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President's Page

The nominating committee has completed its work. I was very impressed by the thoroughness and the professional manner in which they approached their task. Messrs. Ben Cohen, Charles Berg and Dr. Ben Ramkisson called many individuals to garner their input into the nominating process. Their chosen slate will lead UNP to the brink of the twenty-first century. The newly elected officers will face many significant challenges, and I wish them, or whomever is elected, well.

You will be sending your ballots to Lt. Col. (retired) Nancy Morrow. She has been a loyal UNP member for many years, and she has worked on several election committees in the past. Lt. Col. Morrow and Ms. Nancy Sakuda will count the votes and report the results to the elected officers. If you have any questions, please contact:

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Please take the time to vote. This is a democracy. The membership determines the direction of this organization every two years.

COVER DESCRIPTION

Front: E.T. and the United Nations - UNPA Press photograph.

Back: 1994B bid sheet form.

UN News Issues:

April 29th, 1994 REFUGEES. Three stamps (50c, 1.20 francs, 12 schillings). Sheets of 50.

April 29th, 1994 DEFINITIVES. Five stamps (10c, 19c, \$1.00, 50 centimes, and 4 schillings). Sheets of 50.

May 27th, 1994 INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR NATURAL DISASTER REDUCTION. Three stamps (29c, 60 centimes, 6 schillings). Sheets of 50.

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Special Notice

Note that there was a *Journal* numbering snafu for issue #97 which should have been #96. Fortunately this error predates me, so I'm "off the hook!" That's why this issue is numbered #99A. The **special 100th issue** will be the June issue. I plan to make this an enlarged edition, so to guarantee your place in UNP history, please **SUBMIT** your articles (preferably on computer diskette) **ASAP!** Thanks!

NIC NACS

WANTED TO BUY: Any material relating to the 1972 Human Environment Conference held in Stockholm; publicity brochures, cards, covers, tickets, invitations, posters, announcements, etc. Also buying UNEF covers, etc. Please contact: Charles C. Smith, 7801 Lake Sherwood Circle, Northport, AL 35476.

WANTED TO BUY: World-wide IYC collection. Please contact Glen Hanzel, ?X, 1st Floor, Chicago, IL 60000.

WANTED: early Blue Cards (pre #26); Flag FDC's set-tenant blocks Geneva cachet 1987, 1988; UNESCO booklets 201-5, 109-11; Swiss collection booklets 30105-7, 4040-5, 5026-31, 5036-9, 901-6, 9010-13; (many) Swiss official collection sheets. Contact: Jim Matyasovich, 712 Meadowbrook Ave., Orange, CA 92665.

Editor's Corner

With mixed emotions, I present my third *Journal*. Permit me to explain the situation... Although Dick Powers had graciously offered to take over editorship many months ago, the problem is that he has no computer access. Clay Wallace distributed a resolution to the board regarding a computer purchase and was unable to get a consensus. Even though the UNCC offered to contribute \$250 towards the purchase, it still represents a significant investment (computer, software and printer) and poses some issues (shipment of the machine when Dick passes over the reins, hardware maintenance, etc.). Ben Cohen presented a less expensive alternate than Clay had originally proposed. Clay has chosen to let the next President struggle with this issue.

Some board members feel that purchase of hard assets by the club is inappropriate. Since the board will change in July, the matter will be resolved at that time. I feel awkward in this predicament but I also want to explain the situation and publicly thank Dick Powers for his patience (which has been no doubt taxed!).

Although I had hoped to get the *Journal* faithfully delivered during the first week of its publication date, this is proving a challenging task for me. After I finish editing the *Journal*, I travel back-and-forth to the printer, label and stamp all the copies, package the group and run to the UPS for shipment to UNNY. Who said philately was glamorous?

This issue contains articles written by Don Bakos, Blanton Clement Jr., J.L. Emmenegger, M. Hardjasudarma, Franklin Silverman, Clay Wallace, and myself.

Remember that your membership benefits include publication of your "wants" in the Nic-Nacs section. Send your ad to the Editor.

I am pleased to announce that the UNPA first day ceremony for the Refugee issue (and definitives) will be held at the Cathedral Hill

Hotel in San Francisco during WESTPEX, the largest SF stamp show. WESTPEX is a three day show, April 29th through May 1st.

A First Day ceremony for the Refugee stamps will be held on Friday, April 29th at 10:30AM in the Japanese Pavilion of the Cathedral Hill (formerly Jack Tar) Hotel at the corner of Geary and Van Ness Streets in downtown San Francisco. Jill Kearns, the UNPA Chief of New York, will be in charge of the ceremony. I have a limited number of WESTPEX Cathedral Hill Hotel discount vouchers for a discount rate of \$75 (single) and \$85 (double) per night. Their usual rack rate is from \$105-140. Please call me ASAP so I can mail these to you.

A UNPI meeting will be held on Saturday, April 30th, at noon at the Embarcadero room. While this is NOT the annual meeting, it would be an opportunity for members to socialize. Members are invited to bring intriguing pieces for discussion. If there is sufficient interest (and hunger) we will have lunch afterwards.

We are tentatively the hosting club for WESTPEX 1995, so our successful participation this year would bode well for 1995 (the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations). I would be glad to offer any information and assistance to members visiting the San Francisco Bay Area.

From your Auction Chairman

I am pleased that nearly all of our bidders in the last auction remitted their payment promptly. This allows me to close the auction (pay the consignors and return the unsold lots) in a reasonable timeframe. Thank you!

Auction 1994A was quite successful - two-thirds of the lots sold. Many lots had several bids. There is definitely a demand for unusual, aggressively-priced material.

This auction will close May 15th. The current auction has a nice variety of specialized material including early UNNY, UNPROFOR, UNESCO and UNTEA.

Clay's Cover Corner by Clay Wallace

In the December 1993, Hintermann auction, I had the opportunity to acquire two very important covers relating both to the 1946 U.N. London conference, and in general, to the 1945 U.N. London slogans. These two covers are shown in figures one and two below. You will note that no London slogan is shown, however, these two covers do fall in to the London slogan period of December 1, 1945 to January 19, 1946.

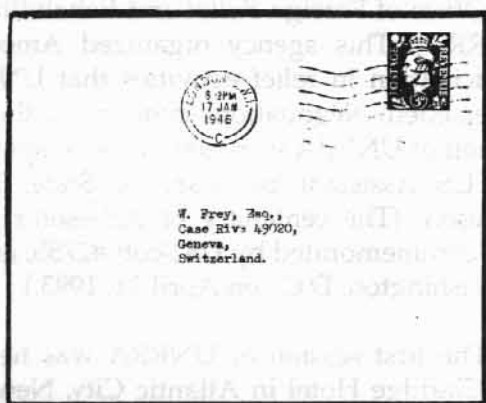


Figure 1:

The Figure 1 cover is almost identical to the one exhibited by Blanton Clement, Jr. (a former UNP President) and depicted in my revision of the Barnes/Merriman/Wallace *The London 1945 United Nations Slogan Cancellation* book, on page 21. Only the angle on which the stamp is placed on the envelope betrays their difference. Obviously, these covers were produced by W. Frey (or a friend of his). Others may exist.

