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- Jim Hughes -

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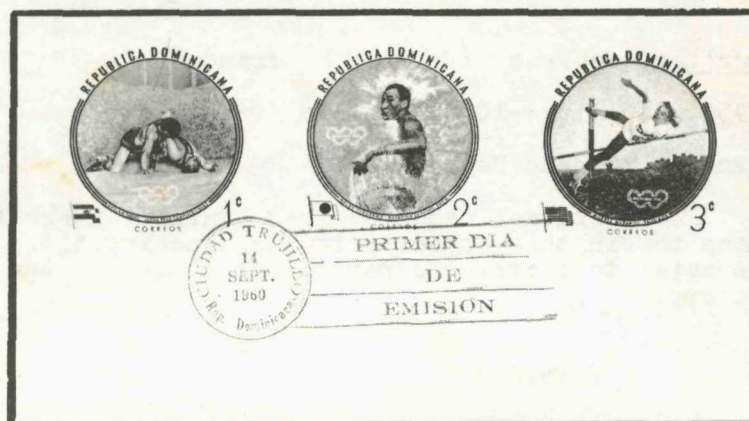
Takhti, Gholam R.

Iran

1956 Wrestling--free style (light heavyweight)

Dominican Republic 525 and B34

Takhti beat Peter Blair of the United States (who ultimately finished third) on points in the seventh round to capture this 191-pound title and give Iran its second wrestling title at the Melbourne Games.



Tchukarin (Chikarin), Victor Russia

1952 Gymnastics--all-around (115.70 points)
 long horse (19.20 points)
 side horse (19.50 points)
 1956 Gymnastics--all-around (114.25 points)
 parallel bars (19.20 points)
 pommeled horse (bronze medal)
 freen standing (bronze medal)

Russia 1970

Tchukarin was one of the best of the Soviet gymnasts who went on to capture five gold medals in the Olympic Games and undoubtedly was largely responsible for leading the Russian men's teams to victory in 1952 and 1956.



Thorn, Lars

Sweden

1956 Yachting--5.5-meter class

Dominican Republic C108 and CBL5

Thorn was the skipper of the 5.5-meter Swedish yacht "Rush V" which won over the British "Vision" by 477 points. Australia's "Buraddoo" was third with the United States finishing fourth. (Note: some authorities list this stamp as depicting the Swedish "Slaghoke" (Dragon Class) skippered by F. Bohlin, which tied Denmark's "Tip" with 5,723 points, but won the gold medal on better daily placings. Are there any sailors who can set our record straight?)



Turlier, Georges

France

1952 Canoeing--10,000 meters (C-2)

*France 703 and Reunion 299

Jean Laudet and Georges Turlier were the first and only Frenchmen to win this Canadian Double canoeing title in the Olympic Games. Note that the stamp is said to picture no particular athlete, but was issued in honor of their 1952 Olympic victory.



Turski

Poland

1948 Fine arts--music

Poland 918

This Polish stamp portrays two trumpeters playing the Olympic anthem and a fragment of the Olympic symphony composed by Truski, which won for him a gold medal (in music) at the 1948 Olympic Fine Arts Exhibition in London.

Vorobyev (Vorobiev), Akaddi Russia

1956 Weightlifting--middle heavyweight

1960 Weightlifting--middle heavyweight

Russia 1973 (see also the cover illustrated above for Tchukarin)

Vorobyev lifted 325.5, 391.25, and 462.5 (press, snatch, and jerk) for a total of 1019.25 pounds at the Melbourne Games, establishing a new Olympic and world record. He successfully defended his crown at the Rome Games with 336, 314, and 391.25 for a total of 1041.25 pounds for yet another Olympic mark.



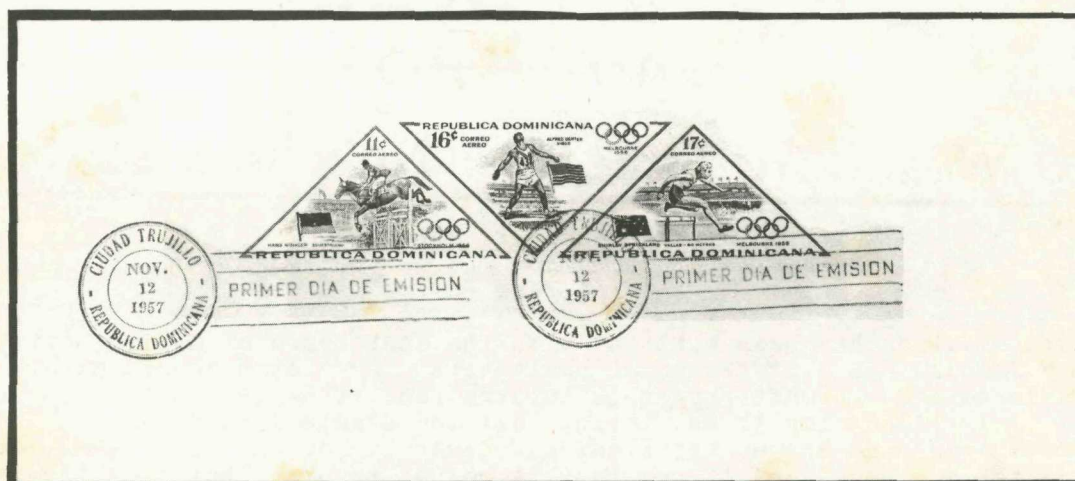


Winkler, Hans Gunther Germany

1956 Equestrian--Prix de Nations

Dominican Republic C103, CB7, and CB8

Winkler won the Grand Prix de Obstacles (individual and team jumping) on "Halla" at the Stockholm Equestrian Games. In the individual event he won with four penalty points over the famous d'Inzeo brothers of Italy. Lt. Raimondo d'Inzeo was second on "Merano" with eight penalty points and Capt. Piere d'Inzeo was third on "Uruguay" with eleven penalty points.



Zatopek, Emil

Czechoslovakia

1948 Running--5,000 meters (silver medal)

10,000 meters (29:59.6)

1952 Running--5,000 meters (14:06.6)

10,000 meters (29:17.0)

Marathon (2:23:03.2)

Czechoslovakia 642

This 26-year old Army captain won his first gold medal in 1948 and became the first Czech to win an Olympic championship. At the Helsinki Games he won the Woolworth Double (5,000 and 10,000 meters) and, not content with these laurels, he entered the marathon and won it too to establish himself as one of the Olympic immortals. He proved to the critics (who claimed he ran like a man who had just been stabbed in the heart) to be one of the greatest, if not the greatest, distance runners of all time.



