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By Paths

Nevertheless, we do nurse along some 20-odd collections or so which have the virtue of quantity if not quality and we thought, rather than read of yet one more junket by our globe-trotting leader, this might turn the thoughts of some to inexpensive and pleasant by-

ways of collecting. (Ed. note: for more on globe-trotting, see the President's Message in this issue.)

One such collection put together clandestinely, and so with neither blood, sweat nor jeers, contains diplomatic pouch mail franked with sports issues. Our selected photo is that of a 1941 cover from Russia and, which according to procedure, was placed in its diplomatic pouch bearing the proper postage but uncanceled at its point of origin. The letter simply never entered nor was it intended to enter the Russian post office for ordinary handling. (Fig. 1)

Upon its arrival in Washington, it received a Washington, D.C. cancel, May 7th, 1941, the cacheted legend "This article originally mailed in country indicated by postage" and was duly sent along its way to Fort Leavenworth.

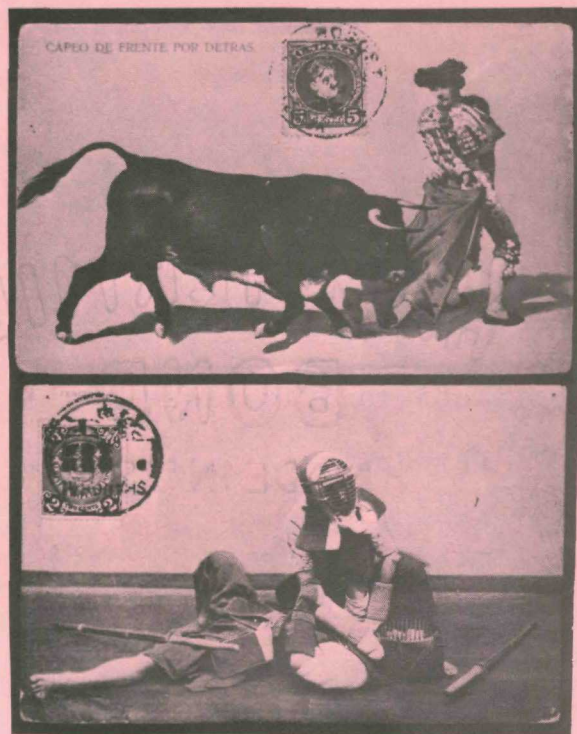
Such covers are not exactly found in gross lots but they are to be had, they're fun to find and they do show that, uncommonly used though they may be, the stamp they bear most certainly was available at the post office and was not an emission so balefully regarded by the black blotters.

Next is the TCV card, an acronym for three French words indicating that the postage for the card was applied to the view side. This was a form of collecting tremendously popular in the decade before WW I and one which probably perished on the rocks of disapproval of the world's postmasters who, by a great majority, eventually ruled such franking was a no-no. Such cards can also be something of a paper chase as they have long since ceased to be easily found among the boxes of dealer material regarded as of such slight consequence as to insure their having grown dog-eared from too much handling.



Fig. 1

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The two cards shown here depict bull fighting (Spain) and some form of Chinese combat with sword--but not fencing whatever it may actually be. (Figs. 2 & 3)

Next we show pictures of two first flight covers from the only two countries which, to our knowledge, ever cacheted such covers with cachet designs of a sporting motif. Both Canada and the U.S. designed and used a number of such cachets. All were officially prepared by

the two countries respective postal authorities. (Ed. note: there are quite a few of these cachets on U.S. first flights, both CAM's and FAM's. We will present an article on these at some future date. All can be found in the American Air Mail Catalogue, Vol. 2 & 3.)

The Canada cover went on the return flight of the Winnipeg-Norway House flight on Jan. 14, 1935. The cachet shows a bonspieler or curler, dressed in customary kilts and armed with a broom for sweeping the ice clear for his partner's hurled stone. The U.S. - F.A.M. of 1947 marking a first New York-Helsinki flight is of unusual extra interest because of the designs. Of course you recognize them as being copied from a Finnish sports set. (Figs. 4 & 5)

Since this is growing longish for Editor John La Porta's king-sized typewriter font, we'll close with mention of the collecting of those specially issued post cards for often long-forgotten sports events. Some cards also bear a special cancel also designed for the same event and are therefore double delightful to the collector. Even more so are those special event cards with special cancel and also franked with the special stamps which also might have been prepared for that event.



Fig. 4



Fig. 5

Such a card is shown here, issued for the 1928 Olympics at Amsterdam, bearing a pair of the 5¢ and with the special stadium cancel. (Fig. 6) The cards were officially issued for the Games, and the one portrayed is # 18 of the series showing an aerial view of the stadium. There are many such Olympic and non-Olympic special cards for scads of various events. Seek them out and cherish those of a vintage earlier than 1932 or so.

At a later date, if our photographed talents are up to the assignment, we'll explore others of the many off-the-main-stem-byways.

Fig. 6



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Israel Bick (SPI 779) announced that STAMP EXPO'72 (NORTH) will be held at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco Nov 24-26. STAMP EXPO'73 (SOUTH) will be held at the Royal Coach Hotel, Anaheim, March 2-4, 1973. Barb Williams de Violini will again chair the committee responsible for the Philatelic Gallery....Rex Haggett (SPI 658) has suggested that we resurrect the long defunct "question and answer" column. Your editor is willing to publish the information if some member will step forward to handle the column and be the associate editor. Any takers?....The Sports Covers Club of America will be represented at the IX Maccabiah Games in Israel, July 9-19, 1973. Sol Marshall, President of the SCCA, suggests meetings at the Post Office, right on the central square, of Kfar Maccabiah. The SCCA will soon announce their 1973 schedule of Sports Covers. If you have any special preferences, write to Sol at PO Box 48323, Los Angeles, CA 90048..... Helen E. Long (SPI 693) was membership chairman at VENPEX....'Olympic Gold', a book covering the official record of championship performance since 1896 including all the Winter and Summer Games. Priced at \$3.95

a copy with \$1 going to the U.S.O.C. Order from: U.S.O.C. PO Box 175, Wayne, NJ 07470....Congratulations to Prexy Barb Williams who is to be married on Sept. 29th to Robert de Violini who is a fellow philatelist....

