



France & Colonies Philatelist



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HARLAN MILLER SAYS FAREWELL

It is sad for us to report that genial printer-man, Harlan Miller of Lawrence, Kansas, has had to give up doing the Philatelist after this year, almost 25 years since he began with it. He has kept on for some time in face of increasing difficulties—not only his age and decreasing energy but his old obsolete linotype equipment is breaking down and parts and expert repair men are hard to find. It has been amazing to us what he can get out of that old “junk.” Since we began in 1964, working with Harlan has been most agreeable. He has been a stamp collector since school days and for a long time has printed numerous other philatelic journals. With that background Harlan was always understanding of our problems and accomodating. We have had some tricky and large extra jobs which he handled with aplomb, sandwiched in between his regular work. Only someone with his easy-going personality and good humor could put up with us. His old shop is loaded with dusty accumulations of old type, his collection of dime novels, old books, barbed wire and other “collectibles,” all “antiques” of course. We cannot overlook the help of his wife Frances, who not only maintained the address plates and the mail out, but assisted in other jobs around the shop. Harlan was not (he says) an assiduous student but he has read a lot and seen quantities of stuff in “print”; with his experience and natural intelligence he has often caught errors in our copy. We could always leave a lot of details in make up to his judgment and not worry about how it would come out.

We wish the Millers continuing happiness in their travels and with their children. —R. G. Stone

If you can find an empty meter spot in front of 821 Vermont Street you can visit cherub Miller's Print Shop. The window displays an expected as-

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sortment of memo pads and printing samples. But there is also a selection of stamps, 25 different U. S. commems for \$1 that invite philatelists inside.

The friendly proprietor will come up front, wiping ink on a rag, and inquire how he may be of assistance. A little conversation may elicit that in addition to print work in Lawrence, for years he has printed a good many philatelic journals as attested by the many plaques and awards on the wall. Reminiscing on the Depression days, Harlan might even admit that he did some work for barter and still has the swap material in inventory. The story of M.P.S. precancels will entertain you.

It's been a pleasure to know Harlan as our printer, a friend in philately, and the proprietor of the curiosity shop on Vermont. —John Lievsay

FINALE FROM THE MILLER PRINT SHOP

After considerable "soul searching" I have decided it is time for me to quit printing the France and Colonies Philatelist. At the age of 73 and with 60 years in the printing trade, I need to slow up a little more. I can no longer guarantee that I could print another volume, so now is a good time to stop with the end of this volume.

And with equipment, some older than I (I know the linotype dates to 1912!) I can not guarantee it will be usable for any great length of time.

Years ago, when letterpress printers were plentiful, and equipment parts (as well as those who could install them) I had no doubts that any magazine we printed (and there were a lot) would be out when scheduled.

I have always been proud of the fact I always got our magazines out on time. I can no longer be sure to do that.

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Ye printer, Harlan W. Miller, at the 1912 linotype.

Few printers now know anything about letterpress. We have the only letterpress shop in Lawrence. Seminars in Kansas City have sent groups to our shop; we were on a short segment of news over a Topeka TV station—quote “he has a museum”! Experts who could repair linotypes are, for the most part, deceased or retired. Equipment might (and has been) “down” for a week or more at a time—certainly not conducive for publishing with its deadlines.

So, after some 23 years, I must, with my wife Frances (who has been a most helpful assistant on the Philatelist and many others) say goodbye, wishing the best for the Philatelist, the Society, and the many friends I have made in connection with it.

—Harlan W. Miller

STE. MARIE BY “WAY OF SUEZ” IN 1845

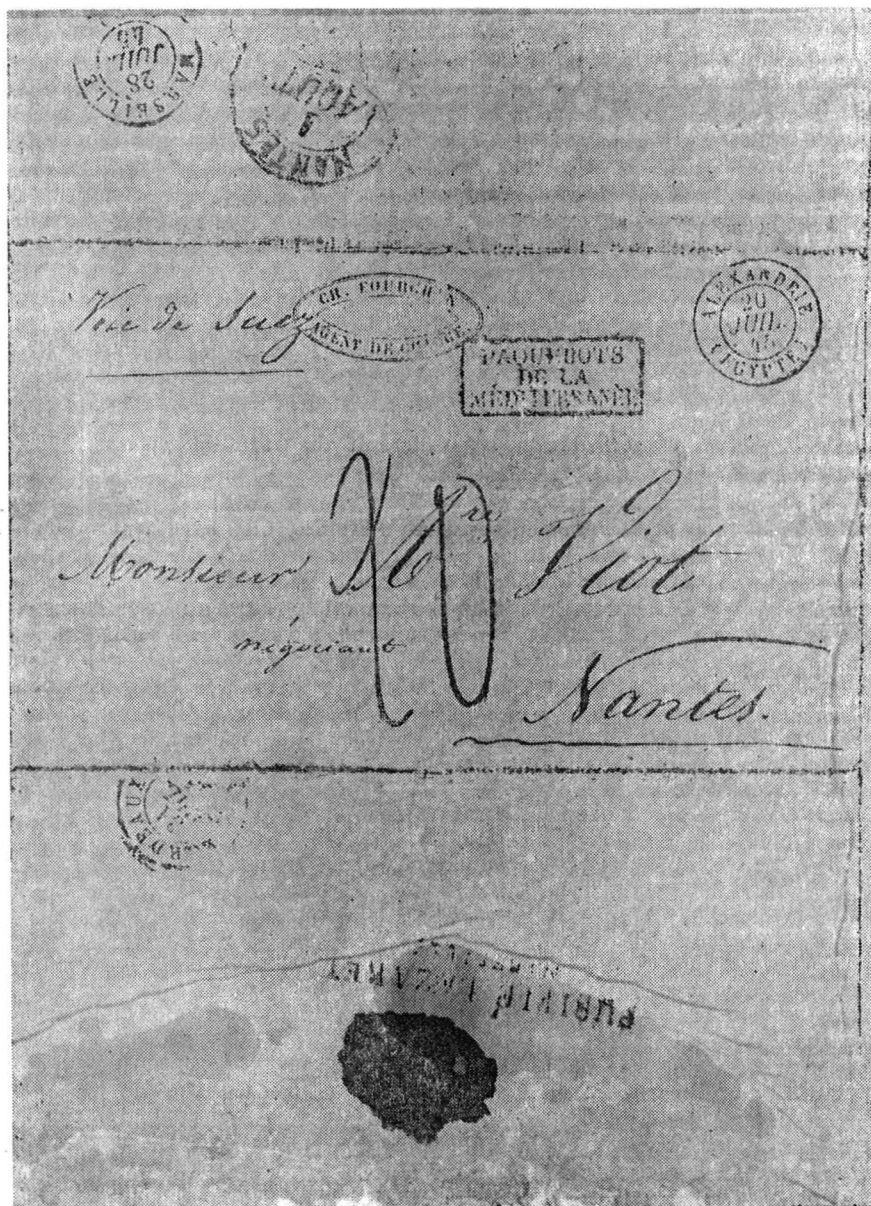
By Lucio Marson

The Suez Canal was not built at that time but mail marked to go that way indicated a particular route followed by mail coming from the “Indies.” One of these letters is shown in Fig. 1. It attracted my attention for the way it was disinfected. Then it was a greater surprise when I noted it originated from Ste. Marie, Madagascar (docketed 10 Mai 1845).

The postal markings, as shown in the illustration, are those of Alexandria of Egypt a framed, red, PACQUEBOTS DE LA MEDITERRANEE, and on back the double circles of Marseille, Bordeaux, and Nantes (destination) in addition to a straight-line PURIFIE LAZARET / MARSEILLE.

The letter was written on 10 May 1845 in Ste. Marie of Madagascar and

entered the postal system in Alexandria. How it traveled between these two points is revealed by a blue double oval forwarding cachet of CH. FOURCHON AGENT DE CHANGE, an exchange agency which, as customary at that time, provided also mail forwarding services. The manuscript "Voie de Suez" indicated the route taken by the forwarder and assists us in completing the voyage indicated by the postal marks (Alexandrie 20 July, Marseille 28 July,



Bordeaux 30 July, and Nantes 1 Aug.)

Besides the unusual origin and the early date of this correspondence the letter exhibits another unusual feature, it displays a red waxseal, although deformed and illegible, recognizable to the eye of the experienced disinfected-mail collectors, as the characteristic double-oval disinfection reseal of Malta with initials GR and royal crown (Royal Cipher George IV Rex), and the legend OPENED. RESEALED. LAZZARETTO OF MALTA. That being the case, the letter is an outstanding example of a specimen of double disinfection where both disinfections were performed in transit. The two disinfections were Maltese and French as follows:

First disinfection is a complete internal type performed at Malta by unfolding, treating, and resealing the letter, as revealed by the wax seal supplemental to the sender's seal.

Second disinfection is a routine, internal type, performed at Marseille by slitting and fumigating, as revealed by a pair of disinfection slits on the unopened letter (23-24 mm length, 56 mm apart at center points) and by the endorsing Lazaret cachet PURIFIÉ LAZARET/MARSEILLE.

The commercial content of the text further mentions "... I take advantage of a vessel departing for Aden ..." which enlightens us further on the route taken by the messenger of Mr. Ch. Fouchon. In the letter the sender states that he is profiting by the opportunity to send by a ship departing for Aden which might arrive before the ship La Belloni which apparently was the one he planned to use; a PS note to the letter says the La Belloni departed 28 April.

