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Rear cover: 2004 Indigenous Art Mini-sheets.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

#### The Club Solicits Your Votes and Your Bids

I would like to direct your attention to the back page of the mailer of this issue. There you will find side-by-side the ballot for the 2004 Election of Officers and Board Members of United Nations Philatelists (UNP).

At stake are the offices of Club President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer plus four seats on the Board of Directors. All members are urged to send in a vote of confidence in the UNP and its philatelic activities by choosing from the list of candidates on the ballot. The winners will be serving from July 1, 2004 until June 30, 2006.

Note that each voter has the right to cast at most four votes for members of the Board of Directors. These four votes may be cast for four different candidates or may be split among fewer than four candidates. If a particular candidate strikes your fancy, you may decide to give him all four of your votes. Please do not cast more than four votes for members of the Board of Directors.

Please mail your votes to the Chairman of the Elections Committee Jack Mayer to arrive by May 5, 2004 so that the results can be announced in the June issue of the *Journal*.

At the bottom of the ballot I have added a few lines for messages. You are encouraged to suggest topics for future articles in the *Journal* or for UNP Monographs. Or you might critique past articles, which you found interesting or dull. Or you might nominate Stamp Exhibitions to serve as venues for future UNP meetings.

Remember that a vibrant club needs input from its members. Please fill out your ballot and send it in as soon as you read this message.

Next to the ballot you will find a bidsheet for the first club auction of the year: UNP Auction 2004A. The list of lots can be found on the last four pages of this issue. Among the 146 lots you should be able to find a few likely candidates to fill some holes in your collection. You have until May 31, 2004 to make your selections and to send in your offers.

A second major auction will appear in the October issue. In the June issue of the *Journal*, UNP auction chairman will spell out the ground rules for submitting lots for the October auction.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

## Chicagopex 2004

I received an e-mail Ben Ramkissoon of the Chicagopex 2004 organizing committee regarding UNP participation next November. Here is the tentative schedule for our meetings. The UNP Board Meeting will take place in the Lake Huron Room of the Sheraton Chicago Northwest Hotel, located at 3400 West Euclid Avenue in Arlington Heights, Illinois, from 10 AM to 12 noon on Saturday November 20th. The Annual Membership Meeting will be held that same afternoon from 1 PM to 3 PM in the same room.

Please start thinking about getting an exhibit together or blowing the dust off of one you have on the shelves for this World Series of Philately show. Enthusiasm for UN philately in the Chicago area is second to none. It should be a great event for us all.

(Ed. Note: Please start thinking too about bringing transparencies of your favorite UNP treasures for the show-and-tell session during the Annual Meeting. I would appreciate receiving a title of your presentation at Chicagopex so that I can prepare a program.)

## THE 2004 UNITED NATIONS ENDANGERED SPECIES SERIES

By Richard Powers

On January 29th of this year the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) issued its twelfth set of twelve stamps depicting endangered species of fauna. This stamp issue coincided with the Hong Kong Stamp Exhibition. The purpose of these stamps is to publicize the work of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), which was signed in Washington, D.C. on March 3, 1971. As of 1998 the convention had a membership of 139 nations. The Government of Switzerland serves as the depository of the Convention.

The aim of the Convention is to ensure that international commerce does not threaten the survival of species of wild animals and plants in recognition of the fact that unrestricted exploitation is the second major threat to the survival of some species, the first being the destruction of their habitat. For this purpose, species of wild animals and plants are listed in three appendices to the Convention. Appendix I concerns species where international trade is prohibited except under exceptional circumstances. Appendix II handles species where trade is controlled. Appendix III lists species where international trade is restricted from certain countries.

The 2004 Endangered Species



Ursus Americanus: The American black bear occurs all over North America from Mexico to Canada. It is typically found in densely forested mountainous terrain. The fur of the black bear is normally uniformly black but has a pale muzzle and sometimes a white chest spot. This Appendix II species continues to face threats regionally due to habitat destruction and illegal hunting.



Moschus spp.: Musk deer dwell throughout the forested, mountainous parts of Asia and parts of eastern Russia. They are primitive deer about the size of a medium-sized dog and are strongly territorial. Both habitat destruction and illegal hunting and trade for the scent gland of the male threaten this species, which is classified in Appendix II except in Afghanistan, Bhutan, India, Nepal and Pakistan, where it is in Appendix I.



Pygathrix Roxellana: The golden snubnosed monkey occurs in the high mountains of western China, where it lives in mixed conifer and deciduous forests. It has a dark brown back and tail with slightly longer, whitish-orange hairs on the shoulders and the tip of the tail. The chest, underparts and the inside of the legs are whitish to bright orange. This species is listed in Appendix II.

Bos mutus: The wild yak is a large, woolly bovine with a long, massive body and a bump in the shoulders. It lives in the treeless and shrubless desert plains of northern Tibet. Its



coat forms a good protection against the cold. Population estimates are unavailable but it probably numbers in the low hundreds because of uncontrolled hunting. Tibetans use the tail of this Appendix 1 species as a giant fly swatter.



Ursus Tibetanus: Asiatic black bears are distributed throughout much of southeastern Asia. Their range is now greatly reduced and fragmented. They prefer heavily forested areas particularly in the hills and mountains and tropical forests below alpine elevations. They have a stocky, black body with relatively short-haired uniformly black fur. This Appendix I species is threatened mostly by deforestation, habit destruction and human encroachment on their territory.



Hippocamelus Antisensis: Northern Andean deer are confined to alpine meadows, slopes and rugged hills along the tree line of the mountains of the northern Andes. They are a bit less than three feet high at the shoulders and weigh about one hundred pounds. The coat consists of coarse, bristle hairs, each with a white base. Threats to this Appendix I species include competition with domestic livestock for pasture, habitat destruction, predation by domestic dogs and illegal hunting.



Macaca silenus: The lion-tailed macaque lives in the evergreen broadleaf forest in the hilly country of the Western Ghats in India. This species has a brownish-gray mane around its whole face. It has a black body and a black tail with a tuft of hair at the end. These diurnal animals live exclusively in trees. In 1977 this species has been included in Appendix II as have all other primates.



Bos gaurus: The wild gaur is probably the largest and most impressive of the currently existing wild cattle. On its shoulders it has a striking muscular ridge that slopes down in the middle of the back. It can still be found in India, Nepal, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Yunnan in China and the Malay peninsula. The main threats to this Appendix I species are civilization and diseases transmitted by local cattle.

Melursus ursinus: The sloth bear has a distinctively long shaggy coat with particularly



long hairs around the neck and on the back of the neck. It is typically black and has a broad, white chest blaze. It is found in India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and Sri Lanka. The population of this Appendix I species is highly fragmented and under continuous pressure because of habitat conversions to agriculture and forest destruction.



Cervus Eldi: This long-legged, long bodied, medium-sized deer is found in Myanmar, Thailand and Cambodia and in border areas of Laos and Viet Nam. In summer, the stags are fawnish red with pale brown underparts with quite noticeable antlers. In winter the color is dark brown with more whitish underparts. All three subspecies of this Appendix I deer are rare because of poaching and survive only in protected areas.

