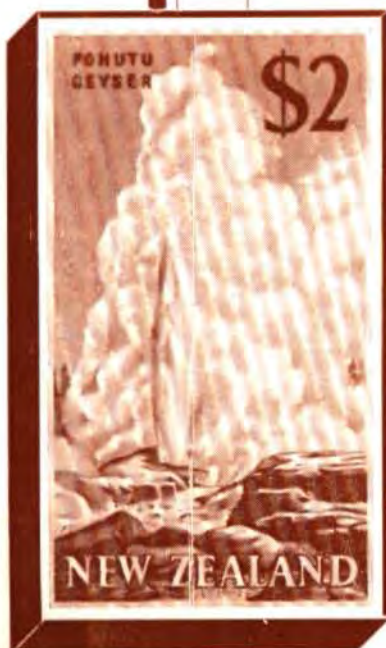


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FROM THE "NEWSLETTER" OCTOBER, 1968

## Lot 5 (e) 1931 Blue and Red Boys (mint).

- (i) Two lovely blocks of four—chance a million — slight hinged but absolutely beautiful and intact \$150
- (ii) Red Boy vertical strip of three—mint. Perfect in every way \$ 60

## Lot 5 (f) (iv) Blue Boy used on cover very fine \$ 15

Lot 6 Cover bearing the Excessively rare "PETRE Crowned Circle Marking "PAID AT PETRE NEW ZEALAND." A FINE CLEAN COVER BEARING A CLEAR STRIKE OF THE CROWNED CIRCLE RED MANUSCRIPT "TOO LATE" AND "2" WITH WELLINGTON UNFRAMED C.D.S. "MY 19 1860" ON THE FRONT AND BACK STAMPED "PETRE NEW ZEALAND MY. 15 1860, A" unframed C.D.S.—a crystal clear strike

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**BACKGROUND NOTE:** "PETRE" was the official name for Wanganui when the office there was first opened (1842). The crowned circle marking was supplied along with those to other offices in October 1846 and the instructions were that it was to be impressed in red. The Petre marking ranks as one of the rarest of the crowned circle markings of this type. The cover offered this month is an internal one addressed to "Wainuimata by Wellington."

## LOT 8 TWO ANTARCTIC COVERS

- (a) EDWARD VII LAND. RD1a 1d Universal overprinted in Green used cover \$ 15
- (b) VICTORIA LAND. RD2a and RD3a used on a fine cover. Lovely pmk. over the corner of the stamps only dated "JA.18.13" very fine example \$150

**LOT 9 RARE MARINE P.O. MARKINGS.**  
From the San Francisco Mail Service era R.M.S. SONOMA Page 265 of the "POSTAGE STAMPS OF NEW ZEALAND" VOL III illustrates two types of marking used on this ship. We offer examples of both of them exquisitely impressed on postcards of the time, themselves rare and interesting.

- (a) The incredibly rare type "20" illustrated in the Handbook) of this date stamp only several copies have previously been recorded. We have two examples both being magnificent strikes — one in purple-blue ink, one in green. Both stamped with 1d universals both stamps bearing the scarce "PACKET BOAT" marking. We repeat, this is an offer in a million only a few copies ever having been reported before. Each \$100

- (b) R.M.S. SONOMA marking "type 18". Further beautiful strikes of the "more often seen" type with "Packet Boat" marking again. Markings available in green — all have the date manuscript-changed (faulty slug?) each card \$ 25
- (c) "R.M.S. SIERRA." Five clear cards bearing superb blue markings alongside the Marine P.O. 'Z' in oval of bars obliterator. Each \$ 20

**PROOF MATERIAL.** Two amazing and rare offerings of material almost never seen outside the biggest of the big collections. Condition is perfect throughout the following lots incidentally ~~not a speck of rust has affected these beautiful items.~~

**LOT 24. CHRISTCHURCH EXHIBITION**  
Colour trials—imperforate and fine. (In the listing below reference has been made to "The Postage Stamps of New Zealand Volume 1"). Proofs produced by Photo Lithography at the Government Printing Office:

- (a) Thin surfaced unwatermarked paper.
    - (i) 3d Brick Red design in reverse (roller proof)
    - (ii) 6d Pale Dull Pink.
  - (b) Plate proof produced by photo engraving from zinc plates imperforate on white wove unwatermarked paper 3d. Deep Brown.
  - (c) Plate proofs surface printed in Black from Electrotype plates on thick white glazed unwatermarked paper imperforate ½d. 1d. 3d. 6d The set (4). These four have hinge marks the 3d thinned slightly (price adjusted accordingly).
  - (d) Thick glazed unwatermarked paper. ½d. Emerald Green imperf. (1).
  - (e) White wove semi-surfaced unwatermarked paper ½d Green, 1d Dull Pink, 1d Carmine Red, 1d Vermilion (this last unlisted in the Handbook) (4).
- White Wove unwatermarked paper.**
- (f) 3d Bright Chestnut and Ultramarine, Myrtle and Sepia, Violet and Blue-Green, Maroon and Deep Blue Green, Maroon and Sage Green. (5).
  - (g) 6d Grey. Green and Sage Green, Grey Green and Dull Violet, Dull Violet and Deep Sage Green, Dull Violet and Olive Brown, Maroon and Deep Olive Brown, Dull Maroon and Deep Sage Green, Chestnut Red and Olive Green, Pink and Olive Green. (8).

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## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

### APPRECIATION

Six months have flown by, and here we are with our seventh issue. Time is never kind to busy people. Our first six issues have not been without their ups and downs. Many times we have wondered, is it worth it, but every day some kind person has spurred us on. From Kaitia to the Bluff, from Australia, from U.S.A., and many other places hundreds of letters have arrived congratulating the New Zealand Stamp Monthly. Many have wished us luck, others have written with their suggestions, with their views—to you all may we say a big THANK YOU.

We hope that your interest will continue, and grow with the magazine, and that you will continue to let us know your views, the articles you have enjoyed and suggestions that may help us.

This is very much your magazine, and it is our pleasure that you continue to make it so.

### POST OFFICE CHANGING ROLE

Over the last few months there has been a welcome upsurge of interest in stamps by the Post Office. A special committee has been set up to advise on the selection of designs etc. for new issues—special sales points, a bureau in Wellington and Stamp Sales Divisions in Auckland and Christchurch. — A spirited advertising campaign overseas—upgrading of the Philatelic Bulletin — open competition for designs for the next pictorial issue in 1970 — news of a Post Office display at Gisborne next year for the centenary of Capt. Cook's arrival — possible issue to commemorate Cardigan Bay — and so the list grows. The Post Office, following a much more enlightened policy, must be congratulated on its efforts.

We all hope they will continue to upgrade their stamp services, and policy. New Zealand has been in the past, very conservative with the number of issues, and while we as collectors, would shout in horror at an overdose of new issues, there is considerable leeway to be made up yet. Many will think of the effect on their pocket, but in reality, this is a small matter compared to the number of people attracted to our hobby. If Great Britain is any example, the hobby in terms of interest and strength can only grow.

LEN JURY.

### 1970 PICTORIALS DESIGN CONTEST

A competition is to be held by the Post Office to find artistic talent for the designing of New Zealand's next definitive stamp issue in 1970. The competition will be held in two stages. The first stage, which was open to anyone of 16 years of age or over, and who is normally resident in New Zealand, provided for designs to be produced in any media. The stage closes on the 11th of November, 1968.

Mr. Scott (Postmaster-General) has announced that this first stage there would be at least six major awards of \$200 each, and up to 10 merit awards of \$50 each.

The second stage involved the selection of a number of artists and designers from the award winners to prepare, on a commission basis, designs for the new stamp issues. This stage closes on the 22nd March, 1969.

Entry forms are available at Chief Post Offices.

### POST OFFICE BULLETIN

News has been received that production of the Bulletin has been taken over by the Public Relations section of the Post Office. We understand a special informative booklet will be published twice a year with background news of New Zealand stamps. For each issue, a special leaflet will be sent out prior to the date of issue.

### INVITED EXHIBITION

The Post Office intend to hold an exhibition of invited exhibits in the Gisborne Post Office. The date of the exhibition will be from March 26th to 29th. Special covers will be available.

The exhibition will be held as part of the events to commemorate Capt. Cook's first landing in New Zealand.

### N.Z. POST OFFICE RECEIPTS

The New Zealand Post Office made a profit of NZ\$5.8 million in the last financial year. This was lower than expected because of a drop in demand on some services. Total revenue was NZ\$106.6 million and expenditure was NZ\$100.8 million. During the last year 34,289 telephones have been added to the national network. The total amount of telephones to existing network is 1,119,422. New Zealand continues to hold third place in world table telephone density per population. United States has 49.87 telephones for every 100 people, Sweden 47.90 and New Zealand 39.90.

### HEALTH SALES DOWN AGAIN

Sales of Health stamps to the 31st August are down \$14,340 on sales of last year. Collectors will remember the large fall in sales during the 1967 campaign. Total sales for the opening period were \$224,445 as against \$238,785.

### BUREAU HEALTH SALES JUMP

The Philatelic Bureau in Wellington had an almost 50% increase in sales for this years Health Stamps. Sales this year to 31st August were \$9,875 as against \$6,590 in 1967.

### FED UP

"The public are fed up with health stamps"—The relieving postmaster for Ohakune, Mr. F. B. Doyle, considered this the reason for the drop in sales this year.

### CARDIGAN BAY

It has been announced that a stamp will be issued, possibly in 1969, to commemorate this famous horse, Cardigan Bay, New Zealand bred, is the first standard bred horse to win over \$1,000,000 in harness racing.

### GIBBONS PART ONE, 1969 NEW ZEALAND

First impression is the general upward movement of most prices from 1855 to 1940.

Most Chalon Heads all up at least 20%. We have a spectacular jump with the Auckland Ex, set from just over £10 to £20.

The Red and Blue Boys have moved again from the earlier £20 set advised in the May N.Z.S.M., to £24 a set.

One of the most speculated issues of New Zealand, the 1936 Commerce set has now started to catch up on demand. Mint set price is over double from 9/- to 19/- while used is up to 18/- from 12/-.

For the Collector, the 1969, with these new rises is a must. Copies obtainable from your local dealer.

### AMBURY SHIELD

This year will be held on November 2nd at Hamilton.

### ROYAL SOCIETY

The Royal Philatelic Society of New Zealand are organising afternoon and evening entertainment on Saturday, 16th to commemorate their 80th Anniversary.

### WELLINGTON

### PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Will possibly be holding a National Exhibition in 1972.

## MORE EXCITING OFFERS FROM CAMPBELL PATERSON LIMITED

**LOT 25. VICTORY ISSUE.** Set of imperforate plate proofs on surfaced watermarked paper (gummed). A superb showing in absolutely pristine condition. This is International Exhibition standard material; includes 4d Yellow Green, 1d Carmine, 14d Orange Brown, 3d Chocolate, 6d Deep bright Purple, 1/- Deep Orange Vermilion. Unrepeatable this side of 2000 at our or anyone's price \$110

**LOT 26 (a) VICTORY ISSUE.** Set of blocks of four—includes 1d Yellow Green, 1d Deep Carmine, 14d two shades of Orange-Brown, 2d Yellow Green, 3d Chocolate, 6d Deep Bright Purple, 1/- Orange-Vermilion. 8 Blocks—Superb! \$30

**LO6 27 S18c 6d JUBILEE** Red Orange, plate No. 5 in fine mint. Block of four \$7.50

**LOT 28 DUNEDIN EXHIBITION** 4d Mauve on Pale Mauve "POSTAGF" flaw at right

(i) Fine used single \$30

(ii) Fine Mint Single \$30

(iii) Fine Mint in positional block of four \$35

**LOT 29 1d DOMINION**—Jones Printing.

Top right selvedge corner block of 12 showing paper fold and resultant perforation distortion. R1/1 is partially imperforate on two sides. \$10

**LOT 30. 1d ROSE CARMINE FIELDMARCHAL**

An unrecorded variety K 15d Wiggins Teape P.14

Bottom right corner selvedge block of 20 shows a huge offset on back—caused by a fold in the bottom of the previous sheet printed running from the bottom of the 10th stamp from the right diagonally up across stamps in the bottom row to the top of the last stamp in the bottom row—a fantastic item possibly absolutely unique. Two stamps are complete offsets. This lovely rarity \$50

**LOT 31 OFFICIAL** 1d Rose Carmine Fieldmarshal.

(a) p.14 Cowan. "No stop" in selvedge block of four 55c

(b) p.14 x 15 unlisted. Details as above \$1.55

**LOT 32 K18f** 2d Yellow.

Cowan p.14 x 15

Offset on back.

Block of four \$4  
or Singles \$1

**LOT 33 U1a EXPRESS DELIVERY** 6d.

Cowan S.H.M. perf. 11. Bottom selvedge single imperf at bottom. (Unrecorded variety) \$20

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### NEW ZEALAND. FINE AND RARE

17. 1932 Health. Mint block of 8 from bottom right corner of sheet from Plate 1. Ditto, but in the retouched state. The 2 blocks \$55.

18 1933 Health. Block of 9 from top left hand corner. Ditto in the retouched state. The two blocks \$40. (We are breaking up complete sheets of this stamp and can supply any of the plate flaws.)

19. KG 5th. 5d Light blue. 14 x 13½. A vertical pair, one stamp double perfs vertically. Also a single imperf at top. All mint at \$50.

20. 1960 Pictorial. The 4d MINT on chalky paper. Extremely scarce. We have a few copies only. Unmounted at \$75. Fine used at \$5. We have recently sold the imprint and plate number of this rare variety.

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NORFOLK: 1961 The 10/- tropic bird on F.D.C., \$6.50.

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## READERS LETTERS

### CROWN AGENTS

Dear Sir,

Timaru.

Neil Rogan's reactionary letter in the September N.Z.S.M. displays pitiable indifference. No doubt Mr. Rogan is quite happy to pay ridiculously large prices for countries run by the Crown Agents, but what a mess his collection must be, not to mention his wallet!

