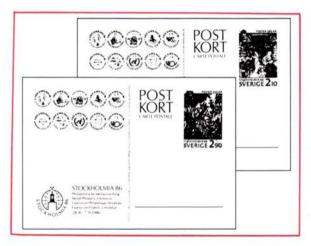


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# The Parcel Cards of Greenland, Part One

A catalog of the parcel cards used in Greenland and by the Greenland Post Office in Copenhagen and Aalborg, Denmark.

By: The Greenland Postal Historians. Translation and commentary: Dr. Dan Laursen.

Cataloging of the following parcel cards is made:

- 1. Ordinary parcel cards. (Gray)
- 2. C.O.D. parcel cards. (Yellowish)
- 3. International parcel cards. (White)
- 4. Emergency parcel cards. (Red)

The parcel card is used when mailing parcels: — pieces of mail more than 3 cm thick and larger than the maximal size for letters and printed matter, or weighing over 1 kg but not over 20 kg. Such mail must be accompanied by a filled-in parcel card on which the smaller part of a double (two-folded) number label with the name of the postal station shall be glued and the larger part of the label shall be glued on the parcel itself.

Some larger firms and institutions can, with the permission from the Greenland Postal Service (GP), produce their own parcel cards and use their own internal number system. A number is printed on both card and parcel in such cases. Parcel and parcel card accompany each other during transportation.

The mailing may be regular surface (ship, dog sled or kayak), via air mail (with the blue label), registered and/or insured mail (with red label) or as C.O.D. (C.O.D. parcel card printed on the card). Regular and C.O.D. mailings are with white label (valid also for international mailing). The postal office name and the registration number are printed on, and a label is not attached to the privately printed cards.

Greenland's postal cards come in two groups:

- (1) Danish (linguistically) parcel cards printed by the Danish Post and Telegraph Office (P&T).
  - (2) Greenlandic (bi-lingual) parcel cards printed by GP from June 1, 1958.

Because the cards are printed by a private printing office (sometimes indicated on the cards) a variation in size and design may occur, a feature not used as a basis for cataloging. The distinction between the various types is made by means of the printed logo and any manufacturing number.

Three types of logos are used:

- (1.) A crowned posthorn (Danish parcel cards).
- (2.) Polar bear on a crowned shield with text Grønlands Postvæsen (Greenland Postal Service).
- (3.) Polar bear on crowned shield. (Greenland parcel cards). [The Greenland Coat of Arms].

Firm or institution logos may be found on the privately printed cards. These cards are of the same color, size, and design as the official printed ones.

The form indication of the parcel cards may be: Bet. 4 (4.53) meaning that the form named 4 was printed in the month of April (4) in 1953; or KGH 2136 100.000-11-74 (Barfod og ICP), meaning that the company Barford and ICP [I. Christian Pedersen] made 100,000 parcel cards for Den Kongelige Grønlandske Handel [The Royal Greenland Trade] of the type 2136 in the month of November 1974.

Often quite a while passes between printing and starting the use of the cards. International parcel cards may have "A5" printed on them, indicating the format of the

paper.

Date of first use can be fixed with fair certainty because the manufacturing date and print number are indicated, whereas the end of use is approximate, because the cards do not become obsolete and will often be used — especially at small postal stations with a diminutive volume — long after other stations have discontinued their use of them. They may also remain in stock at mailers, who for lack of better will use any "old" parcel card.

In order to show the correct procedure when mailing parcels, the postal instruction for Greenland of the 15th of May 1958 is quoted here.

# Parcel mailing, — domestic.

The postal instruction for the Greenland Postal Service (GP), 1958, section 5, subsection 8 & 9.

Parcelpost: 8. On the parcels the names of the sender and the addressee MUST be clearly written. Marking must be done with ink, indelible pencil, stamp pad ink, crayon, or similar durable material. The name and the address of the sender must be written in such a way and place that this information can not be mistaken for the address. If this seems to be the case the post office may cross it out, but in such a way it is still readable. The address shall be written on the wrapping material itself, but may be written on a marker of wood, leather, strong cardboard or the like and tied to the parcel in such a manner that there is no risk that the marker may be pulled off or torn during the transportation.

**Parcel cards.** 9. The parcels must be accompanied by special parcel cards for sale at the post office. The parcel cards must be filled in according to the information on the parcel. For parcels to Denmark, the contents must be indicated on the back of the parcel card stub, alternatively on a slip stapled to the parcel card.

If this information is lacking, the parcel will be dealt with only after the parcels correctly prepared have passed through customs.

For parcels to foreign countries special parcel cards are used. On the back side the sender must indicate the way he wants the parcel handled in case it is undeliverable to addressee. If this information is not indicated it will be returned at once and the sender must pay the return postage and other expenses.

To the same addressee in Denmark or within Greenland up to three ordinary or three registered parcels may be mailed with only one parcel card.

For the two different kinds of money transfer to Denmark via the Postal Service [C O D and payments of bills — the socalled GIRO] the forms issued by the P & T are used. To mail businesses within Greenland the special forms with both Danish and Greenland texts are used.

### Types of Parcel Cards

Type	Period used	Form number
1. Large horn and crown, without arrows. Danish language. P & T print. White paper.	1939 to about 1948.	Bet. 4 (2 - 38)  Plate I Fig. 1.
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1a. As 1 but with GRØNLAND printed	1939 to about 1958.	Bet. 4 (4 - 38)
under the horn.		Plate 1 Fig. 2.

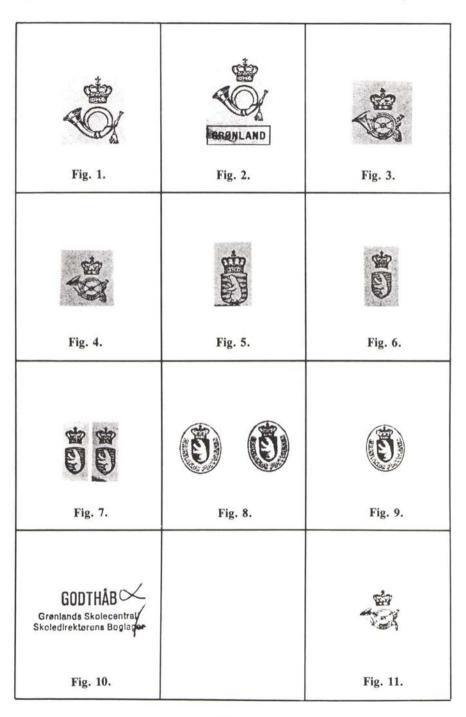


Plate I

2. Large horn and crowns with arrows. Danish language. P & T. Gray	1940 to about 1961.	Bet. 4 (6 - 40) Bet. 4 (45) Bet. 4 (1 - 49) Bet. 4 (9 - 49) Bet. 4 (4 - 53) Bet. 4 (5 - 59) Plate I Fig. 3.
3. Small horn and crown, with arrows. Danish language. P & T. Gray.	1954 to about 1966.	Bet. 29 (12 - 54) Bet. 4 (5 - 59) K24 (1 - 61) Plate I Fig. 4.
4. Large coat of arms with crown. Bilingual. Greenland Postal Service (GP) print. Gray.	1958 to about 1963.	None.  Plate I Fig. 5.
5. One small coat of arms with crown. Bilingual. GP. Gray.	1958 to about 1969.	None Plate I Fig. 6.
5a. As 5 but with two coat of arms, one on the main part, one on the stub.	1965 to about 1969.	KGH 2136 165 50000 (36286) KGH 2136 50000 8-65 (42736) KGH 2136 50000 6-66 KGH 2136 50000 2-67 Plate I Fig. 7.
6. Two crowned coat of arms with Grønlands Postvæsen inside oval; one on card, one on stub. Bilingual. GP. Gray.	1968 to about 1980.	KGH 2136 KGH 50000 1-68 KGH 2136 (49524) KGH 2136 11 68 (49524) KGH 2136 2-70-50000 00B KGH 770 100000 00B Plate I Fig. 8.
7. One crowned coat of arms and Grønlands Postvæsen inside oval. Without stub; smaller than type 6. Bilingual. G.P. Gray.	About 1975 to present.	KGH 2136 100000-11-74 (Barford and ICP) KGH 2136 100000-7-76 (Barfod and ICP) KGH 2136 100000-4-77 (Barfod and ICP) KGH 2136 100000 3.79 BICP Glostrup KGH 2136 100000 4.80 BICP Glostrup KGH 2136 100000 10.81 BICP Glostrup Plate I Fig. 9.
8. Privately printed with firm name. Danish language. Gray.	From 1969 to present.	GPT III 1969 nr 6010 Plate I Fig. 10.



Plate II Fig. 1. Type 1



Plate II Fig. 2. Type 1a.

9. Danish parcel cards with small posthorn.
Small form without stub, and only one crowned horn. Danish language. P & T. Light gray.

Now and then from 1977 to 1983.

K24 (1-77 A6)

K24 (1-77 A6)

R24 (1-77 A6)

R35 Plate I Fig. 11.

Type 1. Plate II Fig. 1.

Characteristic: Horn and crown, without arrows.

Language/maker: Danish/P & T.

Color: White.

Use: Mailing to Greenland.

Type 1a. Plate II Fig. 2.

Characteristic: Horn and crown, without arrows. GRØNLAND printed within

a frame below the horn.

Language/maker: Danish/P & T.

Color: White.

Use: Mailing to Greenland.

Type 2. Plate III Fig. 3.

Characteristic: Large horn and crown with arrows.

Language/maker: Danish/P & T.

Color: Gray.

Use: Intended for mailing to Denmark, but also used internally in

Greenland after 1958.

Type 3. Plate III Fig. 4.

Characteristic: Small horn and crown, with arrows.

Language/maker: Danish/P & T.

Color: Gray.

Use: Both to and from Greenland; also known used internally in

Greenland after 1958.

Type 4. Plate IV Fig. 5.

Characteristic: Large coat of arms with crown.

Language/maker: Bilingual/G.P.

Color: Gray.

Use: To and from Denmark and internally.

Type 5. Plage IV Fig. 6.

Characteristic: Small coat of arms with crown.

Language/maker: Bilingual/G.P.

Color: Gray. Use: As type 4.

Type 5a. Plate V Fig. 7.

Characteristic: As 5 but with the coat of arms also on the stub (KUPON). Also

changed design.

Language/maker: Bilingual/G.P.

Color: Gray. Use: As type 4.

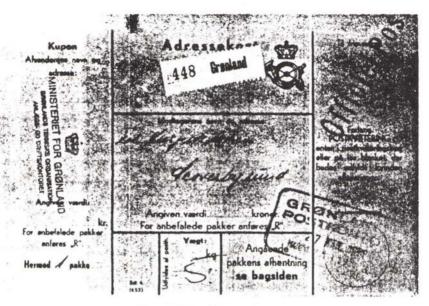


Plate III Fig. 3. Type 2.



Plate III Fig. 4. Type 3.

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Plate IV Fig. 5. Type 4.



Plate IV Fig. 6. Type 5.



Plate V Fig. 7. Type 5a.



Plate V Fig. 8. Type 6.

Type 6. Plate V Fig. 8.

Crowned coat of arms with GRØNLANDS POSTVÆSEN in-Characteristic:

side oval on both main form and stub.

Language/maker: Bilingual/G.P.

Color:

Grav.

Use:

As type 4.

Type 7. Plage VI Fig. 9.

Characteristic:

Crowned coat of arms with GRØNLANDS POSTVÆSEN in

oval; without stub. Completely changed design.

Language/maker:

Bilingual/G.P.

Color:

Gray.

Use:

As type 4.

Type 8 Plate VI Fig. 10.

Characteristic:

Privately printed with firm name under city name.

Language:

Danish Grav.

Color: Use:

From Greenland to Denmark and internally in Greenland.

Type 9 Plate VII Fig. 11.

Characteristic:

Danish Parcel Card with small horn and crown and arrows.

Language/maker:

Danish/P & T. (Grayish) white

Color: Use:

Occasionally.

### Types of C. O. D. Parcel Cards

Туре	Period Used	Form number
2.2 As type 2 parcel card, but with an accompanying red or orange Greenland consignment note. Only used internally in Greenland.	1950s to July 1, 1958.	Plate VIII Fig. 1.
2.5 As type 5 parcel card, but on curry-yellow or brownish-yellow paper. Bilingual. G.P. print. Used to/from and in Greenland.	1959 till about 1967.	Plate VIII Fig. 2.
2.6 As type 6 parcel card but with only one coat of arms and on yellowish paper. Bilingual. G.P. print.		Plate VIII Fig. 3.
2.7 As type 7 parcel card but on bi-colored white/ yellow paper. Danish. G.P. print.	From about 1977 to 1983.	Plate VIII Fig. 4.

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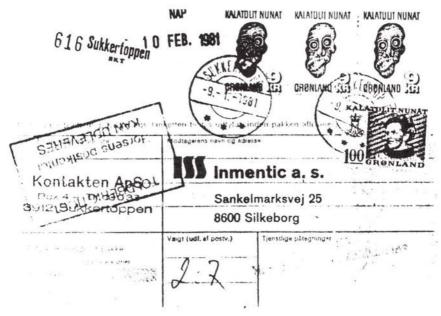


Plate VII Fig. 11. Type 9.

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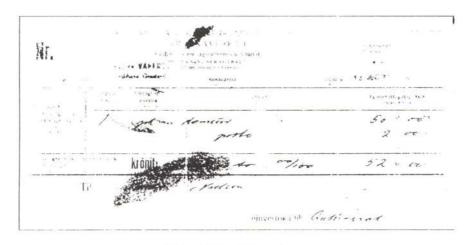


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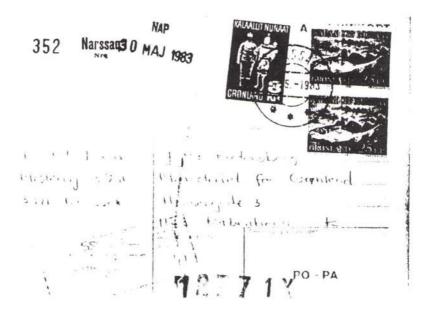


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Plate XI Fig. 5 Type 2.3.

