



# France & Colonies Philatelist

RAOUL—*As We Remember Him*

Other than the short notice in the "Announcements" column in FCP #129, the Philatelist has not received any formal obituary of Raoul Lesgor, our founder, apparently owing to lack of biographical information and photos that were expected to be obtained from Marian, his wife, who has meanwhile removed herself from all contacts with former friends and customers. Consequently FCP asked members to submit any reminiscences and memorabilia they had of Raoul which we could extract and consolidate perhaps into a memorial in these pages. We so far have received only half-a-dozen letters in reply and will print excerpts from them serially as space permits, to be followed by our own memento with quotes from the lengthy correspondence I had with R. L. during his last years—R.G.S.

"He was in the Gallipoli campaign of WW I—for when I last saw him in N. Y. for the 25th Anniversary of FCPS we discussed war and swapped war stories. He told me of his WW I experiences."—Jacques A. Musy (16).

"I had known Mr. Lesgor since the founding of the France & Colonies Group. He was the original instigator for forming a small group of collectors in studying the stamps of France and Colonies. I always believed that he was more collector than dealer. He had a profound knowledge of these stamps and was always very generous in sharing his knowledge with the members. Dr. Vaurie and a few others joined him in forming the Group. It was not the intention that the Group become a philatelic society. He was born in the south of France and was quite an athlete in his day. I believe his game was soccer. He wrote several books which have become widely used by students and collectors of France. At our annual dinners, in the old days, he was the life of the party. He had his mandolin with him and played and sang French songs. It is quite different now. I have not been to a meeting in fully two years. Things are very different."—Louise Clemenccon (19).

"As evidence that Lesgor did love stamps:—One day while I was hunting through a collection for cancellations in the hole-in-the-wall office he and Mrs. L. occupied on an upper floor in a Nassau Street building, Raoul straightened up from his close examination of an album he was appraising and broke the silence with 'I love French stamps!'

"In 1955 I made a date to meet him during the noon hour one day in Paterson, so that he could lead me to his place in Holmes where I was to work over some of his holdings in hope of finding something of interest. He met me per appointment (and my brother who drove me up from Darien), and insisted that we come up for lunch—which he cooked, including a wonderful cabbage soup.

"Lesgor drove George Weiler (former member), another collector, and myself back to New York late one night after a day and evening at the French exhibition that opened the Philatelic Museum in Philly in 1947, I believe it was. We got onto Raoul's 1914 war experiences. Among others: His unit was crossing a railroad bridge in the Balkans, and Raoul's job at the time was to lead the Captain's donkey across. The animal was having none of it. Curses, etc. Finally everybody else yelled that the bridge would be blown up in 2 minutes, and Raoul gained his point with Mr. Jackass. Going ashore in the Dardanelles, Raoul's outfit was wading toward the beach, guns in the air, when suddenly, as he recounted it, 'Quelle surprise!', they found themselves involved with underwater barbed wire. His 'quelle surprise' was something to hear.

"He was a great guy and sure could write a nasty letter when he got his Basque dander up."—John B. Morton (79).

"Raoul Lesgor really seemed to enjoy postage stamps and was able to create the same enjoyment of them in others. My interest in stamp collecting is due to an uncle, who insisted I must collect some country's stamps beside my own. Being able to read a little French I decided on that country. My uncle gave me some of his duplicates but I soon wanted more. He said the best dealer was Raoul Lesgor on Nassau Street. My family lived in Brooklyn so over I went and found Mr. Lesgor in his shop. He sold me some Ceres 1870, which I still have. I think that was in the late 1930s. I joined the France and Colonies Group in 1942 and the first meeting I attended was in a building on 5th Avenue just off 42nd street. I recognized Mr. Lesgor and remember Mr. Rich and Monsieur Gerard Gilbert. There was quite a discussion about something I knew nothing about. I decided I needed some books, so when Yvert & Tellier 1929 was offered for sale I bought it. Still refer to it sometimes.

"For years Mr. Lesgor helped me find Paris stars and addresses on cover and kept me supplied with the current French stamps cancelled in Paris. One summer he wrote me he had a fair Prussian blue Sage 1 centime. I promptly sent a check and soon his letter arrived with six Type Sage 1 centime green

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stamps mounted on paper. The directions were that I was to pick out the Prussian blue without looking on the backs as only the real one was signed! My family gathered around and my eldest son picked the right one, but I have the stamp. What other dealer would take so much trouble.

"I believe the stamps he loved the best of all were the Bordeaux. Once I complained to him they were hard to identify. Much to my surprise and delight he wrote me to send him my collection and he would look it over. Of course it came back with reports and shades identified correctly.

"This is my memorial to Mr. Lesgor, whose honesty, knowledge, and enthusiasm were remarkable."—Marjorie B. Dayton (113).



"Enclosed is a photo taken of Raoul Lesgor in July, 1962, outside his home in Holmes, N. Y. The photographer unfortunately cut off the head of Paul Olson—a good customer and friend of Raoul for years, and the owner of a very, very fine collection of early issues of France, and a former member of F&CPS who has not been well, and resigned. Between Paul and Raoul is Mrs. Lesgor, and behind all of them one of their handsome rose bushes! As you may know, Raoul was open for stamp business at his home any Sunday except during the professional football season; he was an ardent fan of pro football! They both grew flowers galore; the ducks and chickens wandered in and out of the house while we were looking over Raoul's stock of French items on the kitchen table. He had wonderful items, priced very reasonably, and his vast knowledge of French philately overawed me constantly. He gave freely of his knowledge, thank goodness! We miss Raoul greatly; he is one of the last of the 'old school' of philatelists. But we shall always consider it our good fortune that we were privileged to have known him."—Richard Hamilton (769)