The Crown Agents Bureau's "crimes" are no less serious than those of Finbar Kenney's Cook Islands Philatelic Bureau or Grenada and Dominica, to take examples quoted by Mr. Rogan. However, look at the great following the Cook Islands has in New Zealand—a majority of collectors promptly order all the new commemorative issues, even though they are of high face value. But could they do the same with the Crown Agents Bureau? No sir! For Mr. Rogan's respected Crown Agents will sell direct to dealers (in order that they may charge collectors large amounts,) and even if Mr. Rogan was a dealer, he could only buy stamps of face value below 1\$- or equivalent in complete sheets!!! Who's doing the fleecing? The Cook Islands Bureau would sell Mr. Rogan a single 1c stamp if he requested it, not insist on his buying a full sheet! But that's not all; as well as the need to buy complete sheets from the Crown Agents, this "bureau doing an excellent job" also charges a fee of 10/- EXTRA for each issue of each country's stamps purchased! At least countries free from the shackles of this corrupt and greedy Bureau sell stamps at their face value, or less in some cases.

I suggest Mr. Rogan examine the stamp issuing policy the Crown Agents have forced on Samoa since 1964—what a mess it's made of the Collectors' Paradise Samoa built up under the German and New Zealand Post Office.

Yours faithfully,

SAMOAN EXPRESS.

Dear Sir,

I am writing in support of "Samoa Express's" courageous letter. The "Crown Agents Stamp Bureau" is indeed a

capitalistic money-making organisation. As he suggests, this 'roguish, chiselling agency' shows its true worth by selling only to stamp dealers.

Neil Rogan's blind faith in the Crown Agents and conservative opposition to private agencies is rather pathetic. Sure, they are trying to make a quick dollar, but this is by no means confined to private agencies. Our own post office is up-dating its stamp policy for the same reason.

The issues of the Cook Islands are by no means "sickening"; they include many beautiful stamps, as is shown by the present set commemorating Captain Cook. Mr. Rogan says it is a pity that Niue "is going the same way". Can the issue of several beautiful sets be anything but a good thing for Niue and philatelists alike? On consulting a catalogue, we find that between 1953 and 1967, a space of 14 years, not a single new stamps was issued by Niue. Why, this can hardly be called a policy at all!

The installation of the new agency will be greeted with joy by the collectors who had given up hope of a change in Niue's policy.

If Niue had been run by the Crown Agents, one can easily envisage the type of issues—U.P.U., I.T.U., W.H.O., UNECSO, and other such trash. How anyone can support such a corrupt racket is beyond me!

ANNE T. POMM.

### DATE STAMPS WELLINGTON

Dear Sir,

June can be shown as JE or JN and July as JY or JL, on New Zealand postmarks, discussed by Mr. Watters (August, page 9), and though each of those alternatives has been used in 1968, Postage Stamps of N.Z., Volume 3, page 110, says that in 1890, on March 1, Chief Postmasters were requested to see that the datestamps throughout their districts were made uniform in the use of JA, JE and JL for January, June and July; for the use of JN, JU or JY by some postmasters had caused serious confusion.

Maybe the Post Office should repeat the request seventy-eight years later!

Yours faithfully,  
Simmonds, R. F. S., Mr.

## THIS AND THAT

... from WELLINGTON

An interesting cover for postmark enthusiasts turned up by way of the office wastepaper basket recently. It was apparently posted by a Member of Parliament and has the N.Z. House of Representatives coat of arms printed on the envelope flap. The usual rubber stamp impression "General Assembly", Crown and Postage Paid N.Z.", in circle, is shown on the top right hand corner of the cover with a "Parliament Building" postmark cancellation. It bears a further date stamp a few days later "Government Buildings". Obviously the letter was mis-sent to a Government Buildings Box Number and redirected to a Private Bag elsewhere in the city—when the second postmark was affixed.

There seems to be quite keen competition locally between dealers and "Private" collectors seeking to buy accumulations, collections and so forth, judging by the advertisements in the newspaper Wanted to Buy columns.

At recent auctions there has been intense interest in mint £1 1960 Pictorials (Pohutu Geyser). Several blocks of four were the subject of keen bidding and one such lot fetched \$18.00 (In Australia they are being offered for \$24.00).

Philatelic Societies in the Wellington area, without exception, have recently experienced difficulties with members holding exchange books for inordinarily long periods. (In some cases up to two or three months.) Besides causing the Exchange Superintendents considerable worry and trouble (reminders or enquiries being ignored) it is not fair to other members and the society loses by way of reduced commission on sales. The worst offenders are being dropped from circuit lists, and in the case of one society, substantial fines have been imposed in accordance with the Society's rules.

It is pleasing to report that some first day covers available in this area for the Human Rights and Universal Suffrage issues are much more in keeping with the stamps in question.

M. G. WING.

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## HAVE YOU SEEN THESE?

### POSTMARK ERRORS

Error in Postmark (Date stamp) on F.D.C. of 28c Fox Glacier Definitive—30 July 1968, shown as June 1968.

I was privileged to examine one of these most unusual items posted by a Petone collector at Alicetown (Hutt Valley) Post Office on 30 July, 1968. The erroneous date had been discovered whilst passing through the Petone Post Office, where the postmaster altered the month from June to July in ink, and appended his initials. (A similar course of action was followed, I am told, when an error in date was discovered at the time of an earlier issue.) It is understood that there were only about twenty such covers posted at Alicetown on 30 July, 1968.

Another collector advises that he too posted a F.D.C. at Alicetown, but at the time of writing, the Lower Hutt Post Office has refused delivery. The first intimation of the error in this case was when the mail carrier called on the collector's wife, and showed her the cover (which appeared to be in perfect condition), but stated that it could not be delivered. Enquiries made by the husband later in the day produced conflicting replies, e.g. that the cover had been mutilated and that he would be recompensed. Later still it was stated that the cover had been sent to the G.P.O. Whatever happens to the second cover, it highlights the differing attitudes of Postal authorities when errors occur. Let's face it, no-one is perfect, more especially in these hectic times when the main purpose should be to get the mail through.

M. G. WING.

Unknown to Mr. Robin Startup, his last posting of the Postal History magazine provided recipients with an altered datestamp.

The original datestamp read 13OC79. This was crossed out, and in ball point was written the correct date 2SEP68 and initialed with the letter J.

Cook Island Olympics. A set will be issued on the 21st October.



Samoa Overprint. This was given to the Stamp Monthly by Mr. S. G. Bond, New Plymouth, to see if readers know anything of this overprint. Our opinion is that it is probably a forgery but we hope some reader will be able to give us more details.



1968 Maori Bible. A striking colour shift resulting in the lettering appearing in the top margin. Sent for readers' interests by Mr. J. Quinn of Auckland.



Half Penguin. Result of a paper crease. Kindly loaned for picturing by Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald of Lower Hutt. Note shift of dark blue to the right in margin.

## NATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION

### Taranaki Philatelic Society

The Taranaki Philatelic Society will be holding a National Stamp Exhibition in 1969 probably in October, to co-incide with the Captain Cook bicentenary. More details next issue.

## AUSTRALIAN NEWS

### 1st October, 1968. Australian New Style Aerogramme 10c

A new type of aerogramme with three sealing flaps is being introduced. The gum on the new aerogramme will be of polyvinyl alcohol (P.V.A.) type.



### 23rd October, 1968. Australia 5c Christmas stamp

This stamp will be in vertical format in the large commemorative size and will be printed in sheets of 100 by the Reserve Bank of Australia.

The design is the work of Mr. George Hamori of Sydney and depicts a view of old Bethlehem. A Church window and the words "Come all ye faithful—joyful and triumphant" further signify the spiritual significance of Christmas. Colours of the stamp are pink, red, green and gold.



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Congratulations to Mr. G. J. Elliot of Auckland on winning a silver-bronze medal with his Full Face Queen entry at the Prague, Czechoslovakia, International Philatelic Exhibition.

## **SORRY**

But we have been so busy for the last few weeks that we have been unable to set an advertisement with specific offers in time for this issue.

## **HOWEVER**

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## POSTMARK CORNER

BY A. F. WATTERS

It had been my intention to write on pictorial datestamps this month, but as I am holding a number of letters of interest and some questions, I will attend to these instead.

### FRENCH PASS

In the July N.Z.S.M. I said French Pass was on D'Urville Island and it has been brought to my notice that it is on the mainland at Elmslie's Bay. G. C. Dobson, Johnsonville, advises "that for the last 10 years French Pass has been served from Rai Valley, prior to this it was served by ships going through the Pass, or by the mail launch from Havelock. Things are a little upside down at the Pass. They are in the Nelson Postal District, the Marlborough County Council, Buller electorate and the children come under the Wellington Education Board". Elmslie, after whom the bay was named, was a whaler at Te Awaiti. He had been a student at Christ's Hospital, London, and so that he could get fresh air for his family, he built a house in the mid-1830's at this bay, where he lived in the whaling off season.

### HAKAHAKA P.O.

Can you tell me anything about Hakahaka Post Office writes "Hopeful—Bombay". It opened 15.5.1911 and closed 1.1.1922, and was in the home of John Guard (Jnr.), who is thought to have been the first white child born in the South Island. John Guard (Snr.), was one of the earliest whalers in Port Underwood, arriving from Sydney in his schooner Waterloo. He married Betty Parker in 1829 and their first child was born in 1830. They were all on the barque Harriet in 1834, when it was wrecked near Opunake. Guard (Snr.), escaped and made way to Sydney and pleaded with the Captain of H.M.S. Alligator, which sailed with "Isabella" to rescue the remaining survivors at Te Nauru Pa near Opunake. This was possibly the first clash between the British troops and the Maori in New Zealand History. The family settled at Wellington and when John was old

enough, he went and lived at the homestead in Oyster Bay. The Guard family still use the name Oyster Bay, but the Post Office said it had to have a Maori name, hence the name Hakahaka. The telephone office closed there in 1963. When the Post Office closed in 1922, the telephone office was moved further away by a number of miles, and the Kakapo Bay Post Office, which also closed on the same day, moved into this homestead. This telephone office closed in 1962 with Miss M. Guard, who was a fourth generation Guard, as telephonist. One of the Guards moved up the sounds early in 1850 to Guards Bay, and a telephone office was opened there in 1958. A Post Office was in this bay from 1895 to 1920. It was called Titirangi, but after a few months it changed to Hikoekoe.

### OVERSEAS POSTMARKS ON N.Z. STAMPS

"Interested", Pukekohe writes that she has several N.Z. stamps with overseas postmarks and she wonders the reason. One has Suva, Fiji on it. This is what is termed 'ships mail'. It would be from a letter posted on board a ship after it had left New Zealand, and Fiji was its first port of call. All the letters posted before the ship got to Fiji Territorial waters could be posted with New Zealand stamps. This mail would be taken ashore in a New Zealand bag and cancelled at the Chief Post Office, Fiji, with "Ships Mail". If you had the whole cover you would have found "Paquetbot" or "Packet Boat" or "Loose letter" marked on it. It is quite common to find N.Z. stamps with Australian names. In Auckland and Christchurch there are special datestamps for this mail, and I understand Wellington has one, but as yet I haven't seen a copy of it. The first two named post offices have a machine slogan that is used on larger quantities of mail.

The other stamp has an Egyptian datestamp on it. During the second war, New Zealand had some post offices in Egypt, and these datestamps, had in some cases, the word Egypt on them. In other cases, N.Z. mail was posted through Egyptian post offices, and these letters too, in many cases, had N.Z. stamps on them.

### CORONET PEAK

I now take a moment to answer a letter from Mrs. Pender in the August S.M. re Coronet Peak. Firstly, I always send a number of covers away to each Post Office that I write to for postmarks. This allows for "botches", for I know this does happen. I never use commemorative stamps, as the postmarks show up as well on ½c and 1c stamps. I put 1c on the right with the ½c in the centre, so that I get more than one postmark per cover. It pays to use a filler in the envelopes, and 4 pieces of newsprint make a good filler, though I myself use cardboard. I always tuck the flap in and never stick any cover down. All covers should have "Philatelic Mail" on the front of them.

### NEWS

Casebrook Post Office didn't open on the 19th August, but on the 16th September.

The Chief Postmaster, Auckland, advises that no post office will be opened at the Paremoremo jail.

I hear that there is some thought being given to a change in name for Herald Island (Auckland), as this area is really an Island no longer.

The University of Canterbury is using a datestamp which looks far more like an Australian one than a New Zealand one.

Kahikatea, Greymouth, closed 7th August, 1968, and Roskille (Nelson) closed 31st July, 1968.

### HEALTH CAMP POSTMARKS

Health Camp post offices have opened and it is interesting to note that only Mauna, Glenelg and Roxburgh have registered mail at the one day Post Office. The others have cancelled stamps at the Camp Post Office, but registered the cover at the Chief Post Office for that district, except Gisborne, where the cover was cancelled with the Gisborne First Day datestamp, and registered there. All the cancelling I have seen was of a very high standard again this year.

The 28c postmarked at Fox Glacier is to hand, and these too were cancelled very nicely, and I have found that at least two different postmarks were used.



## AUSTRALIAN NEWS

The Postmaster-General, Mr. Alan Mulme, has announced that the men and women famous in Australian history will be shown in new stamp booklets to be issued in November, 1968, and that the issue dates for other stamps would be:—

2nd October, 1968: 5c and 20c Olympic Games Stamps.

16th October, 1968: 5c Building Societies and Savings Associations Congress Stamp.

23rd October, 1968: 5c Christmas 1968 Stamp.

The famous Australians booklet represented a new concept in stamp presentation and the first series will feature Caroline Chisholm, Edgeworth David, Albert Namatjira and "Banjo" Paterson.

It will continue on sale until the latter part of 1969 and will then be replaced by another booklet containing stamps depicting the first four Australian Prime Ministers: Sir Edmund Barton, Alfred Deakin, J. C. Watson and Sir George Reid.

