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November 5 - 8, 1970

with the editor

Many of us have caught the exhibition fever this year, and rightly so. Several exciting shows are set for the second half of 1970.

A number of our people have won awards in recent shows yet relatively few advise me & it is only by pure chance that I am able to learn of these awards, usually by press releases from other philatelic pubs sometimes months later. We would much rather have the word from you 1st hand (correctly).

For those of you who are member of the philatelic Society of Egypt, the current issue of L'OP is on the way. Dr. Peter Smith reviews the Oct. 1969 sale of the "Alexandria" collection of the Levant. He reviews, in a thoroughly competent manner, the better items with an accurate comparison of prices, some of which were sold at auction just a few short years ago. Some of these show a fantastic increase in price. In practically every case this classic material is eagerly sought after, simply pointing out that that the classics of nearly every country are a sound investment - provided careful attention is paid to the all important condition.

L'ORIENT PHILATELIQUE offers several other fine features as well, with the article on Interpostal Seals by Ibrahim Chaftar, being continued from the previous issue. Profusely illustrated, it is an excellent study and a must for the specialist. Sr. Smith adds some further notes on the specimen stamps of Egypt, and on the part imperforate postage dues. A special feature, reprinted from the January, 1955 issue, entitled EGYPT: SPHINX and PYRMAID ISSUES, 1879 - 1906, by Dr. Wm. BYAM and Col. J. R. DANSON is lavishly illustrated with eight pages of enlargements. A truly remarkable and interesting work.

Editor Mehanny Eid continues to doa fantastic job with all too little to work with. I am sure he would welcome assistance as his need for new authors and interesting material is great. If you can help, drop a note to Dr. Smith. His address is on our masthead above.

L'OP has been published, continuously, with the exception of the war years, since 1929. It has been recognized with several awards over the years. For information concerning the Society write to Dr. Smith.

The "GREAT BITTER

LAKE LOCALS"

By

Gordon B. Garrett

In October of 1968 the S. P. A. Journal, so capably edited by Belmont Faries, scored a philatelic scoop with an article by Rolph Strieder concerning the "THE GREAT BITTER LAKE LOCALS". Illustrated were some twentyone "labels", plus some of the nine souvenir sheets and three postal stationery items.

The story of the landlocked ships was well known and this profusion of obviously philatelic labels created quite a stir. Needless to say, none of these labels was valid for postage. Mail passing through the Egyptian post required normal adhesives.

At the time it seemed a great lark; sailors whiling away the endless hours. A creative interest for franking intra-ship mail. But was it all in sublime innocence or a calculated scheme ? It may have been idle pastime for the sailors but at least one person has made commercial overtures with limited supply. A few covers found their way complete with ship markings, with or without Egyptian franking, to the homeland. Those without a normal franking were destined for Germany & bore an Air Mail label "Mit Luftpost" possibly carried internally by the shipping owners or their agents.

Now, nearly two years later we find the real joker. THESE LABELS ARE NOT READILY AVAIL-ABLE, IN ANY QUANTITY, TO THE STAMP COLLEC-TING PUBLIC. The fact that at least one of the men aboard ship was philatelically knowledgeable (substantiated by the variety and markings on the emissions, i.e., the postal stationery, souvenir sheets, etc.), and the events that follow lead us to believe this may have been coldly calculated for personal gain. Hence the very limited supply and a seemingly rigid control.

Since the S.P.A. article appeared, your ed-



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itor, together with Mr. Joseph Schirmer, of New York, has attempted several methods of obtaining examples of these labels, on or off cover. Registered mail to the ship's Masters brought no reply and in fact we can't even be certain they were delivered. In any event, they were not returned nor did we receive the customary receipt requested for registered delivery from the Postal Authority.

Mr. Schirmer was more fortunate. He managed to contact some one in Germany. Subsequently he was offera "package deal" consisting of 35 covers, all nine souvenir sheets and one commemorative card. The price for all this beautiful junk? A cool \$635 (U.S.) - take it or leave it. Since no one answers letters, and the material is generally not available, we have only this to say - "If any material, from any source, ever deserved the "BLACK BLOT", this is it.

(Continued on next page)



account of

Apparently very few of these covers with the G.B.L.A. labels, other than the rubber stamped ship's cachet, paased through the mails.

To our knowledge none have come on the philatelic market as "Egyptian" specialty items. The few that have appeared came through German Auctions and were listed as "maritime" covers as invariably, they carry the ship's cachet, usually in blue, gray or purple.

Such is the case with the four covers illustrated here, through the courtesy of Mr. Alfred Moses, Stamp Editor of the Los Angeles Herald Examiner. The item shown on our cover carries the straight line M.S.MUNSTERLAND on both front and reverse in addition to the circular mailed on board and the rectangular G.B.L.A "Air Mail "50" label, all in purple.

Two others, to Germany, bear ship's cachets with the letters G.B.L.A. plus proper franking but no labels.

The fourth item, obviously philatelic, on a large envelope is cacheted with the markings of all fourteen ships in the lake. It also carries a label "50 Air Mail G B L A / from MS MUNSTERLAND / Great Bitter Lake. Cachets are in purple. The label is pale lavendar, pale green and bright pink.



