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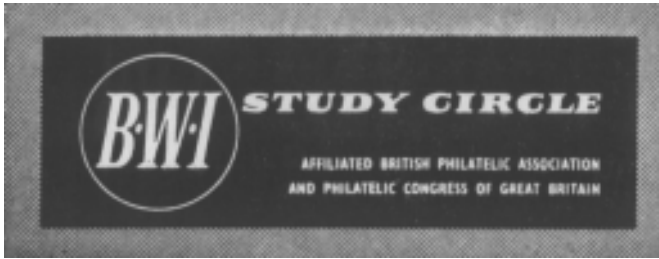
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2. TO issue a quarterly BULLETIN containing articles, items of interest and other features (including 'Opinions' Service and a 'Wants' Section) which it is hoped will widen the knowledge of members.

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3. TO operate a SALES CIRCUIT to enable members to dispose of their surplus material.

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AUTUMN MEETING

This was held at 41 Devonshire Place, London, W.1. on Saturday, October 22nd, 1960, at 2.30 p.m. Twenty-two members attended with Commander G. Bridgmore Brown in the chair.

The Hon. Secretary read a letter from the President, Mr. G. W. Collett regretting his inability to attend through illness. The Hon. Secretary was requested to send Mr. Collett the members' sincere wishes for his speedy recovery.

The Hon. Secretary reminded those present that the 7th Anniversary Meeting of the Circle would be held at 41 Devonshire Place, W.1. on Saturday, March 25th, 1961, with the informal dinner following at Lord's Tavern, St. John's Wood. Although the last day of "Stampex" was on the same date he earnestly hoped that this would not prevent a good number attending. Sir Edward Beetham, former Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Trinidad and Tobago for five years, and Major K. M. Beaumont, Past President of the Royal Philatelic Society London, had accepted invitations to be the Circle's guests at dinner.

Mr. Saunders also referred to the question ventilated at the Spring meeting of holding a Convention in Bedford in addition to the gathering proposed to be held in the North of England. Despite the fact that the idea had been publicised in the Bulletin no replies had been received from members. The question of holding Conventions in Bedford and the North of England was discussed at length and it was generally thought that plans were too premature to turn the idea down and that in order to give northern members a chance to attend such a Convention the invitation made by Mr. Fred Myers to organise one in Harrogate should definitely be accepted. The dates, 21 - 23 April, 1961, were agreed. Mr. Myers outlined an attractive programme for the 3 days and he was asked to go ahead with plans.

The chairman suggested that full details should appear in the January, 1961 Bulletin and the Editor might also arrange for a "booking-in" slip to be inserted in the same issue for the use of members.

It was essential that it should be known as early as possible how many were likely to attend as hotel bookings had to be made well in advance. It was unanimously agreed that the Circle's Anniversary and Autumn meetings should continue to be annual events, and that Bedford would seem a good venue for a Convention in 1962.

The Hon. Secretary intimated that the Wallington Philatelic Society had invited the Circle to give a display on January 17th, 1961, and volunteers were

asked for. The following agreed to visit this Society and take material: Comdr. G. Bridgmore Brown and Messrs. A. E. Beach, B. B. Benwell and P. W. Hosking.

The Hon. Secretary spoke of the great difficulty the Editor was having in obtaining material for publication in the Bulletin and earnestly asked members to do all they could to support him in his work. He also reminded those present that the annual subscription to the Circle would be increased to £1 as and from February 1st, 1961. He had sent out over 90 fresh Bankers' Order forms to those who already paid their subscriptions in this way.

Mr. W. H. H. Crow, Hon. Secretary Sales Circuit reported on the Packet position. He said he had little to add to his last report but renewed his request for much more material, as at present, due to lack of this very few packets could be circulated. Cardboard boxes were now used and these he hoped would minimize complaints by members as regards the transport of the packets.

The Chairman in referring to the Hon. Secretary's comment on the difficulty in maintaining contributions to the Bulletin asked all members to bear in mind that whenever they had a new problem it would be useful if they sent it in to the Editor as in many cases replies would be forthcoming and these would be of interest not only to those who posed the problem but to many with similar collecting interests. Obtuse problems might be left to the Research Leaders. Mr. Saunders wondered if excerpts from the Circle's Papers might be included preparatory to publication as evidence of the work which the Circle was doing, and suggested this would in no way impair the sales of any works produced by the Circle.

Mr. B. B. Benwell, Editor, said he was appreciative of Mr. Saunders' interest but since this meeting began he had received several concrete promises of articles including one on Bermuda by the Chairman. He suggested that the Research Leaders could assist by contributing a few lines for the Bulletin from their compilations.

The chairman gave a progress report on the work of the Publications Subcommittee. Work on the next "Paper," "The Postal Markings of Barbados," was in its semi-final draft stage. This had been circulated to a great many Barbados specialists in this country and in the United States and it was hoped to publish the Paper early in the New Year. So far as could be estimated at present it was planned to publish Paper No. 2 at 12/6 a copy and it was proposed to make it available to members of the Study Circle at 8/6d providing they placed a firm order before publication and it was further proposed that a leaflet should be circulated with the January issue of the Bulletin inviting members to place a firm order for the work Commander Bridgmore Brown stated he felt the Circle could reasonably expect to dispose of a fair number of

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copies to members because Barbados was one of the most popular of the B.W.I. group and he was quite sure a substantial number could be sold to dealers. The Paper would include a full Bibliography.

