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GUEST EDITORIAL: THE POSTAGE STAMP SPEAKS AN UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE Pope John Paul II

Your interest is directed to an exceptional expression of art- that of the postage stamp, which in itself, is an elegant and significant for of an universal language. The stamp, in fact, does not limit itself to functional objects, but tends to the superlative expression of figurative beauty. What is more, it assumes a particular cultural interest when it reproduces and illustrates monuments, famous works, subjects from the world of nature; or when, it commemorates historical events and personages, whether of universal culture or of the various national heritages.

Stamp collecting, thus, becomes in its own particularly expressive form- an occasion for effective information, of education and dialogue. How many messages beneficial to the common good, to the interests of the community or how much useful information can be sent every day to all parts of the world by a single postage stamp or by the design; and by its concise and effective phrase on a special commemorative seal!

One may well submit that the important mission of peace is implied in this simple and unassuming instrument of communication with the daily use of the postal service.

I welcome this occasion to express my sincere good wishes that the continued contribution of the philatelic community might contribute to the building of that knowledge, friendship and accord to which the common and universale desire for concord and peace aspire.

Your activity as philatelists involves naturally an aspect of chosen leisure, with all that it entails in terms of dedicated interest, attention, knowledge, and also economic influences. You understand that it is not my task to dwell on this aspect.

The primary object of your attention consists in all that makes of writing- from the most personal to the most official, a message entrusted to a public postal service. Do we not have a kind of symbol in the very fact that the letter is, as it were, completed by a seal or a stamp which shows the place and country from which it has been sent?

When a person communicates with another, his message is, in a sense, integrated into the immense network of human relationships by the public service that not only inscribes the place and date on the document, but affixes, as well, with the stamp, an illustration that in some way expresses the spirit of a nation.

Beginning with this very simple observation, one readily realizes the richness of the points of view that inspire all philatelists: To collect and examine the innumerable forms that postage stamps assume over the years, amounts to viewing the many aspects of the life and memory of the various nations and their inter-relationships.

Stamps recall the moments of history, past or contemporary: They bring to light distinguished persons of each nation; They make present, in a vivid way, events singled out for celebration; They portray, symbolically, the representative elements of the natural, artistic, scientific and cultural heritage; where human societies recognize the best of themselves. And you are well aware of the fact that religious convictions often leave their mark on history, civilization or art, and produce outstanding personalities. There, they are very fittingly portrayed on the postage stamps of numerous countries.

To you, who are informed regarding all the richness that philately implies, and who make it possible for your many friends and for young people to discover them, I express the sincere wish that you be able to help those who share your interest to become aware of all that the object of their collecting interest represents: To enlarge their outlook on the multiple significance of impersonal exchanges, the impression that each country gives of itself, a history always in the process of formation and fundamental values. May you thus be Builders of Brotherhood and of Peace.

LPSNY CLUB NOTES - VOX POP POTPOURRI - BAL TIC PHILATELIC ACTIVITY

ROMAS VIESULAS, Professor of Printmaking at the Temple University Tyler School of Art, died of a heart attack in Rome, Italy. He was 68 years old, and one of the Nation's leading designers and Print-Makers. Viesulas has been teaching at the Temple Rome Campus since July 1985 and was the Director of the Program until last July. Viesulas began teaching at Tyler in 1960 when he founded the Print-Making Program. He had been Chairman of the Department for 20 years. He was proudest for having been selected by the Vatican in 1984 to design a Postage Stamp to commemorate the Fifth Century of the Death of St. Casimir, the Patron Saint of his native Lithuania.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to LPSNYer ARNOLD ENGEL of Philadelphia for having been awarded a GOLD at FLOREX '86 plus the APS Post 1940 Medal of Excellence for his Exhibit of "German Censorship, A Study of Germany's Censor Office in Konigsberg, 1939-1944."

LPSNYer FRED W. BAUMGARTNER was the Tower Stamp Club of Chicago, Ill. GRAND AWARD Winner with his Exhibit of Lithuania entitled "The Postal History during the Russian First Occupation of Lithuania at COMPEX '86 held August 29/31, 1986 in Chicago, Illinois.

LPSNYer GEORGE B. LINDBERG sent us a Card from the USSR-FINLANDIA Philatelic Exhibition held in Vilnius, April 18-26, 1987 which merited a Special Commemorative Cancel for the affair.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to LPSNYer Dr. MIET A. KAMIENSKI OF Scarborough, Ont. Canada for his having been awarded a VERMIL by STAMPSHOW '86 sponsored by the American Philatelic Society in Washington, D.C. August 21-24, 1986 for his Exhibit: "POLAND, 1730-1923".

The Jury for CAPEX '87, the International Philatelic Exhibition being held June 13-21, 1987 in Toronto, Ont. Canada has announced that LPSNYer ANDREW CRONIN of Canada and LPSNYer F. LEMOS da SILVEIRA of Portugal have been included in their Panels of Jurors.

LPSNYer FRANK J. MISKIS tells us that each year at the February 1st Lithuanian Independence Day Exercises in Pittsburgh, Pa. he displays his collection of Lithuanian Postage Stamps which Exhibit draws considerable interest- not only from our own Lithuanians, but also from the Guest Speakers- this year - Congressman Coyne.

The Polish Prisoner of War Study Group is being reactivated according to an announcement from the group. Polish P.O.W.s Interned in Lithuania in 1939, is one of the phases of their studies. Former members and other collectors interested in this area of the hobby are invited to contact Membership Secretary Wally Pawlowski, at 512 Evergreen St. #214, Inglewood, Calif. 90302

LPSNYer BOHDAN O. PAUK of Chicago, Ill. had published in LINN'S in the Readers Opinion Section a rebuttal article amplifying the details of a World War I Issue from the City of Luboml, in Poland, and the activity of the German 10th Army in the area.

NEW MEMBERS

#488	Robert T. Luddy	Greenbelt, Md.
#489	Vesma Grinfelds	San Francisco, Calif.
#490	Loris Fogli	Cinisello, Italy
#491	Thomas Lobbering	Bruxelles, Belgium
#492	Ronald Goldberg	Manchester, N.H.

Lithuanians throughout the Free World have joined with the Bishops of Lithuania proclaiming 1985 - The Year of the Good News; 1986 - The Year of the Living Faith; and 1987 - The Jubilee Year of the Living Spirit commemorating the 600 Anniversary of Lithuania's Christianity - A Renewal of the Baptismal Commitment as a Nation. Planned for the Jubilee are a Popular History of Catholic Lithuania, A Historical Study edited by Vytautas Vardys, Ph.D., Souvenir Medals in Bronze, Silver Plate and Gold Plate, as well as a Vatican Commemorative Postage Stamp.

