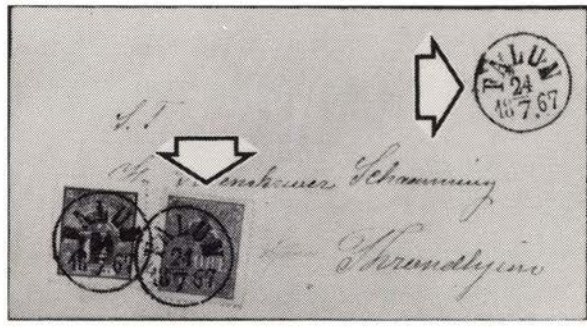


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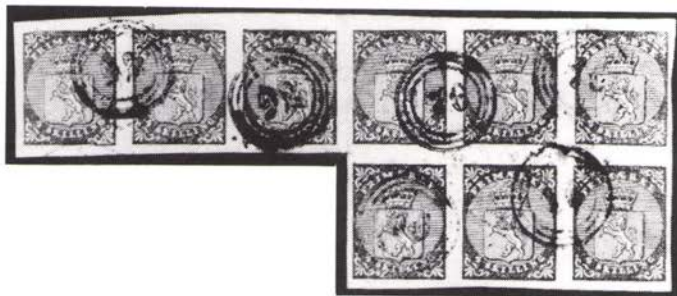
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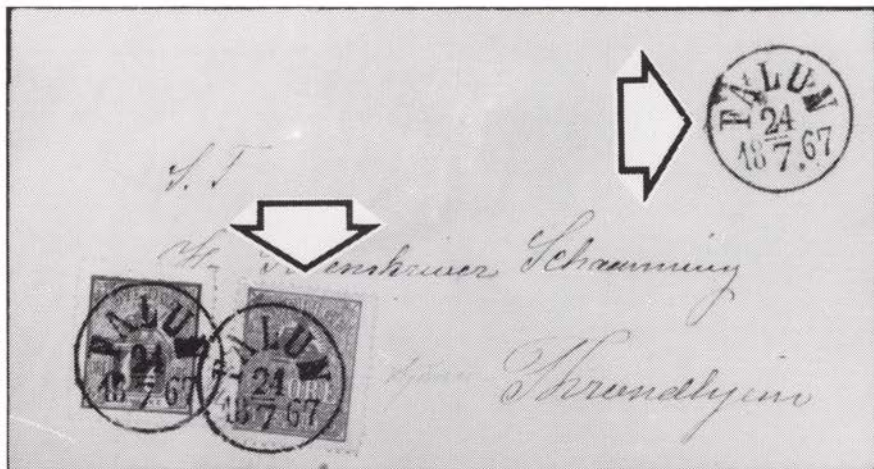


Fig. 1

## Adulterated Covers

# The Dark Side of Postal History

By Torbjorn Bjork, Christie's Stamp Dept.

In recent years interest has focused on forged and altered postal history items. Unfortunately as soon as an area gains popularity it is always subject to unwanted attention from less serious people. This article is not written with the purpose of scaring collectors from the fascinating field of postal history, but should be interpreted as a gentle reminder that a bit of common sense and caution are useful qualities for the postal history collector. It is good advice to be critical towards an item one is thinking of acquiring, thus avoiding future disappointment and financial loss.

Several faked covers have fooled well-known experts and a certificate with an older date is not always a guarantee that the item is genuine. The experts in Sweden are well aware of this fact and are now more than ever on their guard against clever forgeries.

The basis of this article are the findings of The Swedish Expert Committee that was formed by the philatelic

societies and the trade a couple of years ago to investigate possible forgeries in the market and to support and authorize new experts for Swedish philately. The items shown in this article and the Expert Committee's opinions are published with their permission, except the cover in Fig. 1 that is included by courtesy of Postiljonen AB.

The cover in Fig. 1 is a beautiful example of 3 and 17 öre Lion type forming the 20 öre rate to Norway. It has been furnished with certificates of both Per Sjöman and Franz Obermuller stating that it is genuine. The first impression is certainly such that it seems genuine, however it is not. The cover has been the subject of an extensive scientific study by Professor Diego Carlström of Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm. His detailed findings covers three pages of text plus three pages with illustrations. I will present a summary of the study.

Both stamps are genuine. The cancellation on the 17 öre stamp is also genuine with a clear impression in the paper of the stamp. The part of the cancellation that is on the cover is of slightly different color. The genuine

*(Editor's Note: Arrowheads are used to point out faked portions on most of these "embellished" covers.)*

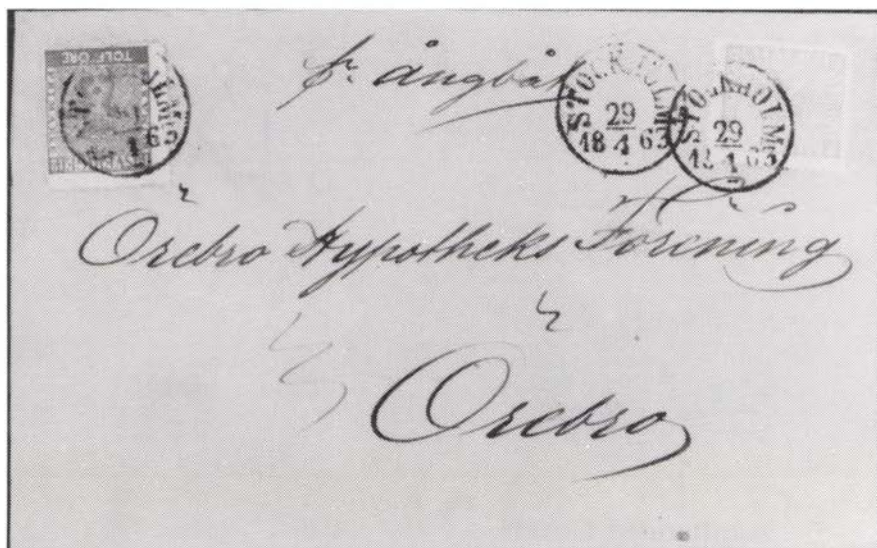


Fig. 2

cancellation is black and glossy, whereas the faked cancellations on the 3 öre stamp and the datestamp at right are blackish gray and dull. Neither of these two cancellations have made any impressions in the paper. These cancellations seem to have been painted on with a fine brush. The previous observations are subjective. When enlarged transparencies of the cancellations were superimposed several differences in the impressions of the cancellations were noted. Most obvious is the forger's mistake in the date "24" and figure "6" in the year date.

Some surface scraping is noted near the cancellation in the top right corner. There is also a manuscript instruction difficult to interpret similar to "betald" (= paid) covered by the two stamps. The conclusion is that the cover is faked and none of the stamps belonged to the cover originally. This cover is part of an extensive manufacturing of covers, not only from Sweden, believed to originate from W. Germany.

I have seen several covers from Sweden made by the same "factory." The ones I positively have been able to identify all have the similar odd-looking

color in the cancellations. They also have been very attractive and fresh. These forgeries have been well-known since the later part of the 1970s.

The second cover, Fig. 2, now belongs to the Expert Committee. It was donated by the philatelist who bought it directly from the forger, a well-known philatelist in Stockholm. When the forger was brought to trial and convicted for other forgeries, the owner sent the cover to Helena Obermuller-Wilen for examination. She concluded that the cover was a forgery; the 12 öre stamps had not originated on the cover. The 24 öre stamp might have belonged to the cover, but in any case it has been removed and replaced. All cancellations are completely or partly filled in. There are no impressions in the paper from the cancellations. The filled in parts of the cancellations differ from other parts by a black and glossy color.

The next cover, shown in Fig. 3, has got the impossible internal rate of 45 öre consisting of 9, 12 and 24 öre Coat-of-Arms but has nevertheless been furnished with a Franz Obermuller certificate stating that it is genuine. After being offered in an auction in 1987 the cover was





Fig. 3

withdrawn before the sale and sent to Erich Harbrecht for examination. In his opinion the cover is a forgery. It is very likely an original double rate, 24 öre, cover since the notation "2" has been removed mechanically, presumably by erasing since the paper is thinned. The bottom part of the "2" as well as the sender's handstamp have been attempted to be removed chemically. The original stamp has been removed which can be detected by thinned paper under the newly applied stamps. Part of the cancellation on the 12 öre stamp is genuine but the figures are partly filled in. The cancellations on the other two stamps are forged and have differing colors. Naturally the parts of the cancellations on the cover are filled in.

When the result of the examination became known, the auctioneer Frimärkshuset AB donated the cover to the Expert Committee's archive.

The mixed franking shown in Fig. 4 was examined in 1985 by Nils Svensson. He stated that the 12 öre Coat-of-Arms is added to the cover. The color of the cancellations differ where they have been filled in. It can be seen in daylight or under UV-light. This cover was offered in 1987 in a German auction. It was then furnished with a certificate from the Danish expert Lasse Nielsen, stating that it was genuine. The Swedish buyer sent it to Helena Obermuller-Wilen who came to the same conclusion as Nils Svensson. This shows how important it is to record as many dubious items as possible to minimize the risk of similar events.

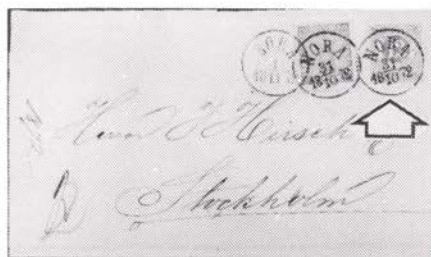


Fig. 4

Not only classic covers are the target of the forgers, but anything of value no matter how modern. The cover shown in Fig. 5 looks very attractive. A 1924 2kr. UPU Congress stamp is a rare stamp on cover, particularly on a cover this neat. This air post cover to China dated 1930 was sold at an auction in Sweden about two years ago. The buyer became doubtful when he received the cover and sent it

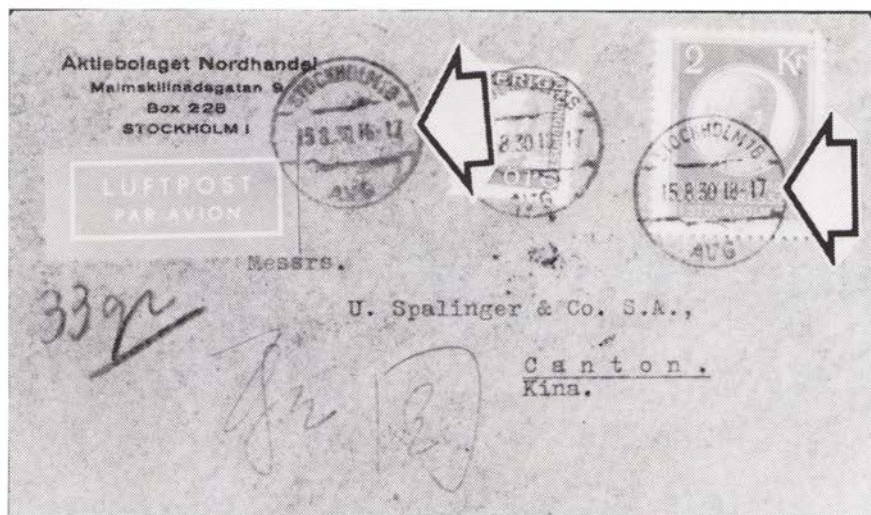


Fig. 5

for examination to Helena Obermuller-Wilen. She concludes that the 2 kr. stamp is added and the cancellation is painted in. When comparing the three cancellations we note that the point of time differs on the cancellation tying the 2 kr. stamp. It shows "18-17" (6pm-5pm) instead of "16-17" (4pm-5pm). The forger had apparently misread (or misunderstood) the point of time given in the other two cancellations.

The following covers are not furnished with the thorough information as the ones just discussed. They are however part of the archive and I think it is important to show them. The stampless cover in Fig. 6 has got two strikes of a crown cancellation. These are both forged and probably added to a handcarried

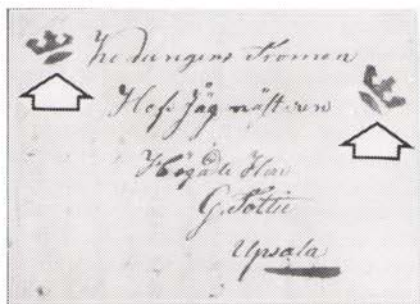


Fig. 6

letter. Another stampless cover, Fig. 7, with a boxed Trelleborg datestamp is a complete forgery. The cancellation is drawn and the folded cover not contemporary. Two postage due items are shown in Fig. 8, both have had their respective postage due stamps added and the "T" cancels are drawn in. The German 1 gr. stamp has also had a circle added as if someone attempted to create a postmark over the manuscript cancellation.

