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Highlights

*Fifth Anniversary Convention Announced - 'A Celebration of Greater Southern Africa'

*Second biennial 'Charles Lupo Memorial Award' ballot

*Publications Program Committee approved

*Society's international reach expanded to include Scandinavia

*Society announces plans for a Translation Service

*Membership growth surpasses prior years

*New Modern Issues Department

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FEATURE ARTICLES

Dialogues Ian Shapiro updates Bill Wallace's article in the previous issue: "Two Short Stories on Early Rhodesian Postcards" regarding the correspondance of Mother Patrick. Ian provides a copy of the front and reverse of a postcard written in her hand. This item is considered quite unusual manuscript material. Anything written by Mother Patrick is considered uncommon. Ian also included a very interesting biographical sketch on this highly regarded Dominican Nun who is revered by Rhodesians who celebrate her memory each St Patrick's Day..... **30**

Frederick P. Lawrence More On The Mafeking Siege Cancel: Earliest and Latest Reported Usages. As a follow-up to his article in the previous issue, the author discusses the discovery of a new latest usage of the single circle 25mm MAFEKING C.G.H. cancel. Also discussed is the finding that the letter 'B' in the strike is not a canceller control letter as previously thought; rather it turns out to be a "time index letter". The author discusses how his research led to this finding **31**

Alan R. Drysdall A Previously Undescribed Stellaland item. An interesting piece, containing Transvaal Celliers reprints, a "Queen's Head" and two 1 p Stellaland stamps is illustrated. This, and two other illustrated Stellaland covers are discussed within the context of prevailing postal rates during the 1880's. The discrepancies in the franking of the covers create an impossible task to make solid conclusions regarding the inland letter rates of Stellaland at the time. The text includes reference to much earlier disagreements between Yardley and Holmes..... **34**

R. Timothy Bartshe The Ghost of Philately Past?: Emil Tamsen Remembered. The author comments on an interesting discovery while perusing his Transvaal stockbook. Discovered are a number of used items which were all cancelled in Nylstroom. Using Mathews' cancellation schema, it was learned that Nylstroom is not found on the cancellation list for the items in question. This leads to the author's speculation that the provisionals in question may have been the work of that early father of South African philately, Mr. Tamsen **36**

Werner K. Seeba A Little Known Transvaal POA: Spitskop. Our International Representative/Germany continues his pursuit of the general and postal history of pre-Union postal agencies. This delightful piece colorfully describes the life and times of diggers in the surrounding goldfields areas, as well as the formation of the town. In the postal history discussion, included is an illustration of an 1875 map showing the relevant postal routes, followed by opening/closing dates, names of the postal agent and cancellors used..... **37**

Ian Mathews The Queen's Heads Used in the Second ZAR. This is a reprint of this late member's work which appeared in the ^{5A} Philatelist. The focus is the use of the first British Occupation stamps, the classic Queen's Heads, after the 2nd ZAR's establishment **40**

Welcome Aboard!!!

John L. Holbrook - #8118, Everett, Massachusetts. John learned about our group at our Spring Regional Meeting, Philatelic Show '91. His primary collecting areas **are** SWA and Union/SA used only, while also having an interest in general British Africa. John is also a member of the Scandinavian Collectors Club.

Stephen O. Schumann - #9119, Hayward, California. Stephen discovered PSGSA while reading LKM's. His collecting interests include all of the countries and eras which fall within the scope of the Society. Stephen's specialty is postal stationery. Among his many affiliations are the American Philatelic Society, American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors and United States Postal Stationery Society.

Jan-H. Krumminga - #9120, Im Unterdorf, Germany. Jan was encouraged to join the Society by Werner **Seeba**, our International Representative/Germany. His collecting interests include SWA/Namibia, Union/SA, the Rhodesias, Zimbabwe, Rhodesia & Nyassaland and German SWA. Jan is a member of BDPH and a local organization.

Roy Goodman - #9121, Nashua, New Hampshire. Roy learned about the Society at its Regional Meeting at Philatelic Show '91 and **was** gently arm-wisted by President Dillaway. His primary philatelic interests **are** SWA, Union/SA and World War II 'Bantam' issues/usages. Roy is a member of the American Philatelic Society, Cardinal Spellman Philatelic Museum and Modern Postal History Society.

Walter Bjork - #9122, New York, New York. Walter learned about our group through Linda. His collecting area is World War II Military Covers of the countries falling within the Society's scope. Walter is also a member of the War Cover Club, Forces Postal History Society, Sudan Study Circle and Associazione Italiana Collezionisti Posta **Militar**.

Eric Greenberg - #8123, Wyncote, Pennsylvania. Eric became aware of us through an information release in Linn's. His main collecting interests include general British Africa - especially OFS, Union/SA, the Rhodesias and Basutoland. Eric is also a member of the American Philatelic Society.

Hanspaul Hager - #9124, San Jose, California. Hans Paul **was** referred to the Society by member Bill Brooks. His philatelic interest areas are revenues, embossed paper and documents of the Dutch Period and V.O.C. Among Hanspaul's other memberships are the American Philatelic Society, American Society For Netherlands Philately, the

Netherlands Philatelic Society of California, Dal Nippon and others.

William Henry Roll - #9125, Blythe, California. William found out about the group via a notice in Urea's. His collecting areas include the pre-Union States & Republics, SWA Union/SA, the Rhodesias, the Bechuanalands, Swaziland, Basutoland, Zululand, general British Africa and Asia (Empire era). William is also a member of the American Philatelic Society.

Michael D. Curry - #8128, Sacramento, California. Michael learned of the Society from Uon's. His primary collecting interests include RSA, the Homelands, Namibia, Republic of Angola, Mozambique Republic, Seychelles, **Mauritius, Makgasy**, Lesotho, Tonga/Tin Can Mail and ZES. Michael's other areas of interest include the pre-Union States & Republics, SWA, Union/SA Southern Rhodesia, Bechuanaland, Swaziland, Basutoland, Zululand, Botswana, Malawi and Zimbabwe. Michael indicated on his application that, as a specialty, he would like to know more about Transvaal forgeries (Any takers for a future article?). Among his other memberships are the American Philatelic Society and Tonga Mn Can Mail Study Circle.

Ron Sheeley - #9127, Archdale, North Carolina. A release in LENS about the Society's 1991 mail auction brought Ron into the fold. His primary collecting interest is Zululand which he specializes in all areas related thereto.

Regis Hoffman - #9120, Glenshaw, Pennsylvania. Regis collects general British Africa, British Africa Military & Civil Censorship and British African revenues. His specializations include Nyasaland Field force, World War I in East Africa and general Africa and Zanzibar. Regis also holds memberships in the American Philatelic Society, East Africa Study Circle, Belgium Congo Study Circle, War Cover Club, American Revenue Association and German Colonies Collectors Group. Regis learned about the Society through our President.

Helmut Stieglitz - #9129, Fort Lee, New Jersey. Helmut collects the pre-Union States & Republics, Union/Republic of SA, the Rhodesias, the Bechuanalands, SWA/Namibia, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Botswana, Zululand and the Homelands. In addition, Helmut also collects US, Austria and GB material. He learned of us via Llama.

Robert T. Bristow - #9130, Folsom, California. Robert's primary collecting areas **are** OFS and SWA. His other interests include Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Union/SA, the Rhodesias and the Bechuanalands (pro-1949 fused only). Robert is also a member of the American Philatelic Society. He found out about us through dal p News.

Dr. Thomas D. Wooldrige - #9131, Tupelo, Mississippi. (Awaiting receipt of completed application)

Philip D. Freedman - #9132 Great Neck, New York Philip learned about the Society from reviewing other publications. His primary collecting interests are Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Orange Free State and South West Africa Secondary collecting areas include Transvaal, New Republic, Stellaland, Griqualand West, the Rhodesias, the Bechuanalands, Basutoland, Swaziland, Union/SA and the Homelands. Philip's specialties include Boer War material, revenues, SWA covers, interprovinolals and the Union. He is also member of the American Philatelic Society.

Richard Millar - #9133, Saunderstown, Rhode Island, 'Rick', as he prefers to be called, collects in all of the areas and past/present countries, failing within the Society's coop* (pre-1966 only). In addition, he has interests in Ascension, Mauritius, Seychelles, St Helena, Tristan Da Cunha and Zanzibar. Rick's specialties Include clear CDS cancels-especially first year of use from scarce post offices. In addition to the Society, Rick is a member of the American Philatelic Society, Mauritius Philatelic Society and Rhode Island Postal History Society. He found out about us from a notice in **Linn's BETTER YET. Rick has volunteered to complete the two-year term of Society Vice President/Membership due to the very recent and unexpected resignation of Sidney Goldfield for personal reasons.**

Tony Davis - #9134, Thornhill, Ontario, Canada Tony is another victim, falling prey to a release in **Linn's** He collects Zululand, RSA 'political' - SWA/Angola military and township malls. **PLEASE NOTE: Tony is the author of M! Postmarks apt Zululand AND has agreed to do a regular feature column on the philately of Zululand. His other affiliation is the Oakville Stamp Club, Chapter of the Grand River Valley Philatelic Association.**

Howard H. Schloss - #9136, Rockville, Maryland. Howard's collecting interests include Union/Republic of South Africa and SWA He specializes in Union bilingual pairs. In addition to the Society, Howard holds memberships In the American Philatelic Society, Bureau Issues Association, Scandinavian Collectors Club and Booklet Club. Howard learned of us through our Spring Northeast Regional at Philatelic Show '91.

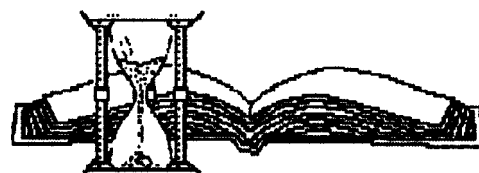
Ronald J. Van Zant - #9136, West Point Georgia Ronald comes to us via a note in **Linn's**. His sole collecting interest is the Cape of Good Hope with a specialization in the triangles. Ronald is also a member of the American Philatelic Society.

Paul E. Buechner III - #9137, Menlo Park, California Paul joined the Society thanks to a referral by member Bill Wallace. His primary interest is Rhodesia 1890-1924 & 1988-80. Secondary interests include Northern and Southern Rhodesia. Paul specializes in Rhodesia cancellations 1924 and prior, 191 O'double heads" and the 1913 "Admirals'. He is also holds memberships in the American Philatelic Society and Rhodesian Study Circle.

Gerard York - #9138, Daytona Beach, Florida Gerard learned about PSGSA through the South African Philatelist His collecting interests include SWA, Zambia, Swaziland, Botswana, Lesotho, Rhodesia (1986-78), Zimbabwe, Malawi, RSA, Namibia, Homelands, Angola and Mozambique. His specialty is Homelands postal history, i.e., Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda and Ciskei.

Renard M. Dawson - #9139, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Renard's primary collecting interests are SWA, Zululand and Union/Republic of SA Other collecting areas are OFS and the Homlands. Renard is also a member of the American Philatelic Society.

(Thirty-nine new members in 1991 thus far.)



MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES

Yuraka Ohkubo - #8939. Our International Representative/ Japan, was born on October seventh In Choshi, Japan. He Is married to Toshie and has three children: Kazuhiro, Tomohiro and Akihiro. Yutaka is and IBM Systems Engineer. He received a Master of Science degree in Statistics. His primary philatelic interests include Cape of Good Hope, Boer War, Japan and philatelic literature. Yutaka's other affiliations include the Royal Philatelic Society/London, American Philatelic Society and Totsukuni Kal (Foreign Stamp Club). His other Interests include the history of the Dutch East India Company, old American music-especially the ragtime works of Soot Joplin, old folk songs, Kabuki drama (old Japanese drama and Edo Senryu (a type of Haiku).

Russell M. Warren - #894a Russell was born in Salt Lake City on the ninth of April. He is married to MaryAnn. Out of this union have been born five children: Stephen, Debbie, Jill, Jenny and Thomas. Russell In an Opthamologist, having received his BA and MD degrees at the University of Utah and a M.Sci. degree at the University of Iowa

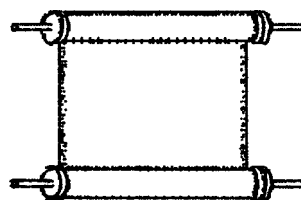
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In addition to collecting US and African political related material, Russell's other pastime is flyfishing. He has lived in South Africa (1960-62) and also Zimbabwe for a period of eight months in 1961. Russell has visited Zambia/Victoria Falls, Hong Kong, Korea and southern China

Charles T. Kessler, Esq - #9001. Born on September fifth in Troy, Ohio, Charles is married to Pam and has three children: Lisa, Becky and Stephen. He is a business instructor and holds a BS degree in Education. Charles' primary philatelic interests include British southern Africa especially the Rhodesias, South Africa and South West Africa. He enjoys reading science fiction (primarily) and the works of Ayn Rand. Charles enjoys listening to all types of music and travels frequently to Canada. He has also visited England, South Africa and Botswana. Charles lived in Rhodesia for a year - a beautiful country - and has been back to visit as Zimbabwe. As he says: "I loathe television and prefer exhilarating conversations instead."

Jeremy F. Watson - #9003. Jeremy, the Society's International Representative/Malaysia, was born on June twenty-first in Bath, Somerset United Kingdom. He and his wife Sally Helen have three children: Reginald, Leonard and Emma Claire. Jeremy is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He is presently the General Manager of Singer in Malaysia. Jeremy's primary philatelic interests include Natal-postmarks, etc., Bechuanaland, Swaziland, New Republic and Zululand. In addition to stamps collecting, he enjoys bridge, chess, golf and ten pin bowling. Jeremy is the President of the Kuala Lumpur branch of the International Wine and Food Society and past chieftain of the Bangkok St Andrews Society. His working assignments have taken him to London, Bangkok, Singapore and Kuala Lumpur and he has also had oversight of corporate operations in Pakistan, Sri Lanka, India, Bangladesh and Burma.

Patrick Delmore - #9008. Our International Representative/Canada, was born on the eighth of December in Amherstburg, Ontario, Canada. He is married to Roberta and four children have resulted therefrom: Margaret Catherine, Patricia and Sean. Patrick received a B.Sc., Teacher's Diploma and presently is a senior high school mathematics teacher. His primary philatelic interests are the Union/Republic of SA, Basutoland, a little SWA, Christmas Island, Pitcairn Island, Great Britain, Ireland and United Nations. Patrick's other pastime is gardening. He is currently Show Chairman for the Middlesex Stamp Club, London, Ontario, Canada which involves a 100 frame exhibition and a bourse of twenty dealers.



THE HONOR ROLL

This feature honors Society members and publications which have received awards in competitive exhibitions. In the case of members, whether the topic of an exhibit is or is not related to greater southern Africa philately, members are acknowledged for their notable achievements. Members are encouraged to notify the Editor when they become members of "the Winner's Circle".

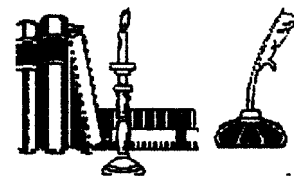
Louis* Christian - #8714: Gold at TEXPEX 91 for 'U.S. First Bureau Issues 1894-98'.

Stephen D. Schumann - #9119: Grand Award and Gold at Rompex 91 for 'Sarawak Postal Stationery until 1941'.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The ABSOLUTE DEADLINE for submission of articles, ads, bits and pieces, etc., for the Mar/Jun '92 Issue is January 12th. Board members, International Representatives, departmental editors, Question & Answer Panel members) and participants in the Reciprocal Listings Exchange (especially should take note of the deadline,

FROM THE EDITOR



Looking two issues ahead, the July/October '92 issue of your journal will mark the celebration of the Society's Fifth Anniversary. Shortly after the publication date, PSGSA will be hosting a 'Celebration of Greater Southern Africa Philately' at its annual convention to be held in conjunction with STAMPSHOW '92 in Oakland, California, August 27-30. It would therefore be fitting indeed that the above journal issue commemorate that milestone in a very special and fitting way.

What is proposed is that the July/October '92 issue contain a separate article on each of the past and present stamp-issuing entities falling within the scope of the Society. The submission deadline will be May 15, 1992. This will ensure publication on a timely basis in advance of the Convention. (Because of the number of articles

anticipated, 'Bits & Pieces' will not appear.

The following is a list of stamp-issuing entities and eras for which articles will be accepted for the special Fifth Anniversary Issue: each of the pro-Union states and republics, Union/ Republio of South Africa, South West Africa, the Rhodesias, the Bechuanalands, Swaziland, Basutoland, Zululand, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Namibia, the Homelands, Interprovincials & Anglo-Boer War periods and local posts.

It will be up to the discretion of each author to determine what the focus of the article is to be, as long as it is clearly related to one of the entities listed above. Articles should adhere to the five page limit (not including illustrations). Should more than one article be submitted on a particular country or era, the one with the earliest postmark will be selected for the special Issue. The remainders will appear in the next Issue.

As you reviewed the above list, you probably noted several, e.g., Zululand, which have not as yet graced the journal. Membership data shows that there are no less *than six members who collect any one of them. Therefore, I strongly urge and encourage more readers to consider writing something. If you wish to collaborate, or need assistance, please write yours truly and I will as* to it that you receive a name or two to contact for that purpose.*

What is exciting about the concept of the special issue is that it will be available at our 1992 Convention for potential members, in addition to being entered in the STaMpsHOW literature competition. Yes, this will be a grand opportunity for us to share the wonderfully broad, exciting, challenging and certainly complex philatelic areas we focus upon. The finished product will certainly be something of which we can all feel a sense of pride!

A second milestone will be reached with the publication of this issue. As many of you are aware, the Society bestows its 'Charles Lupo Memorial Award' by vote of the membership. This award is given to the author whose feature articles is voted as the best to appear in the journal over a two year period, i.e., two volumes of Forerunners. The actual award is a very attractive, framed parchment certificate. The first 'Memorial' was awarded to Tim Bartshe for his excellent feature article on the Commando Brief.

Articles appearing in Volumes IV and V qualify for the second award. Enclosed with this issue is your ballot for purposes of voting. If the honored winner plans to attend

the Society's Fifth Anniversary Convention, he/she will be presented with the award at that time as part of the festivities. IF anyone would like to order back issues before voting, an order form has been included with the ballot

Tentatively scheduled for the next issue will be a new new regular feature column focusing on the philately of Zululand. Just wanted to ~~say~~ enough to whet your appetite.

As per a suggestion from our British bretheran, Alec Page, beginning with the next issue, pages will be numbered consecutively for each volume of the journal.