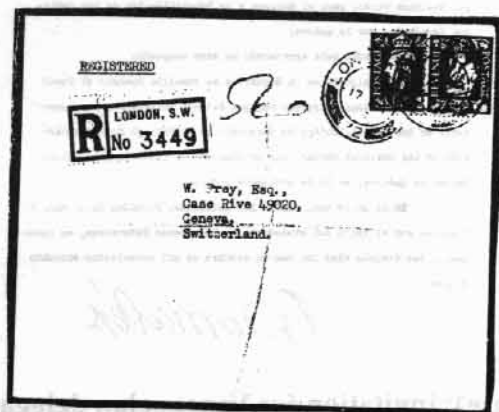


Figure 2:

The cover shown in Figure 2 is also very interesting. It is on the same stationary as the Figure 1 (and its companion) cover, except that it is registered and has a London S.W.1.72 cancel also dated 17 JA(nuary) (19)46. The cover was properly backstamped 21.I.46 - 4 PM) Geneve 3 Rive upon its arrival in Switzerland.

On page 20 of *The London 1945 United Nations Slogan Cancellation* book I speculated on the meaning of the SW 30 cancel used on Hill cover (Figure 3) which is also registered and dated 10 JA(nuary) (19)46. Barnes covers these arguments in much more detail in his Britain, *the League and the U.N.* book. In an update in a *Philatelic Bulletin* (the journal of the UNSG), Bill Barnes points out that N. Hill was very likely a relative of a Mr. Hill, a British delegate to this U.N. Conference. Since this is a "first day cover" from the conference, it appears that all registered letters from this conference are in the 3000 series, and that both the SW30 and the SW72 hand cancelers were in the British post office (maybe with the S.W.1. 'C' machine) provided for delegates at the conference site. Together these items represent important philatelic evidence of a very early U.N. conference.

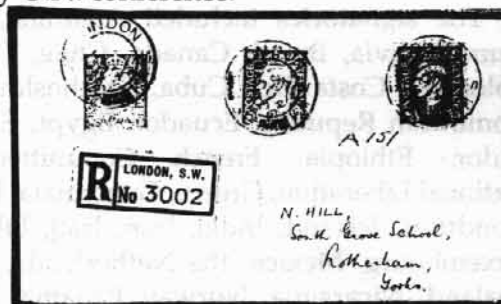


Figure 3:

Note: The CCC that appeared in the October 1993 *Journal* was actually #11.

UNCC Chicago Special Notice:

Effective immediately, the UNCC will meet on the Second Monday of each month from September through June. Meetings for the rest of 1994 are scheduled for: April 11, May 9, May 24-6 (COMPEX), June 13, September 12, October 10, November 14 and December 12.

The Formation of U.N.R.R.A. in 1943 by Alex Bereson

The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation (UNRRA) organization was created by the Allied Powers to manage the daunting problem of caring for millions of refugees left destitute in the aftermath of WWII. It encompassed a logistical challenge of massive proportions regarding clothing, food, shelter, health care and repatriation of refugees throughout the globe. Philatelically, UNRRA left an interesting legacy of postal history from its far-flungfield operations.

On November 9, 1943, a year and a half before the surrender of Germany, 44 nations met in the White House to sign the agreement creating UNRRA. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt spoke on that occasion:

"All of the United Nations agree to cooperate and share in the work of UNRRA - each nation according to its own individual resources - and to provide relief and rehabilitation for the victims of German and Japanese barbarism..."

The signatories included Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, French Committee of National Liberation, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, India, Iran, Iraq, Liberia, Luxembourg, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, the Union of South Africa, the USSR, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela and Yugoslavia. Denmark, Byelorussian SSR, Ukrainian SSR and Turkey later joined the agreement.

Immediately upon liberation of any area, its population would receive aid in the form of food, clothing, shelter, health care. In addition, assistance was provided for restoration of essential services, resumption of agricultural

and industrial production and return of exiles to their homelands (or relocation to a third country).

A ruling council was created as the policy making body. It consisted of one representative of each member government. Two regional committees, one for Europe and one for the Far East, recommended policy in their respective regions.

A year before UNRRA's formation, President Roosevelt had appointed then New York Governor Herbert H. Lehman as Director of the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation (OFRRRO). This agency organized American participation in relief activities that UNRRA superseded. Negotiations concerning the formation of UNRRA were under the auspices of the US Assistant Secretary of State, Dean Acheson. (The centenary of Acheson's birth was commemorated by US Scott #2755, issued in Washington, D.C., on April 21, 1993.)

The first session of UNRRA was held at the Claridge Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey (from November 1 - December 1, 1943), immediately following the signing of the agreement. Figure 1 illustrates an invitation to the Venezuelan delegate to the inaugural UNRRA session.

G. FARRA HENRY,
Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores
de los
Estados Unidos de Venezuela.

POR CUANTO el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos de Venezuela
ha sido invitado a suscribir el Convenio sobre la Administración de
las Naciones Unidas para el Socorro y la Rehabilitación de las regio-
nes devastadas por la guerra;

POR CUANTO esta invitación ha sido aceptada:

El Presidente de la República ha resuelto nombrar al Señor
Henrique Gil Fortoul, Director General de este Ministerio, Represen-
tante de los Estados Unidos de Venezuela en el Consejo de Administra-
ción de las Naciones Unidas, que se reunirá en Atlantic City, Estados
Unidos de América, el 10 de noviembre próximo.

En fe de lo cual expido las presentes, firmadas de mi mano y
selladas con el Sello del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores, en Car-
acas, a los treinta días del mes de octubre de mil novecientos cuarenta
y tres.

Henrique Gil Fortoul

Figure1: invitation for Venezuelan delegate.

Figure 2 below illustrates both pages of a letter of proclamation from the Mayor of Atlantic City regarding the UNRRA session.