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Block of 20

FROM THE COLLECTION OF

RALPH TTPPER

This beautiful control block of twenty from the collection of RALPH TIPPER is unique as it contains five major varieties in the one piece.

1 m. olive-brown (The Harrison printing) is overprinted O.H.E.M.S., typographed by the Government Printing Works at Boulac. Overprint is in black. This block is from the lower left pane of 100 (sheet of 400). The stamps shown are Nos. 80 through 100. Zeheri No. 55 overprinted as No. 21. p. 268.

(A) Wide spacing between E and M (oversione millimeter, normal spacing is 1/2 millimeter. 21c



- (B) First two diamond shaped Arabic characters are dropped. 21d
- (C) Noticeable doubling of the overprint.



No. 1. Broken corner. This variety is constant on stamp No. 90, on all printings from

> the Harrison plant, 1922. It does not appear on the De La Rue printings of 1914. 21b

No. 2. Two dots missing. A constant variety on stamp No. 100. As in No. 1 it appears only on the Harrison & Co. printings of 1922. 21a. No. 4 page 72

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We began this column with our first issue; hoping that it would give every reader the opportunity to find elusive items not easily obtainable generally, and to help readers dispose of surplus items at no cost.

Several have taken advantage but many more have not. Why not avail yourself now of this free service. We'd like to fill the page !

URGENTLY WANTED: Stamps of the Sudan (JSED) by BENJAMIN E. BABINGTON, 48 Hill St., Apt. 12c, Morristown, N. J., 07960. Can anyone help Ben out ? He offers up to 75% of Cat. Scott Numbers:

- 194-6 "Month of the South" 15 m., 3 PT. and 55 m.
- 197-9 "International Tourist Year," 1967.

200-2 "Arab League Summit Conference"

203-5 "Palestine Liberation Organization"

206-8 "Abdullahi el Fadil el Mahdi"

209-11 "Mohammed Nur el Din"

Plus all 1969 and 1970 issues. . .

<u>WANTED</u>: PETER FELTUS, 4970 Desmond Street, Oakland, Calif., 94618, is still looking for that elusive copy of L'ORIENT PHILATEL-IC, No. 28.

GORDON GARRETT, 10165 Regent St., Los Angeles, Calif., 90034, needs No. 63 of L'OP to complete his file for research.

He hasn't asked yet but our "spy" tells us that WALTER BJORK, 54 West 84th Str., New York, 10024; WANTS Military or Postal History material - ON COVER ONLY - from Egypt Sudan, Palestine, Boer War, and Britishand Italian African Colonies. Can you help ?

WANTED: S. NAIDITCH, 3638 N. Canon Blvd., Altadena, Calif., 91001, wants material on or off cover dealing with the Turkish Levant Any material used abroad in this area. ... WANTED: NEW SUBSCRIEERS to the Journal for specialists of Egyptian and the Sudan. Tell a friend today about EGYPTIAN TOPICS. .

FORCES IN EGYPT 1932-1940

A new book entitled "POSTAL SERVICE OF THE BRITISH FORCES IN EGYPT - 1932 - 1940, compiled by JOHN E. O. HOBBS, appeared in January, 1970. Published in London by the author, it gives a wealth of information in this specialized area - 40 pages, 9 of photos.

Noted is a comprehensive treatment of all of the known varieties, post-

marks (illustrated) adequate listing of the various known errors, reproductions of the stamps and covers and a price list intended to be current and useful as a guide for mint, used, in full panes, and on cover. A new, and to our mind, more useful numbering system is employ-



ed. He offers credit to many of our colleagues in the Egypt Study Circle for their aid.

It is available, postpaid in the U. S. from our reader, WALTER BJORK, 54 West 84th St., New York, 10024. Price is \$3.00.

We believe this is a good buy and a must for collectors specializing in this area. It comprises the best of the published material, plus an intensive study by the author.

BRITISH HONOR

DR. PETER A.S. SMITH

We take a great deal of pleasure in informing our readers. although belatedly, of the election of Dr. Feter Smith as a Fellow of the ROYAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY of LONDON, on November 20, 1969.

Dr. Smith, whose name appears on our masthead, is the American Agent for the Philatelic Society of Egypt, and a regular contributor to EGYPTIAN TOPICS.

He is extremely knowledgeable in our area & writes for several philatelic publications with a great deal of authority. A few years past he was invited to do an article for the A P C yearbock. Our warmest congratulations.

French Handstamp

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

By PETER A.S. SMITH

IN OUR LAST TWO ISSUES a friendly and interesting controversey on the postal validity of a rare French Handstamp in the collection of Dr. D. C. Jordan, has been discussed. A cover in the collection of Dr. Smith was also mentioned by Dr. Jordan in his rebuttal to Jean Boulad d'Humieres. This cover is illustrated here with Dr. Smith's additional comments . . .

"As you can easily see mine is indubitably non-philatelic. These postage due provisionals were thoroughly legitimate. They are

described in Vol. If of the KOHL-BRIEFMARK-EN HANDBUCH, p. 785, as follows (my translation)": "On the other hand, a true shortage of stamps indeed appears to have reigned in Port Said in Nov., 1921, for in this month, various postage stamps of Port Said, provided with a hand stamp 'Taxe apercevoir pour insuffisance d'affranchissement-Le Receveur Principal', were used as postage due stamps."

