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EDITOR'S CORNER

Welcome to the first issue of 1993.

I am sorry to begin this issue on a sad note, but I have just been informed that one of our oldest members, Mr. Mac Weintraub of Dallas, Texas, has developed terminal lung cancer.

Mac has been a member of the UNPI from it's founding. A noted specialist in printing varieties he formed one of the great U.N. collections over the last 2+ decades. A one time dealer, his expertise in U.N. philately reads like the index of Mr. Gaines catalog.

I believe I can speak for all our readers in sending our prayers and best wishes to Mac and his family.

On other fronts, the club has received some good news. Our membership drive is going well with a 15% increase to date in our total membership. The publication sale, under Alex Bereson, is also going well with some publications already sold out!

Our readers are reminded to RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP NOW to avoid a missed issue of the UNP Journal. Membership renewal forms should currently be in the hands of all members by separate mailing.

I have had to delay the listing of 1992's articles for our first annual readers choice awards. There will be a complete listing and voting information in the April 1993 issue. So get out your old issues and start reviewing them.

This issue sees the last regular installment of Mr. Bill Barnes Letter from Britain. Bill's writings have made a strong impression on all of us over the last several years. His viewpoints have provided the focus for many stimulating conversations about a number of subjects relating to the United Nations.

The Journal will not be the same without his commentary and viewpoint. We extend an open invitation to any other overseas member who wishes to pickup the gauntlet.

AUCTION INFORMATION

By Alex Bereson

The current UNP 1993D Mini Auction has a great variety of material, most in the low-end price range, so I hope everyone will take a few moments to peruse the auction list. All successful bidders in the current 1993A auction will receive a free set of 1980 flag FDCs (4), official cachet, courtesy of yours truly.

Our next auction in April (1993B) will be our annual Premier Auction which means that the scarcity and price of the material offered will be higher.

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

By Clayton Wallace

United Nations philately, and much of the rest of philately, is in the middle of a major upheaval. And yet we are poised to really take advantage of the paradigm shift. UNP has built a solid relationship with the UNPA. No other group has been able to have its message included in a UNPA's direct mail. We owe Mark Corrinet a major vote of thanks - it was his hard work that has fostered this relationship with Tony Fouracre and the UNPA. While it is too soon to know the results of our membership drive, advertising to 30,000 active UN collectors has to have positive results.

Our Journal continues to appear on schedule through Mark's and Alex Bereson's dedicated work. This vital forum is often our only link to most of our members. Our mailing of the Journal from the U.N. has generated the most response from our members than anything else I can remember, all of it very positive. The standards being set here will be emulated by many others.

Finally, as I mentioned on several occasions, this is your publication. Its content is the collective effort of many individuals. If you would like to see something different, either let us hear from you or contribute a paragraph or an article.

LETTER FROM BRITAIN

By Bill Barnes

EDITOR'S NOTE: This will be the last issue of the Letter from Britain by William J. Barnes. Due to the passage of time, Bill has decided it is time to cut-back on his obligations and, if you will excuse the cliche, "take some time to smell the roses."

Many of you may not be aware that Bill's involvement with the United Nations extends back to the first General Assembly in London in 1946. Though years of involvement with the United Nations Association in Britain, Bill has become one of the foremost authorities on the United Nations and specifically U.N. philately in the world.

I doubt that anyone would question the statement that Bill has probably written more about United Nations stamp collecting than any other individual in our field. His regular columns in both the UNSG Bulletin and our own Journal have provided years of information unavailable anywhere else.

This publication, and our hobby in general, is left a little emptier by his discontinuation of regular writing. Let us hope we can convince him to contribute a least one more special column for our upcoming 100th issue.

From Barnestorming to Barnesville: For years I wrote a regular column for the (British) U.N. Associations' New World. It was headed The Atlas Column and signed "Atlas" (see Illustration #1). Then a new editor came along and changed the heading to "Barnestorming" (it appeared over my own name). I looked it up in Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable: "Barnestormer" it said, "a slang term for a strolling player and hence for any second-rate actor, especially one whose style is of an exaggerated defamatory kind!" So much for personality cults!

But now I find that there's a "Barnesville" in the United States! (See Illustration #2) There's fame for you - at last! (many thanks for the cover with this cancel Anton).

Illustration #2 (Barnesville cancel)

The UPU and UNPA and the U.N.'s 50th Anniversary: One of my most reliable sources of information (American) tells me that the U.P.U. will be sending a directive to all it's member states to issue a U.N. 50th Anniversary stamp or stamps in 1995! Great news! What a wonderful collection that will make - especially if all nations are left to interpret the occasion and produce their own designs.

