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1732 Brad Perkins, South Hadley, MA

1733 John Valdata, Tucson, AZ

1734 Russell Kilpatrick, Kissimmee, FL

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Front: 2020 NY, UN Peacekeepers, Special Event Sheet

Back: 2020 NY, UN Peacekeepers, UN Photos used on stamps

Club News

President's Message

By Greg Galletti

The current pandemic has made attending stamp shows impossible for all of us, and sadly the American Philatelic Society, along with the American Topical Association, and the American First Day Cover Society had to cancel the Annual Great American Stamp Show scheduled for this August in Hartford, CT. Given the circumstances your President and Board of Directors discussed other options and I am please to announce that the UNPI will be hosting its annual membership meeting on Saturday August 22, 2020, from 2 - 4pm virtually. Yes "virtually" through the use of the Zoom application and the internet.

Plans for the meeting continue to evolve, and we expect to have a nice selection of presentations on UN and UN-related topics as well as a special ceremony to welcome two members to sign the Roll of Distinguished United Nations Philatelists, commonly referred to as the Richard "Dick" Powers award.

Below you will find all the necessary information to join the meeting. Please mark your calendars for the afternoon of August 22, and join us for a fun and festive meeting.

Zoom Meeting Instructions

By B. Clement

Here is the link to the Zoom meeting on Saturday, August 22:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89729474581

As mentioned by Greg, the meeting will be held from 2 to 4 PM. It would be a good idea to try logging in earlier, say between 1:30 and 1:45 PM. If you are logging into zoom for the first time, it may require you to install zoom on your computer. (By the way, you need to use a computer which has video and audio available.)

The actual meeting will be opened by Greg at 2 PM. If you are logged in earlier, between 1:30 to 2 PM, you will be able to see and chat with other members who are already logged in. When the meeting starts, when you aren't speaking, it might be good to mute yourself, especially if you have background noise like a barking dog or a noisy child.

San Francisco Conference Series

By B. Clement, Jr.

In this Journal will begin a series of articles on the postal history of the UN Conference on International Organization (UNCIO), held in San Francisco in 1945. The series is based on my new two-frame exhibit on the subject. I thought it might be useful to give the reader a little background.

I originally had a one-frame exhibit on the subject which had been shown four times, beginning at UNEXPO 17. Twice I received a Large Gold, and twice I got lower awards, Vermeil and Large Vermeil. When I got the lower awards, the judges said that the subject was too large to show in a one-frame exhibit.

I made a decision to expand my exhibit to two frames. This required adding to my material, since I was already including just about everything I had. I was very fortunate to find and acquire some beautiful new material.

I completed the two-frame exhibit late last year, and had planned to show it for the first time at Boxboro. However, Boxboro was cancelled due to the COVID 19 pandemic. So I have to wait until stamp shows resume to show my new exhibit. In the meantime, I will share it with you.

The exhibit is laid out on 12x12 inch pages, allowing the many #10 covers to be shown across the page. The article includes the identical material, but since $8\ 1/2\ x\ 11$ pages are used, the covers are somewhat reduced in size and the layout is slightly different.

Free UNP Journals

UNP Member Leon LaChance has some UNP Journals which he would be happy to give someone who will pay the shipping cost (at Media Rate). Contact Leon at lachancel@comcast.com if you would like some or all of these Journals:

Whole #'s 1-39 2/78 to 2/84 Whole #'s 131-218 8/99 to 2/14 Whole #'s 230-247 2/16 to 12/18 Whole #'s 249,252,253-256 Also 30th Anniversary of UNP Issue

UNP Election

The UNP biennial election of officers and board members closed on May 20. Our Election Chairman Jeff Shapiro reports that the all of our officers and board members were re-elected without dissent.

Congratulations to everyone. UNP looks forward to another two years under your leadership.

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UNP Membership Report

By Ron Klimley, Secretary

All renewals that have been received as of June 11, 2020 have been posted and total UNP membership is 147. We have continued to see a positive trend in our membership numbers and as of this writing our current membership totals 161 members. We have now seen membership numbers increase over the past four years. There are some members whose dues remain outstanding, and reminders have been sent. If you are not sure about your status, please feel free to reach out to me.

Currently 132 of our members are from the United States with the remaining 29 members from other countries. We are truly a diverse organization with membership in the United States and a total of 12 other countries. The largest representation of members from outside the United States is Germany with a total of nine members. Second is Canada with a total of six. Following that we have three members in the Netherlands and two each in China and Switzerland. Finally, there are one member each from the following countries; Australia, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, and Turkey.

In the United States we have members in 29 states; New York leads the way with a total of 14 members. California with 8 members and Florida with a total of 7 members round out the top three states in terms of membership. Six members are located in both Illinois and Massachusetts while there is a total of five members each in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. We have four members who call Tennessee, Texas or Virginia home with another three in Connecticut, Delaware, Washington and New Jersey. We have two members each in a large group of states including; Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Oregon. Finally, we have one member from each of the following states; Alabama, Colorado, Maryland, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Ohio, and Rhode Island.

We currently have a total of 53 electronic members who access their journals on the web site.

Treasurer's Report May 1, 2019 - April 30, 2020

By Chris Dahle

Checking Balance: M	ay 1, 2019	\$11,717.50
Income		
	Dues	\$1,477.27
	Auction	\$622.65
	Donations	\$93.00
	Journal Ads	\$65.00
	Sales	\$30.00
	Total Income	\$2,287.92
Expenses		
	Postage	\$958.00
	Journal Printing (5 issues)	\$2032.17
	Franchise Fee	\$25.00
	Expo21	\$45.85
	Total Expenses	\$3,061.72
Checking Balance: A	pril 30, 2020	\$11,034.80

Donations received from:

Felter, Hackett. Hauptmann, Hoffman, Huttenbach, Krejci, LaChance, Meder, Romberg, Schraeer, Showler Thanks!

