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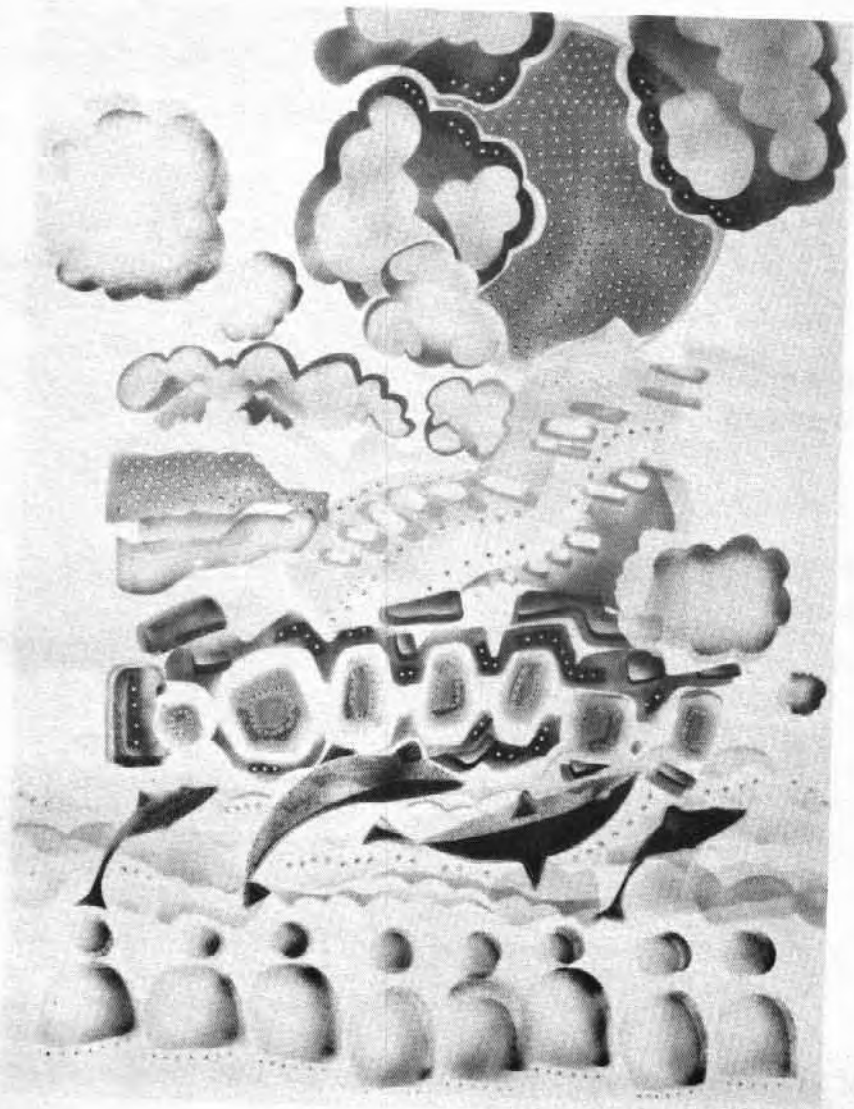

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COVER DESCRIPTION

OUTSIDE FRONT: WFUNA Graphic by Mark Wiener for UNPA "World Hertiage" stamp issue.

OUTSIDE BACK: UNPA "World Hertiage" issue.

EDITOR'S CORNER

It has been an very interesting last couple of months as far as learning is concerned. One so rarely realizes one is learning lessons while one is actually learning them, but after coming through them one is stronger for the next set of lessions.

I look forward to the next set of challenges this club has in store for me and I look forward to working in the new year with both new and old to create a better organization for us all.

This issue contains an excellent "Letter from Britain" by Bill Barnes, and ICJ updated by Konrad Schraer, and an expanded Nic-Nac section. Incidentally, please pay special attention to the Nic-Nac section regarding the confirmed UNP election slate, instructions for additional nominations, and other pertinent information.

I would also like to ask that people take the time to submit material for the Journal. With the exception of a couple of items I have produced, Bill Barnes and Clay Wallace's columns, I have no material as of this next issue.

So please continue to send all those articles to me for upcoming issues of the UNP Journal. We continue to need articles on all areas of U.N. philately badly.

I am also looking for someone to translate from German, French, and Swiss into English. If you have these translation abilities please contact me at the address listed in the front cover.

AUCTION INFORMATION

This is the last auction column I will be doing. UNP Auction 1992A, enclosed with this Journal, has a wide variety of material for all types of collectors. Please remember that all auction correspondence should be sent to Mr. Alex Bereson at the address listed in the auction sections. DO NOT send any further material or requests regarding the auctions to me.

By the time this Journal arrives all auctions under my operation should have closed. All consignments and payments or material purchased should be in everyone's respective hands by March 15, 1992. If something is still outstanding at this point from any auction up to 1991F please contact me immediately at (707) 747-1481.

Thank you all for making the UNP auctions so successful and fun to operate. Please continue to make it so for Alex.

REPEAT SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

There seems to have arisen some confusion regarding the "UNP Library" and my personnel efforts.

Historically, the UNP had a library for the use of its members. In fact, few used the services of the library and with time the library faded from view. A small portion of the old library was recently unearthed. By order of the President these items are being sold and the proceeds placed in the General fund.

