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## THE CASES OF THE "DIRTY DOZEN"

- Harold Wasserman -

### Case 7: The Case of the Color-Blind Printer

In many respects the field of sports philately is exactly the same as all other areas of philately. We constantly seek perfection copies of the stamps we need, while at the same time we try to acquire errors, varieties, and oddities of the very same stamps. There is one country in which the sports stamps had a peculiar history during a two-year period. Whether the "peculiarities" were errors, legitimate proofs, or simply items which merely need explanation--this is Case 7, "The Case of the Color-Blind Printer".

In 1955 Liberia issued an attractive set of six stamps (347-49 and C88-90), plus a souvenir sheet (C90a), as part of a sports publicity program. The souvenir sheet comes both perforate and imperforate and is generally available both ways. This, then, could not be considered an error. Unsevered pairs of sheets have been reported, but I have never seen them. I have, however, seen the sheets with excessive (untrimmed) margins at the bottom. All the values exist imperforate and are rather scarce in this condition.

What puzzles me about this particular set is not the rare errors. Rather, it is the large numbers of one color copies of these stamps. "Unicolors", as they are commonly called, should be scarce. After all, they should be errors, the sheet having missed one of the passes through the press. Or they should be color proofs for the selection of colors or for trials before the actual printing. In any case, they should be prized items. But most of these items are so prevalent that they can be obtained for very little money.

First, let's see what exists. All six stamps occur in "unicolor", the color being the dominant one of the actual stamp: Tennis--red; soccer--black; boxing--violet; baseball--ultramarine; swimming--chocolate; running--cerise. All that I have seen have been imperforate and gummed. There is one exception. The baseball stamp also comes perforated and gummed. Why the others are not unicolored and perforated I do not know. All six stamps also occur in a unicolor of the secondary (minor) color: Tennis--pale green; soccer--yellow orange; boxing--yellow; baseball--magenta; swimming--blue; and running--light green. These latter are weird-appearing, inasmuch as they are the outline portions of the figures and background. They are what would be called "negative" colors, as the figures themselves are white (non-colored).

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Second, do any other color varieties exist? Why the printer had so much trouble combining the two colors is not clear. Die color proofs in small sheetlets exist for all the stamps. These are trial colors and not the actual colors as issued. The smaller size is set in a sheet about  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ", depending upon the format of the stamp. The larger size, about  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ", also has broad color stripes across the top of the sheet, showing the two colors blended in the stamp. Some of the smaller sheetlets have the color registration crosslines on the bottom.

Third, were all the designs available at the same time so that the printing problems could be resolved? All six stamps exist in unicolor (brown) on an  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" sheet. They all exist in "negative" unicolor (orange) on the same size sheet. Possibly other color collective proof sheets exist.

With all the die color proofs from which to work, the problem is simply this: Why are the unicolors so common? In fact, who was the printer? "Seebacher" says that "Gibbons" and "Michel" say that Wright was the printer, but that "Sanabria" says Herman Jaffe. Whoever it was, could he have been color-blind?

After all the experience with missing colors for the 1955 set, the printer had the same type of trouble with the 1956 set issued for the Melbourne Olympic Games. I have the stadium, the discus thrower, the torch, and the goddess of victory in unicolor and I am reasonably certain that all the other values occur in this fashion. The souvenir sheet (C106) is a wonder in itself. Supposedly in four colors (rose, black, lilac, and ultramarine) the sheet occurs perforate and imperforate in various (missing) combinations, too many to list here. In the case of the sheet, the torch also occurs in black as well as colorless. Which of these are proofs, proofing material, printer's waste, or legitimate varieties is the question to be answered.

Incidentally, does anyone know if this particular printer has a twin brother in the Dominican Republic?

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LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR

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Dear Bob,

Enclosed is the last of the "Dirty Dozen". I thought that I had better get them all out now or they might never get finished.....Incidentally, I would like to append a few remarks which you may wish to put into your own words. Indirectly they concern the "Dirty Dozen" and, directly, all of sports philately.

Have you ever had the same trouble I have had when meeting a fellow stamp collector? At first the greetings are cordial and friendly. It's only when he asks what I collect and I answer "Sports" that the air becomes a little frigid and the temperature drops about thirty degrees. His eyebrows arch and his nose turns up. It's as if I have contracted some disease, perhaps contagious, for which there is no cure or as if I have been born on the other side of the tracks.

Perhaps at one time other collectors had a right to look down upon the topical collector (although I'm not certain that I agree). However, it seems to me that topical collecting, including (or especially) sports, has come of age. But if we are ever going to convince other collectors of the degree of knowledge required for sports collecting, it will have to be through research and publication.

For this purpose, and with many others in mind, I have tackled the "Dirty Dozen". By finding philatelic answers to sports issues we can benefit all collectors. We can show them that we are not interested in only the design and that we are not merely "picture" collectors. The average collector of United States or British stamps, for example, does not realize the diversity of information we must have or the problems we are called upon to solve. We have to be familiar with the counterfeits of France, the officials of Uruguay, the specimens of Japan, the color proofs of Monaco, the imperfs of France, the se-tenants of Germany, the first-day cancellations of Persia, the postal tax stamps of Panama, the booklets of Sweden, the franchise stamps of Portugal, not to mention all the errors and varieties that accompany the "normal" issues!

Many times I have thought of going back to one-country collecting, so that I could "specialize" without having to have dozens of different handbooks. The average "specialist" doesn't know how easy he has it compared with the topical collector who delves into hundreds of fields the "specialist" doesn't even know exists.

As far as the philatelic items themselves are concerned, I'll match mine with those of any "specialist" (omitting, of course, those collectors who can afford to buy inverted airmails!). The U. S. Lake Placid die proof, Uruguay soccer stamps in sheets and yellow papers in original folder, Japan "Mihon" overprints in sheets, Salvador discus thrower and



runner in die proofs--I don't think that I have to apologize for my collection. But because it isn't confined to one country, I'm relegated to second-class citizenship in the world of philately. Even exhibitions show this; they break down all other classifications into minute groups, but "Topicals" becomes a catch-all for whatever is left over.

