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Editor's Page

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In this issue you'll see some articles that either came from the Internet or were written based on information on the Internet. The Atjeh Fieldpost article is translated from an article on www.puntstempels.nl, while background information on the article about the Head Tax is all lifted from the Internet, through the help of www.google.com. I realize that the Internet is not for everybody, but for editors it is great. The speed with which we can correspond with authors all around the world is amazing. It would be hard to go back to the usual way of writing letters back and forth, not to mention having the world's libraries right on your desk.

As seems the case these days I had too much "Newsletter" kind of information, so something had to go. This time no listing of upcoming philatelic events and no Websites worth visiting. Also the section on new issues is curtailed due to the lack of information from TNT Post. Do you miss any of this? I have no way of knowing unless you let me know what you want (or don't want). I'm operating on the assumption of overload. Better too much information than not enough. You might need some of this information later on. Feedback is always appreciated.

In my previous editorial I mentioned a project to scan in all back issues of the ASNP Journal. Rinus Dekker responded enthusiastically and we did make a start. I did find out that through Volume 30 there are about 2400 pages to scan. With my rather elementary setup each page I scan and convert to PDF format takes up about 1 Mb. Multiply by 2400 and you get 2.4 Gb. Rinus pointed out that a DVD can hold 4 Gb, and fortunately DVDs are pretty cheap. I estimated that it will take about 200 hours to scan it all. Will it be worth it? Let me know what you think, so we can decide if this will be a worthwhile project or a waste of time.

Enjoy this issue, not everything might appeal to you, but in two months time there will be other subjects.

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The Field Post Offices of Atjeh; numbers 1, 2 and 3

by Hans Kruse, translation by Ben Jansen Original article (in Dutch) can be found on www.puntstempels.nl

Editor's note: This article is one of a series of articles appearing on www.puntstempels.nl. In order to make these articles available to a wider audience the ASNP has volunteered to translate them into English. This will take some time, so please go to the Website occasionally to check for updates.

The Atjeh expeditions

Atjeh is a sensitive subject in the colonial history of the Netherlands. Its inhabitants refused to be subjugated, and following a declaration of war, it was decided to initiate a military expedition early 1873. This expedition failed miserably. A second expedition was launched on November 12, 1973, in order to get hold of the situation in Atjeh. This expedition comprised of three brigades, totaling about 14,000 men, from Batavia (present Jakarta). This expedition landed on the coast of Atjeh on December 9 and 10, and each brigade was assigned its own field post office.

In the course of the expedition, the 'Karten' or the palace of the sultan, was captured on January 24, 1874. Following this event, Atjeh was declared part of Dutch territory on January 31. A military authority was established to provide direct government. The former Karten was renamed Kotta Radja on March 19, 1874.

The main forces returned to Batavia on April 21, 1874. About 5,000 men were left behind in Atjeh to maintain order and peace, and one field post office remained for their needs. Because the situation remained tense through about 1881, the military authority continued to govern. The peace gradually returned during the course of 1881 and 1882, upon which the military authority was replaced by a civil government and the field post office was replaced by four ordinary post offices.

The postcards

A government decree of September 27, 1883 determined that 25,000 postcards with the imprint 'SPECIMEN' would be made available at no cost to the personnel of the second expedition. With this decree, Atjeh obtained the use of the postcard on January 1, 1874, while the rest of the Dutch Indies had to wait till April 1, 1874.

The field post offices received a numeral cancel (66, 67, and 68) and a circular cancel in which included the office number. Field Post Office 1 received cancel 66, FPO 2 number 67, and FPO 3 number 68. In 1875, upon departure of the main forces to Batavia, cancel 67 was given to Oenarang, while Padang Pandjang received cancel 68.

Field Post Office 1 continues to function, and the number 1 mark disappears from the circular cancel in 1875. During the second half of 1881, the circular cancel is replaced by a small circular cancel Atjeh (rare), intended for temporary use.

Around the end of February, this small circular Atjeh cancel is subsequently replaced by a small circular cancel Kotta-Radja.

Postal cards of the three Field Post Offices

Postcard from Field Post Office Atjeh, Number 1, June 20, 1874, to Batavia, with specimen cancel (postal card was provided to the troops free of charge).

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A Dutchman duly taxed

by Alan Bartlett

This interesting piece of philatelic ephemera is a receipt, bearing a Dutch fiscal, in respect of a U.S. tax on aliens transiting through New York. (Fig. I) The amount of \$8. is shown as received from a Mr. Gey van Pittius to reimburse what a prominent hand-stamped cachet York, a city, moreover, that might not exist today had it not been founded by his Dutch forbears.