AROUND THE EXHIBITION CIRCUIT----

TOPEX'72, Falmouth, Maine had one SPI member receiving a medal Chris Norgard (SPI 9) received a Second Award for his 'Those Other Sports'..At UNIPEX-IV held in Rochester, NY, Robert B. Oesch (SPI 250) received a First Award and the ATA First for his Architectural Forms of the Christian Church. Lawrence R. Moriarty (SPI 742) received a Third Place Award for his Hungary - Costumes....And at Fila - Fair, Chris Norgard and Bob Oesch were awarded Gold Medals.....More news from the U.K. Thematic show from Ed Hochuli (SPI 121). Ed also received a Bronze medal for his Man and the Underwater World which covers skin and scuba diving. Also John Murray (SPI 278) received two Bronze medals for his Costa Rica Football Federation and Philatelic Autobiography of Footballers....JSP was entered in EXFILBRA in Brazil but Prexy Barb W. de Violini has informed us the exhibit never arrived! JSP has been entered in a number of up-coming exhibits this year. The one at VERSO MONACO (TOWARDS MUNICH) at Rimini is over with but we have no word on the results as yet. Also at SONEX-APS'72, SOUTHWEST-PEX and the CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY exhibit. Next year we are entered in two internationals to date, IBRA-MUNICH and POLSKA-73....

EDITORIAL COMMENT

BOB BRUCE - ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Ten years ago the officers of the Sports Unit of the American Topical Association, dissatisfied with the policies of the parent organization, resigned from the Unit and formed Sports Philatelists International, a completely independent organization. On this tenth anniversary a few simple statistics make interesting reading and their analysis tells several things about sports collecting and sports collectors.

By mid-1963, as SPI approached its membership peak, it had 281 charter members and a total roll of 476. Currently SPI has about 275 members; changes occur rapidly and the number is never static. Furthermore, of those 281 charter members enrolled on the cut-off date, 104 (37.0%) are still with us.

Those are the facts, now here are my interpretations and reflections. They are only my opinions and you need not accept them. Yet I think they make sense.

The stamps making up our topic can be interpreted in many ways, so no two "complete" collections are alike. Nobody knows exactly what a sports stamp is. You include souvenir sheets; I don't. You collect anything having an Olympic theme; your best friend sticks to the issues of countries whose national Olympic committees are affiliated with the International Olympic Committee. He collects only one of a

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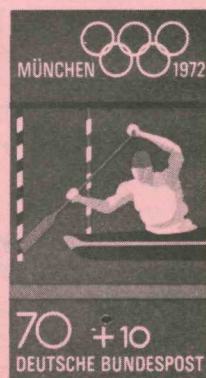
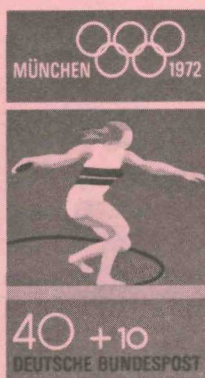
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- AUSTRALIA August 28, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 7¢, Rowing; 7¢, Runner; 7¢, Swimmer; 35¢, Equestrian. Designed by Brian Sadgrove.
- AUSTRIA August 21, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 2s, Torch Runner. Starting from Olympia, Greece, on the 28th of July, the torch will be carried through Greece, Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Yugoslavia and Hungary and will reach the Austrian border on the 21st of August.
- BAHAMAS June 27, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10¢, Pole Vault; 11¢, Cyclist; 15¢, Runner; 18¢, Sailing; S/S of all 4. Designed by John Waddington Studios. Printed by Bradbury Wilkenson.
- CAPE VERDE June 20, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 4e, Basketball and Boxing. Designed by Alberto Cutileiro. Printed by National Printers, Porto in a quantity of 800,000.
- CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC May 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 100F, Boxers; 100F, Long Jump; S/S of two. Designed and Engraved by Claude Betemps.
- COOK ISLANDS June 26, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10¢, High Jump 25¢, Runner; 30¢, Boxer; S/S of all 3. S/S, 50¢+5¢, Discobolus and Pierre de Coubertin. The surtax is for the aid of local sports. Printed in photogravure.
- DAHOMY June 12, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 20F, Runner; 85F, High Jump; 150F, Shot Put; S/S of all 3.
- GERMANY August 18, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 25+5, Long Jump; 30+10, Basketball; 40+10, Discus; 70+10, Rowing. This was also issued in a booklet. Designed by Gerta Haller.

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ICELAND July 2, 1972. World Chess Championship, Beyfavek. 15r, Chessboard. Printed by de la Rue.

IRELAND August 28, 1972. 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Olympic Council of Ireland. 3p, Equestrian figure carved on a slab at Clonmacnaise. Designer, Patrick Scott. 2 million were printed in photogravure by the Revenue Stamp- ing Branch, Dublin.

KOREA August 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 20w, Boxing; 20w, Wrestling 20w, Judo; 20w, Weight Lifter. There is a 40w S/S to go with each stamp. Quantity: 2 million, S/S, 80,000.

LESOTHO September 1, 1972. XX Olympic Games Munich. 4¢, Runner; 10¢, Shot Put; 15¢, Hurdlers; 25¢ Long Jumper. Designer: Waddington, Ltd.

MACAO June 20, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 50a, Field Hockey. Designer Alberto Cutileiro. Printed in photo- gravure by the National Printers, Porto, in a quantity of 3 million.

MALAWI August 9, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 3t, 8t, 15t, 30t, Abstract drawing of an athlete. S/S, 56t, all 4. Printed in lithograph by Harrison & Sons, London.

MALDIVES August 1, 1972. 1971 Boy Scout Jamboree, Japan. 10L, 15L, 50L, 1R, Scout scenes. Designed by Shamir. Printed by the Government Printers, Jerusalem, in lithograph.

MOZAMBIQUE June 20, 1972 XX Olympic Games, Munich. 3e, Hurdler and Swimmer. Designer Alberto Cutileiro. Printed by the National Printers, Porto, by photogravure in a quantity of 6 million.

NETHERLANDS July 11, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 20¢, Hurdler; 30¢, Swimmer; 45¢, Cycling. Designed by Will van Sambeck. Printed by Job. Enschede en Zonen, Haalem.

NIGER May 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 50F, Boxer; 100F Long Jump; 150F, Soccer; 200F, Runner; S/S of all 4. De- signed and Engraved by Claude Betemps.

