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## SUMMER SEMINAR '17 APS' ANNUAL STAMP CAMP - SOMETHING FOR ALL

I hope you are enjoying Spring and spending time with your family in this season that always feels like a fresh start opportunity – though I'll admit that it also feels like a time to escape pollen and spend some indoor time with my stamps!

I'm looking forward to attending the American Philatelic Society's Summer Seminar on Philately, being held from June 25-30 at the APS headquarters in Bellefonte, Pa. The annual event is the highlight of the participants' philatelic calendar, and most come back year after year.

I have attended more times than I can count and I look forward to seeing the same friends every year. Joanne Berkowitz, our executive director, and several other ISWSC members are known to be frequent students.

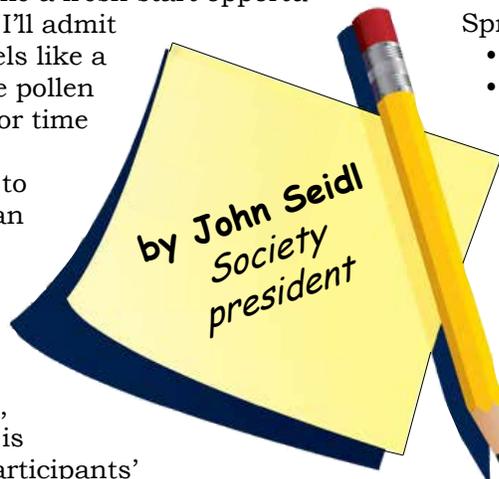
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- You can learn more at the website: <http://stamps.org/Summer-Seminar>.
- I hope to see you there. And remember, we need your help to spread the word on the ISWSC – we need more members!



Our president at "Stamp Camp," the APS Summer Seminar.

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# Philamusings

**A**mong the many fascinating nuggets in this issue, **Emory Earl Toops** talks about philatelic maps. It's an article I could identify with; some of my earliest memories are of being hypnotized by maps.

I loved the way I could make the states or the counties of England fit together: like jigsaw puzzle pieces. And Canada's Arctic islands *didn't* fit together, even though they looked like they should.

To my young and inquiring mind, they were even more eerie and adventurous than the Aegeans.

Eventually, I learned that some places have wonderful names. Words like Tashkent and Samarkand still teleport my imagination to realms I won't see any other way.

My favorite Canadian island was Baffin, partly because it looks like a talking lobster but mostly because "Baffin" is a word with many vague connotations; it looks and sounds like other words, but it isn't any of them.

This month's Mail Bid Sale has a lovely item issued under another great name: Nos-si-Bé. It's a small island on the northern tip of Madagascar that was administered as a French colony before being merged into Madagascar in 1898.

It is with some sadness that I have learned that the contemporary spelling is Nosy Be, which probably sounds identical but – let's face it – simply doesn't pack the same mix of wallop and panache to which we map fiends and stamp collectors have become accustomed.

In philately, fun is where you find it, and mystery is where it finds you. That, and remembering that Scotch tape only *looks* like it might make good hinges, will always get you through what is really supposed to be the hobby of a lifetime.

**Eddie Janusz**  
Copy Editor

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*Dead country series***BRITISH  
HONDURAS**

by  
**John  
Seidl**

*Editor's note: this is the 18th installment of a series that resurrects the stamps of "dead" countries - nations that previously issued postage but no longer do so under the same name.*

**T**he Treaty of Versailles in 1783 between Spain and Great Britain gave the British rights to cut timber between the Hondo and Belize rivers. The Convention of London in 1786 expanded this concession to include the area between the Belize and Sibun rivers. In 1862, the Settlement of Belize on the Bay of Honduras was declared a British colony and named British Honduras, and the Crown's representative was elevated to the position of lieutenant governor, subordinate to the governor of Jamaica.

Early letters were sent via Jamaica beginning in 1786. A *Belize* handstamp first appeared in 1800 and the first local post office was opened on Oct. 31, 1809.

British postage stamps were put in use in 1858 and an "A06" obliterator was used in Belize. This continued until the colony assumed direct operations of the postal service in April 1860. Mail was not stampless; the postal service used handstamps to indicate the payment of postage.

The first stamps were introduced in 1866 (**Figure 1**) using the same Queen Victoria design that was typical of British Empire stamps of this period with an oval band reading *BRITISH HONDURAS* and the denomination. The first issue consisted of 1d, 6d, and 1sh values. The design continued in use until



**FIGURE 1**  
Scott 1, 3 & 4

the Keyplate issue of 1891 (**Figure 2**), with periodic changes of watermark and perforation (along with overprints).

In 1888 the currency changed from pounds to dollars and cents, necessitating surcharges (**Figure 3**) ranging from 2¢ to 50¢. The 1891 Keyplate issue ended this practice and had six values – later augmented with 5¢ and 10¢ issues in 1895 and a 25¢ value in

1898. Some valuable varieties are depicted in **Figures 4 and 5**.

The Keyplate design was modified to read *POST-AGE & REVENUE* and the existing stamps were overprinted *REVENUE* for use as fiscals.

According to Barefoot, British Honduras issued revenue stamps in 1899. The only issue consisted of

contemporary postage stamps overprinted *REVENUE*. Four values exist - 5¢, 10¢, 25¢ and 50¢ on 1s - and the overprint is found in two lengths: 11mm and 12mm. Several overprint varieties are



**FIGURE 2**  
1891 Keyplate



**FIGURE 3**  
1888 overprint



**FIGURE 4**  
1888 2c on 1d red,  
double surcharge



**FIGURE 5**  
1888 TWO in both  
black and red on  
1sh gray.



very collectible, such as *BEVENUE*, *REVENU* and *REVE UE*. Despite being intended for fiscal use, they were also valid for postage.

In 1902 the stamp design was updated with a new monarchical portrait for Edward VII and then again in 1913 for George V.



FIGURE 6  
4c Peace issue without "Peace"



FIGURE 7  
British Honduras' first pictorial stamp

1938: a series consisting of 12 stamps with values of 1¢ through \$5 (Figure 7). The two-color designs included Mayan figures, agricultural enterprises, and local scenes.

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on Jan. 1, 1964 and issued its last stamps as British Honduras - celebrating the festivals of Belize - at the beginning of 1973.

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For those of you seeking to learn more about the philatelic history of British Honduras I'd suggest you visit the APRL or another philatelic library and seek out:

- Addiss, Edward F. *The "Town" Cancels of British Honduras, 1880-1973*. Naples? FL.: British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group, 1990 57p.
- King, Eric W. *A Brief Postal History of Belize*. Belmopan: E.W. King, 1981 58p.
- Matheson, Ian A. *The Postage Stamps and Postal History of British Honduras 1767-1902*. Chicago, IL.: Belize Philatelic Study Circle, 1989 65p.

- Poole, Bertram W.H. *The Postage Stamps of British Honduras*. London: Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly, 1910 39p.
- Proud, Ted. *The Postal History of British Honduras*. Proud-Bailey Co. Ltd., 1999.

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*John, our Society president, started collecting at 8 courtesy of his grandfather and never stopped. He's a genuine worldwide collector with an entire room in his home devoted to housing his collection - all countries, all years. He has a few specialized collections: Cayman Islands postal history, clocks and watches on stamps, and Costa Rica revenues.*

*He enjoys teaching in the Boy Scout stamp collecting merit badge program and has proudly donated tens of thousands of stamps to support various youth programs. He's also a life member of the APS, treasurer of the British Caribbean Philatelic Study Group and belongs to dozens of other philatelic clubs and societies.*



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Dear editor:

On page 13 (of the Mar/Apr 17 issue), in the article about specialized catalogs, there is a yellow box with information about ordering the CD stamp catalogs. I cannot make out the email address in this yellow box. Can you please forward to me? Thank you.

By the way, I am a new member, and this was my first issue. Excellent!

**Jonathan Topper**  
Houston, TX

*Editor's note: the email Topper is referring to is phillipo@012.net.il.*



Letters to the editor should be emailed to wthiii3@rcn.com and must contain subjects of value to the membership. There is no limitation on word count but the editor may need to pare down lengthy missives due to space considerations. Although members will receive priority placement (please include your member #), *The Circuit* welcomes letters from anyone who wants to wax poetic about philately. And in English, please!

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## TONG TALES

## HE'S ROLLING IN HIS GRAVE!

This Austrian semi-postal stamp (Scott B24), issued in 1934, sold at double its face value. The surtax was used for general charity. The well-known Austrian architect Jakob Prandtauer is pictured with his birth (1651) and death year (1726). What's wrong? To find out go to page 37.



**D**r. Edward Grabowski provided the following comprehensive answer to unknown Whatzit **35.2.2**. “This is a French Colonial revenue

stamp from Indochina. It is listed in the Duston French Colonies Revenue catalogue in the Indochina section. There was no tight control over production and use of revenue stamps in the Colonies, so every colony presents a different view.

“The basic stamp is from the Dubois issue of the French Colonies general issues featuring the figure of commerce. You will see the set in the French Colonies section of Scott. A number of the colonies created revenue stamps, as was done in this case, by overprinting existing postage stamps for revenue use.

The overprint reads **5/cents/GREFFE**. It was done during the 1895-1897 period when the stamp was excess stock because Indochina was using the Group Type issue, which I collect. These stamps were used for tax purposes on court documents. Duston gives a catalog value of \$4 for this stamp off document.



WHATZIT 35.2.2

“Used stamps do not command much of a market. The key is to get them on original document. I do not have your issue on document as I

do not collect such.

However, I do collect the next issue, the Group Type as noted. Attached is a court petition (**Figure 1**), that was charged a filing tax of 67 centimes employing some court fiscals (50c, 1C and 1c) and Group Types overprinted for fiscal use at 5c and 10c (**Figure 2**). The overprints are of the type shown on your stamp.

“Having a document always adds to the story.



For ease of future reference, *Whatzits* are numbered sequentially, using the volume and issue number of the newsletter in which the illustration first appears as a prefix (e.g. 34.1.1, 34.1.2, 34.1.3).

In this case a small landowner was petitioning the court to reconsider the previous sale of some of his land. He said he was ill at the time of the sale and suffering from mental distress. Thus, he made a bad decision in selling the land, and now (1897) wants it back. Written across the main text of the document is a note from the court saying that they will not consider the case.”

I must acknowledge the contribution of **G. Hulings Darby** to this particular column. It was he who contacted Dr. Grabowski who in turn provided the introduction above. He also researched the information identifying all the Whatzits for this column.



by Richard Barnes

*Whatzit? coordinator*

LOTS OF ANSWERS!

Whatzit **35.2.1** was issued during the Spanish Civil War. It is one of many similar labels sold to raise money for “social assistance.” “Alcira” is the Spanish spelling for “Alzira,” a town in Valencia (eastern Spain).

At the time I looked online, there were listed, in addition to the 15 cts blue Alcira: 5cts, values printed both on dark orange and in rose inscribed Alcira; 5 cts, bright blue inscribed “Puzol,” and a 5 cts violet inscribed “Carcagente.” Such stamps are listed in *Catalogo Allepuz*, a six-volume catalog covering local stamps of the Spanish Civil War, available for €480.



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

Whatzit **35.2.1** is listed as Allepuz Aleira #5; this label sells for about €10.

Whatzit **35.2.2** see introduction. Dr. Grabowski translates the overprint "GREGGE" as "Court Registry."

Whatzit **35.2.3** is a high-value issue of Great Britain. Depending on the watermark this stamp is either a Scott #110 or #123. The boxed "C.H.R./G.P.O" marking is a *telegraph* cancel. Non-postal cancels generally are less desirable, but I simply could not find any specific information regarding this particular stamp. The high face value is explained by the cost of sending telegrams to far-flung outposts of the British Empire.

Whatzit **35.2.4** is a Soviet revenue stamp. More information is required.

The first unknown Whatzit of this issue, **35.3.1**, is probably from the Balkans. It is a green 5-Para stamp overprinted in black **NOPTO/30**. What country is it from? Is it a postage stamp/purpose? What is the date of issue? Is this stamp part of a set and if so what is the composition of the stamps in the set?

The next unknown Whatzit, **35.3.2**, is a blue 1-peso stamp from Paraguay. The center design is a government building in black with the inscription "GOBIERNO CONSTITUCIONAL". Any information on this stamp or stamp set is needed. Whatzit **35.3.3** and the scan of the back of the stamp, **35.3.3a**, shows an orange and blue 2¢ U.S. revenue stamp. What is the



WHATZIT 35.3.1



WHATZIT 35.3.2



WHATZIT 35.3.3



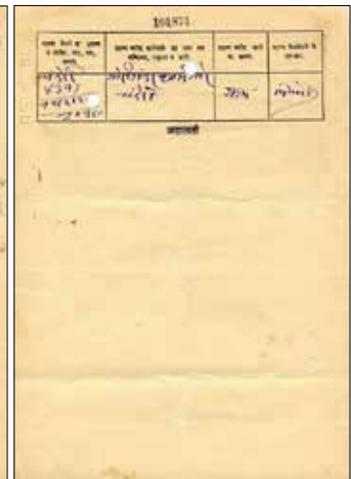
WHATZIT 35.3.3a

purpose of this stamp, date issued, set composition and any other information that would be helpful? In my ignorance I am interested in the rowel-like indentations scrolled in the stamp paper. Is it a cancel, security device or what? As a change of pace the final unknown Whatzit **35.3.4** and reverse **35.3.4a** is an example of stamped revenue paper, in this case from India. The member who submitted this Whatzit - a bright red 5R revenue document - believes that it is a bond. Can any member confirm this? What category of stamped revenue paper does this fall into? What is the date of issue or composition of the set of this design of stamped revenue paper? Or any other useful information?

Member participation is needed. If any member can add to/correct/expand upon the identifications given in this column or previous columns, please take the time and share your knowledge for the benefit of all. This column is only as good as the time and participation provided by members.



WHATZIT 35.3.4



WHATZIT 35.3.4a



*Richard started collecting stamps in 1980 when his wife, Sandra, better known around the world as SWMBO (She Who Must Be Obeyed), decided that he was spending too much money and taking up too much space with his interest in the military history of eastern Europe, the Ottoman Empire and to a lesser extent the*

*Sino-Japanese conflict. She and her mother believed that her father only spent \$25 per month on stamps. Richard received for Christmas a Ka-Be Canadian album, a bag of stamps and a Canadian stamp catalog along with his marching orders. He now concentrates on collecting anything philatelic or philatelic-like from North Africa, the Middle East and the Horn of Africa.*



# Submit!

Got an article for our journal?  
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Bill Harris, [wthiii3@rcn.com](mailto:wthiii3@rcn.com).