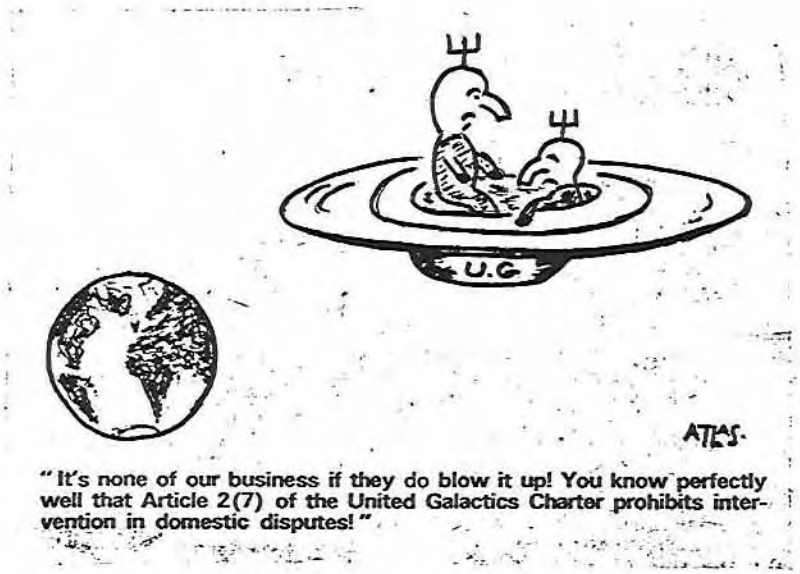


Illustration #1 (Atlas Cartoon)

And no doubt the UNPA will be very active. Perhaps they can devise ways of involving "We, the Peoples" in producing the U.N.'s stamp and cover designs. I recall, for example, that European art schools have designed Geneva first day covers. That idea might be extended.

Peace House: A letter of January 11, 1946, from the "Interm-Committee on Headquarters at the United Nations" (Waldorf-Astoria, N.Y.) referred to an "offer to the United Nations of the use of 'Peace House' at 109th Street and Fifth Avenue." (See copy of letter from UNOP 2.78 with thanks). So far as I am aware, the offer was never pursued, but I would like to know who owned (owns!) "Peace House?" Was it - as appears likely - the headquarters of a peace organization and if so which? And is that possible might-have-been-temporary U.N. headquarters still there?

Stamp Dealer's Habits: Come to thank of it one could make a regular feature out of this, but this time I will confine myself to a habit that I find especially irritating - NOT RUBBING OUT OLD PRICES! As an example: not long ago I bought a cover for L 7.50 (say $15.00 at exchange rates at that time). When I got home, I found that I had "5/." (five shillings - say 0.25 cents) in pencil on the back. I do not mind them making a profit - even a big profit (and, of course, the pencil figure could have been there for a long time) - but I do not want to know! And anyway, they should take a little trouble cleaning up the goods they have for sale: and eraser is still pretty cheap.

This customer, and no arguments from any dealers, this customer is always right!

U.N. Ships: that beautiful Clean Oceans issue (March 13th) produced some nice cachets for shows held at that time in Scandinavia. All the designs showing ships as illustrated below:

But did you know that there is a stamp showing a U.N. ship? The $1.00 stamp of the Barbados 1974 fishing boats of Barbados issue shows the UNDP vessel "Calamar." A happy development indeed!

UNPA Stamps Designed for U.S.?: I wonder whether the UNPA could produce a kind of "Thank you" issue specifically designed for all it's philatelic supporters and their clubs? Even better, the stamps could be designed by U.N. collectors. All U.N. clubs might be asked to submit not more than say five designs from their members. Philately of the people, by the people, for the people. After all, where would the UNPA be without us? Another idea for the U.N.'s 50th.

Vietnam and the U.N.: I still see ads, even occasionally in our own U.N. philatelic magazines, referring to items relating to the war in Vietnam as though it was U.N. related. It was not, of course. But, while the war was going on the U.N. mounted and maintained the great "Lower Mekong Basin Development Project" designed to harness the power of that great river for the future development of Vietnam. Several U.N. agencies and many nations took part in the project. But apart from the UNPA's 1970 stamp issue, I have seen nothing philatelic that reflects this enterprise - not even a "corner card" envelope. Does anyone know of any such item?

Gold Medal for UNP/UNSG member: Anton J.J.M. van Deutekom won a Gold at Genova 92' with a League of Nations thematic exhibit (only the second occasion that an exhibit based on the League has won such medal - and the first under the new F.I.P. rules). Sincere congratulations Anton!!

The League of Nations Covenant: two extracts to ponder over: from Article VI: "The expenses of the Secretariat shall be borne by the members of the League in accordance with the apportionment of the expenses of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union (philately getting a prompt foot in the door!; and from Article VIII: "...Members of the League agree that the manufacture by private enterprise of munitions and implements of war is open to grave objections." Whisper that in Washington or Westminster if you dare!

A Declaration of Rights - and wrongs?: Years ago, I produced a draft "Declaration of Human Duties" as a corollary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It has received a little international recognition, but in today's political climate, it is still on the back burner. Now, in midst of troubles, stemming from it would seem to me simply from different ideologies, I would suggest, in genuine humility, that it is more than time for the world (the U.N.?) to call a "summit" meeting of the leaders of all the main religions of the world with the object of establishing a simple Declaration on Rights and Wrongs! They ought (as God must be rational) to arrive at conclusions that would stem the irrational attitudes and behaviors of many who purport to follow his ways - politics are, inevitably, divisive. Religions should bring us together.

Stamp Collecting Important: It is if it is our sort of collecting - based upon and relating to the realities of history. I came to the conclusions a long way back, but it was happily reinforced by a note that appeared in Messengers December catalogue (Messengers is a British business that produces high grade auction catalogues and some fascinating items - historical documents and postal and other ephemera). The note reads: "Following the breakup of the Soviet bloc, Western leaders spoke enthusiastically of a 'New World Order.' Not only does such terminology have unfortunate historical connotations but the resulting 'order' might, more accurately, be described as disorder. The apparent certainties of power blocs and cohesive nation states have been replaced by a bewildering proliferation of new entities and a re-emergence of ancient hostilities, alarming in their ferocity. Simplistic explanations and palliatives offered by some politicians, reflect only their own opportunism and lack of historical understanding. The world in which we live is a dangerous place but it is made more dangerous by those, who do not learn from history because they are ignorant of it.

