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- 853 Russell, James, 2209 Brighton St., Philadelphia 49, Penna. (French Colonies)
- 405 Schellens, Richard N., 115 Scenic Dr., Redwood City, Calif. (Europe)
- 29 Schilling, W.H. Jr., 5712 Schaefer Rd., Minneapolis 24, Minn. (France, Numeral cancellations, Ambulants)
- 720 Schlenkoff, Carl, 1006 Meadow Lane, San Jose 27, Calif. (F & C)
- 883 Schneider, Dr. Curt R., Box 2033, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone (French Colonies, French Africa)
- 480 Scott, V.N., 10362 Chaney Ave., Downey, Calif. (France-Belgium)
- 90 Segnitz, Paul H., 2007 Paradise Rd., Las Vegas, Nev. (France, Fr. Cols-Gen. Issues)
- 602 Seibert, Henri C., Earich Rd. #10, Athens, Ohio (F&C)
- 313 Sellmansberger, F., 101 W. Lindburg St., Pittsburg, Kansas (Production Methods)
- 155 Sheriffs, Leigh, 1782 Mandeville Canyon Rd., Los Angeles 49, Calif. (France Spec. & Cols.)
- 262 Silberstein, Milton L., 1708½ Houston Blvd., South Houston, Texas (Forgeroes, Revenues, Locals, Telegraphs, Postal Stationary)
- 786 Simmonds, Wm. E., 428 W. Michigan, Jackson, Mich. (France only)
- 793 Simmons, David R., 1430 Esterbrook Ave., Rahway, N.J. (France)
- 821 Simpson, James L., 304 So. 9th Bozeman, Montana (France & Colonies, Offices)
- 729 Smith, Calvin J., 321 N. 71st St., Harrisburg, Penna. (F&C)
- 353 Smith, Major Henderson L., 6201 Abbingtion Place, Washington 21, D.C. (France used)
- 756 Smith, M/Sgt Raymond L., 1228B Douglas Rd., Rantoul, Ill. (F&C)
- 884 Steele, Brig. Gen. John C. (Ret), 270 So. College St., Carlisle, Penna. (France)
- 745 Stefanik, Maryann, 46 Pearl St., Holyoke, Mass. (F & C)
- 739 Stehney, Mike, 2954 Goodson, Hamtramk 12, Mich. (France, Southern and Antarctic Terr.)
- 61 Stone, Robert G., Box 384, Rural Route #3, Belleville, Ill. (Guadeloupe, St. Pierre & Miquelon, Martinique)
- 46 Stringham, C.F. Mrs., 34 Minerva Ave., Manasquan, N.J. (Madagascar, Reunion, Fr. Africa, Postmarks & Postal Routes)
- 441 Sturznickle, Donald M., 6143 Longmont Drive, Houston 27, Texas (Africa)
- 370 Tait, A.C. M.D., 1000 Rossier St., Sunnyside, Wash. (France, Morocco, Algeria, Tunis)
- 676 Taves, Ernest H., 12 Hubbard Park, Cambridge 38, Mass. (19th Cent. France)
- 237 Timpany, C. R., Temple St., W. Medway, Mass. (General-Dealer)
- 472 Thweatt, H. D., 768 Potomac Ave., Buffalo 9, N.Y. (F & C)
- 878 De Toledano, Ralph, 3315 Rowland Place, Washington 8, D.C. (Morocco)
- 839 Travis, Mildred L., Rt. 2, Box 130, Zillah, Washington (Togo, Guinea, African Cols.)
- 124 Turner, George T., 408 A St., S.E., Washington 3, D.C. (Phil Lit)
- 121 Urton, Roy N., 826 N. Foote Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo. (Used Fr. Cols. & Cancells - Exch. wanted)
- 615 Utt, Walter C., Pacific Union College, Angwin Calif. (F & C & Mil. History)
- 849 Vidrick, Capt. Robert L., 206 Skyhill Rd., Apt. 6, Alexandria, Va. (France)
- 867 Ward, Raymond W., 4048 Third Ave., San Diego, Calif.
- 854 Waterfield, John R., 428 So. Batavia Ave., Batavia, N.Y.-
- 866 Waterman, Robert P. Dr., 148 Forest Lane, Glastonbury, Conn. (19th Century France)
- 570 Welsch, Russell L., 218 Hyacinth Court, Kirkwood 22, Mo. (F & C)
- 468 White, Martin, M., 7137 Booth, Prairie Village, Kansas (France, Andorra)
- 661 Williams, R.C. Col., 603 Baltzell Ave., Fort Benning, Ga. (F & C)
- 10 Wood, Robert L. M.D., 13 Dogwood Drive, Danbury, Conn. (France, Oceania, Somali Coast)