**A**s an advanced worldwide collector, I have always had an interest in the “peripherals” of the hobby: old albums, stamp guides and identifiers, maps and books about stamps. In this article, I’ll review both a philatelic map and a book about stamps that says more about the culture of the times than it does about stamps.

One subject worldwide collectors are good at is geography for, between stamps, catalogs and maps, collectors know the location and basic history of most every “live” or “dead” country on the face of the earth.

In its own rather unwieldy way, Scott’s *Philatelic Map of the World 1840 to 1975* (Figure 1) contributes to this knowledge although its actual usefulness is open to debate. The size of a small dinner table for four (45½ x 36½”), the map is both a stamp identifier and geographical location guide using a Mercator projection of the world. The inset map of Europe (Figure 2) depicts each country’s first stamp issue date.

Overlaid on unused areas of the map (i.e., parts of Canada, the old USSR and the Indian Ocean) are smaller maps showing: 19<sup>th</sup>-century Europe; Southwest Asia and the Horn of Africa - remarkably prescient for 1975; former Italian states; former German states; and 19<sup>th</sup>-century colonial Africa.

A lengthy concordance runs across the entire



FIGURE 1

# OF MAPS AND BOOKS

By Emory Earl Toops

much.

It might have been useful in the days when I taught Model United Nations in high school and had an entire wall on

bottom of the map where Antarctica would be located, giving the name on the stamp, its name in English (if applicable) and the geographic coordinates.

Even names in non-Latin alphabets are provided, mostly Cyrillic ones. As I look at this map spread out on my floor, I am thinking how best to use this piece of philatelic history. As

a stamp identifier, though, it’s not enough and as a map, it’s simply too



FIGURE 2

which to mount it or when working with young collectors where the object would be to mount a stamp from each country shown on the map (as most country areas are certainly big enough to accommodate one).

But beyond this, there is little to recommend this particular philatelic item. The 1986 book, *The Stamp Atlas* (Figure 3), by W. Raife Wellsted, Stuart Rossiter and John Flower, contains much more information in a much more useable form.

Books about stamps for young readers were popular in the decades of the 1930s, ‘40s and ‘50s, and Sigmund I. Rothschild’s 1932 book *Stamps of Many Lands* (Figure 4) definitely falls into this category. The book’s

premise is that every stamp tells a story and the author does this by taking the reader on a world tour with a one-page historical country narrative

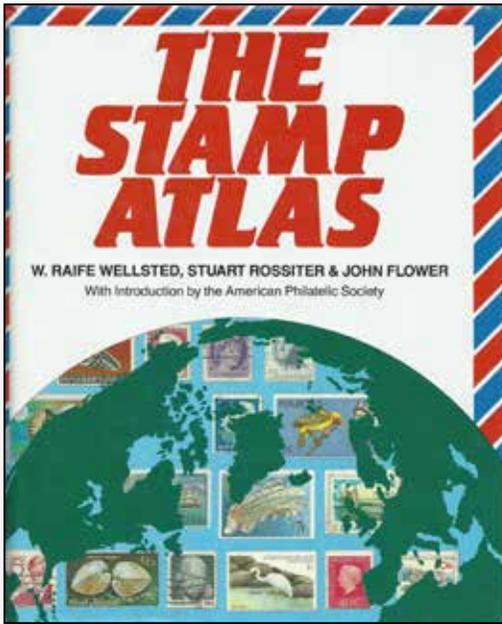


FIGURE 3

facing a page of selected stamps (many not in the best condition) accompanied by a short narrative poem.

In reading the histories, one notices an almost complete absence

of any

mention of the First World War (although a passing reference can be found for the entries for Danzig, Roumania, Turkey, Yugoslavia and the former German colonies). For example, the German entry reads:

*In Germany, poetry, music, and science  
Have long held their own the wide earth around,  
On her genius we place full reliance.  
The world honors greatness wherever 'tis found.*

For France, the emphasis is on the valor of Napoleonic soldiers and Joan of Arc. The Danzig entry states:

*Ancient City of Danzig on Germany's northern shore!  
Your freedom you wear like a starry crown.  
May you hold it forevermore.*

In defense of the author, this *was* a book written for young people and he bent over backwards to avoid political discussion and commentary although the one for Russia comes perilously close: "This huge nation is now in the throes of a national experiment whose success or failure lies in the future." But what this reviewer finds most interesting about Rothschild's book are the cultural stereotypes of the times. The entry for Kenya is cringeworthy by today's standards:

*Kenya, 'neath Africa's burning sun,  
Where the little black children happily run,  
In this wild country of palm and bamboo  
Range those odd animals seen in the zoo.*

Kenyan stamps also did not give the author much to work with as most of them showed King George V so he had to use illustrations of stamps from French Gabon and Portugal's Nyassa and Mozambique Companies to tell his story.

Neither this map nor book qualify as "must have" items for the world-wide philatelist yet they both

provide historical context for our particular field of collecting. Scott's *Philatelic Map of the World* came at perhaps the presumed (but premature) end of worldwide collecting whilst *Stamps of Many Lands* appeared during the "Golden Age"

of popular philatelic publishing that sought to link stamp collecting with the benefits of a worthwhile hobby that promoted, in the author's words, "... pleasure, entertainment and a liberal education."

And regardless of the book's elementary, stereotypical narratives and quality of selected stamps, I'm sure all Society members would at least agree with that.

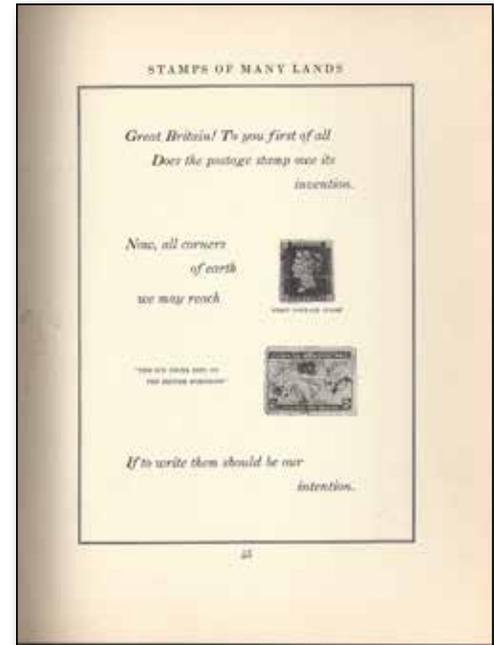


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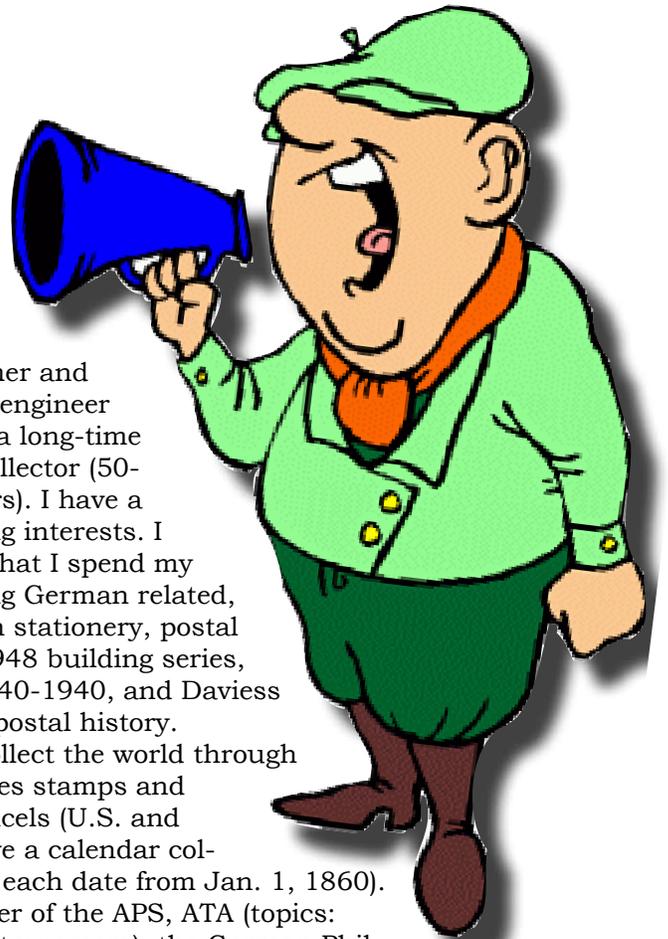


I

am a retired astronomer and software engineer but also a long-time stamp collector (50-plus years). I have a variety of collecting interests. I usually tell folks that I spend my money on anything German related, especially German stationery, postal history and the 1948 building series, the world from 1840-1940, and Daviess County (Indiana) postal history.

However, I do collect the world through 2000, United States stamps and stationery, precancels (U.S. and foreign), and I have a calendar collection (a SON for each date from Jan. 1, 1860). I am also a member of the APS, ATA (topics: astronomy and astronomers), the German Philatelic Society, Indiana Stamp Club and Bloomington Stamp Club and am the president of the Indiana Postal History Society.

*Editor's note: as space permits we thought you should know a little bit about your board of directors since they represent both the society's and your interests. A little knowledge, after all, is a dangerous thing!*



## CARIBBEAN QUEST FULFILLED

By Bill Harris

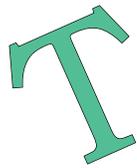
My quest to buy stamps on various Caribbean islands during a January cruise almost proved fruitless, for many of the offices were closed when I was available to purchase. Fortunately Barbados came to the rescue. We docked in Bridgetown, a city of about 100,000. Our taxi ride through the eastern coast, on the Caribbean side of the island, revealed the same diversity we found in most of the islands; marvelous villas adjacent to lower-income housing and neighborhoods.

And a post office? How about right at the dock in the tourist welcome center? So I had ample time to buy year sets for 2015 and 2016, for a grand total of U.S. \$61.10. It took a while for the clerk to put together the year sets as they were not already pre-packaged. She had to open glassines for each issue and pull out stamp sets, which were in smaller glassines. Each set also came with brochures, which was a nice touch.

Another trip, another quest fulfilled – maybe not as successful as I would have liked, but I'll take it!



# IDENTIFYING STAMPS IN THE EXPANSION OF THE PROPHET'S MOSQUE SERIES (SAUDI ARABIA)



The "Expansion of the Prophet's Mosque" definitive series was issued by Saudi Post from 1968 to 1970. There are two major

features that differentiate stamps of the same denomination in the series: (1) watermark, and (2) the frame in the upper right hand-corner of the stamp with Arabic text. In addition, there are minor color variations for the 3p and 10p denominations.

The series was issued with two watermarks:

- crossed swords under palm tree;
- crossed swords, palm tree, and Arabic inscription.

In the Scott catalog the watermarks are noted as Wmk. 337 and Wmk. 361 respectively. In the Stanley Gibbons (SG) catalog the watermarks are noted as W 70 and W 95 respectively.

The frame in the upper right-hand corner of the stamp with Arabic text has two versions:

- original frame: the dot in the central Arabic character is very small or missing entirely.
- redrawn frame: the dot in the central Arabic character is large and irregular.

In the SG, additional differences between the original and redrawn frame are provided for each denomination. Scott only provides additional differences for the 3p and 4p denominations.



Armed with this knowledge, a *Scott 2009 Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, Volume 5* and a *Stanley Gibbons Stamp Catalogue, Part 19, Middle East, 7<sup>th</sup> edition*, a cross-reference table can be developed for the series.

A comparison of the Scott and SG catalog listings in **Table 1** finds that each catalog contains varieties that the other catalog does not list. A "missing" variety (which is listed in the other catalog) is denoted in the table as SC (for Scott) or SG.

Comprehensive tables can be created by adding the "missing" catalog numbers to the appropriate cells. The "SG listings added to the Scott listings" is depicted in **Table 2**.

The process for identifying a stamp in the series is straightforward. The easiest are the 8p and 10p (orange & green), each of which have only one variety. Next is the 3p (gray & green), which only varies

by original or redrawn frame. The 5p issues, while having different watermarks, can also be identified by the frame.

The balance of the series will require a watermark check. Fortunately (at least in my experience) both watermarks are relatively

easy to detect and differentiate.

Inspection of the frame will require a magnifying glass and good lighting. For me, seeing the difference between the frame types is easier than discerning which is which on a single stamp. Also, the additional differences between the original and redrawn frames for each denomination provided in the SG are very helpful.

Scott					Stanley Gibbons				
Watermark	361	361	337	337	Watermark	95	95	70	70
Redrawn?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Redrawn?	No	Yes	No	Yes
1p	503	<b>SG</b>	503a	<b>SG</b>	1p	<b>SC</b>	952	<b>SC</b>	933
2p	504	504a	504a	504ab	2p	<b>SC</b>	953	848	934
3p (blk & grn)	505	505c	505a	505ad	3p (emerald & blk)	867	954	849	935
3p (gray & grn)	505b	<b>SG</b>			3p (emerald & org-red)	<b>SC</b>	954a		
4p	506	506a		506b	4p	868	955		936
5p		507	507a		5p		956	851	
6p	508		508a		6p	870		852	
8p	809				8p	870a			
10p (brn red & grn)	510		510a	510ac	10p (emerald & lake-brn)	871		853	939
10p (org & grn)		510a			10p (emerald & red-org)		958		
20p	511	<b>SG</b>	511a	<b>SG</b>	20p	<b>SC</b>	960	<b>SC</b>	940

TABLE 1

Watermark	361	361	337	337
Redrawn?	No	Yes	No	Yes
1p	503	<b>SG-952</b>	503a	<b>SG-933</b>
2p	504	504a	504a	504ab
3p (blk & grn)	505	505c	505a	505ad
3p (gray & grn)	505b	<b>SG-954a</b>		
4p	506	506a		506b
5p		507	507a	
6p	508		508a	
8p	809			
10p (brn red & grn)	510		510a	510ac
10p (org & grn)		510a		
20p	511	<b>SG-960</b>	511a	<b>SG-940</b>

TABLE 2

# CANADIAN COMPUTER-VENDED STAMPS

By  
Richard Barnes

**I**n 2012, Canada Post initiated trials of computer-generated stamps at kiosks in major Canadian cities in the provinces of Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia. The initial trial was of short duration: roughly one year.