This concluded the business of the meeting and the following showed items of interest, as follows:-

Raymond H. Austin: BAHAMAS: A pre-adhesive missionary cover dated 1855, Nassau to London. The crowned circle "PAID AT BAHAMAS" in red on registered cover, Dec. 16, 1864. 1864, CC, perf. 12½, 4d. bright rose on cover to St. Thomas (an "Unclaimed" letter). A selection of shades of the 4d. S.G.26/28, including multiples. 1d. CA, perf. 14, strip of 3 on cover used to Germany, sent via Havana. Not often seen was a group of fiscal cancellations, viz. "E.R.P." (E.R. Pashley, Comptroller of Customs at Nassau,) "J.H.P." (J. H. Peak, Comptroller of Customs and Postmaster at Nassau).

Arthur E. Beach: TOBAGO: The ½ PENNY on 6d. orange-brown showing wide spacing variety on the 3rd stamp of the sheet, dated AU 5 87: this is two years earlier than the accepted date of the issue (Oct. 1889). The query being was this an error of postmark? If not then the surcharge was probably printed before the 1 PENNY on 2½d. blue (issued July, 1889). A block or horizontal strip from the left hand side of the sheet would probably prove this. The ½ PENNY on 6d. stone, 2nd Setting characteristics, a mint block of 24 showing head plate varieties - broken second "O" in TOBAGO (No. 27 on sheet) and "G" of POSTAGE joined to circle (No. 45 on sheet), also the inverted surcharge, unused. The ½ PENNY on 2½d. with the same 2nd Setting as the 6d. stone, only known on the dull blue (shades) and ultramarine, not on the bright blue. Also shown were the different types of the codes A, B, C on the circular date stamps of Tobago.

A. J. Branston: BAHAMAS: Q.V., 4d. on cover, with New York Steamship marking.

Commdr. G. Bridgmore Brown: BERMUDA: K.G.VI, 2/6 on cover to Colombo with large "O.A.T" in oval, in red. He wondered if this was for Official Air Transport (or Transmission). This query was answered by Dr. B. de Burca who stated that the letters represented Onward Air Transmission. March, 1875, One Penny surcharged provisionals, mint and used with what the exhibitor considered might be a new type of forged surcharge. (The scribe of this report suggests that this is a very suitable note for Commander Bridgmore Brown to write up with an illustration, for the Bulletin!)

J. J. Challis: BRITISH GUIANA: 1853/60, 4c. blue, an unused pair, the query being if it was unused.

MONTserrat: The Q.V.4d. S.G.12 in pink instead of mauve? If a colour changing or a proof.

L. R. Coasby: BAHAMAS: a selection of covers including a Landfall issue 2d. with ROCK SOUND cancel; Ship Mails of Free Port. "Unclaimed" on letter to Tarpum Bay with K.G.V. War Tax ½d. "SPECIAL DELIVERY" overprint on 5d. red and orange on cover with Canada 2c.

P. W. Hosking: ST. LUCIA: a fine study of the obliterations commenced with the "All" postmark of Castries, followed by circular date stamps with code letters placed immediately below the word "ST. LUCIA" and above the date, used for the post offices at Castries and the district post offices set up at Soufriere, Vieux Fort, Dennery, Laborie and Micoud, etc.

C. E. Roland Jones: BERMUDA: printing varieties including the so-called double strike on the 300th Anniversary issue 3d. discovered by Mr. J. Turner of West Point, Bermuda. This phenomenon was caused by paper stretch resulting in a second impression of a large part of the design. BRITISH GUIANA: 1889, strip of 4, "2" in red on 2c. tied to cover by Trinidad arrival cancellation. TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS: paper varieties of the 1950 and 1955 issues.

K.J.Robertson: JAMAICA: an interesting series of Postal Fiscals including Jan. 1858 issue with "SPECIMEN" (20 x 2p,m) in a single and a block of 4 (18 x 2½ mm); also "Specimen" in ms., and blocks of 8 each of the 5/- and 10/- "SPECIMEN."

P. T. Saunders: CAYMAN ISLANDS: K. E.VII the "ID" on 4d. unused and used. This stamp was accorded catalogue status in 1909 (S.G.31) and renumbered S.G.33 in 1911. Since it was only issued for fiscal purposes it was removed from the catalogue in 1929. The used example shown was either cancelled by favour or through an oversight. In all, 396 stamps were surcharged - some on May 12th, 1908, and the balance on May 14th. It is of interest to note that the reason for the issue of this stamp was to satisfy an application of an American resident who 'speculatively demanded' a sheet of 1d. value for receipt purposes. Since no stamps of this value were available the Commissioner directed that a small provisional issue be made by surcharging the 4d. value, his explicit instructions being that they were to be issued as fiscals and used for that purpose only and not for postage. The Rural Posts cancellation of EAST END on cover (K.G.V. ½d. and pair of ¼d.) The 5th GEORGETOWN cancellation (1909-1927) on cover with earliest recorded date MR 2 09, with " RETURNED FOR POSTAL ADDRESS" marking.

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Michael Steward: BERMUDA: K.G.VI High values mint, a fine study of the shades with the various printings analysed. CAYMAN ISLANDS: 1938/48 printings. JAMAICA: K.G.VI, £1 deep brown and violet; re-entry on No. 1/5 in which the right-hand vertical frame lines in the S.E. corner are doubled, and also the tobacco leaf shading lines and the words "CIGAR MAKING" in the same corner. K.G.VI, 1/- Sugar Industry, the variety showing vertical line cutting smoke to left of the taller chimney, with part of a parallel line between the two chimneys, stamp 51 (1st in 11th row): this flaw occurred on early printings with the blue-green centre and was later corrected, VIRGIN ISLANDS: K.G.VI, l.c., mint block of 21 showing re-entry on No. 5/5 where all the lines in the lower half of the design are doubled.

