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THE FRENCH MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CRETE

by Stanley J. Luft, FRPSL

One doesn't have to be a warmonger to appreciate and collect military covers. To "peacenik" me, they are far more interesting -- inside and out -- than merchants' invoices or "having a wonderful time, wish you were here" messages.

As an example of a little-known late 19th Century incursion that bears some resemblance to the concerted multinational "coalitions" of today, I'm using the European intervention in the Mediterranean island of Crete, one that lasted from 1897 to 1909.

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Don't forget the Rocky Mountain Stamp Show
May 19-21.
Volunteer now!
(See page 11.)

Second Saturday Programs
9:00 - 10:00AM
at the RMPL...

March 11 - "Zeppelin Stamps"
Chuck James

April 8- "Vienna Stamp Shows and Their Souvenirs 1965-2000"
Steve Schweighofer

About the Author...

Stan Luft has exhibited internationally and is an APS judge.

He has written several books about French philately.

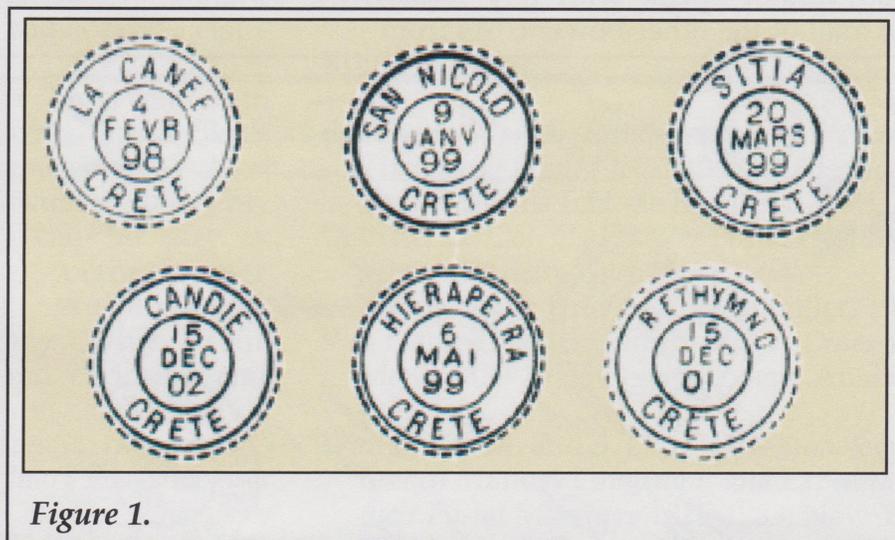


Figure 1.

The Greek-descended people of Crete, long suffering from Turkish rule, had longed for many decades for either union to Greece or for total independence. An 1894 uprising was partly successful, and was followed in February 1897 by the arrival of a quasi-official Greek expedition. However, the Great Powers of Europe, fearful at the time of disrupting the balance of power in the Ottoman Empire's Eastern European possessions, said enough was enough, and sent their several fleets and land forces to Crete, with landings taking place from March 1897.

None of the Powers' contingents were sizable, which makes their mail anywhere now from scarce to rare. British, Russian, Italian and French troops and naval units occupied several Cretan ports, whereas German and Austrian ships returned, leaving in Crete only some postal people and minor functionaries. It seems that this intervention was relatively bloodless as well

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as acceptable to the Cretans and among the several occupying forces. The Turkish army was shipped home in October 1898. Crete was granted autonomous status that December, albeit still within the Ottoman Empire, and Prince George of Greece was brought in as the puppet governor. He was ousted in March 1905 by a coup led by Venizelos (he of First World War fame). With Crete stabilized and willing to wait a while longer, the Powers removed their forces in December 1904, and Crete was formally and finally united with Greece in 1913.

Now what about the mail? I only collect France, so cannot speak with any authority about the mail of the other Powers. As from

July 1897 (and possibly earlier) there were six French Post Offices Abroad in operation in Crete.