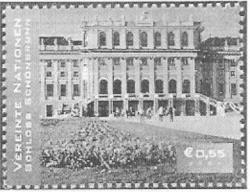


Cercocebus Torquatus: The cherrycrowned mangabey is found in swamp and mangrove forest or in dry forests close to water from Nigeria to Angola. Its back is dark brown to black with a white tip at the end of a dark tail. The top of the head has a reddish cap. The white eyelids of this Appendix II species are an important device in social interaction. The body is two-feet long with a tail up to 30 inches long.



Bubalus Arnee: Water buffalo are large animals with a shoulder height of six feet and a weight up to one ton. Its large, sickle-shaped horns are bent backwards. The hooves spread easily, which facilitate walking in the swampy areas in which they live. This Appendix III species exists in small herds found in India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Borneo and Mindanao.

## NEW VIENNA DEFINITIVE



On January 29th the UNPA also released a new definitive stamp for use at UN headquarters in Vienna. The € 0,55 stamp corresponds to the first class mail rate for both Austria and members of the CEPT. It bears a photograph of the Schloss Schönbrunn in Vienna, which previously appeared in 1998 on UNNY Scott #741-2, Geneva #329-30 and Vienna #246-7.

## INDIGENOUS ART - 2004

## By Richard Powers

On March 4th the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) continued its series of stamps based on the theme *Indigenous Art*. This year the designs highlight artifacts from Europe. The stamps were issued in the form of three mini-sheets of six differently designed stamps, one each for the UNPA offices at New York, Geneva and Vienna.

This series was inspired by an art exhibition entitled *Voices*, which was organized in conjunction with the first Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in collaboration with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the United Nations Department of Public Information, representatives from the Indigenous Working Group and a team of designers and artisans. The exhibition took place at United Nations Headquarters in New York in May 2002.

The three complete mini-sheets appear on the back cover of this issue of the *Journal*.

The New York mini-sheet has the following six designs (from left to right and top to bottom) each with a 37¢ denomination:

- a) Viking wood carving based on the Saga of Sigurd Favneshane taken from a 12th century stave church in Norway.
- b) Ancient sculptured stele from the Italian region of Lunigiana.
- c) Detail of a silk and cotton matador suit with silver and gold threads from Spain.
- d) Ancient Greek amphora with black figures.
- e) Bronze figurine of a bull with iron inlays from the cave at Byci Skala, Czech Republic dating from the 7th-6th century B.C.
- f) Detail of a lacquer box illustrating Alexander Pushkin's tale *On the Sea-shore* painted by D. Butorin in 1956.

The Geneva mini-sheet has the following designs (from left to right and top to bottom) each with a F.s. 1,00 denomination:

- a) Cow ornaments used when transferring herds between summer and winter pasture in the Alps and made in Valais, Switzerland.
- b) Seated woman made of terra cotta from Cirna Woda, Romania at the end of the 4th millennium B.C.
- c) Plaques used to churn butter and to stamp the blocks of butter with the owner's insignia from the Rhodanien Alps in France.
- d) Detail of a herald's silk tabard made in the United Kingdom about 1710.
- e) Woodcut print of the medieval town of Cologne created by Michael Wohlgemuth in 1493.
- f) Vinca culture terra cotta mother and child from Drenovac, Serbia and Montenegro from the late Mesolithic Age (5000 - 4000 B.C.)

The Vienna mini-sheet has the following six designs (from left to right and top to bottom) each with a € 0,55 denomination:

- a) Decorative text to St. Matthew Chapter 1, verse 18 from the book of Kells, circa 700.
- b) Ukrainian-style decorated eggs.
- c) Oolitic limestone statue Venus of Willendorf made in the Paleolithic Age circa 24,000-22,000 B.C. in Austria.
- d) Icelandic Flatatunga panel.
- e) Tisza culture sitting male idol entitled *God with the Sickle* with a triangular mask over the upturned face from Szegvar-Tuzcoves, Hungary dating from 6500-3000 B.C.
- f) Portuguese medical treatise bearing an ornate initial with peasant carrying leeks dating from 1356.

## INTERNATIONAL PEACE BUREAU

By Harry Futoran and Richard Powers

It has been nearly twenty years since one of us (RP) wrote the *Journal* (October 1984, page 20) asking for more information concerning the Bureau international de la Paix (International Peace Bureau - IPB) in Bern, Switzerland. He had come across a post card from residents in Switzerland sent in 1916 during World War I via the above-mentioned office to a relative at a private address in London. The office seems to have been serving as a clearinghouse for such messages between family members separated by war and unable to communicate directly because of mail restrictions during the war.

The Journal answer was that the IPB had existed since at least 1911 and was probably related to the non-governmental organization that exists today. Although one of us (RP) frequently comes across similar World War I covers from the IPB in Switzerland, he did not receive an answer to his original question until May of this year when he received a note from the other (HF), Inspired by a IPB cover (Figure 1) that Harry had recently come across, he proceeded to search the Internet and came up with the following website: www.ipb.org/web/index.php. We would like to share with you some of the information that can be found there.



Figure 1: 1916 cover from the IPB (Internationales Friedensbüro) in Bern, Switzerland.

## The dynamic early years of the IPB

The IPB was founded in 1891-2, as a result of consultations at the Universal Peace Congresses, large gatherings held annually to bring together the national peace societies that had gradually developed in Europe and North America, after the Napoleonic Wars. The representatives of the Peace Societies felt that the movement needed a permanent office to coordinate the activities of the national associations and to organize the Universal Peace Congresses. Thus was born the Permanent International Peace Bureau, as it was initially known. The word permanent was later dropped. The seat of the new organization was Bern, the capital of neutral Switzerland. Figure 2 shows a portion of the first page of the bi-monthly Correspondence of the Permanent IPB dated November 10, 1909, which was mailed stamped and addressed without a mailing wrapper. postmarked November 13, 1909. It includes a discussion of a proposition accepted by the General Assembly a month earlier concerning an affair in the Belgian Congo.



Figure 2: Portion of the front page of *Cor*respondance bi-mensuelle of the Permanent International Peace Bureau from 1909.

The first President of the IPB was the Dane Fredrik Bajer (pictured on the Norwegian stamps Scott # 521-2) and its first Secretary-General the Swiss Elie Ducommun, who was later succeeded by another Swiss Albert Gobat. Each of the three of them won a Nobel Peace Prize.

Another Nobel Peace Prize laureate (1905) was the colorful Austrian countess Bertha von Suttner (featured on the Austrian stamp Scott #747), who was a friend of Alfred Nobel (honored on the United States stamp Scott #3504) and encouraged him to establish the Peace Prize. She was the author of the celebrated book (and film) Lay Down your Arms! She also served as vice-president of the International Peace Bureau and founded in 1891 the Austrian Union of the Friends of Peace.

It should be noted that at least thirteen of IPB's officers individually have received the Nobel Peace Prize as well as the Bureau itself in 1910.

