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# THE FIRST ADHESIVE STAMP

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During the last quarter of the 16th Century, the prepayment principle typified by an adhesive stamp with a specific denomination became firmly established, thus marking a most profound step forward in the evolution of the stamp.

By the latter half of the 16th Century, the Tasso couriers had established offices in the lowland countries of Belgium and Holland, with routes connecting Antwerp to Augsburg, south German towns and Paris. There can be little doubt that their route stamps and embossing presses were familiar to the Hollanders. In any event, the idea of a dry-embossed adhesive stamp as a method of prepaying fees on taxable documents was an invention of

# ARA CONVENTION SLATED FOR ROMPEX

The American Revenue Association has announced that it will be holding its 1980 Annual Convention in Denver, Colorado, May 16-18. The Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibition, ROMPEX, is an APS Champion of Champions show.

The show will run from 10 A.M. on Friday, May 16 to 5 P.M. Sunday, May 18 at the Regency Inn located on I-25 and 38th Avenue in Denver. ROMPEX will feature 2300 pages of exhibits with at least fifty frames reserved fro revenue exhibits. There will also be a fifty dealer bourse.

In addition to the first western convention of the ARA, the Rocky Mountain Region Flag Cancellation Society will meet; there will be a first day of issue for the United Nations on the 16th; and one of the three different cachets will have a revenue motif.

ROMPEX's P.R. chairman and ARA member Dick Casten advises that the revenue cachet will depict a wax seal that was used many years ago on packets of Revenue and Special Tax Stamps being forwarded from the Philadelphia office of the I.R.S. to agents and brokers.

Further information is available from Dick Casten, Box 714, Denver, CO 80201 or from The Rocky Mountain Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc. Box 2352, Denver, CO 80201. A prospectus for the show will appear in TAR in a future issue.

some genius in the tax collector's office in Holland.

The adhesive revenue stamps were first used in 1579. Squares of specially prepared paper were processed in hand presses and sold as stamps for prepaid use on taxable papers. The stamps were also impressed on sheets of document paper which were sold for tax-paid revenue use. In addition, the tax stamp was applied to taxable documents brought to the tax collector's office.



1579-1829: Typical examples of the Clein Segel adhesive revenue stamps of Holland.

The typical coin-shaped impressions depict a crown surmounting a coat-of-arms shield with lions rampant. Above the crown are year dates of usage. Flanking the shield at the sides is the value in stuivers (or gulden), and within the double-circled framing are the words, "CLEIN" and "SEGEL". Thus, the revenue stamps are commonly dubbed "CLEIN SEGEL" adhesive revenue stamps of Holland. Many dies were prepared, but the stamp presses remained essentially unchanged throughout the 250 years of useage. The Clein Segels were first described by Roussin (c.1890).

These adhesive revenue stamps of Holland survived well into the 19th Century (1829). They antedated similar stamps of Great Britain (1694) by 115 years. Some 260 years were to elapse between the invention of an adhesive revenue stamp and the "Penny-black" postage stamps of Great Britain (1840).

Isn't it incredible that the invention failed to penetrate the inertia of the postal bureaucracy? Well, almost! In 1608 the ingenious Venetians were quick to adapt the Hollanders' concept to the idea of prepayment of postage when they issued a prepaid "A - Q" letter sheet.

# THE EDITOR NOTES...

... that it is my sad duty to inform the member-ship of the passing of ARA member Richard B. Stevens on November 27, 1979. Mr. Stevens of Stevens on November 27, 1979. Mr. Stevens of Elmhurst, Illinois, was a noted authority on the revenue stamps of Mexico. He published two editions of the Mexician revenue catalog that was started by his father. ...that for those of you seeking information about the State Revenue Society and state revenues

Mr. Harold Effner, their secretary has moved. His new address is 32 Calumet Avenue, Lake Hiawatha, NJ 07034.

.that again we repeat the call for anyone Willing to serve as sales manager for the ARA. Presently President Ogden Scoville (2123 S. Windsor Dr., Springfield, MO 65807) is filling in as temporary sales manager. He hopes that Write to Ogden if you think you would like the job and will be willing to put in the work. ...that while on the subject of sales I might comment about the apparent popularity of and lack of revenue circuit books by other philatelic societies. I recently inquired of the SPA sales manager why I had never received any circuits in over two years after applying for and being in-formed that I would be on revenue circuits. "The reasonyou have not received a Revenue circuit is due the fact there just is no such material entered." This was US; as to foreign, there is never any. The APS is equally short but has a few circuits going; the SPA has one. A lew circuits going; the SPA has one. ...that this brings us to our plug for our own ARA sales department. Yes, we do have some--but the demand is equally as great. The ARA Sales Department can always use circuit books of U.S. and foreign material. (Yes indeed, we do have books of foreign material unlike the other Societies.) And rearrance that circuit members societies.) And remember that since our members

are revenue collectors, they are interested in all forms of revenues including taxpaids and on documents.

... that the list of newly published and republished revenue literature continues to grow. Member Bill Castenholz has informed your editor that he will be reprinting another series of "West" articles (written by Elliot Perry) that orignally appeared in Mekeel's. This time it will be a short series of articles about the match and medicine stamps. These were articles dealing with the private dies as a whole rather than as individual stamps. In addition all of the private die designs will be illustrated in the book. ... that occasionally the editor receives comments about the small size of type in TAR. In response I quote from a recent issue of the Wisconsin Fed-eration of Stamp Club's newsletter "Across the Fence," "Remember, Stamp Collectors are the only people who can spot a gum skip at 50 paces when buying, but need a magni separation when selling. but need a magnifying glass to see a perf separation when selling." ...that member Dick Sheaff (14 Hammondswood Road, Chestnut Hill, MA O2167) has agreed to serve as a co-ordinator for TAR in g athering and reporting U.S. revenue plating efforts. If anyone is currently engaged in such an effort, was engaged or has any results of such an effort, would you please contact Mr. Sheaff. It is known that in the past much of this type of work has been done but the information has never been published. We would the information has never been published. We would like to do so in TAR. .that CONGRATS are due again. This time your editor is aware of only two. First

-- to TOM PREISTER who exhibited his new book, The Beer Stamps of the U.S. in India 80 an internation-al show of considerable size. The book received a SILVER a rather notable accomplishment in the big leagues. And second --to TAR's 1978 CONTRIBUTORS. Also at India 80 TAR was exhibited and due to the excellence of the

contributed material we received a SILVER-BRONZE.

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# **OPINION:** Editor Seeks Reader's Comments

This issue marks the start of the fourth "larger" size volume of **The American Revenuer**. In that January, 1977 issue I asked that comments about TAR be directed to me. Well, after three years I still aks that comments be directed to me — either pro or con.

On looking back at that issue of three years ago I am aware of the many changes in style that have taken place. I still have a tendancy to overcrowd the pages and am finally getting the type fonts settled — on e for articles about our hobby and another for articles about our society.

I have been striving to present as much of the best editorial material that I can. There is an attempt in every issue to maintain a balance of articles. Articles that are reprinted are done so after a consideration of interest to readers, worth of the article and how widely the original article was circulated.

