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(IPPS President)

The Board of Directors of the American Philatelic Society (APS), at their Columbus, Ohio meeting held on Sept. 10, 1975, has approved the affiliation of the International Philippine Philatelic Society (IPPS), as affiliate No. 54, as provided for by Article X of the APS By Laws.

Founded on Sept. 14, 1886, the APS is today the oldest and largest national organization of stamp collectors in the USA with a membership of over 30,000 stamp collectors and dealers living in the USA and in some 88 foreign countries.

The APS national headquarters, the American Philatelic Building — houses the American Philatelic Research Library as well as the APS Central Office, sales division and executive offices. Located in State College, Pennsylvania, members are justly proud of this ultra modern two-story building, dedicated Sept. 12, 1972, for it culminated years of planning and hard-work by thousands of stamp collectors whose generosity made it possible.

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REVENUE STAMPED PAPER OF 1898 - 1899

By Prof. Enrique San Jose



The first Philippine Republic was declared by Emilio Aguinaldo, who also became its first and only President. Also known as the short-lived Republic, it was instituted on January 23, 1899, however, as early as November 10, 1898; postage stamps, telegraph and revenue stamps were already in use in Luzon. Due to lack of instructions as to the usage of the stamps, as well as lack of supplies, postage stamps were also used as telegraph and revenue stamps and vice versa.

One of the rarest sets issued during this time is what is called as REVENUE STAMPED PAPERS, in which very little is known or written about.

The stamps are watermarked and imperforate, printed on double sheet paper which when folded vertically forms pages 8 1/2 x 12 1/2 inches. This paper was used for legal documents. Each sheet has an embossed seal to left of the stamps which appears in two forms, namely:

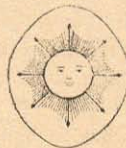
a) circle 1.6 inches in diameter, the center design being a double wreath tied with a ribbon below and above the "rising sun in a triangle and a small star in each angle". Above in a double line circle are the words TIMBRE NACIONAL and below the Center design the words "HACIENDA FILIPINAS".

b) center design is draped female figure seated facing to the left. Above in a double line circle the world' "Timbre Nacional" and the words "GOBIERNO DE FILIPINAS" below the figure.

This set of Revenue Stamped Paper has different center designs on the stamp itself, varying according to values and its colors:



25c de Peso — black
50c de Peso — rose



5 Peso — Blue



1 Peso — Purple



15 Peso — Black
20 Peso — Red Brown



2 Peso — Red

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Reference: Scott's specialized catalogue
Illustration of Stamp furnished by Dealer Rudy Tan

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clearly stated reasonable prices. Members can receive upon request sales circuits of specific countries with no obligation other than to forward the circuits as directed by the circuit route sheet.

Stamp Insurance — all risk insurance for the protection of stamp collections is available to APS collector-members residing in the United States and Canada.

Expertization Service — the APS Expert Committee of more than 125 outstanding philatelic specialists in cooperation with the American Stamp Dealers Association professional panel renders expert opinion as to the genuineness or identity of stamps and covers.

Exhibitions and Conventions — at its annual conventions and mid-year meetings held in major cities across the nation, the Society presents the finest in philatelic exhibitions. These displays of the world's finest stamps postal stationery, and interesting items of research afford a liberal education for members and friends and allow members to gain information and suggestions for improving their own collections. Annually the Society sponsors the World Series of Philately where grand award winners from the nations top shows compete for the Champion of Champions.

Awards and Medals — APS is foremost in philatelic service, exhibition material and stamp collecting promotional activities. In recognition of these services, suitable certificates and medals are available for chapter use, and an exhibiting member is eligible to compete for these coveted awards. The APS medal bears a beautiful replica of the Society's official seal.

The APS annual awards of distinction are the most cherished in philately. The John N. Luff award is given biennially to those members whose service to philately and the Society are deemed the most outstanding.

Translation Service — APS offers to members a free translation service in practically all major languages. For normal letters and short statements, merely enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope; for articles or lengthy communications, a minimum fee is charged. The service has proved to be reliable and has established and cemented friendships between APS members and citizens of foreign countries throughout the world. Stamps with other members, allowing you to obtain from specialists stamps that you might not otherwise find and giving you an outlet for your duplicates.

The IPPS on the other hand, although was only recently established, is today the only Philatelic Society we know of that is devoted to the study and promotion of Philippine philatelic history in the Philippines. Members are serious students of Philippine Philately from all over the world most of them already members of the APS.

Since its founding on Sept. 24, 1974, no doubt it has become the most active Philatelic Society in the Philippines, having sponsored the following philatelic exhibitions:

1) LA SALLE PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from Dec. 14-19, 1974 on the occasion of Little Olympics participated in by all La Salle Schools in the Phil.

