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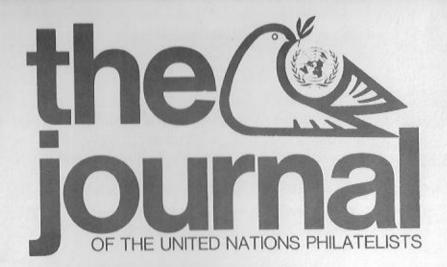
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Charles C. Smith

It's unfortunate that this issue of our <u>Journal</u> must be introduced on a disturbing note. Mr. Benjamin Cohen, our <u>UNP Journal</u> Editor, submitted his resignation on March 1, 1981. Ben was intimately involved in the initial organization of UNP in early 1977, and has been actively supporting UNP since. During the past 20 months as our editor, Ben has supervised the publication of 14 issues of our <u>Journal</u>. During his editorship, we have all benefited through improvements in <u>Journal</u> quality and article content, and it is largely through Ben's efforts and interest in United Nations philately that UNP and its <u>Journal</u> have prospered so greatly. I'm sure each of you share my sincere feelings of regret, and at the same time extend our best wishes to Ben for his continued success in his philatelic pursuits and personal activities.

As continuity during this transitional period is essential, Ben has kindly agreed to continue serving as our iterim editor until a successor may be appointed. He has also agreed to oversee the continued printing of our <u>Journal</u> in Chicago, and, with the assistance of local UNP members, continue to

supervise Journal mailings from the Chicago Area.

Each of you can be of appreciable assistance in the selection process by letting me know of your personal interest in becoming our UNP Journal Editor. With nearly 600 members, it's impossible for me and your other board members to know each of you personally. If you have some editorial experience and can volunteer your time, or if you know of a qualified candidate, please let me hear from you as soon as possible. With your cooperation and assistance, this transitional period will proceed as smoothly, and rapidly, as possible. STAMPSHOW '81

During our September 25-28, 1980, annual meeting in Spokane, Washington, the UNP Board voted to hold our 1981 annual meeting and convention in conjunction with the 95th annual convention of the American Philatelic Society. STaMpsHOW'81 is scheduled to be held at the downtown Marriott Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia, September 24-27, with competitive exhibits, a bourse of some 80 dealers, official government sales booths, educational seminars, a planned three-session auction by John W. Kaufmann, Inc., of Washington, D.C., and much more.

UNP is making every effort to see that this will be a big event for UN collectors. UNPA will attend with their sales booth and special rubber-stamp exhibition imprint. UNPA has also kindly agreed to have on display their special mobile exhibit consisting of 20 panels highlighting the 35-year history of the United Nations through philatelic material. Furthermore, since September 25 coincides with the first day of issue of the second series of flag stamps, UNPA, in cooperation with the APS and UNP, will conduct a first day ceremony during which attendees will be given the popular UNPA complimentary "C" folder containing the 16 flag Stamps and the first day of

issue cancellation

UNP is planning to have recent copies of the <u>Journal</u> and several monographs on display, to have copies of our By-Laws and membership forms available for prospective new members, and to have our special UNP cacheted envelopes on sale at our booth. Most importantly, UNP is encouraging its members, and indeed all United Nations philatelists, to exhibit their collections at STaMpsHOW'81. Many members have already indicated their intentions to enter the competitive exhibition. We hope to have over 100 frames of United Nations material on exhibit. To enter, contact either the APS at P.O. Box 800, State College, PA. 16801, or our exhibits chairman, Mr. Greg Galletti, 700 Oxford Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, or myself for prospectus and entry forms. All exhibits will be eligible for APS, UNP, and several other awards at the discretion of the show jury. Make your plans now to exhibit, and to join us in our most successful ever UNP convention.

As I compose these notes, I have at hand some preliminary information from Mr. Francis Adams, our UNPI Auction Chairman. Fran has advised me that over 50% of the 708 auction lots in our latest Mail Auction 3 have been sold and that total sales will exceed \$4,500.00. (A full list of prices realized is included in this issue of the Journal.) More than 54 bidders, including many of our overseas members, participated in our auction. After expenses for miscellaneous supplies, printing, and postage, UNP will benefit appreciably from our club commission. These funds will benefit each member in keeping our membership fees at the lowest possible rate, and in financially supporting the costs of our next monograph.

To Fran, I extend my sincerest congratulations for his continuing superb and professional effort! And to each of our members, I thank you for

submitting the auction material and for your bidding participation.

In this issue you will find also a notice regarding our Mail Auction No. 4. Now is the time to submit your material. With your support, our next auction will be even better than the preceeding!

EDITOR'S NOTES

It is nearly two years since I took up the blue pencil. It has been interesting. I have learned the arcane intricacies of second class mailing, the necessity of a light box for paste-ups, the convenience of a Kodak copier with reduction features, the need for good originals for illustrations, when a metal plate is needed, and something about a broad range of UN philatelic topics. Other things have been neglected in the race to get the <u>Journal</u> to press and into the mail, including stamp collecting!

I have therefore asked our President to find a replacement Editor as quickly as possible. Our club is and will be only as strong as the Journal: no other facet of our activities directly affects so many members. I have offered to continue to handle some aspects of the job that do not properly fall within an Editor's job description, including handling the mailing of the Journal and

the relations with the post office.

