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POSTMASTER JEROME HUNT IS SEEN IN FRONT OF HIS POST OFFICE AND RESIDENCE AT UNITED ESTATES ON SAN SALVADOR IN THE BAHAMAS. --Photo by Zane Sloter

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#### PRESIDENT'S PAGE

As word continues to arrive of members who will join us at PHILYMPIA in London in September, there can be no doubt that our meeting with the BWISC is going to be a major success. I am delighted that I will have this opportunity to meet so many of you.

Editor Fred says the cost of printing the Journal has again increased. Exact figures will not be available until after this issue has gone to press. If we find it necessary, would you prefer to pay higher dues, or cut the size or frequency of the Journal so that some sort of balanced budget can be achieved? Let me have your opinion on this.

I am disappointed at your poor response in balloting on the question of whether or not the BCPSG should be incorporated. A decision requires that at least half of the members vote. We are still short of that by a few more than 20 votes. <u>PLEASE VOTE</u> so that this can be settled. If you can't find your ballot, just drop a note to our Secretary and tell him YES or NO on the question of Incorporation and Constitution changes we must make to accompany it. <u>PLEASE VOTE</u>!

It is interesting to note how often a Journal article leads to follow-up articles by other members that add further data or answer questions posed by the writer. If you need help in some facet of the studies of your favorite country, try passing your problems along to the other members by writing an article telling what you know of the subject and what you want to know. I am sure that many of the facts you need are hidden in some fellow member's collection or in his library or philatelic notes.

Please note that there is an auction list mailed with this issue starting on page 85. The commissions from these sales provide income for our Treasury, and some lots are donations to the Group. Support our Auction Sales by being both a buyer and a seller. Stan

## Supplementary Notes to THE BAHAMA ISLANDS by Ludington and Raymond

Compiled by M.H. LUDINGTON

The following notes include and extend those which appeared in the July 1969 issue of *The Philatelist*, the monthly magazine published by Robson Lowe Ltd. Further additions and corrections would be welcome, either in the form of articles or letters to the Editor of the Journal, or by letter to Gale Raymond or me. An asterisk (\*) in the following list indicates information kindly supplied by Mrs. Pamela Taylor.

- Page 2. It has been discovered (see page 220 of the December 1969 issue of this Journal), that the cover illustrated on page 2 was carried by a short-lived branch service of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co., running monthly between Kingston, Jamaica; Nassau, Bahamas; and Savannah. The service is mentioned only in the Nassau Guardian's Bahamas Almanac & Register for 1853, and not in those for 1851 or 1854, nor is it mentioned in the Bahamas Herald's Bahamas Almanac & Companion for 1852, which however supplied much less postal information than its competitor. So, at the most, the service was in operation for only 2 to 3 years, and perhaps less.
  - 9. TYPE B4. The date DE 17 81 has been frequently seen on large and small blocks and strips of the ls. Q.V., wmk. Crown CC, perf. 14, and is very probably philatelic. A new late date is JA 4 98. TYPE P6 (TRD C5I) in violet or black with dates in 1967-68 and TYPE P7 (TRD C5II) in violet with dates in 1969 are found on bulk mail, such as bills from utility companies.

NEW GROUP: MACHINE, PAID STAMPS:

TYPE PM1. "POSTAGE / PAID" in capitals 3.5 mm. high within a frame 41 x 20 mm. with 7 horizontal lines extending to the right. This replaces the normal slogan or wavy lines, and has been seen with TYPE D5 datestamp with dates from April 15th 1966 to the end of 1969 on bulk mail.



10. TYPE S2. This is wrongly described in the book. The date is in two lines. The diameter is 22 mm. with the lettering close to the circle, whereas in TYPE S3 the diameter is 23 mm., the lettering is slightly smaller and is about 1½ mm. away from the circle. Two examples of S2 have now been recorded dated JY 28 64 and SP 9 64, the latter illustrated in *Confederate States of America*, *The Special Postal Routes* by Lawrence L. Shenfield.

TYPE S13. New early date: APR 6 1960.

- Page 11. TYPE S24. New late date: 21 January 1941.\*
  - 12. TYPE N3. New early date: 11 JU 95.\* TYPE N5a. Damage to circle under "AH" by 6 DEC 10.\*
  - 13. TYPE N8h. New late date: 7 NOV 62. TYPE N81. New early date: 17 DEC 54. New late date in violet: - SEP 67.
  - 14. TYPE N10. New early date: 6 JU 50.

The illustration of TYPE D4a is actually of TYPE D5.

TYPE D1b. (20 JUN / 10.30 AM) 1953. Day, month and time omitted. Overstruck with D3a/M6 (complete).

New late date: MAY 10 1967.

TYPE D4c. c. APR 8 1965 - c. JAN 8 1969. As D4a but time / month & day / year. TYPE D5. The bottom of the circle and the lower part of "HAM" have been missing since the end of July 1969. TYPE D5a. "8.30 PM / JUL 31 / 6961". Entire datestamp except the year, now at

the top, inverted. With TYPE M6.

TYPE D6. New early date: JUL 13 1967.

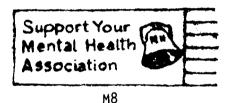




D1b ERROR



D5a ERROR



- 15. TYPE M3. New late date: 13 AUG 1946. TYPE M6. New early date: 19 DEC 1946. TYPE M7. New early date: 29 MAY 1967. TYPE M8. Slogan: Support Your / Mental Health / Association, with bell as illustrated above. Used for one week only each year. Dates seen: 9 DEC 1968 and 14 NOV 1969. Combinations of datestamp and cancellation portions seen. Add: D4c and M4a, M5. D5 and M8 ('68 and '69), PM1.
- TYPE HS3. New early date: 2 JUL 1915. TYPE HS4. New late date: 21 AUG 1918.
- 17. TYPE R4. New early date: 24 APR 46.
- TYPE PP4. New early date: 18 SEP 46. TYPE PP5. Current 1969.

TYPE X15. Known in red used on APR 30 1969.

#### THE OUT ISLANDS

Page 26. Add a new type: TYPE C5a. Heavy line single circle, c. 36mm., date in one line.

- 28. Add a new type: TYPE 20V6b, as TYPE 20V6 but c. 50 x 34mm.
- 32. TYPE C5. Add BIMINI (compare page 36).
- 35. ABRAHAM'S BAY. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 11 APR 67 in blue-black. ALICE TOWN. TYPE 7. New late date: 25 OCT 67. ARTHURS TOWN (Cat Is., formerly San Salvador Is.). Opened by 1854 under this name, therefore not re-named by 1893. TYPE 1. New early date: JU 25 95.\* TYPE 7 III. New late date: - MAY 68.
- 36. BANNERMAN TOWN. TYPE 7 I. New late date: 4 JUL 31. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 17 OCT 67. BENNETS HARBOUR. TYPE 7. New late date: 15 MAR 68. BIMINI. TYPE 8. New late date: - SEP 68. TYPE TRD C7. New late date: 26 MAR 1969 in black.
- 37. BLACK POINT. TYPE 7. New late date: 25 NOV 66. BULLOCKS HARBOUR. TYPE 8. New late date: 9 JUL 68. CAT ISLAND. Correct to: (formerly San Salvador Is.) P.O.'s at THE BIGHT opened by 1851, and at ARTHURS TOWN opened by 1854. Delete: "Opened: by 1871" and "Re-named: Arthurs Town, etc." CAT CAY. TRC III C/K. New early date: 14 MAR 1936. New late date: 23 APR 1941, on cover with TRC III MH, and with TRD C1 cancelling stamp. See illustration of cover on page 20 of February 1969 Journal. CEDAR HARBOUR. TYPE 7. New late date: 14 FEB 69.

CHEROKEE SOUND. TYPE 7 II. New late date: - JUN 68. 38. CHESTER. TYPE 7 I. Also found in violet. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 10 APR 67. CLARENCE TOWN. Correct to: Opened as GREAT HARBOUR 24 July 1849? (Definitely by 1851). TYPE 7a. New early date: 1 SEP 11. TYPE 7 III. New early date: 9 FEB 65. New late date: 23 JAN 67. COLONEL HILL. Delete: "Opened: as Crooked Island, etc." and "Closed: 1842?" TYPE 7 III. New late date: 28 MAY 69. COOPERS TOWN. TYPE 7. Also found in oily brown-black. New late date: 8 JUN 68. CORNWALL. TYPE TRD C1. New early date: NOV 10 1935. TYPE TRD C3. New early date: 5 FEB 1938. CROOKED ISLAND. Add" G.P.O. of the Bahamas until 1842. P.O. at Bird Rock 39. (Pitts Town) near the present Landrail Point. Opened" before 1802? TYPE B2. Delete: (Nassau)? Correct early date to: 15 FEB 1836.

CROSSING ROCKS TYPE 7. New late date: - MAR 68.

DEADMANS CAY. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 18 APR 69.

DEEP CREEK (Andros). TYPE 8. New late date: 21 MAR 68.

41. FOX HILL. TYPE 7. Re-issued 4 MAR 68. New late date: 13 NOV 69. TYPE TRD 20V2. Re-used NOV 13 1969 (one day only).
FOX TOWN. TYPE 8. New late date: - JAN 69.
FREEPORT TYPE 8 I. New late date - MAR 61. TYPE 8 III Current 1969. Add: TYPE 8 IV. Black, 18 APR 68. Current 1969. Narrow lettering closer together. "F" to "T" 22.5mm.

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Page 41. FREEPORT. TYPE M1 is still current in January 1970. TYPE TRD 20V6 (Air Mail) is known also in blue-black. (See page 54 of April 1970 Journal for additional Freeport Types.)

TYPE 7 III. New late date: - NOV 68.

42. FRESH CREEK. TYPE TRD 20V6. New early date: MAY 12 1959. TYPE 7 II (re-issued) is also known in violet. New late date: 14 JUL 69.
GAMBIER. TYPE 7 is also known in violet dated 12 NOV 69 used for Postal History Convention. TYPE TRD 2BX (c. 52 x 44mm.) and TRD 2BX (c. 43 x 22mm.), two handstamps of each were used in turquoise, violet or black, dated 12 NOV 1969 at the Postal History Convention.
GEORGE TOWN. Correct to: Opened: as LITTLE EXUMA (for George Town?) by 1851.