Also, relatively inexpensive covers are subject to a forger's innovations. The Norwegian postcard in Fig. 9 franked with a 15 øre Posthorn stamp has had the stamp cut at the bottom and at the right, thus creating a stamp from a booklet instead of a sheet. This attempt is pretty easy to unveil, just look how the cancellation is tying the stamp to the

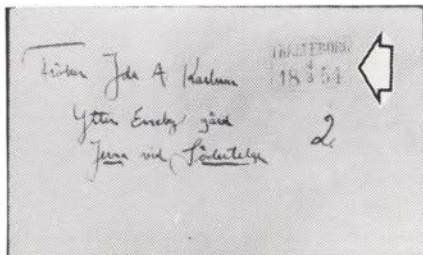


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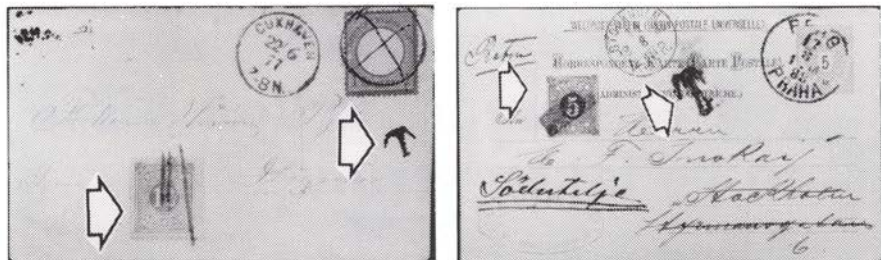


Fig. 8

left, the space at the bottom and the missing part of the circle at right. The Finnish cover in Fig. 10 bears two 20 penni stamp with socked-on-the-nose numeral "80" handstamps. The only unfortunate thing is that none of the stamps belong on the cover.

Several of the covers shown here had been furnished with certificates from prominent experts. Taking into consideration the vast number of items they examined it is not surprising that they sometimes made a mistake. It is important to bear in mind that forgers are always one step ahead. Thanks to research on the forgers' methods of

work and better technical procedures it is now possible to detect forgeries that previously were almost impossible to unveil. With the help of sharp eyes and common sense many pitfalls can be avoided.

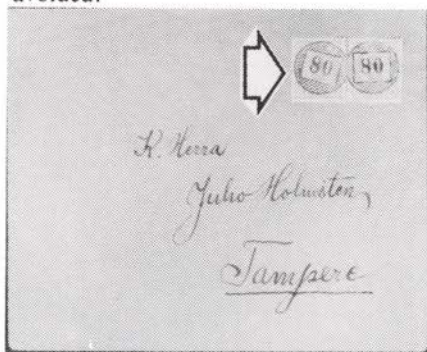


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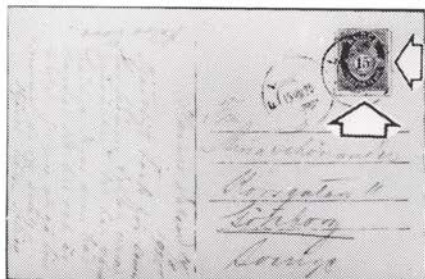


Fig. 9

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## Sr. Stamp Curator Norby Retires from Smithsonian

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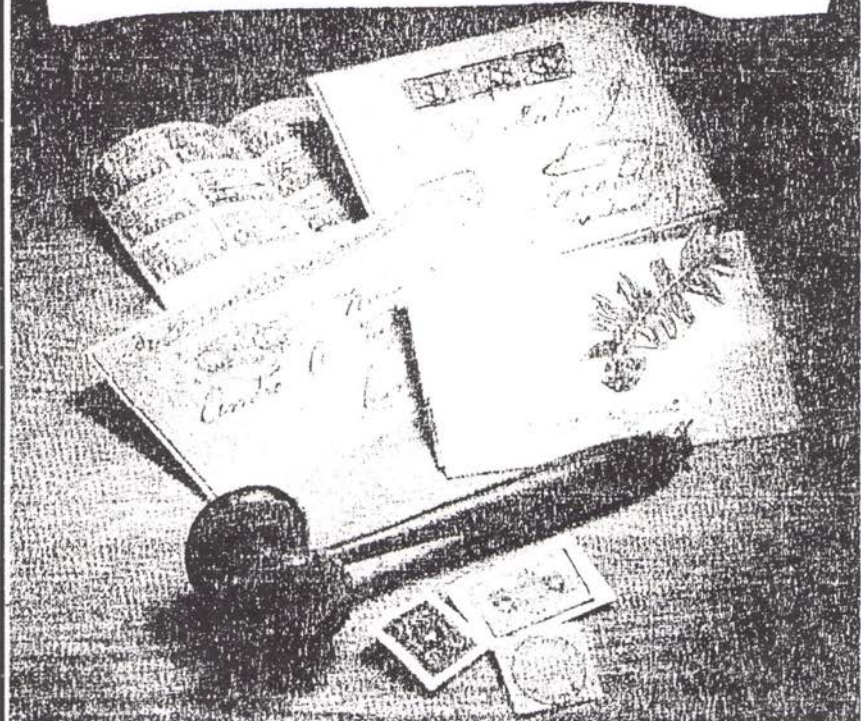
Ray Norby joined the Division of Philately in August 1966 as Assistant Curator with responsibility for the foreign collections. In 1979, the division became a department and was designated as the National Philatelic

Collection at which time Norby became Curator-in-Charge.

### Prolific Writer

Norby's knowledge of languages including Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and German, and the terminology and techniques used in the philatelic world made him a valuable employee. He is well known for his publications, especially in the area of the Scandinavian countries.

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Fig. 1

## Special First Day Cancels of Finland

By Alan Warren

The earliest First Day Covers in Finland, just as those of the United States, are recognized by knowing the date of issue of the stamp. Normal city cancels were used until 1947 when Finland adopted a standard, easily-recognized First Day cancel. While most First Day Covers are released at Helsinki, it is not too difficult to find unofficial cancels on FDCs of the 1930s from towns such as Lahti and Hanko (Hangö). Since Swedish is a widely spoken second language in Finland, stamps and cancels often use terms and names in both languages. In this article the Finnish town name appears first, followed by the Swedish version in parentheses.

One of the first special FD cancels used in Finland appeared in 1938 to mark Stamp Day (Postimerkinpäivä in Finnish and Frimärketsdag in Swedish).

A set of four Red Cross stamps issued Jan. 5 to mark the 75th anniversary of the state parliament. A special purple 3-ring cancel was applied to note the day of issue as well as Stamp Day (Fig. 1).

Later the same year Finland released another set of four values to commemorate the tercentenary of the postal service. Again a special cancel was used



Fig. 2



on Sept. 6 with the year dates 1638 and 1938 to tie the new stamps (Fig. 2). This cancel is found in two major formats — a machine cancel and a somewhat larger hand cancel.



Fig. 3

Special First Day cancels were apparently not used during World War II. However, on Dec. 3, 1946, Finland released a set of two values to mark the 600th anniversary of the founding of the city of Porvoo (Borgå). The pictorial cancel incorporates the city coat of arms (Fig. 3).



Fig. 4

Later the same year Finland introduced another traditional use for pictorial cancellations with the 400th anniversary issue for the town of Tammisaari (Erkenäs). The new fashion was to use a special second day pictorial cancel at the anniversary town, while the normal Helsinki cancel was used on the actual First Day. Fig. 4 shows the second day cancel for this stamp.

Jan. 2, 1947, was a very special day in

Finland philately. First, two separate stamps were released that day for different purposes. A 10-mark stamp marked the sports contest scheduled to open later in the month, and another 10-mark value commemorated the signing of the Paris peace treaty with the Allies. The second reason for noting this date is the introduction of a standard format First Day cancel to be used with all subsequent new issues. The words "First Day" appear in both Swedish and Finnish together with the date and the city name Helsinki (Helsingfors) (Fig. 5).



Fig. 5

The next special FD cancel is found on the Sept. 15, 1947, issue of the children's aid anti-tuberculosis stamps. This cancel incorporates the well-known symbol of the TB cross (Fig. 6). The following year a set of two values was released to mark the 400th anniversary of the translation of the New Testament into the Finnish language by Agricola. While the Helsinki FDCs received the normal FD



Fig. 6



Fig. 7

strike, a special pictorial cancel was used the same day at Turku (Åbo) (Fig. 7).

On Oct. 27, 1948, the four-day Nordic Stamp Exhibition opened in Helsinki. The special 12-mark stamp was sold only together with an entrance ticket to the exposition. FDCs show the stamp tied with a pictorial cancel using part of the postal courier's emblem seen on the stamp itself (Fig. 8).



Fig. 8

The following year a two value set marked the 50th anniversary of the labor movement in Finland. Again, a special second day pictorial cancel was applied in Turku on July 17 (Fig. 9). The use of pictorial cancels for second day covers was not consistent. The year 1949 mark-



Fig. 9

ed several city anniversaries. With the 300th anniversary of Kristiinankaupunki (Kristinestad), a pictorial second day cancel was used while a First Day pictorial cancel was used for the 300th anniversary of Lappeenranta (Villmanstrand) at that site on Aug. 6. A few days later on Aug. 13, a new issue marked the tercentenary of the founding of Raahе (Brahestad), but the town pictorial cancel was not used until the following day (Fig. 10).

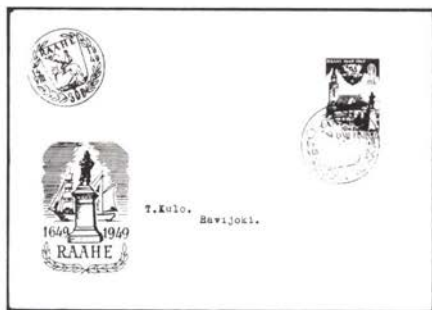


Fig. 10

Two more special cancels were used on new issues in 1949. FDCs of the centenary of the Helsinki technical school are found with either the regular cancel or a pictorial one in September, and the following month a pictorial FD cancel was used to tie the 15-mark value issued for the 50th anniversary of the Finnish Co-operative Movement.

In addition to special cancels found on Finland's First Day Covers, commemoratives or special event cancels have been used by that country for tourist and camping purposes as well as on airmail issues. For illustrations and discussions of all these special cancellations the reader is referred to the 2-volume work *Leimaheraldikkaa Soumessa* by Tuomas Piironen. Although the text is in Finnish, the illustrations are helpful in identifying these interesting markings.

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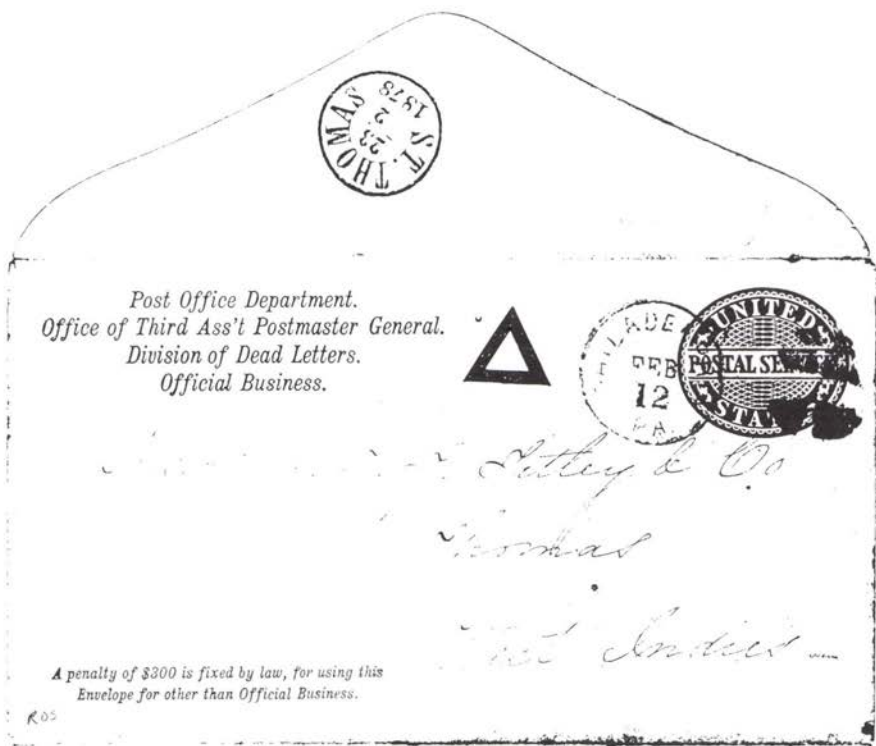


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## DWI Wreck Mail

# 'The Lost Metropolis Steamship'

By Roger G. Schnell, M.D.

