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President's Page

This will probably be the hardest President's Page that I have ever had to write in the almost four years I've led this organization. The good news is our law suit with Bruce Moyer has been amicably settled. The bad news is that UN Philately has lost Mark Corrinet. Yes, Mark was very controversial in many aspects of his writing. He made some people angry, but at the same time made other people think. Mark was quick to point out what he believed were injustices, but perhaps this *Journal* was not the correct forum. Our organization is dedicated to promoting UN philately; I've always felt that meant creating interest in our field by promoting and teaching what we know. Mark had different ideas, but his overall goal was always the same - the promotion of our hobby. Mark's writing will be missed by many. Today, UN philately is a little poorer. Sadly, we are all a little wiser.

I am happy to report that our organization remains healthy. Alex Bereson, our capable treasurer, has been a source of strength and inspiration. This issue of the *Journal* is his creation. Another of Alex's many, many contributions during the past few years. The wheels of bureaucracy ground a little too slowly to have Dick Powers installed as the new Editor, but his second tenure should begin shortly.

There are things we can all do to support UN philately. First and foremost I ask each of you to please renew your membership for the next year. Only be retaining our number one asset, our membership, can UN philately remain viable into the next century. Take a moment to send Don Bakos a check for your 1994 dues. A renewal form is on both the October and this issue's back wrapper.

I want to say thank you to a few other individuals, besides Alex, who worked overtime during the last few months. Attorney Ben Cohen, Arleigh Gaines, and Director Charles Berg, along with the UNCC, have been extremely helpful with advice and ideas. Don Bakos and the rest of the Board called often to give advice and support. Duane Lamars wrote to express his ideas and concerns. Thank you everyone. Without your support we cannot remain viable. I look forward to working with each of you in 1994.

Finally, my sincere best wishes to all of our membership for a safe and healthy holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

Clay Wallace

COVER DESCRIPTION

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From the past...

Editor's Corner

Season's Greetings! This month it is my pleasure to serve as acting editor for this *Journal*. I wish to thank Mark Corrinet for all his efforts on behalf of the *Journal*. After only one issue I realize it isn't an easy task. You will note, I hope favorably, that I have tinkered liberally with the content and format. My priority is to present as much UN philatelic information as possible, in an educational and entertaining manner. Much of the repetitive data in the *Journal*, such as the call for auction lots, will not be included in every issue.

Many thanks to the authors who have contributed to this issue. I strongly encourage each member to share his knowledge, even if your specialty is pouch covers from Lower Vertebrate. Articles are encouraged on any medium, paper or computer diskette. Any photocopies should "optimally" be reduced 50% with a black background for best contrast.

The back wrapper of this issue has the renewal form for 1994. For those who have not already renewed, please take a moment now to complete the form and return it with your check to Don Bakos. I don't want to sound like a PBS pledge-drive, but if you like what you see in this issue please vote with your prompt renewal!

In case you're wondering how the Journal is prepared... I complete the master copy, run it to the printer, pick up 350+ copies a week later, label them, stamp them with UNNY stamps, ship them to the UNPA by UPS ground, then they enter the USPS mail stream first class for domestic and air mail for foreign members. Since the holidays slow down the printer, the UPS, the USPS, the UNPA and yours truly, I can only hope that you are reading this before the New Year.

Best wishes for the holidays,

Alex

From your Auction Chairman

The prices realized for the last three auctions are included in this Journal. Depending upon schedule and space limitations, my goal is to publish the prices realized in the issue immediately following the closing date.

The current auction has a nice selection of UNTEA, scarce early UPU folders and a nice run of military covers. I'm pleased to report that the last few auctions have seen many new bidders. A careful perusal of the auction lots may be rewarded by the discovery of some choice items for your collection.

Nearly every auction I receive the same comment regarding pricing for a particular lot - the minimum bid is too high. Funny, no one ever complains when a minimum is too low; I guess that never happens! Minimum bids are set by the consignor. It is simply a mechanism to protect their investment. If the minimum is *obviously* too high, I strongly encourage the consignor to lower it.

We have been averaging about $2000 net sales in the last few auctions, yet there remains a large number of unsold lots. Is that because the minimums were too high? Perhaps. Is it because no one had a particular interest in an item even though it was scarce and/or underpriced? Maybe. In 1993F lot #9, a VF MNH NY #38 second printing, did not sell even though it had a MB of $90. I saw a buy ad in the trade offering $80 for it. Would anyone submit valuable items without reserves to a small specialized audience such as ours? I have also observed, time and time again, that low reserves often result in higher realizations.

My response to the most often asked question, "What sells?" is everything (at the **right** price)! In general, common UN items are not in demand, specialty items are. However, not all specialty areas have dedicated disciples and except for a few area (autographs, military covers, printing varieties) demand fluctuates from auction to auction.

SCHLESWIG UNDER THE LEAGUE

by Alex Bereson

Some of the most important aspects of the Versailles Treaty settlement were the decisions regarding national boundaries. No issue stirred passions more. The Supreme Council of the League of Nations entrusted the supervision of the Treaty and subsidiary treaties with defeated Austria, Bulgaria and Hungary to a committee outside the League - the Conference of Ambassadors, which consisted of the envoys of Britain, France, Italy, Japan and the USA (after 1920 the American ambassador attended meetings as an observer).