GAMBIER N.P. 12 NOV. 1969 BAHAMAS GAMBIER, N.P. 12 NOV. 1969 BAHAMAS GAMBIER, N.P. 13 NOVE 9 CHNTS JO 13

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- GOVERNOR'S HARBOUR. TYPE TRD BX is also known in turquoise. New late date: 43. DEC - 1965. TYPE 7 III is also known in black. New late date: 24 JAN 69. Add: TYPE TRD 20V6 in violet, dated DEC - 1965, and inscribed "COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE / GOVERNOR'S HARBOUR" seen on commercial mail. Add: GRAHAMS HARBOUR [Watlings (now San Salvador) Island]. Located at the eastern end of north coast of island. Opened: by 1851. Transferred by 1857 to RIDING ROCKS, just north of Cockburn Town. GRAND BAHAMA. TYPE 3 is also known in blue-black. GRANTS TOWN. Correct TYPE 7 to TYPE 7 I. New late date: 13 NOV 69. Add: Lettering 4mm. high, "G" to "B" 3mm. Add: TYPE 7 II. Early date: 13 NOV 69. Lettering 3.25mm. high, "G" to "B" 6mm. See illustrations above. Add: TYPE 8. Early date: 18 FEB 70. 44. GREAT GUANO CAY, TYPE 7 II. New late date: 26 APR 68. GREEN CASTLE TYPE 7. New late date: 27 JUL 67. GREEN TURTLE CAY. TYPE 1. Early date (complete): 20 JU 94.\* Add: TYPE TRD C5, blue, APR 14 1965, inscribed "COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE / GREEN TURTLE CAY, ABACO". Seen on commercial mail. GREGORY TOWN. TYPE 1. New late date: 30 - 10 (on KE VII 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d.) TYPE 7 III. New late date: - MAR 68. Add: TYPE 7 IV, blue, Early date: 22 MAY 69. Late date: 3 SEP 69. "G" to "B" 6.5mm. Lettering 3.25mm. high. "Y" to "T" 3.5mm.
- 45. HARBOUR ISLAND. TYPE 7 III. New late date: NOV 68. HATCHET BAY. TYPE TRD 20V2 is also known in blue. New late date: JAN 22 1969. HIGH ROCK. TYPE 8 is known in red, purple or black. New late date: 24 MAR 69.

- Page 45. HOPE TOWN. TYPE 1. New late date: 4 MAR 29. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 18 MAR 68.
  - 46. INAGUA. Correct to: Opened: by 1851. TYPE 7 IV. New late date: - MAR 68. Add: TYPE 8, black. Early date: 23 SEP 68. Current 1969.
    INDUSTRIOUS HILL. TYPE 8. New late date: 7 OCT 68. JAMES' CISTERN. TYPE 8 is also known in blue black. New late date: - OCT 67. KEMPS BAY. Add: TRD 20V6b, violet. Early date: SEP 26 1969. Inscribed "COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE / KEMP'S BAY, ANDROS". Seen on commercial mail. KNOWLES. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 22 MAR 68.
- Page 47. LANDRAIL POINT. Add: Close to the former settlement of Pitts Town, the Falmouth Packet Station and G.P.O. of the Bahamas until 1842. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 3 JAN 69. LONG BAY CAYS. Add: TYPE 1, black. Early date: 17 JU 95.\* LONG CAY. TYPE 1. An example with the year 87 only is reported.\*
- Page 48. LOWER BOGUE. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 30 JUN 69. A TYPE TRD C4 in black without date inscribed "LOWER BOGUE / BAHAMAS" has been seen on piece of a registered OHMS envelope. Though probably for official mail only, it is possible that it was once a regular TRD with complete date (used between 1941 and 1944?) LOWE SOUND. TYPE 8. New late date: 28 NOV 66
  - MACKEY STREET. TYPES 8 I, 8 II, 8 III and M1 were all current on 13 NOV 1969. A boxed slogan "CENSUS 1970 / HELP BAHAMAS COUNT" was being used in lieu of the seven wavy lines on the Mackey Street cancelling machine on MAR 3 1970.



7 IV

20V6ь

20V6b

Page 49. MANGROVE CAY. Add: TYPE 1, black. First recorded example: JU 18 95.\* Add: TYPE 2a, First recorded example: - JU 07. Add: TYPE TRD 20V6b, blue. Early date: JUN 25 1968. Late date: MAR 29 1969. c. 50 x 34mm. Inscribed "COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE / MANGROVE CAY, ANDROS". Seen on commercial mail. MAN-OF-WAR CAY. TYPE 7 I. New early date: - NOV 33. TYPE 7 III. New late date: - SEP 68.

Page 50. MARSH HARBOUR. TYPE 7 I. New late date: 23 DEC 60. ) used TYPE 7 II. New late date: 16 MAR 68. ) concurrently. MASTIC POINT. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 16 MAR 68. McKENNONS. TYPE 8. Errors of year date seen: "23 NOV 99" and "66 JUL 11", both probably 1966. McLEANS TOWN. TYPE TRD C5 is also known in black. New late date: MAR 28 1969. Add: TYPE TRD C5a. Known 13 FEB 1970. (See illustration on page 76).

- Page 51. NICOLLS TOWN. TYPE 7 III. New late date: JUN 68. NORMAN'S CASTLE. TYPE 4. New early date: 7 (or 17) AUG 25.
  - 52. NORTH PALMETTO POINT. TYPE 7. New late date: 24 JAN 69. OLD BIGHT. Correct to: Opened: by April 1946. TYPE TRD C1. New early date: APR 22 1946. TYPE 7. New late date: 17 NOV 67. ORANGE CREEK. TYPE 8 is also known in oily black. New late date: 4 APR 69.
  - 53. PLEASANT BAY. TYPE 7. New late date: 30 JUN 69. PORT HOWE. Correct to: [Cat (formerly San Salvador) Is.] Opened: by 1851. Closed? (not listed) by 1857. Re-opened: by 1913. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 22 MAR 68. A TRD? in red used in 1962 has been reported. No other details known.



8 ERROR

C5

C5a

- 54. RAGGED ISLAND. TYPE 7 II. New late date: NOV 67. Add: RIDING ROCKS [Watlings (now San Salvador) Is.] Just north of Cockburn Town on west coast. Opened: by 1857. Re-named: Watlings by 20 December 1864? ROCK SOUND. TYPE 8. New late date: - APR 68.
- 55. ROCK SOUND (Cont'd.) H/s Slogan III seen used in 1928. RUM CAY. Correct to: Opened: by 1851.
- 56. SAN ANDROS. TYPE TRD 2C2 is also known in red. New late date: SEP 8 1969. SANDY POINT. Add: TYPE 8, black, violet. Early date: 1 MAY 68. Late date: 25 OCT 68. Also seen in violet dated "4 JUN 78" in error. SAN SALVADOR. Correct to: Opened: as Riding Rocks by 1857. Re-named: Watlings by 20 December 1864? TYPE TRD 20V3. New late date: - 1968. Add: TYPE 7, black, re-issued. Early date 15 NOV 68.

57. SAVANNAH SOUND. Add: TYPE 1, black. Early date: JU 21 95. Late date: SE 9 97.\* TYPE 8. New late date: - OCT 68. Black ink oily to 1966. SEYMOURS. TYPE 8. New late date: - OCT 67. SHIRLEY STREET. TYPE 7. New early date: 2 DEC 39.\* SIMMS. TYPE 3a has small stars instead of dots between names. New early date: - 07. TYPE TRD 20V4. Delete "?" after "blue". New early date: Mar 28 1942. TYPE 7 III. New late date: 5 APR 67.

- Page 58. SMITH POINT. TYPE 8. Late date: 22 NOV 66. SNUG CORNER. TYPE TRD C5. New late date: NOV 24 1967. Add: TYPE 8, violet. Early date: 28 MAR 69. SPANISH WELLS. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 21 JAN 69.
  - 59. STANYARD CREEK. Add: TYPE 2, black. Early date: JU 19 95. TYPE 3a. New early date: 16 DEC 10. TARPUM BAY. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 17 OCT 67.
  - 60. THE BIGHT. Correct to: [Cat (formerly San Salvador) Is.] Opened by 1851. TYPE TRD C5 is also known in black. New late date: 7 MAY 69. A TRD (type not known) reported in purple & black. Early date: JUL 25 1969. THE CURRENT. TYPE 7 III is also known in violet. New late date 7 MAY 69.
  - 61. UPPER BOGUE. TYPE 8. New late date: MAR 68.
  - 62. WEMYSS BIGHT. TYPE 3. New early date: 30 MAY 06. WEST END. TYPE 8. New late date: - JUL 68. TYPE M1. New late date: JUN 23 1969. The time "11-AM" has been seen inverted on AUG 2 1968 and APR 1, MAY 1, MAY 20 and JUN 23 1969. WILLIAMS TOWN. TYPE 7 II. New late date: 7 JAN 69.

#### NEW POST OFFICES.

CHURCH GROVE (Crooked Is.) About 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles west of Colonel Hill. Opened: 13 August 1968.

TRD 20V2violetAUG 13 1968OCT 18 19688?21 MAR 69

OWENS TOWN (Andros Is.) On east coast south of Mastic Point. Opened: 1 October 1968.

TRD 20 V2 violet OCT 1 1968 JAN 21 1969

STANIEL CAY (Exuma Is. group) North of Great Guana Cay. "Stanyard Cay" on some maps.

Opened: 5 October 1969.

TRD C5a black 5 OCT 1969 Heavy type.

THE BLUFF (Andros Is.) Between Long Bay Cays and Kemps Bay. Opened: 28 July 1969.

TRD C5a violet 28 JUL 1969 26 SEP 1969 "THE BLUFF / ANDROS"

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#### NOTICE----

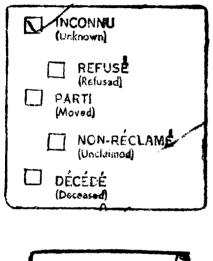
IF YOUR 1970 DUES ARE UNPAID, THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE YOU WILL RECEIVE UNTIL YOU ARE BACK IN GOOD STANDING. CHECK YOUR RECORDS NOW AND MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE NOT AMONG THE FEW WHO ARE DELINQUENT. IF IN DOUBT, DROP A NOTE TO MARK SWETLAND AND ASK THAT HE TELL YOU HOW YOU STAND. HIS ADDRESS IS GIVEN ON PAGE 70, THE INNER FRONT COVER.

## JAMAICA JOTTINGS

by Robert Topaz

This month's news is being hurriedly typed on the eve of a rather frantic trip to Europe, so please forgive any omissions. Fortunately, in the midst of trying to work in six countries in two weeks, I am able to spend two days in London, most of which I hope to spend in the good company of our stamp collecting friends in that area. One eveing, I expect to attend my first meeting of the BWISC which is something that I have wanted to do for many years.

In the last issue of the Journal, there is reference (page 38) to a new discovery of the PAID marking, TYPE PD14. It may have been confusing to the reader as the new value discovered was not the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d value, but the one shilling two pence value. Please note this correction.



RETOUR - RETURN

Byron Cameron noted the two markings shown at the left on letters to Jamaica returned to the sender in Florida as undeliverable for the reason stated. Both marks are in violet ink, and dates of use are late January 1970. Addressees were at Kingston 2, 5 and 8, but the two marks were apparently applied at the G.P.O. Some of the covers also bear UNCLAIMED marks in black. That of Kingston 2 (Windward Road) is an unusually large one, about 80mm. long and with sans-serif letters about 10mm. high.

Thanks to the alert help of Reg Lant, two new discoveries have been recorded in Canada of the straight line FOSTER T3 markings. We now have recordings of HIGHGATE dated 16 OC 1802 and HOPE BAY of 4 June 1802. They certainly appear to be authentic in every way. This discovery will change the opening day of the Hope Bay post office in our records. We have previously shown this office as opening in 1810.

The missing HIGHGATE single ring mark, FOSTER P11, has now been recorded. I believe this is the last mark of this type that was supposed to have been issued that had not previously been found. The mark was in the Glassco collection, and is on piece dated 16 March 1860, with Index letter A. My thanks to all of you who answered my appeal for help on the United Fruit Company marks. The most comprehensive information came from Dr. Norman Thetford, who also furnished photostats of various types. Norm is President of the Maritime Postmark Society and quite active in its affairs. The Society publishes a bi-monthly bulletin *The Seaposter*, and anyone interested in such markings would do well to join. Write the Secretary and Treasurer, Alan T. Tattersall, 7524 - 103rd Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32210 for details.

