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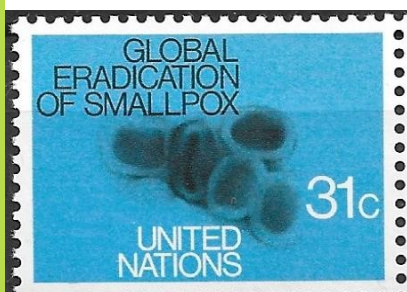
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Hang on, stay well, call up a philatelic friend to say "Hello", & enjoy your hobby, safely from home!

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Bob Gordon, Editor

Editor's Corner

As you know by now, life as we know it has been postponed: The Library's Open House, Philatelic Material and Book Sale will take place at a date to be determined. And WESTPEX will not take place this year, but preparations are happening for next year. (See pages 10-11).

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Your best bet now might be an email to libry@att.net.

Wishing you well, and thank you for your patience!

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Summary of Board Actions

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**SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTIONS
MARCH 2020**

The Saturday March 21, 2020 meeting did not take place.
A decision has yet to be made about a future meeting.



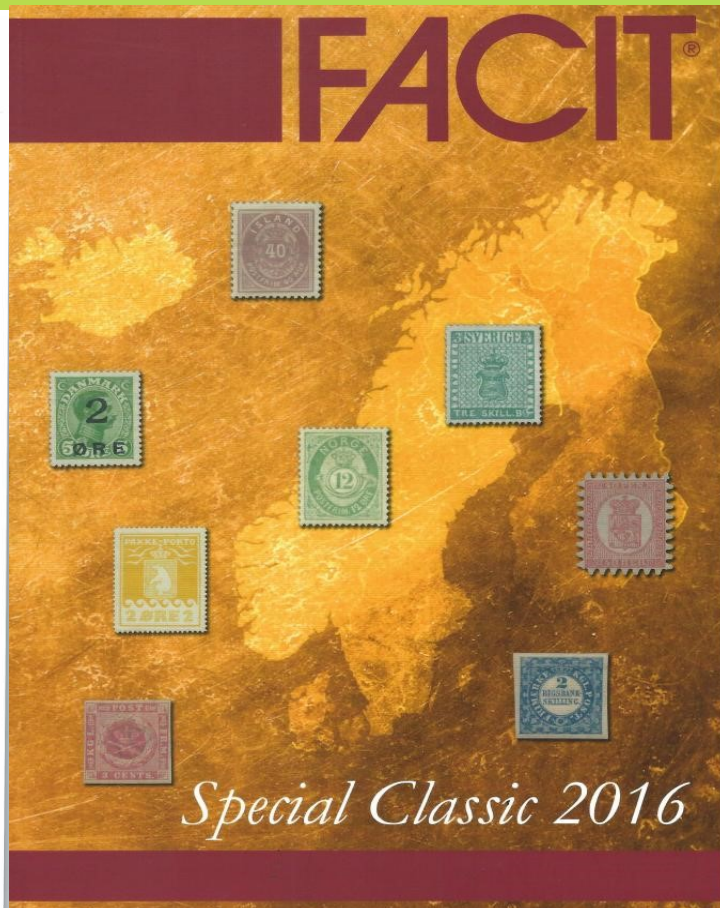
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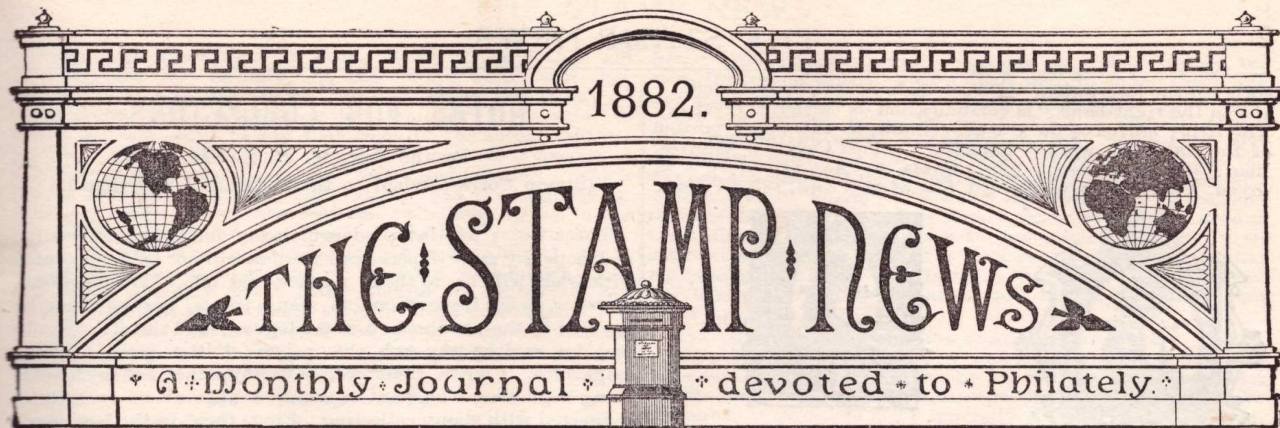
USPS: Ruth Asawa stamps (Issue date and location to be determined)