After unsuccessfully trying to rebuild the UNP Library through the UNP, I set to rebuilding it myself in duplicate. Using my own funds, time and effort I am attempting to obtain two copies of every book and document relating to U.N. philately.

Either upon my death, or maybe sooner, it is my intention is to donate one collection to the APRL and the second set to the Western philatelic Library. This will allow the formation of one significant U.N. philatelic library on each coast. The UNCC already has a large library in Chicago. Provisions have been made in my personnel will to see that this wish is carried out. I stress that this project is entirely funded by myself.

In the mean time the library is available for use by any UNP member. If I can assist in researching something for you or provide copies from books I will be happy to do so for a small fee to cover the mailing and coping.

While I do not accept donations I am always looking for items to include in the library. If you have any items please keep me and my goal in mind.

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

By Clayton Wallace

Since this column was written on New Years Day, my thoughts are with my family and friends, as I am sure yours were. I want to take this opportunity to wish each and every one a prosperous new year and that the joy of collecting will continue in each of you.

At the last Board of Directors meeting at U.N. Expo 91', it was decided to encourage the publication of additional monographs. Please bring to my attention as soon as possible any longer articles on which you are working or are contemplating writing. I strongly encourage this creative process so that you can share your special field of interest with the rest of us. The United Nations Philatelists Inc. will make every effort to publish your document within the next year.

Finally, 1992 is an election year for UNP officers. I encourage any willing individual to bring their input to the Nominating Committee (their names and address are published in the Nic-Nacs section). We are constantly seeking new individuals to serve in official capacities within the organization. The constant infusion of new ideas will nurture the UNP and create a dynamic, evolving organization.

LETTER FROM BRITAIN

By Bill Barnes

U.N. Stamp Expo 91': Stan Simpson (my roving reporter and UNSG's President) says that State College is a nice little town and you are a great bunch of people. And I was very happy to see that Stan and several of our UNSG members in the USA (especially my old friend Earl Merriman) did so well among the medals. Just a couple of small and I hope helpful points: State College isn't easily assessable for we foreigners (and we all need to encourage plenty of top class exhibits) - and there was that football match...! Much more importantly, somehow there has to be an internationally facilitate the passage of exhibits between countries. At present getting a large packet of hard drugs through customs would probably be easier than forwarding an innocent philatelic exhibit. Why not a simple system of depositing photocopies of exhibition sheets?

But I do wish that I'd been able to make it.

Sour Grapes: I have adopted the following from an (anonymous!) account of philatelic exhibition judging which appeared in a UNSG Bulletin some years ago:

"It took me some two and half years to find the items that made up that exhibit. And it cost a deal of time and effort as well as cash. But I was absolutely determined to break out of the Bronze (Medal) Age. When I submitted the exhibit to the Exhibition Organizers, I knew that it couldn't get less than a Bronze Silver: it deserved a silver, but I reckoned on the possibility that the Judges might have an off-day or that they'd been frightened by Suez or UNESCO or something.

But when the letter came, I read (with, I may say, mounting disbelief and dismay) 'Following the recent judging, I am pleased...your entry...a Diploma.' I read it again. It still said 'Diploma!' I looked at the name and address. They were mine! They invited me to a (hugely expensive) "Banquet" where I could receive my award "in person!" And they ended with one very brief, and pointed paragraph: 'My congratulations to you' (since there was nothing less than a diploma available, that had to be a bit of very warped humor - a dig in the ribs after the initial kick in the pants).

So I took the opportunity to meet one of the Judges (who had "kindly agreed...to discuss entries with the entrant concerned").

I am always ready to learn...It wasn't all that easy finding him, or my exhibit! They'd scattered the exhibits in various dark corners out of the way of the main (dealer) business (these affairs may be called "Exhibitions", but the relatively few exhibitors merely provide an excuse for a huge collector/dealer, buying/selling spree).

The Judge was nicely disguised as a benevolent little Father Christmas sort of man.

He began immediately - at the beginning. Page 1 he said 'wasn't right'. Not right at all. In the prospectus they instruct thematic exhibitors (in heavy black type): - 'It is desirable that the first sheet of the exhibit should show a detailed schedule of the composition and extent of the collection.' I pointed out that this was exactly what I had done - provided a schedule...

'No! No! He smiled benignly. You have simply told me what it includes. I can see that!'

I couldn't see that. I admit that I have this most unfortunate habit of construing things literally...rather like a lawyer (but then I've been in the law all my life).

But he was off on something else. 'Presentation' he said stabbing his finger at a sheet that included twelve stamps in three lines of four. 'All in lines...in a block...I don't like it!' Did he, I ventured, prefer pyramids for example...or possibly crosses?

'No! No! He smiled (a little less warmly perhaps?) It was simply that some arrangements looked better. Wasn't that

a rather subjective approach, I inquired? Not quite - how should I put it - judicial? If it was generally agreed that a pyramid was better than a block should not there be a rule about it? We simply could not, it seemed, have rules for everything and everybody. Not even for judges ....

His finger jabbed at another sheet: - 'I don't like mourning envelopes' He said firmly. I explained that it was not strickly a mourning envelope - not in the funeral sense as it were...it was a political joke cover (as the cartoon and the French caption indicated). Had the judges missed the point....? No! No! (what a thing to suggest)! It was just the black edging ... it 'spoiled the look of the thing'...'it was...unbalanced!" I muttered something about balance and the scales of justice, but he was off on the next point.