In the last two years TAR has been entered in every philatelic literature competition of which your editor has been aware. As a result of the high quality of the articles from TAR's contributors, the magazine has done quite well in these competitions. These shows are entered for two reasons; to gain widespread recognition of TAR and the ARA, and to assist in raising fiscal philately to a level equal to all other facits of philately. Many of our members are aware that in philatelic competitions around the world, revenues are looked down upon in varying degrees. It is hoped that by showing the field of revenues is a serious part of philately, revenues will be accepted with postage material on an equal basis.

Your editor would like to know your comments. What do you like best about TAR? The least? What type of articles do you want to see more? Fewer? Comments about graphic style?

Most important, your editor would like to know what in your opinion can be done to improve TAR. Please write: Kenneth Trettin, editor, Box 573, Rockford, Iowa 50468.

# Literature in Review

Publishers, authors or distributors of books, catalogs, periodicals or other publications about revenues or cinderellas who wish their works reviewed should forward a copy to the Editor, Box 573, Rockford, IA 50468. Nothing can be reviewed without a copy to review. A second copy for the ARA library would be appreciated.

Japanese Revenue Stamp Catalogue, edited and published by Mr. K. Furuya (C.P.O. Box 18, Yokohama 220-91 Japan) and distributed in the U.S. by Sun Philatelic Center, 9 Sutter St. Room 705, San Francisco, Cal 94104. U.S. price is \$19.50 postpaid.

JAPANESE REVENUE STAMP CATALOGUE, edited and published by Mr. K. Furuya (C.P.O. Box 18, Hokohama 220-91 Japan) and distributed in the U. S. by Sun Philatelic Center, 9 Sutter St. Room 705, San Francisco, Cal. 94104. U. S. price is unknown at this writing, but probably about \$15.

This is the long-awaited successor to the famous 1964 Japanese revenue catalogue of Furuya and Shimomura. In this edition Mr. Furuya has focused on the more popular series of Japan proper (especially the documentary and general revenue issues) and omitted not only occupations but also some unpopular specialties such as railway stamps, express stamps, almanac stamps, etc. While this is regrettable from the standpoint of the small number of aggressive specialists, it is reasonable from the standpoint of the more general collector. Further, the omission of these areas has permitted the inclusion of a great wealth of photographs, of great value to the beginning or intermediate collector.

The catalogue is almost entirely in Japanese, but the fantastic wealth of illustrations (every single denomination of the smallformat tobacco stamps is illustrated!) and the clear and systematic organization will permit it to be used with tran-

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slations of only a handful of terms. If Sun (San Francisco) follows their usual practice with Japanese catalogues, copies purchased from them will be accompanied by a concordance of vital terms which will make the use of the catalogue very easy.

Prices have, of course, gone up enormously since the 1964 catalogue and everyone has his own views. My view is that in general the catalogue fairly represents the market in 95% of the cases and the balance is reasonably split between seriously overpriced items and seriously underpriced ones. This seems about as much as anyone can ask. One possible criticism is the assignment of prices to extremely rare stamps, which have in some cases not been on the market in modern times. For example, his #5a (the perforated 1874 silkworm eggs tax stamp) is priced at \$2000. As far as I know, no Japanese revenue stamp at all has brought such a price, but there are no copies of this on the market (I know of only 9 copies in existence) and for a key item in a popular series the price is probably reasonable. Another objection is that he sets prices for fine stamps where only faulty copies are known, but this impacts only a handfull of great rarities.

In summary, this is a far better catalogue than most revenue catalogues on the market and should be in the hands of every collector of Japanese revenue stamps.

M. B. McNeil

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This Newsletter, more or less typical of those seen heretofore, contains for the most part (circa 7 of the 12 pages) little articles reprinted (copied directly, not typeset) from the media, most of which have little or nothing to do with revenues, and the reason for their presence escapes this reviewer. Filler, perhaps?

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# A REVISED CHECKLIST OF HAITIAN REVENUES

# by Samuel Dalsimer

## Updated by Carroll Lloyd and Peter Jeannopoulos

(Ed. note: This revised Haitian listing is reprinted with per-mission from Haiti Philately, journal of the Haitian Philatelic Society, Vol. IV, No. 4, 3rd Quarter 1978. Anyone who can add further data is welcome to write me, and we will pass it on to the HPS. The numbering system has been revised.)

"A Checklist of Haitian Revenues" was originally published by Samuel Dalsimer in The American Revenue, Vol. 14 Nos. 4, 5, and 6 (April, May, June 1960). The editor is grateful to Mr. Kenneth Trettin, the editor of The American Revenuer, and to Mr. Gerald M. Abrams of the A.R.A., for permission to use the original listing.

Year dates when given are based upon the Forbin listing and from examination of dated cancels in the collections of Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Jeannopoulos. Wherever possible the earliest date of usage is noted. Late usage is noted so as to give an indication of the number of years a particular issue was used. These late dates are meant only to give an approximate period of usage and are not meant to be definitive.

Sizes are in millimeters with the vertical dimension first.

The listing by Mr. Dalsimer did not include cigarette, alcohol or consular tax stamps. These will be listed separately at a later date.

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**A. EFFETS DE COMMERCE** 

ŧ. 500 A 1000



Coat of Arms, palms drooping. Face value only (A3) 49x24, perf. 131/2 and 11

- 10c grey, blue numbers 13
- 14 35c grey, blue numbers
- 70c grey, blue numbers 15

#### 1892-1919

1892-1919

Face value and amount of transaction (A4)

- 16 20c grey, blue numbers
- 17 50c grey, blue numbers
- 18 1G. grey, blue numbers
- 19 1G50/G.1000 a 2000 grey, blue numbers 20
- 2G/G.2000 a 3000
- 21 3G. grey, blue numbers 22
- 5G. grey, blue numbers 23 10G. grey, blue numbers

## 1904

Stamp of 1883 (A2) surcharged in blue or red, similar to illustration. (A5)

24 P.O.20 OR on 1G/500 a 1000 (blue)

25 P.O.30 OR on 1G50/1000 a 2000 (red)

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Coat of Arms, palms erect. Face value only (A1) 49 x 231/2, perf. 131/2

- 1 10c grey, blue numbers
- 2 35c grey, blue numbers
- 3 70c grey, blue numbers
- 4 1G35, grey, blue numbers

#### 1883-1892

1883

Face value and amount of transaction on base of stamp (A2)

A1

- 20c/G.200 grey, blue numbers 5
- 50c/G.200 a 500 grey, blue numbers 6
- 1G/G.500 a 1000 grey, blue numbers 7
- 1G50/G.1000 a 2000 grey, blue numbers 8
- 2G/G.2000 a 3000 9
- 10 3G/G.3000 a 5000 11
- 5G/G.5000 a 10,000
- 12 10g/?

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1912-1920



A6

Coat of Arms with motto. Face value only. (A6) Printed by the American Bank Note Co. lithographed

50x24<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, perf. 12

26 10c blue-grey /blue number

27 35c blue-grey/blue number

Face value and value of transaction.

28 20c/G200 blue-grey/blue number

1906-1928



Coat of Arms with motto. "Droit Proportionnel." (A7) American Bank Note Company 37x55, perf. 12 horizontally For Domestic Use, value in Gourdes

| 29 | G 0 | .40 | Red |
|----|-----|-----|-----|

- 30 G 1.00 Red
- 31 G. 2.00 Red

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34 G 10.00 Red

### 1906 (?)-1922



**A8** 

Stamps of 1906 (A7) surcharged in purple, 10c in octagon. (A8)

- 35 10c on G 2.00 Red
- 36 10c on G 6.00 Red
- 37 10c on g 10.00 Red

#### 1921-1923

Stamps of 1906 (A7) surcharged in purple, 20c in oval.