A member recently asked ff the Society has published a Subject Index for Forerunners. As you know there is an annotated bibliography, but no Index as yet At some point it will be essential that we have one. Therefore, your dear old Editor now issues A CALL FOR HELP. Any member interested in producing an Index for the journal should contact yours truly forthwith. If more than one of you indicate a desire to work on this project, the labor can certainly be accomplished on a shared basis. In addition, the Chairman of the Publications Program Committee will provide very valuable and time-saving suggestions.

As always, I am very much interested in hearing from readers about the journal. Feedback is extremely valuable to me and allows for incremental improvements along the way. Let me hear from more of you - this is, after all, your publication.





READERS REACT

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"I certainly applaud the results of the work you and others have put into making PSGSA the organization that it has become. Keep up the good work."...Robert Hisey, Sebring, Florida

"it is nice to hear that the Society continues to go from strength-to-strength. In our case, it is especially the journal which keeps the group together."...George van den Hurk, Switzerland

"On the latest issue of Forerunners, the page headers are, to my mind, a great improvement. The alteration of position of contents likewise is better and thus lends copies to be hard-bound by those people (like me) who build up a library of any specialist publications."...W. A. Page, FRPS/L, England

"I have recently received the first copy of Forerunners - a most impressive publication of which you should be very proud."...Cedric Roche, Vice-President Outside Territories, PFSA, Republic of South Africa

"I think that the journal is a useful magazine that is helpful and informative."...Athol H. Murray, England

"Yes, I do enjoy the journal. I can say that it is the most interesting one I have come across yet, and I always look forward to the next issue"...Reg Foster, Republic of South Africa

A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR BOARD

Newly elected Vice President/Membership, Sidney Goldfield, recently found it necessary to resign for personal reasons. However, Rich Millar of Rhode Island graciously stepped forward to take over the position's responsibilities. He has decided to continue with the column title 'Reorul

ter's Report', the first installment of which appears in this issue.

Pre. rtiainvte\$ Guy Dillaway

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at STaMpsHOW in Philadelphia. Fred Lawrence's presentation of the postal history of the siege of Mafeking was outstanding. I hope that he will find time to publish it here in our journal for everyone to enjoy. Right now Fred is organizing our

one frame exhibit for the World Columbian Exposition in Chicago next year. Please lend your support to Fred if he **asks** for it

PSGSA will celebrate its fifth anniversary at STaMpsHOW in Oakland, California in August **1992**. Our sister organizations have been invited to share our 'party' with us.

Louis Christian is the coordinator of this event I have been told that she has some terrific plans. Watch for details in this issue and make plans to attend.*

We did **ask** the American Philatelic Society (APS) to reserve 100 frames for us. However, they cannot do that, but they will look favorably upon our applications if they are submitted early. Write to APS, Box 8000, State College, PA 18803 USA now for your prospectus. Let's have some real competition for the PSGSA award and "Show The Flag".

One further note of importance. Our Publications Program Committee has been formed (see announcement elsewhere). Alec Page is the Chairman. He would be pleased to hear from anyone directly or via the Secretary, if you have something you think we could/should publish. Don't be **shy**.

Rich Millar, Vice President/Membership

I am excited! I received a very encouraging letter from our Founder, Bill Brooks, Society background information and data and am enthused to accept the assignment as Society VP.

This is my first official capacity in organized philately. I will have much to learn, but no shortage of energy or commitment for the betterment of the Society,

As I see it, my first task will be to get the recruitment activity organized and formulate a comprehensive recruitment strategy to be presented to the Board in the near future. I look forward to the tasks at hand.

Facto Fees 1 Ot AlattS\$ Bill Brooks,
Secretary



To start things off, on behalf of the

Board, I want to wish each and every member the very best for the holidays and New Year. The contribution of time, energy and resources from so many of you has made 1991 a banner year for our group. As of the time of this writing, more new colleagues have come-on-board this year (41) than any previous. The Reciprocal Listings

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Exchange has grown from six participants to nine. Word has it that we may anticipate adding three more in the very near future.

In terms of meetings, in prior years we only had our annual session held in conjunction with STaMpsHOW. Now, In addition to the annual event, regional sessions are held in the Northeast at Philatelic Show and on the West Coast at SESCAL

Nineteen-ninety-one also saw the inauguration of the Society's "Best Exhibit" award, the establishment of a formal Publications Program and acceptance by the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa as an affiliate. It will certainly be interesting to see what is in store for us in '92.

On a closing note, I thought it was time to share membership profile information on our acquisition habits. As you will remember, one of the application forms asked how much is spent on stamps per year, number of years collecting and the sources by which the applicant acquires his/her material. Cumulative totals to-date show the following:

- As a group, we have been collecting on the average of **30.8 years**
- The average member spends between \$2,817 - \$3,385 per year on stamps (not including supplies, etc.)
- Cumulatively our group spends between \$312,700**\$376,800** per year on stamps
- The average number of auctions participated in per member is in the range of 11 - **21 annually**
- * 91.9% of members participate In auctions
- * **89.2%** of members acquire materials from dealers
- * **46.8%** of members acquire stamps from other collectors *
- 11.7% of members make acquisitions via ouroult * **5.4%** of members acquire stamps through trading * **4.5%** of members purchase stamps at shows
- **1.8%** of members acquire stamps by mail sales, treaty sales, exchanges, philatelic bureaus, post offices, estates and/or approvals

The above aggregated information will now be incorporated into marketing materials targeted toward commercial advertisers. All individual data sheets have been destroyed to assure anonymity as promised.

Carlson

Due to pressing workload demands, Bill Brooks is filling-in for this issue's column. A complete year-end report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991 will appear in the Mar/June '92 issue.

- Membership dues received as of this writing are in **excess** of \$2,400
- Forty-four new members have joined since the beginning of calendar year 1991.
- * Net present membership is 123 as of this writing.
- * Twenty-two members were dropped for failure to renew their membership.
- Preliminary 1991 mail auction figures indicate that net revenues after expenses are approximately \$400.
- * Cash donations to the Society Trust in the restricted and non-restricted giving categories increased this year (1991) over 1990 due to increasing generosity of the membership.
- * The Society's cash position appear to be solid enough to underwrite a portion of the costs for a hospitality suits for our "Celebration of Greater Southern Africa Philately", to be hold at our Fifth Anniversary Convention at STaMpsHOW next August
- In the near future, a campaign will be initiated to significantly increase commercial ad revenues.

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We had a very nice meeting at SESCAL; but we wish more of you could have been there. One of the special things about it was the fact that we had the pleasure of meeting Werner Seeba, our Society International Represenative from Germany, who had a wonderful gift for each one present Other members In attendance Included Hugh McMackin, Irving Barron, Wallace Craig, Steve Schumann, Bill Brooks and guest Gene Tinsley.

At the meeting, Steve Schumann suggested that we change the criteria for our PSGSA Best Exhibit Award. Instead of requiring that there must be at least three exhibits of greater southern Africa material, it will now read, "One exhibit may qualify for the award so long as it receives a Silver or better in the show competition.'

We also discussed our forthcoming mini-convention at STaMpsHOW **92**, at the convention center in Oakland, California The Society will have a hospitality suite where we can all gather for informal discussions or just plain

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socializing. We will **have a** seminar with a couple of speakers. And, we will have an evening of wining and dining, spouses, etc, included. More on that later.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND STaMpsHOW **92**, AND IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE DINNER. I will look forward to your cards and letters ...Louise

From the Archives

Tim Bartshe

Since the last issue of Forerunners a number of members have donated material to the archives. Included in a large box of material from Syl Tully, comes approximately eight years of the London Philately Articles pertinent to our area of interest include two fine articles pertaining to the Bulawayo Provisional of 1886 and 'Northern Rhodesian Military Mail 1914-18' by our very own Alan Drysdall. Relating to the COGH, is an interesting article detailing a soldier's letter from the Kaffir Wars of 1846-67, along with a short piece on the PE 'sea' defacer of 1869. Two other pieces detail first a presentation of the Queen's collection relating to Africa and secondly, R.AG. Lee's collection of the Cape.

Other material from Syl Includes a 105-page booklet on 'The Postal History and Postmarks of British Central Africa and Nyasaland Protectorate' by Nodder and Twynam, published by the %@= Collector's Fortnightly In 1955. Also included is a three-part article on Rhodesian varieties, 'Rhodesia Railways Parcels Adhesive Stamps' from the Rhodesia Railways Magazine, September, 1973 and a related article from the \$8E and a two-page article dealing with Central African Airways letter service.

From Irving Barron comes the 60-page monograph 'World War II Philately of Southern and Eastern Africa' by J.H. Harvey Pirie. To quote **trv**: 'Though 40 years old, this book is highly regarded by Civil and Military censor collectors of World War II material. A special thanks to each for their contributions and to the others who have also sent in material.

Last Issue, I mentioned two societies which I have recently joined. The first is the Postmark and Postal History Society of Southern Africa which publishes It Pmt Office Stone. With fifty pages of text and a slick card cover, this publication is 95% articles. The April issue of 1990 Includes an article on Dutch postal activity at the Cape from 1598, TPO's and the Railways and other pieces regarding recent postal and meter markings of the RSA

The second society, the Southern Africa Postcard

Research Group, publishes a small 10.15 page newsletter.

This group is mostly concerned with the postcards themselves and not necessarily the stamps or postal markings associated with them. For those interested in livening up your collection with views of the countries we collect, this group might be just what you have been looking for. In the April, 1991 issue, 'The Boer War In Postcards' by Ian McDonald and published by Alan Sutton is reviewed and, with some sharp criticism, is highly recommended for its interest in Boer War Ephemera.

As always, any item mentioned in these columns, along with other material in our archives, are available to members for \$0.10/page copied and postage. Thanks to you who have

sent in your inquiries and orders. I try to answer as soon as time permits... Tim.

AUCTION UPDATE

As of September 21, 1991, we have received 20 bid forms from our members, as well as non-members. This certainty

Is one track with last year's schedule. However, the total bids to-date are approaching the MOM mark! This is over twice as much as last year and we have nearly a month left for bid acceptance. Every year is better than the last!

A comment and thank you to Athol Murray for bringing a rather significant mistake in the catalog descriptions to my attention. While describing cancellations on some of the lots of the Cape, I erred in putting down 'roller cancels' instead of what they really were: TRIANGULAR OBLITERATORS. Thank you Athol for that correction, To paraphrase an old adage: "Read what I mean, not what I print" ... Tim Bartshe, yo olde Auction Manager

PHILATELIC SUPPLIES



"Better give me the 32 album - I might as well go into this thing whole hog!"

Society Translation Service Announced I

Over time, several members have written in that they would be willing to provide translations on a time available basis. At the same time, a few members have asked the Editor if there were others among our numbers who could translate, **say** Afrikaans into English.

The **above** occurrences appear to indicate an apparent need to establish a translation service of sorts, by/for members. To accomplish *this* end, here is how *the* procedures will work: Each issue of the journal will include a listing of members (and their addresses) who are willing to translate from one language to another. Transistors

would be ordered according to the languages they can do translations from into English. it would be up to the member needing something translated to correspond directly with the appropriate translator.

Included with this issue is a 'Volunteer Translator Form' on the bottom half of this year's Memorial Award Ballot Any **member with a fluency** in one or more languages, who would be willing to translations for other members, should complete and return as requested.

With the inception of a Translation Service, your Society is **once again clearly demonstrating its** commitment to membership service. This would not, of course be

possible without the committed involvement of members dedicated to helping one another out

The Bookie Reports

Jim Ryan

Members of our Question & Answer Panel were requested to submit lists of up to five key titles in their respective areas of expertise. The responses have been gratefully

received and will be shared with the reader over this and the next issue. Additional help came from Phil Bansner, Dr. Conrad Graham, Stephen Holder of HH Sales, Vera Trinder Ltd., Athol Murray and the American Philatelic Research Library as follows:

The Bechuanalands

1. The Bechuanalands by **A A Jurgens, 1946.** HH Sale, 80 Pounds, eat U.S. retail **\$200-250**
a Poi Stamps, Postal Stationery and Postman of to Bechuanaland by H. R. Holmes, 1971. HH Sale 104, 85 Pounds, HH Sale 105, 21 Pounds-photocopy only, HH fixed price sale, 90 Pounds, mint, boxed condition, eat U.S. retail \$1 SQ
3. Auction Catalogue, 'Holmes Collection, 1981 Harmers', UK retail/realization 61 1/2 Pounds.

4. the Early Postal Histo of the Griqualands Wd ft Bechuanaland by The Postmark and Postal History Society of Southern Africa, Occasional Paper #6, eat U.K retail/realization **6-8 Pounds.**

5. Mafeking: A MAY 9f ft Postal History Qf Mafeking - from 1881-191 Q by as above, Paper #7, eat U.K retail/realization 6-8 Pounds.

Basutoland

1. Basutoland. Some Historical Notes Wdh Special References to Postal Matters by G.N. Gilbert, 1954, Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa - 1973 reprint by Harry Hayes, eat U.K. realizations 4 112 - 51/2 Pounds.

2 Cancels .apd Postal ostal Markings Qf Basutoland-Lesotho by

Scott, 1980, HH **fixed** price 25 Pounds, offer from RSA source \$30-sorry sold.

3. Shelley Catalog Qf Decimal Surcharges. (of Basutoland, Bechuanaland and Swaziland), 1962, HH fixed price 6 Pounds.

Cape of Good Hops

1. The Postage Qf the Cape Qf Good Hope by Allis, 1930, Coo-Jay Stamp Auctions, Inc., Nov. 1990, \$286* (Additional sales information wanted!)

2 Ihs Triangular. Stampa 9f he Caol of Good HQ.e by Stevenson, 1950, C- J **as above**, \$159.59*; Phil Bansner 1990 list with 1951 Suppl., \$150.00; as above, retail offer 1891 without Suppl. \$150.00; HH Sales fixed price without Suppl. **85 Pounds; Philatelic Literature Review, 'Clearing**

house' advertisement with 1951 and 1961 (not heard of before) Suppl's., asking price \$225.00 (II), not known if sold.

3. Postmarks of tom, C=a of Good age by Goldblatt, C,J as above, \$55.00*; Cardinal Spellman Museum Annual Philatelic Auction (May 1991) \$40.00; Phil Bansner 1991 retail list \$75.00 (appears to be still in print)

4. Supplement to Goldblatt, **above; 47 pages**, in print Estimated prices - U.S. \$10.00, UK 8 Pounds.

Jurgen's 1943 study should also be listed but the writer wanted to examine a copy before commenting upon it If

successful with and APRL loan request, this shall be dealt with in the next issue. All prices with a (*) were taken from the Philatelic Literature Review, 1991, first quarterly edition. Thank you, APRL

Natal

1. Postal Markings Qf Natal by Kantey, Hart, et W., HH retail 131/2 Pounds; Phil Banser \$35.00.

2 P.O.A Cancellations of Nays by Kantey, UK retail 6-7 1/2

Pounds; U.S. retail??

The most recent in-depth study of Natal stamps and postal stationery was Robson Lowe's Encyclopedia, Vol. II, of 1948 vintage. HJMR's reprints of R/L Encyclopedia may contain any and all supplemental information which appeared in the Philatelist South and East Africa were placed in one of the two volume reprints. For postal stationery, there is always Higgins & Gage.

Orange Free State-Orange River Colony

1. Stamps of the OFS-ORC by the Orange Free State Study Circle (Handbook), Vol. I - Republic, Vol. II - VRI & Vol. III - ERI, ORC, supplements to Vols. I & II. In spite of Me, coverage is beyond postage stamps and postal stationery. Vol. I (out-of-print since 1976) Conrad Graham, 13 Pounds; Vol. II in print 12 Pounds from OFS Study Circle; Vol. III as above, 20 Pounds or 30 Pounds I II & III are ordered together.

2 OFS-ORC Post Offices and Markings, 1888-1910 by AG.M. Batten, two parts and Suppl., 1976-78; HH Sale 103 complete as **above, 38 Pounds**.

3. Postmarks. Qf of OFS-ORC by A.G.M. Batten, earlier work to # 2; HH retail 21 Pounds.

4. More About Postmarks Qf OFS-ORC, 1888-1910 by Batten, main body plus appendices 297 and 106 pp. respectively; also exists in combined bound, signed volume; HH retail, combined edition 30 Pounds; two spiral bound volumes set 30 Pounds.

5. OFS, E. From A Collection by Batten; Vera Trinder 1990, retail 15 Pounds.

South West Africa

1. Albert Friedemann: the Postage Stamp & Cancellation of the Post Offices in German SWA, translated by Ralph Putzel, 1980, new edition due 1991, cost approximately \$85.00 from author.

2 joie Postwerzeichen & Entwertungen da Deutschen Poststalten (in dot) Schutzgebiete & im Ausland, English translation by U.S. based German Colonies Collectors Club. Covering all colonies and foreign post offices, this may be too broad a subject for the reader. The Bookie still heartily recommends it #1 **above** was taken from the SWA section of this work but from the original German edition.

3. the Overprinted Stamps of SIBIA by N. Becker. In spite of its title, coverage goes beyond the overprinted stamps. U.S. retail \$70.00, Vera Trinder 45 Pounds.

4. Postmarks Qf SWA Under SA Administration by Putzel,

1977, is being re-published in a new, revised edition. The 1977 work sells for about \$30.00 or 20-25 Pounds.

ZAR. Transvaal

1. Transvaal Postage Stamps by Curie & Basden, 1940; Conrad Graham, 48 Pounds; HH Sale 106 photocopy, 18 Pounds; HH 108, estimated 60 Pounds; C -J, previous cited, \$ 137.50.

2 Transvaal Philately by Ian Mathews, 1986, 100 copies special edition, 900 regular edition; U.K.K retail (rag. ed.) 36 Pounds; U.S. retail (rag. ed.) \$70.00.

3. Transvaal, 1878-1880 by Robson Lowe, QV portrait stamps, 1973; U.K.X prices between 3 and 5 Pounds, 1 Pound from Christie's Robson Lowe, but nearly 2 Pounds postage I

The second part of 'Key Works' shall include expanded lists for Union-Republic of South Africa and for Rhodesia. The immense popularity of these two areas is reflected in their vast realms of philatelic literature; therefore, observing a limit of five titles would have been absurd. The smaller territories and back-of-the-book shall be there as well. Collectors of Zululand unfamiliar with the names Martin & Joseph have a pleasant surprise awaiting them in the next issue. Happy hunting for good finds, Jim

THE SOCIETY TRUST



The Society is fortunate indeed to be blessed with generosity and active support from its members. The following is a summary of contribution received for the fiscal year periods of July 1989 through June 199+:

Postage - \$569. All mint U.S. Postage donations have been exhausted.

General Operating Fund - \$283.75.

Awards Fund - \$300.