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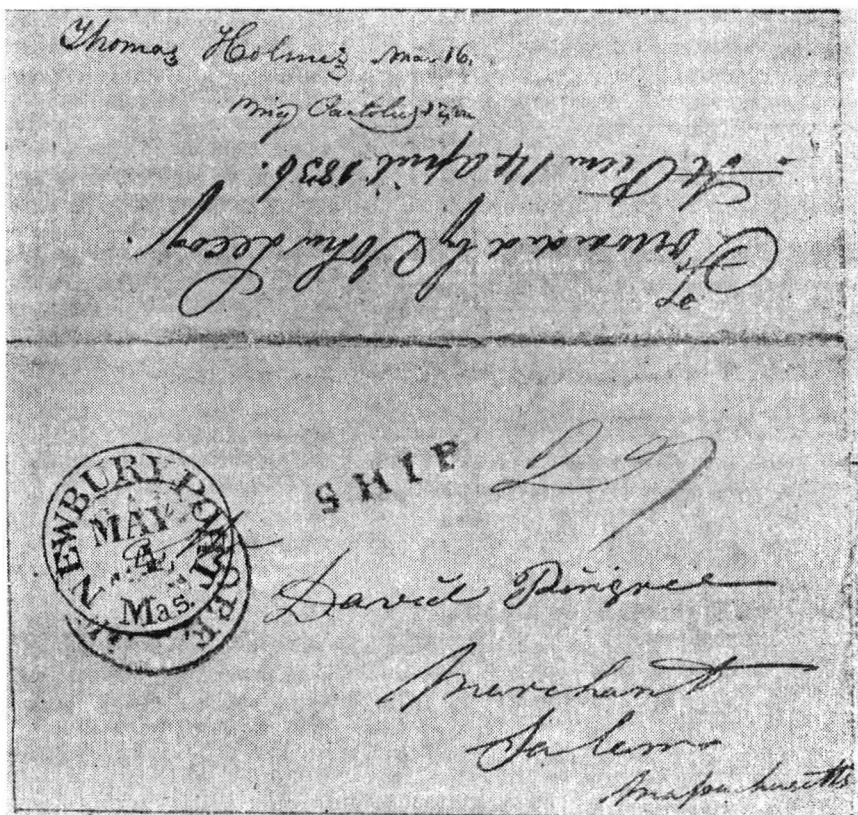
Gardner Brown sends us these pix he took of some of the attendees at Al McKanna's party at CAPEX. Bob Stone and John B. Morton shown seated together. In the group, we recognize in the front row Guy de Rivières, Bob Stone, Dick Stevens, John Morton, Joe Geraci, and Al McKanna behind, standing we note Al Schneider, Allain Millet, Larry Jones, Stan Luft, Ed Grabowski, Jeff Bohn, Colin Spong, Bill Waugh and Lucio Marson.



AN EARLY FORWARDING MARKING FROM MARTINIQUE

By Richard M. Steven;

The illustration shows the front and part of the back of an early letter forwarded through Martinique. Rowe in "The Postal History of the Forwarding Agents" lists only one forwarding marking for Martinique, used at St. Pierre in 1851. This letter is datelined "Cayenne March 16 1836." The text confirms that it was sent by private ship from Cayenne, French Guiana to Martinique. The notation on the back shows that it was "Forwarded by John Lecoq. St. Pierre 14 April 1836." The letter entered the U. S. postal system at Baltimore, Md. on April 30 where it was struck with the straight-line SHIP. It was received at Newburyport, Mass. on May 4. The other docketing on the back was added by the recipient, and includes the name of the sender, and of a ship referred to in the letter, not one on which it was carried.



PLEASE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS

♦ On 21 August the 3.00F Championnat du Monde de Lutte was issued; on 5 Sept. the four stamps of mushrooms, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, and 5.00F; on 5 Sept.



also the 2.00F Guillaume Conquérante; on 12 Sept the painting "Précambiens" of Camille Bryen; on 19 Sept. the 2.50F Montbenoit le Saugeais.

♦ On 30 Oct. the 2.20F Centénaire de l'Institut Pasteur will appear, along with a postal card in the same design.

♦ The PTT announced that the coils of 1000 sold by the P.O.s and tobacconists in plastic dispensers will henceforth be issued only in coils of 500; these are sold only in certain Depts. (Paris, Dordogne) but coils plain, not in dispensers are available at all P.O.s.

◆ Due to change in the tariff on 1 August the PTT issued the *Liberté* type with letter "B" in place of denomination as a temporary issue until definitives in 2.00 can be printed; the 3.60F in new color of blue was issued in Aug.

◆ The quantities of 1986 stamps sold have been published by the PTT:—the largest were the 2.20 *Manoir Normand*, *Europa Genette*, *Congrès Nancy*, *Champ. du Monde du Volley Ball*, which had 11 to 12 million sold; the Cent. of the statue de *Liberté* had 21½ million, and *Fourniers Grand Meaulines* 14.8 million. The smallest editions were the oeuvre de *Estève Skibet*, oeuvre de *Magnelli*, *Bastide de Montpazier*—each with ca. 4½ million, but the blocs of the *Cinématique Française* sold only 2,364,000.

◆ The 5.0F stamp illustrating a painting of Camille Bryen titled "*Précambiens*" will mystify many who are unfamiliar with the surrealist and Dada schools back in the '30s. The pastiche of little squares of colors is supposed to represent the initial magma and the creation of the World, which one can imagine seeing in the design.

◆ The packet of stamps issued from May to August 1987 will be available at philatelic windows in September, sold at 55.00F.

◆ On 28 July Monaco issued a set of four butterflies and philately stamps in 1.90, 2.20, 2.50, and 3.40F.

◆ Andore issued on 5 Sept. a 5.00F Roman painting of the church de la *Cortinada*, and on 19 Sept. a 2.00F *Excursionisme*.

◆ In 1988 (ca. Nov.) the French and Swiss postal administrations will jointly issue a stamp titled "*Meta*" (for "*métamécanique*") designed by Jean Tinguely.

◆ The Yvert firm has published a list of the percent rise in catalogue price from 1986 to 1987 for a number of French stamps. The greatest rise was for the Yv. #2355/60 booklet strip of celebrated personages which went up 233%! And the variety Yv #2360A rose 120%. The next highest was the ping pong stamp #1961 which rose 100%. A few stamps rose 40-85%, but many 15-30%—most of these are "modern" issues and classic issues #s 200-1000 are relatively less numerous. The stamps of topical interest are prominent in the rises.

◆ Our member Anita Luft died suddenly last Spring. She had collaborated with her husband Stan in their exhibits of French Napoleonic covers, doing most of the historical documentation and write up which have won Large Golds at international shows.

◆ At the Boston Stampshow in August Ray Gaillaguet obtained a Vermeil for his Sowers, and Gardner Brown exhibiting in the Championship class a Prix d'Honneur for his Aftermath of the Franco-Prussian War.

◆ At ROMPEX last May there were two French exhibits: Lewis Bussey's RF overprints (Gold), and Luft's Alsace-Lorraine 1870-1925 (Gold, Reserve Grand, Postal Hist. Soc. medal).

◆ Although BALPEX was devoid of any French exhibits this year, our devoted group of francophiles had its annual champagne brunch at the Marriott: Dick Stevens, Ed Grabowski, Walter Parshall, Jeff Bohn, Dick Winter, Bob Stone, Bill Waugh, Larry Jones, Joe Geraci, and others.

◆ Raymond Gaillaguet has been named U. S. Commissioner for PHILEX-FRANCE '89.

◆ In May 1988 FCPS will hold a regional meeting at ROMPEX in Denver, and members are encouraged to exhibit at this show. Details will be announced later.

◆ Dr. A. Camboulives, the editor of the *Collectionneur Philatliste* at Marcophile, which is the very excellent organ of the Cercle Lyonnais d' Etudes Philatéliques et Marcophiles, has been a good friend of FCPS. He frequently gives complimentary notices therein of our publications and has reprinted in translation several of our articles. Currently Wm. Waugh's serial on the French colonial railroad postmarks is appearing in the *Collectionneur*.

◆ Dr. Steve Carol, Vice President of the Society of Indo China Philatelists and F. C. P. S. member #2287, will be leading a 17-day philatellically oriented trip to the Soviet Union (inc Moscow, Leningrad, Samarkand, Bukhara and Tashkent) in July 1988 and a 21-day philatellically oriented trip to the Peoples Republic of China (inc. Beijing, Shanghai, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Xi'an, Kuming, Guilin, and Hong Kong) ?, in August 1988. Reserve your place now. Write for details with SASE to Steve Carol, Box 414, Holbrook, N. Y. 11741.

◆ The current French airmail stamps will henceforth be printed on a different paper and the sheets will be reduced to 40 stamps, with at top of each column the residual value of the sheet beyond that column.

◆ St. Pierre Miquelon last June 30 issued two airmail stamps: a 5F showing a Hawker-Siddeley HS748, and a 10F showing the Latécoère 522F-ARAP.

◆ In addition to the joint Swiss-French stamp to be issued next year, the PTT has plans to issue later on joint stamps with Germany and Denmark.

◆ On 5-6 November a large selection of material from the Dubus estate will be auctioned in a vente aux enchères by the firm Lenormand et Dayen in Paris; the catalog can be purchased from J. Robineau, 5 rue Drouot, Paris 75009, by sending a check for 50F made out to the Lenormand et Dayen firm. The material being sold is all related to France, no colonies.

◆ We have already noted recently that both L'Echo and Le Monde are improving the ambiance of their magazine in trying to meet the competition of Timbroscopie. The latest issues of Le Monde begin to look more and more like Timbroscopie in the contents and use of color (quite good). L'Echo is using some color and more tasteful typography and graphics, but still quite conservative.

◆ The final definite program of stamps for 1988 has been announced by the PTT on 14 August, as follows:—

Stamps with surtax: Journée du Timbre (postal vehicle of 1844);

Celebrated personages:— Abraham Duquesne, Mahé de la Bourdonnais, Pierre Andre de Suffrén, Louis Antoine de Bougainville, Jean Francois de la Pérouse, Jules Dumont D'Urville.

Red Cross:— 125th Anniv. of Red Cross.

Stamps without surtax:—

Artistic series: La pieta de Vileneuve-les-Avignon, works of Serge Poliakoff, of Jean Tinguely, of Robert Jacobsen, L. Richier le sepulchre St. Mihiel Europa: on themes of transport and communication.

Nature series: Animals in Buffon's "Histoire Naturelle."

Touristic series: Cirque de Gavarnie, Douarmenez Musée du bateau, Cha-teau de Sédieres, Hermès de Fréjus, Prouges.

Commemorative and misc.:— Valence, Roland Garros, Jean Monnet, 25th anniv. Traité sur la coopération franco-allemande, Cent. de l'Ecole Nationale Supérieure des PTT, Accessibilité aux handicapés, Le Thermalism, Assemblée de Vizille et Journée des Tuiles à Grenoble, La bande dessinée française, Bimillénaire de Strasbourg, Aide médicale internationale, Synagogue de la rue de la Victoire en Paris, 70e Anniv. de l'Armistice, Expo Philex-jeunes 88, Cent. des troupes de montagne, Don du sang, Marcel Dassault.



