

The l3th European Men's Basketball Championship was held in Wroclaw, Poland, from October 4th through 13 th, 1963. To commemorate this major sporting event, the host country issued a set of six stamps and one souvenir sheet on September l6th. This set is brilliantly executed with either three or four colors for each stamp.

First-day covers are illustrated throughout this article. Unfortunately black and white reproduction does not do justice to the sparkling colors of either the stamps themselves or the cachets on the covers. Notice the official first-day cancellation which appears on all the first-day covers.

This material was supplied by Dr. Mieczyslaw A. Lipinski of Kowary, Poland. Lipinski (or M. A. Rayal de Ragan, which he uses as his literary name) is a dedicated sports collector, a leader of sports philately in Poland, and a devoted member of our organization (SPI 223).


The souvenir sheet shows the Town Hall, the People's Hall, and the coat-of-arms of Wroclaw. This sheet also commemorates the European sports Stamp Exhibition, which was held
simultaneously with the basketball competition. A future issue of "JSP" will describe the exhibition and display some special philatelic material prepared for the event.

This particular set is unique (or was at the time of issue) in that all designs of the six stamps depict various combinations of a basketball, a player's hands, and the silhouette of basketball player(s) in the background. One value, the 5.60 z , also displayed the basketball rim and net. Scott gives the following information on this set:

40 g yellow, black, green, and brown; 50 g fawn, green, and black; 60 g red, light green, and black; 90 g light green, red brown, violet, and black; 2.50 z light ultramarine, red brown, black, and ocher; $5.60 z$ ultramarine, light green, yellow, and black; and $10 z+5 z$ yellow, green, black, and red (souvenir sheet).



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Identifying information on the First Olympic Games souvenir card. The December, 1963, issue of "JSP" displayed a souvenir card purported to honor the First Olympic Games. Sherwin Podolsky (SPI 49) sheds considerable light on this card. According to the Philatelique Internationale Olympique Union, Ancient Olympia, Greece, the cancellations of the type illustrated circulated during the Olympic year of 1936. The P.I.O.U. supplies an excellent illustration sheet with English text; it covers Olympic cancellations from 1896 to date.

It seems logical that Greece 117 and 118 were no longer valid for postage in 1936; there is no evidence that such cards saw actual postal service. Comparison of the cancellation on the illustrated card with similar examples indicates their similarity; both are missing a date center and they are of similar size. Likewise comparison of the sample with 1906 cancellations shows decided differences. The 1906 double-ring cancels are smaller and the decoration at the bottom is much different. Podolsky regards the card as a philatelically-contrived souvenir from which the date was deliberately omitted.

Are there any other ideas on the identity of this card?
R.M.B.

First-day covers of the Austrian Winter Olympic set. set of first-day covers for the Austrian Winter Olympic set.

Arranged below is a complete There are several things of
interest to note in this set of covers. Each cover is cancelled from the specific location of the competition in the winter activity depicted on the particular stamp; for ex ample, the cover franked with the lS stamp depicting the biathlon is cancelled at Seefeld, the location of that competition. The cancellations for those events which took place in the area surrounding Innsbruck are simple circular cancels while those from Innsbruck itself are special ones prepared specifically for the period of the Games.

Each cover bears an interesting cachet which illustrates clearly the specific activity. All covers bear the coat-of-arms of Innsbruck in silhouette. And, finally, six of the seven covers bear an official cancellation reading "Ersttag" ("First Day"). R.M.B.


Austrian complaints about the Austrian 0lympic stamps. A recent letter to the editor of "Western Stamp Collector" indicates that the Austrian Olympic set aroused plenty of opposition in the issuing country. These complaints were threefold in nature.

Although varying quantities were prepared for the seven stamps in the set, only 2.5 million complete sets were available. Some 600,000 of these were reserved for sale at Innsbruck during the Games, leaving only 1.9 mililon complete sets available for general sale. After standing and advance orders were filled, there were not enough available to the public to last beyond the first day of sale. The Austrian Postal Administration pro-
jected past sales of commemoratives to determine estimated needs, but failed to consider the popularity of Olympic and sports material.

The residents, of the Province of Tyrol objected that no surcharge was included to help cover the cost of the Games. They noted that Japan has been quite successful with its fund raising series, even daring to use a surcharge as large as the face value of the stamps themselves. But apparently semi-postal stamps have not been popular in the past in Austria and the Philatelic Office wanted to avoid large stocks over long periods of time; so the Postal Administration elected to ignore the request for semi-postals.

Lastly, the Tyroleans objected to the academic designs of the series. They directed their complaints to the old-fashioned pants worn by the ski jumper, to the omission of cross country skiing as a subject for one item in the series, and to the "obscenity" of the woman figure skater where "too much leg is displayed".

You just can't win, no matter on what side you are in this matter! R.M.B.

Information on the sheet of Italian seals supplied by Nino Barberis. Here is more information on the sheet of orange-red seals illustrated in the February issue of "JSP". "Verso Tokyo 1964" will be held in Rimini from June 25 th to July 6 th of this year. This exhibition will be patronized by the President of the Republic of Italy. The President of the International Olympic Committee, Avery Brundage of Chicago, will attend the inaugural ceremonies. This exhibit will be sponsored by "Ciresto Filatelico di Rimini" and "Centro Internazionale di Filatelia Sportiva" with the cooperation of the Italian Olympic Committee.