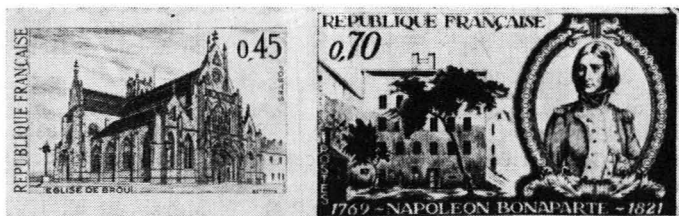
"I never met Lesgor personally, and only dealt with him for two years prior to his death. I have the correspondence. The biographical revelation which most astounded me was Marian's letter saying: 'Mr. Lesgor died this morning.—Marian Lesgor.' Raoul also wrote: 'We bought this old farm house in 1950, and I have been working at improving it since. And it is far from what people refer to when they mean a gentleman's farm. It is still an old barn.' '(We) conduct our business from an old farm in the sticks.' 'I was tempted to buy in Ardsley which is just around the corner, . . . that was in the early forties when I was not quite ready to leave the city.' 'Both my wife and I are 76 years old (8/12/66) and it shows, specially this year. I am very weak, and may have to sell out.'"—John E. Lievsay (1008).

## FRANCE NEW ISSUES OF 1969

(Continued from FCP #135, p. 6)

(Based on the "notices philatéliques" of the PTT, the serial # being the issue number of the Notice.)

- #1. 11 Jan. (Paris 6, R.P. and 41; general sale 13 Jan.) Two stamps: Recess 0.30 Fr. Marianne de Cheffer. Green; 0.40 Fr. Marianne de Cheffer. Red. Des. Cheffer; Engr. Durrens. Small format, vertical. 150 per sheet.
- #2. 15 Feb. (Bourg-en-Bresse, Ain; gen. 17 Feb.) 0.45 Fr. Eglise de Brou. Recess. Bistre, red brown, and blue. Des. and Engr. Betemps. Horizontal format, 50/sheet.
- #3. 15 Feb. (Vouglans, Jura; gen. 17 Feb.) 0.80 Fr. Barrage de Vouglans, Jura. Recess. Red bistre, brown, light bistre. Des./engr. Combet. Hor. 50/sh.
- #4. 15 Feb. (La Trinite-sur-Mer, Morbihan; gen. 17 Feb.) 1.15 Fr. La Trinite-sur-Mer. Recess. Blue, brown, deep green. Des./engr. Haley. Hor. 50/sh.
- #5. 22 Feb. (Amiens; gen. 24 Feb.) 1.00 Fr. Bas-Relief de la Cathédrale d'Amiens. Recess. Sepia, deep green. Des./engr. Combet, Vertical. 25/sh.
- #6. 2 March (Toulouse; gen. 7 March) 1.00 Fr. Concorde Première Vol 1969. Recess. Deep blue, turquoise. Des./engr. Durrens. Hor. 50/sh.
- #7. 15 March (at all towns, about 96, where Journée du Timbres celebrations and special temp. p.o.'s were set up; gen. 17 March). 0.30+0.10 Fr. Transport des Facteurs, Paris 1890. Journée du Timbre 1969. Recess. Green, bistre, black. Des./engr. Bequet. Hor. 50/sh.
- #8. 22 March (Tourcoing, Nord; gen. 24 March). 0.50+0.10 Fr. Albert Roussel. Recess. Violet blue. Des. Serveau; engr. Cami. Vert. 50/sh.
- #9. 22 March (Chartres; gen. 24 March). 0.50+0.10 Fr. Général Marceau. Recess. Bistre-red. Des. Serveau, engr. Haley. Vert. 50/sh.
- #10. 22 March (Boulogne-sur-Mer; gen. 24 March). 0.50+0.10 Fr. Sainte-Beuve 1804-1869. Recess. Deep blue. Des. Serveau; engr. Pheulpin. Hor. 50/sh.
- #11. 5 April (Hautefort, Dordogne; gen. 8 April). 0.70 Chateau de Hautefort. Recess. Bistre, deep blue, light blue. Des./engr. Durrens. Hor. 50/sh.
- #12. 12 April (Paris; gen. 14 April). 0.45 Floralties Internationales Paris 1969. Heliogravure. Violet, blue, red. Des. Pheulpin. Hor. 50/sh.
- #13. 26 April (Paris and Strasbourg; gen. 28 April). Two stamps: 0.40 and 0.70 Fr. Europa 1969. Recess. Red (40c); Blue green (70c). Des. Luigi Gasbarra and Georgia Belli; Engr. Bequet. Hor. 50/sh.
- #14. 3 May (Dijon; gen. 5 May). 1.00 Fr. Portrait de "Philippe de Bon" by Rogier de la Pasture dit Van der Weyden. Recess. Yellow, bistre, black, green. Des./engr. Betemps. Vert. 25/sh.
- #15. 10 May (Paris; gen. 12 May). 0.45 Fr. Bataille du Garigliano Mai 1944. Recess. Black, violet blue. Des. Gandon; engr. Haley. Hor. 25/sh.
- #16. 10 May (Paris; gen. 12 May). 0.70 Fr. Organisation Internationale du Travail 1919-1969. Recess. Sepia, deep blue, brown. Des./engr. Haley. Hor. 50/sh.
- #17. 10 May (Lectoure, Gers; gen. 12 May). 0.50+0.10 Fr. Maréchal Lannes. Recess. Brown. Des. Serveau; engr. Cami. Vert. 50/sh.
- #18. 17 May (Paris; gen. 19 May). 0.50+0.10 Fr. André Gide. Recess. Green. Des. Serveau; engr. Betemps. Vert. 50/sh.
- #19. 17 May (Montbéliard, Doubs; gen. 18 May). 0.50+0.10 Fr. Georges Cuvier. Recess. Violet. Des. Serveau, engr. Pheulpin. Vert. 50/sh.
- #20. 24 May (Chalons-sur-Marne; gen. 27 May). 0.45 Fr. Chalons-sur-Marne