One area of instructional markings that has been neglected is that of the AIRMAIL and EXPRESS markings. There is no question that the post office is using marks of these types, and we now need some gentleman of good courage to try and track down which are post office and which are private markings.

Both Lloyd Brandon and Ronnie Wong advise that the 3¢ stamp of the Coin Issue has been found in Jamaica with a sideways watermark. We are also indebted to Lloyd and Ronnie for most of the following information on new offices, etc. in Jamaica.

#### **NEW OFFICE OPENINGS:**

BERWICK P.A., St. Catherine, 27 JA 70. Forwarding Office: Bog Walk. TRD in violet 3 FE 70 has office name and Jamaica in sans-serif caps. No asterisks at sides.

BIG BRIDGE P.A., Westmoreland, 30 JA 70. Forwarding Office: Sav La Mar. TRD in violet 7 FE 70 has name and country in serif caps. Asterisks at sides. (My Type 37.)

BIDDIFORD P.A., Trelawney, 30 JA 70. Forwarding Office: Browns Town. TRD in violet 30 JA 70 has office name in sans-serif caps and Jamaica in serif caps. Asterisks at sides.

RECKFORD P.A., Clarendon, 3 FE 70. Forwarding Office: James Hill. TRD in violet 16 FE 70 has office name and Jamaica in sans-serif caps. Asterisks at sides.

RIO HOE P.A., St. Ann, 6 FE 70. Forwarding Office: Moneague. TRD in violet ink 24 FE 70 has office name in sans-serif caps, Jamaica in serif caps. Asterisks at sides.

CRAWFORD P.A., St. Elizabeth, 20 FE 70. Forwarding Office: Black River. TRD in violet 20 FE 70 has office name in sans-serif caps, Jamaica in serif caps. No asterisks at sides.

KEN JONES P.A., Hanover. No information at this writing of opening date or forwarding office, but TRD noted in violet ink, 21 FE 70, has office name in serif caps and Jamaica in sans-serif caps. There are no asterisks at sides.

BOTTOM ST. TOOLIES P.A., Manchester, 7 AP 70. Forwarding Office: Porus. TRD in violet 20 AP 70 has office name in serif caps and Jamaica in sans-serif caps.

ATHLONE P.A., St. Mary, 10 AP 70. Forwarding Office: Bonny Gate. TRD in violet 14 AP 70 has office name and Jamaica in sans-serif caps.

BECKFORD TOWN P.A., St. Thomas, 14 AP 70. Forwarding Office: Morant Bay.

TIVOLI GARDENS P.A., Kingston, 20 AP 70. Forwarding Office: Denham Town.

TOMS RIVER P.A., St. Andrew, 1 MY 70.

OFFICE CLOSED:

JACKS RIVER P.A., St. Mary, 20 AP 70. Mails being delivered from Oracabessa.

#### **OFFICES REOPENED:**

PALMERS CROSS P.A., Clarendon, 20 JA 70. Forwarding Office: May Pen.

GUAVA RIDGE P.A., St. Andrew, 21 AP 70. Forwarding Office: Mavis Bank. This office has been closed since 1908!

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DEAN PEN P.A., St. Mary, was renamed KILANCHOLLY on 20 JA 70. TRD Type 37 in violet noted 27 AP 70.

PAPINE is using a new TRD Type 37x. The first strike I have seen is dated 20 FE 70. It is similar in format to the old mark which has worn out, except that it has no asterisks at the sides.

Going back to the previous Journal again, I am afraid that I mis-described two TRD's, GORDON PEN and HIGGIN TOWN. Both of these TRD's are of the same type and have both office name and country name in sans serif caps. Neither has asterisks at the sides.

I must apologize for not giving these TRD's type numbers so as to eliminate much of the above verbiage. Tom Foster advises me that he is working on a new classification system for TRD's that he expects to publish very shortly. I do not think that it is in the best interest of Jamaican Postal History study to have two different sets of type designations done in such a short period, so am awaiting his work. I am sure it will be top-notch as usual.

A new slogan, POPULATION CENSUS / APRIL 1970, has been noted at Kingston, 17 MAR 1970 and at Cross Roads, 14 APR 1970. Boxed, approximately 50mm. x 15mm.

The boxed slogan, BUILD / Jamaica / BUILD TOURISM, has been back in use, with several Kingston strikes noted between 17 FE 70 and 8 AP 70, and several Ocho Rios strikes between 19 MR 70 and 3 AP 70 seen.

In mounting his Birmingham Type postmarks, Reg Lant caught several errors in our Town Postmark lists. On page 87 of the July 1964 Journal, CLYDESDALE B2 should read B1, while on page 65 of the April 1969 Journal, SANDY GULLY B1 should read B2.

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## A Tercentenary That Jumped the Gun by Michael Sheppard

On 15 August 1906, a stamp showing a picture of the ship *Olive Blossom* was issued to commemorate "The Tercentenary of the Annexation of Barbados in 1605." The issue was some twenty years too soon, and the wrong ship was associated with the event!



For many years it was believed that the *Olive Blossom*, which sailed from England in 1605, called at Barbados, and that the Island was then claimed for the King of England. The ship was enroute to Guiana with reinforcements and supplies for an English settlement on the banks of the River Oyapoc (Wiapaca in some early documents.) Through faulty navigation, it fell to leeward of its destination. After the crew had made a number of vain attempts to beat back, they headed northward as provisions and water began to run low, and eventually

arrived at the island of St. Lucia. There sixty-seven colonists were put ashore with their goods, and the ship sailed off leaving them to their fate.

At first these colonists found the native Caribs quite friendly, but in a few weeks trouble broke out, and all but nineteen of the party were massacred by the Caribs. The survivors fled from the island in a native "periago" or canoe, and after many hardships reached the coast of Venezuela. Some perished during the trip and others after reaching the shore, and only four of the original sixty-seven managed to get back to England.

The annexation of Barbados did not take place until 1625 when the Olive, an English ship, called at Barbados on its homeward voyage. A number of men were put ashore near what is now Holetown, and the Island was claimed in the name of James the 1st, King of England. Then, on 20 February 1627 the ship *William & John*, under command of Henry Powell, with the patronage of the Duke of Marlborough, landed a band of 80 settlers at the Holetown site and founded Jamestown. This event was commemorated by issuance of SG 240 on 17 February 1927.

## **BAHAMAS BITS by the Bahamas Bum**

The signs say 4% toll on hotel rooms. There it is-the start of taxes in the Bahamas. First it's for the tourists, and then it's for the natives; that's the way all taxes start, and no telling how it will end. The civil servants were given a pay raise of  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % in April, with a promise of an additional 30% when the legislators met. After shouting from the rooftops, the legislators told how good they were going to be. But alas, now they only want to give  $17\frac{1}{2}$ % raise, saying they already gave  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % and with the  $17\frac{1}{2}$ % that will be the 30% promised. It is more than likely that the customs and post office workers may just strike; that's what de mon say!

WILLIAMS TOWN is now cancelling with a bright blue. The new POST OFFICE in Nassau is rapidly being completed on the corner of East and Hill Streets, so possibly by the end of summer Nassau will have a new G.P.O., just two blocks from the old post office. It is not known at this time if any postal facilities will remain at the Sunleigh Building. By the time this is printed rumor has it that a new post office may open in Exuma.

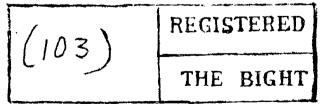
## AIR PARCEL POST

MISSENT TO BAHAMAS

MOS-GENT TO GEORGE TOWN,

A new AIR PARCEL POST marking is illustrated here, as is a third type of MISSENT TO BAHAMAS found on a DEC 1967 cover. (See AUG 1969 Journal, page 146, and FEB 1970 Journal, page 15, for other two types.) A local Nassau cover that was missent to GEORGE TOWN in NOV 1968 received the manuscript endorsement shown here. Another cover addressed to Alice Town, Eleu. from Roses in APR 1969 wound up at DEEP CREEK where an improvised label of gold paper with Miss Sent written across it was applied to its face.

Other new TRD's similar to THE BLUFF, ANDROS which was illustrated in the February 1970 Journal are from MARSH HARBOUR, STANIEL CAY, MCLEANS TOWN, THE CURRENT and SANDY POINT. The TRD from THE BIGHT, CAT ISLAND (also illustrated in the February 1970 Journal) is still being used, but without the year date. All TRD's have only year dates for the decade in use, so we may look for new ones to replace those still in use that were furnished in the sixties.



THE BIGHT, CAT ISLAND was using the Registry mark shown here in December 1969. It is in black on an O.H.M.S. cover to Nassau which also bears several strikes in blue of a 50mm. double line circular TRD COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE / ARTHUR'S TOWN, CAT ISLAND with the date DEC 31 1969 in the center.

On page 54 of the April 1970 Journal, mention was made of a steel die cds reading R.L.E. 2. FREEPORT / GRAND BAHAMA. Six such stamps, numbered from 1 to 6 are used on registered letters. Each clerk is assigned one of the numbers so that a letter can be traced back to the clerk handling it.

The old PIRATE WELL TRD which has been around for nearly ten years has been reactivated, but is without the year date.

A registered letter from UNITED ESTATES to Nassau bears the manuscript registry marking R.No.1. There are two strikes of the United Estates cds on the cover dated 7 JAN 70, but on one the 7 has a manuscript 8 over it. Our fellow member Zane Sloter who visits San Salvador regularly asked the Post Master at San Salvador where the post office at United Estates was located. The reply was "Never heard of it and didn't know one was there." After searching for several hours he located the United Estates Post Office at the other end of the island, some twenty miles away. The photo on this month's cover shows Jerome Hunt, the Post Master, in front of the P.O. which is located in his home.

Claude Saunders, Post Master General of the Bahamas; Nathaniel Levarity, Post Master at Mackey Street; and John V. Saunders, the gentleman who accompanied our Group when we visited all of the Post Offices on New Providence, send their regards to ALL of our members as their courtesy and hospitality shall long be pleasantly remembered.

I know that inflation has now hit France. My doctor has put me on a strict diet and forbids me any Scotch whiskey, but he said nothing about blackberry brandy from France. Imagine my surprise when the bottle I bought had written in small print "Produced in Spain"!

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#### A LETTER FROM OUR TREASURER

May 18, 1970

#### Fellow Members;

Many of you have now received the new style membership card bearing the seal of the BCPSG printed in light blue on a white card, the remainder of the lettering being black. The patience of those who had to wait for the new cards to arrive is much appreciated by your treasurer. Along with this problem came more business travel since mid-March than in the previous four years combined. It is with a sense of accomplishment and relief that I report that to date all dues have been acknowledged, all membership cards mailed, all checks deposited and all bills paid.

If you received the old style membership card and prefer to have one in the new style now rather than wait until next year, send me a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and I will mail back your new card.

I have given Fred Seifert a list of members whose dues have not yet been received. If you are on this list, you will be receiving a second and <u>FINAL</u> notice with this issue of the Journal. Please check the mailing envelope to be sure this is not overlooked. Our largest expense apart from the Journal is postage, and your prompt remittance of dues will help us minimize this expense. We will <u>NOT</u> mail further copies of the Journal to unpaid members after the June issue.