Entries in the exhibit may include sports and Olympic stamps; special cancellations involving sports; aerograms, first-day covers, maximum cards, seals, vignettes, etc., of Olympic or sports interest; and official presentations of foreign states and postal museums. There will be many gold, silver, and special prizes.

Further information concerning the exhibit can be obtained from Centro Internazionale di Filatelia Sportiva, Piazza Cavour, 4, Rimini, Italy. 0.W.W.

Qualifying contests for the olympic soccer tournament. Sixty-four soccer teams will participate in qualifying games to select the sixteen teams which will compete in Tokyo. Besides Jugoslavia (the defending olympic champion) and Japan (the host country), there will be five teams from Europe, three from Asia, two from South America, one from Central and North America, and three from Africa in the Tokyo competition.

Applications from Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal, Togo, and Saudi Arabia were not accepted by the F.I.F.A. because they are not members of the International 0lympic Committee and from Australia because it is not a member of F.I.F.A. G.C.K.

Olympic stamps without the five interlocked rings. Since 1928 most stamps honoring the Olympic Games have carried the five interlocked Olympic rings. Some notable exceptions are our own United States stamps of 1932, the three 1928 stamps of Uruguay commemorating its soccer victories, the nine-stamp set of Monaco in 1948, the beautiful set of Luxembourg in 1952 (of which one, the stamp depicting the hurdler, won the Bonacossa med al), and the French set of 1953 honoring the winners at Helsinki. Other issues without the rings include the two French stamps overprinted for Reunion in 1954, the Netherlands set of 1956 (part of the surtax being used for the relief of the Hungarians, as well as for the Olympic Committee), and the Jugoslavian set of 1956 in which a symbolic representation is made between athlete and animal.

Some series (Monaco of 1953 and Australia of 1956, for example) have some stamps with the rings and others without. Recent issues without the rings are becoming increasingly numerous.

Yet other stamps which show five rings have no definite connection to the Olympic Games, but this is the material for another article. H.W.

The first use of the olympic oath.
The first administration of the Olympic oath in connection with the official opening of a set of Olympic Games was at the 7 th Summer Games at Antwerp in 1920. This phase of the ceremonies was included at the special instigation of Baron de Coubertin. The first athlete to experience this great honor was Victor Boin, who is now the president of the Belgian Olympic Committee. H.T.

Although few stamp collectors appear to be aware of it, all stamp prices are actually international--the price fluctuations in one part of the world will eventually affect stamp prices in other parts of the world. This is especially true in the case of stamps which have universal appeal, such as sports stamps.

Prices charged for sports stamps in the United States have been held down by two factors: the vast quantities of stamps held in the reserve stocks of the leading American stamp wholesalers and the relatively modest mark-up (or profit-margin) charged by most American dealers. Once the reserve stocks of sports stamps are exhausted by wholesalers, the prices of these stamps usually advance very rapidly. In addition, if American stamp dealers operated on the same profit-margin as dealers do on the European continent, there would be another rapid rise in the prices of sports stamps (and all other stamps, for that matter).

Of all foreign countries, only in England will we find approximately the same conditions prevailing in the philatelic market as we find in America. English wholesalers retain vast reserve stocks of stamps, as do their American counterparts; and English stamp dealers operate on the same modest profit-margin as do their American (retail) competitors.

It is worthwhile, therefore, to examine prices charged for sports stamps in England in order to determine those philatelic items which are grossly under-priced in America. The following sports stamps have been chosen because they seem to be exceptionally good buys at today's prices in the American stamp market. Please note that these prices, both English and American, are those of January, 1964.

Tip of the month--Hungary 1160-57. Hungary never misses a chance to issue sports stamps, knowing how eagerly we sports collectors look forward to such "treats". But we must all admit that Hungarian sports stamps are unusually attractive; this set is no exception. Issued for the l6th Olympiad in Melbourne in 1956, these extra-large size stamps are a real treat. Available from a number of American dealers at $50 \phi$ or $55 \phi$, this set sells for $\$ 1.55$ in London! How's that for a real bargain? Remember that 1964 is another Olympic year and the many new collectors attracted to this specialty will bring market pressures to bear; this can only result in higher prices for all olympic stamps. Do you have your set?


Hungary cl58-65. Every time I look at this set, I can't help marvelling at what a lot of fun these devotees of winter sports seem to be having. Not only is this set eagerly sought by collectors of sports stamps, but specialists in Hungarian stamps as well as those who specialize in airmails are ali looking for this set. Currently available for approximately $\$ 1.50$ in the United States, this same set sells for $\$ 2.40$ in London.

Hungary $1057-61$, Cl23-27. "Why sell one set when we could sell two sets?" reasoned the Hungarian Postal Administration when it issued this emission? Just to add spice, the Hungarians issued these stamps in a diamond-shaped format, all to honor the inauguration of the People's Stadium (Nepstadion) in Budapest. Amazingiy enough, the Hungarian Postal Administration even remembered to include a picture of the stadium on the forint airmail stamp, while every other stamp of this issue depicts a sporting event held in the stadium. Although this issue sells for $\$ 3.50$ in London, you can purchase it for exactly one-half that amount in the United States. It sounds like a good buy to me.