REVISED 2020 UNITED NATIONS STAMP PROGRAM

(Tentative and subject to date and denomination changes)

January 10 Chinese Lunar Calendar - Year of the Rat

(NY Special Event Sheet of 10 stamps) \$1.20

February 17 Endangered Species

(3 sheets of 16 stamps - 4 designs per sheet) - \$1.20, CHF 1,50, € 0,90

3 Maximum Cards; 2020 Endangered Species Collection Folder, Limited Edition Silk Cover

March 19 Hello Kitty and Global Goals

6 mini-sheets of 1 stamp; 3 accordion booklets

March 27 ActNow Climate Action

NY Special Event Sheet of 10 stamps - \$1.20

April 22 International Earth Day

(6 mini-sheets of 10 stamps) - 55¢, \$1.20, CHF 1,00, CHF 1,50, € 0,85, € 0,90

May 8 Eradication of Smallpox - 40th Anniversary

Sheet of 20 stamps, CHF 1,70

May 12 Florence Nightingdale, 200th Anniversary

Sheet of 20 stamps, € 1,35

May 29 International Day of UN Peacekeepers

NY Special Event Sheet of 10 stamps - \$1.20

June 11 Sport for Peace - Olympic Games Tokyo - Postponed to 2021

July 24 We are all in this together - COVID 19

Mini-sheet of 6 stamps, 0.55+0.50, 1.20+0.50; CHF 1+0.5, 1.20+0.5; 0.85+0.5, 1+0.5

August 20 Flag series

(2 sheets of 16 stamps – 4 designs per sheet) - \$1.20

2020 Flag folder

September 4 World Heritage – Russia

(sheets of 20 stamps) - 55¢, \$1.20, CHF 1,00, CHF 1,50, €0,90 €1,80

Prestige Booklets

September 17 Balkanfila 2020

(Special event mini-sheet of 3 stamps) - \$1.20, CHF 2,00, € 1,80

October 2 UNPA at ÖVEBRIA 2020 in St. Pölten

Vienna Special Event Sheet of 10 Stamps - € 1,00

October 20 EXPO 2020 - Postponed to 2021

October 24 United Nations 75th Anniversary (24 October)

(3 mini-sheets of 2 stamps) - \$1.20, CHF 2,00, € 1,80 Special UN 75th Anniversary Collection Folder

2020 Annual Collection Folder

November 4 UN SG's Strategy for New Technology (UN Crypto Stamps)

(Pre-launch October 22)

(3 mini-sheets of 1 stamp) - \$7.75, CHF 6, € 7

December 5 World Soil Day

Vienna Special Event Sheet of 10 Stamps - € 1,00

TRIBUTE TO UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING SERVICE NEW YORK SPECIAL EVENT SHEET \$ 1,20

On May 29, 2020, UNPA issued a special event sheet to honor the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers – a day to pay tribute to our uniformed and civilian personnel.

This year marks the 20th Anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution on Women, Peace and Security and this year's theme is "Women in Peacekeeping: A Key to Peace."

The sheet is composed of ten US\$ 1.20 denominated stamps featuring images of UN Peacekeeping services around the world. The tabs of the stamps have the United Nations logo and may be personalized.

The text on the stamp sheet reads as follows:

UN Peacekeeping helps countries navigate the difficult path from conflict to peace. We have unique strengths, including legitimacy, burden sharing, and an ability to deploy troops and police from around the world, integrating them with civilian peacekeepers to address a range of mandates set by the UN Security Council and General Assembly.

"Women in Peacekeeping: A Key to Peace."





MONUSCO (UN Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo):

Two Bangladeshi Women Pilots contributing their expertise in support of MONUSCO operations aimed at bringing peace and stability in the DR Congo.

Photo MONUSCO/Force

WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

We are living in unprecedented times. The World Health Organization (WHO) is leading and coordinating the global health response to coronavirus, helping to ensure all countries are ready to prevent, detect and respond to the pandemic. To be effective we need people everywhere to adopt public health precautions, act in solidarity, and prevent the spread of misinformation.

The United Nations in March 2020 requested a global call out to creatives around the world for the COVID-19 response to help stop the spread of this disease. Thousands of creators from around the world generously came together to support the United Nations and WHO's efforts and communicate important visual messages to unite the world during this pandemic.

The stamps represent six key public health messages by UN and WHO to help stop the spread of COVID-19, namely Personal Hygiene; Myth-Busting; Physical Distance; Spread Kindness; Know the Symptoms; and Solidarity.

UNPA is issuing these stamps to support the COVID Solidarity Response Fund organized by WHO. A surcharge of 50 cents for the New York denominations, CHF 0,50 for the Geneva values and \in 0,50 for the Vienna values has been added to each stamp. These surplus funds will go directly to supporting COVID suppression efforts.

We hope that by working in solidarity we can help stop the spread of this global pandemic. No one can do everything, but everyone can do something.

Together, we can save lives, protect resources and care for each other.

Designs: Illustration: Chiara Fiori (USA) US\$ 0.55 Personal Hygiene FDC Illustration: Laura Paice (United Kingdom) US\$ 1.20 Myth-Busting **Denominations:** US\$ 0.55, US\$ 1.20, CHF 1,00, CHF 1,50, € 0,85, CHF 1,00 Physical Distance € 1,00 CHF 1,50 Spread Kindness Stamp size: 30 mm x 35 mm € 0,85 Know the Symptoms **Sheet size:** 150 mm x 105 mm € 1.00 Solidarity **Stamps format:** Mini-sheet of 6 stamps

Date of Issue: July 24, 2020 Printer: Cartor Security Printing (France)

Process: Offset lithography

Designer: Rorie Katz (United Nations)
Stamp Icons: TBWA Global

Process: Offset lithograph
Perforation: 13 ½ x 13 ½

13 ½ x 13 ½

Quantities: 90,000 sheets (540,000 stamps) to be confimed





WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER Help stop the spread of COVID-19



Surcharge received will help support the COVID-19 Solidarity Response Fund for World Health Organization

United Nations Conference on International Organization San Francisco, California, April 25-June 26, 1945, Part 1

This begins a series of articles based on a new two-frame exhibit by B. Clement, Jr.