2) LAPOPEX '74 — held from Dec. 28-30, 1974 at San Pablo City, the first to be held in this city. We co-sponsored this with Laguna Philatelic Organization.

3) PHILIPPINE STAMP EXHIBITION — held from Feb. 1-28, 1975 at the Manila Hilton Hotel, in conjunction with the 121st Anniversary of the 1st Philippine Postage Stamp. A special slogan canceler "Tourism Through Philately" was used at the duration of the show at the Hilton Post Office.

4) PHILIPPINE HEART CENTER FOR ASIA PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from Feb. 14 to May 1975, depicting the First Lady and her projects on stamps.

5) LA SALLE JUNIOR PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from Feb. 17-22, 1975, a competitive exhibition participated by students of La Salle; the exhibition was organized and made possible by IPPS with two trophies donated by IPPS.

6) BATAAN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from April 8-29, 1975. This exhibit was in commemoration of the 33rd Anniversary of the Fall of Bataan. The exhibit was on display for one day at the Luneta Grandstand in Manila, then in Bataan from April 9 to 22nd, then at the Convention Hall of the Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor Association from April 26-29, 1975.

7) CORREGIDOR PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from May 6-11, 1975 at the Pacific War Memorial in Corregidor.

8) FILIPINIANA PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from May 14-31, 1975 at the Rustan Department Store in Makati Commercial Center during their Filipiniana celebration.

9) FILIPINIANA EXHIBITION—held from July 19 to August 31, 1975 at the Philippine Trade Fair '75 in Tokyo, Japan.

10) NATIONAL LANGUAGE WEEK PHILATELIC EXHIBITION — held from August 13 to Sept. 5, 1975, depicting Filipino heroes on stamps. All text of the exhibit was in Pilipino language.

11) 73rd ANNIVERSARY — BUREAU OF POSTS — held from Sept. 9-

15, 1975 at the Lobby of the Bureau of Posts.

As local collectors have noticed and commented, IPPS sponsored exhibits are some of the best Philatelic exhibitions viewed lately in the country. As it has always been, careful planning, selection of materials, and presentations are the three key elements that goes with the IPPS exhibition.

The IPPS also sponsored the following slogan cancellers:

1) 33rd Anniversary/Fall of Bataan/1942-1975 used at Limay, Bataan on April 9, 1975.

2) 33rd Anniversary/Fall of Corregidor/1942-1975 — used at the Corregidor Post Office on May 6, 1975.

3) Manila — Site of the 1975/Alifan-Frazier/Fight of a Lifetime — used at Manila Central Post Office and Hilton Post Office from Sept. 22, to Oct. 1, 1975.

It is indeed a great honor and privilege to be affiliated with the American Philatelic Society. It is hoped that this will be the start of the serious study and collecting of Philippine Philatelic materials for many and to find out that our Philatelic history is one of the best and most fascinating area of Philately.

With these thoughts, let me call on all members to further promote Philippine Philately. If you know something, relevant to this phase of philately — write them and send them to us for publication let it be recorded or printed so as others may know, thus, spreading further the knowledge of Philippine Philately!

If there is something you do not know, or if you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask them and let us help you, through our Society and through the APS we will find the answers for you.

Let us hope for a better and more interesting Philippine Philately!

PHILIPPINE POSTAL HAPPENINGS . . .

NEW ISSUES:

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR

Issued on July 2, 1975

| <u>Denomination:</u> | <u>Quantity:</u> | <u>Kind:</u> | <u>Colors:</u> |
|----------------------|---|---------------|----------------------|
| 15s | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | blue and black |
| 80s | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | pink, blue and black |

DESIGN: Profile of the First Lady, Mrs. Imelda Romualdez Marcos, a globe, and the emblem of the International Women's Year — consisting of a stylized dove, the biological symbol for women, and the mathematical sign for equality.

BUREAU OF CIVIL SERVICE

Issued on Sept. 19, 1975

| | | | |
|-----|---|---------------|--------------------------|
| 15s | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | blue, red, yellow |
| 50s | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | green, blue, red, yellow |

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE

Issued on September 30, 1975

| | | | |
|-----|---|---------------|----------------------------|
| 40s | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | orange red, permanent blue |
| 150 | 4,925,000 (perforate) 75,000 (imperforate) | Commemorative | magenta, bright blue |

NEW POSTAL STATIONERY: Second shipment of the P1.20 airletter sheet issued last January 21st arrived on June 26, 1975. Exactly the same size, and design as the first shipment, except, the lonzenges of red and blue, and other red colors on the imprinted stamp design was completely taken out. This is due to the red not properly registering during printing, causing a lot of damages and spoilage. Only 903,000 were issued.