E. Victor Toeg: LEEWARD ISLANDS: an almost complete collection of the Village postmarks including JOHNSONS POINT, LIBERIA, OLD ROAD, PARHAM ST. MARY'S, ST. PAUL'S. ST. PETER'S, ST. PHILIP'S and SEATONS, etc.

An interval was taken for tea and after the conclusion of the displays the chairman expressed appreciation to all those who had contributed material of such varied interest, and to those who had participated in the discussions.

Rose Titford.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY MEETING

This will be held at the usual venue - 41, Devonshire Place, London, W.1. - on **Saturday, March 25th, at 2.30 p.m.** It will be followed by our customary Dinner (**dress informal**) at Lords Tavern, St. John's Wood Road, London, N.W.8. (7 for 7.30 p.m.). The principal guests will be Sir Edward Beetham, K.C.M.G., C.V.O., O.B.E. (Governor and Commander-in-Chief TRINIDAD 1955-60) and Major K. M. Beaumont, C.B.E., D.S.O. (Past President, The Royal Philatelic Society, London). The charge will be 10/- per head excluding wine but inclusive of gratuities. In order that the necessary arrangements can be made in good time those wishing to attend should complete the form accompanying this bulletin and send it together with the appropriate remittance to reach the Hon. Secretary **not later than March 18th.**

ANNUAL CONVENTION

It will have been noted in the report of our Autumn meeting held in October 1960, included in this issue, that it was agreed to inaugurate an Annual Convention and that the first one should be held in the North. The city of Leeds has been chosen as a suitable centre and accommodation has been provisionally reserved at the Guildford Hotel, situated in The Headrow, from Friday April 21st to Sunday April 23rd 1961. This comprises a meeting room and a number of single and double bedrooms. The charge for bed and breakfast ranges from 25/- per head.

PROGRAMME

Friday April 21st.	Evening Welcome and Informal Displays by all members
Saturday ,, 22nd	Morning Coach Tour to Castle Museum, York. Afternoon Displays by members of Northern Section. Evening Dinner & Social Evening
Sunday ,, 23rd	Morning Display by Ronald Ward

In order that the necessary arrangements can be completed in good time, it will be appreciated if those members who wish to attend will complete and return the accompanying form to **Mr. F. Myers, 20 Armley Grange View, Leeds 12** to reach him not later than 31st January next.

RESEARCH LEADERS

The following members have kindly offered their services as Research Leaders (for full list see Bulletins Nos. 23 p. 71 and 27 p. 59)

*W.A. Townsend British Guiana (Adhesives and Postal History)

G. J. Raymond Virgin Islands

*In collaboration with P. W. Hosking who is dealing with Cancellations of British Guiana.

NOTES AND QUERIES

BAHAMAS

I am doing some work on the Duty Plates used by Messrs. De La Rue to print certain Bahamas stamps, and I would like some information from other members of the Circle. The Duty Plates used consisted of sixty multiples of

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the value only, and because of this, were very liable to damage during storing and printing.

According to the De La Rue Records, the 1d, 4d, 6d, 5/- and £1 plates were completed and invoiced by the 12th May, 1884, and the 2½d plate by the 10th January, 1888. The 1/- value in this design did not appear until 1902, followed by the ½d value in 1906. A number of constant flaws in these plates are already known, and sufficient evidence exists to prove that the 6d plate was in use from 1884 up until about 1918-19. Would members please let me have details of any constant flaws, i.e. broken or malformed letters, etc. with position on the sheet, if known, in any of these issues from 1884-1919.

In March, 1918, Messrs. De La Rue took a number of new die proofs, and laid down new plates for the ½d, 1d, 2½d, 6d and 1/- values, along with one new value, the 2d. I have never seen, or recorded a die proof of the 4d value taken at this time, but unless the old 4d plate was in very good condition, it seems likely that it would also be replaced along with the others. I have no proof of this at present, however. In my opinion, these plates, with the further addition of two extra new values 1½d and 3d, in 1931 and 1937, respectively, were used to print not only the K.G.V. issues of 1921-29, but also the early K.G.VI issues. I have insufficient evidence, at present, to prove this for all values, and, again, details of flaws on these issues would be of great help.

So far as the K.G.VI issues are concerned, a great deal of information is available here, due to the efforts, mainly of H. Moreton Black, and these flaws fall into two groups, those found on the early printings, and those which appeared later. All the later flaws are from completely different plates and it seems fairly reasonable to assume that the 1918 plates were damaged or destroyed during the 'Blitz' and that these new plates were laid down about that time to replace them. However, a considerable amount of work remains to be done on these plates before definite answers can be given to most of these theories, and I will be grateful for any help and information.

S. Graham Hoey.

BRITISH HONDURAS

An American friend, Wm. M. McFarlan, sent covers in mid-1960 to the Br. Honduras Sub-P.O's & district P.O's, and in most cases found them utilizing double circle steel-die datestamps. However, one cover returned with the stamps cancelled across by pen with mss. "GUINEA GRASS", with date written below. Learning of this, I too sent covers to that P.O. The covers are just back (one registered) with the same pen-cancellation, dated Sep. 28, 1960,

BRITISH WEST INDIES STUDY CIRCLE

LIST OF MEMBERS 1961

KEY. - Names of colonies are given in a three-letter code, consisting in most cases of the first three letters of the name. "All" means all the colonies within the Circle's field of study. Meaning of symbols:-

C Cancellations and postal markings; D deals in material specified; M Mint only; PH Postal history or pre-adhesive material; PS Postal stationery; U Used only; x Except. * Specialised collection, i.e., a collection including Postal history, Proofs, Specimens, Cancellations, Postal stationery, etc., unless otherwise indicated. The absence of this sign indicates a 'straight' collection of adhesives and catalogued varieties, † Overseas Member.