"While this is not a great deal of additional information - it is all I know of them and they appear to be rare.





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UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

SILVER JUBILEE OF THE ARAB LEAGUE

Founded in 1945 with Headquarters in Cairo, the League pact provides for political, economic, cultural, and social cooperation among the member states.

DATE OF ISSUE: 22 March, 1970	
DENOMINATION: 20 + 10 & 30 Mills	
DESIGN: Flag and emblem of Atab League	
and map of the Arab Countries.	
DIMENSIONS: 42 x 25 mm.	
COLORS: 20 m., blue, green & bistre	
30 m., brown-orange, green,	
and deep purple black.	
PERFORATION: 11 1/2	
SHEET: 50 Stamps (5 x 10)	
WATERMARK: Multiple Eagle	
PRINTING PROCESS: Rotogravure - Postal	
Organization Printing House in U A R	
CONTROL: Date of Issue & Serial Number	
QUANTITY: 250,000 stamps 20 + 10 Mills	
500,000 stamps on 30 Mills	





INAUGURATION OF THE SHERATON HOTEL CENTENARY OF THE MINA HOUSE





A commemorative issue in recognition of the fine new luxury tourist attraction in CAIRO the CAIRO - SHERATON HOTEL, overlooking the fabulous Nile River, and in celebration of the Centenary of another tourist landmark, the MINA HOUSE HOTEL, near Giza, overlooking Pyramids and the Sphinx.

DATE OF ISSUE: 23 March, 1970 DENOMINATION: 20 Mills DESIGN: The two hotels DIMENSIONS: 50 x 36 mm. COLORS: Moss green & two shades of blue and orange PERFORATION: 11 1/2 SHEET: 50 Stamps (5 x 10) WATERMARK: Multiple Eagle PRINTING: Rotogravure - Postal Organization Printing House in the UAR CONTROL: Date of Issue & Serial Number QUANTITY: 1,500,000 Stamps

PHARMACEUTICALS INDUSTRY ~ 1940 - 1970





VIII ALEXANDRIA BIENNALE

The Eighth Binnals opened March 12, 1970.

The exhibition has a tangible influence, providing opportunity for all artists from the Mediterranean to meet. It has become a mobile school of art, embracing the best in the modern original in style and theory resulting in great advantage to artists every where by increasing their awareness through a mutual exchange of ideas. COMMEMORATIVE.

DATE OF ISSUE: 20 April, 1970 DENOMINATION: 20 Mills DESIGN: Artist's conception of a Sea Maid. DIMENSIONS: 25 x 42 mm. COLORS: Orange, black, gray, blue and white. PERFORATION: 11 1/2 SHEET: 50 Stamps (5×10) WATERMARK: Multiple Eagle PRINTING: Rotogravure - As above in UAR CONTROL: Date of Issue & Serial Number QUANTITY: 1,500,000 Stamps <u>A COMMEMORATIVE STAMP</u> issued on the 30th Anniversary of the Production of Medicine in Egypt and of the founding of the Egyptian Company for medical requirements.

Prior to 1940, all medicines necessary in Egypt were imported from abroad. In 1940 BANK MISR established the Egyptian Company to satisfy the needs of Egypt and to export any surplus production to Arab and African countries.

DATE OF ISS	UE: 20) April, 1970
DENOMINATIO		20 Mills
DESIGN:	Workers in an ult	ra-modern fac-
	tory producing pha	armaceuticals.
DIMENSIONS:		42 x 25 mm.
COLORS:	Brown, yellow	, blue & green
PERFORATION		11 1/2
SHEET:	50 Star	nps (5 x 10)
WATERMARK:	Ν	Aultiple Eagle
PRINTING:	Rotogravure - Po	ostal Org. UAR
CONTROL:	Date of Issue &	Serial Number
QUANTITY:	1,	500,000 Stamps



CAIRO 20 4 1970

THE POSTAL AUTHORITY PHILATELIC OFFICE IN CAIRO HAS ANNOUNCED THAT ADDITIONAL DEFINITIVE STAMPS IN THE FOLLOWING DENOMINATIONS WILL BE ISSUED IN 1970:

THE 1, 5, 10 and 50 Mills, and a One Pound value. The 20 and 55 Mills values were issued on 27 December, 1969.

THE FOLLOWING DENOMINATIONS WILL BE ISSUED IN 1971: 60, 100, 200 and 500 Mills.

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FOUP NEW DEFINITIVES MAY 1ST



DATE OF ISSUE: DENOMINATIONS: DESIGNS:



1 May, 1970

Alexandria

Pyramid

1, 5, 10 & 50 Mills

1 m. - The Saggarah

5 m. - Al Azhar

10 m. - Louxor Temple

50 m. Qait Bay Fort

Approx. 20.5 x 27 mm.





11 1/4 PERFORATION: SHEET :: 100 Stamps (10×10) WATERMARK: Multiple Eagle PRINTING: Rotogravure Postal Organization Printing in the U. A. R. Date of Issue & CONTROL: Serial Number Multi-colored - Blue, brown Not listed Dark brown & golden yellow QUANTITY:

COLORS:

DIMENSION:

FACTORY AGGRESSION

Aggression on the Civil Factory at ABU - ZAABAL. The Israeli aggression on the factory at Abu - Zaabal, while doing considerable physical damage, had no effect on its production. In spite of this treacherous attack, the work at the factory is producing regularly at its normal capacity.