◆ Paul-Emile Victor, the dean of French polar explorers, and for 40 years the Director of the French Polar Expeditions organization, celebrated his 80th birthday in February by accompanying a French group to NW Territories of Canada and flying to the North Pole in a ultralight plane; and also a trip to Adélie Land French bases. Covers he sent back to friends carry his amusing sketches shown here (courtesy Ice Cap News).

◆ 519). Robert Johnson shows us an August 1940 mails-suspended type of marking on cover for which place of posting and destination were both in the occupied area, which is very unusual. The Germans strictly controlled mail in and out of occupied parts of France after June 1940, but in this case Alsace like Lorraine was treated by the Germans as if part of Germany not France.



◆ 520). Kenneth Nilsestuen acquired the French-issue Valeur à Récouvrer cover illustrated used from Soubre to Dreuil, Ivory Coast, 1916. These printed-form envelopes are common in France for people to collect or pay small bills via the postal service, but used in the colonies are very rare because the requirement was too small for the colonies to print their own. This cover is unusual also for the franking with a bisect of the 20c stamp—this bisect was regularly authorized and used in Ivory Coast for some years. Both of these P.O.s are very small places with little mail.

◆ 523). In July 1960 a special airmail was operated from Leopoldville, Congo, when the Belgians had abandoned the city. Republic of Congo stamps were overprinted for use of French personnel: "COURRIER AERIEN / FRANCE / Leopoldville / Juillet 1961." (Seen on a 25Fr stamp courtesy Pierre Raynaud).

◆ 524). We note in an auction a cover from Gao, Soudan, in the 1930s, to France with a different cachet for the transsahara mail service that we have not seen before: in a rectangle "Courrier postal transporte par le Service Ambulant Régulier de la Cie. Gen. Transsaharienne reliant la Méditerranée au Niger par le Sahara." (See our article "Transsahara!" in Postal History Journal for Feb. 1978).



◆ 521). Stan Jersey has this curious cover from Reunion with a pair of the 25c Cérès cancelled by the "anchor," addressed to Marseilles, but post-marked St. Denis on front. Question is why the St. Denis P.O. did not post-mark the stamps? Apparently the P.O. clerk forgot to cancel the stamps and when the mail-packet sorter clerk saw the stamps uncanceled he struck them with his "anchor" lozenge.



◆ 522). Here is an example of the special small-parcels service given in some colonies for "familial" packages at special rates, indicated by a label, from Madagascar 1945 or thereafter.

◆ 525). A most remarkable transsahara item is a post card from Tombouctou 20 June 1902 to Algiers, endorsed 'Voie Sahara par Caravan.' This unique card was sold in a Robson Lowe auction of 12/12/1963 and noted in our article on Transsahara mails in Postal History Jn. for Feb. 1978. Now it is in hands of Ed Grabowski so we can illustrate it. The franking at 15c in Group Type stamps does not fit any known rate. But the message, and ca-



chet on front, indicate it was from a civil official in the administration of a Sahara oasis. It transited Timmimoum in south Algeria on 23 Jan. 1903 and arrived Algiers 11 Feb.; camels were slow but it must have been held up someplace waiting for them to take off. The message reads (very colloquial): "My dear Hadj : forgot to mention the dirty Arab of Cabessa ? who returned with us in 1901 ? There is something new in Soudan. And it was a pleasure to see it on the passage to Tombouctou. It was that moment at Bamba. Here a great unrest threatens the column of the Adrar, which is probably now settled ? I hope for myself that at the same time at our installation the construction of the telegraph line will be pursued.—At last, we will live to see it. Au revoir old friend and a cordial handshake.—Laurmele."



◆ 526). We are at loss to explain the "Territoire de Saint James (Antilles)" that heads the front of this cover from Martinique. The corner illustrates a steamer "St. James."

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- WANTED: New member has lots of duplicates of French Offices and Colonies to trade for same, intermediate level.—Dr. Robert Block, 40 Standish Dr., Deerfield, Ill. 60015.
- WANTED: Dubois issue used in Obock; also boxed "P.P." on cover or card with Djibouti cds of 1901-02.—Bob Kinsley, 949 No. 60th Ave., Richland, Wash. 99352 (Mb. #2180)
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- WANTED: Well centered, original gum 15c gray Sage 15c Sc. #80 Yv #77 Type IIA only (distinguished by mainly illegible signature at lower left). Stanley J. Luft, 870 So. Miller Court, Lakewood, Colo. 80226 (Mb. #915)

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- #161, Sept. 1986: Richardson: "History of the 'F' stamp"; Tristant: "French colonial archives"; Bellack: "Mulhousen or Mulhause?"; Jones: "People portraites on French stamps" (cont.); Hartland-Swann: "New Caledonia censor mail"; Mills: "On unofficial separations of imperf. empire issues"; cont. of Stone and Grabowski.
- #162, Dec. 1986: Newbury: "Englishmen in Paris 1870"; Rosso: "1940 dunkirk evacuation—French naval P. O."; conts. of Barker, Jones, Stone and Grabowski.
- #163, March 1987: Reader: "Philatelic expos in German-occupied Paris"; Jones: "People on French stamps" (cont.); Barker: "Nice—extremely rare mark"; Hartland-Swann: "New Caledonia 50th Anniv. issue"; Barker: "Siege of Paris proposed route for mail into city."
- #164, June 1987: Gaillaguet: "15c lined sower var."; Richardson: "What day of the week is it?"; Pashby: "Liberté A stamp"; Reader, Jones, cont.; Coles: "Express mail by bicycle 1944."

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- #244, 1st Trim 1986: Desrousseaux: "Le courrier intercontinental pendant la dernier Gurre"; Tristant: "Les relations postale Franco-Maltaises de l'origine à 1838"; Benini: "Occupation Italienne de Menton 1940-43"; Jesunin: "Caractère et évolution des cachets à date de la bureau de la rue Fbg St. Martin, Mars-Nov 1863"; Lebrun: "Orifine des entiers postales Francaises utilisé aux Iles Anglo-Normand 1942-44"; Desrousseaux: "Transition entre les postes de l'Indochine et celles du Viet Nam 1945-52"; Seguy: "Lettre recommandée au taxe simple"; Cuny et Delwaulle: "Cachets manuels de recette principale de Paris 1876'-"; Seguy: "Mentions manuscrits PP sur des courrier retransmis"; Delvaux: "Nouveautés de guichés annexes."
- #246, 3rd Trim 1986: Tristant: "La Tartane"; Garcin: "Courrier des 71 aérostats Frétés du Siege de Paris"; Stevens: "Le Marque Paquebot de la Martinique 1887-88"; Desarnaud and Delwaulle: "Expo 1900 du nouveau de la taxe simple"; Proust: "Utilisation des timbres taxes coupés"; Hayhurst: "Une lettre d'une provenance bien connue"; Coles: "Rochefort à St. Malo par Brest"; Cappart: "Paris contreseigns 1903"; Durrieu: "Après l'incendie d'un wagon postal."
- #247, 4th Trim 1986: Noel: "L'un océan à l'autre"; Hardy: "Glans de histoire postale dans les locaux"; Dumont: "Cartes pour Changements d'adresse"; Benini: "Occupation Italienne de 1940-43"; Mathieu: "Le sempreintes de la opste militaire et estampille administratives de franchise Guerre 1914-18."
- #248, 1st Trim 1987: Cappart: "Monopolie postale"; Benini: (sl mark of Monaco); Noel: "Entrees exceptionnelles de Calais"; Berard: "Correspondances administrative en 1818"; Fourrier: "Courrier expédie de Belle Isle 8177-1900"; Seguy: "Cachets type 24 et 23 lines Jan. '74";

Cuny and Delwaulle: "Cachets manuels de Paris" (cont.); Proust: "Utilisation de timbres de recouvrements dans la taxation des correspondances postales"; Catherine: "Marque FD"; Sene: "Services particulières de acheminement de courrier"; Proust: "Recommandés en taxe simple"; Sauvanet: "Affranchissements des télégraphes par des timbres poste."

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- #109, 3rd Trim 1986: Desarnaud: "Allo—Postexpress"; Malévergne: "Taxes rares sur cartes pour l'étranger"; De la Méttrie: "Taxe d'une carte postale"; Blanc et Pineau: "La recommandation 1 Juli 1850—30 Je 1854"; Noel: "D'un Océan à l'autre"; Blanc: "Petites valeurs de l'émission de Bordeaux"; Venot: "Un précurseur des timbres de service de l'AOF"; Venot: "Timbre de service de ephémère République Cochinoise"; Schraeder: "Boîtes de Gares"; Schraeder: "Cachet du bureau de Assemblée Nationale"; Rykner: "Vignette de affranchissement distribuer gratuitement à titre publicitaire—par le service Postexpres."
- #110, 4th Trim 1986: Tristant: "Relations postales franco-coloniale par le voie des paquebots Britanniques 1851-55"; De la Méttrie: "Timbres de service de République Indo-chinoise"; Storch et Francon: "La difficile naissance de la Sémeuse"; De Fontaines: "Route de Mayence"; Marsanaux: "1c Empire lauré premier dat econnue"; Bergier: "Les paquebots de Mexique de Compagnie Balguière 1803-05"; Mayear: "Carte postale illustrée au imprimées 1900-03"; Guiraud-Darmois: "Les boîtes urbines de Monaco."
- #111, 1st Trim 1987: Brun: "Tarifs des journaux et imprimés—le reforme du 1 Aug. 1856"; Alexandre: "Les Etablissements Francaises de l'Océanie"; Schraeder: "Cachet de Assemblée Nationale"; Storch et Francon: "Naissance de la Marianne de Gandon"; Pothion: "Le 25c Cérés #60"; Schraeder: "Le ressort du juge de paix"; Lauwers: "Le type Blanc 5c préoblité Type 1 surchargé à plat."
- #112, 2nd Trim. 1987: Schroeder: "Les correspondances des Militaires pendant 1 July 1850—30 June 1854"; Blanc: "Emission prov. de Bordeaux 1870-71"; Malevergne: "La variété grand chiffres des postes Paris 1920-21"; Fromageat: "Naufrages" (cont.); de Zanche: "Difficultes du service postale entre France et Italie au 1815 (100 days)"; de Fontaines: "La route de Mayence."
- #113, 3rd Trim. 1987: Storch et Francon: "La Marianne de Durrens—histoire d'un non-émis"; Delwaulle: "Lettres de Paris de Mars 1794 à July 1787"; Schroeder: "Taxes locales entre deux Recettes ou deux Distributions"; Mayeur: "Le Calendrier Republicain dans les marques postales"; de Fontaines: "Place de Belfort, service postal 1900-15"; V. Pothion: "Arrestations et deportations après Commune de 1871"; Hecq: "Lettres en franchise"; Desarnaud: "Carte postales illustrée ou imprimée, les cartes sous band" (cont.)