I think that it is about time that we make a determined effort to show that sports lecting is, indeed, tru philately.

/s/ Hal  
(Harold Wasserman)

(Editor's note: If you have the answers to any of the "Cases" or have any suggestions as to where the author can find the answers, please address him at 3703 Somerset Drive, Los Angeles, Calif. 90016. He would appreciate your comments on the series.

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- Jim Hughes -

#### Supplement One--Part Three

Caslavska, Vera

Czechoslovakia

1964 Women's gymnastics--all-around (77.564 points)  
balance beam (19.449 points)  
vaulting horse (19.483 points)

Czechoslovakia 1302

She was a member of the Czech silver medalist team, finishing fifth in the parallel bars and sixth in floor exercise.



Chamberlain, Ann

New Zealand

1964 Women's 800-meter run (2:02.8)(bronze medal)

Panama SGL015

Ann Chamberlain finished second in a first-round heat and first in a semi-final heat to qualify for the finals which were finally won by Great Britain's Ann Packer in 2:01.1.



Chammartin, Henri

Switzerland

1964 Equestrian--Grand Prix de Dressage (1504.0 points)

Chammartin, on "Woermann", was Switzerland's only gold medalist. He also won a gold medal (team) in 1956 and a silver medal (team) in this event at Tokyo.

Ciepla, Teresa

Poland

1964 Women's 80-meter hurdles (10.5)  
(silver medal)



This Polish runner raced to a photo-finish with Karin Balzer of Germany (gold medal) and Pamela Kilborn of Australia, all with the same wind-assisted world-record time (subsequently disallowed). Teresa was also a member of Poland's winning 4 x 100-meter relay team, setting a world record.







Deaver, Richard United States  
1964 Yachting--dragon class (bronze medal)  
Panama SG1010

Helmsman Lowell North and his crew (Charles Rogers and Deaver) sailed their yacht "Aphrodite" to a third-place finish for the United States' first medal in this class, earning 5,523 points.

Dijkstra, Sjoukje Netherlands  
1960 Figure-skating--women's singles

(silver medal)  
1964 Figure-skating--women's singles (gold medal)

Panama SG996

Queen Juliana and a capacity crowd of 11,000 saw 22-year-old Sjoukje Dijkstra capture her country's first Olympic gold medal in any sport since Fanny Blankers-Koen athletic triumph in 1948.



Dimov, Enio Bulgaria  
1960 Wrestling--free style (lightweight)(bronze medal)  
1964 Wrestling--free style (lightweight)(gold medal)  
Bulgaria 1392

Dimov was one of Bulgaria's three gold medalists (all in wrestling) at Tokyo. He won four bouts, lost one, and tied one, beating Klaus Rost of Germany in the finals.

#### OLYMPIANA

- Helen Turner -

One of the regular features of "Olympiana" will be a report on the news items appearing in "Western Stamp Collector" and "Linn's Weekly Stamp News". For those who do not take these philatelic periodicals, the information will be useful. For those who do take them, it will save clipping items for future reference--much easier to go to "JSP" for the information.

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"WSC" reports: Fernando Perez-Maldonado, Aptdo. Postal 2463, Monterrey, N. L., Mexico, has found a "white shadow" on the 20¢ value of the 1956 pre-Olympic sheet (Scott C311). The appearance of the shadow is above and a little to the right of the figure of the athlete, as though the green background had been printed off-register. On closer inspection, however, it shows that the background is not at fault, but that the figure itself is the misplaced factor.

Mr. Perez had bought a hundred sheets in Mexico, then ordered a single one from his usual supplier in the States and was surprised when one copy turned out to be so interesting. He would like to hear from any other collectors who have found this shift which appears at the lower left on the sheet numbered 002881.

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From the Qu'aiti State in Hadhramaut in South Arabia comes a single commemorative in the value of 75f. It is an early entry in the expected issues from around the world for the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City. The stamp is diamond shaped and the vignette has a Mexican dress hat and serape. A souvenir sheet bears this design plus a scene of a London background including a view of Big Ben and a representative of the timeless antiquities of Mexico.

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"Linn's" and "WSC" report: Another pre-Olympic set (airmail) comes from Free Yemen. This is the last issue printed and sold under the old system of releasing wholesale stocks direct from the printers to dealers and selling single sets through the Postal Advisor's Office.

The three values are overprinted on reprints (in distinct colors) of the Tokyo Olympic gold medal winners set of late 1965. All values show as the central design the Mexican flag with the Arabic (above) and English (below) texts reading "Olympic Games Preparation, Mexico, 1968". (Remember the suspense over the Arabic and English placement on the 1960 Yemen Olympic issue.)

The souvenir sheet of the Tokyo winners' set was overprinted only with the flag and the Olympic inscription, without additional airmail value as it is too large to be used conveniently for any but parcel post.

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"WSC" reports: A warning against what are being represented as imperforate copies of the pre-Olympic stamps issued last December by Mexico is voiced by Emilio Obregon of Mexico City. Senor Obregon, technical advisor to the Mexican Postal Service, says that what are represented as imperforates are actually stamps cut from the souvenir sheet issued at the same time. The souvenir sheets are on paper which is rather thicker than that used for the ordinary postage or airmails; also the watermark on the sheets isn't the same as the one found on the stamps.

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### NEW ISSUES CALENDAR

- Barbara T. Williams -

### September Addenda

- 1st Bulgaria. Children's Day. 1s (children playing with blocks) and 13s (children playing on beach).
- 28th Viet Nam. 7¢ (dancer with flute). Designed by Tran-Van-Chua and printed by recess by the Paris State Printing Office. Quantity: 1,000,000.
- 30th Paraguay. World Ski Championship and Winter Olympic Games, Grenoble. 10¢ (figure skater); 15¢ (skier); 20¢ (speed skater); 30¢ (two-man bobsled); 50¢ (same as 30¢); 12.45g (same as 20¢); 18.15g (same as 15¢); and 36.00g (same as 10¢). Miscellaneous imperforates also exist as well as a souvenir sheet containing the 36.00g value. Quantities: 5,000 (imperforate set and perforate souvenir sheet) and 4,000 (imperforate souvenir sheet).