In Western Europe, the Saar was put under League administration for 15 years, its future to be decided by plebescite. Alsace and Lorraine were returned to France. The Rhineland was demilitarized and occupied by Allied forces to be withdrawn in stages over five, ten and fifteen years. Eupen-Malmedy, a German border town of 60,000 inhabitants, was claimed by Belgium. The future of Schlewig, a Danish duchy annexed by Bismark in 1864, was decided by plebescite held under League auspices on March 14, 1920. North Schleswig voted overwhelmingly to join Denmark; South Schleswig to stay German.

The breadth of postal emissions from Schleswig is small. The plebescite issue of 1920 consists of fourteen values and two designs. A subsequent "1.ZONE" overprint for North Schleswig was made of the entire fourteen value set, and an official set, again an overprint, "C.I.S.", of the same set. "CIS" is the acronym for the "Commission Internationale Slesvig" which was the governing body for the plebescite. Note that Scott erroneously ascribes the acronym to the "Commission Interalliee Slevig." (Slesvig is the Danish spelling of Schleswig.) The first two sets catalog $5 each, while the official overprint set lists at approximately $1,000. As is the case with most costly overprint sets, many counterfeits exist so expertization is a must.

Figure 1 is a philatelic cover franked by Scott #1-10, the 2-1/2 through 75 pfennig values of the first set, cancelled in Tondern on February 3, 1920.

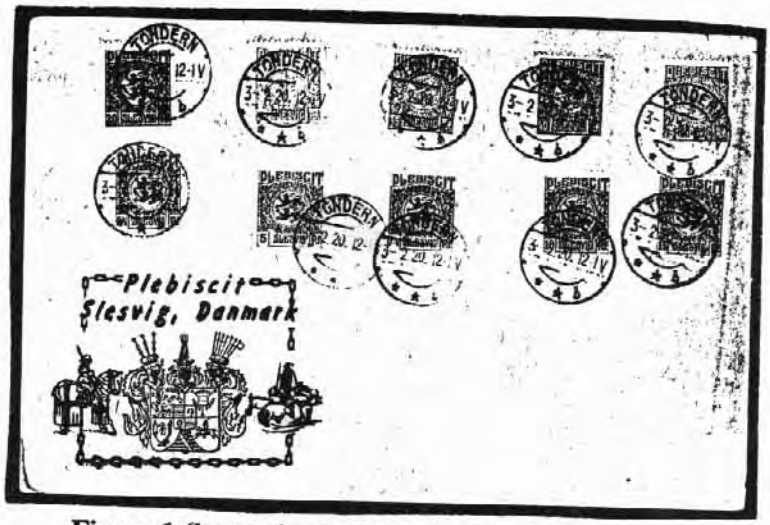

Figure 1:Souvenir cover franked by #1-10

Figure 2:mint ten pfennig plebescite post card

Figure 3:plebescite currency

Plebescite currency was used in Schleswig during 1920-1922. Each city issued its own money for its own use. Figure 3 is a fifty pfennig note from Flensburg issued on March 14, 1921, the first anniversary of the plebescite vote. It depicts German flags waving above a jubilant crowd in the town center.

Figure 4:bilingual currency

Figure 4, a fifty pfennig note from Tingleff, illustrates bilingual German-Dutch text common to many notes of the period.

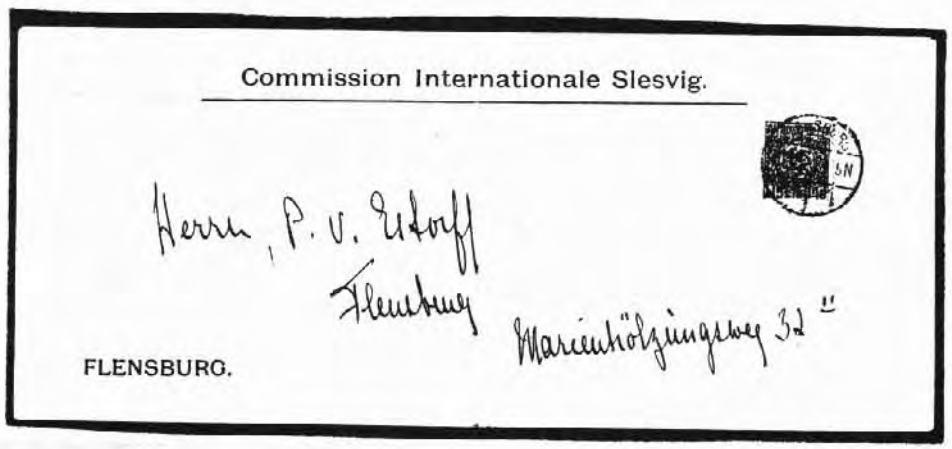

Figure 5: plebescite service cover

Figure 5, the most desirable item, is a service cover of the CIS franked by the fifteen pfennig official issue (affixed upside down to the cover). It was cancelled January 31, 1920.