2.3 As type 3 parcel card but with GIRO printed under the horn and on brownish paper. Danish. P & T print. Used occasionally both to/from and in Greenland.	From about 1965 to 1977.	Plate VIII Fig. 5
2.3a As type 3 parcel card but on yellowish paper. Danish. P & T print. Red overprint: OPKRÆVNING by G.P. Only found on cards sent from Denmark to Greenland.	Until 1958.	Bet. S 6020 (8 - 44) Plate VIII Fig. 6.

Type 2.2 Plate IX Fig. 1

Characteristic:

Type 2 parcel card accompanied by red consignment note.

"PO" added in handwriting.

Language/maker:

Bilingual. P & T and G.P. Grav and red.

Color: Use:

The consignment note was used as a C.O.D. receipt. Internally

until July 1, 1958.

Type 2.5 Plate IX Fig. 2

Characteristic:

As type 5 parcel card. Language/maker: As type 5 parcel card.

Curry yellow.

Color: Use:

Both to and from Greenland.

Type 2.6. Plate IX Fig. 3.

Characteristic:

As type 6 parcel card, but with only one coat of arms.

Language/maker: As type 6 parcel card.

Color:

Curry vellow

Use:

Both to and from Greenland.

Type 2.7. Plate X Fig. 4.

Characteristric:

As type 7 parcel card (Coat of arms hardly visible beneath the

registration label).

Language/maker:

Danish. G.P.

Color:

White yellowish main form; however the "Name and address of

recipient"-section white.

Use:

Both to/from and in Greenland.

Type 2.3. Plate X Fig. 5.

Characteristic:

As type 2 parcel card but with GIRO under crowned horn.

Language/maker: Danish. P & T.

Color: Use:

Brown. Occasionally both to/from and in Greenland.

Type 2.3a. Plate XI Fig. 6.

Before 1958 the common Danish COD parcel card was used from Denmark to Greenland. In the Greenland Post Office in Copenhagen they were stamped with a big red rubber stamp: OPKRÆVNING (Collection) in order to make it clear that the parcel was not to be delivered before the amount was paid, because the Royal Greenland Trade (KGH) was responsible for the money transfer to the shipper.

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# Peregrinations in Wartime — Part 1 The Wanderings of an Iceland FDC

### By Sven Åhman

The strangest piece of mail I ever had the opportunity to describe in *The Posthorn* (Feb. 1985) was, I believe, a picture post card from Aarhus in Denmark, sent to Copenhagen by a young (?) lady, with a heart-felt Christmas greeting to a crew member on a ship that had weighed anchor before the card arrived. Accordingly, the Christmas card was forwarded, first to Singapore, then to Hong Kong and finally to Japan, where it eventually landed in an internment camp where the addressee was in custody. The explanation was that the Russo-Japanese War had broken out during the odyssey of the card.

That was a post card lent to me by another collector. But on looking through my own collection of covers from the northern countries, it strikes me that wartime mail gives rise to so many strange features, that it would probably be possible to build an entire collection from such material. Particularly if one's collecting interest is concentrated on covers, and especially, of course, if the contents are preserved, either by letters having been left in their envelopes, or if (as with the Christmas greeting from Aarhus) the item is a post card with its message.

Maybe there are collections organized along such lines. For a person retired long ago like myself, life is too short to achieve anything worth showing. But a few stray letters, as recent as from World War II, may illustrate what is possible.

Here, for a start, is something as trivial as a first day cover from Iceland. It is franked with the long set of stamps issued on June 17, 1944, from 10 aurar to as many kronur, to celebrate Iceland's proclamation of her independence as a republic, while the Danish motherland was still occupied by Germany. The declaration of independence was pronounced on the ancient gathering site of the thousand year-old *Althing* (Parliament) on that very date, June 17. This was the birthday of the indefatigable fighter for his country's freedom, Jon Sigurdsson, and ever since 1944 it has been the National Day of Iceland.

Although Sigurdsson was born much earlier in 1811 and died in 1879, an early photograph of him was available to illustrate the commemorative stamps. He had belonged to the Icelandic Althing ever since it was revived in 1845 until he died, and for many years he was its Speaker. How respected he was by his countrymen was made clear when the silhouette set of Iceland stamps with his portrait was issued in 1911 on the centenary of his birth. The same date, June 17, was also chosen for the inauguration of Iceland's University. In life, Sigurdsson himself had spent most of his time in Copenhagen as a leading scholar, devoting himself to research on his country's ancient language. At the same time he conducted a tireless campaign, in speeches and writings, for the political independence of Iceland.

That he became the foremost symbol when independence was proclaimed in 1944, therefore, was as natural as the fact that the proclamation was issued at Thingvellir, and the commemorative set of stamps with his photograph was cancelled at Thingvellir with a special commemorative postmark.

However, all first day covers mailed from Thingvellir on June 17, 1944, did not reach their destination. Such was the case, among others, of my FDC, intended for a collector in Stockholm. He never received it. And in my collection, where it has now found its place, it tells a story with many details of wartime postal connections across the North Sea, along the Atlantic and through Europe. A good deal of information is to be found on the back of the cover. True enough, the letter was in Stockholm in a little more than a month. This is proven by a "Stockholm B" cancel of July 20,



First Day Cover of Iceland's Jon Sigurdsson issue which went from Reykjavik to Stockholm amd back over a four month period, with numerous stops by various censors.

1944, (or, in the European mode "20 7 44"). But either this was the wrong address, or else something had happened to the addressee in the meantime. For beside the arrival postmark there is a curt lead-pencilled note in Swedish, "okänd", meaning "unknown".

And on the address side, among other things, there is a red one-line rubber stamp marking which is also in Swedish, "Retur avsänderen". Handwritten in ink, this instruction to return the letter to the sender is translated into French on a line below, "Retour a l'envoyeur".

However, even before this, the cover had had several things happen to it along the way. First, on its voyage from Iceland it must have been on a ship captured by the Allies. Evidence of this is that one end of the long, legal sized envelope has been slit open and resealed with a banderole bearing the text, "Opened by Examiner 5010". But it was allowed to continue on its way. And what heppened then? Well, somewhere along its way to Sweden the letter fell into the hands of the German censors, was cut open at the other end, and there adorned with another censorship banderole familiar to us collectors, one showing that the "Oberkommando der Wehrmacht" had also opened the letter and looked at the contents. Had the address been the correct one, or the addressee in place, that would have ended the peregrinations of the letter. Alas, this was not to be its fate.

Since it was undeliverable, the letter had to go back to the sender, as shown by the Swedish rubber stamp on the address side. How this was to come about, is shown by fresh postmarks and fresh banderoles.

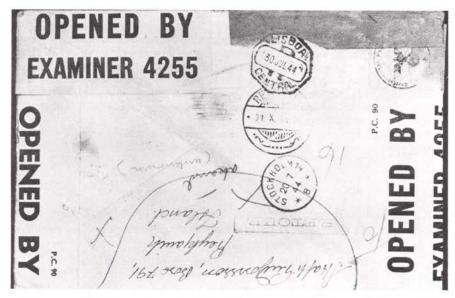
Even before the vain attempts of the Swedish postal service to find the addressee, Swedish customs had determined that the letter contained nothing dutiable. In the bottom right corner of the address side, this is shown by a large oval marking with the words, "TULLFRITT / Brevtullen Sthlm 1", meaning "Free of Duty / Postal Customs, Stockholm 1". How the customs people could know this, I am not certain. But is possible that on its long and futile journey the letter was opened and examined

in Sweden too. If this is the case, a couple of discreetly anonymous brown paper tapes, without any text, are the proof. I am not quite sure who applied these tapes, and I don't know if anybody can be. What is certain is that the two strips of brown paper were applied after postal customs in Stockholm had decided that it had no objections to letting the letter pass through. For two of the paper strips are put on top of the Swedish customs mark. And why German or Allied authorities should have bothered to open the letter anonymously is hard to comprehend, in view of the demonstrable fact that gummed banderoles with text were available to them both.

From Stockholm, where there was no reason to keep the letter once it had been found undeliverable after its arrival, it was now to go back to Iceland. To be exact, to a sender in Reykjavik who had written his name and address on the back flap. Somewhere, probably on the way back, these indications were encircled with red ink and flanked by two crosses. In the same red ink, the English word "To" is written in front of the circled address, and this would seem to be an indication that the British probably handled the letter again.

However, we are not that far yet. Not by a long chalk. Whether the Stockholm postmark of July 20 marks the arrival of the cover at the Swedish capital (which I believe was customary when registered letters were handled), or the decision that it should go back to the sender, we can tell by another postmark on the back, an octagonal one this time, that ten days later it was in Portugal, "LISBOA CENTRAL 30 JUL 44". This means that from Stockholm it passed through the hands of the Germans once more on its way through occupied Europe. There is no new German censorship banderole, but there are a couple of markings in red from the "Oberkommando der Wehrmacht", which may indicate another censorship handling, if so without bothering to open the envelope anew.

However, later on its way from Lisbon, this much handled cover was not so lucky. In Allied hands again, the cover passed the British authority called "Examiner 4255", who did not hesitate to slit it open in two places, by the look of things. The



Reverse of Sigurdsson FDC showing way marks at Stockholm and Lisbon, and a final receipt marking at Reykjavik, October 31, 1944.

censorship banderoles of "4255" are two in number, and at one end, one of these covers over the German banderole from "Oberkommando der Wehrmacht", while at the opposite corner another has been applied on top of colleague "5010", who had his hour of glory with the letter on its way from Iceland to the continent of Europe.

Now the letter was on its way back to Iceland. To this end somebody, seemingly caught up in full fury at the trouble, placed no less than **three** oblong box marks on the address side of the cover, all with the identical information that the letter is "Undelivered for reason stated", although no reason whatever is stated, and the instruction "Return to Sender".

As I mentioned, this widely travelled FDC was registered, with a British type "R" label with the place-name "Thingvellir" applied with one-line rubber stamp, while the registry number "471" was printed. Somewhere on its complicated journey the cover has also received another number in ink, "3/296". Probably on the return trip, a third number in blue crayon, "29071", was scrawled on the address side. The reason that one can assume that it was applied on the way back is that the same blue crayon has been used to apply, at the bottom of the address side, the place name "Reykjavik", and below that, on top of the anonymous brown paper strip that covers both the Swedish postal customs marking and the two censorship banderoles glued on by the Allied and German censors on the way to Stockholm, the word "Iceland". Somewhere, I don't know where exactly, a fourth number, "15949", has also been put on, but the type seems to me to resemble that of an office canceller applying numbers progressively, such as I have seen in the United States.

On its way back to Reykjavik, just where did the letter go before it reached Iceland? It certainly took a long time before it was home again. The last date to be found on the back of the cover is "Reykjavik 31.X.44". The last day of October was three months and eleven days after the Stockholm post office placed its mark next to it. One more thing is worth mentioning. In its way, it is a small monument to the new industry created by postal administrations all over the world — First Day Covers.

During all the time that elapsed from June 17, 1944, when this cover left Thingvellir for Stockholm, and to October 31, when it came back to Reykjavik to be delivered to the original sender, nobody but the censors, both Allied and German, then (perhaps) Swedish customs, finally (perhaps) German and certainly Allied censors, ever looked to see what was inside the envelope! Now, has anyone done so during the more than forty years that have passed since then? Personally, I have probably had it in my collection for the last fifteen or twenty years, but I have never opened it either. It feels as if its only contents consist of a thin piece of card stock, a "stiffener" in philatelic parlance.

Rather than risk such a discovery, I have preferred to try to visualize the consternation experienced both by German and Allied censors, and perhaps by Swedish customs.

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# The Andrees Polar Expedition

A Supplement to Arthur Hecker's Article in the May 1985 Posthorn (pages 34-35).

### By Fred Goldberg

[The 2 covers shown in the May 1985 article were from the ill-fated 1897 expedition and were previously unrecorded. They generated worldwide response, including some very interesting correspondence with Fred Goldberg in Sweden, who has graciously supplied photos and text for this follow-up article. *The History of Airmail in Scandinavia* by Örjan Luning comments on both the 1896 planned Andrees flight attempt and the 1897 disaster, and illustrates on page 162 one of the known covers from the 1896 attempt. Fred Goldberg adds 3 more examples for our reference.

Ed Fraser.

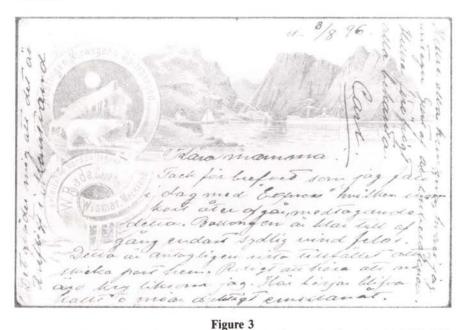
Figure 1 shows the official 1896 Expedition stationery usage. It was sent by Nils Strindberg to his brother. Nils was one of the three participants in the fatal 1897 expedition. The letter was written in Pike's house, situated next to the balloon-house on Dane Island. As he did not have postage stamps and there were no post offices on Spitsbergen, he gave the letter to the captain of the small steamer "Express" with instructions to deliver it to the agent of the expedition in Tromsö, Consul Aagaard, who added stamps and forwarded it to Sweden. This cover is one of three known. All three were sent by Strindberg, but this is the only one mailed from Spitsbergen.