### October Addenda

- 1st Dubai. World Cup Soccer Championship, London. 40np (Rimet Cup); 60np (soccer players); 1r (soccer players); 1.25r (soccer players); and 3r (stadium). Also a souvenir sheet (5r--Rimet Cup), both perforate and imperforate.
- 17th Dahomey. Boy Scouts of Dahomey. 5fr (scout signaling); 10fr (banner and flags); 20fr (campfire and map of Dahomey); and 50fr (bridge building). Also a souvenir sheet (95fr) containing all four stamps. Designed and engraved by Claude Haley and



printed by steel engraving by the Paris State Printing Office. (Additional information)

- 24th Mauritania. Tourism and archeology. 2fr (cave painting of hunting) and 3fr (cave painting of wrestling). Designed and engraved by Combet and printed by copperplate by the Paris State Printing Office.
- 25th South Arabia (Aden-Quaiti). 1968 Olympic Games. 75f yellow green (Mexican hat and serape) in both perforate and imperforate form. Also a souvenir sheet including the 75f value and a London scene and Mexican antiquities. Printed by photogravure by the Vienna State Printing Office.
- 31st Mali. World Cup Soccer Championship, London. 100fr (globe, soccer ball, and soccer players). Designed by Jacques Gauthier and printed by heliograph by SoGeIm. (Additional information)

#### November Addenda

- 2nd Khor Fakkan. World Cup Soccer Championship, London. Six different 1/2r multicolored on gold (soccer players) and 1/2r multicolored on gold (England's team at victory ceremony). Also six different souvenir sheets (each containing one of the first six of the series). Designed by J. Vasarhelyi and V. Whiteley and printed by Walsall Lithography Company.
- 2nd Sharjah. World Cup Soccer Championship, London. Six different 1/2r multicolored on gold (soccer players) and 1/2r multicolored on gold (England's team at victory ceremony). Also six different souvenir sheets (each containing one of the first six of the series). Designed by J. Vasarhelyi and V. Whiteley and printed by Walsall Lithography Company.
- 28th Czechoslovakia. Game animals. 30h (badger); 40h (red bear); 60h (lynx); 80h (field hare); 1k (fox); 1.20k (brown bear); and 2k (wild boar). Designed by Josef Baloz and printed by offset by the Cartographic Institute, Bratislava.

North Viet Nam. "GANEFO" Games. 12xu multicolored (swimming); 12xu multicolored (soccer); 30xu multicolored (target shooting); and 30xu (runners). Both perforate and imperforate sets exist.

#### December Addenda

- 5th Belgium. Child Welfare. 1f + 1f (boy playing fall); 2f + 1f (girl skipping rope); 6f + 3f (boy and girl rolling hoops); and 8f + 3½f (children playing follow the leader). Engraved by LeClercq and De Bast and printed by Atelier Du Timbres.
- 8th Fiji. Second South Pacific Games, Noumea, December 8-18, 1966. 3d (runner and javelin thrower); 9d (shot putter and relay race); and 1sh (swimmer). Designed by V. Whiteley and printed in sheets of sixty by photogravure by Harrison and Sons, Ltd., London. Quantities: 350,000 (3d) and 150,000 (9d and 1sh). (Additional information)
- 8th New Caledonia. 2nd South Pacific Games, Noumea, New Caledonia, December 8-18, 1966. 17fr (high jump); 20fr (hurdlers); 40fr (runners); and 100fr (swimmer). Designed and engraved by Haley and printed by recess by the Paris State Printing Office. (Additional information)
- 15th French Polynesia. 2nd South Pacific Games, Noumea, December 8-18, 1966. 10fr (high jump); 20fr (pole vault); 40fr (woman basketball players); and 60fr (hurdlers). Designed and engraved by Combet. Printed by recess by the Paris State Printing Office. (Additional information)
- 21st Kuwait. 30th anniversary of scouting in Kuwait. 4f (scout emblem) and 20f (scout emblem). Printed by offset-lithography by Enschede & Sons. Quantity: 100,000.
- 30th Ras Al Khaima. World Cup Soccer Championship, London. 1r (soccer players); 2r (soccer players); 3r (soccer players); and 4r (soccer players). Also a souvenir sheet containing the 1r and 2r stamps. Printed by Kultura. Quantities: 165,000 (perforate), 6,000 (imperforate), and 8,000 (souvenir sheet).

#### January Addenda

- 12th Sweden. World Handball Championship, January 12-21, 1967. 45o dark blue (handball player) and 2.70k violet (same as 45o). Designed by Gudmund Nystrom and engraved by Czeslaw Slania. Also included are the usual coil stamps and the booklet of twenty-five of the 45o value.
- 27th Austria. 100th anniversary of the Vienna Sporting Club. 3s (woman skater on one hundred years ago).



Current

Dubai. English victory in the World Cup Soccer Championship. World Cup Soccer Championship series (40np--Rimet Cup; 60np--soccer players; 1r--soccer players; 1.25r--soccer players; and 3r--stadium) all overprinted "England Winners".

Ghana. World Cup Soccer Championship. Souvenir sheet including World Cup Soccer Championship series (6p multicolored--soccer players; 15p multicolored--soccer players; 24p multicolored--soccer players; 30p--soccer players; and 60p multicolored--soccer players) inscribed "World Soccer Cup Competition, 1966"

North Korea. Defense sports. 2j (parachutists); 5j (obstacle race); and 10j (motorcycle race).

North Korea. World Cup Soccer Championship. Three different 10j-value stamps each depicting soccer players in action. Miscellaneous imperforates exist.

Qatar. 1968 Olympic preparation issue (1np--equestrian; 4np--runner; 5np--javelin; 70np--same as 1np; 80np--same as 4np; and 90np--same as 5np) revalued and overprinted "Dirham".