LPSNYer ARNOLD ENGEL had published in the February 1987 Issue of the "AirPost Journal" an article which documents the Subject of the Graf Zeppelin Pictorial Cachets.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to LPSNYer CHRIS KULPINSKI for having been awarded a SILVER by SEPAD '86 held in Philadelphia, Pa. September 12-14 1986 for his Exhibit of "POLISH FORCES in RUSSIA".

CONGRATULATIONS to LPSNYer FRED W. BAUMGARTNER of Chicago, Ill. for his having been inducted into COMPLEX's RED SUSPENDER CLUB during its Exhibition held August 29-31, 1986 in Chicago, Ill. COMPLEX is unique in that unlike other large stamp shows in the United States, COMPLEX keeps its Exhibition phase wholly divided so that each member club fills its own allotted frames.

LPSNYer Dr. MIET KAMIENSKI of Scarborough, Ont. Canada currently teaches a Course: "Pleasure and Profit in Philately" at the George Brown University, St. James Campus in Toronto, Ontario. It consists of a Course of Eight Two-Hour Lectures of Slides, Films and demonstrations.

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At CHICAGOPEX '86, a BRONZE was awarded to VITO S. LUKOSEVICIUS of Chicago, Ill. for his Exhibit of: "Personal Official Correspondence Covers from Heads of State & Heads of Governments Around the World."

At SEPAD '86, held Sept. 12-14, 1986, The LOCAL MERIT AWARD for OUTSTANDING SERVICE to PHILATELY was Awarded to LPSNYer ARNOLD ENGEL. He now joins the other SEPAD Local Merit Award Winner - Your Editor WALTER E. NOROTN

At FLOREX '86, LPSNYer ADOLPH LELL of Lauderhill, Florida was awarded a SILVER for his Exhibit of "War for Independence - FieldPost 1918-1920"

YOUR EDITOR - WALTER E. NORTON, has inaugurated a Series of Philatelic talks at the Monthly Meetings of the Frankford Arsenal Stamp Club. His Subjects were:

February	1987	- Baltic Zeppelin Flight
March	1987	- Memelland Anschluss, Repatriation.
April	1987	- Estonian Fair Commemorative Cancels
May	1987	- Ostland
June	1987	- Postgebiet Ob. Ost.

TORONTO LITHUANIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

LITH EX VIII 8th ANNUAL EXHIBIT
Lithuanian Community House, 1573 Bloor St. West, Toronto, Ont. Canada

THE NATIONAL EXHIBITS

NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

Exhibit #1 - Frames 1-2 W.E. Norton, USA
LITHUANIAN BERLIN ISSUE? Imperforate Sheets of 100

Exhibit #2 - Frames 3 - 15 W.E. Norton, USA
MEMELLAND ANSCHLUSS - Repatriation of Memel District from
Lithuania to Germany. Provisional Postal Measures observed
used by the New German Postal Administration during
the Postal Transition Period: Mar. 22, 1939 - May 1, 1939

PROVISIONAL USE of LITHUANIAN POSTAGE STAMPS: Mar. 22-31, 1939

1. Prov. Use of Lithuanian Postal Town Cancells
2. Prov. Use of Resurrected Old MEMELGEBIET Cancells.
3. Prov. Use of New Boxed German Town Name Cancells

PROV. USE of SEMI-OFFICIAL Overprinted Lithuanian Stamps
4. Memel Issue: Cvptd Lithuanian XX Independence Issue

PREPARED but NOT VALIDATED CVPTD LITHUANIAN Stamp Issues

5. HEYDEKRUG Cvpts on KNIGHTS CROSS Issue
6. UNKNOWN Cvpts on SMETONA Definitive Issue

USE of CURRENT GERMAN POSTAL ISSUES from March 22, 1939

7. Prov. Use of Lithuanian Town Postal Cancells
8. Lithuanian & New German Boxed Town Name Cancells
9. Lithuanian & Resurrected Old MEMELGEBIET Cancells
10. Resurrected Old MEMELGEBIET Town Cancells
11. Resurrected & New Boxed German Town Name Cancells
12. New German Boxed Town Name Cancells.
13. New Boxed German Town Name Cancells & New Definitive

Exhibit #4 - First Lithuanian Provisional Postage Stamps
Frames #19 - #33 P. Barbatavicius Toronto

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS - LITHUANIA

Exhibit #3 - Frames #79-#85 SILVER AWARD A. Ruzgas, USA
Commercial Lithuanian Covers

Exhibit #5 - Frames #34 - #38 VERMEIL AWARD A. Kudirka, USA
A Study of the First Lithuanian Bi-Colored Postage Stamp
Raseiniu District, 15 kop. Postage Stamp Issue.

Exhibit #6 - Frames #39 - #46 SILVER-BRONZE AWARD S. Vaivada, Toronto
Stamps of the Klaipeda-Memel District

Exhibit #7 - Frames #47 - #56 GRAND AWARD N. Petterson, Toronto
Lithuanian Air Mail Issues

LITHPEX VIII - COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS: REST of the WORLD

Exhibit #8 - Frames #57 - #60 BRONZE AWARD J. Adomenas, USA
Trips of Pope John Paul II Around the World, 1984-1985

Exhibit #9 - Frames #61 - #75 SILVER-BRONZE AWARD J. Laurinaitis On
Queen Elizabeth on the Postage Stamps of Australia

Exhibit #10 - Frames #76 - #78 HONORABLE MENTION A. Dilkus, Toronto
United Nations

Exhibit #11 - Frames #86 - #100 SILVER AWARD A. Supronas, Toronto
History of Mail Delivery of Postage Stamps.

Exhibit #12 - Frames #101 - #112 SILVER-BRONZE AWARD S. Vaivada, Toronto
In Memoriam - J.F. Kennedy

Exhibit #13 - Frames #113 - #117 GOLD AWARD J. Augustinius, USA
Lithuanian Medals, Ancient Coins & Paper Money & Coin.

PANEL of JUDGES: W.E. Norton, Chairman
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Dr.M.Kamieniski
H. Maeste

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P. Barbatavicius
A. Dilkus
B. Trinkas
K. Kaminskas

THE PHILATELISTS' PSALM

Stamp Collecting is my Hobby, I shall not be bored
It maketh me to do research on far away places
It causeth me to correspond with some odd people
It keepeth me alert.

It leadeth me into areas of understanding for curiosity's sake
Yea, though I live through a winter's inclement weather
I will fear no boredom, for my stamps are with me
Their beauth and their history doth intrigue me.

They provideth me with a means of escaping tensions and responsibility
They filleth my house with books
My cash runneth lower
Surely, Interest and Knowledge shall follow me all the days of my life

And, I will be listed in the ranks of philatelists, forever. Amen.