Hungary 1326-35, B218. When Hungary issued her postage set in honor of the 17 th Olympiad in Rome in 1960, she decided to throw in a semi-postal stamp, presumably to squeeze a little extra profit out of the poor stamp collectors. I would not call this set one of the most attractive sports issues which Hungary has produced; the central vignette on each stamp is rendered in the classical Greek style, resembling the type of art found on Greek vases. Attractive or not, this set sells for $\$ 3.50$ on the London market, although it is still available in the United States for just one-half that sum. Incidentally, this set sold as a new issue for approximately ${ }^{\circ} 1.00$ to $\$ 1.25$. I doubt that this set wil skyrocket in price; but I do foresee a slow, but steady, rise in its price on the American philatelic market.


Hungary 1203-09. Issued in 1958 in honor of the European and International Sports Championships, this set is both homely and unimaginative in design. However, many collectors of stamps with the "Europa" these are also searching for this set and this situation has brought strong pressures to bear on the market price of this set. The London price is $\$ 1.50$, but it is available in America for just $85 \phi$. That's your tip-off to make sure that this set is in your collection now.


Tunisia 368-72. If you are a collector of scouts on Stamps, as are most sports philatelists, then this set is right up your alley. Issued in August of 1960 to honor the Fourth Arab Boy Scout Jamboree in Tunis, this handsome set of five stamps shows great imagination in the creation of the designs and was available for $40 \neq$ to $50 \neq$ as a new issue. Now retailing for about $80 \notin$ in the American market, this same set will cost you $\$ 1.35$ in London today.

Ghana 82-5. I hate even to mention the name of this country, because I consider Ghana ${ }^{\top}$ s stamps to be trashy and the country seems to be the very quintescence of a philatelic prostitute. In truth, however, Ghana is no more an offender than most of the world's other nations which seem so eager to climb aboard the philatelic bandwagon. The 1960 Olympic Games set, although it is no great bargain at today's prices, is still much cheaper in America than it is in England and other countries. American dealers want $70 \notin$ for this bland set, while English dealers ask approximately $\ddagger 1.00$ today. I believe that the reason for this disparity in prices lies in the vast quantities of Ghanaian stamps held by American speculators. If you need this set, buy at today's price (which is a little more than face value--63ф); but don't expect to get rich from this purchase!


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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

Since the beginning of the basketball season in mid-October "JSP" has slipped steadily behind its planned publication schedule. Your editor accepts full responsibility for this cumulative delay although he knows of no way in which the repeated delays could have been avoided. He is now asking the cooperation of all members involved in the production and circulation of our periodical in an allout effort to get back to our regular schedule by mid-summer. This will require full cooperation all the way around, even to the extent of a little extra effort on the part of the membership to contribute a bit more material for the next few issues. Have you done your part toward the production of the April, May, June, and July issues?

## SERVICES

Source of the Japanese calendar illustrating 0lympic stamps.
The accumulating evidence seems to indicate that the Japanese calendar described in the January issue of "JSP" as being lavishly illustrated with Olympic philatelic material is published by a company whose president is a member of SPI. What could be more appropriate? It also appears that the illustrative material comes from the president's collection. The details should appear in the April issue--we hope!
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Inexpensive source of olympic information. bach's "olympic Cavalcade of Sports" as a source of Olympic athlete and coach and has been associated

Helen Turner recommends John V. Gromwith any number of sports projects in this country. The book is now available only in paper-back form from Ballantine Books, Inc., 1015 th Ave., New York 3, N. Y.; the cost is $50 \notin$ plus lo\& for postage. Where can one do better?

## CLASSI RIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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Attached to the front cover of this issue of "JSP" is your copy of the ballot through which our membership will elect its officers and directors for the two-year period of September l, 1964, until August 31, 1966. 'This slate of candidates has been selected carefully by a nominating committee composed of Helen Turner (Chairman), Bill Brecht, and Bill Guthrie. The responsibilities of a nominating committee are not always appreciated by the membership of an organization in that they fail to realize that such a committee must not only select qualified candidates, but must also obtain the full approval of each candidate to have his name included in the slate. I congratulate our nominating committee for a job well done.

One of the responsibilities of membership in any organization is that of participating in its regular election of officers. Membership in SPI is no exception in this aspect. This new slate of officers needs the support of a large vote among our members. The cost is minimal-a few seconds, an envelope, and a stamp. Vote as you wish, but VOTE.

The catalogue for our annual auction is in preparation and should be available with the April issue of "JSP". Save your money; there is some good material included and it covers quite á varying range.

NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES
Expiration of memberships.
Somebody will get burned if action isn't taken soon on the following cases:

| Nos. $394-413$ | January 31st |
| :--- | :--- |
| Nos. $414-431$ | February 29 th |
| Nos. $432-450$ | March 31st |

Sale of U.S.O.C. seals. Secretary-Treasurer Larry McMillan reports that he has turned nineteen dollars over to the United States olympic Committee from the sale of the gold seals announced several months ago in "JSP". You may remember that this seal depicted "Diagoras of Rhodes, Victor at 0lympics" (Greece 400) being carried by his sons. Nineteen such seals does not seem like a very good reaction from SPI members, but perhaps Larry's supply was limited.