Figure 1
Envelope imprinted "Andrees Polarexpedition 1896", canceled "NORDLANDS POSTEXP. 12 VIII 96" and sent to Stockholm.



Figure 2
Address side of an illustrated post card with a SPIDSBERGEN local canceled "30 VII 96" and a Norway 5 öre canceled "NORLANDS POSTEXP. 12 VIII 96" to Sweden.



Message/picture side of post card shown in Figure 2. (Annotated "3/8 96" originally or in transit?)



Figure 4

Newspaper wrapper imprinted for mailing to Andrees Polarexpedition in Tromsö, franked with 15 öre canceled "STOCKHOLM 10(?).8.96". This is the only reported example.

The other two were mailed from Tromsö when they were on their way north. [Nils Strindberg was also the sender of the 1897 Expedition cover shown in Luning on page 161.]

Figures 2 and 3 are address and message/picture sides, respectively of a post card written by Carl Appelberg to his mother, Sophie, in Marsstrand, a small town on the west coast of Sweden. Carl was stoker on the supply ship "Virgo", despite being an engineer by profession. The "Virgo" was one of the two supply ships bringing the hydrogen generator, balloon house, etc., to Spitsbergen. The other ship was the "Svensksund", which belonged to the Swedish Navy. The post card was produced by Captain Bade from Germany, who arranged tourist trips to Spitsbergen. Two or three post cards of the same type exist, sent by various members of the expedition.

This card reads:

"Dear Mother:

Thank you for your letter I received today with the steamer "Express" which soon will return bringing this card along. The balloon is ready for take-off and only southerly winds are missing. This is probably the last chance to send mail home. Nice to hear that you all are well as I am. Here it is beginning to get cold and it is snowing a lot occasionally. Give everybody at home my regards including Gustaf. Also greetings to all friends. Carl."

This card is similar to the card shown in *Luning* written by Nils Ekholm, a member of the Andrees balloon crew. It also appears to be canceled "NORDLANDS POST EXP. 12 VIII 96".

Figure 4 shows a yellow-brownish newspaper wrapper, preprinted for the expedition, addressed to their agent in Tromsö, who forwarded it with the next steamer. This is the only one known.

Comments and additions appreciated.

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# Åland Islands - Stampless Covers

### By Mike Hvidonov

Just a few years have gone by since Finland authorized and proceeded to design and issue special stamps for these Islands which are inhabited for the most part by Swedish folk.

Reports of sales success continue, a condition which was easily predictable. There are countless collectors of Scandinavian descent who had long awaited the sanctioning of special stamps from this ancient land grouping.

While these modern issues are selling well, there has been a growing interest in the philatelic material of years long past. It stands to reason that the time will come when we will see more of old Åland material along with the modern in exhibits. There is a goodly amount of material around at which I describe as still reasonably priced.

For those interested, two soft cover books were hurriedly put together in 1982 that would serve well to give the collector a perspective of what the mail looked like in bygone years. If our loyal advertiser Jay Smith does not have them in stock they may be had from Finland at \$10.00 each, airmail. Please send bank checks or international money orders only and mention that you saw it in *The Posthorn*. The details are as follows:

- 1. Postal History and Postal Cancellations of the Aland Islands. From: Stamp-Finns, Korkeavuorenkatu 41, SF 00130 Helsinki 13, Finland.
- 2. Aland Islands Post Offices and Their Cancellations 1812-1982. From: Oy Kaj Hellman, Ltd. Lansankallio 3C, SF 02610, Espoo, Finland.

Both books are quite different in contents and approach and supplement each other very well so my recommendation would be to get both.

## **Åland's Stampless Letters**

The old letters of Aland fit well into several categories of collecting interest.

- 1. To build a pure traditional collection of the early philately of Aland.
- 2. To build an Aland Postal History exhibit.
- 3. To supplement the opening frame of a traditional collection of Finland.

When collecting old Åland material one finds a significant number of letters that have neither stamps or PO cancellations. Since there were no stamps or cancels and often no post offices on some of the tiny islands, the letters were just addressed and forwarded to the place denoted in the writing.

Since most covers will not have a dated PO indicia, it is important that the contents be dated. Since these early letters are folded into an envelope format from the stationery page, the message (contents) is there and I have found that the people of the times carefully dated their correspondence.

Though I do not collect the material of Åland as a specialty, some of the old letters

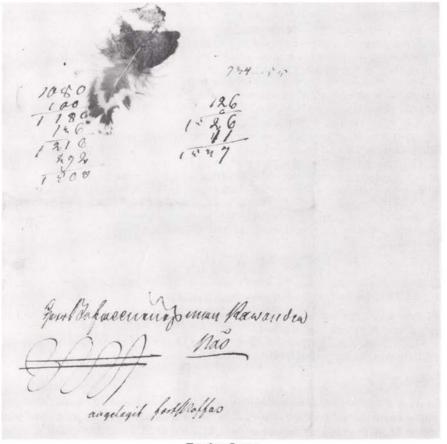
integrate rather nicely with my early Finnish material. Thus, when I am abroad, I sometimes cannot resist nice material that comes my way. Two of these items are featured here as visual emphasis of what you should look for, find, and purchase.

Figure 1 is a lovely 'feather' letter mailed from Strömsvik (in Finström). The message within the folded cover is dated 20 April, 1811. It is addressed to Näs, (in North Saltvik). The well-preserved, delicate feather has managed to survive rather nicely for 175 years.

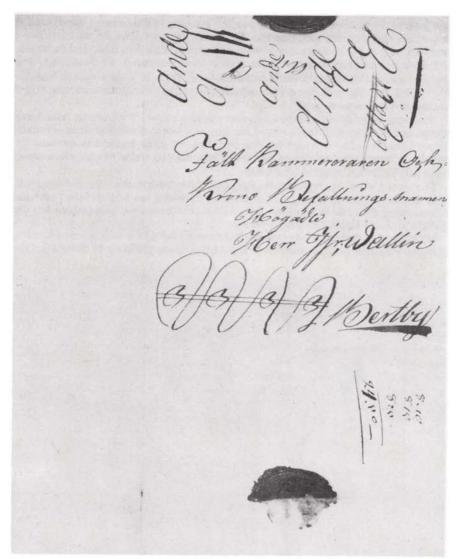
The extra interest of the affixed feather appeals to me. With urgent mail being dispatched by those who could afford the fees, one ponders whether there are many letters from the Isles of Åland bearing one, two, or three feathers in demand for speedy delivery. Alas, only time will tell. There may be many but are there many from this little part of the Åland Isles?

The second letter was mailed from Palsböle in Finström to the village of Bertby in Saltvik. The folded stationery is of a soft blue color and has laid into the paper the full standing figure of the Russian Bear within an ornate oval frame which has the Royal Crown of Czarist Russia at the top.

My interest in this strikingly embellished item prompted me to inquire of Rossica (Russian Philatelic Society) whether or not it enjoyed any philatelic prominence. One



Feather Letter



Letter from Palsböle

of their specialists said it probably was not an official government application but rather one of private manufacture.

Many things in philately challenge our limited knowledge and make us want to dig and dig into the interesting world of research.

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# Oscar Period Stamps: A Review

### By Alan Warren

Oscarperiodens Frimärken 1885-1911 by Nils Falk and Robert Mattson, Philatelic Handbook A:3, Sveriges Filatelist Förbund, Småland, 1985, softbound, 6½ x 9½ inches, ISBN 91 85702 17 X, 144 pages.

SFF plans to sponsor a completely new edition of the well known Swedish Handbook, to appear in a series of individual volumes over the next ten years or so. The text is to be in English. However, what appears to be the first release, in Swedish, has already been issued and covers the Oscar II typographed and engraved series, the bicolored numeral issues, and the 5 kronor post office stamp of 1903.

Robert Mattson writes about the Oscar II typographed issue, describing paper, gum, perforation, the confrol number and posthorn design appearing on the back of the stamps, and plate flaws. The various proposed designs are illustrated and color varieties are listed. Nils Falk provides similar but more extensive details for the engraved issues, and includes photos of the Marinoni press. Mattson writes up the details for the bicolored numeral issue and the Post Office issue of 1903.

The book is extremely well illustrated throughout with black and white photos, and although it is paperbound, has sewn signatures, which should help it to stand up to frequent use. Check price and availability from your favorite dealer. The SCC Library also has a copy.

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# Finnish Tete-Beche Groups 1856-1885

By Juhani Olamo

# A Book Review

### By Mike Hvidonov

Finnish text, privately-printed limited edition of 50 copies, 378 pages, in black on 80-lb. or heavier coated paper, European punching 4 holes and in a sturdy binder. Although not offered to the public it is reviewed here in the interest of Finnish philately and to make known the existence of this work which records and defines the physical plate characteristics of all known tete-beche pairs and multiples of Finland.

The Finnish title *Suomalaiset Paikkoryhmät 1856-1885* translates as shown as the title of this review, and this work confirms Mr. Olamo's persistence, talent, and love for philately have combined in creating a 'first' work on a hitherto obscure but interesting and specialized segment of Finnish philately.

The looseleaf pages are grouped into the four periods of Finnish stamps where tete-beche printings occurred. They are:

- 1. The 1856 oval stamps, 5 and 10 kopek, pairs and multiples.
- 2. The 1866 5 and 10 penni items.
- 3. The 1875 5, 20, and 25 penni.
- 4. The 1885 5 and 20 penni.

Illustrations of all known items are included with lot descriptions from old catalogs collected by Mr. Olamo. These auction catalog texts are reproduced exactly as they appeared in the original publications. This unusual treatment not only con-

tributes nostalgia but gives a family tree genealogy of many of the specific items in various sales over the years.

The identification plate details of the stamps define the stencil markings of the upside-down items but include all details of the adjacent stamps, from all four directions on the plate. This insures proper identification of every tete-beche subject found. Mr. Olamo is well qualified to perform this difficult task since he is expert in full plate reconstructions. I have long admired his reconstructions of several platings of the 1885 issues, for example.

At the end of each Field Type grouping of the last two segments, 1875-1885, there are illustrations and auction catalog information for those specimens which could not be certainly identified due to poor catalog illustrations not providing clear details for proper Field Type determination.

The last pages show a bakers' dozen of tete-beche forgeries which have been produced through the years to defraud collectors.

This book opens the door to another world of special knowlege.

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# Scandinavian Foundation Releases Second Finnish Book

A second volume on the serpentine rouletted stamps of Finland, the 1860 and 1866 issues, has been translated from Finnish and published by the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation. The first volume, released in 1983, was translated from *The Handbook of Finnish Stamps*. That book discussed the paper, gum, and printing methods used in producing the well known early Finnish issues, easily recognized by their familiar deep serpentine roulette separations.

The current volume, written by Mikko Ossa of Finland, is subtitled Cancellation and Roulette Varieties. Beginning with the 1860 issue, Ossa describes the low and high boxed (rectangular) town cancels, and the large and small ring cancels. Pen cancels are illustrated as well as handstamp markings such as the "ANK" or receiving marks and the paid or "FRANKO" cancels. Combination usage is also shown on stamps and covers. The 1866 issue is shown with rare pen cancels, railroad handstamps, "insufficient postage" strikes, cork cancels, and foreign cancellations among others.

The next sections of the new book document and illustrate the roulette perforation varieties for each value, and tables listing the various cancels used on the two issues. The final table is a reverse alphabetical listing of town names which helps identify cancel fragments where only the end of the place name can be seen.

The text has been smoothly translated by Kauko I. Aro from the Finnish, and has a preface prepared by Ed Fraser.

The new volume is \$18.50 postpaid from the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359. SPF members receive a discount.

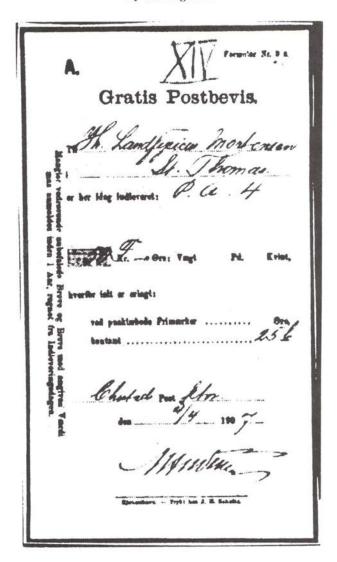
The Serpentine Rouletted Stamps of Finland — Issues of 1860 and 1866: Volume 2 — Cancellations and Roulette Varieties, by Mikko Ossa; trans. by Kauko I. Aro; 116 pages, softbound, 8½ x 11, 1985, ISBN 0-936493-08-9.

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# Danish West Indies — Proof of Mailing Form

By Vic Engstrom



A previously unrecorded postal form came to light in the April 2, 1986, stamp auction catalog of Kephila, Hellerup, Denmark.

"Gratis Postbevis" is a postal form attesting to the receipt by the post office of mailing matter from a post office patron. This gives the mailer evidence of having placed a described item in the mail. The pictured form (reduced) was used in St. Thomas April 3, 1907. The significance of the Roman numeral XIV is unknown to me. Can anybody help? Records of other copies of this form would be appreciated.

# Finland Cover of the Month

### Another 1891 First Day Cover!

By Ed Fraser

Pictured on the first page of the February 1980 *Posthorn* is a May 1, 1891, Finnish postal card described as a possible First Day Cover. As a follow-up of that article, it now seems quite conclusive that that card is an actual First Day Cover.

At that time Mr. Juhani Hyytiainen, curator at the Post- and Tele- Museum in Helsinki, researched this question, and advised that the 3 kop. card was a First Day Cover and might be unique. Now another postal card from the same series, also with First Day usage, has resurfaced. This 4 kop. double card is shown as this issue's "Cover of the Month" in Figures 1, 2, and 3.