EXAMPLES.- "ANT, BAR & C" in col. 2 with "CAY" in col. 3 means the Member has straight collections of ANTIGUA and BARBADOS with the Cancellations of these colonies; as a secondary interest he also collects CAYMANS. "CAY: KGVI, M" would mean that his CAYMANS are limited to stamps of King George VI and only Mint.

"StL*, StV*, xPS" followed by "C of All xBrG, xBrH" means the Member has specialised collections (as defined above) of St. LUCIA and St. VINCENT but excluding Postal stationery; he also collects Cancellations of all colonies within the Circle's field except Br. Guiana and Br. Honduras.

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
Adams, D. P.	BrG, TRI from 1937 & C	All from 1937 & C
Agabeg, R. C. T.	StL*, StV* to 1902.	
Aguilar, E. F.	D all.	
Alterskye, C. G.	MON*, D all.	BAR* BER* JAM* DOM* GRE* StK. StL. TRI
Austin, R. H.	BAH*.	BAR, BER, GRE, JAM,
† Ayre, J. F.		
Baker, A. H.		
Baresch, L.		
Barnard, C.R.		
Bartlett, C. D.	BER* xPH.	
† Bartlett, Edmund	All & C.	
† Bate, H. K.		
† Bavley, Colin H.	BAR*.	All xBrH.
† Bayley, Herbert	BAR*.	
Baynes, Eric	Most & C.	
Beach, A. E.	TOB*.	ANT, BAR, BrG, DOM, LEE, StK, StL, TRI to 1902
Benwell, B. B.	BAR*.	
Bessemer, H. D.	StV* xPS.	ANT, DOM, LEE, MON, NEV, StC, StK, StL, VIR.
Bishop, C. W.	JAM*.	
Black, H. Moreton	BAH*.	BAR from 1892.
Blackburn, R. H.	JAM*.	
Blease, H. F. H.	BAH*.	
Boardman, J. H.	CAY, JAM, TUR.	
Bodily, R.	D all.	
† Bowman, G. W.	ANT*, StV* xPH.	
† Box, H. E.		
Branston, A. J.		

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
†Brassler, Norman	All* xPH xPS, on cover	
Britnor, L.E.	BAR* xPS	PH&C od All xBRG, xBrH
Broad, E	StV* to 1901 xPH, xPS	All to 1936
Brown, G Bridgemore	BER*	All. C of BAR, StV
Brown, Dr. H. Vivian	DOM*	C of GRE, C & PS of ANT, StK StL
Bruce, Dr. H.B.	JAM*	
Brundrett, Sir F.	BAH, BAR, StV, TRI	
Butler, G.R.	TUR*	
Butler, W	LEE	
Butt, D.G.	BER*, xPH	C of BAR, JAM, TRI
Calnan, N.	All & C	
†Cameron, Byron R.	JAM*	CAY, TUR
Capes, Leslie G.	BAR & C	All: M
Cartwright, D.G.	All KG.VI, QEII, xBrG, JAM, Esp. PH	
Challis, J.J.	TUR*	
Chorlton, J.D.	CAY*, JAM*	
Churchill, Jordan C.		
Coassby, L.R.	BAH*	All xBER, xBrG,x, BrH,
Collett, G.W.	JAM*	All.
Colvin, J.H.	LEE & C	
Courtney, L.A	JAM*	PH & C of all.
Craig, H.S.	BAR: QV & QEII	All: QV & QEII
†Creed, E.G.	StV*	BAR, BER
Crow, W.H.H	JAM*	C of all
†Daggett, H.M. Jr.	Censored covers and reply coupons of all.	
Davis, F.L.	LEE*, xPH	
De Burca, Dr. B.	StL*	& VIR:U, C of ANT, BAR, BrG, JAM
†Devaux, Robert J.	StL* xPH, xC	
Dickson, Ian W.D.	StL, StV & C	
Donne, C.E.	VIR* xPS	
†Dorn, P.A.		
†Durmin, Stanley C.	LEE* C	
Edmunds, G.A.		
Elliott, A.T.	JAM* from 1912	
†Eelson, J.D.Jr.	TRI after 1913	
†Ericson, Edwin M.	JAM*	
Farr, E.D.	BAH, BAR, GRE, TRI	
Fielding, J.D.	ANT, JAM	
Fitz-Gerald, F.D.	All, xBrG, xBrH, xStC, xTRI	
Fordham, F.R.	BAR*	ANT, BAH, BER, CAY, JAM, TRI, TUR
Forshaw, E Shields	BrG xPS	All xTOB, xTUR, xVIR
Foster, Thomas	JAM*	All.
Frazer, W.	VIR* D all.	
†Frederick, J.L.	VIR* to 1900	
†Freeman, F.G.	JAM* xPS	
Frost, T.W.	TRI* from 1913	
Garrard, Dr. N.	BAH*	All xBrG, x StV
†Gaston, H.J.	JAM*	
Gibson, A	WIN IS.* JAM*	
Giffin, W.L.	All.	
Gilbert, J.H.O.	D (Auct.) all.	
Gliddon, M.N.	CAY	
Green, Mrs. A.	BER from 1937 & C.	JAM from 1937 & C.
Griffith, Mrs. M.A.	BAR*	
Grimwood, J.	All to 1952 & C	
†Griswold, Dr. Auther S.	BAR* BER*	
†Group, Ralph E.	BrG, BrH C	
Groves, G.W	ANT*, StV*	BAR, DOM, GRE, LEE, MON, StC, StK, StL
Hall, A, Ronald		
Halls, A.	All KG.VI	
Hamilton, T.G.	ANT, BAH, BER, JAM	
†Harris, Dr. Forrest D.	BAR*	
Harris, Col. O.M.	BAH, BAR, BER, JAM to 1952 & PH & C	
Harrison, C.W.	BAH, BER, BrG, JAM, TRI	
Heap, J.I. BrG* xPH		
Heathcote, Dr. H.J.	StV* xPS	
Herbert, J. A. C.	CAY*	
Hershman, A. A.	JAM, T.r.d.*	
Hershman, R. E.	BAR*	

