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LPSNY CLUB NOTES, LETTERS, BALTIC PHILATELIC ACTIVITY

I appreciate your good work on the Bulletin.

Due to several reasons, including age, I have had to discontinue nearly all of my Philatelic activities.

I was under the impression that I had submitted my resignation over a year ago, at which time I suggested the Bulletin continue until my subscription expired.

However, I am well aware that I'm getting pretty absent minded; so I may not have done so, but just thought I did.

When the Bulletin continued to arrive, I just assumed that dues had been paid for 1991. But, according to the opposite side of this slip, this is not the case.

As I do not wish to sever my membership from the Society under any kind of cloud, such as non-payment of dues, I am enclosing a check for \$9.00 to cover 1991, the Bulletins of which I received.

However, please accept my resignation as of the end of 1991.

I received your note with Bulletin #160 indicating my 1991 dues were unpaid. I was not aware of this and am grateful that you kept me on the books for such a long period. I enclose my 1991 and 1992 dues with this note.

I am extending my stamp collection to the 9 to 15 new countries in Europe. Can you help me locate a pen pal stamp collector in each of the new countries? I would like names and addresses of collectors in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovenia, Croatia, Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus, Azerbaijan, etc. It is going to be very interesting to see the new countries stamps. I could send used U.S. stamps in exchange for theirs.

I make my own mounting pages on a Commodore computer so I don't have to wait for publishers pages. It is a lot cheaper, too.

Thank you in advance.

Warren McMillan, 13751 Davos Dr., Truckee, CA. 96161

Liudvikas Starkus of Pergales Aikste 4A-5, Klaipeda 5800, Lithuania, seeks to correspond and exchange with a fellow stamp collector.

The Lithuanian Philatelic Association in Vilnius would like to join the international philatelic organization FIP, which is located in Switzerland. The fee is 500 Swiss francs which amounts to about \$350. If any members would like to donate money thru the LPSNY and/or feel the LPSNY should pay all or part of the admission fee, please write.

LITHPEX XI will be held by the Toronto Lithuanian Philatelic Society on April 11 - 12, 1992 at the Toronto Lithuanian Community Home, 1573 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Exhibition times are: Saturday, April 11, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 12, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Exhibition Specialty Groups are:

- Group 1: Lithuania
- Group 2: General
- Group 3: Numismatics

LITHPEX XXIV will be held by the Chicago Lithuanian Philatelic Society on October 23 - 25, 1992 at the Lithuanian Youth Center, 5620 S. Claremont Avenue, Chicago, IL 60637. Exhibition times are: Friday, October 23, 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday, October 24, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 25, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Exhibition Specialty Groups are:

- Group I: Lithuania and Klaipeda (Memel): specialized collections, postal history, etc.
- Group II: United States and other countries, including their postal history.
- Group III: Topicals.
- Group IV: Numismatics and medals.
- Awards: Grand Award (for Group I only), Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Bronze.

Translation of part of letter sent to a long time member, sent to us February 13, 1992.

Re the stamps that were stopped at the border by the Soviets, for which there is almost no existing stock, the price is 6000 Rubles and going higher. Also, it is very hard to get any earlier (newly independent) Lithuanian stamps.

New Members

#552 John A. Patrick
#553 Alberto Valdata
#554 Edward Rubini
#555 Alfonso G. Zulueta, Jr.
#556 Dolores N. Keller

Contributing Members

M. R. Renfro, John F. Kapchus, Joseph V. Palskis, Raymond E. Senkus, Bonaventure Linkus, Laurence E. Corr, G. C. Tobin, Fred W. Baumgartner, Andrew Kapochunas.

Collectors who want to receive the new Lithuanian stamps and covers directly from the Lithuanian government can do so by writing Pasto Zenklas, Giedraiciu 60A, Vilnius 2042, Lithuania.

LPSNYer Fred Baumgartner is exhibiting four frames titled "Occupations of Lithuania - A Study of the Foreign Occupations Imposed on Lithuania, 19th Century through World War II" as part of the Tower Stamp Club exhibit at the World Columbian Stamp Expo in May, 1992 - Rosemont, IL.