During these early years the IPB was essentially the only international peace effort. It took positions not only in favor of disarmament, but also on the various international conflicts of the day. Its basic ideological approach has been described as bourgeois pacifism, i.e. a heavy emphasis on the development of international law, disarmament and the peaceful settlement of conflicts. Von Suttner and others entered into dialogue with Czar Nicholas II (pictured on the Russian stamps Scott #92, 93, 104), urging him to establish the International Peace Conference, an idea that eventually came to fruition at the Hague in 1899 and 1907. Figure 3 shows a cover from the 1907 Second Peace Conference in the Hague bearing a conference cancel dated August 28, 1907.

The IPB was active in promoting the idea of the establishment of a League of Nations and an International Court, although some individuals had doubts about the kind

of peace that would result from what were basically inter-state institutions.

## The period of decline and rebirth

The IPB was of course unable to prevent the outbreak of World War I, and, in due



Figure 3: Conference cover from the Second Peace Conference in the Hague in 1907.

course, World War II. During both of these conflicts the peace movement was largely inactive (with certain notable exceptions such as the women's gathering in 1915 that led to the creation of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom). Many peace activists were either swept up in war fever, joined armed forces, or were limited to providing aid to refugees and wounded combatants. Many IPB members, shared the enthusiasm surrounding the birth of the League of Nations and it was logical that the Bureau should move its office to Geneva in 1924 to be close to the international institutions there.

In the inter-war period the IPB struggled to get its voice heard but was gradually drowned out in the rising tide of nationalism. Secretary-General since 1911, Henri Golay was able to keep the Bureau functioning until the outbreak of war in 1939. His death in 1950 marked the end of the old IPB,

as a new one was in the process of being born. After many organizational complications, the International Liaison Committee of Organizations of Peace (ILCOP), which had inherited the assets of the old IPB, was renamed the International Peace Bureau in 1964 and ILCOP became a small private foundation. The IPB opened a new office at its present location in Geneva and began to rebuild a new membership. The address is as follows:

International Peache Bureau
41 Rue de Zurich
CH-1201 Geneva Switzerland
e-mail: mailbox@ipb.org

## Growth and change: the modern era

Since the 1960s the primary concerns of the International Peace Bureau have largely reflected those of the movement as a whole in Western countries. These include the struggle against the Vietnam war, the right of conscientious objection, the United Nations Special Sessions on Disarmament, the Freeze and Euromissile campaigns and the European Nuclear Disarmament movement, foreign military bases, the illegality (and abolition) of nuclear weapons (World Court Project, Abolition 1999, etc.), the Cold War, the arms trade, militarism and the environment, the Non-Proliferation Treaty, women for peace, and the prevention and resolution of conflicts.

IPB's membership remained low in the 60s and 70s, but rose sharply after the merger with the International Confederation for Disarmament and Peace in 1984. There are now 170 member organizations.

The first President of the new International Peace Bureau was Ernst Wolf (1963-1974), who was the mastermind behind the merger and the establishment of the ILCOP foundation. He was succeeded by Sean MacBride, who continued until 1985, giving way to Bruce Kent of British CND and Maj-Britt Thorin, former Swedish Ambassador for Disarmament. Currently the President is the American Cora Weiss.

Various individuals have held the post of Secretary-General, among them Ulrich Herz beginning in 1967 and Rainer Santi (1986-1990) both of Sweden. The current post holder is Colin Archer from the United Kingdom. Others who have devoted many years of work to the Secretariat include Arthur Booth (chairman 1968-80) and a long list of volunteers.

One of the IPB's greatest recent highlights was the centenary year 1991-2, when various commemorative events were held including a reception and evening of speeches in Bern, a centenary exhibition organized at the Palais des Nations by the League of Nations Archival Service, the presentation to the United Nations of the Lawyers' Appeal against Nuclear Weapons published in 1987 by Sean MacBride, the international launch in Geneva of the World Court Project and a multi-site conference held in Helsinki (Finland), Stockholm (Sweden) and Tallinn (Estonia).

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## WMO MEETING IN BOTSWANA - 1994

By B. Clement, Jr.

The Eleventh Session of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Regional Association for Africa was held in Gaborone, Botswana November 14-25, 1994. The Botswana post office issued a special postal card for the event. Shown in Figure 1

is a map showing the Botswana Synoptic Station Network. Figure 2 shows the address side with a November 22nd postmark from Gaborone and a special heptagonal conference cachet canceling the stamp image, which commemorates the conference.

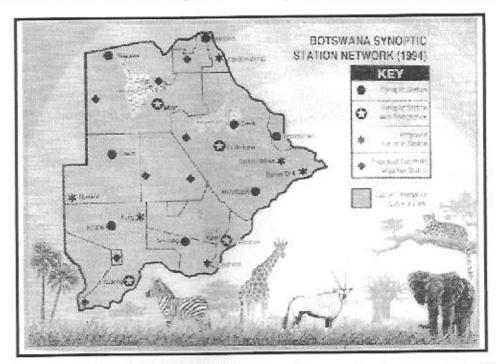


Figure 1: Picture side of card with map of Botswana with present and proposed weather stations.



Figure 2: Address side of card with regular Gaborone postmark and violet conference cachet.

## ILO MAIL DURING WORLD WAR II

By Richard Powers

World War II played havoc with the operations of the League of Nations (LoN) and the International Labor Organization (ILO), both of which had their headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, which became an island in a sea of Axis-controlled neighboring nations (Germany, Austria, France and Italy). To maintain its operations with the Allied Nations and other neutral nations, the League moved much of its personnel to London, Washington and Princeton. The ILO moved its headquarters to Montreal.

According to UNOP Handbuch 77 (Die OIT-Studie by H. Witzig and C. Jahn) before World War II the ILO employed four hundred personnel at its headquarters in Geneva. During the war dramatic budget cuts had to be made by lay-offs, obligatory retirements or reassignments to other offices. Forty functionaries moved to Montreal and managed to carry out necessary ILO work. A handful of liaison staff remained behind in Geneva and maintained contact with the interim headquarters via mail.

As the war proceeded, the Swiss post had to alter its mail routings to assure contact between the League and the ILO with its offices in Great Britain, Canada and the United States. In a series of fourteen articles, which appeared in the journal of the American Helvetia Philatelic Society (AHPS) *Tell*, which appeared beginning in March 1999, Charles LaBlonde traced the evolution of mail routes for surface and airmail.

In August 2003 an interesting ILO cover emerged on E-bay, which demonstrates quite nicely the effects of the war on ILO correspondence. Figure I shows the front side of a letter sent on June 29, 1942 from Geneva to the ILO at its offices in McGill University in Montreal. The cover bears two ILO service stamps (both issued March 2, 1942) and one normal Swiss stamp: Scott #3O60 (10 centimes) and #3O26a (1 franc) and #278 (2 francs).

It was against Swiss postal regulations to apply mixed franking of normal Swiss stamps with those reserved for use by International Organizations such as the League and the ILO. The ILO was not allowed to sell its stamps in mint condition until February 1, 1944. Hence the only people with access to ILO stamps were specially authorized employees.

A look at the reverse side of the cover (Figure 2) confirms the official nature of the



Figure 2: Corner card on the reverse side of the cover in Figure 1.

correspondence. The rubber stamped return address reads as follows:

Jacques Secretan
Docteur en Droit
Conseiller Juridique du
Bureau International du Travail.