Zatopkova, Dana

Czechoslovakia

1952 Women's javelin throw (165' 7.05")

1960 Women's javelin throw (silver medal)

Czechoslovakia 613

Dana was the wife of Emil Zatopek, the distance-running marvel. Between them they won four gold medals at Helsinki--the first husband and wife team in Olympic history. At the London Games she had competed as Dana Ingova, but had failed to score; in 1952, as a Zatopek, she couldn't miss! At the Melbourne Games she finished fourth with a 183' 5½" toss and then came back yet another time to win a silver medal at Rome in 1960.

(Editor's note: This installment marks the completion of a wonderful series by Jim Hughes. When one knows the handicaps under which Jim works on all his hobby projects, one truly marvels at his initiative and perseverance. I am hoping that this serial will be followed by two shorter projects by Jim: (1) a supplement based on the further contributions of our members concerning errors and omissions in Jim's material and (2) a second supplement bringing us up-to-date through the 1964 Olympiad. The first project will require your assistance; I feel certain that Jim would also appreciate help on the second as well. You may reach Jim at 3031 N. Madson Place, Tucson, Ariz. 85179. Give the guy a vote of appreciation with your cooperation on errors and additions. R.M.B.)

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PHILATELIC MARKET REPORT

- Fred Farr -

This month's column has been written with the assistance of Martin Levin, the noted New York stamp dealer. As a professional philatelist, Mr. Levin cannot merely guess which stamps are undervalued--he must know this information if he is to be successful at his chosen profession. According to Mr. Levin, all the stamps listed below are under-valued in "Scott's Catalogue" and are an excellent purchase if you can find them. Many of these stamps, incidentally, have been tipped in this column before; but I believe that it will be advantageous if we took a look at their price structure again.

Panama C193. This stamp is not a very handsome piece of work, although it does depict the President Remon Hippodrome (race track). Issued in 1957 as part of a nine-value set, this stamp has a modest face value of only ten cents, yet it is generally unavailable except as part of the complete set. The complete set is available for \$3.00 and wholesalers offer to buy this set for \$2.00. Generally speaking, the major philatelic catalogues value this stamp at two to three times face value, although "Landmans" gives it a valuation of 64¢. According to Mr. Levin, this stamp is easily worth 50¢ to 70¢. Why not see if you can pick up a copy for your collection now, instead of waiting until this stamp has disappeared from the stamp market?

Bolivia 330 and C124. Tipped in this column once before, this set was issued in honor of the First International Automobile Races of South America. This set is not available from wholesalers; this is always an ominous sign. No data regarding quantities issued of this set is available; that fact denies us vital information. However, this set is definitely elusive, especially the airmail value which "Sanabria" values at \$3.50 (this is several times "Scott's" valuation). The current market price for this set is \$2.50 to \$2.75. I hope you realize that virtually all Latin American stamps are undervalued in the catalogues and their market prices often bear no relation whatsoever with catalogue valuations.

Ireland 90. I was much surprised to see this stamp on Mr. Levin's list of undervalued sports stamps. Frankly, this stamp is freely available from most dealers, irrespective of whether they sell sports stamps, British Empire, or general issues. But Mr. Levin must know what he is talking about, so why not buy a copy for ten cents if it is missing from your collection? Incidentally, Ira Seebacher has listed ten varieties of this stamp in his "Handbook of Sports Stamps", so you could try to acquire all ten varieties at this absurdly cheap price. You know the stamp, of course; it shows the fine old Irish sport of hurling.

(To be continued)

New Jersey trout fishing stamps. Interested sports collectors may now obtain the seventh issue of the state trout fishing stamps for their collections. There are two denominations, a \$1.00 black-on-yellow stamp for resident fishermen and a \$5.00 brown-on-white stamp of out-of-state fishermen. Both are offered to collectors at reduced prices.

The stamps come in sheets of ten, each stamp fully perforated. The set of two stamps is offered at 50¢, blocks of four of each at \$2.00, and full sheets of each at \$5.00. Remittances must be made by U. S. check or money order, payable to the New Jersey Division of Fish and Game. The address is Trout Stamps, Division of Fish and Game, Box 1809, Trenton, N. J. 08625. Quick action is demanded for the unsold remainders will be destroyed on June 1st.

This information is supplied by Fred Farr (SPI 2).

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Missing APS black blot information. Through the courtesy of H. M. Critchfield (SPI 295) and John La Porta (SPI 79) the information on APS black blots on sports stamps, passed over last fall, is now available for our readers. Only one gap, that of the January issue of "The American Philatelist", remains to be filled and I hope to have that available in the next issue of "JSP".

The August issue of "The American Philatelist" black-blotted the imperforate version of the Hungarian commemorative for the First European Skittle Championship and the International Sport Show (stamps) in Rimini, Italy. The reason cited was intentional inclusion of oddities. Also indicted was Jordan's eight-stamp set and 200 fils souvenir sheet released for the recent Olympic Games; here the reasons were limited printing, excessively extended edition, and intentional inclusion of oddities.

The September issue stepped up the pace, citing Dubai's set of five Boy Scout stamps overprinted for the 1964 Winter Olympic Games (no direct relationship to the issuing country), Hungary's imperforate commemorative for the lawn tennis exhibition (limited printing and intentional inclusion of oddities), Libya's imperforate souvenir sheet for the Boy Scouts (limited printing and intentional inclusion of oddities), and Sharjah's souvenir sheet for the so-called "Girl Scouts" set (limited printing and intentional inclusion of oddities).

In October the pace slowed down, with only one accusation--Togo's five-stamp perforate set and souvenir sheet to commemorate the 18th Olympic Games. The reasons here were an excessively extended issue, unwarranted inclusion of high values, and intentional inclusion of oddities.

