POSTAL STATIONERY COMMISSION

Newsletter 2004.

Edited by Erik Hvidberg Hansen, Denmark.

Commission News and Activities.

The following changes have taken place in the membership of the Commission. We welcome Mario Ortiz from Colombia; Dr Se-Young Chang from the Republic of Korea (replacing Sang-ho Yeo); Antonio So from the Phillipines; Hernani Antonio Carmelo de Matos from Portugal (replacing Jose dos Santos Correia); and Yacoub Jaber Sorour from Quatar. Hernani de Matos advises that he has a website called Portuguese Postal Stationery with the address http://www.inteiropostais.com.

Although there have not been any formal meetings of the Commission in 2003, the Commission participated in LUBRAPEX 03 which celebrated the 150 years Anniversary of the first Portuguese Stamps, by the Chairman giving a talk entitled "The Origins and Developement of Postal Stationery - Philatelic Cinderella; Chimera or Chameleon?". A combined talk and display was also presented at the 2003 British Philatelic Congress on "British Postal Stationery in Retrospect".

2004 sees us looking forward to two major exhibitions, ESPANA 2004 in Valencia from 22-30 May and SINGAPORE 04 WORLD STAMP CHAMPIONSHIP from 28 August to 1 September. The latter venue will host the 68th FIP Congress with Commission meetings being held on 31 August (details will be notified separately later), the business of which will include the election of Chairman, Secretary and Bureau members for the period 2004 - 2008. A separate note and nomination form is enclosed with this Newsletter and members should ensure that any nominations have the support of their Continental Federation.

The FIP Board agreed that a series of seminars would be held in 2004 and asked that Commission Chairman prepare suitable outline programmes for both beginner collectors and advanced collectors. A copy of the proposals mede is attached for information, and which, it is hoped, will prove of interest and as a basis for use by Commission members. The possibility of holding a Seminar for more advanced collectors in Singapore is being considered and any suggestions for particular topics to be included should be sent to me as soon as possible

It is pleasing to note that interest in postal stationery continues to expand as shown by the strength of the market, the increased number of exhibits being entered at both national and international events and the number of new publication being produced (see Book Review section).

A recent developement has been the introduction of the "One frame" class and here I hope we shall be seeing more postal stationery exhibits amongst the entries.

Finally I wish all members of the Commission a peaceful and philatelically satisfying 2004 and look forward to seeing you in Singapore.

Alan Huggins

Message from the Secretary.

It has earlier been decided that the Commission will establish a bibliography of all litterature concerning Postal Stationery World-wide, and to make the bibliography public at the commission web-site.

Therefore every member of the Commission is asked to forward information about litterature on postal stationery issued in their home country (catalogues, monographs and major articles, author, year and publisher) either direct to me, or to our web-master Ross Towle, if you not allready have done it.

Part of the job being a member of the Commission is to promote the knowledge of how to collect postal stationery, and here is the knowledge of excisting litterature an essential part.

Therefore, once again, I ask you, who has not yet responded to this call, to forward the information. My address is in the name and addresslist (enclosed)..

I still advertise for information of exhibition results from national and regional exhibitions, literature reviews, information of unusual auction results, and of course reports of national activities to promote the collection of postal stationery, to be brought in the next Newsletter.

I am looking forward to meet a lot of you at the next official Commission meeting in Singapore in August

Erik Hvidberg Hansen Secretary

FIP Commission for Postal Stationery - nomination for Chairman, Secretary and three Members of the Bureau.

At the Meeting of the Commission to be held in Singapore 31st August 2004, the Chairman, Secretary and three Bureau Members representing the Continental Federations will be elected for the period 2004 - 2008. Each Continental Federation is to be represented on the Nureau by one ordinary member (Art 43.3 FIP Statutes)

Guidelines for the duties and regulations for the Philatelic Commissions of the FIP, article 14.2: "All nominations for the Chairman, Secretary and the Bureau must be submitted by the FIP Member (Federation) in writing to the Chairman of the Commission with a copy to the FIP Secretariat five month before the date of election. Names of the candidates are to be included in the agenda of the Conference".

Please note that a nomination for Chairman or Secretary is not automatically a nomination for the Bureau. A candidate must be nominated for both offices to take part in both elections.

Nominations from Federations must be sent to the adresses below before 31st March 2004.

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Singapore Congress.

One of the most important matters for Commission members to address is the election of the Commission Chairman, Secretary end three Bureau Members who will serve the Commission during the period 2004-2008. These elections will be held at the meeting of the Commission according to the Constitution and procedures adopted by the 67th FIP Congress in Seoul.