The demise of the United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Co. in 1875 meant that mail destined for the Danish West Indies was irregularly placed aboard U.S. merchant vessels or private sailing ships. Thus, on Jan. 28, 1878, at the port of Philadelphia mail bags were loaded aboard the Metropolis, a steamer chartered by the Atlantic Coast Lines.

Also aboard were 221 passengers and a load of iron rails bound for Brazil via an intermediary stop at St. Thomas, DWI. Two days later the ill-fated vessel was struck by a winter storm 80 miles off

the North Carolina coast. Its boilers silenced and awash with salt water, the captain — with the aid of sail — beached the vessel 100 yards from shore off Currituck Beach, N.C.

Unfortunately 91 persons lost their lives. The passengers' belongings along with the mails were scattered for miles along the stormy beach.

Rushing to the scene, the U.S. assistant postmaster of Philadelphia (from where the mail was dispatched) "traversed the beach for several miles and found the mails of the Metropolis, generally

rifled. Ten mail bags reached the shore and all except one was robbed and the letters cut to pieces to secure the contents. The letters were strewn over the beach in every direction, and the shameful robberies should be unearthed by the Post Office Department, and the unconscionable offenders brought to justice," said a newspaper report.

Miraculously, the contents of the letter in Fig. 1 survived the tragedy. Salvaged mail was returned to Philadelphia where the letters were placed in a U.S.P.S. Official Envelope (1877 printing), readdressed to their original DWI destination, St. Thomas. There a circular date stamp with serified Roman letters and the date 23/2/1878 was applied. This letter had a transit period of 26 days, which included a dunking in the Atlantic Ocean, a beaching and two visits to Philadelphia. In today's terms, a truly remarkable and rapid trip.

That this letter survived to today is bizarre, but even more suprising is the fact the Robert G. Stone in *DWI Mails*,

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## THE SECOND TRAGEDY

### The Lost Metropolis.

lists only one cover reported "from USA on U.S. mail or merchant packet to the DWI post office" in 1878. Such covers would not be expected to be numerous in philatelic collections in any case.

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## Greenland Postal Service to Move 'Postal Production' to Ammassalik

By Dan Laursen

At a recent meeting, Greenland Postal Inspector J. A. Hansen announced that when the last stamp issue of 1989 is released his country's "postal production" would be moved from Denmark to Ammassalik on Greenland's remote east coast. This was expected following an October 1988 resolution by the island's Home Rule Government.

Since Home Rule became a fact a decade ago a number of administrative offices of the Royal Greenland Trading Co. in the Danish Capitol have been moved to the island, mostly to western Greenland at Nuuk/Godthåb. However, a number of functions remain in Denmark.

The postal service is only one of several major activities of the RGTC still providing essential services from Denmark. It was officially transferred to Home Rule control on Jan. 1, 1988, but stayed in Copenhagen where Greenland's post service operated from a separate address but in concert with Danish P&T procedures.

### Question of What Goes?

What Inspector Hansen did not make clear was what is meant by the "production" move. It is understood that Greenland plans to continue using its Copenhagen address for receiving philatelic orders. And, its stamps will continue to be printed at the Danish P&T Printing Office in Ballerup, a suburb of Copenhagen.

According to Ib Eichner-Larsen, Greenland already handles FDC orders received at their Strandgade address in Copenhagen by forwarding them to Ammassalik where Postal Manager Erik Kaave oversees the FDC processing in a philatelic section.

Exactly what other "production functions" will be moved, if any, is clouded by the questionable choice of placing any important business such as the

postal service (or just a branch) in remote Ammassilik, a location in one of the most inaccessible spots on the east coast with only an annual ship connection. The choice appears to be pure politics.

The settlement at Ammassalik was discovered in 1894 by Danish naval officer and explorer Gustav Holm. It then consisted of a group of 413 people who lived off hunting and fishing and had been completely uninfluenced by western culture. Things have modernized since that time and the community has grown to about 1,000 residents; yet they still remain basically dependent on hunting for a living. Few residents have any technical training or skills necessary to staff anything beyond the simplest postal operation.

How they solve the highly technical manpower requirements of a modern postal service will have to be seen. Again, such conjecture all depends upon what is meant by "production?"

The only certainty such a move demands is an expanded air service between the west and east coasts, which always faces severe flight restrictions due to bad weather conditions in all but a few summer months. As mentioned earlier, only a single supply ship arrives in Ammassalik annually to supply the small population's needs — and it faces the difficulty of navigating the broad belt of polar ice along the east coast. So an expanded air service would be the only practical answer; and another way to provide this remote community with another political pacifier at the expense of the Danish taxpayers.

In reality, the announcement could have a number of meanings — or just be a red herring to obtain expanded air service for the Ammassalik community. We'll have to wait and see.

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Fig. 1 — This 5 kopeck stationery entire with 20 penni in additional franking to make up the 40 penni rate (or 10 kopeck rate) from Uleåborg to Kuopio. The cancels are "ULLEBORG 16.2,1875" and [KUOPIO "ANK 18.2." The entire is a *Norma* #15BWO.

## Classic Serpentine Roulette Kopeck and Penni Issues Occasionally Found on the Same Cover

By Ed Frazer

When the usage of Finnish currency in penni and markka officially replaced the Russian kopeck and ruble on 1 Jan. 1866, the rate of exchange was fixed at four penni to one kopeck. The new penni-denominated stamps were issued to replace the 1860 kopeck emmissions, while the kopeck-rated postage remain-

ed valid. In fact, the only official demonetization announced was 14 Jan. 1901 when all stamps with the Finnish shield were declared invalid. [The earlier "oval issues" had been demonetized in February 1860.]

Such currency changeovers, whenever they occur, can provide philatelists with

fascinating mixed currency usages. Here the rate change was simple. Both monetary issues were valid for many years; and yet surviving examples are quite rare and few are even seen. Additionally, this changeover happened in the "classic" period of Finnish philately, so any example attracts notice.

**An Added Feature**

The cover in Fig. 1 is a little more colorful because it includes an example of a revalued postal entire (*Norma* #14BWO), with the 1856 imprinted oval on the envelope's flap officially X-canceled in ink; plus the 5 kopeck value imprint added on the face at the upper left (*Norma* #13 through 16). Why this early 1860's cover was kept until 1875 and used then, can probably never be determined.<sup>1</sup>

What do we know about the validity of such usage? Although it's not unusual to see "kopeck" serpentine rouletted

stamps canceled in 1866 and later, their usage did drop off quickly. The only postal directive relating to use of these stamps is dated 15 Jan. 1877, when the Postal Administration requested that all post offices return stocks of old design stamps by the end of February. Nowhere was it stated in the directive, however, that old stamps in private hands could not continue to be used after 28 Feb. 1877.<sup>2</sup>

Additionally, we need to understand the postage rates of the period. The letter rates in effect from 1 Jan. 1850 called for 5 kopecks for up to 125 versts distance (133.4 km.) and up to one and a half bullet-weights (19.8 grams), and 10 kopecks farther than 125 versts or for one and a half to two bullet-weights. This rate changed on 1 Aug. 1858 when the 10 kopecks postage was expanded to one and half to three bullet-weight letters. Distance, not weight, seemed most



Fig. 2 — Map of Finland showing post offices in the 1850's.

significant since few post offices were within the 125 verst distance of each other. In any case the result was that 5 koepck stamps saw significantly less usage.<sup>3</sup>

## SCC Officers Slate Wins Approval for 2nd Term

The reelection of all renominated SCC officers for 1989 was announced in December by Dr. Warren H. Pearce, chairman of the election committee.

Voted to serve second terms were President Al Gruber of Newark, DE; Vice President Allan Warrington of San Diego; Secretary Ray Erickson of Livermore, CA; and Treasurer Dom Himer of No. Hollywood, CA. Directors-at-Large also elected to serve again were Kauko Aro of Belleville, NJ; Pete Schlueter of Los Angeles; and Alan Warren of Philadelphia.

As usual the voting was by mail.

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## Finnish HA.19 Booklet Subject of New Study

Another study on Finland's latest slot machine booklet in the continuing series by Bo Isacson of Tidaholm, Sweden, has just been published. It details booklet HA.19, issued July 25, 1988, in the format of 2x0,60 + 2x0,10, 10 + 2x1,80 marks Coat of Arms design of 1975, types IIB + IIA + IIB, perf 13x12¾.

The author in his 18th edition describes in detail the production by Koebau-Giori press and the plating of the 20 main types on the original plate, plus two sub-types of each main type — thus covering all 40 possibilities on the printing cylinder. Each chapter is well illustrated and best of all it's in English.

Copies of the new study can be obtained by prepayment (banknotes only, no checks please) of U.S. \$11. to Bo Isacson, Frörievägen 6, S-522 00 Tidaholm, Sweden.

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## More Changes

The next change occurred on 1 Jan. 1866 when the 125 verst distance was increased to 200 versts (213.4 km) for the 20 penni (or 5 koepck) rate. Included was a weight limit reduction to one bullet-weight (13.2 grams). This was less important than the fact that the new rate now connected many more post offices and the 20 penni postage became more commonly used than the 40 penni rate, which now covered the over 200 versts distances and weights from one to four bullet-weights (13.2 to 52.8 grams).

For evaluating the cover in Fig. 1, research confirms that the distance between Uleåborg and Kuopio is close to 250 km — conveniently over the 200 versts (213.4 km.) distance — which confirms that the 40 penni minimum rate would apply! Fig. 2 shows a map copied from Leo Linder's book *Finland's Ovalmärken*, where I have added an approximate scale for 125 and 200 versts. (A line is drawn between distance traveled by this cover.)

Finally, on 1 July 1875 a non-distance dependent rate was established, making a nationwide domestic rate of 20 penni. This would have meant that this cover — if mailed after June 1875 — would have been sufficiently franked with the 5 kopecks alone, unless overweight.

Any additional comments appreciated. Also, if any reader has an actual table of towns that were connected by the 20 penni rate for the period 1.1.1866 to 30.6.1875, please let me know. It would be useful reference for publication in an upcoming *Posthorn*. Ed Fraser, 2 Broadway - 9th Floor c/o Shearson, New York, NY 10004.

Footnotes:

1. This cover is addressed to "Herr Pastor . . . Kuopio," with the added note "lives with Lycium superintendent named Tuovinen."

2. The basic reference for this article is the translation of "The Handbook of Finnish — Stamps" section published by the SPF in *The Serpentine Rouletted Stamps of Finland — The Issues of 1860 and 1866*, pages 18, 19 and 103.

3. A table of rates between towns appears in *Finland's Ovalmärken* by Leo Linder on page 55.

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## Transfers & Reentries

By Alan Warren

The British Philatelic Federation held its 70th Congress at Liverpool last September. The *Congress Handbook* is published in connection with the event and presents the program as well as brief profiles of the BPF officers. The Congress Medal was presented to SCC member C. Angus Parker who collects both Iceland and Yemen. He has served various offices in the Philatelic Traders' Society and has held office or served as juror in a number of international exhibitions held in England. Parker authored *Icelandic Postal History* and currently serves on several committees of the BPF.

The American Society of Polar Philatelists is principally for collectors of material related to the north and south poles, Antarctica, but often includes areas such as Tristan da Cunha, the Falkland Islands, the Northwest Territories and northern Canada, and Nordic country areas such as Spitzbergen. Hence Scandinavian collectors occasionally find articles of interest in the ASPP journal *Ice Cap News*, which appears six times a year and is an excellent publication. Membership information can be obtained from their Treasurer J. L. Blackburn, 21816 8th Place West, Bothell, WA 98021.

At the annual meeting of the Postal History Society held at SEPAD in October, veteran SCC member Robert G. Stone talked about "Fifty Years of Collecting." He was collecting stamps as well as covers for many years as a means to studying cancels. However, he has exhibited only in the last ten years. Thus he was collecting covers long before they became a fad. Bob feels that with the increasing number of people specializing in particular fields, there is a loss of perspective on philately as a whole.

Competition at shows is becoming more difficult due to these special interests, to the point where national and international shows are arbitrarily limiting exhibits. Special interest shows are springing up as a result, which are devoted to First Day Covers, marcophily, topicals and other specialties. At the same time he feels that the journals are getting too specialized as well, and he notes the struggle going on within FIP on the definition, exhibiting and judging of postal history. Bob sees a conflict between postal history and traditional philately.