I must add a post script to last month's editorial. I noted there that it was impossible to prevent cachet makers from adding cachets to uncacheted first day covers. That is precisely what Marilyn Nowak, creator of the cachet which apparently first aroused the ire of the censors at the UN, did: she serviced batches of the IRPP covers without cachets, for New York, Geneva, and Vienna, the cachet to be added after cancellation. Those who ordered the original will get the replacement cachet on first day cover plus a sample of the uncancelled original. The new cachet will be similar to the original with explanatory text added.

When I wrote the editorial, I looked in vain in my library for a copy of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. I later found one in the library of the United Nations Collectors of Chicagoland, Inc. The text of Article 19 is

illuminating:

"Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers."

Perhaps, however, the meaning of Article 19 is only clear when read in

conjuncton with Article 29(3), which says:

"These rights and freedoms may in no case be exercised contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations."

I suppose what this means is that freedom from censorship is granted only at the convenience of the United Nations Secretariat.

UPU CENTENARY CANCELLATIONS OF SWISS CITIES

By M. William Tyrell

Many Swiss cities had special cancellations for the centenary of the Universal Postal Union. Since the Swiss speak several languages, the cancellations are found in German, French, and Italian. I have listed the cities in which the cancellations were used separately, according to the language used.

A special cancellation in honor of the INTERNABA exhibition held in Basle is listed separately. The UNP Centenary was the theme of INTERNABA, and this is noted in the cancellation. This cancellation is in French, German, Italian, and

Latin.

CANCELLATIONS IN GERMAN

Post			Post		
Code	City	Dates seen	Code	City	Dates seen
5000	Aarau	22/5, 1/5	6010	Kriens	5/11
9320	Arbon	11/5	8700	Kusnacht	1/7, 8/7
6340	Baar	6/7	5600	Lenzburg	2/9
4000	Basel 1	4/12	4410	Liestal	1/4, 23/4
4000	Basel 2	1/2, 9/2	6000	Luzern 2	5/3, 28/3
3000	Bern 1	2/9		(Briefversand)	
9470	Buchs (SG)1	9/10	3110	Munsingen	1/7, 6/7
8500	Frauenfeld 1	9/10	4600	Olten 2	5/6
9403	Goldach	3/12	8640	Rapperswill	1/5
2540	Grenchen 1	5/11		(SG)	275.00
8810	Horgen 1	23/4	9400	Rorschach	1/8, 2/8
3800	Interlaken	4/3, 28/3	9000	St Gallen 1	3/1, 13/1
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9430	St Margrethen	2/3, 28/3	8000	Zurich 1	2/XI
4500	Solothurn	1/8, 30/8		(Briefversand)	No. St. Commission
	(Banhof)		8023	Zurich 23	1/2, 13/2
8820	Wadenswil	1/2, 13/2		(Hauptbanhof)	
5430	Wettingen 1	1/7	8025	Zurich 25	3/12
8400	Winterthur 1	1/5	8031	Zurich 31	1/4, 4/4
4800	Zofingen	8/10	8032	Zurich 32	26/1
6300	Zug 1	3/1, 26/1	8035	Zurich 35	2/8, 30/8
			8048	Zurich 48	5/6

CANCELLATIONS IN ITALIAN

Post			Post		
Code	City	Dates seen	Code	City	Dates seen
6612	Ascona	1/4, 25/4	6600	Locarno 1	1/2, 20/3
6500	Bellinzona 1	5/6	6900	Lugano 1	1/8, 30/8
6830	Chiasso 1	1/5	6900	Lugano 3	4/3, 28/3
6830	Chiasso 2	3/1		(Stazione)	
	Transito		6598	Tenero	1/VIII, 5/VIII



CANCELLATIONS IN FRENCH

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	5/12	1000	Lausanne 1	1/4, 24/4
Bienne 1			(Exist in May -	CLERKE DROPE OF THE PERSON
Bulle	3/1			
Carouge	2/9, 24/9	2400		5/6
Fribourg 1	5/3, 28/3			2/9, 24/9
Geneve 1	1/5	0002		2/0, 24/0
(Exp.) + Swiss (cross	2000		1/7
Geneve 1	1/8	2000		1/1
Exp.) + Hour		1960		1/9 99/9
	2/8, 22/10			1/2, 22/2
		77.7.7.7.7	A TOTAL CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY	1/5
		3960		1/4, 22/4
	0/1			
	m/10	1950	Sion 1	1/2, 22/2
	7/10	1800	Vevey 1	5/12
	Geneve 1 (Exp.) + Hour Geneve 1 Kue du Stand. + Geneve 3 Kive + Hour La Chaux de	Biel/ 5/12 Bienne 1 Bulle 3/1 Carouge 2/9, 24/9 Fribourg 1 5/3, 28/3 Geneve 1 1/5 (Exp.) + Swiss Cross Geneve 1 1/8 (Exp.) + Hour Geneve 1 2/8, 22/10 Kue du Stand. + Hour Geneve 3 3/1 Kive + Hour	City Dates seen Code Biel/ 5/12 1000 Bienne 1 Bulle 3/1 Carouge 2/9, 24/9 2400 Fribourg 1 5/3, 28/3 3962 Geneve 1 1/5 2000 Geneve 1 1/8 1/8 (Exp.) + Hour 1260 1530 Geneve 1 2/8, 22/10 1530 Kue du Stand. + Hour 3960 3960 Geneve 3 3/1 3/1 Rive + Hour 1950 1800	City Dates seen Code City Biel/ 5/12 1000 Lausanne 1 Bienne 1 (Exist in May -



INTERNABA (Basel)

Post			Post		
Code	City	Dates seen	Code	City	Dates seen
8000	Zurich 1 (Briefversand)	1/3	1000	Lausanne 1	11/3
6900	Lugano 1	1/4	4000	Basel 2	3/1

Note: Dates are listed in the manner that they are used in Swiss cancellations, that is, the day of the month first, the month second.