Certainly it is worth thinking about!

NEWS ITEM

From Associated Press

LONDON: The plane which crashed on September 17, 1961, in Africa killing United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold was shot down by mercenaries working for Belgian-led mining interests, two former U.N. officials said yesterday.

Mr. George Ivan Smith and Mr. Conor Cruise O'Brien, who were U.N. representatives in the 1960s in Katanga province, now called Shaba, gave the account in a letter in The Guardian newspaper.

The plane carrying Mr. Hammarskjold and 13 other people including six Swedish crewmen crashed near Ndola in what was then Northern Rhodesia and is now Zambia.

The Guardian said a Rhodesian inquiry panel ruled at the time there was "no evidence to support any suggestion that the aircraft was fired upon."

But it quoted Mr. Smith, 77, as saying in an interview with the paper the mercenaries had admitted in 20 taped interviews that they fired on Mr. Hammarskjold's plane from two De Haviland Dove aircraft specially fitted with machine guns.

The paper said it was the first time the details contained in the letter had been made public.

Mr. O'Brien, a former U.N. Ambassador and Irish Cabinet minister, is one of Ireland's leading political commentators. He and Mr. Smith in the letter drew a parallel between Mr. Hammarskjold's death and four Italians killed when their military transport plane was shot down on September 3 over war-torn Bosnia.

"Now the Italian crew have been shot down, we feel it is time to say that we are convinced Hammarskjold was killed in the same way," they wrote.

Mr. Hammarskjold, a Swede, was flying to Ndola from Leopoldville, now called Kinshasa, the capital of the Congo, now called Zaire, to meet with Moise Tshombe to try to persuade him to end his breakaway movement in Katanga.

When the Belgian Congo became independent in 1960, Mr. Tshombe became provisional president of Katanga, a rich mining province with copper, cobalt, uranium and other minerals. Mr. Tshombe proclaimed Katanga to be in secession from the rest of the Congo.

Civil war ensued. It ended in 1963 with the use of U.N. troops and Mr. Tshombe was forced to capitulate.

The letter said: "The European industrialists had sent two aircraft to intercept Hammarskjold before he met Tshombe so that they could persuade him to co-operate. They never meant to kill him. Ivan Smith has gathered startling evidence that the industrialists gave their two rogue pilots permission to send a warning shot across the U.N. plane if it refused to divert to Kamina (610 kilometers northwest of Ndola) for consultations. The warning shot must have hit a wire."

The Guardian quoted Mr. Smith as saying the mercenaries were acting under orders from a group consisting of the Belgian conglomerate Union Miniere du Haut Katanga and British and American interests.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article appeared in a major newspaper in Hong Kong on September 12, 1992. To the best of my knowledge this information was never used by any Western publication or media service.

The fact that a Secretary-General of the United Nations could be assassinated by the hired killers of a European multi-national, even "accidentally," and get away with it is a frightening thought to any civilized human being.

I am personally amazed that the United Nations has not asked for a full investigation into the possible assassination of their second Secretary-General by a private corporation of one of their member-states. To allow this incident to be discarded under the preverbal rug is unforgivable.

UN CONFERENCE NEWS

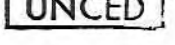
By B. Clement, Jr.

At ICAO Headquarters in Montreal, Canada, from April 6 to 10, 1992, a ICAO World-wide Air Transport Colloquium was held. A special imprint was applied to special covers for the occasion; this imprint is shown in Figure 1. Two special cacheted envelopes were issued by the ICAO Staff Association for the Colloquium.

The 79th International Labor Conference was held in Geneva, Switzerland on June 3 to 24, 1992. A special postmark was used as seen in Figure 2.

The Earth Summit, the U.N. Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) was held in Rio de Janiero, Brazil on June 3 to 14, 1992. This conference was probably the most publicized U.N. conference ever held. Several Brazilian stamps were issued for the conference, the first day cancel for one is shown in Figure 3.

Figure 4 shows three different types of origin cachets were used by the main secretariat for the conference in Geneva.



A smaller secretariat office existed in New York and used the origin cachet in Figure 5.

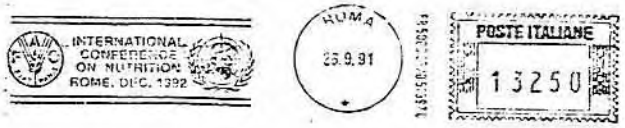
The 36th General Conference of IAEA, the International Atomic Energy Agency, was held in Vienna, Austria from September 21 to 24, 1992. The cancellation is shown in Figure 6 was used by the UNPA for the Conference.

The 29th Assembly of ICAO, the International Civil Aviation Organization, was held in Montreal, Canada from September 22 to October 8, 1992. A special postmark was used and has been observed in red and black ink. This postmark is shown in Figure 7 below. The ICAO Staff Association prepared three special envelopes to honor the assembly.