1 May, 1970 DATE OF ISSUE: (Airmail) - 80 Mills DENOMINATION: The destroyed factory DESIGN: with phantom planes in the background 42 x 25 mm. DIMENSIONS: (Horizontal) Yellow, blue, blue-green COLORS: and deep purple brown PERFORATION: 11 1/2 . 50 Stamps (5 x 10) SHEET : Multiple Eagle WATERMARK: PRINTING: Rotogravure - Postal Organization Printing House in U A R Date of Issue & Serial Number CONTROL: 500,000 Stamps QUANTITY:

BANK MISR

11111111111111 creating a patriotic bank.

7 May, 1920 was the date of founding with a DENOMINATION: modest capital of L.E.G. 80,000 and gradually developed until it became one of the main





In 1910, TALAAT HARB promoted the idea of pillars in the Egyptian Banking system.

DATE OF ISSUE: DESIGN: DIMENSIONS: COLORS: PERFORATION: SHEET: WATERMARK: PRINTING:

CONTROL: QUANTITY:

7 May, 1970 20 Mills Building of Bank Misr and the effigy of Talaat Harb (Vertical) 25 x 42 mm. Blue, light blue, brown tan and pale yellow 11 1/2 50 Stamps (5 x 10) Multiple Eagle Rotogravure - Postal Organization Printing House in U A R Date of Issue & Serial Number 1,500,000 Stamps

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

DATE OF ISSU	E: 17 May, 1970
DENOMINATION	: 20 Mills
DESIGN:	I T U on globe with a
er aubjact to	bolt of lightening
DIMENSIONS:	(Vertical) 25 x 42 mm.
COLORS:	Chocolate brown, light brown
yel	low brown, yellow, blue & white
PERFORATION:	11 1/2
SHEET :	50 Stamps (5 x 10)
WATERMARK:	Multiple Eagle
PRINTING:	Rotogravure - Postal Org.
CONTROL:	Date of Issue & Serial Number
QUANTITY:	Not listed



UPU

Founded at Berne in 1874, the Universal Postal Union declared through its signatory countries that the whole of their combined territories constituted a single territory for the exchange of mail.



DATE OF ISSUE: 20 May, 1970
DENOMINATIONS: 20 and 80 Mills
DESIGNS: The UPU building & emblem
DIMENSIONS: (horizontal) . 42 x 25 mm.
COLORS: 20 m pale blue-green,
yellow-green & purple
80 m. (Airmail) - Pale
blue-green, yellow-green and gray
PERFORATION: 11/2
WATERMARK: Multiple Eagle
PRINTING: Rotogravure - Postal Organiz-
ation Printing House in U A R
CONTROL: Date of Issue & Serial Number
QUANTITY: 20 m 1,000,000 Stamps
80 m 500,000 Stamps

LENIN CENTENARY

A commemorative Stamp issued in celebration of the Centenary of Lenin.

DATE OF ISSUE	: 22 April, 1970
DENOMINATION:	80 Mills (Airmail)
DESIGN:	Effigy of Lenin
DIMENSIONS:	25 x 42 mm.
COLORS:	Pale blue - green,
	Brown, tan & white
PERFORATION:	11 1/2
SHEET:	50 Stamps (5 x 10)
WATERMARK:	Multiple Eagle
PRINTING:	Rotogravure - Postal Org-
	anization Printing House.
CONTROL:	Date of Printing & Serial No.
QUANTITY:	250,000 Stamps



FLOYD H, DAEHN

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IS DISPOSING NOW OF HIS ACCUMULATION OF EGYPT -SUDAN AND EARLY U A R. * * * *

WANT LISTS AND PURCHASE INQUIRIES ARE INVITED . . .

U.A.R. OFFICIAL ISSUE COMMEMORATIVE GUIDE

We have just received, through the courtesy of MOHAMED IBRAHIM SOBHI, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Postal Organization, an interesting and informative journal "UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC (Egypt), Commemorative Stamps, 1952-1969".

This book in colorful cover of Green, White Red and Black, the National Colors of the Republic, consists of 45 pages, in Arabic, French and English plus 17 plates with good illustrations of all of the stamps issued during this period.

The text includes, in chronological order, and working back from 1969, listings of each issue with the dates, quantity and denominations issued.

The policy of the Postal Authority is clearly spelled out in a 14 point program. Adherence to this program will insure that no Egyptian emission will ever be subject to the "Black Blot".

In addition, we must comment on the cooperation we have received from the Postal Authority and with the dispatch given to new issues. As a result we often have been able to have the information in your hands long before most of the National philatelic Press can set their type. We are proud of this singular achievement

However, everyone has a gripe; we have two which we outline below. Perhaps our friends in Cairo (Philatelic Society of Egypt, can bring them to the attention of the Postal Authority?

1. On the colorful printed brochures issued by the Postal Organization announcing their new issues, no mention is ever made of the artist or designer. We are interested.

2. We rarely find a clear, clean First Day cancellation. Since we reproduce these each issue, usually strenghtening by hand, care here would aid us materially.

With a little consideration to these minor deficiencies, we believe that the Postal Authority in Cairo could rank with the best in the world.

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O.S.G.S. Overprint

on first issue?