In November a new high was reached, including Dahomey's three diamond-shaped stamps with the Olympic Motif in the designs (no direct relationship to the issuing country), Haiti's overprinted set for the Winter Olympic Games (no direct relationship to the issuing country), Honduras' set of five overprinted stamps for the 18th Olympic Games (no direct relationship to the issuing country), Maldives Islands' eight-stamp set and large souvenir sheet for the Olympic Games (excessively extended issue, no direct relationship to the issuing country, and intentional inclusion of oddities), Mauritania's four-stamp set for the 18th Olympic Games (no direct relationship to the issuing country), Romania's sets of eight perforate and eight imperforate stamps and a souvenir sheet for the Olympic Games (excessively extended issue and intentional inclusion of oddities), and Togo's four-stamp set and souvenir sheet for the 18th Olympic Games (no direct relationship to the issuing country and intentionally included oddities).

December was another big month with the following getting hit: Gabon's high-value set and souvenir sheet for the Tokyo Olympic Games (excessively extended issue, no direct relationship to the issuing country, and intentional inclusion of oddities), Guinea's six overprints (three in red and three in orange) for the Olympic Games (excessively extended issue, no direct relationship to the issuing country, and intentional inclusion of oddities), Middle Congo's high-value set and souvenir sheet to commemorate the Olympic Games (excessively extended issue and oddities intentionally included), Panama's stamps and other oddities associated with the Tokyo Olympic Game issue (limited printing, excessively extended issue, and intentional inclusion of oddities), and Yemen's Boy Scout airport set (excessively extended issue and inclusion of unwarranted high values).

The December issue also contained an editorial ripping Dubai's entire Olympic "package" of ten perforate stamps, ten imperforate stamps, and an imperforate souvenir sheet. All items were black-listed.

It would appear that we are suckers of the most gullible variety. And the judgments are not all in yet!

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More current black blots. In the December issue the APS program hit the Trucial State of Ajman for its Kennedy and Olympic Games commemoratives. The Kennedy set consists

of eight stamps and a souvenir sheet; three of these stamps depict sports. The set is faulted for restricted sale, excessive length, unwarranted high values, and intentional inclusion of oddities. The Olympic set hit the jack-pot, running counter to all five criteria--restricted sale, excessive length, unwarranted high values, no direct relationship to the issuing country, and intentional inclusion of oddities.

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Special warning. The Commission Against the Issuance of Undesirable Stamps of the Federation International de Philatelie (FIP) warns against the following debatable items: (1) Blocks of Chilean stamps overprinted "Para Que Chile competa en Tokio" or "Homenaje a los sportistas Chilenos". These were neither authorized nor issued by the Post Office Department of Chile.

(2) Privately perforated "Europa" stamps of Germany. The perforations read "Tokyo 1964" and were applied after official sale of the stamps.

While APS only seeks to inform collectors of the facts behind the issue, FIP goes a step farther and boycotts exhibition of condemned stamp in any FIP-affiliated competition.

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- Barbara T. Williams -

November Addenda

27th Honduras. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 1¢ yellow green (arena at the Copan ruins); 2¢ pale rose lilac (stone discus); 5¢ light ultramarine (Mayan athlete); 8¢ bluish green (Olympic Stadium, Tokyo); 10¢ buff (same as 1¢); 12¢ lemon (same as 2¢); 11 light ochre (same as 5¢); 21 pale olive green (same as 8¢); and 31 rose (same as 1¢). Also perforate and imperforate souvenir sheets containing one each of 5¢, 8¢, 12¢, and 31. Printed in photogravure by Heraclio Fournier, Victoria. Quantities: 5,000 each of the souvenir sheets. (Additional information)

December Addenda

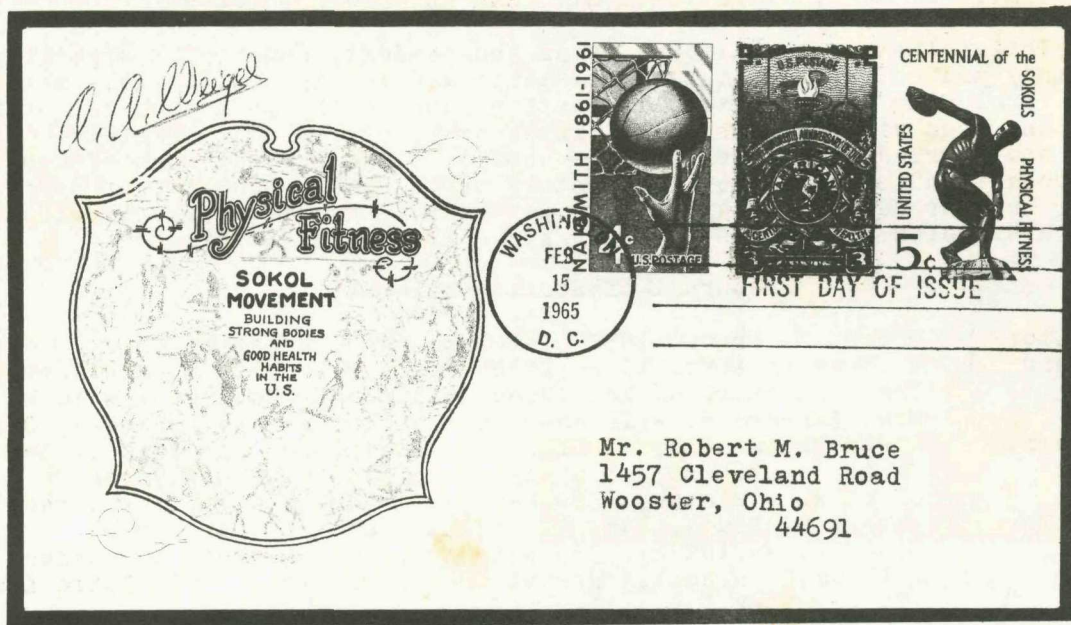
2nd Viet Nam. 1.50d (beach at Phan Thiet and sailboats). Designed by Throng Huu Nghia. Printed in recess by Paris State Printing Office. Quantity: 3,000,000.

7th Jordan. Honoring the Boy Scouts of Jordan. 1f chocolate (rope-and-pole bridge); 2f violet (first aid); 3f yellow brown (physical fitness exercises); 4f red brown (knot tying); 5f yellow green (cooking); 35f blue (sailing on river); and 50f dark green (campfire). Also a souvenir sheet. Designed by Victor Whiteley and David Slater. Printed in offset by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London. Quantities: 24,000 plus 10,000 souvenir sheets.