The explanation, I gather, was fragile machinery that did not stand up to Canadian weather and customer use. I did not see any advertising of the trial in the media including Canada Post's own publication *Details*. I would have been unaware of these stamps if they had not been reported in *Linn's Stamp News*.

I tried to purchase these stamps from the Philatelic Customer Service of Canada Post and was told to contact the private company operating the kiosks but they were not interested in small retail sales. The

result is that these stamps are extremely difficult to find. My search among stamp dealers leaves me with the impression that they are almost rare.

I have been able to obtain only a single 2013 vendor stamp for the standard first-class postage (**Figure 1**).

Someone in Canada Post feels that the kiosk concept is viable using computer-vended stamp labels. The official beginning of this new initiative is stated by

Canada Post as Oct. 31, 2016 in Vancouver. Again I missed any notification in the Canadian media.

It came to my attention when I received the Jan. 23, 2017 issue of *Linn's Stamp News*. I must give credit where credit is due; a week after I received my *Linn's* I did receive Canada Post's *Details* which did mention the new vendor stamps; and "permanent" first-class postage vendor stamps are available from Canada Post Philatelic Customer Service. These stamps come in strips of five different designs (**Figure 2**).

The remaining three values – \$1.20 U.S. rate, \$1.80 oversize domestic rate and \$2.50 international rate – are not available from the Philatelic Customer Service. If you can find these vendor stamps it is probably a good idea to pick them up. Oh yes: like the first set of vendor stamps, this second generation does not soak off paper so leave them on piece.



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

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uring our preparation for the note on Russian Jewish Autonomous Oblast overprints, I became aware of a large part of Russian stamps and philatelic activity

that I had not come across before. I continued my search for more information on the production and usage of overprinted Soviet stamps following the disintegration of the Soviet Union.

I had minimal success other than finding many lots of Russian local post stamps described as, for instance, “miscellaneous Russian locals” or “butterflies on Russian locals.” Santa must now be keeping up with the times and monitoring the net or listening to me talking to myself in my stamp room, because I received in my Christmas stocking the two-disc CD stamp catalog *Russia Post-1990 Locals* produced by Ralph Phillips.

This catalog identifies 40 different Russian locations issuing overprints on Soviet definitive stamps between 1992 and 1998 after the demise of the USSR. My estimate is that there are somewhere in the vicinity of 15,000 different stamps produced for the listed 40 Russian jurisdictions.

Equally inventive are the imaginative ways stamps were produced. I used scans from the first republic listed in the catalog, Adigeya, to illustrate the conceptual creation of the Russian post-1990 local stamps. There are individual stamps overprinted with the new mail authority and new denominations.

These stamps can be with or without an added design in the overprint. Very few locals were overprinted using one value on a single sheet (**Figure 1**). The preferred method of overprinting was to overprint a series of values in strips (**Figure 2**) or blocks (**Figure 3**).

They then proceed to produce overprinted stamps over two stamps (**Figure 4**). The printers reverse



FIGURE 1

the design and apply every gyration imaginable to use one overprint on two stamps. As expected, they overprint three stamps (**Figure 5**).

Not to waste a good overprint and the stamps left over when printing the three-stamp strips the printer used the end block of four horizontal stamps (**Figure 6**). Overprinted blocks of four stamps, as expected, are printed in strips; the stamps in the block can be horizontal or vertical.

## RUSSIAN OVERPRINTS ON SOVIET STAMPS

by Richard Barnes

Additionally the overprint on strips of five blocks can be repeated again over on different Soviet stamps. An example of this is the Adigeya 1992: Reptiles WWF set of 25 stamps. It is composed of five strips of overprinted blocks from five different Soviet stamps.



FIGURE 2

The overprints are the same on each set; only the base stamp changes (**Figures 7 & 8**). I have not provided all the different ways that the Russian overprinted local

stamps were printed.

This is the only catalog of this material that I know is currently available. Without the base structure provided by the Ralph Phillips *Russian Post-1990 Locals* catalog I would not have been able to build a coherent collection of these stamps.

Nothing in this world is perfect; just listen to SWMBO when she is talking to me. Surprisingly the Caucasian Republics, Armenia, Georgia (**Figure 9**) and Azerbaijan are either under-represented or missing from this catalog.

Absent from the *Russian Post-1990 Locals* catalog are the Ukrainian, Crimea and Sevastopol locals produced through overprinting Soviet stamps.

The Scott catalog states: “Numerous trident overprints on Soviet stamps exist. Many of them are legitimate local issues and were in official use.

Locally produced stamps also exist.” Local stamps are not covered by Scott but this implies that there are also fraudulently produced stamps. Can any member assist in providing informa-



FIGURE 3

tion and/or a catalog of these Ukrainian local stamps?

Europe has a long tradition of using local post stamps. R.J. Sutton's *The Stamp Collector's Encyclopaedia* states: "Local stamps are those issued privately or officially whose postal validity is restricted to a particular district, route, or service, and are not available for general or international use."

After roughly 70 hours of web searching I did not find even one site offering used stamps listed in *Russian Post-1990 Locals* or used Ukrainian stamps. There was for these Russian locals only one listing of unused post cards and one listing of five used covers; however, all the covers appeared to be written by the same person.

There was not one listing for a cover bearing a Ukrainian 1990s local stamp. All the stamps I have seen on the web are mint never hinged. In passing, I observed these stamps in the mid-1990s and I have noted a substantial reduction in current asking prices for these stamps.

I have come to the conclusion that most if not all these stamps with the possible exception of Ukrainian overprints are bogus, produced to separate stamp collectors from their money.

Ralph Phillips mentions a two-part catalog in the introduction to his own publication. This is the Conquest catalog: CTC Publishers Ltd, P.O. Box 395, Vilnius 2004, Lithuania. Neither of us were able to locate this publisher nor have we seen this catalog for sale on the web.

This is the second time I tried to locate CTC Publishers or their agent. I conducted my first unsuccessful search when I was interested in the State of Ajman stamps printed in 2000 (**Figure 10**). This is



FIGURE 4



FIGURE 5



FIGURE 6



FIGURE 7



FIGURE 8

a dead country for which even the bogus printers had stopped printing stamps by 1973.

It is our opinion that the Conquest was produced in limited numbers to advertise CTC or their affiliates' wares to agents and previous buyers of their fraudulent stamps.

A couple of other factors helped me develop my skepticism of the genuineness of these locals. First: compare the overprints between the central design of the overprints and format of the overprinted stamps between the 40 different localities.

Whether birds, reptiles, chess, or whatever, they are too similar to be coincidental. Second: unpopulated and lightly populated regions have substantial numbers of sets.

Even Spitsbergen (Norwegian Arctic islands) and Russian Antarctica are listed in the *Russia Post-1990 Locals* catalogs. The printers continued printing Russian locals until at least 2013 (**Figure 11**): stamps for the topical market after the Soviet stamps ran out?

From my web searching it appears that there are more Ukrainian local stamps sets printed than official Ukrainian postal stamp sets in the 1990s. The printers of the locals had access to Ukrainian stamps and used them to produce locals, including the Ukrainian Girl set (**Figure 12**).

It is not a big stretch to conclude these printers had an involvement in printing Ukrainian local stamps, particularly the locals of the Crimea and Sevastopol (**Figure 13**) without the Trident design.

I collect "Sand Dunes," the Sahara Republic, Greek occupation overprints on Turkish stamps, etc. I find them to be a challenging area of study and collecting within my primary areas of interest of the Middle East and North Africa.

The Russian post-1990 local stamps, in my opinion, are another such philatelic area for research and collecting. I have made many assumptions and expressed opinions in this article that require information that can refute, confirm or modify them.

If any member can clarify or add information, please contact me directly or submit a note to the editor. This topic is an interesting phenomenon within modern philately and deserves further investigation.



FIGURE 9



FIGURE 10



FIGURE 11



FIGURE 12



FIGURE 13

## IDENTIFYING STAMPS IN THE SAUDI ARABIA WADI HANIFA DAM AND GAS-OIL SEPARATING PLANT SERIES

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he Wadi Hanifa Dam and Gas-Oil Separating Plant definitive series were issued by Saudi Post from 1960 through 1978. The series were issued over multiple time periods, with differences in design, perforation, watermark, size, and printing method

Cataloging this series can be a challenge, if for no other reason than its listings being spread across many catalog pages. However, characterizing the different attributes of the series is straight forward.

From that, (what I think is) a relatively easy guide can be developed. As I keep my Saudi Arabia collection on Steiner pages, I will be using the Scott Catalog, specifically the Scott 2009 Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, to develop the guide. (Saudi Arabia is in the 5th volume of the 2009 edition.)

The series have two different cartouche designs

(Figure 1):

- King Saud’s cartouche (Type I)
- King Faisal’s cartouche (Type II)

By  
Don Kalinich

A cartouche is “... an oval figure containing the characters of an important personal name, such as that of royal or divine people.” Illustrations of the two cartouche designs are provided in Scott. The designs are easily differentiated, especially under a magnifying glass.

I find that the simplest way to tell the two cartouches apart is by looking for the presence (Saud) or absence (Faisal) of a dot within the closed shape in the upper right-hand quadrant of the cartouche (see Figure 2).

Both watermarked and unwatermarked paper were used for the series (Figure 3):

- crossed swords under palm tree (Wmk. 337)
- crossed swords, palm tree, and Arabic inscription

Group	SC #s	Cartouche	Perf	Wmk	Printing	Size (mm)	Dates
A	211-226 227-242	Saud	14	None	Photo	27½x22	1960-62 1960-61
B	258 264-265	Saud	13½ x13	337	Litho	29½x23	1963-65
C	259-263 266-273	Saud	14	337	Photo	27½x22	1963-65
D	286-313 314-341	Saud	14	None	Litho	27x22	1965-70 1964-70
E	393-421 422-450	Faisal	14	None	Litho	27x22	1966-76 1966-78
F	461-473 474-483	Faisal	14	361	Litho	27x22	1968-76

TABLE 1

tion (Wmk. 361)

In the Scott Catalog (SC) the watermarks are noted as Wmk 337 and Wmk 361, respectively. Typically, I have found the watermarks relatively easy to discern and differentiate.

The series have two different perforation types:

- 14 x 14
- 13.5 x 13

There are three different image sizes in the series (Figure 4):

- 27.5mm x 22mm
- 29.5mm x 23mm
- 27mm x 22mm

The 29.5mm x 23mm issues are easy to tell apart from the other sizes. I find that a magnifying glass and good lighting are musts for discerning the 27.5mm from the 27mm.

Based on these attributes, the table above (Table 1) can be developed. In the Scott #s column, the top range of catalog numbers are for the “dam” series, while the bottom set are for the

“gas-oil” series. The guide (in the form of a flow chart, where Y=yes and N=no) for using the table (Figure 5) is as follows:

As an example, let’s walk through the flow chart for a Wadi Hanifa Dam 20p stamp (Scott 263).

Examination of the stamp would find that it has the Saud cartouche (not the Faisal cartouche).

This leads us to take the “N” branch and check the stamp’s perforations, which we would find are 14x14. Next, taking the “Y” branch, we would measure the stamp image size, and find it to be 27.5mm x 22mm. Then, taking the “Y” branch, we would check

the stamp for a watermark and find it has one (Wmk. 337). Finally, taking the “Y”, we use Row C of the table.

Looking at Row C of the table places the stamp in the Scott number range 259-263, and a check in the catalog finds that the 20p in that range is Scott 263.

The above table can be further broken down into more detailed tables, with the attributes across the top and individual denominations down the left-most row, with catalog numbers in their corre-



FIGURE 1

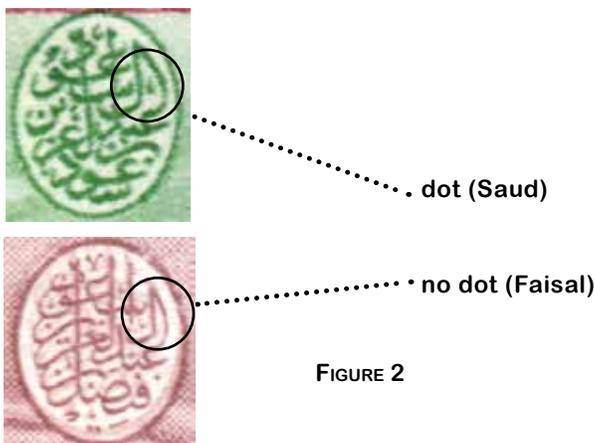


FIGURE 2

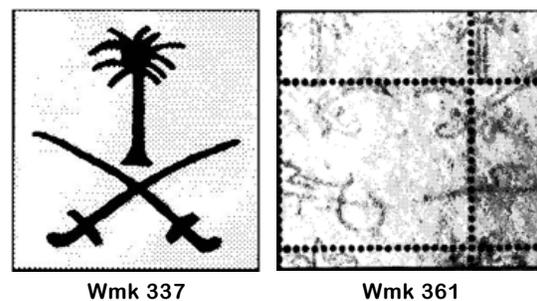


FIGURE 3

sponding table cells.

Below are those tables: one for the Wadi Haifa Dam issues and one for the Gas-Oil Separation Plant issues (**Tables 2 and 3**, respectively). The catalog number of issues that can be identified without checking for a watermark are noted by bold-underline type.

While not as compact as the previous table and flowchart, these tables (at least for me) are much quicker to use, as I do not have to haul out the catalog to the end to determine the specific number.

Using the previous example of the Wadi Hanifa Dam 20p stamp (Scott 263) and the “dam” table below and looking across the 20p row, it is quickly evident that there are four varieties:

- Faisal cartouche (Scott 412);
- Saud cartouche with 27mm width (Scott 305);
- Saud cartouche with 27.5mm width and no watermark (Scott 222);
- Saud cartouche with 27.5mm width and watermark 337 (Scott 263).

The example has the Saud cartouche, so it cannot be 412. Its width is 27.5mm, which eliminates 305. And finally, it has a watermark (337), which makes it Scott 263.