PORTUGAL July 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 50¢, Soccer; 1e, Runner; 1.50e, Equestrian; 3.50e, Swimmer; 4e, Sailing 5e, Gymnast. Designer, Luis Filipe de Abreu.

PORTUGUESE GUINEA XX Olympic Games, Munich. June 20, 1972. 2.50e, Weight Lifter & Hammer Thrower. Designer, Alberto Cutileiro. Printed in photogravure by National Printers, Porto

QATAR July , 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 1d, 75R, Soccer 2d, 3R, Runner, 3d, Cyclist; 4d, Gymnast; 5d, Basketball; 35d, Discus Thrower. S/S of 6.

ROMANIA July 15, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 10b, Volleyball 20b, Shooting; 55b, Discus Thrower; 1.55L, Gymnast; 2.75L, Rowing; 6.40L, Fencer. Designer, Vincentin Gregorescu. Printed in a quantity of 350,000.

ST. THOMAS & PRINCE June 20, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 1.50e, Runner & Javelin Thrower. Designer, Alberto Cutileiro. Printed by the National Printers, Porto.

SPAIN August 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 1p, Fencer, 2p Weight Lifter; 5p, Rowing; 8p, Pole Vaulter.



TIMOR

June 20, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 4.50e, Soccer. Designer, Alberto Cutileiro. Printed by the National Printers, Porto.

TURKEY

August 26, 1972. XX Olympic Games, Munich. 100k+15k, Olympic Rings; 110k+25k, Stylized Runner; 250k+25k, Stadium. Designer, Engin Garger, Nejat Mozhar Gur & Bulent Korman.



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This broad range creates problems for editors and for officers trying to provide something of interest for each member. Space is limited, yet good copy is hard to come by. A mail organization isn't quite like the face-to-face meetings of your local stamp club. Yet there is a certain unifying force in our common interest.

In the early 1960s a few stamp-issuing countries discovered the commercial possibilities of sports stamps and the presses really began to roll. Nor is the end in sight even now; exploitation is still the name of the game.

Just after the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo sports Collecting reached a crucial point and a real shake-down began. The disillusioned gave up sports and sold their holdings. The "stickers" looked for, and found, ways to narrow their interests and to stay in the game. Many new specialities were born within sports collecting. Rigid definition and limitation enabled others to continue happily in the field.

Yet this increased discrimination by collectors really widened the spread of interests and made even more difficult the task of our editor and officers. There are more and more diverse interests needing to be satisfied. For example, basketball is my "bag", so I don't really care about most Olympic material (an over-simplification and bad logic, to say the least).

Finally there are the characteristics of our members. I divide them into three groups. The facts indicate that we have many loyal members who retain a serious interest in sports; they number at least 104 (charter members still in the organization), but also include those who have discovered SPI more recently. They are the "stickers". Around the country (and the world) there must be many sports collectors of this type. How can we locate them, expose them to SPI's program, and "snag" them? Once in, they will stay.

The second group contains the "drifters". They may try to handle half a dozen topics at once or they want to "do" all of sports. They may be disillusioned quickly by the quantity of collectible material. They may never get enough help to collect intelligently. They may want to profit quickly from their "investment". The grass may be greener on the other side of the fence. They come and they go. How can we help the "drifters" to become "stickers".

The third, and most important, group is the "workers". Without them there wouldn't be a SPI (or any other philatelic organization, for that matter). They give time and effort without pay, without recognition, and often without thanks. They are willing to share their limited hobby time between their own collections and their voluntary SPI assignments. If we lose them in any number, we're dead because replacements don't come easily. Yet among the "stickers" are potential "workers" with talent, knowledge, and experience. How can we get them involved?

In summary, SPI has had a good first ten years. There have been more ups than downs. Eventually replacements have been found for lost workers. The new members seem to balance the losses (perhaps it is better to have a smaller mailing list of truly interested members). The treasury remains solvent, although never overloaded. A few members may be sullen, but few are mutinous--to paraphrase the late Herman Hickman. It hasn't been easy, but it has been fun.

If I am privileged to write a similar guest editorial ten years hence, will I be able to report similar successes?

(Editor's note: for relatively new members, Bob Bruce carries SPI membership card #1. He was SPI's first president, is currently a director, edited "JSP" for several years, and is still a frequent contributor to our periodical. Bob has asked a number of questions in his guest editorial and any member who can come up with some answers or assistance may drop from the silent majority and join the vocal minority).



BARBARA WILLIAMS de VIOLINI

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, I went to Rio de Janeiro and I wish I hadn't. They must have had the world's greatest press agent to counteract the filth, beggars, and the fable of Sugar Loaf. We have rocks on the California coast that are bigger than that, and we consider them a nuisance.

As for EXFILBRA, it was big - 1649 frames in the Fine Arts Museum, but that is all I can say for it. The aisles between the frames were 16 inches from the leg base to leg base, which made for togetherness but not for comfort.

We met some wonderful people, but not from Rio. From Sao Paulo they were charming and very helpful, from Uruguay we loved Herbert Halm and his family (the book "Ball Games on Stamps" was written by him), from Venezuela we had a delightful dinner with Herbert Moll and his wife, but from Rio, the only charm we found in the people was an adorable bellboy in the Hotel Gloria (Bob wouldn't let me bring him home), and Eng. Correa de Mattos, the president of the Brazilian Post Office. We would call him the Postmaster General of Brazil. Of course, my favorite man from south of us, Emilio Obregon, was there, and without him and Manuel Fisueno from Argentina to translate, I couldn't have followed the FIAF meetings.

The Thematic Commission meeting was a discussion on the subject of thematic judges for FIAF exhibitions. Each national federation will name prospective judges (in our case the APS), and the Thematic Commission will submit a list of those qualified to the host committee.



Correa de Mattos,
Mrs. Rountree,
Barb W. de Violini

One major change was made in the exhibiting rules. Whereas in the past exhibitors were discouraged from using non-philatelic material, they are now not permitted to use such material at all. The report of this meeting and the decision reached by the members was submitted to the full FIAF Board and were accepted by them.

As for the thematic section, it was the largest single part of the show. Out of 479 frames in this section, 2 members of SPI were among the winners: Jose Turu Carol and I both won a silver medal for our respective soccer exhibits, and our youngest member, Nancie Williams, took the Grand Award for juniors as well as a silver. This was her last showing as a junior, so she was delighted. Two weeks from now she exhibits as an adult at VENPEX, and we had better all watch out.