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
Heseltine, V.	BER, LEE, StL. TUR.	
W. Hine, J. F.	All C.	
Hoey, S. Graham	BAH*	
Holmes, J. A.	BAH. BAR. St.V.	All & C.
Hosking, P. W.	BrG* xPS.	
Howe, F. G.	PH. C & PS of BrG.	
Huggins W.		
† Hunt, E. H.		
Irving, W.	All.	
† Jaffe, Peter	StV*.	GRE to 1901. PH of LEE StL. C of BAR, BrG, BrH, DOM, GRE
Jenman, S. V.	BER* xPS	
† Johnson, A. N.	JAM*.	CAY, TUR.
Johnson, Bryan E.	GRE*.	
† Johnstone, Gene N.	Modern C of all.	
Jones, C. E. R.	BER.	
Jones, Mrs. M. E.	StL.	
† Kantor, M.	1918 War Issues BAR	
Keast, G. F.	BAR	
Kimball, L.		
Kimber, H.E.	St.L, St.V.	
† Kitchen, Dr. Paul F	CAY from 1937.	
† Larkin, R. H.	GRE & C	
† Law, J.		
Lee, R. A. G.	CAY*.	
Leverton, A. B.	BAH. BAR. Br G, St.V,	
Lickfold, E. K.	VIR BAR* St.V	
Lisle, F. B.	BAR, BER, BrG, TRI & C.	
Loach, J. C.	TRI* xPS.	BAR, ORE, StV.
† Lockie, Dr. J. M.	CAY & C	LEE, StL & C. StK, TUR from 1900. Others from 1912.
Lowe, Robson	BAH: Chalon Heads	
† Ludington, M. H.	BER*.	PH & C of BAH. TUR & PH.
Lyons, Mrs. S.	TRI.	BAR, JAM.
Macmillan, H. B.	JAM* xPS.	
† Malin, L. R.	BER, Br:G, JAM, TUR	All.
Manners, G. S	D all.	
Manning, K. J. A. O.	ANT*, DOM*, MON*, StK*, VIR* xPS to 1935.	All to 1936 xJ M, xStV.
Marriott, John B.	TRI* to 1910.	
Marshall, L. M. W.	ANT* xPS.	GRE*, LEE*, StV* xPS. BER.
† Mertens, R. A.	D all.	
Messenger, J. L.	GRE*, StV*.	All.
Metcalfe, R. W.	JAM & C & PS.	All.
† Meyerson, Daniel C.	1 EE. C.	
† Mitchell, Hooton	BAR*, TRI* xPS.	All xStL, xTUR.
Mitchell, Dr. T. J.	BER	
Montford, I. C.		
Murray, Col. A.	PH, C, etc., of all.	
Myers, F.	BAR, CAY, St. V	
Nabarro, F. J. N.	DOM* to 1935.	
Neale, H. A.	KG.V only.	
† News-Smith, R.	All M & U	
Norris, Col. F. S. J.	BER*	
† O'Connor, Harvey	JAM*.	All.
Osborn, G. A.	BER to 1901.	GRE* to 1901.
Parker, C. Angus	D all, speciallv PH. C,	PS, Covers, Proofs, Specimens, etc.
Partridge, R. F.	GRE & C.	
† Paton, C. D.	LEE*	
Paton, I. M.	LEE from 1937.	All from 1937.
Patrick, C.	JAM*, CAY	
Payne, C. W.	CAY*.	C of JAM, TRI.
† Pierce, A. D.	StV* xPS.	BER, CAY, GRE.
Pilkington, G. L.	GRE * to 1890	StC. C of LEE.
† Pilkington, G. M.	GRE*.	
Pratt, R.G.	St. V	
Pritchett, G. C.	All xBrG, xBrH	
Proud, E. B.	D all	
Pullar, G. L.	StL: M.	ANT, BAR, MON; M