SC # 258  
29.5mm x 23mm



SC # 229  
27.5mm x 22mm



SC # 315  
27mm x 22mm

FIGURE 4

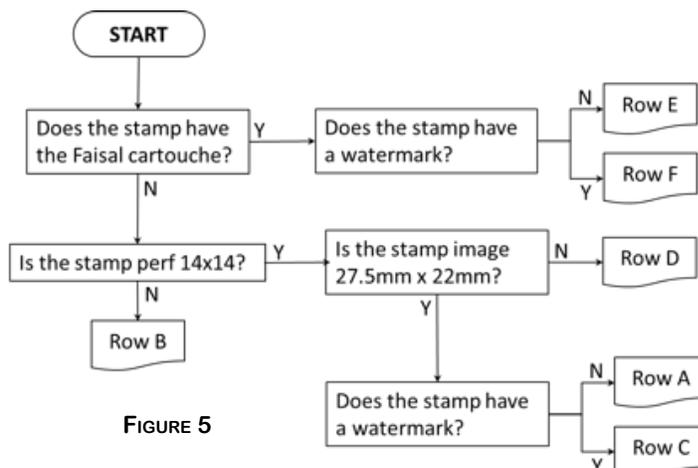


FIGURE 5

Type	Dam	Dam	Dam	Dam	Dam	Dam
Cartouche	Saud	Saud	Saud	Saud	Faisal	Faisal
Perf	14	13 x 13.5	14	14	14	14
Width (mm)	27.5	29.5	27.5	27	27	27
Watermark	Unwmk	337	337	Unwmk	Unwmk	361
1/2p	211	258	259			
1p	212			286	393	461
2p	213			287	394	462
3p	214		260	288	395	463
4p	215		261	289	396	464
5p	216		262	290	397	465
6p	217			291	398	466
7p	218			292	399	467
8p	219			293	400	468
9p	220			294	401	469
10p	221			295	402	470
11p				296	403	471
12p				297	404	472
13p				298	405	473
14p				299	406	
15p				300	407	
16p				301	408	
17p				302	409	
18p				303	410	
19p				304	411	
20p	222		263	305	412	
23p				306	413	
24p				307	414	
26p				308	415	
27p				309	416	
31p				310		
33p				311	417	
50p	223				419	
75p	224					
100p	225			312	420	
200p	226			313	421	

TABLE 2

Type	Gas-Oil	Gas-Oil	Gas-Oil	Gas-Oil	Gas-Oil	Gas-Oil
Cartouche	Saud	Saud	Saud	Saud	Faisal	Faisal
Perf	14	13 x 13.5	14	14	14	14
Width (mm)	27.5	29.5	27.5	27	27	27
Watermark	Unwmk	337	337	Unwmk	Unwmk	361
1/2p	227	264	266			
1p	228	265	267	314	422	474
2p	229			315	423	475
3p	230		268	316	424	
4p	231		269	317	425	476
5p	232		270	318	426	477
6p	233		271	319	427	478
7p	234		272	320	428	
8p	235		272	321	429	
9p	236		273	322	430	479
10p	237			323	431	480
11p				324	432	481
12p				325	433	482
13p				326	434	483
14p				327	435	
15p				328	436	
16p				329	437	
17p				330	438	
18p				331	439	
19p				332	440	
20p	238			333	441	
23p				334	442	
24p				335	443	
26p				336	444	
27p				337	445	
31p				338	446	
33p				339	447	
50p	239			340	448	
75p	240					
100p	241				449	
200p	242			341	450	

TABLE 3

Scott numbers in bold can be identified without having to check for the presence or absence of a watermark.

**B**esides collecting stamps and working my full-time job as a Finance Director for a small Transit Agency here in Connecticut I have had a second career on a part time basis since 1982. I have taught Accounting, Business and Economics classes for many different colleges since I was a Graduate Assistant way back when in 1982. Since 2000 I have also taught many classes online for several different Universities throughout the country.

What does this have to do with stamps? A great deal, as you will see.

At one University I taught at I had a great deal of students who are/were in the United States Armed Forces stationed throughout the world. Many were from Germany and some have been stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan. I also have had over the years a cluster of students from Japan for one University I taught at since they had an exchange program with their here in the states.

One of these Japanese students was an avid stamp collector who went by his Americanized name of Benji. Benji back in 2009 took both my online Macroeconomics and Microeconomics classes at Post University. We struck up a correspondence and inevitably the conversation turned to stamps in which we found out that we were both collectors. Benji asked me if we could trade some of his Japanese stamps for some of my United States Stamps. You could probably guess my answer.

Thus we traded. Some singles for singles and a larger trade for some sheets.

Two of the sheets that I received from him hold a special place in my collection. I truly appreciate the beauty of the 1999 Japan SC#2721 80 yen 10<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary Reign of Emperor Akihito souvenir sheet of 14 stamps which features Chinese phoenix embroidery Engiraku costumes on it. This 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as explained by Benji was a very big event in Japan as that family had at that time a 2,660-year rule over Japan. And he also explained it was unusual to have a 10<sup>th</sup> year celebration, but he believed they had it to try to show their continued influence in Japan even though they were far removed from the realities of their economy. Japan had economic issues at that time to say the least.

The second sheet was SC#3041 of the 2008 G8 Summit that was held in Toyako, Japan, which is on the Northern Island of Hokkaido. The G8 is an annual forum for the leaders of Canada, the European Commission, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States. This 80 yen 10-stamp sheet shows mountains and nature with beautiful pictures of Mount Fuji, Japanese flowers and a flying squirrel and a Japanese Kitsune or fox. It was designed by Fumiaki Kanematsu and has a perforation of 13½. We talked about several of the economic consequences of that particular G8 Summit in particular aid to Africa for health issues and several other points in class in relationship to the sheet and the summit.

Benji recently sent me an email and we got caught up with each other. It made me think of our stamp trades and these two sheets in my worldwide stamp collection. I still have overseas students but none at the present who collect stamps. I know that can change in any term.

# Student has yen for stamps

by Bob Swick



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

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16	R1c//40c used. Fifteen revenues. Nice selection. CV = \$68.		\$12.00
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18	251 used horizontal pair with partial separation. 2016 CV as single = \$30.		\$5.00
19	252 used vertical pair. VF. 2016 CV as single = \$28.		\$5.00
20	412 used. Fine. 2014 CV = \$25.		\$5.00
21	158//1059. One hundred eleven stamps. Individual values up to \$10. Pairs valued as singles. Nice selection. 2015 CV = \$169.95.		\$25.00
<b>Albania</b>			
22	Retired circuit sheet. 572//700 plus C70. Mostly mint, some MNH. 2009 CV = \$62.65.		\$19.00
23	609-612 WHO malaria eradication souvenir sheet. MNH. VF. 2014 CV = \$30.		\$8.00
<b>Andorra (Fr.)</b>			
24	219-220 MNH. CV = \$20.		\$6.00
<b>Anjouan</b>			
25	Twenty-nine stamps plus six mint pieces of postal stationery. 1892-12. Includes 16 and 19. CV = \$517.		\$130.00
<b>Argentina</b>			
26	93//1585. Forty stamps, mostly mint and MNH. Values 50¢ to \$3.50. Total 2014 CV = \$37.95.		\$7.50
<b>Ascension</b>			
27	41. MLH. F/VF. CV = \$30.		\$10.00
28	72. MVLH. VF. CV = \$30.		\$10.00
29	96-99. MH. VF. Churchill Memorial. 2014 CV = \$12.60.		\$5.00

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<b>Australia</b>			
30	2//508g. Forty-four used stamps, ranging from \$0.50-\$3.50. 2014 CV = \$49.15.		\$10.00
31	1053-78 MNH. Living together in specialty presentation folder from post office. CV = \$28.55.		\$8.00
32	1839-46 first international stamps from Australia. Includes \$10. All MNH in presentation folder from post office. CV = \$56.50.		\$15.00
33	Used accumulation mostly VF. Incl. 96, 147-8, 153. Roos, KG and commems. CV = \$150.15.		\$24.00
34	2489-92. MNH. Wildflowers to \$10. CV = \$37.50.		\$10.00
35	2791-4 gutter pairs. MNH. Face = \$24. CV = \$42.50.		\$13.00
36	2807-22 gutter pairs of rugby players. MNH. CV = \$35.		\$10.00
37	MNH grouping in post office fresh packaging including singles, gutter pairs, booklets. Topics include dogs, airplanes, flowers. Face = \$110.		\$33.00
<b>Australian States</b>			
38	<b>New South Wales</b> 92 MNH. Fine. 2014 CV = \$21.		\$5.00
39	Sixty-six used stamps. Values range from \$0.50 to \$4.75, with many \$1-\$4 stamps. Total 2014 CV = \$121.50.		\$20.00
<b>Austria</b>			
40	30//1745. Twenty-three used regular postage plus five used BOB. Values range from 50¢ to \$6.50. 2014 CV = \$40.10.		\$8.00
<b>Bahamas</b>			
41	21. Used. Fine. CV = \$75.		\$19.00
42	33. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$15.		\$5.00
43	39. Used with CDS Cancel. CV = \$77.50.		\$22.00
44	76. Used. Light cancel. VF. CV = \$20.		\$6.00
45	91, 101, 105, 112, 158, 164, 170, 172, 209. Used. F/VF. CV = \$49.		\$8.00
46	101, 103, 104, 105, 108. Mint, hinged. F/VF. CV = \$47.		\$13.00
47	140-153, 165, 169, 170, 215, 263, 329-330. MLH. F/VF. 2014 CV = \$25.60.		\$6.00
48	MR6-MR7. Mint, hinged; MR8 MNH. F/VF. 2016 CV = \$16.		\$5.00
<b>Barbados</b>			
49	60 62 65 69 73 75 77 78 78 200a. Used F/VF. CV = \$58.75.		\$12.00
50	69a. Error: No hyphen. XF. Used. Lovely example of scarce error. CV = \$40.		\$16.00
51	79. Used lovely circular grid cancel. VF. CV = \$70.		\$20.00
52	60. MH. VF. CV = \$35.		\$10.00
53	63 + 65 MH. VF. CV = \$24.50.		\$9.00
54	70, 74, 75, 78. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$41.75.		\$10.00
55	90 141 143 146-147 151 180 202-206 228+B22-229. Mint. CV = \$66.35.		\$20.00
56	70, 81, 195A. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$13.65.		\$5.00
57	202-206. Mint, hinged. VF. Complete Set. CV = \$13.05.		\$5.00
58	216-227. Mint, hinged. VF. Complete Set. CV = \$73.10.		\$24.00
59	235-247. Mint, hinged. VF. Complete Set. 2014 CV = \$66.10.		\$22.00
<b>Belgium</b>			
60	C12A. Used strip of two plus label. Beautiful Brussels cancel. CV = \$65.		\$16.00
61	6//71. Forty-two used stamps. No faults. Tabs where appropriate. Some nice CDS cancels. CV = \$400.		\$40.00
62	Collection, few hundred mostly different mixed mint and used on Vario sheets. VG-VF. Good value in classics. Runs to 2003. Note 1, 7, 10-12, 14-16, 68, 74, 168*, B21-B24, B69-B77, B170-177. CV = \$4,000+.		\$500.00
<b>Bermuda</b>			
63	68. MLH. VF. CV = \$19.		\$6.00
<b>Bhutan</b>			
64	126A-126D, 126I MNH. Unusual 3-D stamps. CV = \$35.90.		\$12.00
<b>Bolivia</b>			
65	42//779. Sixty-five mint (some MNH) and used. Values from 50¢ to \$8.50. Nice selection. 2014 CV = \$64.55.		\$12.00
66	Sixty-five BOB items, mint and used. Includes fifty-nine airmail. Values range from 50¢ to \$3.50. Total 2014 CV = \$70.35.		\$14.00
<b>Brazil</b>			
67	113//1372. Eighty-one different, mint and used. Values range from 50¢ to \$7.50. Total 2014 CV = \$79.85.		\$13.00
68	1845. MNH block of four. CV = \$16.		\$5.00

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<b>British Guiana</b>			
69	120, 135, 140, 206 mint; 177 used. F/VF. CV = \$28.		\$6.00
<b>Bulgaria</b>			
70	237-243. 1931 Balkan games MLH. VF. Complete set. Fresh colors. CV = \$168.75.		\$60.00
<b>Burundi</b>			
71	355-360 MNH strips. CV = \$42.		\$12.00
<b>Canada</b>			
72	37 on cover from Amherst, Nova Scotia. Nice clean cover. <i>Estimated CV = \$40.</i>		\$25.00
73	125 coil. Mint, hinged. VF. 2015 CV = \$25.		\$5.00
74	34, 53, 117, 174, 194. Used. Also faulty 176 not counted. CV = \$28.		\$9.00
75	149 MNH; 145, 147, 152 used. CV = \$21.50.		\$6.00
76	35//1131. Thirty-nine mint and used. Values range from 50¢ to \$10. Includes 36-37 used, 110 used, 143 mint, 174 used, 411 mint. 2014 CV = \$56.65.		\$11.00
77	51-53, 85-86 used. F-VF. CV = \$42.50.		\$8.50
78	66-70, 87-88 used F-VF. Victoria maple leaf plus overprints. CV = \$36.25.		\$6.50
79	217-227 used. F-VF. CV = \$22.65.		\$5.00
80	211-216. Full set mint. CV = \$27.85.		\$6.00
81	Group of coils of war and peace issue plus Queen Elizabeth officials many in blocks incl. 263-266, O33//O44 most NH. CV approx. \$80.		\$10.50
82	139-148 mint. F-VF. CV = \$167.		\$34.00
83	203-5, 209, 244-245 used. F-VF, CV = \$41.50.		\$8.00
84	66-70 used. CV = \$24.75.		\$7.00
<b>Canada Provinces</b>			
85	<b>Newfoundland</b> - Eighteen mint items including 49, 79-80, 117, 136. CV = \$100+.		\$19.50
86	<b>Newfoundland</b> - Mint and used selection incl. 51, 56, 58, 63, 66, 80-8, 116-9, 134-5, 145-146 and others. CV = \$131.75.		\$24.00
<b>Cayman Islands</b>			
87	132 mint; 23 used. CV = \$16.75.		\$5.00
<b>Ceylon</b>			
88	181, 202a, 203, 278, 285. Mixed mint and used. CV = \$19.20.		\$6.00
<b>Chad</b>			
89	329, 372, C165, C206-C210, J25-J26. Mixed mint and used. CV = \$12.90.		\$5.00
<b>China</b>			
90	PRC 1181, 1184, 1186 MNH; 5L86 MNGAI. CV = \$14.50.		\$5.00
91	Hundreds of used commemoratives. F-VF.		\$12.00
<b>China - ROC</b>			
92	110//2156; C11//C61. Forty-nine mint and used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$4.50. Total 2014 CV = \$63.40.		\$12.00
<b>Christmas Islands</b>			
93	22-32, 39-54 MNH. CV = \$48.50.		\$11.00
<b>Comoro Islands</b>			
94	Selection of 121 stamps, 1950-present, interleaving, mostly mint with a few CTO. CV = \$455.		\$90.00
95	Seven S/S all MNH. Animals and birds topicals. CV = \$26.		\$6.00
<b>Cook Islands</b>			
96	284-286, 445-446, 858-865 MNH; 227-232 cancelled sheets of six each. CV = \$35.85.		\$12.00
<b>Cuba</b>			
97	85/2661; C40//C205. Forty-nine used and MNH stamps ranging in value from 50¢ to \$3. Very few if any are CTO. Total CV = \$40.20.		\$7.00
98	C17. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$40.		\$9.00
<b>Cyprus</b>			
99	Packet of 57 used stamps, 1980-2000. Nice selection of recent material. 2016 CV = \$61.45.		\$20.00
<b>Czechoslovakia</b>			
100	146//2842; B162//C27. Thirty-nine used and occasionally MNH stamps. Individual values from 50¢ to \$4. Total 2014 CV = \$47.95.		\$7.00
<b>Denmark</b>			
101	26//283. Forty-five used stamps. Values from 50¢ to \$7.75. Total 2014 CV = \$37.50.		\$7.50
102	264//592, B14//B62. Thirty mixed mint (many MNH) and used. CV = \$15.20.		\$5.00