Bob and Barb
de Violini
sampling cachachas.



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(Scott listed material)
A list of non-Scott material will follow.

Barbara T. Williams

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*1378		()	()	()	1971 1927		()	()	()
*1379		()	()	()	1928		()	()	()
*1380		()	()	()	1937		()	()	()
*1381, S/S		()	()	()	1956		()	()	()
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1971 202		()	()	()	*1980		()	()	()
ARGENTINE					*1981		()	()	()
1971 940		()	()	()	*1982		()	()	()
AUSTRIA					*1983, S/S		()	()	()
1971 906		()	()	()	1990		()	()	()
912		()	()	()	BURUNDI				
BARBADOS					1971 *CB17, Stp.of 4	()	()	()	()
1971 357		()	()	()	*CB18 Stp.of 4	()	()	()	()
358		()	()	()	CAMEROONS				
359		()	()	()	1971 *C164		()	()	()
360		()	()	()	*C165		()	()	()
361		()	()	()	*C166		()	()	()
BELGIUM					CHAD				
1971 *B873		()	()	()	1971 **C83		()	()	()
BERMUDA					*C85		()	()	()
1971 284		()	()	()	*C86		()	()	()
285		()	()	()	*C87		()	()	()
286		()	()	()	*C88		()	()	()
287		()	()	()	CHILE				
BHUTAN					1971 **401		()	()	()
1971 **147		()	()	()	**C311		()	()	()
**148		()	()	()	403		()	()	()
**149		()	()	()	404		()	()	()
**150		()	()	()	CHINA-FORMOSA				
**151		()	()	()	1971 1720		()	()	()
**152		()	()	()	1721		()	()	()
**152a, S/S		()	()	()	1722		()	()	()
**147-52, Imp.		()	()	()	1723		()	()	()
**152a, S/S, Imp.		()	()	()	1724		()	()	()
BRAZIL					1725		()	()	()
1971 1188		()	()	()	CHINA-MAINLAND				
BRITISH ANTARCTIC					1971 2258		()	()	()
1971 26, Opt.		()	()	()	2259		()	()	()
28 Opt.		()	()	()	2260		()	()	()
BRITISH SOLOMON IS.					2261		()	()	()
1971 222		()	()	()					

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COLUMBIA					CZECHOSLOVAKIA				
1971	C542	()	()	()	1971	1762	()	()	()
	C543	()	()	()		1763	()	()	()
	C546	()	()	()		1764	()	()	()
	C547	()	()	()		1765	()	()	()
	C548	()	()	()		*1791	()	()	()
	C549	()	()	()		*1792	()	()	()
	C550	()	()	()		*1793	()	()	()
	C551	()	()	()		*1794	()	()	()
	C552	()	()	()	DENMARK				
	C553	()	()	()	1971	482	()	()	()
	C554	()	()	()		483	()	()	()
	C555	()	()	()		484	()	()	()
	C556	()	()	()		485	()	()	()
	C557	()	()	()	DOMINICA				
	C558	()	()	()	1971	318	()	()	()
	C559	()	()	()		319	()	()	()
	C560	()	()	()		**324	()	()	()
	C561	()	()	()		**325	()	()	()
	C562	()	()	()		**326	()	()	()
	C563	()	()	()		**327	()	()	()
	C564	()	()	()		**327a, S/S	()	()	()
	C565	()	()	()	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC				
	C566	()	()	()	1971	680	()	()	()
	C566a, Sht. of 25)	()	()	()		681	()	()	()
CONGO						C186	()	()	()
1971	745	()	()	()		688	()	()	()
	746	()	()	()		C190	()	()	()
CONGO REPUBLIC					DUBAI				
1971	*C122	()	()	()	1971	135	()	()	()
	*C123	()	()	()		143	()	()	()
	**C124	()	()	()		**147	()	()	()
	**C125	()	()	()		**148	()	()	()
	**C126	()	()	()		**149	()	()	()
	**C127	()	()	()		**150	()	()	()
	*C128	()	()	()	ETHIOPIA				
	*C129	()	()	()	1971	**608	()	()	()
	*C130	()	()	()	FIJI				
	*C131	()	()	()	1971	321	()	()	()
COOK ISLANDS						322	()	()	()
1971	299	()	()	()		323	()	()	()
	300	()	()	()	FINLAND				
	301a, S/S	()	()	()	1971	507	()	()	()
	302, Opt.	()	()	()		508	()	()	()
	303, Opt.	()	()	()		509	()	()	()
	304, Opt.	()	()	()	FRANCE				
	B8, Opt.	()	()	()	1971	1299	()	()	()
	B9, Opt.	()	()	()		1300	()	()	()
	B10, Opt.	()	()	()		B448	()	()	()
	B11, Opt.	()	()	()	FRENCH POLYNESIA				
	B12, Opt.	()	()	()	1971	C68	()	()	()
	B13, Opt.	()	()	()		263	()	()	()
COSTA RICA						C71	()	()	()
1971	C531	()	()	()		C72	()	()	()
	C532	()	()	()		C73	()	()	()
CZECHOSLOVAKIA						C74	()	()	()
1971	1750	()	()	()		C75	()	()	()
	1760	()	()	()		C76	()	()	()
	1761	()	()	()		C77	()	()	()
						C77a, S/S	()	()	()