TORONTO ESTONIAN, LATVIAN, AND LITHUANIAN PHILATELIC CLUBS -
BALTPEX X - MARCH 23 - 24, 1991

BALTPEX X EXHIBITION ENTRIES

Estonian Exhibits

Exhibit 1 K.V. Laas (Gold Award, Grand Award) "ESTONIANS IN W.W.I. RUSSIAN IMPERIAL FIELDPOST , 1914 - 1918"

Exhibit 2 W. Dickson (Gold Award) "ESTONIA 1918-1920 WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON INDEPENDENCE ISSUE, SHOWING PROOFS, SHADES, VARIETIES AND EXAMPLES OF VARIOUS FRANKINGS CULMINATING WITH THE FIRST DAY USE OF THE AIR MAIL STAMP ON COVER"

Exhibit 3 L. Avandi (Silver Award) "ESTONIA 1918 - 1940"

Exhibit 4 J. Untveil (Small Silver Award) "VIKINGS AND ART ON SWEDISH STAMPS"

Latvian Exhibits

Exhibit 5 E. Ozols (Certificate Award) "LATVIAN HOME GUARDS ON STAMPS"

Exhibit 6 K. Strazoinis (Silver Award) "LATVIAN HISTORY IN STAMPS"

Exhibit 7 V. Ozols (Bronze Award) "FIRST FOREIGN MINISTER OF LATVIA"

Exhibit 8 V. Ozols (Bronze Award) "RIGA"

Exhibit 9 V. Ozols (Certificate Award) "FREEDOM MONUMENTS OF LATVIA"

Lithuanian Exhibits

Exhibit 10 E. Butkus (Silver Award) "SELECTED PAGES OF LITHUANIAN COVERS"

Exhibit 11 A. Ruzgas (Gold Award) "SELECTED PAGES OF LITHUANIAN STAMPS"

Exhibit 12 P. Tolvaisa (Vermeil Award) ""SELECTED PAGES OF LITHUANIAN STAMPS"

Exhibit 13 J. Norton (Gold Award, Walter E. Norton Research Award) "LITHUANIA'S FOURTH BERLIN ISSUE ON COVERS"

Exhibit 14 S. Vaivada (Gold Award) "STAMPS OF DISTRICT MEMEL"

Exhibit 15 V. Stabas (Silver Award) "FIRST STAMPS, COVERS AND CANCELLATIONS OF THE RESTORED REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA"

General Exhibits

Exhibit 16 S. Vaivada (Certificate Award) "POSTCARDS OF CANADA"

Exhibit 17 J. Zadeikis (Silver/Bronze Award) "STATE BIRDS AND FLOWERS OF U.S.A."

Exhibit 18 A. Supronas (Gold Award) "OLYMPIC STAMPS AND COVERS OF HOST COUNTRY"

CHICAGO LITHUANIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY - LITHPEX XXIII - OCTOBER
26 - 28, 1990.

LITHPEX XXIII EXHIBITION ENTRIES

Lithuanian Exhibits

Exhibit 1 Paul Barbatavicius (Non-Competitive) "LITHUANIA'S AIR
MAIL ISSUES"

Exhibit 2 Vytautas Valantinas (Non-Competitive, Walter E.
Norton Research Award) "GENUINE COUNTERFEITS"

Exhibit 3 Vytautas Valantinas (Non-Competitive) "RASEINIAI,
1941 OVERPRINTED ISSUE"

Exhibit 4 Vito S. Lukosevicius (Vermeil Award) "SELECTED PAGES
OF LITHUANIA. POSTAGE STAMPS AND COVERS FROM 1918 to 1941"

Exhibit 5 Bohdan O. Pauke (Silver Award) "GARDINAS - GRODNO:
1915-1920, A POSTAL HISTORY OF VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS"

Exhibit 6 Algirdas Ruzgas (Silver Award) "SELECTED PAGES OF
LITHUANIAN AIR MAIL STAMPS AND COVERS"

Exhibit 7 Fred W. Baumgartner (Gold Award) "A POSTAL HISTORY OF
USAGES AND RATES OF INDEPENDENT LITHUANIA AND ITS OCCUPIERS, MID
19th CENTURY TO THE PRESENT"

Exhibit 8 Jerome Norton (Gold Award) "LITHUANIA'S 4th BERLIN
ISSUE ON COVER"

Exhibit 9 Algis Preiksa (Grand Award) "LITHUANIA - POSTAGE
STAMP PROOFS AND ESSAYS"

Exhibit 10 Zbignevas Steponavicius (Vermeil Award) "POSTAL
HISTORY OF SILUTE"

Exhibit 11 Ricardas Vainora (Bronze Award) "PHILATELIC MATERIAL
OF THE RESTORED REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA"