He also discussed the importance of documents in the field of postal history. As an example he cites his knowledge of Danish West Indies postal history is largely due to access to many, many covers (originals or photocopies) that are not found in journals. While documents are often helpful, there are examples of regulations which were issued after a government decision took place, in order to make the practice "legal," rather than the other way around. Newspapers are a very important source of history information, and Bob cites the example of papers listing ship departure dates and times.

Another point that Bob made was that research monographs often refer to original documents, but the authors fail to demonstrate how the document pertains to actual postal use. Then there are those who view postal history simply as a branch of general history. Bob stated he would like to see exhibits of comparative postal history, showing for example comparisons between countries, eras, regions.

One of his more radical ideas, by his own admission, is to have an exhibit put together and placed on view with the



best of those collections on a given subject. In this way the viewer could see in one place the best and most complete that there is on that subject. Finally, Bob had an idea for a "personal" collection, which would consist of covers from places where he has worked or trains he has traveled on. In 1984 Bob Stone was awarded the Earl Grant Jacobsen Award by SCC for research in Scandinavian philately. It was a pleasure to hear the

views expressed by him based on his many years of collecting and helping the postal history field come into its own.

I recently heard a postal inspector speak about mail fraud. The United States Postal Inspection Service was started in Philadelphia in 1737. It is the oldest federal inspection agency in the country. And you can probably guess who the first postal inspector was — Benjamin Franklin. One of his missions was to bring the postmasters to account, i.e. to audit their books.

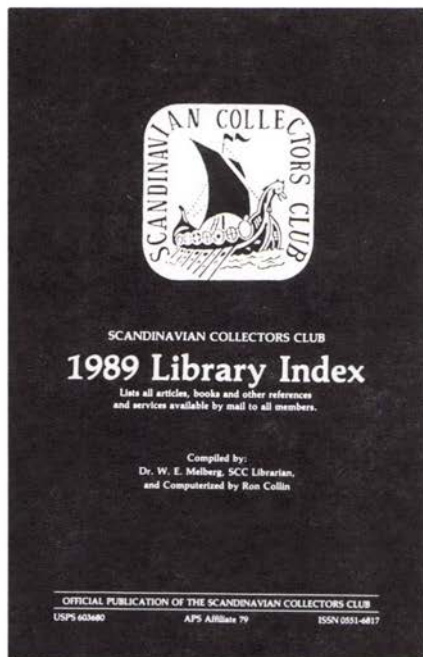
In 1872, Congress passed the mail fraud statute, which is the oldest federal consumer protection act on the books. The specifics will be found under Title 18 USC, Section 1341 on Frauds and Swindles. False advertising and a myriad of scams perpetrated by mail keep the inspectors busy. Another type of fraud is the washing of stamps. It is estimated that \$6 to \$10 million are lost each year due to re-used stamps.

Some rather disturbing news was reported by the Scandinavian correspondent for *Stamp Collector*, Christer Brunstrom, last October. Apparently while he was away from home in July, the famous engraver Czeslaw Slania's home was broken into and burglarized. Stolen were collections of Monaco and the Faroes including proofs. In addition there were proofs and engravings by the artist aside from the philatelic materials. Collectors should be on the alert in the event this material is offered for sale, and be aware of the circumstances.

The year-end holiday seals sold by The Faroes are colorful stamps printed in sheetlets of 30. Usually one or two designs appear on the stamps, but the 1988 issue has one grand design which covers the entire sheet. Thus each stamp is different since it contains only a portion of the design, along with the wording "JOL 1988/FØROYAR." Collectors can obtain these as well as the regular new Faroes issues by writing to the Postverk Føroya (Faroes Postal Administration, Philatelic Service), 159 Torshavn, The Faroes.

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	17 2 1903 cds, no backstamp, VF	(Kr 325)	18.00
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26 C	12 (12) same, PAIR on folded letter, #3 cxl, KDOPA side cxl, KOLDING/HORSENS back cxls, FVF, nice	(Kr 2400+)	175.00
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29 o	21c (17var) 3rd prntg, cxl #91, rnd crnr LL, FVF	(Kr 600)	20.00
30 o	24 (20) 16s grey/green, 1 mm marginal tear, FVF	(Kr 1250)	20.00
31 o	30 (27) 1879 5 ore, sl rnd crnr LL, cds, bright VF,	(Kr 450)	15.00
32 *	32e (29a var) 12 ore, prntg 7, 1 sl sp, near VF	(Kr 1200)	55.00
33 o	36a (33a) 1875 50 o, 1t cxl, real tough shade, FVF	(Kr 750)	35.00



34	o	36a (33a) same but with minor flaw, Finet+ (Kr 750)	10.00
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39	o	99 (221) 1933 2 ore, clear AALBORG 12 mute cxl, (K/E "L")	55.00
40	*	101a TB1 PL# 4-block, tiny gum stain, stamps, VFNH (Kr 180)	17.00
41	*	101a TB1/TB2, 4-blocks, tetebeche, VF LH (Kr 330)	30.00
42	*	110 TB1/TB2, 4-blocks, tetebeche, near VF LH (Kr 1300)	120.00
43	o	112 (230) 1938 10 ore, lt HOSLEV-KIRKEBY mute cxl (K/E 2000)	58.00
44	C	118 (257) 1937 KPK Anniv FDC, unpriced in Facit!	15.00
45	o	121 (135) 1915 Central Postoffice, cds, VF (Kr 700)	45.00
46	*	165 (132) 1913 1 Kr brown, OG, nearly VF (Kr 450)	13.00
47	*	201-12 (164-75) Cpl set in 4-blocks, FVF NH (Kr 750)	50.00
48	*	201-12 same, Cpl set in 4-blocks, few negl. flaws (Kr 500)	15.00
49	*	213v1 (C1var) 10 ore air, "broken wing", negl flts (Kr 500)	16.00
50	*	229a, 231, 232a-6a (232-8), Type I set cpl, VF LH (Kr 846)	50.00
51	C	237 (238J) Advertising cover to New Jersey, German (NAZI) censor seal/stamp on back, interesting.	15.00
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53	*	267var (246var), perfs below "Postfrimaerke", VF OG	35.00
54	*	267, 269vars with 1936 NEPA labels, FVF LH	7.00
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58	o	T3 (O3) 1871 16sk green, thin, ragged perfs, VF (Kr 1500)	16.00
59	o	T9 (O9) 1875 32 ore green, #cxl, nearly VF (Kr 200)	8.00
60	*	PF7a (O9) 1924 1Kr Parcelpost, nearly VF, NH (Kr 750)	20.00
61	*	H26a 1948 Booklet, FVF LH (Kr 250)	15.00
62	*	HS30 1982 Booklet, coop dairies, VF NH (Kr 140)	9.00
63	*	RE1-2 1927 Cpl pane w selvage, VF, half LH/half NH (Kr 250+)	25.00
64	*	RE31+RE34 6-block incl 86SX pair, nearly VF, NH (Kr 270)	22.00
65	*	RE47 3-strip + selvage, fresh, VF NH (Kr 450+)	52.00
66	*	RE47 same, but lightly hinged (Kr 175+)	23.00
67	*	RE47 cpl pane + selvage, fresh, FVF NH (Kr 900+)	85.00
68	*	RE48 cpl pane + selvage, negl gum stain, FVF NH (Kr 250+)	23.00
69	*	RE2, 25, 30, 32, 36, 41 Ad pairs, OG, RE2 is NH, FVF (Kr 490)	50.00
70	*	RE18+RE19, RE31+RE34(x2), RE33, Cpl panes, FVF LH (Kr 1070)	100.00
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90	o	3c1 (4) 1860 5k, 2 sp, pinhole, cds, FVF (Kr 700)	17.00
91	o	3c1 (4) same, all perfs O.K., boxed ANK cxl, F (Kr 1800)	75.00
92	o	3c2 (4a) same, all perfs O.K., cds, FVF (Kr 2100)	100.00
93	o	4c1 (5) 1860 10k, 2 sp, cds, F (Kr 250)	30.00



94	o	4c1	(5)	same, all perfs O.K., pen cxl, near VF	(Kr 600)	30.00
95	o	4c1	(5)	same, perfs O.K., pen cxl + cds, FVF	(Kr 600)	30.00
96	o	4c1	(5)	same, 2 short pfs, deep color, cds, FVF	(Kr 250)	10.00
97	o	5v3c1	(6)	1866 5p, clipped pfs left, cds, FVF	(Kr 400)	10.00
98	o	6v1c2	(7)	1866, 8p, 1 tooth missing UR, F	(Kr 500)	22.00
99	o	6v4c2	(7)	same, 1 short tooth, ribbed paper, F	(Kr 550)	28.00
100	o	6v3c2	(7)	same, 2 teeth missing, faint cr, FVF	(Kr 600)	12.00
101	o	6v1c3	(7)	same, 2 stamps off same cover, high box		
				NYSTAD 1872 cxl, lft stmp 1 sp, negl th, nice	(Kr 2200)	100.00
102	o	7v1c3	(8)	1870 10p, 2 sp, lt cds, centered T, VG	(Kr 700)	29.00
103	o	7c2	(8a)	same, 4 missing teeth, lt cds, VG	(Kr 240)	6.00
104	o	8v2c2	(9a)	1866 20p blue, 1 sp, v lt cxl, F	(Kr 275)	14.00
105	o	8v2c2	(9a)	same, 2 sp, bright, lt cxl, VG-F	(Kr 275)	8.00
106	o	8v2c3	(9)	same, 1 sp, centered R, cds, VG	(Kr 200)	8.00
107	o	9v1c3	(10)	1866 40p rose, 1 sp, cds, VG	(Kr 200)	10.00
108	o	9v1c2	(10b)	same, deep shade, 1 sp, SON cds, F	(Kr 200)	10.00
109	o	9v1c2		same w all teeth but sev clipped, cds, F	(Kr 200)	10.00
110	o	10c2	(11a)	1867 1Mk, many short teeth, cds,	(Kr 1700)	20.00
111	o	24	(35)	1885 1Mk bicolor, cds, nearly VF	(Kr 125)	7.00
112	o	34	(45)	1890 10Mk, cxl POSTSTYR(ELSENS), near VF	(Kr 775)	35.00
113	*	35-6,38-9	(46-7,49-50)	1891, nearly VF, 39 is NH	(Kr 325)	13.50
114	o	165	(C1)	1930 Zeppelin ovpt on 10Mk, FVF	(Kr 2200)	90.00
115	*	183	(172)	1932 4-Block, key value, nearly VF, NH	(Kr 360)	13.00
116	*	203-5	(B24-6)	1937 ship set, VF VLH	(Kr 95)	6.00
117	o	363	(279)	1948 postrider difficult stamp, VF	(Kr 190)	14.00
118	o	374-5	(283-4)	1949 set, underpriced, VF	(Kr 150)	11.00
119	*	H3 Booklet		1952 Olympics set, VF NH	(Kr 240)	14.00
120	o	442	(326)	1955 25Mk Stamp Exhibition, VF	(Kr 170)	11.50
121	*	492	(C3)	1958 300Mk airmail, nearly VF LH	(Kr 140)	5.00
122	*	500	(357)	1958 100Mk green, FVF LH	(Kr 84)	5.00
123	C	1049	(768)	1988 FDC w SCC Chap 13 cachet, VF	(Kr 15+)	4.50
124*	o	1917-29		Republic arms, 108 items, varieties, blocks, shades, perf vars, 8 page mini-research study. Worth		20.00
125	C	F2?	( )	Kenttapostia on Fieldpost package card, FVF		7.50
126	*	??		Mourning stationery postal card, very scarce, FVF		25.00
127	C	??		Pencil-addressed postcard to Leipsig w 2 Russian 2kop stamps, 13 Feb 1911 cxl + boxed FRAN FINLAND and weak Stockholm cxls. Interesting item		16.00
128	C	??		Hand-addressed cover to "RATAS", cxl 4-4-42, FVF		27.00
129	C*			53 Pieces postal stationery, FVF (85 NORMA Mk1150)		130.00
130	o	4		Documentary revenues (1895), FVF Worth		2.00
131	C	ALAND		stampless FEATHER cover: Knutsboda to Bartsgarda Aug. 1819,+ Xeroxed 1789 map locating these towns, FVF		130.00
132	C	Similar lot:		Godby to Bomarsund, Jul. 1809 + map Xerox, FVF		150.00