By Blanton Clement, Jr.

The study of the postal history of the United Nations conferences is a fascinating but difficult area of specialization. The only thing that is certain is that the complete story will probably never emerge: however, putting the bits and pieces together and making some sense out of them can be extremely rewarding. An example of this is the UN Energy Conference held in 1961.

The United Nations Conference on New Sources of Energy was held at the Food and Agriculture Organization Headquarters in Rome, Italy from August 21 to 31, 1961. This was the first world-wide meeting devoted to three new (but not so new) sources of energy — solar energy, wind power, and geothermal energy. The conference was attended by 447 persons from seventy-four countries and territories representing a wide range of professional disciplines and organizations. The new sources of energy were discussed with particular reference to their use in developing countries.

When a UN conference is planned, a Secretariat is set up to organize the meeting. In the case of the UN Energy Conference, this Secretariat apparently operated out of UN Headquarters in New York. Figure 1 shows a cover with a conference corner card with a UN, New York address. This cover was mailed on February 10, 1961, six months before the conference opened in Rome. The addressee is Peter Collins, who was science correspondent for the Sunday Times in London, England.

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STEW YORK

Nr. Feter S. Collins
S Unbria Street
Roshespton,
London S.W. 15, England

Figure 1. Early cover with Energy Conference corner card from UN Headquarters in New York to an English journalist.

Shifting the scene to Rome, one of the first questions that comes to mind is whether a special cancellation was used at the conference. Figure 2 shows a post card with a Rome "Ferrovia" (Railroad) machine cancellation dated August 25, 1961 with a slogan concerning the conference, "Conferenza Delle Nazione Unite, Sulle Nuove Fonte di Energia, Roma 21-31 Agosto 1961". The card was sent by an American Tourist in Rome. The cancellation was apparently not from the conference itself, since the date circle does not indicate "F.A.O." as do all cancellations used at FAO Headquarters. Therefore the cancellation is probably a publicity postmark honoring the conference. It would be interesting to know if the slogan were used at other postal stations than this one.

Figure 3 shows a cover with a conference corner card, addressed FAO, Rome, which was mailed from the FAO post office on August 21, 1961, the first day of the conference. The cover is franked with Italian stamps and cancelled with the FAO Rome machine postmark. Apparently the cover was sent from a member of the conference Secretariat to a relative in the United States. The cover is backstamped Long Island City, New York, August 23, 1961.

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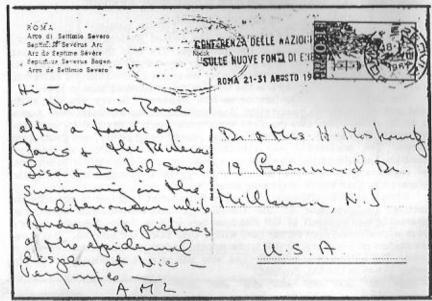


Figure 2. Post card mailed during the Energy Conference cancelled "Roma Ferrovia" (Railroad) with a slogan about the conference.



Figure 3. Cover mailed first day of the Energy Conference and cancelled at the FAO post office in Rome.

The last item is shown in Figure 4. This is official mail from the conference to the ICAO in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. In addition to the conference corner card and FAO Rome address, the cover has a stamped conference imprint in black. The cover was apparently carried by Pouch to the FAO Office in Washington, D.C., where it received the meter P.B.#377921 on September 5, 1961. This meter was used without a slogan during 1961 and with a "Freedom from Hunger Campaign" slogan from 1962 to 1966.

This completes the presently known postal history of this conference. Obviously many questions remain, such as the following:

- Was some conference mail franked with the FAO Rome meter?
- Was any conference mail sent by Pouch to UN where it:
 a. Was delivered to UN New York offices directly? or

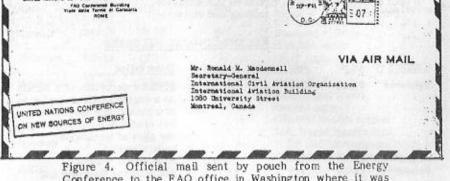


Figure 4. Official mail sent by pouch from the Energy Conference to the FAO office in Washington where it was metered and placed in the mail stream to ICAO in Montreal. Note the stamped conference imprint.

- b. Was franked with UNNY meter and forwarded to US or Canadian addresses?
- 3. Was any receiving imprint used on incoming mail to the conference?
- 4. Did any of the delegations to the conference use special corner cards referring to the conference?

I welcome correspondence from anyone with additional information on postal history of the UN Energy Conference. Or if you have any "bits or pieces" from other conferences of the UN or its agencies, I would welcome the opportunity to see photocopies of them and perhaps fit them into the "big picture". Write to me in care of the Editor of the Journal.