Apparently Dr. Secretan had a doctorate in jurisprudence and served as legal counsel for the ILO (presumably not as an employee but on a retainer basis). The address (4 Rue Le Fort) appears to be a private address. It certainly is not that of the ILO headquarters, which was at 154 Rue de Lausanne.

The weight of the letter appears to have been 18 grams. According to LaBlonde (*Tell*, January 2001 issue, page 10) the surface rate for mail overseas at that time was 30 centimes for letters weighing no more than 20 grams. Airmail letters were surcharged 70 centimes per 5 grams. Thus an airmail letter weighing no



Figure 1: 1942 ILO Geneva cover to the ILO Montreal with mixed franking.



Figure 4: 1945 cover from ILO London to J. Secretan.

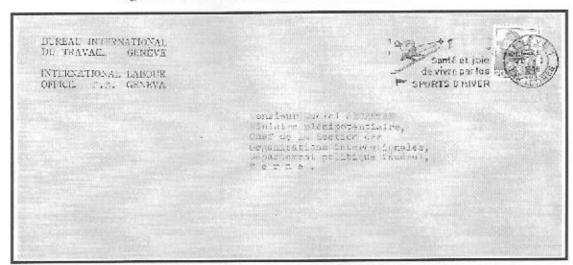


Figure 6: 1948 ILO cover from J. S. to Daniel Secretan.

grams. Thus an airmail letter weighing no more than 20 grams would cost 3.10 francs, which is exactly the postage on the cover. The fact that there is mixed franking on the cover could be an indication of a lack of high-valued stamps at the ILO or that when the letter was mailed none were conveniently available.

The cover displays evidence of having been subject to Allied censorship, probably in Canada. According to LaBlonde, in early 1942 airmail destined for the USA, Canada and Great Britain traveled across unoccupied France to Barcelona to keep this mail out of German hands. It then proceeded to Lisbon via Madrid either by the Italian Ala Littoria or the Spanish Iberia Airlines. From Lisbon British Overseas Air Corporation (BOAC) carried the mail to Great Britain four to six times weekly and Pan American Airlines (PAA) carried the mail for Canada and the USA three times weekly to New York. During the first six months of 1942 transatlantic mail took typically one month of travel time.

About fifteen years ago in Switzerland I came across another link in the communication chain between Dr. Secretan and the ILO in Montreal. This is a cover (Figure 3) from the ILO office in Montreal to Dr. Secretan in Geneva bearing two stamps, Scott #257 (10 cents) and #260 (20 cents). It was postmarked May 11, 1942, barely a month earlier. It was not censored but does bear a Lisbon cancel on the back dated May 30th. It is possible that the cover in Figure 1 was a response to that below.



Figure 3: 1942 cover from the ILO office in Montreal to J. Secretan.

In the intervening years I have come across two other covers addressed to Dr. Secretan: one (Figure 4) from the League office in London, postmarked May 1, 1945 and one (Figure 5) from the League of Nations in Geneva, bearing Scott #2069 and postmarked June 15, 1945. The latter has an origin cachet TREASURY; the former was the location of the League Treasury during World War II. It is interesting that the cover from London was subjected to British censorship, although it was mailed barely a week before the end of the war in Europe (V. E. Day - May 8, 1945).

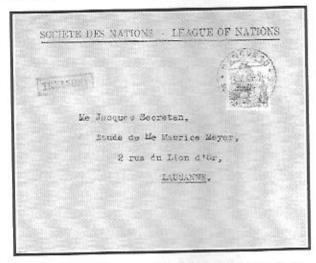


Figure 5: 1945 cover from the League of Nations Treasury to J. Secretan.

I speculate that these covers relate to the reimbursement of fees paid by the League to Dr. Secretan for his services offered as "conseiller juridique".

As a post script to this article, I would like to share with you a 1948 ILO cover (Figure 6) bearing Scott #3O61 and addressed to Monsieur Daniel Secretan, the chief of the International Organizations Section of the Swiss Federal Politics Department. It would not be too much of a "stretch" to assume that D. Secretan was a family member. Interest in foreign affairs could easily run in a family. What leads credence to this conjecture can be found in the ILO corner card. There one finds the initials J.S.(Jacques Secretan?). Could it be that Dr. Secretan became an full time ILO employee?

## A COLLATERAL ITEM FROM THE UNCIO

By Richard Powers

Some of the most expensive items in United Nations philately are service covers originating from the United Nations Conference on International Organization (UNCIO), which was held in San Francisco from April 25th through June 26, 1945. According to the Gaines Catalogue these items can be valued as highly as \$500. If one keeps one's eyes open, one can find interesting collateral conference material for much less.

About twenty years ago I came across the cover in Figure 1 sent from the Palace Hotel in San Francisco bearing the UNCIO commemorative Scott #928 postmarked on May 1, 1945. It was the stamp which attracted my attention. Remarkably inside the cover was a typed letter on hotel stationery. The envelope bears the notation Room 7034, suggesting that the occupant had a long term lease. Its destination was to a Los Angeles address.



Figure 1: Cover bearing UNCIO commemorative sent from the Palace Hotel during the conference.

According to the Report of Security Operations at the United Nations Conference on International Organization, the Palace Hotel was one of seven hotels where the Conference organizers provided security. The Palace housed the international press and press attachés of the United States State Department. (More information about this report appears in an article published in the August 2000 issue (page 8) of the Journal.) Based on the fact that the letter was typed, I speculate that the letter was not sent by a simple tourist but by a journalist. The informal tone of the note, which appears below, and the fact that the note was typed, suggest that the addressee was a personal friend and that the writer was a journalist from L.A.

The text is as follows:

Dear Pete,

Unless someone has swiped it there should be one of the new commemorative stamps on this envelope. They were bought us (sic-probably meant "out") so fast that there isn't one to be found in San Francisco and the Conference has barely started.

This one should be worth more with the San Francisco cancellation on it. Just thought you might like to have it.

Regards,

Fred

The other hotels used by the Conference for attendees include: Clift Hotel for the United Kingdom and French staff; Fairmont Hotel for Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Belgium, the Union of South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Norway, the Ukrainian SSR, the United States; Mark Hopkins Hotel for the United Kingdom, China, India, Luxembourg, Lebanon, Syria, Liberia; St. Francis Hotel for Russia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Cuba, Mexico, Paraguay, Venezuela, Peru, Turkey, Egypt, the Philippines, Iran, Haiti, Iraq, Nicaragua, France, Canada, Ethiopia, Argentina; Sir Francis Drake Hotel for Australia, El Salvador, New Zealand, Guatemala, Honduras, Uruguay, Greece, Panama, Dominican Republic, United States Delegation staff; Whitcomb Hotel for the Netherlands and part of the U.S. Secretariat. I recommend that you keep an eye out for covers from these hotels during the conference.

## THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, GENEVA - 1975

By B. Clement, Jr.

The third session of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea was held in Geneva, Switzerland March 17th through May 9, 1975. Figure 1 shows a picture post card sent by a UN staff member at the conference to a friend at the Econonomic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand. The card is franked with a UN Geneva stamp (Scott #9) and postmarked with a UN Geneva hand cancel (no stars -UNPO cancel) on April 28, 1975. I cannot be sure but it appears to be cancel "g", which is only used for conferences. The card also received a Bangkok cancel on arrival on April 30, 1975.