Those of you who like to receive commemorative stamps on my letter need look to the Madison P.O. for an explanation. For over two months they have had none for sale. As soon as a supply becomes available, you will see them again on the envelopes.

One completely unexpected problem has arisen recently. My son, Mark, was elected treasurer of his fraternity at college this spring. I was greatly pleased that he

was respected enough to be trusted with a budget eight times the size of ours, but <u>he is paid</u> for this work. While he receives only a token amount, how can I explain to my wife that my work is as important as his? "At least they pay him for his work and he probably doesn't spend as much time on it as you do" is the comment sometimes heard in our house. I am <u>NOT</u> suggesting that I be paid for a labor of love but some good philosophical arguments will be useful in the months to come. Let me hear from you even if my reply may be delayed.

Sincerely,

Mark W. Swetland

TREASURER

## AIR MAILS OF THE WEST INDIES

by DR. JOHN M. LOCKIE

These notes, together with Supplement No.4 which was published in the last issue of the Journal, bring my list up-to-date to the end of 1969.

BERMUDA (Addition)

1 AUG 47	New York	Bermuda	Colonial Lines
	Washington		First Flight

Special Cachet: Approx. 56mm. x 56mm., in green (NYGPO), red (NYAMF), blue (WashGPO)
and violet (WashAMF), inscribed: U.S. AIR MAIL/COLONIAL AIRLINES/NEW YORK N.Y.
(WASHINGTON D.C.)/central picture of 2 cyclists against background of harbour
scene, all on outline of fish/with Easter lillies at left and FIRST FLIGHT
F.A.M. 33 TO at top right/BERMUDA at bottom.

Note: I have Dr. Arnell to thank for drawing my attention to this cachet, and also advising me of the Hamilton machine cancellation used on 16 June 1967 with 30TH ANNIVERSARY/OF/COMMENCEMENT COMMERCIAL FLIGHT/U.S.A. - BERMUDA - U.S.A./16TH JUNE 1 1937. There was no special flight on this 1967 date as far as I know.

JAMAICA (Addition)

1 NOV 46 Chicago

Kingston

P.A.A. Test Flight

Special Cachet: None.

Note: John Whalen has shown me these covers originating in Lisle and Decatur, Ill. I have no further information. Can any member help?

13 DEC 69	Newark, NJ	Montego Bay	First Flight Eastern
	Philadelphia	Kingston	Airlines and return
	Baltimore		flight on same day.
			Backstamped 13 DEC 69.

Special Cachets:

(i) Approx. 50mm. x 60mm. in violet (Newark GPO), green (Newark AMF and Phila. GPO), pale red (Phila. AMF) and black (Balt. GPO) inscribed FIRST FLIGHT/Eastern insignia/diagramattic map of area with line joining Newark, Philadelphia and Baltimore to Montego Bay and Kingston/EASTERN and at base JAMAICA.

(ii) Rectangular cachet, in violet, 67mm. x 67mm., inscribed EASTERN AIRLINES/ FIRST FLIGHT/KINGSTON, Ja (MONTEGO BAY, Ja\*)/ - BALTIMORE, Md. (PHILADELPHIA, Pa. NEWARK, N.J.)/DEC 13, 1969.

Note: \*An interesting error occurs in the Montego Bay - Philadelphia cachet where the "J" of Ja is omitted making it read MONTEGO BAY, a - PHILADELPHIA, Pa. The date DEC 13, 1969 is displaced to the right. It occurs only with this cachet, all of the others being normal. I understand that the "correct" cachet for this section does not exist.

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## Some Notes on BARBADOS by Eric H. Heyer

My friend Frank Gibbons of Barbados provided information and photographs of Black Rock and Eagle Hall Post Offices that were used in the article in last issue of the Journal. He has followed this up with additional information on this and other matters which I pass on for your information.

Land which was formerly part of a place called Welbeck, situated at Black Rock was purchased by the Government for the erection of a Police Station and Post Office. The building was erected and a portion was used as the BLACK ROCK Post Office. It was opened to the public on Monday May 2nd 1949.

Within a very short period it was discovered that the premises were much too small for the business. A request was made for more space, and as a result of this request made by Mr. Legall, the Assistant P.M.G. on Oct. 15th 1962, the Government rented the first floor of a building at Eagle Hall, the property of Mr. Kenneth Jones. There on 10th Dec. 1962, to meet the Christmas rush, members of the Black Rock staff started to occupy a large room as their sorting department. No actual postal service involving contact with the public was carried on there, but a clerk and staff of postmen were mainly occupied with sorting mail.

With the opening of the new EAGLE HALL Post Office on Oct. 25th 1969, all functions were transferred to the new building which provides adequate space.

On various visits to Barbados I have tried to no avail to get information on use of stamp vending machines, two of which are still cemented into the wall of the G.P.O. in Bridgetown. I asked friend Frank to look into this and here is his report: "I made a check with an Ex P.M.G. about the coil stamps. Coils were imported and inserted in the machines, which dispensed them. I know of three such machines, but he seems to think there were four. Two of them are still around. These you have seen. Both the coils and stamp booklets (which were only sold over the counter) were started by G.F. Sharp, who became P.M.G. in 1931. He started the service a short while after taking up office. The machines always gave trouble, and their use was stopped sometime between 1944 and 1951 during the regime of Mr. Armstrong."

Tom Giraldi reports a commercial cover to Chicago on which the adhesive is cancelled with the OFFICIAL PAID / G.P.O. BARBADOS Birmingham Type B3 handstamp. Date is 8 am, 24 MR 70. This is obviously a case of a clerk using the wrong stamp, either by accident or convenience, but it does make a nice philatelic item.

Again thanks to Frank Gibbons for donating a copy of *The Post Office in Barbados* by the late Herbert Bayley for our BCPSG Library. This 73 page book contains much data of value and interest for those who collect Barbados.

#### TENTH BCPSG MAIL AUCTION SALE

CLOSING DATE: JULY 31, 1970

- 679. <u>POSTAL HISTORY LITERATURE</u>: A complete set of the "BRITISH WEST INDIES PHILATELIST" as published by Aguilar (35 issues) plus a group of the "WEST INDIES STAMPS" by the same editor. An invaluable contemporary record and commentary on the 1949-1960 period. EST. \$20.00
- 680. FORGERIES: A mixed lot of forged stamps, overprints or cancellations, consisting of 26 stamps from Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Grenada, St. Christopher, St. Lucia and St. Vincent plus 15 unused stamps of Grenada all of which seem to be revenue stamps with fraudulent postage overprints.

EST. \$15.00

- 681. ASSORTED COVERS: 15 miscellaneous covers, post cards and wrappers, mostly fine to VF condition-1898 to 1958-including a Caymans cover to Germany dated 1905, an Official Paid strike of Dominica-1954, a Jamaica Free Frank of the Jamaica Institute dated 1906 including a nice strike on the reverse of the uncommon squared circle marking of Mavis Bank, several B.G. and Trinidad items. EST. \$10.00
- 682. MARITIME COVERS: Two covers showing usage on United Fruit Co. ships dated 1927 & 1930, plus a small piece dated 1922. EST. \$5.00
- 683. MARITIME MAIL: A Leewards cover postmarked in St. Kitts and bearing a violet ink "Posted on Board" but no ship mark, plus a stamp of Trinidad (Brittania issue) socked on the nose with the Southampton Shipletter circular mark. EST. \$7.50
- 684. MARITIME MAIL: Eight covers and one Royal Packet Mail stamp on small piece, including markings of RMS Conneltown, Lady Somers, Lady Drake, SS Maravi (front only), Scythia, British Fleet Mail, and Fleet Mail Office, Bermuda. Also incidental markings such as Paquebot, Postage Due St. Lucia, Missent to Grenada, etc. The Royal Mail Packet Co. stamp is on a small piece with blue oval cancellation (circa 1875). EST. \$15.00
- 685. FIRST FLIGHT COVERS: Three first flight Viscount covers with blue or red ink cachets: Trinidad-Barbados, Trinidad-Bermuda and Barbados-Bermuda. All on flight of 1 JAN 1956.
  EST. \$7.50
- 686. FIRST FLIGHT COVERS: Two covers bearing UN stamps and cachets of BWIA First Jet Mail to Barbados and Trinidad, respectively. Mailed June 10, 1961 and backstamped in the islands on the following day. EST. \$5.00
- 687. AIR MAIL COVERS: Two from British Guiana, 1933 & 1945 and one from St. Lucia dated 25 SP 29 (FAM6)--a first flight. EST. \$10.00
- 688. FIRST DAY COVERS: Six cacheted covers including three copies bearing five Xmas stamps of ANGUILLA, plus Antigua's Deep Water Harbour set of five, and Virgin Islands Anniversary of Death of R.L. Stevenson and Opening of Beef Island Airport. EST. \$5.00
- 689. FIRST DAY COVERS: Six FDC of the I.T.U. issue from Antigua, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Christopher, St. Vincent and Virgin Islands. All cacheted. EST. \$6.00
- 690. FIRST DAY COVERS: Silver Jubilee of British Honduras, Caymans and Trinidad & Tobago all bearing the entire four stamp set and in the first two cases signed by the postmaster. Interesting. EST. \$8.00
- 691. BRITISH WEST INDIES COVERS: A misc. lot of covers from Barbados (1), Br. Guiana (1), Br. Honduras (4), Caymans (1), Grenada (3), Montserrat (1), Turks (1) and St.Vincent (1). A total of 13 pieces which are mostly post cards or postal stationery. Two are Specimens. Mostly f-vf condition, but a couple are damaged. EST. \$3.00
- 692. ANTIGUA REVENUES: A set of seven f-vf with full gum and lightly hinged Stamp Duty stamps ranging from 2d to 4/-, plus one ld used in 1886. EST. ??
- 693. BARBADOS STAMPLESS: An Entire letter to Philadelphia with no Barbados markings, but an octagonal 6 (probably a US marking) stamped in blue ink, dated NOV 1846. An interesting letter regarding loans and money. EST. \$7.50
- 694. BARBADOS COVERS: Six covers 1932-39 incl. some flown covers and an FDC of the General Assembly Set (cacheted). EST. \$7.00