Library/Archives - Books, monographs, journals of various specialty groups. The latest contributions are listed in each issue's "From The Archives".

In the next Issue, the Treasurer will enter the contributions to-date for this fiscal year (91192).

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Notes From Abroad

This feature affords the opportunity for our hardworking Interantional Representatives to communicate with the general membership. Each IR is encouraged to do so as frequently as possible.

On his recent sojourn the Society's regional session at SESCAL, our IR/Germany, Werner Seeba was interviewed concerning recruitment efforts in his country. Werner reported that our information releases do appear in publications there. However, one characteristic of a majority of collectors in Germany is that their interests are primarily focused upon German stamps. Very few venture "outside", so-to-speak. The collecting community in Germany is large with a great deal of encouragement of the young collector. Guess we are not doing so bad with three in-country collectors as members-especially since our

fix= is English.

The Reciprocal Listings Exchange

Any organization whose philatelic focus falls within, or is contiguous to, the areas focused upon by the Society, is heartily invited to participate in this information exchange. General Information about a speciality group, its activities and special events is welcomed for publication in Forerun rats. All that is required is that PSGSA be offered the same opportunity in the publications of the participating groups. Exchange of publications between the participants for library-enrichment purposes is encouraged.

Those participants wishing to publish information releases concerning their special events, e.g., auctions, meetings, should take note of the submission deadlines listed in the Classifieds section.

The Aerophilatelic Society of South Africa - Founded in 1954 with 110 current members throughout South Africa, Europe, the UK, USA and Canada. Members are bound together by the bi-monthly T Aerolotte. Contained therein is news of aeroplanes on stamps, information on classic airmail history. In South Africa, news of new flights and routes of recent origin. Further information: Colin Pien P.O. Box **391489**, Bramley 2018, RSA

The Bechuanalands & Botswana Society - Founded in 1985 to promote and encourage the study of the philately and postal history of "The Bechuanalands", namely British Bechuanaland (1885-95), Bechuanaland Protectorate (1887-1966) and Botswana post-1966). The Society's members are scattered around the world with strong contingents in the UK and RSA. The Society publishes lhft Runner Egst on a quarterly basis. The journal has gained wide-spread recognition as an excellent source of specialist articles and information. Two meetings are held each year in the UK at Spring and Autumn STAMPEX. Regular auctions are also held. Membership is 8 Pounds per annum. Further information: Mike George, Hon. **Secy.**, P.O. Box 108 St Albans, Herts AL1 3AD England.

Dutch Philatelic Society of Southern Africa (FVZA) - Founded in **1988** by Dutch collectors focusing upon the following countries: South Africa, South West Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Angola and Mocambique. The Society publishes Bartolomeo Qjgs four times per year. Articles appear in one of three languages - Dutch, Afrikaans or English. A postal auction is held twice each year and a packet exchange is also offered. Further information: Secretary FVZA, Jan Stolk, Wilgensing 166, 3063 CZ Rotterdam, Holland.

East Africa Study Circle - Founded in 1979 with a world-wide membership of 150, the group's purpose is the recording and publication of information pertaining to the philately and postal history of Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania, with all their forerunners and ramifications. Three meetings are held each year, two of which coincide with B.P.E. and STAMPEX Displays and talks are given by members at these sessions. In addition, EASC has a growing library to which all members have access. The bulletin 'B.E.A' is issued three times per year. Bound volumes of early Issues are available. Special publications appear periodically - 'The Post Offices of Kenya & Other Postmarks, 1890.1903.' Further information: Roy Dunstan, Chantry Ct, 1 The Close, Warminster, Wilts, BA1 2 9AL, UK.

Orange Free State Study Circle - Founded In 1953 to further the study of the postage, revenue and telegraph stamps, the postal stationery, maridngs and history of the Orange Free State and the Orange River Colony. There are over 80 members in the UK, USA, South Africa, Australia, Canada, Europe and other parts of the world. A quarterly bulletin is issued that contains articles by members, questions and answers, meeting reports, membership changes and much other useful information. Meetings are held three or four times per year in or near London. Postal auctions, open to all members, are regularly organized, often in conjunction with the Transvaal Study Circle. The group's three volume Handbook, is

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acknowledged as THE seminal reference work on the **subject**, Books on the postmarks and postal history of the OFS/ORC are also available. Current projects include a series of maps concerned with the postal history of the OFS, censor marks used in the OFS during the Anglo-Boer

War and a rewrite of Volume I of the Handbook. Further information: J.R. Stroud, **28** Oxford St, Bumham-on-Sea, Somerset TA81 LQ, UK

Rhodesian Study Circle - Founded in 1948, RSC has a world-wide membership of over 400. it publishes a quarterly journal and holds regular meetings in England, South Africa, Zimbabwe, with occasional sessions in Canada and the US. Features in their publication include columns on recent issues of Zimbabwe, Zambia and Malawi to encourage the study of modern material. Further information: Membership Secretary, D. Lambert, 25 Carr Road, Nelson, Lancaster BB9 7JZ, UK

South Africa Collectors Society - Founded to

encourage and promote the collecting of stamps and postal history of both Union and Republican periods, the Homelands, South West Africa, Cape of Good Hope and Natal. Periodic postal auctions are held. The Society has held joint meetings in the past with the Rhodesian Study Circle and East Africa Study Group. Further information: AR. Chilton, 56 Framfield Rd. Mitham, Surrey CR4 2AL, UK

South West Africa Stamp Study Group - Founded in 1975, the group's intention is to study and record all philatelic material concerning SWA & Namibia and to create reference material - especially for the period from 1961 onwards. SWASSG meets monthly either in Johannesburg or Pretoria. It publishes the monthly Newsletter. Further information: Hon. Secy., Mrs. Merge Viljoen, P.O. **Box 36473**, Menlo Park ZA-0102, RSA

Transvaal Study Circle - Founded in 1966 with the aim of promoting study of the stamps and postal history of the Zuid Africaanshe Republiek (Transvaal). Aspects of the stamps and postal history of the Nieuwe Republiek, Stellaland, Goshen and Swaziland are also included in the terms of reference. The membership is scattered around the world, with strong groups concentrated in southern Africa and North America as well as the UK

The Study Circle's flagship is Iha Transvaal Lhilt4ft.

which is published quarterly and distributed free by surface mail to all members. Many of the articles recently published incorporate the results of research being undertaken for the eventual compilation of a comprehensive Handbook of Transvaal philately and postal history, and therefore

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Include Information not previously published. The issue scheduled for November 1991 will be Number 100, and, as is appropriate for a centenary, number, will include a brief history of the Study Circle, messages from the President Chairman, Founder Members, etc., and articles on a wide range of topics.

Meetings are as informal as possible and are held at irregular intervals, usually to coincide with visits by overseas members to the UK. An annual meeting is becoming a tradition in South Africa. Postal auctions, usually in association with other Study Circles with interests in southern Africa, are held as and when sufficient material is available.

The present office holders, elected at the AGM held on the 6th of July, are: President - Major Harold Criddle, FRPSL, RDPSA; Chairman - Tony Chilton; Secretary/Treasurer - Jeff Woolgar; and Editor of Ihq TLasayPA' Philatelist - Alan Drysdall. Enquiries concerning membership (10 Pounds per year) should be addressed to the Secretary/Treasurer, 132 Dale Street, Chatham, Kent ME4 SQH, UK

Events of Note

Listed below are shows and exhibitions from around the world which members may have an interest in attending. Any reader aware of others which should be listed, please send information to the Editor. Any reader having additional information on, or attends one of the listed events, written comments would be appreciated.

Canada 92 - March 25-29 - Montreal, Canada - FIP, Youth. U.S. Commissioner: Nancy Zielinski-Clark, Box 451, Leighton, GA 30648-0451.

Granada 92 - April 17-26 - Grenada, Spain, FIP, Youth. U.S. Commissioner: Roberto M. Rosende, c/o The Philatelic Foundation, 21 E. 40th St, New York, NY 10016.

WESTPEX 92 - May 1-3 - San Francisco, California - Associations for Western Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc., Cathedral Hill Hotel, Van Ness at Geary, Data from Charles R. Wailer, P. O. Box 1892, Pittsburg, CA 94566. A PSGSA MEETING IS TENTATIVELY BEING PLANNED-FOR. Confirming details in the next issue.

PHILATELIC SHOW 92 - May 1-3 - Boxborough, Massachusetts - Northeast Federation of Stamp Clubs Boxborough Host Hotel, Pt. 111 at 1-496(E)dt 28). SOCIETY NORTHEAST SPRING REGIONAL MEETING AND PROGRAM. PSGSA "Best Exhibit" Award. Contact Society President Guy Dillaway for prospectus and other details - P.O. **Box 1 e1, Weston, MA 02193.**

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WORLD COLUMBIAN STAMP EXPO 92 - May 22-31 - Chicago, Illinois. Spring meeting of the American Philatelic Society, World Series of Philately exhibition competition (PSGSA's "Best Exhibit" Award to be presented), U.S. Postal Service, Rosemont/O'Hare Expo Center, Rosemont Data from World Columbian Stamp Expo **92**, 7137 W. Higgins Rd., Chicago, IL 60656. SOCIETY TO MOUNT ONE-FRAME EXHIBIT AT THIS EVENT **AND MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO HELP OUT.** Question & Answer Panel member Fred Lawrence is the Project Manager. PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

World Columbian Stamp Expo 92, an international caliber show that will be held under the patronage of the United States Postal Service will be at the same site as AMERIPEX in 1986, is reserving 100 16-page AMERIPEX-type frames for Society exhibits, similar to those displayed at World Stamp Expo (WSE) '89 in Washington, DC. PSGSA has secured a reservation for one of these 16-page Society one-frame exhibits. Societies which displayed at WSE '89 are being encouraged by WCSE '92 to return their one-frame exhibits for display at WCSE '92, while new Societies, such as PSGSA, are being asked to mount a one-frame exhibit especially for display at the event WCSE '92 does not have the funding to have professionals prepare the Society one-frame exhibits, as was done for WSE '89, so new Societies must mount their exhibits at their own expense. However, WCSE '92 is providing the frames to the 100 participating Societies without charge of frame fees.

The PSGSA officers and directors have approved the development and display of a Society one-frame exhibit for WCSE '92, which will be composed of material representative of the various collecting aspects of Greater Southern Africa philately and loaned by Society members. PSGSA will underwrite all costs of the exhibit's preparation - pages, *to. - except the cost of insurance on any material loaned for the exhibit, which shall remain the member's responsibility. The first and last pages of the exhibit will contain information about the Society, as required by WCSE '92, and the remaining 14 pages will be one-page mini-exhibits on the following areas;

*Page 01: Introduction to the Society's collecting specialty *Page 02:

Pre-adhesives and CGH triangles *Page 03: CGH after the triangles

*Page 04: ZAR/Transvaal and OFS/ORC *Page

05: Griqualand West and New Republic

*Page 06: Zululand and Natal

*Page 07: Mashonaland, Matabeleland and the Rhodesias *Page 08:

The Bechuanaland *Page 09: Interprovincials

*Page 10: Military Campaigns: Matabeleland, Zulu Wars, Anglo-Boer War

*Page 11: Union of South Africa *Page

12: Republic of South Africa *Page 13:

South African aerophilately *Page 14:

South West Africa/Namibia

*Page 15: Modern stamp issuing entities - RSA Homelands, Botswana, Malawi, Zimbabwe (couple of stamps from each, perhaps topicals)

*Page 16: Information on the Society

The first and last pages will be developed by Editor/Founder Bill Brooks. Volunteers are being sought to serve as page leaders for pages 2-14. Project Leader will be Frederic Lawrence, a U.S. national level gold medal exhibitor and APS accredited judge. Frederic will work with the page leaders to develop the one-page mini-exhibits, and then will integrate them together to form the Society's one-frame exhibit. He will hand-carry the Society's exhibit to and from WCSE '92 and will return all loaned material to its owners immediately following the event. Frederic has announced the following schedule for development of the Society's one-frame exhibit for WCSE:

*By 20 Dec 91 - PSGSA members volunteer to serve as page leaders.

*By 31 Jan 92 - Page leaders submit draft page lay-outs with draft text to project leader.

*By 28 Feb 92 - Project leader responds back to page leaders on integration of pages into Society exhibit

*By 3 Apr 92 - Page leaders submit final page lay-outs with final text and philatelic material to be exhibited to project leader for integration.

*By 20 May 92 - Project leader hand-carries Society one-frame exhibit to WCSE '92

*22-31 May 92 - Society one-frame exhibit on display.

*By 1 Jun 92 - Project leader hand-carries exhibit back from WCSE '92

*By 26 Jun 92 - Project leader returns philatelic material to page leaders.

Members volunteering to serve as page leaders should co

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directly the project leader, Frederick Lawrence, at 1707 Terrapin Hills Dr., Mitchellville, MD 20721, or Editor/Founder Bill Brooks (new Box # 2698). Since PSGSA is underwriting all costs except insurance, all those participating in the development and display of the Society's one-frame exhibit should keep records of their **expenses** and submit them to the Treasurer for reimbursement following WCSE '92 (with the exception of any insurance costs).

Our Society's one-frame exhibit at WCSE '92 will be an excellent vehicle to 'push' Greater Southern Africa philately, as it will be seen by a large number of the many *thousands collectors who will be in attendance. But we will*

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you want to be a part of this exciting and worthwhile proj % let's hear from you!

Olympilex 92 - July 30-Aug 7 - Barcelona, Spain. FIP. U.S. Commissioner: Moms Rosen, 7013 Pheasant Cross Drive, Baltimore, MD 21209.

STaMpsHOW 92 - August 27-30 - Oakland, California American Philatelic Society, Oakland Convention Center. Data from American Philatelic Society, P.O. **Box 8000**, State College, PA 16803. **PSGSA FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION!!** If you have never attended a Society event this is the one you will not want to miss. The following is an open invitational letter, from our President to the Officers and general members of the Reciprocal Listings Exchange participating specialty groups:

'Dear Fellow Southern Africa Specialty Groups:

On behalf of the Board and general membership of PSGSA, I am extending an invitation to your officers and general members to attend our Fifth Anniversary Convention. The theme of this event is 'A Celebration of Greater Southern Africa Philately'.

The convention will be held in conjunction with STaMpsHOW 92, in Oakland, California, August 27-30. STaMpsHOW is the annual Exhibition and meeting of the American Philatelic Society and is the premiere philatelic event held in the United States each year. The World Series of Philately exhibition competition is part of the events venue and brings together the top award-winning exhibits from some 30+ competitions held throughout the prior year. In addition, there are open-competitions for both stamps and philatelic literature. PSGSA's "Best Exhibit" Award will be one of many being presented. Enclosed is an Information sheet describing the qualifying criteria for the award.

Information regarding submission of exhibits, hotel

reservations, tour packages, *to., may be obtained by writing: Dan Asmus, Director of Communications, American Philatelic Society, P.O. **Box 8000**, State College, PA 16803. If your organization would wish to hold a meeting or program at STaMpsHOW 92, Dan should be contacted forthwith.

PSGSA has tentatively planned a social hour and banquet for the evening of Friday, August 28, 1992. A Society general meeting and special program/seminar will also be held either on that Friday or Saturday the 29th. In addition, PSGSA may have a hospitality suite available for informal discussions and getting-acquainted sessions in support of general philatelic oommaraderie,

Any officers and general members of your groups, desiring additional information about the 'Celebration of Greater Southern Africa Philately', should contact: Louise Christian, PSGSA Director of Programs, P.O. Box 389, Placentia, CA **92670** USA Those who definitely plan on attending should contact Louis* regarding attendance at the banquet and special program.

In closing, let me state that we are excited about the 'Celebration' and truly hope to share the experience with as many greater southern Africa philatelists as possible! It would, therefore, be appreciated if this announcement could be published in your group's newsletter or journal.

I look forward to communications from my Board counterparts in your organizations.

Sincerely Yours, Dr. Guy Dillaway, President, Philatelic Society for Greater Southern Africa'

Already at this early date, confirmations of attendance have been received from collectors in the UK, Germany, Canada and RSA it is anticipated that the 'Celebration' will certainly be the largest gathering of the greater southern Africa collecting clan ever-at least in this hemisphere. This is one you will not want to miss) Please contact Louise as early as possible so that proper planning can be attended to.

Genova 92 - Sept 18-27 - Genoa, Italy. FIP, Thematic. U.S. Commissioner: George Guzzio, 134 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn, NY 11217.

SESCAL 92 - Oct 9-11 - Los Angeles, California Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California, Hyatt at Los Angeles Airport Hotel, **6225 W.** Century Blvd., Los Angeles. Exhibits will include philatelic literature. Data from James A Bowman, 3459 Township, Simi Valley, CA 93063. SOCIETY FALL REGIONAL. "Best Exhibit" Award. Contact Louis* Christian, Director of Programs, address listed earlier.

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Pretoria 92 - Oct 6-10 - Pretoria, RSA. National Stamp Exhibition held in Pretoria in conjunction with the Annual Congress of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa. Exhibition address: Box 50011, Wondo Park 0149, RSA

Uruguay 92 - Oct 12-21 - Montivideo, Uruguay. FIP. U.S. Commissioner: Fred F. Blau, Box 59153, Chicago, IL **60669**.

Joint Rhodesia Study Circle Philatelic Society For Greater Southern Africa Meeting Held

A joint meeting was held on August 17 In San Francisco. This Regional RSC/PSGSA meeting was attended by Paul & Joan Buehner (RSC), Robert M. Gibbs (RSC), Hank Ibsen (PSGSA), John McChesney Young (PSGSA), John & Margaret Peak (RSC), Graham Stott (PSGSA), Bill & Janice Wallace (RSC/PSGSA) and Jeffrey Weiss (PSGSA).

Regrets were sent by Peter Sargent (RSC), Stephen Schumann (PSGSA) and Tom Yazman (RSC).

The meeting began at 12 noon with a light lunch and introduction of members from the two Societies to each other.

The most learned philatelists in the group, Bob Gibbs and Jeff Weiss discussed Rhodesian "Double Heads" and rarities of Bechuanaland. As the focus of the meeting was Rhodesia, there **was** much discussion of these stamps, but SWA postage dues, Stellaland and New Republic were also discussed.

During the meeting we also received telephone greetings from **Dave McKay** (RSC) from Cranbrook, British Columbia in Canada and Syl Tully (RSC/PSGSA) from Hyde Park, Vermont

At 5:30 pm, the meeting adjourned to a local Thai restaurant. Following dinner, the meeting moved back to the Wallace's. After more lively discussion, the meeting finally disbanded well after 9:00 pm.