## GREENLAND

133	o	P7IV (Q4b)	1916	10 ore sheet of 25, blue oval "Gronlands Styrelse" cxl, few perf separations in mgn, FVF	(Kr 7650)	600.00
134	o	23v2	(23a)	1945 15 ore, blue ovpt, VF	(Kr 800)	45.00
135	o	24v2	(24a)	1945 30 ore, red ovpt, VF	(Kr 800)	45.00
136	o	25v1	(25a)	1945 1Kr, blue overprint, VF	(Kr 800)	45.00
137	o	28	(28)	1 ore, Pl#1717 upper/lower 4-blox, VF	(Wo 720)	25.00
138	*	35	(34)	Pl#978 4-block, Wowern#35, VF LH	(Wo 400)	12.00
139	o	MINDEARK NO. 4		- 1976, creased	(Dkr 150)	2.00
140	C	36		Diff cxls, Gronlands Postvaesen cards (1980's)	(Wo 399)	16.00
141	C	15		Diff exhibition cxls, similar cards(1981-1983)	(Wo 144)	6.00

## ICELAND

142	o	8e,11e,12d	(10,11,15var)	4-5 posit skip vars, FVF	(Kr 370)	14.00
143	o	9	(9)	5a blue, type B BAER cds, sl rnd cxnr LR, FVF	(Kr 3000)	100.00
144	*	13	(12)	1876 16a, part OG, tiny fts, near VF	(Kr 550)	14.00
145	o	13d	(12var)	same, bridge cds, FVF	(Kr 250)	8.50
146	o	16	(14)	1876 40a green, centered T, just F	(Kr 850)	24.00
147	*	17	(18)	1892 40a redviolet, Finet+, VLH	(Kr 225)	8.00
148	o	27	(27)	16a brown, pf 13, scarce used, just F	(Kr 450)	15.00
149	*	29a	(29)	1900 25a bicolor, hr, VF OG	(Kr 165)	6.00
150	o	54	(55)	1902 16a I Gildi, centered LL, Finet+	(Kr 275)	5.00
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153	o	76v3	(71var)	1e, broken frame var, cds F+	(Kr 225)	10.00
154	*	81	(76)	1907 10a two kings, cntrd L, fresh, F OG	(Kr 600)	22.00

155	o	98 (130)	1921 5a on 16a two kings, nearly VF	(Kr 175)	6.00
156	o	101//207 27	Diff TOLLUR cxls, many nice strikes	(Kr 1013)	55.00
157	o	108-13 (86-91)	1911 set cpl, FVF	(Kr 400)	18.00
158	o	114-6 (92-4)	1912 5a-20a, 116 is F, rest FVF	(Kr 275)	10.00
159	o	116 (94)	same, 20a only, FVF	(Kr 115)	4.00
160	o	123v1 (141a)	10Kr on 1Kr w TOLLUR cxl, near VF	(Kr 350)	30.00
161	o	121 (149)	2Kr on 25a orange, centered B, just F	(Kr 675)	20.00
162	*	151 (181)	10a brown, # pencilled on back, FVF LH	(Kr 550)	15.00
163	o	159 (150)	Ein Krona on 40a blue, FVF	(Kr 220)	9.00
164	*	161 (C2)	1929 airmail, hr, FVF OG	(Kr 325)	10.00
165	*	162-4 (C9-11)	Zepps, C9 is NH, C10 is F, rest FVF	(Kr 700)	35.00
166	o	168-72 (144-8)	1925 set cpl, FVF	(Kr 116)	4.00
167	*	168 (144)	1925 7a, FVF OG	(Kr 300)	10.00
168	*	169 (145)	same 10a, FVF NH	(KR 800)	25.00
169	*	174v2 (153var)	, "line in left 5" var, FVF LH	(Kr 250)	15.00
170	*	176v (155var)	, bulge in 0, tiny th, gum distrbd, FVF	(Kr 280)	10.00
171	*	178 (157)	20a red, hr, nearly VF OG	(Kr 290)	10.00
172	*	188 (C3)	PAIR 10a blue airmail, VF NH	(Kr 600+)	44.00
173	o	188 (C3)	same stamp, Millenary cxl, VF	(Kr 400+)	38.00
174	o	193 (C8)	1Kr Millenary, Fine+	(Kr 700)	20.00
175	*	210-1 (193-4)	set cpl, VF LH	(Kr 310)	17.00
176	o	249v (225var)	25a fish, reentry variety, Fine+	(Kr 75)	3.00
177	*	252-4 (213-5)	1939 World's Fair, nearly VF NH	(Kr 135)	5.00
178	o	Block2 224-6 (B6)	, SS w First Day cxls, near VF	(Kr 275)	14.00
179	*	268-73 (240-5)	1944 Set cpl, nearly VF, LH	(Kr 400)	32.00
180	o	268-72 (240-4)	same but short set, FVF	(Kr 90)	4.50
181	o	273 (245)	same, high value to above set, VF	(Kr 725+)	60.00
182	*	315-8 (274-7)	1952 Bjornsson cpl, VF VLH	(Kr 390)	18.00
183	*	327-9 (284-6)	1954 Imprint 4-Blocks, nearly VFNH	(Kr 1600+)	75.00
184	o	328 (285)	The key value, nearly VF	(Kr 235)	7.50
185	*	383v (335var)	Pl# 4-block with the "d" variety	(Kr 33+)	2.00
186	*	408v (355var)	Corner 4-block w "spot on back" var	(Kr 116)	6.50
187	o	435-6 (378-9)	Eagle/Costume high values, VF	(Kr 160)	5.00
188	o	207-9 (C18-20)	1934 airmail high values, FVF	(Kr 360)	12.00
189	o	TJ2v2 (O2)	2s lilac, tiny fls, looks nice, VG	(Kr 800)	10.00
190	*	TJ3 (O3)	1873 4s green, FVF OG	(Kr 425)	25.00
191	*	TJ4-9 (O4-9)	1876 set cpl, OG, TJ9 is F, rest FVF	(Kr 935)	54.00
192	*	TJ4a (O4var)	, Thin paper var, part OG, Fine	(Kr 475)	29.00
193	o	TJ18 (O2B)	16a I Gildi, Bridge cxl, nearly VF	(Kr 375)	20.00
194	*	TJ74 (CO1)	1930 10a Falcon, VF OG	(Kr 175)	12.00
195	C*	12II Dbl	postcard, I Gildi, Scherer# PC23d(2)	(Kr 165)	6.00
196	C*	42,42var	Sgl pstcards, 1 w ship ad, Scherer PC69a,b	(Kr 235)	9.00
197	C*	11II Sgl	postcard, I Gildi, Scherer# PC20a3	(Kr 90)	3.50
198	C*	12II Sgl	postcard, I Gildi, Scherer# PC24b4	(Kr 135)	5.00
199	C*	15	Lettercard, 20 lilac, Scherer# LC14b(1)	(Kr 80)	3.50
200	C*	18	Diff cards (sgl,dbl,lettercards), mint cond	(Kr 1226)	70.00
201	C*	2	Sgl postcards, 1 Dbl card, 1 Reply card, F	(Kr 63)	5.00
202	Co	2	Picture postcards, 4 covers w fish stamps, used in 1939-43 era, sound condition	About (Kr 650)	30.00
203	*	Barefoot #4	Greidslumerki (receipt stamp), FVF LH	(Lb 7.00)	3.00
204	*	41	Diff Xmas Seals: 1913,1915-6,1918,1920-49, 1957-9,1962(2),1962/3,1967, VFLH exopt 1916 ng		66.00

## ICELAND NUMERAL CANCELLATIONS

205	o	170 (146)	w clear #18 cancel, VF	(Kr 48)	4.50
206	o	127	w incomplete but definite #35 cancel, FVF	(Kr 1385)	25.00
207	o	115 (93)	w clear SON #41 cancel, nearly VF	(Kr 95)	7.00
208	o	TJ55 (O52)	#59 cancel, FVF, scarce on this stamp	(Kr 30)	2.75
209	o	131(x2)	on piece, cxl #101, 1 stamp tiny nick, FVF	(Kr 145)	6.00
210	o	80 (75)	w cxl #124 in 2 partial cxls, Fine	(Kr 227)	6.00
211	o	85 (80)	w cxl #198 (partial B), Fine+	(Kr 200)	10.00
212	o	Cxl #12//215	, 50 Diff cxls, many fine strikes, FVF	(Kr 2847)	125.00
213	o	Lot 25 diff #	cxls incl some nice strikes, FVF	(Kr 1303)	52.00
214	o	Cancels (some partial)	#60,85,104,110,132,140,145, 175,182,199,236 on 11 stamps, FVF	(Kr 882+Scott #90)	33.00
215	o	Lot of 25 #	cxls, 18 different, nice start, FVF	(Kr 1096)	38.00

## NORWAY

216	o	1 (1)	1855 4s blue, Num. cxl, broad mgns, VF	(Kr 1000)	60.00
217	*	2 (2)	1856 2s, strong color, few sp, FVF OG	(Kr 4000)	100.00
218	o	5 (5)	1856 8s, very shallow thin, cds, VF	(Kr 350)	15.00



219	*	10a,b (10)	2 shades, 10b has pinhead thin, FVF OG	(Kr 675)	35.00
220	*	11 (11)	1867 1s black, ng, FVF	(Kr 750)	20.00
221	*	12 (12)	1867 2s orange PAIR, hr, FVF OG	(Kr 325)	12.00
222	o	12v5 (12)	same used, 1 mm tear, 1896 RR cxl,FVF	(kr 150)	3.50
223	* 14 (14)	1867 4s blue, ng, Fine		(Kr 550)	12.00
224	o	15a (15)	8s PAIR, mgn trs, BERGEN 1869 cxl, FVF	(Kr 1000)	25.00
225	o	15b (15a)	same, the scarce clear print, cds, VF	(Kr 3000)	140.00
226	o	92 (66)	2Kr, cds (C)CHRISTIANIA-G. 18XII08, FVF	(Kr 1000+)	55.00
227	*	158a,b (C1,1a)	1927,34 first airmail, VF LH	(Kr 190+)	15.00
228	*	181-3 (B1-3)	1930 North Cape set, FVF LH	(Kr 750)	25.00
229	*	266-78 (207-19)	watermarked set, VF most LH	(Kr 1650)	80.00
230	*	279-98 (220-38)	unwatermarked, VF most LH	(Kr 340)	15.00
231	o	L11C (J5a)	20 ore ultra, usual rough perfs, FVF	(Kr 700)	25.00
232	o	L12K (J5a)	similar, sl. pink stain, nearly VF	(Kr 700)	20.00
233	C	Norway/Denmark SAS First Flights 15 Nov 54, FVF			4.00
234	C	Stampless: Christiania to London via Hamburg, backstamped FPO MR.6 1822 in dotted circle			10.00
235	*o	47 Diff Locals from 13 diff BYPOSTS, mostly mint			20.00
236	*	1908-9 Xmas Seals, NH, one F, other nearly VF	(NJKr 150)		5.00