Stamps, postal history and ephemera of Schleswig, as well as other territories while under the League of Nations administration, are a fascinating area for forerunner U.N. collectors.

NIC NACS

WANTED: Official FDC 1-15-62 "UN FORCES (INDIA) CONGO" with FPO cancel 660 (Leopoldville) - Gaines page 1888, Scott India #M56-61. Also want any Organisation Des Nationes Unies Au Congo (UNOC) material. Please write with offers. David A. Schaubroeck, 2915 Russell Drive, Howell, MI 48843

WANTED: UNRRA related material. Contact: Alex Bereson, 18 Portola Dr., San Francisco, CA 94131

UN News Issues:

February 5th, 1994 AGING. Six stamps (29c, 52c, 50 centimes, 1.60 francs, 5.50 schillings, 7 sch.). Scott New York #618-9, Geneva #228-231, Vienna #141-2.

March 3rd, 1994 ENDANGERED SPECIES. Three se-tenant blocks of four (29c, 80c, 7s). Scott New York #620-3, Geneva #228-31, Vienna #143-6.

SOME OTHER FIRST DAYS

by Don Bakos

An often unsung second cousin to FDC collecting provides an element of subtle depth to any comprehensive collection of this popular specialty. In some ways a second helping of certain things can be nearly as fulfilling as the main course. To most, a FDC is the first day cancellation of the first printing of a particular item, be it stamp or stationary.

There are, however, some other types of first days. These are the first days of second, third, and further printings of those same items.

Figure 1 shows an example of this. It is a First Day Cover of the second printing of the second 25c definitive, Scott #149. It bears a Nov. 8, 1965 everyday machine slogan and a text-type cachet.

Figure 1:#194.2 First Day of Use

Figure 2 is another second printing first day of issue. The 25c airmail #C12 was cancelled on Dec. 7, 1966, the first day of the second printing of this stamp.

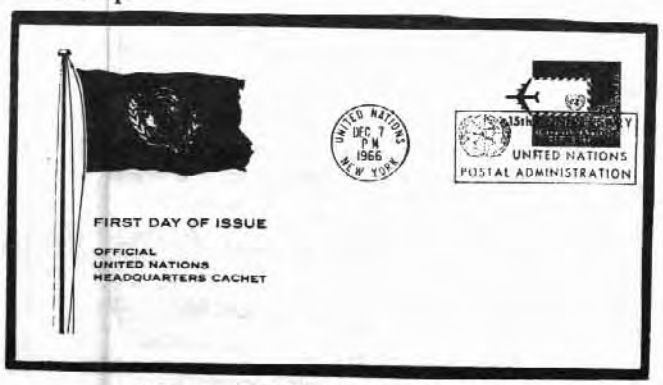

Figure 2: #C12.2 First Day of Use

Figure 3 is a little more intriguing. On the surface it appears to be a stationary item with an added stamp. It is, however, #U3.2, the second printing of the 5c envelope. It was cancelled on Feb. 1, 1968, and since it wasn't placed on sale until after the 6c rate increase of Jan. 7, 1968, the UNPA was forced to either destroy the entire printing run, or frank each envelope with an additional 1c stamp to reflect the rate change. It's 6c replacement would not be issued until Jan. 8, 1969.

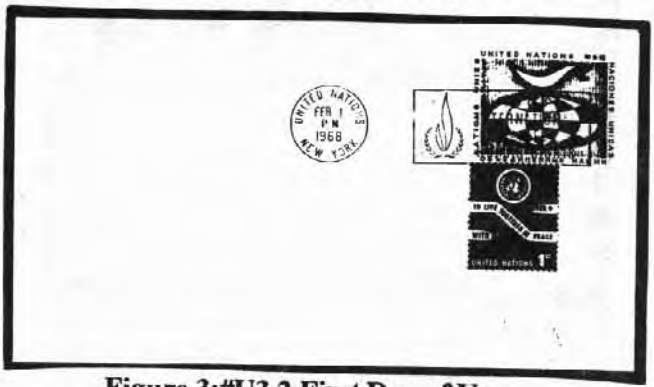

Figure 3:#U3.2 First Day of Use

Figure 4 is the second printing of #UXC5, the 11c Airmail Postal Card. It bears a July 22, 1966, first day of use Hand Wreath Cancel.

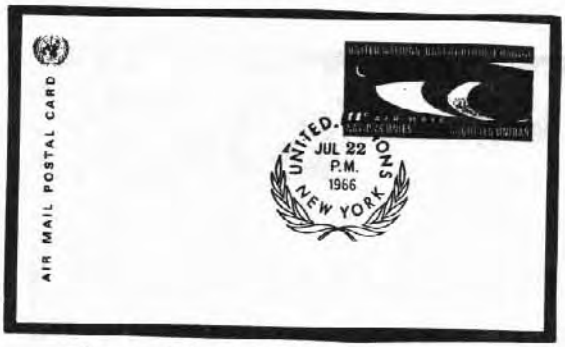

Figure 4:#UXC5.2 First Day of Use

Figure 5 is the same item, #UXC5, but it is the First Day of the third printing, Nov. 22, 1966.