SCOSC project for the Russian-American track meet. The Sports Collectors of Southern California are planning a special cachet and cover in honor of the USA-USSR track meet in Los Angeles next summer. Final plans were completed at SCOSC's last meeting and should be available for inclusion in our next issue of "JSP". SPOP in the Philippines must have inspired the Southern Californians into bigger and better action!

Biographical sketches of our nominees for office in SPI. Our nominating committee has presented Larry McMillan of Long Beach, Calif., as its choice for president of SPI for the 1964-66 term. Larry served the old Sports Unit as secretary-treasurer for the two years of its existence and has been equally diligent in the same post with SPI. Now he is ready to move up to the presidency in addition to his work as an engineer in a county hospital in Long Beach and his plans for development of a small business in the desert above Los Angeles.

Fred Farr has served two years as vice-president of SPI following valuable service with the SU. Fred combines doctoral study at Columbia University with full-time college teaching; it is easier to ask him what field does not demand his teaching talents than to pin him down as to which field is his teaching specialty. With his doctoral studies requiring so much time Fred could not undertake any heavier responsibility with SPI but will continue as vice-president. We trust that his doctorate will be complete by 1966-68.

A newcomer to the volunteers serving SPI is Len Eichorn of Cleveland, Ohio. Len is a graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and has just completed his Master of Business Administration degree from Western Reserve in Cleveland. He is a managerial fack-of-all-trades for the Columbia Metal Stamping Division of United Screw and Bolt Corporation in Cleveland. This find seems to be a real gem for SPI.

These three, plus Bob Bruce and Travis Land, are the nominees for directors. Travis is the well-known San Antonio sports philatelist who edited "SportStampS" for SU during its two years of existence. He is currently president of the Texas Philatelic Association and has written a wide range of articles on sports philately. Bob Bruce was president of the Sports Unit and is currently president of .SPI and editor of "JSP". He hopes to con-
tinue the editorship with more effectiveness when he has been relieved of the duties of president.

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Questions:
21. What color or colors are the ribbons which go with the Olympic Games gold medals?
22. What are the first days of issue for the two Uruguayan soccer sets, Uruguay 28284 and 388-90:
23. Do any of our members collect the sub-topic "Women Athletes"?
24. Where and how can one purchase Olympic philatelic items directly from Japan. The Japanese Philatelic Agency no longer takes standing orders even if prepaid and apparently does not answer letters concerning individual purchases.
25. Is Eisschiessen, which was included in the recent Hinter 0lympic program as an exhibition sport, the same as curling?

## Answers:

18. Helen Turner and Barbara Williams have submitted almost identical answers to the question on the winners of the Bonacossa competition. Count Alberto Bonacossa, a member of the IOC from 1925 to 1952, was a famous Italian figure-skating champion and a great sports stamp collector. He was the founder of the competition which awards yearly to the country of origin a medal for the best sports stamp of the year. Count Bonacossa is depicted on San Marino 428.

The first Bonacossa competition was held in Rome, Italy, in 1952. An international jury of twenty-three members determines the victor according to appearance, design, and printing. In addition to the grand champion, other awards are given for stamp design in various sports fields. The results of the first four competitions include:

| 1952 | Bonacossa Medal |
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| Luxembourg 280 |  |
| 1953 | Hungary 1058 |
| 1954 | Switzerland 350 |
| 1955 | San Marino 369 |


| Second Place | Third Place |
| :--- | :--- |
| Luxembourg 282 | Luxembourg 281 |
| Hungary C123 | Hungary Cl25 |
| Bulgaria 869 | San Marino 348 and 354 |
| Liechtenstein 289 | San Marino C94 |

19. Carl-Olof Enhagen, who happens to be a member of the Bonacossa jury, reports that voting has been resumed after a lay-off of several years and that two more medal winners can be reported:

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1956 & \text { San Marino } 385 \\
1957 & \text { Liechtenstein } 309
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In addition, ballots have been submitted for 1958 and 1959; we should have results for these two years in the near future.
(Editor's note: We have neglected this section of "JSP" shamefully. Let's bring it back to respectability. I'll do my share if'you will supply more questions and answers. Answers to question lo and partial answers to Questions 6 and 7 are awaiting publication. This leaves Guestions $1,8,11,12,13,14,15,16,17$, and 20 unanswered as well as the new questions posed in this issue. Let's d"ig them out.)

- This is an odd subject for one who avoids ball games on television and hasn't seen a live one since her children were in high'school. But the game I am referring to now isn't much like our basketball, football, or baseball. Recently I became interested in the archaeology of the Mayas and came across tidbits which were news to me, but may be old-hat to you sports experts. But just in case:

There is a ball court depicted on Mexico C222, but it may be just the stamp artist's idea of an old Mayan court. The sculpture shown on the right side of this stamp is from the ruins at Chiapas and shows us a ball player wearing a large feathered hat, with his thighs protected by an apron, his right forearm covered with a skin or cloth, and his right knee protected with a pad. The ball is seen at his back. This ball player is a detail of a bas-relief on a circular altar from Chiapas dated $331 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{D}$. (or $591 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{D}$. , depending upon whom you accept as an authority on Mayan dates).

The figure on Guatemala olll probably represents a ball court marker of the Late Classic, or early Post-classic, Period. This is a serpent monster with a human face which may have come from the Department of Chimaltenango, but is now in Aurora Park, Guatemala City.

