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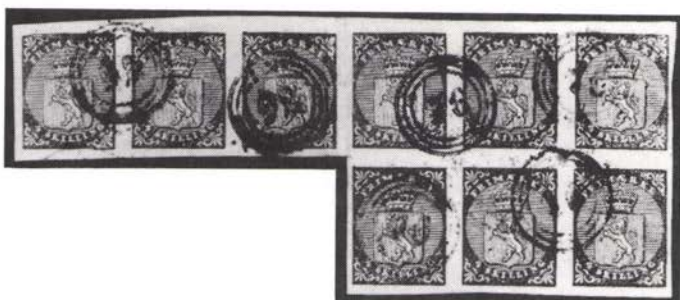
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FINNISH 7 KOPECK small stationery entire, canceled in St. Petersburg on 2 Dec. 1892, with the St. Petersburg geometric "5" numeral cancel, and backstamped the next day at Wiborg on 15 Dec. 1892 (changing from Julian to Gregorian dates).

Finnish Kopeck Issues of 1891 With Russian Numeral Cancels

By Ed Fraser

The February 1990 *Posthorn* contained my article on the usage of the 1891 Finnish "rings" stamps for postage outside Finland but within the Russian Empire (pages 21 to 25). One of the covers shown in that article (Figure 7, second down from the upper left corner) had a Russian numeral "7" cancel. It is conspicuously the only non-registered cover, and a further discussion of Russian numeral cancels is warranted. Also, since February, some additional material was uncovered from the 1900-era Philadelphia collector, the addressee on those covers.

One of the shortcomings of Finnish philatelic references is the lack of information about any Russian cancels that might be found on the Finnish rings stamps. This is very unfortunate because these cancels could occur on apparently completely proper Russian usage of Finnish stamps, and should be

documented for Finnish collectors. Also, such usage can be thought of as really different from the usual occurrence of Russian cancels on Finnish penni-denominated stamps, or any other "foreign" stamps, where the Russian cancel would be an arrival or transit cancel that would occur on mail from another country.

Of all Russian cancels, perhaps the most interesting are the geometric design numeral cancels. They are both artistic, and findable! While they are not especially scarce on Russian stamps and covers, they are popular with collectors. However, finding examples of all the basic types on Finnish "rings" stamps would be very difficult, and probably would take some years to search out. A typical example of the number "5" on a Finnish 7 kopeck stationery entire mailed from St. Petersburg to Finland is shown here in Figure 1.

Figure 2 shows illustrations of the 17 basic types of numeral cancels used from 1880 to 1905 in St. Petersburg. They are for the numbers 1 through 9, 11, 13 through 17, and 31. Black ink was usually used, but violet and blue also occur. Perhaps because replacement cancels were ordered to replace those that wore out (apparently some wore out quickly), or perhaps because it was necessary to keep several cancelers on hand to cancel the mail as it came in, different varieties of the cancels exist. For the number "1" especially, many slightly different varieties are known.

Additional, Moscow also used some number cancels for the numbers 1, 2, and 3 in the 1884 to 1900 period, with examples shown in Figure 3.

Some Finnish "Bundleware"

Along with the correspondence shown in the February *Posthorn*, there also was a modest accumulation of Finnish bundleware, including 1,284 stamps of the Finnish 1891 "rings" issue. Since offerings of bundleware of the rings stamps are almost unknown in recent years, a priority was given to examining this long-dormant and potentially

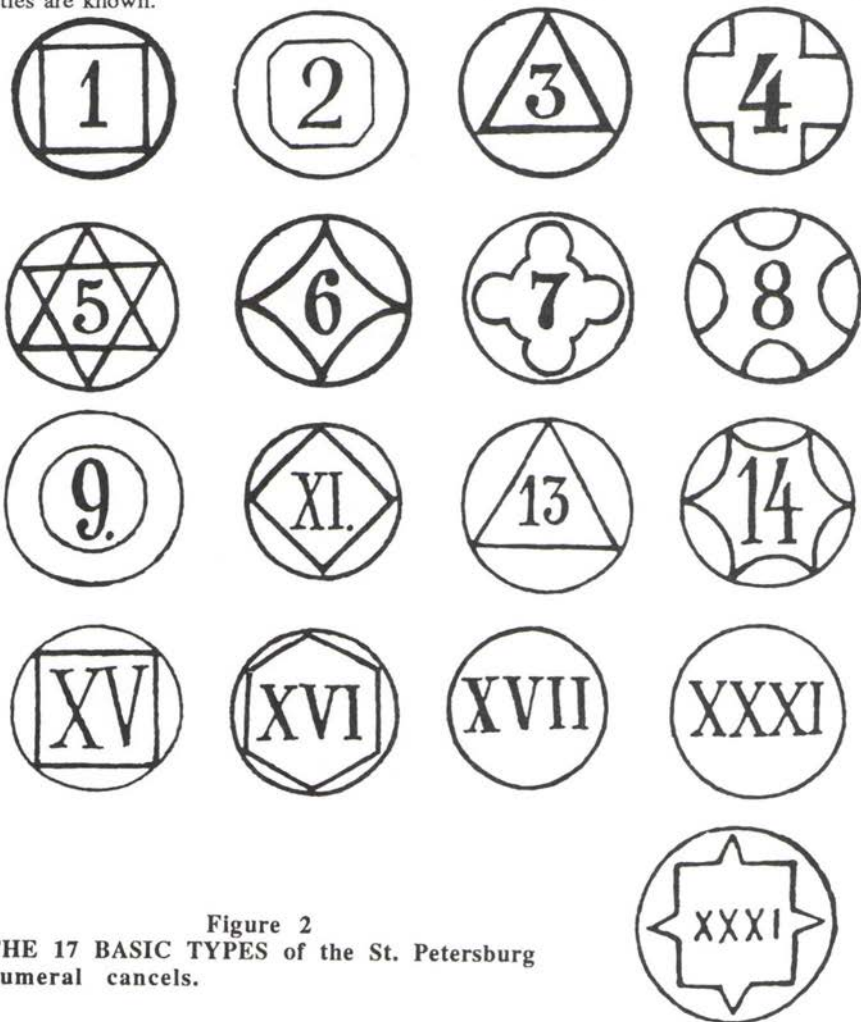


Figure 2
THE 17 BASIC TYPES of the St. Petersburg
numeral cancels.



Figure 3

IN 1884 THESE THREE oval numeral cancels were introduced for use in Moscow. The numeral "3" is very similar to the St. Petersburg "3", but it has thinner lines and a definite oval shape.

very interesting material. Especially, since this collector seemed to move in turn-of-the-century philatelic circles who were very aware of the possibility of Russian usage of rings stamps, the bundleware might be expected to have Russian cancels mixed in. And so it was — about 15 percent of the 1, 2, 3, and 4 kopeck values had Russian cancels, including Russian numeral cancels!

An example of the recently uncovered material is shown in Figure 4, as packaged in small, old "Dennison label" boxes. Usually bundleware is in packages of 25, 50, 100 or even 200 copies of the same stamp, wrapped with a strip of paper or tied with thread. Here they were all in packages of 25, each wrapped in a band of paper. Whether this was done for future sale or further examination and study is unknown, as is who did the packaging and assembly of the stamps.

Listing some of my observations from examining the material:

1. The latest cancels found were in 1900, only half-way through the period of rings stamps usage. (Maybe they were accumulated or packaged in 1900!)

2. As the written English description on the bands looks like old American penmanship, and not European, a good guess would be that the material was packaged or re-packaged here in the U.S. (e.g. — sevens are not crossed, etc.) (I would hate to think that this material represented any stamps that this collector had soaked off his correspondence! There are some clues that he did not.)

3. Generally there were 28 stamps per package, even though the packages were

labeled "25 stamps." Probably the 3 extra were to cover any badly damaged stamps.

4. Not a single non-rings stamp was mixed in!

5. Predictably, there were no "POSTSTYRELSENS RÄKENSKAPS AFDELNING" cancels.

6. Pairs and strips, and even some blocks of four, were folded-up neatly and put into the bundles!

7. There was only one perfin, "F&Co," on a 7 kopeck stamp. (Perhaps perfins may have been removed as faulty stamps.)

8. Because of my own interest in "cork" cancels, it is noteworthy that there were a few such cancels on the rings

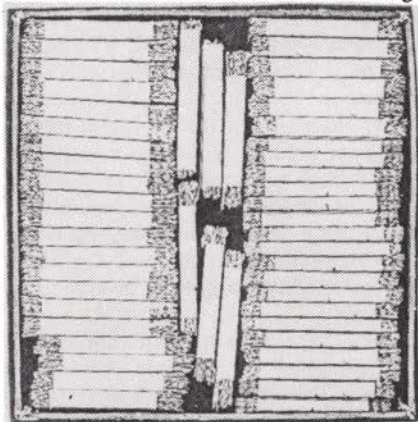


Figure 4

VIEW LOOKING DOWN into a little box of bundles. Here banded bundles were stored in dozens of these little boxes. Each box held about 1300 stamps.

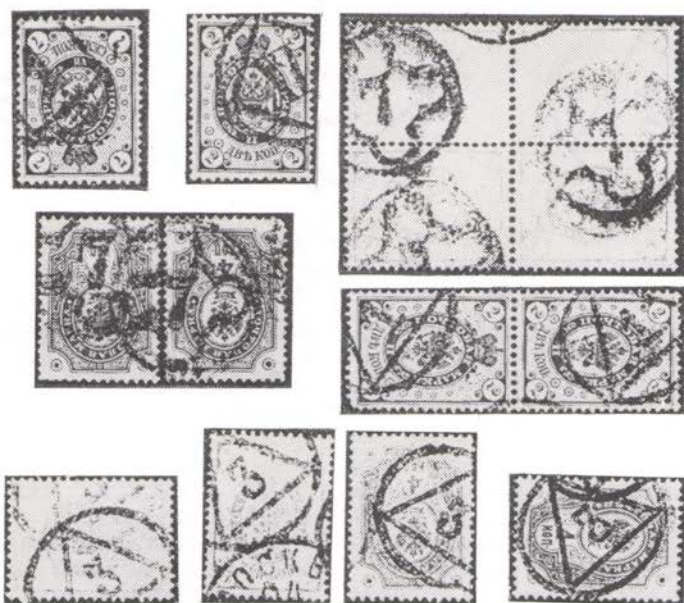


Figure 5

RUSSIAN NUMERAL CANCELS on Finnish "rings" stamps: St. Petersburg "1" on a 7 kop., an "XI" on a 2 kop., a "7" on a 1 kop. block of four, a "7" on two 4 kop.; and Moscow "1" on a 1 kop. pair, and across the bottom row, a Moscow "3" on a 1 kop., a 3 kop. (with part of the Moscow town cancel), and two 4 kop. stamps.

stamps. There were three examples of Hellman #323 on 4 kopeck stamps, and one on a 3 kopeck stamp (not previously reported).

9. None of the stamps had a pinhole in them, which would have suggested that it had been mounted on a pin, or been in snaked on thread bundleware, which were some of the strange practices that happened. Also, none of the stamps showed evidence of having been mounted or hinged.

10. There were no ship cancels, Finnish numeral or straight line town cancels. This to me is evidence that they were removed before they were bundled.

11. On Russian stamps of this era, the number cancels are usually found on the lower denomination stamps (10 kopecks or lower), which corresponded to the existing rates for ordinary letters and cards. This was typically the out-of-the-mail-box kind of mail, which was the kind of

mail that the numeral cancels were generally applied. Likewise, here the numeral cancels on loose rings stamps were all found on 7 kopeck and lower values.