A session of UPU's Consultative Council on Postal Studies was held in Berne, Switzerland in October 1992. The usual special postmark, similar to the 1991 postmark shown in the December 1992 Journal was used at this session.

An International Conference on Nutrition (ICN), sponsored by WHO (World Health Organization) and FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization) was held in Rome, Italy from December 5 to 11, 1992. The conference secretariat, located at FAO headquarters in Rome, used the origin cachet shown in Figure 8.

Also, FAO is using a meter slogan honoring the conference, one with a slogan in Spanish, and one in English; the English version is shown below as Figure 9.



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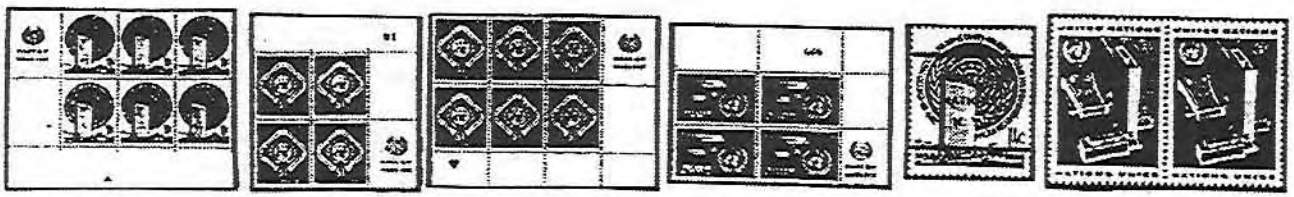

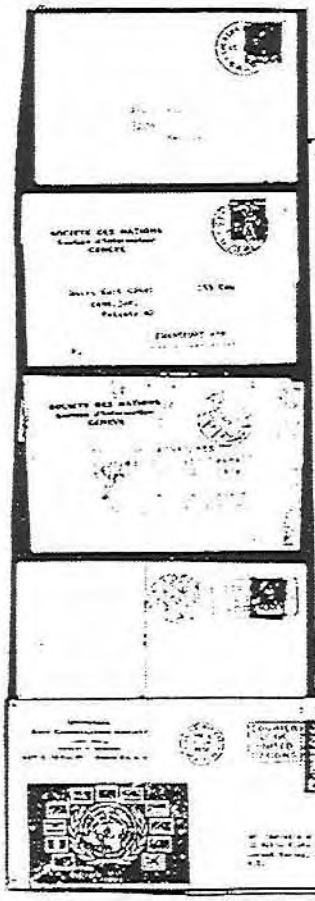

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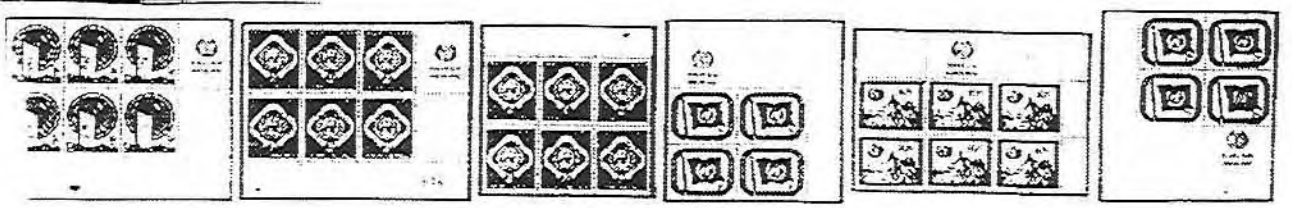

UNTEA CORNER #9
UNTEA International Reply Coupons

By M. Hardjasudarma

Since most of us are probably not all that familiar with International Reply Coupons (IRC), some explanation may be in order. Currency differences, and in some cases restrictions, often make it difficult to prepay one's foreign correspondent's return postage. To solve this problem, the Universal Postal Union (UPU) created the IRC in 1907. The IRC (Figure 1) is a printed piece of paper sold by all UPU member postal administrations that can be exchanged for postage stamp(s) anywhere in the world, as long as it is done at a post office of a country which is also a UPU member. The stamp(s) will pay for the single letter rate from that country to foreign destinations by surface mail. To avoid profit taking, the sale price of the IRC is currently equal to the highest single letter rate by surface mail of all UPU members. Thus it is quite likely for us to have to pay more for an IRC than the aforementioned letter rate is in that particular country, or ours, for that matter. Be that as it may, we can be assured that whoever receives the IRC, wherever he might reside in the world, can exchange it at his local post office for enough stamps to pay the postage on his letter to us. At the time of purchase, the post office puts its mark on the IRC. When exchanged for stamps, the other post office also cancels it. Having done the duty they were designed for, these IRCs are then used by the different postal administrations to periodically account for the costs to each other, and make reimbursements where necessary. After that, these "used" IRCs are destroyed.

A study by de Weyer has shown that even though IRCs were available in the Netherlands Indies (of which West New Guinea was part of until 1949) as early as 1907, thus far none are known from West New Guinea with (purchasing postal) markings before 1950. In that year, West New Guinea issued its first IRC, followed later by four different types in succession. The first three types, valued at 40 cents were never used during UNTEA, and will not discussed further. Some time between September 1958 and June 1959, the IRC price was raised to fifty cents. This caused the emergence of the type #4 IRC, which was a really a forty cents of which the value was overprinted in red with a '50' rubber stamp (Figure 1). Type #5 is an IRC printed with the new value of fifty cents.