- 38 20c on G 4.00
- 39 20c on G 6.00

#### 1906-1912

Coat of Arms with motto. "Droit Proportionnel." (A7) American Bank Note Company Engraved 37x55, perf. 12 horizontally For Foreign Use, value in Piastres

- 40 P. 0.40 Blue
- 41 P. 1.00 Blue
- 42 P. 2.00 Blue
- 43 P. 4.00 Blue
- 44 P. 6.00 Blue
- 45 P. 10.00 Blue

#### 1906

Stamps of 1906 surcharged in purple. 10c octagon (A7)

46 10c on P. 6.00 blue

Stamps of 1907 surcharged in purple, 20c in oval (A7)

#### 47 20c on P. 10.00 Blue

#### 1914-1924

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#### Â9

Coat of Arms, with amount of transaction and face value in centimes (A9)

- 24x34, perf. 11.
  - 48 10c/200G. 200 et au-dessous grey/blue lettering
  - 49 20c/G. 200-400 grey/blue lettering
  - 50 30c/G. 400-600 grey/blue lettering

- 51 40c/G. 600-800 grey/blue lettering
- 52 50c/G. 800-1000 grey/blue lettering 53 60c/G. 1000-1200 grey/blue lettering
- 53 60c/G. 1000-1200 grey/blue lettering
  54 70c/G. 1200-1400 grey/blue lettering
- 55 80c/G. 1400-1600 grey/blue lettering
- 56 90c/G. 1600-1800 grey/blue lettering

## 1914-1924

Face Value in Gourdes (A10)



A10

1G/G.1800-2000 grey/red lettering, perf. 11 57 2G/G.3800-4000 grey/red lettering, perf. 11 and 10 58 59 3G/G.5800-6000 grey/red lettering 4G/G.7800-8000 grey/red lettering 60 5G/G.9800-10,000 grey/red lettering 61 6G/G.11,800-12,000 grey/red lettering 62 7G/G.13,800-12,000 grey/red lettering 8G/G.15,800-16,000 grey/red lettering 63 64 9G/G.17,800-18,000 grey/red lettering 65 10G/G.19,800-20,000 grey/red lettering 66 20G/G.39,800-40,000 grey/red lettering 67

### 1914-1924



A11

Coat of Arms, with amount of transaction only. Perf. 10 or 11 as indicated in parenthesis. (A11)

| 0.01 | 11 as mulcated in parentnesis. (A11)    |
|------|---|
| 68   |   |
| 69   | G.200-400 grey/blue lettering (11)      |
| 70   |   |
| 71   |   |
| 72   |   |
| 73   |   |
| 74   |   |
| 75   |   |
| 76   |   |
| 77   |   |
| 78   | G.3800-4000 grey/red lettering (11)     |
| 79   |   |
| 80   |   |
| 81   |   |
| 82   |   |
| 83   |   |
| - 84 |   |
| 85   | G.17,800-18,000 grey/red lettering (10) |
|      |   |

- 86 G.19,800-20,000 grey/red lettering (10)
- 87 G.39,00-40,000 grey/red lettering

# 1924-1956

Coat of Arms with motto. "Timbre Mobile." (A12) American Bank Note Company Engraved. Shades exist. 23x29, perf. 12

- 88 5c green
- 89 10c vermilion
- 90 20c blue





A12

- 50c olive 91
- G.1.00 brown 92
- 93 G.2.00 green
- 94 G.3.00 purple
- G.5.00 aquamarine 95
- 96 G.10.00 orange

#### 1956-1968

Coat of Arms with motto, "Timbre Mobile." Similar in design to previous issue but without printer's imprint. This issue was lithographed rather than engraved. Printed by Cie. Litho. D'Haiti (A12)

97 5c apple green

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Because most of us tend to compartmentalize our collecting interests, state and federal tax stamps find their way to different pages in our albums (if not in different collector's albums). As a result of this practice most examples of joint usage are carefully separated and lost to those of us who collect both the state and federal issues. This month's example is again from Pennsylvania. The federal stamp is the half barrel from the Series of 1933 (first) and the Pennsylvania stamp is the half barrel overprinted on the \$1.00 stock transfer (1960 catalog B12). Both stamps are quite common. After the state stamp was secured to the federal stamp, the two were defaced simultaneously with a perfin cancellation reading:

#### DLB 6.29.33

After the federal beer stamps were enlarged in size, Pennsylvania also increased the size of the beer stamps. The final chapter for the Pennsylvania stamps was written when the federal stamps became obsolete. New stamps in the size of the federal stamps were prepared (see illustration). The author invites correspondence. He may be written to at Box 242, Pineville, Pa. 18946.

- 98 10c red
- 99 20c blue
- 100 50c olive green 101
- G.1.00 brown
- 102 G.5.00 prussian blue
- 103 G.10.00 pink
- 104 G.0.50 on G.0.05 apple green

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Coat of Arms, palm leaves erect. Lithographed (B1) 34x23<sup>1</sup>/2, perf. 13

#### 1 2c blue

1892-1901



**B2** 

Coat of Arms, palm leaves drooping Lithographed (B2) 34 x23<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, perf 13 2 2c blue

1892-1910



### On Connaissements.

Red surcharge (B3)

- 3 2c on 70c bistre (stamps of 1883)
- 4 2c on 70c bistre (stamps of 1892)

#### 1892-1908

Stamps of 1883, Effets de Commerce (A2) with red surcharge, (B3)

- 2c on 35c grey/blue numbers 5
- 2c on 1G.50/1000 a 2000 grey/blue numbers 6
- 2c on 2G./2000 a 3000 grey/blue numbers 7

#### 1892-1908

Stamps of 1892 (A4) with red surcharge, B3. Face value only.

- 8 2c on 20c grey/blue numbers
- 9 2c on 35c grey/blue numbers
- 10 2c on 70c grey/blue numbers
- 2c on 1G.50 grey/blue numbers 11
- 2c on 2G. grey/blue numbers 12

Stamps of 1892 (A5) with red surcharge, B3 Face value and value of transaction

- 2c on 20c G.200 et dessus, grey/blue numbers 13
- 2c on 1G.50/G1000 a 2000 grey/blue numbers 14
- 2c on 2G./G.2000 a 3000 grey/blue numbers 15



1915 Coat of Arms with motto. (B4) Lithographed by American Bank Note Co. 34<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> x 24, perf, 12 16 2c dark blue **Date Unknown** 



**B5** 

Cie. Litho. D'Haiti. 19<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> x 25<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, perf. 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (B5) 2c dark blue

C. DROIT DE TRANSMISSION 1906-1922

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C1

Coat of Arms with motto. (C1) American Bank Note Co. Domestic Use, Value in Gourdes 37x55, perf. 13 horizontally

| 1  | G. 0.10 yellow |
|----|----------------|
| 2  | G. 0.20 yellow |
| 3. | G. 0.50 yellow |
| 4  | G. 1.00 yellow |
| 5  | G 2.00 yellow  |
| 6  | G. 3.00 yellow |

