



The
POSTHORNTM

"The Bank of Scandinavian Philatelic Knowledge"



1857 1 Sk Bco Blue?
(See Page 9)

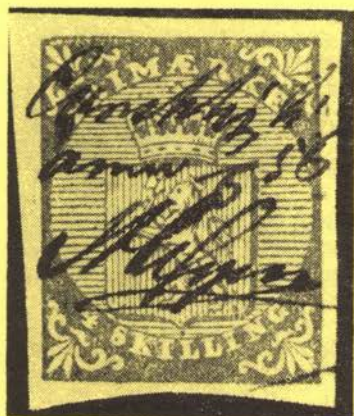
OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE SCANDINAVIAN COLLECTORS CLUB

Affiliate 79, American Philatelic Society

(USPS 603680, ISSN 0551-6817)

Do you collect stamps or covers from **NORWAY**

Every year we have a turnover concerning Norwegian philatelic material bigger than any dealer or auction house in the world! Our main activity is auctions, and in this field we are one of the leading firms in Scandinavia.



4 skilling Coat of Arms with manuscript cancellation from the famous steamship "Constitutionen." Sold for Nkr 72.000, (ca. \$9,000) in our auction in Oslo October 15, 1983.

Our auctions also include fine objects from most other countries (Scandinavia, England, Br. Commonwealth, Western Europe, USA, Canada). We are always searching for better material for future auctions, or give an offer buying for cash.

We also issue Lists with special offers priced from \$5 to \$3000. A copy of our latest List as well as the next auction catalogue will be sent free on request.



Elisenbergveien 19 (02) 441914
P.O. Box 3088, Elisenberg Oslo 2

NORWAY



The
POSTHORN

Official Publication of the
SCANDINAVIAN COLLECTORS CLUB
Published Quarterly
Copyright 1987 Scandinavian Collectors Club

Vol. 44, No. 3

August 1987

Whole No. 171

Table of Contents

| | |
|---|---------|
| Book's Technical Data Opens New Fields | Page 3 |
| An Eye-Catching Skilling Banco Letter | Page 9 |
| Notes on DWI Postage Due Covers | Page 12 |
| Perfins of Finland — Cover of the Month | Page 14 |
| Greenland Expert Documents His Argument | Page 20 |
| Sweden to Scotland . . . But Oops! | Page 24 |
| This Finn's Viewpoint of CAPEX 87 | Page 26 |
| Cancel Clinic | Page 27 |
| Scandinavian Literature Notes | Page 29 |
| Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation Update | Page 30 |
| DAKA 1987 — A Review | Page 31 |
| SCC Winners at COMPEX | Page 31 |
| Chance to Join New SCC Chapters Offered | Page 32 |
| Presentation Highlights Chicago Meeting | Page 33 |
| What's Happening in Finland | Page 34 |
| Scandinavian Area Awards | Page 35 |
| Transfer & Reentries | Page 36 |
| President's Message | Page 39 |
| Editor's Notebook | Page 40 |
| Library News | Page 41 |
| Executive Secretary Speaks | Page 42 |
| Membership Report | Page 43 |
| HAFNIA Miniature Sheet | Page 47 |
| SCC Convention Hotel Reservation Form | Page 48 |

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: Sept. 25, 1987

Editor: Gene Lesney
858 Howe Drive, Salinas, CA 93907
Phone: (408) 758-1507
Executive Secretary: William H. Lamkin
P.O. Box 302, Lawrenceville, GA 30246
Business Manager (Advertising):
H.J. "Pete" Schlueter, P.O. Box 75281
Los Angeles, CA 90075

THE POSTHORN (ISSN 0551-6817) is published quarterly by The Scandinavian Collectors Club. Membership, including subscription, \$10 per year. Contact Executive Secretary for membership & change of address. Advertising rates & terms available from Business Manager. Second class postage paid at Madrid, Iowa 50156. Copyright 1986 by The Scandinavian Collectors Club.
POSTMASTER: Send Form 3579 to THE POSTHORN, Box 302, Lawrenceville, GA 30246.

GLOBALIA — your stamp partner in Scandinavia . . .



København 16-25 October 1987

Meet us in our stand no. B4-022 at the HAFNIA '87 exhibition

—viewing arrangement for our Hafnia-auction to take place
Friday 23. October in Copenhagen.

—Private treaty sale — if you prefer to deal on a cash basis we
will have some good offers to make you in our stand.

Specializing in Scandinavia

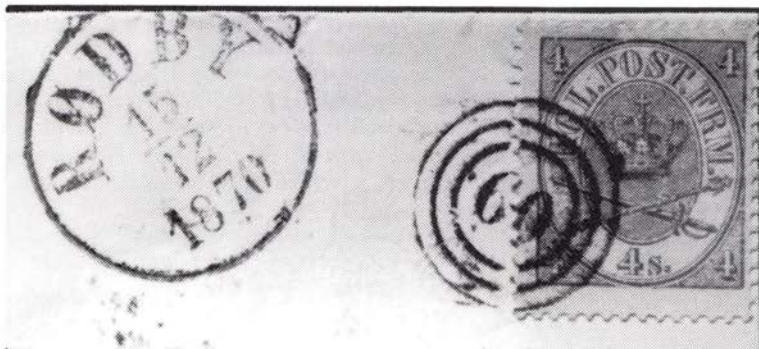
Participate in coming auctions as a buyer or a vendor. Please send for a free sample copy of our big illustrated catalogue immediately.

Buying

We are always interested in buying your collection or better classics for cash. Please write us for further information.



GLOBALIA INTERNATIONAL STAMPS AUCTIONS ApS
Bogensevej 28, DK-5270 Odense N, Denmark Phone 0111 459 182343



Actual examples of cancels on cover or piece (as above) were used to authenticate true measurements to within .25mm of all cancels and to verify usage dates.

Book's Technical Data Opens New Fields For Danish Numeral Handstamp Collectors

(In our May Issue an introductory article about Hansen and Tester's new book "Danish Handstamps 1851-1884" stirred up quite a lot of interest among collectors of this popular specialty. As a follow-up, Hansen has provided the text of Chapter 13, which explains a prime source of data for the unpublished English language reference.)

Reviewed by Gene Lesney, Editor

This new manuscript, co-authored by Glenn F. Hansen of Canada and the late Henry E. Tester of England, may very well be the most important project to date for English-reading collectors of early Danish handstamp cancels. Its solid data base comes directly from the *NORDFRIMEX '85 Katalog*, which in turn comes from the extensive, computerized study conducted by the expert JKE group in Denmark.

Consisting of Hans Ehlern Jessen, Henning Kaaber and Henrik Eis, the JKE trio studied covers (entires or piece) with cancels that could be positively dated for usage. These were gathered from collectors and other sources worldwide. They went deeper in the subject than any previous researchers by measuring the components of the cancels to within .25mm and identified and dated different versions of each cancel they catalogued. The results provided extensive detailed data on the existence of all known mute (early target types) and numeral handstamps.

The study yielded the identities of 557 varieties, not including the variants of Kjøbenhavn No. 1. In the process JKE proved the existence, for example, of Christiansholm using 204 in the 1857-59 period and the use of 48 at Nykjøbing Jylland between 1852 and 1856.

New Challenge for Specialists

What Hansen and Tester have accomplished is both a translation and digest of the extensive data from the *NORDFRIMEX '85 Katalog*. The English version has a more simplified presentation of the tables in two parts; the first dealing with the pre-war period 1851-64, and the second covering the period from 1864 to 1884. In the

few instances where cancels were used in both periods, they are listed in both tables.

With their book, the co-authors Hansen and Tester have made the collection of Danish numeral cancels and mute forerunners even more interesting and more of a challenge for the specialists who read only English! It will no longer be possible to simply collect single examples of each numeral; instead there will have to be concentrated efforts to collect all forms of each numeral. Prices are not expected to be a factor. In each period of usage there are relatively inexpensive stamps on which the various numeral cancels can be found.

The new demand for exact measurements is perhaps too technical, but the true specialist will accept the task. Ordinary millimeter rulers can be used.

Tables Modified for Easy Reference

A number of the superfluous listings in the JKE study have been eliminated. For example, the initials of those collectors credited for providing covers for each earliest and latest usage entry have been omitted. These are meaningless to most specialists unless the initials are their's. In the area of spelling town and post office names, the authors followed the JKE guidance by using the old Danish spellings. However, several spellings in the table disagree with the text. These are some of the post offices in the Danish duchies (pre-1864) which are spelled in the German versions.

The "Number" column is self-explanatory. And, the "Figure" column uses Danish expert Svend Arnholtz' numerical listings for accuracy and a cross-reference. "Color" of inking is also listed, but holds little variety from basic black. Only a few blue and even fewer blue-green and red cancels are found in the earlier period. Violet cancels are known used later and a red-brown cancel is known used at Kjøbenhavn.

As to measurement, it should be noted that three columns in order list the diameter of the outside ring "O/SR" and inside ring "I/SR," and the height of the numeral "NUM." As mentioned previously, these are accurate to .25mm. This data will undoubtedly prove to be the most controversial aspect of specialization.

Under the "Issued" heading, the authors have consolidated the different references to forms of issuance for the handstamps which translate to English as Assigned, Delivered, Engraved and Changed. Also, the original tables used the term "Ca" indicating Circa in reference to the fact that handstamps were mailed out in batches to various post offices but obviously did not arrive on the exact dates listed.

Dates of Usage Established

"Earliest" and "Latest" columns of course list the known usage for each handstamp. The "Withdrawn" heading serves as a consolidation of references to Returned, Discontinued, Cashiered and Repaired. Often the changed or repaired handstamps were put back into service at the post office involved; and this resulted in a clear second period of usage for that particular handstamp. In other cases, the changed or repaired canceler was used only as a reserve unit and its use would be spasmodic and perhaps even rare.

The authors have provided extensive footnotes to explain the tables. Most note the correlation of table data with the text and save the reader from backtracking into what has already been read.

The only area not well-covered is the Kjøbenhavn No. 1 cancel. According to Arnholtz, there were at least 20 versions and there is no reason to call this tally a limit. Fortunately, the 20 enumerated and illustrated by Arnholtz in his book are visually distinct and have been broadly identified as to periods of usage. The JKE group has yet to complete its own study for publication.

The co-authors point out that their text and tables are not intended to supplant the use of the *NORDFRIMEX '85 Katalog*. They suggest this Danish language presentation of the JKE data can be used by non-Danish reading collectors, who should be able to struggle through the extensive chart and tables — until a complete, detailed English translation is published. *NORDFRIMEX '85* remains the state-of-the-art effort on Danish handstamps thanks to the JKE trio of experts.

If any criticism is warranted on Hansen and Tester's new manuscript, it would have to be limited to comments on the clumbersome writing style so often found in technical texts written by researchers. They tend to over-qualify each statement. The resulting text is over-punctuated and contains too many contrived, compound sentences — a real bear to read!

(Editor's note: The following charts serve only as appetizers to the full text of Hansen and Tester's new book. But the charts do introduce the new numbering system for listing the 557 varieties of numeral cancels which evolved from measuring the rings and numbers, together with dating usage from examples on cover or piece. Danish numeral specialists have a lot to look forward to when the book is available from the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation.)

DANISH MUTE AND NUMERAL HANDSTAMPS 1851-1864 (Pre-War)

(Adopted from NORDFRIMEX '85 Katalog)

| POST OFFICE | Num. # | Figure | Color | O/SR | I/SR | Num. | Issued | Earliest | Latest | Withdrawn |
|----------------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| KJØBENHAVN | Mute 1 | | BlGrn | | | | 01.04.51 | 01.04.51 | 07.04.51 | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | | 08.04.51 | 20.10.52 | |
| | Comb M Mute | | Black | | | | | 02.06.51 | 02.07.51 | |
| | N 1-1 | | Black | | | | 29.10.52 | 31.10.52 | | |
| HAMBURG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 10.11.51 | 17.06.52 | 04.06.53 |
| | N 2-1 | 27Arn. | Black | 17.00 | 9.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 03.08.55 | 11.08.57 | 07.12.59 |
| | N 2-2 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 5.50 | | 18.03.57 | 06.20.60 | |
| | N 2-2 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| | N 2-3 | 28Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | | 24.07.58 | 27.02.64 | |
| | N 2-3 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| LUBECK | N 2-4 | 29Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 6.00 | 31.12.59 | 02.01.60 | 16.06.64 | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 30.09.51 | Unknown | Used | 03.11.52 |
| AALBORG | N 3 * | | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 04.11.52 | 03.68 | 01.05.68 |
| | N 3 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.52 | 24.04.51 | 29.10.52 | 03.11.52 |
| AARHUS | N 4-1 | 31Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 03.11.52 | 16.10.57 | |
| | N 4-2* | 32Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 9.75 | 4.75 | 12.11.57 | 20.12.57 | 18.07.66 | |
| | N 4-3 | 33Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 26.10.63 | 19.12.63 | 19.06.64 | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 01.04.51 | 29.10.52 | |
| AABENRAA | N 5-1 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 07.11.52 | 01.08.55 | |
| | N 5-2* | 36Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 10.10.54 | 12.10.54 | 09.01.63 | |
| | N 5-3* | 35Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.75 | | 27.04.63 | 12.09.72 | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 30.08.51 | 27.10.52 | 02.11.52 |
| ASSENS | N 6 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 10.01.53 | 20.06.64 | |
| | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 12.05.51 | 30.10.52 | 08.11.52 |
| | N 7-1 | 38Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 03.11.52 | 16.12.60 | 20.10.73 |
| | N 7-2* | 39Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.25 | 5.50 | 16.01.61 | 21.07.61 | 07.02.76 | |
| BOGENSE | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 24.11.51 | 11.10.52 | 25.11.52 |
| | N 8-1 | 41Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 07.01.53 | 24.01.61 | |
| | N 8-2* | 42Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.50 | 6.00 | 07.12.61 | 30.04.63 | 17.04.83 | |
| BREDSTEDT | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 07.01.52 | 02.10.52 | 05.11.52 |
| | N 9 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 28.01.53 | 20.05.64 | |
| BURG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 15.06.51 | 06.08.52 | 08.11.52 |
| | N 10 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 4.75 | 29.10.52 | 14.06.53 | 27.05.64 | |
| CAPPELN | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 30.07.51 | 09.11.52 | 30.06.53 |
| | N 11-1 | 43Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 9.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 13.05.53 | 27.06.62 | |
| | N 11-2 | 44Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 01.10.62 | 29.10.62 | 07.06.64 | |
| CHRISTIANSFELD | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 10.01.52 | 08.09.52 | |
| | N 12 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 11.04.53 | 27.02.64 | |
| EBELTOFT | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 04.04.51 | 05.10.52 | 02.11.52 |
| | N 13* | 45Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 09.12.52 | 29.09.82 | |
| | N 13 | | Blue | | | | | | | |

| POST OFFICE | Num. # | Figure | Color | O/SR | I/SR | Num. | Issued | Earliest | Latest | Withdrawn |
|----------------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| ECKERNFORDE | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 16.11.51 | 12.09.52 | 05.11.52 |
| | N 14 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 18.11.52 | 29.06.64 | |
| | N 14 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| FAABORG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 03.08.51 | 01.10.52 | 01.11.52 |
| | N 15-1 | 47Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 11.03.53 | | |
| FLENSBURG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 31.05.51 | 28.10.52 | 02.11.52 |
| | N 16-1 | 50Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 04.11.52 | 18.06.57 | 26.06.57 |
| | N 16-2* | 51Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.50 | 17.06.57 | 19.06.57 | 18.06.84 | |
| FREDERICIA | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 25.06.51 | 28.10.52 | 08.11.52 |
| | N 17-1 | 53Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 27.02.53 | 11.04.64 | |
| | N 17-2* | 54Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.04.64 | 20.06.64 | 25.05.65 | |
| FREDERIKSBORG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 05.04.51 | 01.08.52 | 05.06.53 |
| | N 18-1* | 57Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 19.11.52 | 29.09.66 | 20.02.67 |
| FREDERIKSHAVN | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 23.04.51 | 22.10.52 | 05.11.52 |
| | N 19-1 | 59Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 02.12.52 | 14.07.58 | |
| | N 19-2* | 60Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 5.75 | 25.09.58 | 18.02.59 | 11.08.75 | |
| FREDERIKSSUND | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 02.10.51 | 22.10.52 | |
| | N 20-1* | 62Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 20.11.52 | 05.06.81 | |
| FRIEDRICHSTADT | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | .06.52 | 23.10.52 | 05.11.52 |
| | N 21-1 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 11.12.52 | 06.06.64 | |
| GRENAA | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 06.06.51 | 26.08.52 | |
| | N 22-1* | | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 07.01.53 | 29.08.73 | 25.06.80 |
| HADERSLEV | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 11.07.51 | 31.10.52 | 03.11.52 |
| | N 23-1 | 67Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 31.10.52 | .12.59 | |
| | Mute 4 | | Black | | | | 08.01.60 | 08.04.60 | | |
| N 23-2 | 68Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | | 14.05.60 | 09.02.64 | | |
| HELSINGØR | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 11.04.51 | 17.10.52 | 30.10.52 |
| | N 24-1 | 69Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 12.11.52 | 29.01.59 | 07.01.60 |
| | N 24-2* | 70Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.25 | 31.12.59 | 08.01.60 | 19.01.67 | |
| HIRSCHOLM | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 14.04.51 | 23.10.52 | 09.06.53 |
| | N 25-1 | 71Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 26.11.52 | 01.12.59 | |
| | N 25-2* | 72Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 12.09.60 | 15.06.61 | 15.08.82 | |
| HJØRRING | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 19.06.51 | 10.09.52 | 10.06.53 |
| | N 26-1* | 73Arn. | Black | 17.75 | 10.00 | 4.75 | 29.10.52 | 10.11.52 | 01.12.72 | |
| HOBRO | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 28.04.51 | 24.10.52 | 02.11.52 |
| | N 27-1 | 76Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 11.12.52 | .11.63 | |
| HOLBÆK | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 07.04.51 | 11.10.52 | 31.10.52 |
| | N 28-1* | 79Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 29.10.52 | 05.11.52 | 21.06.67 | |
| HOLSTEBRO | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 03.05.51 | 12.07.52 | 02.11.52 |
| | N 29-1* | 82Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 15.02.53 | 16.02.65 | 17.04.65 |
| HORSSENS | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 31.08.51 | 24.10.52 | 03.11.52 |
| | N 30-1 | 85Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 13.12.52 | 02.07.62 | |
| | N 30-2* | 87Arn. | Black | 18.50 | 11.50 | 4.50 | | 14.08.61 | 28.04.67 | |
| HUSUM | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.05.51 | 05.07.51 | 23.10.52 | 06.11.52 |
| | N 31-1 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 14.11.52 | 24.06.64 | |
| | N 31-1 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| KALUNDBORG | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 01.05.51 | 17.06.52 | 06.11.52 |
| | N 32-1 | 92Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 14.12.52 | 12.06.59 | |
| | N 32-2* | 93Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 07.12.61 | 20.04.66 | | |
| KÆRTEMINDE | Mute 1 | | Black | | | | 01.04.51 | 19.04.51 | 15.10.52 | 06.11.52 |
| | N 33-1* | 94Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 15.12.52 | 14.11.66 | |