A separate sheet is enclosed with this Newsletter which must be used for the nomination of persons to serve in these positions and such nominations now need to be confirmed by the respective Continental Federation.

As the outgoing Chairman and former Commission President I would like to bring the following comments to the attention of Federations and Commission Members.

- 1. Nominations should be considered very carefully to ensure that any person put forward has the requisite credibility and experience internationally, and posesses the necessary technical knowledge and understanding of the subject.
- 2. It is also highly desirable that whereever possible moninees should be FIP accredited jurors
- 3. While the three Bureau Members will each be drawn from one of the Continental areas it is very important that the Chairman and Secretary are the best persons available irrespective of their geographical base.

Alan Huggins.

Book reviews.

IRISH POSTAL STATIONERY STAMPED TO ORDER - CATALOGUE AND HANDBOOK. By Otto Jung; Forchungs- und Arbeitsgemeinschaft Irland e.v. im Bund Deutscher Philatelisten e.v. FAI Literature Series Volume 25 pp 170, (2003).

The previous listing, by the same author, of Irish stamped to order postal stationery formed part of volume 16, the Postal stationery of Ireland, published in the FAI in 1994. The Post Office issues were updated by Clancy and Jung in FAI volume 24 published in 2002 and the current work complements this.

With a parallel text in German and English, as before the arrangement of the listing is alphabetical by company rather than by type of stationery. A comparison of the 170 pages of the new work with 125 pages in the previous listing gives an indication of the proportion of new material. Since many af the items described represent individual orders for STO stationery, very often only very small numbers have survived, making the compilation of the listing all the more impressive. The information given has also been updated and the pricing, which is now in euros, reflects the strong market for Irish material.

Once again the author and the FAI have published another excellent addition to the literature on Irish philately and this catalogue is a must for collectors of this area. It is also a very informative read for those with a general interest in postal stationery.

STANDARD CATALOGUE OF MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, BRUNEI - REVENUE STAMPS & POSTAL STATIONERY, 1st EDITION 2003 - 2005.

Edited by Steven Tan; International Stamp & Coin Sdn Bhd., Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 99pp \$ 12, £ 8.

This catalogue is the latest publication produced by the International Stamp & Coin and is very attractively presented being fully illustrated in colour. As is obvious from the title this publication provides a basic listing of revenue stamps as well as postal stationery of the Malay States, Straits Settlements, Labuan, Brunei, Sarawak and North Borneo.

This listing will be welcomed by collectors of these areas and the pricing of the earlier material in particular may come as a surprise to many, allthough it appears a little arbitary in places eg. uniform levels for all sizes of registration envelopes used which cannot really refelect the relative scarity of the larger sizes compared with the commoner G sizes

CATALOGUS OF RUSSIAN POSTAL STATIONERY 1845 - 1917 and 1953 - 1960.

Sasha Ilyushin has sent two publications, the first co-authored with Oleg Forafontov, covers the Russian postal stationery issued between 1845 - 1917, the second the period 1953 - 1960. Unfortunately the text of both is entirely in Russian which makes reviewing difficult, but the extensive bibliography given in the first publication indicates the depth of study that has been undertaken by the authors, while the extensive use of illustrations will facilitate their use to non russian speakers.

MICHEL GANZSACHEN-KATALOG EUROPA WEST 2003/04.

The latest edition of this standard listings has just arrived and now comprises over 970 pages. Whilst providing a very useful guide as to the items issued I would very much like to be able to obtain many of them at anywhere near the pricing level quoted. Nevertheless it is the only publication covering many of the countries and the publishers are to be congratulated for continuing to make updated information available to collectors.

RESULTS - BANGKO 2003.

Brown, Gary	Australia	South Africa airletters aerograms till 1961	79 LS
Mcmahom, Ian	Australia	Envelopes and postcards of Canada	86 LV /
Sinfield, John	Australia	Postal cards of Victoria 1876-1917	88 LV
Islam, Mohammad	Bangladesh	Postal stationery of Bangladesh	
Monirul			
Chusyd, Marcos	Brazil	Brazilian postal stationery of the XIX Century	93 G + SP
Lu, Susheng	China	Postcards of Qing Dynasty 1897 - 1911	77 LS
Fortune Wang	Chinese Taipei	The Indian postal stationery of the Queen Vivtoria era	85 LV
Engelbrecht, Lars	Denmark	Bicolored postal stationeries of Denmark 1871 - 1905	90 G
Nykvist, Göran	Finland	Finland, postal stationery envelopes 1845 - 1863	95 LG + SP
Candoni, Alain	France	France: Entiers Postaux 1878 - 1900	82 V
Gruneberg, Heinz	Germany	Die Ganzsachen der Sowietischen Besatsungszone Deutschlands	86 LV
Mair, Jorg	Germany	Postal stationery of Chile	85 LV
Muller, Hermann	Germany	Liechtenstein postal stationery	85 LV
Huggins, Alan K	Great Britain	GB - The early embossed Post Office Postal Stationery issues	92 G
Karnadi, Koes	Indonesia	Netherlands Indies postal cards 1874 - 1932	86 LV
Oshima, Masaaki	Japan	Postal cards of Japan 1873-1874, Cherry blossom issue	95 LG
Vaz Pereira, Pedro	Portugal	Stationery "Ceres" of Portugal	87 LV
Ryss, Arnold	Russia	Charity letters sheet of Russian Empire 1898 - 1901	91 G