All these IRCs are very scarce, as shown by de Weyer's study. Of the most common one, type #4, he described just 21 copies. These are used between June 1959 and the end of April, 1963, and therefore include practically the entire UNTEA period. The sole type #5 found so far bears a date of February 7, 1963 (Hollandia) well within the UNTEA period. I also bears the circular date stamp of a post office in Holland (Naarden), where it obviously was not exchanged for stamps, and the Naarden cancel was therefore struck by favor. Unless a type #5 with a West New Guinea cancel of before October 1, 1962 is ever found, this IRC can be considered as an entirely new and different type, and issued by UNTEA despite the fact that it carries the old land's name, i.e. Netherlands New-Guinea in Dutch and French. No UNTEA overprint was apparently ever applied to IRCs.

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Figure 1 (A Type #4 IRC of Netherlands New-Guinea sold in Hollandia on April 3 (or 30), 1963).

UNP NIC-NACS

EDITOR REQUEST

I am interested in purchasing any publications, pamphlets, booklets, club publications (all clubs) and original source documents relating to the U.N., the League of Nations, or their related agencies.

I am also interested in obtaining historical reference works on international relations, events or conferences, the U.N., the League or their related agencies in general.

Please write me at the address in the front of the Journal. Please provide a list with asking price and the means to contact you.

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1. Lindner 1976 Softbound U.N. Philatelic and Numismatic Catalog - $10.00 postpaid (1 left).

2. Selection of documents/lists relating to UNRRA, including team lists and maps (all photocopies) - $10.00 postpaid (1 left).

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WANTED: ICAO meters, special cancels, conference items, FDCs. Contact: Albert Pelsser at 436 rue des Pin St-Bruno, Quebec, Canada J3V 2S5.

The U.N. does not have a slogan for its 50th anniversary yet. Suggestions are welcome. Some of the requirements: (a) the slogan should not be national in nature, but global as the anniversary will be celebrated all over the world; (b) the word "peace" should not be used; (c) it should not deal with any one aspect of the UN's work. It's theme should be unifying; (d) the slogan should be easily translatable into all six official languages of the UN; (e) it should be short.

Suggestions should be sent to Ms. Zohreh Tabatabai, Coordinator, 50th Anniversary of the United Nations, United Nations, Room S-3194-A, New York, New York, 10017.

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Wanted: U.N. Environmental Programme meters, conference imprints, special cancels, and origin cachets. Contact Charles C. Smith, 7801 Lake Sherwood Circle, Northport, AL 35476.

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For Sale: Special events cachets, SC.1, Opening of new wing of Palais de Nations (Gaines Pg. 588) collection of 17 diff. cards/covers including UNPA S.1 (b,c,g) and machine slogans, many first and last days. $30.00 for best offer. Contact Charles C. Smith, same address as above.

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WITHDRAWALS

The last day of sale for the commemorative series "World Heritage UNESCO" will be January 22, 1993.

NEXT UNPA 1993 STAMP ISSUE

March 3, 1993 is the commemorative series "Endangered Species" with the values of US $0.29, S.Fr 0,80 and AS 7.00 in se-tenant blocks of 4 within mini-sheets of 16 stamps.

MISSION TO PLANET EARTH 29 CENTS VALUE SOLD OUT

The UNPA announced that the 29 cents value of the Mission to Planet Earth stamp issue, which was released on September 4, 1992, sold out on October 23, 1992. The S.Fr. 1,10 and S 10.0 values will remain on sale and may be purchased either as a se-tenant pair or in the full sheet of ten stamps format.

The UNPA advises that customers with standing orders calling for semi-annual or annual delivery will receive their requirements of the 29 cents value as stocks have been set aside for these deliveries. UNPA customers with such standing orders however are urged to ensure that there are sufficient funds in their accounts to cover their semi-annual or annual orders.

UNPA ATTENDANCE AT SHOWS

March 05 to 07, 1993 - MILCOPEX at Milwaukee, WI

March 12 to 14, 1993 - FLORIDA WEST COAST EXPO at Tarpon Springs, FL

March 13 to 14, 1993 - SOPEX at Andover, MA

March 19 to 21, 1993 - GARFIELD at Cleveland, OH

March 26 to 28, 1993 - ROPEX at Rochester, NY

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U.N. GENEVA MUSEUM WELCOMES VISITORS

An attraction for stamp collectors visiting Geneva, Switzerland, is the United Nations Philatelic Museum. Created in 1962, the museum houses service stamps and documents of the League of Nations; International Labor Organization; International Court of Justice; numerous other specialized agencies material; and all UNPA issues from 1951.

The museum shows an audio-visual program to explain the ideas and objectives of the United Nations as reflected in its stamps. A reader's corner offers visitors access to important philatelic publications. A museum cancellation is available to visitors upon request.

The museum is located at Door 39 in the Palais des Nations. Admission is free. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to noon and 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. The mailing address is United Nations Philatelic Museum, Palais des Nations, CH-1211, Geneva 10, Switzerland.

WFUNA GRAPHIC

As noted in our front cover, WFUNA has issued a beautiful graphic for the UNPA issue "Aging: Dignity and Participation" by Ms. Beck and Mr. Siegel entitled "Fantasy."