TOPICAL CHIT CHAT

by Marty Andresen

For UN topicalists (as well as those interested in medical topicals), March 6 represented a significant date as the UN commemorated the International Year of Disabled Persons (IYDP) with the release of six stamps and a souvenir card. The UN General Assembly designated 1981 as the IYDP as a means of encouraging both private and public efforts in the rehabilitation of all those who suffer from physical or mental disabilities.

In addition to numerous UN members publicizing IYDP with stamp releases, there was a song-writing contest conducted under the auspices of UNESCO. More than a million entries were received. The winning song, "I Am But A Small Voice", written by thirteen year old Odina Batnag from the Phillippines, has been recorded by Roger Whittaker and commercially released by RCA. All proceeds (including Whittaker's royalties) will be donated to UNESCO's Program of Education for Handicapped Children.

The official logo for IYDP, based on an original design presented by the French National Commission of IYDP, consists of two people holding hands in solidarity and support of each other in a position of equality.

This six stamp issue marks the first time that the UN has submitted the stamp designs for copyright registration. Accordingly, each design's copyrighted status is noted in the margin similar to the procedures currently employed by the USPS.

In addition to the normal listing of recent topical issues, this month's column includes the first of several installments on the "History of the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights as Depicted Through Postage

Stamps". While certainly not a complete listing of stamps, the "story" does reflect representative stamps and related materials of appropriate design and subject matter. All catalog numbers given are Scott numbers. I look forward to your comments and suggestions on this endeavor.

Until next time — happy hunting and collecting!

RECENT TOPICAL RELEASES

Country	Date	Subject	Values	Description
Bahamas	02-10	IYDP	5¢	Stylistic depiction of a person on a crutch stylistic depiction
				of a person in a whelelchair. Both individuals are basking in
				the glow of worldwide
Belgium	02-09	IYDP	15+5Fr	understanding.
Belize	11-24	IYC	\$8	Allegorical designs S/S with the Madonna and
				angels and a text referring to the IYC
Bophutha-	01-30	IYDP	5¢	Child with hearing-aid
tswana			15e	Depicts a blind child
			20¢	Depicts sports for paraplegics
			25¢	Honors the fight against TB
Botswana	01-07	UPU	6t	150th anniversary of the birth
				of Heinrich von Stephan -
				founder of the UPU.
Bulgaria	11-24	UN	60st	S//S depicting UN building in New York (60,000)
Colombia 1	2-09	WHO	10p	Crab with sword through it
				(300,000 issued). Tenth year
				of WHO anti-Cancer Crusade.
Cuba	09-26	UN	13e	20th anniversary of Castro's
				first speech before the UN
0			ADMA VENEZA	General Assembly.
Czecho-	02-24	IYDP	1k	Tree in half-leaf and an
slovakia Egypt	01-07	UPU	140-	invalid.
PRAPE	01-01	OFC	140m	150th Anniversary of the birth
				of Heinrich von Stephan -
				founder of the UPU. (500,000 issued.)
Fiji	04-21	IYDP	6¢	Coastal scenes
,.	04 21	IIDE	35¢	
			50¢	Underwater scenes Semisi Maya at work
			60¢	Peacock
			00+	All four designs were created
				by disabled artist Semisi Maya
Gabon	07-07	UPU	90Fr	150th anniversary of the birth
				of Heinrich von Stephan -
				founder of the UPU.
Germany,	01-15	IYDP	60pf	Group of handicapped
West				giving support to each other.
Germany,	02-12	WHO	50pf	Fight cancer. Design
West				depicts scintigram of healthy
				human torso.
Great	03-25	IYDP	14p	Guide dog for the blind.
The same and			18p	Sign language for the deaf.
Britain				
Britain			22p	Wheelchair.

Japan	10-06	UPU	100y	Crane to mark International
Korea	09-??	UN	30w	Letter Writing Week. 30th anniversary of UN forces
				defending Korea.
Kuwait	01-26	IYDP	30f	Disabled children.
			80f	(250,000 sets.)
Malaysia	02-14	IYDP	10¢	IYDP logo.
	17.75		15¢, 75¢	
Maldives	11-30	WHO	151	Mosquito
Maidivea	11 00	1110	251	Nutritional foods
			A. C. Santana and Santana	
			1.50re	Dental care
			5.00re	Clinical health center
			4.00re	S/S, World Health Day.
Monaco	??-??	IYDP	1.40Fr	IYDP and Monegasque Ass'n of
				the Motory Handicapped.
Nepal	01-01	IYDP	5re	Nepal flag and IYDP logo.
		0.000		(1,000,000 issued)
New	02-04	IYDP	25¢	Helping hands and IYDP
Zealand	02-04	TIDE	204	
	10.00	INTEGOO	0.0	logo.
People's	10-08	UNESCO	8f	UNESCO's exhibition of
Republic			8f	Chinese paintings.
of China			8f	
Philippines	10-20	UN	40s	UN building/Philippine Flag
			3.20p	UN building/UN Flag - 35th
			7.55 F	Anniversary of UN
Poland	12-??	UN	8.40z	Child hugging dove of peace.
LOIGING	12-11	OI.	0.402	
				Supports UN Declaration of
				Upbringing Nations in the
				Spirit of Peace. (4,000,000
				issued)
Qatar	01-05	IYDP	2ri	Symbolic designs
			5ri	(100,000 sets)
Republic	01-28	WMMO	NT\$2	Polar orbiting satellite.
of China			NT\$10	Central Weather Building.
Republic	02-19	IYDP	NTS2	Recent separation of male
of China	02 10	11.01	NT\$10	Siamese twins.
San Marino	03-??	IYDP	3001	
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Switzer-	03-09	IYDP	40e	Quintet of human
land				silhouettes reflecting
				handicaps.
Syria	06-26	WHO	60p	Cigarette smoke being
			100p	converted into environmental
			E 0.400 Mgs	pollution
Thailand	02-28	IYDP	75s	9
Andriana	02 20	11.01	5b	9
Trinidad	00 00	IYDP	1.000	
	03-23	HDP	10¢	Athlete and man in a
& Tobago			V2899	wheelchair
			15¢	Man on a crutch
			70¢	Two blind men assisting each
				other
			\$1.50	IYDP logo
Upper Volta	9 22-22	UPU	?	UPU emblem.
Yemen	11-29	UN	25 f	UN emblem/Yemen Flag/
(Arab	11 20	O.I.	75f	
Republic)			191	Human Rights flame.
republic)				Palestine Cooperation Day.