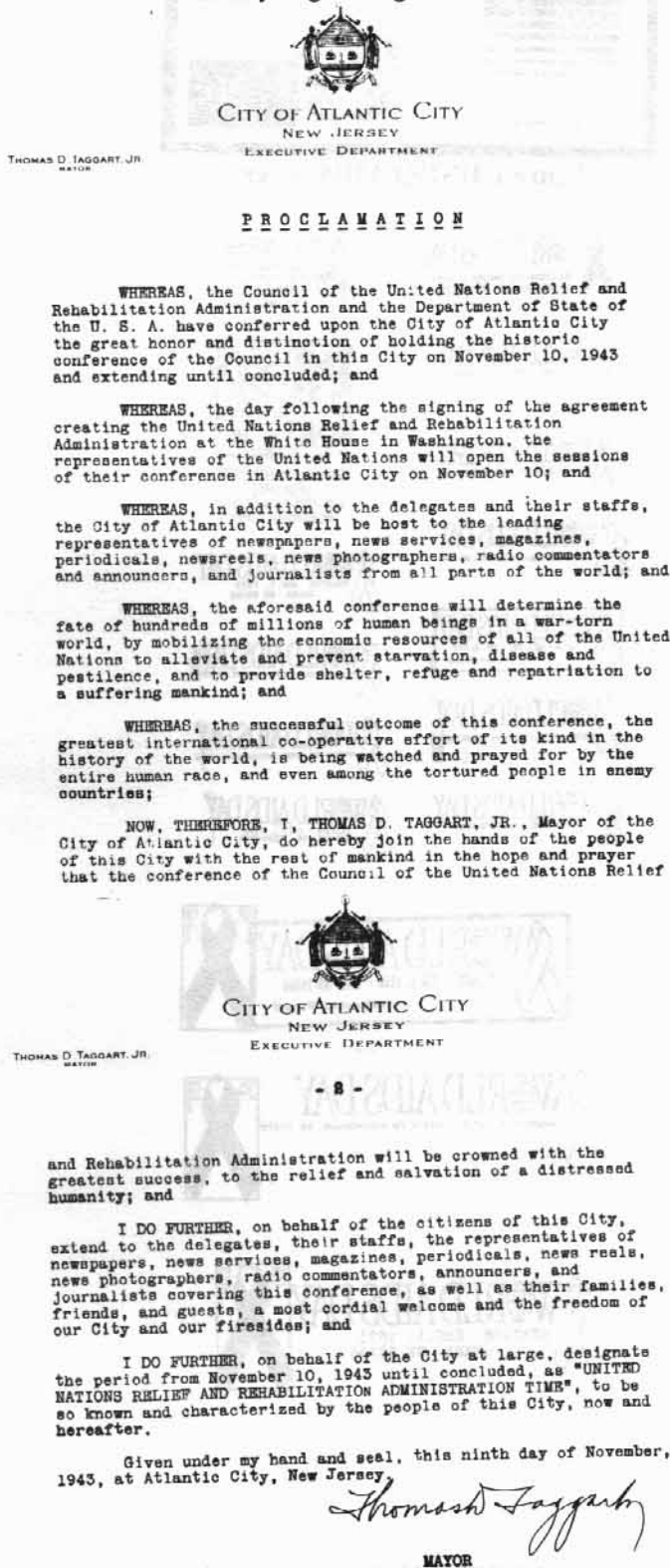


Figure 2: Atlantic City mayoral proclamation.

Dean Acheson acted as the temporary chairman over the presiding until Herbert Lehman was formally appointed as Director General on November 11, 1943. Figures 3 and 4 are photographs of the opening session. The 44 nations sent 240 delegates (and alternates).

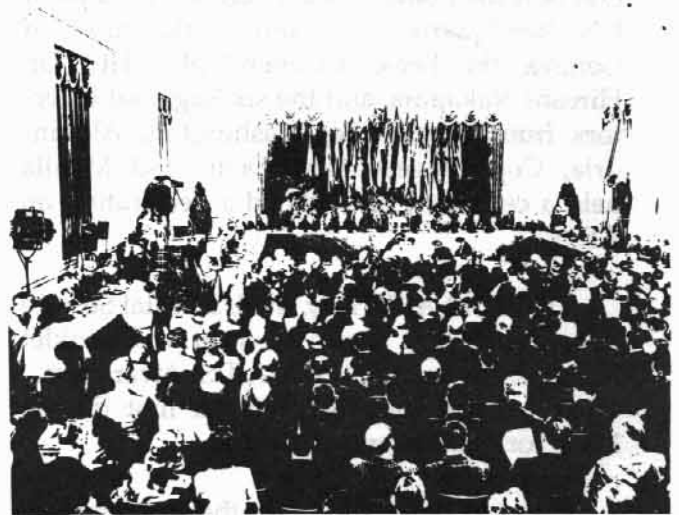


Figure 3: The opening day.



Figure 4: Dean Acheson addressing the attendees.

WORLD AIDS DAY

by B. Clement, Jr.

The World Health Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations, proclaimed December 1, 1993 as World's AIDS Day. In honor of this special day, UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros Ghali held a ceremony at UN headquarters in New York. Also, in Geneva, the Director-General of WHO, Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, and the six Regional Directors from Brazzaville, Washington, Alexandria, Copenhagen, New Delhi and Manila held a ceremony and signed a declaration on AIDS.

On World AIDS Day, the US Postal Service issued a 29 cent stamp in sheet and booklet form with the notation "AIDS Awareness." These stamps had their official first day in New York on December 1, 1993.

I was in New York City the first week of December and visited the UN. The UNPA sales counter was offering (for \$1.00) a special cover, shown in Figure 1. The cover has the UN Headquarters cachet. It has the new US AIDS stamp cancelled first day in New York, and one of the 1990 UN stamps, "Fight AIDS Worldwide," cancelled with UNNY wreath cancel on December 1, 1993.

According to Linn's Postmark Pursuit columns from Nov. 20, 1993 to Jan. 3, 1994, special "World AIDS Day Station" postmarks were used at 105 different post offices on December 1, 1993. Figure 2 shows a selection of these postmarks. Most of the postmarks have the same basic format, but there are differences. One of these, from Luke, Missouri, is enclosed in a "box." Also, it appears that the ribbon on the Fairbanks, Alaska, postmark is filled in (solid). The Newark, New Jersey, postmark is completely different, and the Topeka, Kansas, postmark is a significant deviation from the standard format. Readers may wish to report to the Editor other observations of format changes in this UN-related postmark.