NEW SPEED AIRMAIL: A new speed airmail service was started last August 25, 1975, from Manila to Cotabato City by PAL plane leaving Manila at 6:15 AM and arriving at Cotabato City at 9:00 AM daily, except Sundays. This is in addition to the speed airmail service from Cotabato City to Manila.

1975 POSTAL SLOGANS

Authorized By The
Bureau of Posts
July to October
(Part II)

9) HEALTH IS AN INVESTMENT/
CONSULT YOUR DOCTOR REGULAR-
LY — used at Greenhills Post Office from
July 23-31, 1975, coinciding with the First
Anniversary celebration of the Cardinal
Santos Memorial Hospital located in
Greenhills, San Juan, Rizal.

10) ISANG BANSA/ISANG DIWA/
ISANG WIKA/AGOSTO 13-19, 1975 —
used at the following post offices from
August 13-19, 1975: Manila Central Post
Office, Makati Commercial Center Post
Office, Quezon City Post Office, Ermita
Post Office and Sta. Mesa Post Office.
Coincided with the celebration of the Na-
tional Language Week.

11) PHILIPPINE CIVIL SERVICE/
1900-1975/DIAMOND JUBILEE — used
at the following post offices from Sept. 9,
18, 1975: Manila Central Post Office,
Quezon City Post Office, Ermita Post Of-
fice, Sta. Mesa Post Office, Davao City
Post Office, Cebu City Post Office, Ma-
kati Commercial Center Post Office. Co-
incided with the 75th Anniversary of the
Philippine Civil Service Commission which
was created on Sept. 10, 1900, when the Se-
cond Philippine Commission through the
leadership of William H. Taft enacted
the Civil Service Law of 1900, Public Law
No. 5, on June 19, 1959, Congress ap-
proved Rep. Act. No. 2260 the Civil Ser-
vice Act of 1959, renaming it from Phil-
ippine Civil Service to Civil Service Com-
mission.

12) MANILA-SITE OF THE 1975/
ALI-FRAZIER/FIGHT OF A LIFETIME
— used at the Manila Central Post Office
and Manila Hilton Post Office, from
Sept. 22 to Oct. 1, 1975. Cancellor spon-
sored by IPPS

13) 1875 NICOLAS ZAMORA 1975/
FIRST FILIPINO PROTESTANT/MI-
NISTER — used at the Tondo Post Office
from Sept. 26 to October 5, 1975, in ce-
lebration of the birth centennial of Bi-
shop Nicolas Zamora, first Filipino or-

dained Protestant Minister and founder
of the Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en las
Islas Filipinas.

14) CELEBRATE SCOUTING MONTH
'75/GO SCOUTING-GO BUILDING FOR
A BETTER WORLD/OCTOBER 1975 —
used from Oct. 1-31, 1975 at the following
Post offices: Manila Central Post Office,
Tuguegarao Post Office, Lucena City Post
Office, San Fernando, Pampanga Post Of-
fice, Legaspi City Post Office, Cebu City
Post Office, Iloilo City Post Office, Ca-
gayan de Oro Post Office, Davao City Post
Office, Zamboanga City Post Office, San
Fernando, La Union Post Office. To fur-
ther intensify the month long observance
of the Scouting month in October, pursuant
to Presidential Decree No. 1326, and to
focus public attention on the significance
of the role that scouting plays in national
development.

Revenue Stamped Paper --

In addition, each sheet has a serial num-
ber near the upper right margin which
appears in two sizes of figures, the larger
being 7 mm. high and the smallest 5.5 mm.
high. Each sheet is on a water-marked
paper and the watermark varies in the
different sheets seen. Among those noted
are: J. VILASECA; JOSE VILASECA;
JOSE GUARRO; LIBERIA DE COLON
MANILA; A ROMANIT; some of the
sheets also have a crest and coat of arms
which appears in two forms: (a) crown
and shield (with glove); (b) crown and
quartered coat of arms. The size of the
1/2 x 1 1/2 inches the word "Vilaseca" being
4 x 1/2 inches.

NATIONAL HEROES SOUVENIR SHEET

By EPSJ

As originally proposed, the National Her-
oes Souvenir Sheet was to be issued on
Rizal Day, December 30, 1943. Its original
design had double border lines. The date
"DISYEMBRE 30, 1943" is quite conspi-
cuous and at the two sides, there are prin-
ted small type literature about where the
sheet was printed and a slogan on nation-
alism. As may be observed in the actual
issue, the slogan was printed at the bot-
tom. In the original proposed sheet, the
letters were all printed in green. The
stamp portions were of the same colors as
those of the sheet as issued on February
9, 1944.

