til Norge*. Henning Mathiassen, 1985. Norwegian. The first direct Airpost from USA to Norway by Thor Solberg. A two-part series on the above. Illustrated, 8½x11", from *NFT*.

- N-302-N** *D/S "Prinds Gustavs" Første Tur Trondhjem-Tromsø i. 1938.* Excellent article on the first trip of this mail boat in 1938 by Gunnar Melbøe. 1985. Norwegian. Illustrated, 8½x11", 4pp. from *NFT*.
- N-303-E** *Norway Number One: The 4 Skilling Lion of 1855.* V. Tuffs, 1983, English. Handbook covers this famous stamp thoroughly. Plates all positions, prices the numeral cancels, excellent illustrations, including the various flaws. 8½x11", 46pp.
- N-304-N** *Norske Skipsstempler og Reisende Post-ekspedisjoner pa Skip.* Per Eirik Danielsen, 1984. Norwegian. Catalogs, lists the various cancels used on ships that carried the mail. Much postal history on the ships. Ample illustrations of cancellations. 6x8½", 270 pp.
- N-305-N** *Filatelistisk Årbok.* Norskfilatelistforbund, 1985. The annual year-book. Illustrated, 6x8½", 160 pp. A good source book. Norwegian.

Catalogs and Miscellaneous Items

- A-256-D** *AFA Frimærke Katalog 1986-87.* Danish. Simplified, color-illustrated, lists Denmark, Faroes, Greenland, DWI stamps, booklets, Christmas seals. Priced DKr. 6x10", 211 pp.
- A-257-D** *Postal Stationery.* S. Ringström, 1985. Danish. Lists, catalogs, postal stationery Denmark, Slesvig, Iceland, DWI. Priced SKr. Illustrated, 7x10", 211 pp.
- A-255-D** *DK Frimærke og Møntkatalog Danmark, med Grønland, Færoerne, DVI, Island (Kongeriget), Norge 1855-1875, and Slesvig.* Detailed listings of stamps, covers, margin imprint blocks of 4, and coins of these countries plus "market prices" in DKr. Illustrated, 6x8½", 240 pp.

Denmark

- D-248-D** *Kjøbenhavn's Fodpost 1806-1876.* Geir Kaasa, 1985. Danish. Story of the "Foot Post", illustrated, 8½x11", 8 pp. From *Frimærke Forum*.
- D-249-D** "Altona and Hamburg Transit Cancels on Scandinavian Mail 1848-1885." Gordon A. Hughmark, SCC, 1985. English, as above. Illustrated, 8½x11", 12 pp.

Finland

- F-100-S** *Forwarding Agents.* D.A. Dronberg, 1985, Swedish. Postal history of the Forwarding Agents from Finland, Russia, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and England. Publ. Finland's Filatelist Forbund. English translation. Illustrated, 7x10", 108 pp.

Faroes and Greenland

- G-84-E** File Greenland. Various clippings and articles from philatelic sources and correspondence given to the SCC Library by a foremost expert on Greenland. English. 8½x11", about 300 pp.
- G-85-D** Greenland. A set of 18 postal history handbooks, subjects: Address cards (1 & 2); Red Cross Letters (1 & 2); Air Mail; Ship-related (1 & 2); Marine Post; Telegrams and Radio Letters (1 & 2); Postage-free letters (1 & 2); 1933-1935 Thule and 3 Years' Expedition, postal

routes to Greenland (1 & 2); Telegraph Station Rates 1922-47 (1, 2 & 3). Published by the Greenland Postal History Study Unit; Danish; illustrated, 6x8½", about 30 pages per handbook.

- G-86-E** *Postal History of Greenland, Vol I, 1836-1958*. English, illustrated, 8½x12", 195 pp. Published by the Greenland Postal History Study Unit.
- G-87-E** Volume II as G-86-E, English, illustrated, 8½x12", 142 pp.

Iceland

- I-136-I-E** *Islenzk Catalog 1797, 1979, 23rd edition*. Standard catalog of Icelandic stamps, Icelandic and English, illustrated, 5½x8", 117 pp.
- I-137-I-E** Same, 1980, 24th edition, 121 pp.
- I-139-I-E** Same, 1983, 27th edition, 122 pp.
- I-138-E** File of photocopies of 17 WW II Iceland covers 1941/later. Jim Kenedy, Marine Captain's personal mail. Good postal history. 18x11½", 17 pp.
- I-140-I** *Postsaga Vol. I*. Eysteinn Hallgrímsson (undated), Icelandic. Lists post offices and cancels of the Icelandic southern provinces; photos of the offices; name and tenure of postmasters listed. 6x8½", 92 pp.