Each participant enjoyed the meeting and felt future meetings should be held. As the PSGSA is planning a regional meeting for early May next at WESTPEX Another joint RSC/PSGSA meeting is tentatively planned for January 1992 For information on forthcoming meetings, please contact Bill Wallace, P.O. 16381, San Francisco, CA 94116.

The above is an excellent example of how Society members may take the initiative and hold Informal joint sessions with sister organizations. It is hoped that this is the first example of a new and continuing tradition.

Highlights of the 1991 Society Convention

I am happy to report that the PSGSA meeting, held August 25 at STaMpsHOW 91 was, in my opinion, very successful. Members attending included yours truly, Guy Dillaway, Jeff Weiss, Louise Christian, Bob Taylor, Frederick P. Lawrence, David Wessely, Gene Bowman, T.P. McDermott and Hugh J. McMack in. Guests included Howard H. Schloss (now joined), Charles Berg and B. Mann.

Guy Dillaway chaired the meeting and gave a history of the organization, its growth to over 130 members and some plans for the future including a publications program.

Louise Christian and Guy described the Best Exhibit Award. Since three relevant exhibits are required for the award to be presented, it could not be awarded this year. Louise is hopeful that it can be presented at the **'92** STaMpsHOW scheduled for Oakland. She announced plans for a PSGSA dinner at that meeting.

Fred Lawrence discussed the World Columbian Exposition scheduled for Rosemont Illinois, MAY 22-31, 1992. A feature of the show will be the one-frame exhibits by the various specialist philatelic organizations including PSGSA. Fred will be contacting members for contributions to the exhibit

Fred **gave** a superb presentation of the postal history of the siege of Mafeking with special emphasis on the Baden-Powell and bicycle issues. His slide show included some striking examples of these issues, including some real rarities. A number of questions were raised that Fred responded to. His expertise on this subject was clearly demonstrated and this would be an outstanding piece for publication as a monograph (if it already has not been done).

As long as we were involved in the Boer War, I distributed some pro-Boer propaganda postcards for audience viewing.

Dr. Dillaway adjourned the meeting at noon.

STaMpsHOW itself appeared to be quite successful and well-attended, at least on Sunday when I was there. It was the usual "three-ring circus" with numerous seminars and specialty meetings going on throughout and simultaneously.

The exhibits were outstanding, especially the World Series of Philately. Member Bob Taylor had a superb exhibit on the Cape before the triangles. Best regards, Ralph Myerson.

Ralph is a founding member of the Society and volunteered to act as meeting host - Thank you Ralph for a job well-done!

Late Arrival

Twin City Expo '92 - Feb. 28-Mar. 1 - Brooklyn Center, Minnesotal. Show theme 'Exploration of Space.' USPS Service booth. 1500 exhibit pages & APS accredited judges panel. 35-40 dealers. Junior booth. Banquet & door prizes. Show cancellation and cachet Parking and admission free. For further information and/or prospectus, please contact PSGSA member Dan Brouillette, 1005 West Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55405.

Society Meeting Opportunities Encouraged

As you read earlier, Bill Wallace hosted a very successful joint 'gathering of the clan' between members of our group and the Rhodesian Study Circle. This is just one example of how individual members can provide opportunities for sessions in the future.

Any members desiring to set up similar meetings or perhaps hold a Society-sponsored program, in conjunction with a regional stamp show, Is Invited to contact the Society Director of Programs, Louis* Christian.

Check Your Pre-stamp Cape Cover

The following is an entry which appeared in the February 1985 issue of the SA Philatelist on page 29. It was sent in by an unknown member as a potential resource for those members needing assistance in assessing the genuineness of this type of postal item.

'he Expert Committee of the Philatelic Federation of Southern Africa has invited collectors to consult it about the genuiness of Cape of Good Hope pre-adhesive postal Items (entires, wrappers and covers).

Mr. David Crocker, chairman of the Expert Committee, said the committee was now equipped to resolve the anxieties of collectors about such items.

It Is known that many pre-adhesive Cape items, and even some Items with triangular stamps, were forged or doctored by Jurgens, often by adding some marking on an otherwise innocuous item.

The committee, in addition to its own research, has access to a fine reference collection of this material. Some of the Jurgens **puzzles**, first uncovered over 30 years ago, have also been pinpointed in the Cape postmarks book of Mr. Bob Goldblatt RDPSA

Mr. Crocker said collectors who were not sure of their markings were welcome to submit their covers to the Expert Committee/Honorary Secretary, P.O. Box 360, Montagu 6720, Republic of South Africa.

THE FORERUNNERS FORUM

Questions And Answers



As part of its services to members and non-members alike, the Society provides an excellent resource to the reader through this feature. On the inside cover page, a panel of experts is listed. Any reader may utilize the voluntary services of the Panel in obtaining answers to questions which may have plagued them for some time concerning a cover, cancellation, postal rates/routes, etc. The procedure is simple: Send your question(s), along with a clear reproduction of the item(s) in question, to the Panel member with the relevent area of expertise. A detailed description, e.g., color, perforations, watermark type, *to., should always accompany any illustrations. This will aid the Panel member in accurately responding to your question.

The Panel member will forward his answer, along with the question and reproduction, to the Editor for publication in the next issue of Forerunners. Panel members will also return a copy of the response directly to the questioner. Please bear in mind that a question may take an extended period of time for research and may also require collaboration with other Panel members. Questions are accepted on an ongoing basis. Any submission which 'stumps' the panel will appear in the 'Unanswered Challenges For The Scholar' feature.

Questions falling outside the geographical scope of the Society, that pertain to British East and or West Africa, may be submitted to the Editor. These items *11 be forwarded to the appropriate specialty groups.

Membership on the Panel Is open to Society members In good standing who have experience and knowledge in a specific **area** not yet listed. Anyone wishing to serve is heartily invited to express their interest to the Panel Chair, Syl C. Tully, RD#1, Box 3060, Hyde Park, VT 05665 USA

Readers are also Invited to respond to questions and answers previously published in the journal by sending their comments directly to the Editor. Additional insights and information are always welcomed as a way of broading the scope of our knowledge.

No questions and answers were received this period.

Unanswered Challenges For The Scholar



This feature includes questions which have 'stumped' our Question & Answer Panel. The reader is now invited to take up the challenge. Please forward all speculations directly to the Editor.

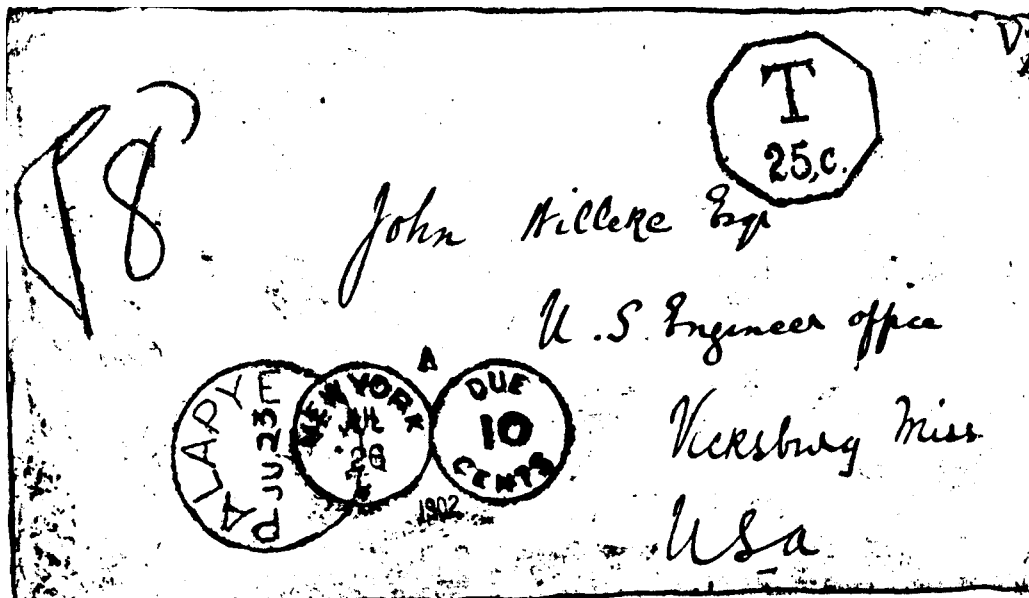
The program portion of the Society Fall Regional meeting at SESCAL '91 was devoted to speculations about two previously unanswered challenges that have run in this column for some time. The speculations regarding Challenge #1 are shown in the opposite column, *with the* Illustration provided below. The second challenge part of the program is discussed on the next page.

Perhaps readers will be able to add to the discourse.

Challenge #1: 'Can anyone speculate as to why the over (Figure 1) shown on page 10 of the Oct '89/Jan '90 issue is totally stampless? Perhaps something to do with the Boer War?'

Speculations: No one was clear as to why the cover in question was stampless. The numeral '9' and undecipherable marking in the upper left **was** thought perhaps to be representative of 8p-possibly indicating a double weight letter. The 'PALAPYE...' CDS (lower left of center) was perhaps the closest town with a cancelling device in relation to the earlier mention 8p marking. As for the UPU text Octagonal '25c' cancel, it may have referenced the single foreign rate due amount. It was felt that the letter probably ended up in Cape Town as the exit point before heading on to the **New** York entry port where it arrived on July 26, 1902 with a due assessment of 1 Oc which **was** the double weight rate at the time.

As the reader can see, the speculation has just begun. Still unknown is as to why the cover is stampless and if there was a possible connection with the Boer War. Any other ideas?



Challenge #2: 'Why is the cover (Figure 2 below) shown on page 12 of the Jan/Apr '89 issue a lake' cover?'

Speculation: The program participants had some difficulty with the illustration because of the lack of clarity. The first thing that struck the discussants **was** the striking difference in the numeral cancels on the six stamps in the upper left - they do not entirely match. Also, the question arose as to whether the four 4p Cape stamps were a block? Then there **was** a question regarding the unusual configuration of these stamps (sox in all). One comment was that the cover could be a Jurgens item because of this. The OFS stamp in the upper right did not help shed light on the mystery either because of the poor quality of the photocopy. One question arose concerning the CDS to the lower left and whether it **was** tied to the stamp. Only five post offices were known to have had such cancellers at the time. Another question arose concerning the effective rate at the time (January 13, 1870) for letters to Holland. The group agreed that the submitter of the cover, Syl Tully, owed it to the group to help us out. Any other takers?

Challenge #3: 'Does anyone have information about the De Waal Forwarding Agents, Durban and Delagoa Bay? I would like some history on the company. In the only list I

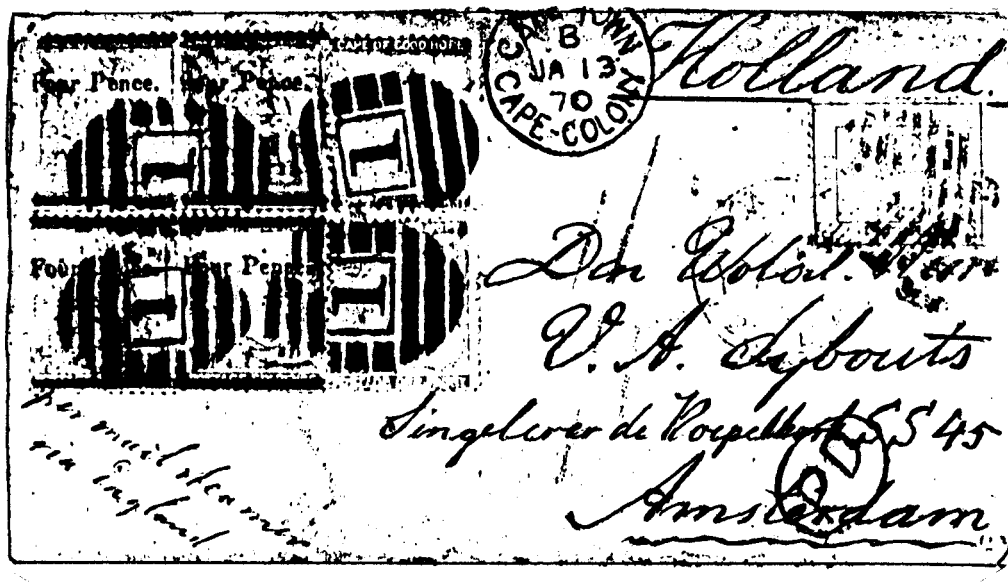
have seen of pro-Union forwarding agents, they are not mentioned. I have two of their labels, both cancelled at Point/Natal, in the 1890's. One is on piece with a 1 d postage stamp, cancelled October 10.'

Challenge #4: "I have a 1/2p Swaziland overprint of the first issue (Scott #2). The 'SW is omitted on it, but Robson Lowe only shows it missing on the 2p. Mine is cancelled 'EMBEKELWENY'. Anyone have any knowledge of this?"

Challenge #6: 'Has anyone see/own, or have a photocopy of a non-philatelic interprovincial cover franked by stamps from all four pre-Union states?'

Challenge #8: When were Union of South Africa bi-lingual circular cancels used on provincial revenues?"

Challenge #7: 'The cropped portion of a cover (grey color) of a 1 "age booklet by Rich is shown on top of the next [page](#). It was published by **Severn-Wylie, Jewett Co.** and is referred to as 'Booklet Number Forty-one' on the inside cover page. There is no copyright date. The booklet covers the issues of the Union through 1921. I have asked literature buffs about this one and none are familiar with it, much less its value. Can anyone help?'



Challenge #7 illustration of cropped cover of Rich booklet

THE STAMPS OF THE. UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

By STEPHEN G. RICH

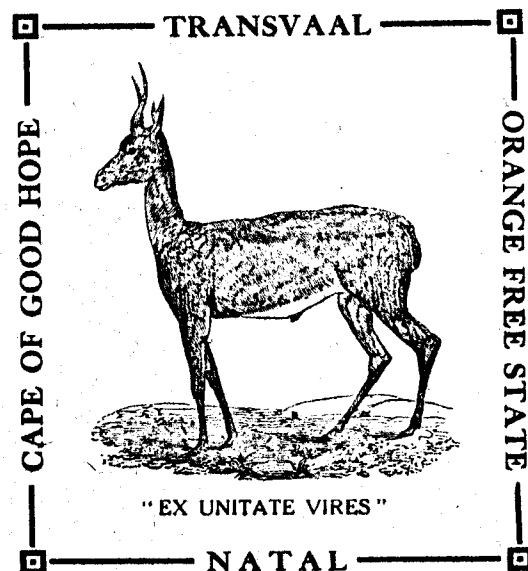
"BITS AND PIECES"

This feature provides an opportunity for members to share interesting little tidbits of information and illustrations in a short-order format items appropriate for "Bits" include interesting and/or unusual cancels, covers, rare stamps and the like related to the philately of greater southern Africa Reactions, comments, etc., to items appearing in this column are encouraged. also.

In the event that you, the reader, are wondering what you might be able to contribute to "Bits" in the future, the Editor has a comprehensive list of possible subjects. The list is composed of suggestions from members and is distributed with the first issue of each volume. The latest additions to the topics list are: V.O. C., revenues, Dutch period of SAP., printing quantities, Homeland postal history, UNITA rebel philatelic items, postal interaction with SWA. Lesotho items, post-1965 Rhodesian issues on covers accepted overseas, Swaziland items, listings of postal cancellations

Our German colleague, Werner Seeba, sends us a very old illustration, on the right, of a stamp-seller in wintertime in Germany. The translated caption reads: "Buy 11:1 Buy it Or I throw it away!"

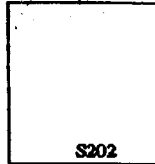
Robert W. Hisey of Florida, uses computer applications for creating album pages. On page 21 he shows one using a 24-pin printer. As Bob **says**, "A page of this sort takes only about five minutes to generate after you have determined the cross-referencing of the catalogs." He also sent us a key for the first RSA definitives with Gibbon and Color Catalog numbering (page 22). If there is any interest, he can add the Scott numbers. He also did this for the Transvaal 1 d First and Second Republic (including an expanded and clarified discussion of forgeries thereof).