FORIEGN & OVERSEAS MEMBERS

Canada:

- 748 Archambeault, L. H., Rang Cyprus, St. Michel des Saints, Co. Berthier, Quebec, Canada (Dealer)
- 848 Buxton, Kenneth, 295 Exmouth St., Sarnia, Ontario, Canada (France)
- 544 Burr, Russell, 778 Valour Road, Winnipog, Man., Canada (General & Phil. Literature)
- 843 Chiswell, E. A., 55 Rosetree Road, Calgary, Alberta, Canada (France)
- 708 Dicaire, Paul A., 35 Chaplaine Ave., St. Catherines, Ont., Canada (France & St. Pierre & Miquelon)
- 815 Dolgoy, M. Dr., 10233 125th St., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada (France, 1900 on)
- 879 Durocher, J. D., P.O. Box 512, Station B, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (Sower Issues)
- 876 Grace, John P., 535 Aylmer St., Petersborough, Ontario, Canada (France)
- 805 Heath, C. A., P.O. Box 209, Port Hawksbury, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada (France & Col)
- 700 Higby, C.R., R.R. #2, Pt. Lambton, Ont., Canada (Precancels)

- 616 Lagios, Nick, 290 Dufferin Rd., Hampstead, Montreal 29, Quebec, Canada (Fr. Levant)
- 84 Lamoureux, Louis, 222 Lawrence Ave. West, Toronto 12, Ont., Canada (France, Algeria, Morocco, Madagascar, Indo-China, St. Pierre & Miquelon, Martinique, Guadeloupe)
- 555 McKanna, 41 Saybrook Ave., Toronto 18, Ont., Canada (France General, Sower Issue Specialized)
- 789 Menard, Jean Paul, 2125 Cuvillier St., Montreal, PQ., Canada (France, French Col)
- 872 Smithen A.H. Dr., P.O. Box 160, Flin Flon, Manitoba, Canada (Pre 1950 France)
- 168 Wallace, Angus B., 12 Jervis St., Orillia, Ont., Canada (F & C)
- 527 Worwood, W., 1462 17th St., N., Charny, Quebec, Canada (France)

Australia:

- 605 Keys, E.F., 38 Warraroong St., Beverly-Hills, Sydney, N.S.W., Australia (F & C & France Libre)

England

- 715 Mitchell, W. G., 32 Albury Dr., Pinner, Middlesex, England (France General & Paris Postal History)

France:

- 630 Berthelot, Lucien, 44 Rue Jouffroy, Paris 17, France (Dealer-France Specialized)
- 705 De Lizeray, Pierre, 14 Rue De Poitiers, Paris, France (The French Plates)
- 835 Jamet, Maurice, 2 Rue Taitbout, Paris 9, France (Dealer)
- 475 Maurin, Emile, 71 Rue Marx Dormoy, Paris 18, France (France)
- 709 Miro, L. Fils, 15 Rue Lafitte, Paris 9, France (Dealer-Classics)
- 882 Watime, Charles Rouard, 17 Rue Quentin-Bouchary, Paris 8, France (Red Cross Issues)

Union of South Africa

- 529 Grunthal, W. Dr., P.O. Box 1725, Johannesburg, South Africa (Modern France)
- 714 Plougman, Helge, P.O. Box 3174, Capetown, South Africa (Fr. Cols. in Africa excluding Algeria, Tunis & Morocco)

CORRECTIONS AND CHANGES

Resident - add

- 787 Neuville, Lt. Richard H., 94-05 35th Ave., Jackson Heights 72, N.Y. (French Oceania, Laos)