- G. 9.00 yellow 7
- G.10.00 yellow 8

1922



C2

Stamps of 1906 (C1) Surcharged with 5c in circle, (C2) violet

- G. 3.00 yellow 9
- G. 9.00 vellow 10
- G.10.00 yellow 11
- 1922

With 5c in square, (C3), magenta

12 G. 3.00 yellow



1922



Stamps of 1906 (C1) surcharged with 10c in octagon, (C4), magenta

- 13 G. 2.00 yellow
- 14 G.10.00 yellow

#### 1906-1920



C5

Coat of Arms with motto. (C5) American Bank Note Co. Foreign use, Value in Piastres 37x55, perf. 13 horizontally

- 15 P. 0.10 green
- 16 P. 0.20 green
- 17 P. 0.50 green
- 18 P. 1.00 green
- 19 P. 2.00 green
- 20 P. 3.00 green 21 P. 9.00 green
- 22 P.10.00 green

## 1920's-1930

Stamps of 1906 (C5) with various surcharges

- 23 P. O.50 green with G. 1 square surcharge in blue
- 24 P. 2.00 green with 20c oval surcharge in blue
- 25 P. 9.00 green with 5c circular surcharge in violet
- 26 P. 10.00 green with 5c circular surcharge in violet
- (also known in a magenta and blue) 27 P. 10.00 green with 10c octagonal surcharge in blue

# D. CONNAISSEMENTS (Bills of Lading)

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1883



D1

Coat of Arms. palms erect (D1) For Domestic Use 34x24, perf.  $12^{1/2}$ 

- 1 20c vermilion
- For Foreign Use
- 2 70c bistre

1892



Coat of Arms, palms drooping. (D2) For Domestic Use 34x24, perf. 13

54x24, peri. 15

- 3 20c vermilion
- For Foreign Use
- 4 70c bistre

## 1904

Stamp of 1883 (No. D1) with vertical surcharge in blue similar to (A5) For Foreign Use

- 5 P. 0.10 OR on 20c vermilion
- 6 P. 0.20 OR on 20c vermilion
- 7 P. 0.50 OR on 20c vermilion
- 8 P. 1.00 OR on 20c vermilion
- 9 P. 10.00 OR on 20c vermilion

#### Date Unknown

Postage issue of 1914 (Sc175)

Overprinted "T.M. in blue (D3) ("T.M." indicates Timbre Mobile)

10 Occlaret

ARA

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D3



D4

Postage issue of 1920 with "T.M." (D4) Overprinted in red or blue

- 5c green, overprinted in both red and blue 11
- 12 10c vermilion, overprinted in blue
- 13 15c violet, overprinted in red

# **E. CONTRIBUTION CIVIQUE** 1949-1953



E1

Inscribed Cie. Litho. D'Haiti in lower right margin (E1)

- 10c blue
- 2 25c brown
- 3 50c green
- 1.00G. red 4
- 5.00G. yellow 5

#### 1959

Same design as above without printer's imprint

10c blue



- 7 25c brown 8 50c green 1.00 red 9
- **F. CONTRIBUTION DE SOLIDARITE**



F1

- Cie. Litho. D'Haiti (F1)
  - 0.50 G. med. blue 1
  - 2.00 G. light blue 2
  - 3 5.00 G. red

# **GUAM HUNTING STAMPS** G.M. Abrams, ARA

At any rate, the stamps are as follows, and according to a letter received with them, they were implemented in 1977, none earlier:



1978

1977

Figure 3 1979

## 1977

Bird, 201/2x221/2 mm., perf 12, uwmkd white paper. \$5 green & brown (Fig.1)

## 1978

Similar, with lizard

\$5 lt brown & brown (Fig. 2)

#### 1979

Similar, with the deer

\$5 lt blue & brown (Fig. 3)

Presumably, there will be others. Based on the selling prices, the valuations for each are \$5 mint, 50c used.

And a revolutionary new category for revenues: On FDC with a postage stamp, \$2.50

We wonder if these will be listed in Scott under Guam, as RW stamps.

# **PRECANCELLED CLASS A** CIGARETTES: PHILLIP MORRIS TOBACCO CO.

## **Ogden Scoville, ARA**

The Phillip Morris tobacco Co., like many other tobacco companies, precanceled the cigarette stamps that were used to seal their packages. This practice dates back to the 1879 series. My earliest printed cancel is of Factory 42 dated May, 1879.

1923

# RACLETTE NO. 9 M.N. Thaler

## "Man does not live by Cheese alone"

The Sulser catalog that I promised to tell about is the appetizer to this offering. In October of 1977, H. Sulser of Egerkingen, Solothurn compiled a comprehensive catalog of the Soldier Stamps of Switzerland in two volumes. Printed in Zurich, the original price of the book was 36 Francs Swiss - about \$20. There were two volumes - the text being in Volume 1 and the photos in Volume 2. It is very highly specialized. It covers the eras of 1914-1918 (World War I) and 1939-1945 (World War II). It lists, in addition to the regular Soldier Stamps, 68 stamps which are found in the Federal section of Schaufelberger. Otherwise this catalog has little interest to a revenue collector. The prices, however, reflect the increased value of those stamps that are listed.

The main repast is now in order.

The canton of Vaud is a veritable jackpot of communes that issued revenue stamps. Being there is a revelation as the familiar names appear on the road signs and one lights up inside in the recognition.

We were well lit up one evening this last September dining at the very famous Fredy Girardet Restaurant in Crissier about 15 miles east of Geneva near Lake Leman. One of the rare restaurants to have been awarded stars by Michelin outside of France, we went through course after course, wine after wine as if we were to be hanged on the morrow at dawn. And of course, we had to sample all of the great cheeses, some of which I have named previously in this column.

What does this have to do with revenue stamps?

Plenty!!

Mr. Girardet's establishment is located at the town square of Crissier; his parking lot is the actual old market area; the old town water spout still runs adjacent to your parked car; AND his restaurant is in the old Hotel de Ville. As you all know, the Hotel de Ville is the French name of the City Hall. In the City Hall of small communes one normally finds the mayor's office, the police department and the tax collector.

The Crissier stamps which you and I have in our collections of Swiss municipal stamps were therefore issued out of Fredy Girardet's

The latest series 102 - 125 with a picture of De Witt Clinton and the series in the upper right was precancelled by many companies. The P M T Co precancelled only the Class A 20 in black. These were primarily for use in cigarette vending machines so the customer could be sure that they were getting Phillip Morris cigarettes as the stamps could be seen in the machine window.



Figure 1

Type 1 is  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 18\frac{1}{2}$  mm. Printed in black, two lines and are found on the inscribed series 106 through 112 (1936 through 1942). The 110 and 112 series are known inverted. See figure 1.

Type 2 is found only on series 112 and is 12 x 11 mm with a condensed type. See figure 2.

Type 3 is  $2 \times 18$  mm black in one line and is found on series 124 (1954) and 125 (1955 through 1958). See figure 3.

Question. Were any precancelled between 1942 and 1954 and why not? If you have any others please write and we'll publish an additional listing in the future. My thanks to Frank Newton for doing the photographs.