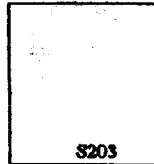
FORGERIES OF THE SECOND BRITISH MILITARY OCCUPATION 1900-1902

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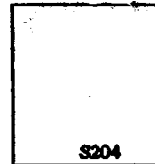
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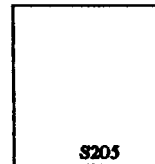
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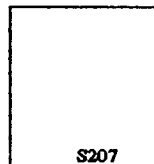
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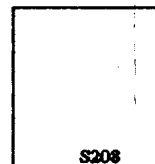
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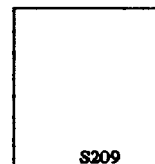
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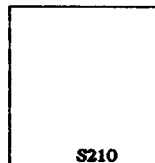
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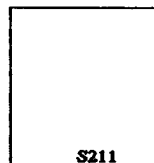
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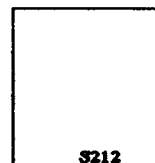
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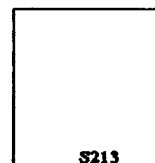
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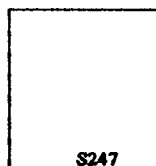


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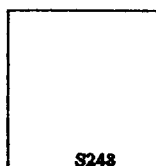


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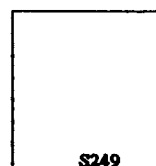
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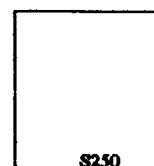
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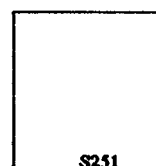
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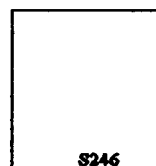


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243 1/2d ON 2d BRN/GRN

FIRST REPUBLICAN DEFINITIVES KEY

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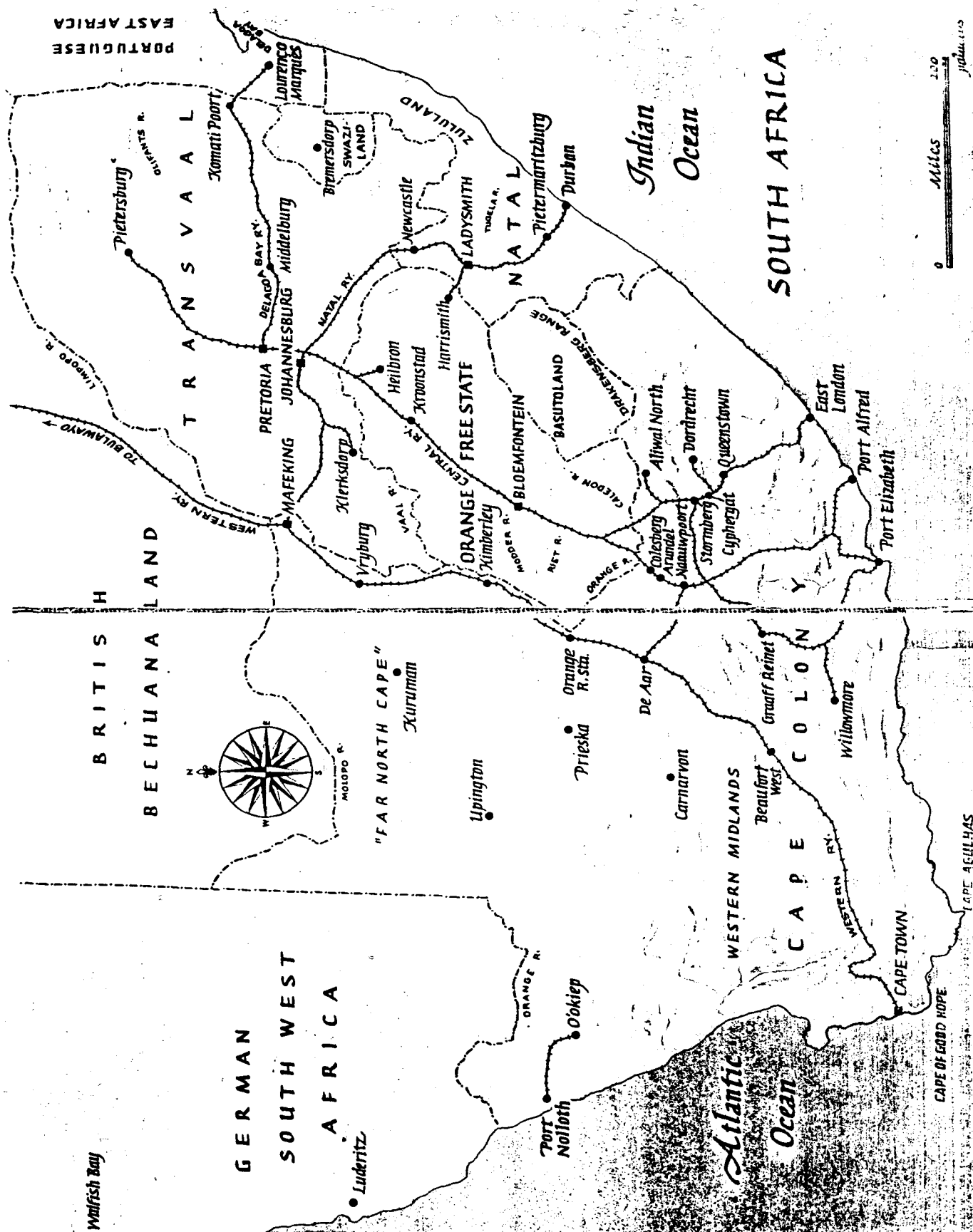
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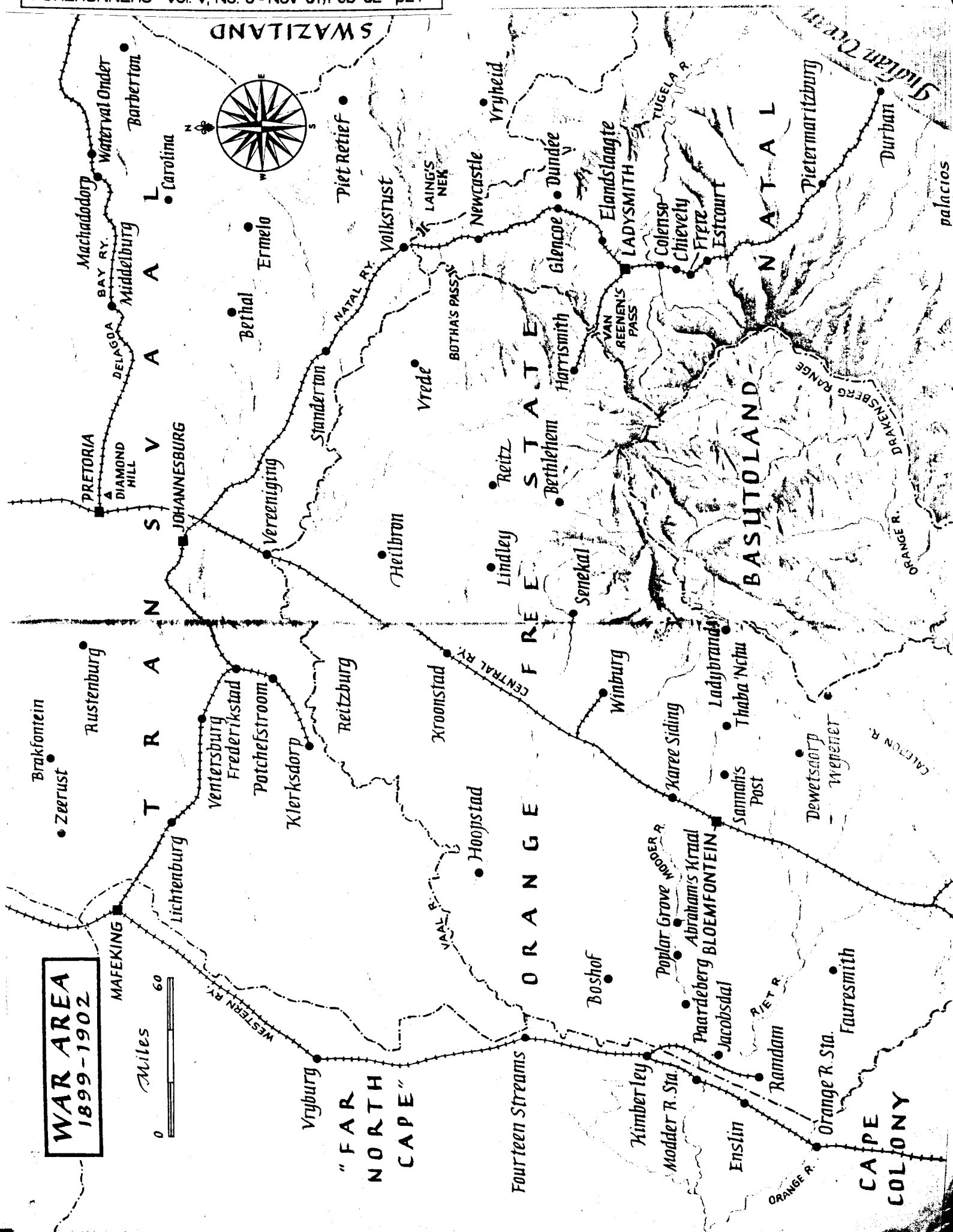
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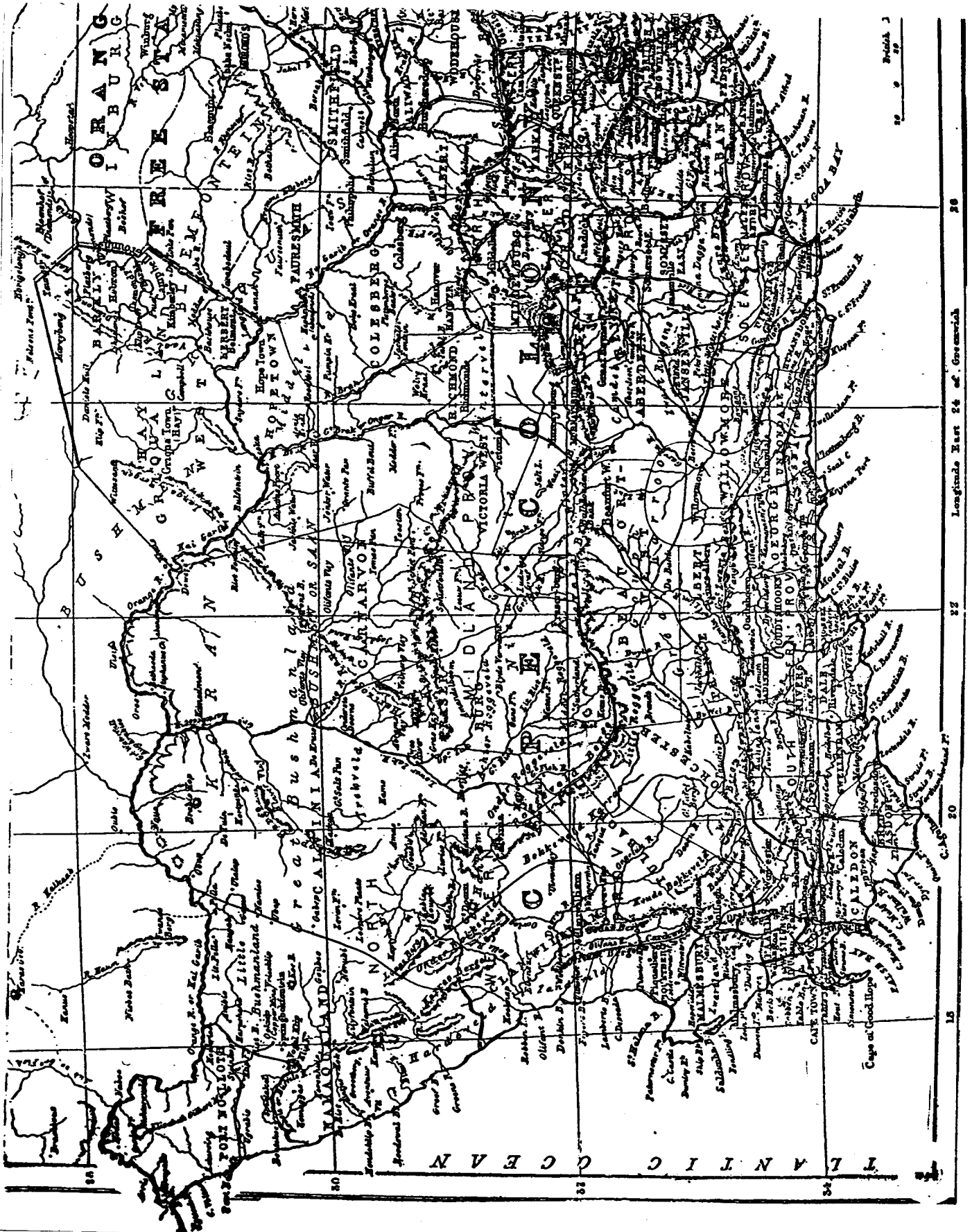
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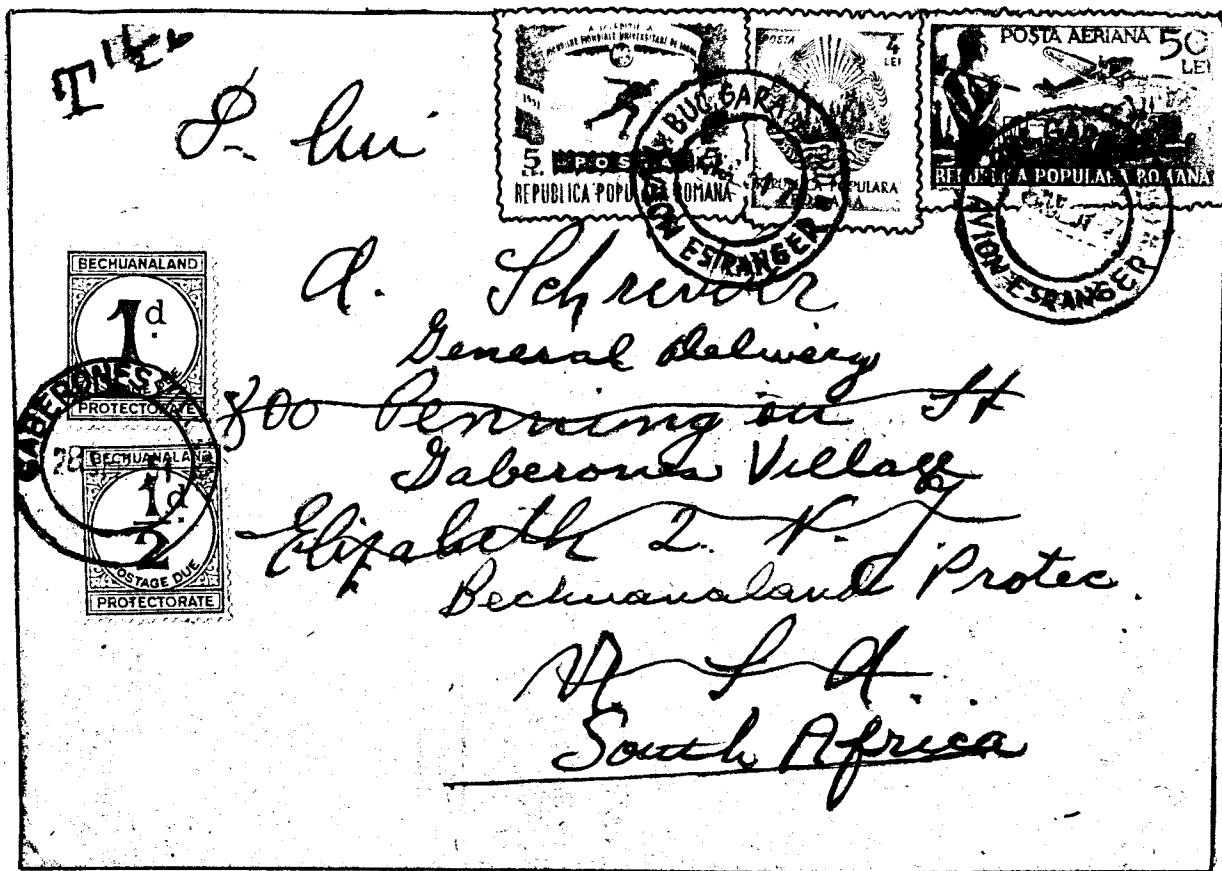


Roland Terry provides us with a copy of an "ancient" map of the Cape. Note the town of Greyton which caused so much discussion in the previous issue ... Aloha, Terry



On this and the next page are the final two examples of internal covers bearing Bechuanaland postage dues, thanks to our US/Int'l Rep., Dave Wessely of Ohio. The cover below from Roumania, addressed to New Jersey,

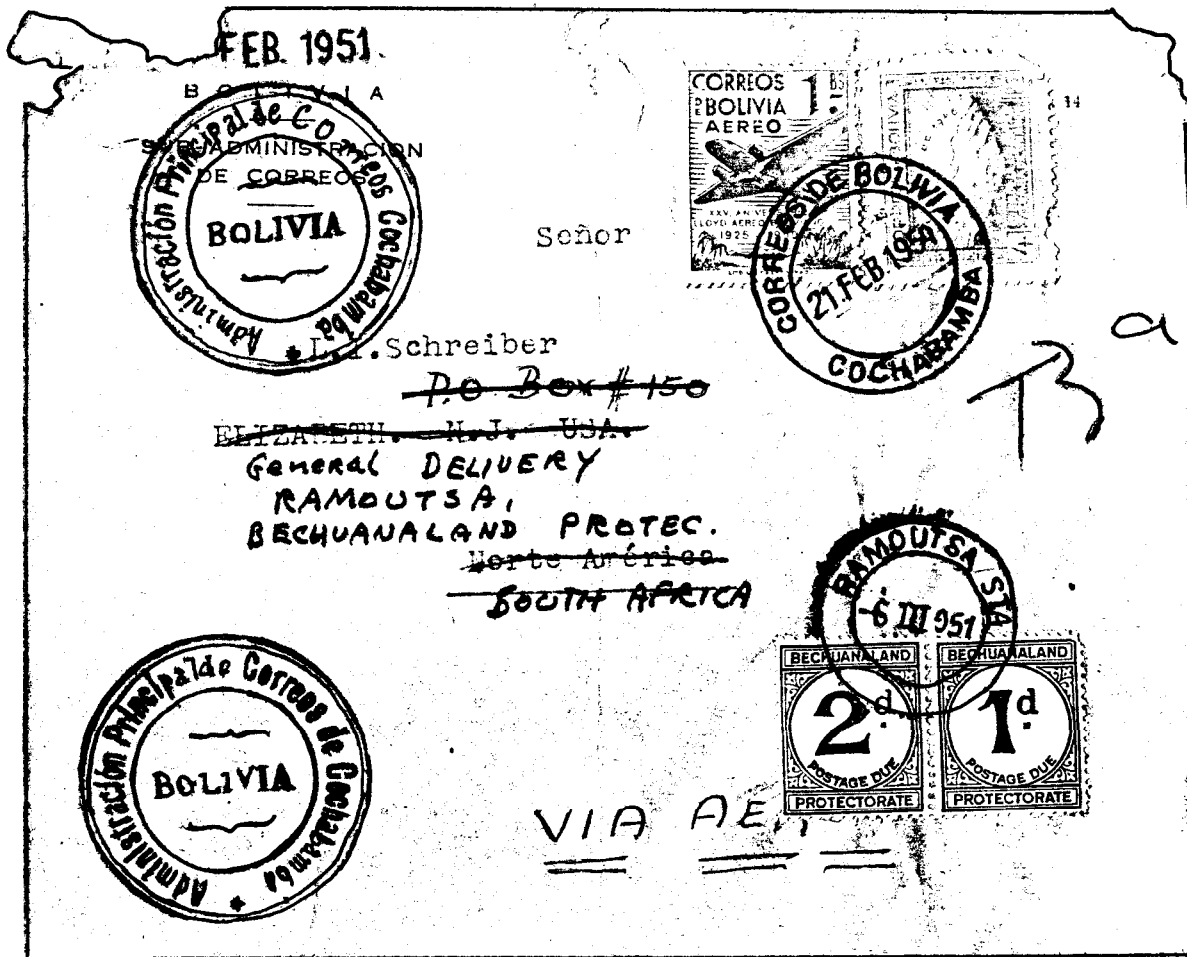
was forward to general delivery, BP; dated July 18, 1951 from Bucharest (Gara De Nord), carries 59 Lei (Sc#s 734, 769, C33) in Romanian postage; handwritten "T 1 1/2d"; arrival in Gaberones Village, BP, dated Sept 28, 1951, carrying a 1 p plus a 1/2p (J44; backstamped Francistown, BP with large prepayment slogan cancel.



PLEASE ADVISE SENDER THAT
LETTERS SHOULD BE PREPAID
1 1/2d FOR EACH HALF OUNCE

Second internal BP postage due cover - from Bolivia, dated February 21, 1951 from Cochabamba, Bolivia; carries 5B in postage (Sc#'s 117 & C133); has handwritten T3;

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arrival March 6, 1951 at Ramoutsa village, BP with a 2p and 1 p BP dues (Sc#'s J5 & 6).