'Too many stamps.' - the finger shot out again. 'How many is the maximum?' I whispered. That wasn't the point! You couldn't make rules... And "They" didn't like window displays" (I had cut out oblongs and mounted some covers on the back of some sheets so that only the relevant parts showed - I'd seen it done - rather effectively I thought - at other exhibitions) "What's wrong with them?" I asked. "Don't like it" He said with firm finality. I nearly asked "why?" But he was looking at his watch - the next entrant was about to come on stage and get himself informed - about judges likes and dislikes...

"Anything wrong with my (beautiful) hand printing? Or the quality or extent of the (fine and some of it fairly rare) material?" I asked. 'No! No! It was mainly - well -er - it was 'Presentation' where it failed.'

I tip-toed back to the dealers and bought a cover or two to show to my friends - I would have bought a whole lot more it there had been any chance of a decent medal...

First International Forces: For a long time, I believed that the first international force was the League of Nations force that policed the 1935 SAAR Plebiscite. In fact, that force was preceded by at least three others (plus one that nearly was). They are:

1. The Cretan Force (1899-1908): a revolution in Crete in 1898/1899 ended in the establishment of Prince George of Greece as High Commissioner of Crete under the protection of a garrison of British, France, Italian and Russian troops until 1908 when the island was united with Greece. It was an international force of sorts, but the four powers seem to have been more or less self-appointed and mainly concerned with protecting their own interests;

Illustration #1: (Russian, Italian overprint on Greece stamp and British stamps used during the Cretan Force period.

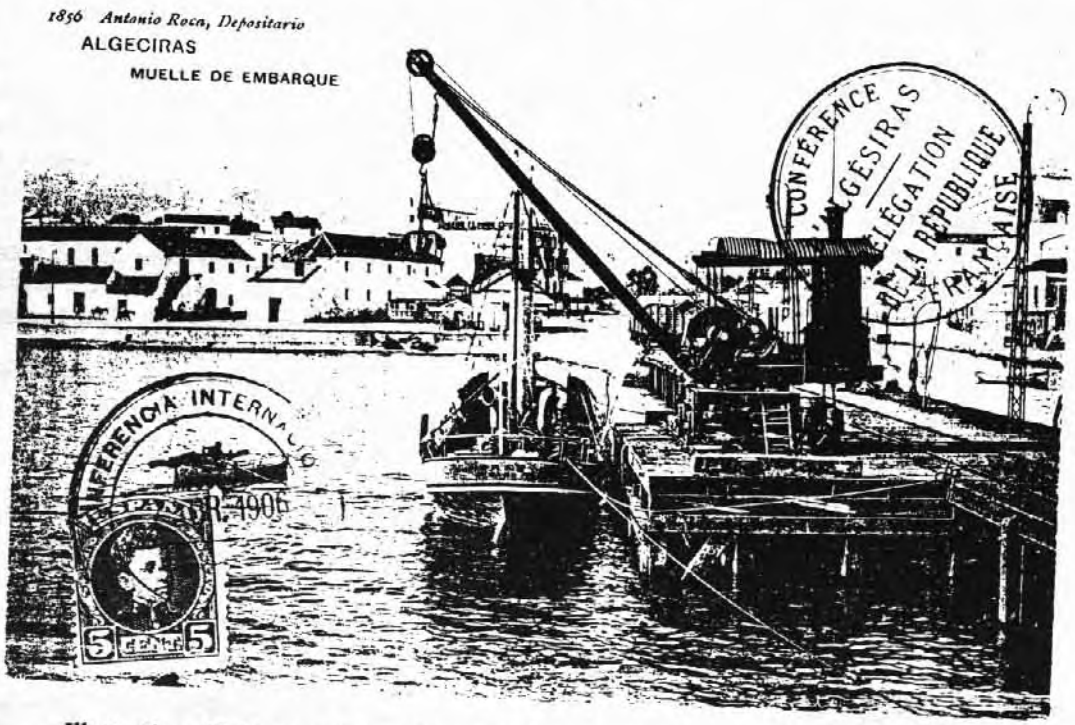

Illustration #2: Post card from French Delegation at Algegiras/Morocco Conference.

2. Algegiras/Morocco (1906): Twelve European powers plus the United States met in Algegiras, Spain to settle disputes between Germany and France (The First Moroccan Crisis). They agreed the "Act of Algegiras" (April 7, 1906), by which France and Spain were authorized to establish and supervise a police force and oversee reforms in Morocco. The police force consisted of 25,000 Moroccans led by French and Spanish officers under a Swiss Inspector General;

3. Vilna (1920): There was a Polish/Ukrainian dispute over the city of Vilna. The League of Nations made tentative arrangements for an international force (to control the city) consisting of contingents from ten European states. Objections form the parties caused a breakdown of the arrangements and, in the end, the force was not formed; and,

4. Leticia (1933/1934): A League force was used for a dispute between Peru and Columbia regarding the territory of Leticia. The force was made up solely of Columbian troops, but they all wore League of Nations armbands, served under a League Commission, and helped to administer Leticia for a year pending settlement of the dispute. I am still looking for a philatelic item in respect to this force - or I'll settle for an armband!