GRAND AWARD EXHIBIT of N. PEDDERSON, Toronto Ten Frames
The Best in the Show - LITHUANIAN AIR MAIL ISSUES

Frame # 47-

Page 1 - Title Page

Page 2 - Scott Nos. C1 - C7, Mint Singles of First Air Issue

Page 3 - C1, 20sk. Offset Print, Mint Single
- C3, 60sk. Imperforate Used Single
- C3, 60sk. Broken "O" in "ORO" Variety
- C6, 2auk. Creased Paper Variety

Page 4 - C6, 2auk. Gutter Pair
- C7, 5auk. Gutter Pair
- C7, 5auk. Fantail Left
- C7, 5auk. Stamp with Extra Large Margin Right.

Page 5 - C1, 20sk. White Blot over "T" of LIETUVA
- C2, 40sk. Fantail Right
- C3, 60sk. Imperforate Single, Used.
- C4, 80sk. Horizontal Pair, Imperforate Between
- C4, 80sk. Hor. Pair, Imp. Vert. with Perf. Right Margin

Page 6 - Registered Letter Nr. 278 franked with C7 (2)
Sent from TELSIAI *a* 28.VII.21 addressed to Austria.

Frame # 48

Page 1 - C18-C20, Supplementary Air Issue, Mint Singles
- C18-C20, Counterfeit Stamps of this Issue

Page 2 - C8-C14, Angel Issue, Imperforate Proof Pairs
- C9, 40sk. Imp. Proof with Center Offset on Reverse Side

Page 3 - Registered Letter Nr. 3 franked with C10-C13 & #106 (2)
Sent from KAUNAS *d* 13.VII.1922 to Germany
Black/Yellow Air Etiquette Label.

Page 4 - Registered Letter Nr. 100 franked with #11 (2), #114
Sent from KAUNAS *d* 4.VII.1922 to Weimar, Germany
2-Line Königsberg Censor Rubber Stamp
" Mit Luftpost befördert"
Königsberg i. Pr.

Page 5 - C21 - C31 Surcharged Air Issues

Page 6 - C26, 2auk. Mint Block of Nine with No "CENT" Variety

Frame # 49

Page 1 - C27, 25ct./2auk. Inverted Surcharge Variety
- C30, 50ct./10auk. Inverted Surcharge Variety, Block of Four
- C30, 50ct./10auk. Inverted Surcharge, Gutter Block of Four

Page 2 - Registered Letter Nr. 295 franked with #176-#188 Memel Set
Sent from KAUNAS *d* 9.XI.25 to Libau, Latvia
Black / Green Air Mail Etiquette Label

Frame #49, continued.

Page 3 - Registered Letter Nr. 672 franked with C21-C31
Sent from KLAIPEDA *i* 30.7.25 to Tallinn, Estonia
Black / Blue Air Mail Etiquette &
Violet Straight Line "PAR AVION" Rubber Stamped.

Page 4 - C15 - C17 Triangles: Type I, Perf. 11
- C15 - C17 Triangles: Type I, Perf. 11½

Page 5 - C15, 1auk. with Wide Right Margin
- C17, 5auk. Yellow Arc Variety.
- C17, 5auk. Printed on Both Sides Variety
- C15, 1auk. Fantail Bottom Selvage
- C17, 5auk. Fantail Bottom Selvage, Yellow Arc Variety

Page 6 - Registered Letter Nr. 14 franked with C15 - C20
Sent from KAUNAS * * 22.8.22 to Leipzig, Germany
BERLIN C2 Receiving BackStamp
2-Line LEIPZIG Air Receiving Rubber Stamped Cachet.
Addressed to Borek

Frame #50

Page 1 - C32 - C35, Buracius Design: Lower Left Margin Singles.

Page 2 - C32 - C35, Imperforate Pr of Singles, RoseRed Color

Page 3 - C32, 20ct. Imperforate Small Size Essay Singles
Yellow, Brown, Rose, SlateBlue, GrayGreen

Page 4 - C33, 40ct. Horizontal Pair, Imperforate Between
- C33, 40ct. Fantail Bottom Margin
- C33, 40ct. Fantail Top Margin
- C33, 40ct. Vertical Pair, Imperforate Between
- C34, 60ct. MisPerforated Right Side

Page 5 - Registered Letter Nr. 818, franked with C32 - C35
Sent from KAUNAS ORO PASTAS 2.5.27 Cancel to Braunschweig
Black / Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label
2-Line Red Boxed "Mit Luftpost befördert" Rubber Stamped

Page 6 - Registered Letter Nr. 386 franked with C32-C35
Sent from KLAIPEDA *e* 10.VII.24 to Forst, Germany
2-Line Red Boxed "Mit Luftpost befördert/Königsberg i Pr."

Frame #51

Page 1 - CB1 - CB5

Page 2 - Air Mail Letter franked with CB1 - CB4
Sent from KAUNAS *L* 11.IX.25 to Lang in Libau, Latvia
Black/Blue Air Mail Etiquette Label

Page 3 - Air Mail Essays: LPS Nrs. EC39b & EC39c, EC39 & EC39a

Page 4 - Air Mail Essays: LPS Nrs. EC36b, EC36c, EC36f(2), EC36g

Page 5 - C37-C39, Vertical Pairs with Very Long Bottom Selvages.

Page 6 - C39, 60ct. Varieties
- "RASTAS" Variety
- "CIETUVA" Variety
- Inverted Center (3) Shifts Left, Right & Down
- Double Paper
- UnWatermarked
- Defective ")" in Upper Right "60"

Frame #52

Page 1 - C37-C39, Vertical Pairs, Imperforate Between

Page 2 - C37-C39, Horizontal Pairs, Imperforate Between

Page 3 - Air Mail Letter franked with C38, C39, & #171
Sent from KAUNAS *h* 22.IX.26 to Moscow
Three-Line Black Cyrillic Receiving Cachet
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 4 - Air Mail Letter franked with C37 - C39
Sent from KAUNAS ORO PASTAS 23.X.26 to Liverpool, England
Two-Line Red Boxed "Mit Luftpost befördert/Briefpostamt Berl
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 5 - C41, 10ct. Varieties.
Center Shifted Down
Rounded Left Shoulder
Frame Offset
Center Offset
Double Center

Page 6 - C42, 15ct. Light Red Frame with Center Shifted to Left
Frame Offset

Frame #53

Page 1 - Registered Letter Nr. 11 franked with C55, C57 & C62
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. *g* 1.XII.32
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 2 - Registered Letter Nr. 912 franked with C65-C69
Sent from KLAIPEDA *e* 12.5.33 to Königsberg, Germany
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 3 - Registered Letter Nr. 889 franked with C63-C65 & C70
Sent from KLAIPEDA *c* 12.5.32
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 4 - Registered Letter Nr. 857 franked with C72, C74, C76, & C78
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. *g* 21.9.33 to the U.S.A.
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label
Backstamped at Berlin and New York.