The game represented by these two stamps is believed to be the parent of today's jai alai, but various differences have developed from the original through the ages. The feature of the Mayan game, as in our basketball, was to drive the ball through a stone ring set about twenty feet high in the wall on either side of the great court. The resemblance to basketball is further heightened by team play.

There are, however, remarkable differences! The solid rubber ball could be touched only with elbows, knees, or thighs, but not with hands or feet. As may be imagined, it was difficult to score a goal, so difficult that the successful player was entitled to have as booty the cloaks of the onlookers-if he could catch them to claim his prize. In some cases the captain of the winning team was entitled to the head of the opposing captain, as shown in a carving in the ruins of the Chichen Itza ball court.

Like almost everything in Mayan life, the game was an exercise in religion as well as a competitive sport. The players prayed and sacrificed to the gods before and after the game, which explains the temples generally built at one or both ends of the court.

Perhaps now my interest in ball games is more readily understood, as may also be my interest in other sports stamps. A great many of them portray works of artl
(Editor's note: This heretic, who writes so glibly about the objects of our affections, is the editor of the "Fine arts Philatelist" and thus may be forgiven for her shortcomings. We thank her for the detailed interpretation on two of our sports stamps.)

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## November Addenda

8th
Kuwait. Arab School Games. $5 f$ multicolored (swimming); $5 f$ multicolored (swimming); 8f multicolored (runners); l5f multicolored (javelin);
$20 f$ multicolored (pole vault); $35 f$ multicolored (gymnast on rings); and $45 f$ multi-
colored (gymnast on parallel bars). Printed by photogravure by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London. Quantity: 100,000 sets plus 100,000 extra of $15 f$ and $20 f$. (Additional information)
loth North Viet Nam. "Ganefo" Games, Indonesia. l2xu (soccer); l2xu (volleyball); l2xu (swimming); and 30xu (high jump). Printed in offset by the Tien-Bo State Printing Works from designs by Tran Luong. Quantities: 230,000 perforate sets and 15,00 imperforate sets.

18th Monaco. Centenary of the birth of Pierre de Coubertin. Ifr (de Coubertin, Olympic flame, and discus thrower). Designed by Pierrette Lambert and engraved by J. Peel. Also exists in imperforate form. (Additional information)

3lst Ivory Coast. Tourism and big game hunting on the Bouna Preserve. IOfr (Alcelaphus Major); 20 fr (warthog); 45 fr (hyena); 50 fr (Colubus monkey); and new value (bongo gazelle). Printed at the Paris State Printing Office. (Additional information)

## December Addenda

Ilth Liberia. Winter Olympic Games, Innsbruck. $5 \not{ }^{\prime \prime}$ red and blue (skier and Olympic rings); lo\& red and blue (airmail)(winter mountain scene, torch, and olympic rings); $25 \not \subset$ blue and orange (airmail)(winter scene and Olympic rings); and 50申 (airmail souvenir sheet)(winter scene, torch, and Olympic rings). The set and the souvenir sheet exist in both perforate and imperforate form. (Additional information)

2lst Kenya. lsh/30p black, green, and brown (tree-top tourist hotal in game preserve). Printed by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London, from design by V. Whiteley.

25th Albania. IX Winter Olympic Games, Innsbruck. 50q (two-man bobsled); 2.50l (skier); 6.j01 (ice hockey); 12.501 (figure skater); and 12.501 multicolored (ski jumper) (souvenir sheet). The set and the souvenir sheet exist in both perforate and imperforate form with changed colors.
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## OLDER ITEMS



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1. 25 f chocolate/orange brown/ultramarine
a. imperforate
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958, August 31. First Anniversary of Independence. Wmk. St. Edward's
Crown \& CA Multtiple; P 13/kx14/k. Photogravure by Harrison \& Sons
l. 10 c green/red/yellow/blue (6,938,867)
Design: Merdeka Stadium, Kuala Lumpur
Sc 87; Gi 8; Mi 8; YT 87 MALAYA-JOHORE
P $3 \times 12 k$. Recess by De La Rue \& Co
2. 2 d bronze green/scarlet
Design: Native wrestling ("Bersilat"), inset photo of Sultan Sir
Ismail
MAYLAYA-KEDAH

Recess by De La Rue \& Co.
Desisn: Bersilat, in isabeth II
Sc 54; Gi 48; Mi 53; YT 285
960, March 15. Definitive. Wmk. St. Edward's Crown \& CA Mult.; P l2k.
Recess by De La Rue \& Co.
3. 2 d bronze green/scarlet

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Design: Bersilat and inset of } \\
& \text { Se 65; Gi 59; Mi 64; YT } 296
\end{aligned}
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Design: Bersilat and inset of Melaka tree and pelandok (mouse deer)
known with mixed perfe as well as with one side imperforate
Sc 95,106 ; Gi 97, 108; Mi 95, 106; YT 95, 106; $\mathrm{zu} 85,96$
 Nates: (a) No. ${ }^{1}$ ras valid through June 30, 1935 and No. 2 through
March 31 , 1936; (b) No. 1 was 1seued nuguast 12, 1930 and No. 2 was Designs: 1-Chamois hunter on slankner Tower on Furstensteig, mt. Three
Sisters; (-Pfulizer (Palatine) club refuge 2. 1/2 1 blue $(54,000)$
a. perf $10 \%$
Designs: 1 -Chamois hunter 1. 5 ar green $(461,892)$ sel. Photogravare printed by kosenbaum Brothers, vienna.