Paul Antonio, Mechanic: When the United Nations met at Hunter College in the Spring of 1946, a lot of work had to be done in a hurry... Among many other things, a ballot box was made and installed. When it was opened before the first vote was taken, the tellers found the first vote had already been cast! There was a note in the box: "May I who have had the privilege of fabricating this ballot box, cast the first vote? May God be with every member of the United Nations Organization and through your able efforts bring lasting peace to us all. All over the World. Paul Antonio, Mechanic."

Broadcasting in the Cause of Peace (KFI-KECI): I have a cover from KFI-KECI, Los Angeles (presumably - from the context - a radio station) addressed to "The Chairman, Conference of September 17, 1936, Broadcasting in the Cause of Peace, League of Nations, Geneva." Someone has penned "Intellectual Cooperation Section" on the cover. The work of the League's Intellectual Cooperation Organization was mainly carried on by the International Institute of International Cooperation which was sited in Paris, France and was 75% funded by France (which may account for the presence of UNESCO in Paris today).

Does KFI-KECI still exist in Los Angeles" Or does anyone have any knowledge of it?

The Cost of the United Nations: According to a 1988 report the whole cost of the U.N. in New York was less than the cost of the New York Fire Brigade!

International Poultry Instructors!: The League of Nations Handbook of International Organizations (published Geneva 1926) includes some delightful oddities. My favorite is the "International Association of Poultry Instructors and Investigators" based in London, England. How did they do it? Instruct poultry!

Editor's Note: The International Association of Poultry Instructors and Investigators may have been a front, Bill. My Great Grandfather used to use the excuse that he was "going to a poultry exhibit", when in reality he was going to a Roster fight (usually known as a cock fight). Maybe the association put on "poultry exhibits?"

Message for 1992: Nearly ten years ago, I explained myself to my UNSG colleagues in these words (from the UNSG Bulletin of March 1983):

"The trouble is that I'm not only a U.N. stamp collector, I'm a U.N. enthusiast! By which I mean that I regard the U.N. ideal as an entirely practical, sensible and attainable objective which is only denied by the subjective prejudices of people who have surrendered their wits to relatively unpractical, often disastrous, frequently violent, and generally god-less, political, social and economic theories!"

Nearly ten years ago, and I don't retract a word of it! I'd simply like to add that U.N. philately has helped me understand the world's and the U.N.'s problems. And I am quite sure that anyone who is a U.N. collector for long enough will come to share at least some of my enthusiasm for the U.N. organization (though not necessarily for the ways of some of the member states from time to time!).

UNTEA at Sea! When the UNTEA overprinted stamps were taken off sale on May 1, 1963 the remainders in New York were burned in the usual way. Those left in Kotabura (formally Hollandia) were shredded and taken out to sea (some miles from town). Where they were dropped overboard...Anyone for fishing?

End-Piece: "The madman shouted in the market place. No one stopped to answer him. Thus it was confirmed that his theses were incontrovertible" Dag Hammarskjold.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

After enjoying this wonderful article from a member of the UNSG. I would like to pass on a request by the UNSG and their need for articles in the UNSG Bulletin. Please consider writing an article or column for our sister publication.

Write to: the UNSG Bulletin, C/O Stan Simpson, 86 Liverpool Road, Aston-in-Makerfield, Wigan, WN4 9LP.

UNP NIC-NACS

EDITOR REQUEST

Would any member have a complete set of Mr. Korn's writings, specifically his ATA articles that I could obtain or at least photocopy?

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The following are available from the Editor at the address listed on the first page:

1. Borek UN catalog (1979) in German for $3.00 postpaid (1 available only);

2. Norris G. Robinson's Postal History of the United Nations, each copy was personally autographed by Mr. Robinson.

   While supplies last, the books may be ordered from the UNP Editor for US$5.00 in the USA, US$7.00 in Canada, and US$10.00 overseas surface mail. All charges included postage and handling (15 left).

3. Document set (photocopies) of UNRRA history and research (50+ pages) including charts and maps for $10.00 postpaid (1 sets available).

4. One set of Dick Walla's ORIGINAL newsletters $35.00 postpaid (1 set available).

5. Copies of Valter V. Johansson's book on the United Nations Emergency Forces (Finland 1956-1989). $50.00 postpaid.

Once the above items are sold they will no longer be available. Because of the limited supply of many of these items a phone reservation is suggested. Please call (707) 747-1481 for both reservations and remaining availability.

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Small personal note to your members: On Page 093 of the December 1991 issue (Volume 15, Number 6), top photo of the UN Stamp Expo 91' show, the lady just to the right of Don Bakos is Mrs. Irene Sayre, wife of Mr. Don Sayre one of our Staten Island members.

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Mr. Dick Walla, at 75 Bay Terrace, Staten Island, New York 10306 has produced a very limited (25 sets) bound edition of his entire run of outstanding newsletters on U.N. philately roughly covering the years of 1968 to 1973.

Each copy will be individually numbered, signed by Mr. Walla and notarized to authenticate the limited nature of this selection. No more copies will become available after this edition is sold out.

The price is $25.00 postpaid per copy or $75.00 in U.S. revenues or ration books and may be ordered directly from Mr. Walla.

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WANTED:

1) UNNY Panes of C1.1g,h; C2.1e,f,g; C3.1e,f; C3.4c; C3.5c; C3.7c; C4.1e,f; C4.2b; C4.3b,c; C4.4b w/Full Albino Plate Calculations (both lines clear of tip edge);

2) MIB's of C1.1k; C2.1g; C3.1e; C3.4c; C3.7c; C4.1e,f; C4.3c. (I prefer only full or full + tab gutter perfs).