This sheet was never officially issued.
Any copies existing are but proofs that
some way or another, have reached the
hands of some dealers and collectors.

THE LIBERATION OF MANILA

By Eugene Garrett
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In the postal history of the Philippines, the date Feb. 3, 1945, is significant for the reason that it marks the end of the Japanese Occupation postal service. It is perhaps stretching strict historical accuracy a bit to say that the Liberation of Manila occurred on this specific date, because ahead lay a fierce month-long battle for the city. But it was on this day that the employees of the Bureau of Communications at the General Post Office Building at Plaza Lawton learned that advance elements of the U.S. Army had reached the city limits of Manila. They and their Japanese "advisers" locked up the two-tiered main vault behind the sales windows in the first floor rotunda and at 4:00 p.m. abandoned the building to an Imperial Japanese Army garrison which was preparing to defend it to the last man.

While preparations for evacuation were being made during the afternoon of Feb. 3, 1945, a substantial number of "Last Day Covers" chiefly embossed envelopes and postal cards, were processed by the Manila philatelists. Many of them later (obviously) were given a rubber-stamped cachet, in purple ink, prepared by an unknown cachet maker, with the two-line legend, "Last Day of Japanese Occupation/First Day of American Entry into Manila", below which was a large "V for Victory" and the three stars of the Philippines. The cachet was applied with two rubber stamps, one for the legend and one for the "V" with stars. Some postmarks show the time as early as 2:30 p.m., but the great majority show the final hour of 4:00 p.m.

This activity was accomplished at considerable personal risk to the Filipino philatelists who ventured into the General Post

Office on that day, as evidenced by one treasured Last Day postal card in my collection, with the following message on the reverse side: "This card was cancelled on the last day and last hour of the Japanese Occupation. I passed by the P.O. to have some cancelled and on my way back home, I bumped into the arriving tanks of the American forces. Had I dallied a little bit more at the P.O., I would have been shut off on the north side of the city and would have met the fate of so many who were killed by the Japanese when they learned that the American forces arrived south of the city. (signed) Severino N. Luna."

Today, Mr. Luna is the distinguished National Executive Director of the Community Chest and Councils of the Philippines, Inc., and has been the guiding force in the remarkable achievement of organizing Community Chests in every province of the Philippines, from Tawi-Tawi to Ilocos Norte. A veteran philatelist, he was a long-time stamp dealer (Luna & Son Trading) in Manila, and during the Occupation prepared many First Day Covers; most collectors of Philippine covers have examples of his work.

Exactly one year later, on February 3, 1946, a Special Cover was prepared to commemorate the First Anniversary of the Liberation of Manila. Found almost exclusively on the "Victory" postal cards, the cachet was sponsored by the Philippine Philatelic Club, as evidenced by the legend "P.P.C. Cachet" appearing in the design: The central theme of the U.S. medium Army tank, "Battling Basic", amidst the ruins of Manila symbolizes the historic events of that terrible time.

The Liberation of the main island of Luzon began when Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth Army poured ashore over the beaches at Lingayen Gulf on January 9, 1945. The American Forces were immediately grouped for the march south to Ma-

nila. General of the Army Douglas MacArthur had placed the highest possible priority on freeing the military prisoners in the Japanese Prisoner-of-War camps in the Central Plains of Luzon and the civilian prisoners interned at Santo Tomas Interment Camp, the university converted into a concentration camp by the Japanese in Manila itself, before any further harm could befall them. To accomplish this objective, he needed the essential elements of speed and surprise. "For the drive to Manila, (Major) General (Verne D.) Mudge organized two reinforced motorized squadrons that soon became known as Flying Columns. Each included a cavalry squadron, a medium tank company, a 105-mm. howitzer battery, other supporting elements, and sufficient vehicles to lift troops."

One of the Flying Columns was the 2nd Squadron, 8th Cavalry, which raced southward across Luzon and by February 3 was in the outskirts of Manila. "The 8th Cavalry's Flying Columns met scattered resistance in the Grace Park area, but with tanks in the van firing on all positions suspected of harboring Japanese, the column continued forward and crossed the city limits about 1900. (Brig) General (William C) Chase, in contact by radio directed the Flying Column to speed on into Manila. Guided by guerillas, the force followed city streets and swept past hidden Japanese riflemen who sniped away at the column and, about 1930, drew up at the gates of Santo Tomas University."