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Most of the cities and villages, of Switzerland irrespective of size, collected and still collect an income tax from the residents. The village of Crissier was no exception as these stamps indicate. I am trying to find out if they still issue stamps for this purpose at the present time. I doubt it. (All of these stamps are rare - as you must order the meat at Girardet's.)

restaurant.

I knew the place was familiar to me I had never been there before. but my stamps had!!





Figure 2

Figure 3



# AUSTRALIA: NORTHERN TERRITORY CURRENT USAGE ETC.

### Dennis Osborn, ARA

The new NT set is in the same design which has been used for NT stamp duty issues for many years. This latest set differs only in that the C of A (Commonwealth of Australia) has been removed. There are three distinct sets, which may be described as follows:

- a. £SD values in use until Feb. 14, 1966(?); C of A in design.
  - 1 d purple (wmk crown A, perf 14)
  - 1d purple (wmk mult crown C of A, perf 12)
- b. Decimal currency values in use 14 Feb. 66 to 1 July 78 (?); C of A in design.

Perf 12. 1c purple brown 5c khaki 10c blue



c. Second decimal set. C of A removed from design (see photo) Issued 1 July 78 (?). Probably came into use when control of the Northern Territory passed from the Commonwealth Government to a state type government.

21 x 21.5 mm., perf 12. Very faint wmk.

5c ochre 10c dk blue 20c black 50c orange \$1 brt green \$2 yellow

\$5 dk red

The current set may be obtained from: The Postmaster, Darwin 5790, Northern Territory, Australia. Payment should be by bank cheque (not personal) in Australian currency and made out to "The Postmaster, Darwin, NT."

I expect that all of the NT stamps were printed by the now Reserve Bank of Australia, as they were issued under Commonwealth authority until 1 July 1978, and they are the same basic design as the old Territory of New Guinea duty stamps.



# LOCAL FISCALS OF GOTHENBURG (SWEDEN) Esbjorn Janson, ARA

(Ed note: This paper appeared first in Swedish in Mr. Janson's privately printed journal Svenska Cinderella, and subsequently in LUREN, Oct., 1978, edition, which is the journal of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Scandinavian Collectors Club; permission granted by all concerned.)

When the responsibility for the magistrates' courts was transferred from the municipalities to the state at the turn of the year 1964/1965, one of the consequences was a philatelic event. Since the 1920's, several towns in Sweden had used local fiscal stamps to render an account of the court fees, and now that the fees were to go to the state instead of to the towns there was no longer any reason for continuing the use of local stamps on the documents. Now, the ordinary state fiscals were used to fulfill this function also.

Therefore, in principle, no local fiscals can have been used after the end of 1964. However, in rare exceptional cases they have been used for a short time thereafter; viz., when used in connection with remaining matters before the court and on documents established before the turn of the year but not redeemed before that time.

One of the Swedish towns that introduced local fiscals in the 1920's was Gothenburg. In 1929, the first issue was made, and the type remained unaltered until 1964. In the beginning, only some documents emanating from one of the bureaus were stamped this way, but from the first of July, 1935, the use was extended to documents issued by the whole magistrates' court, and then the need for a varied scale of values arose.



At the beginning it had been sufficient to have only one value, 50 Ore, but now no less than 16 new values were added, and at the same time the color of the 50 Ore stamp was altered from violet to green. the new values were 5, 10, 25, and 75 Ore and printed in green; the first five of the kronor values in red orange; the 5:75, 7, 8:25, and 9:50 in a yellow (isabella-color, according to Esbjorn. This is sort of a bistre.) and the three highest values violet. During the following years three more values were added, the 3:75, 4, and 5 kronor; the first two printed in red orange and the 5 kronor in isabella yellow. Further, the 7 kronor stamp had in an early stage been changed from yellow to brown. The last link in the chain came in 1946, when a new value, 6 kronor, printed in brown, was added.

All these stamps were produced in lithography on unwatermarked paper. The perforation is 11. Owing to the many printings that the commonest values experienced, all colors show an extensive range of shades. This is most noticeable in the red orange stamps.

The size of the printings varied widely. The scarcest value, the 8:25 kronor, was issued in only 1150 copies, and it now

"Quoting from a recent best-seller, "What you keep to yourself you lose, what you give away you keep forever", may be directly applied to Philately."

Henry W. Holcombe, Stamp & Cover Collecting, Sept. 1936, p. 380

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When Tom Tomc of Fly-by-Night Galleries in Chicago, phoned me and asked, "Is there a FAC in the regular D type?" I covered myself with glory by answering 'There could be'. Glad I did because here illustrated, not in color which is the classic revenue orange, is a D type shape in the exact size of type D. It was used by Oliver Adams & Co., publishers, Chicago, as their trade mark and employing the words 'School' and 'Order' in the end rosettes where once we saw '2 cents'.

So, it's a good thing that my answer was what it was. Look at the embarrassment that was saved! Also, this is only the second FAC found in '78 — slim pickings but there have been poorer years, so we'll complain no more.

constitutes a first-class rarity. Also, the original 1929 50 Ore violet and the yellow 7 kronor belong to the list of uncommon stamps; in all five stamps were issued in printings of less than 10,000 copies. The commonest stamps, the 1, 2, and 5 kronor values, were issued in quantities of 534,000, 380,000, and 283,000 copies, respectively.

Accordingly, it is practically impossible to collect a complete series of these Gothenburg fiscals. Merely the possession of 8 or 10 different of these 23 stamps should be rather unusual, and no one need be ashamed not to have seen more than the stamp shown here!

(TAR Editor's note: We have prepared a check list based on the foregoing. To wit:)

|     | Jonn B C              |
|-----|-----------------------|
| 1.  | 5 ore green           |
| 2.  | 10 ore green          |
| 3.  | 25 ore green          |
| 4.  | 50 ore green          |
| 5.  | 50 ore violet         |
| 6.  | 75 ore green          |
| 7.  | 1 KR red orange       |
| 8.  | 1:50 Kr red orange    |
| 9.  | 2Kr red orange        |
| 10. | 3Kr red orange        |
| 11. | 3:75 Kr red orange    |
| 12. | 4 Kr red orange       |
| 13. | 4:50 Kr red orange    |
| 14. | 5 Kr yellow bistre    |
| 15. | 5:75 Kr yellow bistre |
| 16. | 6 Kr brown            |
| 17. | 7 Kr yellow bistre    |
| 18. | 7 Kr brown            |
| 19. | 8:25 Kr yellow bistre |
| 20. | 9:50 Kr yellow bistre |
| 21. | 10 Kr. violet         |
| 22. | 20 Kr. violet         |
|     |                       |

50 Kr. violet

23.