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The message reads as follows:

Thanks for your letter and all the news.

A group of us from New York are here for 8 weeks in connexion with the Law of the Sea Conference. The Conf. hasn't given the précis-writers much work, but I have been busy enough. Geneva is very pleasant quiet and green - after the bustle and concrete of New York. Afterwards I go on home leave.

Love, Molly O'D.

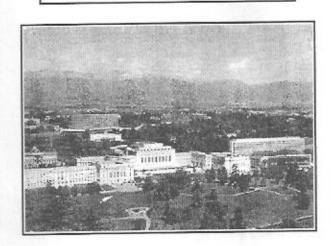


Figure 1: Post card mailed from the 1975 Law of the Sea Conference in Geneva showing an aerial view of the buildings of the UN European Headquarters, the International Labor Organization, and the World Health Organization and the International Conference Center.

# SEVENTH WORLD METEOROLOGICAL CONGRESS

Geneva - 1975

By B. Clement, Jr.

The Seventh World Meteorological Congress was held in Geneva, Switzerland April 28th through May 23, 1975. At SESCAL I found an interesting cover mailed by a congress delegate to the Deputy Director General at the Thailand Meteorological Department in Bangkok. It is actually an "Aerogramme" franked with a Swiss WMO stamp (Scott # 8013), which is canceled with the congress postmark on May 12, 1975. The cover appears in Figure 1.

The letter message appears below:

Genève 12 May 1975

Dear Prasart:

We have reached the middle of the sessions of the Congress and are making plans to return home. We plan to fly back to Bangkok again, and our plan is to try Swiss Air from Geneva direct. We are scheduled to arrive in Bangkok in Monday, the 26 May at 0910 AM and leave for Rayru(?) on the 27 May evening at 1815 PM. You need not send transportation to meet us. We plan to come and see you. I

have written to Burns about the data you need. They may be with you at any time.

7 May 1975, I learnt that a cyclone hit lower Burma. I hope it did not cause much damage.

Hope to see you. Sincerely

Tela(?)



Figure 1: 1975 cover from WMO congress in Geneva.

## AUDREY HEPBURN, UNICEF GOODWILL AMBASSADOR

By B. Clement, Jr.

The U.S.P.S. issued a stamp on June 11, 2003 in Los Angeles honoring Audrey Hepburn, movie actress and UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador. At least two special cancellations honor her connection to UNICEF.

A special stamp dedication ceremony was held in New York City on June 17th. The James Grant Plaza adjoining UNICEF House was made a U.S. Post Office for the day and named the "Audrey Hepburn UNI-CEF House Station". The special postmark used at the station is shown in Figure 1.

Another special post office was established in Lewiston, Maine on October 7th. The station was the "UNICEF/Somali Community Multicultural Affairs Bates College Station". The cancel is crudely drawn and includes references to Miss Hepburn. The cancel is shown in Figure 2.

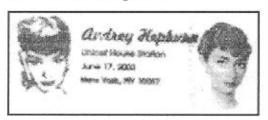


Figure 1: Special cancel from New York .



Figure 2: Special Audrey Hepburn/UNICEF cancel from Lewiston, Maine.

## THE UN-VATICAN CONNECTION

By Richard Powers

One of my cheaper fields of specialization in United Nations philately is trying to document philatelically United Nations activities in each country in the world. As far as I know, Vatican City is currently the only independent nation, which is not a member of the United Nations. But it is an Observer State. This was precisely the status of Switzerland until it became a member of the United Nations on September 11, 2002.

Recently I came across a cover from the Permanent Mission of the Holy See (Vatican City) to the International Organizations in Vienna to the Executive Director of the UN International Drug Control Program in Vienna. This address side of this cover appears in Figure 1. The cover bears a UNCTAD (UN Conference on Trade and Development) Vienna stamp (Scott #176) postmarked July 21, 1995. The corner card on the reverse side appears in Figure 2. Presumably there are similar missions in New York and in Geneva.

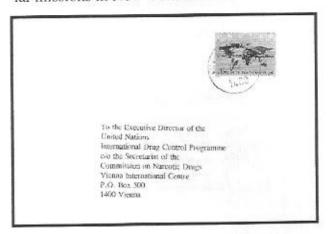


Figure 1: Front side of cover from the Permanent Mission of the Holy See to the International Organizations in Vienna.

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE HOLY SEE TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA THERESIANUMGASSE 31 A-1040 WIEN

Figure 2: Corner card on the reverse side of the cover in Figure 1.

There are several philatelic items relating to the Pope attending UN events. On August 31, 1965 Pope Paul VI gave an audience to the delegates of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism in Rome. Figure 3 shows a philatelic cover bearing one of the two Italian commemoratives honoring the meeting (Scott #878) canceled on the day of issue August 21st and a Vatican commemorative (Scott #345) canceled on the day of the audience July 31st.



Figure 3: 1965 cover commemorating the Audience by Pope Paul VI to delegates at the UN Conference on International Travel and Tourism in Rome.

Four years later on June 10, 1969 Pope Paul visited the International Labor Conference in Geneva. On this occasion the Swiss PTT overprinted its ILO 30-centime service stamp (Scott #3098) with the legend

Visite de Pape Paul VI Genève 10 juin 1969 (Visit of Pope Paul VI, Geneva, June 10, 1969).

Figure 4 shows an official registered PTT first day cover of the overprinted stamp (Scott #3O101). On the same occasion the Swiss PTT prepared a special cancel commemorating the meeting of the Pope with Emperor Haile Selasie of Ethiopia. This souvenir appears in Figure 5.



Figure 4: FDC of the ILO commemorative honoring the visit of Pope Paul VI during the 1969 International Labor Conference.

One might wonder if service (non-philatelic) covers of the UN or its specialized agencies could exist bearing the Vatican City stamps. Today's boundaries of Vatican City encircling 109 acres, which lie entirely within the city of Rome, were agreed upon by a Treaty between the Vatican and Benito Mussolini in 1929. I have come across one example of a "service" cover, which is a bit of a cheat. The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has its headquarters in Rome, the city



Figure 5: PTT sheetlet bearing a special souvenir cancel of the Swiss PTT honoring the meeting of Pope Paul VI with Emperor Haile Selasic of Ethiopia in Geneva during the 1969 International Labor Conference in Geneva

in which the Vatican sits. I have come across a couple of covers sent by one of the FAO permanent employees - apparently an American - who maintained correspondence back home in Pasadena, California. Figure 6 shows one of these covers, which was mailed in Vatican City. The 1961 cover bears Vatican City stamps, from left to right, Scott #301, 307 and 300. Do any of you have any other candidates of UN service covers from the Holy See?



Figure 6: 1961 FAO cover containing a letter from a permanent employee who mailed it in Vatican City back home to Pasadena, California.

## 1988 ITU CONFERENCES IN

## AUSTRALIA

By B. Clement, Jr.

Two important conferences of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) were held in Melbourne, Australia in 1988. The first was the 9th Plenary Assembly of the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT), held November 14th through the 25th. The other was the World Administrative Telephone and Telegraph Conference (WARRC) held November 28th through December 9th.