Van der Molen, Peter	South Africa	The postal stationery of Basutuland	85 LV
Fristad, Jan	Sweden	Postal stationery of Argentina	91 G
Sohrne, Bjorn	Sweden	Persia postal stationery 1876 - early 20ties	92 G
Fink, Peter	Switzerland	Aerogramme World	75 LS
Schumann, Stephen D	USA	New Zealand postal stationery 1876 - 1936	93 G
Stone, Harlan F	USA	Switzerlands stamp imprinted envelopes	90 G
Towle, Ross	USA	Postal cards and envelopes of Chile 1872 - 1930	91 G
Janjetoviv, Natasa	Serbia and Montenegro	Postcards of Yugoslavia 1944 - 1953	82 V
Vujosevic, Jelena	Serbia and Montenegro	Postcards of Montenegro 1887 - 1913	82 V

RESULTS BANGKO 200 %-1 frame exhibits:

Ferra, Ferik	Albania	Postal stationery 1913 - 14	60 B
Kelly, Raymond	Australia	Victoria the Havelock Fosters postal stationery cards of 1895	79 S
Sinfield, John	Australia	Australia WW1 Forces letter cards	83 S
Allan, Berry	New Zealand	New Zealand volunteer militia mail	70 S
Barry & Pam Scott	New Zealand	Australian surface printed postal stationery envelopes 1913 - 1918	74 S
Ilyushin, Alexander	Russia	Russian postal cards with paid reply 1886 - 1913	75 S
Yap, Paul	Singapore	Ceylon postal stationery	71 S
Barry & Pam Scott	New Zealand	New Zealand Prissoner of War Airmails 1941 - 45	80 S
Daun, Lennart	Sweden	King Oscar II anniversary postal stationery 1897	86 S
Kasper, Jerome	USA	New Zealand prisoner of war airmails	81 S
Kramer, George	USA	Confederate and Union Telegraph Covers of the Civil War 1861 - 1865	90 G
Kasper, Jerome	USA	Scadta postal stationery	83 S

Correction to Newsletter 2003: At Philakorea 2002 Prof. Alexander Ilyushin, Russia got a Large Vermeil medal for his exhibit "Stamped envelopes of Imperial Russia 1848 - 1863".

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OUTLINE OF SEMINAR SUITABLE FOR COLLECTORS STARTING TO COLLECT POSTAL STATIONERY

It is intended that the seminar will be presented with either examples of actual stationery items or colour photoopies to illustrate the different types of postal stationery and the arrangement and mounting of a collection.

An accompanying text will also be distributed and wherever possible 50mm slides will be used as an integral feature of the talk.

The seminar will cover the following topics:

- 1. WHAT IS POSTAL STATIONERY?
- 2. THE ORIGINS OF POSTAL STATIONERY
- 3. HOW POSTAL STATIONERY EVOLVED
- 4. COLLECTING POSTAL STATIONERY
- 5. ARRANGING AND MOUNTING A COLLECTION OF POSTAL STATIONERY

OUTLINE OF A SEMINAR DESIGNED FOR MORE ADVANCED COLLECTORS

The presentation format is likely to be similar but highly desirable that sufficient display facilities are available fo up to 10 frames of material/photocpies.

Seminars could be customised somewhat to reflect specific interests but would range over the following topics:

- 1. DEVELOPING A SPECIALISED COLLECTION OF POSTAL STATIONERY
- 2. INFORMATION SOURCES
- 3. EXHIBITING POSTAL STATIONERY
- 4. CRITERIA FOR THE COMPETITIVE EVALUATION OF POSTAL STATIONERY EXHIBITS
- 5. JUDGING POSTAL STATIONERY EXHIBITS
- 6. SPECIAL SUBJECT RELATED TO LOCATION OF SEMINAR

The above formats have already been used over a number of years at various exhibitions or by invitation but it is intended to make them an Agenda item at the next Commission Bureau and General meetings in Singapore.

Alan Huggins.

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