Exhibit 12 Vytautas Fugalevicius (Gold Award) "P.O. CANCELS IN
LITHUANIA, 1990 EDITION"

Other Countries

Exhibit 13 Victor Algmin (Non-Competitive) "THE DESIGNED STAMPS
OF CANADIAN CHILDREN"

Exhibit 14 Victor Algmin (Non-Competitive) "WORLD WAR I EXHIBIT
FROM A MILITARY POST IN THE AEGEAN SEA"

BEETHOVEN AND INVENTOR ALFRED NOBEL" AND "NOBEL PEACE PRIZE AND NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS LAUREATES"

Exhibit 16 Henrikas Kebeikis (Silver Award) "MAN ON THE MOON".

Numismatics

Exhibit 17 Jonas Augustinius (Gold Award) "COINS, BANK NOTES AND MEDALS OF THE MONARCHY, REPUBLIC, AND CONTEMPORARY PERIODS OF LITHUANIA"

Exhibit 18 Dr. Roman P. Smyk (Silver Award) "MEDALLIC ISSUES TO COMMEMORATE THE MILLENNIUM OF CHRISTIANITY IN RUS-UKRAINE 988-1988" and "COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS AND LAPEL BUTTONS OF UKRAINIAN METROPOLITAN, ARCHBISHOP MAYOR, CARDINAL AND PATRIARCH JOSYF SLIPYJ"

PHILATELY IN LITHUANIA - JOURNAL #3 (1990) - ENGLISH SUMMARIES

Publication of this issue related to Medicine on Stamps was funded by the Republican Committee of the Lithuanian Red Cross Society. Proceeds from its sales will be credited to the Lithuanian Red Cross Charity Foundation.

Several co-authors write about the physicians who were active in the Lithuanian national renaissance at the turn of the last century and later were depicted in Lithuanian postage stamps.

J. Sapoka describes pre-war formation of the Lithuanian Red Cross Society and other charity activities.

A description of postal facilities in Displaced Persons camps after the Second World War and stamps issues there in support of Red Cross.

Z. Steponavicius analyses the reasons and history of the issue of charity stamps and offers a classification.

P. Norkus and L. Dzekciorius write about the portrayal in postage stamps of those physicians who were awarded the Nobel Prize and of research workers in medicine.

M. Kiauleikis surveys the presentation in postage stamps of medical congresses.

S. Panavas, a physician and thematic collector of medicine, tells about his hobby.

V. Vaskelis explains how philately reflects surgery and world famous surgeons.

S. Zobakas takes up the philatelic presentation of fight against malaria.

R. Vainora treats the history of spectacle making as a philatelic theme.

Z. Povilaitiene writes about the four-legged helpers in the world of medicine.

S. Panavas invites to resist smoking through postage stamps.

J. Judelevicius analyses health education in match box labels.

Articles on philatelic souvenirs of a pharmaceutical kind, wooden pharmaceutical containers held in a museum, an interesting philatelic collection of medicinal plants, Lithuanian health resorts in philatelic objects.

A. Leisis surveys Soviet pre-stamped envelopes on the theme of medicine.

R. Vainora provides a bibliography of philatelic literature on the theme of medicine.

Information on the theme of medicine in Lithuania philatelic materials.

PHILATELY IN LITHUANIA - JOURNAL #4 (1990) - ENGLISH SUMMARIES

On occasion of the issue of Lithuanian postage stamps a talk with Minister of Communication K. Birulis and a interview with the designer of the first stamps V. Skabeikiene are given.

V. Kavaliauskas describes late A. Krivickas, a recently passed away painter, the author of pre-war Lithuanian postage stamps.

Z. Steponavicius discusses the results of the contest for design of new postage stamps.

L. Verzbolauskas describes preparation and issue of a set of postage stamps in 1934 - 1935.

The history of the birth of a postage stamp of district Raseiniai.

V. Doniela analyzes the motives which brought about the issue of a post stamp of district Telsiai in 1920, the terms of its usage, its copy quantities and varieties.

J. Linkevicius surveys the Vilnius territory post stamp issues in 1920 - 1922.

A. Preiksa describes the commemorative issue of air mail stamps in 1930.

P. Barbatavicius presents his experience about arranging the Lithuanian post stamps displays which were awarded with Golden

Medals at Internaitonal Exhibitions.