Another source described the scene from within Santo Tomas: "Late in the afternoon of Saturday 3 February, nine (U.S.) Marine fighter planes buzzed the Santo Tomas camp in Manila, where some 3700 emaciated Allied prisoners were interned. The Japanese guards pretended to ignore them but some of the internees saw an object drop from one of the planes. It proved to be a pair of pilot's goggles with a note attached: 'Roll out the barrel. Santa Claus is coming Sunday or Monday.' Soon shouting was heard, then the roar of en-

gines, and an unmistakable American voice just outside the compound was heard yelling, 'Where the hell is the front gate?' Then Santa Claus's reindeer, in the form of a tank named 'Battling Basic', upset the Marine's timetable by crashing through the front gate to liberate the inmates."

"Inside, the Japanese Army Guards — most of them Formosans — put up little fight and within a few minutes some 3,500 internees were liberated amid scenes of pathos and joy none of the participating American troops will ever forget."

Any further questions about the significance of the P.P.C. cachet on the Feb: 3, 1946 cover, was answered upon receipt of the following information from Severino N Luna: "The UX23 postal card with a tank cachet may have come from me. The cachet was my own design which I furnished the P.P.C. I was with the 44th Tank Bn. (USA) and Battling Basic was the tank I rode. Incidentally, 'Battling Basic' and its commander, Captain Jesse Walters was the same tank which broke the gate of Santo Tomas Interment Camp and freed the Allied internees on that fateful evening of Feb. 3, 1945." Mr. Luna saw considerable action with this battalion during the liberation of Manila, and was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Bronze Star by the U.S. Army in recognition of his service.

If it is possible to overshadow this fascinating first-person account, then the enclosure which accompanied Mr. Luna's letter does it. It is another "Victory" postal card, and the fact that it is rather battered and stained, that the attachment on the reverse side is fastened at the four corners with badly rusted staples, doesn't detract from its status as a philatelic treasure. On the face of the card is Don Severino's handwriting, is the message, "Original sketch of the cachet on Battling Basic. The artist is Napoleon Jamir. For your collection — (signed) Luna."

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LIBERATION . . .

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BATAAN-CORREGIDOR FDCs

Eugene Garrett has FDC's of N26-27 (1st Anniversary of Bataan and Corregidor) canceled at the following towns and cities:

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|--|---------------------------|
| Manila | Santa Cruz, Laguna |
| Legaspi, Albay | Baguio City |
| <small>SAN JOSE ANTIQUE</small> Orani, Bataan | Cabanatuan, N. Ecija |
| Batangas, Batangas | San Fernando, Pampanga |
| Malolos, Bulacan | Dagupan, Pangasinan |
| Capiz, Capiz | Pasig, Rizal |
| Cavite City, Cavite | Tarlac, Tarlac |
| Cebu City | Lucena, Tayabas |
| Laoag, Ilocos | San Fernando, La Union |
| Norte | |
| Vigan, Ilocos Sur | Iba, Zambales |
| San Pablo City, Laguna | |

It would be appreciated if anyone having N26-27 with other town or city cancellation would let IPPS know and we will publish them in order to get the list as complete as possible. We ask you to allow us to know rather than Mr. Garrett direct in order than we may once and for all get this recorded as copies of each year's Newsletters will be presented to major libraries in the Philippines as well as the American Philatelic Society and the Library of Congress in the U.S.A.

IMPORTANT CHANGE ON THE P1.20
AIRLETTER DESIGN



On January 21, 1975, a new airletter sheet was issued by the Bureau of Posts in P1.20 denomination. A partial shipment of 168,000 from the Bureau of Printing was received, with the rest to be printed and delivered later. The design of the stamp was similar to the one illustrated. The only difference was that the envelope printed on the stamp design is an airmail envelope as evidenced by the alternate red and blue lonzenges.

As each shipment of stamps or postal stationeries are checked in a closed door room of the Stamp and Philatelic Division, the first shipment of the P1.20 airletter was not exempted from such checkings. In fact, when they did, a lot of "spoilage" turned up — the red lonzenges on the envelope of the imprinted stamp design was not registering properly. There were some instances that part of the red was missing, and some where the red does not align with the blue lonzenges.

Something has to be done. The Bureau of Posts cannot afford to destroy so many spoiled printing. So, Mrs. Teofila L. Garcia, the Chief of the Stamps and Philatelic Division, ordered immediately that the blue and red lonzenges are to be taken out completely on the rest of the airletters to be printed and delivered to the Bureau of Posts.

The order was followed and by June 23, 1975, the Bureau of Printing delivered 903,000 pieces — a complete and total delivery of the P1.20 airletters, and this time, without the red and blue lonzenges

making the envelope printed on the air-letter an ordinary one instead of an air-mail.