Vintage Cover of *The Stamp News*, London

Remember When?

The Stamp News was a monthly journal devoted to philately.
This is No. 1 Vol. I from 1882.



No. 1.

JANUARY, 1882.

Vol. I.

NOVELTIES and DISCOVERIES:



Barbados.—A new Post Card has been issued. With the exception of the name it is identical with those for Antigua, St. Vincent, &c. We hear that Stamps of an entirely new design will shortly be put into circulation.

Post Card, 1½d., Brown on Buff,
Size, 140 × 90 mm.

Bhopal.—The "Philatelic Record" chronicles a new ½ Anna Stamp, which we now illustrate. It is similar to the second issue, but rather larger, measuring 29 × 29 instead of 26 × 26. M. MOENS gives us the colours of the other values. Adhesives, ½ anna, red on white; 1 anna, brown; 2 annas, blue; 4 annas, orange.



Bolivar.—We give an illustration of the 5 pesos for this State. The 10 pesos is the same design, save for the value. M. MOENS mentions 10 different essays of these stamps.



Cabul.—Three new Stamps of accompanying design have appeared, two of which are new values. Adhesives, col. imp. on white. 5 annas, 10 annas, and 1 rupee, deep violet.



Cape of Good Hope.—We have received a Newsband for this colony. It has the same heading as our current ½d. wrapper; the Stamp consisting of head of Her Majesty, in solid oval within a double-lined frame, around which are two outer ovals, the first containing the inscription, "Cape of Good Hope—One Penny," surrounded by a scalloped border, the second oval completing the design.

Chili.—The 5 centavos is about to be changed in colour to blue.

Denmark.—A correspondent informs us that a 2 Ore Postage Stamp, as well as 5 Ore Newsbands, and 10 Ore Reply Cards, will shortly be issued.



Guatemala.—Five values of the new series have appeared. They are all similar to the 1c. which we illustrate, excepting that the figures of value are slightly different in each. Adhesives, 1 centavo, black and green; 2 centavos, brown and green; 5 centavos, orange-red, and green; 10 centavos, violet and green; 20 centavos, yellow and green. Perforated 12.

India.—We have received a new value. Design, head of Her Majesty to left, in oval, surrounded by scalloped border, ornaments in angles, labels above and below, containing the words "India Postage," and "One anna six pies" respectively. The colour is a dirty kind of brown. Adhesive, 1 anna 6 pies, brown. Perforated 14.



Paraguay.—Four Post Cards for this Republic have appeared, the stamps of which we illustrate. The three higher values have the stamp in the right hand upper corner, but in the 2 centavos it is in the centre of the card. The upper half contains the inscription "Tarjeta—Postal," followed, in a second line by "En este frente de escribe la direccion a la vuelta que se quiera comunicar." The 3c. and the two Reply Cards also contain the following in three lines: "Union Postal Universelle Republica del Paraguay Tarjeta postal. Union Postale Universelle Republique du Paraguay Carte postale." This is followed by four lines for the address, the first commencing with "A," and the third with "en." In the left-hand lower

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Russia in Finland

The Story of Russian Stamps & Postal Stationery
Used in Finland, 1899–1918

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[Editor's Note: This book is available at the Library. See review on next page.]