Page 5 - Air Mail Letter franked with #292
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. 20.X.34 to Birmingham, England.
Black/Blue Air Mail Etiquette Label
Backstamped at BERLIN C2 for Air Mail forwarding.

Page 6 - C79-C84, Darius-Girenas Commemorative Issue, Mint Singles

Frame #54

Page 1 - C43, 20ct. Varieties
Fantail Right
Magenta Color Center
Center Shifted Down - No River Variety

Page 2 - C44, 40ct. Varieties
Center Shifted Down (2)
Double Center
Double Background

Page 3 - C45, 60ct. Varieties
Horizontal Pair, Imperforate Between

Frame #54, cont'd

Page 3 - C46, 1Lt. Varieties

Transposed Heads in Pair with Normal
Double Background, No Planes.

Page 4 - Registered Letter Nr. 719 franked with C40-C44
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. *o* 7.VI.30 to Lorch, Germany
Two-Line "Mit Luftpost befördert/Berlin" Rubber Stamp
Two-Line "Mit Luftpost befördert/Stuttgart" Cachet

Page 5 - Registered Letter Nr. 851 franked with C40-C46
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. *o* 7.VI.30 to Moscow
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label

Page 6 - Second Child Air Issue C55-C62
Counterfeit C56, 10ct.
Counterfeit C62, 2Lt. Block of Four

Frame #55

Page 1 - Darius-Girenas Flight Issue, 20ct. with Green Consular Ovpt

Page 2 - Darius-Girenas Flight Cover, Serial No. 873

Page 3 - Darius-Girenas Registered Flight Cover Nr. 617
Franked with 2Lt. Darius-Girenas Flight Issue Triangle

Page 4 - Vaitkus Flight Cover No. 900 with 40ct. Special Flight Issue

Page 5 - Vaitkus Subscribed One-Way Personal Flight Cover
Addressed to Kaunas, Lithuania.

Page 6 - Vaitkus 40ct. Ovpt. Special Flight Issue, Mint Single.

Frame #56

Page 1 - Registered Letter Nr. 732 franked with C79 & C83
Posted from STONISKIS *A* 6.VI.34 for Swiss Zepp Flight
Flight was voided. BERLIN C2 Air Receiving Cachet
Black/Yellow Air Mail Etiquette Label

Page 2 - Registered Letter Nr. 23 franked with C83 (4) & #290
Sent from KAUNAS CENTR. *G* -4.VIII.36
Routed for 6th Europe-North American Zepellin Flight
In Transit PostMark RHEIN-MAIN 5.8.36
Black/DarkBlue Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 3 - Registered Letter Nr. 623 franked with C82 (3) & #319
Sent via Yankee Clipper from VILNIUS 10 13.9.40 to Chicago

Page 4 - Air Mail Letter franked with B52-B54
Sent from KAUNAS C. Independence Commem Cancel 20.V.39
Addressed to Rotterdam, Holland
Black/DarkBlue Air Mail Etiquette Label.

Page 5 - Registered Letter Nr. 446 franked with B44, B45, B47,
& #300 (2), & #304
Sent from KAUNAS (SANCIAI) *a* 15.VII.33 to Brooklyn, N.Y.
Black/DarkBlue Air Mail Etiquette Label

Page 6 - Registered Letter Nr. 511 franked with C83 & #319
Sent from VILNIUS 10 *b* 14.II.40
Routed for Yankee Clipper Flight to New York, N.Y.

RUSSIAN POST OFFICES in the WILNA DISTRICT - 1858-1916

Harry von Hoffman

Ser-vice	RUSSIAN TOWN NAME	Lithuanian	District	Served by	Highway	Rail Line	Year
LALS	ALEKSANDROVSKOE V.P.	ALEKSANDROWO	Svenčiony	Mikališki			1913
LALS	ALEKSENSKI LAGER	?	Svenčiony			3-4	1911
RSta	ALECHNOVICH	?			Minsk-Molodechno	45-46	1911
RSta	ANESTASEVSKAJA	PAVILNYS			Wilna-Kaisiadorys	5-6	1911
RSta	ARTILLERISKA	?				213-214	1911
Pbr	BAKSHGI	BAKSGY	Ašmena			285-286	1913
RSta	BASTUNI	?			Wilna -Sarny	111-112	1893
RSta	BEZDANI	BEZDONYS			Petrograd-Warsaw	3-4	1911
LALS	BERDOVKA	?			Molodechno-Lida	285-286	1916
RSta	BEREZVECH	?				201-202	1911
PTBr	BIRSHTANI	BIRŠTONAS	Trakai	Jeznas			1881
PTBr	BINJAKONI	BENEKAINYS	Lida		Wilna-Lida		1893
RSta	"	"	"			111-112	
PTBr	BUDSLAV	BUDSLAV	Vileika		Molodechno-Polock		1911
RSta	"	"	"			285-286	
PTBr	BUTRIMANTSI	BUTRIMONYS	Trakai	Alytus			1881
LALS	BISTRITSKOE V.P.	BISTRYCIA	Wilna	Varena			1913
PTBr	BILITSA	BIELICA	Lida	Njeman			1916
LALS	BINITSKOE V.P.	?	Ašmena	Salesje			1913
PTBr	VASILISHKI	VOSYLISKES	Lida			285-286	1881
PTBr	VERKI	VERKIAI	Wilna	Wilna			1881
PTPO	VILEIKA	VILEIKA	Vileika		Molodechno-Polock		1853
RSta	"	"	"			285-286	
PTPO	VILNA	VILNIUS	Vilnius	Vilnius			1858
RSta	"	"	"	"	3-4, 5-6, 45-46	111-112	
LALS	" LAGER	"	"	"			1893
	VILNO	See VILNA					
PTBr	VISHNEV	See VISHNEVO					1911
PTBr	VISHNEVO	VYŠNIAVAS	Ašmena			285-286	1913
RSta	VOIGJANI	?			Molodechno-Lida	285-286	1911
PBr	VOISTOM	VAISTAMAS	Svenčionys	Smorgainys			1881
LALS	VOLKOLATSKOE V.P.	VILKALOTE	Vileika	Dunilovitschi			1913
PTBr	VOLOZHIN	VALAZINAS	Ašmena	Wischnevo			1881
RSta	VOLCHUNI	?			Wilna-Lida	111-112	1913
PTBr	VORNJANI	VARNENAI	Wilna			45-46	1881
PTBr	VORONOV	VARANAVAS	Lida		Wilna-Lida	111-112	1853
	VORONOVSKAJA	See VORONOV					
PTBr	VOROPAEVO	VARAPAVAS	Disna		NovoSvenč-Bereswetsch		1913
RSta	"	"	"			201-202	