Looking at this imprinted enveloped on the airletter, one will notice that the cover contains the names and addresses of both sender and addressee. Upon looking at the original design, we found out that the sender is one of the Designer of the Stamps and Philatelic Section:

A. Chiudan, Jr.
1943 Makata St., Sta. Cruz
Manila, Philippines

and the addressee is no other than:

Mr. Juan dela Cruz
3757 Coast Hiway
Oxnard Calif 93030

INSIDE STORY

by EPSJ

As soon as government offices under the Japanese Occupation began to function, the necessity for official stamps arose, so that at the beginning the numerous national and provincial bureaus were authorized to stamp or write "K.P." on provisional and regular issues at their disposal. These rubber-stamped and hand or typewritten stamps were, of course, not uniform. On April 7, 1943 the first regular official issues were released by the Bureau of Communications. Values were 2c, 5c, and 16c and the old stamps used for this purpose were the 2c Rizal, 1941 issue, the 6c Filipino woman, "Small Commonwealth" overprint, and the 30c Blood Compact, "Small Commonwealth" overprint. Several months later, a few 5c "K.P.", "Big Commonwealth" stamps were found circulating among some stamp collectors and dealers. Obviously, there were a few of the 6c Filipino woman, "Big Commonwealth" overprints included in the April 7, 1943 official issues. Conscious of the extreme rarity this particular stamp may cause, Filipino collectors, as well as stamp collectors everywhere and responsible philatelists in Manila, intervened, in the matter. Postal authorities understood the situation and were convinced to issue whatever 6c Filipino woman, "Big Commonwealth" overprints were available as another 5c "K.P." stamp. This was on June 26, 1944. Official sources indicate that this additional official issues barely reach a total of 23,000 stamps. ("K.P." means "Kagamitang Pampamahalaan", "Official Use", or "Official Business" in English).

Between April 7, 1943 and June 26, 1944, it was possibly that rare instances of the 5c Filipino woman and "Big Commonwealth" overprints on cover turned up. In fact, a few did appear, some by accident and one or two made on purpose. All these few cases of such covers are legitimate.

MEDICAL SHOW ON FEBRUARY

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Pres. Ferdinand E. Marcos of the Philippines has declared every month of February as Philippine Every Month, as per Proclamation No. 1096.

In this conjunction, the IPPS, together with the Philippine Heart Center for Asia, Spenders Phil. Stamps, and the Bureau of Posts, will sponsor the Philippine Medical Philatelic Exhibition (Phimedphex '76) at the Philippine Heart Center for Asia this coming February 1976.

The exhibit will feature medical philately and will be on a competitive basis, although materials for non-competition are also welcome.

Each exhibitor will receive a Certificate of Participation from the IPPS. Three major awards will be given to the third, second and first best entries. A special award will be given also to the best collection of Philippine materials depicting Medical Philately.

Plans are being made to come out with a privately printed souvenir sheet for this exhibit; the January-February issue of the Philippine Philatelic News, official publication of the IPPS, will be brought out as a souvenir program for the exhibit. Both will be made available to the public in which proceeds over and above the actual costs will be donated to the Philippine Heart Foundation.

A combined hospital and research center, the Philippine Heart Center for Asia, a project of the First Lady, Mrs. Imelda R. Marcos, is the only one of its kind in Asia. Equipped with the most modern hospital facilities for both surgery and diagnostic heart care as well as research and laboratory facilities, it is considered one of the leading heart hospitals in the world. It will be celebrating its first anniversary on February 1976.

It is hoped that utmost support in this exhibition — Phimedphex '76 — will be received from everyone concerned.

BENJAMIN HARRISON — 23rd President of the United States of America. Aided the passage of the Sherman Anti Trust Act preventing industrial monopolies. (1893-1901)

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| 234 | 1904-1904 | 13¢ purple black | Perf 12, wmkd. |
| 234a | 1903-1904 | 13¢ brown violet | Perf 12, wmkd. |

WILLIAM MCKINLEY: 25th President of the United States of America. Sponsored the Mckinley Tariff Act of 1890. (1843-1901)