bx ! Szz os
${ }_{\text {green }}^{20 \mathrm{~m}}$ yellow/sepia/red +30 m blue/sepia/yellow +50 m sepia/yellow/indigo/ 1962, July 13. As above. Souvenir sheets measuring $129 x 95 \mathrm{~mm}$ Sc 222-24; G1 119-21; Mi ; YT Desiggns: 1-Clasped hands and scout emblem; 2-Scouts; 3-Scout emblem and tents;
Note: 50,000 sets 1 ssued. 50,000 imperforate sets 1 ssued ( $T_{\text {rechterberg }}$ )

 Courvocaier.
Cird Boy Scouts Meeting, Tripoli. Unw.; P 12. Photogravure by
$\frac{\text { LIBIA }}{1962,}$
Se Cl36; Mi ; YT Bl 22; Sa 220 24. 35 e broma/bue gold inscriptions. Lithographed by E. A. Wright Bank Note Co. 1961, December 4. Liberian Boy Scout Movement. Unv.; P 12. Souvenir sheet-125x 76 mm , Sc 399-400, C135; Gi 550-52; Mi ; YT 377-78, ג128; Sa 219 Designs: 21-Boy Scout; 22-Insigne and scouts camping; 23-Scout \& badge 22. 10. $\begin{aligned} & \text { a ultramarine/bistre } \\ & \text { a. imperforate }\end{aligned}$ 21. 5 c lilac/sepie 1961, December 4. Liberian Boy scout Movement. Unw.; P 12. Lithographed by E. A.
Wright Bank Note Co. in sheets of 25 ( $5 \times 5$ ) Design: Runner and stedium
Sc Cl27; Mi 555; YT BL $\quad 6$; Sa 20. 50 c lilac/brown-blackmarginal inscriptions 960, September 6. As above, souvenir sheet in new value- $127 \times 1$.
ate. Lithographed by E. A. Wright Benk Note Co., Philadel phia
1960, Sepfember 6. As above, souvenir sheet in new value- $127 \times 76 \mathrm{~mm}$. Unw.; Imperfora, imperforate 25 c emarald/sepia
a, imperforate

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\text { Designs: } 20 \mathrm{~m} \text { as } \mathrm{No}_{\mathrm{o}} .1,30 \mathrm{~m} \text { as No. } 2,50 \mathrm{~m} \text { as } \mathrm{No}_{0} .3
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 sc 324-25; Gi 621-22; Mi 567-68; YT 526-27; Zu 567-68



 1957, June 17. 50th Year of the Founding of the Boy Scout Movement, and Sc 307; Gi 592; Mi 538; YT 497; Zu 538 Note: Stamp is said to symbolize security Design: UN emblem and children skipping rope (two turning, one jumping) 8. $2 f$ brown red/sienna

1955, October 24. 10th Anniver ary of Founding of United Nations. Unw.;
P 1lx11k. Des. by S . L. Hartz. Recess by Joh. Enschede \& Sons Sc 298; Gi 578; Mi 538; YT 482; Zu 523 Design: Fencing mask and gauntlet. Mask on crossed saber, foil and epee 7. 2 f red brown/black brown/grey ( 500,000 -Michel) P 13Y/ 14 . Des. and eng. by Seme. paper
Sons, Haarlem, on chalk-surfaced pap

1954, May 6. World Fencing Championships, Luxembourg, July 10-25. Unw.;

1932, april 1. Ufficial. No. 1 overprinted in black "Regierungs/Dienst-


Note: The overprint was applied by Fr. Kaiser, Vaduz, from separate set also exist imperforate on one side sc 01; Gi Ol; Mi Dl; YT Sl; Zu Dl

1932, December 21. Child Welfare rund. Unw.; P $111 /$. Des. H. C. Kosel.
Photogravure by Fa. Chwala, vierna, formerly Wiener Kunstaruckerei Photogravure by Fa. Chwala, Vienna, formerly Wiener Kunstdruckerei A-G. 4. $30+10 \mathrm{r}$ blue $(33,499$ )

Desion: Prince rranz $I$ and two boy scouts Note: Gibbons states first day was Dec. 19; Sc B13; Gi 120; Mi 118; YT 110; Zu w\&S 13
 Chaux-de Fonds, on smooth, clak-surfaced granite paper. Valid through 5. 1.20 f violet blue $(58,318)$

Design: 5-Pfllizer huton the Bettlerjoch Sc 128; Gi 135; Mi 138; YT 121; 2u 117 1946, December 10. First Hunting Set. Des. Prof. J. Seger. Photogravure on granite paper by Courvoisier on chalk-surfaced paper in sheets of
$20(5 \times 4)$. valid through May 31, 1947 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 6. } & 20 & \mathbf{r} & \text { red }(114,453) \\ \text { 7. } & 30 & \mathbf{r} & \text { blue }(119,194) \\ \text { 8. } & 150 & \mathbf{r} & \text { brown }(109,213)\end{array}$
8. 150 r brown $(109,213)$