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FRENCH POLYNESIA				HAITI			
1971 267	()	()	()	1971 654d	()	()	()
268	()	()	()	655	()	()	()
269	()	()	()	656	()	()	()
**272	()	()	()	657	()	()	()
GABON				657a	()	()	()
1971 *C121	()	()	()	657b	()	()	()
*C122	()	()	()	657c	()	()	()
*C122a, S/S	()	()	()	657d	()	()	()
GERMANY				658	()	()	()
1971 *B472	()	()	()	659, S/S	()	()	()
*B473	()	()	()	HONDURAS			
*B474	()	()	()	1971 *C462, Opt.	()	()	()
*B475	()	()	()	HONG KONG			
*B475a, S/S	()	()	()	1971 **262	()	()	()
Berlin 9N315	()	()	()	**263	()	()	()
GERMAN DEM. REP.				**264	()	()	()
1971 *1286	()	()	()	HUNGARY			
*1345	()	()	()	1971 2066	()	()	()
*1346	()	()	()	2067	()	()	()
*1347	()	()	()	2068	()	()	()
*1348	()	()	()	2069	()	()	()
*B164	()	()	()	2070	()	()	()
*B165	()	()	()	2071	()	()	()
GHANA				2072	()	()	()
1971 **421	()	()	()	2073	()	()	()
**422	()	()	()	2066-73, Imp.	()	()	()
**423	()	()	()	2097	()	()	()
**424	()	()	()	2098	()	()	()
**425	()	()	()	2099	()	()	()
**425a, S/S	()	()	()	2100	()	()	()
426	()	()	()	2101	()	()	()
GREAT BRITAIN				2102	()	()	()
1971 656	()	()	()	2103	()	()	()
GREECE				2104	()	()	()
1971 *1025	()	()	()	2097-2104, Imp.	()	()	()
*1026	()	()	()	C313	()	()	()
GRENADA				C313, Imp.	()	()	()
1971 305A	()	()	()	*2114	()	()	()
**409	()	()	()	*2115	()	()	()
**410	()	()	()	*2116	()	()	()
**411	()	()	()	*2117	()	()	()
**412	()	()	()	*2118	()	()	()
**412a, S/S	()	()	()	*2119	()	()	()
GUATAMALA				*2120	()	()	()
1971 *412	()	()	()	*2121	()	()	()
*413	()	()	()	*2122, S/S	()	()	()
*414	()	()	()	*2114-22, Imp.	()	()	()
*415	()	()	()	INDIA			
HAITI				1971 550	()	()	()
1971 653	()	()	()	ISRAEL			
653a	()	()	()	1971 443	()	()	()
653b	()	()	()	444	()	()	()
653c	()	()	()	445	()	()	()
653d	()	()	()	ITALY			
654	()	()	()	1971 1042	()	()	()
654a	()	()	()	1043	()	()	()
654b	()	()	()	1044	()	()	()
654c	()	()	()	1045	()	()	()

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IVORY COAST				LUXEMBOURG			
1971 C44	()	()	()	1971 *499	()	()	()
JAPAN				503	()	()	()
1971 *B36	()	()	()	MALAYSIA			
*B37	()	()	()	1971 98	()	()	()
**1078	()	()	()	99	()	()	()
1085	()	()	()	100	()	()	()
JERSEY				MALI			
1971 34	()	()	()	1971 C116	()	()	()
JUGOSLAVIA				C117	()	()	()
1971 *RA40	()	()	()	C118	()	()	()
KOREA				**153	()	()	()
1971 751	()	()	()	*C122	()	()	()
**753	()	()	()	MAURITANIA			
791	()	()	()	1971 *C106	()	()	()
791a, S/S	()	()	()	**C110	()	()	()
**796	()	()	()	**C111	()	()	()
798	()	()	()	**C112	()	()	()
798a, S/S	()	()	()	MAURITIUS			
799	()	()	()	1971 383	()	()	()
799a, S/S	()	()	()	MONACO			
KUWAIT				1971 793	()	()	()
1971 535	()	()	()	794	()	()	()
536	()	()	()	795	()	()	()
LAOS				796	()	()	()
1971 212	()	()	()	MOROCCO			
LEBANON				1971 248	()	()	()
1971 C607	()	()	()	249	()	()	()
C608	()	()	()	NEPAL			
C609	()	()	()	1971 253	()	()	()
C610	()	()	()	254	()	()	()
C611	()	()	()	255	()	()	()
LIBERIA				NEW CALEDONIA			
1971 *557	()	()	()	1971 C80	()	()	()
*558	()	()	()	389	()	()	()
*559	()	()	()	391	()	()	()
*560	()	()	()	392	()	()	()
*561	()	()	()	C82	()	()	()
*562	()	()	()	C83	()	()	()
*C187, S/S	()	()	()	NEW HEBRIDES-BRITISH			
**563	()	()	()	1971 146	()	()	()
**564	()	()	()	147	()	()	()
**565	()	()	()	NEW HEBRIDES-FRENCH			
**566	()	()	()	1971 146	()	()	()
**567	()	()	()	147	()	()	()
**568	()	()	()	NEW ZEALAND			
**C188, S/S	()	()	()	1971 471	()	()	()
*577	()	()	()	472	()	()	()
*578	()	()	()	477	()	()	()
*579	()	()	()	B82	()	()	()
*580	()	()	()	B82a, Sht. of 6	()	()	()
*581	()	()	()	B83	()	()	()
*582	()	()	()	B83a, Sht. of 6	()	()	()
*C190	()	()	()	B84	()	()	()
LIECHTENSTEIN				NIGER			
1971 *492	()	()	()	1971 *C149	()	()	()
*493	()	()	()	*C159	()	()	()
*494	()	()	()	*C160	()	()	()
*495	()	()	()	*C161	()	()	()

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NIGER		()	()	()	SIAM		()	()
1971	**239	()	()	()	1971	**587	()	()
	**240	()	()	()	SPAIN		()	()
	**241	()	()	()	1971	1659	()	()
	**242	()	()	()		1670	()	()
PAKISTAN		()	()	()		1671	()	()
1971	312	()	()	()		E26	()	()
	316	()	()	()		1693	()	()
PAPUA & NEW GUINEA		()	()	()	SURINAM		()	()
1971	328	()	()	()	1971	B177	()	()
	329	()	()	()		B178	()	()
	330	()	()	()		B179	()	()
	331	()	()	()		B180	()	()
PERU		()	()	()		B181	()	()
1971	C320	()	()	()	SWEDEN		()	()
PHILIPPINES		()	()	()	1971	907	()	()
1971	1087	()	()	()	SWITZERLAND		()	()
	1088	()	()	()	1971	524	()	()
QATAR		()	()	()		525	()	()
1971	263	()	()	()	TOGO		()	()
ROMANIA		()	()	()	1971	*789	()	()
1971	2232	()	()	()		*790	()	()
	2235	()	()	()		*791	()	()
	*2290	()	()	()		*792	()	()
	*2291	()	()	()		*793	()	()
	*2292	()	()	()		*C165	()	()
	*2293	()	()	()		*C165a, S/S	()	()
	*2294	()	()	()	TONGA		()	()
	*2295	()	()	()	1971	274	()	()
	*2296, S/S	()	()	()		275	()	()
RUSSIA		()	()	()		276	()	()
1971	3862	()	()	()		277	()	()
	3863	()	()	()		278	()	()
	3864	()	()	()		C92	()	()
	3865	()	()	()		C93	()	()
	3866	()	()	()		C94	()	()
	3935	()	()	()		C95	()	()
RWANDA		()	()	()		C96	()	()
1971	*414	()	()	()		C044	()	()
	*415	()	()	()		C045	()	()
	*416	()	()	()		C046	()	()
	*417	()	()	()	TRISTAN DA CUNHA		()	()
	*418	()	()	()	1971	**154	()	()
	*419	()	()	()	TURKEY		()	()
	*420	()	()	()	1971	1895	()	()
	*421	()	()	()		1896	()	()
SAMOA		()	()	()		1897, S/S	()	()
1971	343	()	()	()	TURKS & CAICOS IS.		()	()
	345	()	()	()	1971	222	()	()
SAUDI ARABIA		()	()	()		224	()	()
1971	**506	()	()	()		225	()	()
SENEGAL		()	()	()	UNITED STATES		()	()
1971	**346	()	()	()	1971	RW38	()	()
	**347	()	()	()		U563	()	()
	**348	()	()	()	UPPER VOLTA		()	()
	**349	()	()	()	1971	*C93	()	()
	354	()	()	()		**C94	()	()
	355	()	()	()	URUGUAY		()	()
	356	()	()	()	1971	809	()	()