Ser- vice	RUSSIAN TOWN NAME	Lithuanian	District	Serviced by	Highway	Rail Line	Year
PTBr PBr	VISLKI-DVOR VJAZNI	AUKSTADVARIS VYZENAI	Trakai Vileika	Rudiskiai Vileika			1881 1916
RSta LALS	GAVJA GAI	GAUJA ?			Molodechno-Lida	285-286 213-214	1911 1913
PTBr PTBr	GANUSHISHKI GEDROIRSI	ONUSKIS GIEDRAICIAI	Ytakai Wilna	Rudiskes Wilna			1881 1881
PBr PTPO	GELVANI GLUBOKOE	GELVONYS GLUBOKAS	Wilna Disna	Sirvintai	201-202	285-286	1916 1881
PTBr RSta PTBr	GODUTISHKI " GOLSHANI	ADUTISKIS " ALSIONYS	Svenčionys " Asmena	Novosvenčionys Bereswetsch Molodetchno-Lida			1881 201-202 285-286 1881
PTBr PTBr	GONUSHISHKI GORODNO GORODOK	See GANUSHISHKI ? GORODOKAS	Lida Vileika	Molodetschno		111-112	1916 1881
RSta PTBr RSta	GUDI GUDOGAI "	GUDENISKES GUDAGAI "	Asmena "	Wilna-Lida NowoVileik-Molodetschno		111-112 45-46	1913 1911
RSta PBr PTBr	DAUCI DEBENISHKI DEREVNO	DAUGAI DIEVENISKES ?	Asmena Asmena	Varena Schemloslaw Stolpzy		213-214	1911 1911 1911
PTPO LALS LALS	DISNA DOBRZHANSKAGO DOKUDOVSKOE V.P.	DYSNA DAUKISKE DAKUDAVA	Disna Lida	Borkow itschi Disa-Borkowitschi NovoVileisk-Molodetschno Njeman		45-46	1858 1913 1916
PTBr PTPO	DOKUTOVSKOE DOLGINOVO DRUJA	See DOKUDOVSKOE DALGINIAI DRUJA	Vileika Disna	Budslaw Pridruisk			1875 1911
LALS LALS PTBr	DUBICHSKOE V.P. DUBOTOVSKOE V.P. DUNILOVSICHI	DUBICIAI ? ?	Lida Svenčionys Vileika	Ostrino Woistom		201-202	1911 1913 1881
PTBr PTBr	EVE EZNO	VIEVIS JEZNAS	Trakai Trakai	Wilna-Kaišedorys Kaišedorys		5-6	1893 1881
PTBr PTBr PTBr	ZHELUDOK ZHEMLOSLAV ZHIZHMORI	ŽALSKAS " ŽIEŽMARIAI	Lida Asmena Trakai			285-286 285-286	1893 1916 1881
PTBr RSta LALS	ZHOSLI " ZHOSNJANSKOE V.P.	ŽASLIAI " ?	Vileika	Wilna-Kaišedorys Dunilowitschi		5-6, 45-46	1893 1913
LALS LALS PBr	ZABLOTISHSKOE V.P. ZABOLOTNCE ZABREZBE	? ? ZABREŽAI	Svenčionys Lida Asmena	Svenčionys Wasilischki Molodetschno-Lida		285-286	1913 1913 1915
RSta LALS	ZAVSI ZADSSKOE V.P.	? ?	Disna	WilnaRSta Glubokeje	Wilna-Virbalis	5-6	1916 1913

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RSta	ZALSE	SALOS	Ašmena	Molodec-Nevo	Wileika	45-46	1893
LALS	ZANAROSKOE V.P.	?	Švenčionys	Spjaglo			1911
RSta	ZJABKI	?		Molodec-Polozk		285-286	
PTBr	IVE	VIJA	Ašmena	Molodec-Lida		285-286	1893
PTBr	IGNALINO	IGNALINA	Švenčionys	Kalkunai-Novo	Švenčionys		1911
RSta	"	"	"			3-4	
LALS	IGUMENOVSKOE V.P.	?	Disma				1916
LALS	IZHSKOE	IZA	Vileika				1916
PTBr	ILIJA	ILIJA	Vileika				1881
LALS	ILINSKOE V.P.	?	Wilna				1913
RSta	KEVNELISHKI	?		NovoŠvenč-Panevežys		201-202	1913
LALS	KEMELISHSKOE V.P.	KIEMELIŠKES	Švenčionys				1913
PBr	KETOVIŠKI	KIETAVIŠKES	Trakai				1916
LALS	KNJAGININSKOE V.P.	?	Vileika				1913
PTBr	KOBLININKI	KAPILNINKAI	Švenčionys				1893
RSta	KOLTINJANI	KIŠTINENAI		NovoŠvenč-Panevežys		201-202	1913
PBr	KOMAI	KAMAJAI	Švenčionys				1881
RSta	KONSTANTINOV-1 ^{OR}	KONSTANTINAVA		NovoŠvenč-Bereswetsch		201-202	1913
LALS	KONJAVSKOE V.P.	?	Lida				1913
PBr	KOSTENEVICH	KASTENAI	Vileika			285-286	1875
PTBr	KOSHEDARI	KAIŠIADORYS	Trakai	Wilna-Virbalis	5-6, 45-46		1875
PTBr	KRAISK	KRAISE	Vileika				1911
PTBr	KRASNOE	KROSNA	Vileika	Molodetschno-Minsk		45-46	1893
PTBr	KREVO	KRIJAVAS	Ašmena			285-286	1881
RSta	KRIVICH	?		Molodetschno-Polozk		285-286	1911
LALS	KRIVICHSKOE V.P.	?	Vileika	Molodetschno-Minsk		45-46	1893
PTBr	KRONI	KRUONIS	Trakai				1913
RSta	KUKUTSIŠKI	KUKTIŠKES		NovoŠvenč-Panevežys		201-202	1913
PTBr	KURENETS	?	Vileika				1911
RSta	KINA		"	Molodechno-Novo	Vileisk	45-46	1911
PTBr	LANDVAROVO	LENTVARIS	Trakai	Wilna-Kaišedorys			1913
RSta	"	"	"		3-4, 5-6, 45-46		
	LANDVOROVO	See LENDVAROVO					
PBr	LEBEDEVO	LEBEDŽIAI	Vileika				1913
LALS	LEBEDSKOE V.P.	?	Lida				1913
PTBr	LEONPOL	LEONPOLIS	Disma	Dunaburg-Potock		7-8	1911
PTPO	LIDA	LYDA	Lida	Wilna-Ba ranowitschi			1911
RSta	"	"	"		111-112	285-286	
PBr	LIPNISHKI	LIPNIŠKES	Ašmena	Molodetschno-Lida		285-286	1915