- (view of arcades of Ponts des Archers). Recess. Bistre, green, and blue. Des./engr. Pheulpin. Vert. 50/sh.
- #21. 31 May (Paris; gen. 2 June). 0.45 Fr. Parachutistes S. A. S. et Commandos F. F. L. 6 Juin 1944. Recess. Violet blue, gray, deep blue. Des. Gandon; engr. Bequet. Vert. 25/sh.
- #22. 7 June (Saint Flour, Cantal; gen. 9 June). 0.45 Fr. Combas du Mont Mouchet June 1944. Recess. Gray, deep blue, green. Des. Gandon, engr. Durrens. Vert. 25/sh.
- #23. 21 June (Chantilly, Oise; gen. 23 June). 0.85 Fr. Chateau de Chantilly. Recess. Gray, green, blue. Des. Decaris; engr. Decaris. Hor. 50/sh.
- #24. 28 June (Saint-Savin, Vienne; gen. 30 June). 1.00 Fr. Église de Saint-Savin (frescos). Recess. Yellow, sepia, bistre red, green, blue, and gray. Des./engr. Durrens. Hor. 25/sh.

#### ARRONDISSEMENT — LE MONDE

Bilingual Poem in English and French, a Bit of Italian and Spanish Thrown in  
"Pour Bon Mésure"

By Kimball Flaccus

Though English is my mother tongue  
Vraiment je "bi-lingual" suis  
Suffice au jour le certain mal  
There are few "batards" such as me.  
Cinquant million Frenchmen, zut,  
Are not wrong, though seldom right,  
Qui dans Paris et ses faubourgs  
Profiter enormement each night.  
Pourquoi essayer jouer Dieu  
En voyageant lune et retour  
Au "splash-down," ici double-entendre  
Le "France sait" vivri nuit et jour.

Cette poème, par, l'auteur, à 0914 Post Meridian Eastern Delight Saving Time,  
finit, ou

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#### NEW BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, AND CATALOGS

"France—Oblitérations 1849-1876." By J. Pothion. 1969. 48 Fr. p.p. La Poste aux Lettres, 17 Faubourg Montmartre, Paris 9. C.C.P. Paris 11.574-06. (An illustrated priced catalog of all cancellations of the classic period, by a leading expert. Includes all the Paris marks, bur. de passe, army, camps palais, etc.)

- "Catalogue Cotter 1969 du Maroc 1956-69." 1969. 4 Fr. 32 pp illustr. Cotter Philatélie, 2 Passage Tazi, 7 Ave. Hassan-II, Casablanca, Morocco. (Specialized cat. with special numbering; priced in francs.)
- "Catalogue des Cartes Maximums et Enveloppes 1er Jour." 8th ed. 1969. 8 Fr. Editions Bourgogne, 21 rue Pasteur, F-21 Les Laumes-Alesia. C. C. P. Lyon 2330-10. (Priced, all 1st day covers of France, Monaco, Andorre, Vatican, etc.)
- "Postes et Télécommunications en France." By P. Marzin et al. 1969. 500 pp. Illustr. 21x27 cm. 30 Fr. p.p. Editions I. P. F., 12, rue des Fosses-Saint-Marcel, F75-Paris 5. (Description of the PTT administration, facilities, personnel, services, problems, etc.)
- "Catalogue CEF 1969-1970." Sept. 1969. 76pp illustr. (40 in color). 6.50 Fr. (in stamps). Editions CEF, 2 rue de l'Hotel des Postes, FO6-Nice. For sale also by France-Canada Stamps, Ste Michel des Saintes, Co. Berthier, Quebec. (Cat. of materials publ. by CEF with special illustr. of pictures and documents pertaining to Napoleon I.)
- "Catalogue Général des Entiers Postaux de France, Sarre, Monaco, ex-Colonies." 3rd Supplement. 1969. 7.50 Fr. p.p. A. C. E. P., 35 Boulv. Saint Martin, F75-Paris 3. C. C. P. Paris 13863-37 (This is 3rd suppl. to the well known cat. of entires of ACEP, bringing it up to date with corrections, additions and new prices. The basic cat. with suppl. 1 and 2 can be had yet for 18 Fr. p/p/)
- "Premières émissions de vignettes artistiques pour colis postaux de France. L'emploi de vignettes-taxes du chemin de fer a l'occasion de diverses perceptions." By Ch. Gavault. 16 pp. illustr. Le Monde brochure #107. 1969. 4.47 Fr. plus .80 postage. Le Monde des Philatelistes, 7 rue des Italiens, Paris 9. C. C. P. Paris 18.382-12. (The use of the pictorial-design parcel post stamps of France.)
- "Histoire postale de la Cote des Somalis, Tome I." By Henri Tristant. 1969. 22 pp. illustr. Le Monde Brochure #108. 5.59 Fr. plus .80 postage. Le Monde des Philatelistes, 7 rue des Italiens, Paris 9. CCP Paris 18.382-12. (First part of a definitive study of the postal history of Somali Coast and Obock-Djibouti, essential for all specialists in this colony.)
- "L'Argus du Timbre-Poste—Catalogue Officiel des Negociants en Timbre-Poste France, Communauté, Monaco, Europa, U. N." Illustr. To appear 1969. 6 Fr. Les Editions Defours, B. P. 4, FO6-Gros-de-Cagnes. (To be obtained from various dealers who will use it as their price list.)
- "Les Marques Postales et Oblitérations de la Cote d'Or." By M. Roussot and Ed. Perron et al. 1969. 19.50 Fr. plus 1.90 postage. Diphila, B. P. 12, F91-Draveil, CCP Paris 475-42.
- "Europe—Philatélie—Le Catalogue Spécial des Emissions et Oblitérations Européennes du Conseil de l'Europe et de France." By Paul Staedel. 1969. 120 pp. Illustr. 3.00 Fr. plus 1.50 Fr. postage. P. Staedel, 174 Route de Lyon, F67-Illenkirch-Graffenstaden. C.C.P. Strasbourg 107-14F. (Net-priced illustr. cat. of stamps and cancels of Europa offices at Strasbourg; historical and phil. background info.)
- "Catalogue Cérès Timbres-Poste 1970 28e Ed.—France, Communauté, Andorre, Monaco, Sarre, Nations Unies, Z.O.F., Europa, F.D.C." (With colab. of Robineau and Roumet). 1969, 558 pp. illustr. (8p in color). 7 Fr. Ed. Cérès, 25 rue du Louvre, F-75 Paris 1. C.C.P. 7144-06 Paris. (See review of last years ed. in FCP, Jan. '69, p. 16).
- "Berck-70. France Spécialisé. 28th Ed. France et Colonies Générales, Europa, Andorre de 1849 a nos jours." 1969, 312 pp. Illustr. 5Fr. Ed. Berck, 6 place de la Madeleine, Paris 1. C.C.P. Paris 2342-66.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS

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The new exchange controls of the French Customs require that all payments from abroad to individuals or firms in France must be made only by bank checks to a French bank or by international postal money orders to the recipient's C.C.P. number if he has one. (C.C.P. means "Compte des Chèques Postaux.") The FCP will hereafter cite the CCP number of publishers and other firms whenever appropriate and if known. Sending money by personal checks, cash, or other than permitted methods risks seizure by the customs.

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The new Minister of the PTT appointed by Premier Pompidou is a Mon. Robert Galley. His background is in petroleum engineering, atomic energy production and administration, and the information and automation fields. He was recently Deputy of UDR from l'Aube and delegated to the Prime Minister in charge of scientific and atomic energy affairs. A Commander of the Légion d'Honneur, Companion de la Libération and Croix de Guerre 1939-45. His early pronouncements do not indicate anything very shaking in the offing but he will change priorities of objectives within the PTT program.

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In addition to the new issues we mentioned in last FCP as due for the remaining months of the year, there will be the 0.45 Fr "Mouflon Méditerranéen" stamp in honor of the Fonds Mondial Pour la Protection de la Nature, to appear on 13 October. The Championnat de Canoe-Kayak stamp design will also be issued for Andorre (29 Sept.). Withdrawals from sale are scheduled for Gauguin's "Aréarea" (27 Sept.), "Danse" de Bourdelle (11 Oct.), and Roussel, Marceau and Ste. Beuve (18 Oct.), Chateau de Val, 0.25 Cheffer, Mont-de-Marsan, Armistice, Renoir "Portrait de Modèle" (25 Oct.); Tournee du Timbre (8 Nov.).

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The UNESCO/Paris philatelic service for sale of its stamps has issued a catalogue of its wares issued since 1951 (stamps and FDC) which will be sent gratis. Service Phil. de l'Unesco, Place de Fontenoy, Paris 7.

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For the Franco-German philatelic exposition held at the Institut de France in Berlin 19-21 April 1968, a souvenir card with French and German stamps was cancelled with a slogan machine cancel of the French Poste aux Armees in Berlin as well as a German illustrated cancel.

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Several new specialist magazines have begun to appear in France recently: "Les Archives Erinophiles," is a bulletin put out by the Societé "Arc-en-Ciel," c/o M. Bonneau, 13 rue du Mont Cassin, F94 Ablon, devoted to cinderella type material. "Le Collectionneur Lyonnais," will be published every three months by the Cercle d'Etudes Philatéliques et Marcophiles, c/o Dr. A. Camboulives, 19 rue Curie, Lyon 6. The magazine "Diligence d'Alsace" has been started (#1 in Feb. 1969) by the Amis de l'Histoire des PTT d'Alsace, B. P. 153 R46 Strasbourg, devoted to Alsatian postal history and philatelic activities.

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Dr. William Stericker, nationally-known Philadelphia chemist and philatelist and President of the American Philatelic Congress died on August 14. He was the father of our Inini-specialist member Christine L. Blinn. Our sincere condolences to Mrs. Blinn and her family.

The experimental fully-automatic postoffice opened recently (May) by the PTT at Montgeron, outside Paris, has produced a surprise: a new coil version (hence Type II) of the 0.05 Auch stamp, which was specially made for the automatic vending machine at Montgeron and is sold at no other place. It was discovered by R. Ginestet and is described by de Lizeray in *Le Monde* July-August 1969 p. 51.

Complaints are very strong about the commemorative stamps of 1969 mostly being in denominations that do not fit the new domestic and foreign basic postage rates. The PTT has "explained" that this is because the engravings were prepared long in advance and the move of the printing plant to Perigueux prohibited extra work to change them. However, French philatelists tend to think it is probably intentional. Time will tell.

Printed matter sent in France at bulk rates may bear three types of cancel or precancel cachet: a) a machine postmark with "P.P." at top, put on by the postoffice. b) the sender prints on the wrapper with his masthead the words "Dispensé du Timbrage," and mail is sent out directly by the printer. c) sender prints on the wrapper a boxed cachet inscribed "PORT PAYÉ / PARIS R.P." and sends the mail out direct.

At the Philatelic Exposition held at St. Denis, Reunion, in connection with the Journée du Timbre in March last, our member Hardin Thweatt exhibited a "collection of old letters." The show was sponsored by the Assoc. Phil. de l'Océan Indien. Maurice Hoefflinger, long-time President of APOI has returned to France and André Leblond has been elected to succeed him. It is remarkable that this 10-year old society now has over 250 members in that "tight" little far-off island.

According to Dr. J. Fromageat, the latest data on the earliest dates of use of the Bordeaux issue are as follows:

4c Report 1	13 Dec. 1870	20c Type I, Report 1	18 Nov. 1870
5c Report 1	1 Jan. 1871	20c Type II, Report 1	20 Nov. 1870
5c Report 2	7 Jan. 1871	20c Type II Report 2	6 Dec. 1870
10c Report 1	13 Nov. 1870	20c Type III Report 1	26 Dec. 1870
10c Report 2	2 Feb. 1871	40c (light blood-red shade)	9 Dec. 1870

Mr. Joseph D. Schwartz writes to ask if any of our members have any information about the registry labels used by the French post offices in Turkey (Levant), he would appreciate hearing from them. Address: 3230 Fieldcrest Drive, Sacramento, Cal. 95821.