Information may be obtained directly from WFUNA, U.N. Headquarters, Suite DC-1-1177, U.N., New York, New York 10017.

NEW UNPA NEW YORK NEWS BOOKLET

With the coming of January, the UNPA in New York has begun issuing an outstanding information booklet on all current UNPA activities. This booklet is another outstanding reason to have a regular account with the UNPA.

PROPOSED 1993 UNPA STAMP PROGRAM

February 5, 1993 - Aging: Dignity and Participation

March 3, 1993 - Endangered Species

May 5, 1993 - Healthy Environments

June 11, 1993 - Human Rights Series

September 21, 1993 - Peace

October 29, 1993 - Environment (Climate)

CALL FOR CONSIGNMENTS OF UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED MATERIAL

FOR INCLUSION IN 1993C UNP MINI AUCTION

Consignments are currently being accepted for UNP Mini Auction #1993C. Lots will be accepted until May 1, 1993. The Auction lots will be listed in the June issue of The Journal. No more than 150 lots will be accepted for this Auction. Lot space will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve, basis. No consignor may place more than thirty lots in any particular auction. Any material received after May 1, 1993, will be held for inclusion in the next Mini Auction. No lots will be retained for more than two auctions.

The following rules will apply to the UNP Mini Auction:

1. Each item must be U.N. related literature, documents, or historical type letters or covers.

2. There is a minimum bid limit of $10.00 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.

4. Lots must be sent to the Auction Chairperson by insured or registered mail. Neither UNP nor the Auction Chairperson will accept responsibility for any material shipped without such coverage. Return postage, including insurance or registration fees for unsold lots, will be charged to the owner.

5. Every effort will be made to assure the protection and safety of the material while in the possession of the Auction Chairperson. However, in the unlikely event of fire, storm, theft or other act resulting in damage or loss, neither UNP, nor the Auction Chairperson, can accept responsibility for such loss.

6. A total of 10% of the realized price will be retained by UNP.

7. Lots with faults must be so described.

8. Failure to comply with the rules may result in the rejection of material.

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

10. All material should be sent to the following address:

Alex Bereson
18 Portola Drive
San Francisco, California 94131

UNITED NATIONS PHILATELISTS, INC. MINI AUCTION 1993A
CLOSING DATES FOR BIDS IS MARCH 15, 1993

ALL BIDS SHOULD BE SENT TO AUCTION CHAIRPERSON:

ALEX BERESON
18 PORTOLA DRIVE
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HOME NUMBER: (415) 641-0510
FAX BID NUMBER: (707) 747-1519

BIDDING RULES

1. All bids are per lot as numbered in the listing. Please check your bids. Bidders are responsible for their mistakes. All bids will be confidential.
2. The highest bidder shall prevail. Lots will be sold at one advance over the second highest bid. If only one bid is received, the lot will be sold at the minimum bid. In the event of identical bids on the same lot, the lot will be awarded to the first bid received. No bids below the minimum level will be accepted.
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.
6. Bidding increments are as follows:

$ .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
$250.01 and up.....$25.00	

Bids not conforming to these increments will automatically be reduced to the appropriate level.

PAYMENT

7. Successful bidders will be notified by mail and must remit in full before any lots are sent. Buyers are expected to remit payment immediately upon receipt of the notice. Payment must be sent to the Auction Chairperson, payable to "UNPI." Failure to remit payment will carry UNP membership penalties.
8. Payments may made by PERSONAL or CASHIERS CHECK in U.S. dollars only.
9. All postage costs for mailing lots, including insurance and registration, plus a .50 cent handling fee, will be charged each successful bidder.

AUTHENTICITY

10. To the best of the Chairperson's ability, every effort has been made to ensure that all lots are correctly described. Any bidder contesting the description of a lot must do so within five days of their receipt of the questioned lot.
11. The placing of a bid shall constitute acceptance of the foregoing conditions of sale.
12. Prices realized will be published in a subsequent issue of the The Journal.

MINI AUCTION 1993A LOTS

LOT 01 Belgium Scott #467-476, C15-C20 on 5 Cacheted unaddr. Combo FDCs tied by hand cancels - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 02 Conference of the Sea #10 cover to UNNY w/Spec. Cancel - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 03 FDC NY Scott #493, G150, V66 S/Sheets on unaddr. WFUNA triple cancel FDC - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 04 FDC NY Scott #C1-4 on typed addr. Artcraft (4) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 05 FDC NY Scott #C1-4 on unaddr. Fleetwood (4) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 06 FDC NY 1980 Flags (MI4) on unaddr. Official Geneva (16) - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 07 FDC NY 1980 Flags (MI4) on unaddr. WFUNA (16) - Min. Bid $13.00
LOT 08 FDC NY 1980 Flag on unaddr. jumbo cacheted UNICEF - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 09 FDC NY 1981 Flag on unaddr. jumbo cacheted UNICEF - Min. Bid $10.00