The best examples of the numeral cancels found in this bundleware are shown in Figure 5. Finnish collectors may have noticed that the St. Petersburg number "7" is far more common on Finnish stamps and Finnish covers than any other. This has to be because the post office that used "7" was the one at, or across the street from, the St. Petersburg railroad station where the trains went to and from Finland.

Comments appreciated. Ed Fraser c/o Shearson, 275 Broadhollow Road, Melville, NY 11747.

The gracious assistance of members of the Rossica Society was greatly appreciated for the reference illustrations and history of these cancels.

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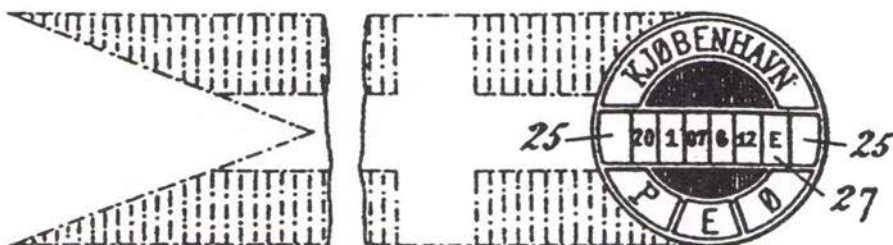
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RARELY SEEN FLAG KILLER and cancel design are shown as drawn for the patent filing. This cancel on cover is a rarity despite its 20th century trials.

The Pneuma-Danica-Duplex Machine *Patented 1906 in Denmark*

By Frederick A. Brofos

Some 132 years have passed since mail was first canceled by machinery [designed to replace the drudgery of hand-canceling]. And, quite a variety of ingenious contraptions have been produced by hopeful inventors. They all take their place in the historical line-up, whether successful or not, even though precious little is known about a number of them.

One of the ghosts from the past is a curious pneumatic canceling machine made in Denmark. At the beginning of the 20th century the Danish Postal Administration followed the lead of the world's larger nations and tried a variety of canceling machines. Experimentation went on for some years at the Copenhagen K. (Købmagergade) post office.

A Variety of Cancels Tried

At first the trials were limited to machines of the Germany Sylbe & Pondorf make and another model from the Norwegian Krag Company — plus a Danish-made canceler. Now almost forgotten this Danish machine was apparently the subject of several short trial runs; but it could not compete successfully with the faster foreign units.

The Pneuma-Danica-Duplex post-marking machine was the invention of two Danes, Postmaster Edmund A. Lund of the Copenhagen S. (Sundbyernes) post office in the Amager district, and engineer Jacob C. Hansen-Ellehammer.

Their Danish Patent No. 8928 was issued on Sept. 2, 1906, with patent protection retroactive to January 20th of the same year. They demonstrated their pneumatic canceler at the large Danish postal meeting of 1908 held in the rooms of the old Parliament at Fredericia Street, Copenhagen.

Later, in 1909 it was placed on trial at the letter post office at Copenhagen K. This unique canceler was hand-operated, not electricity-powered, and its postmark was connected to a vacuum pump which sucked the letters individually to the postmark that was thereupon impressed on them. The suction function affected only the surface of mail matter, without damaging the contents. Its canceler had an automatic supply of ink. It did not matter whether the mail was thick or thin, large or small since the canceling was said to be done equally well on con-

Didn't Require Sorting

One attractive feature was that mail could be placed in the machine without advance sorting, other than making sure that the postage stamps were all facing towards the canceler. However, the capacity of the unit was relatively small and this undoubtedly doomed its future. It could not economically compete with other faster and more efficient foreign machines. The Pneuma-Danica-Duplex was not developed further and it eventu-

Dansk Patent N^o 8928

Fig. 1.

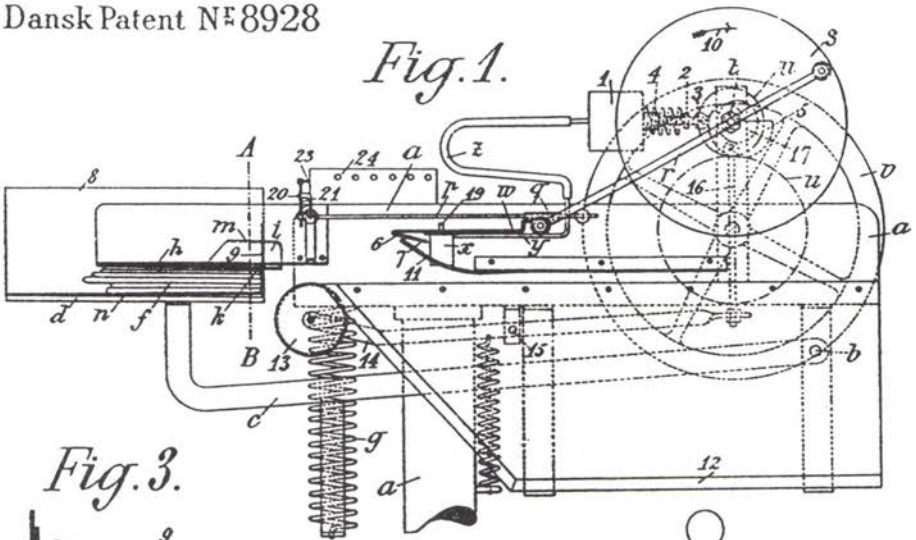


Fig. 3.

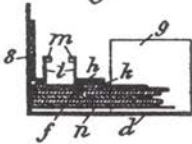
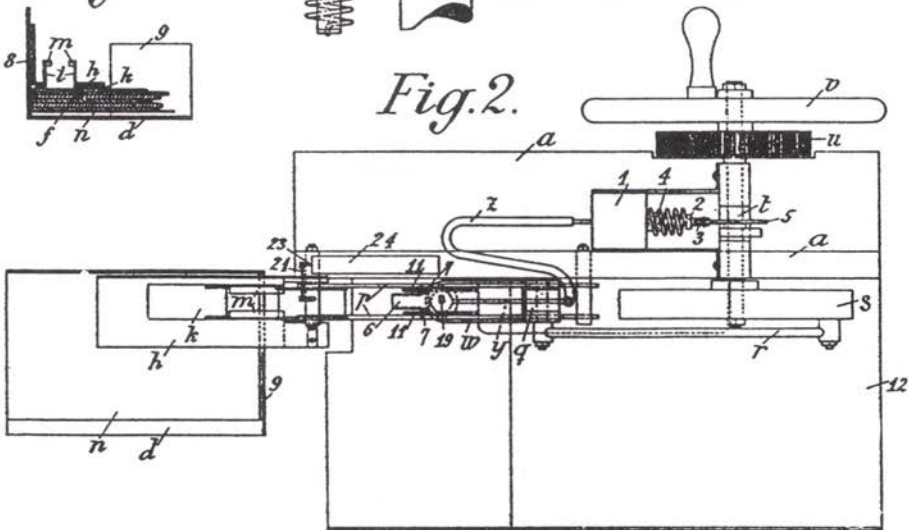


Fig. 2.



SIDE AND TOP VIEW of the pneumatic canceler as illustrated in the patent papers filed in 1906 by the two Danish inventors.

ally was abandoned altogether. Sadly, all that remains now is a photo in the Royal Danish P&T Museum, Copenhagen, which shows the two proud inventors displaying their machine.

An indication of the probable appearance of cancels made by this device during official tests may be judged by studying the design in the patent papers. There, a circular dated dial is shown with an attractive killer (at the left) in the

form of a split Danish flag — indicating an official or naval flag design, as opposed to the straight-edged national flag, a white cross on a red field.

Called the Dannebrog, it is one of the world's oldest flags, dating from the 13th century. Legend says that it "fell down from Heaven" during a battle in 1219 of Danish King Valdemar Sejr's crusade in Russia.

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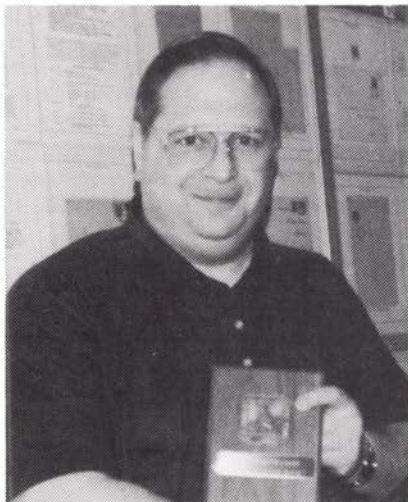
By Bob Lang

At DELPEX the Scandinavian mouse roared! On the March 31-April 1 weekend in Wilmington, DE, the 20th annual DELPEX Stamp Show featured 60 frames of exhibits, 20 of which were Scandinavian and six more from a remote *Scandinavian* outpost in Mexico?

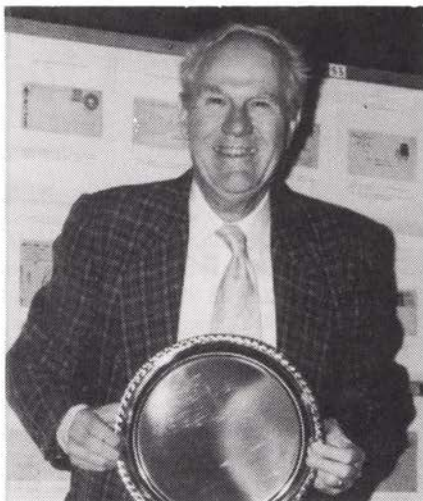
Local Chapter 13 is one of the sponsoring clubs and they initiated a new "Best Scandinavian Exhibit" award in memory of John S. Siverts. This award and some friendly arm twisting attracted six members and one "gringo" to enter the competition. Because of the number of frames, National came through with a silver and bronze award which really added zest to the competition. When the dust settled, SCCers walked away with eight of the 20 awards.

Jeff Crown received the coveted and first John Siverts Memorial Plaque for his outstanding seven-frame exhibit on the "Faroe Islands Post." Jeff says he plans to make it even better for the SCC Annual Meeting at Boxborough, MA. Jeff also won a DELPEX Gold.

An SCC Silver went to Florence Melberg for her two-frame exhibit



Jeff Crown and plaque



Prexy Al Gruber

"Promotional Postmarks of Denmark." She got one up on her hubby "Doc" who captured the SCC Bronze for his "A Danish Odyssey — Philatelic Oddities of Denmark." This fascinating two-frame exhibit also won a DELPEX Bronze.

Roy Ferber of Chapter 13 won a DELPEX Bronze for his one-frame exhibit "It Happened One Night." This entire frame was made from items picked from a Scandinavian mix that appeared at the January chapter meeting. Roy also exhibited three frames of "Swedish Revenue Paper."

Other SCCers exhibiting were Annette Gruber with four frames of "Danish Christmas Seals" and Mike Robinson showing "Iceland Postal Stationery."

The piece-de-resistance went to a little known "gringo" named Al Gruber (could he be related to our SCC Presidente?), who won not only a DELPEX Gold but the show Grand Award for his six-frame Scandinavian rendition of "Mail from the Chinese in Mexico." Word has it that Al has discovered a long lost Scandinavian colony in Baha!

Congratulations to all who exhibited; they did Nordic Philately proud!