- 696. BERMUDA FIRST FLIGHT COVER: A cacheted cover dated 1938 from Baltimore to Bermuda of FAM 17, slightly soiled or foxed and bearing the 10¢ blue Map airmail stamp of the U.S. EST. \$4.00
- 697. BERMUDA COVERS: Six covers 1938-47, including four cacheted flight covers and an FDC dated 20 JAN 38 with six stamps. EST. \$15.00
- 698. BERMUDA COVERS: Six covers, including Royal Visit Letter Sheet, 1st Day Peace issue of 1946, First Flight Barbados to Bermuda 1956, 20th Anniversary of U.S.-Bermuda Flights, 1st Day Cover Royal Visit 1953, 1st Day Cover of 1953 Queen Eliz. issue with values up to 1/-. EST. \$5.00
- 699. BERMUDA COVERS: Five different including FDC Q.E.II 1953, 20th Ann. of U.S.-Bermuda Flights, FDC Peace issue 1946 with an extra 3d, 1st Flight Barbados-Bermuda 1956, and cacheted Air Letter Sheet of Royal Visit 1953. EST. \$5.00
- 700. <u>BRITISH GUIANA FLIGHT COVERS</u>: Twelve covers, 1930, mostly in fine cond. and cacheted, including Brazil-B.G. (22 Flown), B.G.-Jamaica, B.G.-Jamaica via Miami, B.G.-Grenada, B.G.-Bahamas, B.G.-Uruguay, B.G.-Argentina (75 flown), B.G.-Brazil, B.G.-Antigua, B.G.-Belize via San Juan (6 flown), Haiti-B.G., B.G.-Cayenne. Many NYRBA covers. One or two covers may not be first flights. Unusual lot. EST. \$100.00
- 700A. BRITISH GUIANA FLIGHT COVERS: 14 different, 1927-39, mostly first flights. Most are cacheted and in fine cond., incl. Georgetown-Mabaruma 1927, B.G.-Trinidad 1929, B.G.-U.S. 1929, B.G.-Paramaribo 1929, B.G.-Trinidad 1929, B.G.-Antigua 1929, San Juan-B.G. 1929, Paramaribo-B.G. 1929, B.G.-Paraguay 1933, B.G.-Martinique 1935, Guadaloupe-B.G. 1935, Georgetown-Potaro River (internal) 1935, B.G.-London via Natal 1937, B.G.-Barbados 1939. There are explanatory notes with most covers. One postcard states "Pilot Lindbergh."
- 701. BRITISH GUIANA FIRST FLIGHT COVERS: 15 covers, 1931, mostly in fine condition and cacheted, incl. B.G.-Lima, B.G.-Ecuador (36 flown), B.G.-Chile (28 flown), B.G.-Bogata (33 flown), B.G.-Nuevitas, B.G.-Salvador, Nuevitas-B.G., Cayenne-B.G. (2), Brazil-B.G. via DO-X. All with explanatory notes. Excellent lot. EST. \$90.00
- 702. BRITISH HONDURAS: Watermark variant on Scott #10, showing the "N" of the sheet margin inscription rather than the normal "CC" mark. The 6d violet stamp, perf 14, is f-vf and has an indistinct "O" cancellation. EST. \$10.00
- 703. BRITISH HONDURAS FIRST FLIGHT COVERS: 12 covers, 1927-39, mostly in fine condition except two foxed covers, all cacheted, to and from British Honduras including two internal flights. Unusual lot. EST. \$60.00
- 704. BRITISH HONDURAS: The entire 1938-46 K.G.VI set from 1¢ to \$5 value on one cover dated 13 DE 45. All stamps appear sound. EST. \$10.00
- 705. CAYMAN ISLANDS: Four very nice picture postcards of the Caymans used in 1938, plus a FDC dated 5 MY 38 with the set up to the 1/- value. EST. \$7.00
- 706. FALKLAND ISLANDS FDC: Cacheted and bearing the 2d, 6d, 1/- and 2/- of the Bishop Sterling issue dated 30 0C 69 and signed by Chief Chaplain P.J. Millan. EST. \$3.00
- 707. JAMAICA STAMPLESS: An entire dated 31 JAN 1776 and in excellent condition for its age. Despatched from Morant Bay to Spanish Town, probably outside of the postal system. EST. \$5.00
- 708. JAMAICA STAMPLESS: A rather tatty and creased cover addressed to MAY HILL showing the manuscript 4 on the face and SPANISH TOWN and MAY HILL Type P2 markings on the reverse. Fair condition. Dated 1850. EST. \$3.00
- 709. JAMAICA PATRIOTICS: Three covers printed in Canada and used in Jamaica circa 1901. Probably philatelic. EST. \$5.00
- 710. JAMAICA MISC. MARKINGS: Five diff. covers from the 1954-56 period, each with a different UNCLAIMED marking. EST. \$5.00
- 711. JAMAICA POSTAL STATIONERY: Six large Registered Letter envelopes incl. three used, K.G.VI to date. EST. \$2.00

- 712. JAMAICA POSTAL STATIONERY: Ten different post cards, some used, KG V to date. One carries a nice strike of the Montego Bay slogan cancellation "Far Famed Resort, etc." EST. \$3.00 713. JAMAICA POSTAL STATIONERY: Ten different wrappers and letter sheets to date. Some are used. \$2.50 EST. 714. JAMAICA COVERS: Three unusual covers. A 1940 cover posted at GIBRALTAR CAMP on the day of its opening. The postmark is Kingston, but a declaration on the face signed by PMG W.A. Campbell states that it was posted on opening date, 1 NO 40. The second cover is dated 1 AP 40 and is the first flight from Jamaica to Nassau, and is signed by the pilot. The third cover is a FDC of the Boy Scout issue with appropriate cachet and signed by Claude DeSouza, the stamp designer. EST. \$15.00 715. JAMAICA PRISONER OF WAR: A censored cover to Spanish Town and bearing on the reverse the Internmant Camp TRD in violet and dated 8 March 1941. Received at Spanish Town on 14 March 1941. Slightly foxed. EST. \$5.00
- 716. JAMAICA TRD'S: Four covers, including three black ink TRD markings of FOUR PATHS, FLOWER HILL and CONTENT GAP plus viilet ink BATH MOUNTAIN. Fine. EST. \$10.00
- 717. JAMAICA RAILWAY: An Official cover from Kingston to Montego Bay and showing the FREE mark on face in violet ink, plus the TPO 1 double ring mark dated 20 NOV. On the reverse are fair strikes of the KINGSTON GOODS SHED mark and the Montego Bay receiving mark. EST. \$4.00
- 718. JAMAICA FIRST FLIGHTS: Seven different mostly cacheted covers from 1 DEC 1930 to 30 JAN 1960 to or from Jamaica including Miami-Kingston, Jamaica-Miami, Canal Zone-Jamaica, Curaçao-Jamaica, Managua-Jamaica, Kingston-London and N.Y. Comet Liner to Jamaica via Bahamas.
  EST. \$18.00
- 719. JAMAICA FIRST FLIGHT: Via Zeppelin Hindenburg, from Kingston via New York to Frankfurt to England. Has violet ink cachet on front and Hindenberg cancellation on the reverse. Dated May 1936. EST. \$35.00
- 720. TRINIDAD & TOBAGO: Four covers 1915-1938, including a FDC of the Red Cross issue dated 21 OC 15 and two First Flight covers dated 25 SP 29 and 19 OC 38.

EST. \$10.00

721. TRINIDAD & TOBAGO: Six covers including two different cachets of the 1961 Scout Jamboree, two different cacheted covers of first Viscount flight of 1956 and two commercially used letter sheets. EST. \$5.00

TO BE ENTERED. BIDS MUST REACH THE AUCTION MANAGER BY JULY 31, 1970.

MAIL BIDS TO: ROBERT TOPAZ, 34 MARYELLEN ROAD, WABAN, MASS. 02168, U.S.A.

OUR NEXT MAIL SALE WILL BE HELD IN NOVEMBER IF SUFFICIENT MATERIAL IS AVAILABLE. PLEASE SUBMIT LOTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ALLOW TIME FOR BOB TOPAZ TO MAKE UP A LIST. AS ALWAYS, DONATION LOTS TO BE SOLD ON BEHALF OF THE BCPSG TREASURY WILL BE MOST WELCOME. LOOK OVER YOUR SURPLUS MATERIAL AND SEE IF YOU CAN FIND A FEW LOTS TO ENTER.

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#### NAME CHOSEN FOR NEW CAPITAL CITY OF BRITISH HONDURAS----

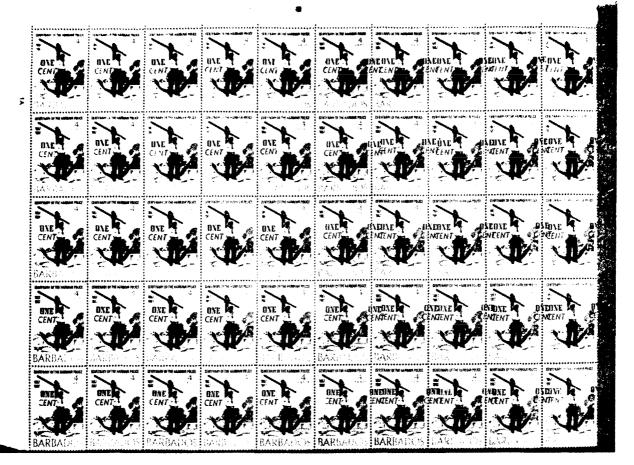
The April 1970 issue of *Barclays Overseas Review*, a monthly publication of Barclays Bank DCO, states that the name BELMOPAN has been chosen for the New Capital city of British Honduras. As reported by Gale Raymond (page 200, December 1969 BCPJ), the post office which was established there in 1967 has been using a postmark reading NEW CAPITAL as well as a mail bag seal bearing that name. Now that a permanent name has been selected we can ultimately expect to see these devices replaced by ones bearing the new name.

## Varieties of Barbados Provisionals

by Dr. Reuben A. Ramkissoon

Mention has been made in previous issues of this Journal of the two provisional issues of Barbados, the l¢ on 4¢, released 30 AUG 1969, and the 4¢ on 5¢, released 11 MAR 1970. Both provisionals were prepared by overprinting in the Government Printery, and errors and irregularities in the printing plate resulted in a number of varieties.

The 1969 provisional was produced by overprinting of the 4¢ value of the 1967 Harbour Police Centenary issue with ONE/CENT in black in two lines. The ONE was in bold serif caps while the CENT was in thin slanting sans serif caps. The printing plate covered 25 stamps (5 x 5), and half sheets of 50 were overprinted in two operations after the right selvedge had been removed. The ONE is more or less centered over CENT, with some variation. There are definitely two settings. Although I have only seen one, Gordon Mattison reports having a full pane of 50 of the other. (See page 225, December 1969 BCPJ). Gordon's pane shows only one significant variety, with Row 3, Stamps 4 and 9 having a deformed top right serif on the E of ONE.



Shown above is a photo of the other setting which is replete with varieties. To start off, the stamps at the right half of the pane have double overprints. The first impression was so far to the right that it almost completely missed the sixth column of stamps. A second, properly positioned impression was then applied.

Other varieties involving damaged letters and which appear to constant for this setting, since they show up in both left and right impressions, are as follows:

BLOTCH ON "O" OF "ONE" AND "C" OF "CENT".
 BROKEN "T" IN "CENT".
 BROKEN "C" IN "CENT".
 NARROW "C" IN "CENT".
 MALFORMED "CENT".

Row 1, #'s 1 & 6. Row 1, #'s 5 & 10. Row 5, #'s 1 & 6. Row 5, #'s 3 & 8. Row 5, #'s 5 & 10.

Stamp #5 in Row 2 presents an enigma. It has a broken "T" in "CENT", similar to the stamp above it, but its counterpart in the sheet, Stamp #10, Row 2 has a perfect "T" in "CENT".

On page 51 of the April Journal I described some varieties of the 4¢ on 5¢ provisional, all of which involved missing, double or misplaced overprints. There is also a variety involving damaged type. In this the upper right part of the "X" of the "4X" is missing. It appears on the Row 4, stamp #5 of the setting of 5 x 5, and thus is found four times on a complete sheet of 100 stamps.

It has been confirmed by the Postal Superintendant who was present at all times while this "4X" overprint was being applied, that the printing was done in one operation on sheets of 100 stamps. A negative was made of the 5 x 5 setting, and from this four impressions were used to make up an offset printing plate of 100. On the sheet of 100, the Broken X variety is thus found as Row 4, Stamps #'s 5 and 10, and Row 9, #'s 5 and 10.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Lest the reader be uncertain as to what is meant by "row" and "#", in the above article Rows are horizontal strips, and numbering is down and from left to right. Thus Row 5, #6 is 5 down and six right.