Sweden

- S-208-S** *Oscars Periodens Frimarken 1885-1911*. Falk Robert Mattson, 1985. Swedish. Considerable details, printings, types, colors, essays, watermarks, papers, etc. SFF handbook No. A-3. 6½x9½", illustrated, 144 pp.
- S-209-E** *Skilling Banco 1853-1858*. G. Menzinsky, P. Sjöman, Åkerstedt. Black local and 1862 provisional stamps. Translation by Sven Åhman, Sec. From SFF handbook part 2, 1962, and part 3, 1964. Published by Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, 1985. English. Illustrated, 8½x11", 133 pp.
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Membership Report

New Members for May 1986

- 2934 KLUGMAN, Dr. Keith, 71 Rutland Road, Parkwood, Johannesburg, South Africa 2193, Early DWI History By McRee 2794
- 2935 BAZE, Frank W., 7061 Yahley Mill Road, Richmond, VA 23231
Used Sweden
- 2936 PLAMBERG, Robert, Apt. No. 1835, 33 Harbour Square, Toronto, ONT., Canada M5J 2G2, Finland-Cancellations & History
- 2937 WILKENS, Ernest C. 1732 Norman Street, Ridgewood, NJ 11385
Denmark, Sweden Locals, US Tax Paid
- 2938 BRETT, James R., 366 Delrex Blvd., Georgetown, ONT., Canada L7G 4H4
Used Scandinavia, Postal History

- 2939 PARKER, Gary, 1989 Kingsdale Drive, Stow, OH 44224
Finland FDC's, Scandinavia, US, World Wide
- 2940 PILGRIM, Robert, 22 Church Street, Parry Sound, ONT., Canada P2A 1Y4
Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland By Sivertson 2885
Nos. 2935 - 2939 recruited by Lamkin, 2561.

New Life Member for May 1986

- L-49 WORSLEY, Susan, 71 Castelnau, Barnes, London SW13 9RT, Eng-
1845 land

Resignations for May 1986

- 2051 MARKO, Joseph L.
2072 ERICKSON, O. Alfred
2820 SCHMIDT, G. L.
1066 CRUMPTON, Bruce D.
2812 DREGER, Eugene

Deceased for May 1986

- 1661 KOKKO, John M. Jr.
1490 MORAN, John J.
344 INGLEHOFF, Thorsten
1676 LASSILA, Eino

Reinstatements for May 1986

- 1616 HOEL, David
936 ÅHMAN, Sven

Address Changes for May 1986

- 1086 CULLEN, Arthur T., 1954 Chartdige Court, Dunwoody, GA 30338-3030
2359 MEYER, Ronald L., P.O. Box 391, La Quinta, CA 92253
1157 KNUTSON, Bent, Bredkaervej 2, DK-8259 EGGA, Denmark
1332 RUBIN, Donald M., P.O. Box 133, East Hampton, MA 01027
2487 MINES, Paull, 400 Laguna SW, Albuquerque, NM 87104
1739 ROBBINS, Phillip F., P.O. Box 503, Canadensis, PA 18325
2680 THYGESEN, Erik, Oster Hurupvej 40, ALS, DK-9560 Hadsund, Denmark
1810 SAUKKO, Wayne K., 2102 Madrone Court, Fairfield, CA 94533
2040 VENNESLAND, Torkilde E., 104 Green Street, Schuylerville, NY 12871
2135 SILER, Donald E., 1706 Tyler Avenue, Euless, TX 76040-4826
2835 PETERSON, Raymond, 3501 Executive Parkway, Apt. No. 216, Toledo,
OH 43606-1320
2270 MONTELLO, Lawrence J., P.O. Box 2093, Port Angeles, WA 98362
2645 KINNMARK, Ingemar, 1532 Rosemary Lane, Apt. A, South Bend, IN
46627-5630
2464 JENSEN, Peter, 5111 36th Street, Apt. No. 303P, Lloydminster A.B.,
Canada T9V 1X7
2273 THORSTENSEN, Arvid, No. 1-1872 Southmere Crescent, Surrey, B.C.,
Canada V4A 6W9

- 1337 de LAMBERT, Ben, Gleneagle Golf Course, 2100 Sunnysdale Avenue, L-27 San Francisco, CA 94134
- 2723 HARMER, Keith A., Harmers of NY Inc., 14 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016

Lost Members May 1986

The following members are LOST! The USPS has returned their mail to me marked not forwardable, no address, incorrectly addressed, etc. If anyone knows the address of any of these listed, please advise me.

- 2733 REESE, Calvin
- 2053 BLOMSTROM, Hans R.
- 1782 JANGAARD, P.M.
- 1895 HORN, J. Michael
- 2436 NEWMAN, Charles G.

Membership Summary for May 1986

February Membership:

Regular members	1089
Life members	37
Honorary members	8

Total membership.....1134

May adjustments:

New regular members	7
Reinstated members	2
Resignations	-5
Deceased	-4

Total membership adjustment

Total May 1986 membership

Regular members	1089
Life members	38
Honorary members	7

Total membership.....1134

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There are currently 15 active chapters of S.C.C. These are located as follows:

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| #4 - Chicago, IL | #17 - Southern California |
| 5 - New England | #19 - Central Florida |
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