During their period of usage, numeral and mute handstamps were sometimes in need of repair or were so damaged or worn they had to be replaced. When these cancelers were not available, post offices had to resort to other methods of canceling stamps. In some cases mute or date cancelers were used although this was against regulations. Quite often, the postal clerks simply canceled stamps by hand using a manuscript "X" or, sometimes, the numeral in use at that post office. The following is a list of known post offices using such cancelers. (All appear to have been struck in black ink.)

| | | | | | |
|------------|---------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| FLENSBURG | 27.01.54 (16) | SØNDERBORG | 10.08.51 (X) | NAKSKOV | 13.04.51 - 16.04.51 (X) |
| FREDERICIA | 11.04.51 (X) | VEJLE | 18.04.51 (X) | NÆSTVED | 09.04.51 - 11.04.51 (X) |
| NYBORG | 04.10.63 (46) | VIBORG | Ca 1858 (77) | NYSTED | 20.04.51 - 24.04.51 (X) |
| ODENSE | Ca 1852 (51) | SKELSKJØR | 10.04.51 (X) | SALGELSE | 03.04.51 - 12.04.51 (X) |
| RINGSTED | 10.04.51 (X) | HORST | 30.09.53 (X) | NORTORF | 30.03.54 - 30.05.54 (126) |
| RUDKJØBING | 11.04.51 (X) | MARNE | 02.02.54 (X) | BORDESHOLM | 15.11.54 - 28.07.57 (X) |
| RØDBY | 20.04.51 (X) | OLDESLOE | 09.11.53 (128) | | 03.03.54 - 01.07.54 (155) |
| SAKSJØBING | 10.04.51 (X) | GLUCKSTADT | 21.11.54 (JPX) (114) | HOLSTENSKE | 27.01.54 (JPK) (X) |
| | | | | LAND POST No. 5 | 15.07.53 (X) |

Notes:

KJØBENHAVN: This section will be expanded upon by the JKE group at a later date. According to Arnholtz there were at least 20 "1's" used here and a great deal of research is needed.

HAMBURG: These were the Danish forwarding post offices in Germany and were points of embarkation for mail ships going to LUBECK: Denmark. Later on Hamburg became a major railway center as well.

AABENRAA: Spelled APENRADE in our text.

MUTE 1: The mutes were all illustrated by Arnholtz and identified as Types I, Ia, II, III, and IV. These were shown as figures 1 to 5. See page 4 for the illustrations taken from Arnholtz.

COMB M: This was the first combination canceling device and was in use in Denmark's largest post office.

N-1: KJØBENHAVN should have a series from N-1 to N-20. This does serve to introduce our method of identifying the various numerals in use as several numerals went through a long string of re-issued variations.

: The asterisk () is used throughout the text to identify numerals whose period of used spanned both the pre- and post-war eras.

DANISH NUMERAL HANDSTAMPS 1864-1884 (Post-War) Adapted from NORDFRIMEX '85 Katalog

| POST OFFICE | Num. | # | Figure | Color | O/SR | I/SR | Num. | Issued | Earliest | Latest | Withdrawn |
|-------------------|------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| KJØBENHAVN | N | 1-1 | | Black | | | 31.10.52 | | | | |
| | N | 1-1 | | Blue | | | | | .68 | .69 | |
| | N | 1-1 | | RdBrn | | | | | .08.69 | | |
| CHRISTIANSHAVN | N | 2-5 | 30Arn. | Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 15.12.68 | .05.71 | 18.01.79 | |
| | N | 4-3 | 33Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.75 | 12.11.57 | 20.12.57 | 18.07.66 | |
| AALBORG | N | 4-3 | 33Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.75 | Reserve | 04.05.71 | 18.04.72 | |
| | N | 4-4 | 34Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.25 | 11.07.66 | 19.04.67 | 16.08.70 | |
| AARHUS | N | 4-4 | | Blue | | | | | | | |
| | N | 5-2 | 36Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | Reserve | | | |
| | N | 5-3* | 35Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.75 | | 27.04.63 | 12.09.72 | |
| ASSENS | N | 5-4 | 37Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | | | | |
| | N | 7-2* | 39Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.25 | 5.50 | 16.01.61 | 21.07.61 | 07.02.76 | |
| BORGENSE | N | 7-3 | 40Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 10.25 | 4.50 | 09.04.80 | 01.03.82 | 11.02.84 | |
| | N | 8-2* | 42Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.50 | 6.00 | 07.12.61 | 30.04.63 | 17.04.83 | |
| FYNSKE JPK | C | 9-1 | 620Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 5.75 | 07.09.65 | 16.11.69 | .03.84 | |
| | C | 9-2 | 619Arn. | Black | 17.75 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 14.11.66 | 01.11.68 | 16.09.81 | |
| FREDERICKSBORG | C | 10-1 | | Black | 17.75 | 11.25 | 4.75 | 07.09.65 | 21.12.71 | | |
| | C | 10-2 | | Black | | | | | 27.08.81 | 12.10.83 | |
| | C | 11-1 | | Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 5.25 | 07.09.65 | 05.08.66 | | |
| | C | 11-2 | | Black | | | | | 27.08.81 | 12.10.83 | |
| | C | 12 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 4.50 | | 02.02.72 | 25.07.83 | |
| | C | 12 | | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 09.12.52 | 29.09.82 | |
| EBELTOFT | N | 13* | 45Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | | | |
| FAABORG | N | 15-2 | 48Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 18.03.68 | | 04.01.80 | |
| FAXE JPX | N | 16-3 | 52Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 01.07.79 | Unknown | Used | |
| FREDERICIA | N | 17-2* | 54Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.04.64 | 20.06.64 | 25.05.65 | |
| | N | 17-4 | 56Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 4.50 | 13.03.73 | 12.03.73 | 28.02.82 | |
| FREDERICIA JPX | N | 17-3 | 55Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 01.11.66 | | 01.11.83 | |
| FREDERIKSBORG | N | 18-1* | 57Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.25 | 29.10.52 | 19.11.52 | 29.06.66 | 20.02.67 |
| FREDERICKSHAVN | N | 18-2 | 58Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 4.50 | 20.02.67 | 05.10.67 | 14.10.81 | |
| | N | 19-1 | 59Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | Reserve | 21.01.71 | 27.07.71 | |
| | N | 19-2* | 60Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 5.75 | 25.09.58 | 18.02.59 | 11.08.75 | |
| FREDERIKSSUND | N | 19-3 | 61Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 22.02.76 | 17.03.83 | 15.11.83 | |
| | N | 20-1* | 62Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.25 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 20.11.52 | 05.06.81 | |
| | N | 20-2 | 63Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 5.00 | 28.02.82 | 23.11.82 | 09.09.83 | |
| FREDERIKSSUND JPX | Mute | 1 | | Black | | | | Reserve | 29.06.12 | | |
| | N | 21-2 | 64Arn. | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.50 | 17.06.79? | | 08.08.83 | |
| GRENAA | N | 22-1* | 65Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 07.01.53 | 29.08.73 | 25.06.80 |
| | N | 22-2 | 66Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 10.25 | 4.50 | 17.07.74 | .06.78 | | |
| MIDDLEFART JPX | C | 23 | | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.50 | 07.09.65 | 04.11.65 | 08.10.67 | |
| | N | 23-3 | | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.50 | | 06.01.75 | C-23 W/O | Date |
| MIDDLEFART JB | N | 23 | | Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.50 | | | | 29.07.80 |
| | N | 24-2* | 69Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.25 | 31.12.59 | 08.01.60 | 19.01.67 | |
| HELSINGØR | N | 24-2 | | Black | | | | Reserve | 15.06.71 | .07 | |
| | N | 24-3 | 70Arn. | Black | 17.25 | 10.75 | 4.50 | 11.07.67 | 24.07.72 | 05.02.75 | |
| | N | 25-2* | 72Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 12.09.60 | 13.06.61 | 15.08.82 | |
| HIRSCHOLM | N | 26-1 | 73Arn. | Black | 17.75 | 10.00 | 4.75 | 29.10/52 | 10.11.52 | 01.12.72 | |
| | N | 26-2 | 74Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 9.75 | 4.50 | 05.11.72 | 13.11.73 | .09.78 | |
| | N | 26-3 | 75Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.50 | 5.25 | 22.05.83 | | | |
| HOBRO | N | 27-1 | 76Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 11.12.52 | .11.63 | |
| | N | 27-2 | 78Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 4.00 | 14.02.76 | 18.05.80 | 05.12.81 | |
| | N | 27-3 | 77Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | | ? | | |
| HOLBÆK | N | 28-1* | 79Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 29.10.52 | 05.11.52 | 21.06.67 | |
| | N | 28-2 | 80Arn. | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 4.75 | 19.08.67 | 04.04.68 | 05.06.79 | |
| | N | 28-3 | 81Arn. | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 4.50 | | 07.03.81 | 28.07.83 | |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|---------------|-------|-------|------|-----------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| HOLSTEBRO | N 29-1* | 82Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 15.02.53 | 16.02.65 | 17.04.65 |
| | N 29-2 | 84Arn. Black | 18.50 | 11.75 | 5.50 | 11.02.65 | 17.02.66 | 25.09.79 | |
| | N 29-3 | 83Arn. Black | 18.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | | 06.10.80 | 10.02.84 | |
| HORSENS | N 30-2* | 87Arn. Black | 18.50 | 11.50 | 4.50 | | 14.08.61 | 28.04.67 | |
| | N 30-3 | 89Arn. Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 4.50 | 11.12.68 | 05.08.71 | 09.04.80 | |
| | N 30-4 | 86Arn. Black | 18.00 | 11.50 | 5.25 | | 13.12.78 | | |
| | N 30-5 | 90Arn. Black | 18.00 | 11.25 | 5.50 | | 14.10.79 | | |
| ODENSE INDL | C 31-1 | Black | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.25 | 24.08.65 | Unknown Used | | |
| | C 31-2 | 621Arn. Blue | 18.25 | 11.00 | 4.25 | 07.09.65 | 12.09.65 | 05.01.66 | |
| | C 31-2 | Black | | | | | | | |
| | N 31-2 | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 4.50 | | 23.06.82 | 24.12.83 | |
| KALUNDBORG | N 32-2* | 93Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 07.12.61 | 20.04.66 | | |
| | N 32-3 | Black | 17.75 | 10.25 | 4.50 | 02.09.69 | | 18.08.77 | |
| | N 32-4 | Black | | | | 03.03.84 | Not Actually Issued? | | |
| | N 32-1 | 92Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | Reserve | 27.11.79 | | |
| KÆRTEMINDE | N 33-1* | 94Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 15.12.52 | 14.11.66 | |
| | N 33-2 | 95Arn. Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 4.50 | 19.08.67 | 01.08.68 | 24.04.79 | |
| KJØBENHAVN JPX | C 34-4* | 625Arn. Black | 18.50 | 11.50 | 4.50 | | 20.02.63 | 27.11.68 | |
| | C 34-5 | Black | 17.75 | 11.00 | 4.50 | | 02.01.66 | 06.04.69 | |
| | C 34-6 | Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | | 27.11.68 | | |
| | C 34-7 | 626Arn. Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 4.75 | 20.04.68 | 24.04.68 | 14.10.74 | |
| | C 34-8 | Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 4.50 | 10.04.72? | 09.05.74 | 08.03.77 | |
| | C 34-9 | Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 4.25 | | 16.11.72 | 17.01.74 | |
| | C 34-10 | Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 4.75 | 10.07.76 | 06.08.76 | 02.07.79 | |
| | C 34-11 | Black | 18.00 | 11.75 | 4.75 | | 04.02.80 | 08.07.81 | |
| | C 34-12 | 627Arn. Black | 17.75 | 11.75 | 4.75 | 28.09.81 | 12.11.81 | 27.12.81 | |
| | N 34-2 | 96Arn. Black | 18.25 | 11.50 | 6.00 | | 29.11.78 | .82 | |
| KJÆLLANDSKE JPK | C 34-14* | 628Arn. Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 4.50 | 21.05.62 | 22.09.52 | 23.09.68 | |
| KIØGE | N 35-1* | 97Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.75 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 15.11.52 | 13.05.65 | |
| | N 35-2 | 98Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 4.50 | 08.01.67 | 06.06.67 | 19.05.76 | |
| | N 35-3 | 99Arn. Black | 18.25 | 12.00 | 5.25 | 18.11.80 | | 24.09.83 | |
| KOLDING | N 36-1* | 100Arn. Black | 18.00 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 05.11.52 | 20.10.64 | .02.65 |
| | N 36-2 | 101Arn. Black | 18.50 | 11.50 | 5.50 | 13.03.65 | 20.03.65 | 30.06.72 | 19.03.75 |
| | N 36-3 | Black | 18.00 | 10.25 | 4.50 | 05.03.75 | Unknown Used | | |
| | N 36-4 | 102Arn. Black | 17.50 | 9.75 | 4.00 | 19.04.75 | 12.12.77 | 03.03.82 | |
| | C 36 | Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 4.75 | | 05.08.82 | 13.02.84 | |
| KORSØR PKT/JPX | C 37-1 | 631Arn. Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 4.75 | 14.04.66 | 12.04.66 | 28.08.69 | |
| | C 37-2 | 632Arn. Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 4.75 | | 28.05.66 | 30.10.74 | |
| | C 37-3 | 634Arn. Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | 08.04.70 | 05.10.70 | 16.12.74 | |
| | C 37-4 | 633Arn. Black | 17.50 | 11.00 | 5.00 | | 12.11.75 | 15.05.79 | |
| | C 37-5 | 635Arn. Black | 18.00 | 11.00 | 4.00 | | 19.01.80 | 28.09.82 | |
| | C 37-2 | 632Arn. Black | 17.75 | 10.50 | 4.75 | | | 27.05.84 | |
| LEMVIG | N 38-1* | 103Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 17.01.53 | 31.08.76 | 06.07.77 |
| | N 38-1 | Blue | | | | | | | |
| LYNGBY | N 39-1* | 105Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.50 | 5.00 | 29.10.52 | 27.11.52 | 01.07.64 | |
| | C 39 | 630Arn. Black | 18.00 | 10.75 | 4.75 | 14.02.66 | 07.03.66 | 08.02.75 | |
| | N 39-2 | 106Arn. Black | 17.50 | 10.00 | 4.00 | 24.02.75 | 30.04.75 | 07.06.79 | |

AUTHOR'S NOTES: After the War of 1864 several numerals which had been assigned to various post offices in the duchies were retained and used there to cancel postage stamps in use under German and Austrian rule. Chapter Seven contains a list of the numerals retained in this manner. Page 134 (not shown here) has a short note on these, identifying them by number only.

Note the asterisks (*) used to denote numerals that were used in Denmark both before and after the war. These were later often superceded by new handstamps that were engraved as needed and as requisitioned. These new handstamps varied in some details from their forerunners and can be recognized by careful measurements of the rings and the numerals.

Since new numeral handstamps were issued only as needed, the numerical listings are not arranged in chronological order. In the text, numerals are listed according to years of issuance and the listings in this sample (above pages) will provide a very good cross-referencing to that text.

Numerals 9 to 12 were assigned to the Fyenske railway running Nyborg to Odense to Middelfart.

Faxe JPX, Frederikssund JPX and Middelfart JPX all refer to post offices located in the railway stations. "X" is an abbreviation for the Danish term Postekspedition.

* S * C * C *



Fig. 1 This folded letter held the key to its origins and markings.

An Eye-Catching Skilling Banco Letter

By Sven Åhman, Göteborg, Sweden

Recently my wife brought home an 1857 Skilling Banco Letter, the likes of which I am sure few people today have seen. She had been on a melancholy expedition up-country to help her sister organize a hoard of old papers left by their mother, who recently passed away at the age of 96.

The letter brought back for my supposedly-expert inspection is illustrated here. Has anyone ever seen a "1 Sk Bco stamp of Canaan?" This one is printed in blue on a cover postmarked "SION."

The CDS date? Well, two Bible passages inside the circular postmark give the answer. First, the year is a reference to the Gospel of St. Luke, verse 19 of the fourth chapter. In the Swedish Bible translation in use since the days of King Charles XII (and the King James version), Luke 4:19 reads, "*To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.*"

As to the date, the postmark also refers to the New Testament, more precisely to chapter six of the Second Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians, verse 2. Here the *accepted time* is indicated more clearly as *the day of salvation*, according to the King James version, and as *salighetens dag* in the Swedish King Charles XII Bible.

What is this letter? The "Canaan" stamp, the "SION" postmark with datings from the scriptures, the addressees and the contents are all printed by letterpress. Also printed on the front is the Swedish abbreviation "Angl." for *Angeläget* or *Urgent*. The addressee is "One of the little Lambs of the Good Shepherd" in "the Kingdom of Grace."