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<b>Diego Suarez</b>			
103	Twenty-nine stamps, mint/used, & one "pocket" mint postal card. Unusual offering. CV = \$1266.50.		\$255.00
<b>Ecuador</b>			
104	14//679; C56//C480. Forty different mint and used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$2. Total 2014 CV = \$27.95.		\$5.00
<b>Egypt</b>			
105	13//821; C38//C182; J15//J25; O4//O39. Forty-four mint and used stamps, with values from 50¢ to \$6.25. Total 2014 CV = \$54.20.		\$10.00
106	C1-C2. Mint, hinged. VF. Complete set. CV = \$39.		\$13.00
<b>Eritrea</b>			
107	175-80 used. F-VF. CV = \$160.		\$31.00
<b>Estonia</b>			
108	C1, C9-C14, C16-C18. Mint, hinged. F/VF. CV = 22.50.		\$8.00
<b>Faroe Island</b>			
109	426, 429, 432. Three S/Ss all MNH. Beautiful issues. CV = \$44.		\$15.00
<b>Finland</b>			
110	61//448. Eighty-six mostly used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$2.50. 2014 CV = \$53.60.		\$10.00
<b>Fiume</b>			
111	62, 153, 164, 185, 187. MLH. No certs. CV = \$27.10.		\$9.00
<b>France</b>			
112	14//127. Thirty-three used stamps. Values range from 55¢ to \$9. Includes 14, 27, 32, 56-57, 59. 2014 CV = \$88.05		\$17.00
113	Offices in Zanzibar. Twenty-six stamps, mint/used, plus one mint postal card. Also, four British Zanzibar stamps not counted in CV. CV = \$456.		\$110.00
114	<b>Reunion</b> 3. Mint, hinged. Good margins. CV = \$450.		\$110.00
115	<b>Reunion</b> Four hundred eighty-three mint and used stamps, 1885-1974. Early issues, Vichy issues, showpieces, socked on the nose cancels, reusable glassine interleaving. CV = \$2760.		\$550.00
116	475-476H, 523A-523J full set mint. VF. CV = \$46.55.		\$10.00
117	592, 2142-2145, 4256-4257(2) MNH; 81-82, 86, 88, 112, 299 used. CV = \$19.90.		\$5.00
118	B312-B317 used. CV = \$21.		\$6.00
119	324 MNH; B89, B96 MLH. VF. CV = \$20.50.		\$7.00
120	B152a. MNH. VF. Complete sheet of 5 strips containing B149-B152 + label. 2014 CV = \$62.50.		\$24.00
121	B68, C23, C25-C27 used. C27 has nice CDS cancel. VF. 2014 CV = \$45.		\$15.00
<b>French West Africa</b>			
122	1//85. Ten mint, hinged stamps, two without gum. CV = \$25.95.		\$8.00
123	C15, C18-21. MLH. CV = \$42.		\$15.00
124	17-35. MLH. CV = \$21.60.		\$7.00
125	C5-C10, C13. MLH. CV = \$32.05.		\$11.00
<b>Germany</b>			
126	29, 31-32, 35, 47-49, 53-55. Used. CV = \$28.		\$9.00
127	77, 111-113 used; 114 mint, hinged. CV = \$25.70.		\$6.00
128	118-132 used. CV = \$24.50.		\$6.00
129	65//237. Nineteen stamps, mostly used. CV = \$29.45.		\$9.00
130	1440-1441, 2098, B532, 9NB272-9NB274. All MNH. CV = \$15.35.		\$5.00
131	B620-B622, B634-B635a, B636-B639, B658-B651, B678-B681, B685-B686. MNH. CV = \$34.75.		\$11.00
132	B327-B30. MNH. VF-excellent. CV = \$120.		\$40.00
133	Cinderellas. 1942 issue for the French volunteer unit of the German army. Five stamps.		\$20.00
134	Thirty stamps including 472, 475-480, 484, C58. CV = \$34.20.		\$10.00
135	185-96 mixed mint and used. CV = \$16.75.		\$5.00
136	212-215 used; 198-209 mint, hinged. CV = \$15.15.		\$5.00
137	280-298, 241-276, 347-349, 331-334. Mixed mint and used. CV = \$21.		\$6.00
138	366-370, 372-379, 381-384. Used. CV = \$30.10.		\$10.00
139	494//623, including 524a and 525a. Twenty mixed mint and used. CV = \$35.85.		\$8.00
140	B908-B909, B920-B921, B923-B929, B931-B940. MNH in sets. VF. CV = \$52.		\$10.50
141	2182-4, 2222//2293 MNH. VF. CV = \$105.		\$21.00
142	30//466. One hundred seven mostly used stamps. Individual values from 50¢ to \$3.75. Total 2014 CV = \$125.		\$15.00
143	466//765. Seventy-seven used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$6. Total 2014 CV = \$93.65.		\$14.00

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144	775//1727. Seventy-one used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$3. <i>Total 2014 CV = \$59.85.</i>		\$9.00
145	363-364, 393, 396, 415-431, 1971, 1979, 2014. Used. <i>CV = \$24.35.</i>		\$6.00
146	82-84, 1489, 2285, 2731, B771, B875, B911, B1056, B1071. Used. <i>CV = \$17.40.</i>		\$5.00
147	31//130. Fifty-five used stamps with value between 60¢ and \$2.25. <i>2014 CV = \$84.25.</i>		\$16.00
<b>Germany – DDR</b>			
148	62, 85, 103-6, 130, 134, 201, 202, 204 and more. MNH. <i>CV = \$136.</i>		\$24.00
<b>Gibraltar</b>			
149	98. Mint, hinged. VF. <i>2014 CV = \$9.</i>		\$5.00
<b>Gold Coast</b>			
150	142-143. MH. VF. Silver wedding anniversary. <i>CV = \$35.25.</i>		\$12.00
<b>Grand Comoro Island</b>			
151	Seventeen stamps, 1897-1919, mint and used. Nice cancels on used issues. <i>CV = \$98.</i>		\$24.00
<b>Great Britain</b>			
152	33 Plate #78, 206-207, offices in Turkey 13, 26, 39 used; 237-240 MLH. <i>CV = \$16.</i>		\$5.00
153	133 MLH. VF-Excellent. <i>CV = \$57.50.</i>		\$14.00
154	20//229. Forty-two used stamps starting with Victoria. Values range from 50¢ to \$11. <i>2014 CV = \$100.65.</i>		\$15.00
155	96 used. Position E-E. Excellent centering and nice London CDS cancel. <i>2015 CV = \$165++.</i>		\$40.00
156	28 used pair. Positions L-C, L-D. Undiscernible plate number. <i>2015 CV = \$44.</i>		\$8.50
157	139 used. Perfin with four letters "GLYN." VF-excellent. <i>2015 CV = \$150.</i>		\$22.50
158	89//315. Retired circuit book. Includes high values. <i>CV = \$289.15.</i>		\$70.00
159	Retired circuit book. Fifty-eight stamps starting with 306 and goes to 583 plus MH176 and mint Fiji 166. Minimal duplication. <i>CV = \$117.10.</i>		\$25.00
160	3, position RA; 40 position KE. Used. 40 has SE on L. Clean numerical cancel. <i>CV = \$409.</i>		\$70.00
161	62 used. Position OG. <i>CV = \$70.60.</i>		\$15.00
162	82 used. Plate 23. Position EA. <i>CV = \$32.50.</i>		\$7.50
163	79 mint hinged. Position AF. Perfs cut into design 2 sides but still very attractive. <i>CV = \$27.50.</i>		\$7.00
164	173 used. Light violet circular cancel. <i>CV = \$180.</i>		\$50.00
165	186 used. Nice copy. <i>CV = \$17.50.</i>		\$5.00
166	205, 206, 208 used. <i>CV = \$16.50.</i>		\$5.00
167	222 used. Violet London cancel. <i>CV = \$25.</i>		\$5.00
168	269-279 mint hinged; 286-288, 290-291 used. <i>CV = \$18.</i>		\$5.00
169	138 used with smudge cancel. <i>2015 CV = \$40.</i>		\$5.00
170	20//288. Eighty-two used stamps including 20, 113, 118, 119, 131, 158B, 170, 219, 251A, 288. Nothing with CV less than 50¢. <i>Total 2015 CV = \$239.50.</i>		\$35.00
171	297//1250. Seventy-two mostly used, mostly commemoratives. Individual values up to \$6. <i>2014 CV = \$92.80.</i>		\$15.00
172	153-154, 162a, 250 used. VF. Crease on 250. <i>CV = \$13.50.</i>		\$5.00
173	120. VF. Used with neat circular cancel. <i>CV = \$45.</i>		\$9.00
<b>Greece</b>			
174	198//513, N110-N111, N113. Thirty-one mint stamps, some MNH. <i>CV = \$17.15.</i>		\$5.00
<b>Grenada</b>			
175	373//439A. MNH. <i>CV = \$116.</i>		\$18.00
<b>Haiti</b>			
176	392//504; C142//C213; CB57; RA7 (29 used stamps) plus C47-C48 MNH. <i>CV = \$17.50.</i>		\$6.00
<b>Hong Kong</b>			
177	36B//324. Eleven used stamps. Includes 287-288 with rounded corners. <i>CV = \$61.15.</i>		\$15.00
178	184 used pair; 419-422 MNH. <i>CV = \$15.35.</i>		\$5.00
179	625-630 MNH blocks of four; 1034, 1041, 1057-1061, 1148-1155, 1194, 1212-1218, 1219-1221, 1274-1281, 1326-1335, B187, C63, C154 used. <i>CV = \$26.</i>		\$26.00
<b>Iceland</b>			
180	144-148 used. VF. <i>CV = \$26.75.</i>		\$6.00
181	252, 334, 347, 373, 435-437, 444, 509, 514, 583, 586, B14-B16. MNH. <i>CV = \$12.60.</i>		\$5.00
182	134. MNH. VF. Est. <i>CV for NH = \$15.</i>		\$5.00
183	C15, C19. MH. F/VF. <i>CV = \$24.80.</i>		\$8.00
184	C1. Mint, hinged. F/VF. <i>CV = \$75.</i>		\$20.00
<b>Ireland</b>			
185	2//241. Forty-three used stamps. Values from 50¢ to \$6. <i>2014 CV = \$71.80.</i>		\$14.00

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186	Collection of M/NH/U F-VF on black vario sheets in Scott order, many \$10-25 items – runs to 1995 with some souvenir sheets. 2015 CV = \$2,200.		\$275.00
187	Retired, minimally circulated circuit sheet, nearly full. 2013 CV = \$64.20.		\$10.00
188	26, 69, 113, 550, C2 used. CV = \$22.65.		\$6.00
<b>Italy</b>			
189	29//194. Twenty-nine used stamps. 2015 CV = \$80.85.		\$12.00
190	50 used. 2015 CV = \$27.50.		\$5.00
191	141 used. Off-center as normal for this issue. 2015 CV = \$45.		\$5.00
192	J29, J69, J72, J74-J76, Q41 used. 1LNE1-1LNE2 MLH. CV = \$24.35.		\$7.00
193	37-44 used. F-VF CV = \$146.		\$28.00
194	45//50. Seven used stamps. F-VF. CV = \$43.50.		\$8.50
195	52-56. Six used stamps F-VF. CV = \$134.		\$26.00
196	58-60, 62-63 used. 61 mint no gum. CV = \$171.		\$33.00
197	64, 65, 66 used. F-VF. CV = \$114.		\$19.00
198	67-71, 73-75, 76-91 (-90) mixed mint and used. Two of lower values damaged. CV = \$91.		\$16.50
199	92-110 (-97) mixed mint and used. F-VF. CV = \$85.		\$15.00
200	111-112, 114 used; 116 mint, hinged. F-VF. CV = \$97.		\$19.00
201	119-124 used. F-VF. CV = \$204.		\$34.00
202	130-132, 136-139 mint. F-VF. CV = \$43.		\$9.00
203	140-142, 143-146 mint. CV = \$77.		\$16.00
204	147-158 used. VG-VF. CV = \$65.		\$13.00
205	165-169 mint. VF. CV = \$256.		\$55.00
206	171, 174, 188 mint; 175-176, 189-191 used. CV = \$57.		\$10.50
207	192-7, 200 used. VF. CV = \$90.		\$18.00
208	213//231 mixed mint and used, 232-238 (-236) mint, 239-241 mint, 258-263 used, 268-79 mint. F-VF CV = \$140.		\$29.00
209	242-245, 248-252, 306-313, 322-323, 329-330 used; 280-285 mint. CV = \$74.		\$13.00
210	324//384 used. F-VF. CV = \$121.		\$22.00
211	363-73, 387-94 used. CV = \$59.		\$10.00
212	400-8 used; 409 MLH. CV = \$95.70.		\$19.00
213	B1, B40, B42 used; B2, B20-1, B23-B25 mint. CV = \$102.		\$20.00
214	B17-9 mint (small thin 18) CV = \$97.50.		\$20.00
215	B26, B29, B30-B31, B38, B43 mint. VG-VF. CV = \$96.		\$18.00
216	C2, C12-C22, C28-C32 mint. CV = \$93.		\$18.00
217	C35-C39 mint, C73, C79-C81 used. CV = \$100.		\$19.00
218	C84-C86, C127-C128 mint; C106-C126 used. CV = \$142.		\$27.00
219	Special delivery very complete mostly used CV = \$97.		\$18.00
220	C3-9 mint. Lovely F-VF mint set. CV = \$157.		\$33.00
221	J25-J27 used. F-VF. CV = \$79.		\$14.00
222	J3//19. Sixteen used stamps. F-VF. CV = \$152.		\$23.00
223	J21, J23-J24 used. F-VF. CV = \$140.		\$27.00
224	J28//64 Thirty-one mixed mint and used. CV = \$101.		\$16.00
225	413, 415, 416 used. CV = \$10.15.		\$5.00
<b>Jamaica</b>			
226	148, 152 mint, hinged; 149 MNH; 170 used. F/VF. CV = \$12.50.		\$5.00
<b>Japan</b>			
227	173, 521a, 571, 578, 633, C15, C21 used. CV = \$31.85.		\$10.00
228	93//187. Twenty-one used stamps. CV = \$28.15.		\$5.00
<b>Korea</b>			
229	411b MNH; DPRK 348a-3512a CTO sheet of 25. CV = \$39.		\$10.00
<b>KUT</b>			
230	79a mint, hinged. CV = \$14.		\$5.00
<b>Laos</b>			
231	B1-B5, C45a MNH; C1 used. CV = \$18.10.		\$5.00
<b>Liberia</b>			
232	2567-2609. MNH S/Ss of U.S. presidents from Washington to George W. Bush. CV = \$60.		\$20.00
233	500-501 imperf, 649-651, B3-B6, C93-C96, C111-C112, C162. Mint, many MNH. CV = \$19.50.		\$5.00