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Book Review by Alan Warren

Review of:

Russia in Finland: The Story of Russian Stamps & Postal Stationery Used in Finland, 1899-1918

This is the story of an intriguing period of Finnish postal history when the stamps of Russian currency were used in Finland. In 1890 Russia assumed jurisdiction over the Finnish Postal Administration with its Postal Manifesto. This document introduced Russian currency as legal tender along with Finland's own national currency.

As a result from January 1, 1891 the Finnish Post was required to sell stamps, including their own penni-denominated ones, to customers paying in Russian currency. This created a complex environment in which mixed frankings of penni and kopek values are often seen on domestic and foreign mail, except to Russia.

Chapter one provides historical background leading up to the Russification of the Finnish post. A time-line is presented for the allowed or mandatory Finnish and Russian kopek franking over the period from 1890 until Finland's independence in 1918. In February 1899 another manifesto appeared that resulted in the new design of "ringless" definitive stamps for use in both Finland and Russia. In 1909 another set of Russian definitives was issued for use in Finland.

Chapter 4 begins with a discussion of covers sent to foreign destinations from 1900 to 1918. Other topics explored in this chapter include postal forms (money orders, COD, parcel cards) and registry labels; Russian postal stationery used in Finland; and a brief discussion of some postmarks and special markings used during this period.

The next two chapters review Russian stamps purchased in Russia that could be used in Finland including the Romanov issues, overprinted Romanov and definitive stamps, the 1917 imperforate stamps, and several semi-postal and charity issues. Chapter 8 is devoted to Russian kopek, Finnish kopek and Finnish penni franking combinations known from 1891 to 1917.

Chapter 9 explores the changes that took place in both Russia and Finland during the turbulent year of 1917. Finland became an independent country December 6, 1917 and was so recognized by Russia. That year Finland issued a new series of Saarinen definitives but they could not be used for mail abroad until Finland joined the Universal Postal Union in February 1918. During the turmoil of 1917 there were constant currency fluctuations and exchange rates. Kopek franking was finally demonetized in March 1918.

A series of appendices will help collectors understand the complexities of this period of Finland's postal history. One appendix lists the kopek rates in Finland from 1891 to 1918 and another reprints various postal bulletins and circulars in English. Several cross indexes tie together the Russian stamps and stationery used in Finland as shown in the Facit, Zagorsky, Norma, and Scott catalogs. There is also an index to the cover illustrations shown throughout the book.

An annotated bibliography provides several pages of references for background reading as well as source material. A subject index concludes the handbook. Collectors who take up the challenge to collect and analyze the use of Russian postal issues in Finland during this 20-year period will need this book in order to understand what they have.

-Reviewed by Alan Warren

60th Annual Stamp Show

WESTPEX 2020

San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel

April 24 - 26, 2020

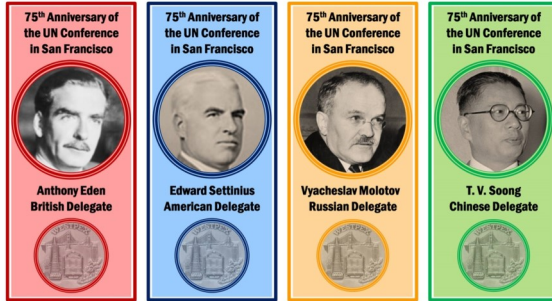
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PRESS RELEASE**(CANCELLATION of WESTPEX 2020)**

March 22, 2020

Dear WESTPEX Supporter:

The WESTPEX Committee has been working hard for months preparing for the 60th WESTPEX Stamp Show scheduled for April 24-26, 2020. Over 60 members were excited to host the fabulous APS World Series of Philately show with 75 dealers, Schuyler Rumsey Philatelic Auctions, over 260 frames of exhibits, and 60 meetings and seminars.

Like other events scheduled before the outbreak and ongoing spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus), WESTPEX had to decide whether to postpone the show or cancel it altogether. The San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel was very cooperative in offering alternative dates beyond April. The goal of WESTPEX is to put on the best National Stamp Show. Postponing the show, however, would create many hurdles to obtaining that goal. After much deliberation, the WESTPEX Board of Directors decided that canceling WESTPEX 2020 is the right option.

WESTPEX wants to ensure everyone that plans are on track for WESTPEX 2021 on April 23-25 at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel. We look forward to seeing you then.

Thank you all for your endless support making WESTPEX the great show it is today.

Stay safe.

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WESTPEX Chair

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