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Scandinavian Literature Notes

By Alan Warren

In the 1989 *Congress Book*, published by the American Philatelic Congress, Robert G. Stone continues his postal history research into the Caribbean mails with an article on "The Venezuelan - St. Thomas Packet Services 1820-1880." A number of covers are illustrated including many bearing the Todd and Jesurun packet stamps. The November issue of *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift* highlights the many Frimärkets Dag activities throughout Sweden, and author Jan Billgren sheds light on an unusual niche of postal history, namely materials for the blind.

Sweden Studies

In the December 1989 issue of *Scandinavian Contact* from Great Britain, W.J.D. Annand begins a series on the Gustaf V Profile and the Three Crowns definitive issues. His opening discussion focuses on dies, printing flaws, paper, shades and printings, and coil markings. In the same issue, R.M. Fishenden continues the series on Sweden's large official issues with an examination of flaws on the 10 on 12 öre overprint.

In 1990 the Danish periodical *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift* will have a new editor. The current editor Bo Bjerre Jakobsen steps down, and Ib Krarup Rasmussen, a member of the editorial committee, will take on the editorial assignment. In the December issue of *PHT*, E. Menne Larsen continues his series on German censorship in Norway in 1940. In the same issue Peter Engelbrecht continues illustrations of the regular machine cancellations by type and showing periods of use.

Railway Cancels

In the October issue of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* published by KPK, Svend Hovard elaborates on mark-

ings for the rail line Fredericia/Aalborg. In the same issue Svend K. Seitzberg details the official destruction of Danish West Indies stamps, postage due stamps, and postal stationery. Flemming Hansen examines Denmark's 10 öre stamped envelope in rose (1902 and 1912 editions) from the point of view of usage and cancels. Ib Krarup Rasmussen presents the third in a series on postal conditions between Denmark and Iceland, this time during the period 1870-79.

In the November issue of "Philatelic Reports" from the FG Nordische Staaten in Germany, Günter Pansegrau compares the colors of the postage due stamps of Denmark in relation to those of the regular definitives of the same denomination. He also presents a study of the 1934 due stamps, discussing paper, gum, color, and printing. In the same issue the Study Group for Finland presents the second part of a series on railway postmarks of that country, and the section on Iceland illustrates pictorial cancels from 1978 to 1988.

Jürgen Tiemer, who heads up the Study Group on Norway, continues his series on the railway freight stamps of that country. W. Dresler describes the broken posthorn variety of early Mariehamn cancels in the section on Åland.

3 Öre Wavy Line Issue

In the November issue of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*, Erik Øgaard Nielsen illustrates many different uses of this stamp on printed matter, post cards, parcel cards, with railway cancels, and in multiples to make up foreign rates on letters from Denmark. In the same issue, Jørgen Sjønnung writes about the printing of Norwegian postal stationery by the Central Printing Office.

A similar study, this time on the printing of the official postal cards of Sweden, is presented by Bo E. Stavenow and Mats Gustafsson in the December *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift*. In the same issue Harry Salomon writes about mails of the Swedish forces of the United Nations, particularly in Korea. The December issue of *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* carries an article by Niels Klottrop on printed matter rates to foreign countries from Denmark before the turn of the century. Svend Hovard describes railway cancels of Zealand during the period 1856-91, and Svend K. Seitzberg illustrates some types of the C-51 obliterator used in conjunction with the St. Thomas circle dater of the Danish West Indies.

DWI 4 CENTS Bisect

The December issue of *Het Noorderlicht*, published by the Scandinavian group in the Netherlands, has an article about the 4¢ bisect of the Danish West Indies with a table of the first and last cancels by town. G.L. van Welie discusses the prestamp covers of Denmark.

The January issue of *Dansk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* has a listing of some important future show dates including the NORDIA shows which are scheduled in June 1991 in Reykjavik, in October 1992 in Kristiansand, and in 1994 the show will be in Aarhus. NORWEX 97 is planned in 1997 in Oslo.

Czeslaw Slania

In the February issue of *Stamp Lover*, published by the National Philatelic Society of Great Britain, author Joan Burgess has a nice profile of the famed engraver Czeslaw Slania. She tells of his early education and his nearly missing the opportunity to serve the Swedish government as engraver when he decided to leave for Canada. Only the sudden illness of the Swedish engraver Sven Ewert created the opportunity Slania had been waiting for.

Burgess provides the reader with some insight to this hardworking soul, and the fact that he never travels without his sketch pad, steel block, and burin. In 36

years he has created over 800 stamps for nearly a dozen countries. Coupled with the article is a review by Peter Collins of the Slania exhibition held last year at the Castle of Mainau on a small island in Lake Constance.

In the January issue of *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift*, Mats Gustafsson and Bo Stavenow discuss plating of the first two official postal cards of Sweden issued in 1874. Robert Mattson continues his series on the varieties of Normal Cancel 10, illustrating the many Stockholm Types including the Central, Fri Brev, Kontrollkontor, Kungsholmen, Omkarteringsexpedition, and Paket post office marks.

Finland's Military Mail

In the March issue of *Luren* (published by the Scandinavian Philatelic Library of Southern California, Box 57397, Los Angeles, CA 90057), Paul Nelson presents a discussion of Finnish Fieldpost based on the album notes of the late Col. Eino E. Lassila. Some Kenttäposti covers of 1918, 1928, and 1937 are illustrated. Col. Lassila served in the Winter War of 1939, and his military mail collection will be sold this Fall.

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By Martin C. Klimko

While reviewing some Swedish stamps recently, I came across what I think is a variety on Sweden *Facit 65*, the 5 Kronor Postoffice issue of 1903. I have already written to the Swedish Philatelic Society and the Swedish Museum but did not receive a satisfactory answer. (Incidentally, I'm a new member of both the SCC and SPS.) My only reply from Sweden said it was a possible dirt on plate variation.

I was then put in contact with Eric Lindquist, who provided some answers. He informed me of known plate cracks since 1950 and details of the article he wrote in 1954 [on the subject] and the non-recognition of others until 1978.

However, my example is different. I have two stamps canceled a year apart. On one the inscription reads "Posthuset:Stockholm:1903:" while on the second stamp it reads "Rosthuset:Stockholm:1903" with no "P" in Post, but an "R" instead and no period after "1903." Also worth mentioning are lines in the lettering of "FRIMÄRKE" and "KRONOR."

Seeks Verification

I would like to hear from other collectors who may be able to verify what I have. Could my stamp possibly be a printing variety? It seems odd that a small period after 1903 is missing and "P" has changed to an "R."

Address replies to: Martin C. Klimko, 3709 West Bluffs Road, Springfield, IL 62707. Photocopies would be appreciated.

(Editor's comment: The text appears in *Facit* to read "POSTHUSET STOCKHOLM 1930" without a dot or period after the year.)

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Scandinavian Area Awards

By Alan Warren

Roger G. Schnell took the reserve grand, a gold medal, and the Florida Stamp Dealers Assoc. award at FLOREX with his "Postal History, Danish West Indies." In the literature competition at CHICAGOPEX, SCC's Library Index, edited by Doc Melberg, took a silver-bronze. D.A. Anderson won a vermeil along with the best in class and the AAMS award at METROPEX for "Sweden Airmail: 1912 to Present."

A new show this year was Florida West Coast Stamp Expo in St. Petersburg. Scandinavia philately played a significant role in the event with Vic Engstrom as jury chairman. Also serving on the panel were Roger Schnell, and apprentice Jeremiah Farrington. Gold medals went to Torben Hilberg for "Danish West Indies 1902-05," Don Halpern for "Denmark Stampless Covers," and Dan Laursen for "Danish Postal

Stationery 1864-1908." SCC gold, silver, and bronze medals were also awarded respectively to these three exhibits.

Vermeil medals went to Timothy McRee for "The Forgotten Child: DWI Fiscal Adhesives," Warren H. Pearse for "Danish West Indies Mails 1790-1917," Alfred Gruber for "Denmark and the Faroes Letter Collecting place Cancels," and Ron Trosclair for "Danish West Indies, UPU Years, 1887-1917." McRee received the Scandinavian Collectors Club of Florida award as well.

Silver medals went to Robert E. Paulson for "Classic Sweden — Cancels and Varieties," along with the Christmas Philatelic Club Award, and Alan Warren for "Denmark — the Vitus Bering Issue on First Day Covers" along with the American First Day Cover Society award. Robert W. Lang won a bronze medal for his "Nordic Lights" entry.

Transfers & Re-entries

By Alan Warren

Continuing on the sources of Scandinavian philatelic knowledge started in the last issue, another important journal from Denmark is *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift*, published quarterly by KPK (Kjøbenhavns Philatelist Klub). Membership information can be obtained by writing to KPK at Postbox 3, 1001 København K, Denmark. Also from Denmark for postal history enthusiasts is *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift*, also a quarterly, which is published by Dansk Posthistorisk Selskab. Membership information is obtained by writing to Helge Truelsen, Gartnervænget 6, 6780 Skærbæk, Denmark.

Sweden in Fact 1990

An interesting book with the above title has been received from Jan Billgren

who authored one of the many chapters in this current reference work. Jan's article, which appears in the section devoted to culture and collecting, is titled, "Great Swedish Stamps Combine Art, History." Although written for the general non-collecting reader, Jan's chapter describes Sweden's early introduction of stamp booklets, the 1917 overprints used on parcel cards sent with packages to German POWs in Russia, the Värnamo rarities, and the 10 öre Lion tete-beche pair. Some lovely illustrated covers are also shown in color from mail sent to Royalty, the Nobel correspondence, and with Sweden's first commemorative issue of 1903.

Jan teaches corporate finance at Lund University, chairs the Swedish Postal

History Documentation group, and is a board member of SFF. Other chapters in this 256-page hard cover book discuss the country's tax reform, health care, military spending, recent events in the lives of King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia, the Hasselblad camera firm, the Tetra Pak packaging phenomenon, Absolut vodka, Swedish humor, Swedish emigration and Joe Hill, and Sweden's sports.

Still other chapters describe little known museums such as the Stockholm Toy Museum, the Tramways Museum, and the Dance Museum and Museum of Music History. A table of data gives essential facts about the country's 300 largest companies, and an appendix lists cabinet members and the addresses of important agencies and associations in Sweden. The end papers of this nicely bound book present a map of the country. I do not know where the book might be available in this country, but you could find out by writing to Sweden in Fact AB, Box 21134, 10031 Stockholm, Sweden. The entire text is in *English*.

Stamp World London 90

This international exhibition takes place this month, May 3-13 at the Alexandra Palace. Serving on the jury are, from the Scandinavia area, Roland J.

Frahm (Sweden), Jesper Haff (Denmark), Paul H. Jensen (Norway), Juhani Olamo (Finland). National commissioners are Knud Mohr (Denmark), Risto M. Kauhanen (Finland), Finnur Kolbeinsson (Iceland), Franz Moldenhauer, JR. (Norway), and Per-Anders Erixon (Sweden).

Among dealers of Scandinavian material holding booths at the show, I note Postiljonen of Malmo, Kaj Hellman of Espoo, Göran Fredriksson of Goteborg, Lars-Tore Ericksson of Kalmar, and Engers Frimerker of Redalen, Norway. That is to say these are from the Nordic countries. Other dealers will of course have Scandinavian material for sale.

While discussing matters in London it might be worth pointing out that the topic for the Nov. 10, 1990, meeting of the National Philatelic Society is Scandinavia. The organization was founded in 1899 by Fred Melville as the Junior Philatelic Society. The society publishes the journal *Stamp Lover*, and is headquartered at 107 Charterhouse Street, London EC1M 6PT, U.K. If that address appears familiar it is also shared by the British Philatelic Federation and the offices of Stamp World London '90.