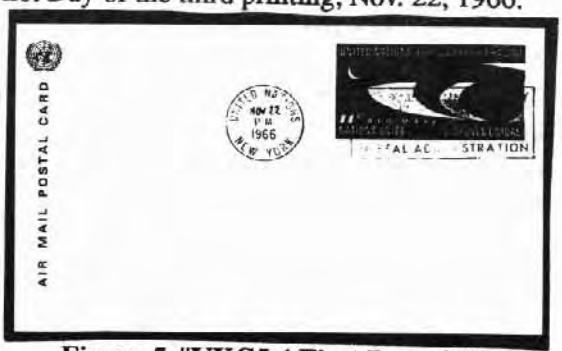

Figure 5:#UXC5.4 First Day of Use

Figures 6 and 7 are both copies of the #UC5 11c Airletter Sheet. Each shows a different style of the FDC slogan cancellation. Although these have "FIRST DAY OF ISSUE" slogan cancels usually seen only on FDC's, they bear the date "Jan 23, 1967." #UC5 was first issued on June 26, 1961, so what's going on here?

Figure 6:#UC5.4 Hand Cancel

The "First Day of Issue" cancel actually pertains to #167, the 5c definitive, which was issued on Jan. 23rd. But then it also relates to the first day of issue of the fourth printing of the #UC5 Airletter Sheet. So, it's a DOUBLE FIRST DAY!

Figure 7:#UC5.4 Machine Cancel

Acquiring these interesting items can add another dimension to any collection. Far fewer covers were prepared for any of these issues compared with their respective FDC totals.

NANSEN MISSION COVER UPDATE

by Dick Powers

In the August issue of the Journal of the United Nations Philatelists, I requested help in identifying the destination and postmark of a cover bearing a Nansen Mission Cachet. The cover is illustrated below.

I am pleased to report that as of early October I have received three responses. The first came from Mr. Earl Herrick of Kingsville, Texas, who had enlisted the help of a colleague, who is a native speaker of Russian. A second came from Mr. Piotr Mischenko at UN headquarters in New York. The third came from the director of the United Nations Philatelic Museum in Geneva, Ms. W. G. Wezenberg. (The cover is part of their displayed collection).

Although there is some disagreement on some of the details (due in part to the poorly printed postmark) the consensus seems to be that the destination is as follows: Line 1: Krasnoarmeysk (Red Army City); Line 2: (Sarepta); Line 3: Swiss Committe for Child Relief.

As for the postmark, the date seems to be June 20, 192(3)? Ms. Wezenberg suggests that the postmark is from NOVOROSSIJK PORT.

Mr. Mischenko explains that after the October volution (Bolshevik) in Russia, many cities large and small were given the name Red Army City. There is one near Volgagrad (formerly Stalingrad and before that Tsarits). There is another city near Saratov with this same name which lies about 200 miles north of Volgagrad. Mr. Mischenko suggests that the name Sarepta is the original name of the city, which was a small town and railroad station near Volgagrad about 300 miles from the originating post office on the Black Sea.

I speculate that the cover was sent by a Nansen Mission office operating in Russia to organize relief activities in the wake of the Russian Revolution and Civil War beginning in the winter of 1921.

Fridtjof Nansen: The First High Commissioner for Refugees

by Dick Powers

I NANSEN: BEFORE HE CAME TO THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

If any name in this century can be identified with efforts to resolve the problems of refugees, it is certainly that of the Norwegian humanitarian Fridtjof Nansen (1861-1930) (*Journal* cover). It was he who undertook the League of Nations first large-scale humanitarian task: the repatriation of some 450,000 prisoners-of-war from 26 different countries, the majority in south-eastern Europe and in the USSR. This he achieved for the modest sum of 400,000 pounds sterling! In 1922 Nansen was honored with the Nobel Peace Prize. This article follows the career of this fascinating personality, particularly during his ten year association with the League of Nations, illustrating his work with appropriate philatelic material.

Nansen was raised and completed his university studies in Norway. His doctoral thesis in biology involved research on the histology of the nerve system. Eager to learn, he became a pioneer in the field of applied sciences ranging from zoology, marine biology, oceanography and geology to anthropology and sociology. The day after he defended his doctoral thesis in 1889, he departed for Greenland, where he acquired world fame as part of a team that crossed the ice-cap of that island on skis -- the first crossing ever.

His next great adventure involved plans to "sail" to the North Pole. Having collected the necessary scientific and practical data, Nansen became convinced that the North Pole region was not a land mass but a real "ice continent", which was continuously shifting and expanding. He felt that if it were possible to build a ship with the right shape and strength to withstand the crushing pack ice, it would be possible to sail northward beyond the Barent's Sea. From there on the ship could drift further north, the ice moving it and its crew through regions that previous expeditions had tried in vain to reach. His scheme simply meant working in harmony with nature rather than fighting against it.