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#### SPECIAL FLIGHT COMMEMORATES ST. VINCENT'S 20TH AIR MAIL ANNIVERSARY----

Dr. Ben Ramkissoon calls our attention to the "Special Flight" from St. Vincent to New York in connection with the First Day of Issue of the "20th Anniversary of Regular Air



Services" set of four stamps. The stamps were originally set for release on 10 March 1970, but were rescheduled to 13 March to coincide with the opening of the INTERPEX-AEROPEX Exhibition in New York at which the First Convention and Exhibition of the Aerophilatelic Federation of the Americas was held.

The official First Day Cover is franked with a complete set of the stamps postmarked with the single ring FIRST DAY OF ISSUE/KINGSTOWN ST. VINCENT cds, 13 MR 70, and has a cachet in two shades of blue depicting the aircraft shown on the stamps. On the reverse is a handstamped cachet in blue as shown above.

We are not sure how these covers were flown to New York, and it could be that they were carried on regularly scheduled flights, in which case the term "Special Flight" would be a misnomer. Further information on this aspect would be welcome.

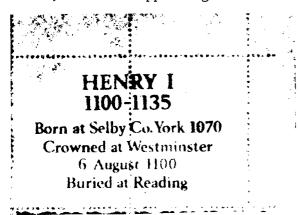
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A similar arrangement for a Barbados Flight Cover to COMPEX at Chicago has been canceled, per information from the Crown Agents. The cover was to have been franked with the set honoring the 25th Anniversary of the United Nations, with First Day on 22 May. However, release of that set has been delayed to 22 June, and other arrangements had to be made. As a substitute, a cover with the Preventive Medicine stamps of Zambia will honor the "Compex Day of Aerophilately".

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## ANTIGUA ADDENDA by WILLIAM G. CORNELL

As noted in the New Issues section, page 63 of the April Journal, Barbuda has begun a beautiful historical set of Monarchs of England from the Norman Conquest to date. The 35c denomination stamps are of large, vertically arranged format, printed in sheets of 4 x 13, with the upper right corner in the form of a special imprint, as illustrated,



so that there are 50 stamps to the sheet. Thus far, through June 1st, eight of the series have been issued. Subsequent issues will continue on a semi-monthly basis.

The generic idea of a philatelic portrait gallery of the rulers of England has certainly occurred to most collectors, and even if Barbuda is in principle not the most logical sponsor, I personally welcome the series.

A variety, regular on at least a number of sheets, occurs on the stamp at the lower right corner of the sheet of the William II issue.

It consists of a green dot over the left eyebrow of the King. Although all Barbuda issues since the Mexico Olympics set have either had the Royal Portrait or Cypher of El Elizabeth II (criticism having been leveled at the omission on the Olympics stamps) the Monarch stamps have neither, which I find aesthetically pleasing in this case.

On 26 FE 70 Barbuda issued a 20¢ on  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ overprint on the lowest value Map definitive. As in the case of Antigua, the postal rate changes of 1 JA 70 required a 20¢ value not existing in the Map/Fish definitives. The use of the  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ definitives as an overprint vehicle is interesting. Antigua overprinted surplus stocks of the 25¢ GPO Building definitive, the 25¢ value being of little use with the new rates. Although the Barbuda



Fish definitives have a 25¢ value, it is possible that a large surplus did not exist. Since the  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ Map definitive is still offered by the Barbuda Agent in minimum quantities of 10,000 or multiples thereof, the  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ may well have been the most convenient overprint vehicle.

Mention of the Antigua 20¢ on 25¢ overprint brings to mind a query from George Bowman. He presents the corner block shown here and asks why there are two sheet numbers, and why both of them have been blocked out. It is reasonable to expect that the original sheet number would be blocked out and the overprinted sheets renumbered to provide the proper count and sequence, but why then would the new number be blocked out? Can

anyone offer an explanation? Does anyone else have a similar block of this overprinted stamp with or without the sheet numbers obliterated?

The 25¢ Antigua coil stamp has a regular flaw on the stamp above the "wide gutter" in some rolls. In the rolls of 480 stamps, strips of 21 stamps are separated by a "wide"  $3\frac{1}{2}$ mm. gutter, other gutters being 3mm. wide. Just how many rolls contain the flaw is unknown, this depending on the structure of the sheets of stamps cut to rolls. The flaw consists of a white mark in the form of an "acute accent" (as over the "e" of café).

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The mark appears over the left vertical stroke of the "N" of "ANTIGUA".

In response to my request for information (February Journal) on abnormal Victorian Crown CC and Crown CA watermarks, George Bowman reports S.G.14, 1d scarlet and S.G.15, 6d bluegreen, issues of 1872, with Crown CC watermark inverted. Who has further information?

Gil Holmes advises that the new Antigua definitives planned for the summer of 1970 will depict ships having Antiguan significance. The lower values will also show a portrait of the person associated with the ship, e.g., Nelson and Rodney with Royal Navy vessels and an Arawak with canoe. Higher values will show more modern ships with ships' crests instead of portraits.

A recent auction in the U.K. included the first cover I have seen reported with the red manuscript Steamship mark "ESK", being a QV Leeward Islands 1d postal stationery envelope. I have seen adhesives of the 1890 Leewards issue so cancelled, but never on cover. I am trying to find out more about other possible markings on the cover in order to shed more light on these mailboat markings.

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## The Trinidad & Tobago 1914 Red Cross Stamp/Label

by W.H. Matthews

An article by Col. Fred Seifert bearing this same title was published in an early issue of this Journal. It has subsequently been reprinted in a number of other philatelic publications, most recently in *The Philatelic Magazine* of London where I had my first opportunity to read it. It occurs to me that our members might also be interested in the following additional information.

PRACTION The Manaper Son In Les Fontaines Cetate Diego Martin

I recently purchased a collection which contained a copy of this Red Cross Stamp, not on cover, franked "San Fernando, 18th Sept. 1914" and the following cutting which presumably comes from the Postmaster General's Report for 1914:-

"I have here to record the fact that almost unintentionally there was a provisional issue of the local Red Cross Society's label as a  $\frac{1}{2}d$  postage stamp on the 18th September last.

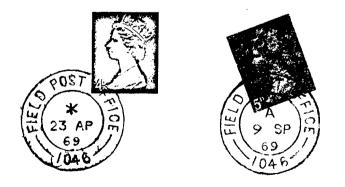
"It happened as follows: - His Excellency the Governor on 17th September 1914 was pleased to grant an application made by the local Red Cross Society that letters in connection with their work should pass through the post free of charge within the Colony bearing the Red Cross Stamp. On the following day, about 900 envelopes containing Red Cross Circulars were presented at the General Post Office by the Secretary of the "Society", for distribution to country addresses, and were passed by my instructions in the ordinary way at <sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>d rate, as the "Society" was anxious that these circulars should be dispatched at once, although the sub-Offices had not then received instructions about them, and in order to avoid their being taxed, as they certainly would be in the usual course of business, I directed that the "Society's" label should be obliterated by the date stamp of the hour and date of posting, and I sent out a circular to all the offices informing them of what had been done, and instructing them that all letters franked by certain members of the Red Cross Committee must be passed postage free in future and until further orders, provided they had the Red Cross label affixed, but on no account must this label be obliterated again. Some time afterwards I was informed that the labels which had been obliterated on the 18th September 1914 were considered by Philatelists to constitute a provisional issue of the 12d stamp, and I have since heard that the unused Red Cross label is now being sold freely to collectors (a fact which affords me considerable satisfaction, as the funds of the Society will benefit accordingly,) and that specimens of the obliterated label of the 18th September 1914 are in great demand, but cannot be easily obtained."

The above report is very interesting as it gives the Postmaster's view that it was a provisional issue, as well as the full story of how the issue arose. A further point of interest is that while Stanley Gibbons do not accord it Catalogue status, I saw a few years ago one of these covers being offered by them in their monthly magazine at the not so modest cost of £25.

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## Postmarks of F.P.O.1046 by Rick Rodgers

On 19 March 1969, after a brief period of self-proclaimed Independence, Anguilla was brought back into the realm of British control when the British 'Red Devils' landed on that tiny Caribbean island. (BCPJ, Vol.9, No.4, pp.148-50). The occupation force



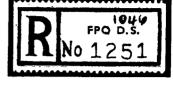
brought with it its own FORCES POST OFFICE (F.P.O.1046), and it is still in use today, serving those troops and Metropolitan Police who remain on the island. It is used <u>only</u> by the British personnel, employs British adhesives, and has its own postmark.

During my visit to Anguilla just over one year ago, I was able to have a few covers posted through the F.P.O.1046 facility, and these were postmarked with the datestamp shown at the left, with an asterisk (\*) above the date. Subsequently, I learned of

other strikes with the asterisk replaced by the letter A as shown at the right. This posed several questions: Was this the same device with the Index changed; were there two devices, identical except for Index, in use on Anguilla; or was the A Index used at the British Base on Antigua? After a bit of careful checking, it was confirmed by official sources on Anguilla that F.P.O.1046 operates postal facilities both on Antigua

and Anguilla, and that the A Index datestamp is used on mail posted at Antigua so that it can be distinguished from mail with the \* Index datestamp posted on Anguilla.







Pictured above is the Forces Headquarters on Antigua. An RAF transport plane overshadows two army tents squeezed into the narrow space between airstrip and beach. Also shown are two other markings used at the Antigua Base which were noted on a cover that was sent to Gale Raymond, a Registry Label of the adhesive type and the Orderly Room handstamp of 2nd. Batallion, The Parachute Regiment.

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## GUYANA GLEANINGS

by Fred F. Seifert

Henry Spelman takes issue with our comment in the Guyana Gleanings column, page 63 of the April Journal, on Mosden and the ASDA. Henry feels that we should have discussed the matter with the ASDA before questioning its enforcement of a Code of Ethics. We consider that he has a point, and are passing along our gripe to the ASDA for consideration at a meeting of its Board of Directors on June 15th. Phillip F. Robbins, the Executive Officer of ASDA has assured me that they will give the matter urgent attention.

We mentioned in the April Journal that the British Guiana stamped envelope had been replaced by one of Guyana. As a follow-up, we asked a correspondent in Georgetown to see if the B.G. postal card had also been replaced. He advises that the B.G. post card of 1953, 2¢ green on brown buff card, is still on sale at the G.P.O. in Georgetown as of early May. The rate having gone up to 5¢, each card requires addition of a 3¢ adhesive to provide the proper franking.

A Registered cover from MACKENZIE of 8 AP 70 lacks the usual Registry label, having the registration number in red pencil on the face of the cover. Anothered Registered cover from the same office on 15 AP 70 substitutes a B.G. Parcel label for the Registry one.

The cancelling machines at the G.P.O. continue to use old slogans. We note the GUYANA/ MOVES/FORWARD with the AIR MAIL G.P.O./GUYANA cds for 8 APR 1970.