The following is a copy of a page from Athol Murray's collection of the Cape which he sent in for all to enjoy. We thank him for sharing the "mystery".

A MYSTERIOUS LETTER WRAPPER

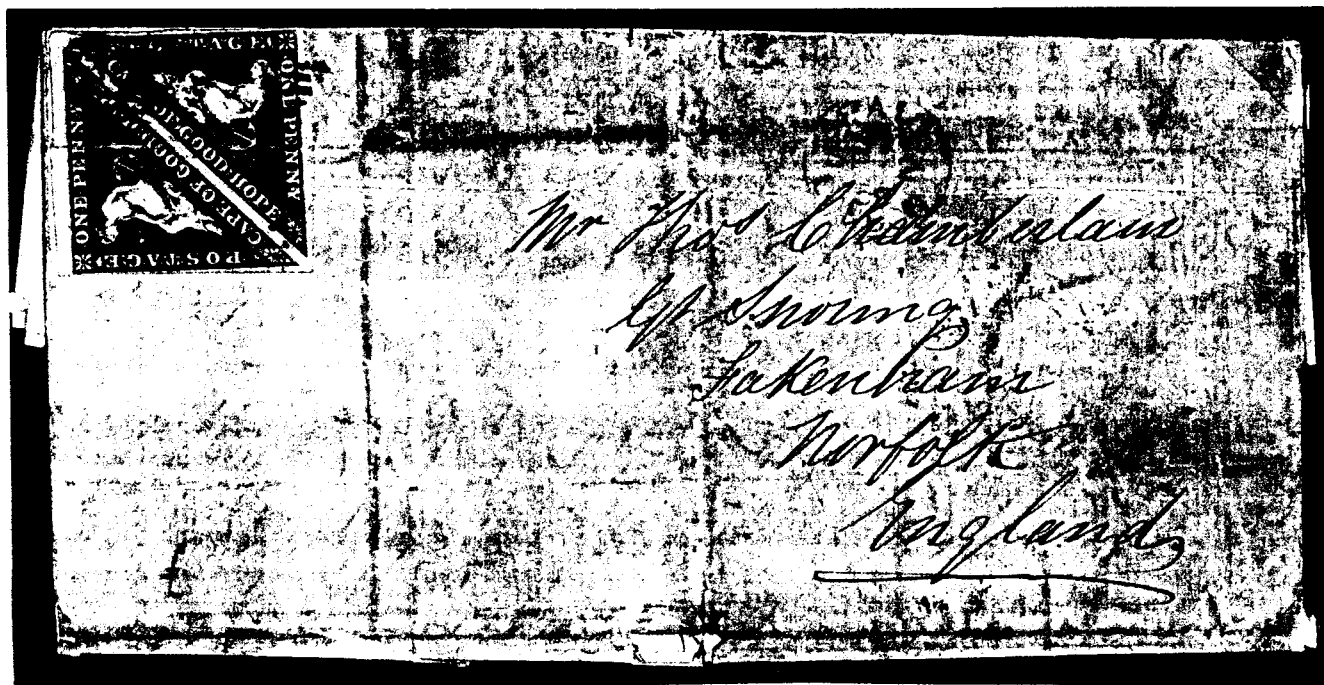
A letter, from the Government Surveyor headed Swellendam, but the text written some 40 miles away, at Mynheer Rahl' s house on 14th July 1859.

The Heidleberg postmark indicates Rahl' s house nearer to that town than Swellendam.

Postmarks :

	Heidleberg	20 July 1859
red	Cape of Good Hope	22 July 1859
red	London Paid	2 Sept 1859
	Fakenham	Sept 1859
red	manuscript	5

stamped with a pair of 1d Perkins Bacon
white paper triangulars (creased). SG 5a.



The correct postage from the Cape to England was 6d but prepayment was optional. The uniform postal rate was 4d for internal mail. Prepayment being compulsory from 1858.

Why two One Penny stamps?

- originally four stamps of which two removed though there is no trace of this having happened.
- Cover made into a fake by the later addition of the stamps
- Passed through the post with incorrect postage unnoticed

The Society Publications Program

Publication Program Committee Formed

Following upon the up-date in Forerunners, March/June 1991 & July/October issues, we are pleased to announce the agreement of the Board to the formation of a formal Publications Program Committee.

The Committee will be comprised of six members, each with their own special skills and experience in philatelic writing and publishing. They are, in alphabetical order: Tim Bartshe, Ron Carlson, Alan Drysdall (UK), Dr. Guy R. Dillaway, John Otten and W. Alec Page (UK), the last named having accepted the invitation to be the Chair.

Liaison between Committee members is now under way in order to establish a modus operandi and set criteria for submissions. In the meantime, you, our members at large, can give the Committee some work to **do by:** a) indicating a subject(s) on which you are currently researching with a view to publishing the results of your labors; b) suggesting areas where you consider there is a need for a monograph/book for would-be students; and c) asking for guidance and assistance in your own aspirations towards authorship.

Do please remember that to research in isolation with a view to publishing is akin to "reinventing the wheel"!

My role as Chairman, will include coordination; thus, I look forward to hearing from you and welcome any suggestions in the context of our aims. By all means, communicate. Thank you . . . W. Alec Page, (Chairman, Publication Program Committee) 138 Chastilian Road, Darford, Kent, DA1 3LG, England.

Jim Ryan is hard at work on a project to eventually produce a comprehensive bibliography covering all aspects of greater southern Africa philately. Every member is encouraged to send Jim a list of all books, articles, monographs, etc., in his/her library. Jim's address is 441917 Ave. NW, Calgary AB, Canada T3B 0N7

Guy Dillaway is presently working on a manuscript dealing with postal rates and foreign destinations from the Cape during the 1853-65 triangular period. He is especially interested in all 3p and 4p rates to the UK and 1 p+1 p rates to Holland. He would appreciate front/back photocopies of covers and will purchase items, condition not of paramount importance. If you may be of some assistance to Guy in his quest, please contact him by writing to his address on the inside of the front cover.

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Editor's Nightmare Arrives ! !

Well folks, the feature article department archives has 'run dry' (with the exception of a series of historical pieces by one member on postal agencies).

The "Modern Issues' Department has only two articles in its archives. As for the 'Back-of the Book", Editor Ron Carlson is also very 'hungry' for material.

To sing an old and repetitive song, I would love to receive articles from 'first timers'. Heaven knows, our scope is broad enough to provide opportunities for each and every reader to take their pens in hand and donate to the cause. The average number of years members have collected is 30+ . Therefore, there should be no doubt about the knowledge and expertise ready to be untapped and shared through the written word. In addition, we have a growing library and archives available for research purposes.

If any member desires to collaborate, by all means send an entry notice for the Publication Program feature. You may also wish to contact one of the Question & Answer Panel members as a resource.

The bottom line is that "we all learn by sharing." Not only that, reader reactions clearly indicate that readers continue to thoroughly enjoy the feature articles whether they be authored by experienced hands or "first timers."

It is well-known that would-be novices to the writing game rightfully experience trepidation and anxiety about taking that first step. However, once the Rubicon Is crossed, there is a common experience of 'now that wasn't nearly as difficult as I anticipated'. One thing is certain, there are any one of a number of members in our midst who would be more than willing to generously give of their time and expertise to assist their fellows in the writing game. Think about It

FEATURE ARTICLES

Editor's Note: Submission of articles is accepted on an on-going basis. The Individual issue deadlines are the 18th of May, September and January. Articles should be in double-spaced, typewritten form and have a maximum length of five pages, ¹¹⁴¹ including Illustrations. The latter should be the clearest copy possible. Originals of charts and graphs are preferable. Lengthy articles should be serialized. Periodically, articles will appear which have been previously published elsewhere. This occurs when the subject of the work is judged to be of strong interest and value to Society members. Appropriate credit is given in such cases. Forerunners has published 'guest articles'

by non-members. Guest authors receive a complimentary copy of the Issue in which their article appears.

In the event any reader desires a topic or two to write about, the Editor has a comprehensive list of subjects based upon suggestions from members over the years. The list is available for the asking by writing the Editor. The list is also distributed with the first issue of each volume. The latest additions to the feature article topics list are: South African military mails during the South West African/ Angolan campaigns from 1976; anything on Zululand stamps, postmarks, postal history; postal history of the foreign contingents fighting for the Boers during the Anglo-Boer War, e.g., Scandinavian Corps; postal history of the 1914 Rebellion in South Africa; postal history of the first Anglo-Boer War; Homeland postal history, acceptance of these issues overseas, etc.; UNITA Rebel philately, postal interactions with SWA; RENAMO in Mozambique; RSA, Swaziland, Zimbabwe, Botswana; Lesotho - "Invasion of the wallpaper-mongering philatelic agents or "Mickey Mouse in Maseru!"; Rhodesia - acceptance of post-1965 issues overseas; listing of postal cancellations and their relative scarcity; Dutch period of S.A.R., V.O.C.

Dialogues

This aperiodic features presents reactions to articles. The article title is listed first, followed by the reader's comments and when appropriate, the author's response. Readers are encouraged to send in comments, corrections, additions, etc., directly to the Editor who will forward them to the author.

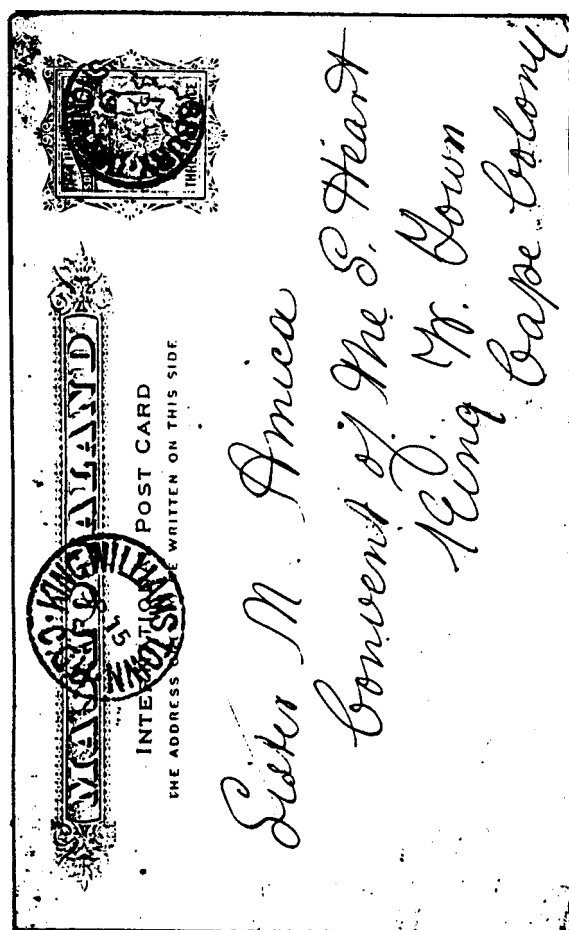
"Two Short Stories on Early Rhodesian Postcards", Bill Wallace, July/October 1991, pages 35-7.

Comments by Ian Shapiro, Argyll Etkin Ltd., UK:

"I too have a card from the very same correspondence (Mother Patrick), and I enclose herewith a photocopy (see illustrations below) of it for you to see. You will note that she has signed here name in full on the card I have. Quite unusual manuscript material, and I would say anything written by Mother Patrick is extremely uncommon."

Ian was also kind enough to provide the following biographical sketch of Mother Patrick by E.E. Burke:

'Cosgrave, Mary Anne (The Reverend Mother Patrick) (Summerhill, Co. Meath, Ire., 22.5.1863 - Salisbury, Rhod., 31.7.1900), pioneer nurse and Prioress of the Dominican Houses in Rhodesia, was one of four children of a member



Dear Sir, I am afraid you won't get any letters to day. We are and have been so busy about the Harper, which took place last night. It has been very successful - nearly 400. Mr. Rhodes came last night & was most generous & kind. He was delighted with the Schishawasha Native Boys, who gave their entertainment last night. Mr. Rhodes's concert comes off to night and Mr. Rhodes promised to come down again. Dr. Gannason was obliged to go away before but he wrote me a nice little note - his own writing is sent on a bluey. Thanks so much for all your letters. We are expecting news of the Jubilee Celebrations when by next post word will come to all Mother Prioress & Sisters. They must excuse it not writing for days. We are all well. I hope you both are enjoying your holidays & getting strong. When do you think of coming back? Love as

Ls... cont'd

of the Irish police. She went to school at the Loreto Convent, Enniscorthy, County Wexford, but left at the age of fifteen.

'During 1880 Bishop J.D. Ricards, Vicar Apostolic of the eastern districts of the Cape, visited Wexford while recruiting postulants for the Dominican Convent in King William's Town. Mary C. **was** fired by the opportunity and sailed for South Africa that year. The work of the convent was directed toward nursing and teaching and after completing the ordinary probation and training of the Order, she taught in the convent schools at King Williams's Town, East London and Potchefstroom.

- In November 1889, Father A Daignault, the Superior of the Jesuit Zambesi Mission, by arrangement with C.J. Rhodes, called for volunteers from the Dominican nuns to staff an ambulance and hospital service for the Pioneer Column then being prepared by the British South African Company for the occupation of Mashonaland. Five were selected and Mary C. (now Sister Patrick), who **was** then at Potchefstroom, **was** appointed Superior of the party. In the event they did not accompany the Column but for a year, they served its **base** hospital at Macloutsie. The party arrived in Salisbury on 27.7.1891 and at once started work there in the rough hospital, which consisted of a few grass huts and tents; a more permanent building was supplied by the administration in 1895. The standard of the services given, the sympathy of the nuns and above all the character of Mother Patrick herself endeared the sister to the pioneer community in a remarkable manner. On 18.10.1892, she opened the Salisbury Convent School, the first school for whites in Rhodesia. After the occupation of Matabeleland, the Dominicans inaugurated a hospital and a convent at Bulawayo in 1894.

- During the Matabele Rebellion in 1896, Mother Patrick, with another sister, accompanied a relief column from Salisbury to Gwelo to take temporary charge of an emergency hospital there, and returned with the column to Salisbury when that town was threatened by the events of the Mashona Rebellion. For these services she received the Company's campaign medal.

- In 1898, the Community **was** separated from King William's Town and this implied that it would have in future to obtain its own postulants. Mother Patrick left for England in June 1898 for that purpose. While there she was awarded the Order of the Royal Red Cross, and on her return (6.1.1899) she was elected Prioress of the Dominican Houses in Rhodesia. She died in her own hospital of tuberculosis, a disease which had carried off both of her parents. Mother Patrick was the pioneer organizer of both

nursing and educational services. In Rhodesia there is constant mention of her determination - she was a firm businesswoman - cheerfulness of manner, deep faith and enormous energy which was at everybody's service; she has been described as 'ecumenical before ecumenism'. Every year on St Patrick's Day a public gathering is held at her grave in the Pioneer section of the Salisbury cemetery to pay tribute to her memory.'

More On The Mafeking Siege Cancel: Earliest and Latest Reported Usages

By: Frederick P. Lawrence, Maryland, USA

In Forerunners, Vol. V, No. 2, July/Oct '91, this writer reported on the earliest reported usage of the single circle **25mm MAFEKING C.G.H.** cancel used in Mafeking during the siege. Since the appearance of that article, more information has surfaced on the siege cancel, and a new latest usage of this cancel has been discovered. In this follow-on article, I report on these developments.

The earliest reported usage of the Mafeking siege cancel is on an upfranked Cape of Good Hope postal card, paying the 1 d foreign card rate, from Mafeking, March 4, 1898, to Mainz, Germany. See Fig. 1, which is cropped from the original illustration of the full card.

Figure 1



Relying on Andries van der Wall, I stated that this cancel is Goldblatt cds **26 (1)**. Shortly after my copy of Forerunners reached my mailbox, so then did a copy of Robert Goldblatt's book, having come by sea mail from a South Africa dealer. References to Chapter 5 (pg 100) and the Appendix (pp 199-202) clearly show that the Mafeking siege cancel is Goldblatt cds 25, circular datestamp with time control index letter, not cds **26 (2)**. The 'B' in the March 4, 1898 strike is a time control index letter, not a canceller control letter, as I incorrectly concluded. As Goldblatt explains, the "time control index letter," or "time index letter," was a time recording device introduced with

More on Siege Cancel...Contd

the Circular Date Stamp (cDs) of 1884. The protocols on use of these letters varied among the many post offices in the British-controlled areas of South Africa, but when present in datestamps, the letters indicated the time of posting, measured in time intervals from the opening times of the post offices. Time intervals ranged from half an hour to - in smaller post offices such as Mafeking - five or six hours. Letters were used until about 1900, when slugs expressing the time as 'AM.' or 'P.M.' were introduced into datestamps. However, the family of circular datestamps of 1891, to which the Mafeking siege cancel belonged, survived many years into Union, and **was** in use in smaller post offices until as late as 1936.

So, the time control index letter 'A' in the Mafeking siege cancel indicated morning posting of the mail, and 'B' indicated afternoon posting. These same 'A' and 'B' letters are also found in the other Mafeking datestamps in use during the period 1886 to shortly after the siege: Goldblatt cDs 2, cDs 16 and sc 6. We can now safely conclude that there was only one Mafeking siege canceller (Goldblatt cDs 25), not two as I previously suggested. This is an intuitively attractive result, because there have been no reported differences among strikes of this cancel. But, if this conclusion is correct, as I now believe it is, it continues to confuse the question of post-siege usage of this cancel, which remains muddy, at least for the time being.

Figure 2 (next page) illustrates the recently discovered, latest reported usage of the Mafeking siege cancel, January 27, 1906. The post card is R.S.S. Baden-Powell's 1906 Christmas card, with a hand-colored reproduction of a drawing by Baden-Powell on the reverse. Posted from Battersea, S.W., UK on December 30, 1906, it is addressed to Major (later Colonel) F.W. Panzera, who served as D.A.G. on the staff of the Frontier Forces commanded by Baden-Powell, and who commanded the artillery defenses during the Mafeking siege. In early 1906 he was serving as the Acting Resident Commissioner of the Bechuanaland Protectorate in Francistown, where the post card was redirected to him from Mafeking. In Mafeking the card was struck with the siege cancel with 'A' time control index letter, as a transit cancel. This January 27, 1906 usage is almost three years later than the previously believed latest usage, in March 1903. The blurred appearance of the

strike shows graphically how the canceller had worn from the inception of its use just eight years earlier. Interesting to note also is how the year, 1906, is set in the cancel, as '6' rather than '46'. The '6' appears centered beneath JA

suggests that a leading "0" **was** not present, rather than merely did not print because of a light impression of the canceller.