Figure 1 shows their postmarks, typical of the period's Offices Abroad's secondary postal installations. Three of them, all in French-controlled eastern Crete, closed in December 1899 when France relinquished its bases there to Prince George's administration. Their markings are all quite rare and covers are shown in *Figures 2-4*. LaCanée was shortly after elevated to a full-service facility, with a new, appropriate dater (*Figure 5*).

That's all we get for the almost prosaic date stamps, but there are also a multitude of unit cachets, serving to denote the free franchise. Some are shown here on the covers. French units



Figure 2. HIERAPETRA/CRETE, 26 April 1899, and cachet of Military Command at Hierapetra.

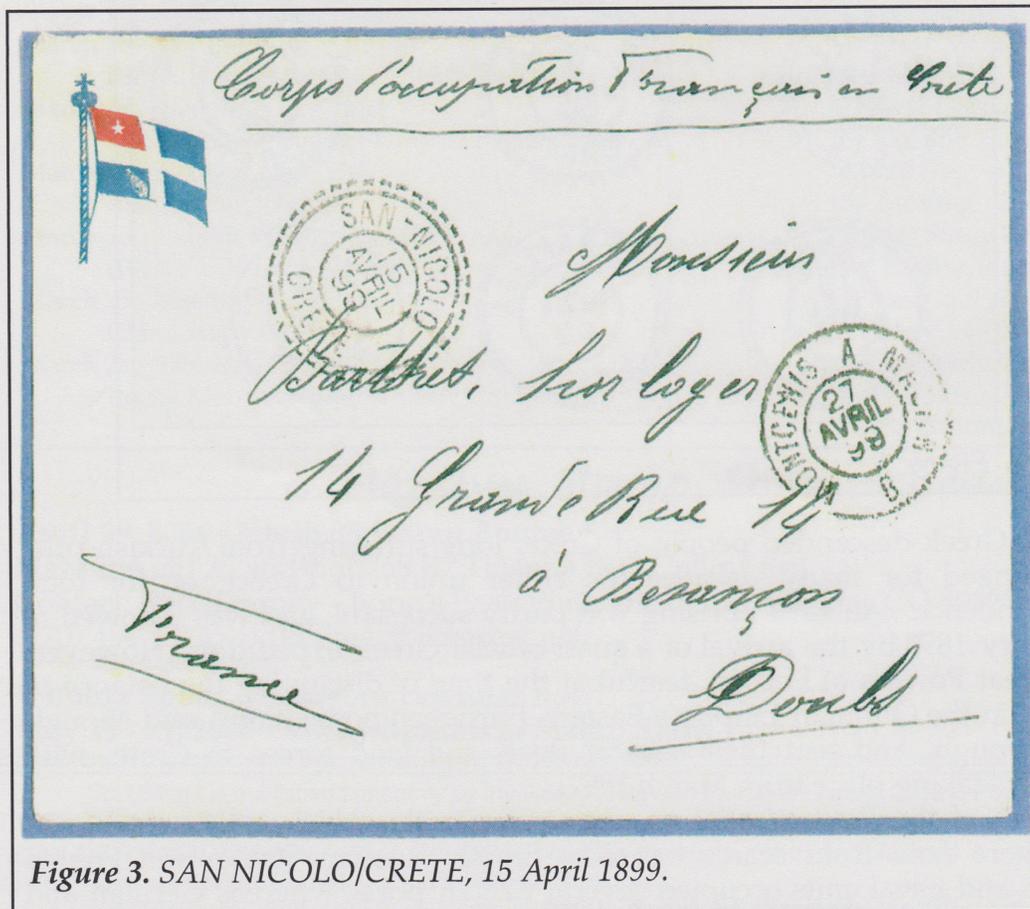


Figure 3. SAN NICOLO/CRETE, 15 April 1899.