When opened, the folded letter (which has traces of being sealed) reveals a printed religious tract in Swedish and fills three pages with fine print. The author of the tract signs herself just as "Your Friend N.N." Why "herself?" I learned that from a bit

Mitt kära Barn! Herren vare med dig

Du torde undra hvad det är för ett bref, du får i dag. Men jag vill straxt säga dig, att denna lilla skrifvelse kommer till dig, för att för det första göra dig en fråga, och för det andra framföra en liten bön till dig. Och frågan är denna: Älskar du Jesus? och kan du ej svara ja på denna fråga, då kan jag ej ställa min bön till dig; utan vill jag då af allt mitt hjerta först bedja dig, att denna dag besinna hvad din eviga frid tillhör.

Jag hoppas och tror att du fullt veta att Jesus är din Frälsare — men är han din frälsare, så är det visst något mycket förligt, som han frälsat dig från: och vet du hvad det är? Jo, det är det allvarsfartigaste af allt, nemligen synden, den förskräckliga synden som, om du ej blir den qvitt, skall föra dig i evig fördömmelse. Ja så förligt är synden, fastän det är många människor här på jorden, som ej vilja tro det, eller fråga efter hvad Gud säger derom i sitt ord. Men i sitt heliga ord säger Gud, att sedan djefvulen bedragit våra första föräldrar, Adam och Eva, så att de blefvo Gud olydiga, och föllo i synd, så äro nu alla människor syndiga, och kunna ej vara syndfrin, om de ock vilja det: men, för att komma i himmelen och varda evigt saliga, måste du vara alldeles fri från synd — ty Gud fordrar att du skall älska honom af allt ditt hjerta och vara alldeles ren både i tankar, ord och gerningar, eller ock måste du vara evigt fördömd. — Vet du huru du skall blifva så ren och helig? Ack det är alldeles omöjligt genom

Fig. 2 Part of the religious tract printed in Swedish and written for Sunday school children by the wife of Carlshamn's pastor.

of research at the Royal Library in Stockholm, commonly known by its initials K.B. for Kungliga Biblioteket.

While at the library to research this letter, I had obtained assistance with astonishing speed from Dr. Siw Westin, head of the K.B.'s Department of Uncataloged Minor Booklets. My reason for coming here was a line in the tract showing that it had been printed in 1857 at Carlshamn by Tryckt Hos E. G. Johansson. The K.B. was one of three or four national libraries to which all Swedish printers were obliged by law to send one copy of every publication they produced.

A few days later Dr. Westin sent a full answer to all my questions. Not only did the K.B. possess a copy of the "letter" found by my wife and her sister, but the library copy had an annotation with the name of the anonymous author "N.N." (Latin for *nomen nescio*, meaning "I don't know the name").

Dr. Westin reported that there were two additional similar letters; and in 1864 all three versions had been reprinted. In the 1864 printings, the name of the author was penciled-in on the title page of the K.B. copies. These religious tracts had been written by the wife of the vicar of Carlshamn, Eleanora Paulina Emilia Westdahl, born 1810 and lived until 1887 — an even 100 years ago.

Now that we know all about this unusual skilling banco letter, what interests me most is that in 1857 when stamps were a novelty in Sweden a phony stamp such as the "Canaan" design printed on this letter could be used as an eye-catcher. This was only two years after stamps were introduced in Sweden and Norway — and six or seven years after Denmark and Finland got theirs.

* S * C * C *

G. F. Frimærker

Stamps and Postal History of Greenland and The Faroe Islands

G. F. Frimærker is a specialized mail order company trading exclusively in stamps and postal history of Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

G. F. Frimærker has provided a great number of rare and elusive items from these two territories, and for the past 40 years has helped build award winning collections. Its latest pride was a large vermeil at Stockholmia 86 for a fine collection of Greenland postal history and pakke-porto stamps.

The company conducts two auction sales each year in March and October. Catalogues for these auctions are in English and are issued on February 1st and September 1st. More than 1,000 lots of Greenland and Faroes material are offered at each auction. Ask for your free copy of the next auction catalogue.

The company also produces a detailed price list covering the less expensive items. It is in English, although prices are in Danish Kroner, and is yours for the asking.

New Price List will be available by August 1987.

G. F. Frimærker publishes the GF Catalogues, the definitive works for these territories. The catalogues contain detailed information in English about the philately of Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

G. F. Frimærker is owned and operated by Ester and Eric V. Wowern who will personally attend to your enquiry or order.

It will be nice to hear from you!

G. F. Frimærker

Floradalen 31 – 2830 Virum
DENMARK

International Telephone + 45 2 85 20 75

Fig. 1

Reported Danish West Indies Dues Covers
April 1987

| Value | Uncanceled | St. Jan Cancel | St. Thomas Cancel | Christ'nsted Cancel | Pen Cancel | Totals |
|-------------|------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------|
| 1 Cent | 9 | - | 4 | 1 | - | 14 |
| 4 Cents | 6 | 8 | 1 | - | - | 15 |
| 6 Cents | 4 | 5 | 1 | - | 1 | 11 |
| 10 Cents | 5 | 4 | - | - | 1 | 10 |
| Total Cents | 24 | 17 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 50 |
| 5 Bit | 3 | - | 10 | 3 | - | 16 |
| 20 Bit | 8 | - | 7 | 1 | - | 16 |
| 30 Bit | 7 | - | 2 | 1 | - | 10 |
| 50 Bit | 7 | - | 2 | - | - | 9 |
| Total Bit | 25 | 0 | 21 | 5 | 0 | 51 |
| Total Dues | 49 | 17 | 27 | 6 | 2 | 101 |

Notes on DWI Postage Due Covers

By Victor E. Engstrom

The last survey of known DWI postage due stamps on cover was made in 1974 by the SCC Danish West Indies Study Unit. At the time, 12 collectors reported owning 49 covers franked with Cents-issue due stamps and 22 covers with Bit-issue dues. This inventory was only a count without regard for the denominations of the stamps. No photo copies were requested, but one reporting member did detail his holdings.

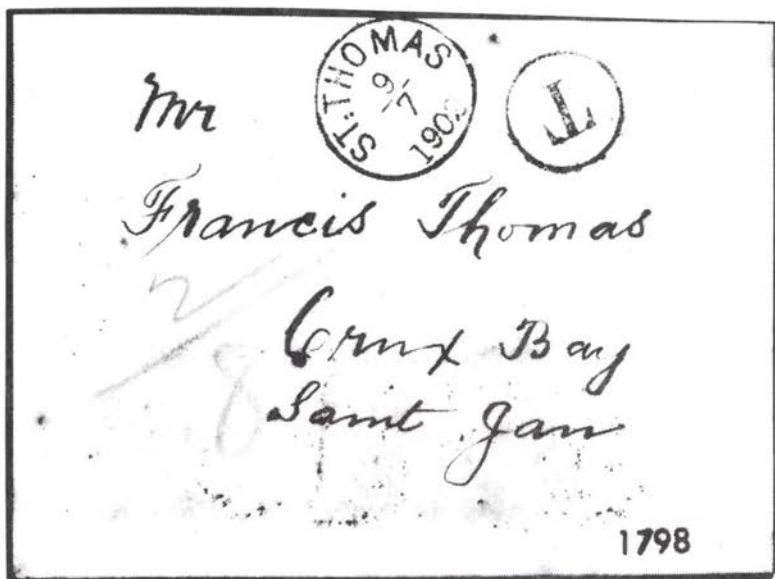
He noted 16 of the Cents-issue covers and described each cover (card). All were from Tortola and had St. Thomas arrival dates between May 27 and July 19, 1902. Also, all were on British Virgin Islands stationery ½d or 1d cards, apparently insufficient postage for foreign use. On arrival in St. Thomas the cards were charged postage due in varying amounts as evidenced by 1¢, 4¢ or 6¢ uncanceled postage due stamps. Although obviously philatelically motivated, they became invaluable 75 years later to Dr. Torben Geill for his work in identifying characteristics of various printings for the *DWI Mails* chapter on postage dues.

Since 1974, at least eight of the original 12 collections surveyed have been broken up, so that inventory has little meaning today. A better method of recording material is with back and front photo copies for the Register, where the dues covers are recorded. This isn't always possible for covers offered at auction when just one side is pictured. Therefore the present record, although larger than the first inventory, probably doesn't include all items counted in that initial inventory in 1974. For example, photo copies of only 10 philatelic covers similar to those mentioned above are now recorded in the Register.

St. Jan Covers Require Closer Study

Some statistics have been developed from an analysis of cover photo copies. The chart in Fig. 1 will give students something to consider when making a purchase or preparing an exhibit. Some beautiful, even stunning covers exist; and then there are philatelic covers available, which do serve a purpose.

When considering postage due covers, St. Jan cancellations may not be the



Typical of auction catalog illustrations and descriptions (above), Lot 1798 text reads, "1¢ & 6¢ dues (J1 pair & J3), markings as above etc." but omits noting whether or not dues stamps on reverse are canceled at St. Jan.

premium item among conventional covers. A closer examination of records leads to the following comments:

1. **General.** No regulation or directive has been uncovered that directs postage due stamps *must* be canceled. A glance at the chart reveals that 50 percent are uncanceled and the other half canceled.

2. **St. Jan.** Recorded St. Jan covers are franked with just three values of the Cents issue. None *so far* have been recorded with a 1¢ stamp or any of the four other values of Bit stamps. Covers sent to St. Jan had dues stamps affixed to the back of the envelope. Six of the recorded covers to this island are addressed to a Capt. Thomas, all dated 24 July 1902. Three others are addressed to Miss Muggy Kingston, also Cruz Bay, St. Jan, dated 23 July 1902. Wonder what Muggy collected?

3. **St. Thomas.** Nine covers with uncanceled Cent issue stamps are addressed to "C. v. Duers, Esq." Remember this name because it will again come up when other DWI issues are analyzed.

4. **St. Croix.** The Thomas Ramsey business correspondence to Frederiksted, all with uncanceled Bit issue stamps appear to be completely commercial, even though 19 of the recorded 25 uncanceled Bit issue stamps appear on Ramsey covers. The envelopes are the large #10 business size covers. Many are in poor condition. Canceled due stamps on covers to Christiansted and Frederiksted are rare.

The "Dues Book Register" on DWI covers fill over 100 pages and can be duplicated at cost for interested collectors.

* S * C * C *



Figure 1. Inverted "V.E." perfin of Viktor Ek (transport company and shipping agents) on a pair of Russian 2 kopek stamps, canceled "Helsinki 11 June 1914," and with an arrival cancel "Jakobstad (Pietarsaari) 12 June 1914."

Finland Cover of the Month Perfins of Finland on Russian Stamps!

By Ed Fraser

Unlike many other countries where perfin stamps are treated as flawed or damaged stamps, Finnish perfins are scarce enough to be exciting to find! Although perfins were used on commercial mail in Finland for more than 40 years, few can be found in collections or dealers' stocks.

Covers, however, are the first choice of the perfin researcher. As commercial covers, the sender's name and location is almost certainly printed on the envelope. This gives the perfin's source, and the postmark provides invaluable dating. While forged perfins are not known to be a problem, one always has to consider the possibility, and an on-cover usage should greatly increase certainty of genuineness.¹

As an appropriate reminder that Russian stamps were valid in Finland for over 25 years, the cover selected as "Cover of the Month" is in Figures 1 and 2 and shows Russian 2 kopek stamps (Scott #74) with the Finnish "V.E." perfin. (Apparently "V.E." perfins are found in various positions including upright, sideways, reversed, and inverted.)

This cover is also interesting because this 2 kopek issue is perhaps one of only two Russian issues known with Finnish perfins (see the final listings of Table 2). As kopek franking was necessary for all mail leaving the country from 14 August 1900 to 12 March 1918, 2 kopek stamps were convenient for either the 4 kopek foreign post card rate or the 10 kopek letter rate (until the rate changed to 8 kopeks and 20 kopeks respectively on 14 Sept. 1917). However, they probably were not intended for

| VICTOR EK HELSINGFORS & HANGÖ. FINLAND. Telegr. adress: EK. Telefon 59 54 | | SPEDITIONS AFDELNINGEN. | |
|---|-------|--|------------|
| | | Helsingfors, den 9/6 1914 | |
| | | Herr N. P. W. Rungberg & Co. Jakobstad. | |
| KONTO-UTDRAG per 31/5 1914 | | Debet. | |
| 1914 | May 4 | Im Person | 85 20 |
| | | bet | J. G. x 0. |
| | | 6. | |

Figure 2. The back of the post card shown in Figure 1 is a simple preprinted commercial form, dated at Helsinki on 9 June 1914.

domestic usage because the post card rate was only 3 kopeks (and letters were 7 kopeks). I would expect overfranking on this cover was done only for the convenience of the person franking the mail, who may only have had 2 kopek stamps or may have mixed this card with similar cards addressed overseas which required 4 kopeks.

Background on Perfins in Finland

Why were perfins used in Finland? A quote given in a 1912 Finnish philatelic publication says "Big business concerns perforated stamps that were necessary for their business with their initials . . . to prevent unauthorized use [of the stamps]." Perhaps this is not the exact reason, but instead I might guess it was ". . . to discourage the unauthorized use of company postage, and totally prevent anyone from redeeming unused postage for cash at the post office." In many countries at that time it was allowed without question to sell mint stamps back to the post office for cash.²

Whatever the reasons, 10 different companies in Finland are known to have used perfins within about a 40 year period. These are listed below as Table 1, and illustrations of these perfins are shown in Figures 3 and 4. Additionally, Table 2 is a listing of most Finnish stamps known with perfins, and is based on a similar table by J. Olamo in Reference 4. A short list of references is included at the end of this article.

Footnotes

1. Other punched numbers, letters, or patterns have occasionally been reported on Finnish stamps as possible perfins. Unfortunately, without additional information, they may be just the result of stamps being attached, perhaps even accidentally, to other documents that were punched to be validated or invalidated, much as checks

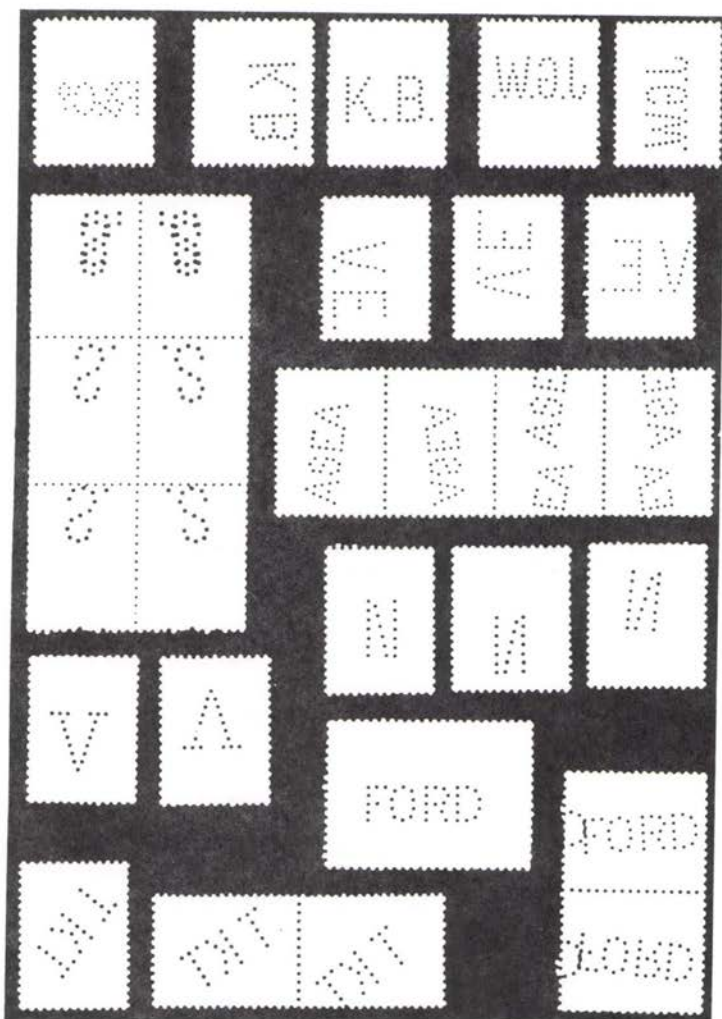


Figure 3. Illustrations of the 10 Finnish perfins as they normally might occur. They are described as follows: **F & Co** (Finlayson & Comp., Tampere; known on issues of 1889-1901), **K.B.** (Karl Boström, Hanko; 1891-1901), **J.G.W.** John Gust, Wikeström, Turku; 1895-1901), **S.** Keskinäinen Vakuutusyhtiö Sampo, Turku; 1911-20), **V.E.** (Ab Viktor Ek Oy, Helsinki; 1911), **ASEA** (Allmänna Svenska Elektriska A.B., Helsinki; 1911-37), **V** (Vakuutusyhtiö Verdandi, Turku; 1917-20), **N** (Ab Notraco Oy, Helsinki; 1919-36), **TKT** (Teknokemiallinen Tehdas tai Teollisuudenharjoittajien Keskinäinen Tapaturmanvakuutusyhtiö, Helsinki; 1927-30) **FORD** (Oy Ford Ab, Helsinki; 1929-36). [From Reference 3, Page 129]

or stock certificates have been handled here in the U.S., or they may be simple creations [hence-forgeries].

2. Information about the permitted redemption and exchange of mint stamps in Finland is not included in seven volumes of the *Finnish Handbooks* and to date I have not been able to document the details of the practice, especially as it occurred during the different periods. I have only a general answer to confirm that it has been done.



Figure 4. Three typical perfins on commercial mailings.