January Addenda

12th Ajman. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 5np red brown, bright pink, and Prussian green (runners); 10np dark olive green, blue gray, and red brown (boxing); 15np dark violet, green, and sepia (same as 5np); 25np blue, salmon pink, and black (judo); 50np

Just as a matter of interest and to make stronger my previous point, I cannot resist the opportunity of displaying the Artopages first-day cover for the Sokol stamp:

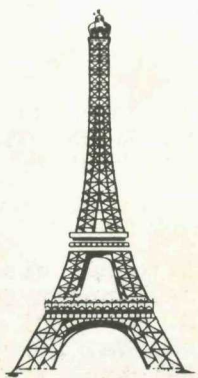


It isn't the stamps or the cancellation which counts here, but rather the small drawings in the special cachet. Note the wide range of vigorous physical fitness and recreational activities which have been included. This is what physical fitness is all about. Thanks to Artopages' cover designer for giving the whole view. What a pity that someone else in the appropriate position in the Post Office Department didn't get the word!

Of late our good secretary-treasurer has had a few mild complaints from new members and especially re-instated members concerning the delay in receipt of first copies of "JSP". Please be patient; we are doing our best as amateur hobbyists. I suspect that the chain goes something like this on a typical re-instatement: (1) The renewal reaches the secretary-treasurer; (2) He makes his monthly report to our addressographer and to the editor (from one to thirty days later, but on the first of the month); (3) The editor corrects his mailing tabs and, when copy is ready (possibly on the fifteenth of the month), mails the prepared copy and corrected mailing tabs to the publisher (two weeks later); (4) The publisher prepares the new issue for mailing (two weeks later); and (5) The Post Office Department delivers your copy (from a few days to a few weeks later). You add up the time lost! MORAL: Renew promptly and never allow your name to get out of our collection of addressograph plates!

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Design: Elzbieta Krzesinska broad jumping and inscription reading "6.35 m" (20"10"), the length of her best jump at Melbourne. It equalled the existing world record at the time as well as setting a new Olympic record

Sc 756; Gi 995; Mi 994; YT 877; Zu 876

1957, January 18. 50 Years of Ski Sport in Poland. Unw.; P 12%. Des. J. Konczak. Photogravure by PWPW

82. 40 g blue (2,020,000-Michel)
83. 60 g blue green (2,040,000-Michel)
84. 1 z purple (535,000-Michel)

Designs: 82-A 1907 skier and snow crystal; 83-Ski jumper and snow crystal; 84-Cross-country skier and snow crystal

Sc 758-60; Gi 997-99; Mi 995-97; YT 882-84; Zu 681-83

1957, March 22. 12th Anniversary of the Death of Bronislaw Czech and Hanna Maruszowska (skiers). Unw.; P 12%. Des. S. Gospodarek. Photogravure by PWPW

85. 60 g dark brown (330,000) 86. 60 g dark blue (1,770,000)

Design: Down-hill ski run

Sc 764-65; Gi 1003-04; Mi 1002-03; YT 888-89; Zu 888-89

1957, April 20. World Youth Fencing Championships, Warsaw. Unw.; P 12% Des. J. Konczak (No. 87), S. Jasinski (Nos. 88-89,

87. 40 g violet (1,040,000-Michel)
88. 60 g carmine (6,800,000-Michel)
89. 60 g ultramarine (6,800,000-Michel)
a. Nos. 88 and 89 se tenant

Designs: 87-Sabre, epee and foil on map; 88-89 Design is across both stamps in horizontal se tenant pairs with 88 on left and 89 on right. In this pairing, two fencers face each other in the duelling position with their swords crossing on No. 89 just inside its left border.

Note: The sheets in which Nos. 88 and 89 appear are printed in alternate rows, each vertical row se tenant to the next. Each vertical row thus contains 10 stamps of identical design and its next adjoining row 10 stamps of the opposite design. The sheet was 100 stamps (10x10)

Sc 766-68; Gi 1006-08; Mi 1005-07; YT 890-92; Zu 891-93

1957, May 4. 10th International Peace Cycle Race. Unw.; P 12%. Des. S. Szymanski. Photogravure RWPW

90. 60 g ultramarine (2,918,000-Michel)
91. 1.50 z carmine rose (5,050,000-Michel)

Designs: 90-Cycle wheel and carnation; 91-Cyclist up off his seat in a sprint finish

Sc 777-78; Gi 1017-18; Mi 1015-16; YT 900-01; Zu 902-03

1958, June 14. 7th International Glider Championships. Unw.; P 12%. Des. G. Desselberger. Lithographed.

92. 60 g slate green/black (8,570,000)
93. 2.50 z grey/black (1,750,000)

Design: Stylized glider and cloud. The glider is formed from the lettering "Mistrzostwafai-1958." The design of No. 92 is reversed on No. 93

Sc 816-17; Gi 1058-59; Mi 1058-59; YT 935-36; Zu 944-45; Sa 147-48

1959, January 3. Sports. Unw.; P 12% Photogravure by PWPW

94. 40 g lt blue/violet blue (5,440,000)
95. 60 g salmon/violet brown (5,510,000)
96. 95 g green/brown violet (1,110,000)
97. 2 z blue green/lt green (5,170,000)

Designs: 94-Sailboat; 95-Girl archer; 96-Soccer players; 97-Steeplechase rider

Sc 835-38; Gi 1080-83; Mi 1086-89; YT 952-55; Zu 971-74

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SPORTS STAMPS

by Ira Seebacher

Section 28 - Poland

POLAND

1933, April 15. Winning of Circuit of Europe Flight by Capt. Franciszek Zwirko and Capt. Stanislaus Wigura in 1932. Wmk. Multiple posthorns curved to the left; P 11%, 11x12%, 12x11%, 12%. Des. R. Kleczewski; eng. W. Vacek. . Recess printed in sheets of 70 (7x10)

1. 30 g olive green (10,000,000-Michel)
a. imperf
b. wmk. with posthorns to the right

Design: Zwirko (pilot) and Wigura (designer) and their plane, R.W.D. 6

Notes: (a) This stamp was available for use for both regular and airmail; (b) Sanabria states 7,919,250 were issued, Michel says 10,000,000