CEPT, The Conference Européenne des Postes et Telecommunications, for which the member countries issue stamps each year in uniform design, is celebrating its 10th Anniversary this year and has added two new members: Malta and Yugoslavia. All the countries of western Europe, plus Greece, Cyprus, and Turkey were already members. It is sort of a regional UPU and tends to present a united front at UPU conventions.

The philatelic review "Documents Philatéliques" published by the Académie de Philatélie of Paris is celebrating its tenth year of issue. FCP salutes DP and wishes it a continued success on the high plane of excellence in philatelic research maintained since its founding. (The level is comparable to the Collectors Club Philatelist and London Philatelist.) The present editor is



Pierre de Lizeray. It comes out 4 times a year and costs 50Fr/yr. (Académie de Philatélie, C.C.P. Paris 1436-63.) The Académie itself is celebrating its 40th Anniversary.

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Georges Rigol, Conservateur of the Musée Postal in Paris, has been named an Officier in the Ordre National du Mérite.

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The editorial office of *Le Monde des Philatelistes* has been moved to 11bis Boulevard Haussanmn, F75-Paris 9. The business office for subscriptions, etc., is still at 7 rue des Italiens, Paris 9.

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Réné Hinard, an old-time Paris dealer (of Neuilly) died in May. Many Americans were among his happy customers in years past.

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Feuilles Marcophile, the very informative journal of the Union Marcophile (to which a number of FCPS'ers belong) has come forth in a new format starting with #175 (1969) and a new editor. The former editor, Georges Petit, was unable to keep up any longer the enormous labor of putting together such a heterogeneous compilation as FM used to be. The new editor, Dr. P. Lejeune, a well-known postal historian and marcophilist member of the Académie de Philatélie, will run mainly articles instead of notes, but the question and answer section which has been so popular will be continued. The printing is now from type on a calendered paper.

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Those who have taken to collecting Napoleon I items (this is the bicentenary of his birth) will want to study the article by J. Brumeaux (*En marge de bi-cent. Nap. I et les T.P.*) in *Le Monde*, running serially since Jan. '69.

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The recent devaluation of the franc has made prices of new issues from France cheaper but there are indications that prices of much of the older material in France have gone up proportionately if not more. The uncertain financial outlook in France has, it is said, stimulated demand for stamps as a hedge against inflation or deflation.

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The postal history of the Channel Isles (Guernsey, Jersey, etc.) seems to attract much interest among French collectors, probably because of the close geographical, historic and linguistic relations to France. The establishment of independent postal services for Jersey and Guernsey was to take place on Oct. 1 and a group of French philatelists planned to fly over for the ceremonies. No doubt the issuance of separate stamps for the Isles will increase interest in France and who knows perhaps they will start listing them in the French specialized catalogs.

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The well-known expert and dealer Aimé Brun of Paris died on 15 August. He was publisher of the valuable series "*Cahiers Philatéliques*," a member of the Académie de Philatélie for 30 years and inscribed on the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists in London. His son Clement continues the firm.

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The 30c (0.30 F) République ("*Marianne*") of Cheffer and Durrens was reissued in early July printed by **typography**, but without any publicity or fanfare—there was no first-day celebration but it is said the first ones went on sale at Paris about 7 July, and gradually supplied to other postoffices a little later.

A very careful and extensive review of the "Encyclopédie des Timbres-Poste de France, Tome I" by our President Marc Martin appears in Collectors Club Philatelist, for Sept. 1969, pp. 305-307. He has also prepared a Table of Contents (in English) for the book, which is deposited in the Collectors Club library with their copy.

Statistics is a wonderful thing! As of Dec. 1968 the PTT had 336,000 employees, 19,033 postoffices, 103 guichets mobiles, 1058 silent bureaux, 16 sorting machines, 14,402 motorized carrier routes, 23 airplanes, 64 railway cars, 12 highway buses, and 34,113 other vehicles.

That sprightly magazine Philatélie (have you seen it?) recently held a stamp designing contest for its readers (and amateurs), offering a series of prizes. The subjects had to be those for which France had issue stamps since the first Journée du Timbre stamp. There were 400 designs submitted. The main winning "maquettes" are illustrated in the issue #22 for July-August 1969. Several of them impressed us as very fine. It is clear that the contestants or at least the judges favor designs without borders or frames. The jury noted that the results were generally inspiring though not very original. Reasons for each award are stated. We particularly liked the Protection of Nature design by R. Salmon and the Bayard at Pont du Garigliano by B. Gissinger.

The plans for PHILYMPIA 1970 (Sept.) international Philatelic Exhibition in London are progressing. The 150 stands of the bourse have been let, mostly to British but also to 20 American dealers, plus a few German, Canadian, Swiss, Japanese, Spanish, Swedish and Irish dealers.—No French, probably on account of the exchange-control difficulties. Over 1000 people from U. S. have already booked air flights for the show.

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Walter E. Parshall, Corresponding Secretary, FCPS Inc.

# THE REGULAR ISSUES OF FRANCE 1876-1966 ACCORDING TO THEIR NORMAL POSTAGE USAGE

By Stanley J. Luft

(Continued from April 1969 issue, p. 29)

## IV. The Pasteur Issues of 1923-1932 (Continued)

### 30c green

The 30c green (Sc 189, Yv 174) replaced the 30c blue cameo sower (Sc 173, Yv 192), 27 Oct. 1926.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

#\*Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932):

Échantillons (samples), from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets from 26 Oct. 1926 to 5 Nov. 1931; rotary-plate precancels applied April-May 1932, on sheets printed in March-April 1932, and issued July 1932 until suppressed July 1937; vertical rotary-plate coils printed in 1926.

Replaced by the 30c Peace of Laurens (Sc 264, Yv 280) in 1933; precancels on this Laurens never issued.

### 45c

The 45c red (Sc 190, Yv 175) replaced the 45c Merson (Sc 122, Yv 143) in August 1924.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924, and earlier):

\*Postal cards (foreign);

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic);

#\*Printed matter, from 200 to 300 gm (domestic);

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm (foreign).