[From top down] "K.B." of Karl Boström, Hangö, with railroad cancel of 25 Aug. 1899; "F & Co." of Finlayson & Comp., Tammerfors, with Tammerfors (Tampere) cancel of 30 Aug. 1900; and "ASEA" of Allmänna Elektriska Aktiefbolaget on an attractive postcard canceled "Helsinki 30 Sept. 1914." Note the use of the swastika logo occurs in Finland in various places (including on aircraft) long before it had political connotations. Because similarly printed envelopes and cards from these same companies are found without perfins, close examination is sometimes necessary.

Table 1

Summary of the perfin initials used, actual company name, and period of use:

| | |
|---------|--|
| Perfin: | Company (and the stamp issues known with this perfin): |
| F&Co. | Finlayson and Company, Tampere (Issues of 1889-1901) |
| K. B. | Karl Boström, Hankö (1891-1901) |
| J.G.W. | John Gust. Wikeström, Turku (1895-1901) |
| S. | Keskinäinen Vakuutusyhtio Sampo, Turku (1911-1920) |
| V.E. | Ab Viktor Ek Oy, Helsinki (1911) |
| ASEA | Allmänna Svenska Elektriska AB, Helsinki (1911-1937) |
| V | Vakuutusyhtiö Verdandi, Turku (1917-1920) |
| N | Ab Notraco Oy, Helsinki (1919-1936) |
| TKT | Teknokemiallinen Tehdas tai Teollisuus-denharjoittajien Keskinäinen Tapaturmanvakuutusyhtiö, Helsinki (1927-1930) |
| FORD | Oy Ford Ab, Helsinki (1929-1936) |

Table 2

| Issue | Norma # (Scott) | F&Co. | K.B. | J.G.W. | Issue | Norma # (Scott) | V.E. | S. | ASEA | V | N |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|------|----|------|---|---|
| 1889: | | | | | 50 p | 86 (96) | | x | x | | x |
| 5 p | 36 (39) | x | | | 1 Mk | 87 (101) | | x | x | | |
| 20 p | 38 (41) | x | | | 10 Mk | 89 (108) | | | x | | |
| 25 p | 39 (42) | x | | | 1918: | | | | | | |
| 1895: | | | | | 10 p | 91 (112) | | x | | | |
| 5 p | 56 (60) | x | x | | 40 p | 93 (114) | | x | | | |
| 10 p | 57 (61) | x | x | x | 1919: | | | | | | |
| 20 p | 58 (62) | x | x | | 10/5 p | 98 (119) | | x | x | | |
| 25 p | 59 (63) | x | x | | 20/10 | 99 (120) | | x | x | | |
| 1891: | | | | | 50/25 | 100 (121) | | x | x | | |
| 7 kop | 47 (50) | x | | | 75/20 | 101 (122) | | | x | | |
| 1901 (Litho): | | | | | 1919/20: | | | | | | |
| 10 p | 63 (66) | | x | | 5 p | 102 (84) | | x | x | | x |
| 20 p | 64 (67) | x | x | x | 10 p | 103 (86) | | x | x | | |
| 1901 (Typo): | | | | | 20 p | 104 (89) | | | x | | |
| 5 p | 68 (71) | | x | | 25 p | 105 (92) | | | x | | x |
| 10 p | 69 (72) | | | | 50 p | 106 (97) | | x | x | | x |
| 20 p | 70 (73) | | x | | | | | | | | |
| Issue | Norma # (Scott) | V.E. | S. | ASEA | V | N | | | | | |
| 1901 (Typo): Cont. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 Mk | 71 (74) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| Russian Issues — 1909 Type: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 kop | SV32 (74) | x | x | x | | | | | | | |
| 7 kop | SV36 (78) | x | | | | | | | | | |
| 1911: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 p | 76 (78) | x | x | x | x | | | | | | |
| 10 p | 77 (79) | x | x | x | x | | | | | | |
| 20 p | 78 (80) | x | x | x | | | | | | | |
| 40 p | 79 (81) | x | x | x | | | | | | | |
| 1915: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 Mk | 80 (82) | | x | | | | | | | | |
| 1917: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 p | 81 (83) | | x | x | x | | | | | | |
| 10 p | 82 (85) | | x | x | x | | | | | | |
| 20 p | 83 (88) | | x | x | | | | | | | |
| 25 p | 84 (91) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 40 p | 85 (94) | | x | x | x | | | | | | |
| Issue | Norma # (Scott) | ASEA | N | TKT | FORD | | | | | | |
| 1921: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30/10 | 107 (123) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 60/40 | 108 (124) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 90/20 | 109 (125) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 1.5/50 | 110 (126) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 1921/1926: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 p | 111 (87) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 20 p | 119 (90) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 30 p | 120 (93) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 40 p | 121 (95a) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 50 p | 112 (98*) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 60 p | 113 (99) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 75 p | 114 (100) | | | x | x | x | | | | | |
| 1 Mk | 137 (102*) | | | | x | | | | | | |
| 2 Mk | 122 (105*) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 3 Mk | 116 (106) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 1925: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 p | 123 (127) | | | x | | | | | | | |
| 20 p | 124 (128) | | | x | x | | | | | | |
| 25 p | 125 (129) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 p* | 126A(130) | | | x | | | | | | | |

| Issue | Norma # (Scott) | ASEA | N | TKT | FORD | Issue | Norma # (Scott) | ASEA | N | TKT | FORD |
|-------------------|--------------------|------|---|-----|------|--------------|--------------------|------|---|-----|------|
| 30 p | 126B(130) | x | | | | 1.5 Mk | 158B(103) | x | | | |
| 40 p | 127A(131) | x | x | | | 2 Mk | 159 (105*) | x | | | |
| 40 p | 127B(131) | x | x | | | 1930: | | | | | |
| 50 p | 128A(132) | | x | | | 10 p | 162 (159) | x | | | |
| 50 p | 128B(132) | | x | | | 20 p | 163 (160) | | x | | x |
| 60 p | 129 (133) | x | x | | | 25 p | 164 (161) | | x | | |
| 1 Mk | 130A(134) | x | x | | | 40 p | 165 (162) | x | x | x | x |
| 1 Mk | 130B(134) | x | x | | | 50 p | 166 (163) | | x | | x |
| 1.5 Mk | 131A(135) | x | | | | 60 p | 167 (165) | x | | | x |
| 1.5 Mk | 131B(135) | x | x | | | 1 Mk | 168 (166) | x | x | | x |
| 2 Mk | 132A(136) | x | x | | | 1.5 Mk | 170 (169) | x | x | | x |
| 2 Mk | 132B(136) | x | | | | 2 Mk | 171 (171) | x | x | | x |
| 3 Mk | 133 (137) | x | x | | | 3 Mk | 172 (175) | x | x | | x |
| 5 Mk | 134A(138) | | x | | | 5 Mk | 173 (177) | | x | | x |
| 5 Mk | 134B(138) | | x | | | 10 Mk | 174 (178) | | | | x |
| 1927: | | | | | | 1931: | | | | | |
| 1.5 Mk | 138 (141) | x | | | | 1.5 Mk | 184 (181) | x | | | |
| 2 Mk | 139 (142) | x | | | | 2 Mk | 186 (183) | | | | x |
| 1927/1929: | | | | | | 50/40 | 192 (195) | | | | x |
| 20 p | 140 (143) | x | | | x | 1932: | | | | | |
| 40 p | 141 (144) | x | x | x | | 50 p | 194 (164) | x | x | | x |
| 50 p | 142 (145) | | x | x | | 1.25 Mk | 195 (168) | | x | | |
| 1 Mk | 143A(146b) | x | x | x | | 1.5 Mk | 196 (170) | | x | | x |
| 1 Mk | 143B(146) | x | x | | | 2 Mk | 197 (172) | | x | | x |
| 1.5 Mk | 144A(147a) | x | | | | 2.5 Mk | 198 (174) | x | x | | x |
| 1.5 Mk | 144B(147) | x | x | x | | 10 Mk | 199 (205) | | | | x |
| 2 Mk | 145 (148) | x | x | | | 1935: | | | | | |
| 3 Mk | 146A(149a) | x | | | | 2.5 Mk | 212 (209) | | | | x |
| 3 Mk | 146B(149) | x | | | | 1936: | | | | | |
| 5 Mk | 147 (150) | x | x | | | 2 Mk | 216 (173) | | x | | |
| 1929: | | | | | | 3.5 Mk | 217 (176) | | x | | |
| 1.5 Mk | 153 (156) | | | x | | 1937: | | | | | |
| 1929: | | | | | | 2/1.5 Mk | 221 (212) | x | | | x |
| 40 p | 156A (95) | x | | | | 1938: | | | | | |
| 40 p | 156B (95) | x | | | | 2 Mk | 234 (217) | | | | x |
| 50 p | 157 (98) | | | | | 1939: | | | | | |
| 1 Mk | 137 (102) | | | | | 4 Mk | 240 (219) | | | | x |

*Note that Norma catalog listings are in greater detail than Scott, with the result that more than one Norma number may be included under the same Scott number. Those Scott numbers appearing in more than one place in this table are asterisked. The "A" at the end of a Norma number designates perforated 14¼ x 14, and a "B" designates 14¼ x 14¼ in this table.

References:

1. B. E. Saarinen "Our Perforated Initial Stamps" from the magazine *Suomen Postimerkkilehti*, Jan. 1953; Translated into English by T. E. Jacobson, and reproduced by the Perfins Club.
2. *Finland*, by the Perfins Club: 6 pages of summary notes. Also an example of Scott #178 (10 mark Lake Saimma issue of 1930) perforated "W" is illustrated.
3. *Suomen Postimerkkien Käsikirja VI*, pages 128-129; c. 1972 [*The Finnish Handbook*, in Finnish.]
4. Juhani Olamo *Reijitettyt Suomalaiset Postimerkit*, pages 4-9. Copy supplied by the Perfin Club. [in Finnish]. [probably published around 1973]

I have seen other interesting publications about Swedish and Danish perfins, one by Leif Bergman et al called *Svenska Skyddsperforeringar* published in Swedish by the Sveriges Filatelist-Förbund in 1981 (72 pages).

Any additional information or comments appreciated. Ed Fraser, 2 Broadway-9th floor, c/o Shearson, New York, N.Y. 10004.

Fig. 1

| Kolonien | 3 Kr. | 1 Kr. | 70 Ø. | 20 Ø. | 15 Ø. | 10 Ø. | 5 Ø. | 2 Ø. | 1 Ø. | Værdi |
|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|------------------|-------|--------------|-------|------|-------|---------------------|
| Julianehaab ... | 21 | 1.063 | 451 | 521 | 200 | 1.175 | 400 | 200 | 600 | 1.723,40 |
| Ivigut | 14 | 78 | 50 | | | 40 | | | | 159,00 |
| Frederikshaab ... | 13 | 128 | 61 | 59 | | 396 | 128 | | 274 | 270,24 |
| Godthaab | 43 | 873 | 501 | 395 | 112 | 1.000 | 289 | 100 | 379 | 1.568,74 |
| Sukkertoppen .. | 46 | 464 | 302 | 300 | | 866 | 250 | | 300 | 975,50 |
| Holsteinsborg .. | 38 | 381 | 265 | 172 | 100 | 605 | 250 | 100 | 300 | 807,90 |
| Egedesminde ... | 52 | 4.099 | 252 | 27.469 | | 722 | 300 | | 500 | 10.016,40 |
| Christianshaab | | 1.701 | 53 | 26.176 | 50 | 368 | 100 | | 200 | 7.024,60 |
| Jakobshavn ... | 30 | 1.603 | 320 | 24.738 | | 611 | 100 | | 200 | 6.932,70 |
| Ritenbenk | 56 | 3.146 | 74 | 8.874 | | 134 | 50 | | 100 | 5.157,50 |
| Godhavn | 114 | 1.198 | 357 | 16.423 | 100 | 726 | 250 | 150 | 150 | 5.179,10 |
| Kutdligssat | 100 | 2.878 | 276 | 6.367 | | 1.250 | | | | 4.769,60 |
| Marmorilik ... | 3 | 16 | 17 | 125 | | 335 | | | | 95,40 |
| Umanak | 478 | 7.598 | 140 | 123.150 | | 414 | 126 | | 155 | 33.809,25 |
| Upemavik | 330 | 9.025 | 264 | 45.716 | 300 | 528 | 175 | 100 | 200 | 19.453,55 |
| Thule | | 3 | 1 | | | 2 | | | | 3,90 |
| Angmagssalik | 34 | 307 | 76 | 195 | | 197 | 5 | | 30 | 521,45 |
| Scoresbysund .. | 34 | 66 | 42 | 87 | | 74 | | | | 222,20 |
| ÷ Dobbeltsalg | 1.406 | 34.627 | 3.502 | 280.767 3.071 | 862 | 9.443 318 | 2.423 | 650 | 3.388 | 98.691,43 646,00 |
| Fragaar som | 1.406 | 34.627 | 3.502 | 277.696 | 862 | 9.125 | 2.423 | 650 | 3.388 | 98.045,43 |
| Sparemærker | 100 | 29.000 | 500 | 273.200 | 90 | 890 | 65 | | | 84.395,75 |
| Ialt... | 1.306 | 5.627 | 3.002 | 4.496 | 772 | 8.235 | 2.358 | 650 | 3.388 | 13.649,68 |

Part II

Greenland Expert Documents His Argument Against Misleading Information on Pakkeporto Cancellations

By Torben Hjørne

Following the formal assembly of Danish Grønlandsgruppen (collectors) on Mar. 14 in Copenhagen, there was lengthy discussion about the questions put forth by this author, who stressed the importance of postally correct information in catalogs and other references — so as not to mislead less-experienced collectors in this area. The talks included participants from Sweden and Germany.

One particular question under fire was the definition of where and how many places the pakkeporto stamps and Greenland stamps after 1938 were postally cancelled. Eric Wowern maintained that approximately 60 places used their rubber imprints correctly to cancel pakkeportos, as evidenced in his *GF Catalogue*.

60 or 20 Post Offices Around 1938?

In my opinion, no more than 20 places were authorized to cancel stamps in the pakkeporto period. Years of investigation has not produced any evidence which indicates that valid postal canceling had taken place outside the Greenland Colonies and very few other places. The background for this conclusion was described and published in my *Specialcatalogue-Classical Greenland*, Aug. 1985; and in a series of articles in *DFT* in August and October 1986 and February 1987. The first part was printed in *Scandinavian Contact*, December 1986, in England, and in *The Posthorn*, February 1987.

If this conclusion is accepted, some half of the imprints described in the *GF Catalogue* must be removed from its postal cancel listing. They have never seen postal use and should be regarded rather as souvenir, favor or fiscal cancels. The well-known misuse of post office imprints in Greenland should not be justified by misleading information in cataloging and other references. It may, of course, be interesting to collect these imprints from settlements (udsteder) for geographic reasons, but philatelists must pay attention to postal usage — a basic requirement in stamp collecting.

Arguments for No More Than 20 Post Offices

It is evident from an instruction from Denmark's PTT in 1938 that the new Greenland stamps could be canceled at 20 post offices and only there (not at 60 post offices). Nothing in this PTT order indicates that the introduction of new stamps should have changed the rules regarding this procedure. The need for canceling implies, of course, that pakkeporto stamps were also available. Sales of these parcel post stamps in Greenland has been officially registered from 18 colonies, (see Fig. 1).

Documents from KGH Archives explain the situation:

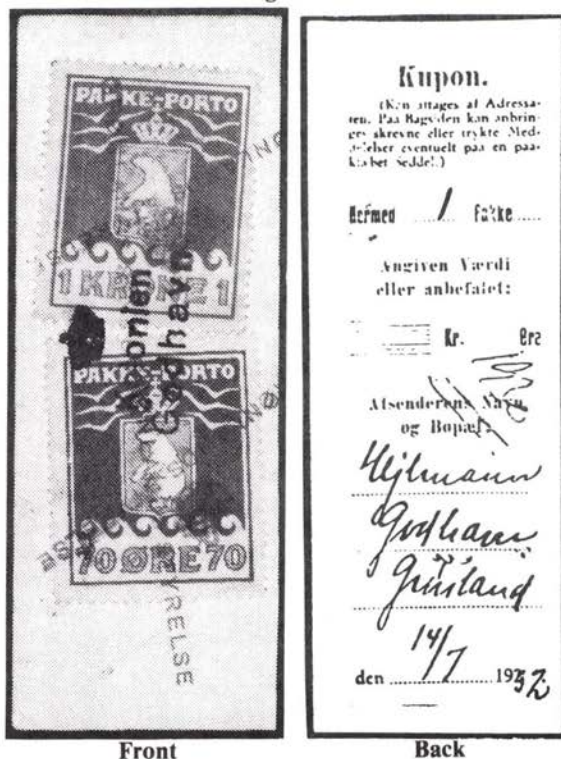
a.) From KGH to Marmorilik, Greenland, Sept. 15, 1937, "... parcelmail received unfranked (in Copenhagen) cause delays, KGH therefore forwards pakkeporto." The last words indicate, that where stamps were not available, the franking was paid in cash without stamps which may have been the normal procedure at the udsteder. In any case, this letter documents that pakkeportos were not available at Marmorilik before the autumn of 1937, thus preventing any prior dated postal canceling of these stamps.

b.) From KGH, June 1, 1939, "upon request . . . pakkeportos were used with some of the colonies and trading stations where post offices now have been organized and only there. The pakkeportos were canceled with the colonies' rubber imprint."

c.) Postally correct parcel or pakkeporto cards canceled in Greenland and later in Copenhagen are only recorded from 14 places, (Fig. 2 shows an example). Parcel cards to Greenland are known to 20 places. Addressees in udsteder are only known from or via the colony.

d.) It's not only the postal cancels on pakkeportos that cause differences of opinion! The published list of Grønlands Poststationer from 1957 has a note, "Data subject to reserva-

Figure 2



Front

Back

tions." Since then, these "reservations" have been forgotten and some of the doubts have through the years turned into something like facts. But the FACTS remain that the colony of Ritenbenk was closed April 1, 1942, and the aluminum mine at Marorilik had its machinery moved and closed July 1, 1940. Yet both cancels, Ritenbenk and Marmorilik, have appeared after the recorded closing dates as used "1.2 1945" on first day covers with 1945 issues. Actually, no genuine after-closing date postal usage of these two cancels have been seen, (Fig. 3).