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serving in Crete were the 1st, 4th and 8th Marine Infantry Regiments and, from mid-1903, the 122nd Infantry Regiment. The free franchise was in effect from Spring 1897 until around June 1899, and only for single-weight letters and cards to France and the French Community. Current French stamps were in use at first, until replaced gradually by LEVANT-overprinted French ones, and then by definitive stamps of the French Offices Abroad with CRETE in

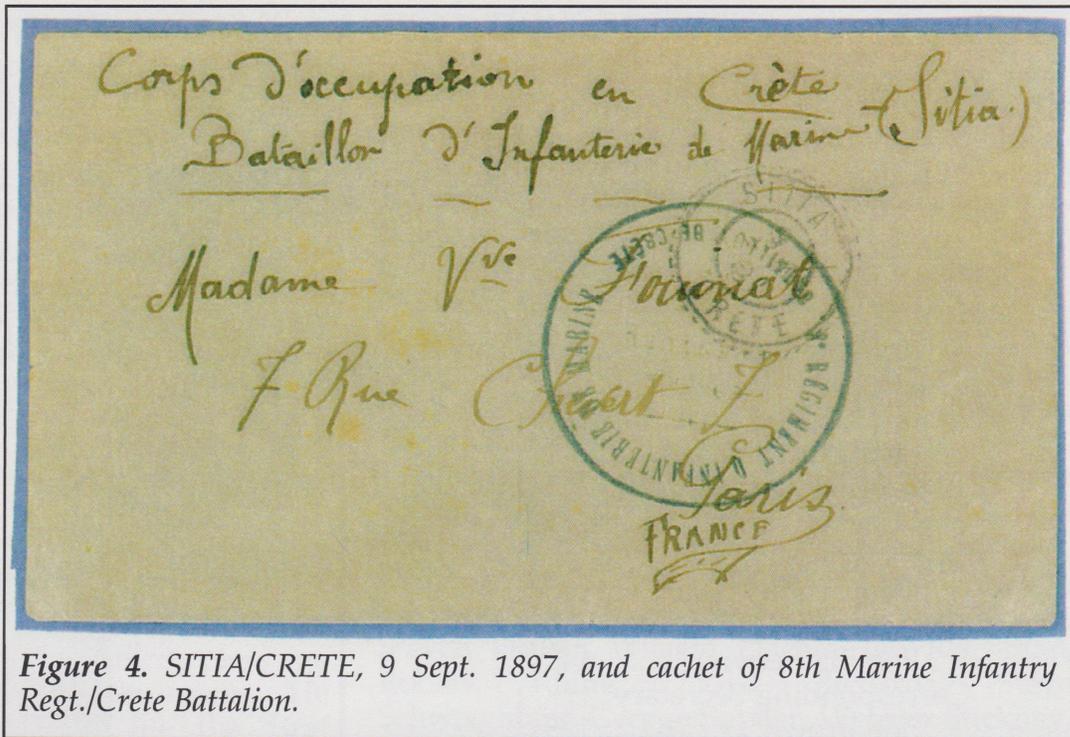


Figure 4. SITIA/CRETE, 9 Sept. 1897, and cachet of 8th Marine Infantry Regt./Crete Battalion.

the bottom tablet. These were used until 1919 and probably slightly later, but that would have to be somebody else's story.

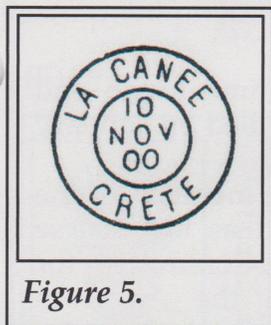


Figure 5.

Whereas "intervention in Crete" covers are difficult and expensive, other military covers need not be, and they can be just as interesting, perhaps even more so. We hope this article may whet your appetite and curiosity, and

perhaps get you started on collecting a campaign or war of your fancy! For more information, check out the *Military Postal History Bulletin* and the *France & Colonies Philatelist*, which are right here in the RMPL stacks, and

which will give you information on joining these Societies.

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News from the RMPL ...

AUTHORS' GUIDE

A pamphlet titled "Guide for Authors Submitting Manuscripts to the RMPL" is now ready, following review by the Publications Committee and the Board of Directors.