Designs: 6-Stag; 7-Snow rabbit; 8-Capercaillie (Tetrao urogallus)
Notes: (a) There is a disposition on the part of some to dismiss then Notes: (a) There is a disposition on the part of some to dismiss this
and the subsequent "Jagdseries" as merely stamps depicting animals and not properly a set portraying animals for hunting purposes. The sets
are officially "Jagdseries" (Hunting Sets) and are so boldly labeled on the envelopes in which sheets were delivered to postoffices by the of stamps issued for this set. All are approximately in agreoment but not in exact agreement. The figures given above are those of michel Sc 219-21; Gi 252-54; Mi 249-51; YT 224-26; Zu 210-12

Seger. Photogravure by courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper in sheets of $20(5 \times 4)$ with decorative borders. Valid through May 31,

1948 .
11. $150 r \operatorname{brown}(107,118)$

Designs: 9-Chamois; 10-Marmot; 11 -Golden eagle Note: Michel is authority for quantities issued Sc 223-25; (ii 255-57; M1 253-55; YT 228-30; ¿u 213-15 1950, March ?. Third uunting Set. Des. Prof. J. Seger. Unw.; P ilw.
Photogravare by Courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper in sheets Photogravure by Courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper in sheets 12. 20 r red brown $(123,324)$ 14. 80 r brown $(81,581)$ )
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 33. } 25 \mathrm{r} & \text { brown olive/dark green } \\ \text { 34. } 1 / 2 \mathrm{i} & \text { lemon/sepia }(110,232)\end{array}$ WW T96T rhotogravure printed by courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper
in sheets of 25 ( $5 \times 5$ ) with decorative borders. valid through July 31 , 1957, may 14. Fourth Sports Set. Unw.; P 111/2. Des. by rrof. J. Seger.
 Designs: 27-Javelin thrower; 28-nurdler; 29-Yole vaulthr; 30-Sprinters 30. 1 f orange vermilion/olive brown $(161,129)$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { 28. } 20 & \mathbf{r} & \text { lt. ollive green/ purple } \\ \text { 29. } \\ 40 & \mathbf{r} & \text { blue/violet brown ( } 311,879 \text { ) }\end{array}$
 T96 956, June 21. Third oports Set.Unw.; P 1l/k. Des. by rrof. J. Seger.
rhotogravure printed by courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper

 Designs: 23-Slalom; 24-Climber hammering in piton; 25-vownhill skier;
26-ciimber resting at mountain summit $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 24. } & 20 & \mathbf{r} & \text { green/olive bistre }, 255,629) \\ 25 . & 25 & \mathbf{r} & \text { light blue/sepia }, 251,629) \\ 26 . & 40 & \mathbf{r} & \text { olive/pink }(234,129)\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 23. } 10 & \mathbf{r} & \text { aquamarine/brown violet } & (530,879) \\ \text { 24. } 20 & \boldsymbol{r} & \text { green/olive bistre }\end{array}$
 1955, June 14. second Sports Set. Unm.; P lly. Des. by Prof. J. Seger. Sc 277-80; Gi 320-23; Mi 322-25; YT 284-87; ̌u 266-69 Note: Quantities issued are those cited by Michel
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { 21. } & 25 r & \mathbf{r} \\ \text { 22. yellow brown/dk brown } & (126,292) \\ \mathbf{r} & \text { lilac grey }(128,609)\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 19. } & 10 & \mathbf{r} & \text { rose/red brown }(355,636) \\ \text { 20. } & 20 & \mathbf{r} & \text { dk. olive green }(211,662)\end{array}$ sheets of 25 ( $5 \times 5$, with decorative borders. valid through vec. 31,1956 1954, May 18. First Sports Set. Unw.; P 111/2. Des. by Prof. J. Seger. Pho-
togravure printed by Courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper in Sc 270-73; (ii 313-16; Mi 315-18; YT 277-80; Zu 259-62 Note: Michel is quthority for quantities issued Design: Lord Baden-Powell (1857-1941) and hand making scout salute
 1953, August 4. 14th International Scout conference. Unw.; f 13x131k. Des.
by A. Fromelt. Recess printed by Waterlow \& Sons, in sheets of 20 ( $5 \times 4$ )
with decorative borders. Valid through Dec. 31,1956 Sc $243-45$; Gi 283-85; Mi 285-87; YT 247-49; Zu 232-34
953, August 4. 14th International Scout conference. Un