Ben Ramkissoon arranged with a dealer friend to purchase copies of each of the Guyana remainders offered to the wholesale trade by Mosden. The material was mailed directly to Ben by Mosden, and he reports they are CTO material with full gum. He lists the stamps received and their postmarks. Unhappily, many different postmarks were used, of which only two, R.L.O. Georgetown and G.P.O. Counter II, are not found postally used to cancel stamps. Here is Ben's list:

1967 Christmas, 5¢ olive green, etc. 25¢ purple, etc. 25¢ green, etc.	GPO COUNTER II, 1 MR 68 REGISTRATION GPO, 1 MR 68 (Skeleton) R.L.O. GEORGETOWN. JA 23 68 GPO VENDOR IV, 23 JA 68
1968 Cricket (strip of three)	R.L.O. GEORGETOWN, 1 FE 68
1968 Al Quran, 25¢ 6¢	GPO COUNTER II, 10 NO 68
30¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 5 DE 68 (Skeleton)
1968 Easter, 5¢	KITTY, 25 MR 68
25¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 25 MR 68
1967 lst Anniversary of Independence 15¢	GEORGETOWN, 7 MY 67; S.O.S. GT, 7 MY 67
6¢	R.L.O. GEORGETOWN, 29 JY 67
World's Rarest Stamp 25¢	AIR MAIL GPO, 1 FÉ 69
Savings Bonds 30¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 23 JY 68
40¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 23 JY 68 (Skeleton)
Efficiency Year 6¢	GPO VENDOR I, 23? JY 68
25¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 23 JY 68
1968 Christmas 25¢	S.O.S. G.P.O., 12 NO 68
6¢	GPO GEORGETOWN, 5 DE 68
40¢	
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All of the cds are the Birmingham Type B3, as illustrated on page 52 of the April BCPJ, except where noted as Skeleton Type in the above list. The date of 7 MY 67 on the 15¢ lst Anniversary of Independence stamp of 1967 is very interesting--the stamp was not issued until 26 MY 1967:

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## **NEW ANGUILLA VARIETY** by Charles E. Sawyer

Pictured on the following page is the 50¢ value of the Anguilla Flowers set that was issued on 23 February of this year. The interesting feature of this specimen is that all of the lettering is doubled, the shift being approximately 4mm. vertically.

I have discovered two copies of this variety, one mint and one used, and Rick Rodgers reports that he has also found one mint and one used copy. The next step is to learn if this is a printing flaw affecting all of the stamps on one sheet, or if the plate has a reentry on one, or possibly several, stamps. Does any member have a full sheet of this stamp or a multiple piece showing this variety?

While on the subject of Anguilla, Gale Raymond points out that at the behest of stamp collecting subscribers the Anguilla *Beacon* is again being mailed out with the stamps on wrappers, rather than on the publication itself. Collectors who prefer their weekly mailings on COVERS, bearing Anguillan postage stamps, will have to supply the envelopes. The latter are scarce and costly on the Island. Send 52 self-addressed envelopes with the one-year subscription fee of \$10 U.S. to: THE BEACON, Lone Star, ANGUILLA, via St. Thomas, USVI 00801. If you are already a subscriber, you may simply send enough envelopes to cover the remaining issues.



#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY -- YEAR 1969

Dear Fellow Members;

It is my privilege and pleasure to present my first Annual Report as Secretary.

With Reg Lant having been in the job since the inception of the BCPSG, some 8 years, may I be allowed to draw on an old adage to say "he is a tough act to follow". In attempting to succeed him in this job I, more than most, appreciate the tremendous effort he put into it, and the sacrifice he made with regard to his own collecting activities. I want to thank him for his guidance and support as well as that of my fellow officers, particularly Mark and Fred. They have shouldered an extra load this last year with Stan and I doing extensive travelling in our jobs, and of my newness to this task. One unsung hero, whom I want to thank on behalf of the Group, is my own secretary, Mrs. Linda Dunham, who has helped with the mailing and doing the typing for me.

Turning now to the year's activities. By any measure our Group enjoyed a most successful year with 80 new members admitted during 1969. Special mention should be made to the efforts of our Membership Chairman, Al Johnson, who accounted for 34 of them, and to Charles Cwiakala whose publicity efforts helped to spread the word about our BCPSG. The geographical breakdown of new members was as follows: USA and Canada - 57; Caribbean Area - 8; United Kingdom - 15; thus emphasizing once again the international recognition that our Group has received in its specific philatelic field.

In looking at the summary below, you will note that our strength at year's end was 334 or a net increase of 63 for the year. Alas, as with any growing, changing organization, we lost 17 members, 12 through resignation, 3 dropouts, and sadly Bill Stitt and Bunting Barrow through death. In this 17 were 6 Charter Members, leaving now a total of 82.

Total Membership December 31, 1968 New Members admitted during 1969		271 <u>80</u> 351
	TOTAL	351
Less - Members deceases 2		
Members resigned 12		
Removed non-payment		
of dues 3		
17		17
Total Membership December 31, 1969		334

Our Treasurer should be commended for his efforts to minimize the number of dropouts, as the cost is borne by all of us when a member does not pay his dues.

Before closing, I want to reiterate the point made by my predecessor, particularly in light of our growing membership, and that is to make the work easier for the officers by reacting promptly to requests for dues, return of ballots, etc. At this writing we are still waiting for sufficient ballots to give the 50% return needed to determine whether the Group should incorporate.

It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to correspond with many of you, and I look forward to your efforts in 1970 to keep the BCPSG growing by bringing in new members.

Sincerely,

Bryan

## **NEW ISSUES**

ANGUILLA 26 MAR 70 EASTER ISSUE. 10, 20 40 and 60 cents depicting different religious paintings. Designed by John Lister Ltd. and lithographed in sheets of 25 on unwatermarked paper by Format International.

#### ANTIGUA

- 18 MAY 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 5c. 20c. 35c and \$1 as illustrated. Designed by Miss Jennifer Toombs and lithographed by Walsall Security Printers Ltd. in sheets of 25 stamps on Block CA watermarked paper.









3 AUG 70 NEW DEFINITIVE ISSUE. 15 values from  $\frac{1}{2}c$  through \$5, featuring ships. SEP 70 MILITARY UNIFORMS. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, 10, 20, 35 and 75 cents. OCT 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### BAHAMAS

- MAY 70 U.P.U. HEADQUARTERS BUILDING ISSUE. 3¢ and 15¢ in common design featuring the new Headquarters Building of the U.P.U. in Berne, Switzerland. Designed by L.D. Curtis and lithographed by John Waddington Ltd. in sheets of 50 on Block CA watermarked paper.
- GOODWILL CARAVAN ISSUE. 3, 11, 12 and 15 cents showing forms of transporta-30 JUN 70 tion as illustrated. The theme is associated with world-wide travel and tourism as a means of getting people everywhere together in mutual understanding. Designed by G. Drummond and lithographed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. on Block CA watermarked paper in sheets of 50 stamps.









#### BARBADOS

2 APR 70 5¢ DEFINITIVE OVERPRINTED 4X (4¢). (See page 51 of April Journal).

- 22 JUN 70 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS. 4, 5, 25 and 50 cents.
  - 70 TOURISM ISSUE.
    - 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### BERMUDA

DECIMAL DEFINITIVE ISSUE. 17 values from 1 cent to \$2.40 each featuring a 1 JUL 70 different flower. The Bermuda dollar will be equal to the U.S. dollar. 1 AUG 70 350TH ANNIVERSARY OF PARLIAMENT.

#### BRITISH HONDURAS

2 APR 70 ORCHIDS, 1970. 5, 15, 22 & 25 cents featuring four different orchids. Lithographed by Format International from designs of G. Drummond in sheets of 25 stamps on BLOCK CA paper.

#### BRITISH HONDURAS (cont.)

2 JUL 70 HARDWOODS.

2 OCT 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

4 MAY 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 5, 10 & 25 cents as illustrated. Designed by W.G. Brown and Delacryl (litho) printed by Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 25 stamps on Block CA watermarked paper.







10 AUG 70 CENTENARY OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY. 4, 10 and 25 cents. 16 NOV 70 SPANISH MAIN.  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 10, 30 and 60 cents.

#### CAYMAN ISLANDS

- 17 MAR 70 EASTER 1970. 4 x ½, 10, 12 and 40 cents in a common design featuring "Noli me tangere" of Titian. Designed by L.D. Curtis and Delacryl printed by Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 25 stamps on unwatermarked paper.
- 17 JUN 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 1, 12, 20 & 40 cents featuring different Dickens characters. Designed by Jennifer Toombs and photogravure printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd. in sheets of 25 on Block CA wmk. paper.
- 8 SEP 70 NEW DEFINITIVES. As present designs but with new value tablets.
  - 70 TOURISM ISSUE.
  - 70 TERCENTENARY OF TREATY OF MADRID.

#### GRENADA

- MAR 70 EASTER ISSUE. 5, 15, 25, 60 cents and a souvenir sheet of the 25¢ and 60¢. Each stamp features a different religious masterwork of a famous painter. Each design covers two stamps. Printed by lithography by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. No other details given.
  - MAY 70 CHILDREN & PET ISSUE. (William Wordsworth Bicentenary). 5, 15, 30 & 60 cents, plus two souvenir sheets, in designs as illustrated. Lithographed by Questa Colour Security Printers Ltd. from designs of A. Robledo.



- 70 NEW 15¢ DEFINITIVE. The 15¢ definitive with snake design has been replaced with one featuring the violet "THUNBERGIA", a typical flower of the Island. Designed by G.L. Vasarhelyi and printed by Format International. Release date not given.
- 70 NEW AIRLETTER SHEETS. 6¢ blue-printer Harrison & Sons Ltd. and 15¢ redprinter Format International. Release date not stated.
- JUN 70 END OF WORLD WAR II ISSUE. 1/2, 5, 15, 50 & 60 cents featuring Franklin D. Roosevelt, Marshall Georgy K. Zhukov, Winston S. Churchill, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Gen. Bernard L. Montgomery, respectively. Designed by R. Granger Barrett and printed by Questa Colour Security Printers Ltd. Each stamp also shows a battle scene associated with the individual pictured.

#### JAMAICA

- 70 NEW DEFINITIVES. Same as present issue but with new decimal value tablets. 70 CENTENARY OF FIRST TELEGRAPH SERVICE.
- ? JAMAICA RAILWAY.
- ? ANGLICAN CHURCH.
- ? UNITED NATIONS.
- ? JAMAICA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

#### MONTSERRAT

13 APR 70 CENTENARY OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY. 3, 4, 15 & 20 cents in designs as illustrated. Designed by John Waddington Ltd. Studio and lithographed by John Waddington of Kirkstall Ltd. in sheets of 25 on Block CA wmk. paper.









2 JUL 70 NEW DEFINITIVES. (See April Journal for details).

- 70 IRISH SETTLERS.
- 70 TOURISM.

#### ST. KITTS

- 1 MAY 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 4, 20, 25 & 40 cents. The two lower values feature different scenes from Great Expectations; the 25¢ shows the Dickens birthplace; nad the 40¢ features a portrair of Charles Dickens. Designed by Jennifer Toombs and lithographed by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 50 on Block CA wmk. paper.
- JUL 70 ARTS FESTIVAL.
- 14 SEP 70 STAMP CENTENARY.
- 16 NOV 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### ST. LUCIA

- 8 JUN 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 1, 25, 35 & 50 cents in a common design showing Dickens and a number of his characters. Designed by V. Whiteley and lithographed by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 25 on Block CA wmk. paper.
- 18 SEP 70 CENTENARY OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.
  - 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### ST. VINCENT

1 JUN 70 CENTENARY OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY. 3, 5, 12 & 25 cents as shown below. Designed by R. Granger Barrett and photogravure printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd. in sheets of 50 on Block CA watermarked paper.