Figure 1

First Day usage of the 4 kop. (international rate) double card sent to England. It is canceled at Fredrickshamn on May 1, 1891. This corresponds to 19 April on the Russian (Julian) calendar, explaining the "20 April 1891" St. Petersburg transit cancel.

I say "resurfaced" because the current owner apparently had not been aware of the interesting message and dating, although the original addressee was a collector and knew it was a First Day usage. The message side is shown in Figure 2. It is written in French, which I translate to say "Please accept this card, today put into circulation, for your collection/Greetings/(signature)/Fredrickshamn 1 May 1891." Both sides of the fully opened card are shown in Figure 3.

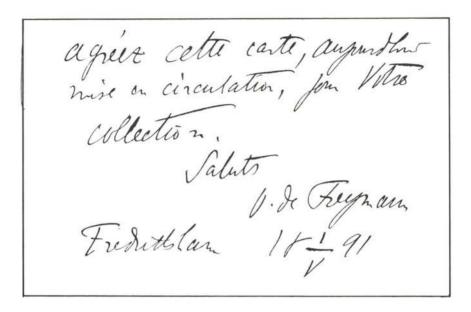


Figure 2
The message (in French) says it is a First Day Cover.



Figure 3
The fully opened card partially shown in Figures 1 and 2.

For comparison, Figure 4 shows the 3 kop. First Day Card. While it is written completely in Russian, the handwriting suggests that it is from the same sender.



The 3 kop. First Day card also canceled "Fredrickshamn 1 May 1891", but with a different "20 April 1891" St. Petersburg cancel (originally shown in February 1980 *Posthorn*).

	Postikortti vastauksella
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Fredrikslamen,	porte restante
	Otto von Freymann.
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Figure 5

Double postal card without message canceled "Fredrickshamn 28.4.91" and addressed "Fredrickshamn, poste restante, Otto von Freymann". His signature is on the message in Figure 2.

To further document these cards, an ordinary example of the *Norma* No. 26 double 10 penni postal card is shown in Figure 5. It is canceled "Fredrickshamn 28.4.91", without any message, and addressed simply "OTTO VON FREYMANN, Poste Restante, Fredrickshamn". This card, along with another to Antwerp (not shown here) canceled "Fredrickshamn 9.5.91" with a message about postal stationery and signed "Otto von Freymann", virtually confirms he was the sender of all of these cards. Otto von Freymann was in fact a well known collector of the day, and his 1890s era correspondence can be found fairly frequently.

I would be very interested in additional comments, and to hear from anyone with information about other May 1, 1891, usages of the Finnish "kopeck" issues. Ed Fraser, 2 Broadway, 9th Floor c/o Shearson, New York, N.Y. 10004.

#### Footnotes

- 1. This message does not necessarily prove First Day Usage. I've seen a number of such notes on 20th century second-day-covers, etc. Perhaps in those cases the First Day may have been a semi-holiday and most post offices were closed, or the item was only available on the first day in Helsinki. However, all references I have seen say 1 May, 1891, was the actual First Day for all of these issues.
- 2. When a very unusual cover is found especially a new discovery details of other covers from the same correspondence may be of key importance in establishing genuineness, and receiving a good certification from an expertizer. Usually it proves to be unnecessary, but don't hesitate to obtain Xerox copies or at least copy the details of names, routing, dating, and addresses from related correspondence at the time an unusual item is purchased. That data may never be available to you later should you need it.

Suggested References:

The Posthorn, Feb. 1980, pages 1-3 "A 3 kopeck postal card First Day Cover from 1891?"

The Posthorn, Feb. 1980, page 18: "The Gregorian and the Julian Calendars in Philately"

#### **Revalued Postal Stationery Exists**

A recent exhibition of Finnish postal stationery provides this issue's featured cover, Fig. 1. This card, described as Norma "6B", was the last type of 8 penni card (printed in 1874 and 1875) before the UPU-era rate changes went into effect in mid-1875. From July 1, 1875, thru Sept. 30, 1917, the domestic postcard rate was 10 penni.

The clue to the special status of this card is the March 17, 1876, date of its message from Alavo. This dating agrees with the yearless "ANK" cancel of "21 March", and is well into the 10 penni rate period. Close examination shows that no 2 penni stamps has been removed, but really none should be expected considering the neatly penned explanation overlapping the 8 penni indicium which reads in Finnish "2 pen. paid." [2 p:maksettu].

An acceptable explanation would be that the Alavo post office did not have 2 penni stamps on hand, so this would have been done by the postal clerk when he received the 2 penni payment in cash from the sender.

For the record, the philatelic literature has mentioned the occurrence of manuscript revaluations and I believe an example of a revaluation, written in Swedish, was exhibited in Finland in recent years. I am not aware of an illustration of such items. Illustrations exist of the 5 penni stamp having been used to make up



Figure 1

March 1876 usage of the 8 penni postal card, revalued in manuscript "2 pen. paid." to validate the card for the new 10 penni rate. Apparently from Alavo, and canceled upon arrival in Helsingfor [H'fors] "ANK 21-3".

the 2 penni difference. Usages of the 2 penni stamps on these cards are known in many collections. Further information from readers is always welcome and appreciated. Ed Fraser, 2 Broadway — 9th Floor, New York, NY 10004.

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## What's Happening in Finland

By Mike Hvidonov

#### 5 Penni Russian Type of 1901

Finland's Adophil brings fresh and important philatelic news, this time concerning this usually quiet and unassuming 85-year-old adhesive that seldom makes the news.

This first issue of the 1901 period was typographed, printed in a full dark (or murky) green shade, perforated 141/4x143/4, and 200,000 copies in sheets of 100 were issued, according to the Finnish Handbook, *Norma* no. 60.

According to Adophil's writer, full sheets of this stamp vanished from the market many years a ago. He comments that "... sometimes items are not available for years and suddenly a quantity of them appears, to satisfy all needs." Of course, when such a flood becomes apparent, the price is affected.

About ten years ago the 5 penni first printing was in heavy demand and all offers were quickly snapped up. Anxious buyers bid high, thus increasing the market value, but there is now a lower price trend resulting from more frequent offerings in the auction market. (Editor's note: Commonly called 'smart money speculation.')

A number of full sheets have come from central Europe, and a well-known Swedish dealer is reported to have had a quantity of them tucked away, just recently deciding to take his profit. Once it was thought that only 3 full sheets existed, but it now seems there might have been as many as ten such broken down for sale. Some of these might have been bought by speculators, and re-sold for a profit. The quantity is difficult to ascertain. The flood of these from Sweden seems to have ebbed, as fewer are being offered.

In spite of this, it is probable that in 5 or ten years these same 5 penni stamps may again become scarce and the catalog price will again rise. Another example of the 'stamp stock market'.

(Editor's note: Primarily this article relates to unused examples of the 5 penni no. 60 of 1901. A very fine example is now priced about \$150.00, so be careful for a while and refrain from paying excessively high prices. The catalogs will likely not materially alter their prices when they appear later in 1986.)

#### 5 Penni 1901 — Early Cancellations

The earliest cancellation of this stamp was reported in *Abophil*, March 1980, as being January 12, 1901, from the town of WARKAUS. Your Finnish Handbook, Vol. III should be annotated in the ruled boxed text, which when printed some years back noted the earliest cancel as January 14, 1901.

#### F.I.P. Changes

Abophil, April 1985, states that new FIP regulations may require that FIP judges will have to have at least a Vermeil award earned in competition for a collection of their own. In the past this was not so. "It was enough to be a fledgling student," states the writer. If approved, this ruling would make it difficult for Finland but on the other hand, perhaps judges who preside should have earned high awards to participate.

(Editor's comment: Such a ruling would injure Finnish judging since (to my knowledge) some Finnish judges and apprentices would not qualify under this change, even though they are totally familiar in depth with the philately of Finland.)

Sounds like much turbulence will ensue when and if this rule subject is put in effect. Perhaps such a change would prove more trouble than worth.

According to a report in *Abophil* the 32 penny Copenhagen stamp of 1875 has declined in market value. Just a few years back this stamp soared in price. Apparently sellers were influenced by the catalog valuations and hastened to cash in. With so many 'willing' sellers the European auction sales were saturated with used copies.

This drop in price, however, does not apply to Luxus stamps, which have maintained catalog valuations. Average copies are selling for about \$300-\$350. Catalog prices cannot yet reflect these changes, being locked in to annual editions.

Now that the prices are down on less than very fine stamps, there will be few sellers, then an apparent shortage, then the prices will go up again and the offers will increase. Philatelic material also makes its full circle.

The 1986 issue of LAPE was completely sold out in November of 1985: a new

record. It is nice to see that this popular catalog has sold so well. We trust that a reprint is imminent.

The pictured 5 kop. 1856 stamp sold in a Swedish auction some months ago for 22,000 Swedish Crowns plus 10% auction fee, a bit over U.S. \$3,000.00. The result of this sale sent me scurrying to my copy of the auction catalog to see what I missed!



The scrawled ink cancellation is horrendous and totally untypical of the time of use in Helsinki. Though the margins were nice I remain perplexed. Happily Mikko Ossa experienced the same surprise and commented on the transaction in *Abophil*. Personally I'd have been surprised if it had sold for \$400 to \$500.

Mikko Ossa also notes that the stamp market seems on the rise again after a long period of marking time. I concur, as auction reports indicate people are paying good, fair prices for material being offered. Intelligent sellers are unlikely to sell their treasurers in a depressed market. From the European side the weakend condition of foreign exchange sponsored this. All you collectors look sharp. There are a lot of nice stamps and covers about and I feel this will remain the condition for the remainder of the year.

Some issues back I wrote of the Danish dealer, Jorgen Junior, who was alleged to have absconded with about two million Finnish Marks from an auction he held in Switzerland, purportedly taking the cash to South Africa, to start a stamp auction firm in the so-called 'dark continent'. It has now been reported that he was apprehended by Interpol and now resides in Switzerland as a guest of the government awaiting trial. The report is that the money has not yet been recovered.

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### Greenland Postal Service Becomes Kalaallit Allakeriviat

By G. Kaspersen, Postmaster of Greenland

I wrote an old friend — the former Director of KGH Jens Fynbo, and asked him to write an article about Greenland's Postal Service. Instead, I got two pieces from the present Postmaster (General? Ed.) of Greenland. One was in English, the other in Danish. I translated the latter and knitted the two together and here is the result. A word from the Postmaster himself is not an everyday lunch dish.

Dan Laursen, Assoc. Editor, Greenland

A postal service rarely changes its name and logo, but that is what happened in Greenland on January 1, 1986.

Let us look at the conditions under which postal service is carried out in Greenland.

Greenland is the largest island of the world. The island is 2,175,600 square km. Australia, being the smallest continent, is "only" 3½ times larger. 4/5 of Greenland is covered by eternal ice. In its habitable area only 53,000 people live.

Until 1953 Greenland was a Danish colony. By an amendment of the constitution Greenland was made a part of the Danish Kingdom with equal rights. Through new legislation in 1979 the status of Greenland was again changed. In many administrative fields Greenland now has an independent status so its government can legislate and administer independently of the Danish parliamentary assembly and the Danish government.

Greenland is situated in the Northern Atlantic far from Denmark. The size of the country and the difficult natural conditions with very low temperatures and much ice a great part of the year cause the Post Office to face tasks differing a great deal from those conditions of the Post Office in Denmark.

Thus Greenland Post Office is independent of the Danish Post Office. Greenland Post Office's relations to the Post Office in other countries and to UPU are taken care of by the Danish Post Office. Greenland Post Office is connected to the authorities which handle the traffic between Denmark and Greenland and the internal traffic in Greenland.

Greenland Post Office now has a very tight cooperation with the Scandinavian airline company which provides air service between Denmark and Greenland, like Greenland's Post Office, works close to the internal Greenland airline company.

Only three means of traffic between towns in Greenland exist: by ship, aeroplane (including helicopters), and dog sledges. Railroads and highways do not exist. Along the coast of Greenland the sea is frozen during most of the year, sometimes 10 months. When the seas is frozen only aeroplanes helicopters and short distance dog sledges can break the isolation.

In a big country with few and rather irregular communications people expect the Post Office to function perfectly, and that all means will be employed to make good use of every connection to carry post. In a country with long distances and several difficulties in regular traffic, everyday service is impossible. But except for small and very isolated places the post does provide service every few days — and always within a week.

The difficult traffic conditions require all letters and most parcel post to be carried by plane both in Greenland and to and from Denmark.

Sometimes even air service is not fast enough, then even quicker methods are used. Some years ago the Postal Service introduced facsimile transfer with great success,

and Telefax/Postfax is about to replace Telex completely. Facsimile communication for money transfers instead of telegram postal orders began in Greenland about 1981, and this service has been quite successful.

In a country with irregular postal services it is difficult to establish regular postal distribution. As part of our efforts to do our best a post-office box system has been established in all towns. The trade and industries and other larger recipients of post have thus a chance to receive the post as soon as it arrives, no matter what time of the day.

Greenland has issued its own stamps since 1938. The small number printed — as a result of the small population — and also a rather reserved issue policy has made stamps sold for collection a perceptible source of income. In a big country with few inhabitants and difficult traffic conditions it is hard to get a profitable post office. Even with a rather large sale of stamps to stamp collectors Greenland Post Office has quite a big deficit. This among other things is due to the fact that the politicians want the postal rates kept down, as they in that way indirectly want to promote the important human communication which is impeded by the long distances and the difficult traffic conditions.

The formal change that took place January 1, 1986, will hardly be of practical importance. The background for the change is in short as follows.

By the 1953 change in the Constitution of Denmark the status of Greenland changed from that of a colony to an equal part of the Kingdom.