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GABON: A souvenir sheet for the Munich Summer Games.

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SHARJAH: A silver Sapporo Winter Olympics novelty plus souvenir sheets being peddled in the U.S. in excess of \$15.

From the August issue of the American Philatelist:

BURUNDI: A five-stamp set and souvenir sheet for the Munich Games.

FUJEIRA: A Munich Olympics "package" consisting of 10 adhesives (five perf., 5 imperf.) plus perf. and imperf. souvenir sheets. "Package" is being sold in excess of \$11. Also blotted is another "package" covering the Sapporo Winter Games. This "package" consists of a so-called silver value and souvenir sheet with a price tag in excess of \$10. US.

HUNGARY: The imperf. set and souvenir sheet released with the normally perforated issue for the Munich Games.

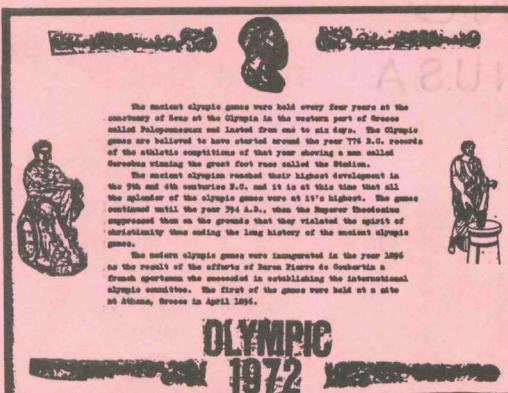
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Handbook Of Basketball Stamps

- Bob Bruce -

Addenda

1964, October 10. Japan. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo, Oct. 10-25, 1964. Unwmkd; P 13 (Yt), 13½ (Sc, Min, Gi, and Mi); designed by Sabura Watanabe; photogravure by the Government Printing Office, Tokyo.

Olympic rings, plus
136A. 50y multicolored (Komazawa Gymnasium)(20,000,000--Mi)

Sc 825; Min 943; Gi 985; Mi 873; Yt 789

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 18th Olympic Games, see Note 102a above.

1965, December 23. Costa Rica. 18th Olympic Games, Tokyo, Oct. 10-25, 1964. Unwmkd; P 13 (Mi and Halm and Kobylanski), 13 x 13½ (Sc and Gi); designed by C. Alonso; lithography by De La Rue of Colombia, Bogota.

Olympic rings and outline of track, plus
118A. 65¢ multicolored (rebounding)(150,000--Trachtenberg)
a. Imperforate (200--Trachtenberg)

Sc C414; Min 912; Gi 723; Mi 671; Yt A400

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 18th Olympic Games, see Note 102a above.

1967, September 8. Tunisia. 5th Mediterranean Games, Tunis, Sept. 8-17, 1967. Unwmkd; P 13; designed by Hatim El Elmekki and engraved by Jumelet; recess printed.

206A. 35m dark carmine-brown/greenish blue (Sports Palace and small stylized basketball player)

Sc 484; Min 788; Gi 468; Mi 684; Yt 625

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 5th Mediterranean Games, see Note 206b above.

1968, November 10. Sharjah. Winners of Olympic Games. Unwmkd; P 13½; souvenir sheet (120 x 89 mm.--Min) containing a small souvenir sheet with ten stamps similar to Mexico Sc 981-85 and C328-31; lithography.

247A. 10r multicolored (brazier and flame, emblem of 19th Olympic Games, and basketball scrimmage--similar to Mexico Sc 982)

Sc --- ; Min 342; Gi --- ; Mi --- ; Yt ---

1968, November 10. Sharjah. Winners of Olympic Games. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheets (120 x 89 mm.--Min) containing a small souvenir sheet with ten stamps similar to Mexico Sc 981-85 and C328-31; lithography.

247B. 10r multicolored (brazier and flame, emblem of 19th Olympic Games, and basketball scrimmage--similar to Mexico Sc 982)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi --- ; Yt ---

1969, February 17. Umm Al Qiwayn. 20th Olympic Games, Munich. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; Nos. 222 and 223 overprinted "XX Olympiad/Munich, Germany/26 Aug.-10 Sept. 1972"; photogravure.