Thereafter, booklet contents will alternate on the same principle and will contain stamps portraying other famous Australians, and successive Prime Ministers.

One of the four stamps in the 1970 Famous Australians booklet will show the poet Adam Lindsay Gordon, the centenary of his death occurs in that year.

The other subjects in this group are J. R. Duigan, pioneer aviator; E. J. Eyre, explorer; and Lachlan Macquarie ("The Builder"), fifth Governor of N.S.W.

The booklet stamps will be of the same size as the present Queen Elizabeth stamps, but will be printed on tinted papers to provide two-colour effects. The stamps will be available in booklet form only, five stamps of each of the four designs being included.

Further details of stamps and the subjects in the first series to be presented in the booklet form are as follows:—

**5c blue-black on pale blue:**

Andrew Barton "Banjo" Paterson (1864-1941). Poet, solicitor, war correspondent, editor and writer; the most popular of the balladists of the late 19th century.

**5c deep purple on mauve:**

Caroline Chisholm (1808-1877). Pioneer social worker and reformer, whose greatest work was the improvement of conditions for women migrating to Australia.

**5c deep green on pale green:**

Sir Tannat William Edgeworth David (1858-1934). Geologist and Antarctic explorer who was active in geological research in N.S.W., the Pacific Islands, and as a member of the 1907 Shackleton Antarctic Expedition.

**5c brown on buff:**

Albert Namatjira (1902-1959). Aboriginal artist whose landscapes brought a new concept to aboriginal art and to the image of the aborigine.



### SAVINGS

On the 16th October, 1968, Australia will issue a new 5c stamp to mark the 11th Triennial Congress of the International Union of Building Societies and Savings Associations to be held in Sydney from the 20th to the 27th October, 1968.



## SCOUTING AND GUIDING ON STAMPS

Officially Scouting may be said to commence in July, 1907, when Baden-Powell held an experimental camp for a group of boys at Brownsea Island in Poole Harbour. This gave Baden-Powell the opportunity to try out a number of ideas on youth training which he had been formulating for several years. The camp was a huge success and it encouraged Baden-Powell to publish a book in fortnightly parts entitled "Scouting for Boys" which appeared in 1908. Originally Baden-Powell's object was to apply the principles of scoutcraft, open-air training, physical health and self-reliance, to the already existing Boys' Brigade movement whose founder, Sir William Smith, was a close friend of Baden-Powell, but almost from the outset Scouting developed as a separate entity. During 1908 the movement rapidly grew and scout troops were formed all over the country, so that, by 1910 there were 123,000 in the British Commonwealth alone and the movement had begun to spread to other countries. Nowadays the Scout movement exists in every country of the Commonwealth and in most countries of the free world. Of the present ten million members, about half are in the United States.

Over the years, particularly in the past decade, stamps have been issued in honour of the Boy Scouts and their sister movement, the Girl Guides. But the first stamps in this theme, however, appeared seven years before the movement was conceived. In October, 1889, the Anglo-Boer War in South Africa broke out with the invasion of Cape Colony from the north. On the 12th, the Boers, led by General P. A. Cronje, encircled the frontier town of Mafeking whose small garrison was commanded by Major Robert Baden-Powell. Up till that time Baden-Powell had a fairly conventional military career, but the siege of Mafeking enabled him to display his enormous vitality and many talents. His resourcefulness, not to mention his unconventional gaiety, raised the morale

of the defenders so that they were able to withstand the siege for eight months.

Baden-Powell showed a great flair for organisation, making the most of his slender resources for the defence of the town. He formed the teenage boys into cadet corps appointing Warner Goodyear as cadet sergeant-major. These boys acted as messengers, observers at outpost, buglers and first-aid orderlies. Out of this experience of organising boys so that they had a sense of responsibility to the community, came the ideas for the Boy Scout movement. During the siege, Mafeking had its own distinctive banknotes, when currency in circulation ran short, and, from the 24th March, 1900 till the 17th May, when the siege was raised, the town had its own postage stamps. At first these consisted of stocks of the contemporary Cape of Good Hope and Bechuanaland stamps over-printed **MAFEKING BESIEGED** and surcharged in new denominations. When supplies of these stamps ran out, the garrison had recourse to locally printed stamps. These were produced by a photographic process by Mr. D. Taylor and consisted of two values, printed in blue on bluish paper. The 1d stamp, designed by Mr. W. A. Hayes, depicted Sergeant-Major Goodyear riding a bicycle, while the 3d stamp portrayed Baden-Powell, from a design by Captain Greener. Collectors of scout stamps regard the Mafeking stamps as the forerunners of the theme and consequently they are eagerly sought after.



MAFEKING ISSUE

The first actual scout stamps appeared in 1918 and were produced by the scouts themselves, rather than in their honour. The infant republic of Czechoslovakia, formed at the time of the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian Empire at the end of the First World War, did not have a proper postal administration at first, but relied on a letter delivery service which was operated

in Prague by the Boy Scouts. Prepayment was indicated by means of stamps in denominations of 10h blue and 20h red. The central motif was the lion rampant of Bohemia and the stamps were inscribed **POSTA CESKYCH SKAUTU** (Czech Scouts' Post). It is interesting to note that, during the Warsaw Rising against the Nazi occupation in August-September, 1944, the postal service in the beleaguered city was maintained by the Polish scouts who rendered valuable assistance to the forces of the Polish Home Army. On this occasion no special adhesives were used, but postmarks embellished with the Scout emblem, the fleur-de-lis, were employed on correspondence carried from one suburb to another. Several types were made inscribed **POCZTA HARCZERSKA** (Scout Post), the rarest and most curious being the one struck in red and made out of a potato cut in half and engraved crudely with the Scout badge.

The earliest stamps issued on behalf of the scouts were the three sets of overprints, totalling nineteen different stamps in all, which were released in Thailand in 1920. The overprint featured a tiger's head, the emblem of the Thai Scouts, and inscriptions in English and Thai signifying "Scouts Fund". The first stamp to depict scouting appeared in Hungary in 1925, as part of a series devoted to various sports and pastimes. All of these early Scout issues are elusive and highly prized by collectors.

During the First World War the movement gained great impetus. It has been estimated that more than 100,000 Scouts served in the forces of the Commonwealth, while about 25,000 boys of the Sea Scouts served as coast-watchers. In 1920 an international meeting, or jamboree (an Australian aboriginal word) was staged at Olympia in London, in which scouts from 26 nations took part. As a result of this meeting an international council was formed, with a bureau in London. A second international jamboree was held in Copenhagen in 1924, at which 33 nations were represented. At approximately four yearly intervals since then international jamborees have been held in various countries. The first host country to issue stamps to mark the occasion was Hungary which released a set of five stamps to honour the fourth international jamboree held at Godollo in 1933. The design showed the Magyar cross and the Stag emblem of

Hungary. Two years earlier, however, Roumania issued five stamps bearing premiums in aid of the Roumanian Boy Scouts Exhibition Fund. The designs depicted rescue work and a camp scene as well as portraying members of the royal family in scout uniform. The following year a set of six stamps marked a national jamboree and showed scouts cooking, signalling, tracking and camping as well as portraits of King Carol and Prince Michael in uniform. Further scout sets appeared in the years up till the outbreak of war, but by the 1930s the Roumanian scouts had become a national youth movement, analogous to the Hitler Youth and Russia's Young Pioneers, so these stamps are not usually included in collections of scout stamps.

In 1937 the Netherlands was host to the international jamboree and a set of three stamps was issued to mark the occasion. The stamps depicted the Scout emblem, drummers and the Greek god Hermes. Two stamps were released by the Dutch East Indies at the same time showing two scouts with the jamboree emblem in the background. The first postwar jamboree was held in France in 1947 and a 5 fr stamp, depicting the Scout badge and a knot, was released. Four years later Austria was the venue and a 1s stamp featuring the fleur-de-lis emblem was issued. The eighth world jamboree was held in Canada in 1955 and a 5c brown and green stamp, showing the badge of the movement between the hemispheres, was released.



GOLDEN JUBILEE

There was a break in the four yearly sequence when the golden jubilee of the boy scouts was celebrated in 1957 by a Jubilee Jamboree at Sutton Coldfield in the heart of England, birthplace of the movement. Britain's contribution consisted of three stamps. The 2½d red featured the Scout badge

and the Queen's portrait framed by the coils of a rolling hitch; the 4d blue depicted a flight of swallows symbolising the scouts coming from all over the world to the jamboree, and the 1/3d green showed a globe ringed by a compass. The stamps were surcharged for use in Bahrain, Muscat and Qatar. That year also marked the centenary of the birth of Baden-Powell and many countries throughout the world issued stamps in his memory. Most of them, ranging from Belgium to Persia, bore the familiar portrait of "B-P" in the uniform of World Chief Scout. The tenth jamboree was staged at Makiling Park, near Manila in the Philippines. Seven stamps depicting various Scout activities were released in July 1959.

The eleventh world jamboree was held at Marathon in Greece in 1963. The host country issued a set of five stamps, the most original of which depicted a painting by Baden-Powell entitled "Athens at Dawn". In 1967 the twelfth world jamboree was held at Faragut State Park in the United States and a 6c air mail postcard was issued.



FIRST PAN-PACIFIC JAMBOREE

There have also been a number of jamborees of a more regional character and these have provided the opportunity for most of the scout stamps issued in the Commonwealth. Australia acted as host to the first and second Pan-Pacific Jamborees, held at Yarra and Greystanes in 1948 and 1952 respectively. A 2½d stamp depicting a scout was released on the former occasion and the same design, with the dates appropriately altered, was used for a 3½d stamp released four years later. New Zealand issued a 3d stamp, depicting the Kiwi emblem, for the Pan-Pacific Jamboree held in 1959 at Auckland. The first Caribbean Jamboree was held in Jamaica in 1952. Two stamps were released,

featuring the Scout badge and maps of the Caribbean (2d) and Jamaica (6d). Nine years elapsed before the second Caribbean Jamboree was held, the venue on this occasion being Trinidad. Two multi-coloured stamps, in denominations of 8c and 25c were released by Trinidad and Tobago in April 1961. The Queen's portrait inset in a medallion and surmounting the Gold Wolf—the movement's highest decoration—appeared on the left of the design. The main theme of the stamps was a map of the islands with four scouts in various different uniforms in the foreground.

National jamborees have been philatelically honoured by several Commonwealth countries. Pakistan marked the second national jamboree, held at Chittagong in December 1958, with two stamps suitably overprinted. The third jamboree was staged at Lahore in 1960 and was celebrated by a 2a stamp depicting the Zam-Zama cannon in that city, immortalised by Rudyard Kipling as the gun on which his young hero, Kim, sat. The fourth national jamboree, held at Trentham in 1966, was marked by a 4d stamp released by New Zealand and featuring the fleur-de-lis against a traditional Maori pattern. A "jamborette" held at Fiji in July 1964 was honoured by a set of three stamps.

This jamborette served not only as a meeting of scouts from Fiji, Australia, New Zealand, Tonga and Samoa, but also to commemorate the golden jubilee of scouting in Fiji. The scoutmaster of the first Suva troop when it was formed in 1914 was Sydney Frank Marlow who had joined the movement in its earliest days. A civil servant from Mansfield in Nottinghamshire, he took up an appointment as a Treasury clerk in Fiji, and before he left England he was urged by Baden-Powell to spread the movement to his new post in the Pacific. Marlow kept his promise and the 1st Suva troop of Boy Scouts, consisting of sixteen boys, was founded in November 1914. This early troop, the first of its kind in the South Pacific, did not last long, for its founder volunteered for active service with the Fijian contingent and was killed in action in February 1917. The movement fell into abeyance for five years but in 1922 the Governor of Fiji, Sir Cecil Rodwell, reconstituted Scouting in the island and three European troops, totalling 84



scouts, were raised at Suva under the commissionership of Mr. William Norton. By 1927 their numbers had grown to 350 and included Fijians and Indians as well as Europeans. The first scout rally was held that summer in the Botanical Gardens in Suva. The number of scouts, cubs and rovers in Fiji has increased twenty-fold in the past forty years and they have proved of immense value to the community many times. During the floods which hit Fiji early in 1964 scouts assisted in the evacuation of flood-stricken villagers, reported flood levels and helped to distribute supplies of food and clothing.

The jamboree was held at Suva from the 28th August to the 1st September 1964. The two stamps portrayed Her Majesty, the 3d featuring the Scout badge and the jamboree emblem, a Fijian sailing canoe or takia, and the 1/- showing three Fiji scouts (an Indian, a European and a Fijian) splicing a rope, symbolising national unity of the races.

The fiftieth anniversary of scouting in Barbados was celebrated by a Scout Week which began on the 9th March 1962. Three stamps, depicting a map of the island surmounted by the fleur-de-lis, were released for the occasion. The Barbados Boy Scouts Association was formed in March 1912, following a visit by Baden-Powell to the island the previous year. From its humble beginnings as a local troop at the Combermere School it has grown into a body of some 850 members, divided into three local districts. Simultaneously Ceylon issued a handsome multicoloured photogravure 35c stamp featuring the Ceylon scout badge, the lion superimposed on the fleur-de-lis, to mark the golden jubilee of scouting in that island. The golden jubilee of the Bermuda Boy Scouts Association was marked by a 2/- multicoloured stamp in 1965. The simple design showed the Scout badge and the British crown and royal monogram linked by the opening words of the Scout Promise—"On my honour".

In November, 1964, St. Vincent released a three value set in common design showing the scout badge and various proficiency badges to mark the 50th anniversary of the local Association.