P. Rutkauskas, Chairman of the Philatelic Society of Lithuania, discusses undesirable phenomena occuring in philately.

H. Kebeikis describes how he had arranged the collection on cosmos theme.

The articles about the commemorative exhibition in Telsiai, cataloging of Lithuanian cancellations, Lithuanian postcards, steamer post, post parcels on credit, the jubilee of post office Utena.

T. Juras discusses the Lithuanian revenue stamps. The other articles are devoted to the Lithuanian Society of stamp collectors in England, ex-libris of philatelists, a visit to Austrian philatelists and miscellaneous.

PHILATELY IN LITHUANIA - JOURNAL #5 (1991) - ENGLISH SUMMARIES

This issue is dedicated to the theme of Sports in Philately, anticipating the forthcoming Fourth World Lithuanian Games.

Z. Steponavicius points out that popularity of the sports theme in philately arises from the beauty, dynamics, optimism and youthfulness of the sports event. He also describes the evolution of this sort of collecting.

R. Vainora writes about preparation production, quantities and varieties of sports-related stamps issued in Lithuania before World War II.

V. Vaskelis describes the first modern Olympic Games and the related postage stamps.

A. Supronas examines the cancellations, cachets and stickers used in connection with the first modern Olympic Games.

V. Miežanskas surveys the participation of Lithuanian sportsmen in Olympic Games and how this is reflected in philately.

Z. Steponavicius describes the activities of a Lithuanian trans-Atlantic flyer, Steponas Darius, in the field of sports.

R. Vainora lists sports-related covers issued 1964 - 1989 by Lithuania's Ministry of Communications.

P. Kondratenas deals with the sports-related covers issued by the Panevezys branch of the Philatelic Society.

J. Naciunas describes philatelic presentation of the history and techniques of the javelin throw.

R. Draugelis deals with the postage stamps, cancellations and

covers portraying the game of chess.

K. Petrauskas writes about the postal souvenirs issued in 1958 - 60 by the tourist base of Lithuania's Ministry of Education.

S. Panavas and G. Surkus survey the development of aeronautic and balloon posts in Lithuania.

R. Vainora examines cancellations with a sports theme used in Lithuanian territory.

Information Section includes data about the 1978 Toronto covers commemorating the First World Lithuanian Games; the Latvian olympic machine cancel of 1939 - 40; the awards earned in Philatelic exhibitions.

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Klaipeda-Memel Postage Stamp Album

All German, French and Lithuanian issues loose leaf heavy stock about 40 illustrated pages Postpaid \$12.50.

Lithuanian Postage Stamp Album

For local issues, souvenir stamps and occupation stamps 3 ring loose leaf, heavy stock over 50 pages. Contains Lithuanian stamps overprinted by other countries. Displaced persons camp issues with souvenir sheets, cinderellas. There are no Scott numbered stamps. Postpaid \$15.00.

Commemorative Envelopes

The LPSNY for the first time since 1964, has had printed an LPSNY cachet on a number 11 envelope. In commemoration of the restoration of Lithuania's independence the LPSNY had about 500 of these covers cancelled with the special U.S. Postal Service cancellation produced for Lithpex XXIII; 1/3 dated October 26, 1990, 1/3 dated October 27, 1990, and 1/3 dated October 28, 1990. Set of 3 dates \$3.00 postpaid. Individual covers \$1.25 each postpaid (your choice of date(s)).

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Bulletin #'s 1-158 - \$2.50 each postpaid.

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GEORGE B. LINDBERG



We are privileged to have as one of our long time members, George B. Lindberg of Stockholm, Sweden. In honor of his upcoming 85th birthday on April 2, 1992, we received the following short chronology of his philatelic life which we reprint below with our best philatelic congratulations and wishes.

1907 - George B. Lindberg was born in Harnosand in Northern Sweden on April 2nd.

1914/15 - He started collecting stamps.

1917 - He got his first album for stamps from his father. It was a Schaubek album for the whole of Europe. His father had bought it from the publisher in Leipzig.

1923 - He bought his first stamp catalogue, a used Senf covering the whole world. It was only 2.53 cm thick only.

1939 - Until the beginning of World War II he collected the whole of Europe cancelled, according to a catalogue. He had many countries almost complete.

1946/47 - It turned out to be impossible to go on this way. First, too many stamps had been issued during the war and, second, many post administrations tended to issue more and more stamps.

1948/49 - He started a specialized collection of the Baltic countries - Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Ever since he has been strongly interested in these countries and his collections have become enormous - in total about 6000 album sheets.