The ITU was invited to hold these conferences in Australia as part of the Australian bicentennial celebration. The stamped envelope shown in Figure 1 has an indicia honoring the bicentennial. The envelope has a special cachet honoring both conferences. The cachet includes the logo for the bicentennial (also included in the indicia design.) The envelope is postmarked by the Philatelic Sales Counter in Melbourne on the first day of the conference.



Figure 1: Australian cover commemorating 1988 ITU conferences in Melbourne.

It is not known if there were special cancels used at these conferences. If anyone knows of such cancels, or of official conference envelopes with corner cards, that information would be most welcome.

## 1995 UNPA CONFERENCE IN

## ARGENTINA?

By B. Clement, Jr.

As a specialist in United Nations Conferences, I usually acquire anything that **might be** from a UN conference and then try to
figure out what it is. Figure I shows such an
item: a 1995 philatelic cover from Olivos,
Argentina. After searching UN documents
and the Internet, I still do not know what it
is

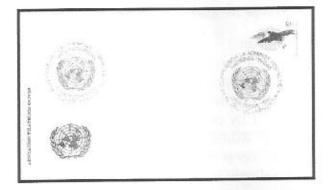


Figure 1: 1995 philatelic cover from Olivos, Argentina with reference to a UNPA conference.

The cover with a cachet showing the UN emblem was issued by the Olivos Philatelic Association. The October 27, 1995 cancels reads "UNPA Conference" in Spanish. I have been unable to find any record of any such conference. I have no knowledge of the United Nations Postal Administration (UN-PA) ever having had a conference. I suspect that "conferencia" simply refers to a stamp show or a UNPA talk at a stamp show. My Spanish dictionary gives meanings of: conference, meeting or public lecture.

What do you think? Your thoughts, as to what I have, are welcome. [Ed. Note: The UNPA Philatelic Bulletin of December 1995 mentions no participation in a stamp show in Argentina in the fall of 1995.]

## UNRRA AND THE HEBREW IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY

By Richard Powers

I recently "rescued" the interesting UN-related cover from Ebay shown in Figure 1. The printed corner card indicates that the sender was associated with the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) in Berlin. It was sent via Army Post Office (APO) 755 on July 27, 1946 to an address in Ames, Iowa. According to John H. Engel's handbook A.P.O. Cover Catalogue, this A.P.O was located in Berlin. The A.P.O. cancel neatly ties two 6¢ U.S. airmail stamps (Scott #C25) to the cover.

Most of the printed corner card has been struck out with a pen. Underneath is a rubber stamped corner card with the following address:

Helmut O. Wilk, US Citizen
HIAS c/o UNRRA
HQ Berlin District
APO 755 US Army
c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.



Figure 1: Address side of 1946 cover sent from the HIAS c/o the UNRRA in Berlin.

This cover clearly demonstrates that the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) occasionally worked through long-established non-governmental organizations (NGO) to carry out its mission to provide emergency aid in the wake of World War II. The ad hoc nature of its operation is revealed by the fact that the

HIAS envelope had been printed on the back side of a map, as seen in Figure 2.

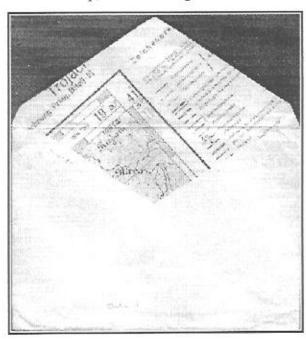


Figure 2: Opened envelope from the back side showing that it was a recycled map.

The HIAS was founded in 1881 in New York City to provide lifesaving services to world Jewry, through its mission of rescue, reunion and resettlement. It has also responded to the migration needs of other people who are threatened and oppressed. It played a major role in the rescue and relocation of Jewish survivors of the Holocaust and of Jews from Morocco, Ethiopia, Egypt and the communist countries of Eastern More recently, since Europe. mid-1970s, HIAS has helped more than 300,000 Jewish refugees from the former Soviet Union and its successor states escape persecution and to rebuild new lives in the United States.

The HIAS website (www.hias.org) indicates that its current address is:

> The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society 333 Seventh Avenue, 17th Floor New York, NY 10001-5004.

## 2004 UNITED NATIONS STAMP PROGRAM

(As of March 1, 2004 but subject to changes of date of issue and denomination.)
See the UNPA World Wide Web Site at <a href="http://www.un.org/Depts/UNPA">http://www.un.org/Depts/UNPA</a>

January 29

**Endangered Species** 

37¢, F.s. 1,00, € 0,55

(3 Sheets of 16 stamps with 4 blocks of 4 se-tenant stamps.)

Set of 3 maximum cards and 2004 Endangered Species Annual Collection Folder

Vienna Definitive

€ 0,55

(1 sheet of 20 stamps)

March 4

Indigenous Art - Europe

6×37¢, 6×F.s. 1,00, 6×€ 0,55

(3 Sheets of 6 stamps)

April 7

Road Safety

37¢, 70¢, F.s. 0,85, F.s. 1,00, € 0,55, € 0,75

(6 sheets of 20 stamps)

June 3

50th Anniversary of Japanese Peace Bell

80¢, F.s. 1,30, € 2,10

(3 sheets of 20 stamps)

Souvenir card

Vienna Stationery

Postal card € 0,55, pre-stamped envelopes € 0,55, € 1,25

August 12

World Heritage - Greece

37¢, 60¢, F.s. 1,00, F.s. 1,30, € 0,55, € 0,75

(6 Sheets of 20 stamps)

{3 Prestige Booklets with 12×(10¢, 20¢, F.s. 0,10, F.s. 0,30, € 0,15, € 0,20 )}

September 21 My Dream for Peace One Day - Opening of the General Assembly

37¢, 80¢, F.s. 0,85, F.s. 1,20, € 0,55, € 1,00

(6 sheets of 20 stamps)

October 14

Human Rights (Education Decade 1995 - 2004)

37¢, 70¢, F.s. 0,85, F.s. 1,20, € 0,55, € 1,25

(6 sheets of 20 stamps)

October 15

Disarmament Definitive

37¢

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2004 Annual Collection Folders

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January 2

Eliminate Terrorism

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- 1992 Mission Earth sheets: NY, Geneva & Vienna; Gitner retail\$73 MB\$30
- 1990 Unispace III sheets: NY, Geneva & Vienna; Gitner retail\$23 MB\$15
- 5. 1989 Vienna 10th annniv sheets: NY, Geneva, Vienna; Gitner retail; \$325.00 MB\$125
- 6. Environment 1993, 96 & 97 Strips of ten: NY, Geneva, Vienna; retail\$110 MB\$40
- 1992 Oceans sheets: NY, Geneva, Vienna Gitner retail\$32 MB\$16
- ILO Conferences, Geneva, 1954-2000, 15 different on cover all with special cancel, many with special cachets, ILO stamps, and ILO corner cards MB\$20
- UN Geneva, 15 different covers, all philatelic, 1959-95, FDCs of pre-1969 UNEO stamps, special cancels, etc. MB\$12
- UN Atomic Conferences, Geneva, 1955 and 1958, five different covers with special cancels, special registry label, etc. MB\$8
- 11. UN Worldwide Conferences, 12 different philatelic covers, 1948-1980 MB\$12
- 12. UN Worldwide Conferences, 10 different philatelic covers, 1961-83, all different from previous lot MB\$10
- WHO Geneva philatelic covers, 1960
   -1975, all cacheted, 5 different, FDs & special cancels MB\$8
- 14. UN Women's Conference, Beijing 1995,
- (3) different Chinese cacheted covers MB\$5 15. IAEA General Conferences, 1959-95, 6 conference covers, worldwide MB\$6
- 16. UPU Congresses, philatelic covers from Tokyo, Beijing, Lausanne, Washington, Vienna and Seoul, all with congress cancels