(Rendered largely obsolete by Tariffs of 15 and 16 July 1925; remainders may have been used as follows):

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Printed matter and échantillons, from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets 25 July-7 Oct. 1924; flat-plate precancels printed July-Oct. 1924. Stamped private postal cards of special Type II printed for Paris stamp exposition and issued in May 1925.

Value (but not usage) replaced by the 45c lined sower (Sc 143, Yv 197) in Nov. 1926 or early 1927.

### 50c

The 50c blue (Sc 191, Yv 176) replaced the 50c blue lined sower (Sc 144 Yv 161), 25 May 1923.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

\*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924):

#Échantillons (samples), from 200 to 300 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

\*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I in 1923-24; flat-plate precancels applied in 1924 on sheets of 1923-24 printings, issued June 1924, and suppressed 1 May 1926. Horizontal and vertical rotary-plate coils (very rare) of Type II printed in Feb. 1924.

Replaced by the 50c olive green lined sower (Sc 145, Yv 198) late in 1925 or Jan. 1926.

1—Dates are those of first day of sale or of earliest known use.

\*—Primary or common use. #—Continued through succeeding tariff(s).

**60c**

The 60c red, printed only on stamped postal cards with prepaid replies (ACEP No. 83), was issued in 1925, following foreign Tariff of 16 July 1925.

**75c**

The 75c blue (Sc 192, Yv 177) was issued July 1924, value having been re-established by the Tariff of 1 April 1924:

Foreign usage:

\*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm;

Registry fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926):

\*Postal cards.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I in 1924; horizontal and vertical rotary-plate(?) coils (rare) of apparently same type printed in June? 1924. Stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 85) of special Type II, in red, issued 1926.

Replaced by the 75c lined sower (Sc 151, Yv 202) in Nov. 1926.

**50c/75c**

Overprinted (Sc 231, Yv 219) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp, following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926, to meet the large need for the single-weight letter rate; about 12.8 million stamps overprinted and issued in Nov. 1926.

**90c**

The 90c red (Sc 193, Yv 178) was issued in Oct. or Nov. 1926; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 1 May 1926:

Domestic usage:

#Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

Postal cards.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets 13 Oct.-4 Dec. 1926. Stamped postal cards with prepaid replies (ACEP No. 90) issued in 1927.

Replaced by the 90c Berthelot (Sc 242, Yv 243) in 1927.

**1F**

The 1F blue (Sc 194, Yv 179) replaced the 1F Merson (Sc 125, Yv 121), 30 Nov. 1925.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

\*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

(Rendered temporarily obsolete by Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

Registry fee;

Express fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type I from 7 Nov. 1925 to 5 Feb. 1926; horizontal and vertical rotary-press coils of Type II (rare) printed in Aug. 1925.

Replaced by the 1F lined sower (Sc 154, Yv 205) in Aug. 1926.

**1F25**

The 1F25 blue (Sc 195, Yv 180) was issued in March or April 1926; newly-

created value following foreign Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926::

Foreign usage:

\*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets 9-23 March 1926.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926 and suppressed.

#### 50c/1F25

Overprinted (Sc 235, Yv 222) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamps (see 50c/75c, above); about 15 million stamps overprinted and issued in Nov. 1926.

#### 1F50

The 1F50 blue (Sc 195, Yv 181) was issued in Aug. 1926; newly-created value following Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926:

\*Letters, to 20 gm (foreign);

Registry fee (foreign);

\*Registered letters, to 20 gm (domestic).

Printed in rotary-plate sheets from 9 Aug. 1926 to 6 Dec. 1929 and from 6 Jan. to 12 Feb. 1932, printings having been interrupted in 1930-31 for the 1F50 Expo Coloniale ("Fachi") (Sc 261, Yv 273). Overprinted by flat-plate for the B. I. T. Congress (Sc 257, Yv 265) on sheets of Sept.-Oct. 1929 printing; surcharged 10F by flat-plate for the "Ile de France" issue (Sc C4, Yv PA4) in Aug. 1928. Vertical rotary-plate coils (rare) printed in 1926.

Replaced by the 1F50 Peace of Laurens (Sc 282, Yv 288) in July 1932.

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#### V. "Monuments and Sites" Issues of 1929-38

These stamps, all engraved in large format, generally were issued with little regard to any specific usage and may be considered as supplementary high values, as were the stamps they replaced.

#### 2F Arc de Triomphe

Scott type A44

Designed by F. Bivel; engraved by A. Delzers

This stamp (Scott 263, Yvert 258) replaced the 2F cameo sower (Sc 184, Yv 239), 29 Aug. 1931.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Registered letters, from 50 to 100gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932):

Registered letters from 20 to 50 gm.

Foreign usage (Decree of 20 July 1932):

Registry fee.

Printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 20 Nov. 1930 and 6 Dec. 1934.  
Replaced in Feb. 1935 by the 2F Breton River (Sc 299, Yv 301).

### 3F Reims Cathedral

Scott type A37

Designed by A. Verecque; engraved by A. Dezarrois.

This stamp (Sc 247-48, Yv 259) replaced the 3F Merson (Sc 129, Yv 240), 17 Nov. 1930.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926):

Registered letters, to 20 gm (foreign);

Special delivery (*exprès*) fee (foreign);

Special delivery (*exprès*) letters, to 20 gm (domestic).

Printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps. Three types or four dies known, but there is no concordance among those indicated by Scott, Yvert, Joany, or others. Printings ran between 5 Feb. 1930 and 1 April 1932.

Suppressed in August 1932.

### 5F Mont-Saint-Michel

Scott type A38

Designed by F. Bivel; engraved by A. Mignon

This stamp (Sc 249-50, Yv 260) replaced the 5F Merson (Sc 130, Yv 123) in Feb. 1930.

Type I of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die I=Yvert Type II; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 29 June 1929 and 9 Aug. 1930.