LOT 10 FDC NY Scott #1-11 on addr. mixed Artcraft/Fleetwood - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 11 FDC Vienna Scott #66 & 66a s/sheets on unaddr. jumbo WFUNA covers tied by #1 & #2 FD cancels (Specially Produced) - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 12 FDC NY 1980 Flags on unaddr. jumbo WFUNA - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 13 FDC Geneva Scott #69-72, 77-85 on unaddr. Colorado (11) - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 14 FDC Geneva Scott #15-20,22-44,46-51,53-60 on unaddr. Official Geneva (28) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 15 FDC Geneva Scott #1-14 on unaddr. Artmaster (14) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 16 UNICEF unaddr. combo covers #192-193, 194-195 & Single covers #196, C14 - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 17 FDC NY (1958-1965) Ken Boll Color Cachets, addr., (21 covers) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 18 Germany Scott #363-365 issued for 1927 ILO Conference MLH - Min. Bid $44.00
LOT 19 Switzerland Scott #1oo1, 1oo3, 1oo10 (ITU) on 4 covers w/cancels s2,3,4,7 - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 20 UNNY Scott #41-42 "1A" and "1B" in MI4s MNH (4) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 21 Netherlands Court of Justice Scott #o16-o19 (1st Printing) MNH - Min. Bid $55.00
LOT 22 1976 (25th Anniversary) Special Souvenir Folder - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 23 1969-1977 (8) Geneva Souvenir Folders - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 24 1967-1978 (12) UNNY Souvenir Folders - Min. Bid $18.00
LOT 25 1979-1981 (3) Vienna Souvenir Folders - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 26 Souvenir Card Starter Collection (Mint & FD) (30 diff.) - Min. Bid $16.00
LOT 27 Souvenir Cards (1975) ten diff. privately issued color cards w/foreign or U.S. franking - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 28 Switzerland Scott #5o1-5o5 (WHO) MLH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 29 UNDOF 1975-1978 Polish Contigent covers (8 diff.) (Gaines $65) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 30 UNEF Canada 1963 cover w/Gaines cancels CAPO 5049 & 200(g) "3" - Min. Bid $11.00
LOT 31 UNEF Canada Air Transport (10/19/65) cover w/Gaines cancel 200(h) "7" - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 32 UNEF Canada Air Transport (1961) cover w/Gaines cancel 200(h) "4" - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 33 UNEF Canada Dept. of National Defense (Similar to #33) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 34 UNEF Forces unaddr. Airletters w/Gaines cancels 200(h) 3,5,6,7 - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 35 France Scott #2o1-2o5 (UNESCO) Imperfs MNH - Min. Bid $60.00
LOT 36 France Scott #2o9-2o12 (UNESCO Imperfs MNH - Min. Bid $50.00
LOT 37 UNNY Scott #93-94 (FULL SHEETS) MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 38 UNNY Scott #131-133 (FULL SHEETS) MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 39 UNNY 85A (Short "v" Variety) s/sheet MNH - Min. Bid $36.00
LOT 40 UNNY Scott #C5-C7 (FULL SHEETS) MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 41 UNNY Scott #C8, C13 (FULL SHEETS) MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 42 UNNY Scott #C11-C12 (FULL SHEETS) MNH - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 43 UNNY Gaines #UC1 Airletter MINT - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 44 5 Philatelic covers (1955) franked by UNNY Scott #3-22,24-28,C1-4 - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 45 100+ + commercial covers (NO UNPA) franked with various UNNY stamps - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 46 UNNY Scott #2//182, C1, C5-C7 as blocks on 3"x5" cards tied by UNNY Wreath cancels (17) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 47 Registered cover from UNRWAPR Palestine Refugee Relief Beirut to UNNY (1975) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 48 UNTEA (small cover dated 4/25/63) w/BOAK cancel franked w/Gaines #7 & 11 - Min. Bid $22.00
LOT 49 1974 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (West Germany) Contains all 1973 issues (71) from W. Germany and Berlin MNH - Min. Bid $50.00
LOT 50 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Bahrain) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 51 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Belgium) - Min. Bid $14.00
LOT 52 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Greece) - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 53 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (UPU Official Folder) w/MNH UNESCO and Swiss Official stamps - Min. Bid $26.00
LOT 54 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Syria) w/36 stamps + s/s MNH - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 55 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Turkey) w/37 stamps + s/s MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 56 1989 UPU Delegate Presentation Book (Vatican City) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 57 WFUNA Graphic #91 (Leroy Neiman) FDC NY - Min. Bid $50.00
LOT 58 White Cards #1-7,9-10, including #4B & 6A varieties - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 59 White Cards #1-3,5-8 w/foreign stamps/show cancels (21 diff.) + Essen green card - Min. Bid $24.00
LOT 60 Switzerland Scott #2o31a-2o34a VF Used - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 61 Switzerland Scott #5o24 Unused Hinged - Min. Bid $22.00
LOT 62 Switzerland Scott #3o104, 4o46-48, 5o35, 7o31-32, 7o34-39, 1oo10 on unaddr. 7 official FDCs - Min. Bid $10.00

LOT 63 Switzerland Scott #7o33 Blk4 on Parcel Piece Registered to USA - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 64 First Flights #62 & #65 on ITU corner card covers franked with ITU officials - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 65 UN NY 1980-1981 Flags (12 Se-tenant Center Blks) MNH - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 66 UN NY Scott #1-11 inscription tab singles MNH - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 67 FDC UN NY (40 diff.) (1960-1976) all typed addr. to England on mixed cachets including Fleetwood & Aristocrats - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 68 India Korea Scott #M44-M55 MNH - Min. Bid $22.00
LOT 69 Cover with U.S. "World Peace/LAW/-Not War" cancel (dated 8/2/1923) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 70 UNICEF 1980 Color Book in deluxe binder containing 1980 Flag Sheets MNH + 16 FDCs - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 71 UNICEF 1981 Color Book in deluxe binder containing 1981 Flag Sheets MNH + 16 FDCs - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 72 UNICEF 1982 Color Book in deluxe binder containing 1982 Flag Sheets MNH + 16 FDCs - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 73 UNICEF 1983 Color Book in deluxe binder containing 1983 Flag Sheets MNH + 16 FDCs - Min. Bid $30.00
LOT 74 UNICEF 1984 Color Book in deluxe binder containing 1984 Flag Sheets MNH + 16 FDCs - Min. Bid $30.00