This post card was a part of the 'Panzera correspondence,' the collected personal letters, memorabilia and

dispatches of Colonel Panzera from his South African service, 1892 - 1916, a great deal of which was associated with the Mafeking siege. The correspondence was sold by his family heirs to a well-mown London postal history dealership two years ago, and was offered for sale as an intact lot at London Stamp World 1990. When no buyer could be found, the correspondence was broken down into small lots, which were then offered individually. In November 1994 London's Phillips Auctioneers sold the similar correspondence of Lt Col. Courtenay Vyvyan, who served as AAG. on staff of the Frontier Forces commanded by Baden-Powell, and as Base and Town Commandant and Chief Engineer during the Mafeking siege. The Panzera and Vyvyan correspondences, inaccessible to Anglo-Boer War researchers until their recent dispositions, have yielded some fabulous pieces of Mafeking philately, such as the Figure 2 post card, and some very surprising information about the Mafeking siege.

In future articles in *Forerunners*, I will feature some of the other fabulous pieces of Mafeking philately from the Panzera and Vyvyan correspondences.

My thanks to our recent new member, Mr. Ian Shapiro, of the staff of Argyll Etkin, Ltd., London, for background information on Colonel F.W. Panzera and Lt Col. Courtenay Vyvyan.

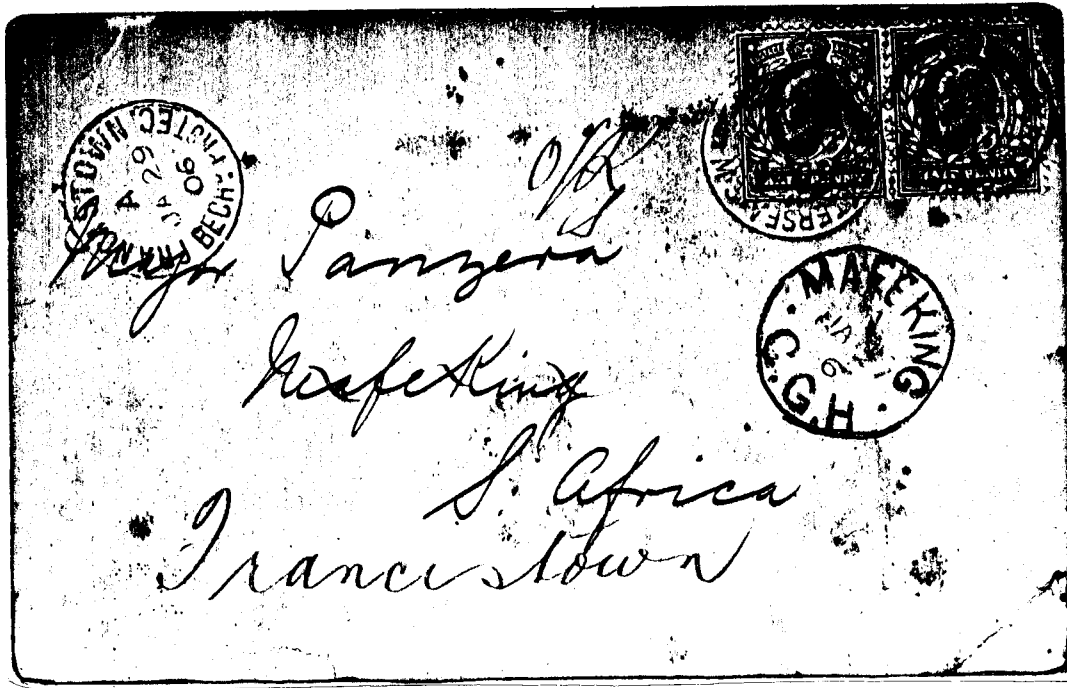
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**SECOND BIENNIAL "CHARLES LUPO
MEMORIAL AWARD" BALLOT
ENCLOSED PLEASE CAST YOUR VOTE
AND RETURN**

Figure 2 Mafeking Siege cancel, latest reported usage, R.S.S. Baden-Powell's 1905 Christmas card, with a handcolored reproduction of a drawing by Baden-Powell on the reverse.

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A Previously Undescribed Stellaland Item

By: Alan R. Drysdall, England

Major Harold Criddle has been kind enough to provide the illustration (Fig. 1) of an item in his collection reproduced below. The franking comprises two uncanceled Stellaland 3d stamps in combination with three Transvaal stamps - 1 d black and 3d pale red of the 1883-86 Celliers reprints and a 6d of the Bradbury Wilkinson 'Queen's head' issue - cancelled with a target-type mark coded '6'. This would suggest that the item was posted sometime during the period 1883-M, presumably at Vryburg, and forwarded via Christiana in the Transvaal. There is of course no way of proving that the Stellaland stamps have not been simply added to a cover which originated from Christiana, but a comparison with known Stellaland covers has nevertheless proved an instructive exercise.

Figure 1.

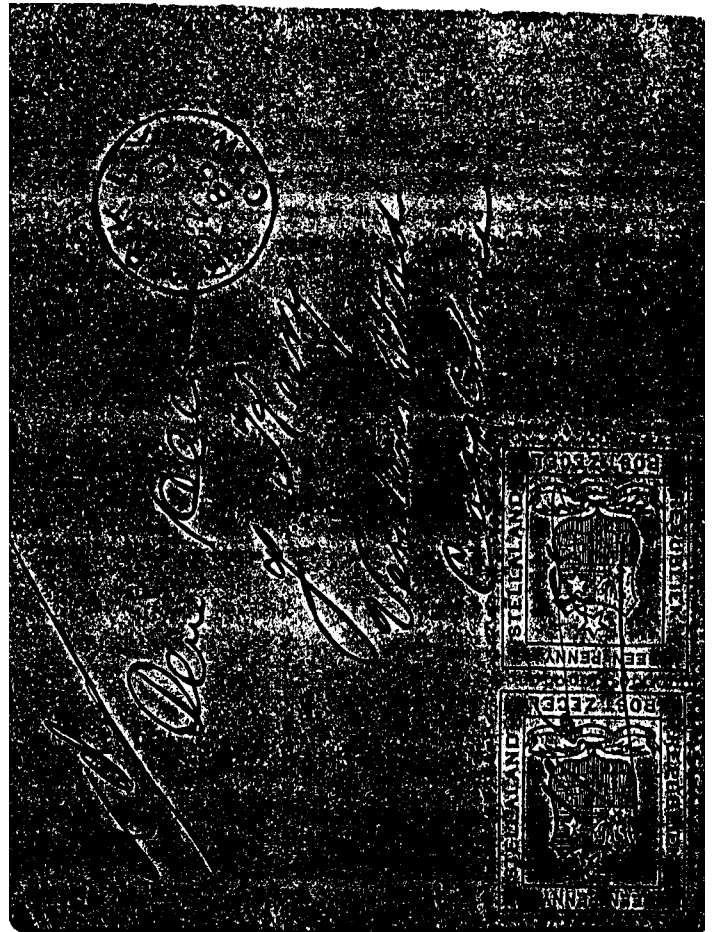


Stellaland stamps were valid only for internal use during the period February 1884 to 2nd December 1886. (The earliest recorded usage is the 28th February, 1884.) However, if it is genuine, this item must date from prior to June 1886, as mail from Stellaland was then being forwarded via Barkly in Griqualand West rather than Christiana (1; see also below). The Transvaal stamps indicate only that the item was probably posted prior to 13th March, 1886, when the first of the Vurtheim definitives were placed on sale. The combination thus suggests that the letter was posted sometime during the year March 1884 to February 1886.

With regard to the Stellaland inland (i.e. internal) letter rate,

Holmes (1) reference to a cover he illustrates implies that this was reduced from 3d to 2d per half ounce sometime in 1884. This would seem to be confirmed by a cover (Figure 2) addressed to the Cape franked only with a pair of 1 d Stellaland stamps which passed through Barkly in Griqualand West on '22 JU / 85 (2).

Figure 2



However, the cover is annotated "4d" in manuscript at the top-left. Moreover, a second offered at a different auction on the same day (3) - a remarkable coincidence - is addressed to Canada and franked with three 1 d Stellaland stamps and twelve Cape 1 d stamps. It passed through

Barkly on '29 JU / 85, only a week after the cover addressed to the Cape. The cover illustrated by Holmes is franked with a Stellaland 4d stamp in combination with a Transvaal 3d duty. The Stellaland stamp is cancelled in manuscript with the postmaster's initials and the date of posting "20/9/84". The Transvaal stamp, which correctly receipted payment of the Transvaal inland half-ounce letter

from 1 at January, 1 This Is, however, probably Incorrect
Yardley (5) quotes Transvaal Government notice No. **368**
of the 17th December, 1884, which announced the
reduction In the Inland letter rate to 2d with effect from 1st
January, 18M and further records (8) that the 2d rate only
applied to mail to Cape Colony and the Orange Free State
from 1 at April, 1 8S. The rate to Natal was reduced to 2d
with effect from 1 at January, 1886, resulting In a uniform
letter rate of 2d per half ounce throughout South Africa (7).

Perhaps the most comparable cover is described by Holmes (8), who, however, regarded it as a fake. This is an opened-out, registered letter addressed to Cape Colony franked with three 1 d Stellaland stamps and 10d in Transvaal - 1 d plus 3 x 3d of the Celliers' reprints - cancelled with the target-type obliterator coded '6' (Figure 3). The Stellaland stamps are cancelled in manuscript; in one case this reads "1/2 oz" and in the other two "5/6/84". This can only indicate that the letter was posted on 6th June, 1884, and was prepaid at the half-ounce rate. An incomplete strike of a Christiania datestamp on the reverse would seem to confirm that it was posted in 1884. In subsequent correspondence Chilton (9) questioned

Figure

3.



Undescribed Stellaland Item...contd

Homes' conclusion that this cover, which carries a Dienna authentication and a Royal certificate, was faked. Holmes' reply (10) implies that the manuscript cancellation of the Stellaland stamps and the backstamps prove that the time indicated was insufficient for the letter to have travelled from Vryburg to Johannesburg via Christiana. This is not a convincing argument, as he does not state the date in the Christiana mark - which is not obviously decipherable - and he does not appear to have realized that the letter would not have been forwarded via Johannesburg.

There seems little doubt that the piece being evaluated was torn from a registered cover which originated from or passed through Christiana. It **was** probably posted in 1884, and is likely to have been addressed to Cape Colony. If the Stellaland stamps were added to create a fake it is odd that the individual concerned was knowledgeable enough to be aware that mail from Stellaland was at one stage forwarded via Christiana but was apparently ignorant of the Stellaland half-ounce letter rate, which may have been either 2d or 3d but was certainly not 6d. The only appropriate verdict would seem to be 'not proven'.

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The Ghost of Philately Past?: Emil Tamsen

Remembered By: Tim Bartshe, Colorado, USA

While perusing my Transvaal stockbook recently, I noticed that certain provincial errors of the Second Republic all had one thing in common: they were cancelled in Nylstroom! I pulled every used copy that I had of SG#'s 197, 197b, 197c, 197ca, 196, 198b and 198da. In all, I had 98 used copies of these stamps. Of the 28 copies of 197, 10 copies of 198 and six copies of 197c, none were found with a Nylstroom cancel. These are the normal varieties of the issued stamp. However, of the 56 copies of the *remaining SG#s (surcharge inverted)*, all but two were used in Nylstroom! This certainly pointed to something other than random chance.

In all, there were four types of cancels used as shown in Figures 1 through 4(see next page). Using Mathews' notation for cancel types, they are Type 1 d, Type 6a, Type 10a and Type 12a. It is interesting to note that in Major Mathews' list of post offices and known cancel usages, he does not list Types 10a and 12a as being seen used in Nylstroom, and yet 23 used stamps had these cancels on them! If there was mischief afoot, one might expect that all the stamps being cancelled by favor would have the same date. This is not the case and, in fact, the dates span nearly two months representing some 12 separate days. The table below shows the dates and number of examples of each cancel type used on that day.

DATE	TYPE 1d	TYPE 10a	TYPE 12a
1/28	2	0	0
1/31	3	0	0
2/06	3	0	0
2/15	0	1	0
2/18	0	4	0
2/24	4	0	0
2/25	0	6	0
3/02	6	0	0
3/03	0	6	0
3/07	0	0	1
3/10	11	3	0
3/11	0	0	2
TOTAL	23	20	3

From the table, it is obvious that Types 1 d and 10a were the most commonly used; however, except for March 10, only one type of cancel was used on any given day. It is

possible that each clerk had a cancellor in his custody and the letters were brought in for cancelling all at once. As there are no time indicators on these cancels, this is speculation, and my population is too small to have any statistical basis. An additional two of Type 10a and one of Type 12a had indiscernable dates. Type 1a exists only in **blue** ink which is very curious.

I have one example of Type **8a**, the numeral cancellor. This cancellor, however, was not in use contemporaneous with the issuance of these provisionals, but some two years later.

The general history behind these provisionals is one commonly told when discussing the Boer Republics: that of allowing postal requirements to overwhelm government planning. The postal rate to Great Britain was reduced to 2 1/2p on December 1, **1892**, yet there had not been a definitive issued in that value. Prior to arrival from Holland, the need was filled by the overprinting of the little-used 1 shy. The 1 d provisional was necessitated by the exhaustion of stocks on hand, even though an order was put into Enschede in September, 1892 (Yardley, p.413). Both provisionals were issued in January of 1893.

As described by R.B. Yardley in papers given to the Philatelic Society over the period of 1904-5, the information on many of these Second Republic issues comes from Emil Tamsen of Nylstroom. Mr. Tamsen was responsible for much of the information on the Transvaal **we have today**, as well as much of the postal history for this time period, e.g., Pietersburg. Yardley states that Mr. Tamsen actually viewed some of the provisionals prior to them going on sale, therefore having advance warning of any errors which may exist. It would appear that through favor or simply buying up stocks, a quantity of these inverted overprints were acquired by Mr. Tamsen and subsequently taken back to Nylstroom and used over the ensuing 50 days. It would be speculation by me as to whether these items actually saw an envelope or not; however, it is not speculative to **say** that I have one of the fathers of South African philately to thank for this little puzzle.

A Little Known Transvaal POA: Spitzkop

By: Werner K. Seeba, Germany

TRANSVAALIA: SPITZKOP GOLDFIELDS - general history

In early Transvaal years, Tobias van Niekerk settled on the farm containing the well-known landmark of the 5,487 foot high Spitzkop, while Hendrik Coetzer occupied the nearby farm Hendriksdal.

Thirty elephants were shot in one day in the ravine behind the Little Spitzkop and the name Olifantsgeraamte (elephants' skeletons) still lingers over the area

In a creek on the farm Hendriksdal, on the sixth of February 1873, the prospector Tom McLachlan and his partners found their first gold. They worked on feverishly until they found what they considered payable gold on the north side of Spitzkop in a little creek they named McLachlan's Gully. This gully lay in what is now known as Leader Hill. A two-and-one-half ounce sample of the gold was sent to Pretoria, with a claim for the reward for the discovery of the payable field. The area of Spitzkop, however, **was** declared a public diggings on the 14th **May** 1873, and a wild rush to the place started as soon as the news spread. For some while, the only payable deposit *remained the discovery upon the heights at Spitzkop*. A fair amount of gold was being recovered from this field, but the deposit was too restricted in area to support all the diggers who rushed to the place from the far corners of the earth.

Spitzkop **was** a hard field, for there was little water and the diggers had to construct lengthy races to lead distant streams down to their workings. At its height, the field supported about 200 diggers along the various creeks and gullies. McLachlan's Gully was the main center of activity. There, Harry Russel had his store. It **was** a typical digger's store of the period, with walls built of mud and packing cases supporting a tarpaulin roof. Inside was a veritable chaos. All the foods, clothes and appliances needed by the diggers were heaped in a confusion, only soluble by the ingenious proprietor.

Russel lived in his store, sleeping under the counter and eating at a packing-case-lid table stuck in the center of the room on four uprights. This table was not only the center of the room, but the center of its confusion. One visitor, E. Sandeman, a wealthy hunter and traveller, tells us that the table was littered with a huge pile of dirty dishes and eating irons, together with two candles stuck into weights for the scales, a bottle of Worcester sauce, a tin of preserved milk, a tin of Keatings powder and a half-empty pot of



FIGURE 1

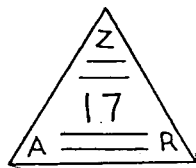


FIGURE 2



FIGURE 3



FIGURE 4

POA Spitzkop... cont'd

marmalade. The greasy frying-pan, still containing the remnants of breakfast, was precariously perched on top of a bottle of pickles. Pots of sugar, pepper and mustard littered the place.

Despite its apparent slovenliness, the store **was** a home away from home for all. The traveller, to whom this store acted as hotel, was always certain of a welcome and a good meal of slices of pork frizzled in a frying-pan, with steaming tea and excellent bread and salt butter,

At night the diggers all gathered at the sociable little store for a drink and a yarn. They were of nearly every nationality imaginable, but all dressed alike in coarse moleskin trousers, thick woolen jerseys, and stout rough boots. They played eucher and monte, but without high stakes. Gold was too scarce and hardship too common in that early mining camp to permit the lavish waste that came with the Witwatersrand. Concerning the conversation, Sandeman tells us that 'a great deal of very chaff was carried on between the visitors to the store, but there was not much wit in it. And if there had been, the foul language it **was** wrapped up in would have prevented it from being amusing. I had often heard that a digging was the worst place in the world for bad language, but I was not even then prepared for the reality. Most horrible oaths were used, not at all as opprobrious epithets, but merely as endearing familiarities.'

The Spitzkop was the center of considerable digging activity. Small creeks and gullies, mostly dry, radiated to all points of the compass and most were worked at some time or another. Each working had some establishment such as Russell's emporium to cater for its needs. In one creek, a German named Bossmann had a canteen called 'Squarefaced'; at another spot an Englishman named Byerley ran a hotel of sorts, until a torrential summer rainstorm washed the whole concern away and ruined him. Nolan's Hotel stood near Spitzkop, on the edge of the escarpment where the transport riders' road met the Lydenburg road and the branch to Mac-Mac wandered off northwards down McLachlan's Creek. At the actual junction, at the head of the creek stood the Spitzkop township: a hotel run by Fred Siphthorpe, a butcher's shop, canteen, store and a couple of huts.

During the 1884 period, the Spitzkop field had somewhat decayed in popularity, for other fields had drawn off most of the miners. There were still some famous characters busy at Spitzkop, Billy Dawkins was one. He worked a dry gully named Dawldns on the south side of Spitzkop. T

He recovered twenty thousand pounds in gold from this gully, after laboriously digging a long race, about two miles (3.2 km) of twists and grades, with a 700-foot tunnel and a storage dam near Nolan's Hotel. Dawkins lived in a mud-brick house at the head of the gully and worked his find until he mysteriously vanished, leaving a partner, St Leger-Smith, to take over and continue the work.