23 NOV 70 CHRISTMAS 1970.

#### TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

1 JUL 70 NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK INAUGURATION ISSUE. The 5¢ definitive (original print) has been overprinted. No details of overprint given in the Agent's press release.

#### TURKS & CAICOS

- 17 JUN 70 CENTENARY OF THE DEATH OF CHARLES DICKENS. 1, 3, 15 and 30 cents, each picturing Dickens with pen in hand at his desk and a different scene from one of his works. Designed by Mrs. S. Goaman and recess and litho printed by Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 25 on Block CA wmk. paper.
  6 OCT 70 CENTENARY OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY. Two designs, 1 & 15 cents and
  - 5 & 30 cents as illustrated below. Designed by Harrison & Sons Ltd. Studio and lithographed by Bradbury Wilkinson & Co. Ltd. in sheets of 25 stamps on Block CA watermarked paper.



DEC 70 NEW DECIMAL DEFINITIVE ISSUE. Same designs as current definitives, but with new value tablets in decimal currency.

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#### OUR SECRETARY REPORTS

#### New Members:

BAKER, SAMUEL G. COLLINS, F.W. DOUGHERTY, MYER HAUSMANN, EDWARD H. KRUEGER, W. LAWRENCE MILES, RAYMOND J. POLLARD, TOMAS G., JR. WERTH, RICHARD T. BOWMAN, GEORGE W. CONCELMAN, CARL W. ELAND, MICHAEL J. JENNINGS, EDGAR P. LISTER, JOHN MITCHELL, J. DESMOND RIVEROLL, JOHN A. BRINEY, ROBERT E. COONS, WILLIAM GALLAGHER, SCOTT JONES, GILBERT E. LLEIDA, JOSEPH V. MUNOZ-MELLOWES, DR. C. SLATTERY, DAVID L.

#### New Applicants:

BARCELO, JEAN (ENG.), 350 N. Boul. Richelieu, Mont-Saint-Hilaire, P.Q., Canada. Deputy Registrar, Corp. of Engineers of Québec. Canada, USA, B.C., France, Germany and other European countries. Sponsored by Fred F. Seifert.
BAYLEY, EDMUND A., P.O. Box 61, Bridgetown, Barbados, W.I. Solicitor (Attorney at Law). Barbados and Geo VI and Q.E. II issues of BWI. Sponsored by Charles E. Cwiakala.
BRONNER, FERDINAND F., 45 Sutton Place South, New York, NY 10022. Executive. British America. Sponsered by Alfred N. Johnson.
FLADUNG, EDWARD G., Box 386, Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Editor of World Postal Stationery Catalogue. Postal Stationery and BWI stamps. Sponsored by Charles E. Cwiakala.
GARDNER, MARSHALL C., 12118 Long Ridge Lane, Bowie, MD 20715. Attorney. Brit. America, Brit. Asia, Latin W.I., USA, Mexico. Sponsored by John B. Whalen.
KOTCHIE, DEREK E., 104 Avondale Avenue, Willowdale 441, Ontario, Canada. Insurance Agent. Brit. Commonwealth. Spec.: W.I. since 1953, used. Sponsored by A.N. Johnson.
STERN, JAMES F., 709 E. Carlisle Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53217. Attorney. British Caribbean. Sponsored by Bryan J. Walker.

TYRWHITT, PHILIP A., P.O. Box 6365, Bakersfield, CA 93306. Accountant. Jamaica, BWI, Canada and early USA (used). Only interested in stamps which have fulfilled their function. Sponsored by Charles E. Cwiakala. WEDDERBURN-MAXWELL, MRS. JANET, P.O. Box 222, Rivonia, Transvaal, South Africa. Stamp Auctioneer. British Empire to 1936. Spec.: Western Australia, Transvaal, St. Vincent. Sponsored by Charles E. Cwiakala. WHITE, PAUL E.W., New England Stamp Co., 45 Bromfield St., Boston, MA 02108. Stamp Dealer. Montserrat. Sponsored by William G. Bogg. MANN, SY, 67-07 211th St., Bayside, NY 11364. Musician. British West Indies. Sponsored by Fred F. Seifert. SCHAFFNER, DR. BERTRAM H., 220 Central Park South (#3A), New York, NY 10019. Physician. U.N. and Leeward Islands, particularly Anguilla, St. Kitts, Nevis. Sponsored by Reg H. Lant.

#### **Resignations:**

SIMONS, MRS. BERNARD W.; WHEELER, LESLIE S.; both in good standing.

#### Change of Address:

BUCHANAN, BILLY G., 96 A.M.S., P.O. Box 6071, Dyess A.F.B., TX 79607. CAMPBELL, JAMES A., Add Postal Zone: London 11, Ontario, Canada. HAYWARD, CHARLES W., 508 Independence Ave. S.E., Washington, DC 20003. MONTGOMERY, FRANK H., Radio Station WNLK, 64 Wall St., Norwalk, CT 06852. OWEN, GIL, Montecito Stamp Shop, 1026-B Coast Village Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93103. RODGERS, RICK, 6639<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Edloe, Houston, TX 77005. WATTS, MALCOLM D., 'GOOD INTENT", 18 Linden Way, Wetherby, Yorkshire, England. WRIGHT, DONALD A., 29 Valley Woods Road, Suite 157, Don Mills 401, Ontario Canada. HALE, FRANK R., Add Apt. 301 to address. (St. Petersburg, FL).

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#### PERSONAL MENTION----

A card from WERNER FRAMKE gave us a nice FRESH CREEK, ANDROS TRD and informed us that Werner was spending early May in the Bahamas. He also reported a good session with the Bahamas Bum in Miami on his way down.

BILL CORNELL writes to tell us how much he appreciates the Index to the Journal which has been assembled by JIM HALE. We also find it a great help and add our gratitude to Jim for supplying the copy for the Index at the end of each year.

After a long tour in Viet Nam, BILL BUCHANAN is back in the USA. Dyess Air Force Base, where he is now stationed, is at Abilene, Texas, so, Bill is practically our neighbor. Abilene is a mere 450 miles from Albuquerque, and out here in the wide open spaces that's a hop, skip and a jump!

FLORENCE OLSEN had the misfortune to spend four weeks in the hospital after a fall. Her injuries included a broken arm. We send our best wishes and hope that her recovery has been rapid and complete.

Undaunted by the illness which brought his South Pacific trip to a sudden halt in Hawaii last year, ERIC HEYER is off and away again. With his doctor's blessing, he and LULU flew to Portugal by way of Jamaica and Puerto Rico. They plan to continue on to various parts of Southern Europe by car, stopping when and where the mood strikes them.

DAN WARREN took awards at MEMPHEX '70 and HOUPEX '70 with German covers of the 1930's.

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CHUCK CWIAKALA says that Chicago is not about to be outdone by Houston and Miami. At COMPEX '70, he and the following BCPSG members held informal sessions: ELAINE STRAUSS, DICK HIGGINS, TOM GIRALDI, PAUL LARSEN, ED WEINBERG, HENRY SPELMAN III & KEN RICE. Ed reports ELAINE DURNIN at the Show, but only he contacted her.

At the invitation of DICK HAMILTON, it was off to Darien, Connecticut for MARK SWETLAND on June 3rd to present a talk to the club there. At SOJEX in Atlantic City, Mark won a silver award with "Cincinnati Postal History".

KEN WATSON, BILL MATTHEWS, TOM FOSTER, JOE CHIN ALEONG, DR. DAG BEARDWOOD, HAROLD GOSNEY, BRUCE WALKER, MIKE SHEPPARD, MALCOLM WATTS and JOHN M. BAILEY all plan to be at PHILYMPIA. RALPH GROUP 'hopes' to make it, while, sad to say, HARRY SHEATH will be in London but his return flight leaves on the opening day of PHILYMPIA!

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DR. GUS McVICKER mailed us greetings from Montserrat while visiting there. We hope he will follow through with a trip report after he gets back home.

The Trinidad Philatelic Society officers for the current year include: President, JOE CHIN ALEONG; Vice President, BILL MATTHEWS; Secretary & Editor, HAROLD BOX.

#### AND AS WE GO TO PRESS:

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A Registered Letter envelope superseding the British Guiana one has been released by GUYANA. Its format is generally that of the item it replaces except that the flap has been modified with the impressed stamp now at the upper right corner of the envelope, and, of course the country name has been changed on the stamp and in the inscription on the front. The fee to obtain acknowledgement is given in the text on the reverse side as Fifteen Cents compared to Twelve Cents on the British Guiana envelope. The paper is a lighter shade-almost white when compared with its predecessor. The only example we have seen was used at Soesdyke P.O., 2 MY 70.

AIR JAMAICA began service to Chicago via Nassau on 1 JUNE 1970, and according to Ronnie Wong, only 50 First Flight Covers were carried. He should know, as he gave the P.O. a hand by doing the postmarking! The FIRST FLIGHT/AIR JAMAICA TRD that was used when Miami and New York service was initiated again saw service, but with the date changed to -1 JUN 1970. The covers are backstamped CHICAGO, ILL./AMF O'HARE JUN/1/P.M./1970.

From TONY SHEPHERD comes word that at the Yorkshire Philatelic Convention held in Leeds, FRED STEPHENS was voted President elect. Tony says that he will be going to Austria in July and asks that anyone who would like stamps, etc. from there let him know.

FILE/YOUR INCOME TAX RETURN/AND PAY THE BALANCE DUE/BEFORE APRIL 30 advises the Trinidad & Tobago Government on a slogan postmark. Noted from Port of Spain with Warren Type C CDS to left 10 APR 1970 by Tom Giraldi and from San Fernando with CDS to left 7 MAR 1970 by Ben Ramkissoon. Ben also reports another slogan from Port

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of Spain CENSUS DAY/IS APRIL 7TH/EVERYONE COUNTS, used 1 APR 1970 with Warren CDS C to left. From San Fernando the boxed 16A type slogan SAVE PRECIOUS WATER is noted used on 23 MAY 1970 with CDS to left.

The "NATIONAL LOTTERY" slogan described in the April Journal was in use at Port of Spain 23 MAY 1970 with CDS C to left.

Tom Giraldi reports BARBADOS/IN THE 8TH CONTINENT/OF THE WORLD, boxed, used with the BARBADOS/G.P.O. CDS, 22 MAY 1970.

O.K. Eden wishes that someone would give him an up-to-date list of EXCHANGE RATES FOR CARIBBEAN CURRENCIES. We just happen to have one handy, so here 'tis:

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We haven't attempted to equate these with Canadian currency because we have learned that Canada recently freed its dollar and a rise in its value can be expected.

On page 229 of the December Journal there was a comment by Stetson Risdon regarding late arrival of the Antigua '69 Christmas issue. Bill Cornell has looked into this and finds that the stamps arrived on time but the "Official" covers sent to Antigua by the Crown Agents arrived a day or two late and had to be back-dated. This was probably the basis of the TV report noted by Stetson.

A new \$1 coin has been put in circulation in Trinidad & Tobago. It is a bit larger and heavier than the existing 50¢ piece, and is made of 99.9 per cent nickel. One side bears the Trinidad & Tobago Coat of Arms, while the other side has the figure 1 Dollar against an inscription "Food for All" with a cocoa branch bearing leaves and pods in the background.

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