NAME	MAIN INTEREST	Other Interests
Pywell, J. G.	ANT, BAR, StV: & C * PS	
†Raymond, G. J.	C & Covers of BAH.	C & Covers of all, xBG xTRI.
Richards, J. A.	CAY.	
Riddell, Dr. J. D.	BAH*	
†Ritchie, G. W. S.	BER* from 1953.	BAH, BrG, BrH, CAY, DOM, JAM, LEE, StL, StV. TUR from 1953.
Roberts, T.V.	ANT, DOM, GRE, StK, StL, TRI & TOB	
Robertson, K.J.	JAM	
Rowney, G.F.	GRE*, MON*	
Samuel, Marcus	Spec. & Rev. stps of all.	
Saunders, P.T.	CAY*	
†Seifert, Lt-Col. F.F.	JAM*	All & C & PS
Shepherd, Mrs. H.R.		
Shilstone, H.M.Jr.	BAR*	All.
†Simpkins, B.G.	CAY*	
Skrine, W.H.	PH	
Smith, C. Hardeman	ANT, GRE, MON, StL, StV	
Smith, Lt-Col. G. Saville	JAM	
Somerwell, H.A.	JAM	
Southwood, S.W.	BrG, TRI to 1920	
Soutter, A	JAM	
Spencer, Eric	BAR*	
Stapley, R.F.	BAR*	
Stephens, F	All.	
†Sternfels, M.M.	BAH & C	BAR, BER, JAM, & C
Stevenson, Thos.	All to 1901 & C & PH	
Steward, M	LEE from 1912 & C & PS	All from 1937 & C
†Stitt, W.B.	BAH*, BER*, CAY*, JAM*	All.
Stokes, E.W.	CAY, GRE	
Sullivan, D.G.	BAH, BAR	
Surtees, V.N.F.	JAM*	
Sutton, Col. T.	CAY	
Swarbrick, R.V.	JAM*	All xBrG, xBrH
Tansley, K	All: K.E.VII U	
Taylor Mrs. M.W.	GRE* to 1935	C of BrG
Taylor, Mrs. P.K		
Terry, Glen F.	C	
Terry, W.	CAY	
†Thetford, Dr. N.D.	StK, LEE, VIR	
Thompson, F.H.	JAM*	BER, BrH
Thompson, J.W.	BAH: KG.VI & C	BAR, BER
Titford, Rose	StC*	
Todd, J.D.	DOM*	TUR
Toeg*	LEE	
†Tongue, Major W.F.	All from 1937 & C & PS	
†Topax, R	JAM*	
Towers, Dr. R.P.	GRE*	
Townsend, W.A.	BrG*	ANT, BAH, BAR, BER, GRE, StL, StV
Tremaine, Miss M.F.	BER*, xPH	
Trenerry, Walter N.	GRE*	
Tucker, H.J. Jr.	BER*	BrH*, GRE, StV
Tummey, A.J.	StL	
Turner, J.J	StV* to 1900	
Urwick, Dr. R.H.	StC*, TOB*, xPS to 1900	ANT, BAH, BAR, BER, DOM, GRE, MON, StL, StV, VIR to 1900
Vann, W.C.	BAR & PH & C & PS	
Voller, L.P.	JAM*	
Ward, R	BrG from 1953	C of all.
Watson, W.K.	JAM*	NEV, StC, StK
Webb, E.L.	All.	
Wells, R.W.	GRE*	DOM, StL, StV
Wheeler, L.S.	BAR	
Whilde, P.M.	BrG	
Zell, L.E.Jr.	TUR* from 1901	All from 1953

and a 29 Sp 60 Orange Walk datestamp alongside on face of the covers. The reason is not known for this emergency-type cancel, but apparently the measure is justifiable, as the covers passed through Belize without official remark or further cancellings. Also seen is a neat small single-circle steel-die datestamp, "star" over date, inscribed STANLEY FIELD AIRPORT/BELIZE B.H. date in 2 lines (30 JU/60).

G. J. Raymond.

JAMAICA

"Tailpipe Variety"

With reference to Mr. Johnson's note on page 50 of Bulletin No. 26, I have S.G.128 with the 'tailpipe' variety. It is the lower left stamp in a left margin of four. I also have a lower left corner block which does not show this variety so that the variety does not occur in the last two rows, nor in the first and probably not in the second row. I do not know the plate number of my example.

Martin M. Sternfels.

Further to the note on "Unrecorded Variety" (Bulletin No. 27 p. 56.) The position published is not the only one. I have a vertical strip of three with the variety on the top stamp. Position unknown.

L. P. Voiler.

Express Delivery. Mr. Gaston in his "Jamaica Study Group," Bulletin No. 3, offers two explanations to Dr. J. M. Lockie's query: 1. That the label was put on at the P.O. of origin and suggests the "Expres" is a local mis-spelling of "Express"; and 2. if the letter does not carry extra postage, then it's anybody's guess. He also states that the Canadians use these labels and that they also visit Jamaica in large numbers!

Editor.

On some Jamaican registered letters, there appears an oblong containing the letters A.R. I assume these are for use when a return receipt is desired. What do the letters stand for and when did this system go into use in Jamaica.

Robert Topaz.

LEEWARD ISLANDS

By Air Mail from the Leeward Islands :

I would like to refer to Mr. C. D. Paton's comments under "Antigua" in Bulletin No. 23, Mr. G. W. Bowman's remarks under a similar heading in

LEEWARD ISLANDS (contd)

Bulletin No. 24 and Dr. B. de Burca's notes in Bulletin No. 25 under the heading "By Airmail from B.W.I." Regarding the Lindbergh flight several collectors have now mentioned the postages on covers in their collections and it is quite clear that 9d, 1/0½d and 1/4½d postages and possibly others were used. In the note in Bulletin No.21, I stated that as the particular postage on the cover I was writing about amounted to 1/4½d the writer of the letter obviously intended the cover to go by airmail. I did not then know, nor do I know now for certain, the airmail rate to the United Kingdom, in 1929, but I think it was most likely 1/3d (1/3d airmail rate plus 1½d letter rate for the first ounce or fraction thereof making up the postage of 1/4½d on the cover mentioned in Bulletin No. 21).