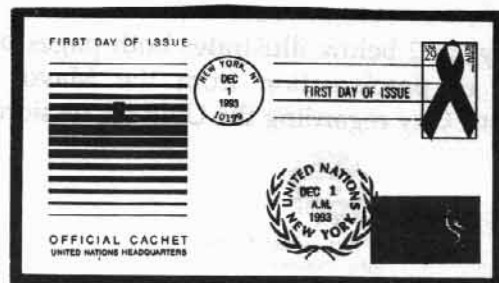


Figure 1: UNHQ AIDS cover

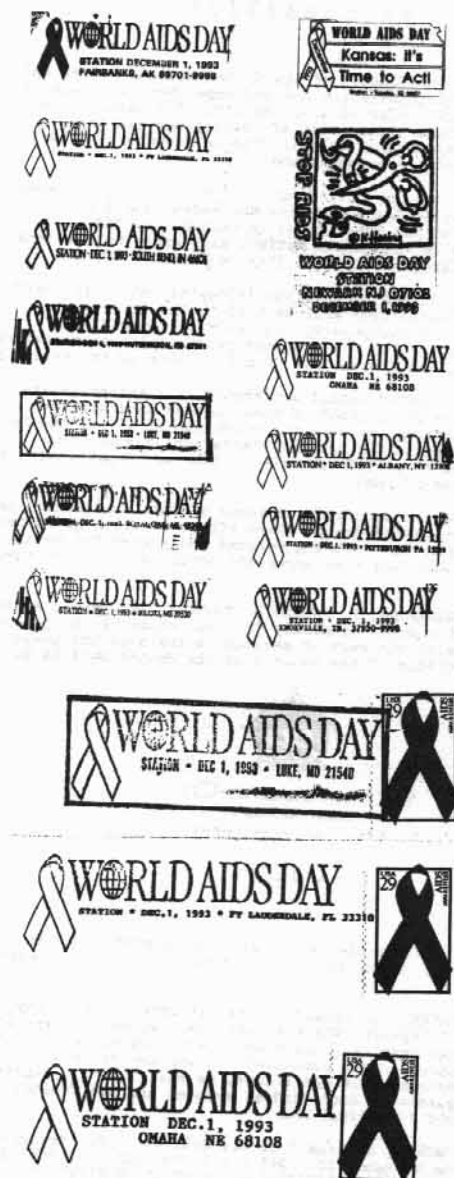


Figure 2: USPS AIDS slogan cancels

Military Mail Corner by J.L. Emmenegger

A new UN Forces airletter?

UN military mail collectors know four different official UN airletters, especially printed and distributed to UN soldiers and/or UN observers: a) UNEF I, b) UNOGIL, c) ONUC and d) UNEF II/UNDOF/UNIFIL, as well as other more recent operations.

The rarest one is clearly the United Nations Observers Group in Lebanon (UNOGIL) airletter, of which only ten copies are known in "used" condition (really mailed from Beirut). The reason these are so rare is that the UNOGIL airletters were printed locally in Beirut and given to the UNOGIL observers only a few days before the end of their operation.

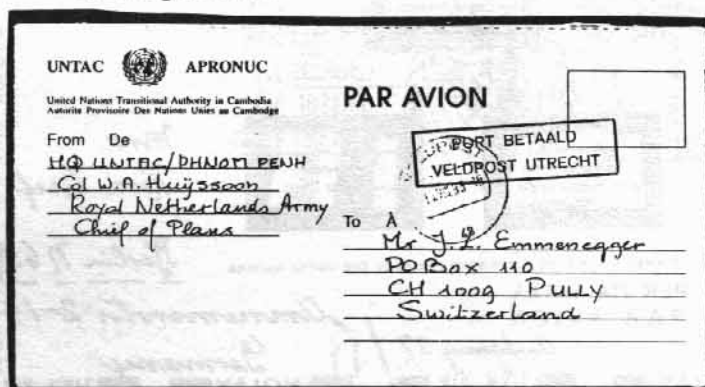


Figure 1: Is this UNTAC airletter the fifth official UN airletter for UN forces?

Now, collectors have reported the existence of a special aerogramme used in Cambodia, for the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) operation. Based upon the information that an Italian journalist and UN military mail collectors have given us, it seems that a) this UNTAC airletter is an official one, printed in Phnom Penh, and that b) it was available only at certain camps, where the Canadian, Australian, Japanese and Polish contingents were located, as well as at the UN Base Post Office (UNBPO).

Besides this, we don't have any additional information! Should you have a used UNTAC airletter, we would appreciate receiving a photocopy. Please send it to: P.O. Box 110, CH-1009, PULLY, Switzerland.

In our last chronicle, we gave a list of countries in which the United Nations had sent observers or blue helmets. Here we provide the exact names of all new operations:

MINUHA - Mission des Nations Unies en Haiti
UNOMIL - United Nations Observation Mission in Liberia
UNMOT - United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan
UNMOSA - United Nations Observers Mission in South Africa
UNOMUR - United Nations Observation Mission in Uganda/Rwanda
UNAMIR - United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda
UNOMIG - United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia



Figures 2 and 3: Cachets used at the UNAMIR mission - a free mail circular cachet and the unit cachet of the Belgian 1st Battalion of paratroopers.

Mail from most of these UN operations has already been seen. Generally, the letters are sent via the civilian post offices. The only exception is the UNOMIG cover we received; it was sent by the Danish officer from home. He wrote: "No civilian post exists in Georgia, nor do we have UN Pouch Mail. We are in a civil war region."

We will return to these new missions mail, as well as the Laos Mission cover of our last article, in the next Military Mail Corner.