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Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation Update

Multiple copies of several recent SPF titles have been taken by the Western Philatelic Library for resale at their booths at a number of west coast area shows, e.g. WESTPEX. This helps SPF as well as the Western Philatelic Library by publicizing both organizations. The Friends of the Western Philatelic Library help support their collection and publish a newsletter called *The Bay Phil*. The library is a part of the Sunnyvale, CA, library. If you would like to join that organization, write to Membership Vice President Dick Clever, Friends of the Western Philatelic Library, Inc., Box 2219, Sunnyvale, CA 94087-2219.

One of the Foundation's current projects is translation and republication of

certain portions of the *AFA Specialkatalog* of Danish area philately. The sections of interest include Slesvig-Holstein with its postmarks, Greenland postmarks, Greenland's parcel cards and covers, the Christian X bicolored issues of Denmark, and postal etiquettes including registration labels, express labels, COD and airmail labels and the essays and proofs of Denmark's early issues. The work has been translated by Maj. Svend Mejdal, who did the two previous volumes. Date of publication and cost will be announced later this year.

To receive a current list of the Foundation's publications, send Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.

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What's Happening in Finland

By Mike Hvidonov

Finnish Postal Stationery Exhibit

A small, but most effective, Stationery Exhibit sponsored by the Finnish Stamp Dealers Ass'n. and the Finnish Entire Philatelists, Ltd., eventuated in Nov. 3-5. Featuring about 40 plus exhibits and attended by 2500 spectators the event rates a review because it was so unusual and progressive.

The Finns take their philately quite seriously and without the dreadful disparagements that seem to prevail elsewhere. The Postal Stationery, Postal History and Traditionalists go on nicely with their preferences without maligning each other with insipid if not vituperative comments on the comparative importance of their preferred stamp collecting inclinations. No one would suggest that collectors who enjoy Postal History are more intelligent than those who prefer other philatelic segments. Nor would they demand special dispensations to the detriment of other exhibitions.

Oleg Fabergé

Mr. Fabergé, a Helsinki resident and the son of Agathon Fabergé, presented a discourse with slides on the St. Petersburg and Moscow Town Post Entire covers and the State Postage Entire covers. Mr. Fabergé is an authority on Russian philately.

The Awards

Although this diminutive event could not be described by the Finnish Philatelic Federation as a 'domestic exhibit' the awards to exhibitors were real gold; real silver and even the bronze prizes were solid silver too.

I am pleased to note that Kari Rahiala received a gold medal for his 1891 Ringmark exhibit which was a long time in coming. I have never been able to understand how so fine an exhibit was not recognized in the past. The only other gold was awarded to Kaj Hellman for his 16p. cards. I have never seen this collection but will bet even money that it is superb.

The Judges

Wisely, the organizers needed judges of depth who could evaluate this fairly complex field. The judges were: Per Gummesson (Sweden); Aleksandr Ilyushin (Russia); Jorma Leinonen (Helsinki) and Mikko Ossa of Turku. These names are listed alphabetically.

Harri Sihtola Award

The very generous award of FMk 20,000 to be given in the memory of Mr. Sihtola who passed away last year will be granted to the philatelic whiz who can write the most original research paper on Finnish Postal Stationery. Whoever earns this honor will be recognized as a philatelist of depth because he will have to do well to outclass all the many specialists who will compete. Come May 1, 1991, the award will be judged and presented by Messrs. Kaj Hellman, Kari Rahiala and the proficient Christian Sundman. These three gentlemen are far ahead of the class in Postal Stationery as well as the other categories of Finnish philately. (names alphabetized).

Unique Item Found

Mikko Ossa writing in December *Abophil* has found the proper item to classify as 'Unique' . . . if there are others please let us know! According to sources of this information a package card has been found bearing fifty-five 25 mark Saarinen stamps with both Posthorn and Swastika watermarks! The item was sold for almost FMk 100,000

(about \$25,000). A photostat of the subject appears very beautiful.

There are 26 with Swastika Wmk and 29 with Posthorn Wmk notes Mr. Ossa (at a quick glance). The stamps have all been canceled in December of 1927 at Helsinki. The package was insured for one million FMk. The sender was the Bank of Finland; the receiver was Enskilda Bank in Stockholm. Information received advises that the item was in the bank vault of an unknown investor for decades. The owner spotted it by chance and after learning about the considerable value sold it.

Why Do We Need Expertise?

An article released by a major expertising service covering the United States material for the period of one year states that 31 percent of the items received were altered inclusive of repairs, re-gumming and re-perforations.

FIP Point System

The more I hear of the confusion sponsored by one man's dream, the more befuddled I come. To date there have been hundreds of thousands of words written plus a heluva lot of very poor judging attributed to the FIP rulings. A brief note in *Abophil* stated that they have learned that FIP is urging that their judges apply more understanding and direction to the FIP rules. The other side of the coin appears in the Dec. 11 *Linns* wherein it is stated that FIP rulings are not mandatory. How can exhibitors plan to display their collections?

Quinby Gold at CHICAGOPEX

Roger Qinyb's exciting and thorough collection of "Russian Stamps Used in Finland: 1891-1918" received a just and well-deserved award for a study encompassing 27 years of Russo-Finland Postal History. I have pored through photocopies of this compilation of material supported by research and rate the exhibit as the best of its kind! If this collection is entered in any exhibit in your part of the world I urge you to see it. It is exemplary!

I commend the judges at CHICAGOPEX for noting the importance of this exhibit and for designating a Gold Award.

New *Abophil* Leaders

Mikko Ossa and *Abophil* have severed relationships as has been reported here and there. The Finnish press has announced the new leaders. The new Editor will be Kalevi Kuusinen; The Chairman position: Leif Ekholm; and Auctioneer: Juhani Pietila.

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Danish Local Postal Stationery: A Review

Katalog over Dansk Bypost Helsager, Hans-Otto Jahnke, Halle, Federal Republic of Germany, 1990; 6 x 8-1/4 inches, paperbound, stapled, 85 pages.

Despite the Danish title, this catalog is entirely in the English language. Jahnke references the 1974 book of Christensen and Ringström, but chooses to focus on postal stationery local post. Prices are given for mint and used pieces, in Danish kroner. Jahnke notes, in some cases, items he has not personally seen. Some prices are estimated because there have not been sufficient transactions to establish a pattern. Used pieces are for the most part rare.

For each town, Janke lists postal cards, COD cards, parcel cards, envelopes, and any miscellaneous items in groups. Major types and varieties are listed as well as proofs and essays where they can be identified. Every page contains one or more illustrations to help identify the material. The illustrations appear to be based on photocopies but are quite clear for the most part. The author concludes with a brief bibliography. I obtained my copy from Lizabeth Stamp Company, a *Posthorn* advertiser.

—Alan Warren

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A NEW PROMOTIONAL STICKER for auto bumpers or rear windows designed to boost interest in both Finnish and Åland stamps has been distributed by Finland's post office, recently converted into a state commercial company on Jan. 1, 1990. The text in Finnish (above) translates to "Stamp Collectors Have Knowledge;" and the Swedish (below) reads "Stamp Collectors Know More."

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. 12 — In a rather late printed reply to Al Gruber's question here in November 1988, Mike Tuttle of Ponteland, Newcastle-on-Tyne, U.K., states, "I think Al's assumption of a "REBUTS" is probably right. I have a similar stamp and cancel, however my part-cancel reads "BUTS" and the ends of the upper and lower arms of the letter "E" are discernable before the letter "B."



A. 14 — I believe that the answer is given in an old issue of *Frimærkesamleren*, an issue thrown away years ago. Certain ships, when at sea, collect mail from passengers and crew during the voyage. This mail bears the stamps of the country of the ship involved. When forwarded at the ship's first port of call, the cancellation of the city at which the mail is delivered applies its cancel to the stamps. In the case of Icelandic stamps, it must be remembered that Icelandic fishermen sold much of their catch in Scotland during the years before World

War II. Their ships deposited their mail at Scotland ports. Icelandic stamps are not the only ones that received "foreign" cancellations. I have had postcards mailed on Dutch ocean liners in the 1950s bearing Dutch stamps, but having clear British postmarks!

Eric Hemmingsen
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A. 14 — Foreign cancels — usually port cities — are not all that unusual on Icelandic stamps. Wolfgang Holy in *W. Germany* did a study of these a number of years ago but did not include Peterhead. Edinburgh, Hull, and Newcastle are the commonest, but London also occurs.

Wilber Jonsson (2018)
Montreal, Canada



Q. 16

Q. 16 — I found the Cancel Clinic in the latest *PH* issue quite interesting and I hope it continues. In sorting through a pile of Swedish ring-types recently, I came across the above example. Over the years I suppose I've scanned thousands of ring-type cancellations and don't recall ever seeing one like this example. The post office name obviously is a four-letter name and *Facit* doesn't list any Swedish offices ending ULL. Next, that "3" between duplex bars is not a Swedish marking, at least not 19th century. The 84 at the bottom suggests 1884 as the cancellation year, but I cannot make sense of the two central lines [between the CDS ring and the "3" at the right]. Further, the cancel is a neat sans serif type, hardly suggestive of 19th century Swedish markings. Oddly perhaps, I think initially of HULL, England. But how could this appear on a Swedish stamp? Can someone explain?

E. A. Menninger, Jr.
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Lillington, NC 27546



Q. 17 — Just received this odd, giant 17mm "B" ancillary marking in red ink on a wrapper adjacent to a Danish DKr 4.50 definitive stamp with an "H" perfin. What does the "B" handstamp stipulate?

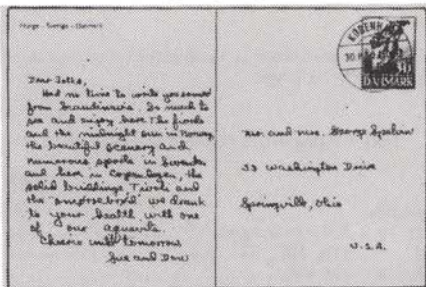
A Member

A. 17 — Our Clinic's ace mystery solver was able to answer by phone when it was described to him. According to recent information from Denmark the bold "B" designates mail being posted at a lower Class B rate. The perfin confirms that this comes from a bulk commercial mailing.

L. Marion

Q. 18 — Has anyone found an early 19th century postmark from the town of New Uppsala (or Upsala) in Florida? It would be even better on cover! A community of that name was formed by a group of Swedes indentured to a big land owner near current town of Sanford, FL — and noted on an historical marker. The land owner named Col. Sanders was more interested in growing citrus, rather than poultry.

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A Cinderella Item?

By Marvin Hunewell

I purchased the illustrated picture post card recently since it piqued by interest. Now we wonder if a member knows the story behind it; and if so, will share it with us shortly in *The Posthorn*. While the postmark resembles a real one, it, along with the address and message, are printed on the card in blue ink. (We suspect some travel agency fabricated the whole things as a publicity stunt.)



Scarce Classic Scandinavia Sale

All listings are by 1990 *Facit*. Catalog values are in Swedish Kr. (SKr) which at this date (3-16-90) is \$.162. Unused have original gum unless otherwise stated (NG). Centering is defined: VF means very well centered, F-VF may be somewhat off-center on two sides, and F may be noticeably off-center on one or more sides. Defective stamps may be F, F-VF or VF, but defects are mentioned. Also, * = unused, o = used, NH = never hinged, sp = short perf, cr = crease, th = thin, cds = circular date cancel, SON = socked on nose, tr = tear, UL = upper left, LR = lower right, etc.