From the colony days the Greenland postal service was placed under the department responsible for the traffic to and from Greenland: The Royal Greenland Trade (KGH). The change in the Constitution did not imply any changes in this respect. Also the creation in 1955 of the special Greenland Department made no difference. Thus the Greenland postal service operated independently of — but in close collaboration with — the Danish postal service: Post- og Telegrafvæsenet i Danmark (P&T). The Greenland Postal Service (GP) was able to develop conforming to the special conditions which in many ways are quite different from those in Denmark.

In the 1970s a political attitude arose in Greenland which manifested itself in a wish for a greater influence on the development, which should be "on Greenland terms".

In 1979 the Home-rule act was passed. The law opens up the possibility to transfer to Greenland most of the administration of that country if desired by Greenland authorities.

In accordance with this act The Royal Greenland Trade and GP were transferred from the Danish state regime to the Greenland Home-rule regime as of January 1, 1986.

The Administrative functions, which were taken care of in Copenhagen, will not be moved right away but will supposedly be transferred little by little to Nuuk, (Godthåb) the capital of Greenland.

The responsible political administration is carried out from Nuuk. P&T in Denmark will as usual take care of international relations, for instance to the Universal Postal Union (UPU).

The change to Home-rule necessitated a change in the logo. Furthermore it was a wish that the service got a Greenlandic name. This is the reason why we now are named Kalaallit Allakkeriviat. But the characteristic Polar bear is still the central figure of the logo. In this way the observer will not be in doubt that this is the postal service of the homeland of the polar bear: Greenland, the largest island in the world.

Finally here is a recap of the services carried out by the Kalaallit Allakkeriviat:

Standard letters

Standard parcels

Airmail and surface mail

Registered mail and insured mail Postal money order and telegraph Postal giro (part of Danish system) Postfax (telefax, incl. money order)

Philatelic products: First Day covers, date stamps, special cancellations, year packs, presentation packs.

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#### The King's Complaint Became An Auction Item

His mental health seems to have been weak, but he certainly wrote letters, did Gustaf IV Adolf, King of Sweden 1792-1809. After he had been dethroned and forced into exile after the coup d'etat in 1809, he spent his last years in St. Gall in Switzerland, where he died in 1837.

He wrote a lot of letters, of which many were very bitter and if you want to be the owner of one of those, you can buy it at the official auction at "Stockholmia 86". The starting price for this royal "complaint" letter is only 1.000 Swedish Kronor (approx. US \$140). For this you might be able to buy the letter signed "G.A. Gustafsson", which was the King's pen name after his abdication. The letter was written in 1834, just a couple of years before his death, and it bears the distinct evidence of the serious mental derangement which brought about this unfortunate monarch's downfall.

History has been somewhat unfair to this King, as the realistic picture of him is that he actually worked hard for domestic reforms, and was not so bad after all.

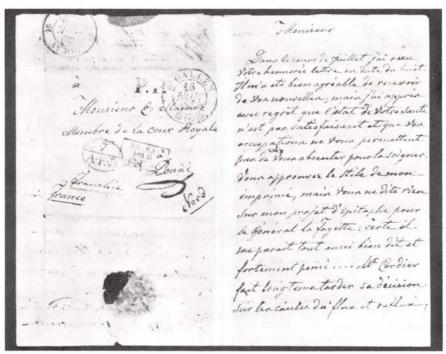


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#### **Odd Swedes**

Fellow collector E. A. Menninger, Jr. owns these oddities . . .





10 on 10 öre

12 on 2 öre

They are Scott 71, the 10 öre carmine King Gustav V, and Scott 96, the 2 öre orange three crowns.

The odd thing is that the 10 öre has "10" overprinted in black on top of the original 10s — which are carmine! The 2 öre has its values overprinted with rather vague 12s, whose alignment is a bit off.

We hope that some of you other collectors of Sweden can help us with answers or theories.

Gerald H. Grosso 1131 Mitchell Avenue Port Orchard, WA 98366

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#### Funding Available for Scandinavian Literature

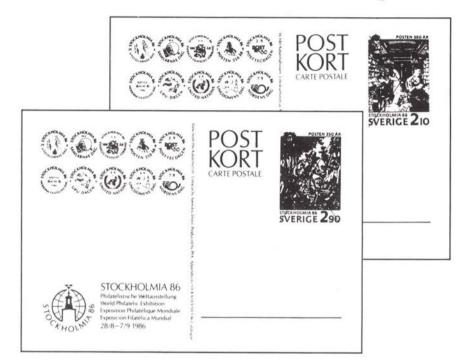
The American Philatelic Research Library, of State College, PA, has a fund which was donated for the specific purpose of translating and republishing of Scandinavian-area philatelic literature from the original language into English.

Those desiring consideration for funding for part or all of such a project should write a formal request, with details and as exact amounts, dates, and the like as can be reasonably determined in advance, to the chairman of the funding committee, Joe F. Frye, P.O. Box 22308, Memphis, TN 38122.

As a general rule funding will be considered only before expense(s) is/are incurred and not ex post facto, but in specially deserving cases consideration will be given even after an item has been so produced.

The fund will expect reimbursement from the net profit of any project in which it becomes involved as a donor or contributor, in whole or in part, to the amount actually paid out by the fund.

## Two Special Post Cards Available Only in STOCKHOLMIA 86 Catalogue



Two post cards — one each with inland and overseas postage indicia — are enclosed in each copy of the STOCKHOLMIA 86 catalogue, and cannot be obtained in any other way than by purchase of this item, at 40 Swedish Crowns paid to Stockholm Post Giro account 386—3. Limit one copy per person.

The catalogue will contain about 300 pages and includes not only the listings of exhibitors, collections, commissioners, and the like but several interesting articles: a description of postal matters involving the "Swedish Island" of St. Barthelemy; the "beautiful Maharadja" — a series of stamps from the Idore state of India, and others.

The post cards were designed and executed by artist Svenolof Ehren, who used views of Stockholm as seen from the Söder heights. The postage indicia are two of the stamp designs from the STOCKHOLMIA 86 booklet, one each in 2:10 and 2:90 Kr. denominations.

An address for ordering was not given, since the Post Giro (postal transfer) form used for such payments includes a portion which is detached and sent to the payee, on which an order or other information can be and is written, without added postage cost. I believe you can do the whole job by sending an international money order for 40 Swedish Crowns to Post Girot Huvud Avdelning, 105 06 Stockholm, Sweden, with a note as to the purpose of the in-payment and including for certain the Post Giro account number 386—3 to which payment is to be credited. Don't forget to include your name, complete address, Zip, and country with the money order.

#### FINLANDIA 88

The World Philatelic Exhibition FINLANDIA 88, at the Helsinki Exhibition and Congress Center, June 1-12, 1988, will be held in connection with the 350th anniversary of the Finnish Post Office. Some 1,000 stamp exhibits are expected, comprising a million stamps or covers.

In order to promote the Exhibition the General Directorate of the Posts and Telecommunications of Finland issued a FINLANDIA 88 postal stationery card on May 4, 1986. The post card and the denomination print depict some characteristic parts of the Finlandia Hall in Helsinki by architect Alvar Aalto.

Members of the exhibition management are Mr. Christian Sundman, President, Mr. Kari Rahiala, Vice President and Mr. Kaj Hellman, Managing Director.

The event is expected to attract a large number of participants from abroad. Foreign postal administrations and stamp dealers are expected to participate with close to one hundred stands.

Information: Mr. Kaj Hellman, Managing Director, PL 990, SF-00101 Helsinki, Finland.

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#### SCC to Issue Cachet — Where?

#### By A. A. Gruber

As reported in this journal, Sweden, Finland and the USA will celebrate the arrival of those first Northlanders here way back in 1638. 1988 will mark the 350th anniversary of the event. But where did they land? The U.S. 3¢ stamp of 1983 (Scott 836) noncommittally states "Landing of the Swedes and Finns". The stamp is a reproduction of Stanley M. Arthur's painting, entitled "Landing of the First Swedish and Finnish Settlers in America."

Sweden's 1938 commemorative set (Scott 268-274) shows various designs of the "New Sweden" theme, including two ships, Indians and Governor Prinz, the Swedish seal, Queen Christina, and Holy Trinity Church of Wilmington, Delaware.

We all thought the landing was at "The Rocks", where the Christina and Brandywine Rivers coverge — now the site of Fort Christina Park (which is in poor repair) and the Carl Milles Swedish-Finnish monument.

Now Mayor Thoma M. Lehew of Salem, New Jersey has sent a newsletter which is quoted in Wilmington's *News Journal*, "1988 will mark the 350th anniversary of the first Swedish landing in America at Salem, NJ." Bill Frank, writer for the *News Journal*, is incredulous. In a sort of 'Salem must be stopped now' editorial he counters:

"Horrors! How could those Jerseyites say that? It is true that the 400-pound governor of New Sweden, Johan Prinz, did build a fort on the shore of Varken's Hill (Salem Creek) and named it Fort Elfsborg, but that was in 1643; not 1638. It is also true that Prinz abandoned Fort Elfsborg several years later because thousands of mosquitos attacked the overweight dictator and forced him to flee; so the fort was renamed 'Fort Myggenborgh' (Fort Mosquito Castle)."

My historial reading states the ships first made a temporary unscheduled landing in southern Delaware at the mouth of Mispillion Creek. They named that tidal marsh area Paradise Point, but after three wintry months on the Atlantic, who could blame them? The owners' instructions were to land at Minquas Kill, which is close to 'The Rocks' and where all accepted historians say the landing occurred.

This area is now called Wilmington's Seventh Street peninsula in the local papers. Local archaeologists are considering some excavations in part to locate the site of Fort Christina. In 1655 the area also was the site of the Dutch/Swedish battle which ended Swedish dominance. In the 19th century there was heavy industry concentration but the area is now in a bad state. New development is in active planning.

Planning for the 1988 celebration is moving forward principally directed by the Kalmar Nyckel Commemorative Committee — an arm of the Swedish Colonial Society. The City of Wilmington is heavily involved — they recently received a \$50,000 grant from the state's Bicentennial Improvement Fund to develop the city park on the other end of Seventh Street Peninsula from Fort Christina Park.

If this sounds somewhat confusing, why not plan to keep abreast of developments and make a trip to Delaware (or New Jersey) in 1988? One date is set — March 29, 1988 — for the first day ceremonies honoring the stamps from Finland, Sweden, and the USA. Regardless of the ceremony's site, SCC plans to issue a cacheted envelope for the event. Chapter 13-Delaware is responsible for the design and production. We think you will be delighted with the design, which will incorporate a technique we have not so far seen on a cacheted envelope.

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#### **SCC Banquet at AMERIPEX**

#### By Alan Warren

"An outstanding event" was the capsule comment of many of the 112 people who attended the SCC dinner at the Sherwood Forest restaurant during AMERIPEX. Still more would have come except that other AMERIPEX events kept them away. After a false start of setting the banquet for Friday night netted only 17 reservations, the date was changed to the delight of those able to come. The attendance at Chicago more than double that of 46 who enjoyed the SCC dinner at INTERPHIL 76 at Philadelphia's Cobblestones restaurant.

After the fine prime rib meal, Knud Mohr, president of KPK and DFF, promoted HAFNIA 87 by describing the firm of HAFNIA Services, Inc. which will coordinate the activities of SAS, the Danish railroads, and other groups to arrange travel to the show next year as well as side trips or continuation trips in Scandinavia. Knud also passed around some special beer openers promoting the show.

Also taking a bow that evening was Chapter 4's Jens Nyboe (SCC No. 174) who is 92, but still walks 4 or 5 miles each day. Pall H. Asgeirsson, commissioner for Iceland, brought greetings from Reykjavik Philatelic Society and presented Chapter 4 with a lovely gift of a replica of an old Iceland food container, inscribed "Greetings from Iceland — 1986" in Icelandic. Other attendees included Henrik Eis, commissioner from Denmark as well as an exhibitor, and editors from two Scandinavian philatelic periodicals.

Hats off to Chapter 4 for the wonderful arrangements, not only for the dinner, but also for our SCC annual meeting. Doc Melberg, president of Chapter 4, Norm Andrews, Ron and Marlene Collin were just a few of the many hard workers who made the convention and AMERIPEX itself a success.

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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.

#### **AMERIPEX '86**

#### Scandinavian Philatelic Exhibit Awards

#### Large Gold

The GUTE Collection, Sweden: Norway 1855-1875.

"Vi King", U.S. (SCC member): Norway 1855-1876.

Dr. Gene Scott, United States: Denmark: Skilling Issues, 1851-1874.

"Julius Spencer," United States (SCC member): Swedish Postal Rates Abroad, 1855-UPU.

#### Gold

Roger A. Swanson, U.S. (SCC member): Iceland Classical.

Henrik Eis, Denmark: Denmark.

Knud Mohr, Denmark: Copenhagen: Cancellations and Postmarks Until 1884. Michael E. Hvidonov, United States (SCC member): Finland, 1838 through 1891. F. C. Moldenhauer, Norway (SCC member): Mail from Norway to Foreign Destinations 1855-1875. Rates and Routes.

#### Large Vermeil

Roger G. Schnell, U.S. (SCC member): The First Stamp of Norway — Plate Reconstruction.

Gunnar Nilsson, Sweden: Sweden 1858-1886.

Rolf Johansson, Sweden: Danish West Indies.

S. Gunnar Dahlvig, Sweden: Sweden During the Vasa Dynasty.

Victor E. Engstrom, U.S. (SCC member): Danish West Indies Postal Stationery. Lennart Duan, Sweden: Sweden, Postal Stationery.

#### Vermeil

Henry Nilsson, Sweden: Swedish Provisionals 1855-1922.

E. C. Hannevig, Norway: Norway Postal History Up To 1848.

Lester Winick, U.S. (SCC member): Iceland Air Mail.