A ship christened the FRAM (Norweigian for "forward") (Figure 1) was built according to his design and left Norway in 1893. It drifted for three years at the mercy of ice currents reaching open water on the western side of Spitsbergen in 1896. It soon became clear that the ship would be unable to go across the polar cap as Nansen had hoped. Together with his companion Hjalmar Johansen, he left the FRAM with huskies and continued on through the ice barriers by sledge. They were forced to turn back after having reached a latitude of 86.14', farther north than anyone had ever gone before.

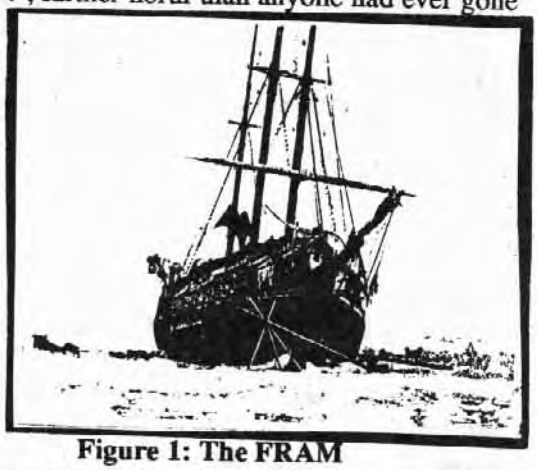

Figure 1: The FRAM

Through his reknown, prestige and all around talent, Nansen was in a good position to play an active role in the process towards a peaceful dissolution of Norway's union with Sweden and the achievement of Norway's recognition by the major powers as a totally independent country. In 1905, he was Norwegian Minister Plenipotentiary in London, securing the goodwill of the United Kingdom, both its government and its people. He put his knowledge of international affairs to good use during World War I when he succeeded in securing food supplies for Norway from the United States. After the war he was named chairman of the Norwegian Delegation to the League of Nations and remained as such from the inaugural session in 1920 until his death.

II NANSEN'S REFUGEE WORK

Nansen's first project with refugees began in 1920 with the above-mentioned repatriation of World War I prisoners-of-war. This was accomplished via numerous national and international charitable institutions such as the International Red Cross (in Geneva), the American Red Cross and the Scandanavian Red Cross Societies under the

direction of the League of Nations High Commissioner Nansen. He skillfully enlisted the cooperation of governments and volunteer agencies and obtained funds through an international loan which he negotiated on behalf of the League of Nations.

Figure 2: IRC cover documenting the German-Russian troop exchange after WWI

Figure 2 shows a cover from a field worker of the International Red Cross, Guillaume (William) Zwerner to his wife in Geneva from Dresden. His job was to inspect Russian prisoner-of-war camps in Germany as part of the German-Russian Prisoner-of-War exchange program with offices in Berlin. We shall come across this name again in this history of refugee activities.

But almost simultaneously a more significant need arose among civilians particularly in Russia. Nansen was asked by the International Red Cross and a number of governments to help save a whole segment of the population of Russia as a consequence of revolution and civil war. In 1921 as winter was approaching, some 30,000,000 men, women and children were threatened with perishing from starvation.

Activities included bringing food to Russians who remained in their homeland and to help those who fled abroad to establish themselves elsewhere. Figure 3 shows a cover from the Bulgarian representative of the International Committee of Aid to Russia in Sofia under the High Commission of Professor F. Nansen. The cover was actually mailed in Thrace (a former part province of the Ottoman empire) under allied occupation. This area was later divided among Turkey, Greece and Bulgaria.

Nansen was also called upon to deal with the broader problem of persons uprooted as a result of the disintegration of the Ottoman Empire after World War I. This culminated in the massive flight of Greeks from Asia following the 1922 war between Turkey and Greece. Under the proposal of Nansen, the governments of these countries agreed on an exchange of population, whereby 500,000 Turks were to return from Greece while 1,500,000 Greeks went back to the land of their fathers. They were set to work in new jobs.

Figure 3: Cover from the Sofia office of the Intl Committee of Aid to Russia.

The League had already begun in 1919 to establish an emigration commission to facilitate the reciprocal and voluntary emigration from Bulgarian and Greek nationals from territories transferred as a result of the War. Figure 4 shows a cover from the Sub-Commission for Greek-Bulgarian Emigration in Bulgaria postmarked in Sofia in October 1926. This commission continued in existence until 1931.

Figure 4: Cover from the Sub-Commission for Greek-Bulgarian Emigration in Bulgaria

The presence of refugee activities in the Near East of the High Commission of the League in Sofia is attested to by the cover in Figure 5a dated November 1930. On the reverse side (5b) is a red

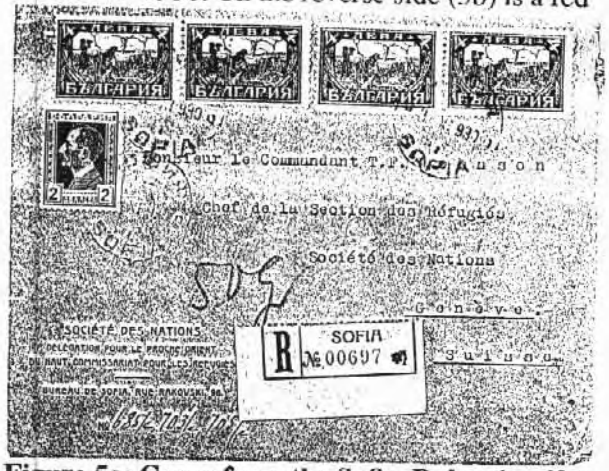

Figure 5a: Cover from the Sofia, Bulgaria office of the High Commissioner for Refugees in the Near East

seal of the Sofia Office of the Commission and a receiving cancel of the League, when the letter arrived in Geneva at the Commission headquarters.