With these arguments in mind, it seems very unlikely that *udsteder* outside the colonies could have been able to postally cancel *pakkeportos*. The existence of imprints on clippings with *pakkeporto* stamps is natural when considering how easy it was to gain access to post office imprints legally or illegally.

Some Samples of Other Misleading Cataloging

The "halved 2 øre" pictured on the front cover of *DFT*'s October 1986 issue is an example of known items from paper cuttings. It has been imprinted with "Stryrelsen af Kolonierne i Grønland" by a rubber stamp imprint which was used postally from 1917 to 1942. No halved 2 øre stamp has ever been found on normal parcel cards. Neither have any postally used *pakkeportos* on wrapping paper canceled *only* in Copenhagen been found elsewhere. Further, the halved 2 øre stamp is always found in connection with several 1 øre stamps.

In the *Grønland, Faerøerne Catalogue*, issued in 1968, K. Lindskog and E. Wowern describe the item on page 22, "Stamp is known vertical halved used as 1 øre. No official indication of this use has been found, but obviously it has been accepted." On page 23 appears a half-page illustration with the text, "Halved 2 øre on wrapping paper." This catalog item was later described by Mogens Juhl, who said, "The halved 2 øre on page 23 seems to be a mess. Where has it been canceled and are other items known?" Several other experts joined the comments by stating, "We have to agree that it obviously is a mess. It was canceled by KGH and is known in several (similar) items."

Despite this confession, the cataloging of the item continued. The latest edition of *GF I* from 1984 describes it as, "Vertical halved stamp on piece." And being a Greenland authority's statement, this information is repeated in many foreign catalogs.

Double Print on 2 Øre?

Another misleading item is the so-called "double print" on the 2 øre, II Print, cataloged in 1968 on page 28, as "Double printing of this stamp exist but it should not be mistaken for many examples on which the printing is simply blurred." On page 30, the III Print is similarly cataloged. But in the latest *GF Catalogue* none of these items are mentioned anymore, simply because the double print is unknown. Its existence was suddenly removed without comment. In the Swedish specialcatalogue *Facit 1987* these same double prints are still mentioned; and further annotated as for sale in April 1984, "Double-printing, certified Wowern."

Even today the handstamp "Fra Grønland" question of authenticity continues. In *GF 5*, page 146, under Ship Mails a completely new catalog number is shown with the notation, "The origin of this cancel is not known, but supposedly it was produced in an emergency prior to the delivery of BO1 in January 1938. Known as a canceler and sidemark." With an unknown origin and usage this handstamp is valued at a fantasy price similar to the rare "Greenland via Siberia-New York" sidemark. It's just another example of commercial exploitation *just because it exists*.

Your comments will be appreciated by the author: Torben Hjørne, P.O. Box 536, DK-8100, Aarhus C, Denmark.)

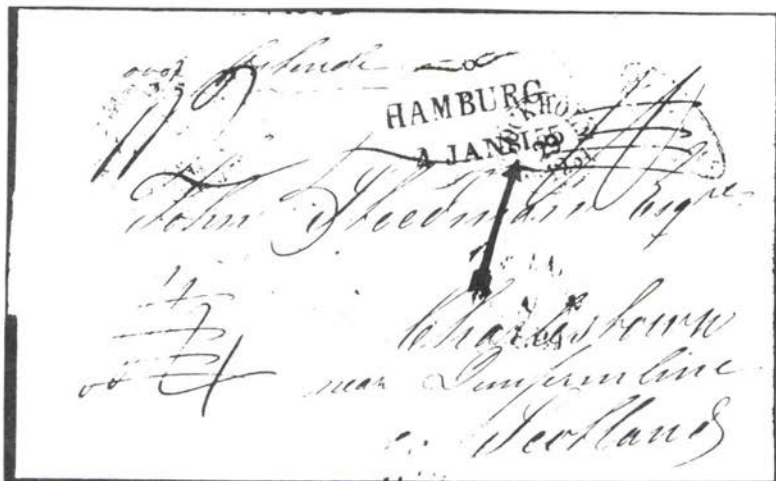
Figure 3

GRØNLANDSKE POSTSTATIONER
pr. 1.2.1957

| Poststationens navn: | oprettet: | nedlagt: |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| * Julianehåb | 1938 | |
| ✓ Nanortalik | 1/9- 1949 | |
| ✓ Narssaq | 1/9- 1954 | |
| ✓ Ivigtut | 1938 | |
| ✓ Grønnedal | 1/9- 1951 | |
| ✓ Frederikshåb | 1938 | |
| ✓ Godthåb | 1938 | |
| ✓ Ravns Storø | 1/9- 1949 | |
| ✓ Færingerhavnen | 1938 | |
| ✓ Sukkertoppen | 1938 | |
| ✓ (Tovqussaq) | 1/9- 1949 | 1/9- 1953) |
| ✓ Holsteinsborg | 1938 | |
| ✓ (Færinger Nordhavn) | 1/9- 1949 | 1/5- 1951) |
| ✓ Egedesminde | 1938 | |
| ✓ Christianshåb | 1938 | |
| ✓ Jakobshavn | 1938 | |
| ✓ (Ritenbenk) | 1938 | 1/9- 1949) |
| ✓ Qutdligssat | 1938 | |
| ✓ (Marmorilik) | 1938 | 1/9- 1945) |
| ✓ Godhavn | 1938 | |
| ✓ Umanak | 1938 | |
| ✓ (Prøven) | 1938 | 1/10- 1955) |
| ✓ Upernavik | 1938 | |
| ✓ Thule | 1939 | |
| ✓ Dundas | 1/8- 1954 | |
| ✓ Pr. Chr. Sund | 1/9- 1949 | |
| ✓ Nord | 1/10- 1953 | |
| ✓ Sdr. Strømfjord | 15/11- 1954 | |
| <u>ØSTKYSTEN:</u> | | |
| ✓ Tingmiarmiut | 1/9- 1949 | |
| (Kap Cort Adeler) | 1/9- 1947 | 1/10- 1948) ÷ |
| ✓ Angmagssalik | 1939 | |
| ✓ (Kangerdlugssuak) | 1/9- 1949 | 15/8- 1950) ÷ |
| (Skjoldungen) | 1/9- 1947 | 1/10- 1948) 1/8-52 |
| ✓ Scoresbysund | 1939 | |
| ✓ Daneborg | 1/9- 1949 | |
| ✓ Danmarkshavn | 1/9- 1949 | |
| ✓ Aputiteq | 15/8- 1950 | |

) = Data opgivet med forbehold.

Grønlands postkontor
København K.



Folded letter from Stockholm to Scotland with Hamburg transit mark reading "4 JAN 8155."

Sweden to Scotland . . . But Oh, That Hamburg Datestamp

By Alan Warren

One recent addition to my collection of stampless covers of Sweden is a curious folded letter sent from Stockholm in 1854 to Scotland and, interestingly, written in English. The letter is addressed to John Steedman, Esq. at "Charlestown, near Dunfermline, Scotland." The author inquires of the availability next season of "best Elgin Steam Coals" to be delivered to Lubeck and Travemunde. The writer suggests the use of smaller ships to enable passage as far as Lubeck.

The markings on the front and reverse show its route from Stockholm and Dunfermline. The letter was written Dec. 29, 1854, and is endorsed on the back, "Contract Schön & Cie 29th Dec 1854," and on the front is the manuscript marking "over Ostende." The letter was canceled with the Normal Cancel 10 (blue, 19 mm) of Stockholm December 29 and the agent Schön's oval mark. The remainder of the trip is reflected in markings on the reverse, beginning with the KS&NPA January 3 double ring mark of the Royal Swedish and Norwegian Post Office in Hamburg, a London way mark January 8, and a Dunfermline arrival Jan. 9, 1855.

One more mark on the front shows Hamburg transit on January 4, but wait a minute . . . that year date reads "8155" not 1855. The postal official in Hamburg managed to change the year date in early January, but he got the first two digits reversed or upside down. I wonder how many other covers exist with this strange error and how long it took the postal official to correct his mistake?

* S * C * C *

Our advertisers deserve your business! Before making any purchases contact the companies that advertise in "The Posthorn." The majority of them are specialists in the Scandinavian area of philately and can be of assistance to you.

Advertisement





Summer Specials!

| |
|--|
| 10% DISCOUNT if ordered before Sept. 15 |
|--|


DENMARK

| | |
|---|--------|
| 1867-8 ESSAY by Møller, King's head in red & lilac, VF, RARE! | \$ 50. |
| #135 (F. 121) * 1915, 5 Kr. Post Office, Fine (Cat. \$550.) | 275. |
| C 2 (F. 214v) * 1926, 15 øre, broken wing at left var., Fine | 75. |
| 1938, THORVALDSEN ESSAYS, cpt. set of 12, VF | 20. |
| 19th Cent. * & o LOCALS, 48 diff., rarely offered | 60. |
| 19th Cent. * LOCAL POST STATIONERY, 9 diff., VF | 45. |

ICELAND

| | |
|---|--------|
| #2, PROOF, 4 Sk. in lilac, no wmk, unlisted in F., small thin, RARE | 400. |
| 2, PROOF, 4 Sk. in dark green, tiny thin, large marg., (F. Kr3,800) | 300. |
| 2, PROOF, 4 Sk. in brown, wmk. small thin, large marg., (F Kr3,200) | 225. |
| 4, PROOF, 16 Sk. in yellow, VF large margins | 110. |
| 8, PROOF, 5 aur blue, VF, large margins | 110. |
| 119 (F. 135) *, **  20 aur choc. in a block of 4, bottom pair NH!, (1981 F. Kr4.625 now unpriced) Fine, RARE BLOCK! | 300. |
| 161 (F. 182) PROOF 40 aur Flag, imperf. only in red & blue, VF | 20. |
| 195-8 (F. 212-15) **  Jochumsson, cpt. in blocks, VF, NH (F. Kr2.700) | 130. |
| C 3, PROOF, Falcon, Imperf. Tone plate, (Sanabria \$150) VF | 45. |
| C 3, PROOF, Falcon in Tete-Beche pair (Sanabria \$300) VF | 90. |
| O 25 (F. Tj 15b) **  3 aur "GILDI" in a cornerblock of 4, VF, NH, Gronlund Certif., VERY RARE BLOCK! (F. Kr 21,000) | 1,750. |
| O 27 (F. Tj 17) *, **  10 aur "GILDI" in a block of 4, F-VF, 2 stamps NH, Certif., VERY RARE BLOCK! (F.ca. Kr 18,000) | 1,950. |
| "GILDI" REPRINTS, 1904, cpt. set of 18, F-VF, Cert, (Cat. \$900) | 525. |

NORWAY

| | |
|---|------|
|  1951 Antarctic Expedition to Q. Maud Land, Penguin cancel | 25. |
| 19th Cent. * LOCALS, 88 incl. blocks of 4, (52 diff) | 110. |

SWEDEN

| | |
|---|------|
| 19th & 20th Cent. LOCALS, * 154, incl. blocks of 4, bklt. p (54 diff) | 70. |
| # 179 (F. 186c) * 30 øre, scarce white paper, F-VF (F. Kr 2,200) | 150. |

Many other interesting items in stock, wantlists invited. Photocopies on request. Stamped-self-addressed envelope, please! ALL OFFERS SUBJECT UNSOLD AND OR PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. PAYMENT (Check or money order only) WITH ORDER, PLEASE, UNLESS CREDIT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. Installment terms can be arranged. FULL SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR REFUND WITHIN 10 DAYS. Buy with confidence, I am former chairman of SCC Expertising Comm. Visitors welcome after 1 p.m. Appointment advisable.

HENRIK POLLACK

147 West 42nd Street (Suite 711) New York, NY 10036

Phone (212) 921-7636, after 1 p.m.

APS, SCC ***33 Years in Business***

ASDA

This Finn's Viewpoint of CAPEX 87

By Michael Hvidonov

The metro Toronto Convention Center which housed CAPEX 87 here is beautiful, spacious and completely practical for all exhibition demands. The lighting was excellent. I walked some miles during my visit and did not come upon any dark or overly bright areas which might have been a detriment to viewing. Ample aisle space made pleasant, casual sauntering and pauses for evaluation a pleasure.

Highly commendable was the dealer booth arrangements which were plotted out without the confusion too often found at such areas. An elegant ambience pervaded the entire exhibit and exemplary courtesy emanated from all service people at information booths and stands.

The major Finnish entry was from Arnold Nyman, now of Espoo, Finland. His six-frame display abounded with the best in philately including the highly vaunted 1865 tete-beche 5 and 10 kop. pairs. Rare and unusual multiples, color errors and covers were well-supported by the attention to stamps from the classic aspect. The 1860 segment boasted two canceled stamps and a cover with the first emission Roulette I which was excellent indeed and well above par for the course. The 5 and 10 kop. rouletted stamps are second only to the 1856 emission in importance. Nyman showed nine pages of the 5 kop. and eight pages of the 10 kop. Proper!

His 1866 display supported by fine items, mint and used, found space for a sufficient number of pages for the 20p and 40p stamps. The presentation of only a few pages of the 40p series dilutes the philatelic acumen of the owner. The 40p stamps are a main-type and should be so treated. Nyman, born and raised in Canada, was appointed as the Commissioner from Finland to CAPEX. A personal matter regrettably prevented his attendance. He also showed and earned a Gold for his strong Norway entry.

Jussi Tuori of Finland also earned a Gold for his entry consisting of a five page traditional exhibit. Good strength was shown in the pre-philately and the 1856 pages. One newly-acquired stamp, very rare, embellished his collection. It was the 1859, wide-laid paper, unused 10 kopek stamp, purported to be the only known copy. It was sold in Switzerland this year.

Two Finnish thematic collections in the competition were Eero Hellsten's "Art and Society" and Tom Peltonen's "Motorcycles," that won a large Vermeil and a large Silver, respectively.

I was pleased to see that CAPEX 87 managed to find room for Finnish entries that were less than potential gold medal winners.

* S * C * C *

Olof Linder

Box 12163
S-102 24 Stockholm
Sweden
Tel: 08-53 46 76

If you collect
Scandinavia
You should try
my Auction

Send for a free copy
together with a retail
list of Sweden.

“FYRA” (400) crowns on a SK350 money order issued at Vänersborg, July 28, 1943. Note that the “HUNDRA/KRONER” portion hits the 15 öre stamp. And, judging from the Swedish inscription in the upper right corner there is a table listing ranges of money order amounts (Belopp) and the corresponding fees (Avgift).

Therefore, these stamps seem to have been used to pay for the money order fee as a charge separate from anything for carrying the mail. Okay, you semanticists, does this represent fiscal usage on otherwise ordinary postage issues?

Our thanks to Malmberg for sharing his knowledge and money orders with us, which solves at least one segment of our “Odd Swedes” quest.



Q2. Can you identify and locate “KARISE” in Denmark? This SON cancel on an AFA 36 (Facit 52) is clearly KARISE, but the name doesn’t show on my Denmark town post office list.

K.M.H.

A. Karise is a small village on the west coast of Jutland, located about two-thirds up the peninsula. The cancel is a single circle type used between 1884 to 1906.

Dr. W. E. Melberg
Allenton, WI 53002

Q3. Help? What is the correct name to complete a cancel reading (?)KIGEN(?) in serif lettering on a Danish 4 øre bicolor, AFA 23? It is a Danish or foreign cancel?

E.G.L.

A. “SKAGEN” is the town name on that postmark. It is the northernmost town in Denmark. The cancel is an Antiqua-stempel Gruppe III. And, on this stamp it is very late usage for that type cancel.

Again, Dr. Melberg

Q4. I’m more than a bit confused by the various railway abbreviations used to cancel Scandinavian stamps. Chasing down Casey Jones on the FXP, KPX, PKXP, JFP, JB PB or JFX seems impossible, especially when only a portion of the cancel is legible or on the stamp. What publications list such cancels, etc.?

A.G.

A. An early edition of *Facit Orstempelkatalog* has the Swedish train cancels listed; and *The Railway Post of Denmark* by A. M. Goodbody is a good source of Danish railroad postmark information.

PB = Postal Bureau (small station)

PK = Postkontor

JB = Railroad

PXP = Postal Expedition

PKXP & PKP are Swedish railway postal compartment cancels.

PXP & ABXP are Swedish steamship cancels.

Again, from the vet
and Librarian, Doc Melberg

Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

Frimerker som Hobby for March 1987 carries an article by Anders Langangen on the various markings used by Norway during the 19th Century, reflecting the postal agreements between Norway and other countries. Ole Haugli describes the use of Norwegian stamps and cancels in the Antarctic, and Ørn Graham presents an excellent profile of Einar Lundström. In the same issue, the British collector of World War II material Herbert Pritchett writes about the American fieldpost in Iceland.

As might be expected, the January and February issues of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* devote much space to promoting the coming HAFNIA show. Max Clausen writes about the Sønderborg fortress and mail from Germany to Denmark in 1871. Also in the January issue Mogens Waidtløw presents a compact table showing the various values and colors for the Queen Margrethe stamps issued from 1974 to 1981. In the February issue, Torben Hjørne illustrates and discusses some classic Greenland cancels, and Ib Pedersen continues the series on Danish coil and slot machine stamps from 1895 to 1933.