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**Liechtenstein**

- 234 B18. MNH. XF souvenir sheet. 25 years of Swiss-Liechtenstein cooperation. 2014 CV = \$35. \$12.00
- 235 C1. Used. F/VF. Light cancel. CV = \$17.50. \$5.00
- 236 C5. Used. Fine. Light cancel. CV = \$87.50. \$22.00
- 237 C6. Used. Fine. Circular cancel. CV = \$62.50. \$15.00

**Luxembourg**

- 238 217 MNH with small area gum disturbance. 2016 CV = \$110. \$25.00

**Macao**

- 239 147B, 210, 354, 365, 373, 375, 406, 417, 422 mint. 353, 372, 383-384, 405 MNH. 2016 CV = \$25.20. \$8.00
- 240 424, 433, 469-471, 812-815, 859, 968a, 1039-1042, 1046, 1103-1104, 1118-1119 MNH. 2016 CV = \$35.25. \$10.00

**Maldiv Islands**

- 241 9-10, 13, 20//30, 42-49, 50-57 thru to 900s. Mixed mint used and MNH. CV = \$192. \$29.00

**Malta**

- 242 34, 50, 106, 108, 154, C1(2) mint, hinged; 24, 42 used. VF. CV = \$36.75. \$4.00

**Manchukuo**

- 243 127, 130-139. Mixed mint and used, a couple MNH. CV = \$10.36. \$5.00

**Martinique**

- 244 1, 6, 12-16, 21, 30, 56-59 mixed mint and used. F-VF. Beautiful classic stamps. CV = \$365. \$65.00

**Mayotte**

- 245 One hundred and one stamps on specialized pages with glassine interleaving. Early and modern. Includes 16, 17, 18 and five S/Ss. CV = \$395.25. \$79.00

**Mexico**

- 246 2/372. Thirty-one mixed mint and used stamps. #2 overprinted "Huejutla." Four others with number and/or district overprints. 2015 CV = \$49.80. \$7.50
- 247 14a//1666. Eighty-three MNH definitives and commemoratives with values up to \$5. Total 2015 CV = \$100.20. \$20.00

**Moheli**

- 248 Thirteen stamps, 1906-1912, mixed mint and used. Key items: 7, 11a. CV = \$148.40. \$37.00

**Montserrat**

- 249 73 MNH. Left margin copy. Nice color. Est. CV for NH = \$25. to \$30. \$10.00

..... **ABBREVIATIONS** .....

<p><b>&amp;</b>: And</p> <p><b>+</b>: Plus</p> <p><b>//</b>: Incomplete</p> <p><b>ADDR</b>: Address (ed)</p> <p><b>ANN</b>: Anniversary</p> <p><b>APPROX</b>: Approximate (ly)</p> <p><b>APS</b>: American Philatelic Society</p> <p><b>BKLT</b>: Booklet</p> <p><b>BLK</b>: Block</p> <p><b>BOB</b>: Back of Book</p> <p><b>CAT</b>: Catalog (d)</p> <p><b>COMMEM</b>: Commemorative (s)</p> <p><b>(IN)CPL</b>: (In)Complete</p> <p><b>CTO</b>: Cancelled to Order</p> <p><b>CV</b>: Catalog Value (latest Scott or year listed)</p> <p><b>DEFIN</b>: Definitive (s)</p> <p><b>DIFF</b>: Different</p>	<p><b>DUP</b>: Duplicate (s)</p> <p><b>EST</b>: Estimate (d)</p> <p><b>F</b>: Fine (off center, but perms don't touch design)</p> <p><b>FD(C)</b>: First Day (Cover)</p> <p><b>G</b>: Good (perms cut into design)</p> <p><b>HBO</b>: Held by Owner</p> <p><b>HC</b>: Heavy Cancel</p> <p><b>HH</b>: Heavy Hinge</p> <p><b>HR</b>: Hinge Remnant</p> <p><b>ID'd</b>: Identified</p> <p><b>INCL</b>: Include (s) (ed)</p> <p><b>LC</b>: Light Cancel</p> <p><b>LH</b>: Light Hinge</p> <p><b>M</b> or <b>*</b>: Mint</p> <p><b>MC</b>: Moderate Cancel</p> <p><b>MH</b>: Mint Hinged</p> <p><b>MLH</b>: Mint Lightly Hinged</p>	<p><b>MNH</b> or <b>**</b>: Mint Never Hinged</p> <p><b>NG</b>: No Gum</p> <p><b>NMB</b>: No Minimum Bid</p> <p><b>OG</b>: Original Gum</p> <p><b>PNB</b>: Plate Number Block</p> <p><b>RET</b>: Retired, Returned</p> <p><b>SE</b>: Straight Edge</p> <p><b>SON</b>: Socked on the Nose</p> <p><b>S/S</b>: Souvenir Sheet (s)</p> <p><b>TH</b>: Thin</p> <p><b>U</b>: Used</p> <p><b>UNADDR</b>: Unaddressed</p> <p><b>VF</b>: Very Fine (wide margins)</p> <p><b>VG</b>: Very Good (perms touch design)</p> <p><b>W/(O)</b>: With(out)</p> <p><b>WMK</b>: Watermark</p> <p><b>XF</b>: Extra Fine</p>
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<b>Nepal</b>			
250	Few hundred stamps mostly MNH, limited duplication on black sheets.		\$25.00
<b>Netherlands</b>			
251	5//340; B237//B607; C3, J59, J74. Forty-seven mixed mint and used; some MNH. Values range from 50¢ to \$13.50. 2014 CV = \$74.35.		\$14.00
<b>Netherlands Colonies</b>			
252	<b>Antilles</b> C4, C6. Mint, hinged VF; C18 used VF; <b>Indies</b> C9, C11, C16. Used, VF. CV = \$23.		\$7.00
<b>New Zealand</b>			
253	B54a, B55a, B108a, B117a, B120a. MNH sheetlets. CV = \$17.40.		\$5.00
254	AR46-AR52, AR54-AR56, AR58-AR59. used, AR59 has rounded corner. CV = \$247.25.		\$75.00
255	Early high value collection. Many \$20+ items. Overall VG-VF. CV = \$950-1,000.		\$170.00
256	AR1-AR4, AR12, AR34 used. F-VF. CV = \$190.		\$38.00
257	51, 52, 57, 59, 63a, 64, 67 used. CV = \$74.		\$18.00
258	431-434a//723 plus B102a//124-6 MNH. Group of more modern sets CV = \$83.		\$15.00
<b>Northern Rhodesia</b>			
259	13 MLH. VF. CV = \$40.		\$10.00
<b>Norway</b>			
260	40//726. Sixty-three used stamps with values from 50¢ to \$2. 2014 CV = \$50.50.		\$10.00
261	364//501. MNH. CV = \$36.80.		\$6.00
<b>Nossi-Be</b>			
262	Fifteen stamps, 1889-1894, mixed mint and used. Includes 30 plus <i>Linn's</i> article about Nossi-Be and its stamps. CV = \$280.		\$70.00
<b>Pakistan</b>			
263	26a mint, disturbed gum. 54, 71 used. CV = \$ 13.35.		\$5.00
<b>Poland</b>			
264	163-164, 166-169B, 176-190, 277, 282, 312, 2273, B96. All mint. CV = \$22.		\$7.00
265	87-89u; 90-92,159, B28, 304-307, 319, 340 mint. F-VF. CV = \$97.		\$18.00
<b>Portugal</b>			
266	57-59, 61-62, 64-65, 79-82, 84, 97-98, 101 used, F-VF. CV = \$113.		\$22.00
267	335-345 mint. VF. CV = \$47.		\$8.00
<b>Qatar</b>			
268	288-291 used. VF. CV = \$54.		\$9.00
<b>Romania</b>			
269	1337-1338. MNH sheets plus five misc. S/S CV = \$49.		\$9.00
270	1326-1330 plus 2 strips of olympics; C183-C184 with special labels. All MNH. CV = \$42.25.		\$8.00
271	31b mint. F-VF. CV = \$175.		\$29.00
<b>Russia</b>			
272	689-692. CTO. CV = \$19.25.		\$5.00
273	94, 2514d, 2578, 3246, 4690-4690, 5222-5224, 5341-5344, 5572-5576, B168a mint, mostly MNH; 2187-2188,2352-2354, 2375-2376, 2432, 2512, 2514C, 2514D used. CV = \$19.10.		\$6.00
274	C2-C5. MH. VF imperforate set. Prepared but not placed in service. CV = \$38.50.		\$15.00
275	C6-C9. MH. VF imperforate set. CV = \$30.75.		\$10.00
276	C24, C40, C41. CTO as usual. VF. CV = \$15.25.		\$5.00
<b>Rwanda</b>			
277	359-366 MNH. CV = \$24.80.		\$8.00
<b>Ryukus Islands</b>			
278	29, 72. Mint, hinged. CV = \$17.50.		\$5.00
<b>Samoa</b>			
279	23a mint. VF. CV = \$100.		\$19.00
<b>San Marino</b>			
280	185 MNH. VF souvenir sheet. CV = \$15.		\$6.00
281	186-187. MNH. VF souvenir sheets. CV = \$20.75.		\$8.00
282	239. MNH souvenir sheet w/minor edge faults and usual gum skips. 2014 CV = \$95.		\$18.00
283	C127. MNH souvenir sheet. VF. 2014 CV = \$22.50.		\$8.00
284	C128. MNH souvenir sheet. VF. 2014 CV = \$25.		\$8.00
<b>Sarawak</b>			
285	50//69. Fourteen mint stamps VF. CV = \$73.		\$14.00

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<b>Singapore</b>			
286	34-41 used. 49-50 mint, minimally hinged. CV = 13.40.		\$5.00
287	28-42 mint. Very light hinging. CV = \$169.65.		\$50.00
<b>Somalia (Italian)</b>			
288	164-169, C1-C6. 1934 International Colonial Arts Exhibition. Complete. MVF. LH. CV = \$63.		\$21.00
289	10, 11. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$12.		\$5.00
<b>South Africa</b>			
290	74-78 used. CV = \$10.80.		\$5.00
291	27b//240. Ten different, with CV of \$1 or more. Total 2015 CV = \$30.15.		\$6.00
292	29a//63b. Twelve used stamps (six different). 2015 CV = \$35.25.		\$7.00
293	Twelve different. Mixed mint and used. Values range from \$0.75 to \$3.00. Total 2015 CV = \$22.25.		\$5.00
294	Unexploded booklet of 46c, 49d, 56c (2 of each). Unusual item! 2015 CV for panes only = \$108.		\$25.00
295	241//525. One hundred three different mint and used. Estimated CV = \$25-40.		\$8.00
296	529//922. Fifty-seven different, mostly used, mostly commemoratives. Estimated CV = \$20-40.		\$7.00
297	2//102. Two hundred fourteen mixed mint and used (79 different). Estimated CV = \$55-\$70.		\$9.00
298	242//864. One hundred forty-nine mixed mint and used (70 different). Estimated CV = \$45-\$60.		\$8.00
<b>Spain</b>			
299	397, 426, 428, 430. Mint. CV = \$15.		\$5.00
<b>St. Pierre and Miquelon</b>			
300	Mixed lot of 17 mint stamps, most MNH. VF.		\$10.00
<b>St. Kitts</b>			
301	Several MNH sets 1991-1992. CV = \$74.		\$15.00
<b>St. Vincent</b>			
302	Quantity of MNH sets. Highlights include 548-567, 572-578, 405-469 and several others. Also used 56a. Nice group.		\$10.00
<b>Ste. Marie de Madagascar</b>			
303	Twelve stamps plus one mint postcard. 1894-96. Includes 6, 11, 12, 13. CV = \$318		\$80.00
<b>Swaziland</b>			
304	Packet of over 75 different. 2016 CV = \$47.		\$20.00
305	76a, 77a, 79. MNH. CV = \$19.35.		\$6.00
<b>Switzerland</b>			
306	Retired circuit book with a lot of modern material. 2006 CV = \$97.60.		\$25.00
307	585, 616-619, B146-B149, B170-B173 mint, majority MNH. CV = \$22.20.		\$7.00
308	C5-C8. MLH. VF. CV = \$33.25.		\$10.00
309	C8-C9. MHR. VF. CV = \$13.		\$5.00
310	C10. Used. VF. CV = \$16.10.		\$5.00
311	C12. Mint, hinged. VF. CV = \$42.50.		\$13.00
312	C11, C13. Mint, hinged. F/VF. CV = \$30.		\$9.00
313	C14. MLH. VF. CV = \$57.50.		\$18.00
<b>Tonga</b>			
314	Ten stamps, mixed MNH, mint hinged and used. Includes 30,38, 54-56, 70-72. F-VF. CV = \$88.		\$17.00
<b>Tripolitania</b>			
315	CE1. Used. Airmail special delivery. VF. CV = \$145.		\$48.00
316	CE2. Used. Airmail special delivery. VF. CV = \$145.		\$48.00
<b>Turkey</b>			
317	Mixture of 1,000 mostly different. CV approx. \$300.		\$20.00
<b>United Nations</b>			
318	New York 734, 783; Geneva 322, 361; Vienna 278. United Nations five MNH sheets: Year of the Oceans and Year of 21st Century. CV = 49.		\$7.50
<b>Vietnam</b>			
319	1-6, 8, 10-12, 14-16, 63-67. Used. CV = \$14.70.		\$5.00
320	17-19, 63-67, 68-72, 112-115. Mixed mint and used. CV = \$24.40.		\$7.00
321	105//352, M1 used (22 stamps); <b>North Vietnam</b> 605, 1685 used. CV = \$15.25.		\$6.00
<b>Yemen</b>			
322	98 MLH, 128 MNH, C1-C2 used. CV = \$11.30.		\$5.00