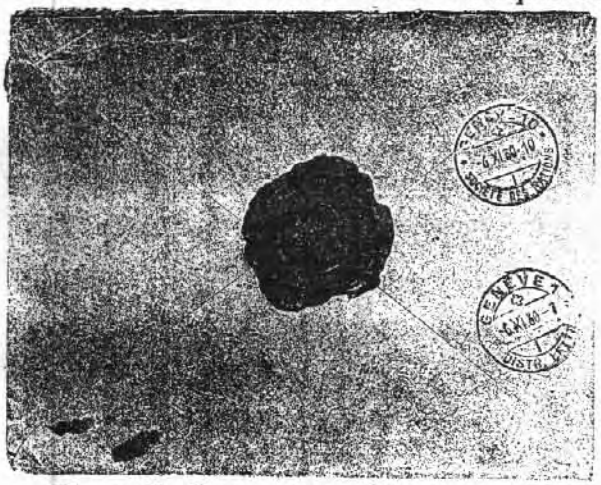

Figure 5b: Reverse side of the same cover

Administratively the High Commission was part of the Secretariat of the League until 1925. At this time a refugee section was established at the International Labor Office (ILO). The motivation for this transfer was the fact that the principal problem of displayed persons at this time was finding new jobs. The League found it easier to justify aid to refugees if the aid involved seeking employment, which seemed to be part of the mission of the ILO. Figure 6 shows a cover from the Constantinople office in Turkey dated 1925.

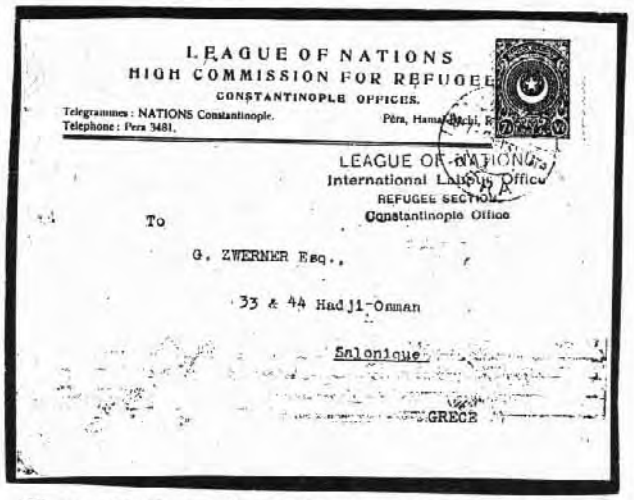

Figure 6: Cover from the Constantinople office of the HCR under auspices of the League with hand-stamped cancel with ILO affiliation

The printed corner card indicates an address of the High Commission under auspices of the League of Nations Secretariat, which was valid up to 1925. Under the stamp is a rubber-stamped notation showing that the switch had already been made to ILO auspices. The addressee of this letter is Guillaume Zwerner (mentioned earlier), who had been working in Salonica, Greece, as the League representative for Armenian and Russian refugee affairs since August 1924. Figure 7 shows a similar cover posted in June 1925 where a printed ILO corner card has been pasted over the old League address. Note that Zwerner's position has been changed to delegate of the ILO office in Greece. Later the High Commission returned to the auspices of the Secretariat of the League of Nations as can be seen in the cover illustrated in Figure 8, which is dated May 1930. Note that the name of the host city has changed from Constantinople to Istanbul.

After Nansen's death on 1930, the name of the High Commission was changed to the International Nansen Office for Refugees. In Figure 9 the cover from the Istanbul office dated February 1932, bears a corner card and a destination address in Geneva with the new name.

Figure 7: Another cover from the Constantinople office of the HCR under auspices of the ILO

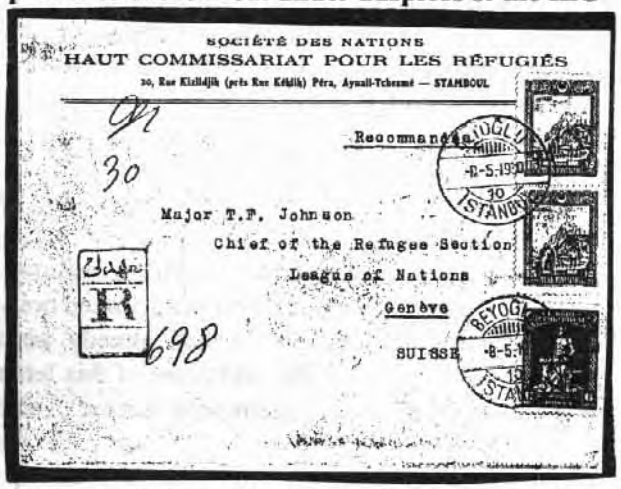

Figure 8: Cover from Istanbul office of the HCR, again under the auspices of the League