Mr. C. D. Paton refers to his Lindbergh covers, and I note that two of these covers addressed to San Juan, Porto Rico, bear 9d postage only. I have a cover from Antigua postmarked 26th September, 1929, addressed to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands with a similar amount of postage.

It occurs to me that possibly airmail letters destined for the Caribbean area might have required only 9d postage i.e. 8d airmail rate plus 1d letter rate, as distinct from 1/4½d for the United Kingdom. I think this is unlikely, but can anyone corroborate this or show that it cannot be so ?

I have come to the conclusion that on the evidence at present available Dr. B. de Burca is right when he says that the Lindbergh flight was full of philatelic material and that it seems a waste of time trying to draw conclusions from it, but it must be borne in mind that the rate of 1/4½d is to be found in the Lindbergh flight.

With regard to Airmail rates which came into existence after 1929, information concerning the same appears to be somewhat scanty and I thoroughly endorse the plea by Mr. G. W. Bowman for data being made available by anyone who may be able to help. From the material in my collection I am able to give the following information and I have also formed some conclusions:-

The special flight on the 20th August, 1931, of the Dornier DO-X with Pan-American Airways cooperating as special agents appears likely to be in the philatelic category and thus to be in a similar position to that of many of the covers in the Lindbergh flight. I have a cover stamped 1/0½d from St. Johns, Antigua to the United Kingdom via Miami and another cover with 8d postage sent from St. Johns, Antigua, to St. Thomas in the American Virgin Islands, and neither cover seems to be correctly stamped - both covers have a Dornier DO-X cachet. The only covers I have seen or heard of so far in respect of this

flight are those emanating from St. Johns, Antigua. Can anyone indicate the route of this flight and at what places stops were made?

Between 1930 and 1939 (and possibly later) the combined sea and air rate for a letter to the United Kingdom seems to have been 1/2d made up as to 1/0½d the airmail rate plus 1½d letter rate for the first ounce or fraction thereof. I have a cover posted from St. Johns, Antigua, to the United Kingdom sent on 27th September, 1935, which seems to indicate that this was so, and another airmail cover from Antigua to Trinidad dated 29th April, 1939, which also has 1/2d postage. Mr. G. W. Bowman mentions a cover postmarked St. Johns, Antigua on 23rd January, 1930, addressed to Bedford Park, London bearing 1/0½d postage.

It seems to me that in all probability the airmail rate was reduced in late 1929 or very early 1930 from 1/3d to 1/0½d although Dr. B. de Burca has said that he cannot find any evidence from Post Office Guides that the airmail postage was reduced. The obvious method of settling this point is to look through the Leeward Islands Post Office Guides for 1929 and 1930. Has Dr. B. de Burca seen these particular Guides?

Subject to any further information and evidence becoming available, I take the view that the airmail rate from the Leeward Islands to the United Kingdom remained stable at 1/0½d possibly from 1930 up to at least the outbreak of war in 1939, and also that the airmail rate to the Caribbean area in 1929 may have been only 8d.

Rising costs due to wartime inflation clearly broke down the stability of postal rates: all collectors will, I feel sure, agree with this if they look at covers in their collections during the period in question. I have never seen Post Office Guides for the Leeward Islands during 1940-46 but I assume that postal rates were changed frequently as the war went on. On p. 25 of Bulletin No. 25, Dr. B. de Burca mentions referring to Post Office Guides (which I assume from the context to be Leeward Islands Post Office Guides) but he does not indicate the years in which they were published. In any event will Dr. B. de Burca please indicate which Leeward Islands Post Office Guides he possesses or has seen?

I possess a cover posted at St. Johns, Antigua, in October or November, 1943, to an address in the United Kingdom. This cover is endorsed "Via Miami Fla. U.S.A. by Airmail, By Ordinary Mail, from U.S.A. to England" and the postage is 1/0½d. I do not understand how this postage was arrived at and certain questions cross my mind concerning the same. First, is it a coincidence that the postage is exactly the airmail rate up to 1939 or did this rate extend to late 1943 at least? Secondly, notwithstanding the wording of the endorsement, did the cover make the entire journey to the United Kingdom by air?

LEEWARD ISLANDS (cont)

I have a further airmail cover from St. Kitts to the United Kingdom which I think is postmarked 18th October, 1943 (but the year is not clear) and it has been stamped 1/0½d. It is a pity that the year of this postmark cannot be deciphered as if it were clear it should establish whether the airmail rate of 1/0½d continued until at least October, 1943. I shall be very glad if anyone can give me any help about these last two covers.

Dr. B. de Burca will probably be interested to learn that I have an airmail cover sent in July, 1944, from Antigua to the United Kingdom via Transatlantic mail on which 2/6½d postage was paid, also a similar cover posted in September, 1944, but in this case with only 2/6d postage.

It seems on the evidence available so far that the airmail rate may have been 1/0½d as late as October or November, 1943, and some time prior to July, 1944, increased to 2/4d per half-ounce plus 2½d letter rate as Dr. B. de Burca has already stated. On the other hand could not the Transatlantic mail have travelled entirely by air which would mean a higher airmail rate of 2/6½d?

Some time during 1945 the airmail rate seems to have been reduced as I have a cover from Antigua to the United Kingdom on which there is a 1/11d postage: could this have been 1/- airmail rate on the assumption that the letter travelled by air throughout its journey to the United Kingdom?