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4.	o 12b, VF.....	900.+	85.
5.	o 12c, VF.....	900.+	85.
6.	o 14a, VF.....	1000.	95.
7.	o 15b, VF.....	1500.+	145.
8.	o 15c, part LONDON cancel, F-VF.....	1200.	95.
9.	o 19, perf defects, F-VF.....	7500.	55.
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11.	o 21a, F-VF.....	1200.	95.
12.	o 21b vm, inv wmk, VF.....	1000.	95.
13.	o 21b vm, inv wmk, sp, tr, VF.....	1000.	25.
14.	o 21c, VF.....	900.+	85.
15.	o 28a, F-VF.....	900.	70.
16.	* 28c vm, inv wmk, NH F-VF.....	Est 1060.	85.
17.	* 28i, iv, NH pair, Missing A, F-VF.....	1400.	110.
18.	o 30b, SON PKXP cancel, F-VF.....	450.	45.
19.	* 31b, NH, F.....	800.	50.
20.	o 32b vm, inv wmk, VF.....	500.	50.
21.	o 36a, VF.....	750.	70.
22.	o 37a, VF.....	400.+	40.
23.	o 50c vm, inv wmk, VF.....	900.	85.
24.	o 52 vm, inv wmk, F-VF.....	600.	50.
25.	* 52 vm, inv wmk, F-VF.....	2000.	160.
26.	o 179, F-VF.....	1200.	95.
27.	o Pf6a, F-VF.....	1800.	145.
28.	o Pf10, F-VF.....	900.	70.

FINLAND

Lot No.		Cat. Val. (SKr)	Price
29.	* 3 C ¹ d, 1 sp, NG, F-VF.....	3000.	\$215.
30.	o 3 C ¹ d, 1 sp, ANK cancel, F-VF.....	1000.	80.
31.	o 4 C ¹ v ¹ a, all teeth, pen cancel, VF.....	2000.+	190.
32.	* 4 C ¹ Kb, all teeth, VF.....	5500.+	525.
33.	* 5 v ¹ C ² , 1 sp, NG, F.....	Est 1600.	85.
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35.	o 6v ¹ C ³ , all teeth, VF.....	4000.+	380.
36.	o 9 v ¹ C ³ , 1/2 sp, type II, F-VF.....	2000.	150.

37.	*	12Sd, NG, VF.....	400.	35.
38.	*	13S C ¹ a, F-VF.....	1300.	105.
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43.	o	14Sa, VF.....	2400.+	225.
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45.	o	15L, VF.....	600.+	60.
46.	*	16L C ³ a, 1 sp, NG, F-VF.....	4500.	105.
47.	o	18S, VF.....	1400.+	130.
48.	o	19L, C ² c, VF.....	1500.+	145.
49.	*	23b, F-VF.....	450.	35.
50.	o	24b, SON cancel, VF.....	400.+	40.
51.	*	31 C ¹ b, F-VF.....	550.	45.
52.	o	45v, VF.....	700.	65.
53.	*	117 C ¹ , NH, VF.....	700.	70.
54.	o	146, VF.....	3600.	345.

ICELAND

Lot No.		Cat. Val. (SKr)	Price
55.	o	2, light cancel, F.....	5000. \$320.
56.	*	5, F-VF.....	2000. 160.
57.	*	8a, NH, VF.....	1100. 105.
58.	*	8a, F-VF.....	550. 45.
59.	o	8a, VF.....	1400. 130.
60.	o	8b, F.....	3300. 210.
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67.	*	12a, NG, F-VF.....	1400. 90.
68.	*	12d, NH, F-VF.....	1700. 150.
69.	o	13a, F-VF.....	1800. 120.
70.	*	13b, NH, F-VF.....	2000. 175.
71.	o	13b, VF.....	650. 60.
72.	*	13c, NG, F-VF.....	1200. 85.
73.	*	13c, NH, F-VF.....	2000. 175.
74.	o	15a, VF.....	850. 80.
75.	*	15b, VF.....	2000. 190.
76.	*	17a, F-VF.....	650. 50.
77.	o	19, VF.....	900.+ 85.
78.	*	23, NH, F.....	2600. 185.
79.	o	42b, VF.....	575. 55.
80.	*	44, NH, F-VF.....	475. 40.
81.	*	88, NH, VF.....	250. 25.
82.	*	89, NH, VF.....	275. 30.
83.	*	94, NH, F-VF.....	1000. 90.
84.	*	102, NH, F-VF.....	700. 60.
85.	*	158 v ¹ , NH, F-VF.....	Est 1500. 150.
86.	*	161, NH, VF.....	575. 60.
87.	*	212-15, NH, F-VF.....	519. 45.
88.	*	214, NH, 4-block, VF.....	2100. 200.
89.	*	227-34, NH, F-VF.....	953. 85.
90.	*	248, NH, F-VF.....	450. 40.
91.	o	280, 4-block, F-VF.....	2010. 160.
92.	*	Tj2, NG, F-VF.....	2500. 180.
93.	o	Tj3, F-VF.....	1700. 135.
94.	o	Tj4a, VF.....	1100. 105.
95.	*	Tj39, NH.....	900. 80.
96.	*	Tj53, NH, VF.....	375. 40.



Details Announced

The organizing committee for this year's NORDIA exhibition in Lund, Sweden, August 8-12, received applications for 1600 frames. The committee has only 1100 frames available for the show, and so they had to reduce original requests. Exhibitors with at least a vermeil at international shows were permitted eight frames, and all other entries were allowed five frames. Junior exhibitors were restricted to either three or four frames depending on age group.

The so-called "free class" or open class for entries that had obtained a silver at a national show was limited to two frames per exhibit. U.S. entrants consist of three in the competitive class and two in the literature class. All applicants who were successful were notified by year-end. There will be the master class, traditional philately, postal history, stationery, airmail, thematic, literature, youth, and the free style "open" class.

The number of frames assigned to Swedish entrants (includes a few from the U.S. and Germany also) is 471, Denmark 154, Norway 200, Finland 207, and Iceland 25. Traditional philately and postal history lead the pack with 294 and 293 frames respectively. The smallest number of frames was 35 each for stationery and airmail. Forty frames were reserved for the Court of Honor, and there are 53 literature entries.

The exhibition will take place in the Sparta Congress Center in Lund. Thirty dealers from Scandinavia and Germany as well as the Scandinavian postal administrations will have sales booths for collectors. The firm of CL Frimärks AB will conduct a 3-day auction during the show.

Norwegian TPOs:

A Review

Norwegian Travelling Post Offices: Part I The Railway Markings, Part II The Shipboard Markings by Arthur Chambers, Cockrill Series Handbooks 56 and 57, published by Philip Cockrill, England; softbound, 64 pages and 84 pages respectively, 15 x 21 cms, stapled, £8.00 each.

Norway collectors who have moved into the special rail and ship markings will want to acquire these two booklets. Chambers first identifies the eight major types of railway marks, and instead of simply tabulating them alphabetically, he groups them by nine major rail lines radiating from Oslo. For example the first section deals with the six lines of the Nordbanen group. For each mark there are size details and the earliest and latest known uses.

Each such group listing is preceded by brief text and a map of the rail lines, and followed by photos of some of the marks. The tables are copied exactly from the author's own hand-written ones, so that additional entries can be inserted as information becomes available. Several photos of mail coaches from the Oslo Postal Museum round out the volume.

The second volume on ship markings is arranged again geographically. Chambers begins with the routes from Norway to ports abroad, then with the express route around Norway's coast, and finally with the individual fjord routes. This volume concludes with a discussion and similar treatment of the *Ambulerende Brevhus* or travelling letter offices.

The illustrations throughout both volumes are quite good, and the tables, though handwritten, are quite legible. Readers are also referred to the *Travelling Post Office* and *Seapost Society*, c/o Cyril Kidd, 9 Beech Park Avenue, Northenden, Manchester 22, England.

—Alan Warren

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Finland's Traditional Philately

No. 1 in a Series

The art of Traditional Philately appears bogged down in the United States even as I commence with writing the first segment of this series. Worry not . . . it is alive and thriving in SUOMI and a goodly portion of the rest of the planet Earth. The philatelic activity in Finland is moving at a double quick pace incessantly.

This positive statement derives from the auction animation that transpired through all of 1989 and has continued at no changed pace in the first three months of 1990. There is no torpor in Finland's selling and buying world. Let me support this optimism with verifying examples.

Save for the Summer months of June, July and August, the year's remainder finds three mainstay auction services brimming with philatelic material of every description.

These resolute books are: *Abophil*, *Filatelisti* and the newly introduced *Keräilyuuset* (*Collection News*). I will employ the last named to illustrate, because prior to obtaining the results of the first sale in January, it was an untested and unknown factor in the scheme of things that had to await buyer acceptance.

The publisher, Mikko Ossa did not commit to any firm publishing dates through 1990. Now that the results are in it is almost a certainty that his 'newcomer to the block' will publish for nine months of the year, give or take an issue or two.

The February issue announced that 90% of the January offerings were sold: 83% to the mail bidders. The other 7% went to collectors after the auction culminated, at the catalog base prices, as is the custom in Finland.

1286 lots were featured, of which, the Classic periods of 1856, 1860, 1866 and 1875-1882 comprised 257 items. The bottom bids for this group was in excess of \$100,000. The balance of the offerings included Finland's later emissions,

'back of the book' material and 240 foreign items.

With no fear of contradiction, one could safely wager that the 257 Classic lots soared well over the suggested limits. When considering that both *Abophil* and *Filatelisti* will surely maintain their positions in the market place, the future of 1990 is assured philatelically.

Simultaneously, other Finnish auctions are running full tilt, if only intermittently.

Kaj Hellman oy, has returned from roughly three years of devoting full time to the services of FINLANDIA 1988. Mr. Hellman's auctions continue to offer wonderful Postal History items of modern material seldom seen: covers, stamps, errors, multiples, oddities, rare postal rates on letters and cards . . . and a goodly portion of the Classic issues as well.

Then there are the occasional sales of Suomen Postimerkkeily and a half dozen others, among which will be the Juhani Kakkinen sales which eventuate once or twice a year. Juhani is an SCC member.

I have prepared a listing of source names of auction facilities in Finland and a few others in different European countries in an article describing 'How to Buy Finnish Stamps Abroad,' which will appear in *Luren*. If you do not subscribe to *Luren* you may send me a SASE with 45 cents affixed on a (large) #10 envelope PLUS a 25 cent stamp to cover the photocopying charges. My address is in the Editorial Masthead.

Finnish Catalogs

The *Norma* catalog has been dispensing their excellent book in both Finnish and English for many years. *Lape* continues to publish in Finnish/Swedish only.

All specialists will advise you not to depend on the *Scott* catalog if you are preparing to build a Finnish collection. It is far too decimated and almost completely ignorant of both basic and essen-

tial philatelic information and pricing.

Facit (Swedish) has done a respectable job in the Finnish area, too. However, when I last looked at a copy the publishers still honored some totally imperforated stamps as legitimate proofs. This after the Finnish Postal Government and the Finnish Philatelic League denounced this material as having been stolen from the Archives. Thus, the catalog is remiss and misleading if their approval still appears as described.

Then, too, Finnish auctions and references are more apt to employ the catalog numbers of *Norma* or *Lape*, as I often do.