# SWEDISH CINDERELLAS FOR SALE

## Gothenburg local fiscals, 9 different, used, \$8.00

#### The control fiscal stamp for mortgages, used:

| -watermark wavy lines | \$0.25 |
|-----------------------|--------|
| - inverted watermark  | 2.50   |
| - without watermark   | 6.25   |

Revenues, 1895 series, with wavy lines watermark, - used: 10 diff. \$2.25; 20 diff. \$22.50

Railway stamps on consignments: 3 consignments with stamps, from the 1940's, \$4.00

#### Olympic games Stockholm 1912:

- 16 diff. seals were issued (16 diff. languages of the Olle Hjortzberg design). 12 of them - including the uncommon Russian and Hungarian ones - in original mint. **\$30.00** 

Gothenburg 1926 local stamp: Privata lokalposten Ferm, 3 ore violet, block of 21, unused but without gum, \$5.00

Esbjorn Janson, Godvadersgatan 16, S417 38 Gothenburg, Sweden

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

Bruce Miller, Secretary

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#### **NEW MEMBERS**

CM3195 BAILO. Richard T., PO Box 227, Rosedale, NY 11422, by APS, General. 3196 CHEN, Wei-Tsi, 2F, Front 3001 S, Princeton Ave, Chicago, IL 60616, by APS,

Collector/dealer.Chen & Co.-China revs and money order stamps, US revs. CM3183 CHISHOLM, Robert, 1113-D Baker St, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. by

Secretary. Dealer. Coast Philatelics- worldwide and US.

3202 FECHT. Stephen N., 1011 36th Ave NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, by G. M. Abrams Mainly US and China.

- CM3186 FERNANDEZ-VIOLANTE, Raul, Homero 109, Suite 601, Mexico 5, D. F., Mexico. by "Stamps." Topical- animals, paintings, masks.
- CM3181 GOLDEN, Jon, PO Box 2090, Beverly Hills, CA 90213, by G. M. Abrams. All US and poss. on and off doc's; Canada Supreme Court Laws, Canada provincials.

 3197
 KLINK, George K., Rt 2, Box 894D, Umatilla, FL 32784, by Secretary. US revs.

 3198
 KRETSCHMAR, Frederick L, by Secretary. US Scott-listed, states.

CM3189 LABARRE, George H., Box 27, Hudson, NH 03051, by Secretary. Dealer. George H. LaBarre Galleries. Inc. deals in American collectibles, incl stocks, bonds, checks; collects US first 3 issues, all rev inverts.

3199 LESHANE, Albert A., Jr, RR 2, Box 28, Portland, CT 06480, by Linn's. US first 3 issues. M&M.

3184 LYMAN, Robert W., PO Box 348, Irvington on Hudson, NY 10533, by G. M. Abrams. Dealer: "classics."

CM3180 McDONALD, William T., 1330 Farragut Dr S., Coupeville, WA 98239, by Trevor D. Roberts. US revs Scott and non-Scott, state revs.

3179 NEELY, John H., 22 Chestnut St, Selem, MA 01970, by G. M. Abrams. US Scott-listed revs and savings stamps.

3190 PITT, Kenneth A., PO Box M418, Landing, NJ 07850, by George Kramer. US 1.2.3 issues.

3187 RABB, Richard, PO Box 79529, Houston, TX 77024, by Gretchen Shelley. US 1.2.3 issues.

3182 RATTAN, Prem, Rangadi Chowk, Bikaner, Rajasthan, India 33401, by W. D. Walker. Dealer, Novel Emporium, Swastik Trader- India and states.

CM3191 ROSENBERG, Paul, 5 Mill River Lane, Hingham, MA 02043, by R. D. Warren. US and states.

3200 SCIANCE, C. Thomas, 715 Westcliff Rd, Wilmington, DE 19803, by APS. Genl US and poss.

3203 SELLS, Michael S., 608 Warren, Everett, WA 98201, by APS. US Scott-listed. 3185 STEINBERG, Dr Walter, PO Box 401, Gracie Station, New York, NY 10028. by

Brian M. Bleckwenn. Mainly stock ceretificates with stamps affixed. 3201 STEITZ, Frank, Rt. 1, Box 167, Columbus TX 78934, by Robert E Shelley. US

revs R1-R181, RB1-RB43, newspapers and periodicals. 3194 TULLY, Syl C., by Richard R. Hansen. Foreign revs, esp. Br. Africa, locals.

classic forgeries, phantoms pre-1920.

CM3193 WEBSTER, John Blair, 4719 Springbrook, Toledo, OH 43615, by Thomas C. Harpole, Jr. All US revs, esp. first 3 issues, documents, embossed and stamped paper, M&M.state and local cinderellas.

3192 WOOD, Clair, 12 W. Figueroa St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101, by Secretary. Collector/dealer. "The STamp Den"- collects anything, deals US revs. Highest membership number on this report is 3203.

DECEASED

1177 Henry J. Conland 2654 B.C. Fairweather

#### RESIGNED

2201 Joseph Coll

- 2071 Robert C. Heaton
- 3143 Alvin W. Hickerson

#### **MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

| Previous membership total | <br> |
|---------------------------|------|
| New members               | <br> |
| Deceased                  |      |
| Resigned                  |      |
| Current membership total  |      |

# Letters to the Editor

Editor, American Revenuer

You raise the question of mixing descriptions "F", "VF", etc.. with "punch cancel", "tears", etc.1 think this mixture is acceptable in a number of cases which I list in order of decreasing justifiability below. My examples are largely oversees examples because of my collecting interests; you may be able to draw parallels in US:

1) Stamps where the legal way of cancelling (or even the accepted means of cancelling) was to damage the stamp. Early Afghan postage stamps are the obvious case. I have never seen a genuine cover without a torn stamp, because the stamps were cancelled by tearing. An untorn used example would almost certainly represent a favor usage. Some US cut cancels may be in this dass.

2) Stamps which were so used that it was extremely difficult to save them without tearing. Japanese silk-tax stamps (the long strips) are an example. These are a step down, because it was possible to get them untorn, but in fact all are extremely rare other than cut or torn and several are unknown used untorn. I think that a description "F, cut away from design and minor stains" would be a completely fair description of several I have, as googoed to "Average, design intact but large portions of stamp missing "

have, as opposed to "Average, design intact but large portions of stamp missing." 3) Stamps which were used on articles of trade and are almost always creased or stained. Japanese tobacco stamps (which were stuck on the outside of cartons of cigarettes or other tobacco products) are a good example. Fine copies are known because it was legal to use these stamps for documentary revenue purposes, but copies with unquestionable tobacco-tax cancels are almost all faulty. US M&Ms might be another example. Here I think a description such as "Marginal tears and a slight stain, but F for issue" would be fair. But I think the term should be "F" for issue", not just "F". M. B. McNeil, ARA

#### Literature - Continued from Page 3

There are some listings of state revenues which consume nearly 4 pages, but the publication (by some process with which this reviewer is unfamiliar) was accomplished in a manner which tends to smear all of the illustrations except the most simple single line items. Thus, while the listings are fairly legible, their accompanying fotos are mose useless; some indeed were black smears.

The rest of the issue is devoted to a) material reprinted from the State Revenue Society Newsletter, b) various admonitions, threats and promises, c) a useless perforation gauge d) plus a few ads. With the exception of the reprinted material, there are no contributors named and it is assumed all material was authored by the Editor or assembled in typical Milton Berle fashion.

(It must be noted that in previous editions there were some items, revenue-unrelated, copied directly from The American Philatelist, copyright owned by APS. They have since disappeared, for some reason.)

This reviewer cannot ascertain objectively any raison d'etre for this publication, but I am open to correction.

#### G. M. Abrams

The Revenue Stamps of the United States, by Christopher West (Elliot Perry), reprinted by Castenholz and Sons, 1055 Hartzell St., Pacific Palisades, CA 90272, 134 + x pps, 5½ x 8% in., hardbound with color dust jacket, \$21.95 + \$1 post.