Further, I have another airmail cover posted in January, 1946, from Antigua to the United Kingdom with only 9d postage paid. Was the airmail rate further reduced to 9d on the same assumption as above? This may well be so as I have also a registered airmail cover from Barbuda to the United Kingdom postmarked 18th June, 1946, and stamped 1/-, the additional 3d being the registration fee.

I now come to four airmail covers posted between December, 1952, and September, 1953, each bearing 1/11d postage. These are followed by five airmail covers sent between December, 1954, and March, 1956, each stamped 40 cents, being the equivalent of 1/8d. I have assumed up to the present that these last nine covers were carried at airmail rate and it would seem that the rate jumped from 9d to 1/11d between June, 1946, and December, 1952 (possibly with intermediate increases between those dates) and was reduced from 1/11d to 1/8d some time between September, 1953 and December, 1954.

E. V. Toeg.

MONTserrat

At the recent International Exhibition at the Royal Festival Hall, I was very interested in the invited display of Montserrat by Dr. R. H. Urwick.

Unfortunately it was restricted to one frame, but that frame contained many gems.

Of special note were the following:

1. MONTERRAT, in serif capitals, 39 x 3½ mm., on an entire dated 3rd April, 1796.
2. MONSERRATT (with two final T's) in serif capitals, 43 x 4 mm., on an entire dated 12th October, 1796. Dr. Urwick exhibited this one also in the 1950 Exhibition.
3. The Montserrat fleuron, enclosed in a single line circle 30 mm. in diameter, dated 3rd July, 1838. (This mark was sent out from the G.P.O. on 5th July, 1836).
4. The c.d.s. (R.L. Type PJ), 27 mm. in diameter, dated 16th November, 1841. (This mark was registered at the G.P.O. on 4th November, 1840).
5. The c.d.s. (R.L. Type P.L.), 25 mm. in diameter, in sans serif capitals, dated 16th July, 1851.
6. The c.d.s. (R.L. Type P.Q.), 20 mm. in diameter, in sans serif capitals, dated 25th November, 1868.
7. The Crowned Circle, in red, on an entire dated 25th June, 1853.

Among other items in the frame were two bisects.

1. The normal 1d. bisect of 1883 well tied with the A08 obliterator; this cover also bore the Paid mark (R.L. Type H) dated 14th June, 1883.
2. The bisect, on entire, with the unofficial surcharge ½d. This cover also bore the Paid mark, dated 14th July, 1884, and the Dominica receiving mark dated 17th July, 1884.

I am hoping shortly, on behalf of the Study Circle, to begin collating information on the postal markings of Montserrat, and I should be pleased if all those members who are interested in these marks, would kindly contact me either through the Hon. Sec. or Editor.

L. E. Britnor.

TOBAGO

With reference to the ½ PENNY on SIXPENCE orange brown (SG 23) I have a strip of three with c.d.s. AU 5 87, which is two years earlier than the accepted date of issue, viz; - OCT. 1889.

Query - was this a postmark error of date?

I believe that this surcharge was printed before the cliché was altered to print the 1 PENNY on 2½d blue (issued July, 1889). To help in my surmise I shall be glad if any member who has a horizontal pair, or block, of SG 23 from the left hand side of the sheet would let me have the loan of it for comparison and study.

In addition if anyone has a copy dated prior to October, 1889 would they kindly let me know.

A. E. Beach.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Once again it is my great pleasure to express the hope that you spent an enjoyable Christmas and to wish you a very happy New Year. The past year was indeed, a most eventful one for philatelists. With our own display to the "Royal" in March, 1960, followed in July by the London International Stamp Exhibition all of us had the opportunity to inspect a wealth of material covering every facet of our hobby. I understand the next International Exhibition will take place in 1969 (the centenary year of the "Royal") so there is plenty of time for those members who will wish to participate to strengthen their respective collections. In January, 1959, I mentioned in my paragraph how I deplored the practice of passing round sheets at society meetings. During 1960 it was my pleasure and privilege to give a display to three societies and in each case frames were provided. I hope this is an indication that the use of frames is now being seriously regarded as quite the best method of presentation. Elsewhere in this issue you will find an up-to-date list of the books in our library and I know our Hon. Librarian would welcome more borrowings by members. There is, of course, no charge for the loan of books apart from paying the postage both ways. The following have been enrolled since our last issue to whom a very warm welcome is extended: J. D. Elson, Jr. (U.S.A.), Mrs. M. A. Griffith (Eire), A. S. Griswold (U.S.A.), Dr. F. D. Harris (U.S.A.) and J. A. Holmes.

P.T.S.

THE LIBRARY

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The Yachtsman's Guide to the Bahamas.

Compiled and illustrated by Harry Etheridge (1910-1957) and Thomas Waddington. 28pp.Ills. Official Publication of the Development Board, Nassau, Bahamas, 1958.

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The Handstruck Stamps and Cancellations. By M. H. Ludington. 7¼ x 9½". 44pp. Ills. p.c. Published by Robson Lowe Ltd., 1956.

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The 1961 Edition of this popular Annual is full of very readable matter including as it does a variety of interesting articles on diverse subjects all of which should appeal to every type of collector. For ourselves one of the most interesting features of this edition is the inclusion of an article by Mr. Edwin Mueller of New York entitled "Reflections on the London Exhibition," as we consider it is by far the finest report of this big philatelic event of 1960. At the modest price of 3/6 this publication should sell like hot cakes.

R.T.

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