"THE HUMAN RIGHTS STORY" By Marty Andresen

(Part 1)

The history of the UN's Universal Declaration of Human rights (UDHR) begins with a press conference on July 5, 1940, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt first expressed his long-range peace objective — the establishment of a world community founded on fundamental human rights (US 930-933, 1284). Seven months later, on January 6, 1941, President Roosevelt presented his State of the Union message to the Congress of the United States and renewed his call for a world "founded upon four essential human freedoms" — freedom of speech, freedom of religion; freedom from want; and freedom from fear. (US 908, 933; Ecuador 509-513, C193-C197; Panama C101; Hungary (M) 1248-1251 and 1256; National Poster Stamp Society label)

President Roosevelt and the United Kingdom's Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, met aboard the US Navy cruiser, USS Augusta, in Argentina Harbor, Newfoundland, from August 9 through August 12, 1941. Following their secret meeting, the two leaders issued a joint declaration known as the Atlantic Charter which outlined their goals for a post-war world. Included as the Charter's sixth goal was the establishment of a world in which "all the men in all the lands may live out their lives in freedom from fear and want." (Nicaragua 696, C272)

On January 1, 1941, twenty-six nations conferred in Washington, D.C., and signed the "Declaration by United Nations" which embodied the principles of the Atlantic Charter and pledged the nations "to defend life, liberty, independence and religious freedom, and to preserve human rights and justice". Eventually this Declaration was acknowledged by forty-seven nations. Equally significant, this Declaration marked the first formal use of the term "United Nations" a term believed to have been suggested by President Roosevelt. (Covers dated January 6, 1942, marking the conference, US 907, UN poster of all twenty-six member flags superimposed over the Statute of Liberty - issued to all USPO's, National Poster Stamp Society label)

Over a year later the leaders of the Big Four - the United States, the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, and China - met in Moscow. On October 30, 1943, they issued the "Moscow Declaration" which acknowledged the need to establish "a general international organization" at the earliest practicable date. A month later, on December 1, 1943, President Roosevelt, Premier Stalin, and Prime Minister Churchill concluded the Teheran Conference with a joint communique reconfirming the need for an international organization. (USSR 907-908; Nicaragua 699, C275)

During the period August 21 to October 7, 1944, representatives of the four major powers held the Dumbarton Oaks Conference in Washington, D.C., to develop a draft proposal for the long awaited international organization. Conducted in two sesions (August 21 to September 28 between the US, UK, and USSR and September 29 to October 7 between the US, UK, and China), the delegates were successful in drafting the "Dumbarton Oaks Proposals" which embodied the outline of an international organization. Always a firm supporter of internationalism and instrumental in developing the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals was Secretary of State Cordell Hull. For his efforts in this regard Hull received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1945. (US 1235)

On February 11, 1945, in conjunction with the Yalta Conference, Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin issued a joint statement acknowledging that they had "agreed that a Conference of United Nations should be called to meet at San Francisco in the United States on the April 25, 1945, to prepare the charter of such an organization, along the lines proposed in the informal conversations of Dumbarton Oaks." (Hungary (M) 1254, 1257)

In accordance with the Yalta decision, fifty nations gathered in San

Francisco on April 25, 1945, to participate in the United Nations Conference on International Organization (UNCIO). Two months later, on June 25, 1945, the delegates unanimously adopted the UN Charter. The next day, in Veteran's Memorial Hall, the UN Charter was officially signed with an effective date of October 24, 1945, a date now commemorated as United Nations Day. (UNCIO stationery, US 928, UN 12)

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A CRASH COVER

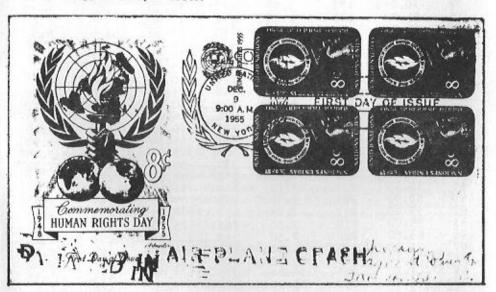
by Ronald Hollinger

Sometimes a seemingly common cover can result in a lot of research and an interesting story. A little over a year ago I acquired a first day cover of a marginal inscription block of Scott #40, the 8¢ Human Rights issue of 1955. (Figure 1) The interesting part of this cover is a purple rubber stamp impression under the cachet. It reads "Damaged in Airplane Crash".