Ras Al Khaima. 1965 Pan-Arab Games issue (1np--runners; 2np--boxers; 3np--soccer players; 4np--fencers; 5np--same as 1np; 10np--swimmers; 25np--same as 2np; 50np--same as 3np; 75np--same as 4np; and 1r--same as 10np) revalued and overprinted "Riyal" and "Dirham".

Yemen. 1968 Olympic Games. 1964 Olympic medal commemoratives (1/8b green and gold--soccer--overprinted "12b" and "Olympic Games Preparation, Mexico, 1968" with Mexican flag and airplane; 1/4b bistre and gold--runner--overprinted "28b" with same additional overprint; and 1/2b gray and gold--discus--overprinted "34b" with same additional overprint. Also 40b green, gray, and gold souvenir sheet overprinted with "Olympic Games Preparation, Mexico, 1968" and Mexican flag. Quantities: about 6,500 or fewer sets and souvenir sheets. (Additional information)

Forecast

Austria. World Ice Hockey Championship, Vienna. 3s (ice hockey player). (March 13, 1967)

France. Winter Olympic Games, Grenoble.

United States. American artists. 5¢ multicolored ("Barney and Jim Biglen Racing on the Schuylkill River")

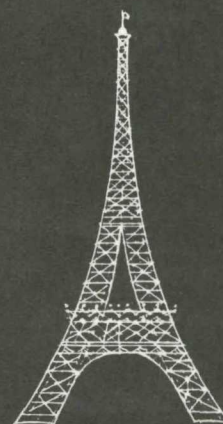
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#### EDITORIAL COMMENT

Bill Brecht and I are sorry about our error on Pages 6 and 7 of our revised membership roster. By now, either with the January or this issue of "JSP", you should have received the corrections; simply replace the original sheets with the corrections and the project is as it was planned.

This was a simple misunderstanding of inadequate instructions designed to save several hours of typing and some cost by re-using old printing plates. Of course our goal is to have as few goofs as possible, but they will happen occasionally. It is a real wonder that we do not have more.

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On January 4th I submitted my resignation as editor of our periodical. I shall prepare future issues to include that for June. Summarized briefly, here are my reasons for resignation:

1. My professional responsibilities do not leave sufficient time to do the job properly. Nor is there any indication of improvement in the future.
2. During the past two and one-half years "JSP" has taken a considerable drop in both quality and quantity. This has been a constant frustration to me, yet I have not been able to recover the lost ground.
3. I have neglected my own sports accumulation, my professional reading, and certain other seasonable hobbies. I now desire to devote time to them without a monthly deadline hanging over my head.

Overlooking the disappointing facets of the editorship, I have enjoyed the nearly five years. Undoubtedly my greatest satisfaction in this time has been my acquaintance, by mail in most cases but face-to-face in some, with literally dozens of sports collectors who have done their bit to make SPI and "JSP" function. Some have moved on--to other interests, apparently--and have been replaced. But there remains a solid core of dependable workers, all of whom, I hope, qualify as real friends. It is my hope that these friendships can continue despite my separation from the project.



It is with extreme regret that we accept the resignation of Bob Bruce as editor of "JSP". He has worked long, hard, and faithfully as editor; but, because of personal reasons, he has now announced his resignation from the post.

This places our organization in a precarious position for our journal is the link which holds the membership together. "JSP" is both the lifeline and life blood of SPI. Through it is carried news and information on sports stamps, articles of interest, discoveries, questions and answers, letters, and all the other material pertaining to sports philately.

A replacement for Bob as editor must be found and as soon as possible. Bob has given May 15th (or completion of the final copy for the June issue) as the effective date of his resignation. If a successor can be found immediately, Bob will be able to transfer all his responsibilities in easy stages.

Certainly the position will require work and effort. However, there are some good points for a volunteer to consider:

1. Bob will work with his successor as much as possible to help him get started.
2. A regular contributor has been found for "Olympiana".
3. I shall continue to prepare material for the "New Issues Calendar".
4. Bill Stoms will continue to do the auctions, John La Porta will handle sales, and Ira Seebacher will continue work on his handbook, which is just about ready for the first supplementary round.
5. The Board of Directors will be pleased to consider any suggestions made by a volunteer for the position.
6. The new editor will be in contact with many outstanding collectors and will have an opportunity to correspond with many new friends.

I repeat: if our organization is going to survive, "JSP" must survive. Someone must step forward to assume the position as editor. Too much "blood, sweat, and tears" have gone into the making of SPI by such people as Bob Bruce to let it die by the wayside. With a person with time to edit "JSP", SPI can become even bigger and stronger than ever. Won't someone please volunteer, so that we can echo Bob's sentiments "to keep SPI strong and healthy"?

#### NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES

She leads by example. President Barbara Williams (SPI 69) won a third-place award in the topical division at WARPEX, staged recently at Warner Robins, Georgia. Congratulation, Prexy!

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#### Expiration notices:

Nos. 371-93, 538-42, 594, and 633-34	December 31st
Nos. 394-413, 543-50, 595-602, and 635-36	January 31st
Nos. 414-31, 551-55, 603-05, and 637-39	February 28th

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#### Membership changes (to January 1st)

##### Additions:

672 Alfield, Stephen E., 41 Brookhaven Rd., Worcester, Mass. 01606 (GS:S:S)  
 673 Carloni, Renato, Via Cavour 47, Fabriano Cancona, Italy (no information)  
 674 Ketz, Wilford H., Dept. of Phys. Educ., Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., 12308 (GS:chronologically:C,S,MC)

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## New questions:

103. What were the events of a sports nature, if any, in the First International Aeronautical Salon in Milan in 1935 (Italy 345-48)?
104. Who is the auto racer on Hungary #1483, issued in 1962?
105. What were the official standings of the 5th European Gymnastic Cup held in Belgrade in 1963 (Yugoslavia 704-06)?
106. What do the letters "U.C.I.-F.S.C.L." on the World Cycling Championship issue (Luxembourg 384-85) stand for? Who were the winners of this event?
107. What is the make and model year of the auto shown on Italy #622?