Within two years of the start of the Boy Scout movement a spontaneous effort promoted by girls in imitation of their brothers was given some sort of cohesion and organization as the Girl Guides. The Girl Guide Scheme was formulated in 1910 by Miss Agnes Baden-Powell, sister of the Chief Scout. From 1917 onward, his wife, Lady Baden-Powell, carried on the work as chief commissioner and later Chief Guide. Australia commemorated the golden jubilee of the movement by issuing a 5d stamp in August 1960 depicting a girl guide with Baden-Powell's



portrait on the right. Curiously enough the only other Commonwealth countries to have paid tribute to the movement in stamps so far have been Trinidad and Jamaica. The former issued three stamps in 1964 featuring the trefoil badge and the jubilee emblem, while the latter released two stamps in 1965 commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Jamaican Girl Guides Association. The 3d yellow, green and black showed the trefoil emblem on the map of Jamaica, while the 1/- triangular showed a montage of the Guide badges. Girl Guides were shown on New Zealand's 1½d+½d Health stamp of 1953, and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret were portrayed in ranger and guide uniform respectively on the Health stamps of 1944. Ceylon released 3c and 2c stamps on the 19 September, 1967, to mark the golden jubilee of the guides in that island.

The sixth Inter-American Conference, which was held in Kingston in 1964, was marked by three stamps issued by Jamaica on the 27th August. The 3d red, black and pink featured a Scout belt,

with the fleur-de-lis emblem on the buckle. The 8d blue, olive and black showed the globe wearing a Scout hat and kerchief, while the 1/- gold, blue and light blue, in triangular format, showed the emblem of the Jamaican Boy Scouts Association, the fleur-de-lis surmounting an alligator.

Three Commonwealth countries issued stamps in honour of the Marathon jamboree of 1963. Cyprus issued a set of three lithographed by Aspioti-Elka on the 21st August. The 3m depicted a wolf cub, the name given to the junior branch of the movement which caters to boys between the ages of eight and eleven. His right hand is shown raised in the v-salute. The 20m showed a sea scout while the 150m featured a scout with a mouflon, the indigenous wild sheep of Cyprus. These stamps were also issued in miniature sheet form with a small premium in aid of the Cyprus Boy Scouts Association whose fiftieth anniversary coincided with the jamboree. Nigeria released two stamps on the 1st August. The 3d, in a large triangular format, showed African and European scouts giving the scout left handshake. The Marathon Jamboree emblem, consisting of a Spartan shield surmounted by the fleur-de-lis, appeared at the apex of the triangle. The 1/- triangular black and red showed a camp-fire sing-song in progress. The Maldives belatedly issued in 1964 a set of four stamps showing the Scout badge. Nigeria released a set of four stamps two years later to mark the golden jubilee of scouting in that country. The 1d showed scouts on a hill-top with the date "1965" on the summit and 1915 below, the 3d depicted the scout badge on an African warrior's shield, a variety of Scout proficiency badges appeared on the 6d stamp, and a Nigerian scout was portrayed beside the movement's founder on the 1/3d.

Later issues from the countries for whom the Crown Agents act include a set from the Federation of South Arabia for the Girl Guide movement and a single stamp from Lesotho marking the Boy Scout Movement's diamond jubilee.

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## U.S.A. ART STAMP

This year's American Painting Series postage stamp—a detail from "The Battle of Bunker's Hill" by John Trumbull.

The 6 cent stamp will be issued October 18 with first day ceremonies at New Haven, Connecticut, where the original hangs at Yale.

Focal point of the 25 x 36 inch painting portrays the death of General Joseph Warren, as the Colonials, ammunition exhausted, are forced into retreat. The secondary point of interest is the portion that is reproduced in the postage stamp.

Trumbull described this detail in an exhibition catalogue: "On the right of the painting, a young American, wounded in the sword hand and in the breast, has begun to retire, attended by a faithful Negro; but seeing his General fall, hesitates whether to save himself, or, wounded as he is, to return and assist in saving a life more precious to his country than his own". The indecisive American is Lieutenant Grosvenor, his attendant is Peter Salem.

Trumbull, who had seen the smoke of battle above Breed's hill from a distance in 1775, executed what is perhaps his greatest painting twelve years later in the London studio of Benjamin West. He is better known, however, for his "Declaration of Independence", which with three other heroic size Trumbulls, hangs in the

rotunda of the Capitol, in Washington, D.C.

Lieutenant Grosvenor, in yellow breeches, white blouse, dark jacket and dark plumed hat holds a sword in his left hand because his right hand has received a wound. Peter Salem, in red breeches, stands behind the officer. He holds a flintlock aloft. In the background is the haze of battle, with smoke rising over Boston Harbour.

Except for the fact that at the onset he feared he might be hanged as a spy, the eight months John Trumbull spent in an English jail were not too uncomfortable. He was well bedded, could buy special food and was permitted to paint. His fellow American, Benjamin West, interceded with the King and Trumbull was released and directed to leave the country. He had been jailed in reprisal, after the Americans had hanged English Major John Andre in the Benedict Arnold affair.

Trumbull, who had served briefly as an assistant aide-de-camp to General Washington, and about a year and a half in other military capacities, had resigned in a huff with the Continental Congress and had departed to England to paint while the war was still in progress.

"The Battle of Bunker's Hill" was painted in West's London studio twelve years after it occurred. This was engraved in Germany, and the prints became widely popular in the new United States.

American artists in England were unsought during the war of 1812, so a debt-ridden Trumbull returned home. President Madison commissioned him to execute four large historical paintings which now hang in the Capitol. These took eight years and earned him \$32,000. One of these, "The Declaration of Independence" reveals Trumbull's passion for accuracy in portraiture. To complete it, he painted Jefferson in Paris, John Adams in London and 36 others from life, which required him to visit many locations. Nine of the principals he copied from other artists, two he painted from memory. One stand-in was necessary. Benjamin Harrison had died, so Trumbull painted his son, who was said to be the spitting image.

Trumbull's "The Surrender of General Burgoyne" was reproduced as a postage stamp in

1927. Two of his portraits of Washington became stamps in 1932.

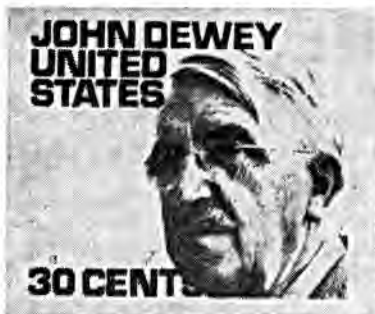
In style, Trumbull was influenced by John Singleton Copley, whose work he admired while a student at Harvard. Young Trumbull, who could read Greek at the age of six, was qualified to enter college at twelve, but waited until he had "matured" at 15 to enroll in Harvard's junior class.

His father, the Governor of Connecticut, discouraged his son's painting career, suggesting architecture. In later life, the painter designed a church for his birthplace, Lebanon.

Trumbull helped to found and was first president of the American Academy of Fine Arts, in 1817.

In 1832, Trumbull donated a large collection of his work to Yale in exchange for an annuity of \$1,000 a year. Yale's Trumbull Gallery became the first collegiate art museum in the United States.

He died at 87, November 10, 1843, and was buried beneath the gallery, directly under a portrait he had painted of George Washington.



## PHILOSOPHER HONOURED

The 30 cent stamp in the Prominent American series will be issued October 21 with first day ceremonies at Burlington, Vermont, where Doctor Dewey was born in 1859. The great educator and philosopher died in 1952.

Richard L. Clark, of East Norwalk, Connecticut, designed the horizontal stamp, which will be printed in light purple. The portrait is based on one of Doctor Dewey's favourite photographs. The inscription, upper left, "John Dewey / United / States," and the denomination, lower left, "Thirty Cents" are in Herald gothic capitals and bleed into the portrait.

When John Dewey was 90 in 1949, 1500 of his admirers threw a birthday party at a New York hotel for this still alert, physically spry philosopher and educator who exerted an enormous intellectual impact on this century.

President Truman sent greetings. So did the British Prime Minister, the Presidents of Austria and Israel and numerous other world figures.

Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Felix Frankfurter, extolled Doctor Dewey's "robust faith" reflected in his understanding of the governing forces of a democratic society. Friends presented him with a plaque which praised him for revitalizing philosophy, for teaching the world to see that the central reliance of democracy is on a free and intelligent choice made by all citizens, for teaching the world the value of shared experience and for remaking educational theory.

John Dewey was a Burlington, Vermont, boy and despite his world honours, retained the homespun touch.

He taught at the Universities of Michigan, Minnesota and Chicago before taking a chair at Columbia University in 1904. His experiments in education at Chicago produced new techniques now used in schools that place emphasis on "learning by doing." Doctor Dewey was a pragmatic (practical) philosopher who was influenced by Kant, Darwin and William James.



## Waterfowl Conservation Stamp

The 6 cent stamp will be issued with first day ceremonies October 24th at Cleveland, Ohio.

Two wood ducks are shown in flight on the five-colour stamp.

The stamp recognises the accomplishments of Ducks Unlimited, an organisation that has spent nearly \$15 million for waterfowl conservation. Scattered across the prairies are some 900 Ducks Unlimited projects involving roughly a million and a half acres. These are heavily populated with waterfowl.

California Artist, Stanley W. Galli, designed the horizontal stamp which will be printed on ivory paper. A red-throated male wood duck dominates the design, one wing partially obscuring a female in the background. Blue, green and yellow also appear on the duck, printed by offset, and black, printed by Giori press. The inscription is in black.



## LEIF ERIKSON

The 11th Century Norse explorer whose bold voyage brought him to the New World some 500 years before Columbus.

The 6 cent commemorative stamp will be issued with first day ceremonies October 9—Leif Erikson Day—in Seattle, Washington, where a Leif Erikson statue in the waterfront district attests to the heavy Scandinavian-American population in the city.

Another statue of Leif Erikson—one by the noted American sculptor Stirling Calder, which stands in Reykjavic, Iceland—is reproduced on the stamp. The vertical stamp will be printed in a sheen-like metallic brown, and the anomaly is that a one-colour stamp will require two passes through the press. The background, which bleeds completely will be printed by offset; the Rotary Currency Press will add the statue and lettering by intaglio.

Historians disagree over how to spell his name, where Vinland (or Wineland) was, and in what year Leif Erikson discovered this land in the Western Hemisphere.

Vinland may have been Newfoundland, Nova Scotia or New England. Leif Erikson sailed westward from Greenland about 1003, arrived at Vinland in the early fall and set up winter headquarters. He returned the following spring. Future expeditions to Vinland established impermanent colonies.

Norsemen of that day travelled in boats which were powered by both oars and sails and were constructed of thin hardwood boards lashed to curved frames. Capacity ranged from 20 to 40 tons in sharp contrast to Columbus' 100-ton Santa Maria.



## HERTZOG COMMEMORATIVE

South Africa issued the above three stamps on the 21st September. This date was the occasion of the unveiling of the General J. B. M. Hertzog Monument at Bloemfontein.



## PACIFIC ISLANDS COMING ISSUES

**British Solomon Island:** End of Inaugural Year of the University of the South Pacific, 1969.

**Fiji:** 1968, 20th Anniversary of W.H.O. 13th Jan. 1969, Decimal Currency. 1969, Inauguration of the South Pacific University at Lau-cala Bay, Suva.

**Gilbert and Ellice Islands:** Nov. 21st: 25th Anniversary of the Battle of Tarawa. 1969: University of the South Pacific.

**New Hebrides:** 9th October, 1968: Concorde Project. 1969: Timber.

**Norfolk Island:** 1968, October 24th: Christmas Stamp.

**Papua and New Guinea:** October 30th, 1968, and January 22nd, 1969: Shell definitive series. 9th April, 1969: Heritage, Folklore. 25th June, 1969: South Pacific Games.

**Pitcairn Islands:** 1968, 25th November: 20th Anniversary of W.H.O. 1969, 17th September: new definitives.

**Western Samoa:** Christmas, 1968. 1969: 7th Anniversary of Independence. Robert Louis Stevenson.

### COOK ISLANDS DESIGNS IN PRINTS

We are used to paintings on stamps—our Christmas issues are a popular sample. Now the process has been reversed, and pictures first used on stamps are now available as prints.

Several of the paintings on the Cook Islands issue, which were shown to members by Mrs. Kay Billings, the Artist, have now been published as prints.

The set of prints—six in all—includes four with stamp design. They are: Hibiscus 1c, Frangipani 15c, Poinsettia 30c, Gardenia 50c.

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### INVERTED THUNBERGIA

As well as the "water lily" error, the Cook Islands set has another error, obvious to those familiar with tropical flowers, but not otherwise. The 20 cent stamp showing the Thunbergia a hanging plant, has the flowers facing upside down.

ASHTON COOK.



### DIFFERENT DESIGN FOR NORFOLK IS. CHRISTMAS STAMP

The Norfolk Is. Administration this year will issue a different design to the normal Australian issue. The Norfolk design shows a silver star which is surrounded by a circle of hibiscus blooms on a blue background. Underneath is a scroll with the words "Peace on Earth". The hibiscus blooms, of several varieties, are coloured crimson, yellow and black.

A first day cover service will be provided by the Norfolk Island Post Office and a special "first day of issue" postmarker will be used.

### NORFOLK ISLAND COMPETITION FOR DESIGN OF CHRISTMAS STAMP 1969

The Stamp Committee invites entries in a competition to design the Norfolk Island Christmas Stamp 1969. A prize of \$40 will be awarded to the creator of the winning design. Choice of subject is left to the discretion of competitors.

Entries should reach the Official Secretary at Kingston by 5 p.m. on Friday, 6th December, 1968. The Stamp Committee reserves the right to withhold the prize should there be no design of sufficient merit.

### BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS

Sales at the Chief P.O. Honiara of the new definitive set (May 15) on the First Day passed the \$6,000 mark. The largest order was \$2,000 from an overseas dealer.

### NEW STAMPS FOR COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS

The new series of stamps of twelve values will show marine and bird life of the coral atolls of the Cocos group. Further details, and the date of issue, in 1969, will be announced when production is further advanced.

The previous Cocos series, with values in £.s.d., was withdrawn at the introduction of decimal currency, and the island post office had been using Australian stamps since.



### NEW POSTMARK FOR NUKUNONO

Illustrated is the new postmark in use at the tiny atoll of Nukunono, one of the Tokelau Islands.

The postmark, which may have been in use towards the end of last year, differs from that formerly used, as this has the name of the island spelt as "NUKUN-ONU" instead of NUKUNONO as on the old postmark. It also has the words "TOKELAU ISLANDS" at the bottom omitted.