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- #70, April 1986: Bruno: "La poste en Vendée sous la Révolution"; Sené: "Récommandation Recouvrements et OPR"; Blanc: "Les taxes amends"; Rosso: "Navalophilie"; Camobulives: "Bureau annexes de Lyon"; Magnar det Laborde: "Bureau Recette de Lyon Perrache"; Fradois: "Timbres fiscaux et journaux."
- #71, July 1986: Sené: "Les recouvrements"; Charbonnier: "5 Fr orange

- taxe Duval; Timbres oblitérés par machine à affranchir"; conts. of Bruno, Rosso, Magnard et Laborde, and Fradois.
- #72, Oct. 1986: Proust: "Taxe sâmens sur cartes postales 1922"; De-Lizeray: "Anomalies de dentéleure de roulettes"; Quesnot: "6 Fr Muller utilisation"; Camboulives: "Cachets télégraphiques du Rhone"; conts. of Rosso, Fradois.
- #73, Jan. 1987: Blanc: "Affranchissement de Sept. 1871"; Proust: "Utilisation irrégulière d'entiers"; Charbonnier et Mathélot: "6Fr Muller"; Quesnot: "Recapitulation du prix des roulettes"; Grappe: "Oblitération du Rhone aur Sage"; Mathieu: "Affranchissement de carte postale réexpédié"; conts. of Mience, Fradois, Rosso.
- #74, April 1987: Blanc: "Le 30c chiffres-taxe carré—son utilisation"; Rouchy: "La griff deux centimes en Sept. 1871"; Proust: "Utilisation de timbres oblitérantes timbre taxe"; Rosso: "Fort de France naval" (cont.); Charbonnier: "Variétés modernes"; Les SECAP oblitérantes ayant conserve un timbre à date non-normalisé"; Mathieu: "Service Intermediare" (1854 cds); Camboulives: "Acheminées"; "Timbres fiscaux et la poste—errata."
- #75, July 1987: Camboulives: "Cachets de service de Paris"; Blanc: Taxes facon ms 1871-75"; Camboulives: "Le Grande Peche" (cont.); Mathieu: "La poste de la Batillerie"; Rosso: "Fort de France naval" (cont.); Charbonnier: "Cachets type Montargis"; Waugh: "Convoyeurs coloniales" (begin); Fradois: "Colis postaux de l'Alsace-Lorraine."

London Philatelist

May-June 1987: Barker: "France le type Blanc."

Spellman Philatelic Museum Post Rider

Sept. 1987: White: "Old covers and ships disasters" (French Maritime covers).

Essay-Proof Journal

- #163, 3rd Q. 1984: Marinescu: "Use of picture postcards as design sources for Indochina 1907 issue."
- #174, 2nd Q. 1987: Brett: "Analysis of C. Slania die proofs (of Monaco)"

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- #75, Feb. 1987: Tristant: "The Franco-Brazilian mail 1850-60."

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"Roosevelt de Gaulle and the Posts."

By D. M. Giangreco, 1987. Available from Joseph V. Bush, Inc., P. O. Box 626, Bonita, Calif 92002, \$995

This lavishly-illustrated 172-page book is a fascinating combination of historical history and postal history. It views Franco-American war relations through their effects on the postal systems in 1942-44, first in French North Africa and then in France.

It contains much information on the French and American mail censorship systems, details the circumstances concerning and reasons for the numerous stamp issues in this period which included a large-scale reversion to old-fashioned stone lithography in stamp production (in North Africa).

It discusses the circumstances under which U. S. airmail stamps and pos-

tal stationery were sold at French naval postal facilities and why "R F" marking came to be applied to them, reflecting the ongoing research on this subject.

The book tells the story of the 25 franc Chenonceaux, Scott #496, which was first issued for use in the U. S. APO system to denote payment of French telegraph charges on the U. S. Army's telegraphed Expeditionary Force Messages, and illustrates examples cancelled at U. S. APOs in France, Germany, Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg.

On the historical level the book shows how and why France did not have an Allied Military Government but had continued French civil administration including control of the postal services in both North Africa and France, with both ex-Vichyites and Gaullists, utterly hostile to each other, but working for the same goal, to preserve French administration of French territory.

—Wm. M. Waugh.

Rabier, "Regard Sur La Presse Philatélique Française"

A remarkable two-volume report by Pascal Rabier was published in 1986 by the Université de Paris and the Institut National de Gestion des PTT d'Ivry, titled "Regard Sur la Presse Philatélique Française" (A look at the French philatelic press). Copies were sent to the editors of leading philatelic journals in France and other countries. No information as to where copies can be obtained. Printed by offset with spiral bindings.

It was the author's Thesis for the Diploma d'Études Supérieures Spécialisées in the field of Services Publics et Communications. Essentially a research study on the French philatelic press, it is to our knowledge the first one to seriously survey the subject in such a thorough and scholarly way for any country.

Vol. I (219 pp) is devoted to the Organization, Function, and Audience of the present-day French philatelic press, including all types of information media. Vol. II (586 pp) is a survey of the French "commercial" philatelic publications issued since 1864 to date.

For Vol. I the author exploited diverse sources, analyzing the current press output, consulting and interviewing leading "players" in the press, the PTT, philatelic organizations, collectors, dealers, experts, libraries, etc. He considers the economics and politics, a profile of readers, public perceptions of the press, compares the formats, contents, presentations, etc., of the four leading French journals. There is an interesting introduction with philosophical and sociological overtones, that sets the background for the press.

Useful Appendices list the various sources of current philatelic information by different media and organizations, and reproduces the questionnaire used. The results of the author's study will certainly be of great interest to the press and media, the PTT, the dealers and collectors, for it gives the "big picture" in an objective fashion—the author did his homework well. The treatment however, is not highly detailed nor prolix, but very logically organized and clearly presented.

Vol. II is something else again. A most valuable compilation on 74 French philatelic journals 1864 to date, each analyzed according to a uniform outline of 12 criteria. The types of publication are identified by four categories:—

- 1) journals serving as publicity support for a stamp dealer or new issue service.

- 2) journals of information and current philatelic activities. They are devoted largely to news about new issues and various activities of interest to

collectors, advice to beginning collectors.

3) journals of general philatelic documentation—addressed to collectors as a whole to give them a general philatelic "culture." All branches of philately are covered, with serious studies and background articles. New issues are not neglected. This type of publication is often retained by collectors in their personal library or they clip out the interesting items.

4) journals of specialized philatelic documentation, aimed at specialists, usually to communicate the results of studies in a given area of specialization.

The analysis of each journal lists systematically:—

Title and subtitle, evolution of change in the title

No. of years published.

Names of Director and Editor

Place and address of Editor

Periodicity of issue

Dates of first and last number published

Price per copy and by annual subscription

Format (size)

Name and address of publisher or printer

Number copies printed per issue

Special characteristics of the journal:— changes in policy, mergers, special numbers, special events, positions taken, modifications in presentation

Structure of the journal:— departments for commercial ads, short ads for wants or offers, space devoted by editor to texts, and illustrations, regular chronicles

Places of preservation of files and extent of holdings

Catalog code numbers in the catalogs of the Musée Postal and the Bibliothèque Nationale, issues held by them and any gaps

Category of the journal

Author's comments, critique or appreciation of the journal; note of any indexes, etc.

There is an illustration of the cover of each journal.

Appendices provide a list of the journals by Categories, an alphabetical index of Directors and Editors, and an index of the covers illustrated.

It seems hardly necessary to stress the great value of this compilation for researchers, librarians, and editors. We can only congratulate the author and publisher for a job well conceived and executed. —Robert G. Stone

"Les Cahiers de l'Académie Québécoise d'Études Postales, Opus IV" 1987.

The Quebec Academy of Postal Studies has published each year a book of studies by its members. The Academy is a small group of serious philatelists, most of them professional people from around Montreal. The President this year is Jacques Nolet, a member of FCPS and a history professor at the College Notre-Dame. The interests of the members are diverse, in various countries and subjects, which is reflected in the contents of this "Opus."

There are 13 articles. Jacques Nolet leads off with a history of the design and production of the French Europa stamps of 1956 designed by Gonzague and engraved by Piel—it is a very detailed study considering the various essays and proofs. Richard Graton discusses the various forgeries of Newfoundland stamps produced by celebrated forgers with notes on how to detect them. Denis Masse explains the strange appearance of the French packetboat "Île de France" on a Canadian stamp, the Île de France stamps of France and Canadian connections with the subject. Jean-Guy Dolpé dis-

cusses the rates and markings for mail deposited in bulk in the P.O. as used in Canada. Daniel Webster in philately is a thematic and topical study by Michel Gagné. Marguerite Fortin covers all philatelic aspects of the Royal Visit of 1939 to Canada, U.S. and Newfoundland. André Dufresne writes about Canadian tobacco tax revenues, and a discovery he made of one. Dr. Jean Storch and Robert Franco, the well-known team of students of modern French issues discuss the birth of the Sower designs of 1902-07, opening an exchange of relations with the French Académie d'Etudes Postales. Coil stamps of Australia, especially the 1938-75 issues are listed in detail by Michel Letourneau. Normand Caron catalogues the recent machine postmarks of the main postal centers in Quebec. Another thematic-topical study is by Bernard Lavallée on the history of use of the swastika cross on stamps and covers of various countries. The souvenirs issued for international expos between 1984 and 1985 are cataloged by Yvon Toussignant. Rare and little-known watermarks of the Hungarian 1898-99 issues are authoritatively analyzed by Francois Fodor.

We look forward to further interesting contributions from the Quebec Academy. —R. G. S.

"Les Lignes Régulières de Paquebots-Post du Levant et d'Egypt 1837-1851."

By Henri Tristant. 180 pp., 1987. From the author, 1 rue de la Mission-Marchand, 75016 Paris. 390Fr post paid, payment by check on Paris bank or to C.C.P. 4035 06 Z or by international money order.