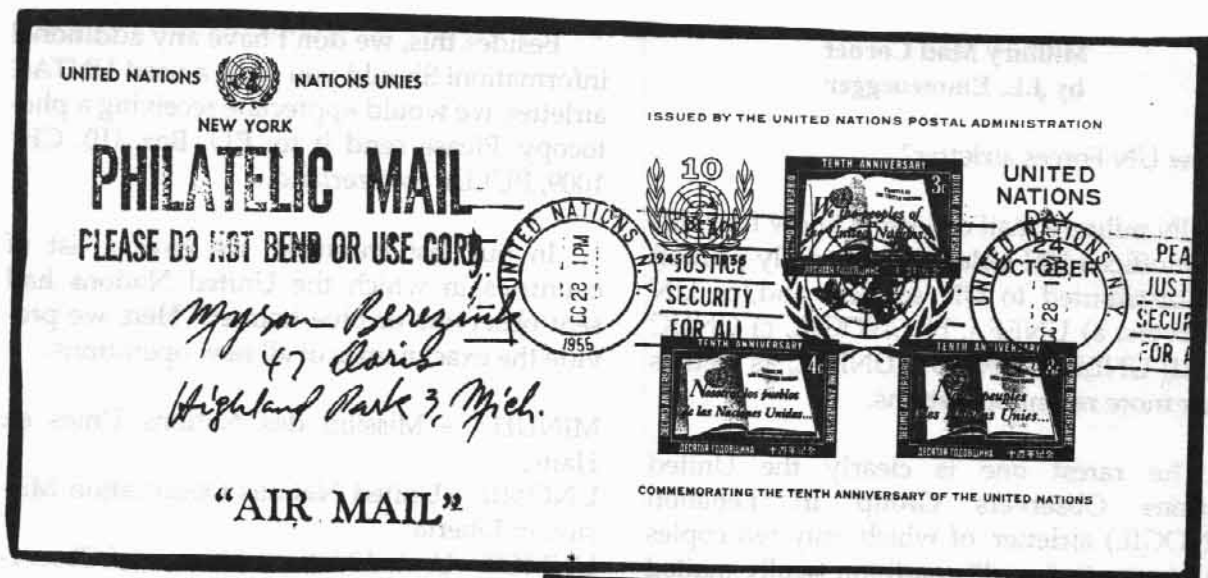


Figure 1: 2nd Printing postally used on cover

**THE #38 SOUVENIR SHEET:
POSTAL AND POST-ISSUE USES**
by Don Bakos

On October 27, 1955, a United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) press release stated that there were more orders for the just issued tenth anniversary souvenir sheet than there were mint sheets on hand; and that consequently, an additional supply of the sold-out sheet would be secured in a limited quantity.

On November 16, 1955, a subsequent release announced that on Sunday, November 27, 1955, a limited supply of these sheets would be made available only at the UNPA sales counter. A later announcement went on to stipulate that this additional printing would amount to just 50,000 sheets.

Although the November 16 press release noted that the additional sheets would be available only at the UNPA sales counter, Figure 1 above, shows that as late as December 28, 1955, the UNPA was using the #38 to fill back orders and also to accommodate those collectors desiring that the sheet be used as return postage.

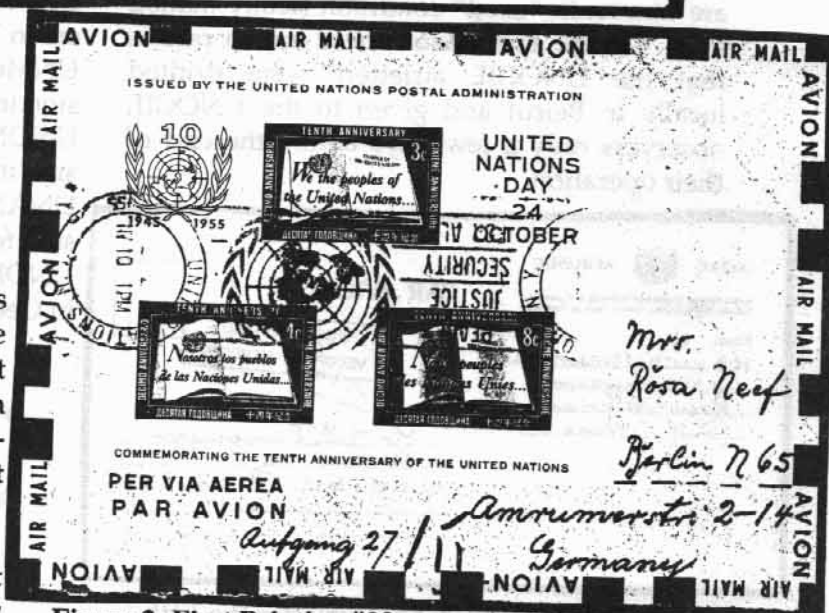


Figure 2: First Printing #38 souvenir sheet used to pay the half-ounce airmail rate to Germany in November, 1955

The first printing, it's supply exhausted after only one day of sale, also did postal duty as in seen in Figure 2; it's fifteen cents of value paying the half-ounce airmail rate to Germany.

Other enterprising collectors cut the individual stamps from the souvenir sheet and affixed them as imperforates, as shown in Figure 3.

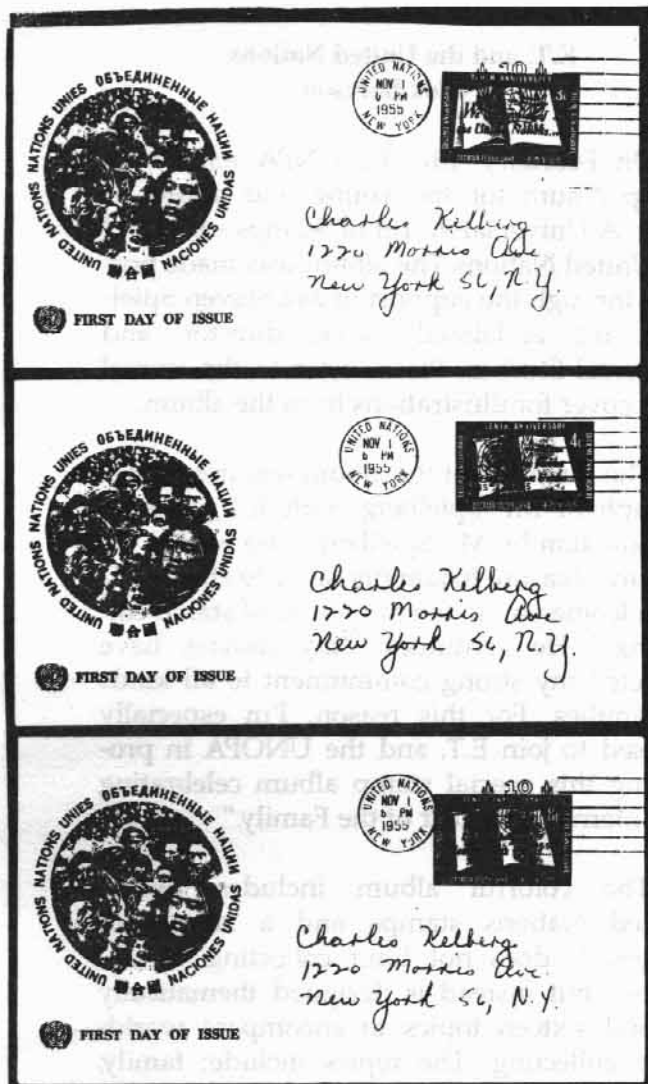


Figure 3: The 3 values were cut from a first printing souvenir sheet, mounted on three HQ cachet FDC envelopes and machine-cancelled on Nov. 1, 1955.

There have always been an active interest in the #38. Perhaps ten years had seemed like such a long time what with the Korean Conflict coming so soon after the close of WWII.

Various philatelic groups have celebrated the sheet itself by featuring merely "so-so" to nearly identical replications of it on their showcards. Even Courvoisier S.A., the Swiss printer of the 25th Anniversary Souvenir Sheet, managed a commemorative miniature sheet (Figure 4) which it issued in conjunction with INTERPHIL '76 in a quantity of 100,000.



Figure 4: The Special Couvoisier miniature commemorative sheet on 1976 shown front and back with accompanying explanatory insert.