1962, December 6. minnesingers. Unw.; P 1ll/k. Photogravure by Courvoisier
on chalk-surfaced, granite paper in sheets of 20 .
43. 20 r multicolored
Design: King conrad and falcon
Note: This design, as well as those of Nos. $41-42$ are from the 14 th
Century Manesse manuscript
Sc 360; ii ; Mi 420; YT ; Zu
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Sc 363, 365; (ii 409-10; Mi 408-09; YT ; Zu
ity had its cwn type of hunting bird and could not use one representing Note: ralconry was practiced only by the nobles and oach level of nobiland falcon 41. 35 r multicolored 42. 1 f multicolored
vesigns: 41-Ulrich von Gutenberg and falcon; 421961, May 30. Minnesingers. Unw.; P 11/k. Photogravure by Courvoisier on
chalk-surfaced granite paper in sheets of 20 . sc 320-23; ui 363-66; mi 365-68; xy 327-30; zu 309-12 Designs: 37-tirl swimmer (backstroke); 38-Fencers; 39-Tennis player;
40-Kacing cyclists $\begin{array}{lll}\text { 39. } 40 \\ \text { 40. } 90 & \mathbf{r} & \text { greenish black/light red } \\ \text { sepiallaght yellow green }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 37. } 15 \mathrm{r} & \text { red violet/lt blue } \\ 38 . & 30 \\ \text { deep olive/pale reddish purple }\end{array}$ 1958, March 18. Hifth sports set. unw.; r $111 / 2$. Des. Hrof. J. Seger. Photo-
gravure by Courvoisier on chalk-surfaced granite paper in sheets of 25
( $5 \times 5$ ) with decorative borders. Sc 315-16; Gi 358-59; Mi 360-61; YT 322-23; Yu 304-05 Designs: 35-Torchlight parade; 36-Lord vaden Powell 35. 10 r dark violet blue $(424,290)$
36. 20 r dark brown $(424,290)$ border. Valid through July 31, 1961 surfaced granite paper in sheets of (Nos. $35-36$ ). The sheets have a decorative Unw.; P lly. Des. by a. Frommelt. Yhotogravure by courvoisier on chalk-
surfaced granite paper in sheets of $12(4 \times 3)$ in se tenant layout like a 1957, September 10. 50th anniversary of soy scout Movement and centenary
of the Birth of Lord paden-rowell, founder of the Boy Scout movement. sc 308-11; ui 351-54; mi 353-56; xT 315-18; Zu 297-300
pommeled long horse; 33 -iymnast on flying rings; 34-dymnast on parallel
bars
Designs: 31-Gymnast on horizontal bar; 32-Gymnast doing dismount from

- 8 p rose violet and black (Paradise Beach) (Scott 166); lop ultramarine and black (modern hotel) (Scott l67); and lsh olive brown and ultramarine (yacht racing) (Scott 168) all overprinted "New Constitution, 1964".

20th Hungary. IX Winter Olympic Games, Innsbruck. loft blue and red (downhill skier and mountain scene)(souvenir sheet). Quantities: l20,000 perforate and 12,000 imperforate).

29th Ryukyu Islands. $20 \not \approx$ multicolored (Shudun folk dance). Printed in photogravure by the Japanese Ministry of Finance Printing Bureau from design by Sheikan Omine. quantity: 200,000.

30th Albania. "Ganefo" Games, Indonesia. 2.501 (obstacle course); 31 (diverse course); 6.501 (shooting); and 81 (basketball).

## Forecast

Argentine Republic. Olympic Games, Tokyo, 1964. $4 p+2 p, 11 p+5 p$, and $12 p+6 p$. Quantity: 200,000 sets. (April)

Argentine Republic. XIII Olympiad for Invalids, Tokyo, 1954. 18p $+9 p$. Quantity: 200,000.

Bulgaria. IX Winter Olympic Games, Innsbruck. lst (speed skater); 2st (figure skater); 3st (skier); 5st (ski jumper); lost (ice hockey); and l3st (ice hockey). All multicolored. Quantity: 500,000 sets. (Additional information)


Czechoslovakia. IX winter Olympic Games, Innsbruck. lk purple-brown and green (ice hockey); $1.80 k$ green and black (toboggan); and $2 k$ blue and green (ski jumper). Printed by combined rotogravure and photogravure from design by Anna Podzeman and engraving by Ladislav Jirka.

Czechoslovakia. World Handball Championship, Czechoslovakia, l964. lk violet-brown (handball player). Designed by Nada Synecka and engraved by B. Housa.

Germany. Olympic Games, Tokyo, 1964. (20pf). (October 8th).
Jamaica. lsh (national stadium) and 3 sh (blue marlin fishing). Both multicolored. Printed by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London, from designs by V. Whiteley.

Korea. Olympic Games, Tokyo, 1964. (August).
Lebanon. IV Mediterranean Games, Naples. 2.50p mauve and brown (cyclist); 5p blue and brown (basketball); lop violet and brown (runner); 15p green and brown (tennis); 17.50p blue and brown (swimmer); and 30p green and brown (skier). Quantities: 100,000 sets.

Panama. IX Winter Olympic Games. $1 B$ and $4 B$ (speed skater); $3 B$ and $5 B$ (mountains around Innsbruck); and 5B, 15B, 2lB, and $31 B$ (airmail)(slalom skier). All multicolored. The 2lB and 31 B values also exist in a souvenir sheet, issued both perforate and imperforate. \&uantities: 25,000 sets and 7,200 sheets.

Paraguay. XVIII Olympic Games, Tokyo. 15ф, 25 $\neq 30 \not \approx, 40 \neq$, and $50 \not \approx$ (discus thrower) and $12.45 \mathrm{~g}, 18.15 \mathrm{~g}$, and 50.00 g (emblem of the Games). Also 50.00 g (souvenir sheet) (emblem of the Games). The set and the souvenir sheet also exist imperforate in changed colors; quantities: imperforate sets--5,000 and imperforate sheets--3,600.

Romania. European Volleyball Championship, Bucharest, October 22 to November 2 , 1963. 5 b rose (three women volleyball players); 40 b blue (three men volleyball players; 55 b blue-green (women volleybali players at net); and 1.75 L brown (mer volleyball players at net). Also 3.20 purple (European volleyball cup)(souvenir sheet). Designed by V. Crivat and R. Veluda. (Additional information)

Russia. $3 r$ multicolored (souvenir sheet incorporating Scott 2759-62).


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