ROBERT NELSON, of Tacoma, Washington sends us what well may be another controversial item. Again on postal stationery !

We illustrate a post card of the 1894 Egyptian issue 3 milliemes, overprinted in the Sudan in 1897 with Type I of the first Provisional overprint.

In addition to this overprint the letters O.S.G.S. appear below the French "SOUDAN". The only use of the provisional issue as an official that we have seen was the large "S.G". punctured on the 5 mill, followed by the "S.G." punctured on the first Camel one mill of 1898. The first O.S.G.S. overprint

we are aware of was on the issue of 1904.

Careful examination under the glass shows a quite different type of letter tham the style used on the genuine overprints emanating from either the first Khartoum printing, or the subsequent De La Rue overprints.

On the overprint illustrated, the letters are serifed whereas the genuine are not. It is obvious that the normal overprint and the O.S.G.S. were not printed at the same time. The second overprint is less distinct.

We believe it to be a forgery, Khartoum was not normal then and it could have been an emergency measure. Any suggestions ?



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<u>SECTION III</u> - THE DEFI	INITIVE ISSUES (Continued from Vo	1. 2, No. 3.)
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January, 1967, An informative	F EGYPT - SMITH, P. A. S., L'OP, , pp. 609-628. With comments on c e work from the 1st issue through Fa ted. Recommended for the student in	ataloguing and pricing. rouk definitives, 1937.
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Mar. 12, 1954,	<u>OVERFRINTS OF EGYFT</u> - THOMPSON, G , pp. 901, 903. Comments on the dou process, Palestine overprints, posta	ble prints of the bars
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EGYPT - FORGED BAR OVERPRINT note advising	S - MOSDEN STMP CO., Stmp Coll't that the bars are being forged.	g; Mar. 18, 1955. Brief
EGYPT: FORGED BAR OVERPRINT	<u>S</u> - GITTINS, L., Stp. Cltg. more ems identified as forgeries.	notes with a list of
<u>EGYPTIAN COMMENTARY</u> - THOM of bar overpri	IPSON, G. S., Stp, Cltg., Febr. 4, 1 Ints in Palestine with discussion of the royalist paper is exhausted.	
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<u>VARIETIES D'EGYPTE - (F)</u> showing variet	- L'OP, p. 331, Apr., 1954. Illus ies with double surcharge, control	trated items in French sequences, etc.
	LINT - BYAM, DR. W., QC (ESC), Vol by Byam on the forgeries with list	
NOUVEAUTES D'EGYPTE - L'OP	, Vol. VIII, No. 84, p. 211. A de nitive series, illustrated with the	scriptive listing of
,	e) - L'OP, Vol. VII, No. 73, pp	
the text is in	strations of minor varieties on Faro A Arabic but the photos are clear wi specialist in this area.	
Notes on the 2	M., L'OP, Vol. IX, No. 95, July, 2 and 4 Mill Agriculture issue, one one with perfs misplaced so Egypt i	with perfs missing on
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THE PHILATELIC LITERATURE OF EGYPT - AN ANNOTATED RESEARCH BIBLIOGRAPHY

VARIETIES OF EGYPT - EID, M., L'OP, Vol. IX, No. 96, Oct/Jan., 1956/57. pp. 471 -472. Notes on varieties on 100 & 200 Mills (Nefertiti) with reference to inverted watermarks and a variety in perforation.

SOME INTERESTING VARIETIES IN EGYPTIAN STAMPS - L'OP, Vol. VII, No. 78, Illustrated varieties on the Palestine overprints, the 1921/22 2 m. with broken offrame; the 1923/4, 2 m. black with white dot, the 20 m. green with white line and the 50 m. blue-green with double Arabic character. Interesting. IMPOSSIBLE TO KNOW REAL EGYPTIAN BARS - Linn's Weekly Stmp News, 5/16/55 and reprint The Holy Land & Mid. E. Phil. Interesting but inconclusive.

(To be continued in our nest issue) Assistance, particularly British publications, will be sincerely appreciated.).

AIR MAIL ODDITY

BY W. F. BILLENS

The color of the "PALESTINE OVERPTINT WITH RESPECT TO THE THREE (3) MILL . .

This refers to Zeheri No. 2, page 340 which is the 3 Mill, sepia, overprinted for the Palestine occupation. It is listed with a "red" overprint and, so far as I know, this overprint is in fact - red.



When we get to the three-bar overprints, the PALESTINE OVERPRINT is still in red - which, of course, would be expected, presuming tist the bars were applied to existing stamps.

But now comes the PALESTINE, applied to the combination three-bars & King of Egypt and the Sudan and the PALESTINE OVERPRINT is in "BLACK" . . .

EXCEPT . . . that a copy of this same item, but with the K. of E. S. overprint inverted has the PALESTINE in the "original red"! !

Do I have the misfortune of owning a forgery or was the PALESTINE applied in both black ink and red ink to the "Triple" overprint (three bars, K. of E. S. and PALESTINE) of this one value ?

3%

Can anyone help Bill ?

EXHIBITION NOTES

12 - IPEX - 70 - 9 0 6 STAMP CLUB. A Silver Award to JOSE PEREIRA for his interesting display of "EGYPT, Old and New", plus, the Frieliett Award. JOSE also received a special Europa Study Unit award for his showing of "Europa - CEPT Anniversary". A fine job Jose, and a fine show . . .