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RSta	LISTOPAD	?		Molodetschno-Lida	285-286	1911
PTBr	LUZHKI	LUŠKAI	Disna			1875
	LUZHKINSKAJA	See LUŽŲKI				
	LUZHKINSKOE	See LUZHKI				
LALS	LUKISHKI	See VILNO*LUKISHKI				1913
PBr	LUCHAISKOE V.P.	LUCIOJUS	Vileika			1913
	LINGMJANI	LINKMENYS	Švenčionys	NovoŠvend-Panevežys	201-202	1913
PTBr	LINTUPI	LINTUPIS	Švenčionys	NovoŠvend-Bereswetsch		1911
RSta	"	"	"		201-202	
LALS	LJATSKOE V.P.	?	Lida			1913
PTBr	MALJATI	MOLETAI	Wilna			1881
LALS	MANKOVICHSKOE V.P.	MANKONYS	Vileika			1913
PBr	MARTSINKANTSI	MARCINKONYS	Trakai	Varena-Grodno		1911
RSta	"	"	"		3-4	
LALS	MEZHDURCHSKOE V.P.	?				1916
PTBr	MEISHAGOLA	MAIŠIAGALA	Wilna			1891
PBr	MELEJANI	MELEGENAI	Švenčionys			1916
PTBr	MERECH	MERKINE	Trakai			1881
RSta	MINOITI	MENUITA		Lida-Baranowitschi	111-112	1913
PTBr	MIHALISHKI	MIKALIŠKES	Wilna			1893
LALS	MITSKUMSKOE V.P.	MICKUNAI	Wilna			1913
PTBr	MIORI	MERAI	Disna			1913
PTPO	MOLODECHNO	MALEDECINA	Vileika	Minsk-NovoVileisk		1858
RSta	"	"	"	45-46	285-286	
PTBr	MOSARI	MOSARAI	Disna		201-202	1911
LALS	MUSNIKSKOE V.P.	MUSNINKAI	Wilna			1911
LALS	MITLJANSKOE V.P.	MUTAS	Lida			1913
PTBr	MJADEL	MEDALAS	Vileika			1881
LALS	NALIBOKSKOE V.P.	"	Ašmena			1913
PTPO	NOVO-VILEISK	NAUJOJI VILNIA	Wilna	Novo-Švenčionys-Wilna	3-4, 45-46	1911
RSta	NOVODRUTSK	?		NovoŠvend-Bereswetsch	201-202	1911
PTPO	NOVO-SVENTSJANI	ŠVENČIONELIAI	Švenčionys			1893
RSta	"	"	"		3-4, 201-202	
PBr	NOVIE-DABGELISHKI	See NOVIE-DOBGEIISHKI				1916
	NOVIE-DOBGEIISHKI	NAUJASIS DAUGELIŠKIS	Švenčionys			
PTBr	NOVII-POGOST	NAUJASIS PAGUOSTIS	Disna			1913
LALS	NORITSKOE	?	Vileika			1913
LALS	NJELOVO	?		Wilna-Varena	3-4	1913
PTBr	NJEMAN	?	Lida	Lida-Baranowitschi	111-112	1893
PTBr	NJEMENCHIN	NEMENCINE	Wilna		3-4	1911

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PBr	OZERO-VISHNEVSKOE	VYŠNIAVAS	Švenčionys			1916
PTPO	OLITA	ALYTUS	Trakai		213-214	1893
PTBr	OLKENIKI	VALKININKAI	Trakai	Wilna-Varena		1875
RSta	"	"	"	"	3-4	
PTPO	ORANI	VARENA	Trakai	Wilna-Varena-Grodno		1875
RSta	"	"	"	"	3-4, 213-214	
LALS	ORANI LAGER	"	"	"	213-214	
PTBr	OSTRINO	AŠTRINA	Lida			1913
RSta	OSHMJANSKI	AŠMENA	Ašmena	NovoVileisk-Molodetschno	145-146	1913
PTPO	OSHMJANI	AŠMENA	Ašmena	Soly-Ašmena		1858
PBr	PARAFIANOVO	PARAPIJONAVAS	Vileika	Molodetschno-Polotak		1911
RSta	"	"	"	"	285-286	
	PARAFIANOVSKOE See	PARAFIANOVO				
RSta	PATARANTSI	?	Trakai		213-214	1911
PTBr	PLISSA	PLYSA	Disna		285-286	1911
LALS	POVORTANI	PERVALKAS			213-214	1911
LALS	PODBEREZSKOE V.P.	PABERŽE	Wilna			1913
PTBr	PODBRODZE	PABRADE	Švenčionys		3-4	1893
RSta	PODSVILE	?	"	Molodetschno-Polozk	285-286	1911
LALS	POKROVSKOE V.P.	?	Lida			1913
LALS	POLOCHANSKOE V.P.	PALACIONYS	Ašmena	Molodetschno-Lida		1916
RSta	"	"	"	"	285-286	
LALS	PORPLISHSKOE V.P.	?	Vileika			1913
RSta	PORUBANOK	PARUDAMINAS		Wilna-Lida	111-112	1913
PTPO	POSTAVI	PASTOVIS	Disna	NovoŠvenč-Bereswitsch		1881
RSta	"	"	"	"	201-202	
PTBr	PRIVJETKA	?	Trakai	Wilna-Varena-Grodno	213-214	1915
PBr	PROZOROKI	?	Disna		285-286	1911
RSta	PRUDI	?		Molodetschno-Novovileisk	45-46	1911
PTBr	RADOSHKOVICHI	RUDIŠKIAI	Vileika	Minsk-Molodetschno		1858
RSta	"	"	"	"	45-46	
PTBr	RADUN	RODUNE	Lida			1913
Rta	RAZBED See	OSHMJANSKI				
RSta	RAZLOGI	?		NovoŠvenč-Bereswetsch	201-202	1913
	REISLESOVO	?		Wilna-Lida	111-112	1913
LALS	ROZHANKA See	ROZHANKOVSKOE				
PBr	ROZHANKOVSKOE V.P.	ROŽANKA	Lida			1916
	ROMANOV-NIKOLSKOE	?	Disna			1916
PBr	RUDZISHKI	RUDIŠKES	Trakai	Wilna-Varena		1911
RSta	"	"	"	"	3-4	
LALS	RUDOMINSKOE V.P.	RUDAMINA	Wilna			1913
LALS	RUKOINSKOE V.P.	RUKAINIAI	Wilna			1913
LALS	RJESHANSKOE V.P.	RIESE	Wilna			1913