### MB\$10

- 17. UPU Congress, Vienna 1964, 5 philatelic FDCs, with Congress cancels 1, 23, 29, 33 and 53 MB\$6
- 18. UN Conference San Francisco, 1945, (8) 8"x10" original photos of press people at conference with conference signs in background & wearing conference pins MB\$40
- First FAO Conference, Quebec, 1945, Report of the Session, 89 pages MB\$10
- ILO-Leaflet, ILO Constitution, Objects and Results, summarizes work of ILO conferences 1919 through 1935, Geneva, Jan. 1936 MB\$8
- UN-Geneva, (14) #10 or smaller service covers with 15 different origin cachets, inc LING, SATSI, COORD, JIU, IAPSU MB\$20
- Presentation "C" folders vf collection (72) different 1975-91 donated by retired UNPA-NY Chief Jill Kearns MB\$70
- 23. Presentation "C" folders vf accumulation 1975-90 (136); duplication up to five each also donated MB\$75
- 24. UNNY#1 MI6 (2) second & third printings MNH MB\$10
- UNNY#2a precancel mint with Gaines certificate MB\$10
- 26. UNNY#2a set of (6) precancel varieties all FORGERIES MB\$75
- 27. UNNY#2a LR MI6 precancel FORGERY mint MB\$29
- 28. UNNY#2a UL MI6 precancel FOR-GERY reverse "L" cutout mint MB\$20
- UNNY#3 2c LR MI6 MNH right margin gutter perfs MB\$10
- 30. NY#53 Specimen overprint mint MB\$10
- 31. NY#100 4c Housing missing brown error mint no certificate MB\$125
- 32. NY#179 Chagall sheet (5) different vari-

- eties identified mint & FD MB\$10
- NY#194 Santiago Chile 6¢ value 2 varieties: double print and print on reverse mint MB\$40
- NY#C1 LL black control # should be bottom right MB\$5
- 35. UNTEA MNH 2nd printing set complete (19) values MB\$35
- 36. Trees sheetlets complete (3) MNH MB\$25
- UN Germany publicity leaflet with Saarlouis 1967 imprint MB\$25
- 38. Blue Card Riccione Italy 1961 MB\$15
- British Postal Strike 1971 four different UN cinderella stamps/souvenir sheets Davaar mint MB\$10
- 40. UNNY#C3 MI single prussian blue on #6 cover 8/25/58 atomic energy slogan wrinkle not affecting stamp unaddressed MB\$25
- 41. UNNY#1-11 missing 20¢ value HQ cachets FDCs addressed vf MB\$25
- 42. UNNY (8) different low value FDCs mixed cachets addr MB\$10
- 43. UNNY#38 souv sheet imperfs cut out on three Artmaster cachets pencil addr vf MB\$10
- 44. UNNY#154-5 Dali WFUNA cachet #1 vf combo unaddressed MB\$10
- UNNY#149 MI4, MI6 two different official Geneva cachets vf unaddressed MB\$15
- 46. UNNY#149 single & MI6 flag HQ cachets unaddressed (2) MB\$10
- 47. UNNY#93-4 two MI4 Geneva official cachets vf unaddressed MB\$15
- 48. Five jumbo FDCs with official cachets: 1992 Science, New Definitives, 1993 Climate, 1994 Family, UNCTAD vf unaddressed MB\$10
- 49. Jumbo FDCs 1994 Endangered Species 4 center blocks & sheetlets complete vf unaddressed Geneva cachet MB\$10
- 50. UNNY#35-7 (3) FDCs official cachets signed designer vf unaddressed MB\$10
- 51. UNNY#1-11 eleven singles FDCs Artcraft addressed complete vf MB\$10
- 52. Three jumbo FDCs Geneva cachets 1993 Peace, 1994 Disaster, 1995 50th anniversary vf unaddressed triple canceled MB\$10

- 53. UNPA NY 1951 & 1952 stamp brochures vf interesting MB\$10
- 65. India 1960 Nehru stamp brochure illus with info on UN overprint issues vf MB\$5
- 66. Expo 1967 Canada FDCs uncacheted and a few used stamps with UN folder ends sealed shut w/Expo cancel MB\$10
- 67. UN Xmas cards (7) different vf MB\$25
- 68. UN Xmas cards (6) more some duplication of previous lot MB\$25
- 69. Two FD booklets 1964 Narcotics & 1965 ICY vf MB\$10
- UNPA stamp brochure (wax seal on front cover) fine MB\$10
- 71. UNICEF 8" x 10" USA flag stamp graphic 1981 first day canceled MB\$10
- Courvoisier printer stamp booklet with six pages MNH stamps including a few UNNY issues MNH MB\$10
- 73. ONUC Congo 1960s 5 items: cards/aerogrammes; three are philatelic vf MB\$15
- 74. ILO service cover to Washington DC approximately 6" x 8" 1951 franked with two 5-franc ILO overprints some wrinkling MB\$75
- 75. Five UNEF Suez different covers, most philatelic MB\$10
- 76. Three UNEF covers to Sweden legitimate usage all 1963 MB\$20
- 77. UNEF Sweden covers (4) all Militarbrev official envelopes legitimate usage vf MB#30
- 78. ILO 1969 service cover to California blue ILO corner card vf MB\$10
- 79. Lake Success #10 service cover PB meter #126115 7/13/48 5¢ to Chicago "Give One Day" slogan vf MB\$30
- 80. UNICEF 1958 #10 service cover to Honduras PB meter #108314 50¢ undated registered legitimate usage MB\$200
- 81. UNICEF #10 service cover to Honduras PB meter #108314 20¢ 5/6/58 vf legitimate usage MB\$75
- 82. Nansen office in Geneva handwritten return address large 8" x 8"cover to Geneva registered 1936 f-vf MB\$75
- 83. UN corner card PB meter #182488 6/25/51 #10 service cover to Holland MB\$20.