BRUCE HENDERSON.

### REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING'S DEATH—"IN MEMORIAM" STAMP ISSUE

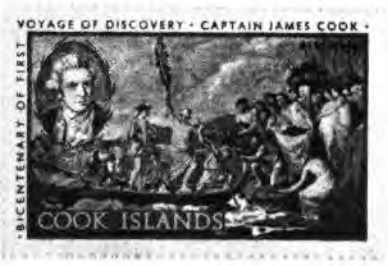
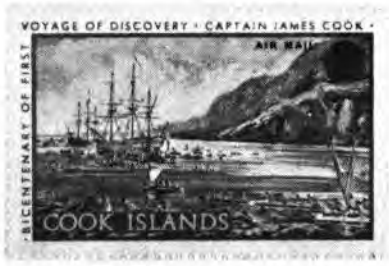
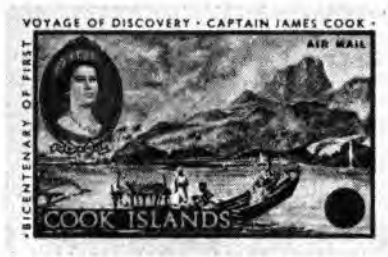
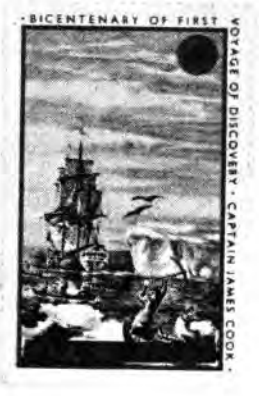
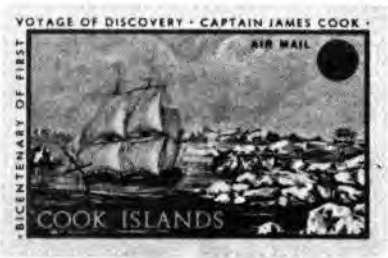
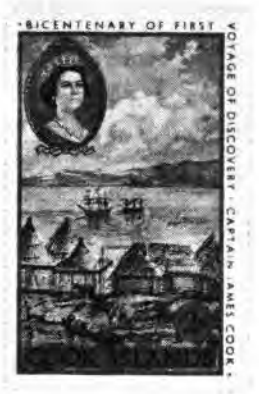
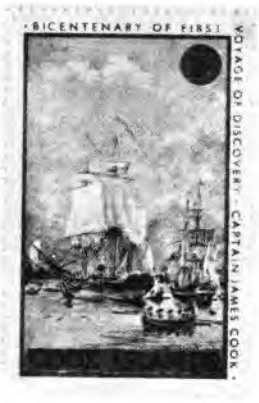
The recent tragic death of the Reverend Martin Luther King will be marked by the Western Samoa Post Office with the release of a special "In Memoriam" stamp issue on 23rd September, 1968.

A Nobel Peace Prize Winner in 1964—the youngest man (at 35) ever so honoured—the late Reverend King's work for racial equality and harmony has been universally acknowledged and recognised.

Comprising two values—7 sene and 20 sene—the stamps, of common design, depict the portrait of the late Reverend King.

# COOK IS.

CAPTAIN COOK — Sept. 12th



EAST AFRICA — 14th Oct.



NIGERIA

14th Oct.



BAHAMAS





- 1968

### GRENADA

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The first recorded Olympic Games took place on The Plains of Olympia in 776 BC. Every four years athletes, poets, warriors, scholars, dramatists, kings, princes, charioteers and historians would attend the games.

**GRENADA**

### CAYMAN IS. 1st Oct.



### BERMUDA 24/9/68



**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING**

**SAMOA**

23/9/68



**ST. KITTS**

23/9/68



**MALAYSIA**

**RUBBER**

29/8/68



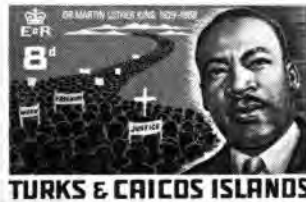
**ST. VINCENT**

26/8/68



**TURKS**

1/10/68



**CYPRUS**

**UNITED NATIONS**

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**HONG KONG**

**NEW VALS**

25/9/68



**NEW HEBRIDES**

**CONCORDE**

9/10/68



## BRITISH COMMONWEALTH NEWS

### FROM THE CROWN AGENTS

## September Releases

### 2nd September, 1968

**Seychelles.** International Human Rights. 20, 50, 85 cents and Rs. 2.25.

**Cyprus.** 21st Anniversary of the United Nations Children's Fund. 35 mills. 20th Anniversary of the World Health Organisation. 50 mills.

### 4th September, 1968

**St. Helena.** 150th Anniversary of the Abolition of Slavery. 3d, 9d, 1/6 and 2/6.

### 6th September, 1968

**Swaziland.** Independence 1968. 3, 4½, 17½, 25 cents and ten-tenant strips.

**Swaziland.** Definitive issue overprinted Independence 1968. ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3½, 4, 5, 7½, 10, 12½, 15, 20, 25, 50 cents. R. 1, R. 2. (In addition, the 2½ cents denomination has been overprinted 3 cents; thus the definitive issue will now comprise 17 values.)

### 23rd September, 1968

**St. Kitts.** In Memoriam Dr. Martin Luther King. 50 cents.

### 24th September, 1968

**Bermuda.** Olympic Games, Mexico 1968. 3d, 1/-, 1/6 and 2/6.

### 25th September, 1968

**Hong Kong.** Definitive replacement values. 65 cents and \$1.00.

### 29th September, 1968

**Brunei.** Opening of the New Building in the State of Dewan Bahasa Dan Jahatan Penyiaran and Penerangan. 10, 15 and 30 sen.

### 30th September, 1968

**Botswana.** Opening of the Botswana National Museum and Art Gallery. 3, 7, 10 and 15 cents. Singly and in souvenir sheets.

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

### Definitive Issues

**Barbados:** 1969. **Bermuda:** (Decimal) 2nd January, 1969. **British Honduras:** 15th October, 1968. **British Indian Ocean Territory:** 23rd October, 1968. **Brunei:** 1968. **Cayman Islands:** 1st February, 1969. **Falkland Islands:** 9th October, 1968. **Malawi:** 13th November, 1968. **Mauritius:** Early 1969. **St. Helena:** Late 1968. **Singapore:** 1968.

### Commemorative Issues

**Antigua:** Opening of St. Johns Deep Water Harbour, October, 1968. **Ascension Island:** Deep Sea Fish, 1st October, 1968. **Barbados:** International Human Rights Year, 29th October, 1968. **Botswana:** Christmas, 11th November, 1968. **British Antarctic Territory:** 25th Anniversary of Continuous Scientific work by the British Antarctic Survey, 6th February, 1969. **British Honduras:** Orchids, 1st March, 1969. **British Virgin Islands:** National Development, 1968; Martin Luther King, 1968. **Brunei:** Opening of Dewan Majlis and Lapau Di-Raja, 1968; International Human Rights, December, 1968. **Cayman Islands:** Olympic Games, 1st October, 1968; Christmas, 1st November, 1968. **Ceylon:** Centenary of the Archaeological department, December, 1968; 1400th Anniversary of Holy Quran, 1968. **East Africa:** Olympic Games, 14th October, 1968; Water Transport, 20th January, 1969. **The Gambia:** Centenary of the first two stamps issued by The Gambia 1869, January, 1969. **Gibraltar:** Christmas, 1st November, 1968. **Guyana:** Opening of the Airport Terminal Building, 1968; Tropospheric Scatter System, 1968; Celebration of 1400 years of Al Quran, 1968. **Jamaica:** International Human Rights, October, 1968; Tourism, 1968; Christmas, 1968. **Lesotho:** Rock Paintings, 1st November, 1968. **Malawi:** Christmas, 1968; 50th Anniversary of I.L.O., January, 1969. **Malaysia:** Olympic Games, 1968. **Malta:** Christmas, 3rd October, 1968; 6th F.A.O. Regional Conference for Europe, 21st October, 1968. **Mauritius:** Bi-centenary of the visit of Bernardin de St Pierre to Mauritius, December, 1968. **Montserrat:** Christmas, 1968; Tourism, February, 1969; International Human Rights, 1968. **Muscat and Oman:** Oil issue, 1968. **Nigeria:** 5th Anniversary of Federal Republic, 1st October, 1968; Olympic Games, 14th October, 1968; Martin Luther King, 1968. **St. Kitts:** Fish, 25th February, 1969; Christmas, 27th November, 1968. **St. Lucia:** Bird Issue, 1968; Christmas, October, 1968; Easter, March 1969. **St. Vincent:** Statehood, 1968; International Human

Rights, November, 1968. **Seychelles:** 200th Anniversary of the landing on Praslin Island, November, 1968. **Turks and Caicos:** In Memoriam Martin Luther King, 1st October, 1968. **People's Republic of Southern Yemen:** Martyr Day, 1969, 11th February, 1969; Archeology in Southern Yemen, 28th December, 1968; Revolution Day, 14th October, 1968. **Zambia:** International Human Rights, 23rd October, 1968; U.N.I.C.E.F., 23rd October, 1968; 20th Anniversary of World Health Organisation, 23rd October, 1968; Natural Resources and Tourism, 5th February, 1969.

## Antigua

Opening of St. Johns Deep-water Harbour.

It has been decided to commemorate the opening of the St. Johns Deep-water Harbour, proposed for October, 1968, by the issue of a set of postage stamps.

The set is comprised of five values—2c, 15c, 25c, 35c, \$1—and the designs by R. Granger-Barrett illustrate the harbour old and new. The stamps have been printed by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd., by a recess and lithographic process on CA block watermark security paper in sheets of 50.

The three values which depict the old harbour, the 2c, 15c and \$1, have been adapted from library engravings, two representing the harbour as it was in 1768, varying only in colour. The other value, the 15c, depicts the harbour of 1829, the date when the first attempts to raise funds for a deep water harbour were made. Ships had become larger and were forced to anchor further out, this inconvenience causing a decline in the amount of traffic calling at the port.

The modern views have been designed from the plans and illustrations of the engineer's report, the 25c value showing a chart of the harbour and a modern freight vessel, the 35c value illustrating the completed new wharf. It is anticipated that the opening of the deep-water harbour will considerably facilitate shipping movements, thereby boosting both the general and tourist trade of the Island.



## DETAILS OF NEW AND FORTHCOMING ISSUES

### East Africa

Mexico Olympic Games, 1968.

The East African Posts and Telecommunications Corporation, on behalf of Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania, is releasing a four value commemorative in denominations of 30c, 50c, Shs 1/30 and 2/50 featuring typical Olympic scenes. The 30c value features the main stadium at Mexico City, the 50c value depicts the diving boards, the Shs 1/30 is a generalised view of a racing track and the Shs 2/50 features a boxing ring superimposed on a background of the Mexico gymnasium.

The original ancient series of Games in honour of Zeus were held in Olympia at four-yearly intervals from before 776 B.C. until A.D. 394, a continuous period of more than 1,170 years, until finally abolished by Emperor Theodosius. The main sport at that time was foot racing, the others being wrestling, boxing, pancraticum (all-in wrestling), the Pentathlon and chariot racing.

Many centuries later the high ideals of the Olympic movement were revived by Baron Pierre de Coubertin at an International Sports Congress in 1894.

Thirteen nations competed in the Games of the 1st Olympiad which was held at Athens in 1896 and soon the 19th Olympiad Games will commence in Mexico. The start of the Games is signalled by the arrival of the Torch which is ignited by the sun's rays at Olympia and carried by relays to the venue of the Games where it is used to light a special flame in the stadium which stays alight for the duration of the events. This ceremony is the modern conception of the sacred flame on the altar of Zeus at the ancient Games.

The symbol of the Olympic Games is five interlocking rings, representing the Continents of the World.

Release date: 14th October, 1968. Designer: V. Whiteley. Printer: Harrison & Sons, Ltd. Process: Photogravure.

### Concorde

New Hebrides. Concorde Project.

On the 9th October, 1968, New Hebrides will issue a two value set of stamps in honour of the Anglo French project.

The Concorde supersonic airliner, which is being designed, developed and manufactured jointly by the British Aircraft Corporation and Sud-Aviation is the product of years of research on the part of both English and French aeronautical technicians. The aircraft, powered by four British Siddeley-Snecma Olympus 593 turbojet engines, will cruise at Mach 2.2, which is an airspeed equivalent to 1,450 m.p.h. and will carry up to 140 passengers. It has an overall length of 191 feet 1 inch, a wing span of 83 ft. 10 ins. and a height (to top of fin) of 38 ft. The design, comprising a long sharp-nosed fuselage and slender delta wing, has been developed and refined in 10 years of wind-tunnel research both in England and France. The flight deck is designed for a crew of three with provision for a fourth member and the layout is along conventional lines. The passenger accommodation is such that the seats, which are four abreast, are adjacent either to the window or the centre aisle.

The Concorde, which is likely to come into service in 1971 on the main international air routes, will give new impetus to the development of air transport and help to further air traffic growth.

The 25 gold centimes value is based upon a prize-winning design by Mr. S. Moss in a competition organised by the "Sun" newspaper and the 60 gold centimes value has been designed by Mr. R. Granger-Barrett. The issue is being printed by Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. by the Delacryl process in sheets of 50 stamps.

As usual with New Hebrides issues, English and French language versions will be released, the English version being printed on CA block watermarked paper and the French version on un-watermarked paper.

### Malaysia

NATURAL RUBBER CONFERENCE 1968

The three stamps for this issue show a common design of a green-budded tree — Hevea Brasiliensis — in tapping, together with three aspects of the natural rubber industry.

The 25 cent stamp depicts a single structural unit which is repeated in a chain of 10,000 'links' to make up one natural rubber molecule.

The 30 cent stamp shows a 1 ton pallet-crate of Standard Malaysian Rubber (SMR) with a single bale of Heveacrumb block rubber in the foreground.