Send photocopy and price to O. Lassberg, Sr. at 11483 Drummond Place, Dallas, Texas 75228.

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WANTED! #3a (15c Airmail) Prussian Blue color error on #21 First Flight cover. Send Photocopy (both sides) and price info to Mr. Don Bakos, Post Office box 70263, Sunnyvale, California 94086, USA.

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WANTED: U.N.R.R.A. covers/documents. Please send photocopy with price desired to Alex Bereson, 18 Portola Drive, San Francisco, California 94131.

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Mr. James Bendon announces the publication of a new price list for philatelic publications produced by his firm. The list can be obtained for $1.00 sent to Mr. James Bendon, Post Office Box 6484, Limassol, Cyprus. Most of you remember that Mr. Bendon's firm published his own outstanding book on the UPU Specimen stamps.

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UNP 1992-1994 ELECTION INFORMATION

The President has appointed the following UNP members in good standing to serve as the Nominating Committee for the 1992-1994 election term:

LTC (Ret.) Nancy Morrow - Chairperson

Earl Merriman - Committee Member

Franklin Silverman - Committee Member

Nominations for any office, signed by six UNP members in good standing, not including the candidate offered, should be sent to LTC (Ret.) Nancy Morrow at 501 Portola Road - Box 8034, Portola Valley, California 94028 by March 15, 1992.

The Nominating Committee has provided the following slate for the 1992-1994 term:

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BLANTON CLEMENT, JR. will retain his seat as PAST UNP PRESIDENT.

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World Colombian Stamp Expo, opening on May 23, 1992, will have a number of activities and events regarding U.N. philately. (Editor's Note: Could it be anything less with Mr. Charles Berg, man of the hour, leading the pack. Way to go Charles.).

So far the Journal can confirm a U.N. First Day Ceremony, a meeting our the regional UNCC and a UNP national meeting.

In addition, there is a very special Compex banquet, scheduled for Saturday evening. Tickets are regularly $33.00, but the UNCC has arranged for the first fifty lucky UNP members to obtain their tickets for $20.00 each. This is a almost 40% off the regular price, folks.

We're talking a world class banquet at a world class stamp exhibition. So order your tickets early, orders must be received by early May at the latest.

Ordering information can be obtained by calling the World Colombian office at (312) 792-1992.

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Looking for buyer for extensive four volume collection of ITU material, including all major catalogies listed in Gaines catalog and beginning in the early 1920's with Conference cancels. $2,700+ Gaines listed, plus unpriced unlisted items. Asking $1,250.00 or best offer.

Contact: Mark Steven Corrinet at (707) 747-1481 or Post Office Box 1305, Benicia, CA 94510.

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UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

The units and programmes established by the United Nations over the last 45 years have given it a growing competence to deal with a very wide range of international problems. The list below shows when major units were established:

UNITED NATIONS (1945)

UNICEF (as U.N. Children's Fund) (1946)

UNRWA (as UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) (1949)

UNHCR (as Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees) (1951)

IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency) (1957)

WFP (World Food Program) (1963)

ITC (International Trade Centre) (1964)

UNCTAD/GATT (UN Conference on Trade and Development) (1964)

UNDP (UN Development Program) (1965)

UNITAR (UN Institute for Training and Research) (1965)

UNFPA (as UN Population Fund) (1969)

We will finish this list and continue with Regional Commissions and Related Organzations in the next issue of The UNP Journal.

U.N. PRESS RELEASE

UNPA 1992 STAMP PROGRAM

January 24, 1992: World Heritage - UNESCO and Definitive. Two values each office plus F.s. 3,00 Definitive.

March 13, 1992: Clean Oceans. One value per office printed 3 vertical se-tenant pair designs in sheets of 12.

May 22, 1992: Earth Summit - June 1992. One value per office printed in se-tenant blocks of 4 in sheets of 40.

September 4, 1992: Mission to Planet Earth and Stationery. One value per office printed in se-tenant pairs in sheets of 10. Souvenir Cards plus six postal cards and .45 cent airletter.

October 2, 1992: Science and Technology for Development and Definitives. Two values each office plus .10, .19 and .20 cent Definitives. Souvenir Cards will also be issued.

December 10, 1992: Human Rights. Two values per office in mini-sheet format. Annual Collection Folders will also be issued.

1992 tentative program subject to denomination and date changes (their statement, not mine).

OUR WORLD (INT. IMAGES OF NATURE)

Its back! Volume 3 in the on-going special souvenir folder series on "Our World." is now available directly from the UNPA at a cost of $11.50 plus 0.50 cents postage.

Send orders to UNPA, Post Office Box 5900, Grand Central Station, New York, New York 10163-9992.

Volume 1 at $10.50 and Volume 2 at $12.50, both plus the postage charge are also available from the UNPA directly.

UNPA ATTENDANCE AT STAMP SHOWS

The United Nations Postal Administration will be represented at the following stamp shows:

February 13-17, 1992 at SANDICAL 92' at San Diego, California.

March 12-15, 1992 at INTERPEX 92' at New York, New York.

March 13-15, 1992 at Florida West Coast Expo at Tarpon Springs, Florida.