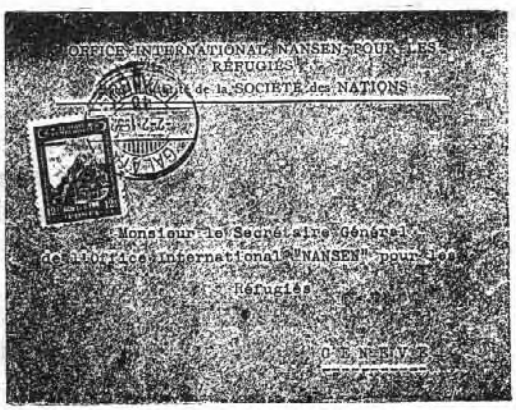

Figure 9: Cover from the Istanbul Office of the International Nansen Office for Refugees

In addition to the problems of food and jobs, Nansen sought a solution to the problem concerning the legal status of refugees who emigrated to other countries and who no longer had valid travel documents. A first legal arrangement was adopted in July 1922 -- and ultimately was ratified by 52 countries -- creating a Nansen passport (Figure 10) and defining the legal status of refugees. It was subsequently extended to new groups of refugees. In 1926 (Geneva Resolution of 12 May) it was decided that those refugees who could make a living would be obliged to buy a "Nansen stamp"

Figure 10: Nansen passport issued by France

costing 5 gold francs (Figure 11) to help defray the cost of settlement of less fortunate refugees. A later agreement in 1928 and arrangements which embodied and expanded on previous texts constitute, together with the 1933 Convention on the status of refugees, a basis on which subsequent law was to be founded.

Figure 11: 5 gold franc 1929 Nansen stamp

III AFER NANSEN'S DEATH

After the death of Nansen, the HIgh Commission was continually faced with new refugee problems. These became particularly acute after the election of Adolph Hitler in Germany in 1933, when the politically persecuted began to flee.The proclamation of the Nuerenberg Aryan Law, which defined non-Aryans (particularly Jews and Gypsies) as second-class citizens and the Plebescite in

the Saar in 1935 caused even more people to leave Germany. In July 1936, the League held an intergovernmental conference in Geneva for the adoption of a statute for refugees coming from Germany. The ever-increasing stream of politically and racially persecuted refugees caused the League to name the Englishman Sir Neil Malcom as High Commissioner of the League of Nations for (Jews and other) Refugees coming from Germany. A cover from the London office dated August 1937 is shown in Figure 12.

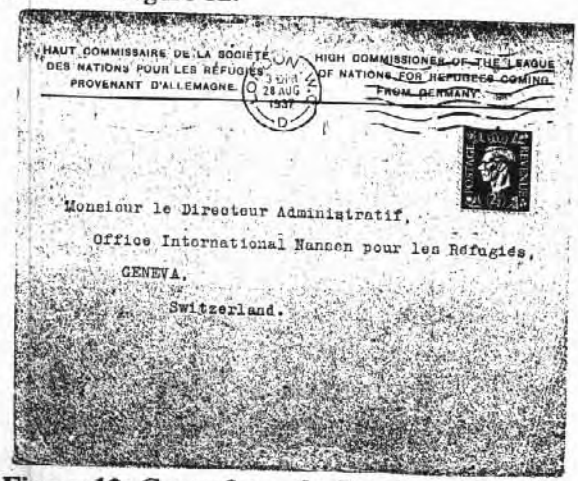

Figure 12: Cover from the London office of the High Commissioner of the League of Nations for Refugees coming from Germany

The Nansen office was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1938.

Various countries have supported the work of the Nansen Office by issuing semi-postal stamps. In Figure 13 one can see a post card sent with Christmas greetings to Kyrenia, Cyprus from Oslo, Norway. The card bears a copy of the semi-postal stamp (Scott #B7) issued in 1935 with the portrait of Nansen. The surtax went to the Nansen Office. The slogan cancel, which reads:

STOTT HUELPEARBEIDET
FOR FLYKTNINGER.
BRUK NANSEN-FRIMERKER.

ties in nicely with the use of the stamp. My Norwegian is virtually non-existent but I am sure that the following translation is a reasonably faithful rendering of the meaning:

SUPPORT RELIEF WORK
FOR REFUGEES.
USE NANSEN STAMPS.

The French stamps (Scott#B44-5) were issued in 1936 and 1937, respectively for the aid of political refugees.