Type II of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die II=Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 and 50 stamps between 6 Dec. 1930 and 29 Oct. 1937, issued Feb. 1931.

Replaced 20 April 1938 by the 5F Carcassonne (Sc 345, Yv 392).

### 10F La Rochelle

Scott type A39

Designed and engraved by H. Cheffer.

This stamp (Sc 251-52, Yv 261) replaced the 10F Merson (Sc 131, Yv 207), 18 July 1929.

Type I of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die I and Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 22 March and 8 June 1929.

Type II of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Dies II and III and Yvert Types I' and III; "Die II" printed in panes of 25 stamps between 18 Sept. 1930 and 4 May 1931, issued Oct. 1930; "Die III" printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 and 50 stamps between 19 June 1931 and 26 Feb. 1938, issued Aug. 1931.

Replaced 16 May 1938 by the 10F Vincennes (Sc 346, Yv 393).

### 20F Pont du Gard

Scott type A40

Designed and engraved by H. Cheffer.

This stamp (Sc 253-54A, Yv 262-62B) replaced the 20F Merson (Sc 132, Yv 208), 15 May 1929.

Type I of Lesgor and Joany=Scott Dies I and II=Yvert Type II; printed in flat-plate panes of 50 stamps between 19 Feb. (?) 1929 and 1930. (The scarce perf. 11 (line perf.) stamps are simply those of the last 1930 printing, on poorer paper, that because of adverse direction of shrinkage, were perforated on the machine previously used for the engraved Monaco stamps of 1923-24.)

Type II of Lesgor and Joany=Scott Die III=Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 26 Oct. 1931 and 18 Oct. 1937, issued Nov. 1931.

Replaced 16 May 1938 by the 20F Saint-Malo (Sc 347, Yv 394).



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(To be continued)

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## CURRENT JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Bulletin de la Société des Amis du Musée Postal** (10 Fr/yr. 4 rue St. Romain, Paris 6 C.C.P. 5751-11 Paris)

#23 3rd Trim. 1968: Cappart: "Oblitérations sur les lettres expédiées par ballon monté"; Gachot: "Le jeu des 'petits télégraphes'"; Cohn: "Les départs nocturnes des ballons-poste en 1870-71."

#24 4th trim. 1968: Charbonnier: "Organisation du service du courrier par la rébellion Algérienne"; Viet: "Marque de franchise Bureau Centrale du Canot de Paris—AN 4"; Boussac et Cappart: "Boules et ballons—Pierre-Charles Relart, inventeur et aéroplane improvisé".

#25 1st Trim. 1969: Cappart: "Guerre Franco-Allemande de 1870-71—Siege de Paris; Etude sur les plis confiés aux aéroplanes des ballons montés—les cachets d'atterrissages et de transit."

#26 2nd Trim. 1969: Poujol: "Les antécédents directs de la poste rural—Dept. l'Oise 1788-1830" (begin serial); Joany: "A propos d'un entier."

**Feuilles Marcophiles** (20fr/yr, J. M. Camarty, 33 rue Lacapede, Paris 6; C.C.P. Paris 8681-63):

#172 (Oct. 1967): Nagel: "Marques postales et oblitérations avec date mais sans nom de localité—étude thématique."

#173 (Nov. 1967): Deloste: "Marcophilie militaire, 50eme Anniv. de la Campagne des Dardanelles"; Goin: "Les marques postales et militaires du Groupe Aéro-Naval du Pacifique"; "Les différents cachets centralisateur."

#174 (Dec. 1968): "Oblitérations semi-modernes du Dept. de la Moselle"; Serres: "Marques postales et oblitérations du Maroc Espagnole"; Lenain: "Marque 'Au Lion' de Lyon"; Camboulives: "Un type special de cachet 15, le cachet de 23mm"; Mercier: "Les cachets de boîtes rurales et de boîtes urbaines secondaires"; Petit: "Cette curieuse affaire de Timbres de Mai (1969)"; Desrousseaux: "Le corps expéditionnaire de Chine et les premières Bureaux de l'Indo Chine (1860-81) (Pt. I)"; Maurin: "Sur deux inédits de poste maritime du Dept. de l'Eure."

#175 (New Series, new format), 1st Trim. 1969: Dubus: "La Corse de 1738 a la fin du 1er Empire"; Antonini: "A propos des marques de l'Expedition d'Egypte"; Hubinot: "Les jolies marques port paye du 18th siècle"; Vuille: "Marques comptables Francaises pour la Suisse 1828 a 1845"; Noel: "Déjà l'Europe"; Saulgrain: "Les premières marques aéro-postales francaises"; Lejeune: "Les hopitaux de l'intérieur durant la guerre 1914-18—leurs cachets"; DeFontaines: "La poste a Montreux-Vieux (Haut Rhin)"; Leclerc: "Histoire d'une lettre partie a la recherche d'un record de lenteur—17.5.1932 au 2.6.1932 Paris a Pagnac (prés Limoges)".

#176 (2nd Trim) 1969: Gidson: "Lettre inédite de Ste. Helene (Nap. I) 15 Aug. 1840"; Hubinot: "La campagne de 1762 contre le Portugal"; Viet: "Les marques de franchise"; Saulgrain: "Les premières marques aéropostales francaises"; Hubinot: "La Petite Poste de France"; Moraine: "Les marques de fortune utilisés pour remplacer les étiquettes de recommandations 512 et 512 bis épuisés"; Dewaulle: "A propos d'un cachet de port payé de Paris"; Jamet: "Le poste a Saint-Domingue"; Dupont: "Les surcharges 'RF' de la Poste Nava'e Francaise 1943-5"; Goin: "A propos du Bureau Naval 64."

**Story Post** (85 Fr Belges/yr, 124 rue du Midi, Bruxelles 1):

- #66, Dec. '68: Vanderlinden: "Marques de rayon: Belgique."
- #67, Jan. '69: Vanderlinden (cont.): "Courrier par avion Indochine."
- #70, Apr. '69: "Le Havre-New York 1928 par le paquebot Isle de France"; Stocker: "Classification des marques de censures employées pendant la guerre 1914-1918, Belgique et Nord de la France."