- 84. UN #6 service cover Lake Success PB meter #126118 8/7/50 to Wisconsin returned marking vf MB\$20
- 85. Lake Success corner card #6 service cover to New Zealand returned numerous markings PB meter #126118 4/8/50 5¢ f/vf MB\$20
- 86. Lake Success corner card #10 service cover to Brazil PB meter #126118 10¢ 7/6/50 returned wrinkled MB\$20
- 87. UN cc Lake Success PB meter #126118 3¢ 6/9/50 to Chicago returned vf MB\$20
- 88. Lake Success corner card window #10 envelope returned PB meter #115515 11/4/47 3¢ vf with two file holes MB\$20
- Lake Success cc PB meter #126118
   10/24/49 return to sender wrinkles MB\$25
- 90. Lake Success corner card #10 window envelope PB meter #126119 8/10/50 3¢ returned vf MB\$10
- 91. Lake Success corner card unaddressed #10 envelope PB meter #126118 3¢ 5/11/49 proof? vf MB\$20
- 91. Lake Success #10 window cover returned PB meter #126118 3¢ 8/14/50 vf MB\$10
- 92. Souvenir Folders 1958-62 (5) 1961 with usual tape stains, others with stamps mounted MB\$25
- 93. Souvenir folder 1958 stamps hinge mounted inside, one set FD canceled on cover MB\$10
- 94. Souvenir folder 1959 stamps mounted inside MB\$10
- 95. Souvenir folder ICY 1965 vf MB\$10
- 96. Set of 4 souvenir cards #21 Human Environment: mint, NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 97. Set of 4 souvenir cards #33 Volunteers: mint, NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 98. Set of 4 souvenir cards #24 Sports: mint NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 99. Set of 4 souvenir cards #42 Technology & Science: mint, NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 100. Set of 4 souvenir cards 1993 Peace: mint, NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 101. Set of 4 souvenir cards 1994 Family: mint, NY, Geneva, Vienna MB\$5
- 102. Human Rights booklets (4) with 1958

- Human Rights stamps FD canceled on cover; 3 are duplicates vf MB\$10
- 103. NY 1973 FD postal cards (5) with show imprint National Antiques all dupl. vf MB\$5
- 104. Brussels World's Fair 1958 complete set; five FDCs cacheted unaddressed vf MB\$5
- 105. UNNY #6 cover 11/19/72 ASDA show with early UN imprint unaddressed vf MB\$5
- 106. Geneva #10 UNPA Geneva registered cover to Holland 1976 "c" cancels vf MB\$5
- 107. Dove card Gaines\$30 Arphila 1975 vf MB\$5
- 108. UNNY Security Council 1957 set FDC with German cachet addressed vf MB\$5
- 109. Vienna cover with 3/7/61 UN Conference cancel with Austrian stamps, Chinese UNESCO stamp also tied; addressed MB\$5
- 110. UNICEF Panama 1971 25th anniversary FDC children eachet vf unaddressed MB\$5
- 111. NY #10 cover 1941 from NYC with "Peace" commercial label from Father Divine about "One Nation" vf addressed MB\$5
- 112. UNNY #C1-4 blocks FDC Artmaster cachets pen addressed vf MB\$5
- 113. UNNY #C1-2 two FDCs signed Ole Hamann unaddressed vf MB\$5
- 114. UNNY #2a precancel bottom tab margin single mint FORGERY vf MB\$5
- 115. 1951-2 two different very early UNPA publicity folders 9" x 11" vf MB\$5
- 116. UNICEF cachet flag jumbo FDCs 1983 & 1985 (2) vf unaddressed MB\$5
- 117. Hand made protest card in German to Dag Hammarskjold with multiple signatures from East Germany vf MB\$5
- 118. UNNY #15-6 blocks vf unaddressed HQ eachets MB\$5
- 119. UNNY #25-6 HQ cachet vf unaddressed signed by R. Tvedt MB\$5
- 120. UNNY 1990 25th anniversary two singles Fleetwood cachet vf unaddressed signed by designer MB\$5
- 121. Geneva #16 MI4 MNH signed by designer in margin MB\$5
- 122. Protest card illustrated anti-Franco 1952 signed sent to General Assembly President,

Paris in French vf MB\$5

123. Protest card illustrated anti-Franco 1952 signed same as previous but different color and in Italian MB\$5

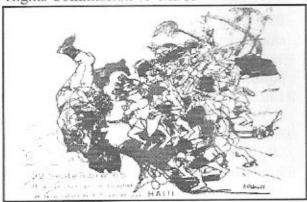
124. Protest card illustrated anti-terror in Iraq 1963 from Germany to Human Rights Commission NY vf MB\$5



Lot 124

125. Protest card illustrated anti-Israel from Bulgaria decrying imperialist aggression against Arabs signed vf MB\$5

126. Protest card illustrated anti-Duvalier Haiti violence 1965 from Italy to Human Rights Commission vf MB\$5



Lot 126

127. FDC collection (200) different all vf unaddressed Geneva cachets many better issues, MI4s etc. high original cost MB\$60

The following lots generously donated by UNP-member Charles Smith 100% proceeds go to the club.

128. Blue cards 1976 year complete #29-45 except Motiva #33 vf MB\$20

129. Blue Card Hamburg #11 Festival of Youth Gaines \$200 MB\$20

130. Blue Card #26 ERROR reverse text IH Gaines p.838.21 vf MB\$20

131. Blue Card #13 Stampex with British stamp vf MB\$5

132. Big Four Conference postal card 8/23/55 special cancel Geneva vf MB\$5

133. Luminous postal card (commercial) unusual 5/11/59 Palais des Nations Geneva special cancel vf MB\$5

134. Blue Cards #16 (6) all canceled with additional Russian stamps unusual vf MB\$5

135. White Card #5C ERROR albino cancel and imprint vf Gaines\$40 MB\$10

136. White Card #8G ERROR wrong text Type A on reverse Gaines\$100 MB\$20

137. Blue Card #26i IBRIA with reverse text H Gaines\$300 MB\$40

138. Blue Card #105ii ERROR stamp & cancel but no imprint Gaines\$40 MB\$10

139. White Cards #1-7 error Type II broken border under Palais Gaines\$18 MB\$5

140. Switzerland (not U.N.) MNH stamp year booklet 1978 vf MB\$5

141. Vienna special souvenir folder 1979 with first set FD canceled inside vf MB\$5

142. Jumbo FDC Philswiss cachet 1976 MI4 set NY 278-9 & G 61-2 vf unaddressed MB\$5 143. Geneva menu for 10th anniversary UNPA stamps 1979 vf canceled Gaines p.579 MB\$5

144. White Cards #1-6 ERROR type I blue line under Palais Gaines\$16 MB\$5

145. MISCELLANEOUS lot: 5 UN Environment France very large metered covers to USA, 1979 Invitation to Geneva stamp ceremony, Vienna #1-6 FDCs six off Geneva cachets vf unaddressed, 1994 (2) UN Xmas voucher booklets, White Card #59K ERROR stamp but no imprint/cancel, Swiss (2) FD sheets, plus a few miscellaneous cards easily worth MB\$20

146. Swiss Telegraph covers (5) all 1919 era vf (not UN related) from Zurich & Wenger interesting! MB\$10

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Midwest UN Collectors meets intermittently at shows in Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska. Contact: Dorothy Green, 2200 36th St., Des Moines, IA 50310 or dotgreen@worldnet.att.net

UN Collectors of Chicagoland meets the second Monday of the month except in July and August at Stamp King, 7139 West Higgins Rd., Chicago, Illinois. Contact: Dr. Ben Ramkissoon, P.O.Box 606, Hindsdale, IL 60522-0606.

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