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					District	Highway		
PTBr	SVIR		SVYRIAI		Svenčionys			1881
	SVENTSJANI	See	SVJENTSJANI					1871
	SVENTSJANI	See	"					1828
PTPO	SVJENTSJANI		SVENČIONYS		Svenčionys	Novo-Svenč-Bereswetsch		1911
RSta	"		"		"	"	201-232	
Drop	SVJATOPOLKI-CHETVERT					Lida-Most	285-286	1913
	SELETS	See	NJEMAN					
RSta	SKRIBOVO		?			Lida-Most	285-286	1911
PTPO	SMORGON		SMURGAINYS		Ašmena	Molodecno-NovoVileika		1858
RSta	"		"		"		45-46	
	SOLECHNIKI	See	SOLECHNIKSKE	V.P.				
LALS	SOLECHNIKSKE V.P.		SALČININKELIAI	Wilna				1913
RSta	SOLY		SALOS	Ašmena		Molodetschno-NovoVileisk	45-46	1875
PTBr	SPJAGDO-CHRENSKOE		SPENGLA		Svenčionys			1915
RSta	STARI-DVOR		?			Novo-Svenč-Bereswetsch	201-202	1913
RSta	STASILI		STASYLOS			Wilna-Lida	111-112	1913
PTBr	STOKLISHKI		STAKLIŠKES	Trakai				1913
	SUBBOTNIKI	See	SUBBOTNIKOVSKOE V.P.					
LALS	SUBBOTNIKOVSKOE V.P.		SUBATNINKAI	Ašmena				1913
RSta	SYLGUDISHKI		SALDUTIŠKIS			Novo-Svenč-Panevežys	201-202	1911
LALS	TARNOVSKOE V.P.		?		Lida			1913
PTBr	TRABI		TROBOS		Ašmena		285-286	1911
PTPO	TROKI		TRAKAI	Trakai		Landwarowo-Troki		1858
PBr	TURGELI		TURGELIAI	Wilna				1915
RSta	USHA		USA			Minsk-Molodetschno	45-46	1911
RSta	FILNEROVO		?			Lida-Most	285-286	1915
PTBr	SHARKOVSHIZNA		?		Disna			1881
LALS	SHEMETOVSKOE V.P.		SEMETAVA	Svenčionys				1913
PTBr	SHIRVINTI		ŠIRVINTOS	Wilna				1881
LALS	SHUMSKOE V.P.		ŠUMSKAI	Wilna				1913
PTBr	SHUCHIN		ŠČIUCINAS	Lida		Lida-Most	285-286	1853
PTBr	EISHISHKI		EISIŠKES	Lida				1881
	ETKANI	See	KOSHEDARI					
RSta	JURATISHKI		JUROTISŠKES			Molodetschno-Lida	285-286	1911
LALS	JURATISHSKOE V.P.		JUROTISŠKES	Ašmena				1913
LALS	JAZNENSKOE V.P.		SKAISTIS	Disna				1913
LALS	JANISHSKOE V.P.		JONIŠKIS	Wilna				1913
LALS	JASEVSKOE V.P.		?	Svenčionys				1913
PTBr	JASHUNI		JASIUNAI	Wilna		Wilna-Lida		1913
RSta	"		"	"		"	111-112	

THE "MARIJAMPOLE" TYPE-SET REPRODUCTIONS. (Scott #9-#18) W.E. Norton

The Status of these "MARIJAMPOLE" Type-Set Reproductions of Scott #9-#18 has been in Limbo for the past sixty-eight years with no logical explanations forthcoming which would explain the "whys" and "wherefors" of their existence.

There have been many speculations, allegations and postulations about them, but to date nothing authoritative nor any significant evidence produced to clear the mystery surround these reproductions. Only recently, do we come across with a small piece of the jig-saw puzzle that apparently falls in place and presents a logical explanation for their production.

Questions raised in the past have been: "Why only Scott #9-#18 of the I KAUNAS Type-Set Issue and Scott #13-#18 of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue were prepared?

These Type-Set Reproductions have been dubbed the "MARIJAMPOLE" Reproductions because that was the only cancellation to be found on these Reproductions. (MATIJAMPOLE *a*) The Legality of their existence has never been established! No Cover franked with these MARIJAMPOLE Type-Set Reproduction Postage Stamps has been seen, and for good reason. Why?

LPSNYer JUOZAS ZYGAS of Chicago, Illinois presents the Key Bit of information and evidence that opens the door to the solution of the mystery of the productions of these "MARIJAMPOLE" Type-Set Reproductions.

K. MILVYDAS, the noted Lithuanian Postage Stamp Specialist in Lithuania, in correspondence with Mr. Zygas, prior to his decease, wrote that he had made a contact with a Lithuanian Historian, who in rooting through some old files in the Official Lithuania Archives, came across a significant notation that the Lithuania Peace Delegation - which had been sent to Paris to sit in and participate in on the League of Nations Peace Deliberations as early as January 16, 1919.

This Peace Delegation, subsequently, made requests of the Lithuanian Ministry of Foreign Relations to furnish them with supplies of Lithuanian postage stamps that they could sell in Paris to stamp dealers and thus obtain funds for the maintenance and sustenance.

They had ascertained that Lithuanian postage stamps were in great demand by stamp dealers and collectors. The notation further mentions that several shipments had been made and received.

When the Historian was further asked to identify the dates and the individuals making contact, the Historian could not remember; and, could not subsequently have the time nor could she remember where she could find the information being requested.

As of September 1, 1919, the Lithuanian Encyclopedia lists the Lithuania Paris Peace Delegation as consisting of Eight Prominent Individuals;

A. VOLDEMARAS	President
M. Yčas	Vice-President
T. Narusevičius	Vice-President
P. Klimas	Secretary
E. Galvanauskas	Treasurer
P. Bielskis	Aide
D. Semaška	Member at Large
S. Rosenbaum	Member at Large

With such a prestigious delegation in Paris pursuing Lithuania Independence Recognition measures, there is little doubt that their requests would be ignored.

It would be quite logical to presume that the Minister of Foreign Affairs honored and furthered their request for Lithuanian postage stamps to the Postmaster General for processing and shipment to the Peace Delegation for sale by them to stamp dealers, thus obtaining funds for their maintenance and sustenance.

Since we have no dates of time to go by, we may have to work it out backwards. The first shipment must have been made prior to May 2, 1919- the date of the appearance of the 4th Berlin Postage Stamp Issue at the Post Office windows. Copies of this Issue with a "MARIJAMPOLE *a*" cancel have not been seen, possibly, because this particular cancel seems to have disappeared about this time.

The First Shipment to the Paris Peace Delegation must have been made after March 3, 1919- the date of the issuance of the 2nd Printing of the III KAUNAS Type-Set Issue in the large 160 stamp sheet that contained Scott #19-#26. A few stamps of this Issue have been seen with this "MARIJAMPOLE *a*" cancel as late as April 1919. It can be assumed that a shipment of this III KAUNAS Type-Set Issue was sent to the Peace Delegation in Paris.