This classic collection of articles originally appeared in Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News from October, 1916, to January, 1918. They were then collectively reprinted by Meekel's as a booklet number 23 with the title The Revenue Stamps of the United States or United States Revenue Stamps depending if you looked on the cover or the title page.

There can be little double about it, Perry was a most knowledgable student of US philately. He know how to organize what he knew and to write it down. This publication has not been readily available for some time (the ARA library has only a photocopy of an original). This reprint fills a definate need.

The text has been completely reset in a clean 10 point type with 4 inch columns as opposed to the original six or seven point, narrow columns used by Meekel's. Printed on heavy buff paper the book is very readable and should last for a long time as a valuable reference.

In addition to the original text, Castenholz has added 16 pages of black and white plates on glossy white paper. However, there are some notable exceptions in places — there is no 6¢ first issue Proprietary nor is there a \$5 1871 proprietary. To offset this though one can find a full color reproduction of the second issue \$5000 essay as the frontpiece.

The book was originally written to compliment the Boston Revenue Book which at the time was still a relatively new book. The information is still timeless.

Ken Trettin



### **READER'S ADS**

Copy for Reader's Ads must be typewritten on one side. of a plain white sheet of paper. Maximum line length is 3-11/16 inches; maximum 9 lines per ad. There must be one copy for every insertion. Cost 25¢ per line in advance. These ads are run at costs as a service to the membership.

STOCK CERTIFICATES, bonds--list SASE. Specials, satisfaction guaranteed. 50 different stocks \$14.95; 100 different unissued stocks \$19.95; 100 different old ohecks \$19.95. Always buying. Clinton Hollins, Box 112-M, Springfield, VA 22150 337

RUSSIAN REVENUES, locals, vignettes wanted. Need revenue documents, pre-stamped revenue paper, zemstvos, seals, labels and cinderellas. Will purchase or exchange. Martin Cerini, 37 Wyoming Drive, Hunt Sta., NY 11746 329

DO I PAY TOP PRICES? I still get many top quality revenues from ARA Auctions! Need U.S. 1-894. 01-C46 R1-R178. RB1-RB31. Roy J. Tillotson, 207 East Avenue, Batavia, New York 14020 328

WANTED---MOTOR VEHICLE registration and inspection stickers, discs, and metal tags and related material. Dr. Edward H. Miles, 888-8th Ave., New York, NY 10019 328

(Cigarettes - Continued from p. 16)

# SERIES of 1883 Export cigar stamps

|             |    |            |                     |   | 90. |
|-------------|----|------------|---------------------|---|-----|
| 66.         | HS | in blue :  | 'cigarettes'.       |   | 00. |
| 67.         | HS | in black : | Cigarettes''.       |   | 91. |
| <b>68</b> . | HS | in blue :  | 'Cigarettes 50000'. | — | 91. |

# REIMPORTED

#### SERIES of 1879

| 70  | On #54.    | Violet sc       | ript HS in 2 lines : ''Am. Goods/<br>Reimported''.                                | 4  |
|-----|------------|-----------------|---|----|
| 71. | On #55a    | Violet H        | S in 3 lines : "AMERICAN/GOOD   |    |
| а   | . Same. pi | in perf 8       | horizontal  | 8  |
| 72. | On i       | 55a.            | Same  | 5  |
| 73. | On 🖡       | †55c.           |   | 5  |
| 74. | On i       | 55d.            | same.   | 6  |
| 75. | On #55a    |                 |   | 10 |
| 76. | On #55c    | serifed         | violet HS: "AMERICAN GOODS<br>d letters REIMPORTED<br>ock caps. E B"              | 6  |
| 77. | On #55.    | ettes'          | lines through '20s' & 'cigar-<br>and added ''REIMPORTED''<br>diagonal violet HS : |    |
| 78. | On #55     | 2 sets<br>"REIM | of red parallel lines and<br>IPORTATION'' plus violet HS                          | 15 |
|     |            |                 |   |    |

#### SERIES of 1910

| 80. | On #62 | Red 4 line HS: American/Goods/ |    |
|-----|--------|--------------------------------|----|
|     |        | Reimported/JVD                 | 5  |
| 81. | On #62 | same in black.                 | 6  |
| 82. | On #62 | same in black but mimeo caps & |    |
|     |        | lower case                     | 6  |
| 83. | On #62 | both #80 and #82               | 10 |

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PAPER AMERICANA--stock certificates, checks, documents with revenue stamps postcards, philatelic, photographia. Also buying old paper items. Americana list plus 2 revenue stamp documents \$2. Stock certificate list plus 2 certificates \$2. Yesterday's Paper--Ron Haglund, Box 294AR, Naperville, IL 60540 328

ISRAEL REVENUES. Forerunners & Mandate...Mint Israel & Occupied Territories. Military "ZAHAL" overprinted Agra, Health, and Tax fiscals. Periodic bulletins and catalogues. New Issues Service. Dr. Josef Wallach, P.O. Box 1414, Rehovot, Israel. 326

INDIA AND INDIAN STATES court fees, revenues, judicial papers, fund raising seals, cards, covers, etc. All at throw away prices. Investors with maximum discount. Trial shall convince. Ask for free list to S. D. Puri & Company, Puri Building, Sangrur 148 001 Punjab, India 326

WANTED TO BUY--Mexico revenues and stamped revenue paper. Need: singles accumulations and collections, on or off documents. Dick Stevens, 279 E Madison St, Elmhurst IL 60126 325

WE PAY 1/2¢ each for Scott listed US revenues. Cut or punch cancels OK. Domzall, 904 Wright #4B, Richmond, CA 94804 322 WANTED foreign revenue exchanges worldwide stamp for stamp, value for value. Free bonus first trade or for Spain, Cuba or Antilles I can use. Michael Murray, 1601 SW 47th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33317 322

WANTED MATCH & MEDICINE and other private proprietary items by private collector. Desire to purchase collections or better single items or will trade on Scott basis. John Gaudio, 810 First National Bank Building, Denver, CO 80293

PAYING TOP PRICES for all seals, labels, revenues, locals, etc. Send for immediate payment. Cinderella Stamps, Charles P. Rabinovits, Box 414, Randallstown, MD 21133

PAYING CULL SCOTT, for sound copy R O9c for my collection, write first describe condition. J.Garsick IO8\_D Amberly Dr. Manalapan, N.J. 07726

WANTED--Ohio Sales Tax Stamps. Large or small quantities. Unused pairs or separate parts. Please write. John W. Wilson, 2721 N. Artesian Ave., Chicago, IL 60647

STATE REVENUES--Send #10 SAE for my list of State Fish and Game stamps. New lists and new additions every month! Barry L Porter, 107 Southburn Drive, Hendersonville TN 37075

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# RETURNED

#### On #62 Violet 3 lines HS in caps & lower case: "Am/Goods/Returned/HLP 6 On #62. Black 4 line mimeo" American/ Goods/Returned/JVD"

#### SERIES of 1945

SERIES of 1910

| 95. | On #64 | Violet 4 line HS serifed caps:<br>"AMERICAN/GOODS/RETURNED/ |   |
|-----|--------|---|---|
|     |        | MS''  | Ω |

#### CUSTOMS BAGGAGE LABEL #70.

98. On #70 of Customs Baggage list H.S. in 3 lines.

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## **MATCH & MEDICINE**

At a recent meeting of the New York Chapter of the ARA, Mr. Mathias Koref showed a collection of Match & Medicine stamps.