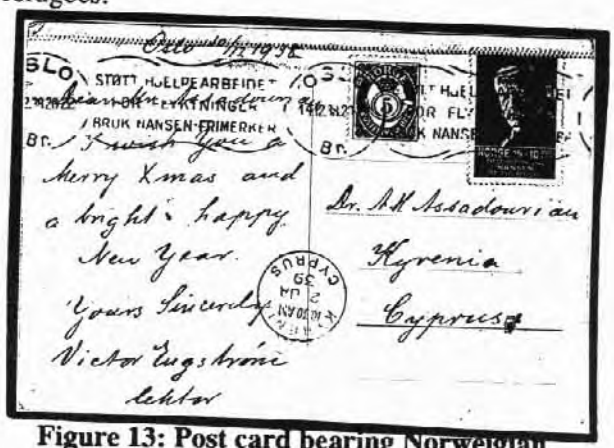

Figure 13: Post card bearing Norwegian Nansen stamp and commem. cancel urging patrons to buy Nansen stamps

Since 1955, Nansen's memory has been honored by the annual awarding of the Nansen medal by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to recognize exceptional service to the cause of refugees. The first award was made to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt to honor her and her late husband Franklin D. Roosevelt, who had taken the initiative in 1938 as President of the United States of promoting the establishment of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, which was especially active in resettling refugees from Germany.

In 1979, the Nansen Committee established a Nansen Prize to be financed from a special Nansen fund. The prize, in the amount of US$50,000, accompanies the Awarding of the Medal and is intended to enable the recipient to pursue refugee assistance projects drawn up in consultation with the UNHCR.

Hence we see the influence of Nansen in resolving refugee problems related not only to World War I, but also continuing after his death to World War II and later to the current day activities of the UNHCR. All of this was achieved by the refugee organization he established during his ten-year career with the League of Nations.

(Note from the Author: In his book "A History of the League of Nations", F. P. Walters mentions that Nansen "appointed representatives in about 15 European capitals: these men were usually governmental officials and secondary degree agents of the League". Thus far I have found correspondence with printed or hand-stamped corner cards from the High Commissioner for Refugees or Nansen

Offices from 16 countries throughout the world, of which 13 are European. They are as follows: Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Czechoslovakia, France, Germany, Great Britain Greece, Lebanon (office for Lebanon and Syria), Poland, Romania, Switzerland, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

I would appreciate hearing from collectors who have encountered similar covers from these or other countries. I would like to prepare a more comprehensive article for publication.)

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15 - Souvenir cards #2B Waldheim signature flaw FDNY MB$10

16 - Souvenir card collection FDNY #2-25 (24) MB$10

17 - Souvenir card collection FDNY #27-33, 36-8 (10) MB$15

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39 - UPU DENMARK 1969 presentation folder MB$12
40 - UPU PERU 1969 presentation folder MB$26
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44 - UPU SUDAN 1964 presentation folder MB$17
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86 - UNNY 1985 FLAG sheets VFMNH MB$14
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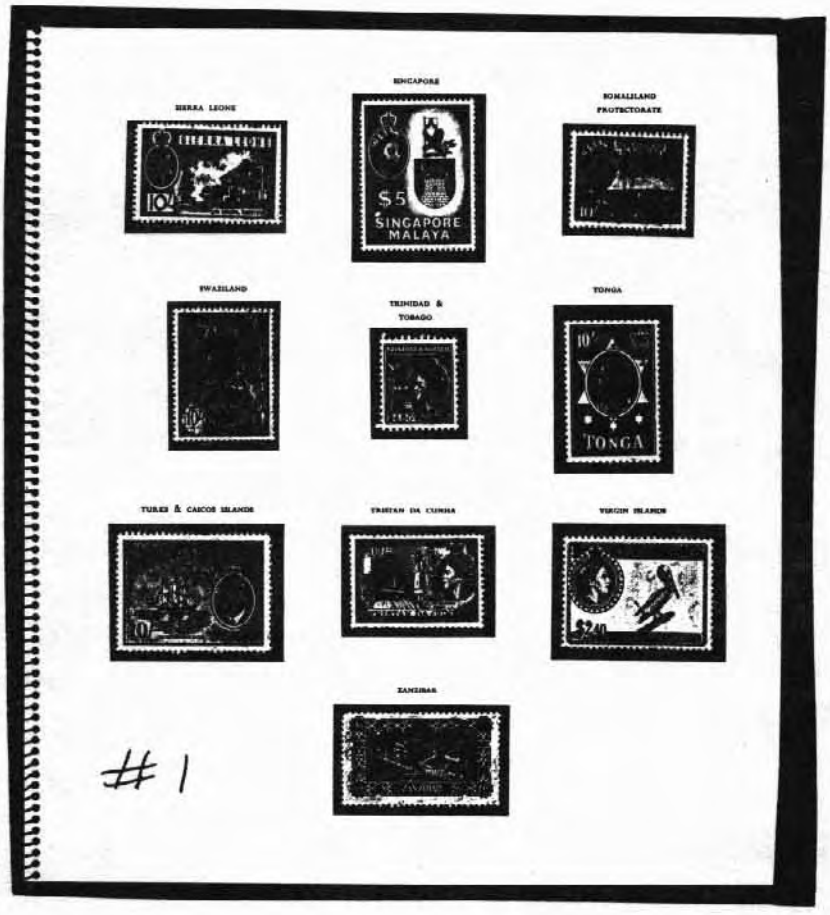

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