Sc C10; Gi 292; Mi 280; YT 364; Zu 294; Sa 10

1934, August 28. Challenge Cup Air Races, Warsaw, Aug. 28-Sept. 16. Unw.; P 12%. Overprinted "Challenge/1934" in red. Des. L. Sowinski. Typographed on semi-pelure paper in sheets of 100 (10x10). No. 3 is No. 1 with red overprint "Challenge/1934" in a larger overprint (18x8x8mm) than on No. 2

2. 20 g olive green (222,300)
3. 30 g olive green (2,080,750)
a. inverted overprint
b. wmk. with posthorns to the right

Design: No. 2 shows an LVG "System Schneider" biplane over Warsaw

Notes: (a) No. 2 is printed on the basic stamp issued Sept. 10, 1925 as a definitive air; (b) Michel says No. 2 exists with inverted overprint

Sc C11-12; Gi 301-02; Mi 289-90; YT 9A-B; Sa 11-12

1936, August 15. Gordon Bennett International Balloon Races, Warsaw. Unw.; P 13x12% (No. 4), 13 (No. 5). Overprinted in two lines: "Gordon-Bennett 30.VIII/1936." Des. L. Sowinski; eng. W. Vacek. Recess by Panstwowa-Wytwornia papierow. Wartosciowych. Withdrawn Nov. 15, 1937.

4. 30 g carmine (El) 5. 55 g blue (R)

Designs: 4-The Castle at Mir; 5-Raczynski Library, Poznan

Notes: (a) Printed on basic stamps of the Tourist set issued Dec. 1 1935 (No. 4) and Jan. 15, 1936 (No. 5); (b) All values of the basic tourist under consideration here were first printed from flat plates. When the FWPW secured a Goebel rotary press during the period involved, the 55g was among those stamps which were later printed from new cylindrical plates. Note, however, that when the overprinting on the basic stamps to make this set was done, only the flat plate printings of the 55g were used. There was no rotary printing of the 30 g. (c) Sanabria erroneously states the stamps were printed by heliogravure; (d) This set has been forged several times--that is the overprint, some being more skillful than others. However, in most cases the forger overprinted on the rotary 55g instead of the flat plate printing; (e) The rotary 55 g. measures 28.8x22.4 mm and did not appear until April 1937, well after Nos. 4 and 5 were issued. The flat plate 30 g. measures either 28.6x21.6 or 28.6x21.9 while the flat plate 55 g. measures 28.6x21.8 mm.; (f) 250,000 of each stamp was issued.

Sc 306-07; G1 329-30; M1 313-14; YT 390A-B; Zu 328-29; Sa. 13-14

1938, November 11. Return of the Territory on the Other Side of the Olsa (Teschen) to Poland--Ceded by Czechoslovakia. Unw.; P 12%. Des. W. Boratynski; eng. W. Vacek. Recess.

6. 25 g violet

Design: Symbolical figure of Poland welcoming miner, woman and boy scout across a fallen boundary marker

Sc 334; G1 349; M1 330; YT 414; Zu 358

1939, February 6. F.I.S. Ski Championships, Zakopane, Feb. 11-19. Unw.; P 12%. Des. W. Boratynski; eng. M. Dutczynski. Recess

7. 15 g red brown 9. 30 g carmine
8. 25 g purple 10. 55 g bright blue

Design: Tatra mountaineer on skis

Note: 500,000 sets (Taschenberg)

Sc 335-38; G1 353-56; M1 351-54; YT 422-25; Zu 366-69

1945, April 24. 25th Anniversary of the Founding of the Polish Maritime League. Unw.; P 11. Typographed at Lodz. Valid through Dec. 10, 1945

11. 3+5 z dark green

a. imperforate

Design: Crane, Old Grain Tower at Danzig and sailboat

Sc B39; G1 529; M1 402; YT 446D; Zu 394

1947, February 21. 22nd National Ski Championships, Zakopane, Feb. 22-26. Unw.; P 12%. Overprinted in blue black (dark indigo) "5+15 zt/XXII/MISTRZOSTWA/NARCISARSKIE/POLSKI/1947" and two blocks of color obliterations the old value tablets. Des. by J. Grubecki. Photogravure printed by Gornak, Moscow. Valid through March 21, 1947

12. 5+15 z on 25 g deep red

a. orange red

b. inverted overprint

c. inverted overprint on orange red

d. double print of basic stamp

Design: Arms (Polish eagle)

Notes: (a) basic stamp was definitive issue of Sept. 13, 1944; (b) 170,000 issued (Michel), 148,900 (Taschenberg)

Sc B54; G1 593; M1 452; YT 481; Zu 446

Designs: 66-Ice skates and snow crystal; 67-Two hockey sticks, hockey puck and snow crystal; 68-Skis, ski poles and snow crystal

Notes: (a) Gibbons, Scott and Zumstein all state this set is Perf 12% while Yvert says it is 11-13. All sets seen by the editor are as stated above and as listed by Michel only; (b) Scott says this set is photogravure printed as does Zumstein. Michel and Gibbons say it is lithographed.

Sc 724-26; G1 959-61; M1 956-58; YT 852-54; Zu 842-44

1956, April 25. Ninth International Peace Cycle Race, May 1-15. Unw.; P 12%x12%. Des. H. Przedziecka. Photogravure by FWPW

69. 40 g dark blue (10,520,000-Michel)
70. 60 g dark green (1,020,000-Michel)

Design: Cyclist crouched over handle bars

Sc 727-28; G1 967-68; M1 964-65; YT 855-56; Zu 850-51

1956, May 25. Tourist Propaganda. Unw.; P 12%. Des. J. Konczak (No. 71), Cz. Kacmarczyk (Nos. 72-73), S. Jasinski (No. 74). Photogravure by the FWPW

71. 30 g dark green (4,025,000-Michel)

72. 40 g red brown (15,240,000-Michel)

73. 60 g dark blue (310,000-Michel)

74. 1.15 z brown violet (19,731,000-Michel)

Designs: 71-Hikers' lodge in the valley of the Five Lakes (Tatras); 72-Compass, knapsack and map; 74-Skis, pole and background of snow clad mountains

Note: Scott, Gibbons and Michel say set is photogravure printed but Zumstein says it is offset

Sc 729-32; G1 969-72; M1 966-69; YT 857-60; Zu 852-55

1956, November 2. 16th Olympic Summer Games. Unw.; P 11%. Des. C. Kaczmarczyk; eng. E. Konecki (No. 75), St. Lukaszewski (No. 76), M.R. Polak (No. 77), B. Brandt (No. 78, Cz. Slania (No. 79), J. Miller (No. 80). Recess (centers), lithographed (frames)