As World War II was ending, the Allied Nations met with the objective to creating a new World Organization, replacing the old League of Nations. The planned organization, the United Nations, would have as its goal - improved Peace, Justice, and Security for the World. The Conference was attended by 49 nations.

Exhibit Focus

This exhibit documents the postal history of the San Francisco Conference.

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The United Nations Conference on International Organization SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA OPENING SESSION OPERA HOUSE APRIL 25, 1945

History

A new, more effective, world organization was first mentioned at the 1941 Atlantic Meeting of Roosevelt and Churchill. The US State Department began drafting a UN Charter, which was further discussed at the 1944 Dumbarton Oaks Conference and the 1945 Yalta Conference. The San Francisco Conference completed the work, and produced a UN Charter which was signed by all participants on June 26, 1945. When all five permanent members of the Security Council and a majority of the other 46 nations had ratified the charter, the United Nations came into being on October 24, 1945.

Notes on the Conference

8. Epilogue, Signing of Charter

Conference Plenary Sessions and Commission Meetings took place in the San Francisco Opera House. Offices of the Conference Secretariat were in the adjacent Veterans War Memorial Building. The San Francisco Civic Center housed the Barracks, the Hospitality House and the Army-Navy Coordination Group.



San Francisco War Memorial Opera House, Photo Post Card, No Division on back, Published by "EYE"

The Delegations not only stayed in San Francisco hotels, but had offices there. Likewise the United States and Foreign Press had rooms and offices in the hotels.

There were no special Conference Postmarks. Many different Post Offices were used. The most common postmarks were San Francisco Machine cancels #4, #5 and #15. *Note: In describing cancels, SF is San Francisco. SF #15 is San Francisco Machine Cancel #15.*

Rarity

Rare items, of which only one or two examples are recorded, are bordered in bright blue, with a text explanation in bright blue. The recorded data on other scarce items is also given in bright blue text. In general, delegation covers from the San Francisco Conference are very uncommon, and this exhibit displays more delegation covers (28 covers to or from 16 delegations) than has ever before been assembled.

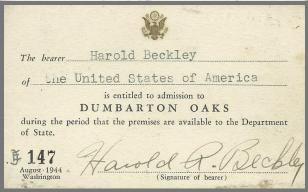
Research

The exhibitor has identified seven different conference corner cards, and maintains an on-going census of San Francisco covers, giving data on frequency and dates of use of corner cards, cancels, etc. *Note: "CC" is used in the exhibit to refer to "Corner Card". The seven identified Corner Cards are designated CC1, CC2, CC3, etc.*

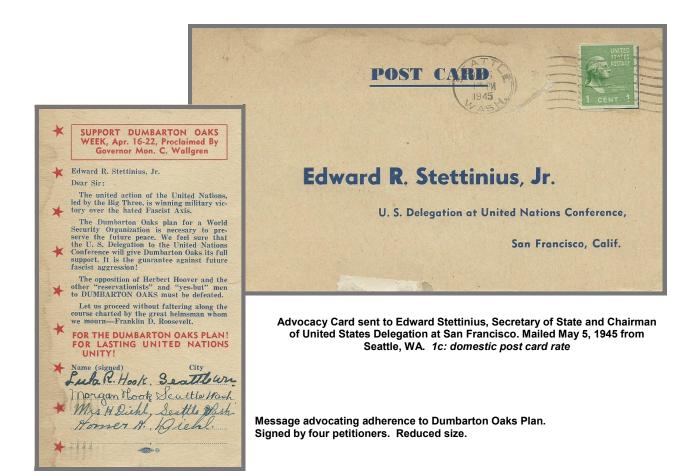
Dumbarton Oaks Conversations on World Organization, Washington, DC, August 21-October 7, 1944

China, Soviet Union, United States and United Kingdom representatives met at Dumbarton Oaks to develop a preliminary plan for a World Organization, building on previous work by the United States State Department. Further discussions were held at the Yalta Conference, February 4-11, 1945. The results of Dumbarton Oaks and Yalta ware presented to the San Francisco Conference as a starting point for its deliberations.

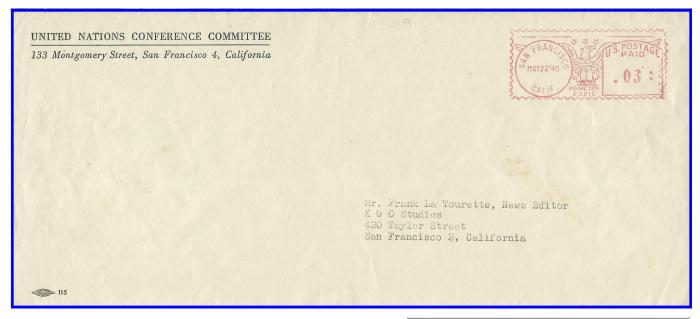




ID cards issued to Harold Beckley, Press Officer at Dumbarton Oaks and at the San Francisco Conference.



Preparation



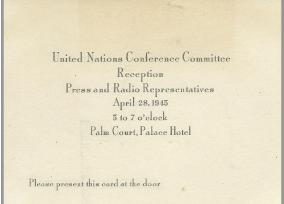
The United Nations Conference Committee was set up to serve as an Organizing Committee for conference arrangements and accommodations.

Special CC for the Committee.

3c: 1 oz. Surface rate - Pitney Bowes postage meter 93210, San Francisco, May 22, 1945

Two covers recorded.