Olympic rings and emblem of 19th Olympic Games, plus
255A. 50d multicolored (player beginning baseball pass, opponent in background)

255B. 3r multicolored (same as No. 255A)

Sc --- ; Min 257, 261; Gi --- ; Mi --- ; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 (Min), 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Mi); lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255A. 1dh multicolored (running--Jim Hines, U.S.A.)

a. Imperforate

255B. 2dh multicolored (bicycling--Pierre Trentin, France)

a. Imperforate

255C. 10r multicolored (riding--Josef Nickerman, Germany)

a. Imperforate

255D. 10dh multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

a. Imperforate

255E. 5r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

a. Imperforate

255F. 10r multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

a. Imperforate

Sc --- ; Min 374-79; Gi --- ; Mi 448-53; Yt 91a-c and A43a-c

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255A; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255G. 1dh multicolored (running--Jim Hines, U.S.A.)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 448 in Bl 126A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255A; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255H. 1dh multicolored (running--Jim Hines, U.S.A.)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 448 in Bl 126B; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing

one of No. 255B; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255I. 2dh multicolored (bicycling--Pierre Trentin, France)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 449 in Bl 127A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255B; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255J. 2dh multicolored (bicycling--Pierre Trentin, France)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 449 in Bl 127B; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255C; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255K. 1Or multicolored (riding--Josef Nickerman, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 450 in Bl 128A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255C; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255L. 1Or multicolored (riding--Josef Nickerman, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 450 in Bl 128B; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255D; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255M. 1OdH multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 451 in Bl 129A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255D; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255N. 1OdH multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 451 in Bl 129B; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13 $\frac{1}{2}$; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255E; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255O. 5r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 452 in Bl 130A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255E; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255P. 4r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Min 452 in Bl 130B; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; P 13½; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255F; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255Q. 10r multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 453 in Bl 131A; Yt ---

1969, March 1. Ajman. Gold medal winners in 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet (88 x 105 mm.) containing one of No. 255F; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255R. 10r multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 453 in Bl 131B; Yt ---

1969, April. Guatemala. 19th Olympic Games, Mexico City, Oct. 12-27, 1968. Unwmkd; P 11½; Nos. 239-43 overprinted "Aereo"; lithography and recess printed by State Printing Office, Guatemala City.

Olympic rings, plus

260A. 1¢ gray-black/yellowish green/vermillion (quetzel and Mexican sculpture)(R)

260B. 5¢ chrome yellow/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 250A)(B)

260C. 8¢ pale orange/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 260A)(B)

260D. 15¢ pale blue/yellowish green/vermillion (same as Nos. 260A)(B)

260E. 30¢ pale blue-violet/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 260A)(Gold)

Sc C434-38; Min 882-86; Gi 824-28; Mi 862-66; Yt A432-36

Notes: (a) For basketball results of 19th Olympic Games, see Note 208a above.

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; P 13½; Nos. 255D-55F overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/26. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus
255S. 10dh multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

a. Imperforate

255T. 5r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

a. Imperforate

255U. 10r multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

a. Imperforate

Sc --- ; Min --- ; Gi --- ; Mi 463-65; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; P 13½; souvenir sheet No. 255M (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/26. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblem of sports, plus 255V. 10dh multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 463 in Bl 145A; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet No. 255N (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/26. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus 255W. 10dh multicolored (riding--Rimer Klinke, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 463 in Bl 145B; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; P 13½; souvenir sheet No. 255O (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/26. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus 255X. 5r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 464 in Bl 146A; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet No. 255P (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/26. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus 255Y. 5r multicolored (diving--Klaus di Biasi, Italy)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 464 in Bl 146B; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; P 13½; souvenir sheet No. 255Q (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/25. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus 255Z. 10r multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 465 in Bl 147A; Yt ---

1969, August 10. Ajman. 20th Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. Unwmkd; imperforate; souvenir sheet No. 255R (88 x 105 mm.) overprinted "Munich-Germany/XX Olympiad/25. Aug. bis 10. Sept. 1972"; lithography.

Olympic rings, flag of country, and emblems of sports, plus 255AA. 10r Multicolored (riding--Lesselott Lensinhoff, Germany)

Sc --- ; Min --- ; G1 --- ; M1 465 in Bl 147B; Yt ---

1970, March. Guatemala. Year of International Labor Organization. Unwmkd; P 11½ (Min and Mi), 13½ (8¢--Sc), 12½ (15¢--Sc); Nos. 241 and 242 overprinted "Cineventenario OIT"; lithography and recess

printed by State Printing Office, Guatemala City.

Olympic rings, plus

275A. 8¢ pale orange/yellowish green/vermillion (quetzel and Mexican sculpture)(B)

275B. 8¢ pale orange/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 275A)(R)

275C. 15¢ pale blue/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 275A)(B)

275D. 15¢ pale blue/yellowish green/vermillion (same as No. 275A)(R)

Sc 407-10; Min 905-08; G1 843-44; M1 883, 882, 885, and 884; Yt 415-18

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President's Message - continued from page 11

The highlights of the trip to me, the pleasure of traveling and working with Col. Jim De Voss and his wife Dorothy, being asked to represent the U.S., and escort the wife of the U.S. Ambassador to Brazil Mrs. Suzanne Rountree, through the show, and the success Mrs. Phyllis Geldert, the Canadian Commissioner, and I had in finding a Japanese bartender who taught us to make the Brazilian drink "cachacha". All SPI members can get one at my house, except Helen Long, she only lives a mile away. Come on out and see us sometime.



FIAF Thematic Commission members:

Front row, left to right: Dr. V. Staziukynas (Colombia), Barb (USA), Emilio Obregon (Mexico), Back row: Dr. Carlos N. da Costa (Brazil), Pablo Gonzalez-Maya (Paraguay), Vicente A. di Gaudio (Argentina), Julio A. Castelnuovo (Uruguay), Tomas Dandreamatteo (Venezuela).

A BASEBALL CANCEL

Joe Lacko

Baseball is a sport that is not only being played in the U.S.A., where it has originated, but it is being played in Central and South America and in the Far East, in the Philippines and Japan.

Philatelically, baseball has been commemorated by issuance of stamps and on occasions special cancellations were used.

Going through my sport collection of special sport cancellations, I came across several post cards, which showed baseball action, pennants and the important, special cancellations. The illustrated cancel caught my eye and it fascinated me with its simplicity in conveying the baseball to the eye. It shows a baseball glove, with a baseball in it. I wondered when and where this was used, but not knowing the Japanese language this was not easy. Through my good Japanese friend, I was able to get some information which I am passing on to other collectors who might have this cancel and need such informations. There are four cards in a jacket. The cards show various baseball scenes, each having a ordinary stamp cancelled with the illustrated cancel. The cancel translates: National Middle School Baseball Championship Tournament, Aug. 13, 1939, Nishinomiya.



One of the cards illustrates the pennant, actually a flag on a staff, which shows a wing-spread eagle under which is the only western lettering in Latin 'VICTORIBUS PALMAE'; the other Japanese characters indicate the sponsor or donor of the flag, The Osaka Asahi Shinbunsha, and the name of the champion school of the previous year, the Heian Middle School, Kyoto.