## Answers:

83. The building in Warsaw depicted on Monaco #539 is the Palace of Culture and Science, built in 1952-53 as a gift from Russia (courtesy of Carl-Olof Enhagen--SPI 39).
84. Enhagen also reports that the Paris scene on Monaco #549 is Ile de la Cite with Notre Dame seen from the left side of the Seine (from the south-east).
92. Credit Fred Farr (SPI 2) with this answer: "PTT" (not "PPT" as in the question) is the international designation, used by all nations belonging to the Universal Postal Union, to denote the various ministries of Posts, Telegraph, and Telecommunications (telephones, radios, cables, and television). The letter "PTT" indicate that Yugoslavia issued these stamps for postage--not charity labels, private labels, or seals. The United States and Canada label their postal stamps "Postage"; other nations simply use the "PTT" abbreviation.

## PHILATELIC MARKET REPORT

- Fred Farr -

Tip of the month--Poland 729-32. Here's a sports set which doesn't even look like it, unless you examine the designs carefully. The vignettes depict, respectively, a hiker's lodge in the Zakopane Mountains, a compass and hiker's pack, a canoe and map of Poland, and a pair of skis superimposed on a mountain landscape. Issued for tourist propaganda in 1956, three values of this set were widely used on commercial mail and were issued in quantities varying from over 4,000,000 to almost 20,000,000 stamps.

The key stamp of this set, however, is #731, which was a "blocked value". This means that this stamp was issued in the very small quantity of 310,000 copies, almost all of which were sold only for hard currency from the U. S. and Western Europe. As a result, these complete sets are rather elusive in mint condition, especially when we consider that most of these sets were sold in cancelled-to-order condition.

However, the scarcity of this set is not reflected in current retail prices in the United States, where sets may be procured as cheap as 35¢ in mint condition. Wholesalers in New York ask at least that much. In Europe, however, where most collectors specialize in European stamps, these sets will cost you \$1.30 and up. That certainly makes this set a bargain at current retail quotations, doesn't it? And there are lots more bargains in Polish sports stamps, which are listed below. All of these sets are extremely reasonable, so why not fill in your requirements now?

Poland 419. This bi-colored stamp, depicting a bicycle wheel, was issued in 1948 to commemorate the first International Bicycle Race, comprising a round trip between Warsaw and Prague (the Poles won!). "Michel" stated that 2,000,000 were issued, although "Trachtenberg" claims the correct quantity is 2,215,000 stamps. Anyway, these stamps are still widely available in the U. S. at prices ranging from 20¢ to 30¢. European dealers, however, charge 55¢ to 65¢, and no wholesalers can supply this item. You can't go wrong at 20¢, can you?

Poland 680-81. This set features two homely designs depicting three bicycle wheels surmounted with the coats-of-arms of Prague, Berlin, and Warsaw on one stamp and three doves flying over a road on the second stamp. Issued in 1955 in honor of the 8th International Bicycle Peace Race, some 810,000 sets were sold. Currently retails at 20¢ in the U. S., but costs you 45¢ to 55¢ in Europe, and no wholesale supplies exist. Enough said!

Poland 693-94. Issued in 1955 to honor the 13th International Motorcycle Race in the Tatra Mountains, this set will never take any honors for imaginative design--it simply depicts two motorcyclists with mountains in the background. Some 800,000 were issued, hence the set may be easily found for 20¢ in the U. S., although European dealers ask 45¢ to 50¢ for their sets. No wholesale supplies, of course.

Poland 699-704. Here's a set which I can unqualifyingly recommend; it features dynamic designs, was issued in small quantities, and is a super bargain at current retail prices! Issued in 1955 to publicize the Second International Youth Games, held in Warsaw,

(Continued on Page 15)



22. 5 f bright purple Air:26. 100 f bronze green  
 23. 10 f steel blue  
 24. 15 f brown  
 25. 25 f slate purple

Designs: 22-Discus; 23-Javelin; 24-Handball; 25-Running; 26-Soccer

Sc 525-28, CC46; Gi 418-22: Mi ; YT ; Sa 60

#### TRIESTE-ZONE A

1949, July 8. Second World Health Congress, Rome. Wmk. Winged Wheel  
 P 14. Des. V. Retrosi. Rotary photogravure in sheet of 100 (two  
 panes of 50). Overprinted A.M.G./F.T.T. in carmine. Valid to 12-31-49

1. 20 1 violet (200,000)

Design: Staff of Aesculapius, globe and Roman landmarks including  
 Basilica of St. Peter's and the Colosseum, ancient sports arena

Note: Overprinted on Italy No. 31

Sc 49; Gi C29; Mi 70; YT 45; Zu 82

1950, April 29, 32nd International Auto Show, Turin, May 4-14. Wmk.  
 Winged Wheel; P 14. Des. Lazzaro Lazzarini. Rotary photogravure in  
 sheet of 100 (two panes of 50). Valid through 12-31-50. Cvpt AMG/FTT

2. 20 1 grey violet (150,000) (Carmine)

Design: Sedan and flags

Note: Overprinted on Italy No. 32

Sc 71; Gi C41; Mi 101; YT 67; Zu 116

1951, April 2. 33rd International Auto Show, Turin, Apr. 4-15. Wmk.  
 Winged Wheel; P 14. Des. Lazzaro Lazzarini. Rotary photogravure in  
 sheet of 100 (two panes of 50). Cvptd. A.M.G./F.T.T. Valid through  
 12-31-51

3. 20 1 blue green (100,000) (Black)

Design: Italian car, flags, the Antonelliana mole.

Note: Overprinted on Italy No. 33; Gibbons says March 27 was first  
 day but D'Urso says April 2

Sc 111; Gi C62; Mi 141; YT 105; Zu 161

1951, June 18. International Gymnastic Festival, Florence/ Wmk.