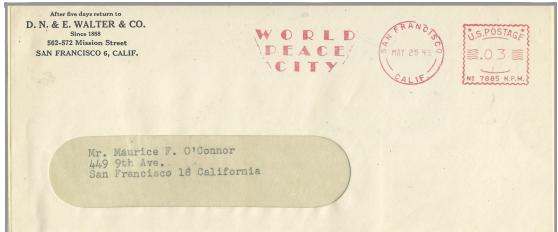


Entry Card for UN Conference Committee Reception for the Press, Fairmont Hotel, April 28, 1945

Incoming mail from Bellinzona, Switzerland to UN Conference Committee. Sent March 28, 1945. Censored #2516.

30 centimes: Surface mail rate to U.S.

Publicity



"World Peace City" slogan on N.P.M. Meter 7885 used by D.N. & E. Walter and Co, a San Francisco business, May 25, 1945. 3c: 1 oz. surface mail letter rate.

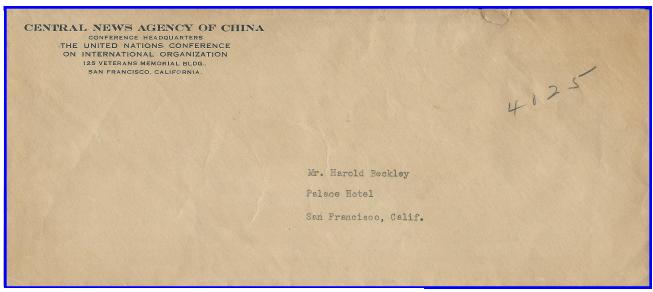
"San Francisco Welcomes
the United Nations"
slogan on
Pitney Bowes Meter 58613
used by City Paris
Department Store,
June 4, 1945.
3c: 1 oz.
surface letter rate





Private label (Cinderella) publicizing the Conference on cover from San Francisco Advertising Agency, San SF4 postmark, April 29, 1945 3c: 1 oz. Surface letter rate

Press

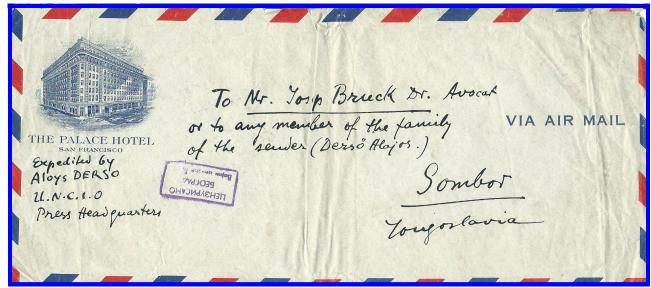


Central News Agency of China: Sent by Messenger to Harold Beckley,
Press Officer (of the Conference Secretariat),
at the Palace Hotel. Special CC for the Conference.
Notation "4025" for his Room Number.

Only example recorded.

(Top Cover) Backstamped with Receiver at Palace Hotel Front Desk, "1945 May 16 PM 3:01" Reduced size





Sent by Diplomatic Pouch to Yugoslavia from Aloys Derso, Cartoonist, looking for a family member. Derso was a Hungarian Jew, who had fled to the United States in 1939. Apparently he had lost track of his family in the War. Yugoslav violet boxed imprint on front.

Only example recorded.



Yugoslav Label and two violet boxed imprints on back (reduced)

Label: Opened War Censor Belgrade Boxed Imprint: Censored Belgrade Military Censor B.

League of Nations Overprint Forgeries – An Initial Study

By Greg Galletti

As many of you know, I have specialized in the Postal History of the League of Nations (SdN) and International Labor Organization (BIT) for more than 40 years, and have exhibited and written articles on the subject. I have more recently started to focus my attention on the individual stamps with particular interest in identifying and documenting forgeries associated with the SdN and BIT overprinted issues between 1922 – 1946. Unfortunately, forgeries of these stamps are plentiful, in part due to their value in comparison to the more common un-overprinted Swiss issues that were in circulation at the time, as well as the practice common in the early 20th century of producing "copies" of stamps which could be added to stamp packets and used as album fillers by collectors.

I hope to add to this research as time permits and hope this first article inspires you to look through your material, make comparisons, and by all means contact me to share any additional varieties you may possess. I see this as a living study and work in progress and invite your contributions.

So lets take a look at the First League overprint, which was the true workhorse having been used from the very first SdN issues release around May 1922 through release of the Cas-

tles of Chillon and San Salvatore landscape issues in March 1942 and September 1943. So for a little more than 20 years this was the predominant overprint used on SdN service stamps.

The overprint itself was a simple three-line impression bearing the text "SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS," applied in a cliché of 50 impressions to a sheet of stamps, or as a cliché of 25 impressions for the larger format stamps. Examples of each sheet format is presented in Figure 1 and 2, respectively.

The basic overprint generally maintained the following dimensions with some very minor variation for inking.

SOCIÉTÉ – 13.2mm length x 1.8mm height DES - 3.7mm length x 1.2mm height NATIONS - 13.1mm length x 1.8 mm height

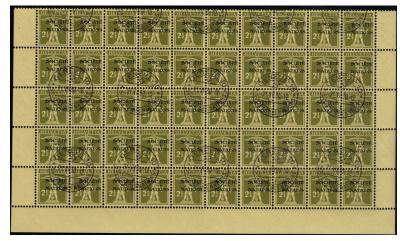


Fig. 1: Small Stamp Sheet Format



Fig. 2: Large Stamp Sheet Format

Having studied several hundred stamps of various denominations issued between 1922 and 1943, I have classified eight (8) overprint forgery types with two (2) of these types having sub-varieties. The chart shows each overprint variety and various characteristics for each (Figure 3). I attempted to use both deterministic measurements as well as objective visual features to differentiate each. Again this continues as a work in progress and I welcome your submittals and observations.

Please submit your comments and observations to me at <u>unstampz1@gmail.com</u>. Until next time, Happy Collecting!