Figure 5 (reduced!) offers the other side of the size spectrum. For large-scale reproductions, can anything beat this 7" by 9-5/8" jumbo showcard?

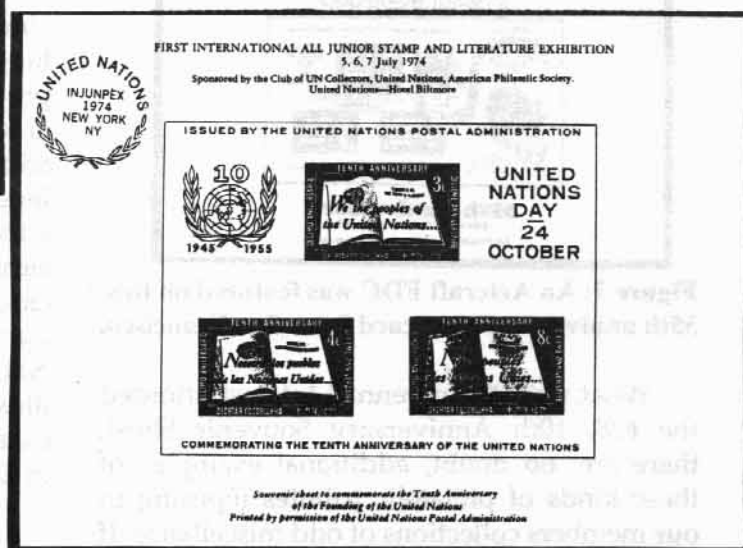


Figure 5: Large-size showcard issued in conjunction with INJUNPEX '74 in New York.

The nearer-to-scale STAMPEX '75 commemorative sheet of Figure 6, is a favorite, as it is the only one of the bunch to feature the second printing rather than the first.

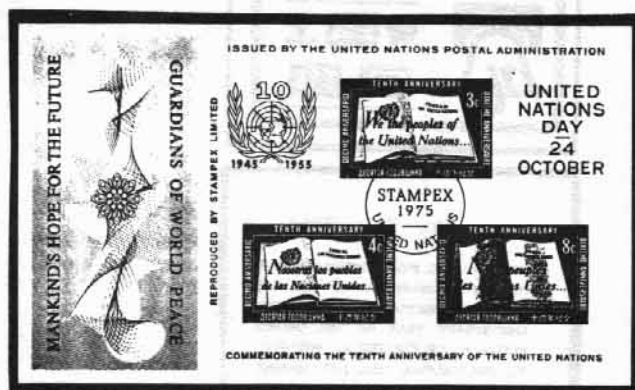


Figure 6: The STAMPEX '75 commemorative sheet was issued in a size nearly identical to the original of 1955.

And finally we come to Figure 7; a black and white reproduction of an Artcraft #38 First Day Cover. It was issued June 26, 1990, to celebrate the 35th Anniversary Charter Signing Ceremony held in San Francisco.

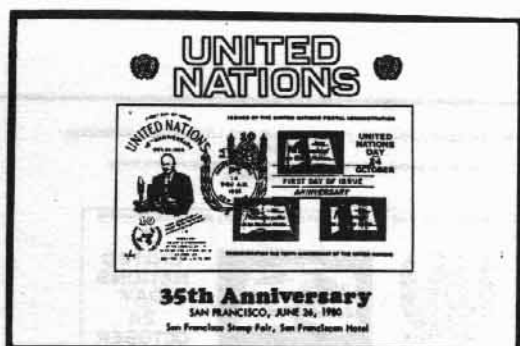


Figure 7: An Artcraft FDC was featured on this 35th anniversary showcard from San Francisco.

What with the perennial interest afforded the #38, 10th Anniversary Souvenir Sheet, there are, no doubt, additional examples of these kinds of philatelic tributes reposing in our members collections of odd miscellanea. If you would like to share some of these with your fellow UNP enthusiasts, how about making a quick photocopy and forwarding it to either myself or the editor for possible inclusion in a follow-up article on this endlessly fascinating subject?

E.T. and the United Nations **by Alex Bereson**

On February 4th, the UNPA released a stamp album for the young and young at heart, *A Universal World of Stamps - E.T. and the United Nations*. The album was made possible through the support of Mr. Steven Spielberg, the acclaimed movie director, and Universal Studios. Please refer to the *Journal* front cover for illustrations from the album.

The foreword of the album features a photograph of Mr. Spielberg with E.T., and an introduction by Mr. Spielberg who writes: "... it is my pleasure to join my favorite alien, E.T., to welcome you to the fun world of stamp collecting." He continues: "my movies have reflected my strong commitment to all kinds of families. For this reason, I'm especially pleased to join E.T. and the UNOPA in producing this special stamp album celebrating the International Year of the Family."

The colorful album includes twelve United Nations stamps and a supply of hinges. It does not limit collecting to UN proper, but instead is designed thematically around sixteen topics to encompass worldwide collecting. The topics include: family, independence, health (WHO), food (FAO), education, elderly, immunization (UNICEF), clean water, environment, endangered species, technical assistance, communications, outer space, transportation, the United Nations and peace. The album is delightfully illustrated. The transportation theme, for example, depicts the famous moon silhouette of E.T. bicycling across the night sky.

The stamp album is an entertaining introduction to stamp collecting. It is priced at \$9.95, and is available from the UNPA, P.O.Box 5900, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10163-9992. For more information, please call 1-800-234-UNPA.

HAMBURG 30th ANNIVERSARY CARD

by Franklin M. Silverman

On June 26, 1975, while the United Nations was celebrating its thirtieth anniversary with stamps and souvenir sheets in New York and Geneva, the United Nations Association of the Federal Republic of Germany issued a souvenir card to commemorate the occasion in Hamburg.

There were one thousand cards printed and prepared for the show. Cards #101 to #500 were cancelled with the New York souvenir sheet (Scott #262) and the remaining half were cancelled in Geneva (Scott #G52). No mint cards were released. All the souvenir cards were personally signed, in blue ink, by K.H. Kern and J. Krause, even though their signatures look as if printed on the card.



Figure 1: New York Card



Figure 2: Geneva Card

Recently, after fifteen years, a new variety of the card (Figure 3) was discovered! This card is cancelled with the Geneva souvenir sheet with the working day cancel (not the normal FD cancel), and it also has the rubber show imprint in the upper right hand corner. At the lower center of the card between where the two signatures should be, is (in red ink) the printed word "MUNSTER" in German ("SAMPLE").

Since no other "sample" cards have been found or reported in recent years, is this the only one? If you have one, or know of others, please contact the author c/o Linn's Stamp News.