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- Jan. 1968: Silver: "France—United States—a mystery cover."
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**French Polynesia Newsletter** (3 Parklaan, Zeist, Holland):

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- #52, Apr. 1967: "A 1914-15 military frank of Tahiti"; "Redcross stamps of French Oceania (I)".
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- #54, Aug. '67: Information on recent stamp designs."
- #55, Dec. '67: "Color trials of Fr. Polynesia stamps."
- #56, Feb. '68: misc. notes.
- #57/58 May-July 1968: "Check list of commemorative cancels of New Hebrides"; "Air labels of French Oceania"; "A curious document" (1903 issue).
- #59, Sept. '68: "Postal Code Nos."; "French Polynesia Postoffices."
- #60, Dec. '68: misc. notes.
- #61, April '69: "Postal history discoveries"; "An early Tahiti bogus stamp"; "Varieties of 1903 overprints"; "Moving the Papeete post-office."

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- Vol. 16, #6 (#97) Nov./Dec. 1966: "Ambulant offices cachets—those leaving Paris"; DeLizeray: "Beginning of envelopes and stamped bands" (transl.); PTT Notices of New Stamps (transl.)—#s 25-30, 1966) (transl.).
- Vol. 17, #1 (#98) Jan./Feb. '67: Hayhurst: "Pneumatic stamps"; Levett: "Ceres of 1871" (begin serial); Joany: "The Sage Type" (transl. from La Ph. Fr. 1966) (begin serial); "The Federation of the French Philatelic Societies" (begin serial) (transl.).

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- Vol. 17, #2 (#99) Mar./Apr. '67: (cont. of serials); "Notices of PTT" 1967 #s 3-9 (transl.).
- Vol. 17, 3 (#100) May/June '67: Levett: "25c Ceres" (cont.).
- Vol. 17, #4 (#101) July/Aug. '67: Joany: "Sage Type" (cont.); Hayhurst: "Good bye to the hexagons"; DeVries: "The Paris district offices from 1849 to date" (begin serial); Levett: "Star postmarks of Paris 1852-76."
- Vol. 17, #s5-6 (#102/3), Sept./Dec. '67: Clemo: "The French post offices in China from 1860 to 1945"; Levett: "Star postmarks of Paris" (cont.); DeVries (cont.); Joany (cont.); Inglis-Franklin: "List of small and large numerals" (begin serial).
- Vol. 18, #1 (#104) Jan./Mar. '68: Joany and Inglis-Franklin (cont.).
- Vol. 18, #2 (105) April/June '68: Joany (cont.); Inglis-Franklin (cont.).

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- 1968, 3 May-June: Perdrieux: "Le problem des expositions dans les PTT"; Marais: "L'impression en taille doux six couleurs de timbres poste."

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**Postes et Télécommunications, Bulletin d'Information du Ministère de P et T:**

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#158, '69: "Les nouveau tarifs du courrier"; "Adapter des poste aux besoins du monde moderne"; "Les services postales achèmineront en 1969 pres de 11 milliards de correspondances"; "Comment se adapter des aujourd'hui aux besoins de demain?"

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#161, May '69: "Le dernier DC3 de l'aviation postal du nuit sera remplace cette année pour un Fokker F27"; "Referendum—1400 tonnes de courrier."

#162, June '69: "Yves Guena Min. PTT devant le Conseil Supérieur des PTT"; "Création d'une lettre-avion a tarif forfaitaire (new air letter sheet); "La nouvelle 'Guide Officiel de P et T'"; "Tout ce qu'il faut de savoir sur les valeurs a recouvrer."

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#24, June '69: Fontaine: "Préjugés en marcophilie"; Boccone: "La bataille de Camerone."

## F. & C. P. S. OFFICIAL

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

It is with great satisfaction that we can report a very large gain in our membership during the last 6 months. We wish to welcome all these new members to the France & Colonies Philatelic Society and assure them of the sincere desire of our group to share with them any available information or knowledge that they may require in this most interesting field of French and French Colonial philately.

It is quite difficult and outrageously expensive today to collect ALL France and Colonies. Indeed there are over 20,000 (20,332 to be exact) catalogued major varieties, not counting listed minor varieties, imperfs, deluxe

sheets, proofs and essays, locals, special issues not in Scott, etc., etc. If one adds cancellations on stamp or cover, and stampless covers, the total becomes staggering. New issues, incidentally, increase the total by 450 to 750 yearly (an average of about 550 a year for the last 10 years). Obviously a collector has to try to concentrate his interest and his purchases on certain issues or on a particular period.

- In regard to French stamps, the following periods might be distinguished:
- 1849-1870—The "classical period" of the 2nd Republic, 3rd Empire and the provisional issues of 1870: Scott #1-49 and J1-J4.
  - 1871-1900—The semi-classical period of the 3rd Republic during the late XIXth century: Scott #50-108 and J5-J28.
  - 1900-1940—The period of the 3rd Republic during the XXth century: Scott #109-414, B1-B114, C1-C17 and J29-J68.
  - 1940-1944—The II World War period of the "French State" (Vichy): Scott #415-474 and 496-498, B115-B190, J69-J79.
  - 1945-1958—The 4th Republic period: Scott #474-495 and 499-903, B191-B328, C18-C36, J80-J92.
  - 1959-to date—The 5th Republic period: Scott starting from #904, B329, C37, J93.

The same dates are valid for the majority of French colonies or former colonies which became independent during the '50's and '60's.

It is to be noted that standard albums do not usually recognize different historical periods and consequently any specialized collecting should be done on blank album pages. A study "in depth" of a chosen period subject or theme will be enhanced by covers, cancelled stamps and other pertinent collateral materials. Available time, particular interests and budgetary considerations together with a practical plan of what to look for, are the foundation for this rewarding hobby.

Philatelically yours,  
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General France.
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