Non-Resident - add

- 545 Daniels, Rolfe B., American Consulate, Apartado 426, Maracaibo, Venezuela (General)

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To Sept. 1, 1963

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME:

- 883 Schneider, Dr. Curt R., Box 2033, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone (French Colonies, French Africa)

- 884 Steele, Brig. Gen. John C. (Ret), 270 So. College St., Carlisle, Penna. (France)
- 885 Rice, Robert E., 1620 North Ridge Drive, Duncan, Oklahoma (F&C)
- 886 Marks, Morris, 73-29 198th St., Flushing 66, N.Y. (France & Col)
- 887 Lillard, Joseph A., 16 Croton Ave., Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. (F&C)
- 888 Younger, Paul, 66 Bonnie Meadow Place, Scarsdale, N.Y. (F&C)
- 889 Younger, Gloria, 66 Bonnie Meadow Place, Scarsdale, N.Y. (F&C)
- 890 Ashendorf, Herbert, 21 Montclair Road, Yonkers, N.Y. (F&C)
- 891 Anderson, John R., 8 West Cedar St., Metuchen, N.J. (F7C)
- 892 Cimina, Amerigo M., 239 Newport Ave., Pawtucket 1, R.I. (France proper, incl. imperfs and specialties)
- 893 Chabbert, Louise S., 31-11 Crescent St., L.I. City, N.Y. (F&C)
- 894 Beard, Daphne, 4616 Sedgwick St. N.W., Washington 16, D.C. (France)
- 895 Larsen, Fred, Hq Co USAGDI, APO 44 c/PM, N.Y. (General, Bordeaux)
- 896 O'Donaghue, Wm., 9 Mercer St., Menlo Park Terrace, N.J. (F&C)
- 897 Davenport, Mrs. Raymond G. Jr., Horseshoe Rd., Millbrook, N.Y. (France)
- 898 Clark, Robert M., P.O.Box 151, Belmar, N.J.(France)
- 899 Leonard, Nathaniel, 37 Walbrook Rd., Scarsdale, N.Y.
- 900 Roberts, Kenneth, 40 E. 88 St., N.Y., N.Y.(Cameroons)
- 901 Carabet, Norman M.D., 9763 Mason Ave., Chatsworth, Calif. (France)
- 902 Seelig, Arthur, 33 N. La Salle St., Chicago 2, Ill. (France, 19th & 20th Cent.)

MEMBERS APPEALS

Want and exchange notices only; members only; no charge; one or two insertions only. Those who reply will please offer only what is asked for.

EXCHANGE: Better France such as Scott #1, 7, 37, 39, mint, 89 mint, 241, C17 mint for similar such as 2, 16, 226, 254. Otto Hoeffler, 7017 SE 35th Ave., Portland 2, Ore. (Member 156)

WANTED: French postage dues on cover or with unusual cancels from Scott J1 to J45A. Also milleseme pairs or coins dates blacks of the postage dues. Scott J46 to J79. Submit with prices or will exchange for 19th or 20th century France. A.P. Merrick, 7204 SE 32 Ave., Portland, Ore. (Member 743)

AM INTERESTED in obtaining material of the Merson type, its use in colonies, shade varieties, overprints, etc. A. L. Lindgren, 194 Eggleston Ave., Elmhurst, Ill. (Member 779)

WANTED: French Indochina. Proofs, essays, millisemes, covers, revenues, postal stationary, dubious issues, anything interesting. Submit with net prices or will exchange with pre-WWII French colonies (non asiatic). Irving Kopf, Box 2835 Yale Station, New Haven, Conn. (Member 814).

FRENCH COLONIES

The Postage-Due Stamps – 1884-1945 – Used in Guadeloupe

Robert G. Stone

A summary of general information on these stamps was published by the writer in *Collectors Club Philatelist*, v.25, No.3, 1946, pp. 115-122. The present discussion applies specifically to their use in Guadeloupe.