Winged Wheel; P 14. Des. Edmund and Romolo Pierbattista. Rotary  
 Photogravure in sheet of 100 (two panes of 50). Cvpt. ...G./F.T.T.  
 Valid through 6-16-51

4. 5 1 brown/red (Black)  
 5. 10 1 turquoise green/scarlet (Black)  
 6. 15 1 ultramarine/scarlet (Black)

Design: Gymnastic equipment and fleur de lys over "F.G. 51"

Notes: (a) overprinted on Italy 34-36; (b) Gibbons gives May  
 18 as first day, D'Urso June 18; (c) 75,000 sets issued

Sc 115-17; Gi C67a-c; Mi 147-49; YT 111-13; Zu 167-69

1951, August 23. World Cycling Championships at Milan and Varese. Wmk.  
 Winged Wheel; P 14. Des. Romolo Pierbattista. Rotary photogravure in  
 sheet of 100 (two panes of 50). Cvptd. AMG/FTT. Valid through 6-3-52

7. 25 1 greenish black (Carmine) (150,000)

Design: Cyclist on globe with church spires of Milan and Varese in  
 background

Note: Cvptd. on Italy 37

Sc 128; Gi C76; Mi 158; YT 119; Zu 170

## HANDBOOK

# OF SPORTS STAMPS

by Ira Seebacher

Section 38 - Switzerland to Trieste-Zone A

1946, May 1. "Pro Aero 1946". Unw.; P 11k. Des. Otto Baumberger. Photo-  
 gravure on chalk-surfaced granite paper by Courvoisier S.A., Chaux-  
 de-Fonds in sheets of 25 (5x5). Valid through May 23, 1946

8. 1.50 f blue grey/brown red/ (234,630)

Design: Training glider SG 38 (Mi); Zögling 33 (San)

Note: This stamp could only be used on May 22 and 23 on special flights  
 Lausanne-Locarno-Lucerne. The stamp was withdrawn June 15, 1946 from  
 sale

Sc C41; Gi 466; Mi 470; YT 440; Zu ; Sa 66

1948, January 15. 5th Winter Olympic Games, St. Moritz, Jan. 30-Feb. 8.  
 Unw.; P 11kx11k. Des. A. W. Diggelmann (Nos. 9-10), W. Weiskönig (Nos.  
 11-12). Photogravure on chalky granite paper by Courvoisier. Valid  
 through Dec. 31, 1948

9. 5+5 c dk green/yellow/yel. brown (1,360,000)  
 a. white gum  
 10. 10+10 c dk brown/blue/blue grey (1,370,000)  
 11. 20+10 c carmine/yellow/grey (1,340,000)  
 12. 30+10 c blue/greenish blue/grey black (1,200,000)  
 a. white gum

Designs: Gun and Olympic rings; 10-Snow crystal and Olympic rings;



11-Hockey goalie; 12-Downhill skier

Note: Michel says only 700,000 of No. 12 issued

Sc B170-73; Gi 481-84; Mi 492-95; YT449-52; Zu

1949, April 11. "Pro Aero 1949". Unw.; P 114. Des. Hans Erni; eng. Albert Yerchin. Combination typographed (background) and recess (design) by PIT, Berne, in sheets of 25 (5x5). Good only for special flights on April 27-28 and withdrawn May 15, 1949

13. 150 c dark purple/yellow (235,854)

Design: Stylized glider in flight

Note: Carried mail on special flights La Chaux-de-Fonds-Lugano-St. Gallen

Sc C45; Gi 499; Mi 518; YT A44; Zu ; Sa 70

1950, June 1. National Fete. Unw.; P 114. Des. H. Fischer. Photogravure on chalky granite paper by Courvoisier. Valid through Nov. 30, 1950

14. 10+10 c blue green/grey green/red (2,585,000)

15. 20+10 c olive/grey/red (2,214,000)

16. 30+10 c lilac/grey/red (808,000)

17. 40+10 c blue/grey/red (909,000)

Designs: 14-Stone throwing; 15-Swiss wrestling (Hosenlupfen); 16-Sprinters leaving mark; 17-Rifle match

Note: The surtax was for the Red Cross and the Society of Swiss History of Art

Sc B192-95; Gi 523-26; Mi 546-49; YT 498-501; Zu

1951, June 1. National Fete. Unw.; P 114. Des. H. Fischer. Photogravure on chalky granite paper by Courvoisier. Valid through Nov. 30, 1951.

18. 20+10 c sepia/grey/red (2,408,000)

19. 30+10 c violet/grey/red (846,000)

Designs: 18-Flag swinging; 19-Hornussen

Note: The surtax was for the Mothers' Fund and for Sixth Centenary of Zurich celebration

Sc B203-04; Gi 529-30; Mi 557-58; YT 509-10; Zu

1951, September 29. National Stamp Exhibition (LUNABA), Lucerne. Unw.; Imperforate. Souvenir sheet with design as No. 18 with new value (74x57mm). Text on back in three languages (grey). Valid through Nov. 30, 1951

20. 40 c multicolored (121,147)

Design: Flag swimmers

Note: Sheet was sold for 3 francs

Sc B206; Gi MS 531a; Mi 560, Bl 14; YT Bl 14; Zu

1954, March 15. World Soccer Championships. Unw.; P 114. Des. H. Schwarzenbach. Photogravure on chalky granite paper by Courvoisier. Valid through Dec. 31, 1954

21. 40 c blue/yellow (3,998,382)

Design: Soccer ball against map of world

Sc 350; Gi 552; Mi 596; YT 547; Zu

1. 30 c turquoise/red/deep blue green
2. 50 c maroon/red/black
3. 1 f emerald/red/black
4. 10 f brown/ultramarine/indigo
5. 15 f brown purple/deep green
6. 20 f chocolate/deep green/brown
7. 25 f chocolate/crimson/orange

Designs: 1-Skiing; 2-Ice hockey; 3-Tobogganing; 4-Cycling; 5-Discus throwing; 6-Boxing; 7-Running