No other comparable group of stamps offered such wide diversity of shape and design as did the private die proprietary issues. Mr. Koref pointed out that a majority of the stamps still catalogued under \$5, making a representative collection accessible to most revenue collectors.

The use of the M & M stamps on bottles and boxes. however, made these issues much more difficult to find in sound condition than was the case with dccumentary revenue or postage stamps. But, he continued, the search for very fine specimens added to the challenge of forming a collection of these stamps.

Mr. Koref had the stamps mounted in an original Carter Album which, with its left-hand page style of design popular in some quarters before World War I. increased the charm of the M&Ms. It was thought that the forthcoming republication by Quarterman of Henry Holcombe's articles, many of which treated the history of the companies who had private dies, would prove to be beneficial to the large number of collectors of these fascinating stamps.

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# **U.S. CUSTOMS CIGARETTES**

Ogden Scoville, ARA Cigarettes; Reimported, and Returned Provisionals









|             |              |                 |                                    |  | Rarity |                   |        |                 |  | Rarity       |
|-------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|--|--------|-------------------|--------|-----------------|--|--------------|
| SERIE       | ES of 1      | 879             |                                    | ailing ship. Black<br>Id paper (Crane & Co.<br>1879) |        | SERIES            | S of ' | 1903            | Vignette of ship. Inscribed Series<br>1903. Black on white wove paper.<br>No Bureau imprint. | of           |
| <b>50</b> . | a. 🦾         | 10.             | Imperforate<br>Roulette 61/4       | 191⁄4 x 281⁄2 mm.                                    | 5      | 58.<br>59.<br>60. |        | 10<br>20<br>50. | Hyphen hole 7, 19½ x 28½ mm.<br>Hyphen hole 7, 24½ x 28½ mm.<br>Hyphen hole 7, 262 x 22 mm.  | 2<br>3<br>10 |
| 51.         |              | 20.             | Imperforate                        | 23¾ x 28½mm.   | 5      | 61.               | a.     | 100             | Hyphen hole 7, 313 x 22 mm.<br>ack 8 mm hi: ''S'   | 8            |
| 52.         |              | 50.             | Imperforate                        | 258 x 26 mm.   | 12     |                   |        |                 |  |              |
| 53.         |              | 00.<br>(note:   | Imperforate<br>watermark may no    | 310 x 22mm.<br>ot show on 50 or 51)                  | 10     |                   |        |                 | JPORTS.  |              |
|             | · · · · · ·  |                 |                                    |  |        |                   |        |                 | CARET  |              |
| SIMILA      | <b>R:</b>    |                 | Thicker white w                    | vove paper.  |        |                   |        |                 |  |              |
| 54.         |              | 10              | Imperforate                        |  | 1      |                   |        |                 | SERIESOFIBIO   |              |
|             | a. 🐪         |                 | perforated 12                      |  | 3      |                   |        |                 |  |              |
|             | b.           |                 | roulette 5 2/3                     |  | 2      |                   |        |                 |  |              |
|             | <b>C</b> . ( |                 | roulette 61/4                      |  | 2      |                   |        |                 |  |              |
|             | <b>d</b> . 🖹 |                 | roulette 7                         |  | 3      | SERIES            | Sof    | 1010            | Inscribed: "IMPORTED CIGA  | -<br>-       |
|             |              |                 | black bars over th                 |  | -      | JENIE             | 501    | 1910            | Inscribed: "IMPORTED CIGA<br>ETTES U S CUSTOMS SERIES (                                      | H-           |
|             | f.", ",      | Crayo           | n marks (blue) oblit               | erating the 10's                                     |        |                   |        |                 | 1910'' Black. No denomination  | )F           |
|             |              |                 |                                    | vn:partperf8;pp9te                                   | ор     | 62                |        | Rectan          | gular 20 x 20 mm. White wove paper.  |              |
|             |              | 8 botto         | om;pp7;                            |  |        | Ű2                |        | neeran          | Roulette   | 2            |
| 55.         |              | 20              | Imperforate                        |  | 2      |                   | a.     |                 | Roulette 31/2  | 3            |
|             | а.           | 20              | perforated 12                      |  | 2      |                   | b.     | Same li         | ght green tinted paper, roulette 7   | 4            |
|             | a.<br>b.     |                 | roulette 5 2/                      | °  | 3      |                   | C.     | Violet H        | IS: bar crossing out 'cigarettes'. (Use  | d            |
|             | С.           |                 | roulette 61/4                      | 3  | 4      |                   |        | by Gibs         | on Playing Card Co for imported playir   | na           |
|             | d.           |                 | roulette 7                         |  | 5      |                   |        | cards.)         |  | 3            |
|             |              | <b>D</b> look ( | OP 31/2 mm. hi: ''F                |  | 5      | 63                |        | Strip sta       | amp 108½ x 21½ mm.   |              |
|             | е.           | DIACK           | SALTER'' in two                    |  | 8      |                   |        | •               | roulette 7   | 12           |
|             |              |                 | SALIEN III WU                      | lines  | 0      |                   | a.     |                 | roulette 3½  | 12           |
|             |              |                 | e perforations kno<br>erf 7 vert : | wn : pin perf 8½ horiz                               |        |                   |        | (480,00         | 0 stamps destroyed in 1955)  |              |
|             |              | partp           | STIT VOIL,                         |  |        | SERIES            | Saf    | 1045            | Similar. Inscribed:  |              |
| 56.         |              | 50              | Imperforate                        |  | 12     | JERIES            | 501    | 1040            | Similar. Inscribed :<br>'SERIES OF 1945''.   |              |
|             | a.           |                 | Perforated 1                       | 2  | 15     | 64.               |        | White w         |  | •            |
|             | b            |                 | Roulette 61/4                      |  | 15     | 04.               |        |                 | ove paper roulette 7<br>0 stamps destroyed in 1955)  | 6            |
|             |              |                 | nos: 1 & 2, + posi                 |  | 15     |                   |        | (500,00         | o stamps destroyed in 1955)  |              |
| 57.         |              | 100             | Imperforate                        |  | 10     |                   |        | EXPO            | ORT PROVISIONALS   |              |
|             | a            |                 | Perforated 1                       | -  | 12     | SERIES            | Sof    |                 | Cigar stamps. Green watermark  | ed           |
|             | b.           |                 | Roulette 61/4                      |  | 10     |                   |        |                 | paper. Red script 'ette' added   |              |
|             | С.           |                 |                                    | mm hi : "SEIZED"                                     | —      |                   |        |                 | lower rectangle.   |              |
|             | d.           |                 | Red mms: "To                       |  |        |                   |        |                 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |              |
|             |              |                 |                                    | ne through 100.                                      |        | <b>6</b> 5.       |        |                 | (1 copy known)   |              |
|             |              | <u>.</u>        |                                    | Customs)   |        | 00.               |        |                 | · · · ·  |              |
|             | <b>e</b> .   | Black           | OP 8 mm hi: ''S''                  |  |        |                   |        |                 | Cigarettes — Continued on p  | age 15       |