## SWEDEN

237	o	2 (2)	1855 4s blue, cds, nearly VF	(Kr 700)	20.00
238	o	2 (2)	same, 1 sp, FVF	(Kr 700)	15.00
239	o	7 (6)	1858 5 ore green, MALMO cds, nearly VF	(Kr 220)	9.00
240	o	7 (6)	same grey green, part cds, nearly VF	(Kr 220)	9.00
241	o	8 (7)	9 ore violet,1 mm tr LR,STOCKHOLM cds,FVF	(Kr 1900)	35.00
242	o	9 (9)	12 ore ultramarine, FVF	(Kr 150)	6.00
243	*	10 (10)	24 ore orange, tiny tr B mgn, ng, FVF	(Kr 2500)	25.00
244	o	10 (10)	same, strong color, cds, FVF	(Kr 250)	9.00
245	o	11 (11)	30 ore brown, cds 1879, FVF	(Kr 275)	10.00
246	o	11 (11)	same, strong color, cent LL, 1 sp, Ft	(Kr 275)	8.00
247	o	12 (12)	50 ore, good color, 2 sp, cds, FVF	(Kr 800)	20.00
248	o	14B (13)	3 ore brown, part cds, FVF	(Kr 180)	7.00
249	o	16 (16)	1862 20 ore red, sl rough perfs, cds, VF	(Kr 220)	9.00
250	o	20 (20)	1872 6 ore, SON cds, nearly VF	(Kr 200)	10.00
251	o	20g (21)	6 ore grey, 1 sp, cds, nearly VF	(Kr 350)	12.00
252	o	27 (27)	1Rd bicolor, sl toning, cds, Fine	(Kr 500)	12.00
253	*	55a (59)	1896 15 ore, nice color, FVF LH	(Kr 200)	12.00
254	o	105-14 (B1-10)	1916 First semis, VF	(Kr 500)	30.00
255	o	115-23 (B12-20)	Second semis, FVF	(Kr 1505)	65.00
256	o	126-135 (B22-31)	Third semis, VF	(Kr 225)	14.00
257	o	136-8 (C1-3)	1920 airmail cpl, FVF	(Kr 360)	16.00
258	*	167a (152)	1925 90 ore, hr, VF OG	(KR 375)	20.00
259	C	195 3-strip on full address card to Finland, ABO ship cxl 9 Dec 1927, nice condition			22.00
260	*	211-25,212cx (197-212)	cpl set, FVF LH	(Kr 7125)	400.00
261	*	226-30 (B32-6)	complete set, hr, nearly VF	(Kr 160)	10.00
262	*	246-57 (248-62)	1936 set cpl, F-most VF OG	(Kr 1100)	62.00
263	*	266A,C,267A,C,268 (275-9)	set cpl, near VF LH	(Kr 150)	13.00
264	*	292 (425)	1951 85 ORE org-brn, VF almost NH	(Kr 90)	3.00
265	*	326A,B1,327 (313-5)	1940 set cpl, VF LH	(Kr 188+)	19.00
266	*	335A,B1,336 (326-8)	1941 set cpl, VF LH	(Kr 242+)	24.00
267	*	HA6-OV 1957 Complete Booklet, VF NH			20.00
268	*	528 (592)	1961 10Kr high value, VF LH	(Kr 64)	3.00
269	*	TJ40-54 (O41-55)	1911 set cpl, VF OG	(Kr 140)	13.00
270	C	59 Diff unaddressed FDC's (1966//1986), fresh	(FACE \$41+)		24.00
271	o	Revenues,Exchange#2,4,Docs#7,10,12,18,ave-VF Hall	(Lb 3.45)		8.00
272	o	Revs, 1895 2nd Documentary 50c,1,2,3,10Kr, FVF	(Lb 1.90)		4.50
273	o	Rev Stmpd Paper, 50 Ore trimmed to shape, th			4.00
274	*	Rev, Bill of Exchange, Hall #2 parts No.1/2 intact	(Lb 1.25)		3.50
275	o	Revenues, 39 different, FVF	Hall (Lb21.50)		11.00
276	o	Revs, 1858,1860 2 CHARTA SIGILLATA cpl checks			15.00
277	Grab Bag lot:	35 cards,letters,FDC, etc.,etc. Worth			17.50
278	1988	"New Sweden" FDC w U.S., Finland,Sweden booklet pane cpl on SCC Chap 13 cacheted cover, FVF			15.00
279	Combination Cancels,	2 US events: 1976 Presentation sheet with crown cxl + 1988 Royal Visit to Wilmington cxl.			5.00

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# What's Happening in Finland

By Mike Hvidonov

## A Fitting Conclusion

FINLANDIA 88 concluded its fabulous exposition by mailing a tape cassette of the opening day official ceremony and the grand classic music concert to participants. This novel gift was followed with Bulletin No. 4 which lists all the Honors (and the Classic Finnish anguishes) awarded the exhibitors. The book includes more than 125 pictures of crowds, personalities and candid of many descriptions. This is a treat. The exquisite taste of the Finns will remain indelibly in the memories of all those fortunate enough to attend. Will this epic effort be topped?

The credits for the production and originality go, of course, to Messrs. Rahiala, Kaj Hellman and Christian Sundman.

## NORDIA 89 Entries Solicited

As U.S. Commissioner for NORDIA 89, I'm anxious to see more requests for entry forms. Interest has lagged somewhat, but there still is time for acceptance. We SCCers should put forth a strong representation at the Fredrikstad, Norway, show scheduled for June 7-11. It's a golden opportunity to test our impact on Norway's judges at the national level. A card or letter to me will get you entry forms. (Address listed on Club officials' page, twice.)

## Auction Facilities

Serious collectors of all the segments that comprise Finnish Philately please note the following:

Kaj Hellman concluded his service to FINLANDIA 88 when the clock struck midnight on Dec. 31, 1988. He will return to his "bread and butter" trade as a dealer and a designer of philatelic auctions. He may have an early entry in 1989 for the auction world. For serious buyers write NOW: Oy Kaj Hellman Ltd., Lansan Kallio 3C, SF - 02610 Espoo 61, Finland.

In the same vein Jorma Leinonen will continue some auctions sales in his fine manner. Please write promptly for your catalogs to: Jorma Leinonen, Kajaaninkatu 4A14, SF - 00510 Helsinki, Finland.

## 1875/8 penny on Printed Matter

Mikko Ossa notes, in the December issue of *Abophil*, that a letter of the Printed Matter classification, mailed abroad to Tallin, Estonia, was offered by a German stamp firm at a base price of DM100!

Many an alert Finn, quickly quaffed his Koskenkorva and rushed in bids touching the DM10,000 range. The item was sold to an unidentified buyer for DM10,500, which totals up to about FMk30,000 or \$7,500.

## Cancellations Score High

In a latter month *Abophil* sale the I mark plus 50p. Red Cross stamp (N:118) blessed with a socked-on-the-nose Tampere cancellation reached FMk375 (\$93). The base auction price was about \$12.

From the back-of-the-book group a 10 mark Karelia stamp with a great cancellation fetched \$290.

## Zeppelin Errors

*Adophil* is elated with the prices achieved on two Zepp entries. A Zepp error with 1830 instead of 1930 on letter soared to \$19,000 before it was awarded. More than

300 bids were received. It was the first Zepp cover error ever sent to *Abophil*.

An unused Zepp error with gum got \$3,500.

#### 1866 Compound Roulettes

The mixed roulettes do not appear too often on the 10p. stamps. This shows in that the Roulette I (horiz.) with Roulette II (vertically) sold for \$2,100.00.

#### 1891 Postcard

Last but not least, a postcard with a single 1 Kop. stamp plus two 2p. 1889 and one 5p. stamp of the same emission hit a high mark exceeding \$1,000. The catalog estimate was FMk400. Evidently the seldom seen mixed period postage combos are scarce.

Mikko Ossa states that the sender probably mis-read the 1 kop. value as a penny stamp which denomination would have made the 10p. rate. It is a gem. Please, perennial rate worriers, believe Mr. Ossa . . . It Was Not Made Up! (See picture)

Some months after FINLANDIA the market in Finland is strong for good material. According to our U.S. philatelic press very solid bids are being received for material that is beautifully centered. Quality pays!

#### Jussi Tuori

As predicted, Jussi Tuori of Espoo, Finland, has succeeded Bjorn-Eric Saarinen as the Chairman of the Philatelic Federation of Finland. A good move. The Scandinavian Collectors Club of the United States wishes him well!

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## Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

The August issue of *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift* is largely devoted to a review of FINLANDIA 88 and the Swedish medal winners in that show. The SFF experts Roland Frahm, Bo E. Stavenow and Karl-Erik Stenberg write about two Swedish covers with ring type stamps that were recently sold by an auction house in West Germany. Both covers proved to be forgeries.

*Scandinavian Contact* for September continues the series on plate flaws and varieties of the large official stamps of Sweden with a detailed study of the 1 krone issue. These installments are by R. M. Fishenden. A similar treatment is



dealt the Vaasa 10 pennia issue of Finland by David Thompson. Eight pages are devoted to illustrations of the flaws in detail.

*North Atlantic Philately*, now readily available in English from the Faroes postal administration, carries an article in Issue 2/1988 on the new post office in Kollafjörður, Iceland, by Edvard T. Jonsson and Kristian Hopballe. The latter author also furnishes the third installment of his series on postal conditions in Iceland during the Second World War. Jonsson and Hopballe also present a profile of Iceland stamp designer Thröstur Magnússon.



In *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for August, Max P. Clausen uses some letters and covers from a family correspondence to discuss Danish postal history during the period 1850-1853. In *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift* for August, Flemming Hansen discusses the "helstempling" devices used in Aarhus. This is the type of cancellation by machine which goes across the entire cover, sometimes on the back as well.

*Ice Cap News*, the publication of the American Society of Polar Philatelists, sometimes carries new of Nordic interest for Scandinavian collectors. The January-February 1988 issue contains an article about the 1949-52 expedition to Queen (Dronning) Maud Land with illustrations of cancellations by Steve Pendleton. The March-April and May-June issues have a two-part article on early Svalbard postal connections and cancellations by Siegfried Nicklas. The focus is the tourist mails at the turn of the century.

*Svensk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for October reviews the PRAGA 88 show, and Sjur Tullberg gives a brief profile of the Swedish stamp engraver Martin Mörck. Herb Pritchett of England wrote a two-part article for the Nov. 12 and 19 issues of *Stamp Collector* on the military post offices in Iceland during WWII. In the September issue of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*, Toke Norby discusses the "Fra Samsø" marking found on covers, and Henning Nielsen explores the plate flaws of the 20 øre Arms type of Denmark.


In the *Philatelic Reports* for August 1988 from the FG Nordische Staaten in Germany, Edgar Platzke writes about Hans Peter Hanssen and the Dybbøl Mill issues of Denmark. Gunter F. Tölcke discusses some of the special cancellations of Åland Islands used during the past four years. The Greenland study group continues their discussion of aerograms of that country, and Werner Stöwahse describes the many uses of the Tollur mark of Iceland. Jurgen Tiemer addresses recent meter marks of Norway, and Wolfgang

Löhrich writes extensively about the Royal Swedish Post Office in Hamburg in the 19th century.

The September issue of *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* is largely devoted to reviews of SCAREX 88 held in Skara, and Jan Billgren discusses assembling a postal history collection of Sweden for the period 1870-1920. *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* for October highlights the DFF meeting held in Esbjerg, during which the types of articles that should appear in that journal were debated. Another article discusses the Dapag canceling machine, and Niels Klottrup describes a postal card and a cover for commercial papers, both mailed to London from Denmark, and bearing interesting postage due markings. The November issue of the same journal carries an article by Poul H. Poulsen on the theme of Christian IV in philately, and Ib Eichner-Larsen warns of counterfeit rubber stamp markings, particularly polar ship marks, showing examples.

Christer Brunstrom writes about the local posts of Sweden in the Dec. 3, 1988 issues of *Stamps*. He describes the early private mail services, and the revived interest in local posts that occurred in 1926 and again in 1944. In the October issue of the Netherlands journal *Net Noorderlicht*, J. Kuijper describes Finland's 5 penni emergency issue, *Facit* No. 48. The author discusses the printing method and how the stamp is distinguished from No. 50. In the same issue, H. C. van Meeningen writes about the helicopter post in Sweden, and another in the series on Spitzbergen reviews the polar expeditions of Salomon August Andree. In the October issues of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*, Svend Hovard explores the Danish numeral cancels 203 and 204 in some depth, and Børge Lundh continues his series on prestamp markings of Copenhagen. Niels Klottrup studies postal cards to and from Denmark, prior to 1903, which are underfranked and therefore have due markings.

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## Cancel Clinic

This column is presented for members with inquiries about Scandinavian cancels and covers. Specific questions with photos (black and white preferred) of the item can be submitted to either the Associate Editor of the area or directly to the Cancel Clinic c/o The Posthorn. We cannot be responsible for original items. Answers will be valid opinions of our panel of experts and presented in print together with the questions for the benefit of all SCC members. (This is not an expertizing service. No certificates issued.)

**A. 13** — The purpose of those numbers, usually located below the bridge on that type of cancel is to identify the “hammer” or canceler in use for either machine or hand canceling. The number itself holds no relationship to the date of usage; however, it frequently identifies the substation of a major post

office. But this doesn't truly hold up because such numbers are often duplicated at a number of substations with only the major post office name being different. Such confusing usage makes research in this area virtually unending and perhaps as muddling as this answer — which is why the experts who replied are not identified!



Questioned Cancel



Doc Melberg's Copy




Book Version

**Q. 14** — This question which began as just another partial, off-cover cancel grew in stature as answers came in from Doc W. E. Melberg, who provided a complete version of the cancel, and Ib Eichner-Larsen, who supplied authoritative details of its proper usage from Carsten Jensen of the Danish Postal Museum and a copy of another version of the same cancel from *Danske Poststempler* by Bøgh & Homblad. How's that for prompt accurate service?

Our anonymous member questioned whether or not his partial cancel “NTORET” which could only translate to the word OFFICE in Danish was an accidental public usage of a postal interoffice handstamp? He had never before seen such a large handstamp with this strange 16-notched, double-ringed border.