Note: First day was April 27 (Gibbons), Feb. 27 (Michel), March 7 (Landmans)

Sc 369-75; Gi 244-50; Mi 276-82; YT 300-06

1961, October 7. Togo Boy Scouts. Unw.; P 134. Des. M. Goaman. Photogravure by De La Rue

8. 50 c bright rose/green

9. 1 f deep vi let/carmine

10. 10 f dark grey/brown

11. 25 f brt blue/red/green/yellow

12. 30 f green/red/orange brown

13. 100 f rose carmine/blue

Designs: 8-Daniel C. Beard (1850-1941); 9-Lord Baden-Powell (1857-1941); 10-Togolese scout and emblems; 11-Togolese scout and flag; 12-Symbolized tents and fire; 13-Three hands of different races giving scout salute

Sc 401-06; Gi 281-86; Mi 313-18; YT 334-39

1961, October 7. Togo Boy Scouts. Unw.; P 134. Des. Goaman. Photogravure on chalk-surfaced paper by De La Rue. Souvenir sheets 120x124.5mm.

14. 8 to 13 on solid yellow background

a. same imperforate

15. 8 to 13 on pale grayish brown background

a. same imperforate

Note: The perforations on these sheets are simulated

Mi Bl 5; YT Bl 5

1964, October 3. Olympic Games at Tokyo, Oct. 10-25. Unw.; P 14. Photogravure. Des. M. Shamir. Printed by Govt. Printers, Tel Aviv.

16. 1 f bronze green Air: 20. 100 f yellow brown

17. 5 f deep blue

18. 25 f claret

19. 45 f turquoise blue

Designs: 16-Soccer player; 17-Runner; 18-Discus thrower; 19-Like No. 16; 20-Tennis player

Note: All values exist imperforate (4000 sets)

Sc 491-94, 043; Gi 386-90; Mi 429-33; YT 420-23, A43; Sa 49

1964, October 3. 18th Olympic Games at Tokyo. Unw.; Imperforate. Souvenir sheet (105x112mm)

21. 25 f brown lilac (Discus)

45 f greenish blue (Soccer)

100 f brown (Tennis)

Sc C43a; Mi Bl 5; YT Bl 12; Sa 50

1965, July 24. First African Games, Brazzaville, July 18-25. Unw.; 14x13. Des. M. Shamir. Photogravure by the Govt. Printers, Tel Aviv, Israel







1925, May 31-June 1. International Aviation Meeting. Unw.; P 12.  
Recess. Sheet of 20 (4x5)

S1 30 c blue/red (5,000)

- a. double center
- b. imperforate
- c. as a and b

S2 50 c blue/green (5,000)

- a. imperforate
- b. pair, imperf between
- c. imperforate and with double center

S3 30 c black/carmine on yellow (5,000)

- a. double center
- b. imperforate

c. as a, imperforate

S4 50 c black/green on greenish (5,000)

- a. on yellow paper
- b. imperforate
- c. as a, imperforate

Design: Triangular stamp showing three biplanes. Nos. S1-2 have inscription "Suisse-France" and Nos. S3-4 read "Suisse-Europe Centrale"

Note: In connection with this meeting, there was a special flight Geneva-Paris-Geneva-Basel. These semi-official stamps are listed in Sanabria

Sa S7-10

#### SYRIA, FRENCH MANDATE

1924, June 8. Stamps of France overprinted "Syrie" and value in black. France Nos. 1-4 for 8th Olympic Games, Paris, May 3-July 7, 1924. Unw.; P 14x13½ (vert.), 13½x14 (horiz). Typographed. Des. E. Becker; eng. E. Daussey (Nos. 2,3), C. Parison (Nos. 1,4)

- 1. 50 c on 10 c green/light green
- 2. 1.25 p on 25 c carmine/rose
- 3. 1.50 p on 30 c black/brown red
- 4. 2.50 p on 50 c blue/ultramarine

Designs: As France Nos. 1-4. Note: 20,000 sets issued (Trachtenberg)

Sc133-36; Gi 135-38; Mi 227-30; YT 122-25

1924, September 26. Olympic stamps of France overprinted Syrie, new value and Arabic inscription. France Nos. 1-4, as above

- 5. 0.50 p on 10 c green/light green
- 6. 1.25 p on 25 c carmine/rose
- 7. 1.50 p on 30 c black/brown red
- 8. 2.50 p on 50 c blue/ultramarine

Designs: As France Nos. 1-4

Note: 20,000 sets issued (Trachtenberg)

Sc 166-69; Gi 166-69; M, 254-57; YT149-52

#### SYRIAN REPUBLIC UNDER FRENCH MANDATE

1957, September 8. Gliding Festival. Unw.; P 11½ Offset lithographed Des. Eichel. Offset lithographed in sheets of 50 (5x10)

1. 25 p brown red

2. 35 p green

- a. inscription at top, not bottom
- b. Strip of 3, one normal, one w/o and one with reversed inscription
- c. vertical strip of 4, with upper portion part perforated

3. 40 p ultramarine

Design: Stylized glider and emblem of meeting

Note: Michel says 30,000 sets issued while Trachtenberg states 40,000; First day Nov. 7 (San.), September 8 (Michel)

Sc 416-18; Gi 641-43; M, 732-34; YT127-29; Sa 233-95

1957, Sept. ? Gliding Festival. Souvenir sheet containing Nos. 1-3.

Inw.; Imperf.; Ungummed. Offset lithographed (157x114mm)

4. 25+35+40 p multicolored (15000)

Design: Nos. 1-3 and Eagle perched on shield

Note: Sanabria says Nov. 3 was first day for the sheet while Michel says Sept. 8

Mi B1 42; San 296

#### SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

1963, October 24. International Children's Day. Unw.; P 12x11½. Des. Ziad. Offset lithographed

1. 12½ p green/dk green 2. 22½ p red/dk green

Design: Child with ball, Unicef emblem

Note: 60,000 sets

Sc 457-58; Gi 822-23; Mi 848-49; YT 176-77

1964, October 8. Tenth Anniversary of Syrian Aero Club. Unw.; P 11½x 12. Des. M. Ishel. Offset lithographed sheets of 50 (5x10)

3. 12½ p green/black (35,000)

4. 17½ p red/black (35,000)

5. 20 p blue/black (35,000)

Design: Aero Club emblem

Note: Sanabrias says sets was photogravure printed. Scott and Gibbons state it was lithographed

Sc C324-26; Gi 855-57; Mi 881-83; YTA247-9; Sa 434-36

1965, February 7. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo, Oct. 10-25. Unw.; P 12x11½ Offset lithographed.