Please note that INTERPEX 92'and Florida West Coast Expo coincide with a first day of issue, a special show cachet will be available. The mailing address are as follows:

INTERPEX 92', C/O A.S.D.A, 3 School Street, Suite 205, Glen Clove, New York 11542.

Florida West Coast Expo, C/O E. Walter Parker, Post Office Box 532, Crystal Beach, Florida 34681.

Collectors wishing to obtain the show cachets should send a self-addressed stamp envelop to the above address, affixed with U.N. New York stamps only. U.N. Geneva or Vienna stamps are not acceptable. The envelopes will be imprinted with the "show cachet" and returned through normal mail channels.

UNPA 1991 ANNUAL COLLECTIONS

The 1991 UNPA Annual Collections and the 1991 Human Rights Souvenir Folder were issued on November 21, 1991.

They may be purchased from the UNPA. Given the completely new design these Annual Folders are a sure hit.

WFUNA OPERATIONS

The January 1992 UNPA issue "World Heritage - UNESCO" was commemorated by the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA) with a very nice graphic done by none other than Mark Wiener, son of Annabelle Wiener, Deputy Secretary-General of WFUNA.

The graphic shown on the front cover was entitled "Heritage Landscape." It reveals the metamorphosis of the earth's landscape whirling to form the icons of "World heritage" -- a combination of natural and man-made wonders.

This is Mr. Wiener's fourth graphic issue for the WFUNA graphic and FDC program.

Information on purchasing this, or other, WFUNA products may be obtained from the following address:

WFUNA Graphics
Annabelle Wiener
Deputy Secretary-General
WFUNA
United Nations Headquarters
Suite DC-1-1177
United Nations
New York, New York 10017

Tobia Asser - A Forefather of the United Nations and the International Court of Justice.

By Konrad Schraer

On September 3, 1991, the Dutch Post Office issued a set of three stamps honoring Dutch Nobel Prize Winners. The 80 cent stamp (Illustration #1) ought to be of interest for United Nations stamp collectors. It shows Tobias Carel Asser, who received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1911, together with the Austrian A.H. Fried.

Asser is known, above all else, for organizing the Hague Peace Conference in 1899 and 1907. A few highlights of his life include:

He was born in Amsterdam on April 24, 1838. He became a Professor of Civil Rights in 1862 and Professor of Commercial and International Civil Law at Athenaem in Amsterdam from 1877 to 1893.

He became a member of the State Council (Staatsrat) of the Netherlands in 1893 and a National Cabinet Member (Staatsminster) in 1904.

He passed away in the Hague on July 29, 1913 at the age of seventy-five.

It was Asser who proposed the convening of the Hague Conference on the Unification of International Civil Law, which met for the first time in 1862 and became a permanent institution.

Illustration #1

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE STAMP UPDATE

By Konrad Schraer

On October 22, 1991, the Dutch Post Office issued seven additional denominations of the stamp series "Cour Internationale de Justice - International Court of Justice" as a result of the change of postal tariffs on July 1, 1991. Now the 60-, 70- and 80 cent denominations cover the postage for the first step on the weight scale for postcards, printed matter and letters, respectively.

The previous values, issued in 1989 and 1990, can be combined with the new 5-, 10-, 25- and 50 cent denominations to make-up values to meet the increased postage rates. Thereby eliminating the need for the temporary ruling that the normal Dutch stamps of the Crouwel Type could be used as make-up values (allowing mixed frankings of normal Dutch stamps with ICJ stamps).

All seven new values show the same design - a view of the Peace Palace - just as the earlier lower denominations of the series. The stamp designer is Mr. Walter Nikkels, who lives in Dorderecht, Netherlands.

The design is based on a photograph of the Peace Palace by Onno Meter.

The new ICJ stamps are available both mint and cancelled. While the mint stamps are on sale at all philatelic windows in Holland, the cancelled stamps can be bought only at the philatelic window of the main post office in the Hague (Prinsestraat) or can be ordered at the following address:

PTT Post Filatelie
Postbus 30051
9700 RN Groningen
Netherlands

Nevertheless these stamps are valid for postage only at the Peace Palace. Anyone desiring these stamps cancelled on cover can send his stamped envelope under cover to the post office in the Peace Palace with a request for cancellation and forwarding. The address of the post office in the Peace Palace is as follows:

Postkantoor Vredespaleis
Carnegieplein 2
2517 KJ The Hague
Netherlands

ICJ stationary has been appearing, with a new corner card, according to my observations, since October or November 1990 (Illustration #1).

COUR INTERNATIONALE DE JUSTICE
2517 KJ LA HAYE PAYS-BAS
INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE
2517 KJ THE HAGUE NETHERLANDS

Illustration #1 (New ICJ Corner Card)

CALL FOR CONSIGNMENTS OF UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED MATERIAL

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The following rules will apply to the UNP PREMIER Auction:

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2. There is a minimum bid limit of $30.00 per lot.

3. Each lot should be enclosed in a protective mount, glassine envelope or other appropriate protective cover and accompanied by a DESCRIPTION, MINIMUM BID, and a GAINES, LINDNER, or SCOTT CATALOG NUMBER.

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7. Lots with faults must be so described.

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9. Inclusion or rejection of any item is at the discretion of the Auction Chairperson.