**A. 14** — First, this is a legitimate postal cancel used by Danish Customs at the Copenhagen Tax Free Port. Its dif-





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ferent appearance is designed to get the attention of other postal officials handling the letter or parcel because such a cancel is essentially used for "Return to Sender" mail and for mail which must be examined by local customs officials before delivery. The latter is normally accomplished by forwarding such parcels to the addressee via the local customs office to pay duties or face other legal procedures if contraband is found inside the mail. According to Danish law, mail marked by this cancel cannot be delivered or forwarded until the contents have been inspected by Customs. (Note the different border design with the outer double rings filled with crosses, which is merely another version of the Customs cancel.)

**A. 9** — Among the half dozen responses to this cancel question was this concise reply from Capt. K. Jahr of Dumfries, Scotland: "The very large postmark is a type used by many Danish towns to advertise their amenities and mainly used during the tourist season. They appeared as early as 1935, but the

majority were used during the 1950-60s. Julesminde is a town located on the sea known as the Kattegat. "Ferieby" has nothing to do with ferryboats! Note the word POST-FAERGE on ferry post stamps. *Ferie* means holiday or vacation and *by* means town. In other words "[visit] Julesminde, the vacation town on the Kattegat."

#### Cancel Clinic Asks Help

Too many copies of stamps arrive with Cancel Clinic questions but cannot be considered because they lack black/gray separation quality. A study of the color spectrum will reveal which color filter can separate the colors and enhance the questionable portion for better evaluation. This works on both B&W photos and photocopy machines. Lighter filters seem to work best on copiers.

For example, blue can be darkened by using a yellow filter. Also, those yellow stamps that vanish on copiers can be handled by the use of a blue filter to slightly darken it.

Experimentation will soon show the limitations of filters. Use of a light red filter will darken any stamp in that color range. Normally filters of the same color will darken stamps of that color.

If separation cannot be attained using filters, enlargement on copiers five or ten times original size will permit lightening by erasure. Submit the erased copy.



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## Scandinavian Area Awards

At the Omaha Stamp Show Jack Michelsen won a vermeil for his "Faroe Islands — War Years 1919, 1940-1945," and at YORCOPEX a silver went to Michael Falls for "Icelandic Postal Stationery." At INDYPEX, William Goodson won a gold with his "Iceland Postal Stationery," and Roger G.

Schnell received the Marcus White Showcase grand award for his "Danish West Indies Postal Stationery."

At PRINCEPEX in Virginia, Warren Pearse walked off with the Grand Award, a gold medal, the SCC award and the Postal History Society award for his "Danish West Indies Covers & Postal Stationery 1790-1917." A gold medal together with the grand award went to Roger Quinby at FOPEX for his "Russian Stamps and Postal Stationery in Finland 1891-1918." Awards at CHICAGOPEX included a gold to Norman Kopp for his "Faroe Islands — The War Years 1940-1945" along with the APS post-1940 medal, and a vermeil to Jack Michelsen for "Faroe Islands — The War Years 1919, and 1940-41".

Marvin Hunewell's "Denmark: Postal Stationery 1865-1900" continues to capture golds on the show circuit, this time at MIDAPHIL.

—Alan Warren

### *Two Golds More in SESCOAL Awards*

*(Apologies from your editor for dropping the following paragraph from the November issue article on SESCOAL winners.)*

Two other golds won in our area went to Marvin D. Hunewell, "Postal Stationery of Denmark," with honors including the UPSS Marcus White Award, an SCC Bronze and an SPLSC Silver to a member. Chris McGregor of Canada took gold for "The Faroe Islands," and added the SCC Best Faroes Award to his luggage.

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## Memorial Day Weekend Selected For SCC Convention at NOJEX 89

North New Jersey Chapter 9 will host the SCC annual convention during NOJEX 89, May 27-29, at the Meadowlands Hilton Hotel, Secaucus, NJ. Our convention is slated for Saturday, May 27, with the Club's Board meeting at 10 a.m. and the General Membership session convening at 2 p.m. SCC members are welcome at both.

Following routine business activities, a mini-auction and a program presentation (yet to be announced) are planned by the host chapter. Refreshments will be served. NNJ Chapter 9 members would appreciate donations of philatelic material for the auction by SCC collector or dealer members. Donors will be recognized at the auction.

SCC members in attendance are invited to an informal cocktail party Saturday night, hosted by the NOJEX Committee. The awards banquet will be held Sunday evening.

Attending members are asked to stop at the SCC reception table at NOJEX for further details.

Convention rates (daily) at the Hilton are as follows:

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To be eligible for these rates, registration forms must be channeled through the Chapter 9 NOJEX Committee. Reservation forms can be had upon request to:

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A NOJEX show prospectus is available from Julius Revesz, 7 Mendham Ave., Morristown, NJ 07060. The Grand Award winner will be eligible to compete in the APS Champion of Champions competition in Boston this August.

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## The PR Cancels of Denmark: A Review

Original title: *Die Pr.-Stempel von Dänemark* by Klaus E. Eitner, pub. by the FG Nordische Staaten, 1988, 78 pages, softbound, stapled, 15 x 21 cm (in German).

As the author points out in his introduction, the collecting of these cancels is a labor of love. It takes a great deal of patience but at the same time it is not an expensive category to collect. The PR. cancels are those that carry the name of the sub-office or branch office (i.e. local post office) in one portion of the circular die, and the name of the major post office in the other part.

In the beginning the letters "PR." preceded the name of the main office. An example is Haderup in the upper portion of the circle, and PR. Skive below. Later, the PR. was dropped, and the main office appeared above, and the subordinate office below the date line.

There are two types of sub-office indication — with and without parentheses. The largest class of PR. cancels is that of the bridge type wherein the date and time appear horizontally between two parallel lines across the circle.

The catalog lists the individual subordinate post offices alphabetically. Each entry shows the earliest and latest usages known and assigns a value ranking. Following the main bridge type is a second table of PR. cancels in other formats. The catalog concludes with a listing of the PR. cancels of the Faroes.

The work is based away from the earlier studies of E. Menne Larsen, and Eitner draws on a number of additional authorities in this field. The explanatory text which appears at the beginning of the catalog in German is repeated at the end in Danish. This field of marcophily is a challenging one and won't cost you a

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fortune. The catalog is given free to members of the FG Nordische Staaten but is available separately. For price and availability, contact a *Posthorn* advertiser.

If you want to join the organization and receive their journal as well as their monographs, write to their treasurer Georg Bodner, Pleidelsheimer Str. 3, 7140 Ludwigsburg 10, Federal Republic of Germany. All their publications are in German. This particular catalog was prepared by the Denmark study group. The organization has other active study groups for Finland, Iceland, Sweden, Norway, Faroes, and Greenland. DWI is covered by the Denmark study group.

—Alan Warren

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### DK Special Catalog Available

One of the most popular Danish-English catalogs, the *DK Special Catalog 87-88* for collectors of Denmark, Greenland, Faroes, DWI, Iceland and Norway stamps and coins is still available, announced a SAGA spokesperson.

As SAGA's flagship reference, *DK* says it lists "realistic market prices." Its listings of varieties and cancels are extensive and the material is well organized. Both beginners and specialists will find almost everything they seek. For example, Denmark coverage includes the full range from regular issues, cancels and covers to B-O-B items from officials, booklets and Christmas seals. Other nations are equally well covered.

The DK book has its own numbering system which should not bother any collector looking for more detailed, updated information. It would take at least three or four special references to cover the wide range of material presented here.

Copies are still available from: George Alevizos, 2800 28th Street, Suite 323, Santa Monica, CA 90405 (Price: \$32. postpaid).

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## Northland Co. Acquires DWI Stamp Co.

Too late for the last issue was G. G. Birdsall's announcement that his Northland Company in Verona, NJ, has purchased the Danish West Indies Stamp Co. from Cocoa Beach, FL. The acquisition adds to Northland's already strong DWI stock and will offer SCC members a most comprehensive selection of this popular collecting area from which to choose.

Northland has been dealing exclusively in Scandinavia since 1975 for the general collector and specialist alike, and publishes price lists by country periodically. The New Jersey firm also solicits want lists for specialized and esoteric items, including covers, postal stationery and B-O-B items.

If not already on their mailing list, copies of the latest offerings are available free upon request from Northland Co., Box 34, Verona, NJ 07044.

The DWI Stamp Co. had been operated by William M. "Mike" Crandall, a retired military officer.

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### New Issue Addresses, Bulletins For Collectors

As promised earlier, here is the current list of addresses for obtaining advance bulletins and other literature related to new issues. Also listed are the USA agencies where stamps and FDCs can be obtained without those \$6 or \$7 surcharges per check, but at a bit higher than face value. You choose.

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Whenever a new stamp appears to have special appeal it will be featured in this publication, especially if the news release can be published prior to its issue date.

### *Harri Sihtola Dead at 39*

Harri Sihtola, a prominent research author and specialist in the Postal Stationery of Finland succumbed suddenly on Nov. 21 at the age of 39. He was a highly regarded personality in the Finnish philatelic world and worked as a teacher, researcher and lecturer at the University of Helsinki.

The Finnish Philatelic Federation had priorly published a respected work written by Mr. Sihtola concerning that nation's earliest Postal Stationery Cards. More recently he had authored an article on "The Helsinki (Local) Mail Service 1866-91" published in *FINLANDIA 88's Bulletin 2*.

The consummate award of a Large Gold at *FINLANDIA 88* came just in time to augment some earned glitter to his foreshortened span on earth. Finnish Philately and all those who crossed his path will miss him.

—Mike Hvidonov

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## President's Message

By Alfred Gruber

### First a Special Report

(From President pro tem Allan Warrington at SESCAL) The results are in, and in every way, shape and form SESCAL 88 was a proud achievement and an unqualified success for the SCC. Not only did our members distinguish themselves in the exhibition phase of the show, but by virtue of having the largest, most prominent and best-staffed club display in the entrance foyer we showed exhibitors, dealers, organizers, judges and show attendees alike that the SCC is a vibrant active organization.

Credit for this accomplishment goes to our West Coast Chapters, 17 and 21, who co-hosted our annual convention. Since SESCAL is in Chapter 17's backyard the lion's share of the organizing effort was done locally; and congratulations are in order for those who worked so hard in conjunction with show chairman Bob Thompson to ensure SESCAL's success. *Luren* Editor Paul Nelson did a fine job of coordinating the effort, Harry Hagen showed his creative genius in providing handsomely crafted trophies, and many other SCCers spent their time and talent manning the SCC exhibit area, setting up and taking down frames and generally helping out where needed.

Thanks also to Chapter 17 and to dealer Jay Smith who both contributed to the Friday night reception at the LAX Hyatt.

*p.s. to Al G., "We're sorry you missed this one because of health. It was a good show, and best of all . . . fun!"*

### Richter Donates Reference Collection

One of the highlights at SESCAL 88 in Los Angeles, which I could not attend, was Jed Richter's generous contribution of his Norway reference collection to the SCC Library. The multi-volume donation is to be sold and the proceeds placed in a fund from which interest earnings will go to support Library activities. The collection was originated by Carl Werenskiold, the premier collector of Norwegian philatelic materials. Many thanks Jed for this outstanding gift!

### Next SCC Convention at NOJEX on May 27

Our 1989 national convention has been set for May 27 in conjunction with NOJEX at the Meadowlands Hilton, Secaucus, NJ. More details are available in another article in this issue.

### Crown Named Chairman of Exhibitions

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Jeffrey Crown of Gaithersburg, MD, as our Chairman of Exhibitions. Jeff will primarily work to encourage participation by members at convention shows and at other shows close to chapter locations. He already has mailed invitations to known exhibitors to compete at NOJEX. If you want to exhibit, note Jeff's address on the opposite page and write to him.

If you are a tyro and feel not ready to compete in a national show, why not make a start at the local show in which the Delaware Chapter is a sponsor? That is DELPEX slated for April 1 and 2. Registration forms and the exhibit should be in the hands of Frederick Dickson, 640 Woodview Drive, Hockessin, DE 19707, by March 25. Most



exhibits are one to four frames in this show. The fee is \$4 per frame.

#### **Our Trek to Allenton, WI**

Annette and I visited Florence and Doc Melberg to savor the Danish hospitality and review the SCC Library. Both are world class. The library is in excellent condition as reflected in the 1989 Library Index now available directly from Doc at \$2 each. It lists 1041 entries on 71 pages and was a co-production of Doc Melberg and Ron Collin, who submitted it "camera ready" thereby cut printing costs significantly. Our thanks to their combined effort. Doc and Florence proofed it many times and our *Posthorn* Editor provided the technical help via phone and mail. A superb job all around. Incidentally, Chapter Prexies should know that there are 21 slide shows listed in the index.