The "MARIJAMPOLE *a*" Cancel seems to have disappeared and its use has not been seen on the IV BERLIN Issues which made their appearance on May 8, 1919. Thus, it may be presumed that the Cancel found its way back to the Postmaster General who could then use it in processing these MARIJAMPOLE Reproductions.

Meanwhile, the Post Office at MARIJAMPOLE resorted to the use of an unique "LIETUVOS PASTAS / MARIJAMPOLES KONTORA" Undated Cancel for a short period of time prior to the time that the MARIJAMPOLE "B" Cancel was being placed in use.

Also, meanwhile, the Lithuania Peace Delegation in Paris, in dealing with the local stamp dealers for the sale of their III KAUNAS Type Set Issue found that there was a greater demand for the earlier issues. Hence, a second request for these earlier issues found its way back to the Lithuanian Administration in Kaunas.

In Kaunas, there being no available stocks of the earlier issues on hand, having been sold out, the Postmaster General must have ordered the resurrection of the loose type from which the last stereo-cast Plate of Scott #19- 60sk. of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue was made and evidently ordered the ReSetting and RePrinting of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue: 50sk., 40sk., 30sk., 20sk., 10sk., and 15sk. values from the newly reset Stereo-Cast Type Plates, there being plenty of the 60sk. value in stock to make complete sets of this II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue. Yet, today, full sheets of the 160 stamps of the III KAUNAS Issue exist with the 60sk. value of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue excised, which, presumably, could have been used to fill out the sets of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue being sold in Paris.

These II KAUNAS Type-Set reproductions of the 10sk. - 50sk. values were supplied in mint sheetlets of 20 stamps (5x4) and also appear with BackDated "MARIJAMPOLE *a*" cancels ranging from February 22, 1919 thru to March 29, 1919. These Reproductions produced from the Stereo Cast Plates differ from the Original II KAUNAS Type-Set stamps produced from the Loose Type in that, at times, the Border Pearl Spacings are

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changed and also in the shrinking of the letter sizes and shapes, particularly, the circumflex accent on the 1st "s" of "pastas".

With repeated requests from the Paris Peace Delegation for the earlier postage stamp issues, the same loose type was once again resurrected and reset for the format of the I KAUNAS Type-Set Issue- continuing on from the 15sk. of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue- reset for the 15sk. value of the I KAUNAS Type-Set Issue; and then down to the 10sk., 20sk., and finally to the 30sk. value.

These I KAUNAS Type-Set Marijampole reproductions were supplied in mint sheetlet form, together with BackDated Cancels of the normal period of usage ranging from February 4, 1919 thru February 18.

A little skull duggery now comes into play when the request came through for the "5" Error in Position No. 10 of the 15 sk. values (Scott #10) of the I KAUNAS Type-Set Issue. By excising the numeral "1" from the numeral "15", the altered Stereo-Cast Plate was once again rerun to produce the sheets with the Error "5" which was again supplied both in mint sheetlets as well as with BackDated February 16, 1919 Cancels.

The Reproductions do not end here. It appears that a further demand was made for additional normal 15sk. value sheetlets of the I KAUNAS Type-Set Issue (Scott #10) Since the numeral "1" had been excised from the 15sk. Stereo-Cast Plate, it could not very well be used for reprinting additional normal stamps in the #10 position. So, a new plate had to be Stereo-Cast.

The new Stereo-Cast Plate was reconstituted evidently, by recasting another "5" error plate; then, cutting off the first two vertical rows from the newly Stereo-Cast Plate and attaching it to the Original Stereo-Cast Plate after it had the last two vertical rows cut off, in which place the newly recast first two vertical rows were placed, giving the new plate a "12312" cliché setup in place of the "12345" original Stereo-Cast Plate setup. These stamps may also be found in mint and with BackDated MARIJAMPOLE *a* Cancels ranging from February 9, 1919 thru February 18, 1919.

The Skull Duggery does not end here, yet. Another "5" Error Plate was created by excising the numeral "1" again from the Numeral "15" in the No. 10 Plate position. This "5" Error can be distinguished from the other "5" Error reproduction because it bears the normal "s" in "pastas" in place of the Thin "s" variety in "pastas".

Your Editor now recites this incident from his past experiences. About 40 years ago, when he was deeply interested in studying the Lithuania Type-Set Issues and was buying them whenever and wherever they could be found, from anyone who had any stock of the same for sale. He ordered a Batch of these items from RAMSAY, an upstate New York dealer. The whole batch was returned to him with the notation that the whole lot were counterfeit reproductions of the Lithuania I KAUNAS and II KAUNAS Type-Set Issues.

RAMSAY was very upset and after checking his source of supply in New York city from which his stock of these issues had been procured, wrote back that these stamps were not and could not be counterfeit as they had been obtained from "REMEKO" in Paris who vouches that they were obtained from an Unimpeachable Official Lithuanian Source.

This little bit of information will supplement the K. MILVYDAS report that shipments of stamps were made on several occasions to the Paris Peace Delegation who evidently peddled them through the REMEKO stamp dealing organization in Paris for distribution and resale to other stamp dealers world-wide.

Just as the Second Printing of the II KAUNAS Type-Set Issue appears to have been sent in toto to the GRODNO and other Lithuanian Post Offices in SouthWest Lithuania; and, there used with Official Status, so we might conclude that these "MARIJAMPOLE" Reproductions of the I KAUNAS and II KAUNAS Type-Set Issues, having been created by the Official Order of Lithuanian Government Officials and then distributed wholly to the Lithuanian Peace Delegation in Paris for their use and sale.

This would explain why no Covers bearing the MARIJAMPOLE Reproductions of the Type-Set stamps can be found since they were shipped "in toto" out of the country for Official use by one of its Official Bodies, the Paris Peace Delegation'.

Thus, these MARIJAMPOLE Type-Set Reproductions can be considered as a Official Lithuanian Government Reissue.

However, we cannot attribute any Official Status to the JUCAITIS Forgeries that were privately created by an Under-Official Secretary of the Lithuanian Mission in Berne, Switzerland, in July 1919. He, also, may have heard of this means of raising funds in Paris by the Peace Delegation, and evidently thought that the same procedure might be applied here in Berne, Switzerland.

He did not request permission for this printing and though that he was doing the Lithuanian Government a favor in propagandizing Lithuanian Postage Stamp Issues

His inquiries also found that there was a great demand for the earlier issues of Lithuania in the Switzerland postage stamp stores. and he attempted to fill in this demand; but, unfortunately, was accidentally caught in the act. The Printing Plates and most of the printed postage stamps were confiscated and destroyed.

See LPSNY BULLETIN No. 70, pages 7063-7067 for this whole report that was detailed from the Archives of Dr. J. Saulys that repose in the Rare Book Section of the University of Pennsylvania Library in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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