An initial supply of the 1884 issue of the colonial dues (excluding the 1c, 2c, 3c, and 4c which were first printed in 1885) was apparently sent to Guadeloupe in March of that year. The colony had been using its own dues stamps on unpaid local letters since March 1887 and the last printing of the 1879 issue was supposedly made in early 1884; but there were only two denominations. The general colonial issue was intended to serve all the colonies, in particular to permit them to use due stamps on all types of part-paid and unpaid mail (foreign, internal, local, etc.) in accordance with UPU recommendations. There were initially ten denominations in this issue but the choice of the denominations seems to have been determined by the economy of using existing plates of the French dues of 1882 rather than by the real needs of the colonies. In July of 1884 Guadeloupe proceeded to print locally an entirely new set of its own dues stamps in spite of the availability of the long general-issue set. The true explanation of this local issue is not made clear in the official authorizing *arrêté* of June 1884; we surmise that actually the Governor was motivated by the fact that the 1887 and 1879 local issues of Guadeloupe dues had created a considerable philatelic demand which could prove lucrative for the colony if it could be satisfied. He could also have rationalized the issue on the basis that the denominations in the general colonial issue of 1884 were not entirely convenient for the postage rates of Guadeloupe. In this connection we note that the Guadeloupe set of 1884 contained values for 35c and 50c which are lacking in the general issue, whereas the 5, 10, 15, 20 and 30c values appear in both issues, and the 1, 2 and 5Fr only in the General Issue.

The result was that the general issue dues were rarely used in Guadeloupe between 1884 and 1890, the local issue being reprinted several times or more and given preference by the postoffices. We believe the Guadeloupe postal administration did not order any more General Issue dues following the initial allotment of 1884 until sometime after 1888, since practically no copies are found dated in Guadeloupe during that period. However, after 1888 colonial dues with Guadeloupe cancels are again noted (though not frequently) even from some small postoffices, which evidences a "regular" use, whereas practically all the many Guadeloupe dues (1884 issue) cancelled with dates around that time have a characteristic philatelic or cancelled-to-order appearance. Some denominations of the 1884-85 colonial dues (1, 2, 3, and 4c, 1, 2, and 5Fr) are very rare used in Guadeloupe, however. None are common, the 10c, 10c and 30c being most often seen.

It is an interesting question whether the "black denominations" cancelled in Guadeloupe in the early 1890's are from the first printing sent to the colony in

1884 or from later printings (there were at least three prior to 1893); the first printing is on a yellowish or yellowed paper, later ones on grayish and white. We have a pair of the 15c on yellowish paper cancelled "Point-a-Pitre 16 Dec. '84"; several 15c and a 30c on yellowish cancelled around 1890; another 30c and a 10c on grayish or whitish cancelled 1889. Later uses seen are all on white paper (1892 printing).

In 1893 the colored colonial dues first appeared, but we are not certain they were generally supplied to Guadeloupe before 1895 or 1896 though we have a 15c cancelled Nov. 1894 (second printing); however, towards 1899 and until 1905 they were all being freely used, even at the smaller Post Offices. Several of the smaller offices often used lozenges of 7x7 points to cancel these dues (Capeaterre and Grand Bourg). The 30c denomination is especially common as it corresponds to the due rate on unpaid ordinary single-weight letters when addressed from one Postoffice to another within the colony. When the pictorial issue of Guadeloupe dues came out in 1905 large stocks of the 1893 issue remained in the postoffices; these were gradually consumed concurrently with the "pictorials" during the ensuing decade (latest date seen, 1914). The 20c of the general issues, first printed in 1906, was not sent to Guadeloupe, since a 20c value was also added to the Guadeloupe issue in the same year. Likewise the 1905, 1907 and 1908 printings of the colonial dues apparently did not go there.

A large quantity of the 60c and 1Fr of the 1893 issue were overprinted as part of the scandalous 1903 "provisional" issue of Guadeloupe. In early 1905 some of the 60c and 1Fr were bisected and used as 30c and 50c due stamps in Guadeloupe, though without official sanction.

The set of lithographed general issue colonial dues printed in 1945, more or less as a war-provisional, may have been theoretically valid in Guadeloupe but we have not seen any cancelled there it is said these were supplied only to some African Colonies. In 1947 a new pictorial set of dues was issued for Guadeloupe, to be superseded by French dues stamps on Jan. 1, 1949 as a result of the colony becoming a Prefectural Overseas Department of France.



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