1952 - He became a member of the board of management of the Swedish Philatelic Society.

1959 - He participated for the first time in a FIP exhibition - the INTERPOSTA 59 in Hamburg. His exhibit - Lettland Independent - was awarded a silver medal with prize of honor.

1960-1978 - He was a Swedish commissioner at all FIP exhibitions.

1964 - He was, for the first time, ordinary delegate at a FIP congress.

1972-1983 - He was president of the Swedish Philatelic Society.

1974 - He was president and chairman of the world exhibition STOCKHOLMIA 74.

1980 - He was elected as one of the vice presidents of the FIP at the FIP congress in Essen.

1986 - He was president of the second world exhibition - STOCKHOLMIA 86 - of the Swedish Philatelic Society under the patronage of the FIP.

1990 - At the FIP congress in London he was awarded the FIP medal of merit for his contributions. At the same time he was appointed honorary member of the FIP.

During the years George B. Lindberg has been awarded high or even the highest distinctions by not less than nine national associations. Further, he has been elected honorary member in many of these associations and honorary president in the Swedish Philatelic Society.

However, he says that if he had known in advance what he was about to enter, he would never have started building up a specialized collection of these countries. He thought that these countries were finished after the end of their period of independence, but this was not the case. All the countries had their postal history, not just backwards but also in the future:

Until 1710 - The Swedish period with pre-philately and official post.

1710-1857 - The Russian period with pre-philately and cancellations, which grew commoner during this period.

1857-1914 - The Russian period with pre-philately and stamps.

1914-1918/19 - First German occupation - Eastern Command (Ober-Ost).

1918/19-1940 - Independent states with own stamps.

1940-1941 - First Soviet occupation.

1941-1945 - Second German occupation.

1945-1991 - Second Soviet occupation.

In fact, a comprehensive field for a collector with many periods with lots of mixed frankings and frankings typical of the period, as well. Add to this the study of cancellations, where, when and how they were used for the different issues existing.

THE MARKET VALUE OF THE NEW LITHUANIAN STAMPS

by Andrew Cronin

The comparison in the last LPSNY Bulletin of current retail prices in the U.S. for the new stamps issued since 1990 as against an exchange rate of 40 rubles to the U.S. dollar is misleading.

First of all, the current free market rate as of January 1992 is 200 rubles to the U.S. dollar. If we assume that the average salary in Lithuania is now 600 rubles per month, that means that people there are earning \$3.00 a month, which is obviously ridiculous.

In other words, there is a huge gap between the external value of the ruble and its purchasing power within all the Baltic republics. We have to bear in mind that none of them has any control over its money supply, but that will change drastically when the new "litas" currency is introduced into Lithuania in the first quarter of this year.

Prices should then stabilize at realistic levels and Lithuanian philatelists here will see that their sheet material will be worth much more than the face values in the original ruble currency would indicate. In the meantime, they should study the material for plate varieties and markings, forgeries and also usages, mixed frankings etc. There is a fascinating and rewarding new field of study now opening up here!

Ed Note: Your editor was in Lithuania in February, 1992 during which time the exchange rate was 125 - 135 rubles to the dollar. In my opinion both A. Cronin and A. Kapochunas make good points. There is a huge gap between the external value of the ruble and its purchasing power in Lithuania. But, and I wish it were otherwise (and we could fill the pages of many Bulletins on this subject) the truth is that when translated to American money, people in Lithuania today earn very little - yes, some have to live on what translates to \$3.00 US a month, which means they can't buy Western goods or medicines - and the stamps and envelopes that are sold in the post offices to the public sell for the equivalent in US dollars of fractions of a cent to a few cents.

The new regular and commemorative stamp issues that were the subject of the comparison in Bulletin #160 are not available in the post offices I visited, but were available privately in ample quantities. All were for more than face, but in line with Kapochunas' article, at far less and a small fraction (i.e. full sheets of the first postage stamps (1990) #s 1 - 4 for 500 rubles or approximately \$4.00) of the prices in the West.

Prices of the new regular and commemorative issues (Note: I am dealing here, as did Kapochunas, only with the regular and commemorative stamps and not with proofs, essays, errors and makalatura) in both Lithuania and the West no doubt will stabilize, at prices higher than their market selling price in Lithuania today, but in my opinion, sadly for many in the West, at less than the selling prices listed in the Kapochunas article.

Finally, members who read the Cronin article with regard to varieties (which includes proofs, essays, errors and makalatura) covers, forgeries, etc. get excellent advice; for a fascinating and rewarding new field of study has opened up.