I sent a copy of the cover to a friend of mine who works for the International Civil Aviation Organization. He informed that he felt the cover was a counterfeit, but he would like to forward a copy to a friend of his with the American Air Mail Society.

The gentleman fom the AAMS indicates that the cover might be from Crash 55.9. This was a crash on December 19, 1955, of an Eastern Airlines flight from Miami to Jacksonville, Florida. It is possible that the first day cover was sent to Miami from New York and then put on the Easter Flight to Jacksonville, the address on the cover.

If anyone else has covers from this flight or has information on other UN crash covers, I would be interested in information. Send to Ron Hollinger, 712 N. Broadway, Lombard, IL 60148.



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The auction results were encouraging with 72 bidders, But if every member bid only on one lot of interest, the effort may have been even more successful. The auction is to help collectors and benefit members, so please enter material and BID! Some other Auction Highlights:

U.N.O.P. ev. Auction '80:

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Courier Auction, Dec. 1980

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Swiss UNEO 701-20 collection sheets FD canceled \$2800.00

FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS ON OFFICIAL STATIONERY By Jack I. Mayer

Anyone who has ordered new issues from UNNY prior to the date of issue has probably acquired a first day cancellation on official stationery. If the order consists of large items, it probably arrived in a large manila envelope and the cancellation no doubt was the appropriate first day hand cancellation for that issue, probably on blocks of the new stamps. However, if the order consisted only of single stamps or blocks and/or small covers, it probably arrived in a small #6-3/4 envelope or the familiar #10 envelope. To form a collection of first day covers on these envelopes is indeed a challenge.

The following illustrations show two such covers, each with a first day cancellation. The interesting thing on these covers is the stamp in the upper right corner. Under UNNY rules for first day cancellations, in order to receive a first day of issue cancellation the cover must have a stamp from the new issue in the upper right corner. There may be other stamps on the cover,

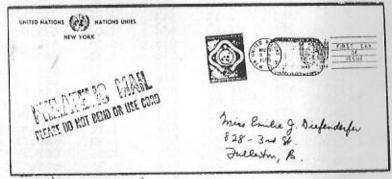


Figure 1. UNNY corner card with 8¢ UNESCO stamp issued May 11, 1955 in upper right corner together with 2¢ regular issue of 1951 (Scott #2), properly cancelled first day of issue on May 11, 1955.



Figure 2. UNNY corner card with 3¢ UNESCO stamp issued May 11, 1955 in upper right corner together with 3¢ Tenth Anniversary stamp issued October 24, 1955 to left, improperly cancelled first day of issue on October 24, 1955.

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even "foreign" ones, but if there is a UNNY stamp from the new issue in the upper right corner a first day cancellation can be applied if some other stamp is in the upper right corner, no quantity of stamps from the new issue will help—the cover does not qualify for the first day of issue cancellation.

Now look at Figures 1 and 2. The stamp in the upper right corner in each case is from the UNESCO set issued on May 11, 1955 (Scott #33, 34) but the cancellations are different dates. Figure 1 is correctly cancelled first day of issue, May 11, 1955, even though an additional two cent stamp was applied to cover the full postage charge. On Figure 2 the date is October 24, 1955, which is the first day of issue of the stamp on the left, a 3¢ stamp from the Tenth Anniversary set, Scott #35.

As with all policies and rules, they sometimes are broken, whether by design, as a favor, or through intention or perhaps laxity in this situation is (or was) permitted. In any case, it does make an interesting item.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir:

It is with interest that I read the curious twist of logic wrapped up in a lengthy note about envelope sizes on p. 64 of Issue 21 of the Journal.

The editor decries the use of "standard" and "legal" as terms descriptive of the two sizes of envelopes issued by US and UN postal authorities for general use for first-class (and other) rates.

The term "6-3/4" is no more descriptive of the smaller of the two envelopes than is the term "standard". The number as such is nothing more than a manufacturer's descriptive term, for the envelope itself measures 6-1/2 inches across. The larger envelope is not 10 inches wide, though "No. 10" would suggest it is.

To prefer numerical designations to some other terminology is to hold for

one system that has no more logic behind it than the other.

For philatelic purposes the terms "standard" and "legal" are widely understood to mean the smaller and larger of the two envelopes customarily issued as postal stationery. The origin of the terms has no bearing on the matter. The terms themselves are convenient for communication. The

meanings are clear; it is the debate that is pointless.

Were I to compose for publication an article heavily sprinkled with numbers, I feel I would enhance the readability of the piece by removing as many numbers as I could without sacrificing clarity. Thus, I would substitute "standard" and "legal" for No. 6-3/4 (or any other fraction) and "No. 10" to reduce what, for some might otherwise be a clutter of numbers. My meaning would be clear, even for "those who know no better" (presumably including Gaines and UNPA).

Sincerely, Duane E. Lamers

Editor's Comment:

The solution to the problem of a mass of numbers is a chart or table. (I should have used one for Mr. Lamers' article on the "Four Printings of UNNY's First Envelopes" (Journal #19, Vol. 4, No. 1, p. 10. See the correction to that article, which includes a simple easy to understand table — filled with numbers. Journal #21, Vol. 4, No. 3, p. 64.)) Numbers often lend precision even when referring to sizes which are not measured by the number. Neither one inch steel pipe nor one inch copper tubing has a diameter of one inch, inside or out.