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    Alex Bereson
    18 Portola Drive
    San Francisco, California 94131

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CLOSING DATES FOR BIDS IS APRIL 10, 1992

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ALEX BERESON
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FAX BID NUMBER: (707) 747-1519

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3. The right is reserved to remove any lot from this sale.
4. Photocopies of lots are available for .25 cents for each lot, except for bulk lots. When more than one photocopy sheet is required for a lot, the charge is .20 cents after the first sheet. A SASE is also required for return of the photocopies.
5. Catalog numbers are Gaines unless specified otherwise.
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$ .00 to $25.00....$1.00	$ 50.00 to $100.00....$ 5.00
$25.01 to $50.00....$2.00	$100.01 to $250.00....$10.00
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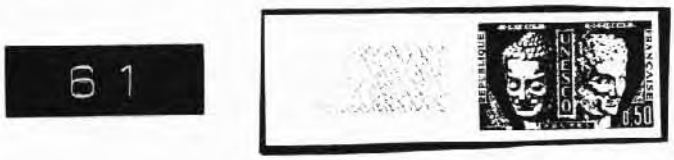
LOT 02 UNNY #85a (Small "v") VFMNH - Min. Bid $40.00
LOT 03 UNNY #325-340,250-265 (1980-1981 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $18.00
LOT 04 UNNY #374-389 (1982 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 05 UNNY #398-414 (1983 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 06 UNNY #425-440 (1984 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 07 UNNY #450-465 (1985 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $34.00
LOT 08 UNNY #477-484 (1986 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $26.00

LOT 09 UNNY #499-514 (1987 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 10 UNNY #528-544 (1988 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $18.00
LOT 11 UNNY #554-569 (1989 Flag Sheets) MNH - Min. Bid $18.00
LOT 12 UNNY #115-118 (Definitives) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $34.50) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 13 UNNY #146-150 (Definitives) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $83.00) - Min. Bid $60.00
LOT 14 UNNY #341-342 (ECOSOC) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $27.50) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 15 UNNY #344-345 (Disabled) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $27.50) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 16 UNNY #346-347 (Fresco) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $18.00
LOT 17 UNNY #366-367 (Volunteers) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $23.00) - Min. Bid $17.00
LOT 18 UNNY #418-419 (Energy) (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $30.00) - Min. Bid $22.00
LOT 19 UNNY #415-416 Hundertwasser MNH Sheetlets - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 20 UNNY #515-516 UN Day MNH Sheetlets - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 21 UNNY #582-583 Human Rights MNH Sheetlets - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 22 UNNY #C5-C10 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 23 UNNY #C11-C12 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $26.00
LOT 24 UNNY #C13-C14 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 25 UNNY #C15-C18 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 26 UNNY #C15-C18 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 27 UNNY #C19-C21 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $33.50) - Min. Bid $24.00
LOT 28 UNNY #C22-C23 (Unfolded MNH Sheets) (Face $28.00) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 29 Netherlands ICJ Scott #o9-o15 Used - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 30 Netherlands ICJ Scott #o16-o19 MNH (Retail $120.00) - Min. Bid $80.00
LOT 31 Netherlands ICJ Scott #o16-o19 Used - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 32 Netherlands ICJ Scott #020-026 Used - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 33 Switzerland ILO Scott #3o83-3o93 MLH - Min. Bid $32.00
LOT 34 Switzerland BIE Scott #4o23-4o28 MLH (Retail $48.00) - Min. Bid $28.00
LOT 35 Switzerland BIE Scott #4o23-4o28 & WHO Scott #5o1-5o5 MLH (Retail $27.00) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 36 Switzerland WHO Scott #5o6-5o25 MLH - Min. Bid $100.00
LOT 37 Switzerland IRO #6o1-6o8 MH (Retail #47.00) - Min. Bid $32.00
LOT 38 Switzerland Scott #7o1-7o20 MLH (Key Set) - Min. Bid $200.00
LOT 39 Switzerland Scott #7o19 Legit. used - Min. Bid $80.00
LOT 40 UNPA Presentation Folders (13 Diff.) (Gaines $120.00 +) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 41 WFUNA Graphic #43 (Joan Miro) 1980 FD Cancelled - Min. Bid $80.00
LOT 42 Blue Card #1 (IBRA) - Min. Bid $50.00
LOT 43 Blue Card #3 (Perigeaux) - Min. Bid $130.00
LOT 44 Blue Card #13-28 (1975 Complete) - Min. Bid $80.00
LOT 45 Blue Card #29-45 (1976 Complete) - Min. Bid $80.00
LOT 46 Blue Card #46-60 (1977 Complete) - Min. Bid $24.00
LOT 47 Blue Card #61-72 (1978 Complete) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 48 Blue Card #73-97 (1979-80 Complete) - Min. Bid $13.00
LOT 49 UN Geneva Scott #14 (10 franc) MNH MI4 - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 50 WFUNA NY FDC (Cachet Designer autographed FDC) (15 Diff.) - Min. Bid $40.00
LOT 51 Souvenir Folders w/stamps NY (1964-1976 - 13 Diff.) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 52 Souvenir Folders w/stamps Geneva (1969-1981 - 13 Diff.) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 53 Souvenir Folders w/stamps Vienna (1979-1983), Flags (1980-1982), Expo 1967, 1964 World's Fair w/stamps mounted) (10 Diff.) - Min. Bid $34.00
LOT 54 Souvenir Cards (20 Diff.) All FD Cancelled - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 55 1989 UPU Congress Dignitary Folder (Brunei) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 56 1989 UPU Congress Deluxe Dignitary Folder (Qatar) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 57 1989 UPU Congress Deluxe Dignitary Folder w/Slipcase (Saudi Arabia) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 58 1989 UPU Congress Large Deluxe Dignitary Folder (Surinam) - Min. Bid $45.00
LOT 59 UNDP (UN Development Program) Diplomatic Pouch Covers (5 Diff. from Afghanistan, Indonesia, Laos, Syria & Zaire) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 60 UPU (2 Diff. #10 covers 1935/1937 from UPU Berne to USA franked with Swiss Stamps) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 61 France UNESCO Scott #2o1-2o5 Imperfs MNH - Min. Bid $50.00
LOT 62 France UNESCO Scott #2o6-2o8 Imperfs MNH w/Margin Pairs - Min. Bid $60.00
LOT 63 France UNESCO Scott #2o21-2o23 Imperfs MNH - Min. Bid $25.00