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| 242 | 1906-1910 | 4¢ carmine | Regular Philippine stamps; Mckinley's portrait. Perf 12, wmkd. |
| 242a | 1906-1910 | 4¢ carmine lake | Perf 12, wmkd. |
| 242b | 1906-1910 | 4¢ carmine | Booklet Pane of Six |
| 262 | 1911-1913 | 4¢ carmine lake | Perf 12, wmkd. |
| 262a | 1911-1913 | 4¢ carmine | Perf 12, wmkd. |
| 262b | 1911-1913 | 4¢ carmine | Booklet Pane of Six |
| 277 | 1914-1923 | 4¢ carmine | Perf 10, wmkd. |
| 277a | 1914-1923 | 4¢ carmine | Booklet Pane of Six |
| 286 | 1918-1926 | 4¢ carmine | Perf 11, wmkd. |
| 286a | 1918-1926 | 4¢ carmine | Booklet Pane of Six |
| 291 | 1917-1925 | 4¢ carmine | Perf 11, wmkd. |
| 291a | 1917-1925 | 4¢ light rose | Perf 11, wmkd. |
| 291b | 1917-1925 | 4¢ carmine | Booklet Pane of Six |
| 341 | 1925-1931 | 4¢ carmine | Imperf, unwmkd. |
| 341a | 1925-1931 | 4¢ carmine rose | Imperf, unwmkd. |
| C2 | May 13, 1926 | 4¢ carmine | Airmail, Phil. stamps; Mckinley's portrait. Regular issues overprinted in red or violet with: "Airmail/1926/Madrid-Manila"; perf 11, unwmkd. inverted overprint. |
| C2a | May 13, 1926 | 4¢ carmine | Regular issues overprinted in red with: "L.O.F./1928". Perf 11, unwmkd. |
| C19 | Nov. 9, 1928 | 4¢ carmine | Regular issues overprinted in black with: "F. Rein/Madrid-Manila/Flight 1933"; perf 11, unwmkd. |
| C37 | April 11, 1933 | 4¢ carmine | Regular issues surcharged and overprinted in various colors with "Manila-Madrid/Arnacal/ Flight 1936"; Perf 11, unwmkd. |
| C54 | Sept. 6, 1926 | 2¢ on 4¢ carmine | Official Phil. stamps; Mckinley's portrait; overprinted with "O.B." Perf 11, unwmkd. No period after "B" |
| 06 | 1931 | 4¢ carmine | Postal Stationery of the Philippines; Mckinley's portrait. |
| 06b | 1931 | 4¢ carmine | envelopes |
| U35 | 1908 | 4¢ carmine on white | envelopes |
| | | 4¢ carmine on amber | envelopes |
| | | 4¢ carmine on buff | envelopes |
| | | 4¢ carmine on blue | envelopes |
| | | 4¢ carmine on Manila paper | envelopes |
| U44 | 1944 | 4¢ carmine on white | envelopes; Handstamped in violet "Victory" |
| UX3 | Sept. 15, 1903 | 1¢ black on buff | Postal cards |
| UX7 | 1906 | 1¢ black on buff | Postal cards |
| UX10 | 1907 | 4¢ black on buff | Postal cards |
| UX12 | 1911 | 4¢ blue on light blue | Postal cards |
| UX15 | 1915 | 4¢ green on buff | Postal cards |

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After application is accepted by the PTS, a member is required to serve a minimum of two years in a provisional status. After this time and upon the recommendation of two other members, he may make an application for permanent status, but with no assurance that he will be accepted. Only after being accepted as a permanent or full member can one use the PTS as reference or be able to display its insignia. When dealing with a PTS member one has the assurance that action will be taken on any legitimate complaint.

Anyone who has two years of stamp dealing may make application for membership in the PTS. It is our understanding that Paul Woodward has been a dealer for about 15 years and carries a complete line of the Republic of the Phil. stamps, as well as substantial stocks of all Philippines. Paul has also been a strong supporter of IPPS since prior to its founding. Paul publishes a price list for both selling and buying and it is available for overseas clients for two reply coupons.

A current membership list of the PTS is supplied to the IPPS and anyone who has inquiries may write direct.

NEW MEMBERS: 021 John Thomas Slemmons
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PAUL LAZO — #16 Examiner St., DBP Homes, Q.C., Phils; BD — October 16, 1960; Phil. Philatelic Interest: Flight Covers, Jap Occ, Rep. Mint and FDC's; Others: US, GB, Canada, Coins.

PAUL P. ARAÑAS — #214 Magallanes St., Davao City, Phils; BD — Sept. 5, 1961; Phil. Philatelic Interest: All; Others: Africa, Central and So. America, Animals on Stamps, Coins.

RICHARD WIEST — 402 Sixth Ave West, Lemons, So. Dakota 57638; BD — May 13, 1948; Phil. Philatelic Interest: All; Others: Belgium.

AMANDO H. LABAYEN, JR. — #6 Hope St., Teresa Village, Q.C., Phils; BD — Sept. 14, 1941; Phil. Philatelic Interest: Filipiniana Topicals, and literature, RP FDC's and mint; Others: Used Western Europe, Saints and Maps Topicals, Philatelic Research and Articles; Books, Phono Records; Member: APO, ATA.