UNITED NATIONS EUROPEAN EXHIBITION IMPRINTS

by Charles C. Smith

UN-Geneva and UN-Vienna have concluded a highly successful year with their respective exhibition imprint programs. UN-Geneva attended eleven major exhibitions in nine western European countries during 1980. Although they attended three fewer exhibitions in 1980 than in 1979, average sale of blue cards at each show increased dramatically over 1979 sales. During 1979, a total of 207,249 blue cards were sold at the 14 attended exhibitions, an average of 14,804 cards per show. Sales during the 11 exhibitions of 1980 totaled 212,705, an average of 19,337 at each exhibition. To me, these figures represent proof that the introduction of the UN-Vienna white card and the sharing of duties between UN-Geneva and UN-Vienna have in no way reduced the popularity of collecting blue cards. I am happy to report that my fears and doubts, as expressed in this column of December 1979 (Journal #14, Vol. 3, No. 2, p. 44), have been proven to be in error. Increasing collector popularity and the accompanying financial rewards to UNPA assure the continuation and prosperity of the blue card program.

As for the introduction of UN-Vienna's white card program, it has been a spectacular success. UN-Vienna attended 11 major philatelic exhibitions throughout West Germany and Austria, with their attendance at Budapest, Hungary, closing the 1980 exhibition year. A total of 803,050 white cards were sold during the year, with an average sales of 73,005 cards per show, almost four times as many white cards as blue cards. Although I strongly suspect that almost all blue card collectors are also collecting European exhibition imprints on Vienna's white card, it seems equally certain that a great number of collectors, particularly those in West Germany, initiated their collection of exhibition imprints with the introduction of Vienna's white card.

As a European exhibition imprint specialist, I am especially pleased both for the uninterrupted continuation of the popular blue card program as well as for the introduction of UN-Vienna's white card. Increasing collector interest is inevitable, with 1981 and future years representing an especially exciting time for imprint collectors. Isn't it time for you to contact your favorite UN dealer and begin you European exhibition imprint collection? It is both interesting and fun. You'll see!

The following represent the exhibition imprints used by the UNPA offices in both Geneva and Vienna during 1980, with their respective sales totals of blue and white cards. A similar listing for 1979 may be found in <u>Journal</u> #14, Vol. 3, No. 2, p. 45.

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FIRST DAY COVERS OF THE CANADIAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

By Jack I. Mayer

The commemorative issues of 1959 were printed under contract with Canadian Bank Note Company, Limited, located in Ottawa, Canada. As favors, the company sent specially prepared covers bearing the stamps and cancelled on the various first days during 1959 at the United Nations.

No special cachet was prepared. The company's own corner card envelopes were used. The text "First Day Cover" was added below the corner card. Figure 1. A card stiffener was enclosed with a message from the company. Figure 2.

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Figure 1. Canadian Bank Note Company first day cover of World Refugee Year issue printed by the company.



Figure 2. Message from Canadian Bank Note Company on card stiffener enclosure in first day cover.

A METER ODDITY FROM THE MAIL ROOM

by Jack Mayer

Interesting activities in the mail room from time to time result in some postal history conversation pieces. One such activity occurred on a first day of a new slogan, October 25, 1971. As reported in Gaines, only four copies are known. Figure 1 illustrates a P.B. #3 impression on tape with a piece of a second tape (showing only the slogan) placed over the left half of the original. This is certainly cause for further investigation. By applying steam to this added slogan portion and pulling the strip away from the original tape, we find that the original tape was badly mutilated to destroy anything that may have been printed upon it.

The probable conclusion is that the mail clerk operating this machine failed to place the new slogan into service. Upon noticing that a change was to have been made, the clerk took a knife to the tape to remove all traces of what had been printed there and covered the result with a piece of meter tape

bearing the new slogan.

One may question whether this meter was used for the usual philatelic first day cancellations. The answer is "yes", but there are no known error on any philatelic itmes with first day cancellations. These may have been done previous to the first day by merely adjusting the date and slogan to suit, or cancelled at a later hour on the actual first day. Nevertheless, it is oddities such as this that help make meter collecting an interesting pursuit.

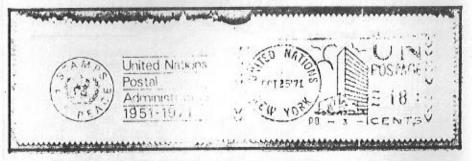


Figure 1. First day meter tape of 20th anniversary of UNPA slogan showing slogan imprinted on a fragment of a second tape.

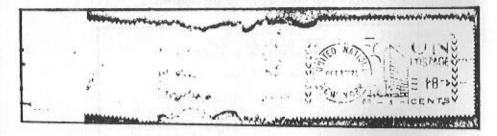


Figure 2. Meter tape shown in Figure 1 with portion of tape bearing the slogan removed to show original tape mutilation.

QQQ AND AAA

QQQ 13-22: I recently obtained some covers, stamps, and sheetlets, some of which are shown in Figures QQQ 13-22-1 through 5. I have written to the Model UN Committee at the address on the covers, but the letters were returned marked "Addressee Unknown".

What are they and what was the "Model United Nations Air Post Service"? I have checked what books on UN I have, but found nothing.