LOT 64 Swiss Official Cachet unaddr. FDCs (#3o100-3o102, 4o40-4o48, 5o32-5o35, 8o7-8o9, 9o7-9o9) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 65 Swiss Official Cachet unaddr. FDCs (#7o31-7o39) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 66 Swiss Official Cachet unaddr. FDCs (#1o01-1o06) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 67 Poland BIE Scott #B49-B49B Complete MNH (Retail $62.00) - Min. Bid $35.00
LOT 68 UNNY #278-279, G61-62 (25th Anniversary MNH Sheetlets) - Min. Bid $75.00
LOT 69 UNNY #278-279, G61-62 (25th Anniversary MI4s) on Philswiss Cachet Oversize unaddr. FDC - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 70 Early UNNY Geneva cachet unaddr. FDCs w/Scott #73-74, 75-76 & 79-80 (3 Diff.) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 71 UN Geneva Scott #1-14 MI4s on Artmaster FDCs (14) - Min. Bid $16.00
LOT 72 UN Geneva Scott #61-63,65-72,74-88 (26) on Beautiful French Color Cachets Addr. FDCs - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 73 Lake Success Legal Size Cover (10/09/47) with PB Meter and return to sender markings. Cover is well travelled - creased w/2" sealed tear - Min. Bid $100.00
LOT 74 Collection of (60) UNNY FDCs with autographs of early (1949 -1958) ambassadors to the United Nations (including France, Britain, Cuba, Russian Republics, etc.), Almost all have special cachets, including name and title of Ambassador - Min. Bid $75.00
LOT 75 (9) UNNY Presentation Folders (5 early blue folders) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 76 (16) UNNY Cacheted FDCs autographed by prominent U.S. politicians during the Nixon Presidency, including Laird, Boggs, Morton, etc. - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 77 (11) FDCs Covers, Most UNNY Cacheted FDCs, with autographs of prominent people, including President Lyndon Johnson and John W. Warner (Husband of Liz Taylor) - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 78 (8) UNNY Cacheted FDCs with autographs of Eminent Archbishops, including Cooke of New York and Cody of Chicago - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 79 (17) UN Christmas Cards - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 80 (6) covers with special cancels for founding the UN Geneva Post Office - Min. Bid $5.00
LOT 81 (4) Cacheted covers + Special Post Card for Expo 58' - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 82 Mint copy of United Nations Mobile Carvaan Handout - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 83 (22) Mostly Cacheted Covers + (2) Post Cards for UNOP (Germany UN Club) U.N. events, interesting lot - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 84 (16) Covers of National or Informational Missions to the United Nations, all #10 corner card envelopes w/many having contents (mostly 1950s), including 2 U.S. Mission covers - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 85 (24) UN Peacekeeping covers, mostly #10s + unit patch - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 86 (30) UN Slogan Cancels #1/#40 FD on UN corner card covers - Min. Bid $25.00
LOT 87 (6) covers (5 small, 1 large) with WHO offices corner cards and special cancels for 10th Anniversary of WHO in 1958 - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 88 Special UN Wooden Nickel (25th Anniversary) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 89 Paraguay Scott #619-622, C307-C309 World Refugee Year Imperf Pairs - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 90 (14) covers relating to UNESCO, including 3 items from 1959 celebration - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 91 Pre-cancel cover (Gaines I(c)) - Min. Bid $40.00
LOT 92 Large Mystery Lot, including several full sheets of Early UN Stamps - Min. Bid $40.00



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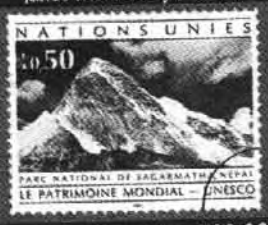

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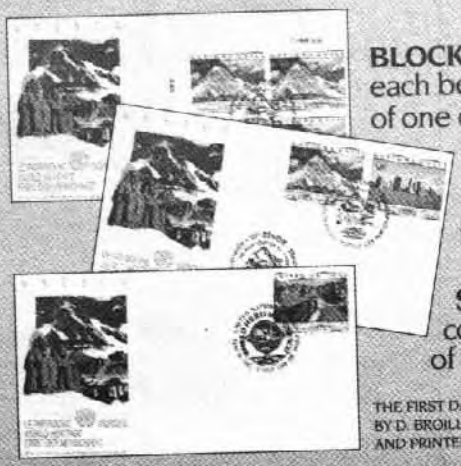

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