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<b>WORLDWIDE</b>			
323	Wild west buffalo box. Cigar box full of mint, used and CTO worldwide stamps and S/S with no U.S. (except some WWII rations coupons). Wide variety.		\$30.00
324	<b>Georgia</b> 15; Six German Colonies; <b>North German Confederation</b> 22, 24. Mixed mint and used. CV = \$27.75		\$9.00
325	Medium flat rate box full. Singles, sets, S/Ss, covers. <i>Estimated CV = \$500.</i> HBO - Postage = \$13.60.		\$100.00
326	Retired circuit sheet. <b>Liberia to Luxembourg.</b> CV (? year) = \$47.10.		\$12.00
327	<b>Cambodia</b> 32, 94a; <b>Burma</b> 66-69, 2N42, 2N44, 2N46-2N50. Mint, most hinged. CV = \$19.80.		\$6.00
328	1000 foreign, mostly used starting at 1.2 cents per stamp		\$12.00
329	Two retired circuit sheets. Includes <b>Angola, Azores, Austria, Estonia, Latvia</b> and others.		\$6.00
330	Retired circuit book <b>Argentina</b> through <b>Congo.</b> Nice mint <b>Argentina</b> , used <b>Austria</b> and mint and used <b>Belgium.</b> ?year CV = \$90.29.		\$18.00
331	Retired circuit book with nice older <b>Bavaria</b> including 2, 4, 5, 6, 11. and scattered <b>Nicaragua.</b> 2006 CV = \$112.65.		\$22.00
332	Twelve high value stamps from twelve countries. Nine used, 3 mint. Mostly classics. Nice selection. 2015 CV = \$148.		\$25.00
333	<b>United Nations</b> 21 FDCs, all large with cachets. 1993-2000. Plus one Year of The Tiger for <b>Ireland</b> #1097-1100. MNH in a large 3-page folded pamphlet. CV for stamps = \$170.		\$26.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - AFRICA</b>			
334	Accumulation of mostly MNH material from <b>Chad</b> and <b>Rwanda.</b> Mostly 70s to 80s. CV = \$151.		\$20.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - ASIA</b>			
335	Ninety-two used, mint and MNH stamps from <b>Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, China (PRC)</b> and <b>India.</b> Majority <b>PRC</b> and <b>India.</b> Values range from \$0.50 to \$7.00. Total 2014 CV = \$110.45.		\$19.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - BRITISH COMMONWEALTH</b>			
336	Retired circuit book of <b>Australia</b> and <b>Canada,</b> 2010 CV = \$95.00.		\$18.00
337	<b>Aitutaki</b> 564A-J; <b>Isle of Man</b> 1407; <b>St. Kitts</b> 795. Prince William - MNH sheets mounted on explanatory presentation cards. CV = \$32.50.		\$12.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - EUROPE</b>			
338	Forty-three mint, used and MNH stamps from <b>Belgium</b> (32) and <b>Luxembourg</b> (11). Values range from 50¢ to \$2.50. Total 2014 CV = \$41.35.		\$7.00
339	Seventy-three mint and used stamps from <b>Central Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia</b> and <b>Lithuania.</b> Pre-WWII stamps with values of 50¢ to \$6. Total 2014 CV = \$92.40.		\$15.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - LATIN AMERICA</b>			
340	Full, almost uncirculated retired circuit sheet with <b>Argentina</b> and <b>Bolivia.</b> 2015 CV = \$37.90.		\$7.00
<b>WORLDWIDE - SOUVENIR SHEETS</b>			
341	11 different from <b>China, Nepal, Hong Kong, Laos, Macao, France</b> and others. CV = \$43.		\$6.50
<b>WORLDWIDE - TOPICAL</b>			
342	World Refugee Year issues. 39 Specialty album pages with 174 stamps and six S/Ss all in Showgard mounts. Very nice collection. CV = \$149.20.		\$50.00

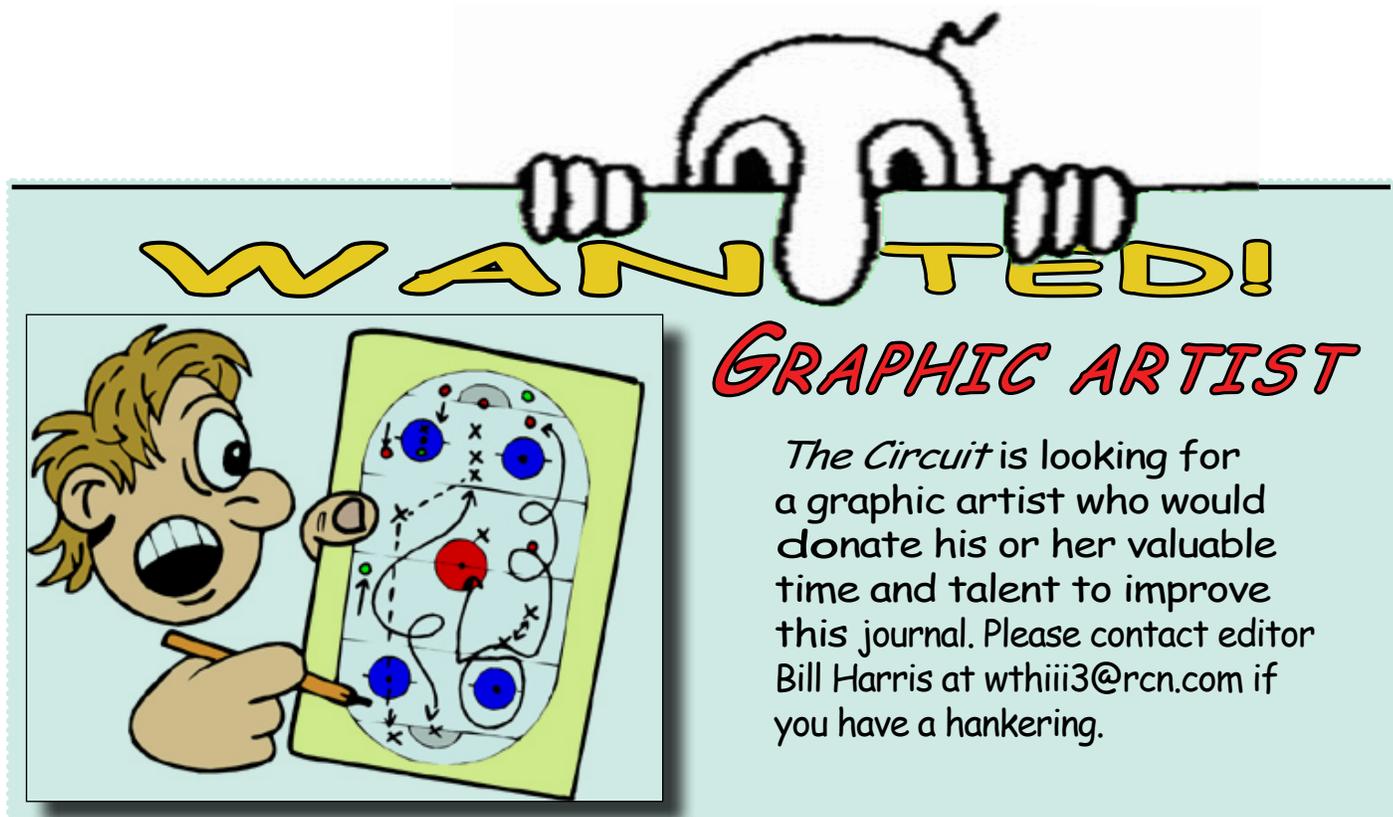


343	611, 628, 654-655, 681 (blk/4), 739, mixed MH and MNH. Most VF. CV = \$14.		\$3.00
344	620-621. MNH. F/VF. 621 some gum disturbance. Norse American CV = \$26.		\$3.00
345	704-715 MH plus 713 and 715 MNH. F/VF. Washington Bicentennial. CV = \$41.		\$5.00
346	Official envelopes/postcards: 11 mint, including #UO86a and #UO87. One used - #UO76. CV over \$50.		\$5.00
347	#s 806, 808, 810-811, 813, 815. MNH Blocks of four. 2014 CV = @ \$12.85.		NMB
348	1947 centenary edition of <i>Washington Press Specialized Catalog of First Day Covers.</i> Unusual piece of philatelic history.		\$4.00

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349	Precursor sheet of junior duck stamps. Pristine condition. <i>Brookman CV = \$60.</i> <i>Scott footnote (2014) has value at \$30.</i>		\$7.50
<b>USA - Canal Zone</b>			
350	88, C4 MNH pair. VF-excellent. CV = \$92.		\$15.00
<b>Antigua</b>			
351	662, 938. MNH. CV = \$15.75.		\$3.00
<b>Australia</b>			
352	1524-35 and 1461-61D, CV = \$50.15.		\$10.00
<b>Belgium</b>			
353	1506A (complete booklet) plus four FDCs, one of each stamp. CV = \$15.		\$3.00
<b>Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>			
354	19 Reprint 34, 35(2), 36, 37, 112, 113(2), 117. MNH. F/VF. CV = \$46.		\$6.00
<b>Burundi</b>			
355	73-79, 81-84 singles; 192, 194-197 blocks of four. MNH. CV = \$37.05.		\$5.00
<b>Cameroon</b>			
356	685. Proof sheet. CV estimated at \$20.		\$5.00
<b>Canada</b>			
357	247, 271, 276-277. First day covers. <i>Canadian CV = \$38.</i>		\$5.00
358	494. Plate block; 600-601. All MNH. CV = \$22.50.		\$5.00
359	176. MLH. VF. 2016 CV = \$175.		\$33.00
360	17 perf 12 used. with slight grid cancel, slight tear on L not visible from front. Nice numeral cancel. F-VF. CV = \$150.		\$45.00
361	106. MNH Block of 8 - 4 x 2. Blind perfs central vertical row. Fine centering. Very fresh. 2016 CV of individual stamps = \$480.		\$75.00
<b>Central African Republic</b>			
362	1358-1361, C125. MNH. CV = \$12.50.		\$3.00
<b>Chad</b>			
363	C84. Imperf high value airmail. NH. VF. CV = \$75.		\$12.00
<b>China</b>			
364	98 (imperial post) MNH; PRC 67 and 3L2 mint no gum as issued. CV = \$13.		\$3.00
365	784-785. Mint no gum as issued. Imperf variety. CV = \$30.		\$6.00
<b>China - PRC</b>			
366	61. Mint no gum as issued. CV = \$42.50.		\$10.00
367	1L150-1L153. Reprints. CV = \$55.		\$10.00
<b>Cuba</b>			
368	Selection of FDCs. 2708-2713 on 2 covers; 3010-3016 on 3 covers and 3108-3114 on 3 covers. 648-662. Four MNH blocks of six including 2 each of 648, 663 and 658 with 652a, 657a and 662a. All three block have selvage with control numbers. Also #55//2587, #P20. Most are used, some mint, some CTO. CV over \$100.		\$10.00
<b>Denmark</b>			
369	178-179, B10, B13, B15-16, J30, J33, O8, O14, P11, P13-15, I5. All used. O8 missing LL corner, not counted in CV. CV = \$19.95.		\$4.00
370	487//873. 210 stamps, mostly used, mostly commemoratives. Est. CV = \$75.		\$9.00
<b>Finland</b>			
371	635//1341c. 39 stamps in retired circuit. 2012 CV = \$38.65.		\$5.00
<b>France</b>			
372	Beautiful hardcover album with slipbox published by La Poste for 2000. Appears to include most, if not all 2000 issues MNH, including souvenir sheets, Semi-postals and airmail. Cost new at post office over €100. 2016 CV of stamps alone estimated over \$135.		\$30.00
<b>French Morocco</b>			
373	296-310. MLH. VF complete sets. 2011 CV = \$29.		\$8.00
374	311-327. MLH. VF complete set. 2011 CV = \$26.		\$7.50
<b>German States</b>			
375	Hanover 18. Sheet of 50. Mint no gum. Probably reprint. CV of original stamp = \$120 each.		\$30.00
<b>Germany</b>			
376	30 MLH. F-VF centering. CV = \$97.50.		\$20.00
377	181-184, 186, 188-90, 191, 198, 203-204, 222, 224, 227, 229, 231. All used. CV = \$26.15.		\$5.00