Kurt Rasmussen, Denmark: Dampfschiffpost, Westlich Östersee. 1800-1900.

#### Large Silver

Olof Hoglund, Sweden: Sweden in Round Frame Medallion 1910-1920.

Norman S. Kopp, U.S. (SCC member): Postal History of the Faroe Islands 1940-1945.

Anker Bloch, Denmark: Greenland Postal History from 1836 to 1958.

Jan O. Billgren, Sweden: Swedish Postal History 1885-1921.

#### Silver

Hialti Johannesson, Iceland: Icelandic Postmarks 1873-1950.

Ronald Collin, U.S. (SCC member): Iceland Postal Stationery 1879-1941.

M. Brinch Gabrielsen, Norway: Norwegian Postmarks (Youth Exhibit)

#### **Bronze**

Bjorn Tandberg, Norway: 99th Norse-American Battalion (Sep) US Army.

#### Scandinavian Philatelic Literature Awards

#### Large Silver

Sveriges Filatelist Förbund, Sweden: Sverige-Katalogen 1985-86. Københavns Philatelist Klub, Denmark: Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift.

Norsk Filatelistforbund, Norway: Norwegian Philatelic Magazine.

The Scandinavian Collectors Club, United States: The Posthorn.

#### Silver

Norsk Filatelistforbund, Norway: Norwegian Exile Mail 1940-1945. Norby Toke, editor, Denmark: Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift.

#### Large Bronze

Gosta Karlsson, editor, Sweden: Svensk Filatelisstisk Tidskrift. Paul A. Nelson, editor, United States: Luren.

#### **Bronze**

Sveriges Filatelist Förbund, Sweden: Svenska Minnespoststamplar 1866-1982.

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### **SCC Annual Meeting at AMERIPEX**

#### By Alan Warren

A crowd of over 60 attended the annual convention meeting of SCC, called to order by President Wayne Rindone at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel. Vice President Al Gruber described the cachet developed for the 350th anniversary celebrated in 1988 of the landing of the Swedes and Finns in the Delaware Valley. The cachet depicts the Kalmar Nyckel ship which brought the immigrants to the new world.

Vic Engstrom, former president of SCC and a commissioner to STOCKHOLMIA 86, described that important show which takes place August 28 to September 7. Knud Mohr, president of HAFNIA 87, announced the plans for the FIP — patronage international show next year in Copenhagen. Wayne Rindone announced that the SCC 1987 convention would be at Baltimore's BALPEX 87 over Labor Day weekend, and the following year the convention might be held again on the west coast.

Ron Collin then presented a fascinating slide program which he and Norm Andrews of Chapter 4 put together, and entitled "What to Collect in Scandinavia When You Have Run Out of Things to Collect." Examples were shown of town cancels, cork cancels, star cancels, booklet pane stamps, perfins, railroad cancels, ship cancels, numeral cancels, tete-beche and se-tenant pairs from booklets and coils. Tollur cancels from Iceland, the 20 øre Greenland parcel stamps with "Avane" cancels, cancels on stamps of other countries (such as "Copenhagen" on Swedish stamps), and postal stationery. This slide program is now in the SCC slide library, and may be borrowed by chapters and members by contacting Stan Hanson, Librarian.

## Recommended By-Laws Amendments

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The following proposed amendments to SCC By-Laws were decided in final form as here published at the SCC Board meeting at AMERIPEX in Chicago, IL, May 1986, and is presented as required by SCC By-Laws for the information of the membership, prior to asking for a vote thereon. A ballot and full information concerning these proposed changes will be furnished each member before final action is taken on these amendments.

#### (1.) Family Membership

Add the following to article II, Section 5, paragraph (a):

"A subcategory of Active members is designated Family member. A Family member is an immediate relative of a member in good standing, residing at the same

address. A Family member has the same rights and privileges as the member in good standing except he does not receive issues of the official journal."

**Purpose** — to provide for membership of a spouse, child, etc. but at the same time saving the Club the cost of the journal.

#### (2.) Chapter Reports

Revise Article XI, Sections 9 and 10 as follows:

Section 9: replace "month of January" with "first quarter of the calendar year". Section 10: replace "February 1" with "April 1".

**Purpose** — to provide more time for preparation and submission of the annual chapter report. The Club Secretary issues the form in December, and under the current By-Laws it is to be submitted by February 1. If not received by then, the chapter is suspended. The revision will allow more time for submission of the report, since experience has shown that the February 1 deadline is largely not met.

#### (3.) Official Journal

Amend Article II, section 11 (g); Article III, Sections 4 (a) and (b); and Article XIV, Section 5, by deleting the word "Posthorn" and substituting the words "the official journal".

**Purpose** — the reference to the name of the official publication in a number of places in the By-Laws can lead to confusion if it is ever changed, and the change is not made in all places.

#### (4.) Quorum Definition

Add paragraph (e) to Article VI, Section 9:

"(e) The number of ballots required for a quorum shall be as provided in Article III."

**Purpose** — some reasonable minimum number of ballots should be required for an election. While the various definitions of quorum appear in Article III, a statement is needed in the discussion of ballots in Article VI to define a quorum of ballots.

#### (5.) "Good character" approval

Replace the first sentence of Article II. Section 4 with the following:

"Section 4. Approval. The Secretary shall approve the application of any person who appears to be of good character and who certifies that he has never been expelled from membership in any philatelic society or club, and may, in his discretion, disapprove the application of any person who does not appear to be of good character or who does not so certify."

**Purpose** — this clarifies the question of what the Secretary does when an applicant does not appear to be of good character or fails to make the required certification. If an applicant makes a false certification, the Secretary will presumably find that he is not of good character, so no separate statement is required that one who falsely states that he has not been expelled shall not be admitted.

#### (6.) Add the following to Article I, Section 2:

"and provide educational opportunities through seminars, exhibits, lectures and any other reasonable means for the public."

**Purpose** — to emphasize the educational purpose of the Club in informing the public, as required of organizations incorporated as non-profit and exempt from certain taxes.

#### (7.) Add the following to Article IV, Section 11:

"Any compensation paid pursuant to the provisions of this section shall only be reasonable compensation for services rendered in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the certificate of incorporation of the Club."

**Purpose** — to specify the limit of compensation permissible for non-profit, tax exempt organizations.

#### (8.) Add the following sentences to Article XII, Section 2:

"All contracts and instruments of \$1,000 or more are to be in writing, and a copy is to be filed with the Secretary. Each new contract as well as those continuing in force shall be reported upon by the Secretary to the Board annually."

Purpose — Forces the recording and periodic review of major contracts.

#### (9.) Transfer of Records

Add a second sentence to Article VI, Section 13:

"The new officer shall report to the Board of Directors that the transfer is accomplished."

**Purpose** — records the fact that the requested transfer of records and/or property to the new officer has in fact been completed.

#### (10.) Reporting Requirements

Add a final sentence to Article VII, Section 1:

"In his Convention report published in the official journal, the President shall indicate that the reporting requirements of the By-Laws were met, or note any exceptions."

**Purpose** — to insure that reports, such as those of committees as described in Article VIII, Section 8, are in fact submitted.

#### (11.) Financial Report

In Article VII, Section 3 regarding the Treasurer, delete the first sentence which discusses bonding of the Treasurer, and add a final sentence as follows:

"The Treasurer's annual financial report shall be published in the official journal no later than the next May issue."

**Purpose** — to consolidate the bonding feature for all officers in a new Section (see below), and to insure that the membership is advised of the financial status of the Club from year to year.

#### (12.) Bond

Add to Article XII a new Section 8:

"Section 8. Bond. Each officer and agent handling funds in excess of \$1,000 shall be required to give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum and with such sureties as the Board may from time to time determine."

**Purpose** — to insure fiscal responsibility.

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#### Treasurer's Report

#### Income

	1984	1985
Advertising	\$ 1,231.09	\$ 1,343.09
Admission Fees	106.00	136.00
Savings Interest	1,723.17	1,145.15
Literature Sales	281.96	125.00
Membership Dues	7,998.14	7,937.15
Posthorn Subscriptions	40.00	40.00
Medal & Insignia Sales	35.00	15.00
Total Receipts	\$11,415.36	\$10,741.39

#### Expenses

Posthorn Expenses:	1984	1985
*Printing	\$ 6,149.20	\$11,359.03
Postage	1,200.00	1,300.00
Total Posthorn	7,349.20	12,659.03
Administrative Expenses:		
Chapter Sponsorships	242.99	300.00
Dues Notices	0.00	77.50
Dues & Subscriptions	35.00	10.00
Library	0.00	0.00
Membership Cards	92.70	65.44
Office Supplies	450.58	266.91
Postage	663.95	831.41
Publicity	42.00	507.55
Telephone	69.00	428.28
Printing	689.33	530.91
Executive Secretary	1,280.00	1,080.00
Election Expenses	450.00	0.00
Medals & Insignia	0.00	642.20
Travel	0.00	510.29
Total Administrative	4,015.55	5,250.49
Total Expenses	\$11,364.75	\$17,909.52
Surplus	50.61	(7,168.13)
Membership Dues Paid in Advance:		
Prior Year Reserve	(4,000.00)	(5,000.00)
Current Year Reserve	5,000.00	2,000.00
Cash Balance Prior Year	24,758.02	25,808.63
Cash Balance Current Year	\$25,808.63	\$15,640.50

\*1984 Posthorn Printing Expense's cover three regular issues (Feb., May, and Aug. 1984) and one 32-page supplement. 1985 Posthorn Printing Expenses cover four regular issues (Nov. 1984, Feb., May, and Aug. 1985) and one 72-page supplement.

Donald W. Himer, Treasurer

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## President's Message

By Wayne Rindone

Thanks are due to dozens of you who helped out with the SCC activities at AMERIPEX in a myriad of ways, by exhibiting, contributing, helping to organize, manning the SCC booth, and participating. There were a great many SCC members from near and far there; as someone pointed out at the general membership meeting, more than 6% of our total membership was in the room at that moment. Special thanks to the following members: (1.) Ron Collin, Les Winick, and Bud Hennig, all members of the AMERIPEX Committee that arranged and managed the largest and most sucessful international exhibition ever held; (2.) Joe Frye (and the folks at Wilcox Printing) for succeeding in getting the May Posthorn in many members' hands before the show started: (3.) Scott and Joanna Taylor for making the SCC International Award available to the AMERIPEX Committee, and, (4.) Chapter 4 President Doc Melberg and chapter members Bob Faschingbauer, Ben Cohen, and Ron Collin for handling local arrangements and coordination with the United Nations Philatelists with whom we shared booth space and a hotel suite. Note that this is in no way anywhere near a complete list. For example, I have not even attempted to name those who spent many hours at the SCC booth on the exhibit floor. (I understand that we had more than 15 new members fill out applications on the spot, and I assume many others will return the application forms they picked up to the Executive Secretary.)

A list of Scandinavian exhibits and philatelic literature that won awards at AMERIPEX appears elsewhere in this issue. The Posthorn was awarded a Large Silver, a fitting tribute to our late editor Bob Gross and to the new look he was able to give the journal with the help of our new publishers. Luren, the product of Paul Nelson's labors on behalf of the Scandinavian Philatelic Library of Southern California (and SCC Chapter 17), received a Large Bronze. Of all the awards received by Scandinavian exhibitors, one worth special mention is the Large Gold received by longtime member "Vi King" for his exhibit of Norway 1855-1876. You may recall that the first time "Vi King" ever exhibited, at Westpex in San Francisco a little over a year ago, he won the SCC National Award, the Grand Award for the show, and a substantial collection of other expressions of the judges' respect for his exhibit. The remarkable achievement of an International Large Gold Medal for an exhibitor with only a bit more than a year of exhibiting behind him is a testimonial not only to this particular exhibitor's skill but also to the technique of conducting several years of meticulous study of what expert judges are looking for in philatelic exhibits.

In the AMERIPEX Scandinavian awards list in this issue I have attempted to list every Scandinavian exhibit and philatelic literature entry and the award level it achieved. If I have overlooked any, please do write so the oversight can be corrected in the next issue. One exhibit not on that list, since remarkably enough it was not a Scandinavian exhibit, is the exhibit that won the SCC International Award. The exhibit that was awarded this Corona Bowl (and a Large Gold) was Classic Columbia (1859-1870) by Hugo Goeggel of Columbia. You might very well think that this was a rather unusual pairing of an exhibit with an award, but at least it was no more unusual that the awarding of the Swedish Post Office, Stamps and Philatelic Service

Prize of Honor to a U.S. Cover exhibit, or the awarding of the Felag Frimerkjasafnara of Iceland Award to a Mongolia exhibit (at least it was exhibited by a Swede!), or the awarding of the Federation of Norwegian Philatelists Award to a Turkish exhibit. There were no more logically awarded special awards than these on the full list, though there were certainly a few that illustrated even more bizarre pairings. The AMERIPEX Committee had made it clear when we first offered the award that international regulations do not permit either the committee or the donor to specify the criteria for presenting any special awards; this must be left entirely to the discretion of the judges. To be sure, one of the committee members had assured us that the judges would "of course" do something reasonable with the award, and it is true that in past international shows there often appeared to be some rational logic to which top exhibits received which special awards, but it appears that the judges just didn't have the time to do any logical pairing of special awards to exhibits this time. After all, they had a truly gargantuan task in judging the world's largest assembly ever of high quality exhibits. Fortunately, we usually have our national meetings at national level shows, and national show committees are in general only too happy to present the award based on criteria that we suggest.