The 50 cent denomination shows the natural rubber tyres of a VC 10 aircraft.

Rubber is the primary, agricultural crop in several tropical countries and Malaysia contributes 44% of the world production. With an annual production of more than one million tons and an acreage of more than 4½ million, Malaysia's rubber industry provides employment for the majority of her population, and is the largest single contributor to Malaysia's national development.

It is appropriate, therefore, that the Natural Rubber Conference 1968 is to be held in Kuala Lumpur. The conference will be formally opened at the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman on the 29th August by the Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Razak bin Hussein S.M.N. It will be attended by some 400 delegates, 200 of whom will be from 24 countries.

While the conference is in progress, a public exhibition in the Muzium Negara will show some of the varied activities sponsored by the Malayan Rubber Fund Board.

In being host to the conference, Malaysia recognises again the importance of natural rubber, not only to itself, but also to its neighbouring producing countries and to the rest of the world.

Release date: 29th August, 1968. Designer: Local Designs. Printer: Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. Process: Lithography.

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## BERMUDA

### OLYMPIC GAMES

On the 24th September, 1968, Bermuda will release a special issue of postage stamps to commemorate the Olympic Games in Mexico, 1968. These will be of common design and commemorate Bermuda's participation in the games. Each stamp features a Footballer, an Athlete, a Dragon class sailing vessel and a Finn class sailing vessel in addition to a silhouette of the Queen and the Olympic Games symbol.

At the international events the footballers' jersey is blue with white trim at the neck and sleeves with a small Bermuda crest on the left hand side of the chest. The athlete has in the centre of the chest of the jersey a Bermuda badge similar to the one on the football jersey, but much larger. The helmsman of the Finn class boat (No. 19) wears a blue windbreaker waterproof jacket with the name Bermuda in red letters across his back.

Sailing enthusiasts will be interested in the following information on the vessels featured on the stamps:-

### INTERNATIONAL FINN CLASS SAIL BOAT

The Finn was designed by Rickard Sarby in 1950 as the single-handed boat to be used in the Olympic Games at Helsinki in 1952, and has now become the most important International single-handed dinghy Class, with fleets all over the world. It is still an Olympic Class.

Since 1950 the Finn has developed considerably and is now a boat of very modern design, even though the hull shape has not changed at all. Construction has been authorised for building in reinforced plastics as well as wood and plywood.

The unstayed flexible mast has been one of the biggest influences on yacht design and the flexible rig allows for very full sails to be carried to give exceptional performance in light airs, while in strong conditions the sail can be strapped down hard so as to give it a remarkable performance to windward.

### THE DRAGON CLASS SAIL BOAT

The Dragon was designed in 1929 by the Norwegian, Johan Anker. The Class developed reasonably quickly and in 1948 was made an Olympic Class, and as a consequence tremendous growth has resulted since. It is interesting to note that in 1964 at the Tokyo Olympics the Class was numerically stronger than any other Olympic Class other than Finns.

Control over the Class has been in the hands of the International Yacht Racing Union since November 1949, and in 1962 the International Dragon Association was formed to assist the IYRU in its general control particularly with reference to rules.

Issue Date: 24-9-68. Designer: V. Whiteley. Printer: Harrison and Sons Ltd. Process: Photogravure.

## CYPRUS

### HONOURS U.N. AGENCIES

#### 20th Anniversary of the World Health Organisation

Joining many other countries who have issued stamps to mark the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the World Health Organisation, the Cyprus Post Office releases a stamp on September 2.

It forms part of a pair of issues, the other one being devoted to the 21st anniversary of the United Nations Children's Fund, devoted towards emphasizing the beneficial work of these two specialised U.N. agencies. Health and child welfare are closely related; world health in particular has been the subject of international co-operation for many years before the second world war, when the League of Nations established the "Office International d'hygiene publique". On its foundation in 1948, the World Health Organisation also assumed the role previously played by the U.N. Relief and Rehabilitation Organisation.

Under its present director, Dr. M. G. Gandau, the WHO provides advisory and technical services to "forward the attainment by all people of the highest possible level of health". Assistance is given, on an advisory level, to help countries fight malaria, tuberculosis, venereal disease, whilst practical work

carried out embraces such fields as biological standardisation, unification of pharmacopoeias, "early warning" service on epidemics, medical research and publication of works of a scientific and technical nature.

A special field of WHO's activities is maternity and child health, which is where the second Cyprus issue, for the

#### 21st Anniversary of the United Nations Children's Fund

is particularly apposite. It came to life when the U.N. General Assembly passed resolution No. 57 in 1946, creating the U.N. Children's Emergency Fund—UNICEF. Millions of children in fourteen war-torn countries were supplied with food, clothing and medical aid. A whole generation was saved. But after the end of the war-emergency, the Fund found much to carry on its work. The majority of children living in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America still remain trapped in a self-perpetuating cycle of hunger, disease, ignorance and poverty. In 1950, the U.N. General Assembly empowered UNICEF to devote its activity towards the long-range programmes benefitting children in developing countries. The organisation's title was changed to "United Nations Children's Fund" in 1953. It gained the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1965, when the citation stressed in particular the great steps forward in international co-operation achieved by UNICEF.

UNICEF's thirty offices work in close co-operation with the governments in whose countries they are situated, and governments usually supply buildings, staff and funds—on the average, two and a half times as much money is contributed by the governments as is spent by UNICEF on its projects. Governments also have to agree that UNICEF aid will go to children without regard to colour, creed, nationality or political belief. UNICEF projects are continued by the governments concerned once the aid is completed.

Principal UNICEF fields of activity are the improvement of child health, fight against malnutrition, aid to education, preventing the breakdown of family life, and to render help in cases of natural disasters.

Both stamps issued September 2nd.

**BAHAMAS: OLYMPIC GAMES**

Date: September 30th.

The Bahamas is a sportsmen's paradise, and will send a diversified delegation to the Mexico Olympic Games, which will participate in the sports depicted on the commemorative set issued in honour of this event.

The Bahamas will also play a very important part in the arrangements for the Mexico Games. The Olympic flame will be brought from Mt. Olympus in Greece, across the Atlantic Ocean to the Bahamian Island of San Salvador, because it was here that on October 12th, 1492, Christopher Columbus sighted a marvellous beacon of light which heralded his first landfall in the New World. A colossal Olympic Monument has been erected on San Salvador Island in the Bahamas by a Mexican Committee, and a fire will be lit on it from the Olympic torch on October 12th, 1968, and will be carried from there to Mexico City. The Olympic Monument is depicted on each of the Bahamian Commemorative stamps, along with a Dorothy Wilding portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Designer: M. Shamir of Israel. Printer: Harrison & Sons Ltd. of England, in photogravure.

**GRENADA: OLYMPIC WINNERS ISSUE**

In honour of the forthcoming Mexico City Olympics, at which Caribbean countries will prominently participate, Grenada, the beautiful Caribbean island, will issue a unique set of commemorative stamps featuring famous Western Hemisphere Olympic Gold medal winners of past Games.

In two compact sheets measuring 6 1/4 x 8", the six values of the set are printed in groups of three stamps of three denominations per sheet. Thus one sheet holds three stamps each of the denominations 1, 2 and 3 cents, while the second sheet holds three stamps each of the denominations 10, 50 and 60 cents. In the centre of one sheet is seen a famous Greek statue of a female Olympic athlete. Under it is seen a legend: "The Ancient Olympics lasted till 394 A.D. The Modern Olympic Games were revived in 1896 in Athens under the auspices of Baron de Coubertin, and are every four years bringing together the

world's youth in peaceful contest."

The second sheet holds in its centre a Greek statue of an Olympic discus thrower, with the legend: "The first recorded Olympic Games took place on the plains of Olympia in 776 B.C. Every four years athletes, poets, warriors, scholars, dramatists, kings, princes, charioteers, and historians would attend the Games."

Each sheet is surrounded by a metallic gold border, one inch wide. Each stamp holds a Dorothy Wilder portrait of Her Majesty the Queen, and shows the Olympic rings and emblem of the Mexico City Games.

Release: September. Designer: M. Shamir. Printer: Harrison & Sons Ltd.

**Designs:**

1c and 10c: **Edith McGuire of the USA**, who won the 200m race in Tokyo in 1964, in 23 seconds. She was the only American woman athlete, besides Miss W. Tyus, who won a gold medal in Tokyo.

2c and 50c: **Arthur Wint of Jamaica**, who sensationally won the 400m race in London in 46.2 seconds. As Great Britain won no gold honours in London, Arthur Wint (besides J. Winter, the Australian high jumper) was the only British Commonwealth gold winner at the Games. He brought great honours also to his neighbouring Caribbean islands. Another Caribbean athlete, G. Rhodem of Jamaica, won the same race in 1952, in 45.9 seconds.

3c and 60c: **Adhemar da Silva of Brazil**, who won the Triple Jump or Hop, Step and Jump contest in 1952 (53ft 2 1/2in) and 1956 (53ft 7 1/2in).

Thus the Grenada Olympic Winners issue honours gold medal winners from North America, the Caribbeans and South America.

**Nigeria**

Olympic Games, Mexico, 1968.

This issue is to be released on the 14th October, 1968; it has been designed by local designers and is in denominations of 4d and 1/6.

Nigeria. 5th Anniversary of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

This issue is to be released on the 1st October, 1968 in denominations of 4d and 1/6 in common design.

**Cayman Islands**

Olympic Games Mexico City 1968.

On the 1st October, Cayman Islands will release a special issue of postage stamps to commemorate the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico.

The set is comprised of three values, 1/-, 1/3, 2/-, each having its own design and background colour. The designs prepared by R. Granger Barrett, make a most attractive set and vividly depict three aspects of the field events, namely Long Jump (1/-), High Jump (1/3), and the Pole Vault (2/-). These events are comparatively modern features, incorporated since the revival of the Games by Baron Pierre de Coubertin in 1896 following an International Sports Congress of 1894.

The stamps have been printed by Perkins Bacon Ltd. by the lithographic process on C.A. Block watermarked paper in sheets of 60.

**MALDIVIAN ISLANDS: DEFINITIVE ISSUE**

The first part of the Maldivian Definitive issue appeared in 1965. A second part will appear shortly, consisting of the following values:

2 Larees: Birds—blue-brown, yellow. 10 Larees: Shells—brown, olive, yellow. 25 Larees: Shells—violet, brown, turquoise. 50 Larees: Birds—grey-blue, brown, yellow. 1 Rupee: Shells—red, turquoises, brown, green. 2 Rupees: Shells—green, brown, yellow.

Size: 30 x 51.4 mm. Designer: M. Shamir, Israel. Printer: Government Printer, Israel.

The Maldivian stamps all bear a very distinctive border which reflects the sea motifs of these "Enchanted Islands". The Coat of Arms of the nation is also featured. A British Protectorate since the last century, the Maldivian Islands obtained independence a few years ago. New air-links connect the island with Ceylon, so that tourists and business men can soon freely visit the ancient country which covers 100,000 sq. miles in the Indian Ocean, spread out over 2000 islands and cays.



## ST. VINCENT

### IN MEMORY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

St. Vincent honours the name of this great civil rights leader by a set of three stamps printed in common design. The stamps feature a profile of King overlooking a typical scene of cotton picking in St. Vincent.

With the passing of Dr. King the world movement towards racial harmony has suffered a considerable setback and only time will tell the true effect. It seems to need martyrs to overcome the biggest civil rights hurdles and even Martin Luther King who was the only leader with a philosophy and a method that had wide support became yet another victim.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was an American Clergyman born on the 15th January, 1929, educated at Morehouse College, Crozer Theological Seminary and Boston University. He was founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Council and a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured Peoples. He was awarded numerous awards for Leadership of the Montgomery Movement and was the Nobel Peace Prize winner in 1964.

Release Date: 26th August, 1968. Designer: V. Whiteley. Printer: Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. Process: Delacryl. Watermark: C. A. Block.

## SEYCHELLES

### INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS YEAR, 1968

Many countries have marked the 20th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, first proclaimed by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 10th, 1948, with sets of commemorative stamps. Seychelles is also to issue a commemorative set on the 28th September, values 20c, 50c, 85c and Rs2.25.

Part of Article 1 of the United Nations' Charter reads: "The purposes of the United Nations are: To maintain international peace and security . . . ; To develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, and to

take other appropriate measures to strengthen universal peace; To achieve international co-operation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural, or humanitarian character, and in promoting and encouraging respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion; and to be a centre for harmonising the actions of nations in the attainment of these common ends."

Release Date: 2nd September, 1968. Designer: Miss J. Toombs, based on Original Design by Mrs. Mary Hayward. Printer: Harrison and Sons Ltd.

## GIBRALTAR

### HUMAN RIGHTS

To celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the adoption and proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the General Assembly of the United Nations, Gibraltar is to release a commemorative set of stamps on the 26th August, 1968.

The lower value of 1s. depicts King John about to sign the Magna Carta in 1215. This document, which set up a permanent formula of liberties to which appeal could for ever after be made, in particular stipulated that no man should be brought to trial unless evidence could be produced against him; that no man should be punished except after lawful trial, or in a manner disproportionate to his defence; that justice should not be sold, nor delayed nor denied to any man.

The 2s value illustrates the Rock of Gibraltar surmounted by the caption "1704-1968 FREEDOM", 1704 being the date upon which the territory came under British Sovereignty, captured by Admiral Sir George Rooke. Since then all attempts to capture it by hostile forces have failed. Both values bear the words "Human Rights 1968" at the top, and carry the designated U.N. symbol immediately below, together with the Queen's portrait.

Release Date: 26th August, 1968. Designer: Mr. F. Ryman. Printer: Harrison and Sons Ltd. Process: Photogravure.

## HONG KONG

### FLOWER EMBLEM AND ARMS

The Hong Kong Government propose to issue two new values in their current definitive series to replace the current 65 cent and \$1 stamps.