Fig. 3: Comparison of Genuine and Forged Overprints

	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS
Overprint Type	Genuine	Type 1	Type 2	Type 2A	Type 3	Type 4
SOCIETE	13.2x1.8	12.9x2.1	12.9x2.2	12.7x2.0	12.5x1.9	12.9x1.9
DES	3.7x1.2	3.9x1.4	3.6x1.1	3.4x1.1	3.4x1.1	3.6x1.0
NATIONS	13.1x1.8	12.7x2	12.5x2.2	12.5x1.8	12.4x1.7	12.9x1.9
Overall Width	13.2	12.9	12.9	12.8	12.4	12.9
Overall Height	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.1	6.4
S in SOCIETE Height	1.9	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9
O in SOCIETE Height	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.8
C in SOCIETE Height	1.0	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7
O in SOCIETE Width	2.3	1.9	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2
T in NATIONS Width	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.6
S in Nations Center Angle	-24.7	-11.1	-16.5	-17.5	-16.9	-23.0
S in NA- TIONS tip to curve (W,H)	59.4 (0.3 0.6)	80.8 (0.1 0.8)	69.8 (0.2 0.5)	59.0 (0.4 0.7)	63.4 (0.3 0.6)	67.2 (0.2 0.5)
C in SOCIETE With Serif	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
E in SOCIETE lower 2 legs	Not Touching	Not Touching	Touching	Touching	Touching	Not Touching
E in SOCIETE Upper 2 legs	Not Touching	Not Touching	Touching	Not Touching	Not Touching	Touching
Plate Flaws	Sharp consistent lettering through- out; SO of SOCIETE both touching and not touching	A & T of NATIONS touching; S in NATIONS & SOCIETE have serif pointing downward	Trailing line of E of SOCIETE; first leg of N in NATIONS short; Overprint skewed; O-C of SOCIETE touching; all arms of E in SOCIETE touching; S in NATIONS slightly leaning back	Dot after I in NATIONS; S in NATIONS leaning back	Dot in first E Of SOCIETE (sometimes), leg of 2nd N in NATIONS weak; S in NATIONS leaning back	T in NATONS broken (sometimes); N & S in NATIONS large than IO; S in NATIONS vertical

All dimensions given in this table are in mm.

	SOCIÉTÉ NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ NATIONS	SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS
Overprint Type	Type 5	Type 6	Type 6A	Type 6B	Type 7	Type 8
SOCIETE	13.2x2.0	12.9x2.1	13.4x2.0	13.6x2.2	14.0x2.4	13.4x2.0
DES	3.5x1.0	3.6x1.2	4.1x1.2	3.7x1.2	3.5x1.1	3.9x1.0
NATIONS	13.1x1.9	12.7x1.9	13.3x2.2	13.5x2.0	13.9x2.2	13.4x1.9
Overall Width	13.2	12.8	13.4	13.6	14.0	13.4
Overall Height	6.6	6.4	6.7	6.7	7.0	6.4
S in SOCIETE Height	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.2	1.9
O in SOCIETE Height	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.3	1.9
C in SOCIETE Height	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.9
O in SOCIETE Width	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.2	2.0
T in NATIONS Width	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.7
S in Nations Center Angle	-22.1	-26.6	-24.5	-22.2	-29.1	-21.0
S in NA- TIONS tip to curve (W,H)	74.6 (0.2 0.8)	80.0 (0.1 0.6)	71.6 (0.2 0.6)	48.8 (0.5 0.6)	87.5 (0.0 1.0) 2.2H	68.8 (0.2 0.6)
C in SOCIETE With Serif	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
E in SOCIETE lower 2 legs	Not touching	Not touching	Not touching	Not touching	Not touching	Not touching
E in SOCIETE Upper 2 legs	Not touching	Not touching	Touching	Not touching	Not touching	Not touching
Plate Flaws	SO slightly lower than C in SOCIETE; S in NATONS slightly leaning back	NATI in NATIONS Touching; S in NATIONS Vertical	NATI in NATIONS Touching; 2nd E in SOCIETE Legs longer than In first E; S in NATIONS Vertical	N & S in NATIONS same size as TIO; 2nd E in SOCIETE legs longer than first E; S in NATIONS Leaning back	S in NATIONS Large and thick larger than TION; 2nd E in SOCIETE lower leg thick; S in NATIONS Vertical	First E in SOCIETE Shorter than 2nd E; Sharp pronounced pointed hat of T in NATIONS; S in NATIONS slightly leaning back

All dimensions given in this table are in mm.

Discovery of a Cinderella from a WHO Predecessor Conference: International Sanitary Conference, Dresden, 1893

By B. Clement, Jr.

Recently discovered is a Cinderella label for the 8th International Sanitary Conference, held in Dresden, Germany March 11 to April 15, 1893, shown in Figure 1. This beautiful label, 31 mm in diameter, was presumably provided to delegates to the conference.

As a collector of United Nations Conference postal history, I am always surprised and delighted to find 19th century material such as this.

The UN Conference Catalog tries to document these early conferences to that we collectors can more easily identify postal history we may find as being UN-related. Presently there are 19th century listings in the catalog for the International Telecommunications Union, the Universal Postal Union, the World Health Organization, the World Intellectual Property Organization, and the World Meteorological Organization. In addition to this latest WHO discovery, numerous examples of UPU postal history exist, and a single example of a WIPO predecessor conference has been found, Madrid, 1890, as documented in the Journal, Vol. 24, No. 4, Page 12.

There is undoubtedly other 19th century conferences which could legitimately considered to be UN predecessor conferences, and deserve listing in the catalog. Your suggestions are solicited.