Material Availability

The absence of Finnish stamps, covers and assorted items from the U.S. market coupled with 'no ears to talk to' for garnering information or encouragement posed dis-spiriting problems to aspiring collectors for many years.

The U.S. can boast of just a few dealers and auctioneers who have a working handle on Finnish material and what is is all about. Presently, Northland Company of Verona, N.J., is making it's first move to establish an auction operation bent on doing good things for Scandinavian philately. We wish them well . . . the field in this country is wide open.

The Judges

Historically, there has been an absence of judges with enough of detailed, profound knowledge to accurately rate good Traditional Finnish Exhibits. However, inasmuch as there have been very few entries of this material in U.S. competitions it would have been purposeless to prevail upon the American Philatelic Society to provide judges with broader knowledge of Finland's postal material. This situation has improved of late, in that, several judges with strong knowledge of Scandinavian Philately have entered the U.S. judging ranks.

One of our SCC Exhibitors received a Gold at CHICAGOPEX. Some time later it was honored with the Grand at MILCOPEX.

Perhaps it is time for our philatelic leaders to give thought to providing

some of the U.S. locales with judges more aware of what Finnish Exhibits are all about.

Apropos to this segment, I should mention that during the last three years I have had the pleasure of responding to four phone calls from judges seeking advice and guidelines to support their knowledge in judging imminent Finnish Exhibits. They received full and accurate information.

Too all judges . . . anywhere. Should you required any help in judging Finnish Exhibits please call me at: (516) 487-9140.

Should the APS wish to discuss any of the comments in this writing I offer my services . . . in the interest of Finnish Philately.

In order to provide both philatelic interest and information, I will throughout this series, comment on Classic material which may well serve to make Finnish philately better understood. Judges, dealers, viewers and collectors may profit from this dissertation simply by digesting the philatelic information at face value.

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A Way Every Member Can Help

I am a collector of Scandinavian postage stamps but don't consider myself an expert about anything. I belong to SCC to benefit from those who are experts, especially through *The Posthorn*. But at times I wish that there was something I could contribute to the club, besides my dues. Recently I found a way, which could be employed by any of us.

I read one, sometimes more, of the stamp weeklies.

Some months ago there was a letter in one of the publications asking about some variety of a Danish bicolor. While not an expert on this subject — although I do have a special interest in these issues — I undertook to write an answer to this letter. I outlined the great variety of the different printings, varying shades, perforations and watermarks. And I admitted that I didn't know enough to make a judgment about this particular question. But I did mention that I was a member of SCC, and included the address of our Executive Secretary (to whom I sent a copy of the letter) with a suggestion that help on the question might be had through the club.

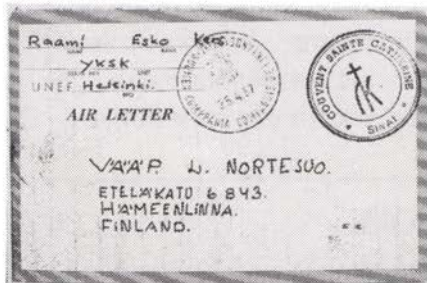
It took only a few minutes to do this, and it put the name of SCC before a large readership. And perhaps the original writer of the question was moved to join SCC. At any event, I felt as if I had done something for my club, and I'm watching the papers for another opportunity to do so again. So might we all!

Jeff Lassen (SCC 2094)
Carson City, NV

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Finnish Troops at UN Field P.O.s: A Review

United Nations Emergency Forces, Finland 1956-1989, A postal documentation of Finnish Peacekeeping activities by Valter V. Johansson, published by author, 1990; 16-1/2 x 24 cm, soft cover, 300 pages; in English.



The aim of this book is to present an idea of Finland's military contribution to the United Nations' various undertaking during the last three decades. The political aspects, however, fall wholly beyond the scope of this work.

It does give a philatelic review of Finland's contribution, letting pictures illustrate all the various postal aspects. Introduced are a great number of strange abbreviations which are almost unknown to an ordinary collector, and there is a great need for basic information on these points.

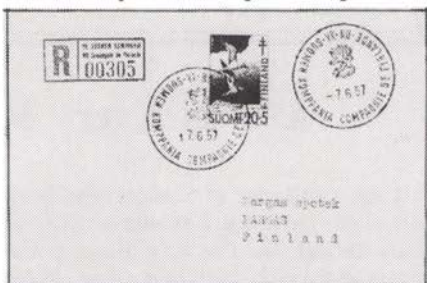
UN Field Post Cancels

Recent exhibitions have shown that even knowledgeable philatelists and many judges are unfamiliar with the scope of postal items associated with various section's of the UN's work. Also, international judges seem to lack information on these points. Today's collectors cannot contemplate the importance of UN postal material, which generally consists of common Finnish stamps canceled at UN field post offices situated far from home on foreign soil. Such mail should arouse great interest both now and in decades to come at national and international exhibitions.

Few collectors realize that specimens of Finnish definitive stamps canceled at a UN field post office can be much more interesting than similar stamps canceled at home.

Another purpose of this study is to eliminate some prejudices now existing at various levels — simply due to ignorance. For example, there is great reluctance in accepting certain Slot Machine Booklets or FRAMA franking labels on letters from UN troops. Yet the Finnish Postal Service provides slot machines offering this exact material for the convenience of travelers at airports in Helsinki and Turku, where Finnish-UN soldiers on leave can easily purchase any of these stamps in booklets or as FRAMAs. Readers are told that all postal cards, aerograms and stamps valid in Finland are also valid at UN field post offices abroad.

For the above reasons more than 320 postal items are illustrated just to present a general idea of the scope of UN troop usage of Finnish stamps and the important *FREE MAIL* letters from UN soldiers as well as *special* field post stamps.



The illustrations represent specimens only from the author's own collection, and some readers may consider this overwhelming when considering the cost of the text. However, Postal History is the author's chief concern — and a picture tells more than a thousand words.

Copies of this excellent book are available directly from the author for the price of FMk 200, plus postage: Valter Johansson, Parsby, SF 21600 Pargas, Finland.

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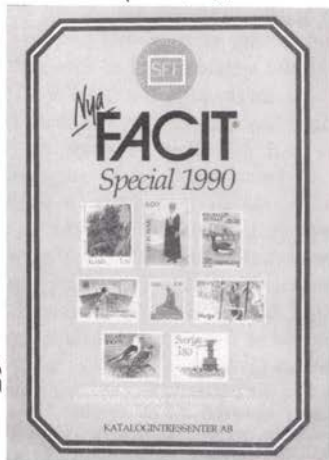
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Date Change in the History of the 4 CENTS DWI Bisect of 1903

By Paul Wijnants

We all know the story of DWI's 4 CENTS bisect. A number of people have made studies and have written articles and books about the subject. My opinion is that anyone should be very careful when they write about postal history.

Facts have to be checked and rechecked, because in philately the smallest mistake makes one a fool instead of an expert! When starting to collect DWI nine years ago, I began to gather almost every article and book ever written about the area — and then I checked the stated facts with information from postal museums and official archives. Now, here is my story:

We all know Jan Dekker, Torben Geill and Victor Engstrom as experts in DWI philately. Especially Engstrom's *DWI Mails* is considered a milestone reference work on the subject, and it is for the greatest part. The book uses the following table to explain the story of the bisect's usage:

Island	Town Cancel	Authorized From	Use To
St. Thomas	St. Thomas	20 Jan. 1930	23 May 1903
St. John	St. Jan	20 Jan. 1903	23 May 1903
St. Croix	Frederiksted	10 Feb. 1903	4 June 1903
St. Croix	Kingshill	10 Feb. 1903	4 June 1903
St. Croix	Christiansted	10 Feb. 1903	4 June 1903

Notice that all starting dates show 10 Feb. 1903, for the Island of St. Croix at all three towns. Engstrom explains, [and I quote] "Even though the first day of use was indicated as 10th February 1903 for Christiansted, a postal mark of 31st January has been reported."



Illustrated above is a 4 CENTS bisect on piece which I acquired recently. It shows the postal marking "Christiansted 4/2/1903" and while nobody has shown an earlier date we can assume for the mo-

ment that this is the earliest date. When anyone has an earlier date, please let me know: Paul Wijnants, Saffraanberg 11, B-3130 Begijnendik, Belgium.

I find it very strange that people who know of the existence of a January 31, 1903, post mark, still list 10 Feb. 1903 as the first day cancel! Yet the story of J. Hansen and J.P. Rux is even crazier. While an inter-island letter supposedly took only one or two days to deliver, they state that, "because the distance and the slow travel [irregular] travel between the islands, the notice (regarding bisect usage) did not reach St. Croix Island and its three towns (until) several days later."

[DWI Assoc. Editor's Comment: When new "Earliest Reported postmarks for DWI" are published, Mr. Wijnants' discovery will be recorded. The reason for cancellations earlier than an officially published date of issue are usually favor cancels or a human error on the part of a sleepy postal clerk.]

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Letters Received

A letter addressed to the editor from SCC member Arnold G. Werner of Kent, WA, reads as follows:

"Should other members be contemplating doing business with the firm A.B. Philatelia (Rolf Burström) of Kåge, Sweden, I would suggest a cautious approach. I've dealt with this firm several times prior to 1989 with no problems. Starting in 1989, things have changed considerably. In January I sent a letter of inquiry regarding a promised supplement to their catalog, scheduled for issue during the fall of 1988 which I never received. There was no answer to this inquiry.

In mid-summer 1989 I placed an order with the firm and prepaid it with a credit memo from a prior order. Early in November 1989 I sent a follow-up letter because I had heard nothing from A.B. Philatelia. I had no response.

At about the same time as my follow-up letter, I contacted a third party in Sweden to determine if A.B. Philatelia was still in business. A response indicated the firm was still in business and suggested I should again try to contact the company about my order.

I sent another letter to A.B. Philatelia on Nov. 29, 1989. When no response to this last letter was forthcoming (all my letters were sent via airmail) I again wrote my third party service in Sweden and he kindly contacted Mr. Burström by telephone to try and get some answers for me. Burström said that the items I had ordered were "were out of stock and new stocks had not arrived." Burström also indicated an "internal reorganization" as an excuse for not replying to my letters. My contact added that Burström had promised to write me after the Christmas holidays.

On January 13, I received a check in U.S. funds for the amount of the credit memo I had sent with my order the summer of 1989. There was no explanation, just the check.

I'm quite confident this refund would not have been issued without the help of my contact in Sweden. My purpose in writing this is merely to suggest caution to those SCC members who might consider doing business with this firm.

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42	u	30 [27] F+, 5 ore.....	Kr 400	25.00
43	u	47 [79] F, 35 on 16 ore.....	Kr 350	15.00
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123	c	Scott M9, 4-1/2" x 9" cover Hameenlinna 22.4.83, bkstp.....	105.00
124	c	Scott M9, 4-1/2" x 6-1/4" cover Lahti 26.4.83, clean, bkstp.....	115.00
125	u	Romanov 10 on 7 kop pair on piece (Norma SV72), cxl ABO.....	20.00
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Atlas Handbok Över Svenska Maskintillverkadeposthäften

(*Handbook of Swedish Machine-Made Counter Booklets*). Atlas Häftes AB, Fågelsångsgatan 3, S-25220 Helsingborg, Sweden. 1989. SKr 350 plus Postage.

This review by Wulf Horst appeared in November issue of *Luren*. The SCC Library was very fortunate in obtaining a copy from the publisher. The two volumes are now available to members.