MICHEL ORPHANS, AN UPDATE

by Andrew Kapochunas

Following, please find some corrections on my article on Michel orphans. Vytautas Valantinas went over some mistakes I made in interpreting the Baltia Catalog perforation notations, and there were some simple typos in the article as transcribed.

- a) The Surcharged Issue should have been printed as #116, as in my manuscript, not #166, as printed.
- b) The Basanavicius issue was #275U, as in my manuscript, not #257, as printed.
- c) Baltia does not mention an imperforate on #134U, the DeJure issue, but an imperforate-between pair.
- d) My second mistake was saying Baltia notes an imperforate #275, Basanavicius issue. I again misread the notation, which actually indicates an imperforate-between pair.

If any member knows the current address of longtime LPSNY member Josef Kuderewicz, would they kindly write the Secretary or the Editor.

POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC OF LITHANIA, PART III

by Andrew Kapochunas

16th Issue:
December 20, 1991

Vytis

Designed by V. Skabeikene. Perf. 14, gummed white unwatermarked paper, in sheets of 100, by Wertpapierdruckerei Leipzig.

- 35: 40 Gray
Printing: 20,000,000
- 36: 50 Violet
- 37: 100 Moss Green
- 38: 500 Dark Blue



Wertpapierdruckerei Leipzig III 18 185



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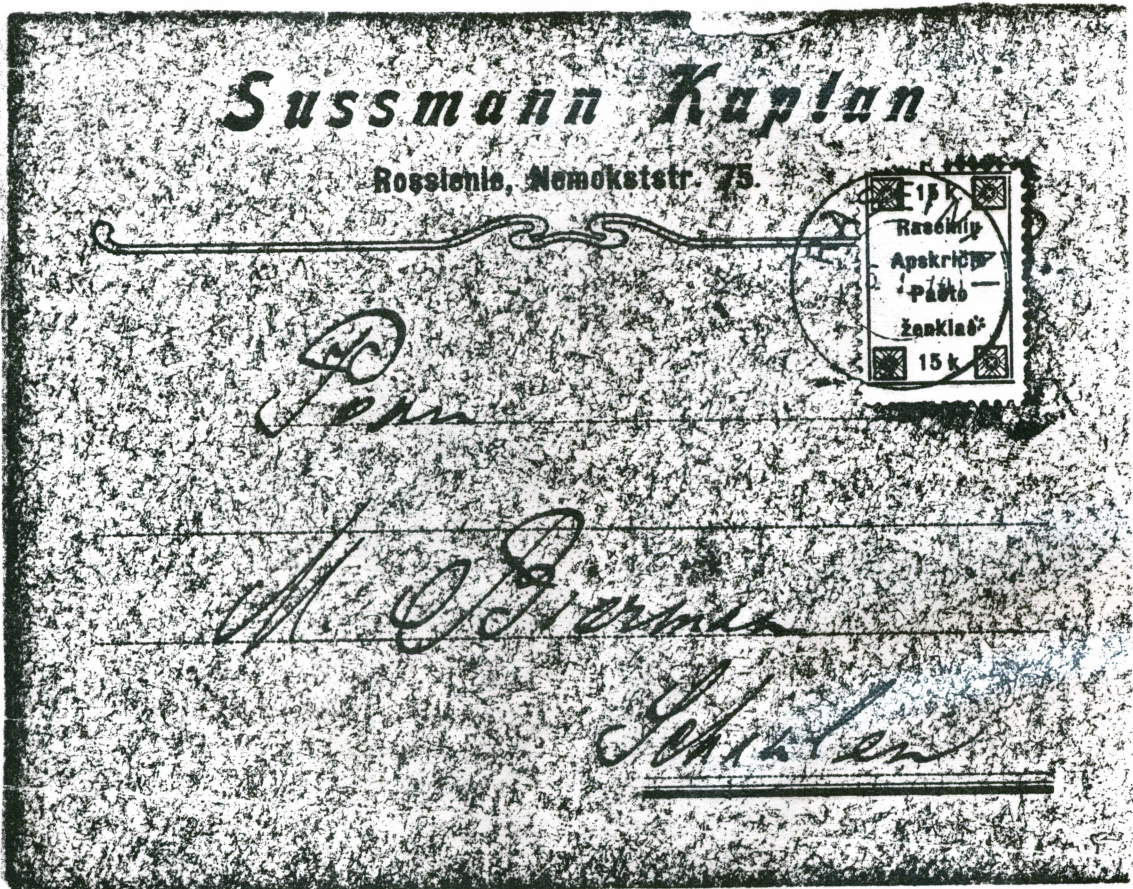