This conference is one of a series of International Sanitary Conferences as listed in the catalog:

<u>International Sanitary Conferences:</u>

- P.1 1st, Paris, France, 23 Jul. 1851-19 Jan. 1852
- P.2 2nd, Paris, 9 Apr.-30 Aug. 1859
- P.3 3rd, Constantinople, Turkey, 13 Feb.-26 Sep. 1866
- P.4 4th, Vienna, Austria, 1 Jul.-1 Aug. 1874
- P.5 5th, Washington, DC, USA, 5 Jan.-1 Mar. 1881
- P.6 6th, Rome, Italy, 20 May-13 Jun. 1885
- P.7 7th, Venice, Italy, 5-31 Jan. 1892
- P.8 8th, Dresden, Germany, 11 Mar.-15 Apr. 1893
- P.9 9th, Paris, 7 Feb.-3 Apr. 1894
- P.10 10th, Venice, 16 Feb.-19 Mar. 1897
- P.11 11th, Paris, 10 Oct.-3 Dec. 1903
- P.12 12th, Paris, 7 Nov.1911-17 Jan. 1912
- P.13 13th, Paris, 10 May-21 Jun. 1926
- P.14 14th, Paris, 28-31 Oct. 1938



Fig. 1: Cinderella Label, International Sanitary Conference, Dresden, 1893

The discovery of this label for the 8th Conference makes me wonder if similar labels might exist for one or more of the other 13 conferences. Those of you who regular look through Cinderella material might be on the lookout! You might discover something previously unknown to UN collectors.

Other WHO predecessor conferences listed in the catalog are meetings associated with the International Health Office in Paris, 1907 to 1919, and meetings of the Pan American Sanitary Conferences, in Washington, DC and various Latin American capitals, 12 conferences from 1902 to 1947.

Also there are a number of League of Nations Health Conferences from 1920 to 1937, covering such subjects as European Health, Serology, Syphilis, Opium, Sleeping Sickness, Pacific Health, Infant Welfare, Schools of Hygiene, Vitamin Standardization, Rural Hygiene, Narcotics, Pan-African Health and Standardization of Hormones. Please refer to the League of Nations chapter of the catalog for details of these conferences.

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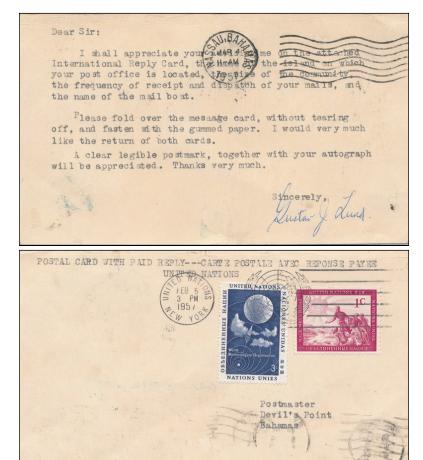
United Nations Conference Catalog, http://www.unpi.com/clem/unpostcards/catalog.asp

Reply Post Cards to or from United Nations-NY, Part 2

By Klaus Guhl

Editor's Note: This is the second part of an article by Klaus Guhl on the use of Reply Post Cards to and from UN-NY.

Handmade Reply Cards



February 5, 1957 - Request to a post office in the Bahamas



February 27, 1957 - Reply from Devil's Point, Bahamas

Handmade Reply Cards



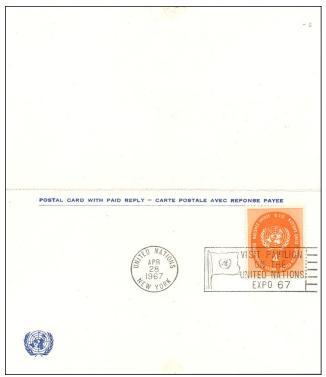
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March 4, 1957 Reply Card from American Samoa

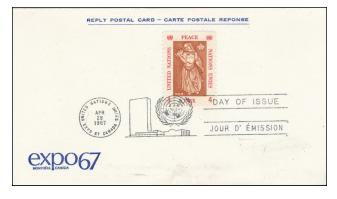


UN Reply Post Card No. 3

It is not known whether the following UN response card was made available in Montreal for postal purposes. Only one copy presumably for archival purposes is known. These was discovered in 2019 and acquired for my own collection. Possibly a document stored in the UN archive, which was dissolved in 2003.



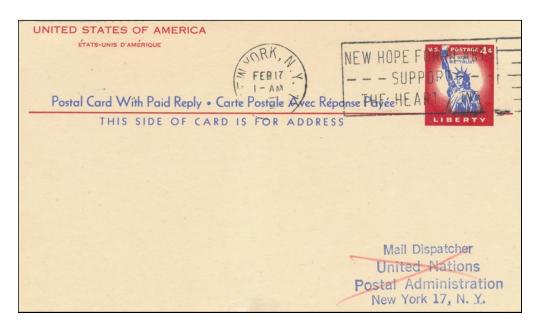
Request Card, April 28, 1967, Unmailed



Reply Card, April 28, 1967, UN at Montreal Expo, Unmailed

US Reply Postal Card Sent to UN

A United States Reply Postal Card was sent to the Mail Dispatcher at the UNPA and returned with UN stamps added for the Registry fee.



Request Card sent from New York, February 17, 1957



Reply Card from UN, February 18, 1957, 40c in UN stamps added to pay Registry fee.

Editor's Note. If our readers have other examples of Reply Post Cards or Reply Postal Cards sent to or from the UN, please submit images to me at bclemjunior@gmail.com.

Discovery of Previously Unknown League of Nations Origin Cachets

By B. Clement, Jr.

A fascinating area of study in the postal history of the League of Nations is the origin cachets used at its Geneva office. In the UNP Monograph, *Origin Cachets of the UN, its Agencies and its Predecessors*, published in 2000, there are listed 67 different origin cachets which had been observed. In addition, there were listed 9 additional cachets which had been authorized, but not yet observed; two of these have been found and documented in the Journal: boxed ITR. and STENO.

All of the "authorized" cachets were in boxes, and have been observed in the time frame 1934 to 1946. Some examples of these boxed cachets are shown in Figure 1.