Any of our members who are thinking of writing a philatelic monograph or book should have the guide. It focuses on matters prospective authors need to consider in

AUTHORS' GUIDE *continued*

submitting a manuscript for RMPL sponsorship and explains some of the functions and activities of the Publications Committee.

To request a copy, write to:

Sergio Lugo
 RMPL
 2038 So. Pontiac Way
 Denver, CO 80224.

ELECTION RESULTS

144 ballots were cast in the RMPL 2006 election, a turnout of 37% of the membership.

Each person on our ten member board is elected to a three year term. Thank you to all who took part.

<u>Position</u>	<u>No. of votes</u>
President	
Ron Mitchell*	142
Vice President	
Jim Kilbane*	138
James Ozment.....	1
Sergio Lugo.....	1
Roger Rydberg.....	1
Operations Manager	
Don Beuthel*	140
Treasurer	
Bob Blatherwick*	141
Corresponding Secretary	
Bob Brown*	139
Recording Secretary	
Maury Pautz*	139
Tim Bartshe.....	1
At Large	
(Top four are elected)	
Sergio Lugo*	128
Steve Schweighofer*	111
Tim Bartshe*	94
Dalene Thomas.....	87
Jim Ozment*	84
Peter Adgie.....	53
James Moorman.....	1
Roger Rydberg.....	1

*incumbent

RMPL INVESTMENTS

The library board has voted to place \$25,000 with the Tulsa Community Foundation (TCF), a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping nonprofits with their finances. Our general fund balance has been in low interest CDs, and the decision was made to take a moderate risk and invest with a group with an excellent track record.

The TCF has assets of more than \$2.1 billion and is one of the largest organizations like it in the country. At .65 percent, their fee for handling investments is much lower than in the commercial sector.

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INVESTMENTS, *continued*

The staff at TCF will partner with us in fund-raising activities to meet our two long term major goals:

- Raise \$400,000 so we may use the interest from it to pay a part-time librarian when that eventually becomes necessary.
- Raise money for a building/expansion fund. We are looking ahead to a time in the next five to ten years when growth will dictate that the library move or expand the current location.

CLOSED ALBUM



James B. Peterson, longtime friend and Denver area stamp dealer, died on January 24, 2006.

Jim was an honorary life member of the Aurora Stamp Club, served as the bourse chairman of the ROMPEX Committee for many years, belonged to the American Philatelic Society, and was a great supporter of the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library.

He always had stamps to give away to kids and made time to help and talk with all collectors.

After World War II military service, he worked as a mortician for Colorado at the CU Health Sciences Center. In 1957 he began his philatelic dealings with an associate as the firm of Ronne and Peterson, with a booth at ROMPEX. By 1960 he had established his long remembered Denver, and later, Aurora, stamp shops, operating into the 1990s.

Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Ruby, and is survived by his daughter, Evie Johnson, and family.

Services were held January 30th, with interment at Eastlawn Cemetery in Aurora.

SECOND SATURDAY PROGRAMS

Second Saturday programs begin at 9:00 AM and are over by 10:00 AM. They are a great way to put a little extra enjoyment in your hobby. Donuts and coffee are complimentary.

Here are the next two offerings:

March 11



Zeppelin stamps of the world.

Chuck James, a regular library volunteer, was given a 1932 airmail catalog three years ago and was taken in by the Zeppelin issues. He learned that during its short life the Graf Zeppelins generated 225 basic airmail stamps from 20 countries. Come see "Zeppelin Stamps" and hear their interesting history in a Powerpoint presentation Chuck has prepared.

April 8



Souvenirs from stamp shows in Vienna.

Steve Schweighofer, one of our board members, will present "Vienna Stamp Shows and Their Souvenirs, 1965-2000," part two of three programs on the subject. The first was shown in October and was very well received. This one promises to be just as colorful, fun and educational.