In the February issue of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*, veteran Swedish dealer Rolf Gummesson writes about the early Danish dealers in Sweden, and Ole Steen Jacobsen writes about the 19th Century dealer in Copenhagen, Carl Julius Wium. Ib Krarup Rasmussen discusses the monetary reforms in Iceland in 1875-76, and the effect on Denmark-Iceland postal fees. The March 1987 issue of *Scandinavian Contact* from England brings a supplement to Norman C. Franklin's article on the 1963 Lion definitives of Finland, which appeared in the previous issue. Palle Laurssen writes about the transition during the period 1938-40 in Sweden from handmade to

GREENLAND FAROE ISLAND ICELAND exclusively



Participate as seller and buyer in our very popular SPECIAL MAIL BID AUCTIONS. We publish an auction catalogue in colour and in English. We conduct 2-3 auctions annually. Ask for the next catalogue and/or conditions for vendors.

**NORDLYS
SPECIALAUKTIONER**
P.O. Box 3086
S-220 03 Lund, Sweden



machine made booklets. R.M. Fishenden continues the series on the Swedish large officials with a study of plate flaws of the 50 öre value.

The March 1987 issue of *Philatelic Reports* from Germany illustrates some of the interesting pictorial cancels available from various points in Denmark, and furnishes addresses where one can write to obtain these marks. As an example the various cancels used at the post office of Odense to mark the birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen are illustrated from 1977 through 1986. In the section on Faroes, Dietrich Metzner and P. A. Koch write about the international reply coupons sold there during the last ten years. Chairman of the Norway study group Jurgen Tiemer writes extensively about the military service cards of that country, illustrating a number of early 20th Century items. A discussion and tabulation of the paper, gum and color varieties of Swedish stamps is presented by Gunter Pansegrau.

The February issue of *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift* has the first of a series on censorship of mail from Norway to Denmark during the Second War by Johs. Jørgensen. Søren Jessen furnishes the sixth installment on the postal history of Slangørup.

Karl-Erik Stenberg writes about the Stockholm Stadspost on the occasion of its centennial in the March issue of *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*. Ernest Fromen discusses the 10 öre ringtype issue. In *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for March, Peer Lorentzen discusses the 5 öre arms type of Denmark, specifically the variety with the stroke over the "M." Thorkild Andersen writes about numeral cancels 215, 216, and 155 in the same issue.

In *Frimærkesamleren* for March 1987, Mogens Lethrabort has an installment on a series about the Red Cross stamps of Denmark and their varieties. In *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for April, Karl-Erik Stenberg provides the second part of a series on the Stockholm city post local. *Seaposter* for March-April 1987 continues the series on Swedish ship mail markings, with a tabulation of "från" marks for Belgium, Estonia, Lubeck, Germany, Russia, and England.

Mogens Lethrabort continues his series on Red Cross issues of Denmark in the April and May issues of *Frimærkesamleren*. E. Menne Larsen writes about airmail to and from the Faroes since 1963, and also about the mail of the Danish U.N. Command in the Congo, in issue No. 24 (1987) of *Posthistoriske Meddelelser*.

* S * C * C *

Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation Update

Michael E. Hvidonov has been named to the Board of Trustees of SPF, filling the vacancy left when Vic Engstrom stepped down due to other commitments. Hvidonov's name is familiar to *Posthorn* readers as the Associate Editor for Finland, and as the spokesman for news of Finnish philately through his column, "What's Happening in Finland." Mike is well known in philatelic circles and is a member of the Collectors Club of New York. *SPF*

Volume 2 of the Finnish handbook services on the serpentine rouletted stamps was entered in two philatelic literature competitions this spring. At the COLOPEX show in Columbus, OH, it received a silver-bronze, while at the Philatelic Literature Fair sponsored each year by the Cardinal Spellman Philatelic Museum in Weston, MA, it was awarded a vermeil.

Karl Sanne's *Norwegian Exile Mail 1940-1945* has been released in a handsome 6 x 9 format with good illustrations. The author has used the opportunity for translating the work into English to expand and add new material from his original Norwegian edition of 1981. If you are interested in "Little Norway" in Canada, and "London" stamps, the Norwegian merchant marine, and the Norwegian Army FPOs in Great Britain during this period, be sure to order a copy of this book. The price for SPF

members is \$15.00, and for non-members, \$17.50 postpaid, from Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.

Other works under review for translation include a work on Greenland during the same World War II period, and the first volume of the new Swedish handbook. Already at the printer's is a new work by Henry Tester and Glenn Hansen on the Danish numeral cancellations. Applications for SPF membership and a list of all of the Foundation's publications can be obtained from the above address.

* S * C * C *

DAKA 1987 — A Review

The *DAKA 1987 Catalog, Second Edition*, published by DAKA, Beukenlaan 16, 1980 Tevuren, Belgium, contains much material relating to classic Denmark, DWI, Greenland and the Faroes. It is written in English and is easy to follow.

Largest new section on this edition is the second allotment of numeral cancels from 1864 to 1884, which completes the town number cancels. It has also a new section on the star type cancels of the Taarbræk Type used on ship mail and a section on Tranquebar, the former Danish colony in India.

In future editions, the editors hope to include all issues of Danish stamps and cancels through 1933.

—W. H. Lamkin (2561)

* S * C * C *

SCC Winners at COMPEX

It was derby day at COMPEX with our members walking off with most of the awards. Alan Warren led the field by taking the grand for his "Sweden: Stampless Covers." A gold went to Donald F. Halpern for "History of the Covers used in the Scandinavian Post Offices in German Cities prior to 1868." Another gold was picked up by Carl Malmberg for "Swedish Postal Documents and Pre-stamp Covers."

Silvers were awarded to: Dan Laursen for "Denmark: Wavy Line Issue and its Postal History," Michael Falls for "Iceland Postal Stationery," Dr. W. E. Melberg for "Danish Udslebne Stampler," and John Lindholm for "Swedish Immigrant Mail."

Bronze medals were taken by Norman Kopp for "Modern Faroes," and by Al Gruber for "Swedish-Delaware Settlement."

—Ron Collin

* S * C * C *

Postal Covers

ESTABLISHED 1972

MAIL BID SALES ** COVERS OF THE WORLD

19th & 20th Century Postal History — Topical & Thematic including Military — Maritime — Railroad — Air Mail — FDC's — Cinderella — Red Cross — Judaica — Expositions — Sports and Olympics — Postal Stationery — Picture Postcards and so much more!

ALSO: Listing of over 200 US & Foreign Catalogs and Handbooks many at DISCOUNT PRICES, including hard to get imports.

Mail sales only — No Approvals

FOR RICHLY ILLUSTRATED CATALOG SEND \$1.00 to:

THEO VAN DAM — P.O. Box 8809 — Anaheim, CA 92802

Chance to Join New SCC Chapters Offered by Innovative Regional Organization Ideas

By Gene Lesney, Editor

Most six-packs interest me because so many enjoyable things come in sixes; diet soft drinks, lite beer, V-8 juice and SCC CHAPTERS (it's my list!). That's right, it only takes six members to petition for a recognized chapter. Of course more persons with common interest is better. And, the six initial petitioners don't have to reside in the same city, county or state.

We already have one "gypsy" group, the Golden Gate Chapter 21 consisting of members who reside in the greater San Francisco Bay area. They meet irregularly and only at regional stamp shows (which provide meeting rooms) held within a reasonable driving distance in most any direction. This tends to equalize the driving time and distance for most. Some locations draw more attendance than others, but overall the Golden Gaters meet almost monthly. It's just another innovation, yet the traveling chapter idea can be exploited elsewhere.

In another similar situation, efforts are underway in Central California to form a new chapter among members of three APS-sanctioned stamp clubs located in Carmel-Monterey, Salinas and Santa Cruz. It's not a raid on their membership, but rather a gathering of a "specialty group" within groups of collectors. The new SCC Chapter, when chartered, expects to meet bi-weekly in conjunction with the three local clubs' meetings. In this instance the clubs are willing to share their meeting places — frequently a problem to find.

To help prospective organizers, Executive Secretary Bill Lamkin offers to provide computer printouts of SCC names and addresses for any state or adjoining states as requested. (This does not include addresses of members who specifically asked they not be listed.) These lists will save all the time and effort of scanning for neighboring SCCers in the 1985 Members Handbook and every *Posthorn* issue to date.

The only ingredient the Club cannot provide is that "sparkplug" person out there, somebody who will grab the Viking by the horns and invite other members to a chapter organizational meeting — anywhere and everywhere! Every active chapter has its share of "movers and shakers" who keep the group alive by doing the administrative chores, while others enjoy the benefits.

Our common bond is an interest in Scandinavian philately. Yet most of our members reside in the U.S. and seldom meet regularly with other members. This can be an impersonal, lonely hobby for some collectors dealing only by mail for outside contact. Philately is a field that flourishes best for most collectors when they can exchange information, trade duplicates, learn from others and, most of all, look forward to the next meeting.

* S * C * C *

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

Articles for the Posthorn are always welcome from SCC members. If you are writing about a particular country, send your manuscript to the appropriate associate editor. If your article is about Scandinavia in general or on some other topic, send the manuscript to the Posthorn Editor, Gene Lesney, 858 Howe Drive, Salinas, CA 93907.

Award Presentation Highlights Chicago Meeting

The 1987 Carl E. Pelander Award was presented to Stanley Hanson by SCC President Al Gruber during ceremonies held May 22 at the Club's Regional meeting in conjunction with COMPEX at Chicago's O'Hare-Kennedy Holiday Inn.

In making the presentation, Al Gruber offered a few remarks about his personal experiences with Stanley, who has served as SCC Director-at-Large, COMPEX delegate and organizer of SCC Regional and National Meetings. Gruber recalled that in 1985 at Boston while dining in a Greek restaurant full of Celtic fans, Stanley proved he could charm anyone when he became a "Greek Celtic Brother." In another anecdote Gruber told of a young Dane who approached the SCC table at AMERIPEX 86 demanding to see the "Voice of America" who turned out also to be Stanley.

The petition proposing the award was read and the beautiful Pelander Award plaque was presented to a standing ovation. The Pelander, created in 1968, perpetuates the memory of a founder and first *Posthorn* editor. It is presented to SCC members for outstanding work in furthering the aims of the Club.

Stanley Hanson has served as director-at-large, COMPEX delegate and organizer of regional and national SCC meetings. His principal effort, however, has been as SCC Librarian for eight years during which the library grew both in references and in funding and donations. He has won golds for his Norway exhibits and been a steady contributor of articles for *The Posthorn*.

Hanson attended Northwestern University and Knox College. In 1970 he retired from Illinois Bell Telephone Co. as Supervisor of Records Management after 43 years service.

* S * C * C *

SPECIALIZED SALES of SCANDINAVIA

6 times a year we have a sale exclusively against written bids, specializing in:

| | | |
|---------|--------------------|-----------|
| DENMARK | FAROEES | GREENLAND |
| | DANISH WEST INDIES | |
| NORWAY | SWEDEN | FINLAND |

Each catalogue contains 1200-1500 lots and is fully illustrated. ALL single stamps are illustrated in actual size, as are also many covers, etc.

Ask for FREE catalogues from:

O. GOTTLIEB A/S

P.O. Box 1019
 Viemosevej 5 C Bredballe,
 DK-7120 VEJLE OST, DENMARK
 Tel. (05) 81 61 25

Member: A.S.D.A. and A.P.S. United States; P.T.S. London
 Danish Stamp Dealers' Association



What's Happening in Finland

By Mike Hvidonov

Suomen Postimerkkeily's March sale featured some very nice items. One was a registered letter with both an 8p and 32p fee affixed, from the 1875 period. It went on the block with bidding starting at FM10,000. Minutes later the attractive cover was knocked down at FM37,400 (\$8,600), including the buyer's 10 percent fee.

A 1930 Zeppelin error (overprinted 1830) on cover realized \$2,500. It seems to me that a number of these zepp letters, blocks and singles with the error have made a rather constant appearance past few years. Probably, there are more around than once believed. Yet it's difficult to get accurate counts on some of these "modern" items.

According to one report, singles from the rouletted issues do not move too well lately. This can perhaps be ascribed to the fact that most advanced collectors have already acquired nice examples of the more common colors years ago. This means that if you are collecting classic Finland, some lovely stamps are going wanting at fair, affordable prices. It's easy to bid in Finnish auctions. However, the totally beautiful used copies with centered cancellations will demand several times catalog prices before the hammer drops. Bid with your pocketbook in mind.

Recent financial reports of the wrap-up of STOCKHOLMIA 86 show that it finished well in the black on the ledgers. The largest profit was garnered from the sale of Exhibition Miniature Blocks. A total of 557,000 sheets sold for SK30 each. It's great to see a nicely run affair reap a financial reward!

ABOPHIL reports the use of FRAMA labels instead of stamps commenced in April 1982. To date the philatelic interest viewed from the collecting aspect remains reserved. Post office evaluations indicate normal sales with no sharp sales or usage surges inspired by collecting interests. Actually, many labels were already sold at the end of March and into April, when industrious collectors created First Day Covers and all kinds of mixed franking oddities. Labels dated in 1982 must have the correct postage rates after April 1, 1982. Mikko Ossa contends that renewed interest might occur if Finnish post offices should stop using the Swiss FRAMA machines which print the date and the fee.

New Guide to Collecting Classic Finland

The May issue of *ABOPHIL* announced the good news that Mikko Ossa is undertaking the research and writing of a new book detailing which items are unusual and important when creating a Finnish classic exhibit. He is presently preparing the section on the 1856 Ovals and the 5 and kop. rouletted stamps of 1860, which he intends to complete this summer. He will eventually require material for the balance of the book for the 1866-1885 chapters.

Ossa argues that this study should have been included as part of the *Finnish Handbook*, but for some reasons it was omitted. He feels it important in his effort to have all collectors of Finland, who have unusual stamps, help by providing photos and details for possible inclusion in the new book.

Your Finnish AE has nominated himself to act as liaison to Ossa for this research. Please hurry with your 1856-60 emmissions to keep Mikko busy. All material can be sent to my address listed in *The Posthorn*. Many thanks.

Scandinavia Area Awards

At SANDICAL, Gene Scott took a gold, the reserve grand, and the APS medal of excellence for pre-1900 material with his "Denmark: The Skilling Issues." At the same show, Vi King won a vermeil for "Norway: Small Die Issue." Jim Frances received a gold at WESEX for "19th Century Danish Postal Cards." Gene Scott's Denmark skilling exhibit took the grand award at FRESPEX along with the APS pre-1900 award.

Gene Scott also won the grand award, a gold medal, and the APS medal at OKPEX with his "Iceland: The Numeral Issues 1873-1903." At the same show, Alan Warren took a silver with his "Censored First Day Covers of the Nordic Countries." Dan Laursen received a silver-bronze at WESTPEX for "A Cross Section of my Greenland Collection." At SPRINGPEX in Virginia, Jeffrey Crown received a vermeil for "Faroe Island Post, 1881-1975." His same collection also won a silver at NAPEX, and Warren H. Pearse took a silver as well with his "Danish West Indies Postal History 1790-1917."

At PIPEX Chris McGregor received a vermeil for his "Greenland 1935 to 1985."

—Alan Warren

* S * C * C *

SCC Estate Labels are available, without cost, to all SCC members from William H. Lamkin, Executive Secretary, P. O. Box 302, Lawrenceville, GA 30246-0302. These labels can be placed in your albums giving your heirs instructions as to how to have your collection appraised by SCC.

Scandinavia

Always the Unusual, Esoteric & Inimitable...

We offer Mail Sales with extremely interesting material in the \$25 - \$150 range. In addition, our Public Auctions offer appropriately rare and specialized material.

We are always interested in buying specialized items or collections.

Our Mail Sale and Public Auction catalogs are sent free to members of the Scandinavian Collectors Club on request. Please specify which catalog you wish.

**George
Alevizos**



2800 28th Street, Suite 323
Santa Monica, California 90405
Telephone: 213/450-2543
Cal. Auc. Lic. No. A1229



Transfers & Reentries

By Alan Warren

In the April 1987 issue of the *American Philatelist*, author Herbert A. Friedman writes extensively about the propaganda labels issued during the Second World War, principally by Great Britain. The first set of items discussed consists of four labels dropped over Norway in 1941. The labels look somewhat like stamps and actually bear denominations of value. All of the labels are illustrated, and one which carries the value of "30 stk sølv" shows Vidkun Quisling with a noose around his neck. The British office produced similar labels for Belgium, Italy, Netherlands and France.

There are a number of specialty groups within the Swedish Philatelic Union (SFF). These include the thematic collectors (SMS), the postal history group (SSPD), the booklet collectors (FHS), and the military post group (SMPS). Other groups study varieties of Swedish stamps, regional philately, and locals or back-of-the-book material. To learn more about these specialty groups, write to Sveriges Filatelist-Förbund, Vasavägen 86, 18141 Lidingö, Sweden.

SCC Director Pete Schlueter had a good letter-to-the-editor in the June 6 issue of *Stamp Collector*, advising collectors to leave information with their collections so that heirs will not dispose of material carelessly. He cites the fact that reference material are often not recognized for their value to collectors, and so journal-runs, handbooks, and even manuscripts-in-progress are tossed-out thoughtlessly by family members. If you don't already have the estate stickers that SCC offers without cost, send your request to Executive Secretary Bill Lamkin, and place them in your albums, files and boxes of reference materials.

Modern Philately is becoming an increasingly serious collector specialty in its own right, as witness the exhibits of materials of the last 10 years shown in a separate section at STOCKHOLMIA, and the MOPHILA exhibitions begun in the early 1970s. The FIP is now looking into formalizing definitions and requirements for modern philately exhibits, and the topic will be on their agenda when the FIP Congress meets at HAFNIA 87. If you have comments that would be helpful to this work, send them to the FIP Coordinator for Modern Philately, Wolfgang Maassen, Box 10, 4056 Schwalmatal, Federal Republic of Germany.