The cards were the product of the Asahi Newspaper Co., and the championships were held in the Koshien Stadium, as indicated on the jacket containing the post cards. On the reverse side of the jacket, there was a song composed by Tomioka Saika, the poet and composer.

It appears that this above championship in baseball truly was a great event in that city of Nishinomiya, that cards, songs and even special cancellations were used in the honor of the middle school baseball tournament.

I wonder if some of our members, who perhaps collect baseball or Japanese sports know more about this or if there are any older cancels dealing with baseball in Japan, or perhaps anywhere else?

Very valuable mint, extensive collection of Olympic Games to 1964-many S/S and imperforates. Early sets include Germany B79-89, B90-91, Lebanon 18-21, Syria 133-36, Luxembourg 280-85, Uruguay 282-84, Peru C78-81, Yeman 99-102 imperf. + S/S, Netherlands B25-32 etc...1971 Catalogue \$2530, worth more now. Plus 4 Lindner hingless albums with Olympic pages and dust covers. First check for 22% of catalogue value plus \$8.00 postage takes it all. Ever hear of such a deal at 22%!

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MILLE MIGLIA - THE THOUSAND MILES OF ITALY

by John La Porta

The Mille Miglia, the thousand miles through Italy came into being in 1929 and was run on a figure eight shaped circuit, beginning in Brescia, near the Alpine foothills. From there it continued through the Po River valley to Bologna and across the rugged northern Apennines to Florence and Rome, and then back north through the difficult section of the highest Apennine passes, across the top of Italy to the Adriatic Port City of Ancona, along the Adriatic coast near Venice and back to the starting point of Brescia.

On April 24, 1953, Italy issued a 25 lira stamp (Scott 622) to mark the 20th thousand mile motor race (there was no grand racing in Europe during World War II). This stamp was also overprinted "AMG-FTT" (Scott 160) for use in Zone A of Trieste.

Almost 500 roaring racing cars took to the road starting at 9 PM on April 26, 1953, running a course from Brescia via Verona, Padua, Ravenna, Rimini, Pesaro, Terni, to Rome, and via Leghorn, Florence, Bologna, Parma, Alessandria, Turin, Milan and back to the starting point, Brescia and for this race a few more mountain stretches and villages with narrow, crooked cobbled streets were thrown in to make the race more interesting.

Nearly a million people watched the Jaguars, Nash-Healey, Austin-Healey and Aston-Martin from England to bid for honors. Italy had the indomitable Ferraris, 3.6 liter "Disco Volante", Alfa Romeos, 2.9 liter Lancias, 2-liter Maseratis and many smaller models. Many factories and sportsmen entered cars including Ali, the Aga Khan's son who had an Alfa Romeo. John Fitch of the USA was driving a Nash-Healey and Sterling Moss with a Jaguar.

Kling-Klenk, the German team driving a Disco Volante were the first in Rome, one minute ahead of Juan Manuel Fangio with his Disco Volante. Two Ferraris were behind the Alfa Romeos and a Lancia was fifth. Kling-Klenk crashed on the difficult Rome-Florence road leaving Fangio in the lead. Exhaustion and weariness let the Marzotto-Crosara's Ferrari take the lead and he finished second, close behind the Volante while a speed mark of 88.45 mph was set for the race. A Lancia driven by Bonetto of Italy was third and another Ferrari was fourth.

Winners in the sports-car class were Asco and Maserati. In the touring car group, Renault won the up to .75-liter class, Fiat up to 1.3-liter, Alfa Romeo the up to 2-liter and the 5-liter Chrysler did the best in the over 2-liter class.

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Statistical Synopsis of the 11th Olympic Winter Games

Athletes			Nation	Medals			Total Medals	Diplomas			Actual Medals			Total
Men	Women	Total		G	S	B		4th	5th	6th	G	S	B	
60	24	84	U.S.S.R.	8	5	3	16	4	4	7	36	6	3	45
73	18	91	Germany (East)	4	3	7	14	1	3	3	5	3	12	20
57	6	63	Switzerland	4	3	3	10	2	0	2	7	3	7	17
7	6	13	Netherlands	4	3	2	9	3	1	2	4	3	2	9
91	27	118	United States	3	2	3	8	4	1	2	3	21	3	27
29	13	42	Germany (West)	3	1	1	5	3	9	4	4	2	4	10
64	11	75	Norway	2	5	5	12	5	2	2	2	8	7	17
52	3	55	Italy	2	2	1	5	1	0	1	3	5	1	9
38	11	49	Austria	1	2	2	5	0	1	1	1	2	2	5
55	9	64	Sweden	1	1	2	4	4	1	2	1	1	2	4
70	20	90	Japan	1	1	1	3	1	2	0	1	1	1	3
40	4	44	Czechoslovakia	1	0	2	3	0	1	2	1	0	21	22
43	8	51	Poland	1	0	0	1	0	1	4	1	0	0	1
2	1	3	Spain	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
35	8	43	France	0	1	2	3	2	2	1	0	1	2	3
45	8	53	Finland	0	4	1	5	3	5	2	0	9	1	10
34	20	54	Canada	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
14	0	14	Rumania	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
			Total	36	34	35	105	35	35	35	70	66	68	204

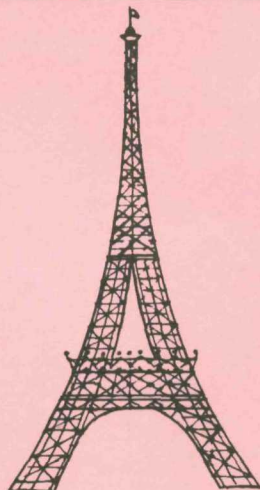
Others, Alphabetically (Men-Women-Total Athletes): Argentina 2-0-2; Australia 4-0-4; Belgium 1-0-1; Bulgaria 5-0-5; Nationalist China 9-1-10; North Korea 0-7-7; Great Britain 34-7-41; Greece 3-0-3; Iran 4-0-4; South Korea 1-4-5; Lebanon 2-0-2; Liechtenstein 3-1-4; Mongolia 4-0-4; New Zealand 2-0-2; Philippines 2-0-2; Yugoslavia 27-0-27. Total 912 Men Athletes, 218 Women Athletes, 1,130 Total Athletes entered in the 11th Olympic Winter Games.
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