75. 10 g slate/chestnut (4,827,400)

76. 20 g olive brown/black violet (5,355,000

a. center inverted

77. 25 g light blue/black (2,541,000)

78. 40 g chocolate/blue green (5,548,200)

79. 60 g rose carmine/olive brown (5,073,000)

a. imperforate

80. 1.55 z light violet/sepia (840,000)

Designs: 75-Fencer in lunge; 76-Boxers; 77-Sculler; 78-Steeplechase runner; 79-Javelin thrower; 80-Girl gymnast on balance beam

Note: There are small sheets (98mmx144mm) containing proofs of each of these six stamps (3x2), imperf and ungummed and with the letters "WZOR" imprinted on the back of each proof. These were tipped into the pages of a Polish Government book "400 Lat Poczty Polskiej, 1558-1958" (b) No. 76a, it is said, was an error the Polish Government recovered and later, for reasons unspecified permitted several copies to be sold at a very high price. Whether true or not, it is the only such error in all sports philately.

Sc 750-55; G1 989-94; M1 995-97; YT 871-77; Zu 870-76

1956, November 2. 16th Olympic Summer Games victory at Melbourne by Poland in the Long Jump. Unw.; P 11%. Center photogravure; frame lithographed. Des. Cz. Kacmarczyk.

81. 1.55 z orange/brown (1,113,000)

1951, September 8. First Polish Spartakiade. Unw.; P 14x11½. Photogravure by PWPW. Valid through May 31, 1952

21. 45 g green (2,001,000-Michel)

Design: Runner, flag and gear wheel

Note: Michel says this stamp also exists Perf 11½ while Scott says it exists Perf 12½

Sc 521; Gi 717; Mi 705; YT 619; Zu 591

1952, April 25. Fifth International Peace Bicycle Race, April 30-May 13, Warsaw-Berlin-Prague. Unw.; P 12½. Des. P. Swiatkowski and K. Maleszewski Photogravure by PWPW. Valid through Nov. 30, 1953.

22. 40 g dark blue (1,070,000)

Design: Cyclists, arms of Warsaw, Prague and Berlib

Note : Gibbons gives April 30 as first day while Michel says April 25.

Sc 547; Gi 745; Mi 735; YT 640; Zu 620

1952, June 21. Day of Sports. Unw.; P 12½x13. Des. P. Swiatkowski. Photogravure by the PWPW. Valid through Nov. 30, 1953

23. 30x15 g blue (510,000) 25. 1x15 z blue green (510,000)

24. 45x15 g violet (4,250,000) 26. 1x20 z carmine rose (1,010,000)

Designs: 23-Girl swimmers on the mark; 24-Soccer players; 25-Runners; 26-Girl gymnast on horizontal bar

Note: Michel gives June 21 as first day while Gibbons states it was June 22.

Sc 545-46, B75-76; G 758-61; Mi 750-53; YT 654-57; Zu 636-39

1952, June 28. Shipbuilder's Day. Unw.; P 12½. Recess. Des. R. Brandt; eng. M.R. Polak. Valid through Nov. 30, 1953

27. 30x15 g (531,000-Michel)

Design: Yachts; Note: First day June 29-Gibbons; June 28-Michel

Sc B77; Gi 762; Mi 754; YT 658; Zu 640

1952, July 17. Youth Festival, Warsaw, July 20-22. Unw.; P 12½x12 (No. 28) and 12x12½ (No.29). Des. B. Brandt (No. 28) and M. R. Polak (No. 29); eng. by B. Brandt (No. 28) and S. Lukaszewski (No. 29). Valid through Nov. 30, 1953

28. 45x15 g red (2,095,000) 29. 90 g brown (834,000)

Designs: 28-Young pioneers; 29-Pioneer bugler

Sc551, B80; Gi 766-67; Mi 758-59; YT 662-63; Zu 644-45

1952, August 23. Day of Polish Aviation. Unw.; P 12½. Des. E. Konecki (No. 30), Cz. Slania (No. 31), St. Lukaszewski (No. 32); eng. B. Brandt (No. 30), M.R. Polak (No. 31), St. Lukaszewski (No. 32). Valid through Nov. 30, 1953

30. 30x15 g green (3,084,000) 32. 90 g blue (1,022,000)

31. 45x15 g red (1,001,000)

Designs: 30-Pilot and glider in distance; 31-Pilot entering cockpit of sports plane; 32-Parachute jumping

Sc 557, B86-87; Gi 778-80; Mi 770-72; YT 675-77; Zu 653-55; Sa 122-24

1953, April 30. Sixth International Peace Cycle Race, Prague-Berlin-Warsaw Unw.; P 12½. Des. C. Kaczmarczyk. Photogravure.

33. 80 g green (3,397,000) 35. 80 g brownish red (3,350,000)

34. 80 g brown (100,000)

Design: Two racing cyclists with each value showing the arms of one of the three cities respectively. Upper corners include the names of the three sponsoring newspapers--Trybuna Ludu, Neues Deutschland and Rude Pravo.

1948, May 1. First International Warsaw-Prague-Warsaw, May 1-9. Unw.; P 11. Photogravure. Des. by T. Gronowski. valid through April 30, 1952

13. 15 z carmine/blue

a. Perf 13½ (Michel)

Design: Bicycle wheel, streamers in national colors of Czechoslovakia and Poland and the names of the two sponsoring newspapers--Glos Ludu and Rude Pravo

Notes: (a) Gibbons states the blue part of the stamp was lithographed; (b) 2000,000 issued (Michel), 2,215,000 (T'achtenberg); (c) This stamp issued for the first International Peace Cycle Race. Race was held over two routes simultaneously: Warsaw-Prague (872 km.) and Prague-Warsaw (1,104 km.). Polish teams won both races but the individual winners were Yugoslavs, Prosiniek and Zoric; (d) when Poland had its currency reform on Oct. 28, 1950 (100 old zloty = 1 new zloty) a number of definitive and commemorative stamps were overprinted locally "Groszy" or "Gr" and many kinds of type and in many colors. This overprint indicating the revaluated stamps was applied upon request by anyone at the time. This stamp was so overprinted but it is not clear whether the varying types of overprints found on it are all genuine and all applied at the proper time. This same note applies to most stamps of the 1946-1950 period.