This latest work of Tristant on the French maritime postal services, reports his years of study in archives and newspapers on the early government-subservient mail packets, both French and British, connecting Levant and Egypt via Malta or direct with Marseille. As usual with Tristant's studies it is highly documented, with official texts on rates, contracts, regulation of service, history and character of the ships, etc., quoted in full. In addition he has compiled tables showing all the sailings of each packet trip in both directions (67 pages, 1272 voyages) for both the French and British lines. This section will be of especial interest to British postal historians as the full data on the British trips has not been published before as far as we know. Finally, 50 plates illustrate well-selected covers (front and back) with detailed commentary on how they were handled. There are letters from Greece, Italy, Syria, Egypt, and Turkey, and also from India, Ceylon, Mauritius and Reunion which were sent via Suez and a few via the Persian Gulf overland route.

The organization of the work is exemplary, facilitating a ready grasp of the scope of the subject and easy following of the involved history. The first major section covers the genesis of the organization of the packet lines, the first (1837-45) and second (1845-51) periods of exploitation, wherein the various documents are quoted in chronological sequence. The second major section describes the postal-packet trips of the Levant line between Constantinople and Marseille (1837-51) and those of the Egypt line between Alexandria and Marseille (1837-51). Several pages illustrate all the postal markings seen on the covers pertinent to the packet services. There are for the French packets 4 covers of 1837-38, 21 covers of 1838-49, and 3 covers of 1849-51; for the British packets there are one cover of 1836 and 21 covers of 1840-51.

A most worthy supplement and enlargement on the work of the late Raymond Salles, carried out in the same spirit and in similar style. As only 250 copies were printed interested collectors and libraries should not delay ordering. —R. G. Stone

THE SABINE ISSUES OF 1977-82**By Stanley J. Luft**

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o,30

The o,30 orange (Sc 1566, Cs 1996) was issued 31 March-2 April 1978, replacing the o,30 typographed Cheffer (Sc 1231C, Cs 1607).

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 10 March 1978 and 24 March 1981 (11 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bar 16 March 1978, 1 Oct. 1979, and 7-8 Nov. 1979; with Holland gum and phosphor B bar, on TD-6 press 7, 23-24 Jan. 1980. Printed from a 3rd cylinder on TD-3 press 4, with phosphor A bar, 15-27 June 1978 (1 press run).

Usage (Tariffs of 2 Aug. 1976-on):

#Complementary (add-on) value;

#Newspapers, per 100 gm, individual rate (domestic) (until 14 Oct. 1979);

#Airmail surtax, per 5 gm above first 20 gm, on letters and cards to former French Community countries of Africa; and per 5 gm to Egypt, Libya, and Near East (until 31 Aug. 1981).

Replaced by the o,30 Liberté (Sc 1787, Cs 2180) beginning in January 1982.

Retired from sale 8 Oct. 1982.

o,40

The o,40 deep brown (Sc 1658, Cs 2118) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar from a single cylinder, on TD-6 presses, 25 Sept.-9 Oct. 1980 and 14-15 Sept. 1981 (2 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bar 11-12 Dec. 1980 (1 separate press run).

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Aug. 1980 and 1 Sept. 1981):

#Complementary (add-on) value.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Airmail surtax, per 5 gm. on letters, cards, and valued objects, and per 25 gm for other mail, to most former French Community countries of Africa and to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Replaced by the o,40 Liberté (Sc 1788, Cs 2181) beginning in January 1982.

Retired from sale 8 Oct. 1982.

o,50

The o,50 red-violet (Sc 1567, Cs 1997) was issued 31 March-2 April 1978, replacing the o,50 Marianne de Bequet (Sc 1293, Cs 1666) sheet-format stamp.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar from 4 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 1 March 1978 and 8 May 1981 (15 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bar 16 March 1978, 21-22 June 1979, and 20 Jan. 1981; with Holland gum and phosphor B bar 4 Dec. 1979.

Usage (Tariffs of 2 Aug. 1976-on):

#Complementary (add-on) value;

Airmail surtax, per 5 gm, on letters, cards, and valued objects, to USA Canada Mexico and certain non-French Community countries of Western Hemisphere, Africa, and Asia (until 31 July 1980).

Replaced by the 0,50 Liberté (Sc 1789, Cs 2182) beginning in January 1982.
Retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

0,60

The 0,60 light rose-brown (Sc 1659, Cs 2119) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981. Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A bar on TD-6 press 1 from 25 Nov. to 6 Dec. 1980 (1 press run); with tropical gum 5-6 Dec. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Newspapers, magazines, sheet music, brochures, etc., to 20 gm (international).

Left apparently without specific usage by Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981.

Replaced by the 0,60 Liberté (Sc 1790, Cs 2233) on 3 Nov. 1982 and retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

0,70

The 0,70 navy blue (Sc 1660, Cs 2061) was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A bar from a single cylinder, on TD-6 presses, between 13 Sept. 1979 and 3 Jan. 1980 (2 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bar 25 Sept. 1979 and issued 15 Oct. 1979; with Holland gum and phosphor A bar, part of 7 Dec. 1979.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Magazines, newspapers, books, sheet music, brochures, etc., from 20 to 50 gm (international) (until 31 July 1980);

Airmail surtax, per 5 gm, on letters, cards, and valued objects, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania (until 31 Aug. 1981).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Magazines, newspapers, sheet music, brochures, etc., to 20 gm (international);

Airmail surtax, per 10 gm, on letters, cards, and valued objects, and per 50 gm, on other mail, to most former French Community countries of Africa, and to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 June 1982.

Replaced by the 0,70 Liberté (Sc 1791, Cs 2234) on 3 Nov. 1982 and retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

0,80 values

The 0,80 green (Sc 1568, Cs 1963) was issued 17-19 Dec. 1977, replacing the 0,80 green Marianne de Bequet (Sc 1494, 1495a, 1497, Cs 1897A, etc.) in sheet, booklet, and coil formats.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A bar from 2 cylinders on TD-6 press 1, 24 Oct.-8 Nov. 1977 and between 12 Nov. 1977 and 18 Jan. 1978; with tropical gum and without phosphor bar (Cs 1963A), part of 9 Nov. 1977; with tropical gum and phosphor A bar, part of 19 Jan. 1978; (total of 3 press runs).

Booklets of 20 stamps (Sc 1568a, Braun 529) printed with one phosphor B bar on TD-6 press 1 between 4 Nov. 1977 and 7 April 1978; with tropical gum 14 Nov. 1977 (3 press runs).

Coils (Sc 1578, Cs 1963B) printed with one phosphor B bar on TD-6 presses, issued 26 April 1978 (earliest known date).

Postal card with engraved stamp imprinted from rotary plates on TD-6 presses 10-16 Jan. 1978; issued during February 1978.

Usage (Tariff of 2 Aug. 1976):

*Non-urgent letters and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic);

*Printed matter, to 20 gm (international);

*Postcards (domestic and Overseas Depts. and Territories);

*Postcards, to Canada, European Common Market countries, and nearby areas of Spain;

Illustrated postcards "of 5 words" (international).

Usage (Tariff of 5 May 1978):

#Complementary value.

Replaced by the 0,80 greenish brown Sabine (Sc 1569, Cs 1998) beginning 3 June 1978. All formats of the 0,80 green retired from sale 6 Oct. 1978.

The 0,80 greenish brown was printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A bar on TD-3 press 4, 25 May-14 June 1978 (1 press run); with tropical gum and phosphor A bar 14 June 1978. Printed with phosphor B or A bar on TD-6 presses from a second cylinder, between 1 Sept. 1978 and 17 July 1981 (7 press runs).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Magazines, newspapers, books, sheet music, brochures, etc., from 20 to 50 gm (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

#Newspapers, per 100 gm, individual rate (domestic and international);

General delivery fee, per item, for periodicals (domestic);

Airmail surtax, per 5 gm, on letters, cards, and valued objects, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Magazines, newspapers, sheet music, brochures, etc., to 20 gm (international).

Replaced by the 0,80 Liberté (Ss 1792, Cs 2235) 3 Nov. 1982 and retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

0,90

The 0,90 mauve (Sc 1661, Cs 2120) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A bar on TD-6 press 1, 6-25 Nov. 1980 (1 press run); with tropical gum 7 Nov. 1980.

No apparent usage when issued, under existing Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Newspapers, from 20 to 50 gm (international);

Airmail surtax (per 25 gm. on other-than letters, cards, and valued objects, to Australasia and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

General delivery (poste restante) fee on newspapers, per item (domestic);

Airmail surtax, per 5 gm, on letters, cards, and valued objects, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Replaced by the 0,90 Liberté (Sc 1793, Cs 2236) 3 Nov. 1982 and retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

1,00 values

The 1,00 red (Sc 1570. Cs 1964) was issued 17-19 Dec. 1977, replacing the 1,00 red Marianne de Bequet (Ss 1496, 1496a,b, 1498, Cs 1898, etc.) stamp in sheet, booklet, and coil formats.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A and B bars from 4 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, in States 1 and 2¹, between 19 Oct. 1977 and 4 March 1978 (2 extended press runs); with tropical gum 28-29 Oct. 1977 and 19-21 Jan. 1978, issued 12 June 1978; with tropical gum but without phosphor bars (Cs 1964A), to discourage speculation in accidental examples found without phosphor², printed 28-29 Oct. 1978 (1 special press run from a 5th cylinder). Printed with phosphor C bars from a 6th cylinder, on the RGR-1 press, between 9 Nov. 1977 and 28 March 1978 (1 extended press run).

¹—A "beauty spot" on Sabine's shoulder, near lower right corner of stamp (see illustration), was considered by Cuny and Le Guillou (1979) to be the identifying mark of a second transfer roll (molette) for the various 1,00 values. On this basis, stamps lacking the mark would be of type 1; those showing it, Type II. On the other hand, Lizeray (1979) considered the spot as caused by an accident to the master or working die, that numerous pre-accident cylinders exist and also many post-accident ones. Sidestepping the controversy, but realizing that some 1,00 formats exist only with or only without the spot, I agree with Barker and Moffat (1981) and consider these variants as being indicative of a State 1 and a State 2, respectively.

²—Reported by Rabineau (1978a) as having been found used in metropolitan France in January 1978 and on 7 Feb. 1978.