T-REX CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The southbound off ramp from I-25 to E. Evans Avenue is now scheduled to reopen in August. Until then, visitors coming to the library from the north on I-25 will have to continue using the Colorado Boulevard or Yale Avenue exits.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Thank you to the following who donated cash or philatelic materials during December and January:

Dustin Adkins, Randy Alexander, Lt. Col. Robert M. Anderson, Jan Marie Belle, Donald G. Beuthel, John Bloor, Robert L. Brown, Norm Camara, Atilio Catanzano, Roger Cichorz, Sue Dunn, Russell Elkin, John Elsey, Nolan Flowers, Jr., Charlene Gail, Marc Gonzales, Larry Grant, Estella and John Grigg, Bill Gunderson, Eddie Hackstaff, Roy William Hall, Jr., Peter H. Hassrick, and Jim Johnson.

Also, Phillip Kearney, Brian V. Kelly, George Killian, Bert Kolts, Dick Lansing, Jim Lays, Don Lovelace, Stan Luft, Sergio Lugo, Glenn Mallory, Dasa Metzler, Mike Milam, Steve Nadler, Rudolph Najar, Joseph M. Napp, Stephen Pacetti, Steven Peckar, William Plachte, Jim Reichman, Robley Rhine, Lloyd Richards, Steve Schweighofer, George Snyder, Webster Stickney, Ken Stone, Thomas Surprenant, Jay Tebo, Dalene Thomas, Topical Philatelists in Colorado, Jack Van Ens, Arthur Weaver, David Weisberg, and George Wright.

RMPL MEMBERSHIP

Membership chairman Roger Rydberg reports our membership is 386, an increase of 37 over 2004.

January 2006 brings another milestone as membership number 700 has been assigned. Congratulations to Carman Penny - RMPL member number 700! The newest members:

John L. Larson - Champaign, IL
Thomas Higel - US Air Force Academy, CO
Marisia Showalter - Denver, CO
Rudolph M. Najar - Littleton, CO
Stan Kliebenstein - Littleton, CO
George Hajjar - Denver, CO
Carman Penny - Denver, CO
Kevin J. McFarlane - Westminster, CO
Patrick Speckmeier - Lakewood, CO

COLLECTIONS SOLD

Collections of Australia and the United States offered in the January - February *Scribblings* sold very quickly. Sales of donated stamps are an important part of the library's income.

A Scandinavian collection with a catalog value of \$3,141 is offered for \$800 in this issue on page 10. If the lot does not sell as a whole, each of the five countries will be for sale individually.

COMPUTER PROGRAM DONATION

The RMPL uses a computer program from Inmagic, Inc. for our card catalog. An upgrade is available to put the catalog on the internet and library member Carol Mobley, through her employer, Lipper, a Reuters Company, has arranged to donate a program which Inmagic



sells for \$14,300. We are working with Inmagic to put the catalog on line, but as with many

good things, it may be a while before details are worked out. We are extremely grateful to Carol and Lipper for this important donation.

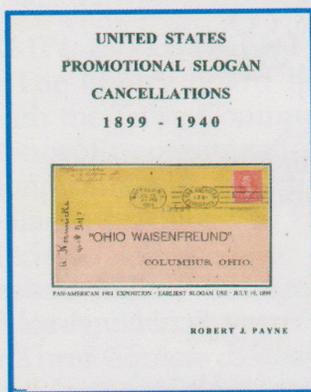
So that we could better understand our benefactor, the company provided the following information.

Lipper is a global leader in supplying mutual fund information, analytical tools, and commentary. Lipper's benchmarking provides the trusted guidepost to asset managers, fund companies, financial intermediaries, traditional media, websites and individual investors.

With three decades of fund analysis experience, bolstered by the resources and knowledge of Reuters, the world's largest financial information and news provider, Lipper provides unparalleled expertise and insight to the funds industry. Lipper's products and services provide accurate, insightful, and timely mutual fund data and analysis.

NEW TO THE RMPL SHELVES

UNITED STATES



Slogan Cancels



Machine Cancel Primer

Cancels:

Companion to United States Promotional Slogan Cancellations 1899-1940 by Robert J. Payne, 2005.