There were a great many of other SCC activities at AMERIPEX, thanks to the gracious hospitality of our Chapter 4 hosts. These are described elsewhere in this issue, but I get to mention a couple of relatively mundane business details. The annual SCC Board Meeting was held during AMERIPEX, and we examined the financial record of the Club for 1984 and 1985. Treasurer Himer's reports for these two years are reproduced elsewhere in this issue. It is clear that we have largely succeeded in reducing the Club's previous surplus to a reasonable level, keeping dues at an artificially low subsidized rate in the meanwhile. It is time to return to a dues level that comes closer to covering ongoing expenses, so the Board voted to increase annual dues to \$10, effective January 1, 1987. Note that if you pay your 1987 dues before the end of 1986, you may do so at the current dues level of \$8.

The Board also went over the Club's progress in attaining tax-exempt status with the IRS. We have registered an amended certificate of incorporation with the State of Delaware that includes the language required by the tax-exempt statutes. Now we need to adopt a few minor amendments to our Bylaws. Bylaws Committee chairman Alan Warren has taken advantage of the opportunity to draw up a few other amendments that reflect suggestions made over the last few years to present to the membership for approval. If there is room, the proposed amendments will be printed elsewhere in this issue. They will be reproduced in full on a ballot that will be included with the biannual officer election ballot this fall for your approval or disapproval.

Finally, three regional SCC meetings this fall were approved. This year's COM-PEX show in Chicago has been moved to the fall because of AMERIPEX, and there will be a Regional Meeting hosted by Chapter 4 during the show, which is scheduled for August 20 - 31. This same weekend, BALPEX in Baltimore will be the site of another Regional Meeting hosted by Chapters 12 and 13. (Remember that next year BALPEX 87 will be the site of our next national meeting.) Chapter 5 will host a Regional Meeting at Philatelic Show in Boxborough, Massachusetts, October 24 -26. Each regional meeting will feature a Scandinavian program and a chance to meet other SCC members from near and far.

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Philip A. Wilson of Jeannette, Pennsylvania, as SCC's new publicity manager. It will be no small task for him to follow in the footsteps of longtime publicity manager Marvin D. Hunewell, and I hope you will join me in wishing him success in doing so. He can be reached at 710 Gaskill Ave., Jeannette, PA 15644.

The position of *Posthorn* Editor is still open at this writing, but at least now we have no less than three well-qualified members who have expressed an interest in the

position. I hope that it will be possible to announce an appointment in the November issue. So if you have been thinking that you might be interested in applying yourself, now is the time to let me know of your interest.

It was good to see so many of you at AMERIPEX!

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## The Editor's Notebook

By Joe F. Frye

This may be the last you'll hear from me as Editor, since President Wayne Rindone says he has two active prospects and a third has contacted me (and been referred to him) in mid-July. In any event, copy is needed for the next — and subsequent — issues of our journal and please do not sit on your hands, typewriters, or word processors. This or the next editor(s) need(s) this continuous flow of text to keep our club and its publication vital and useful.

AMERIPEX was tiring, big, impressive, quite surprising in its efficiency of operation (no problems noted by me, and I looked for them), and I trust was enjoyed by everyone. It seemed that was the case, from what was said to me and in my presence at the event and what I have read since in print and correspondence. My hat is off and a deep bow of compliment offered to Bud Henning, Les Winick, and the 'cast of thousands' who made it a memorable and moving event in every way.

Sorry I was not able to meet personally with more of the SCC people due to other demands on my time and presence, and sheer tiredness and yes, laziness, which kept me in my little cubbyhole across the street each evening. I did stick my nose in at the open membership meeting and the Board of Directors meeting, and saw — though I was not able to speak personally to some of them — many old and new friends in SCC.

Thank you for your indispensable help in keeping this ship of information along the waves. Keep up the good work, the manuscripts, and the suggestions.

Almost anyone who can cpel kat kin be an editor. It takes authors to make a publication worthwhile, and, in our special case, the associate editors — who do the Tom Sawyer fence-painting job for this editor and make him look better than he really is.

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#### Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation Update

#### By Alan Warren

Quite a number of SPF members were present for the Foundation meeting held at the conclusion of the SCC meeting at AMERIPEX. Those who stopped by the SCC booth got a chance to see the newly translated *AFA Specialkatalog*. This will update the information given in this column in the May *Posthorn*, some of which was erroneous. Not all portions of the catalog have been translated. The sections that do appear in the English version published by SPF are: Foreword, definition of terms,

Denmark to 1947 (up to the Liberation Fund issue), the Danish officials, military stamps, postage due, late fee, parcel post, and newspaper stamps. The concluding section of the translation is the Greenland section of the original catalog.

The pricing information was not recopied. However, all of the illustrations appearing in the original work in these sections have been faithfully reproduced. The **AFA Specialized Catalog** in English is \$27.50 postpaid (\$25.00 for SPF members), from the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.

A meeting of the Foundation's trustees was held during AMERIPEX and a number of current and potential future projects were discussed. Some of the latter would be premature to announce at this time, but are of such magnitude as to require resources over the next ten years.

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## The Executive Secretary Speaks

By William H. Lamkin

#### **AMERIPEX**

AMERIPEX has come and gone. For those of us able to attend, there are not enough superlatives to adequately describe the show. It was totally mind-boggling. Never has there been such fine and beautiful displays of stamps. Never has there been so many varieties accumulated under one roof. I doubt that there has ever been so many nations involved and represented by their postal departments in one single event. Even our own USPS put on a display second to none. Les Winick (1609) and his crew are to be congratulated for a superb job well done!

SCC has gained 34 paid new members as a direct result of the show. I expect many more to result from the membership applications passed out by those manning our table and APS. In cruising about the show, I noted that our table had as many and generally more people asking about our club then any of the others. It made me proud that I am a member of the SCC.

Nearly 200 SCC members signed in at our table. I am sure that some present did not sign in. There is no estimate of how many people stopped by and inquired about our club. We handed out over 200 membership applications during AMERIPEX.

68 members signed in at the SCC general meeting: about 5% of our membership. There were members attending from Finland, Iceland, Denmark, Sweden, France, USA and Lawrenceville, Georgia!

#### **Delinquent Dues**

Elsewhere in this issue of *The Posthorn* is a listing of those members delinquent in their 1986 dues. Dues for each year are due and payable by December 31 of the previous year. Those who traditionally wait until the last minute will be in for a surprise when they find out they must pay U.S. \$10.00 instead of the usual amount. This is because the board of directors have increased the dues to that amount for 1987. The overseas airmail rate remains U.S. \$6.00.

If any member knows any of those on the delinquent list, please tell them of their plight or let me know and I will take what steps are necessary to keep them in the fold. This is especially true for those who are deceased. I have no way of knowing of such events unless I get a word from the member's family. I do not like to continue to send dues notices when the member has passed away.

#### Life Membership

With an increase of dues almost on us, have you ever thought about a life membership? For 20 times one year's dues you can become a life member and have no more worries about dues. Think about it! It can be accomplished for U.S. \$160.00 until December 31, 1986. After that it will be U.S. \$200.00. What more can you ask for a bargain?





## Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

In Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift 1/1986, Hennig Nielsen continues the series on Danish wrappers with the 5 øre arms type of 1882-1905, and Niels Klottrup writes about post cards sent from the USA to Denmark around 1900. In Norsk Filatelistisk Tidsskirft 3/1986, Inge Johansen begins a series of the topical of bicycles in cancels and stamps, and two more installments appear — Snarvold's on the posthorn issues and Gjelsvik's on ship-post.

The February 1986 issue of the Postal History Society's Postal History Journal carries the third part of the series on the German packet mails to and from St. Thomas, DWI, by Bob Stone. This section discusses use of the HAPAG stamp and loose ship-letters, with an inventory of these HAPAG covers. Dansk Filatelist Tidsskrift for February 1986 carries an article by Ib Pedersen on the use of coil and vending machine stamps in Denmark during the period 1895-1933, and Dan Laursen begins a column reporting on the Scandinavian philatelic scene in the USA, principally on awards received at the various shows.

In the "Philatelic Reports" Nr. 53 (March 1986), the FG Nordische Staaten furnishes short items from the specialty groups as usual. In this issue, Gunter F. Tölcke illustrates receival marks used in the Faroes in recent years, and the Norwegian group continues the listing of proofs, essays, and reprints. In the Swedish section appears an article on the first vending machine stamps by Nils Falk.

Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift for February 1986 announces the awarding of the Kjøbenhavns Philatelist Klub's medal to Knud Mohr, chairman of both KPK and the Danish Federation of Philatelists. Flemming Hansen provides details on certain printings of the 10 øre green wavy line issue of Denmark, and Niels Klottrup writes about postage due on mail between Iceland and Denmark prior to 1908. Beginning with this issue, the editor provides a brief summary of the contents in English.

Scandinavian Contact for March 1986, published in England, announces their new editor George Wewiora replaces P.S.S.F. Marsden. Olgar Ellis provides two more installments in her series on Norway parcel post, and R.M. Fishenden describes plate

flaws of the 30 öre large official of Sweden. In *Norsk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for April, 1986 Egil H. Thomassen writes about the early night airmail routes, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Moss airport. Göran Nykvist describes a cover sent from Norway to Finland in 1864, via Sweden.

In the March, 1986 issue of *Het Noorderlicht* from Holland, J.L. Jvangean continues the series on Spitsbergen issues and polar post, and J.C. ter Welle writes about various Danish cancellations, beginning with the varieties of concentric circle marks. In the March 1986 issue of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrif*, Niels Klottrup writes about (and illustrates) covers sent abroad from Denmark and then returned for a variety of reasons. In some cases, the accumulated way markings just about cover every inch of the envelope. Ib Pedersen continues the series on Danish coil and vending machine stamps, with many examples on cover.

The May-June issue of *Norsk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* carries a short article on airmail of the route Nidaros-Tromsø in June 1930, by Knut Richard Rasmussen, and Gunnar Melbøe begins a series on the Norwegian postal system. His first article discusses the earliest regulations, beginning with the prohibition against sending letters by any means other than the official post.

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## **Transfers & Reentries**

By Alan Warren

The January/March 1986 issue of the War Cover Club Bulletin carries an inquiry from Per Ronberg of Denmark. He collects Danish military mail and seeks information regarding a cover he has, sent from Charleston, SC in 1950 to the Office of Naval Attache in Copenhagen via "Mail and Dispatch Sec. OP 32, Navy Department, Washington 25, DC." He would like more information about this particular address. Ronberg has another cover with a U.S. Navy cancel of June 4, 1947, sent from "Chefen for Grønlandske Marinekommando" to Vice Admiral A.H. Vedel in Hellerup. The Naval post office is identified as U.S. Navy 11060 BR, but is not listed in Robert T. Murphy's Locations and Assignments, WW II & Later. Again, Ronberg would appreciate additional information anyone could provide on this cover. Responses can be sent to Per Ronberg, c/o Ray Merriam, Editor, 218 Beech St., Bennington, VT 05201.

For collectors of war covers from any period, membership in the War Cover Club is worthwhile. Membership information can be obtained from Secretary-Treasurer Chris Kulpinski, Box 464, Feasterville, PA 19047. Another group which is closely related to the WCC is the Civil Censorship Study Group. Their interests are directed to censorship of covers by civil authorities rather than military markings. Information on membership in the CCSG can be obtained from Dann Mayo, 840 West 71st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64114. The War Cover Club will hold its 1986 convention at SEPAD in Valley Forge, PA September 12-14, 1986.

The U.S. Commissioner to HAFNIA 87, being held in Copenhagen next year, is Fred F. Blau. A prospectus and information about the show can be obtained from him at Box 59153, Chicago, IL 60659.

The latest monograph released by the FG Nordische Staaten in Germany is a detailed listing of the bridge cancels of Denmark used since 1945. The compilation of

130 bound pages was put together by a half dozen specialists in this area — Klaus Eitner, Helmuth Hadler, Gerd Kuckuck, Harm Mögenburg, Jurgen Raecke, and Walter Suhrbier. The listing is alphabetical by town place name and includes type, dimensions, and earliest and latest known usage. Membership in this group brings one copy of each monograph published by the organization automatically. Although their publications are in German, a catalog such as this is easy to understand. Membership information can be obtained from Dieter Fullrich, Postfach 1422, 2090 Winsen/Luhe, Federal Republic of Germany.

Andre Schittecatte, president of the International Federation of Stamp Dealers' Associations, writes in the May 1986 IFSDA Report that this year and next the centers of international philatelic activity will be North America and Scandinavia, which also happened about ten years ago. At that time the major shows included INTERPHIL 76 and CAPEX 78, as well as the 1974 and 1976 shows in Stockholm and Copenhagen. This year are AMERIPEX and STOCKHOLMIA, and next year CAPEX and HAFNIA.

Another item in this same issue refers to an article in the March 1986 issue of *Nachrichtenblatt*, the publication of the Federation of German Stamp Dealers. The article complains about the sad state of affairs in that country with respect to the so-called "federal experts", who are charged with delays, high costs of expertising, errors in opinions, and even refusal to expertise certain stamps. The federal experts system is a monopoly that is in apparent need of a major overhaul. The story seems to be another chapter in the long saga of expertising problems which collectors must face.

Further information on HAFNIA 87 has come to hand. This interntional exhibition has the patronage of FIP as well as Queen Margrethe II. The show will be held in Copenhagen's Bella Center October 16-25, 1987. At the same time, the Copenhagen Philatelic Club (KPK) will celebrate its 100th anniversary. Knud Mohr, who is president of KPK as well as the Danish Federation, is also president of HAFNIA 87, and Henrik Eis is secretary general.