SOJEX - A BRONZE AWARD to CMDR. WILLIAM H. WELLS for the "ALLIED MILITARY FORCES in EGYPT".We were privileged to see this interesting material locally last year.

SANDUSKY, OHIO STAMP CLUB - A GOLD AWARD to WILLIAM F. BILLENS for his showing of "THE REGULAR ISSUE OF EGYPT FROM 1866 to the REV-OLUTION". Congratulations Bill !

A S D A WEST - By invitation only to the editor, GORDON B. GARRETT, (No awards were given). A display of his Gold Medal collection of SUDAN, featuring pioneer and experimental flight covers, plus rarities, forerunners and varieties.

SUDAN NEW-ISSUE 25 MAY

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The Director General of the department of Posts and Telegraphs announced the issuance of 3 stamps on 25 May, 1970, to commemorate the First Anniversary of the 25 May Revolution.

They are in the denominations of 2 and 4 PT and 65 mm. We hope to have them for illustration in our next issue. No details of the design was given.

No FDC's will be issued officially. Stamps are available from the Philatelic section Khartoum for .36 (U.S.), 3/0 (British) Post is extra. U.S. by air .24, to Britain, 2/0. No souvenir sheets will be issued. Stamps will remain valid for a period of 6 months.

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W. F. Billens

PERFINS.

On Egyptian Stamps

This well may be an elementary question to anyone who knows the answer . . . it is a mystery to me.

For a good many years, Egyptian definitive postage stamps have beenfound with two letters perforated into the face. These are in the same manner as the well-known, and catalogue recognized, Sudanese Officials where in "S.G." is punctured: see Zeheri (1967) page 368.

My earliest example is a 2 Mill, green, of the 1921 Harrison issue (Zeheri No. 56, on page 68) - with three letters punctured in two lines, to wit:



Next is the 40 Mill, 1927 - 34 portrait issue (Zeheri No. 112, page 84) - punctured with larger letters in one line, namely:



Then, among the 1937 - 44 Boy King, or First Farouk issue, I have a 1 Mill perforated "P. O."; this is different from the others in that the perforated letters are readable vertically, rather than horizontally, as on the others. A 5 Mill of the same issue, is perforated "O B". Three additional examples are on the 5 Mill with the letters "S. B." as illustrated.



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Finally, a 4 Mill value of the three bar overprint (Zeheri No. 188), page 113 has the same "S. B." found on the Boy King Issue.

All this represents a time - span of thirtythree years ! I have not sought out these items, so the fact that I have accumulated eight would lead me to believe they are in reasonably plentiful supply.

What are they ? Some kind of fiscal or other non-postal use ? Some type of security measure resorted to by very large postage users to prevent pilferage of their stamp supply ? Is anyone making a study, in the manner of Peter Feltus work with the fiscals, or has a write-up already appeared in the Egyptian philatelic press ?

SWEDISH UN FORCES CAT.

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"CATALOGUE OF THE UN'-FORCES MILITARY MAIL CANCELLATIONS", a fine 15 page illustrated pamphlet by Tage Calleras, published by the United Nations Study Unit of the American Topical Association

Dealing largely with the FORCES IN EGYPT it may be of interest to many of our readers.

It is available for \$2.00 postpaid from MARTIN HUFF, 59-16 Grove Street, Brooklyn New York, 11227.

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ANOTHER RELIABLE DEALER

Several members have written in recently to inquire regarding a reliable source for new issues at a reasonable price. We listed one with whom we have dealt.

Now, Dr. DAVID TORRES writes to tell us of another man whose dealings have been satisfactory.

He adds that a current stock is not maintained, however, he will arrange to supply all necessary new issues and will mail them out when the accumulation is at least #1.25.

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Bogus It's

ON THE OPINION OF JEAN BOULAD D'HUMIERES

With reference to the surcharged Postal stationery item illustrated in Egyptian Topics in Vol. II, No. 1, page 13, entitled "Genuine or Bogus"

"This is a real bogus of very low grade. The 2 milliemes stationery envelopes have never been over valued by a surcharge - there was no need at all - and there was no reason at all to change their currency from milliemes to pence.

The numerals and the lettering are very poor and they mean nothing.

The original envelope was sent from the GHOURIA -CAIRO post office on 31 XII 9 (?), and addressed to Cairo. This so-called surcharge was added afterwards.

GENUINE O

OVERPRINT

BACK IN OUR MAY - JUNE, 1969 Issue we illustrated a three bar variety from the collection of WILLIAM HILL of Vancouver B. C. In Bill's copy the bars were split, with three half bars appearing on each side leaving the likeness of the King unobliterated.



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GINO PIPERNO of Milan, Italy one of our regular contributors to Topics has written to say that this variety is certainly of the type that came from the presses in Cairo . . .

He kindly enclosed a copy of the 1 Mill of this same set, in orange (1967 Zeh. No. 182 page 113) which he obtained from the Post Office in Cairo at the time they were still on sale there and he is certain of it's authenticity. This is the type noted in the Zeheri as "Surcharge a cheval".

Gino ask that we forward this copy to Bill for his collection with compliments. Okay Bill, its on the way.