NEW TO THE SHELVES, continued

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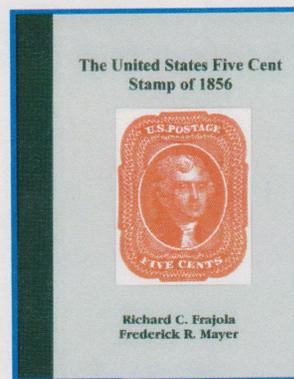
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The Frederick R. Mayer Collection: The United States 1856 Five Cent Issue, October 2005 Bennett auction.



Five Cent 1856 Issue

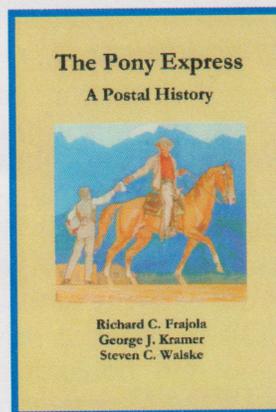
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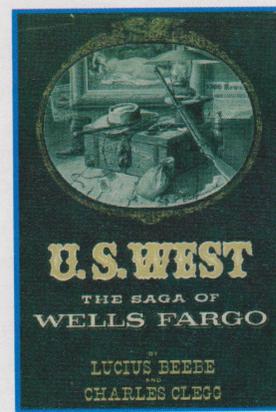
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Pony Express



Wells Fargo

Colorado and the West:

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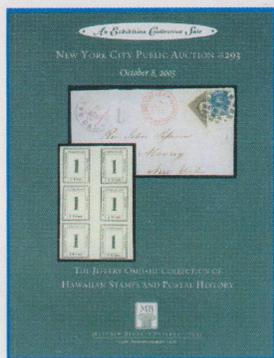
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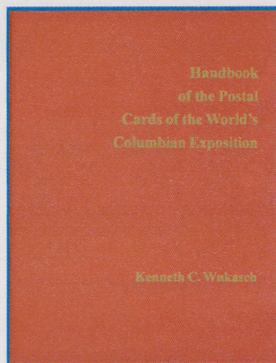
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Bennett Hawaii Auction



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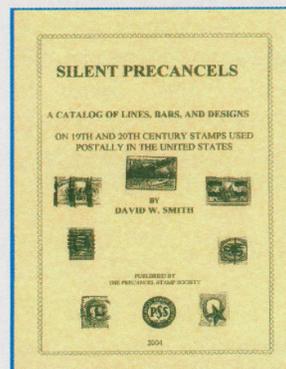
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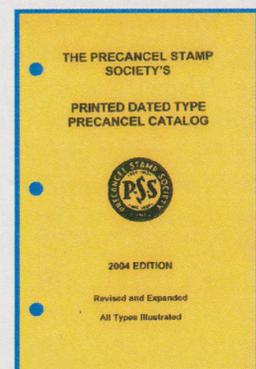
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Silent Precancels



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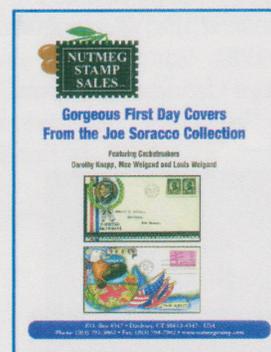
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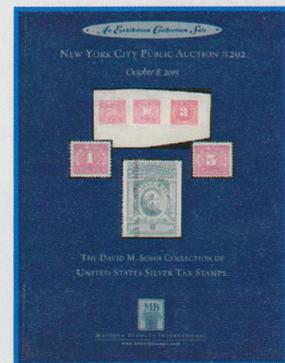
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FDC Auction