Here is a handbook that has been anticipated by collectors of Sweden booklets for a long time. Its 500 pages are packed with detailed information on the long line of Sweden's over-the-counter booklets (*Facit* H52 through H391, 1940 to 1988). There is a 72-page introduction that goes deeply into engraving, printing and details of covers and panes. The introduction helps the collector identify printing methods and the disputed color varieties of covers. Also discussed are the spine folds of covers, counting marks, and pane margins (*selvage*) and their check numbers and strokes (*sneds*), storage of booklets, valuations, and the appropriate premiums for booklet varieties.

The publication is profusely illustrated but its text is in Swedish — a mi-

nor problem for Swedish Booklet enthusiasts who already know the key words used to describe this realm. Anyone with a copy of *Facit* knows that a short translation dictionary of philatelic terms precedes the catalog text in every edition, even the bilingual versions.

The main body of the handbook presents a detailed description of the booklets it covers, in some cases requiring more than one page. In addition it lists date of issue, number printed, engraver of stamp and cover, paper varieties, and, most important, all booklet varieties which have been discovered and an invitation for reports of varieties for future supplements to the handbook. All covers and panes are illustrated in full size.

The handbook is in two loose-leaf volumes. The publisher intends to issue additions and corrections every other year. The postpaid regular sales price to the U.S. and Canada is SKr450 (\$70.) and these two-year updates.

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Denmark Revenues: A Review

Catalog of Scandinavian Revenues Volume II: Denmark by Peter Poulsen, ed. Paul A. Nelson, published by the Scandinavian Philatelic Library of Southern California with the assistance of the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Los Angeles, 1989, 8-1/2 by 11 inches, softbound, glued, 94 pages.

Volume I appeared in 1983 and set a high standard for this field by covering the revenues of DWI, Faroes, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway. Collectors of fiscal materials have been waiting anxiously for installments on the remaining Scandinavian countries. Editor Nelson acknowledges the delay but this second volume was well worth waiting for. The work is principally that of Peter Poulsen of Roskilde, Denmark. Some two dozen other authorities contributed information to the present volume including the late Per Thomassen who is known for his work in the field of Danish railway stamps.

The catalog begins with the classic documentary stamps followed by an extensive listing of Turnover tax issues including data on paper and watermarks. Then follow listings of tax stamps for leather products, bonds, radio apparatus, airport departure and other categories. Tobacco product tax stamps are broken down into cigarets, cigars, cigaret paper, and several types of tobacco including snuff. Other revenues listed are vacation stamps, ink authorization stamps, feed grain stamps, and a number of fee stamps. Alcohol, playing cards, and phonograph records are covered.

Stamped revenue paper includes lottery tickets as the tax on the tickets is usually indicated thereon, and the editor considers these tickets a form of stamped revenue paper. Stamped revenue paper of Sleswig and Holstein appear as B-O-B material in this catalog of back-of-the-book collectibles. The volume concludes with illustrations of stamped revenue documents of the Danish Colonies in India which are in the collection of the Danish Maritime Museum. An extensive bibliography leads the collector to over 70 reference sources.

Whereas Volume I had a text reproduced from a dot matrix printer with illus-

trations ranging in quality from good to poor, the present volume has excellent quality type with pages in 2-column format. The illustrations, of which there are many, range from good to excellent. Values for all issues are shown with an indication of "R" for rare items, and a question mark when apparently there is no real feel for the value.

Although Editor Nelson admits that some of the materials listed may not be considered "revenues" by some collectors, he has included these unusual items so the collector can pick and choose. Perfin collectors will want to review the section on Perfins on Revenue Stamps. In other words, there is something for everyone in this unusual book. The catalog is \$14 postpaid from either the Scandinavian Philatelic Library of Southern California, Box 57397, Los Angeles, CA 90057, or the Scandinavian Philatelic Foundation, Box 6716, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.

—Alan Warren

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SPA Posts Rep in U.S.

The Swedish postal administration has selected Anna-Greta Waldmarsson to live and work in the U.S. for the purpose of promoting Swedish stamp sales in North America. The new marketing strategy follows a very successful joint Swedish-U.S. 300th Anniversary of New Sweden airmail stamps promotion in March 1988.

The Swedish version of this joint issue sold more copies here than any previous Swedish stamp. Other Nordic nations are keeping an eye on the Swedish sales effort.

Waldemarsson will be available for speaking engagements and can be reached at the Swedish-American Chamber of Commerce, 825 Third Ave., New York, NY 10022.

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President's Message

By Alfred Gruber

Regional Meetings

A very good first show attempt is the report from the FLORIDA WEST COAST STAMP EXPO 90. Chapter 23 Prexy Ed Evan held a wide ranging meeting following a delicious lunch. Most of the subject matter centered on attracting youth into the hobby. Our thanks to the host chapter and also to the eleven exhibitors who showed Scandinavia (results elsewhere in this issue). The two year old chapter now has over 20 members.

That's the last regional scheduled for 1990. Any chapter can request one. How about it?

The breakfast meeting of the Danish West Indies Study Unit at the Florida show was outstanding. Much enthusiasm and ideas were voiced. Two of the projects planned are publishing the extensive DWI Registry and advising *Scott Catalog* on DWI postal stationery.

Awards

Late last year the Board of Directors accepted the Frederick A. Brofos Award for Scandinavian Literature to become an SCC Award. Frederick was *Posthorn* Editor July 1957 through Dec. 1959 and was awarded honorary membership in 1966. He proposed the idea and designed the prize. His philatelic writings appear from time to time. We'd like to see one soon in *PH* Frederick!

At the National Convention held in April the club honored our prolific *Posthorn* contributor and current SCC Director Alan Warren [who holds numerous other philatelic posts] by presenting him with the prestigious Carl E. Pelander Award. This prize was created in 1968 to perpetuate the memory of one founding SCC member [also first *PH* editor] by citing persons who demonstrate outstanding willingness to assist his fellow collectors in all phases of Scandinavian philately. The award is presented upon nomination of a Club Chapter — in this instance Chapter 17 of Southern California. Honorary membership was presented to Past President Wayne P. Rindone upon petition by Chapter 5 of New England. Both awards received unanimous approval of the Board of Directors. The petitions which enumerated the lengthy lists of accomplishments by the duo was read to the Convention. In both cases it was recognition well deserved, congratulations!

SCC Stamp Mart Annual Report Received

Sales in 1989 were down from previous years however the Mart remains financially sound. Manager Beery continues to note that common material (which we all have), poor condition and overpricing result in poor sales. Interesting goods at reasonable prices continue to sell well. The switch to APS insurance is successful so far; but please follow mailing instructions.

1990 Elections

Past President Don Halpern has consented to serve as Nominating Committee Chairman. Please note members or chapters may also make nominations per Article VI, Section 6 of the By-Laws. I would urge you to do this long before October 1 as we are studying a By-Laws change to mail the ballots with the August *Posthorn* to save considerable postage costs. Also please send Don Halpern as well as Secretary Erickson any nominations. Incidentally, I will not run for president. Fresh ideas are needed!

Consultation with two past presidents has convinced me that any changes we contemplate must abide with By-Laws procedures and be completely legal. It therefore appears unlikely we will be able to modify the election process without the lengthy (and proper) procedures of Article XIV. By-Laws Committee Chairman Rindone has been requested to take action.

Membership Fluctuations

In my talks to Regional and National meetings I have consistently reported that churning membership is our principal problem. We have been losing about 100 members in each of the past three years, but managed to keep about 1,000 total through the efforts of the Publicity Chairman Bob Lang. This spring we are down about 150. Of those who took the time to write, the main reason for leaving was loss of interest in stamps and age. Perhaps you have some ideas to share on this subject. It will be on the agenda at the National Convention.

Mini-Chapter in the Offing

On a more encouraging note is news from Glenn Hansen in Winnipeg. He and another SCC member Ole Hellsten have encouraged two others to join and are essentially already operating as a Mini-Chapter. When they get the tees crossed and i's dotted we will have our first. Glenn has hopes of growing into a chapter. (See *PH* August 1989 for Mini-Chapters).

In Memoriam

Our sympathy goes to Exec. Sec. William Lamkin in the loss of his lovely wife Martie early this year. She will be missed by those of us who knew her and enjoyed their hospitality.

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Chapter News

1990 First Quarter Report from Chicago

Our January get-together was called off because of a blizzard. This hasn't happened in years. In February we had our annual kiloware rummage give-away, another tremendous success. This is a feature that other chapters should try. Dr. W. E. Melberg held the March attendees spellbound with his presentation of Danish varieties, complimenting his slides with the actual stamps for viewing.

On a sad note we learned that Harry Goldsmith passed away in early March. His humor, kindness and booklet knowledge will always be remembered.

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Library News

Dr. W. E. Melberg, SCC Librarian

Here we are with another report. I must be having fun because, like the Danes say, time sure is running away with me. Florence and I had the pleasure of having Roger Quinby as our guest in early March during MILCOPEX. Roger not only won a Gold Medal but also took the Grand Award with his great "Russian Stamps and Postal Stationery Used in Finland 1891-1918." Many favorable comments were made at the critique. Now it's on to the big show in Cincinnati. STaMpsHOW '90.

This time special publications that warrant your attention. The first one concerns Swedish booklets: *Atlas Handbok Över Svenska Maskintillverkadekposten (Handbook of Swedish Machine-Made Counter Booklets)*. It is an outstanding item that can be purchased from one of the originators, Thomas Larsson, Box 1685, S-221 01 Lund, Sweden, for about \$70.00 which includes postage. The second book, *United Nations Emergency Forces, Suomi, Finland, 1956-1989*, is available from the author, Valter V. Johansson, Parsby, SF -2130 Pargas, Finland for FMk 230 plus postage. It is a study of his fine collection of covers.

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Atlas Handbok Över Svenska Maskintillverkadeposten, (Handbook of Swedish Machine-Made Counter Booklets), R. Åhman. 1989. 500pp. Illus. A philatelic encyclopedia containing in depth coverage of this popular collecting area of Sweden. A must for the serious student. See book review in this issue.

Ronald Collin

The Dealer's Guide to Chemical Restoration of Postage Stamps, 1976, 39pp.

Introducing Postal History, V. Sussex, 1988, 36pp. Illus.

The Faroese Postal Service

Postverk Føroya, 1989. Collection of Faroese stamps issued in 1989 along with their story, 14pp, Illus.

Ib Eichner-Larsen

Roligt Med Frimärken-1990-PFA, Stories about interesting ways to collect Swedish stamps, 32pp, Illus.

Caxton Foster

Forward & Backward Lists of Danish Towns and Post Offices, 198, 22pp.

German Study Group

Katalog Über Die Stempel Der Norwegischen Bahnpost, J. Tiemer, German Study Group, 1989, 240pp. Covers Norwegian RR cancels with periods of usage, maps, directives and routes. Illus.

Dr. Earl Jacobsen Fund

Luftpostens Historia I Norden. (The History of Airmail in Scandinavia). Ö. Lüning, 1978, 352pp. Very comprehensive. Lists balloon, zepps, motors, jets and crash posts. Catalogs all Nordic flights. Many illustrations. This encyclopedia of Nordic aerophilately is outstanding for data and lesser known information.

Valter V. Johansson

United Nations Emergency Forces, Suomi, Finland, 1956-1989. V. Johansson, 1989, 296pp. A philatelic review of Finland's contribution to the United Nations. A great publication of postal history with over 320 pictures of covers from this period.