The 65 cent features a coloured reproduction of the BAUHINIA BLAKEANA, the Hong Kong flower emblem, with Her Majesty's portrait.

The \$1.00 shows the Armorial Bearings of the Colony with the Royal Cipher.

Date of issue: 25 Sept., 1968. Designer: V. Whiteley. Printer: Harrison and Sons Ltd. Process: Photogravure.

### FLASH I

### WORLD'S FIRST HEART TRANSPLANTATION STAMPS

Grenada's contribution to the world-wide stamp programme honouring the 20th Anniversary of the World Health Organisation will feature unique never before shown themes: One stamp will show a heart transplantation in full colour; other values will show a kidney transplantation, a cornea transplantation and a lung transplantation.

### THE W.H.O. EMBLEM

Homer mentions Aesculapius as a skillful physician in the Iliad, but he was later worshipped as a god. Aesculapius is frequently represented in ancient sculpture standing dressed in a long cloak, with bare breast. His usual attribute is a clublike staff with a serpent coiled around it. This staff is the only true symbol of medicine, and is found in the WHO emblem. The origin of the snake is undoubtedly Biblical, as the snake of copper put on a staff by Moses healed those stricken by an epidemic.

### NEW FIRM

Our September number carried the first advertisement from a new firm in Wellington—Tiki Stamp Services. It is operated by Mr. B. K. Lawton and Mr. R. E. E. Dalby, both of whom are well-known to Wellington collectors. The firm initially intends to concentrate on new issues.

## NEW GREAT BRITAIN STAMP BOOKS

A revised range of stamp books is to be introduced by the Post Office to meet the needs of the new inland letter post, which starts on September 16.

From that date, the contents of the 2s and 10s books will change, and their covers will be a new colour to indicate their new contents.

The 2s book, which will be sold from machines only, will contain six 4d stamps, instead of four 4d, two 3d and two 1d stamps. Its cover will change from yellow to grey.

The 10s book will contain twelve 5d, fourteen 4d and four 1d stamps, instead of six 1d, six 3d and twenty-four 4d stamps. The cover will be moss green instead of cerise.

An entirely new book costing 5s, with a brown cover and containing twelve 5d stamps, will go on sale on November 17.

The existing blue 4/6d (twelve 4d and six 1d stamps) and orange 6s (eighteen 4d stamps) books will stay in their present form.

All except the 2s book will have the illustrated covers introduced this summer—British ships for the 4/6d book, British birds for the 6s book, British explorers for the 10s book and English homes for the new 5s book (the first will be Ightham Mote, Kent).

The cover designs will change periodically and could well become collector's pieces.

Under the new inland letter post, letters up to 4oz will cost 5d if sent first-class and 4d second-class.

The full range of stamp books will be:

Book: 2s 0d, Content: 6 at 4d, Colour: Grey, Design Theme: None.

Book: 4s 6d, Content: 12 at 4d, 6 at 1d, Colour: Blue, Design Theme: Ships.

Book: 6s 0d, Content: 18 at 4d, Colour: Orange, Design Theme: Birds.

Book: 10s 0d, Content: 12 at 5d, 14 at 4d, 4 at 1d, Colour: Moss Green, Design Theme: Explorers.

From 27th November.

Book: 5s 0d, Content: 12 at 5d, Colour: Brown, Design Theme: English Homes.

## GREAT BRITAIN NEWS

### PHILATELIC AGENCY FOR JERSEY ISLAND, ENGLISH CHANNEL ISLANDS

The State of Jersey, English Channel Islands, will soon establish an independent Post Office Department, under an act approved by the British Parliament. The first postage stamps in the history of the Island will appear in October 1969, and will be the first stamps issued there valid for international postage. These will obviously have nothing to do with the "locals" and "Regionals" of the past, and Jersey Island will become a "new Country" among stamp issuing countries, although collectors will consider Jersey's stamps part of their "English" collections.

To announce this historic development and to meet representatives of the U.S. Post Office Department and the philatelic community in the USA, Jersey sends its Stamp Committee's President, the colourful Senator Wilfred H. Krichefski, O.B.E., along with Deputy M. A. Thomas and Comptroller E. J. M. Potter to Washington, New York, and San Francisco. During a reception in New York, the Committee announced the appointment of Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation as Jersey's philatelic agents for North America.

The first issue will contain 15 Definitive values, as well as a commemorative set honouring the postal take-over. Annually about four commemorative issues are planned which will feature some of the colourful and unique phases of Jersey's past and present. The stamps will bear the portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

Jersey was originally known as "Caesaria", after Julius Caesar whose troops occupied the area. Jersey belonged to the Norman reign long before William the Conqueror became King of England, and remained loyal to the English Crown, despite its proximity to France, a mere 10 miles away. The brief German Nazi occupation left behind considerable fortifications and underground facilities, including a large field hospital, built by Russian slave labour.

Jersey's ties with Canada and the USA are many. Newfoundland was largely settled by Jerseymen. New Jersey's first Governor was Sir George de Carteret who had been Jersey Governor previously. The city of Elizabeth is called after his wife, and the city of Carteret is a reminder of his rule.

The Jersey Postal Committee was received by New Jersey's Senators Clifford Case and Harrison Williams Jr. in Washington, and by Governor Hughes in Trenton, New Jersey. Also representatives of the American Jersey Cattle Club met with the Committee. The Jersey Cattle Club's World Conference will be held in October; although no American commemorative stamps will honour the Conference, Jersey will show typical Jersey cows on an early stamp issue.



### AUSTRALIA OLYMPIC GAMES

Designed by Mr. Harry Williamson, of Sydney. Issued 2nd Oct., 1968.

## STAMPS WITH A DIFFERENCE

### PRECANCELS

Frequently these days, the collector will find stamps which have been cancelled before being offered for sale by the Post Office to the public. Precancelled stamps, as they are called, are recognizable, generally, by the fact that they bear the name of the city (or town) of issue impressed over the face of the stamp in black type. Sometimes the cancellation may include a year date as well, or merely a code number set between horizontal lines. This type of stamp is used quite extensively throughout the United States of America, and are precancelled mainly by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing there. Certain American Post Offices, however, are permitted to produce precancels locally, particularly in those places where excessive postal demands require this necessity.

The prime purpose for the use of precancelled stamps arose as a means of saving time in handling heavy lodgements of mail by the Post Office at such places, thereby lessening the laborious task of stamp obliteration. As a result, a much speedier turn round of mail is provided. A substantial proportion of these stamps are sold in bulk to large business firms, which have heavy postal commitments, especially in regard to second class matter.

Up until the present, precancels have not been introduced for use by commercial firms by the New Zealand Post Office authorities in this country, but besides the United States, their issue is quite common in France, Belgium, Canada and Luxembourg. From the collector's viewpoint, a precancelled stamp, as such, is not necessarily valueless. Nevertheless, the heavy black type printed across the stamp, undoubtedly detracts from its value, and does little to improve its appearance. Some philatelists save them for the sake of obtaining a country collection showing the various place names, which serve to differentiate one precancel from another. Geographically, a collection of one-country precancels can be most educational to the interested spectator. Precancels may bear either vertical or horizontal impressions (U.S.A.),

GNWS (Gov't of New South whilst others can be found enclosed by a rectangle (Belgium), or semi-circle (France).

### PROVISIONALS

As the name implies, provisionals refer to stamps which have been prepared, sometimes hurriedly in a time of emergency, or when a particular denominational value on sale by the Post Office, becomes short in supply. These stamps serve provisionally to meet postage demands until such time as the regular, or new issue is printed and placed on sale, after which they are withdrawn. The introduction of a provisional stamp occurs usually through a change in postal rates, shortage of supply, or occupation by the enemy in the time of war. In the case of the former, the provisional overprinting of one stamp presently in abundant stock, by the value of another in very short supply, meets the shortage and economically reduces the costs to the Postal Authorities concerned. Provisionals should not be confused with Overprints, which occupy a very different philatelic role. There are several provisionals among New Zealand issued stamps; one of these placed on sale in 1958 is relatively quite scarce, and has become a collector's item in the full sense of the meaning.

### PERFINS

To the uninitiated, the classification Perfins may sound a little ambiguous, insofar as the terminology bears no relationship to the perforations used for stamp separation. Rather, the abbreviation Perfins stands for "Perforated Initials" and are found punched in stamps of most countries (even New Zealand has a few), as a series of round perforated holes forming the initials of the names of particular firms. These business concerns have their stock of postage stamps perforated with the firm's initials, primarily to prevent their theft and use by workers in their employ.

Canadian and Australian Public Authorities have their country's Official stamps perforated with the letters OHMS (On Her Majesty's Service) and OS (Official Service respectively. Of-

ficial Australian stamps can also be found bearing other perforation combinations, such as Fales), VG (Victoria Government), and so on. Although perfins possess no real value to the average collector who seeks whole stamps undamaged in any way, some people do collect these stamps separately, and endeavour to discover from the perforated initials, the name of the firm using the stamps. For the interested collector, some unusual forms of lettering can be found, should close examination be made. Again, for one-country collectors, the inclusion of a separate section for perfins can open up a new avenue of investigation and lend added interest to your collection.

G. LAWSON.

### HOPEFUL

A hopeful person in Guyana recently wrote to an English dealer offering mint blocks and pairs K.E. VII 5s to £1, and Q.V. £1 and £5 stamps, plus Waterlow "Seahorses" in sheets, and a block of 25 £1 P.U.C. (which were printed in sheets of 20!) all for a nominal payment of £150 (in £10 British banknotes only) and promise to complete payment of £500 on receipt of the stamps.

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## SOCIETY NOTES AND NEWS

### TIMARU PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The September meeting was held on 10th September, 1968, in the Congregational Church Hall, Church Street West, Timaru. A spirited auction occupied the attention of the larger than usual gathering for most of the evening. Instead of the usual display, each member brought along his or her favourite sheet from their collections, and a most unusual and varied display of these was well received. After seeing the high quality of the sheets it seems that the annual competition in November will be of a higher standard than usual.

The Society has arranged that a party will visit the Ashburton Philatelic Society on 25th September, and we look forward to this. Two displays are to be provided by us. It is hoped that more such exchanges of visits between various philatelic societies will take place in the future.

B. R. HENDERSON.

### WHAKATANE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

With our monthly meeting for September being held so close to the date that these notes have to be in the hands of the Editor, leaves me with no option but to write prior to the meeting, thus with little to report.

(Our second monthly meeting (informal evening) took place on the 22nd August and as it was held during the School holidays, an attempt was made to entertain the Junior members and members families generally.

There was nothing of a philatelic nature on the programme. Mrs. Hjorth gave an interesting talk, supported by coloured slides on Tripoli and Switzerland (part of her world tour). This was followed by all participating in a game of "Beetles". Though provided for the children, it was obvious the parents enjoyed the games just as much as the younger ones.

R. S. CRADDOCK.

### HUTT VALLEY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

#### EXCHANGE BRANCH

In five months 100 exchange books have been issued, with sales of \$1100 so far.

### AUCKLAND PHILATELIC SOCIETY

On the 20th August, 1968, Mr. J. A. Robinson was our speaker with Postal History as his subject.

The display contained various markings on stamps from the period of full face Queens down to the present day, illustrating the importance of same when purchasing older N.Z. stamps. Emphasis was placed on the practice of collecting "Fine Used" stamps which in most instances show a faint line somewhere on the stamp, but does not prove it has been postally used, so necessary when collecting used stamps.

Several examples of good postmarks—such as HEADQUARTER and QUEENS REDOUBT—were shown, and it was explained that such marks, even though the stamp is obliterated to a certain extent, actually enhance the value.

Some of the pitfalls collectors may fall into were illustrated and explained. They are:—

(a) The use of Fiscal and Telegraph markings on stamps issued officially for 'POSTAGE', 'REVENUE' and 'POSTAGE and REVENUE'. Such markings render a stamp valueless or almost valueless and several examples were pointed out in the display.

(b) All embossed stamps were fiscally used. The so called "English Type" datestamps used at Wellington and Christchurch were not used postally.

(c) Some stamps are catalogued high for, used than unused. To justify the higher price a dated copy is essential to prove it was genuinely used at the time. A fine used stamp with a mere small mark is worth no more than an unused copy. Examples of this are to be found in King Geo. V issues.

(d) Manuscripts. A careful study of the N.Z. handbooks is a must as these vary very considerably. A genuine postal marking superimposed on the manuscript is sufficient to prove its authority. Otherwise the original should be carefully considered to satisfy oneself. Any found in cheap bulk lots are fairly certain to be O.K.

(e) Some older Telegraph Office markings at offices such as Douglas, New Plymouth and Wellington were authorised for

postal use. Nowadays Telegraph Savings Bank markings etc., are often found on letters and even registered parcels.

To sum up, if used stamps are to be collected, then why not with Postal markings, especially for the older issues and when the price is high, a good Postmark lends "character" to a stamp.

Our next meeting on 3rd September was convened by Mr. J. Regan "one sheet display" by members.

This proved a most successful evening and very popular. Eight speakers took us round the world with a great variety of subjects and material and again introduced a new group of speakers. We trust this will bring a number prepared to come on to the printed programme next year, as that is one very good point that such a meeting can bring about. Those clubs who have not tried this type of meeting, should try it, it's worth a go, so many are hesitant to begin and once the trial period has passed, a number of new speakers can be at your disposal, because everyone collects something of interest and value.

N. WILLIAMS.

### WAIKATO PHILATELIC SOCIETY

An attendance of 45 members and visitors were privileged to hear Mr. McNaught FRPS. NZMSc give a talk and display on the marine post offices of New Zealand.

His collection, rated to be the second best in the world, exhibited examples of stamps and covers from 1864 to 1901.

Unfortunately, his interesting talk can only be covered by a brief resume. All the ships that have carried N.Z. marine mail were named. The stamps and covers included the "Chalon Heads" cancels of 1864 and covers to 1901.

D. K. EDSALL.

### THAMES VALLEY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

At our September meeting 12 members were present. After the General business had been dealt with, Mr. H. R. Trimmer presented a quiz on early issues, and in giving the answers he went to a great deal of trouble to explain various points.