Bob Buck, Wally the Soldier, Spanish Joe, Black Sam, Portuguese Joe and many others labored around the Spitzkop. There were several workings, but the days of the highly individual digger were drawing to a close on these fields, for the gold was almost exhausted. Only a few people struggled to the very end.

Just west of Spitzkop, a prospector named Ross formed the Rosshill Company, which erected a battery that was a complete failure. There was some gold; in fact gold was found on practically every farm in the neighborhood. W.W. Palmer had a five-stamp battery on his farm Waterfall and claimed to be **satisfied** with the results, but few others were.

By 1885, many of the individual diggers lost their all to the concessionaires. At the old Spitzkop feelings were especially raw. The French financiers, Messrs. Guilband & Co., who had taken over the farm, offered a total of 1,700 pounds as compensation to the diggers still working there. This figure seemed more of an insult to them than anything else. They fought the matter in the courts, but received nothing other than eviction orders.

One of the Spitzkop diggers was particularly famous. He was an individual named John Swan. He made a rich strike somewhere near Spitzkop about 1878 or earlier, but always kept it a close secret. Working on his own at night, he contrived to recover enough to finance his activities, although he had to take his ore some miles to water, at the farm Olifansgeraamte. Then, like a bolt from the blue, the French company obtained their concession over Spitzkop. The company offered him some compensation and a 20% interest if he would show them his strike. He refused. Like most of his fellows, he felt that he had been cheated out of fortune by the monopolists and concessionaires. In bitterness of soul, he packed his belongings and abandoned his treasured strike, the most famous ever made by any digger. He removed to the Kaap Valley and prospected with James Simpson. All he found, unhappily, was death. Fever caught him. When he lay dying, his last words were: "it's good," he muttered, "it's rich, but it's deep. They'll never get it." That was the end. His strike was never found. By the 1890's, these old fields, the first really payable fields in the Transvaal, had fallen into ruin; and today only a few fragments of rusty machinery and the scars in the ground remain of all the former activity.

before that date, it is very possible that there had been an established civil postal agency or mailcoach stop already operating sometime in the 1870's. Shown below is a cropped portion of an 1875 map highlighting the Lydenburg area, Spitzkop lower right.

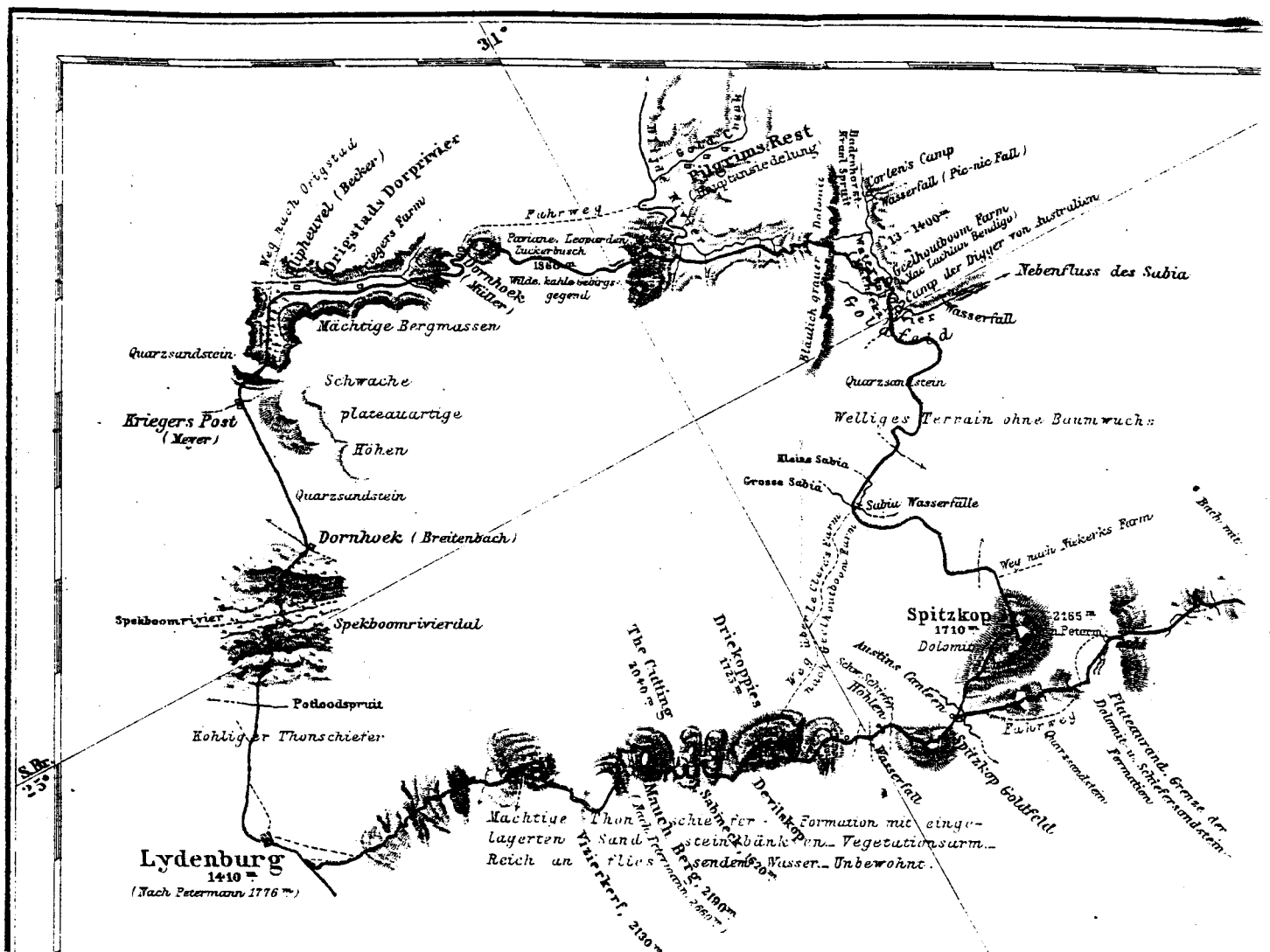
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1875.



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It is very possible that mail was picked up at Austin's Canteen or at Russel's Store. At the beginning, it is possible that a dumb-cork canceller was used, or just written in manuscript over the stamps for cancellation. Referring to a note, there was a postal agency listed already in 1881. At a personal interview in 1974 with my friend the late Dr. Hasso Reisener, he told me that the Cape BONC numeral '5201' (Fig. 1), was supplied to the Spitzkop-goldfields at the beginning of 1884 until the squared octagonal date-stamp (Fig. 2) was supplied to the postal agency.

Fig. 1



Fig. 2



The P.O.A. was first listed in the No.1 1888 list of Post Offices in the Transvaal, letters to be addressed via Lydenburg. Mail arrived always on Fridays at 4 p.m. in Spitzkop. During 1887-8, mail couch route No.9 was used from Helvetia (Tvl.) to Lydenburg. From 1889, route 10 was the new designation passing through the same points. During 1888, Mr. F. Watkins was the post agent followed by Mr. H.S. Glynn from 1889.

Regarding the recently found 1889 ZAR/Transvaal Postguide No. 2, the Spitzkop Agency was assigned the triangular (30mm) numeral cancellor '70' (Fig. 3). In 1893, the Agency was assigned the 2nd Republiik double-circle cancellor (Fig. 4).

Fig. 3



Fig. 4



The Agency was raised to Sub-office status In 1896. it was closed for good In 1899, regarding the 2nd Anglo-Boer War.

References:

Eight Months in an Ox Wags, E. F. Sandman, 1880 ZAR/

Transvaal Postgids No. 1, 1888 & No. 2, 1889 Lost Trails

of the Transvaal, T.V. Bulpin, 1974

The Queen's Heads Used in the Second ZAR

By: Maj. Ian Mathews (*In Memoriam*)

The late Society member is remembered in this reprinting of an earlier work which appeared in the September 1989 issue of the BA Philatelist page 221.

A much neglected and little explored area of Transvaal collecting is the use of the first British Occupation stamps, the classic Queen's Heads, after the establishment of the

Second ZAP on 8 August 1 By the Treaty of Pretoria, the new

Second ZAR had to take

over the stocks of postage and revenue stamps, it is a sign of the magnanimity of the newly construed ZAP that they did not put their mark upon these stamps but used them "unadorned". There is therefore only one way to differentiate the usage of these stamps by a totally different, independent regime, and that is by the postmarks.

The system in use over the years was a two-part cancellation. Firstly, the stamps had to be obliterated to prevent fraudulent re-use. Secondly, on the envelope had to be impressed a named and dated strike for control purposes. This was entirely logical, the "name and date" was completely legible on the paper of the envelope while the obliteration did just that thing - obliterated the stamp. Now the standard obliterations from the introduction of postage stamps into the Transvaal in 1869 was either four concentric rings or, from 1874, triple concentric rings enclosing a number identifiable to the office of origin. This system, started In the First ZAP, continued throughout the British Occupation and then into the Second ZAP.

With covers there is no difficulty in dating usage, but these are scarce in their survival. Single stamps normally bear the obliterator which indicates no date but some stamps exist cancelled, against the rules, by a 'name and dater' which enables them to be placed in their period of usage. Figure 1 (next page) provides an example.

There is a further category which is an obliterator only introduced during the second ZAR period, and the only one identified up to now is the two concentric rings enclosing the letters ZAR (see Fig. 2 next page) - used at Kaapschehoop from 1882 onwards.

The first generally identifiable ZAP Queen's head is the

Queen's *Heads*...contd

'EEN PENNY' surcharged on the 4d Queen's Head in 1882 and subsequent TWEE PENCE ZAR.' on the 6d Queen's Head of 1885 with the concurrent 'HALVE PENNY ZAR.' which was the result of a misunderstanding by the printer.

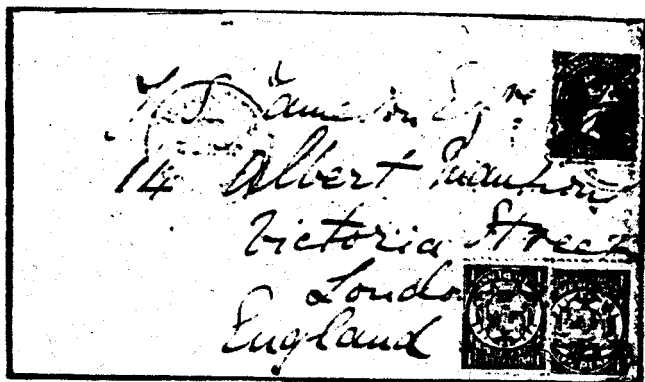


Figure 1: A 6d Queen's head used at Zeerust on 22 June 1885 with coded obliterator number 8 cancelling the stamp. Transit marks on the reverse include Potchefstroom (23 June), Cape Town (1 July) and London (22 July). Stocks of the 6d Queen's Head stamps lasted well into 1885 and many were in fact surcharged in that year. One of the 1 d Vurtheim stamps has the 11 1/2 x 12 perforation.



Figure 2: Proving cover front for the two-ring ZAP cancel combined with a single ring "K HOOP GOUDVELDEN ZAR." of Kaapsche Hoop dated 11 January 1885. The front shows the 10d rate to England, and an arrival mark of Enfield dated 12 February 1885 is on a portion of the back.

Looking now at the implications of this rather rare group, the following emerges: There are no figures for the stock of revenue stamps taken over, although some of them were later used as postal fiscal. Of the postage stamps taken over the stock-take quantities were: 1 d - 90,16Q 3d -150,080, 4d -224,000, 1 s - 7 and 2s - 4,000.

The first to run out were the 1 d and 3d values, the last batch of 1 d stamps (16,000) was distributed on 4 July 1882 Of the 4d, 120,000 were surcharged "EEN PENNY". This therefore reduced the 224,000 4d stamps to 104,000.

On 1 April 1885, a postal convention with the OFS reduced the postal rate for inter-state letters to 2d per 1/2 oz To meet this new rate, 11,220 6d stamps were ordered to be surcharged 'TWEE PENCE', but through a misunderstanding about 1,600 of these stamps were surcharged "HALVE PENNY". As it was a very weak surcharge, these were sold as 2d stamps and accepted as such. Thus, of the quantities taken over by the ZAR, the final outcome was: 1 d - 90,17Q 3d - 150,080, 4d - 104,000, 6d - 147,81 Q 1s - 7 and 2s - 4,000.

Modern Issues

By: John Otten

Hello fellow PSGSA members. I am your new Issue editor and I will do my best to keep you informed of any developments. Your input to me is valuable and I request that you let me know of your interests.

Ciskei will issue four stamps on Frontier Forts of 21, 35, 40 and 60c denominations, The 21 c depicts Fort Armstrong and a Xhosa warrior. Fort Armstrong was built in 1835 along the Kat River. It is named after Captain A B. Armstrong of the Cape Mounted Riflemen.

The 35c denomination honors the Keiskamma Hoek Post along with Sir George Grey. The post was built in the Amatole Mountains during the frontier war of 1850-53, and later named Castle Eyre.

Fort Hare and Chief Sandile are on the 40c issue. Fort Hare is situated in Alice near the Tyume River. It was constructed in 1846 during the reign of Chief Sandile and contributed to the outbreak of the War of the Axe in 1946-47.

On the 50c issue, the Cavalry Barracks at Peddie used by the military until 1862. Cape Mounted Riflemen and the 7th Dragoon guards rode out from Peddie Barracks to engage the Xhosa at the Battle of Mgwangga

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The stamps will be on sale at all post offices in Ciskei having philatelic counters in RSA, from November 7th 1991 through February 8th 1992. They may also be obtained from: The Senior Manager, Philatelic Services and INTERSAPA, Private Bag X606, Pretoria, RSA. The closing date for mail orders of commemorative envelopes and cancelled stamps is November 29, 1. Closing date for mint stamps is February 6, 1992.

New Venda Issues. A set of four stamps on Indigenous Trees will be issued by Venda at Mutate on November 21, 1991. This is the fourth set of stamps to depict this topic as Issued by the Postal Administration. A set of maximum cards will also be issued, carrying relevant Mutate date stamps. They will be on sale at all post offices in Venda and RSA philatelic counters from November 21, 1991 to February 29, 1992. They may also be obtained from INTERSAPA.

Service commemorative envelopes will be available at Mutate and Sibasa post offices on the date of issue only. Envelopes are R4.00 each, while maximum cards are R1.44 each, and are available from INTERSAPA.

Faura saigima (35c), Strelitzia caudata (40C) and the Kgelia africana (600).

Special Temporary Date Stamp. On November 21, 1991 a special date stamp marking the Centenary of the Christian Association of the Post Office, will be used. Christian meetings, during lunch hours or prior to office hours, have been held by Post Office personnel since

1891, and culminated in the founding of the Christian Association of the Post Office. Commemorative envelopes are R4.00 each, date-stamp cards are R1.44 each, and are available from INTERSAPA.

PHILANIPPON '91 Date Stamp. The SA Post Office Ltd. and postal administrations of Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda and Ciskei will participate in PHILANIPPON '91, World Stamp Exhibition in Tokyo, Japan on 18th to 24th of November 1991. A special date stamp will be Issued for their participation in the exhibition. The date stamp cards will be available at PHILANIPPON '91 and also ordered from INTERSAPA at Pretoria.

Malawi Bulletin Reader Letters. The following individuals are asking for correspondence. Thought perhaps some of you readers might be interested.

Mr. L.N. Lekontsev, Km Yucheng St 1, Apt 120, Khabarovsk, 680000, Russia: 'I haven't any foreign currency so I'd like to offer collectors an exchange of Soviet mint any theme. I collect mint stamps on the

following themes: cactuses, wildlife of Africa, fish and cathedrals.'

Linda Isyagi, P.O. Box 20044, Kampala, Uganda: 'In would be interested in exchanging stamps with anyone who can send me stamps on the following subjects - nature, buildings and people.'

Kalande Noel Phiri, Mikundi Postal Agency, P.O. Magawa, Mchinji, Malawi: 'I would like to correspond with others from all over the world. I am married, a father of one child and my hobbies are stamp collecting, reading magazines and newspapers, writing letters and watching football.'

A. Camapa, CCCP 443067 Camapa, NP Rarpuna 92-23, 3

Noduny Bragumipy, Russia: 'I am 43 years old and have collected postage stamps showing fauna and flora of the world and am a member of a Philatelic Society. I am looking to exchange stamps.'

Cai Y Kun, 126 Kim Tian Road 04-81, Singapore 0316: 'I would like to exchange stamps with collectors ail over the world. I have British Commonwealth stamps in exchange for those from other countries, like the Middle East, French and Portuguese Colonies, Latin America, Africa, etc.'

Late Arrivals, Notices & Announcements

Chairman of the Anglo-Boer War Philatelic Society sent a short note saying that their group will be joining the Reciprocal Listings Exchange in the very near future.

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We can now add Scandanavia to the International Representative Ranks. Erland Hansen of Denmark joined just as this issue was going to final press. Erland had gratiously agreed to become our latest IR. His recent letter reflected a great deal of enthusiasm about his new found role. You may also be Interested In his member ad In the classified*.

In case you did not notice, the Society logo in the journal masthead has been given a more streamlined appearance. Members desiring a copy to create their own stationery when communicating about the Society, request a cameraready copy from the Editor, Thanks to my wife Lella for her support

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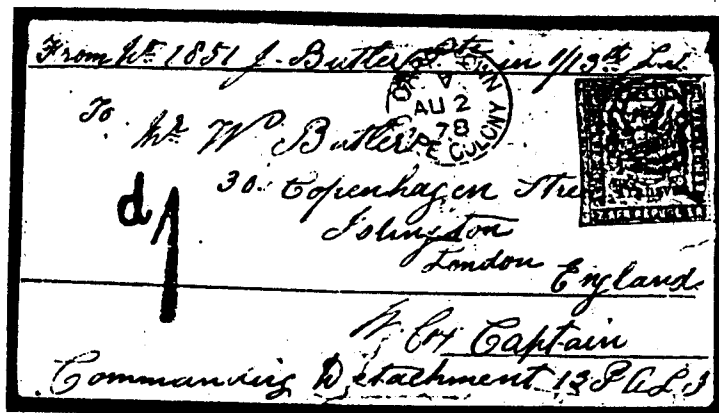
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Seeking: Would appreciate hearing from members with a listing of each post office for the pre-Union states, plus a list of recommended philatelic literature. Dan Brouillette, 1358 Hillcrest Dr. NE, Fridley, MN 55432 (V4N3)

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