Suomen Sensuurileimat-Finlands Censurstämplar, E. Johanson, V. Johansson & B-E, Saarinen, 1963, 32 pp. Listing of Finnish censor markings, 1914-1917 & 1939-1945. Illus.

Bent Knutson

Philos. Holstebro Filatelistklub Journals. 30 different ones with short articles.

Norsk Filatelistforbund

SCHEEN 89. Skien, Norway, 1989. 68pp. National Philatelic Exhibition for youngsters. Program & Palmare Listing.

Northland Co.

Scandinavia, John Siverts Iceland & DWI. Northland Co. first stamp auction. 1990. 64pp.

Evelyn Rowley

Danish Town Names, Danish Atlas, 1980's, 30pp.

Strandsberg Mynthandel

Gamla Aktiebrev. Strandberg Mynthandel AB, 1989, 64pp, Illus. Pricelist of old Scandinavian stock certificates.

Arlene Swanson

Donated in memory of her husband, the Roger A. Swanson Collection:

Iceland's Air Mail Issue. 124pp.

Iceland's Parliament Series of 1930. 76pp.

Iceland's Two Kings Issues; Frederik VIII and Christian IX. 1907-08 and 1913-18. 69pp.

Postal Offices of the Armed Forces. British Military Posts in Iceland. 66pp.

A.L. Totten

The Petersen Postal Stationery Cards 1876 to 1879, A.L. Totten, 1989, 37pp. Additional notes. (see NOR B 94 E).

Alan Warren

"Skandinavie" 25 Jaar. Noorderlicht Publicaties, No. 2 (1989), 80pp. Illus. Silver anniversary yearbook of the Netherlands Philatelic Society (Scandinavian Unit).

Sweden in Fact, 1990. R. Skole, 256pp., Illus. The new edition of a widely-claimed reference book that fills the need for up-to-date, independent information about Sweden. Five pages, written by Jan Billgren, are devoted to Swedish philately.

New Sweden in the New World. Visions of Greatness, 1638-1655, R. Ruhnbro, 1988, 172pp. Illus. Interesting historical account of the first Swedish and Finnish settlement in America.



The Executive Secretary Speaks

By William H. Lamkin

The first thing I want to speak about in this column is to thank all of those members who have sent me sympathy and condolences in the loss of my beloved wife, Martie. It has been a hard blow to me and I this will explain some of the errors that have cropped up in the recently published SCC Member's Handbook.

Everyone has the Handbook by now. There have been some typographical errors and some just dumb errors that have been brought to my attention. If you have found any errors that you have not already told me about, please send a note telling me what they are so that I can correct them.

We have the prospects of having a new Chapter being formed. There is a group of live-wire types in Winnipeg, Canada, who are hot to trot on forming our newest Chapter. They have a fine spirited leader in Glenn Hansen (2298) who is a local stamp luminary in Winnipeg. He is a ten year member of SCC and he feels certain that he can get enough collectors to form the required six for a chapter. He says they have a very active Scandinavian local club there and it will be a short step to joining with us.

I know that I keep harping on **ADDRESS CHANGES** but we need to know of a change in your address as soon as you know it! The reason being that the USPS now charges \$1.20 for each returned *Posthorn*. As a matter of fact, for some I am only charged \$.85 and then some I am charged \$1.40! My PO here has ruled that the rate should be \$1.20 each. With each issue I get from 15 to 20 returned copies with postage due. It is the little things like this that cause the dues to rise so think about it next time you are planning a move. Please let me know.

There is another sentence to the USPS "handwriting on the wall" and that is the general postage increase. Currently I have been able to forward copies to you when you have moved at book rate. With all the shenanigans going on now, I may have to start sending them first class and that will up another cost. Yes, I know, very often first class is cheaper than third class. I always try to use the cheapest rate! To make this rate uniform, we would have to cut down on the amount of paper we use to print *The Posthorn* which in turn would cut out some of the interesting articles you love so well!

In checking the dues payments, I have found that some members who have paid for airmail delivery of their *Posthorn* in past years, did not pay for it this year. If you think you have paid for it, check your records. I have double checked mine and all those who have paid should be getting the quick overseas delivery. If not let me know!

One of our members believes that I may have created a new word in philately. On Page 5 of the Handbook, I used the word "philatelicship"! Now I thought that to be a good word along the lines of membership, comradeship, fellowship, etc. What do you think about it? I believe we have some very good "philatelicship" among our members, and among our chapters! So be it!

I hope that everyone has taken a look at the Membership data for this quarter. It is pretty sad. This is the lowest number of members since I have been a member! What the reason is, I really do not know. I get information from resignees about their not being interested in stamps, getting too old, not enough in *The Posthorn* to interest them, etc. This not only affects us but it is hobby wide. The APS is having some of the same trouble. There are too many of us old duffers in the hobby and not enough new faces. I think the USPS is responsible for a lot of the lethargy as they are putting out stamps like an eastern republic! We have to do a better job of selling ourselves. I know that many of the life's values that most of have held dear, have changed. What the answer is, I do not know. Does anyone?

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The above list represents the biggest loss the Club has experienced in a good many years. It seems that there is a lack of interest in Scandinavian stamps in the past couple of years. We all must take a hand in trying to get new members interested in our favorite stamping countries. If any of you know any of the above members, please, pretty PLEASE, talk to them and try and get them back into the Club. All it will cost is their annual dues. If they wait another issue of the *Posthorn*, it will be an additional \$2.00 US. Think about talking it up for the good of the Club.

Membership Report

New Members for May 1990

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Scandinavia, US, UN, Benelux, Czech., Canada | By: Frye |
| 3267 | GERKEN, Werner, AM Katzenrain 1F, D-8752, Laufch, West Germany
Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland | By: Lamkin |
| 3268 | SMALL, Richard E., 3167 Dearbom Ave., Palmdale, CA 93551
Machine Cancels | By: Melberg |
| 3269 | BRENT, Donald, 4501 Mayapan Dr., La Mesa, CA 92041
Denmark, DWI, Greenland | By: Lamkin |
| 3270 | MARENBERG, Leonard W., 14 Clark St, Randolph, MA 02368
Scandinavia, Netherlands & Colonies | By: Lamkin |
| 3271 | Deleted | |
| 3272 | HORNER, Richard, 1515 Jefferson Davis Hwy., #1609, Arlington, VA 22202
Finland | By: Schloss |
| 3273 | RASMUSSEN, Ingvard, Svanevej 12, DK-4720 Præstoe, Denmark
Greenland Postal History | By: Lamkin |
| 3274 | FEILER Jr, Clifford R., 826 Moundale Dr., St. Louis, MO 63135
Scandinavia, Germany, France, Luxembourg, Italy, US | By: Hunewell |
| PH-44 | JOHANSSON, Valter V., Parsby, SF 21600 Pargas, Finland | By: Melberg |
| 3276 | COLLIN, Bent, PSC Box 1947, APO New York, NY 09021
Denmark, Greenland, Faroes | By: Lamkin |
| 3277 | KLEINEIDAM, Karlheinz, Badner Str. 73, D-6800 Mannheim, West Germany
Sweden, Switzerland, Cayman Island, Mexico, Cuba, Haiti | By: Lamkin |

Resignations for May 1990

2381	GILBERSTAD, Bruce R	2286	ALGARD, Ole
2742	SHARK, John H	3085	GOLDEN, Ms. Myrna
2375	CERCHIO III, Nicholas L	2645	KINMARK, Ingemar
2845	DAVIS Jr, Delacroix	2769	REIRSGORD, Thomas E
2206	PETERSON, James	1969	ELLENBOGEN, Stanley K
3172	THOMPSON, Keith	2032	LUKENS, Paul C
1062	THOMPSON, Mrs. Alyce	2579	WOOD, John F
2558	ANDERSON, Lloyd		

Reinstatements

1569 PARIS, Sam, 2230 San Antonio Ave., Pearland, TX 77581

Deceased

2297 FRANDSEN, John P.
H-8 PIHL, Carl E.
2388 GOLDSMITH, Harry J.

Address Changes for May 1990

2285 CONRAD, Roan, 200 E 33rd St., #31F, New York, NY 10016
2970 LUCAS, William R, P.O. Box 2103, Aurora, IL 60507
2260 HARFORD, Joyce A., Box 41001, 1898 St Lawrence Blvd., Ottawa, ONT, K1G 5K9 Canada
1824 SMITH, Jay, P.O. Box 650, Snow Camp, NC 27349-0650
2728 JOHANSEN, Dr. Eric, Gogevang 8, DK-2970 Horsholm, Denmark
L-49 1845 OLIVER, Susan Worsley, 46 Woodville Rd., Ham, Richmond, Surrey, TW10 7QN England (Name and Address Change)
2950 NEWMAN, Gerald, 833 Barberry, Highland Park, IL 60035
2908 SWINFORD, David N, 584 Hope St., #7, Stamford, CT 06907
3060 SORENSEN, Ralph J., 23160 Mora Glen Dr., Los Altos, CA 94024
3198 CURTIS, Raymond L., 826 Gardner Ave., Ventura, CA 93004
2794 MC REE, Rimothy, P. O. Box 388, Claremont, NC 28610-8388
L-35 FROMER, Mark, % Kaloshi, 815 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
2512 PAGTER, Daniel S., P.O. Box 507, El Cerrito, CA 94530-0507
3099 McCLURE, Christopher R., 8531 Mariners Dr., #47, Stockton, CA 95209
L-53 ROBERTS, Eric, P.O. Box 460201 Galleria Sta., Houston, TX 77056-8201
3013 PAGE, Andre, 65 Garnier, Sept-Iles, QUE., Canada G4S 1G3
2175 EDWARDS, Robert A., 5100 St. Lucia Dr., Lakeland, FL 33813

Corrections for the SCC Member's Handbook

Please make the following corrections to the new SCC Member's Handbook:
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BURGESON, James L-37, (9) 920-A W. Glenoaks Blvd., #207, Glendale, CA 91202-2757
CHAPTER 22 PRESIDENT: Paul Johnson, 24022 Silversmith, Ln., Katy, TX 77449
CAROL, Dr. Steven 3047, P.O. Box 414, Holbrook, NY 11741-0414
ADD NAME: SAVAGE, William R., 3004 1525 NW 167th St., Seattle, WA 98177
NICKELE, Alfred 0765, (1) 1215 Canterbury Rd., Hillsborough, CA 94010-1725
ROTH, Samuel B 2172, (1, 10) 5000 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15232-2150
STREED, David M 2650, (9) 1122 Fairfax Dr., South Bend, IN 46614-5910
NORBY, Reidar 0985, (1) 2904 N. 22nd St., Arlington, VA 22201
COHN, Emst M L-16, (1) 1139 Appian Way Cir., Dothan, AL 36303
MASON, Robert A. 2065, (7,10) 1506 Fincke Ave., Utica, NY 13502

Membership Summary for May 1990

February Membership	
Regular Members.....	974
Life Members.....	50
Honorary Members.....	6
Total Membership for February.....	1030
May Membership Adjustment	
Regular Members.....	+19
Life Members.....	0
Honorary Members Deceased.....	-1
Deceased Members.....	-2
Reinstated Member.....	+1
Total Dropped Members.....	-136
May 1990 Membership	
Regular Members.....	856
Life Members.....	50
Honorary Members.....	5
Total Membership for May 1990.....	911

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Respectfully submitted,

/ SIGNED Donald Himer,
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