FINLANDIA 88, to be held June 1-12 next year, is getting closer and closer. If interested in side trips such as to Lapland, Leningrad, or Åland Islands, send for the FINLANDIA 88 tours and excursions brochure available from Kaleva Travel Agency Ltd., Congress Service, Box 312, 00121 Helsinki, Finland.

Finnish sculptor Kauko Räsänen, who resides in Espoo, designed the striking show medal which incorporates the themes of global communications, the family and postal markings.

IFSDA, the International Federation of Stamp Dealers' Associations, has been having its problems with the German Trade Society which has withdrawn. The German group feels it should have more voting power in view of the large number of dealers they represent. IFSDA recently elected Jaime Esteba Ona of Spain as president. Vice presidents are John G. Ross of the U.S. and J. Michael Berry of England. Elected treasurer is Rodolphe T'Scharner of Belgium, and the post of secretary is now held by J. Michael Berry. The only Scandinavian representative on the executive committee is K. Jensen of Denmark.

Bulletin 2 from the FINLANDIA 88 organizing committee for the world philatelic exhibition scheduled for June 1-12, in Helsinki opens with a message of welcome from Helsinki's Mayor Raimo Ilaskivi. As usual, a special theme has been assigned for each day and pictorial cancellations will be used to promote such things as Youth Day, Nordic Countries Day, Penny Black Day, Finnish Flag and Åland Islands Day, etc.

President of the exhibition is Christian Sundman. President of the distinguished jury will be Ladislav Dvoracek, who is also president of the Federation Internationale de Philatelie. FIP members of the jury include George B. Lindberg and Paul H. Jensen. The Finnish contingent of the jury is comprised of Pentti O. Anttila, Seija Haukkovaara, Stig-Olav Laurent, Juhani Olamo, Juhani Pietilä, Vieno V. Vihanto, Halfdan Helgason and Roland Frahm.

Other jury members include from the Nordic area, Bengt Bengtsson and Börje Wallberg of Sweden, Jesper Haff and Erik H. Hansen of Denmark, and Egil Thomassen and Arne Thune-Larsen of Norway. Commissioner General is Risto-Matti Kauhanen of Finland. Other commissioners of note include Knud Mohr for Denmark, Erik Sörensen for Finland, Jon Adalsteinn Jonsson for Iceland, Eivind Evensen for Norway, Lars-Magnus Sjöholm for Sweden, and Henry W. Houser for the U.S. Provisional applications can be obtained from Henry Houser, 1206 Racebrook Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525.

Important dates to keep in mind are Sept. 1, which is the deadline for provisional entries; Oct. 1, which is the deadline for dealers and postal administrations to book their stands; and Jan. 15 is the deadline for final entry forms with fee. On each date, this is the deadline for the materials to be in the hands of the committee *in Finland*. Advertisements for the catalog must reach the committee by Feb. 1.

* S * C * C *



GREENLAND and Scandinavia

- Regular, comprehensive 32-page catalogs packed with exciting stamps, photos, postal history and philatelic literature.
- Excellent prices and discounts on quality stamps!
- Your every purchase has my personal money-back guarantee.
- Full, personal service whether you are a general collector or a specialist.

JAY SMITH

The Scandinavian Specialist Since 1973

P.O. Box 9630-SCV, Madison, WI 53715 USA

1-608/258/9630

1-800/792-3505 Ext. 579

The Scandinavian Collectors Club

ELECTED OFFICERS

- PRESIDENT: Alfred A. Gruber, P.O. Box 1073, Newark, DE 19715
 VICE PRESIDENT: Allan Warrington, P.O. Box 1278, Newport Beach, CA 92663
 SECRETARY: Raymond Erickson, 5427 Delia Way, Livermore, CA 94550
 TREASURER: Donald Himer, 12360 Chandler Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91607
 DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE: Kauko Aro, 38 Elena Place, Belleville, NJ 07109
 H. J. (Pete) Schlueter, P.O. Box 75281, Los Angeles, CA 90075
 Alan Warren, P.O. Box 17124, Philadelphia, PA 19105
 IMMEDIATE PAST PRES: Wayne P. Rindone, P.O. Box 276, Newtonville, MA 02160

APPOINTED OFFICERS

- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: William H. Lamkin, P. O. Box 302, Lawrenceville, GA 30246
 HISTORIAN: Dr. Frank N. Schubert, 8505 Cherry Valley Lane, Alexandria, VA 22309
 LIBRARIAN: Dr. W. E. Melberg, Box 134, Allenton, WI 53002
 STAMP MART MANAGER: Wade H. Beery, P. O. Box 3781, Orlando, FL 32802
 APS REPRESENTATIVE: Joe F. Frye, P. O. Box 22308, Memphis, TN 38122
 PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN: Howard Schloss, Apt. 515 - 261 Congressional Lane, Rockville, MD 20852
 BY-LAWS CHAIRMAN: Alan Warren, P. O. Box 17124, Philadelphia, PA 19105
 AWARDS CHAIRMAN: Ronald B. Collin, P. O. Box 63, River Grove, IL 60171
 LITERATURE PROMOTION CHAIRMAN: Alan Warren, P.O. Box 17124, Philadelphia, PA 19105

STAFF, THE POSTHORN

- EDITOR: Gene Lesney, 858 Howe Drive, Salinas, CA 93907, Phone: (408) 758-1507
 BUSINESS MANAGER: H. J. (Pete) Schlueter, P.O. Box 75281, Los Angeles, CA 90075

ASSOCIATE EDITORS

- CHAPTER NEWS: Paul A. Nelson, P. O. Box 57397, Los Angeles, CA 90057
 D.W.I.: Victor E. Engstrom, 2655 Pebble Beach Drive, Clearwater, FL 34621
 DENMARK & FAROES: Marvin D. Hunewell, P. O. Box 5437, St. Louis, MO 63147
 FINLAND: Mike E. Hvidonov, 4 Dwight Lane, Great Neck, L.I., NY 11024
 GREENLAND: Dr. Dan Laursen, 4901 East Eastland, Tucson, AZ 85711
 ICELAND: Michael E. Falls, 575 Virginian Drive, Norfolk, VA 23505-4242
 NORWAY: Jared H. Richter, 1353 Plum Street, San Diego, CA 92106
 SWEDEN: Eric P. Karlson, 2455 Union Blvd. Apt. 4K, Islip, NY 11751

- PRINTER: Dennis W. Wilcox, 102 South Main, Madrid, IA 50156
 DESIGN & LAYOUT: Trish Johnson, 102 South Main, Madrid, IA 50156
 CIRCULATION: Carol Wilcox, 102 South Main, Madrid IA 50156

- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY — Send all dues, applications for membership and change of address.
 BUSINESS MANAGER — Send all ads, payments of ads, or requests for rate sheets.
 EDITOR, *The Posthorn* — Send general articles for publication.
 ASSOCIATE EDITORS, *The Posthorn* — Send articles pertaining to individual countries to the appropriate Associate Editor.



President's Message

By Alfred Gruber

Final notice for the 1987 Annual SCC Convention! The meeting will be at 2 p.m., Sept. 5, at BALPEX, held at the Hunt Valley Marriot Hotel just off I-83 on Shawan Road, near Baltimore, MD. The Board of Directors meeting begins earlier at 10 a.m. Every member is invited to attend both sessions. My thanks to all the exhibitors who have registered. Hope to see many of you there.

Following the wonderful hospitality of Chicago's Chapter 4 at COMPEX, my wife and I spent two delightful days with the Melbergs, Doc and Florence, in Allenton, WI. Doc now has the SCC Library at his home and faces the time-demanding task of determining what remains from the Des Plaines (IL) River flood of 1986. Doc reported the following story;

Described as a once in a 100 years chance, the flood cut off the area for three days with no contact with people caught in their homes — no power or phones. Our Librarian then, Stanley Hanson and wife were trapped. Ron Collin, a very active Chapter 4 member and a good friend of the Hansons, was very concerned. Authorities kept outsiders away. But finally Ron put on hip boots and waded in to find Stanley and Irma hungry and cold sitting at a kitchen table heated by only a candle. (Stanley was later hospitalized.) The bottom two library shelves were under water and the third shelf wetted so that fetid water soaked up into the paper. Ron, Norm Kopp and others eventually rescued the good library material now in Doc's hands. Our thanks to all you good folks who helped rescue the Hansons and retrieved the library.

New Drive for More SCC Chapters

From the May PH you may correctly conclude that the health of the SCC Chapters is a top item. Early in June, I sent an appeal to all Chapter Presidents and Regional Directors asking them to profile their units for *The Posthorn*. Each Chapter is unique. Good ideas in the West may be useful in the North, etc. We are very interested in forming new Chapters so a menu of possibilities is desirable.

Why new Chapters? Certainly they are healthy for SCC, but there are other personal reasons. I confess to having been a closet collector for many years living in a small town where philatelists would have been categorized as "daft." Then I moved to Delaware where a phone call got me into the Chapter being organized.

What an eye opener! I learned what QUALITY really means. I was introduced to catalogs I'd never known. I attended PhD-style dissertations on varieties, errors and history. I learned philatelic terms in Swedish; and experienced auctions by preparing them; used the Mart — and in the process met some of the finest people around, some who now are close friends.

Organizing a Chapter does not require a superman. One sparkplug personality gets it rolling and a couple of workers keep it going. Article XI of our By-Laws requires only six or more SCC members to associate into a Chapter. There are a few more simple requirements and the Executive Secretary can supply membership lists by states, which can be very helpful. (Read Article XI and the Mart Regulations.)

Other Odds and Ends

Our Historian, Dr. Frank N. Schubert, requests past officers with documents of historic interest to send copies to him. He is attempting a professional job on our history.

Lastly, our PH Editor has been educating me on the intricacies of publishing and its finances. The government may announce a low inflation rate, but my spouse says otherwise, as does the Editor who details the rising costs of paper, labor and postage. We'll have to discuss the price of dues at the Annual Board Meeting at BALPEX.

* S * C * C *

The Editor's Notebook

By Gene Lesney



Apparently I speak your language. A record number of letters arrived with agreeing comments and compliments for our goals. Among the ideas submitted were some good suggestions, which are already in the works from Associate Editors for upcoming issues. One member struck paydirt by pointing to Finnish perfins, the subject of Ed Fraser's article in this issue. This is only one of a number of specialties collected and studied by our members. Virtually all collectors begin with one or more Nordic nation and eventually slip into the enticing traps of specialization.

Falls into Iceland AE Slot

After pondering the choice between two well-qualified nominees, Michael (Mike) Falls of Norfolk, VA, has been named our new Associate Editor for Iceland. Aside from membership in an alphabet soup of local and national philatelic organizations, Mike steadfastly maintains his proudest moment was winning the SCC's first National Award at NAPEX 83. He's frequent exhibitor at home and away. During Mike's three terms as prexy of the Norfolk Philatelic Society, he revitalized the long dormant newsletter which he still edits. In 1984, our new AE was elected to *Stamp Collector's* "Sparkplug Hall of Fame."

With a bit of scrambling, a new Cancel Clinic column appears in this issue. It, too, was among the most-suggested ideas in letters to the editor. It presents some interesting Q & As from the mailbag, but its success depends entirely upon the questions from our members. The PH panel of experts like challenges.

Auction Realizations Are Important

Perhaps the most vital bellweather market trends for Scandinavian stamps can be seen in prices for key stamp and sets at recent auctions. Every active bidder likes to track favorites. This is what *Stamp Auction News* (recently purchased by *Stamps Magazine*) does for collectors of U.S., Great Britain and Canadian material. I mention this because quite a few members have asked for a "column or listing" in our areas of interest. And it's a novel idea for a quarterly journal. We can certainly make space for such a column, but first the question has to be considered pro and con. For the uninitiated a true, unrestricted floor auction (and a few mail versions) always an-

nounce bidding results in a published "prices realized list." Keeping tabs on the auction scene could serve both pro and novice. It would give benchmark prices for bidding or not in those pesky mail auctions with "minimum or reserve starting prices." A lot of us learned the hard way, dollarwise! Again, it should be noted that this is a quarterly publication and as such could report only on recent trends. Our Associate Editors could fulfill the task in quarterly reports. Voice your choice by mail before the SCC National Convention at BALPEX in Baltimore, Sept. 5th.

Alive and Well at Work

For those SCCers who might want to meet the man behind that caricature heading this column, you are invited to join me at the SCC National Convention at BALPEX 87 in Baltimore on Labor Day Weekend. I'll also fly to Copenhagen, Oct. 16-25, for HAFNIA 87, which is the reason early deadlines have been set for the November issue. Hope to be asked to judge the snaps drinking competition in the bar. My akvavit tax label collection has been said to induce thirst, even among non-Scandinavians.

* S * C * C *



Library News

Dr. W. E. Melberg, SCC Librarian

My first report to the membership is a sad one! We have not recovered from the disastrous Des Plaines, IL, flood loss. The salvaged materials are being evaluated and cataloged.

Many items are missing from all Scandinavian countries. All of the Finnish reference material was destroyed. We shall be asking for donations to fill the gaps as to build up the Library. A want list will be completed for publication in the November issue of the PH.

Thank you's are extended to Ron Collin, Norm Andrews and Norman Kopp for their efforts in rescuing the Library. Several people also deserve our appreciation for donations. They are Stanley Hanson, Alan Warren and Nancy Blouin.

LATE BULLETIN: At press time, Doc Melberg phoned in the good news that the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation donated copies of the 11 books it has published in recent years. The package of books included a message from SPF Secretary/Treasurer George B. Koplowitz that the group will continue to send copies of future publications. Another bundle of good books was donated by Alan Warren, who included badly needed Finland material. A copy of the new 1987-88 *AFA Catalogue* also arrived by mail.

(Editor's Note: When requested to provide a "mug" photo for his new Library News column, Dr. W. E. Melberg suggested a "coffee mug" might be more suitable as a symbol of his constant addiction to the substance. The checkered cow pictured on the mug is Karoline, Denmark's dairy industry symbol. Doc's a vet!)

* S * C * C *



The Executive Secretary Speaks

By William H. Lamkin

Membership

It is with much regret that this issue carries a long list of members who are delinquent in their dues. Dues are payable on or before Dec. 31 each year. If not received by July 1, then the delinquent member must be dropped from membership. Each of them have been given notice of the situation. There are 90 names on the list as of now! Each has received two copies of *The Posthorn* "free." Unless dues are paid, this is bad loss to the club. Think about this when dues payment time comes as it surely will by the next issue of our journal.

HAFNIA '87

If planning to attend HAFNIA '87, it might be a wise move if you subscribed to the travel insurance sponsored by HAFNIA, itself (the biggest insurance company in Denmark). Coverage includes medical, repatriation due to serious illness, baggage loss, personal liability and personal accident. Details are available from HAFNIA '87, P.O. Box 805, DK-2100, Kobenhavn Ø, Denmark. I wonder if this puts me in the same league as Ed McMahon and Gavin McCloud? They get paid, however!

Specialized Scandinavia

For almost twenty years we have been helping to build collections through our monthly lists of Scandinavian covers, booklets, postal stationery, locals, seals, literature . . . and even stamps. What's more, people tell us our prices are reasonable and that the lists are fun to read. Tempted? Then ask for our current list.

This issue's special: Three different Denmark World War II encased emergency 1 øre "stamp coins" for \$8.95.

Lizbeth Stamp Company

P.O. Box 321

Bloomsburg, PA 17815

Our Computer Capabilities

The SCC computer is in full service now and can spew out almost any sort of membership listing desired. I can also print out on labels of the entire membership for those who want to use the list for sales purposes. The catch to this it will cost you \$100 whether you are a member or not. The price applies if the labels are to be used for business purposes.

Address Changes

I keep harping on address changes because I have to buy back undelivered *Posthorns* at 73¢ each from the Post Office. If and when the address is corrected, it takes another 69¢ to re-mail it. And, this is over and above the original cost of postage. For our overseas members, it's even more, \$2.92, a big cost item to the Club. I also realize that every now and then, either I or the printer gets a little fouled up over an address. We try to avoid these incidents but they occur, anyhow. Keep me posted on your current address?

Visitors from Abroad

As I write this my wife and I are expecting a visit from a good member from jolly old England, Herbert Pritchett and wife. They have been traveling from Toronto via bus down the East Coast to Miami and back to Toronto via Atlanta. It's always nice to see collectors, and especially those from away places. We hope nothing keeps them from seeing Atlanta.

I also have had a very nice letter from Rolf Gummesson of Sweden, apologizing for trying to pay his son's Life Membership twice. Seems like he did not know that his son, Per, was already a Life member (L-30) when Rolf was going to give it as a gift. Of course, his money was refunded by the most reasonable method. I sent it registered mail and trusted the honesty of USPS and the Swedish postal authorities.

Now That I'm Started

Each quarter when it comes time to write this column, I find it most difficult to get something to write about. It seems that all I ramble on is something about dues, address changes and some of the things that plague an Executive Secretary. It is a fun job, however. I do enjoy going to the post office daily to get the mail and to see where it is from this time. The clerks all know me and wonder who has written and from where. I find that that USPS clerks are not always as blase as they are pictured. They are pretty good people. They are busy and don't have too much time to talk, but you should try to talk to them the next time you go to the post office. You might like them.