LOT 75 LOT 70 to 74 as One Lot - Min. Bid $150.00

LOT 76 ITU Conference cancel (Gaines 1929/1) on piece - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 77 2 Mint PCs from 1925 League of Nations Conf. at Locarno w/League Conf. Imprint on back - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 78 Unaddr. Picture PC w/1932 League Conf. cancel for Disarmement Cancel (Gaines 1932/1) - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 79 1st Special League of Nations General Assembly (to address issue of admitting Germany into the League) on addr. 2-part PC franked w/Swiss Stamps - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 80 1943 Censored cover from Brazil to Carnigie Endowment for International Peace Institute - Min. Bid $15.00
LOT 81 Original ID Patch from WW2 Casablanca Conference - Min. Bid $17.00
LOT 82 Famous Photo of seated Churchill/Roosevelt/Stalin at Yalta Conference - Min. Bid $5.00
LOT 83 9 Photos of Pre-U.N. Meetings (i.e. Dunbartan Oaks, etc.) /Early U.N. Meetings - Min. Bid $12.00
LOT 84 5 Photos of Building of UNNY Headquarters + extras - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 85 1949 U.N. Lake Success Corner Card cover sent from Knoxville, Tenn. & franked w/Airmail U.S. Postage (Rare Personal Usage) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 86 UNNY Scott #38 s/sheet on Artcraft FDC - Min. Bid $22.00
LOT 87 Netherlands Hammarskjold Rocket Mail cover affixed w/Hammerskjold labels and U.N. stamps FDC (Rare Cinderella) - Min. Bid Bid $15.00
LOT 88 WFUNA FDC for UNNY "Clean Oceans" issue signed by designer - Min. Bid $8.00
LOT 89 4 covers affixed w/French commemorative stamps for UNESCO (1947/58) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 90 Indian IYC Labels (2 values) (Hard to get Cinderella) - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 91 Spanish Refugee Committee cover from Int. Refugee Year - Min. Bid $8.00
LOT 92 Indian ICCS Scott #6-10 on addr. cacheted FDC (RARE) - Min. Bid $20.00
LOT 93 Indian ICCS Scott #1-5 on addr. FDC (Hanoi cancel) - Min. Bid $8.00
LOT 94 UNEF #10 cover sent to Canada w/CAPO 5049 cancel & Gaines 200(h) "7" cancel - Min. Bid $10.00
LOT 95 SUPER-DUPER WALLOPING Mystery Lot (Gaines $300+) - Min. Bid $60.00

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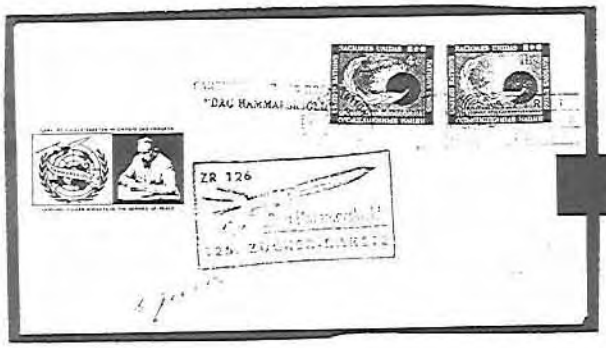

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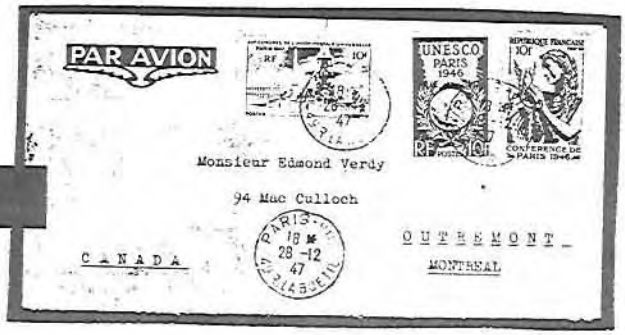

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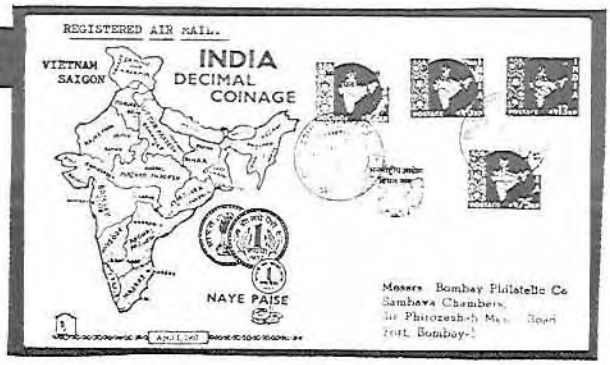

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