Silver Tax Stamps Auction

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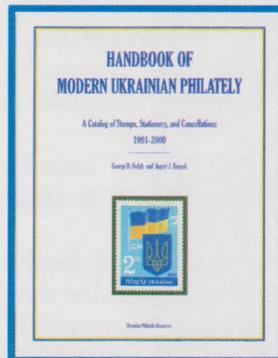
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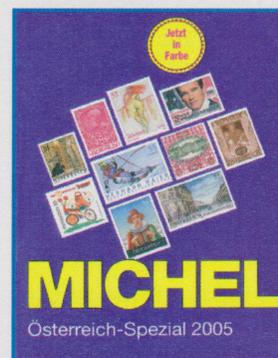
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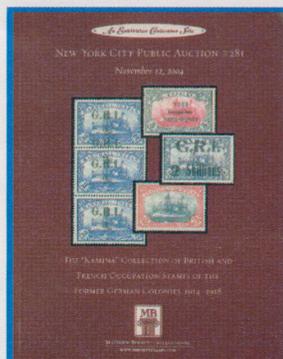


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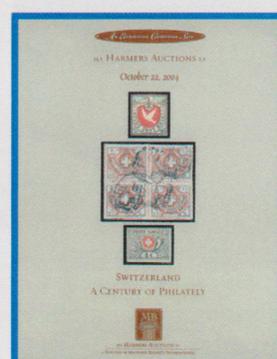


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German Colonies Auction



Switzerland Auction

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FAR EAST

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TOPICALS

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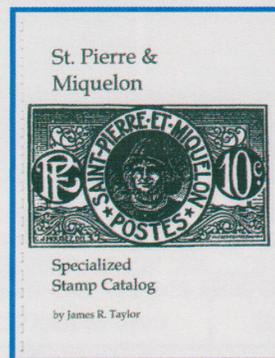
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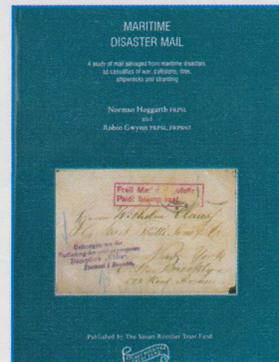
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St. Pierre & Miquelon



Maritime Disaster Mail

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South West Africa Postal History, December 2005 Bennett auction.

Tuva:

The Postal History and Stamps of Tuva by S. M. Blekhman, Translated by Ron Hogg, 1997.

Scandinavian Collection

For Sale as Individual Countries or as One Lot

The RMPL received a donation of a collection neatly mounted in a Scott Speciality Series Scandinavia and Finland album. The album is in excellent condition. It is available for inspection at the library.

Country	No. of Stamps	Catalog Value	Country Price
Denmark.....	591.....	\$588.....	\$200
Finland.....	570.....	\$430.....	\$140
Iceland.....	268.....	\$376.....	\$120
Norway.....	778.....	\$887.....	\$225
Sweden.....	962.....	\$860.....	\$225
Totals.....	3,169.....	\$3,141.....	\$910

SPECIAL: Buy the album with all the countries for \$800.

Denmark



Stamps to 1975, including Scott numbers 7, 13, 25, 29-34, 49-52, 56, 76-78, 101, 107, 115-117, 129, 133, 143, 154, 160-176, 187-190, 212 and 233.

Finland



Nearly complete 1895 to 1974, mostly used to 1976. Almost complete semi-postals, mostly unused, lightly hinged. Includes Scott numbers 22, 25, 43, 46-52, 64, 83-117, 180, 181, 183, 326, 341, 367, B1, B2-B7 and B37.

Iceland



Mostly used to 1948, mostly unused, lightly hinged after 1948. Includes Scott numbers 86, 109, 122, 139, 147, 155, 170-175, 177, 197-201 (unused, lightly hinged), 203-208B, 216, 217-228, B1-B4, B6, C1 and C3.

Norway



Nearly complete 1910 to 1974. Many of the semi-postals are unused, lightly hinged. Includes Scott numbers 14, 16, 18, 22-32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 46, 62-63, 96-98, 104-110, 129-131, 132-135, 177-180 (unused, lightly hinged), B52, B54-56, B59-61 and B64-65.