Wertpapierdruckerei Leipzig III 18 185

RECENTLY ACQUIRED

Acquired by purchase from dealer at philatelic exhibition for about \$125.00

This issues cover was sent by Sussman Kaplan, Nemostrasse 75, Rossienie, to a Mr. M. Bierman in Schaulen. The cover is franked with the 15k Raseiniai local and is cancelled 15.1.19 with the double ringed Raseiniai *a*. The photocopy your Editor received (of only the front side) was sent for examination to LPSNY member and expert, Vytautas Valantinas, whose letter of response is reproduced on the top of page 9118.



In the Milvydas (Lithuania) study, this cancellation type is mentioned as the official Raseiniai Post Office cancellation. Milvydas gives 2.II.19 as the earliest known usage. I have one stamp with 3.II.19 cancellation. All other cancellations - red, orange, violet and blue, according to Milvydas are private in nature - and I agree on this point with Mr. Milvydas.

In this case, it is possibly the earliest known usage of this type cancellation. The stamp must be first printing because the second printing is known in usage after and on 1.II.19.

In my opinion this stamp is first printing fourth position, although it is impossible to be sure as I am looking at a photocopy. I don't think the APS (who the sender wrote he was sending the cover for expertization) can give any better information.

Best wishes

V. Valantinas

FROM THE SECRETARY

Kindly make sure all checks for dues and for the purchase of back Bulletins etc. are made payable to Vincent W. Alones and not to the LPSNY or Lithuanian Philatelic Society of New York from now on.

Also, a membership card was made and is included with this Bulletin. The card tells you the year or years for which our records show you are paid up. If there is any discrepancy, (and we are not infallible) kindly let me know promptly at my address on page 9102.

Finally, when and if you move, kindly advise me promptly so you can receive your Bulletin directly and I can avoid the extra time and expense to the Society.

SCOTTS 1992 CENTRAL LITHUANIA

Cat. No.	Mint		Used	
	1992	1991	1992	1991
1-6	1.00	1.00	2.28	2.28
13-22	542.50	542.50	592.50	592.50
23-28	2.93	2.87	4.60	4.60
35-42	2.87	2.87	4.10	4.10
53-58	17.25	17.25	19.25	19.25
B1-6	4.20	3.60	6.00	5.50
B13-19	5.25	5.25	5.75	5.75
J1-6	3.80	3.80	5.40	5.40
17a	125.00	125.00		
17b	125.00	125.00		
18a	125.00	125.00		
18b	125.00	125.00		
19a	125.00	125.00		
19b	125.00	125.00		

SCOTTS 1992 LITHUANIA

Cat No.	Mint		Used	
	1992	1991	1992	1991
1-2	150.00	150.00	90.00	90.00
3-8	93.00	88.00	68.50	68.50
9-12	24.00	24.00	14.00	14.00
13-19	17.50	17.50	9.50	9.50
20-26	10.50	10.50	9.00	9.00
30a,31a,33a	34.50	34.50	20.25	20.25
30-39	3.50	3.00	2.46	2.46
40-49	2.07	2.07	1.73	1.73
50-60	1.00	1.04	.95	.94
70-80	16.50	16.50	13.75	13.75
81-91	7.90	7.90	8.02	8.02
92-92d	212.50	187.50		
93-96	7.50	7.50	4.75	4.75
97-113	9.32	8.45	14.52	12.40
114-115	.75	.75	.53	.52
116-119c	5.85	5.85	5.85	5.85
120-122	157.50	157.50	157.50	157.50
123-134	4.05	4.05	5.15	5.15
136-160	18.21	18.08	18.14	17.67
165-173	30.25	30.25	1.85	1.87
176-188	30.55	30.55	37.25	37.25
189-193	12.00	12.00	.20	.20
196-204	17.65	17.65	1.38	1.21
207-209	186.00	186.00	180.50	180.12
210-215	8.25	8.25	.48	.48
216-217	32.50	28.50	12.50	12.50
219-222	4.40	3.90	2.51	2.51
223-225	7.65	7.65	1.40	1.37
226-232	4.32	4.32	2.65	2.65
233-240	19.50	19.50	.52	.53
242-255	49.02	45.02	32.55	32.01
256-263	8.38	8.38	10.78	9.33
264-271	8.41	8.41	10.06	9.36
272-277b	7.78	7.78	10.72	8.98
277c-k	7.80	7.80	10.74	9.00
278-282	61.25	61.25	6.55	6.55
283-285	14.00	14.00	.36	.37
286-295	23.62	20.62	2.05	2.06
296-297	.33	.30	.18	.18
298-300	16.00	16.00	.30	.30
301-305	2.45	2.09	.45	.45
306-309	2.60	2.04	1.50	1.50
309A	5.50	5.50	11.00	10.00
309B	16.00	15.00	19.00	17.50
310-313	3.15	2.90	3.40	3.00
314-316	1.50	1.50	.80	.80
316A	3.00	3.00	6.00	4.75
317-322	.42	.42	1.00	.95