Commissioners include Juhani Olamo, Finland; Gunnar R. Einarsson, Iceland; Arne Thune-Larsen, Norway; and Hasse F. Brockenhuus v. Löwenhielm, Sweden. Four miniature sheets are being released by Denmark to promote the show, and on September 1, 1986 the Faroes will release a sheet of three stamps to mark the forthcoming exhibition. Bulletin I for the HAFNIA show has already been released, and contains articles on KPK, early 19th century covers of Copenhagen, and the aforementioned sheets, all in English. If you want to be on the mailing list for future releases about HAFNIA 87, send your name and address to HAFNIA 87, Box 805, 2100 København Ø, Denmark. A seperate organization has been established, known as HAFNIA 87 Services, to help visitors plan their travel arrangements.

And just around the corner from the Copenhagen show looms FINLANDIA 88, scheduled for June 1-12 of that year, also a FIP sponsored show. This show will be held at Helsinki's Exhibition and Congress Centre, located in the Pasila section of the capital. The FINLANDIA 88 organizing committee treated exhibitors at AMERIPEX to a steak dinner in an effort to woo them to Finland two years from now. President of the exhibition is Christian Sundman, and vice presidents are Kaj Hellman and Kari Rahiala. For further information, write to FINLANDIA 88, Box 990, 00101 Helsinki, Finland.

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## Scandinavian Area Awards

By Alan Warren

Constance Frigault received a bronze at Filatelic Fiesta for "Norwegian Post Horn Design", and Benny Brown won a silver at ALAPEX in Alabama for "Faroe Islands". At SUNPEX in Orlando, Wade H. Beery took third awards for "Åland" and "Sweden Honors Nobel Laureates". At DELPEX, Alfred A. Gruber won a silver as well as the award for the best entry by a novice for his "Denmark — The Letter Collection Cancels".

PANPEX in Panama City, FL honored the late H.F. Plesner, an SCC member, and his sons displayed his award winning collection of "Greenland Postmarks". The Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation's book, Sweden Coat of Arms Öre Values won a silver in the literature section of COLOPEX 86 in Ohio. At FRESPEX, Constance Frigault's Norwegian posthorn design entry took a silver, and Paul Blake won a bronze for "War Time Correspondence Scandinavia to U.S."

Winand Hess won a vermeil at SANDICAL for "Finland Stampless Mail". Betty Rutherford took a second award in the covers of Iowa's CERAPEX for "Faroe Islands Mail". At the same show, in the foreign group, Gayland Ricklefs received a second award for "Types and Varieties of Greenland", and the third award went to Christopher Dahle for "Booklets and Coils from Sweden".





## Library News

By Stanley H. Hanson, SCC Librarian

Thanks to Fred Bloedow, Ron Collin, Frank Mooney, Rudolf Hämar, The Estonian Philatelic Society of New York and Sweden, and Alan Warren for their contributions to our Library.

So good to see so many of you at AMERIPEX SCC Lounge.

Need Library material? See your Library Index for details as to how you can receive it.

See you at STOCKHOLMIA 86.

#### Supplemental List No. 12 Calalogs & Miscellaneous Items

A-259-EG Eesti, Estonia, Estland. Handbook and catalogue of philately and postal history. V. Hurt, Elmar Ojaste, English and German, 1986. Published by the Estonian Philatelic Society of New York and Sweden, this is the first such produced in a quarter-century. Amply illustrated, includes maps, tables, and much back-of-the-book detail. Thorough coverage. Priced Swedish crowns. 10x7", 768 pp. Excellent in every way.

#### Denmark

- **D-250-D**DAKA 1986 catalog of Classic material of DWI, Greenland, and Faroes. Priced (at "market") in Danish crowns. Danish text. Pocket-size 3½x7", 122 pp, illustrated.
- D-251-G Die Kreissleg Stempel von D\u00e4nemark ab 1945. The crosswalk cancels of Denmark from 1945. Eitner, Hadler, Kuckuck, M\u00f6genburg, Raecke, and Suhrbier. German, 1985. Lists/catalogs the titular cancel type. Many tables, illustrated, 8x12", 132 pp. From the Denmark study unit of IMBDPheV.

#### Norway

N-302-G Katalogisierung der Norwegischen Lokalposten (Bypost). Jurgen Tiemer, 1984, German. List/catalog of Norwegian (Local Post) Byposts. Illustrated, 8½x11", 50 pp. From the Norway study unit of IMBDpheV.

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#### New Members for August 1986

2953	PICKETT, George J., 1207 East 117th, No. 1, Kansas C	City, Mo 64131	
	Scandinavia, RPO's.	By Lamkin 2561	
2954	SMITH, Julius D., P.O. Box 1147, Goldenrod, FL 3273	3-1147	
	Scandinavia, US, Canada, Israel, France.	By Lamkin 2561	
2955	LUND, John W., 321 North 5th Street, Apt. 25, Klama	th Falls, OR 97601	
	Scandinavia.	By Lamkin 2561	
2956	GLADSTONE, Robert M.	By Lamkin 2561	
2957	로마트		
	Scandinavia, Iceland, Greenland.	By Lamkin 2561	
2958	MITTELHOLTZ, Jeff	By Lamkin 2561	
2959			
	Scandinavia, China, Algeria.	By Lamkin 2561	
2960	MOODY, Gary R., 5442 Miller Avenue, Dallas, TX 752	06	
	Swedish town cancels.	By Lamkin 2561	
2961	FRIGAULT, Constance M., 456 Michael Place, Sebasto		
	Norwegian post horn designs.	By Lamkin 2561	
2962	TORBJORN, Bjork, Baltzarsg. 19, S-211 36, Malmö, Sv	7/42/05/0	
	1 - 1876 15 - 15 - 15 - 15 - 15 - 15 - 15 - 15	By Lamkin 2561	
2963	NIELSEN, Finn, Kattesundet 4, 1458 København 4, Der		
	Scandinavia.	By Melberg 1678	
2964	REES, Charlotte, 699 Morgan Way, El Cajon, CA 9202		
	Scandinavia, Swedish booklets.	By Lamkin 2561	
2965	CLEVELAND, Samuel P., 5601 Green Valley Drive,		
	55437, Sweden, Denmark.	By Lamkin 2561	

2966	RAHIALA, Kari, Laivurinrinne 2AF, SF-00120 Helsinki,	
	Finland, postal stationery.	By Lamkin 2561
2967	PAASKESEN, Erik, Beukenlaan 16, 1980 Tervuren, Belgi	
		By Rindone L-36
2968	KLEIN, Arthur, 30 Church Street, Hudson, OH 44236	5
	DWI revenues, Denmark.	By Gruber 1049
2969	CERRATO, Peter.	By Bloedow L-24
2970	LUCAS, William R.	By Kopp 2725
2971	SONNENBERG, Richard O., 419 Orlena Avenue, Long I	
27/1	Denmark, Norway, US, Canada.	By Hanson 974
2972	BENSON, Noel, Route 3, Box 410, Bemidji, MN 56601	by Hanson 774
2312	Norway, Greenland, Iceland.	By Richter 720
2973	SERDY, Michael, 2180 St. Andrews Road, Half Moon Ba	
2913	US classics, Canada, New Zealand, Scandinavia.	By Richter 720
2974		
	GERSENBACH, Wolfgang.	By Richter 720
2975	RICHARDSON, Mrs. Shelby L., Route 1, Three Hillcre	
	TX 76634, Scandinavia.	By Bloedow L-24
2976	RÖLVAAG, Paul F., 3260 Sandeen Road, Arden Hills, N	
	Norway, Iceland.	By Richter 720
2977	NIELSEN, Dr. Jack, 2530 East Dale Court, Bettendorf, 1	
		By Richter 720
2978	MANCHESTER, Miles B., 9508 Rockport Road, Vienna,	VA 22180
	US, Denmark, world wide.	By Richter 720
2979	TENNENT, Alex, Route 5, Box 267A, Mountain Home,	AR 72653
	Scandinavia, Hong Kong.	By Hanson 974
2980	RAINESALO, Charles R., 621 Burkhart Avenue, Erie, P.	A 16511
	US, Finland.	By Lamkin 2561
2981	981 JOHANNESSON, Saevar, Rettarholtsvegur 65, 108 Reykjavik, Iceland	
	Faroes, Greenland, US & British WWII Icelandic postmarks. By Mooney 1870	
2982	WELLS, William E., 151 Grumman Avenue, Norwalk, C	T 06851
	Iceland, Greenland, Finland.	By Merikallio 1736
2983	BARHAM, Terry, 1101 Cypress, Vandenberg AFB, CA 9	3437
	DWI, Greenland, Iceland, Faroes, Schleswig.	By Lamkin 2561
2984	LONDON, Joel R., Box 52, F.P.O. NY 09571	
	Iceland, Greenland, Bahrian.	By Mooney 1870
2985	JOHNSON, Keith F., 1975 La Salle, Ottawa, IL 61350	_,
	Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Iceland.	By Lamkin 2561
2986	GOERINGER, Gerald C., 6801 Buttermere Lane, Betheso	
2700	Scandinavia, GB, Canada, Mexico, Australia, France.	By Lamkin 2561
2987	WALTON, Michael, P.O. Box 156, Gilbertsville, NY 137	
2901	Greenland, Scandinavia.	By Lamkin 2561
2988	JORGENSON, John A., 14 Coventry Lane, Riverside, C.	T 06878 1803
2900	JOROLISON, John A., 14 Coventry Lane, Riverside, C.	By Lamkin 2561
2989	MALCH Jr., Robert L., 2645 Clearbrook Circle, Orlando	
2707		
2000	Faroes, Greenland, Pitcairn, Viet Nam.	By Lamkin 2561
2990	SIM Jr., Andrew, 1306 Dakota Drive, Elgin, IL 60120	D., I
	Scandinavia, Canada, GB, US.	By Lamkin 2561

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1417	OMBERG, Robert E., 10026 Tenbrook Drive, Silver Springs, MD 20901
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2395	STREETER, Ronald M., P.O. Box 60160, Sacramento, CA 95860-0548
1425	PARKER, C. Angus, 48 Conduit Street, London W1R 9FB, England
2941	KROLL, Andrew W., P.O. Box 383, Prospect Heights, IL 60070-0383
2040	VENNESLAND, T. E., 104 Green Street, Schuylerville, NY 12871
1782	JANGAARD, P. M., 22 Milsom Avenue, Halifax, NS., Canada B3N 2B9
2477	LUTHER, William T., 59 East Augusta Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10308
2375	CERCHIO, Nicholas L., Nine Genmay Drive, Wilmington, DE 19804
2216	PECKEL, Allan K., P.O. Box 177, Croton, NY 10520
2784	ZEITLER, Arthur W., P.O. Box 2888, Corpus Christi, TX 78403
2936	PALMBERG, Robert, 55 Harbour Square, Toronto, ON M5J 2L1 Canada
2869	MAWHINEY, Michael C., 403 Gray, Joplin, MO 64801
2896	REYMERS, Howard E., 39 Briarfield Lane, Huntington, NY 11743
2768	LINDHOLM, John, 42 Glendale, Fremont, OH 43420
1745	LONG, William A., 123 Riverfront Drive, Cashmere, WA 98815
2548	McKENZIE, Robert A., 420 Shorewood Drive, East Falmouth, MA 02536
2312	KAUP, Karl L., 31 Halawa Drive, Honolulu, HI 96818
2094	LASSEN Jeffrey K 547 Tucker Street, Craig, CO 81625

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Iay Membership Summary:       10         Regular Members       10	189
	38
Total Membership	34
Honorary Members	1
Life Members	1
New Members	34
Deceased	-2
Total Adjustment	34
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Life Members	39
Regular Members	21
Total Membership11	68

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2623	ALEVIZOS, George	2440	NELSEN, Arthur J.	
2493	BACON, William	2515	NELSON, Craig S.	
2642	BAGARUS, Douglas P.	2436	NEWMAN, Charles G.	
790	BANKS, William J.	2858	OGREN, Joe	
2596	BESTON, Bernard P.	2735	OLSON, Scott R.	
1443	BILDEN, William O.	2157	PALOCHIK, Andy M.	
2266	BOARDMAN, Tim	967	PATZER, Raymond J.	
2594	CAMERON, John L.	2835	PETERSON, Raymond	
2508	CARLSON, Alan B.	2785	PHILLIPS, L. GENE	
2599	COVEY, Robert D.	2544	PITTMAN, Barbara W.	
2831	CRAMER, Robert	2714	ROCKWELL, J. S.	
2447	DANATIS, Rimas	2665	ROME, Jeffrey O.	
1321	ECKERT, Alan C.	2848	SATTERLY, Dr. R. Allen	
2470	ERIKSSON, Arne M. S.	2222	SCOTTLER, Hartwig	
2873	FAIRCLOTH, Jeffrey M.	2460	SCHULTZ, Larry P.	
2106	FREDERIKSEN, Dr. Ole	2857	SHAEVEL, Mark L.	
2548	HALLGRIMSSON, Eysteinn	979	SNYDER, Jacob E.	
2124	HARADA, Hajime	1278	SPILLER, Roy L.	
2865	HARRIS, David G.	2562	STROMBERG, Veikko O.	
2851	HOLMBERG, Nels J.	2463	SUNDSTROM, Bjorn	
1895	HORN, J. Michael	2843	SUPOSKI, Joseph W.	
2416	HUNTER, B. H.	2719	SWERDLOW, E. Christian Lang	
1681	IVES, Capt. Jon R.	2307	THULSTRUP, Erik W.	
2287	JOHNSON, Edwin J.	2705	VIK, Tore	
738	JOHNSON, Willard S.	2822	WADSWORTH, Barry J.	
1850	KAPLOW, Bernard	2875	WEIBULL, Lauritz	
2752	KAWALER, Michael	891	WENNERSTEN, Harold	
1953	LARSON, Jon Erik	2310	WINGETT, M. Anne	
2786	LEO, David	1937	YORK, Howard P.	
2609	LIVESEY, Robert E.			

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### Youngest SCC Member

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