Fig. 1: Examples of LON-Geneva boxed Origin Cachets:
DEPT.III - Department III, Health, Opium & Cultural Questions
RON. - Mimeograph Service (Ronéo)
SI-BC - Internal Service (Service intérieur), meaning of BC
is unknown

Recently Greg Galletti acquired two League covers which have origin cachets that were unknown to UN collectors. Neither of these cachets was boxed, but had styles that were more common in the early years of the League. The first cover, from 1924, has a three-circle origin cachet for the Publications Service and is shown in Figure 2.



Fig. 2: 1924 League cover with Publications Service origin cachet

This style origin cachet has been observed in two other cachets, all in the 1922-1925 time frame. The three cachets with this style are shown in Figure 3







Fig. 3: League 3-Circle Cachets: Service des Publications - 1924, French Economat - 1925, French Publication Department - 1922, English

This 3-Circle cachet was more typically used by the ILO in Geneva. About 20 different ILO cachets used this format. A few examples are shown in Figure 4. Note that all of these include "Societe des Nations" in the text; there are others that do not.







Fig. 4: Examples of ILO 3-Circle Cachets:
Bureau du Courrier - 1924
Service des Ventes et de la Publicitié - 1924
Service du Matériel et Economat - 1938

Galletti's second League cover with a new origin cachet, from 1926, is shown in Figure 5. Since this is sent to the same printer as the first cover, it is likely that the "PS" also refers to Publication Service (in English).



Fig. 5: 1926 League cover with a different Publication Service origin cachet (15 mm diameter circle)

The "PS" cachet format is a more common one used for League of Nations origin cachets used at Geneva. Seven different cachets are now known that used this format. All of these use circles that are 14 to 16 mm in diameter, and have been observed in the time frame 1926 to 1937. All the letters have serifs. These cachets are shown in Figure 6.















Fig, 6: League origin cachets in 14-16 mm circle:
CA - 1938, Commissioners of Accounting
DIS - 1932, Distribution Service
DUP - 1927, Duplicating Service
INF - 1928, 37, Information Service
IT - 1926, 31, Interpretation and Translation Service
POL - 1926,1935, Political Section
PS - 1926, Publication Service
Note: The Editor solicits color images of the cachets CA and DUP (as well as unlisted cachets).

The author also acquired a cover (or piece of one) in 2018 with unlisted League cachets, as shown in Figure 7. This is the first reporting of the find. The 1939 registered cover to Stockholm has the listed cachet, boxed EPID, and two unlisted cachets, in French and English. These cachets are shown enlarged in Figures 8 and 9.

All these years later, we continue to make discoveries and add to the postal history of the League of Nations. Please let us know if you can add to that story.



Fig. 7: Cover piece to Stockholm, 1939, with three origin cachets, two of them new discoveries.



Fig. 8: Two line cachet in French: Service des Renseignements Epidémiologiques



Fig. 9: Two line cachet in English: **Epidemiological Intelligence Service**

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League of Nations

- 2. 1930. Cover with special postmark "Conference de la Haye" (16.I.30), MB \$7
- 3. Bandoeng, Indonesia (3.2.37) GA 1937/1
- "VOLKENBOND CONFERENTIE 1937", MB \$15
- 4. Bandoeng, Indonesia (3.8.37) GA 1937/3 "RURAL HY-GIENE CONFERENCE VOLKENBOND", MB \$15 ♥



Miscellaneous

5. 1981 off. Mail cover "Interim Force in Lebanon" French stamps, Postmarked "Poste aux armees" 10.3.1981, MB \$1
6. 1971 Korea, Organizations of UN, mint sheet of 25, MB \$8

Universal Postal Union

7. 1947. Paris cover with special postmark "Congres Postal Universel" (14.6.), MB \$7

8. 1952. Brussels cover with special postmark "Congres Postal Universel" + cancel U.P.U. Congres W.P.U., MB \$8 9. 1957. Lausanne 2 covers with special postmark "UPU Executive and Liaison Commission CEL" a) FDC 1.IV.57, b) LDC 13.IV.57, MB \$5

International Telecommunications Union Conferences



- $11.\ 1938\mbox{-Cairo},$ Cachet $\ \mbox{FDC Unaddr.}$, 3 conference stamps and cancel, MB \$20
- 12. 1938-Cairo, Conference CC cover to ITU in Berne, conference stamps and cancel, MB \$30



- $14.\ 1939\mbox{-Montreux}$, Unaddr. Cover, Official stationery and conference cancel, MB \$15
- 15. 1945-Rio de Janeiro, South American Radio, Unaddr card with Conference stamps, cancel and two-color imprint, MB \$10
- 16. 1948-Copenhagen, European Radio Conference CC cover to Geneva, Conference cancel, MB \$30
- $17.\ 1950\text{-Florence},$ HF Radio, cover to ITU-Geneva, conference cancel, MB \$20
- 18. 1950-Rapallo, HF Radio, unaddr. Conference CC cover, Conference stamps, cancel and imprint, MB \$20
- 19. 1950-Rapollo, HF Radio, mailed Conference CC cover (different CC), Conference cancel, MB \$20
- 20. 1951-Geneva, Extraord. Radio, ITU-Geneva CC cover to Paris, Conference cancel, MB \$25



- 22. 1952-Buenos Aires, Plenipotentiary Conference, Unaddr. Conference CC cover, Conference cancel and imprint, MB \$25 23. 1953-Arnhem, CCIT, Conference CC cover to Berlin, Conference cancel, MB \$25
- 24. 1953-London, CCIR, Small mailed cover, conference cancel, MB \$20
- 25. 1958-Geneva, Telegraph & Telephone, unaddr. Conference CC, imprint, and Geneve OT imprint, ITU cancel, MB \$5