#### **Linn's Profiles Collectors**

In an independent survey sponsored by *Linn's Stamp News*, a well known polling firm profiled their readers. They report: males outnumber females six to one, 94 percent graduated from high school and beyond (25 percent have advanced degrees). Total household income averaged \$67,465 with 8.6 percent having a net worth of \$1 million or more. Most collect U.S., followed by Canada and Great Britain, while 30.9 percent collect Western Europe. Scandinavia had no separate category in this survey so no numbers were offered. However, a recent copy of Linn's had five dealer ads and 20 classified ads — all selling Scandinavia.

#### **Let's Make History**

Wiping the dust from ancient tomes from his eyes, our Historian Frank Schubert writes that he still seeks early SCC papers such as letters and news releases. Anyone out there with any such items is urged to contact Frank.

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# The Executive Secretary Speaks

By William H. Lamkin

As I write this, another holiday season is all but upon us. Christmas cards are coming somewhat slower than past years. I believe this due to the increase in postage and the higher cost of the cards themselves. Nevertheless, I want to thank everyone that sent a card and those who sent their good wishes and greetings for the holidays. It is always a pleasure to hear from so many of you.

**Surprise!!!** There really WAS a dues envelope in *The Posthorn* for November! I was most happy to see it there. So far this year about ¾ of the membership have paid their dues. If you have not paid yours by the time you read this, you may have received one of my snide remarks on a postal card about paying. Further, this could very well be the last *Posthorn* you will get if you do not pay before March 15, 1989. That is the date when you become a member not-in-good-standing. I hate to send out this type of letter but it has to be done to keep the Club going.

## Addresses

As I received the dues this year, I have been checking the return addresses very carefully and comparing them with my records. So far I have found some 30 errors between the records and the envelopes. Some of the minor errors, I am sorry to say, are either mine or my computer's. I could lay it all on to the computer but I am afraid that it will give me a virus of some sort. Please check your *Posthorn* cover and see that your address is as it should be. If not, drop me a line and tell me how it should be. We all know that the USPS needs help and this is one way that we can help.

## Chapter Reports

Forms for the Annual Chapter Report are in the mail. You should have them by now. If not, give a yell and I will send another. They have been mailed to the President of record on the last report. If you get one and it should go to someone else, please send it on to the right person. When Mr. Right Person gets it, he should complete it as soon as possible and send it to the Executive Secretary. These reports are an important part of our Club's records. Each Regional Director should also make it a point to see that his chapter, or chapters, get their reports in.

## Attention Dealers

I have a stock of Business Reply Cards for SCC membership information. When I receive one fully completed, the sender will get a Membership Application and a copy of The SCC Story printed in Stamp Collector sometime ago. These are for your good Scandinavian customers, friends, etc. as a method of spreading information about our Club. The cards are invalid outside of the U.S. however.

## Membership

We want to make this our best year. Each member should make it a year of a personal goal of getting at least one new member who is interested in Scandinavian philately. Check with your friends and correspondents and see if you can persuade them to join. Our dues are nominal and most any collectors can afford to be with us. As a matter of fact, they can not afford not to be one of us!

I wish each of you the very best in Scandinavian philately for the year of 1989.

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# The Editor's Notebook

By Gene Lesney



In retrospect, the past two years have brought both pleasure and despair to this Editor. Working under tight budgetary restrictions, unlike my predecessors, we saved money with thinner issues which by sheer weight reduction lowered printing and postage expenses. This situation presented an opportunity to revise the journal's appearance to give *The Posthorn's* style and flow a professional look. Literally hundreds of letters and phone messages have approved of the step-by-step innovations. This issue features a new Page One Banner style which continues the traditional look. It just about ends the cosmetic touches.

Next comes an increased pace of evolution into articles that are more in touch with the general membership. If anybody bothered to keep score in past years, they will have found this a publication providing publicity for the 20 percent of SSC's membership who are deeply into classic 19th century material and regularly exhibit and win medals at all the big shows. Among in this minority are some collectors who exhibit a few non-classic philatelic subjects.

This leaves open the question of what the other 80 percent collect? My unscientific survey into the matter leads to the answer that we collect everything that doesn't cost too much, particularly 20th century items — including new issues and FDCs. Proof of this demographic can be found in practically any SCC Chapter and virtually all stamp clubs in Scandinavia.

Almost everybody in SCC collects what they like — subject to budgetary limits — and many tend to favor a Scandinavian nation of their (or spouse's) ancestry. Those lucky enough to solicit philatelic items from relatives here and abroad have the jump on some of us. And what's not to like about our area of interest?

Your Editor's point is that collecting Scandinavia should not be limited in any direction nor to any specific era. Dozens of exciting subjects exist in 20th century issues; and this journal shall endeavor to inspire your interest in these areas. Philately can be compared somewhat to a child's education process. Beginning with a few stamps more or less organized in a junior album to preparing a researched collection for exhibit takes a series of major lessons in various "schools" of philately learned in a group or alone. From my perspective, the ultimate goal always has been to reach the pinnacle of stamp collecting, having one's exhibit accepted by a national and international show. Winning would be nice, too.

### Everybody Can Qualify

Forget the fable that all it takes is "money, money, money" to build a great exhibition quality collection. After attending a number of national and international shows, your Editor can tell you that a lot of gold medals go to meticulously-researched studies exhibiting cheaper, common stamps. The traditional or classic stamps and covers will always be with us, and usually capture the grand awards with a few lesser medals.

Yes, it takes a lot of money and knowledge to dabble in the classics. But knowledge is the key. That's why *The Posthorn* cannot ignore its role in bringing SCC members whatever is new in the research of all eras of Scandinavian philately.

But don't limit your reading to this journal, the SCC has gone to great lengths to gather an extensive Library for its members. A lot can be learned by using the



reference material that's only a request letter away. Our jovial Librarian, Doc Melberg, enjoys helping people. Who wouldn't after years working on the south end of bovines? By the way this vet is also veteran submariner who served aboard the sub Whale during WWII and collects whale cancels.

*(Sidenote from our slow boat to China file: Names are omitted so as not to embarrass the judge at SESCAL 88, who, when asked by the exhibitor of the after-awards critique, denied any knowledge of Danish numeral cancels classified by dates of usage by stating, "I never heard of that!" This data was first published in the NORDFRIMEX 85 Catalog and in numerous follow-up articles in the philatelic press, including The Posthorn. Your red-faced editor was obliged to remain silent when tempted to ask the SCC-member judge if he reads OUR journal.)*



## Library News

Dr. W. E. Melberg, SCC Librarian

We are back in business again thanks to the members who responded to our pleas of help. Over 65 copies of the new Library Index have been distributed and people are beginning to use it, which is the main purpose of its being. Since the last report over 70 new items (articles and publications) have been added to our holdings.

It has pleased me to be able to help collectors with specific requests of materials that are "hidden" in philatelic volumes and journals and not evident by casual observation of the Index titles. Thank you for your patience during these trying times. Thanks also to the people who donated money and philatelic materials. As you can see we again are most fortunate.

Library Donations (Sept. 27, 1988 to Dec. 15, 1988)

**Cash:**

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Chapter 4 mini-auction

**Books:**

**Norm Andrews**

*DWI Auction Catalog*, featuring Ragnar Eklund's Double Gold Award Winning Collection. 1975. 140pp. Great for research. Includes APS' publication of J.A. Birch's DWI work. Illus. A must for DWI students.

**Chapter 21 (Maxwell Johnston Estate)**

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covers and cancels on stamps. Also wanted covers pre-1950 from Norway to Canada and from Canada to Norway. Send photocopy, exchange or buy, good price.

**Ola Ellgø**

Olleløkkv. 14,

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*Weekly Philatelic Gossip*. 1959 through 1961. Photocopies of Scandinavian articles have been prepared for distribution.

*Cumulative Index to Scandinavian Philatelic Literature*. From 1950 to 1963. Arthur Brown. 20pp.

*Scandinavian Philatelic Literature*. 1953 to 1962. Arthur Brown. 7pp.

**Ron Collin**

*COMPEX 88 Directory*. 200pp. Illus.

**Jack Day**

*Postal Markings of Scandinavia*. Chapter 13's exhibit. 35pp.

**Frimarkshuset**

*Facit Ortstempelkatalog Postal History 1989*. 4th edition, 352pp. Contains every Swedish place, rural-postman and postal-agency cancellation, including county and province indexes. This edition has "Railway FKHB cancellations," a completely new field. As usual a great book for cancel and postal history people. Illus.

**Harry Goldsmith**

*Sverige Katalog 1988-89*. 54 pp.

**Al and Annette Gruber**

News clippings from the 350th anniversary of the landing of the Swedes and Finns in Delaware. 30pp.

**Stanley Hanson**

*A Study of the Small 20 mm and Large 21 mm Posthorn Issues of Norway*. Photocopy of exhibit. 96pp.

**Peter Jensen**

*Danmark Frimaerkekatalog 1975 AFA* 145 pp.

*Danmark Kataloget 1972*. J. Rasmussen. 160pp.

*Greenland 78 GF No. 5 E*. Wowern. 50pp.

**Tomas Josephson**

*TOJO-Katalogen 1988-1989*. 120pp. Listing of Swedish stamps and FDC. Illus.

**Norm Kopp**

"British Military Mail 1940-46: Faroe Islands and Ireland." D. Cornelius. *Forces Postal History Soc. Newsletter*. 9-10/78. 5pp.

**Robert Lang**

Nordic Lights. Photocopy of exhibit. 32pp.

**Anonymous**

"Distinguishing Characteristics of Classic Stamps." Scandinavian section. H. Schloss. Lindquist Publications. 1951. 14pp. Illus.

DWI Reprints (of original sheets) 1, 3, 4, 5 and 10 Cent Bicolors by KPK.

Sheets of AFA #s 261 and 262 Stamps. For study. The second sheet verifies that stamps appear to be the rarer 262a type I can be found on overinked sheets of type II stamps.

**Gerhard Muller**

*Eisinel "T-3"* (Mail via Greenland). G. Muller. 1986. 80pp. Study concerning an ice island in the Arctic Ocean. Illus.

*Verofftelichungen*. G. Muller. 1983. 36pp. 3 booklets about Greenland. Free franking, offices in Denmark, zip codes and registry labels. Illus.

**Nordische Staaten-Arbeitsgruppe Danemark.**

*Die PR.-Stempel Von Danemark 1988*. 75pp. Listing of Danish Pr. cancels depicting earliest and latest dates. Includes the Faroes. Illus.

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*Christian Andersen Part I*. Early Denmark. Auction catalog. 1988. 50pp. One of the top sales of all time.

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Danish West Indies Postal Stationery. Exhibit photocopy. 160pp.

**Alan Warren**

"Special listing (of Scandinavian countries, Sept. 3, 1988) taken from *An Index to Revenue Articles Appearing in Serial Publications*." R. F. Riley. 3pp.

PRAGA 88 Katalog.

INTERPHIL 76 Catalog.

**Kr. Wilhelmssen**

Filatelistisk Aarbok 1988. Norwegian yearbook. Many interesting articles about ship mail, cancels, German occupation, postal history etc. A **MUST** for a Norway collector. In Norwegian. 150pp. Illus.

**Purchases:**

Everyday Life in the Viking Age. Jacquelin Simpson. 1987 edition. 208pp. A very readable account of Viking life. Illus.

Grønland-Set Gennem 50 Aars Frimærker 1938-1988. (Greenland Seen Through 50 Year's Stamps). Greenland's Postal Service. 1988. 128pp. A beautiful book about Greenland stamps, postal history and ordinary history. In Danish, unfortunately, but still very interesting with great illustrations. A must for Greenland lovers. (A neat project for SPF?)

(Not listed above are numerous articles on a variety of subjects which have been donated, but might double the length of this list if described. This is where your faithful Librarian is ready to help members find additional material for reference and research.)

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### New Members for February

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| 3185 | OFFILL, Kennet A., 232 Volunteer, Arlington, TX 76014<br>Norway, Sweden, Iceland                           | By: Lamkin 2561    |
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| 3187 | HAMBERG, Erik, Forgatan 14, 421 76 Vastra, Frolunda, Sweden<br>Sweden-Ring type covers                     | By: Burgeson L-37  |
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November Membership	
Regular Members .....	975
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Honorary Members .....	7
Total Membership for November .....	1033
February Membership Adjustment	
Regular Members .....	+ 18
Reinstatements .....	+ 3
Resignations .....	- 9
Total Adjustment for February .....	+ 12
February Membership	
Regular Members .....	987
Life Members .....	51
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Total Membership for February .....	1045

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