Booklets of 5, 10, and 20 stamps (Sc 1570a,b, Braun 530-532) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses from 21 Oct. 1977 in States 1 and 2, and with metropolitan and tropical gum.

Coils (Sc 1579A, Cs 1964B) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses, issued 26 April 1978 (earliest known date).

Usage (Tariff of 2 Aug. 1976):

*Letters, to 20 gm (domestic and Overseas Depts. and Terr.);

*Postcards, "urgent" (domestic, etc.);

*Postcards (international);

*Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada, European Common Market countries, and nearby areas of Spain;

Newspapers, from 300 to 400 gm, individual rate (domestic).

Usage (Tariff of 5 1May 1978):

*Non-urgent letters and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic and Overseas Depts. and Terr.);

*Postcards (domestic, etc.);

*Postcards, to Canada and to European Common Market countries;

*Printed matter, to 20 gm (international);

Postcards "of 5 words" (international);

Newspapers, magazines, books, sheet music, brochures, etc., from 20 to 50 gm (international);

#Complementary value.

Replaced by the 1,00 green (Sc 1511, Cs 1999), which was issued 3-5 June 1978. All formats of the 1,00 red retired from sale 6 Oct. 1978.

The 1,00 green was printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar and in States 1 and 2, from 6 cylinders, or TD-6 presses, between 25 April 1978 and 8 Sept. 1979 (11 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bar, 25-26 May, 18-19 July, and 22-23 Nov. 1978, and 9-11 April 1979. Printed on TD-3 press 4 with phosphor A bar, in State 2, from 2 additional cylinders, with metropolitan gum only, 26 June-20 July and 2 Nov.-12 Oct. 1978 (2 press runs). Printed with phosphor C bar from 1 more cylinder, in State 2, on RGR-1 press, 20-22 February and 13-26 March 1978 (1 press run).

Booklets of 20 stamps (Sc 1571a, Braun 533) printed with 1 phosphor B bar and in States 1 and 2 from 2 cylinders on TD-6 presses, 25-28 April, 10-19 October, and 14-19 Dec. 1978; with tropical gum 28 July 1978; (total, 4 press runs).

Coils (Sc 1579, Cs 1999A) printed with phosphor B bar, in State 2 only, on TD-6 presses; issued 11 June 1978 (earliest known date).

Postal card with engraved stamp imprinted from rotary plates, in State 2, on TD-6 press 6, 29 June-5 July 1978; issued from 27 July 1978; (sold at 1,10).

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Newspapers, magazines, books, brochures, etc., from 50 to 100 gm (international);

#Complementary (add-on) value.

Replaced by the 1,00 sepia (Sc 1662, Cs 2062), which was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

All formats of the 1,00 green retired from sale 11 Jan. 1980.

The 1,00 sepia was printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar and only in State 2, from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 29 Aug. 1979 and 4 June 1981 (12 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bar, 29 August and 18 Oct. 1979 and 12-13 March 1980, issued 15 Oct. 1979; with Holland gum and phosphor B bar, 4 Sept. 1979. Stamp exists only in State 2.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

#Complementary value.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Magazines, sheet music, brochures, etc., from 20 to 50 gm (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Airmail surtax, per 25 gm, on other than letters, cards, and valued objects, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Replaced by the 1,00 Liberté (Sc 1794, Cs 2183) beginning in January 1982, and retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

1,10

The 1,10 green (Sc 1663, Cs 2063) was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar from 3 cylinders on TD-6 presses, between 4 July 1979 and 25 June 1980 (8 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bar, from 4th cylinder on TD-6 press 7, 4-6 Oct. 1979 (1 press run), issued 15 Oct. 1979; with Holland gum and phosphor A bar, 16 July and 4-5 Sept. 1979 and 22 Jan. 1980. Printed on RGR-1 press with phosphor C bar, from 3 cylinders, between 20 Sept. 1979 and 9 May 1980 (4 press runs).

Booklets of 20 stamps (Sc 1663a, Braun 534) with phosphor B bar, printed from 1 cylinder on TD-6 press 6, 30 July-9 Aug. 1979 and 10-19 Dec. 1979 (2 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bar during parts of 8-9 August 1979 and on 10 Dec. 1979; issued 15 Oct. 1979.

Coils (Sc 1674, Cs 2063A) printed with phosphor B bar on TD-6 presses, issued 2 or 9 Nov. 1979.

Postal card with engraved stamp imprinted on TD-6 press 6, 3-11 Sept. 1979 and 14 May 1980; issued 2 or 9 Nov. 1979; (sold at 1,20).

Usage (Tariff of 1-15 Oct. 1979):

- *Non-urgent letters and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);
- #*Postcards (domestic, and to Canada and European Common Market countries);
- #*Printed matter, to 20 gm (international);
- Postcards "of 5 words" (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Newspapers, magazines, books, brochures, etc., from 50 to 100 gm (international).

All formats retired from sale 3 Oct. 1980.

1,20 red

The 1.20 red (Sc 1572, Cs 2000) was issued 3-5 June 1978.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 4 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 2 May 1978 and 1 June 1979 (8 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bars from 2 of those cylinders, 19-22 May and 22-23 Nov. 1978, and 12-14, 16, and 19 March 1979, issued 5 June 1978. Printed on RGR-1 press from 2 additional cylinders with phosphor C bars, between 8 May and 2 July 1979 (4 press runs).

Booklets of 5, 10 and 20 stamps (Sc 1572 a, b, Braun 534, 535, 536) with 2 phosphor B bars, printed from 5 cylinders on TD-6 presses between 2 May 1978 and 6 Aug. 1979 (10 press runs); printed with tropical gum and phosphor B bars, 6-17 July, 28 July, 2 August, and 29 Dec. 1978, 26 January(?) and 31 May 1979; a new format Series 9 booklet of 10 stamps (Braun 536b) printed with metropolitan gum only.

Coils (Sc 1579B, Cs 2000A) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses, issued 11 June 1978 (earliest known date).

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

- *Letters, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);
- "Urgent" postcards (domestic, etc.);
- Newspapers, from 300 to 400 gm, individual rate (domestic);
- *Letters to, 20 gm, to Canada, West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Italy, and San Marino;
- *Postcards (international);
- General delivery fee, per item, for other than periodicals (domestic).

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 and 15 Oct. 1979. All formats retired from sale 11 Jan. 1980.

1,20 green

The 1,20 green (Sc 1664, Cs 2104) was issued 1 Aug. 1980.

Printed with 1 phosphor A or B bar from 3 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 8 May 1980 and 15 June 1981 (9 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bar from 2 of these cylinders, 8-9 May and 10-11 Dec. 1980. Printed on RGR-1 press from 1 additional cylinder, with phosphor C bar, between 17 June 1980 and 11 May 1981 (5 press runs).

Booklets of 20 stamps (Sc 1664a, Broun 538) printed with phosphor B bar from 2 cylinders on TD-6 presses; 1st press run from 1st cylinder, with Code Postal covers, printed 25 April-5 May 1980; officially issued 13 Oct. 1980 but available earlier; printed with tropical gum 5 May 1980; 2nd press run from 2nd cylinder, with Code Postal and Philexfrance 82 covers, printed 29-31 Oct. 1980.

Coils (Sc 1675, Cs 2104A) printed with phosphor B bar on TD-6 presses; officially issued 13 Oct. 1980 but may have been available from 1 Oct. 1980.

Postal card with engraved stamp imprinted on TD-6 press 6, 28 July-1 Aug. 1980 and 11-14 May 1981, issued 13 Oct. 1980; (sold at 1.30).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

*Postcards (domestic, etc.);

*Non-urgent letters and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);
Postcards, to Canada and European Common Market countries;
Illustrated postcards "of 5 words" (international);

*Printed matter, to 20 gm (international).

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981. All formats retired from sale 6 Nov. 1981.

1,30

The 1,30 red (Sc 1665, Cs 20 4) was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

Printed with 2 phosphor C bars from a single cylinder, on RGR-1 press, between 5 July 1979 and 25 June 1980 (7 press runs). Printed on TD-6 presses 2 and 7, with phosphor A or B bars, from 2 cylinders, between 27 Sept. 1979 and 6 June 1980 (3 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bars, between 27 September and 2 Oct. 1979 and on 4 June 1980, issued 15 Oct. 1979.

Booklets of 5, 10, and 20 stamps (Ss 1665a,b, Braun 539, 540, 541) printed with phosphor B bars from 5 cylinders on TD-6 presses between 7 Aug. 1979 and 18 April 1980 (3 extended press runs), issued on or after 15 Oct. 1979; with tropical gum and phosphor B bars, 11-20 August and 9 Oct. 1979 and 5 March 1980; Series 9 booklet of 10 stamps (Braun 540b) printed with metropolitan gum only.

Coils (Sc 1676, Cs 2064A) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses, issued 2 or 9 Nov. 1979.

Usage (Tariff of 1 and 15 Oct. 1979):

*Letters, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);

"Urgent" postcards (domestic, etc.);

*Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada, West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Italy, and San Marino;

*Postcards (international);

Airmailed letters and cards, to 20 gm, to French Depts. in Western Hemisphere, Reunion, Mayotte, and French Oceania;

Airmailed letters and cards, to 20 gm, to West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Italy, and San Marino;

General delivery fee, per item, on other than periodicals (domestic).

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980. All formats retired from sale 3 Oct. 1980.

1.40 values

The 1.40 light blue (Sc 1573, Cs 2001) was issued 31 March-2 April 1978.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 presses, between 16 Feb. 1978 and 16 May 1979 (4 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bars 23 Feb. 1978.

Usage (Tariff of 2 Aug. 1976):

*Letters, to 20 gm (international);

Newspapers, magazines, books, brochures, etc., from 100 to 250 gm (international);

Airmailed printed matter, to 20 gm, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

Non-urgent letters and printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic, etc.).

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (international).

Replaced by the 1.40 red (Sc 1666, Cs 2105), which was issued 1 Aug. 1980; retired from sale 3 Oct. 1980.

The 1.40 red was printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 5 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 30 June 1980 and 15 April 1981 (7 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bars, 4-11 July 1980 and 13-15 April 1981. Printed on RGR-1 press with phosphor C bars, from 3 additional cylinders, between 1 July 1980 and 18 June 1981 (5 press runs).