Figure 3: Sample Card

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UNTEA FIRST DAY COVERS

by M. Hardjasudarma

Eleven of the UNTEA (United Nations Temporary Executive Authority) overprinted stamps of Netherlands New Guinea were issued on October 1, 1962. Eight more appeared on November 1, 1962, to make up the full set of 19 values.

It is generally believed that no official UNTEA stationary existed during the first few months of operations of this United Nations body. As a result, other stationary was used to create first day covers, such as that of the former Netherlands New Guinea government, or the local philatelic association (Figure 1). No special cachets, official or otherwise, were produced, although it is of course possible for some enterprising or artistic person to later create them using otherwise blank envelopes.



Figure 1: Eight of the nineteen UNTEA values constituted the second "installment", and were issued on November 1, 1962. This first day cover used Dutch New Guinea Philatelic stationary, and was cancelled at Hollandia.

Any "FDC" that has all 19 values together, or the 8 values issued in November but postmarked October 1, 1962, and all others on official UNTEA stationary, must therefore be considered as fabricated, using backdated cancellers. Genuine FDCs should be on blank, or non-UNTEA stationary, with the first 11 stamps cancelled October 1st, and the final eight, November 1, 1962 (Figure 1). As such, the set invariably consists of two FDCs.



Figure 2: An international postal money order fragment bearing four of the eleven UNTEA values that were issued on October 1, 1962, tied by Sorong cancels. Cashed at Amsterdam-West, October 17, 1962 (CDS on reverse).

In the quest for first day of issue evidence, commercially (that is, without philatelic intent) produced, it is always challenging to find such examples. This particular one (Figure 2) reveals that UNTEA stamps were indeed available in Sorong on October 1, 1962, and that there was no interruption in the transmission of foreign postal money orders.

Editor's note: Dr. Hardjasudarma is a well-known UNTEA specialist. I am pleased to see him resume his UNTEA Corner articles and hope they will featured in the Journal regularly.

Mr. Hardjasudarma recommends a new publication, "De aantekenstrookjes gebruikt in (Nederlands) Nieuw-Guinea" - The Registration Labels used in (Netherlands) New Guinea, by N.J. de Weijer. The 104 page soft cover publication (in Dutch) is a well illustrated study of registration labels of Netherlands New Guinea (including the UNTEA period). The study also includes postal regulations, postal forms, cancellations, maps, etc. It can be ordered from the publisher for \$25 + postage:

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- 01 - League of Nations 10 centime Swiss Scott #2049 vf SHEET of 50 MNH cto Geneve - Societe des Nations 7-15-43 cancels; very scarce! **PHOTO** MB\$150
- 02 - Intl. Labor Bureau 10 centime Swiss Scott #3040 vf SHEET of 50 MNH cto Geneve - Societe des Nations 7-15-43 cancels; very scarce! MB\$50
- 03 - Souvenir Card WHO #1 FDNY MB\$10
- 04 - Souvenir Card WHO #1A FDNY MB\$10
- 05 - Souvenir Cards #2B signature error \$10
- 06 - Geneva singles VFMNH 1980-86 #89,92-4,96-104,107-118,121-136,138-40,145-7 retail \$33 MB\$10
- 07 - Geneva TAB margin singles VFMNH #89,92-4,96-104,107-118,121-136,138-40,145-7 MB\$10
- 08 - Vienna singles 1980-86 #12-3,15-23,25-36,39-53,55-7,62-3 retail \$28 MB\$10
- 09 - Vienna TAB margin singles 1980-86 #12-3,15-23,25-36,39-53,55-7,62-3 MB\$10
- 10 - Swiss officials VFMLH complete set #4029-39 MB\$26
- 11 - Swiss officials VFMNH #506//25 (missing #5016 - catalog \$5) MB\$100
- 12 - NY #10 VFMNH MI4 block (4th or 5th printing) MB\$30
- 13 - NY #11 cover 4/4/55 franked by MI tab single neat type addressed to Germany 'airmail/special delivery' backstamped Hamburg. 4"x5" MB\$6
- 14 - NY #11 VFMNH UR MI4 block (4th-7th printing?) MB\$12
- 15 - NY #12 MNH VF sheet of 50 MB\$10
- 16 - NY #23-4 VFMNH MI4 blocks with control numbers MB\$10
- 17 - NY #25-6 VFMNH MI4 blocks with control numbers MB\$16
- 18 - NY #38 souvenir sheet VF MNH SECOND PRINTING MB\$100
- 19 - NY #41-4 VFMNH MI6 blocks (same corners) MB\$18
- 20 - NY #59A American Bank Note Company DIE PROOF CARDS green plate #101249 vf Gaines \$400 **PHOTO** MB\$180
- 21 - NY #60A American Bank Note Company DIE PROOF CARDS blue plate #101129 vf Gaines \$425 **PHOTO** MB\$180
- 22 - WFUNA graphic #12 Ramon De Olivera (space) FD MB\$90
- 23 - WFUNA graphic #25 Benigno Gomez FD MB\$20
- 24 - WFUNA graphic #43 Joan Miro FD MB\$65
- 25 - WFUNA German PAX 86 souvenir card AUTOGRAPHED by artist Cristobal Gabarron MB\$8
- 26 - NY #29-30 official headquarters cachet VF UA FDC MB\$15
- 27 - Austrian cover collection (25) all vf unad. with UN themes (stamps and/or special cancels) MB\$10
- 28 - NY #149 25 cent definitive VF MNH sheet of 50 MB\$10
- 29 - NY #150 \$1.00 definitive VF MNH sheet of 50 MB\$42
- 30 - NY #183-4 Starek vf MNH sheets of 50 folded once in center, 6c val. missing bottom selvage MB\$40
- 31 - Souvenir cards IYC German, white and blue + Paris '77 (3 cards) vf MB\$12
- 32 - IYC min-sheets NY#310-1, G#84-5 MNH MB\$20
- 33 - FLAGS complete set MNH sheets 1980-9 (40) MB\$150

- 34 - Vienna postcard #/UCX8 Gaines p.319.4 with Specimen "MUSTER" overprint rare **PHOTO** MB\$50
- 35 - unissued ID card for SF conference, some water damage, still presentable MB\$15
- 36 - Fleugel color cachet FDC #1-11 singles (11) VF unaddressed pretty set **PHOTO** MB\$40
- 37 - India Korea overprint set #M44-55 VFMNH corner margin blocks of four ret. \$160 **PHOTO** MB\$90
- 38 - USA #1204 Hammar skjold special printing yellow color inverted vf MNH sheet of 50 MB\$5
- 39 - UNICEF cachet FDC complete collection #192-200, C14 (6) vf unad. Retail \$52 MB\$24
- 40 - UPU Delegate Folder 1989 Belgium MB\$12
- 41 - UPU Delegate Folder 1989 Greece MB\$12
- 42 - UPU Delegate Book 1989 Oman MB\$24
- 43 - UPU Delegate color illustrated hardbound book 1989 Portugal MB\$30
- 44 - UPU Delegate Folder 1989 Syria MB\$16