NEW MEMBERS FOR AUGUST 1987

- | | | |
|------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 3071 | LARSON, Harry C., 855 Saskatoon Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1X 1X3 Canada Scandinavia, Canada, Mexico | By: Lamkin 2561 |
| 3072 | NIELSEN, Jan F., 8290 Pebble Creek, Ct., Chagrin Falls, OH 44022 Scandinavia, US, Canada, France | By: Lamkin 2561 By: Schodruf 2244 |
| 3073 | ZIRZOW, Linda A. | By: Lamkin 2561 |
| 3074 | DECK, G. Bruce, 9808 58th Avenue. Court East, Puyallup, WA 98373-1052 US, UN, BNA, Scandinavia | By: Lamkin 2561 |
| 3075 | HENRICKSON, Clarence, 1209-A North 40th Street, Sheboygan, WI 53081 Scandinavia | By: Lamkin 2561 |
| 3076 | LEVIN, Erling G., 5752 N E 62, Seattle, WA 98115 Sweden, Japan | By: Lamkin 2561 |

- 3077 LIE, Ejner J., 416 East 4 Mile Road, Racine, WI 53402
Denmark, Greenland, Faroes, DWI By: Lamkin 2561
- 3078 KELLY, Michael G., P.O. Box 4142, Miami Beach, FL 33141.
Scandinavia, US, Canada, Monaco By: Lamkin 2561
- 3079 MARTIN Jr., Dr. James N., OB/GYN Dept., UMC, Jackson, MS 39216
Sweden, RR Topicals By: Lamkin 2561
- 3080 POZHARSKY, Vladimir, 44 Russell Street, Hamden, CT 06517
Scandinavia, Russia, Serbia By: Lamkin 2561
- 3081 SMITH Jr., Gerald A., By: Lamkin 2561
- 3082 AUGER, Kathryn, P.O. Box 112, Wembley, Alberta, Canada T0H 3S0
- 3083 SPARKS, Arthur J., 1813 McGregor Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada P7Z 5G1
- 3084 SUNDBY Jr., Harold C., 1066 Winding Creek Lane, Huntington Valley, PA 19006
Viking covers, events and stamps By: Lamkin 2561
- 3085 GOLDEN, Myrna, P.O. Box 484, Cedarhurst, NY 11516
Revenues, DWI By: McRee 2794

Reinstated Members for August 1987

- 2206 PETERSON, James, 260 Adelaide St., P.O. Box 202, Toronto, ONT., Canada M5A 1N0
Norway, Canada, Early World

Resignations for August 1987

- 2918 EDWARDS, Geoffrey
- 2264 THOMPSON, Eunice L.
- 1701 JAKOBSON, Irving

Deceased for August 1987

- 3001 HOWLAND Sr., Francis C.

Address Changes for August 1987

- 2885 SIVERTSON, Rob, P.O. Box 2076 Main, Prince George, B.C., V2N 2J6 Canada
- 2908 SWINFORD, David, P.O. Box 6592, Grand Cen. Station, New York, NY 10163-6022
- 2038 TRONDSEN, Eigil Th., P.O. Box 890047, Houston, TX 77289-0447
- 2962 TORBJORN, Bjork, 305 South Avenue W, Apt. 6, Westfield, NJ 07090
- 2429 LOE, David J., 39 Nottingham Road, Ashby-De-La-Zouch, Leicestershire, LE6 5NJ England
- 2827 CAGAN, Jack M., P.O. Box 2399, Universal City, TX 78148-1399
- 2950 NEWMAN, Gerald, 161 Chicago Ave., East, Apt 51D, Chicago, IL 60611
- L-23 THOMPSON, Neil D., 255 No. Second West, Salt Lake City, UT 84103-4545
- 1738 RASMUSSEN, Herbert A., 357 Moreton Bay Lane, 3, Goleta, CA 93117
- 1876 SALMI, Pekka, S.S. 1, Comp. 159, Kitimat, B.C. V8C 2K6 Canada
- 2932 FISHER, Robert E., 715 86th Place, Downers Grove, IL 60516
- 2413 BELCHER III, Taylor, American Embassy, Madrid, Spain, APO NY, NY 09285
- 1775 LADENTHIN, Lawrence R., 2052 No. Seminary Ave., Chicago, IL 60614
- 1479 SIMMERMAN, Byron C., 5422 Richenbacher Ave., Alexandria, VA 22304
- 2431 PITSTICK, Jerome, 1579 East Parkridge Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84121
- 2828 WIRTA, Allen J., 3317 West Cuyler, Chicago, IL 60618
- L-34 BUCKNER, Dr. John M., 2839 NW 21st Ave., Gainesville, FL 32605-3735
- 1404 PETERSON, David A., 8 Jefferson St., Plainville, CT 06062
- 1930 FRANCIS, Dr. James N., 185 Garfield Place, Maplewood, NJ 07040
- 3059 BLOCK, Svanild, 1219 Rizzo St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
- 0144 FINK, Ernesto, Bei Teply, Krottenbach Str., Wien, Austria
- 2798 GRANT, Kenneth B., 1420 Draper St., 303, Baraboo, WI 53913-1255
- 1636 PAULSON, Robert E., 3220 US 19 North, 417, Clearwater, FL 34621
- 2880 GERLACH, Peer, 815 Maxwell Place, Bel Air, MD 21014
- 2841 CRANDALL, William M., P.O. Box 321431, Cocoa Beach, FL 39932-1341
- 0911 ENGSTROM, Victor E., 2655 Pebble Beach Dr., Clearwater, FL 34621
- 2884 HANSEN, Hans, Gyvelvaenget 6, DK-5690, Tommerup, Denmark
- 2058 PIERCY, David J., 96 Brown Close, Red Deer, ALTA., Canada T4R 1K4
- 0768 ANDERSON, Donald, P.O. Box 10063, Minneapolis, MN 55458
- 1888 PARR, Kenneth E., P.O. Box 1937, Salem, NH 03079
- 2158 SHOEMAKER, Charles D., 28 Grandview Ave., Thornhill, Ont., Canada L3T 1G8
- 2804 BUTKOVICH, Nancy, 100 Baloneo Drive No. 29, College Station, TX 77840
- 1485 RINDSHOJ, Roland, P.O. Box 6369, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
Denmarks Philatelist Union, c/o Tom Plovst, Ulfeldtsvej 8 - Stensballe, 8700 Horsens, Denmark

Members not in good standing and being dropped for non-payment of their dues:

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 2543 ABITZ | 2489 ELLIS | 2942 JOLLES | 2913 REBELLO |
| 2258 ALBERT | 1496 ENGWALL | 2484 JONES | 2947 SANFORD |
| 1213 AMES | 1626 FRANDSEN | 2190 KAABER | 2897 SCHAEFER |
| 1129 ANDERSON | 2956 GLADSTONE | 2438 KAMPEN | 2529 SANDVIK |
| 2946 ANDERSON | 2565 GRANDQUIST | 2095 KERNOCHAN | 1149 SEGAL |
| 1812 ANONBY | 2745 GRAY | 2231 KILGORE | 0686 SHINN |
| 2904 BAXENDELL | 2694 HAKA | 2389 KIRELUND | 2135 SILER |
| 2257 BANTZ | 1726 HANCHETT | 2432 KREMEIER | 2233 SILVERBERG |
| 2935 BAZE | 2832 HARROWING | 2514 KRISTANSEN | 2116 SOUMALA |
| 0981 BEAVER | 2582 HEATH | 2064 KRUEGER | 2486 THEBO |
| 2372 BERG | 2143 HELLMAN | 0075 LANA | 2929 THOMAS |
| 2071 BRASCH | 2601 HELLMIN | 2094 LASSEN | 2655 THOMAS |
| 0939 BRODY | 1134 HENDERSON | 2109 LITTLE | 2340 VAN DEN BROEK |
| 2669 BROWN | 2177 HERMANSON | 2477 LUTHER | 2674 VASSALLUSSO |
| 2776 BYSTROM | 2657 HILL | 1922 MATLACK | 1965 WALLACE |
| 2594 CAMERON | 2304 HURST | 2871 NORSTADT | 2886 WALLI |
| 1916 CAUBLE | 2568 JACOBSEN | 0962 NELSON | 2813 WHITE |
| 2085 CALHAMER | 2832 JAMES | 2011 OSSA | 2763 WILLUMSTAD |
| 1814 CLEARY | 2833 JARAKER | 2842 PIERCE | |
| 2729 COX | 2464 JENSEN | 2512 PAGTER | |
| 2782 CYBARD | 2236 JOHANNES | 2323 PAULSON | |
| 2951 DAVIS | 1598 JOHNSON | 2216 PECKEL | |
| 2736 DOWLING | 2287 JOHNSON | 2807 PETERSON | |
| 1328 DUANE | 0738 JOHNSON | 2940 PILGRIM | |

Membership Summary for August 1987

I have made an exhaustive review of the membership records. Naturally, or unnaturally depending upon your point of view, I found a number of discrepancies in these records. Hence, this summary must take on a new look. First, I have counted and recounted and then checked with the computer our total membership. I found this to be 1,045 paying members as of July 1. The membersis composed as follows:

| | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Regular Members | 990 |
| Life Members | 48 |
| Honorary Members | 7 |

Total Membership

This figure is much different from that I have been placing in *The Posthorn* each quarter. The above figures include the following:

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| New Regular Members | + 14 |
| Reinstatements | + 1 |
| Resignations | - 3 |
| Decease | - 1 |

Total Adjustment

The above figures do not include some 90 members who have not paid their 1986 dues and who are not in good standing in accordance with the By-Laws. We hope they will pay up when they find their *Posthorn* missing!

* S * C * C *

How to sell *quality* Scandinavia:
— sell in Scandinavia; — or more precisely, at

SAGA PHILATELIC AUCTIONS

- * Lot size \$30-\$1000's
 - * Commission 2-10%
 - * Luxury catalogue free
 - * We also buy for cash
- Our auctions also include several hundred NON-SCANDINAVIAN lots.

**SAGA
Philatelic Auctions**

Paltholmterraserne 69E — DK. 3520 Farum, DENMARK

DO YOU COLLECT SCANDINAVIAN STAMPS & POSTAL HISTORY? ARE YOU A SPECIALIST?

WHAT IS A SCHIFF "ESPECIALLY FOR SPECIALISTS"® AUCTION?

It's an auction designed with YOU in mind. Whether you are a buyer or a seller—each specialized area of collecting is listed in a separate section, making it easier for BUYERS to locate lots of particular interest and for SELLERS to realize maximum exposure for their material.

If you do not get our catalogues you are missing out! Send \$8.50 (\$12.50 overseas) for a full year's subscription to Schiff Auction catalogues and prices realized or send \$1.00 (\$1.50 with prices realized) for a Sample copy of our next sale. If picked up at our office the catalogue is complimentary. AMERIPEX Catalogues \$3.00.

We invite you to consign individual stamps or covers, entire collections or estates—for unreserved Public Auction or Private Treaty Sale. WE ALSO PURCHASE OUT-RIGHT! Contact us first describing your material include your address and telephone numbers.



Jacques C. Schiff Jr., Inc.

195 MAIN STREET
RIDGEFIELD PARK, N.J. 07660

Phones (201) 641-5566 — From N.Y.C. 662-2777
Licensed & Bonded Auctioneers—Established 1947



MEMBER-TO-MEMBER ADS are available to SCC Members only. Send your ad and check to H. J. (Pete) Schueter, P.O. Box 75281, Los Angeles, CA 90075. Include your membership number in your ad, but don't count it as part of the total number of words. The first 20 words cost you \$2.00 (minimum) plus 10¢ per word over 20 words.

SCANDINAVIA: Modern "Helsaker" wanted. Will pay 40% Facit CV. Dr. R. C. Carlston, 1232 Welton Way, Inglewood, CA 90402 (SCC 2898)

* S * C * C *

Used Scandinavian Stamps

1987 34-page listing of Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. 90¢ postage appreciated. Only Fine copies. Want lists filled against SCC number. **What do you need?** I can't help unless you tell me what you need.

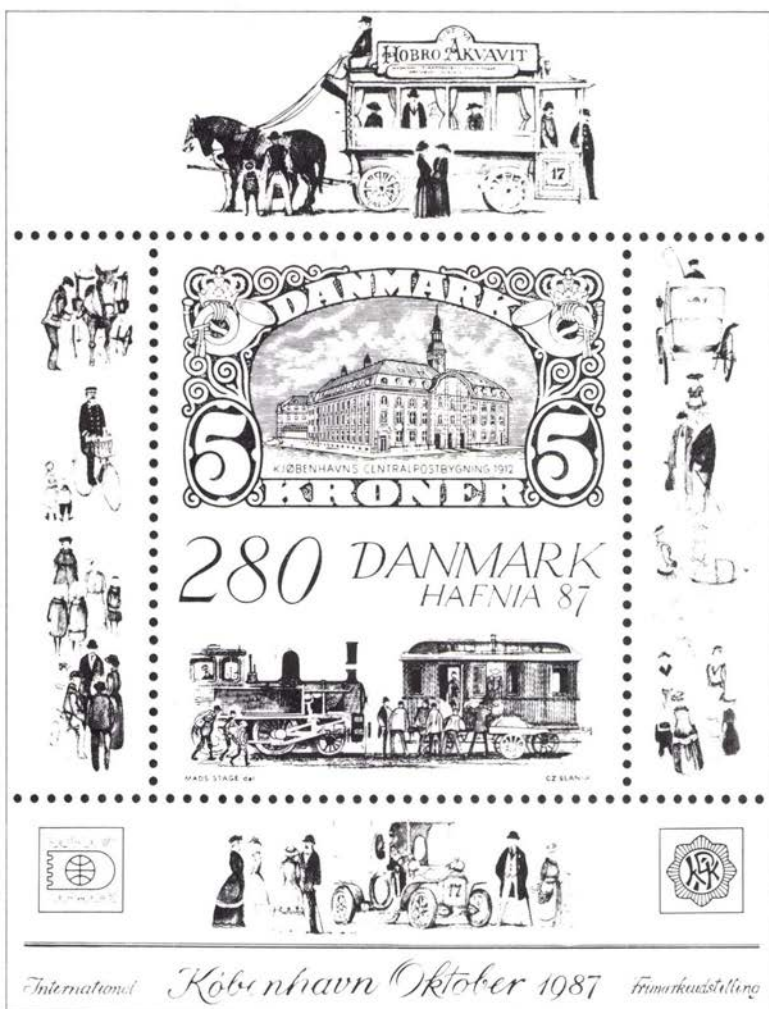
D. G. HERBERT

1198 S. ALCOTT ST., DENVER, CO 80219

APS 87375

SCC 2335

Final HAFNIA S/S Due Aug. 27



Due to be issued Aug. 27th by the Danish GPO is the fourth (above) and last miniature sheet in connection with the world philatelic exhibition HAFNIA 87. The sheet is multicolored and shows motifs around the margins which are characteristic of København around 1912. The stamp represents the 1912 Central Post Office issue featuring the CPO, but with a mail coach from the same period. Face value of the stamp is DK2.80. Size of the sheet is 96 x 71mm, and it is designed by Mads Stage and engraved by Czeslav Slania. Sales price of the miniature sheet is DK45., which includes an admission ticket for the exhibition. The stamp is also available without the pictorial selvage or admission ticket for only DK2.80. The sheet may be ordered via mail from: Postens Frimærkecenter, Vesterbrogade 67, 1621-København V, Denmark.

RESERVATION REQUEST

Marriott's.
HUNT VALLEY INN

245 Shawan Road • Hunt Valley, MD 21031-1099

**BALPEX 1987, SEPTEMBER 2-8, 1987, \$54.00 SINGLE & DOUBLE
 CUT-OFF DATE: AUGUST 13, 1987**

Reservations requested beyond the cut-off date are subject to availability. Rooms may still be available after the cut off date but not necessarily at the above rate. Please apply 12% state and local taxes.

Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn is pleased you have chosen us for your upcoming visit. Our staff looks forward to serving you in fine Baltimore tradition.

In guaranteeing your reservation for late arrival (arrival after 6:00 p.m.), we required that you either:

- 1) Enclose a check or money order covering the first night's stay.
 —OR—
- 2) Send us the *entire* number of your following credit card: AMERICAN EXPRESS, DINERS CLUB, VISA/BANK AMERICARD, MASTERCARD OR CARTE BLANCHE. Don't forget the expiration date and your signature.

Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn regrets that it cannot hold your reservation after 6:00 p.m. on the day of arrival without guaranteeing the reservation with one of the above.

Deposits will be refunded only if cancellation notification is given up to 24 hours prior to arrival.

Name (print) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

For arrival on _____ Depart on _____
(day) (date) (day) (date)

Please reserve _____ No. of Rooms for _____ People

Name(s) of person(s) sharing accommodations _____

Carte Blanche Diners Club Check or money order enclosed
 American Express Visa Amount \$ _____
 Master Card (Please include interbank # directly below card #)

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

I authorize Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn to charge my account for one night's deposit and all applicable taxes.

Signature _____ Phone # () _____

Check-out time is noon. Rooms may not be available for check-in until after 4:00 P.M.



PHILATELY, GENUINE COLLECTIONS AND QUALITY . . .

. . . are well paid for.

Contact us today and let us discuss the best possible way of selling your stamps.

If you are interested in buying at our auctions, ask for a free trial copy of the auction catalog.

POSTILJONEN AB

Box 4118, S-203 12 Malmö, Sweden
Tel. 040-722 90, Tlx: 32602 postil s
Tele facsimilie: 040-72299

SKANDIA- POSTILLONEN A/S

Trommesalen 7,
DK-1614 Copenhagen V, Denmark
Tel: 01-22 03 00

THE BIG* COLLECTIONS ARE COMING TO NORTHLAND

WE ARE BUYERS

Throughout 1987 we have been very active buyers. With the uncertainty of auction realizations in today's market, many specialized collectors have come to appreciate how easy it is to sell directly to us. Here's why:

1. We have both the philatelic and market **expertise** to pay full value for specialized material
2. We have the **capital** to make immediate cash payments.
3. Most importantly, we have the **customers** who appreciate stamps and covers of quality.

WE ARE SELLERS

If you are looking for something special, send your want list and quality requirements. We may or may not be able to respond immediately, but, our computer never forgets.

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

*Many smaller collections too.



NORTHLAND CO.

BOX 34 • VERONA, N.J. 07044

APS
SCC