MISSING COLOR

A very fine and interesting block of ten of Scott No. 280, issued Nov. 8, 1966 to publicize the 5th International TV Festival. This. block is unique in that the bottom 4 stamps are WITHOUT the normal yellow color. These are from the collection of Dr. Frank Autry.



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WITH TPO'S AND RURAL STATIONS OF 1892

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MINET TOUKH-EL-NASSARA 7, by Tala

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WILLIAM HILL of Vancouver, B. C., Canada sends us a photocopy of another controversial item, Scott's NC 31, Zeheri No.62 overprinted for use in Palestine as No 31 on page 342 of the (1967) catalog. It is not listed in the inverted position for the 5 m. red-brown although numerous errors have been noted in most of these overprints.

Does anyone else have a copy of this item, or any additional information that will tend to verify its authenticity ?

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CURRENT NOTES MARKET

ZARNECKI DAM

HARMER, ROOKE & CO. held an auction on Feb-Air Post ruary 17 - 20, in New York, which included 1946 Air Congress, double ovpt. \$ some 100 lots of Egyptian material cover-11 11 ing the period from 1866 to 1952. Some 1947 of the more interesting items, with prices 1948 realized are listed. (OG unless noted). 1948 1866 - 2 P.T. diagonal half used \$ 55.00 as 1 P.T. on piece (B.P.A.) 1866 1 P.T. rose-lilac, vertical strip of 3, imperf 1898 between. (R.P.S.) 80.00 1 mill strip of 4, over-1922 1898 print partial, or omitted 26.00 10 m. rose, Geog Congress 1925 imperf blk of 4, one with Arabic error. (See Topics Vol. 2, No. 3, page 58). 50.00 15 m., ultra., 2 die proofs 1925 one partly hand painted and 65.00 one final die proof. 1926 -Port Fouad, 3 values OG 62.50 prints in tete-beche pairs are the exception. " " 15 m. double bar, U 42.00 1926 -1927-37 5 m. tete-beche pr. strip of 4, OG, unlisted 13.00 1927-37 1 plate flaw "J" closed OG 16.00 1929 Prince Farouk color trials 75.00 noted: 1934 UPU (Royal collection with "cancelled" on reverse. 100.00 UPU complete, OG 73.50 1938 King's Birthday, OG 20.00 1938 Leprosy Congress, 5 Mill 19.00 Imperforate pair 1947 Inter. Parl. Union Congress 10 m. double, reverse offset 22.00 Semi Postal 1943 Princess Ferial, 5 - 5 mm. plate blk of 6 with error 23.00

OVERPRINT MISSING

DR. FRANK AUTRY sends us photos in color of the 10m. and 35 m., issued on 10 December, 1958, in redcish purple and red-brown, WITH OUT the overprint for Palestine, customary on the stamps in this color.

These are very rare items as only one sheet of fifty (50) stamps has been recorded for each denomination. These are listed on page 334 as Nos. 3b and 4b in the 1967 Zeheri.



In the Superior Auctions, held in Los Angeles March 11th, some unusual results are

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1374 -	5 pa, blk of 10 with/bord-	
		50.00
1922 -	100 m. blk. #90	8.00
1923-24	King Faud's OG, complete	29.00
1926	King Faud's Birthday #114	12.00
1926	Port Fouad's on piece	43.00
1927-37	Fouad definitives comp.	30.00
1927-37	Unlisted freaks - 10 P. T-B	55.00
	" " l pound margin	29.00
1929	Prince Farouk color trials	39.00
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"Eagle and Pyramids" COLOR CHANGE

By Peter A.S. Smith

Last year, in a footnote to one of the publicity leaflets distributed by the Philatelic Office of the Postal Organization of the U.A.R., there was a mention that the current definitive 10 m. stamp had been issued in "Slightly different shades". Anv definitive stamp can be expected to go through a series of printing during its lifetime, and will inevitably show variation in shades, but when a shado change is deliberate, and is pronounced enough to warrant official announcement, it is of much greater importance and interest. No new-issue dealer to my knowledge has bothered with this particular item, and it is only through the kind efforts of Dr. Sava Michel of Egypt that I have been able to see an example.



The original stamp was printed in a very bright green and dull chocolate; the shades of brown vary within the design because of overlaying with the green to different dogrees. The new stamp is printed in a light dull green; the brown appears to be unchanged, except, of course, where it is mixed with the green. These two shades are actually two quite different colors, and deserve to be catalogued in the general catalogues. They are fairly good matches for "bright green" and "dull green" in the Gibbon's color guides, except that the dull green is light. I have seen a copy used as early as 1968. It is a current stamp, on general sale, and not scarce in any way.

Since this stamp is not being handled by dealers, specialists may feel frustated in keeping their collections complete. I have obtained a small number for those that may be interested. If you want one, send me a <u>stamped</u>, <u>addressed envelope</u> and <u>64</u>, in unused stamps for a single, or 16¢ for the block of four. If I get more orders than I expect, and my supply rune out, I shall ask for more from Egypt and will hold your letter until they get here (perhaps 3 months).

<u>PLEASE</u>, don't write to me if you don't get your stamps right away (I have only 26 copies on hand). However, this is an expensive way to deal with a stamp of less than three cents face value, and I would presume that only the eager specialist would want to go to the trouble.