- 26. 1959-Geneva, Administrative Radio, mailed Conference CC, conference cancel and Geneva OT registry label, ITU stamps, MB \$20
- 27. 1963-Geneva, CCIR, Mailed #10 airmail conference CC cover, ITU stamps, conference CC, MB \$10
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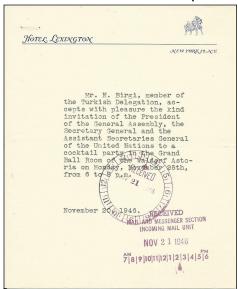
- 29.1963-Geneva, CCIR, Mailed #10 CCIR CC cover, conference CC, MB \$10
- 30.1965-Montreux, Plenipotentiary Conference, mailed ITU CC cover, ITU stamps, conference cancel and registry label, MB \$10

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- 31. UN Organization Chart, Location of Departments in Secretariat and Library Buildings (undated), MB \$ 2
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- 35. Unused #10 envelopes, UN SG CC, MB \$3
- 36. 1946 Memo and Piece with unlisted Received Stamps, MB \$5
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38. 1946 Piece with Dispatching Mark DSP-TL2, MB \$2 39. 1946 Signed letters from UN to UNRRA-Washington and UNRRA-Athens, MB \$3

- 40. 1946 Letter from UN SG Office to NYC UN Committee, MB \$2
- 41. 1946 letter to SG General Counsel at Waldorf-Astoria from UN DPI at 610 Fifth Ave., about lease to 610 Fifth Ave offices, MB 2
- 42. Two form letters from UN at Hunter College, MB \$5
- 43. French Form letter from UN at Hunter College, MB \$2
- 44. Two mint pieces of Stationery, 6x7.5 inches with SG letterhead, and Note Card with UN emblem. Both emblems are today's version, MB \$3
- 45. Form letter about relocation of UN Transportation Service to 405 East 42nd St (1947) and from the Transportation Service at 405 East 42nd St., MB \$3
- 46. Two letters to Delegates about Transportation undated, but early UN emblem, MB \$3
- 47. 1946 Letter from UN DPI and Application for Permanent Pass for Members of Delegations, UN Lake Success CC with early emblem, MB \$3
- 48. Two page 1947 letter from Protocol and Liaison Section about meeting with Secretaries of Delegations, MB \$3
- 49. Signed 1946 letter from UN London to UN NY, with four Receiving marks, REC-PO1, REC-001, REC-CT1 and REC-RE3, MB \$3



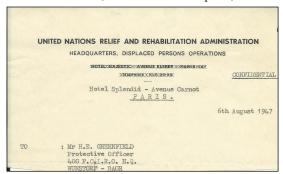
- 50. 1948 Form letter in French from UN-Paris, MB \$3
- 51. 1946 Homemade cover to UN Economic Council and Security Council, the Bronx, NN, NY, MB \$3
- 52. 1947 signed letter from UNICEF Washington, DC to UN Lake Success, carbon copy of 1947 letter to UNICEF, Empire State Building, NY, and 1948 piece with CC of UNICEF at 405 East 42nd St., MB \$5
- 53. Piece with CC of UN Headquarters Planning Office, 1270 Avenue of the Americas and 1946 piece with three Receiving Marks, REC-MA1, REC-SG1 and REC-RE7, MB \$10 ▶



- 54. 1948 Piece with two Receivers: "SEEN by SG" and "Name IND_SUBJ IND_, 1946 Piece with Receiver for Dept. Of Security Council Affairs, MB \$3
- 55. 1946 Letter from Czech Delegation to Protocol Section, two Receiving Marks, MB \$2
- 56. 1946 Piece with signature of A. Pelt and Receiving Mark, RECEIVED J.B. Hudson, Asst. SG, MB \$2
- 57. 1952 Metered cover from UK Delegation, BLACK bordered for mourning, MB \$2
- 58. 1949 Special Delivery Cover to Asst. SG Benjamin Cohen, MB \$2

UNRRA, PCIRO and IRO

59. 1947 Piece with UNRRA Paris CC sent to PCIRO, Wunstorf, 1947 piece with PCIRO-Geneva CC, and piece with PCIRO Paris CC, MB \$5 Example ▼



- 60. 1946 UNRRA Mail Bag Statement and 1946 Reimbursement Request from Office of Military Government of Bavaria, MB \$3
- 61. 1946 UNRRA London Receipt with cancelled 2p stamp and 1947 UNRRA-Australia Receipt with cancelled NSW Stamp and UNRRA Receiver, MB \$5 Example

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- 62. Two small UNRRA labels in Finnish, 1945 signed note with UNRRA London CC and three 1945-46 UNRRA Receipts with Receiving Marks, MB \$5
- 63. Two 1945 UNRRA Medical Documents, both with UNRRA AFHQ and other Receivers, MB \$5
- 64. 1947 cover from refugee in UNRRA Team 1041 in Germany to UN SG, Lake Success, included the letter inside, asking to go to Palestine, MB \$10



- 65. Cover from HIAS, Linz, c/o UNRRA, APO 174, to HIAS, NY, NY, MB \$5
- 66. 1950 Cover from Lutheran World Federation c/o IRO Area 3, APO 757 to NY, NY, MB \$4



- 67. 1946 cover to NY, NY from UNRRA DP Camp UNRRA Team 106, Wolfratshausen, Germany, censored, MB \$10
- 68. 1947 Cover to UNRRA, Vienna, Austria, MB \$10
- 69. Piece with "Displaced Persons Mail PAID", unmailed, MB \$3
- 70. UNRRA International Certificate of Inoculation and Vaccination, unused, MB \$3
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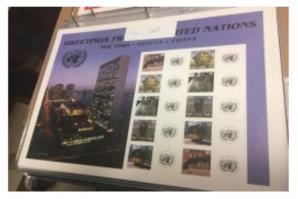












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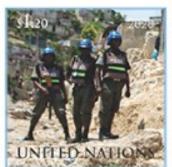
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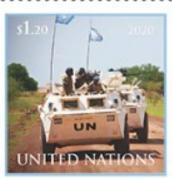


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