MILITARY COVERS - ALL VF PRIMARILY PHILATELIC LOTS #45-52

- 45 - UNPROFOR Canada(4) Denmark (1) Swiss(1) MB\$10
- 46 - UNPROFOR Canada(4) France (1) Britain(1) MB\$10
- 47 - UNPROFOR Canada(4) France (2) MB\$10
- 48 - UNPROFOR Nepal Battalion airletter 4/22/93 scarce MB\$10
- 49 - Gulf War covers USA (6) MB\$10
- 50 - Canadian Armed Forces (7) flown covers UN Operations MB\$10
- 51 - Gulf War Canada (2), USA (2), France (1) MB\$10
- 52 - Canadian Navy Ships in Persian Gulf, illust. map cachet 9/27/90 scarce) MB\$10
- 53 - Forces publications (4) CYPRUS Blue Beret and Sentinel + UNDOF Info Bulletin MB\$10
- 54 - 1899 Peace Conference picture post card at the Hague, used after the conf. 7/3/99 **PHOTO** MB\$25
- 55 - 20th Anniv UN FDC Aircraft cachet signed by Chicago ex-mayor Richard Daley **PHOTO** MB\$10
- 56 - Somali Delegation Memorandum to the UN (8 pages) dealing with Italian Somaliland at Lake Success, April 1949. Fine condition for this antecedent document to the present peace-keeping mission MB\$15
- 57 - Argentina Scott #622-4 (100th Anniv of ITU Conference), mint singles, imperf singles. 2 diff sets of color proofs, FDC singles and combo MB\$30
- 58 - UNESCO official FDCovers Scott #2001-2044 (18 combos including rare #2012 single) Gaines \$163 MB\$100
- 59 - UNESCO official FD combo booklets Scott #206-8,2012 (rare), 2013-44 (15 total) Gaines \$174 MB\$125
- 60 - UNESCO official FD Cards Scott #201-3 (combo), 206-8, 2024-44 (all singles) (25 total) Gaines \$75 MB\$30
- 61 - UNESCO FD Cards (unofficial) Scott #201-3 (2 sets as singles), 206-7 (combo), 208 (single), 209-11 (2 sets of singles), 2012 (15 total) MB\$30
- 62 - UN Technical Assistance covers (14) from various offices including Cambodia, India, Greece, South America, and New York (8 stamped, 3 metered and 3 pouch) MB\$15
- 63 - UNTEA #18 (2 gulden) major overprint shift **PHOTO** MB\$50
- 64 - UNTEA #19 (5 gulden) perforation in right margin error **PHOTO** MB\$25
- 65 - UNTEA #2 (2 cent) major shift overprint MB\$40
- 66 - UNA of Germany 30th Anniversary Souvenir cards FDNY, FDGeneva only 1,000 issued (2) MB\$25
- 67 - Vienna #1-6 vf unad FDC (6) off. Geneva cachet all MI4's MB\$8
- 68 - Geneva #86-94 (+#95 s/s) vf unad FDC (10) official Geneva cachets all MI4's retail \$23 MB\$10
- 69 - Souvenir Cards (25) all FD cancelled NY, Geneva, Vienna, all different MB\$10
- 70 - Souvenir folder 1976 Special XXV anniversary stamps MNH MB\$10
- 71 - Souvenir Cards NYFD (16) #2-5,7-8,11,13-16,18-21,35, Mint #1-2,4-5,10,38 MB\$10
- 72 - Souvenir Cards GenFD (14) #2-5,8,11,14-16,18-21,38 Vienna #18-21,38 MB\$10
- 73 - Souvenir Cards Mint (16) #1-6,8,10-13,15,31-32,37-38 MB\$10
- 74 - Giant Mystery Lot MB\$75

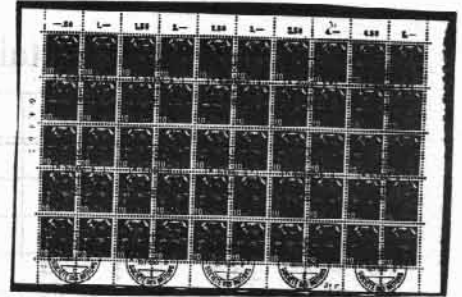
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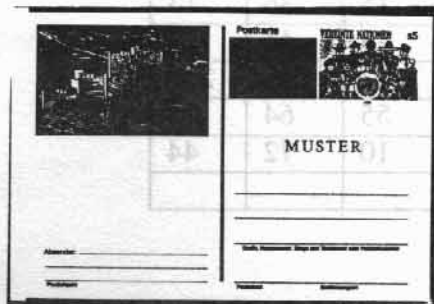


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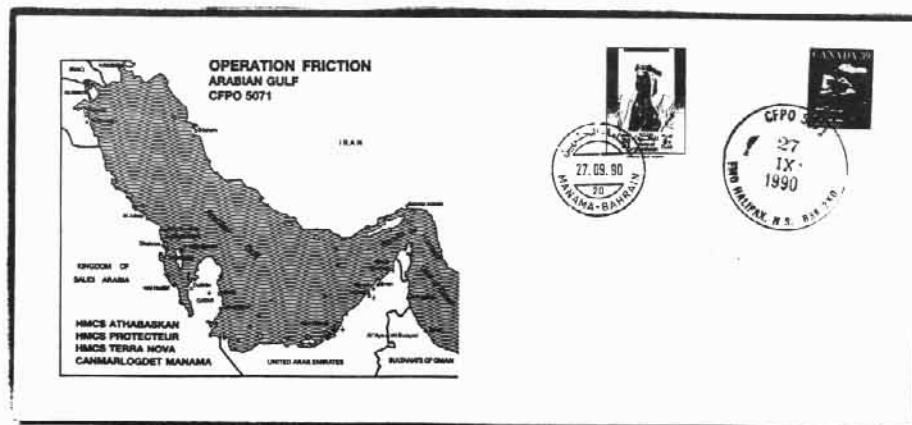
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23	14	24	13	26	14	27	13	28	15	30	13
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41	24	42	16	49	11	57	15	58	10	61	12
65	10	66	10	67	12	73	12	75	10	79	20
80	32	83	11	85	14	86	14	87	18	91	20
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107	28	108	20	109	32	110	75				

1994A: Total Realization \$1735 - 48/73 lots sold (66%)

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46	14	47	22	51	16	52	11	54	12	55	200
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