NEW AIR LETTERS with pictorial motifs printed on the back, have also been issued. If there is interest, I shall try to obtain a supply (unused only). (Egypt - UAR issues three denominations of air letters: 80, 115 and 140 mills.



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AUCTION MAIL

CLOSING DATE

JULY 10

LOT	M - ***	C - Cover	·	
_#	U – O	B - Block		
		DESCRIPTION		1
1	С	Stampless - Austrian P. O. in Alexandria	- 4	14.00
2	С	11 11	-	Li.•00
3	C	Stampless - French P. O. from Marseille to Alexandria w/ Manuscript "10".		17.50
4	С	17 11 11	-	17.50
5	¥	5 para gray, stained & missing perfs. ZEHERI #1, p. 26 - Sc. #1	7•53	
. 6	0		3.60	7.50
7	*	5 P.T., brown, thin, poor,	6.75	_
8	0	20 paras on 5 P.T. green, ZEHERI # 31b, p. 59, Sc. # 42a, VG (Inv. Ovpt.) 19	9•35	16.00
9	0	1 mill Sepia, Type III, typo locally. ZEHERI, p. 72 # 69111d, Wmk. VIII, INVERTED. Sc. #78	L.29	2.00
10	0	15 m. blue, 1st Farouk w/ INVERTED WMK. (VIII) ZEH. #38a, p. 79, Sc. 98, good. 27 m. wight let Air, ZEHERI #1 p. 230		
11	*	27 m. violet, 1st Air. ZEHERI #1, p. 230,	\$•00	-
12	*	27 m Airs, ZEH. 1 & 2, p. 230, Sc. C-1 / C-2, VG 10	0.65	8.00
13	*	5 m 90 m. (set of 4) UAR AIRS. ZEH. 89-92. p. 251. Sc. C-2 / C-5, Good		_
L'_{+}	0	Postage dus - 2 m. green, INVERTED WATERMARK. ZEH. #15c, p. 307. Sc. # J15, good	•40	2.00
15	*	2 m. vermilion. Palestine bar overprint (SHIFTED) ZEN. # 25a, p.342. Sc. # 25 17	7. 20	11.00
16	*	5 para gray. ZEH. #1 - Sc. #1. No gum, perfs. miss. 7	7.00	2.00
17	0	Scott #4, thin, slight tear	5.00	2.50
18	0	Scott # 16a, Fair 6	•50 ·	1.50
19	0	Scot # 25b - thin spot	3.00	2.50
20	OB	Scott # 104 - average 28	3.00	9.00
21	*	Scott Nos. 113-120, hinge marks	• 50	1.50
22	*	Scott Nos. 205-207, hinge marks, VF	.80	·
23	*	Scott Nos. 225-227, hinge marks	8.10	1.40
24	*		3 . 15	1.40
25	*		•00	2.25
26	C	3 FDC's - Human Rights, Palestine Overprint (CAZA - Palestine)	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	3.75
27	* B	16 Control Blocks, Commemoratives, NH 1957 - 1959 period, U A R	-	4,75

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28	*B	Control Block, Human Rights, NH, VF		1.00
29	*B	Control Block, Peoples Struggle, Palestine Overprint, NH, VF		2.50
30	С	Sudanese stampless. "Campaign Cover", with JA 97 TI, "WADI HALFA CAMP"		46.00
		SUDAN		
1	. *	Scott CO1 - 8	4•35	1.05
2	C	Military cover cancelled "ea/APO 2" dated: Oct. 8, 1941		5.00
3	С	Cover from "ATBARA" SUDAN, 1915 to Cleveland, Ohio, backstamped with with "TPO" cancellation		
		END OF SALE		
WE	DO NOT SET T	HE RESERVES - RESERVES ARE SET BY THE	OWNERS	
	MAIL ALL	BIDS TO: DR. GERALD DAVIS		
		413 MAIN STREET		-
		WILMINGTON, MASS., 01887		
	REMEMBER :	CLOSING DATE: JULY 10, 1970		
	PLEASE DO M	OT MAIL TO EGYPTIAN TOPICS - IT WILL	ONLY DELAY	
	YOUR BID,	AND IT COULD CAUSE YOU TO MISS THE FINAL DATE !		
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	WE BADLY NE	ED QUALITY MATERIAL WITH REALISTIC RESERVES. THI	S IS YOUR AU	JCTION.
	WE WANT TO (CONTINUE BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP. MAKE A NOTE NOW	TO SEND YOU	JR SUR-
	PLUS MATERIA	AL TO DR. DAVIS, ALONG WITH YOUR CURRENT BIDS. A	COPY OF OUL	RAUCTION
	REGULATIONS	WILL GLADLY BE SENT TO OUR NEW SUBSCRIBERS FOR A	LARGE STAM	PED ENVELO

IN MEMORIAM - L. DEGROVE POTTER

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A few short months ago we heard from a fine philatelist advising ns of his intention to do an article for Topics. Twenty years in retrospect, covering his varied, but highly specialized interests.

As we go to press, word has been received from Mrs. Potter of his death. A retired attorney of White Plains, New York Mr. Potter had maintained a life long interest in philately, collecting, in addition to his specialized Egypt, such countries in the African area as: Labuan, Chad, North Borneo, and the French & Belgian Congo.

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We extend our sincere sympathies to Mrs. Pot-ter.