(Chester Borowczyk)

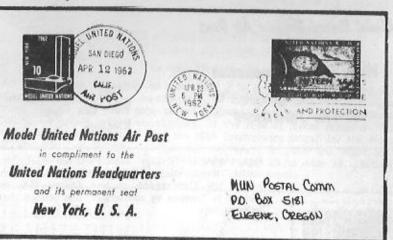


Figure QQQ 13-22-1. Model UN Air Post cover with model UN building "stamps" cancelled at the Model UN Conference in San Diego, CA, in 1962, carried to the UN by messenger, and posted there with UNNY stamps.



Figure QQQ 13-22-2. Model UN Air Post cover with model UN International Court of Justice "stamp" cancelled at the Model UN Conference in San Diego, CA, and carried to The Hague, Netherlands, and posted there with Netherlands stamps.





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Figure QQQ 13-22-3. Model UN Air Post Cover with Model UN Anti-Malaria/WHO "stamps" cancelled at the model UN Conference in San Diego, CA, in 1962, carried to Geneva by messenger, and posted there with Swiss stamp.



Figure QQQ 13-22-4. Model UN Air Post "stamps". The 10 denomination is red, the 20 for the International Court is blue, the 20 for WHO-Geneva is brown.



Figure QQQ'13-22-5. The Model UN Air Post "stamps" were also issued imperforate in sheetlets of four. This one shows the UN Building in New York.





Figure QQQ 13-22-5. The Model UN Air Post

AAA 13-22: The only reference that I could find to the Model UN Post Office was an article in the old United Nations Study Unit Bulletin, Vol. II, number 3, November-December 1964, page 5. (Anyone wishing a copy of the article please send an SAE to the Editor.) There was a "Model United Nations Postal Administration" in conjunction with the 1961 Western Collegiate Model UN Conference at Eugene, OR, on April 12-15, 1961. Stamps were issued and the covers carried by messenger to various UN offices, franked, and mailed. Your covers are from the 1962 conference. Can anyone give any more information on the Model UN Conferences.

FIRST DAY OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION 10th ANNIVERSARY METER SLOGAN

by Jack Meyer

As research has progressed on the UNNY P.B. 1-4 meter study which will be published soon for all our membership, an interesting fact nearly escaped detection. As all who have done research know, you need as much data as possible to formulate proper conclusions. In the case of meter research, this means lots of copies. In the case of the 10th Anniversary slogan for the World Health Organization (Figure 1), this did not seem to pose too much of a problem in spite of the short life of the slogan, May 26 to June 13, 1958, at least on first day cancels which are the subject of this report.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION 10th Anniversary 1948 - 1958



Figure 1. World Health Organization 10th Anniversary meter slogan from P.B. #2.

UNNY had instituted a new policy with this slogan and the World Health Day slogan a few months earlier. Collectors were allowed to send in covers to be meter cancelled. (This policy was discontinued after this slogan and not re-instituted until 1979). We know that P.B. #3 was not in service between December, 1956, and April, 1965. Hence the only possible impressions are from P.B. 1, 2, and 4. Reports show that 17,281 collectors' covers received first day cancellations. Recent slogans have had fewer than half that many cancelled on their first days, so by comparison, it was quite an abundant supply.

Though three meters were available for use, only two were really in service because of the low volume of mail. It further appears Pitney-Bowes supplied only two dies of this slogan. They were used on P.B. #2 and 4 on the first day. Possibly because of the large volume of philatelic covers to be processed, postal officials apparently decided to cancel covers before the actual first day by adjusting the date ahead appropriately. This practice is reported to have occurred in recent years also, but without the strange thing that happened on the WHO 10th Anniversary Slogan — a variety appeared in the first day impressions. It all happened on P.B. #4.

The slogan dies arrived at the UN post office many days ahead of their intended use, believed to be at least as early as May 5. By examination of available meter impressions during May, we know that there was a townmark switch between P.B. #1 and P.B. #4 some time between May 15 and May 20. This was no doubt unintentional, possibly the result of removing the dies for

cleaning and then getting them switched upon replacing. The end result was two different first day meter cancellations on P.B. #4 — those made before the townmark change and those made after. Figures 2 and 3. If my supply of 20 P.B. #4 covers acquired from nearly as many different sources over the years is any indication, the variety runs 3 to 1 over the normal die.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION 10th Anniversary 1948 - 1958



Figure 2. P.B. #4 variety townmark first day cancellation of WHO 10th Anniversary meter slogan. Note distance between "United" and "Nations".

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION 10th Anniversary 1948 - 1958



Figure 3. P.B. #4 Normal Townmark first day cancellation of WHO 10th Anniversary meter slogan.

A similar comparison cannot be made on P.B. #2 as there were no changes in the dies in that meter during that time frame. However, we can note one interesting occurence on P.B. #2. The slogan die was damaged during the first day cancelling process. Figure 4. Note the damaged "y" in Anniversary. In this case, the damaged die impressions seem to outnumber the undamaged ones by about 6 to 1. So it would probably be safe to say that if these P.B. #2 impressions were made in advance as were the P.B. #4, then in all liklihood all the undamaged and some of the damaged were done in advance. So we see two distinct types on each meter on the recorded first day of issue, a fact that has gone unnoted for over 20 years!

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION 10th Anniversary 1948 - 1958



Figure 4. P.B. #2 Meter impression showing damaged slogan die for WHO 10th Anniversary slogan.

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