Booklets of 5, 10, and 20 stamps (Sc 1666a,b, Braun 542, 543, 544) printed with 2 phosphor B bars and with Code Postal covers from 3 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 21 July 1980 and perhaps as late as 5 Feb. 1981; the same (and also including Series 9 special-format booklets of 10—Braun 543b,d) but with Philexfrance 82 covers (Braun 542b, 543c,d, 544b), printed from those 3 cylinders plus 2 additional ones, from perhaps as early as July 1980 until 15 June 1981; with tropical gum (both cover styles) 30 July-2 Aug. 1980, and perhaps also between 11 and 29 Aug. 1980, and perhaps also between 11 and 29 Aug. 1980. Booklets issued officially from 13 Oct. 1980.

Coils (Sc 1677, Cs 2105A) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses; issued officially 13 Oct. 1980 but may have been available from 1 Oct. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

- *Letters, to 20 gm (domestic. etc.);
- *Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada, Belgium, Netherlands, West Germany, Luxembourg, Italy, and San Marino;
- Postcards, "urgent" (domestic. etc.);
- General delivery fee, per item, on other than periodicals (domestic).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

- *Non-urgent letters and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);
- *Postcards (domestic, etc.);
- *Postcards to Canada European Common Market countries, Tunisia, and former French Community countries in Africa;
- *Printed matter, to 20 gm (international).

Replaced by the 1.40 green Sabine, inscribed "République Française" (Sc 1755, Cs 2158) beginning in September 1981. All formats of the 1.40 red retired from sale 6 Nov. 1981.

1.60

The 1.60 plum (Sc 1667, Cs 2065) was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 presses 1 and 7, between 28 Aug. 1979 and 15 Feb. 1980 (4 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bars, during part of 31 Aug. 1979 and on 26 Sept. 1979, issued 15 Oct. 1979; printed with Holland gum and phosphor A bars during part of 4 Sept. 1979.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

- *Letters, to 20 gm. and "urgent" postcards, airmailed or otherwise, to Tunisia, Comoros, and former French Community countries in Africa;
- *Letters, to 20 gm, airmailed or otherwise, to Denmark, Great Britain, Ireland, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein;
- Airmailed postcards, to Canada;
- *Airmailed postcards "of 5 words," to independent Western Hemisphere countries, non-French-Community Africa, and parts of Asia;
- Airmailed printed matter, to 20 gm, to ditto.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

- *Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

- Letters, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);
- "Urgent" postcards (domestic, etc.);
- General delivery fee, per item, on other than periodicals (domestic);
- Airmail letters, to 20 gm, to French Overseas Depts. and Territories;
- Letters, to 20 gm, airmailed or otherwise, to West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Italy, and San Marino;
- Airmailed magazines, newspapers, sheet music, brochures, etc., to 20 gm, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania;
- Newspapers, from 100 to 200 gm, to Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries in Africa.

Replaced by the 1.60 red Sabine, inscribed "République Française" (Sc 1756, Cs 2159) beginning in September 1981; retired from sale 6 Nov. 1981.

1,70

The 1,70 sky blue (Sc 1574, Cs 2002) was issued 3-5 June 1978.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 20 May 1978 and 31 Dec. 1980 (10 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bars, 20 May 1978 and 26 Aug. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

*Letters, to 20 gm (international);

Airmail letters, to 5 gm, to Canada;

*Airmailed postcards to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, and parts of Africa and Asia;

Airmailed postcards "of 5 words" to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Airmailed printed matter, from 25 to 50 gm, to Algeria and Morocco.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Letters, to 20 gm, to Great Britain, Ireland, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, and Denmark;

Non-urgent mail and printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic, etc.)

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Airmailed magazines, newspapers, sheet music, books, brochures, etc., from 25 to 50 gm, to Egypt, Libya, Near East, and former French Community countries in Africa.

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 June 1982; retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

1,80

The 1,80 sienna (Sc 1668, Cs 2066) was issued 1 Oct. 1979.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 presses 1 and 7, B-27 August and 3-20 Dec. 1979 (2 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bars, 27 August, 3 December, and part of 4 Dec. 1979, issued 15 Oct. 1979.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

*Letters, to 20 gm (international);

Airmailed letters and cards, to 20 gm, to Morocco and to parts of Europe—mainly Eastern Europe;

Airmailed letters and cards, to 5 gm, to Canada.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Letters, to 20 gm, and "urgent" postcards, to Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries of Africa.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

*Postcards (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Letters, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);

Airmailed letters, to 20 gm, to French Overseas Depts. and Territories;

"Urgent" postcards (domestic, etc.);

General delivery fee, per item, on other than periodicals (domestic);

Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada, West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Italy, and San Marino;

Airmailed magazines, newspapers, sheet music, brochures, etc., to

20 gm. to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Replaced by the 1,80 red Liberté (Sc 1798, Cs 2217) beginning in June 1982; retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

2,00

The 2,00 yellow-green (Sc 1575, Cs 2003) was issued 31 March-2 April 1978. Printed in shets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 3 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 24 Feb. 1978 and 14 April 1981 (10 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A bars 24 Feb. 1978 and part of 19 Oct. 1979.

Usage (Tariff of 2 Aug. 1976):

Airmail letters, from 5 to 10 gm, to Canada and to Egypt, Libya, and Near East;

Airmailed printed matter, from 25 to 50 gm, to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, and parts of Africa and Asia;

#*Supplementary value.

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

Airmail letters and postcards, to 5 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Usage (Tariff of 1 and 15 Oct. 1979):

Non-urgent letters and printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic.);

*Packets, to 100 gm (domestic and international);

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (international);

Airmailed letters and postcards, to 20 gm, to Algeria.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

*Letters, to 20 gm (international):

*Airmailed postcards, to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, non-French Community countries of Africa, and to Australasia.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

*Non-urgent letters and printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic, etc.);

*Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

*Postcards (international);

Airmailed printed matter, to 20 gm, to French Overseas Depts.;

Airmailed printed matter, to 20 gm, to Egypt, Libya, Near East, and former French Community countries of Africa.

Replaced by the 2,00 light green Liberté (Sc 1799, Cs 2186) beginning in January 1982; retired from sale 5 Nov. 1982.

2,10

The 2,10 carmine-rose (Sc 1576, Cs 2004) was issued 3-5 June 1978.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 24 May 1978 and 25 Jan. 1980 (5 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bars during part of 25 May 1978.

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic, etc.);

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm, to Canada, West Germany, Luxembourg, Italy, and San Marino;

Newspapers, from 600 to 700 gm, individual rate (domestic);

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm, Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries of Africa;

Airmail letters, from 10 to 15 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East;
Airmail letters, from 5 to 10 gm, to former French Community countries of Africa;

Airmailed packets, from 25 to 50 gm, within Europe and to Turkey, Azores, Cyprus, Madeira, Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Airmail letters, to 5 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

#Insurance fee, per 350 F of declared value (international).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

"Urgent" postcards, to Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries of Africa.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

*Letters, to 20 gm, to Great Britain, Ireland, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, and Greece.

Retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

3,00

The 3,00 Van Dyck brown (Sc 1577, Cs 2005) was issued 31 March-2 April 1978.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 25 Feb. 1978 and 25 March 1981 (8 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor A or B bars, 9 March 1978 and 26-27 March 1980, issued 3 April 1978.

Usage (Tariff of 2 Aug. 1976):

#Registry fee, for other than letters, cards, and valued objects (domestic);

Airmail letters, from 15 to 20 gm, to Canada;

#Supplementary value.

Usage (Tariff of 15 May 1978):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (international);

Printed matter, from 100 to 250 gm (international);

Small packets, from 100 to 250 gm (international);

Magazines, newspapers, books, brochures, etc., from 250 to 500 gm (international);

Airmailed small packets, from 25 to 50 gm, to Far East and to Australasia and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 15 Oct. 1979):

Airmail letters, from 15 to 20 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Airmail letters, from 5 to 10 gm, to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, and non-French Community countries in Africa and Asia.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Airmail letters, from 5 to 10 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Airmail letters, to 20 gm, to Algeria;

Airmail letters and cards, to 5 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East.

Replaced by the 3,00 violet-brown Liberté (Sc 1802, Cs 2237) beginning in November 1982; retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

3,50

The 3,50 olive green (Sc 1669, Cs 212) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6

press 3, 25 November-11 Dec. 1980 (1 press run); with tropical gum 10-11 Dec. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1, 1980):

*Urgent packets, to 100 gm (domestic, etc.);

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, etc.); é

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm, to Canada, Italy, and San Marino;

*Airmail letters, from 10 to 15 gm, to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, and to non-French Community countries of Africa and Asia;

Airmailed small packets, from 25 to 50 gm, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Airmail letters, from 25 to 30 gm, to Tunisia.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Airmail letters and cards, to 5 gm, to Far East, Australasia, and non-French Oceania.

Retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

4,00

The 4,00 carmine (Sc 1670, Cs 2122) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 press 3, 30 October-13 Nov. 1980 (1 press run); with tropical gum during part of 7 Nov. 1980.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

*Airmail letters, from 15 to 20 gm, to USA, Mexico, Central and South America, and certain non-French Community countries of Africa and Asia.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

*Urgent packets, to 100 gm (domestic);

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, etc.);

Letters and small packets, from 50 to 100 gm, to Canada, Italy, and San Marino;

Newspapers, from 400 to 500 gm, to Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries of Africa.

Left without apparent specific postal usage by Tariff of 1 June 1982. Nevertheless, the value was retained and the stamp was replaced by the 4,00 Liberté (Sc 1803, Cs 2238) beginning in November 1982, and retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

5,00

The 5,00 blue (Sc 1671, Cs 2123) was issued 10-12 Jan. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor B bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 press 7, 5-29 Dec. 1980 and 13 May-15 June 1981 (2 press runs); with tropical gum, 19 and 22 Dec. 1980 and 3 June 1981.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1980):

Airmail letters, from 20 to 25 gm, to Canada;

#Supplementary value.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

Airmail letters, from 25 to 30 gm, to the French Overseas Depts.

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 June 1982, but retained as a supplementary value. Replaced by the 5,00 Liberté (Sc 1804, Cs 2188) beginning in January 1982; retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

B. With Inscription REPUBLIQUE/FRANÇAISE

1,40

The 1,40 green (Sc 1755, Cs 2158) was issued 1 Sept. 1981, replacing the 1,40 red inscribed "France" (Sc 1666, Cs 2105).