Sweden



Nearly complete to 1970. Includes Scott numbers 28-36, 38, 40, 41, 44, 135-138, 194-196, 197-199, 202, 213-215, 229, 230-235, 239-247, 248-262, and 263.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN STAMP SHOW

"A Champion of Champions Philatelic Exhibition"

May 19 - 22, 2006

Call for Volunteers



at the Holiday Inn DIA
John Q. Hammonds
Convention Center
I-70 at Chambers Road (Exit 283)

The Rocky Mountain Stamp Show (RMSS) is run by volunteers. The show could not function without them. **VOLUNTEERS ARE ESSENTIAL.**

Many RMPL members already help at the RMSS but
WE NEED MORE.

Please give a call and volunteer two hours (or more) to help keep the show running. (It also gives you another reason to come see the show and support our dealers !!)



Help is needed during the following times
(except for setup and takedown, each work shift is two hours)

	Admission Desk	Cachet Sales	Youth Table
Thursday, May 18	Setup: 12:30pm until it's done (about 6:30pm)		
Friday, May 19	9:30am to 6pm	9:30am to 6pm	9:30am to 6pm
Saturday, May 20	10am to 6pm	10am to 6pm	10am to 6pm
Sunday, May 21	10am to 3pm	10am to 3pm	10am to 3pm
Sunday, May 21	Takedown: 3pm until it's done (about 6:30pm)		

For questions or to volunteer contact John Bloor at 720-529-5942 (voice mail) or email to: aerophil59@yahoo.com as soon as possible.

...What's Happening at the RMPL...

"Come and Enjoy the Activities"

Monday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Friday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed Sundays and Holidays

Wednesday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

MARCH 2006

- March 1 - Meeting - Aurora Stamp Club
6:30 PM Trading; 7:30 PM Meeting and
Program by Tom Surprenant, "Old Postcards,
1905-1920"
- March 4 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Scandinavian Collector's Club
- March 4 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
TOPIC - Topical Philatelists in Colorado
- March 8 - Meeting - 7:00 PM
Denver Germany Stamp Club
- March 11 - 9:00 AM
Second Saturday at the RMPL
Program by Chuck James
"Zeppelins on Stamps"
- March 11 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Mexico/Latin America Study Group
- March 11 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
Universal Ship Cancellation Society
U.S.S. Colorado Chapter
- March 16 - 7:00 PM
RMPL Board Meeting - All are welcome
- March 18 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Metro Denver Young Stamp Collectors Club
- March 18 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
Russia Study Group
- March 25 - Exhibit Workshop - 10:00 AM
(Please call for reservations.)
- March 25 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
China Study Group
- March 28 - Meeting - 7:30 PM
Rocky Mountain Stamp Show Committee

APRIL 2006

- April 1 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Scandinavian Collector's Club
- April 1 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
TOPIC - Topical Philatelists in Colorado
- April 5 - Meeting - Aurora Stamp Club
6:30 PM Trading; 7:30 PM Meeting and
Program by Sergio Lugo, "WWI Service
Organizations"
- April 8 - 9:00 AM
Second Saturday at the RMPL
Program by Steve Schweighofer
"Vienna Stamp Shows and Their
Souvenirs, 1965 - 2000"
- April 8 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Mexico/Latin America Study Group
- April 8 - Meeting - 11:30 AM
Rocky Mountain Aerophilatelists
- April 8 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
Universal Ship Cancellation Society
U.S.S. Colorado Chapter
- April 12 - Meeting - 7:00 PM
Denver Germany Stamp Club
- April 15 - Meeting - 10:00 AM
Metro Denver Young Stamp Collectors Club
- April 15 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
Russia Study Group
- April 22 - Exhibit Workshop - 10:00 AM
(Please call for reservations.)
- April 22 - Meeting - 2:00 PM
China Study Group
- April 25 - Meeting - 7:30 PM
Rocky Mountain Stamp Show Committee

...Monthly Stamp Show Schedule...

April 29, 2006 - North 25 Stamp Bourse

Plaza Inn at I 25 and exit 269 B. This is a Fort Collins exit.

Contact: Phil Kearney - Long's Peak Philatelic Co, Ft. Collins, CO 80528
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