6. 12½ p multicolored 8. 20 p multicolored

7. 17½ p multicolored

Designs: 6-Tennis player; 7-Wrestling; 8-Weightlifter

Note: 50,000 sets issued (Michel)

Sc C333-35; Gi 864-66; Mi 890-92; YT A258-60; Sa 443-45

1965, February 7. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo, Oct. 10-25. Unw.; imperforate. Lithographed souvenir sheet (90x67mm)

9. 100 p multicolored (50,000)

Design: Wrestlers and drummer

Mi B151; YT B120; San 446

#### TANNU TUVA

1927. Definitive. Wmk. Stars & Diamonds; P 12½. Des. Mme. O.F. Amossova Lithographed in Moscow.

1. 10 k scarlet/black/blue green

Design: Mongolian hunters with bows and arrows

Sc 21; Gi 21; Mi 21; YT 21



August 1-14, 1955. these stamps feature athletes in action and were issued in a quantity of 280,000 sets (states Henri Trachtenberg). There are no wholesale quantities available of this set, but American retailers can supply you for 80¢ to \$1.00. European dealers ask \$2.50 or more, which fact should tell you plenty.

Incidentally, this set also exists imperforate and some 200,000 sets were sold in that condition at double face value. American retailers ask \$1.50 to \$2.50 for these sets and at least one wholesaler can supply at \$2.50 per set. European retailers, however, get \$4.60 and up for their sets.

Poland 717-18. If you consider chess to be a sport, then this set is for you. Commemorating the First World Chess Championship for the Deaf and Dumb, this set was issued in 1956 in the limited quantity of 310,000 sets. Despite the small quantity issued, this set is still available at retail in the U. S. for only 25¢, although French and British dealers charge more than twice this price. The set is a real bargain at the current American price, so buy now.

Poland 724-26. The designs of this set, honoring the Eleventh World Students Winter Sports Championships, depict snowflakes and winter sports gear. Only 290,000 sets were issued, which makes this set the second most elusive sports set issued by Poland since the Communist regime took over in 1945. Despite its elusiveness, this set is freely available in the U. S. for 30¢ retail, although it will cost more than twice that when bought from European dealers. This set is greatly undervalued on the American market today.

Poland 727-28. That darn bike race is back again; this time it's the Ninth International Bicycle Peace Race set, issued in 1956. The design is rather attractive, featuring a cyclist pumping away at the pedals of his bike. "Michel" claims that 1,020,000 sets were issued, although "Trachtenberg" claims that only 310,000 were issued (it is possible that 1,020,000 sets were printed, but only 310,000 were sold). It doesn't really matter, because the set is cheap enough, retailing for 25¢ in the U. S. and for more than twice that much abroad. American wholesalers charge 25¢, which is the current retail price, so you can't go wrong in buying a set at today's price.

Poland 750-56. I really like this set, so you may remember that I tipped it back in April of 1964, when it was retailing for only 90¢. Surely you remember this beautiful set, issued in 1956 to commemorate the 16th Olympiad held at Melbourne. Featuring dynamic athletes in action, this set is much more plentiful in cancelled-to-order condition than it is in fine mint condition; this is what happened to most of the printing of 840,000 sets. I have seen retail quotations in the U. S. ranging from \$1.25 to \$1.90, although the world's largest wholesaler gets \$2.00 for his sets (they'll pay \$1.20 for any mint sets). European dealers charge \$4.00 and up for this set, so I don't see how you can lose at current retail prices.

Poland 758-60. Skiers and snowflakes are featured on these three stamps, issued in 1957 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of skiing in that country. Some 535,000 sets were issued, which is about one-half Poland's usual quantity for commemoratives. Available from American retailers for 40¢ to 50¢, which also happens to be the current wholesale price. Dealers in London and Paris get \$1.00 for this set, which is more than twice the American retail (and wholesale) quotation. If you need this set, it certainly isn't going to be any cheaper than its current quotation.

Poland 764-65. "Scott" notwithstanding, this set does not commemorate "the 12th anniversary of the death of the skiers Bronislaw Czech and Hanna Marusarzowna". It commemorates the 12th Memorial Ski Race held at Zakopane in honor of those two skiers. We don't even know how many sets were issued; "Michel" says 330,000 sets, but "Trachtenberg" claims it is 536,000 complete sets. This set is still available for 30¢ or so on the American market, although European dealers get more than twice this sum for their sets. Wholesalers cannot supply this set. If you need it, pay the 30¢ and rejoice that you got a bargain.

Poland 766-68. Poland used stylized designs on this set commemorating the World Youth Fencing Championships, held at Warsaw in 1957. Some 1,040,000 sets were issued, but most were used up on commercial mail emanating from Poland. Tipped back in December of 1964 when they cost only 20¢, these stamps have advanced to just twice that sum on the American retail market--which equals the current American wholesale price. European dealers charge 90¢ for their sets. I especially recommend this set if your dealer can supply #767 and #768 in a se-tenant pair.

Poland 777-78. Here's a sports set which amazes me for several reasons. Firstly, some 2,918,000 sets were issued and sold, yet no wholesaler can supply this set! Secondly, it is a popular topical (sports) and the high value shows a dynamic design, yet the set is stagnant on the market. Lastly, it retails for only 20¢ in the U. S., yet foreign dealers readily sell their sets for 70¢ or more. If bicycle racing is your dish of tea, don't miss this set at the give-away price prevailing in the American market.



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