The rest of the evening was given over to an auction.

Next meeting: 9th October.

F. J. JANS.

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## WELLESLEY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

**12th August:** We were very pleased to welcome members and visitors to our 22nd Anniversary of the Society. Our life members, Messrs. E. L. Clark, J. Shaw and Mrs. E. L. Thompson were the speakers. They spoke on the early days of the Society. At the commencement of the Society, the membership was twelve and six or seven attended the meetings. The first meetings were held in the British Israel Society Rooms. Mr. J. Shaw also gave us a very interesting talk when he used to deliver mail by horseback in the Coromandels many many years ago. Saturday was mail day and Mr. Shaw would leave Port Jackson round about six in the morning for a twenty-five mile ride to Colville, picking up mail and then returning about 4 p.m. delivering the mail on the return journey. As the area became more populated and mails increased, pack horses were used, then came the event of the motor car. Then the mail was not always delivered, for whereas the horse could go through floods, mud, slips, etc., the motor car would be held up.

**26th August:** Junior Night is proving to be one of the highlights of the year. Twenty-five members, twelve junior collectors and five visitors were present. Eight of the junior members brought along sheets for display. These were most outstanding and each collector was awarded a packet of stamps. An auction was held, much fun erupting from this and very spirited bidding from the juniors. Two excellent colour films were shown, "Yachting at Cowes" and "Mechanization of the Post Office".

## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

**14th October:** Display of Stamps of Hong Kong by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dale.

Annual meeting of the Wellesley Philatelic Society held on 9th September, 1968.

Officers elected as follows:—

President: Mr. N. G. Davison; Immediate Past President: Mrs. E. L. Thompson; Vice Presidents: Mr. G. MacLean, Mr. D. H. C. Shirley; Secretary: Mr. B. Forster; Treasurer: Mr. J. Martin; Exchange Superintendent: Mrs. U. McEwan; Executive Com-

mittee: Mr. D. F. C. Ward, Mr. P. Perfect; Exhibition and Competition Convenor: Mr. P. Gilchrist; Librarians: Mesdames M. Allely and M. Russell; Assistant Exchange Superintendent: Mr. G. MacLean.

## THE SUBURBAN STAMP CLUB

Our August meeting was attended by twenty collectors to hear Mrs. S. M. Gibson talk on her display of stamps of Rhodesia. Mrs. Gibson lived in Bulawayo, Rhodesia, for many years and she was able to give us a first-hand description of the history and geography of this country. The September meeting was on the stamps of Malta and attended by twenty-eight members. Mr. J. Martin displayed a very fine collection of this country and gave us a most informative talk.

This Club was only formed four months ago and it is very gratifying the interest that has been shown by our philatelic friends. We would welcome more members; subscription \$1 town members and 50c for country members; meetings are the first Wednesday in the month and held at 869 New North Road, Mt. Albert, Auckland. Circuit books are in operation and we would like more buying and selling members. All enquiries to P.O. Box 57-035, Owairaka, Auckland.

## GISBORNE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

At the A.G.M. in August, Mr. M. G. Tombleson was re-elected President. Messrs F. Bennett, B. J. Cowie and H. Sprong were elected vice-presidents and Mr. H. G. Nicholls was elected Exchange Super.—Treasurer. The Committee included Mrs. G. Drummond and three new members, Messrs E. Birtwhistle, W. Bennett, and J. Garty.

Miss D. Hawkins displayed a small part of her extensive Postal History collection. She gave a most interesting and instructive talk on the development of date stamps, especially since 1900.

Mr. F. Bennett will be displaying modern varieties of N.Z. in September, and in October we will hold our Annual Competition.

M. G. TOMBLESON

## WELLINGTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The programme at the August meeting was almost entirely devoted to the Junior Members. Six entries were received for the Stamp Centre Trophy which was being contested solely by the juniors for the first time. (This compares most favourably with no entries received when the trophy was to be competed for by all members last June.) After a very close contest, Master Richard Coombes was declared the winner by popular vote. In presenting the trophy and stock book as a permanent prize, Mr. R. Rowell (the donor) commented on the high standard of the entries and gave useful advice on such matters as mounting to give proper balance to each page.

The highlights of the evening were talks and displays given by six juniors, which were a great credit to them and in fact would do justice to any senior member.

Details were as follows:—

Richard Coombes—Papua and New Guinea. During this display it was mentioned that a few of the British Solomon Islands were now in the territory of Papua and New Guinea.

Tony Reynolds—Designs for the Colonies. A display of various British Colonial Omnibus issues (Silver Jubilees, Coronations, Victories, Silver Weddings, U.P.U., Freedom from Hunger, Red Cross, I.T.U. Churchill, World Cup etc.).

Pamela Coombes—Churchill. Various Churchill commemoratives, including British and Foreign issues. Some miniature sheets from Germany and Liberia were quite novel.

Fred Turner—1960/67 Pictorials. These included both the £.s.d and dollar issues. Interesting First Day Covers were also featured.

Margaret Harley—Alphabet on Stamps. Some ingenuity was shown in finding animals to match the letters of the alphabet from A-Z. The real problem, as always, was the letter X, which was shown as X = 10 = Ten different animals on stamps. (Margaret Harley, who was a visitor, is a grand-daughter of our vice-president, Mrs. M. E. Chesterman.)

Kenneth Lawn — Philatelic Youth Camps—including a des-

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cription of the work undertaken at these youth camps, plus a display of Camp Covers.

The President, Mr. Marcel Stanley, congratulated the youngsters for the interesting variety of new subjects dealt with, and thanked the Vice-President and Secretary for their part in "organising" the juniors programme. So the juniors would not easily forget their fine showing on what must have been quite an eventful first night, Mr. Stanley presented each of them with a N.Z. Full Face Queen, (Chalon Head).

The final event of the evening was a quiz conducted by Margaret Harley. This was won by another Junior visitor, Lawrence Rowell, who is a son of our Librarian (and competent auctioneer).

Since the 26th August, the city has been buzzing with favourable comment on Junior Night, and the consensus of opinion is that the next one cannot come too soon.

M. G. WING.

### ROTORUA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Meeting 10th September, 1968.

Our President, Mr. R. A. Brockley, is very interested in Postal History; his main objective being to endeavour to obtain as great a number as possible of a stamp cancelled by each office which has existed. In view of the numerous offices involved, the task seems a most difficult undertaking. He has certainly made good progress and at our last meeting gave a talk and display on the subject, choosing for his purpose, the portion of the collection covering the Thames area.

His opening remarks referred to some of the original premises in parts of the country and then drew attention to the modern buildings now in use in different cities and towns. He then proceeded to give a few details regarding some of the offices and in a number of instances had pictures of a few of the very early premises which gave added interest and emphasised the opening remarks.

The meeting were appreciative of the President's effort and showed this in the customary manner.

W. W. VINSON.

### WAIKATO PHILATELIC SOCIETY

At the Bi-Monthly meeting of the above society at Whitiara Bowling Club rooms, Mr. K. McNaught gave a comprehensive talk and display on the various meshes that occur on 2nd Side Face N.Z. issues and newspaper stamps. The previously judged yearly competition for Junior Club, and the "Conlon Memorial Trophy", which had some fine entries, were presented to the winners. Junior Cup was won by Miss L. Cameron and the Conlon Trophy by Mr. R. Fowke. Some brief remarks on the entries by the judges, Mr. A. Ambury and Mr. F. Course, followed.

D. EDSALL.

### POSTMAN'S TERROR

A well-known philatelist in Timaru has a small pet dog. It is quite active, and barks furiously at strangers, though it wouldn't think of harming them.

This philatelist has many contacts around the world who send him stamps, and thus he receives a lot of registered mail. As his letter box is a few hundred yards down a drive, the postman is never seen unless registered mail necessitates his coming to the door.

The dog unfortunately has taken a great dislike to the postman, and one day the postman in terror kicked the dog. As a result, the dog became highly hostile, and the postman looked so upset as he fled down the drive that it looked as though the unfortunate collector would never get any more registered mail.

However, he overlooked the initiative that can be displayed by the New Zealand Post Office, initiative that has in the past resulted in everything from Full-Face Queens to 4d Pictorials on chalk-surfaced paper. Several days later, early in the morning there came a phone call from the Mailroom—"Tie up your dog and we'll bring you a registered letter!"

This cunning move being acceptable to both parties, it has continued, so the collector always knows several hours in advance to expect registered mail!

B. R. HENDERSON.

### FIFTY YEARS OF CZECHOSLOVAKIAN STAMPS

This month we shall concentrate on another producer of Czechoslovak postage stamps, the prominent painter and graphic artist, Karel Svoboda.

He entered the 1947 contest for a stamp commemorating the fifth anniversary of the razing of Lidice; Svoboda submitted several sketches depicting a simple, tortured woman, whose suffering borders on the unbearable and at the same time is filled with defiance arising from the nations feeling of injustice and suffering during the period of the Nazi occupation. This stamp created a sensation and marked the beginning of a new era in the evolution of stamp design.

Within a period of twelve years Svoboda created dozens of stamps and sets without a single repetition of motif or style.

Pushkin was the subject of another stamp and this attracted great attention at the 1949 international stamp exhibition in Paris. Other subjects of this artist's stamps have included such as a portrait of Bozenna Nemcova Smetana, Dvorak, Beethoven and many others. Also in other fields he proved himself an artist, such as the stamps depicting the Czech and Slovak countryside in all their magnificent colour, folk art, birds, mushrooms and flowers. The set issued in the years 1955, 1956, 1957 on National costumes, was considered to be one of his best ever, a very delicate design with soft colours and quiet background, make this set of twelve stamps a most attractive one, and to add to their attraction, the first part of this set is now extremely difficult to get hold of, and then at a premium.

Following World War II, the names of yet many other stamp designers became well-known, some of them are Josef Kaplicky (Lidice 1947), Josef Liesler (World youth festival 1947), Mario Stretti (portraits of F. L. Celakovsky 1952), Anna Podzemna (Spartakiad 1960 and XVIII Olympic Games in Tokyo, 1964).

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The first cargo of frozen meat left New Zealand in the ALBION ship, DUNEDIN, 1882. This important event in our nation's story is commemorated on the 6d centennial of 1940 and the 8d lamb export stamp of 1957. The DUNEDIN, of 1320 tons, was built in 1874 and on this first voyage from New Zealand a cargo comprising just under 5000 carcasses of mutton and lamb and 22 carcasses of pork. The Port Brisbane, shown also on the 8d lamb export stamp, has room for 375,000 carcasses. This ship also has space for 12,000 bales of wool.

The Dunedin flew the flag of the Albion Company, which a few years later amalgamated with the Shaw Savill line to become SHAW SAVILL AND ALBION Company. The house flag of this line is practically the same as the first New Zealand flag adopted by the Maori chiefs in 1835—the flag of the Southern Cross.

An interesting relic of early New Zealand is the hulk of the Edwin Fox built in 1853, and until recently used as a coal depot in Picton. Local residents are rebuilding the ship and when this task is completed, we shall be able to see what a sailing ship was like in the early days of the colony.

The 5d peace stamp pays a tribute to the men of the Merchant Marine in this picture of the Shaw Savill DOMINION MONARCH, one of the largest ships to visit New Zealand. This motor ship of 27,155 tons was

built in 1938, and with accommodation for 517 first class passengers, was, at the time, the latest in shipbuilding.

She was taken over by the British Government in 1940 and converted into a troop ship capable of carrying 4,000 men. She was in constant service during the war and carried 90,000 men across the Atlantic. When the enemy was advancing on Singapore, Dominion Monarch was in dry dock with her engines dismantled. All labour was with drawn by the Navy or had deserted and the position seemed hopeless. But her crew were determined men and worked day and night to save her from falling into enemy hands. This 5d peace stamp is a tribute not only to the men of the Dominion Monarch, but to all seamen who served during the war years.

The modern ship on the 8d Lamb Export stamp is the PORT BRISBANE flying the flag of the Port Line.

This shipping line came into existence in 1914 with the amalgamation of four British shipping lines into the Commonwealth and Dominion Line. In 1916 it was decided to name all its ships with the prefix PORT, and this in turn led to the change of name of the Company to the PORT LINE in 1936. Port Brisbane, of 11,942 tons, was launched in 1948 and is a regular visitor to New Zealand ports. The first Port Brisbane was lost by enemy action in the Indian Ocean in 1940.

The New Zealand Shipping Company is represented on postage stamps by the RANGITATA on one of the stamps of the United States Canal Zone. I have not been able to determine which one.

If you turn to the Insurance stamps 1d or 1 cent, you will see one of the last sailing ships to visit New Zealand—The Finnish barque PAMIR. This ship was built in Hamburg, 1905. Her register tonnage is 2365 tons and has a cargo carrying capacity of 4,400 tons. Her full sail area is 36,000 square feet. The Pamir became a prize of war in 1914 and was later sold to the Swedish shipowner Gustad Erikson.

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Although the Company was not formally constituted until 1875, its roots go down into the very early years of the colony. John Jones, the Waikouiti whaler and trader, was interested in shipping and his ship laid the foundation of this most successful Dunedin enterprise—the Union Company. Johnny Jones had a deep admiration for the missionaries and clergy of his time and while he lived he insisted that these men should travel free of charge on his ships.

The MONOWAI, 10,852 tons, was built in Belfast for the P. & O. Line and named RAZMAK. One being sold to the Union Company, she was renamed MONOWAI at a ceremony attended by King Koroki and Princess Te Puea.

On the outbreak of war, Monowai was converted into an armed merchant cruiser attached to the Royal N.Z. Navy. In 1943, at the urgent request of the British Government, she was sent to England and prepared for the Normanby landing. She was the largest ship actually engaged in the landing of troops on the beach, carrying 1,800 British and Canadian troops.

Monowai was sold to ship-breakers in 1960. On leaving Auckland she was saluted by the Navy as a tribute to her war service, and Wellington also gave her a fitting farewell.

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