IRWIN D. SMITH — 1604 Ralph Dr., Las Cruces, NW 88001; BD — March 17, 1935; Phil. Philatelic Interest: All; Others: Sweden, NZ, Australia; Member: APS, NMPA, SPA, ATA.

TIM CERTEZA, JR. — 156 Panay Ave., QC, Phils; P.O. Box 46, QC; BD — June 28, 1926; Phil. Philatelic Interest: Mint Blocks, errors, FDC, Spanish-Phils; Others: Japan, USA, Russia, Vatican, UN, Coins, Medals, Shells, Antiques; Member: APO, APS, ANA, JPS.

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Where to Buy

Designed to be a quick reference guide of sellers, this section affords buyers a list of sellers of various items. Your name, address and telephone number can be inserted under any appropriate heading you want at a minimal cost of P50.00 or US\$7.00 a year, or less than P10.00 or US\$1.50 per issue. One year is the minimum insertion accepted.

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Manila, Phil; Tel: 58-31-48

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UNIQUE POSTAL SERVICE

A unique postal service, dubbed the "mobile post office" was opened by the Bureau of Posts in Zamboanga City starting Sept. 9. Posts Regional Director of Western Mindanao Beatroz Alaan has directed local Postmaster Joel Jauculan to pre-prepare the schedule of the post office on wheels, which will be one of the bureau's Ford Fiera vans, and to advise the city's barangay captains on the time and date it will be stationed in their respective communities. Meanwhile, in response to complaints about slow mail service, the frequency of mail distribution in Zamboanga del Sur and del Norte was increased from two to three times a week. The mail trucks stationed in the cities of Dipolog and Pagadian and in the municipalities of Malangas will deliver mail to the different post offices every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

ALBUM PAGES UPDATED

Afran Stamp Co., P.O. Box 2313 Mla., now has available additional pages for its Republic of the Philippines Album. A total of 40 pages, from p. 186 (1972 Gas. trecenterology issue) up to p. 224 (I.W.Y. issue) and p. 225 (P1.20 airletter). Cost: US\$40.00 postpaid.

NEW APPLICANTS . . .

CARL CHRISTIAN HARTVEL — 25 Crystal Ave., Pearl Beach N.S.W. 2256 Australia; BD — Feb. 5, 1903 Philippines: Republic; Others: Denmark, USA, UN, British Colonies.

PAUL ANTHONY MEYER — 9515 Cable Dr., Kensington, Maryland 20795; BD — July 14, 1940; Philippines: US Administration and Japanese Occupation; Others: Switzerland, USA.

DR. AUSTIN P. HALLER — 4864 Southridge, Los Angeles, California 90043; BD — 1908 Philippines: Postal Stationeries; Others: Postal Stationeries; (Dr. Haller is the Editor-in-Chief of the UPSS "The Postal Stationery of the US Possession and Administrative Areas.")

LOURDES VIVIEZCA — No. 8 Bat's St., (Rd. 52), Torro Hills, Quezon City, Ph ls; Philippines: All.

PETER FAZACKERLEY — 3 Waratah St., Seadiff, South Australia 5049; BD — May 13, 1935; Philippines: Stamps and covers; Others: Australian Commonwealth.

HOWARD LEE — P.O. Box 5950, New York, New York 10017; Philippines: Spanish and US Administration to 1930; Others: Pacific Islands, Postage Due Covers.

FREDERICK FREEMAN — HHB, 1st Bn, 41st FA, APO New York 09281; BD — July 21, 1945 Philippines: All; Others: Guam, Hawaii; Coins, Rare Books (Applied for Life Membership)

PETER HARRADINE — 13, Dando Crescent, Ferrier Estate, Kidbrooke, SE39PB; BD — October 10, 1942; Philippines: All periods, all issues, Others: Ireland, Serbia, British Commonwealth.

TOBIAS YOUNG BARBEE — 10102-D Monterey Rd, Indianapolis, Ind. 46236; BD — Sept. 24 1943, Philippines: Commonwealth

GABRIEL PUSTEL — 24 Laurelton Ave., Jackson, NJ 08527; BD — January 1, 1924; Philippines: Meter Stamps, Mr. Pustel is the Secretary of the Meter Stamp Society (USA).

HARRY HAINES, JR. — P.O. Box 38, Monmouth, Maine 04259; BD — March 4, 1922; Philippines: All areas, Postal History.

DONALD JOHN WEBER — 2231 Oriole Lane, South Daytona Beach, Florida 32019; BD — August 30, 1943; Philippines: Republic — regular and error, occupation, covers; Others: UAR; Lions.

LIFSLIE TITE — Flat 2, 26 Hereford St, Christ Church, NZ; BD — December 12, 1910; Philippines: All: Others: View cards, coins.