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Cat. No.	Mint		Used	
	1992	1991	1992	1991
B1-B15	73.35	73.35	73.35	73.35
B16-B29	88.57	86.07	88.57	86.07
B30-B42	89.20	84.20	89.20	84.20
B43-B46	11.75	11.75	10.75	10.75
B47-B50	27.75	25.50	27.75	25.50
B52-B54	11.25	11.25	10.00	10.00
CB1-CB4	23.00	22.00	27.00	27.00
C1-C7	6.55	6.55	5.50	5.50
C8-C14	5.20	5.20	7.70	7.70
C15-C17	3.10	3.10	3.60	3.60
C18-C20	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10
C21-31	20.90	20.90	23.45	23.45
C32-C35	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00
C36	N	N	N	N
C37-C39	2.80	2.80	2.10	2.10
C40-C46	4.48	4.33	2.96	2.86
C47-C54	7.73	7.18	9.19	8.39
C55-C62	7.55	7.55	9.10	8.65
C63-C70	7.30	7.30	9.19	8.49
C71-C78	7.31	6.91	8.50	8.00
C79-C84	3.03	2.53	1.75	1.77
C85-C87	3.00	2.80	2.40	1.75
N = No longer listed in Scotts catalogue				
L1-L8	210.50	210.50	192.00	142.00
1N1-1N12	17.75	17.22	10.23	9.67
2N9-2N16	4.50	4.50	5.27	5.27
10a	37.50	37.50	37.50	37.50
15a	45.00	45.00	40.	40.00
80a	50.00	50.00	62.50	62.50
81a	6.00	6.00		
117c	42.50	42.50		
119a	17.00	17.00		
151a	10.00	10.00		
152a	5.00	5.00		
156a	12.50	12.50		
157a	5.00	5.00		
190a	20.00	20.00		
191a	20.00	20.00		
237a	4.50	4.50		
C5a	12.50	12.50		
C11a	14.00	14.00		
C26a	115.00	115.00		
C27a	15.00	15.00		
C30a	15.00	15.00		
C3a	N	N		

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	1992	1991	1992	1991
1-17	30.06	29.94	60.34	60.34
18-29	11.28	10.93	15.56	15.56
30-33	37.65	37.62	57.03	57.03
39-42	5.35	5.35	10.40	10.40
43-49	1.66	1.66	2.38	2.38
50-92	19.38	18.47	40.56	40.56
93-96	2.45	2.45	4.50	4.50
97-99	1.90	1.90	2.60	2.60
C1-7	36.95	36.95	70.00	70.00
C8-19	84.80	84.80	412.70	412.70
C20-29	5.50	5.50	25.00	25.00
N1-6	4.10	4.10	8.00	8.00
N7-11	2.10	2.10	3.85	3.85
N12-17	3.45	3.45	8.00	8.00
N18-27	7.51	7.51	47.94	47.94
N28-30	8.25	8.25	15.00	15.00
N31-43	26.00	26.00	78.00	78.00
N44-50	20.50	20.50	34.50	34.50
N51-59	25.95	25.95	38.25	38.25
N60-69	126.00	126.00	616.75	616.75
N70-82	40.25	40.25	76.25	76.25
N83-86	295.00	295.00	4000.00	4000.00
N87-90	47.25	47.25	130.00	130.00
N91-105	34.25	34.25	141.50	141.50
N106-114	92.95	92.95	662.50	662.50
31a	50.00	50.00	125.00	125.00
C5a	200.00	200.00	240.00	240.00
N1a	5.00	5.00	12.50	12.50
N12a	22.50	22.50	50.00	50.00

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