Sc 419, Gi 615, Mi 486; YT 514; Zu 472

1948, June 22. Polish Merchant Marine. Unw.; P 11. Des. T. Gronowski. Photogravure. Valid through June 29, 1948.

14. 35 z slate (200,000)

Design: Racing yacht "Gen. Zaruski"

Sc 422; Gi 621; Mi 692; YT 520; Zu 478

1948, June 22. Seventh Circuit of Poland Cycle Race. Unw.; P 11. Des. N. Jarczewska and K. Witkowski. Photogravure. Valid through July 4, 1948

15. 3 z grey black 17. 15 z green

16. 6 z brown

Design: Racing cyclists

Note: 200,000 sets (Michel)

Sc 423-25; Gi 616-18; Mi 487-89; YT 515-17; Zu 473-75

1948, December 16. Anti-TB. Unw.; P 13½. Des. T. Trepkowski. Photogravure Valid through April 30, 1952

18. 6x4 z violet (400,000)

Design: Infant with ball

Note: These stamps were printed in vertical rows of stamps alternating with vertical rows of tabs. There were 10 different tabs used, all relating to tuberculosis. The sheets were 10x10 including 50 stamps and 50 tabs or labels.

Sc B61; Gi 644; Mi 513; YT 546; Zu 513

1951, ? International Children's Day, June 1, 1951. Unw.; P 12x12½. Des. St. Lukaszewski. Photogravure by PWPW. Valid through May 31, 1952

19. 30 g olive brown (2,051,000-Michel)

20. 45 g brt. greenish blue (2,131,000-Michel)

Design: 19-Pioneer saluting; 20-Two Pioneers, map of Poland

Note: Scott says first day was April 1 while Michel and Gibbons say it was June 1

Sc 506-07; Gi 703-04; Mi 688-89; YT 606-07; Zu 573-74

Note: Race was 2,231 kilometers and held in 12 stages. There were 16 teams competing with the team title going to the DDR and the individual title to Pedersen of Denmark.

Sc 570-72; G1 806-08; M1 799-801; YT 703-05; Zu 684-86

1953, May 17. European Boxing Championships, Warsaw, May 17-24, Unw.; P 12x12x. Des. L. Jagodzinski (Nos. 36-37) and Cz. Borowczyk (No. 38). Photogravure by the PWPW.

36. 40 g carmine brown (15,960,000)
37. 80 g orange (110,000) 38. 95 g violet brown (5,170,000)

Designs: 36-37-boxer; 38-boxers in ring.

Note: Poland won five firsts and two seconds as well as the team title in this event

Sc 575-77; G1 809-11; M1 802-04; YT 706-08; Zu 687-89

1953, December 31. Winter Sports. Unw.; P 12x12x (Nos. 39, 41) and 12x12x (No. 40). Des. J. Rajewicz (No. 39), H. Przewdzicka (No. 40) and T. Gronowski (No. 41). Lithographed.

39. 80 g pale blue (2,960,000)
40. 95 g lt. blue green (5,100,000)
41. 2.85 z brown red (200,000)

Designs: 39-Girl figure skater in jump; 40-Cross-country skier; 41-Ice hockey player

Sc 602-04; G1 838-40; M1 831-33; YT 733-35; Zu 716-18

1954, April 29. Seventh International Peace Cycle Race, Warsaw-Berlin-Prague, May 2-17. Unw.; P 12x12 (No. 42), 12x11 (No. 43). Des. H. Przewdzicka. Photogravure by PWPW

42. 80 g brown (1,001,000) 43. 80 g blue (756,000)

Design: Dove of Peace uniting the three capitals, intertwined wheels with the coats of arms of the three cities (symbol of the race)

Notes: (a) Michel states this set exists with two perfis: Comb 12x12 and Line 12x11. Scott lists it as 12x12 as does Zumstein and Gibbons. Yvert states it is 12x. Whether these other perforations are also correct or not, the only varieties seen by your editor are as listed above; (b) The 13-stage race was 2052 kilometers in length and had a field of 114 starters (18 nationalities). It was a team victory for Czechoslovakia with the individual title going to Dalgaard of Denmark.

Sc 620-21, G1 852-53; M1 845-46; YT 747-48; Zu 730-31

1954, May 31. International Gliding Championships, Lezno. Unw.; P 12x 12x. Des. C. Kaczmarczyk. Photogravure

44. 45 g dark green (5,620,000) 47. 1.35 z blue, blue clouds
45. 60 g dark violet (710,000) 48. 1.35 z blue, white clouds
46. 60 g brown (5,530,000)

Designs: 44-Glider and framed clouds; 45, 46-Glider and flags of the competing nations; 47, 48-Glider and clouds

Notes: (a) No. 48, rather sloppily, is unlisted by either Scott or Michel. Gibbons and Zumstein both assign it an "a" number while Yvert properly lists it with a full catalogue number. Since Nos. 47 and 48 are nearly identical, it is rather odd that they were so issued but that they were intended to be separate stamps there can be no doubt.

(b) Michel says 10,710,000 of nos. 47-48 were issued but does not break them down. As a guess the two stamps were issued in equal amounts; (c) Poland won the team championship in this event; (d) Gibbons errs with its June 30 date of issue

Sc 624-27; G1 856-59a; M1 851-54; YT 751-55; Zu 735-38a; Sa 128-32

1954, July 17. Second All-Poland Spartacist Games, July 17-25 (First Issue) Unw.; P 12x12x (Nos. 49, 51), 12x12x (No. 50). Des. L. Jagodzinski (Nos. 49-50), H. Przewdzicka (No. 51). Photogravure by P.W.P.W.