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378	O95 block of four with numbers; S16 Block of four; S16, S18-19, S21. Pairs. All MNH. CV = \$17.70.		\$3.00
379	C35 used. VF. SON Berlin with cancel. CV = \$35.		\$5.00
380	48 mint stamps including 829-834, AMG (no gum), <b>French Zone, Baden and Wurttemberg.</b> CV = \$17.60.		\$3.00
381	347//488; B128, B278, C48, OL4. 32 used stamps. CV = \$22.55.		\$3.00
382	1409-1419, 1421-1431, 9N488-9N497. MNH. CV = \$38.80.		\$8.00
383	1135-1140, 1218-1221, 1258-1260, 1283-1285, 1647-1648, 1671-1674.1685, 1699-1714, 1752. 40 used stamps. CV = \$32.70.		\$6.00
384	608, 712-713, 1028, 1050-1030A, 1034, 1036; DDR 655-656, 1948. All used. CV = \$10.85.		\$3.00
385	936-951, 1170, 1173-1175, 1177-1179, 1181, 1183-1185, 1188, 1192. MNH. CV = \$26.15.		\$4.00
386	688 and 715 mint, hinged. CV = \$20.50.		\$4.00
387	727, 731, 732, 734, 738, 793-797 MNH. F/VF. 2011 CV = \$75.		\$11.00
388	B325-B326, B343. MNH. F/VF. 2011 CV = \$45.		\$7.00
389	9N54 and 9N104 MH; 9N112 (pair w control # in selvage) and 9N115 MNH. F/VF. 2011 CV = \$56.		\$8.00
390	9N100 and 9N107. MH. VF. 2011 CV = \$17.		\$3.00
<b>Germany – DDR</b>			
391	48, 52, 120, 163a and 201. Mint, three NH. F/VF. 2011 CV = \$42.		\$6.00
392	10NB11. No gum + slight faults. 2016 CV = \$120.		\$7.00
393	10N29-44 postally used. F-VF. CV = \$20.		\$6.00
<b>Great Britain</b>			
394	85 used. Straight edge on top. CV = \$115.		\$10.00
395	#222. used. Very well centered. 2015 CV = \$45.		\$10.00
396	2479-2485. Block of 28 (four each). MNH. CV = \$56.		\$12.00
397	309-311, 526-528. used. #527 has pulled corner perf, not counted in CV. CV = \$22.05.		\$3.00
398	89 (2), 161-166. Used. CV = \$23.		\$4.00
399	127-128, 131-132. Used. CV = \$33.35.		\$7.00
400	111, 117, 125. Used. CV = \$48.35.		\$9.00
<b>Hungary</b>			
401	3, 8, 11 used. Good-Fine - typical for issue. CV = \$60.		\$10.00
402	7N16, 7N19 Mint hinged. 2014 CV = \$40.		\$8.00
<b>Ireland</b>			
403	17, 52, 69, 104, 143 MNH; 20, 72, 74, 76, 117, 148, 150, 156, 168 used. Nice selection of high value, mostly VF stamps. CV = \$279.		\$49.00
404	1792b, 1371a, 111A. 3 S/Ss. CV = \$39.25.		\$7.00
<b>Israel</b>			
405	#922-931. MNH Blocks of four (two stamps in each block have tabs). 2016 CV = \$20.		\$3.00
406	#829 (2 booklets of 16, different covers) and #1036a (full Booklet). 2016 CV = \$11.		NMB
407	#1009-1101. MNH Blocks of four (two stamps in each block have tabs). 2016 CV = \$27.		\$3.00
408	#1029 MNH sheet of 15 (five with tabs. 2016 CV = \$47.50.		\$5.00
409	269//568. 22 different plate blocks of four. Four have minor faults. 2011 CV as singles = \$24.		\$4.00
<b>Italy</b>			
410	413-418 used. F-VF. CV = \$23.50.		\$7.00
411	413-8 mint, hinged. 414-415 no gum. VF. CV = \$34.60.		\$9.00
412	537, 541, 562 MNH. VF. CV = \$64.		\$19.00
<b>Korea</b>			
413	#621b. MNH pair. 2016 CV = \$40.		\$10.00
414	#619b. MNH pair. 2016 CV = \$40.		\$10.00
415	#617b. MNH pair. 2016 CV = \$40.		\$10.00
416	384a, 1269-1270, C26, C28 used; 269a MLH; C37 MNH; DPRK 1670-1673, 1675. CTO. CV = \$81.		\$15.00
417	353b var. Error - E omitted in Postage. CV = \$120.		\$30.00
<b>Liberia</b>			
418	341-346 Imperf. Birds. CV = \$25.		\$5.50
<b>Mauritius</b>			
419	583-586. MNH. CV = \$17.55.		\$3.00
<b>New Zealand</b>			
420	13 used. Cut in right side. Light cancel CV = \$175.		\$30.00
421	OY12 used. CV = \$29.		\$7.00

Lot #	Description	Closes June 15, 2017	Minimum Bid
<b>Portugal</b>			
422	33 used. nice centering and clear cancel but missing 4 perfs. CV = \$475.		\$25.00
<b>Russia</b>			
423	#195d. Mint, hinged. Double surcharge error. CV = \$1,850.00.		\$400.00
<b>San Marino</b>			
424	#13. Mint. No gum. VF. 2016 CV for NG = \$35.		\$7.00
425	#26. Mint. No gum. Very Fine. 2016 CV for NG = \$75.		\$12.00
426	#31. MLH. Fine. 2016 CV = 35.		\$5.00
<b>Sierra Leone</b>			
427	1167-1170 (full sheets); 1171, 1171A. All MNH. CV = \$81.		\$18.00
<b>Slovakia</b>			
428	9 (2), 12. Commemorative cancels on piece - two pieces with three stamps.		\$5.00
<b>Spanish Morocco</b>			
429	Tanger telegraph stamps - 11 different used blocks of four.		\$5.00
<b>St. Thomas &amp; Prince</b>			
430	578-581 CTO. CV = \$13.95.		\$3.00
<b>St. Vincent</b>			
431	1017-1021 with inverted centers. MNH. 40th wedding anniversary.		\$10.00
<b>Tonga</b>			
432	444-448, C249-253, CO150-152. CTO first day cancel on peelable backing. CV = \$44.50.		\$7.00
<b>United Nations</b>			
433	NY 1951-1970 Scott 1-214 (incl. 38 @ \$90) + C1-C14. Complete MNH F/VF on White Ace pages - the classic era. HBO. Estimated postage charge \$2.70.		\$20.00
<b>Worldwide</b>			
434	Retired circuit book. <b>Qatar, Saudi Arabia</b> and one set of <b>Romania</b> . 2008 CV = \$11.90.		\$4.50
435	39 stamps in retired circuit. <b>Bahamas</b> thru <b>Italy</b> . 2012 CV = \$67.55.		\$9.00
436	Retired circuit book. 21 stamps from <b>Canada, Newfoundland</b> and <b>Bangladesh</b> . CV ?year = \$115.70.		\$15.00
437	Retired circuit book. <b>Bahamas</b> to <b>Bosnia</b> plus <b>Bohemia and Moravia</b> . CV ?year = \$86.15.		\$10.00
438	Retired circuit book. <b>South Africa, South-West Africa</b> and <b>St. Pierre and Miquelon</b> . Mixed mint and used. Highlights include <b>South Africa</b> 306 used and 200-219 mint. CV = \$164.		\$20.00



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4	\$7.00	56	\$7.00	115	\$5.00	185	\$16.00	236	\$12.00	285	\$11.00
5	\$7.00	57	\$7.50	119	\$6.00	186	\$21.00	237	\$7.00	286	\$5.00
6	\$5.00	59	\$20.00	120	\$5.00	187	\$11.00	239	\$5.00	287	\$13.00
7	\$12.00	61	\$6.00	121	\$10.00	188	\$7.00	241	\$5.00	288	\$5.00
8	\$5.00	62	\$8.00	125	\$5.00	189	\$5.00	242	\$7.00	289	\$22.00
9	\$5.00	65	\$11.00	131	\$8.00	192	\$14.00	246	\$25.00	290	\$15.00
10	\$13.00	66	\$25.00	133	\$7.00	193	\$37.00	248	\$5.50	293	\$9.00
11	\$22.00	69	\$67.00	134	\$9.00	195	\$14.00	249	\$6.50	294	\$8.00
13	\$12.00	70	\$24.00	136	\$6.00	197	\$8.00	250	\$32.00	295	\$10.00
16	\$5.00	73	\$80.00	137	\$11.50	199	\$25.00	251	\$15.00	296	\$10.00
17	\$13.00	75	\$18.00	139	\$45.00	200	\$24.00	253	\$8.00	298	\$5.00
18	\$16.00	78	\$10.00	140	\$8.00	201	\$19.00	256	\$24.00	299	\$7.50
19	\$7.00	82	\$15.00	145	\$7.00	202	\$14.00	257	\$18.00	300	\$10.00
20	\$8.00	84	\$9.50	150	\$7.50	204	\$5.00	258	\$13.00	301	\$7.00
21	\$5.00	85	\$5.00	151	\$10.00	205	\$13.00	259	\$8.00	302	\$13.00
22	\$8.00	86	\$30.00	153	\$7.50	206	\$8.00	260	\$11.00	305	\$5.00
23	\$10.00	91	\$16.00	154	\$20.00	207	\$20.00	261	\$13.00	306	\$13.00
24	\$6.50	92	\$44.00	157	\$13.00	208	\$23.00	262	\$5.00	307	\$6.00
25	\$16.00	93	\$18.00	160	\$10.00	209	\$7.50	263	\$8.00	308	\$28.00
26	\$17.00	94	\$10.00	161	\$26.00	210	\$100.00	264	\$32.00	309	\$22.00
29	\$14.00	96	\$18.00	162	\$40.00	211	\$5.00	265	\$12.00	310	\$12.00
30	\$12.00	97	\$6.00	163	\$21.00	212	\$8.50	266	\$6.50	311	\$5.00
32	\$22.00	98	\$16.00	164	\$15.00	213	\$10.00	267	\$13.00	313	\$5.00
33	\$40.00	99	\$16.00	165	\$13.00	214	\$16.00	268	\$10.00	314	\$5.00
34	\$12.00	100	\$20.00	167	\$16.00	215	\$10.00	269	\$14.00	316	\$6.50
35	\$15.00	101	\$18.00	168	\$52.00	216	\$10.00	270	\$15.00	317	\$6.50
36	\$24.00	102	\$16.00	169	\$21.00	217	\$9.00	271	\$7.50	318	\$5.00
37	\$18.00	103	\$26.00	170	\$25.00	219	\$152.00	272	\$8.00	320	\$13.00
39	\$31.00	104	\$5.00	171	\$12.50	220	\$10.00	273	\$16.00	321	\$8.50
40	\$8.00	105	\$13.00	172	\$5.50	221	\$16.00	274	\$12.00	322	\$30.00
41	\$20.00	106	\$56.00	174	\$15.00	222	\$23.00	275	\$25.00	323	\$15.00
42	\$29.00	107	\$39.00	176	\$77.00	223	\$34.00	276	\$15.00	324	\$5.00
43	\$22.00	108	\$13.00	177	\$105.00	224	\$13.00	277	\$10.00	325	\$5.00
45	\$9.00	109	\$15.00	178	\$40.00	225	\$8.50	279	\$5.00	326	\$5.00

# PHILATELISTS ... OR STAMP COLLECTORS?

**A** friend of mine went to a stamp club back East for the first time, and was, at first, greeted with enthusiasm. When asked what she collected, she replied casually, "Just pretty stamps. Ones I like." At that point the place became quiet, the room temperature dropped noticeably, and someone curtly said, "You cannot collect stamps that way!"

My friend, it seems, had happened upon a group of philatelists.

A philatelist, as any one of them will tell you, is not a "stamp collector." They disdain the idea of simply filling empty spaces in an album, and they abhor general world collectors, who they sometimes refer to as "hoarders."

(Sidebar: I have nothing against hoarders. Anyone who saves a stamp for any reason is okay in my book, and those hoarders will either one day become collectors, or pass their "hoard" on to one of us who is – making us very happy in the process.)

A philatelist, by comparison, is a different animal altogether. He (or she) is an erudite specimen who knows all there is to know about our hobby. He will, unashamedly, claim to have invented it. His knowledge of all things postal is encyclopedic.

Perforations, watermarks, colors and shades, papers, printing methods, dyes, gums, cancels, forgeries, fakes, cinderellas: you name it, he knows it, and he has a roomful of books and catalogs to show for it.

To the philatelists amongst us, I would like to say several things. First, a huge "thank you!" Thank

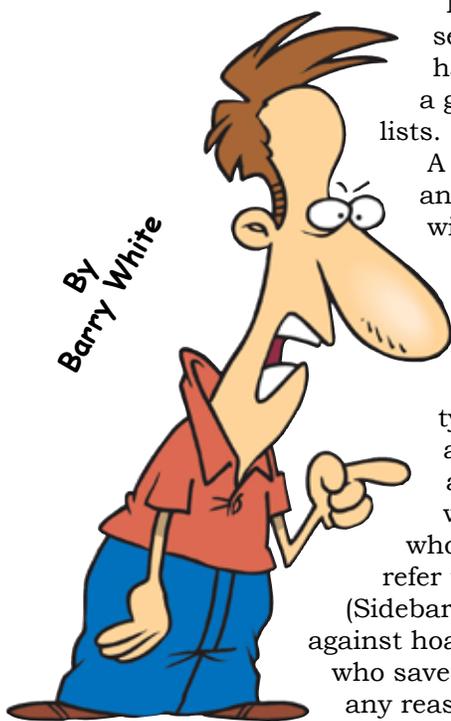
you for the knowledge you have shared, the books you have written, and the phenomenal displays of your stamps that you have allowed us to view via exhibits. You are, indeed, a huge part of this almighty hobby, whose greatness owes you a debt.

Second, a reminder. A reminder that you began where many of us currently reside – as mere "stamp collectors," involved in the humble process of filling album pages. Yes, once upon a time, you were us. This was too many years ago for you to recall, but novices you were, each and every one of you.

And finally, a challenge. Look down upon us "stamp collectors" from your lofty perch as you will, but please don't be rude about it. Smile when you meet us, and greet us warmly.

Accept us as a challenge, as "unformed beings" who need guidance toward the philatelic light. Take us under your wing, offer gentle mentoring, and lead us out of the wilderness. We all want to be like you, we just don't know it yet.

Show us how.



By  
Barry White



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**General format used**

Member #-Suffix Exp: MM/DD/YY

Name

Address

City, state, ZIP - country

Email address

Interest codes

**Suffix codes**

A—Affiliate

C—Club

D—Dealer

U—Unlisted

Y—Youth

**Collecting interests**

A—All worldwide

B—Worldwide (range of years collected)

**Types of stamps collected**

C—Mint only

D—Postally used only

E—Postally used/CTOs only

F—Mint/postally used/CTOs

G—Mint/postally used only

**Worldwide collecting level with (# years collecting)**

Beg—Beginner

Int—Intermediate

Adv—Advanced

**Member age**

AA—Less than 15

BB—15-21

CC—22-40

DD—41-65

EE—Over 66

**Topicals collected**

Top (description)

**Other interests**

1—Covers

2—Postal stationery

3—Postmarks/cancels

4—Precancels

5—Perfins

6—Postal cards

7—Countries of interest

8—Souvenir sheets

9—Maximum cards

10—Other stamp interests

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