Printed in sheets with 1 phosphor A or B bar from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 1 July and 11 Sept. 1981 (5 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bar, 1, 2, and 20 July 1981. Printed on RGR-1 press, with phosphor C bar, from a 3rd cylinder, 3-12 August and 14-30 Oct. 1981 (2 press runs).

Booklets of 20 stamps (Sc 1755a, Cs 2158a,c) printed with one phosphor B bar from a single cylinder on TD-6 press 6, 26-31 Aug. 1981; with tropical gum during part of 26 Aug. 1981; only Philexfrance 82 covers printed; issued 25 Sept. 1981.

Coils (Sc 1758, Cs 2158A) printed with one phosphor B bar on TD-6 presses, issued 7 Oct. 1981.

Postal card with engraved stamp imprinted on TD-6 press 6, 2-7 Sept. 1981; issued 4 Nov. 1981; (sold at 1,50).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

(see 1,40 red, in Pt. A).

Replaced by the 1,40 green Liberté (Sc 1795, Cs 2184) beginning in January 1982.

Value left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 June 1982; all formats of the Sabine stamp retired from sale 3 Sept. 1982.

1,60

The 1,60 red (Sc 1756, Cs 2159) was issued 1 Sept. 1981, replacing the 1,60 plum Sabine (Sc 1667, Cs 2065).

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor A or B bars from 3 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 27 June and 14 Aug. 1981 (5 press runs); with tropical gum and phosphor B bars between 26 June and 2 July 1981. Printed on RGR-1 press with 2 phosphor C bars, from a 4th cylinder, 6-31 July and 17 August-9 October 1981 (2 press runs).

Booklets of 5, 10, and 20 stamps (Sc 1756a,b, Cs 2159a-h) printed with 2 phosphor B bars from 2 cylinders, on TD-6 presses, between 31 July and 16 Oct. 1981 (4 press runs); with tropical gum 17-21 August and 15 Sept. 1981; Philexfrance 82 covers only; issued 25 Sept. 1981; series 9 booklets of 10 printed only with metropolitan gum.

Coils (Sc 1759, Cs 2159A) printed with phosphor B bars on TD-6 presses, issued 7 Oct. 1981.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

(see 1,60 plum, in Pt. A).

Replaced by the 1,60 red Liberté (Sc 1796, Cs 2185) beginning in January 1982.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Non-urgent mail and printed matter, to 20 gm (domestic, etc.);

Postcards (domestic, etc.);

Postcards, to European Common Market countries;

Illustrated postcards "of 5 words" (international);

Printed matter, to 20 gm (international);

Airmailed magazines, newspapers, sheet music, brochures, etc., to 20 gm, to Egypt, Libya, and Near East, and to former French Community countries of Africa.

All formats of the Sabine stamp retired from sale 3 Sept. 1982.

2.30

The 2.30 light blue (Sc 1757, Cs 2160) was issued 1 Sept. 1981.

Printed in sheets with 2 phosphor B bars from a single cylinder, on TD-6 press 6, 20 July-4 Aug. 1981 (1 press run); with tropical gum during part of 20 July 1981.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1981):

*Letters, to 20 gm (international);

Airmail letters, to 20 gm, to Morocco, Tunisia, Madagascar, Comoros, and former French Community countries of Africa;

Airmailed newspapers, magazines, books, sheet music, brochures, etc., from 75 to 100 gm, within Europe and to Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia;

Airmailed ditto, from 25 to 50 gm, to the Western Hemisphere, non-French Community countries of Africa, parts of Asia, and to Madagascar and Comoros.

Usage (Tariff of 1 June 1982):

Printed matter, from 20 to 25 gm (domestic and international).

Replaced by the 2.30 blue Liberté (Sc 1800, Cs 2187) beginning in January 1982; retired from sale 3 Dec. 1982.

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President's Letter

As detailed elsewhere, our long and happy relationship with the Miller Print Shop is ending with this issue, and the directors are now searching for a new printer for the France and Colonies Philatelist. Estimates are that this will require a major increase in our printing expenses, currently the largest single item in the Society's budget. The present surplus in our current account is sufficient that there will be no dues increase for 1988. A final decision will be postponed until we know the actual costs for a couple of issues of the F.C.P., but it seems inevitable that a dues increase will be necessary for 1989.

There are announcements in this bulletin regarding two exhibitions with which the Society will be involved next year. The first, in March, is our own Rich Memorial Exhibit; I encourage all members to participate, both by submitting an exhibit, and by attending the meeting that evening. Two months later, in May, the Society will have a regional meeting at ROMPEX, in Denver, Colo.; several of us from the New York area will be exhibiting, and hope to attend, so we can meet some of our western members.

More immediately, the Society will have its traditional booth at the A. S. D. A. show in New York October 22-25. Some of us will plan to have dinner together that Thursday evening; anyone interested in joining us should make reservations at the F.C.P.S. booth.

—Dick Stevens

1988 Stephen G. Rich Memorial Exhibit

Next year the Stephen G. Rich Memorial Exhibit will be returned to its traditional date, and held Tuesday evening, March 1, 1988 at the Collectors Club in New York. All members are encouraged to participate; we are again offering a year of free dues to all new exhibitors. Those who cannot attend are welcome to submit their exhibit by mail.

Each exhibit is limited to a maximum of two frames of 16 standard album pages. The rules have never restricted the topics for the exhibits, but the judges were rather taken aback this past year when one exhibit had no significant connection with France and Colonies. Exhibits should be prepared to exploit the two-frame limit, and have a clear relationship to the philately of France and Colonies.

The entry forms will be included with the January Bulletin, or mailed separately, if necessary. In any case, members are urged to plan their exhibits ahead, as time will be short after the entry forms are published.

—R.M.S.

Meeting of 1 September

With the expected slides of CAPEX never having been taken by yours truly, the first meeting of the new season became a members participation night. Lou Robbins began by showing a number of off-cover 2nd Empire

"piquages" from the soon-to-be-sold Spiegel collection. Although excellent items on cover, they are questionable off-cover as many were created from used stamps in the late 19th century. Lou plans to offer them as an "as is" lot.

Martin Stempien showed two unusual stampless covers. The first was posted from Maracaibo and traveled in the South American mails to Curacao and thence to France where it was marked 12 décimes due. It was sent on to Italy where it received Italian dues. The cover also bore a boxed "F 57" accountancy mark. The second cover originated in Santiago, Cuba (1856) and proceeded to France via Kingston, Jamaica. It bore a red "Forwarded by Barclay & Co., Kingston, Jamaica" handstamp, the usual "Col. Art. 18" red accountancy marking and was marked "30" decimes due.

Dick Stevens showed a properly endorsed military cover from Martinique posted 29-IX-1833 traveling from Fort Royal to St. Pierre to Brest. The "Service Militaire" privilege was valid only locally, hence the letter was rated "8" décimes due in France.

Yours truly presented a newly acquired French Sudan caravan cover posted in Timbouctou in 1902. Details on it will be presented elsewhere in the Philatelist.

—Ed Grabowski

Meeting of 2 June

Katherine and Gardner Brown joined us this evening to present Gardner's award winning (including tops in this year's Rich, the Sarasota Grand, and Prix d' Honneur at Boston) exhibit on the AFTERMATH OF THE FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR. The collection details the four periods of postal history immediately following the armistice of Jan. 28, 1871 and contains many top rarities. The collection is worth many articles, and a few short notes can not do it justice. Two covers from the brief period in which the Germans felt mail out of Paris to foreign countries was to be considered unpaid, since the French postage was considered only sufficient to reach Versailles, were shown. The Germans bore the transportation costs and urged foreign countries to tax the mail on arrival. Both covers were charged 1½p due. The Commune period featured a cover from yours truly (FCP April '86) and the Brunner letter previously discussed in these pages by Gardner and Ernst. Also, Gardner showed a letter posted from Paris on May 24th, the day the Versailles troops captured the main post office, and a Montmorency cover.

The double-franking period featured one of four known covers properly franked with postage of both the German and French administrations. Also, a Bordeaux issue used on cover and cancelled by a Feldpost obliterator was shown. The rate change period was covered in a variety of frankings including a 10c Bordeaux bisect on cover!

Of note in the presentation were the names of many fellow FCPS members who, through the years, have helped Gardner with material and information. Thanks for the notes Gardner!

—Ed Grabowski

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- 2652 BLOCK, Dr. Robert, 40 Standish, Deerfield, Ill. 60015
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- 2653 SANDBERG, Marlin K., 6320½ Aldama St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90042
(General Collector all issue. General France, mint, used. Regular iss.

- Classics 1849-1876, mint, used, 1870-71, Commune, Ballons. Modern Fr. mint, used. Sowers, semi-postals, airs, booklets, coils, FDC, miniature sheets. All colonies and territories. Dealer: Part time, mail. Phil. Lit.)
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- 2655 REVOLINSKI, Paul R., 2109 So. 34th St., Milwaukee, Wisc. 53215 (20th Century Postal History of St. Pierre and Miquelon, Newfdland)
- 2656 BERKOWITZ, Jeffrey C., 110 East Allendale Rd., Saddle River, N. J. 07456 (General collector all issues, 19th cent. General France, mint. Colonies General Issues, mint. All colonies and terr. Omnibus issues)
- 2657 KNEE, Steven T., P. O. Box 166, Rocky Ford, Colo. 81067 (Colonies General Issues, mint, used, on covr. Colonial Provisionals. All colonies and territories, cancels, postal history, stamps)
- 2658 TORREY, Dr. Gordon H., 5118 Duvall Dr., Bethesda, Md. 20816 (Postal history. Military posts, used abroad. Offices Abroad. Philatelic literature. Especially interested in Levant and China)
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- 2660 CORRADO, Jon, 2176 W. Windsor, Chicago, Ill. 60625 (Colonies General Issues, mint, on cover)
- 2661 BYLEN, Peter, P. O. Box 411238, Chicago, Ill. 60641-1238 (Stamps and covers of Dahomey/Benin. Benin.)
- 2662 RAOUST, Maurice P., 1416 Claudia Dr., Virginia Beach, Va. 23455 (General France, mint, used. Colonies General Issues, mint, used. All Colonies and territories)

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