49. 25 g brown violet (1,530,000-Michel)
50. 60 g greenish blue (10,730,000-Michel)
51. 1 z deep ultramarine (510,000-Michel)

Designs: 49-Fencers; 50-Gymnast on parallel bars; 51-Relay runners exchanging baton

Sc 628-30; G1 866-68; M1 861-63; YT 756-58; Zu 745-47

1954, July 17. Second All-Poland Spartacist Games, July 17-25 (Second Issue). Unw.; P 12. Des. K. Mann. Photogravure by the PWPW

52. 60 g rose brown/dark red brown (1,340,000)
53. 1.50z blue grey/blackish blue (550,000)

Design: Man and woman athletes throwing javelin

Note: Gibbons says the set is Perf 12x12x. Only Perf 12 stamps have been noted by the editor

Sc 631-32; G1 869-70; M1 864-65; YT 759-60; Zu 748-49

1955, April 25. Eighth International Peace Cycle Race, Warsaw-Berlin-Prague Unw.; P 12x12x. Des. S. Jasinski (No. 55), Cz. Kaczmarczyk (No. 54). Photogravure by the PWPW

54. 40 g black violet (810,000-Michel)
55. 60 g blue (10,690,000-Michel)

Designs: 54-Three bicycle wheels beneath the arms of the three cities; 55-Three doves over a road

Note: Scott says the set is Perf 12. No perf 12 stamps of this set have been noted by the editor

Sc 680-81; G1 912-13; M1 905-06; YT 800-01; Zu 791-92

1955, July 20. 13th International Tatra Mountains Motorcycle Rally, Aug. 7-9. Unw.; P 12x12x. Des. J. Woznicki. Photogravure by PWPW

56. 40 g deep brown (800,000-Michel)
57. 60 g deep green (10,536,700-Michel)

Design: Motorcyclists in mountain climb

Sc 693-94; G1 933-34; M1 928-29; YT 821-22; Zu 806-07

1955, July 27. Second International Youth Friendship Games. Unw.; P 12x Des. J. Korolkiewicz. Photogravure by PWPW

58. 20 g dark brown (1,330,000)
59. 40 g brownish purple (2,390,000)
60. 60 g dull blue (5,360,000)
61. 1 z orange red (8,000,000)
62. 1.35 z dull violet (7,020,000)
63. 1.55 z blue green (480,000)

Designs: 58-European, Asiatic and African trio of athletes; 59-10 years of the People's Republic Stadium; 60-Hammer thrower; 61-Girl basketball players; 62-Sculler; 63-Swimmer emerging from pool

Note: 200,000 sets of these stamps were issued imperforate (Michel)

Sc 699-704; G1 939-44; M1 934-39; YT 827-32; Zu 818-23

1956, March 7. 11th Students' Winter Sports World Championships, March 7-13. Unw.; P 12x (No. 66), 11 (No. 67-68). Des. Cz. Kaczmarczyk. Lithographed.

66. 20 g ultramarine/black (290,000-Michel)
67. 40 g violet blue/bright green (4,900,000-Michel)
68. 60 g red lilac/lake (9,730,000-Michel)

ter you mailed it, just chalk it up to your editor's lack of time to do the total editing job required on much of the copy submitted. When the pressure is on in the preparation of an issue, he very likely selects the path of least resistance and chooses that copy which has already been worked over or is most easily prepared for publication.

NEW ISSUES CALENDAR (Cont'd)

maroon, blue, and indigo (gymnast); 1r dark green, lilac, and ultramarine (sailing yacht); 1.50r lilac, green, and brown (same as 10np); 2r red orange, bistre, and dark blue (same as 25np); 3r dark brown, greenish blue, and lilac (same as 1r); and 5r green, yellow, and red brown (same as 50np). Also a souvenir sheet containing one each similar to the 1.50r, 2r, 3r, and 5r values. Printed in photogravure by the State Printing Office. Quantities: 10,000 of the souvenir sheets. (Additional information)

Lebanon. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 2.50p magenta, greenish blue, and black (swimmer); 7.50p slate green, maroon, and brown (fencer); 10p indigo, brown, and green (basketball); 15p slate green and black (equestrian); 25p green and purple (target shooting); and 40p orange brown and indigo (gymnast).

February Addenda

16th Turkey. 40th anniversary of Turkish Aviation League. 60k light blue, black, red, and yellow (parachutist) and 90k bistre and multicolored (glider). Designed by Burhand Ozak and printed by Guzel Sanatlar Prho, Istanbul.

Hungary. Hungarian winners at 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 20f multicolored (modern pentathlon equestrian); 30f multicolored (gymnasts); 50f multicolored (rifle shoot-int); 60f multicolored (water polo); 70f multicolored (shot put); 80f multicolored (soccer); 1ft multicolored (weight lifter); 1.20ft multicolored (kayak racing); 1.40ft multicolored (hammer thrower); 1.50ft multicolored (wrestlers); 1.70ft multicolored (javelin throwers); and 3ft multicolored (fencers). Imperforates exist. Quantities: 430,000 perforate sets and 12,000 imperforate sets. (Additional information)

Syria. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 12p multicolored (tennis); 17½p multicolored (wrestling); and 20p multicolored (weight lifter). Also 100p souvenir sheet (wrestlers).

March Addenda

Tanzania, Uganda, and Kenya. East African Safari Rally. 30¢ multicolored (Safari Rally emblem); 50¢ multicolored (same as 30¢); 1sh/30¢ multicolored (Safari Rally car); and 2sh/50¢ (same as 1sh/30¢). Printed in photogravure by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London.

Current

Bulgaria. Bulgarian winners at 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. 20st black, gold, and copper (stylized gold medal and inscription). Designed by Stoyan Sotirova. Quantity: 150,000.

Panama. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo. ½¢ multicolored, 1¢ multicolored, 5¢ multicolored, 10¢ multicolored, 21¢ multicolored, and 50¢ multicolored (all various views of Syncom). Triangular. Also a perforate and an imperforate souvenir sheet of the 50¢ in changed colors.

Paraguay. 9th encampment of the International Boy Scout Patrol. 10¢, 15¢, 20¢, 30¢, 50¢, 12.45g, 18.15g, and 36.00g (all Lord Baden-Powell and various boy scout activities). Also a souvenir sheet of the 36.00g value. Miscellaneous imperforate items exist. Quantities: 5,300,000 (10¢), 20,000 (15¢ and 20¢), and 12,000 (all others).

Forecast

Greece. Balkan Games. (3)

Poland. Post-Olympic Games set. 30gr, 40gr, 60gr, 90gr, 3.40zl, 6.50zl, and 7.10zl. (May)

Poland. Sailing championships. 30gr, 40gr, 50gr, 60gr, 1.35zl, 4.00zl, 5.60zl, and 6.50zl. (July)

Romania. European Shooting Championships. (5)

Romania. National Spartakiad. (4)

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