Reference: Philatelist. Volume XXV - No.3

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Mr. Gey van Pittius is recorded as en route to the Dutch East Indies, presumably as an immigrant under some Dutch Government scheme. A single line handstamp shows him to be sailing on June 30th 1917 to New York on board the S.S. Nieuw Amsterdam of the Holland-America line, although the name of some other ship (the Noordam) has been written in before being crossed out. There is nothing to indicate by what vessel and route he was to continue his journey to the Indies.

The fiscal on the receipt is a 5ct. pale lilac, the lowest value of the 1885 issue of 31 x 23mm stamps, a smaller, more practical size than those issued previously. (Fig. 2). This is the only one of the issue with the value printed as part of the overall design. All the others had their values, in figures and words, overprinted in the blanks on a common rose-coloured design. The stamp is signed and dated June 14th, or possibly the 24th, suggesting that the receipt was issued prior to departure from the Netherlands.

It seems rather mean that Mr. Gey van Pittius was not exempted from the aliens tax. After all, here was a Dutchman, arriving on the Nieuw Amsterdam, at the city that bore that name well before it became New

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Editor's Note:

As soon as I received Allen's interesting article I thought it might be fun to see what else I could find out about this headtax, the Nieuw-Amsterdam and Mr. Gey van Pittius traveling to the Dutch East Indies via New York.

Headtax.

I went to www.google.com and typed in 'head tax', and the first item that showed up was Allen's cover, at least that's what it looked like.

This site mentions the 1907 head tax of \$ 4; the 1917 Immigration Act increased the entry head tax to \$ 8, reflected in the fee charged to Mr. Gey van Pittius

Until 1952, there was a "Head Tax" on each immigrant entering the United States. For most immigrants, the tax was included in the price of their steamship ticket and paid by the steamship company. The same was true for passengers who came by railroad or ferry across the Northern and Southern Borders. Those immigrants who

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Upon closer examination it is close but not the same. It was sent on the same date, also with the Nieuw Amsterdam, but it relates to a different person (Obink). What was missing was the "Headtax paid by Dutch Government" marker.

Was it a coincidence that two passengers aboard the Nieuw-Amsterdam traveled from the Netherlands to the Dutch East Indies via New York? Certainly not and if we notice that the date these people traveled is in 1917, one starts to think about WWI. It was on April 6, 1917 that the US declared war on Germany, but before that German U-boats already had sank many ships, making shipping to the Dutch East Indies via the regular route of North Sea, Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean, Suez Canal etc. not longer a safe way. By mid 1917 the least dangerous route from the neutral Netherlands was via the North Sea and then along the Northern part of the UK, to Halifax, Canada and then on to New York.

One of other links brought me to:

http://links.jstor.org/sici?sici=0002-9300%28190704%291%3A2%3C238%3AAATRTI%3E 2.0.CO%3B2-T&size=SMALL,

which refers to an article: An Act to Regulate the Immigration of Aliens into the United States, 1907

The American Journal of International Law, Vol. 1, No. 2, Supplement: Official Documents (Apr., 1907), pp. 238-258

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residents, were exempt, as were returning citizens/natives of Canada, Mexico, and most Caribbean islands. Also exempt were "Non-Immigrants," that is, people who were not coming to live in the U.S. permanently. In this category were visitors, tourists, and people traveling through U.S. territory in transit to another country. Many non-immigrants had to pay the Head Tax as a deposit to guarantee they would leave as promised. Those "transits" who paid a Head Tax deposit got a receipt and had the fee refunded when they departed.

Many returning residents disputed their need to pay the Head Tax, claiming they already paid it upon their first arrival. They usually paid the tax, got a receipt, went to their home in the U.S., then pursued their refund by mail.

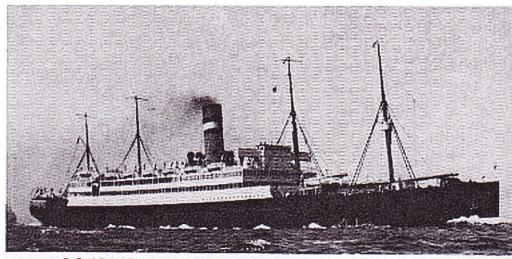
Nieuw-Amsterdam

In 1904 the Holland-America Line ordered the NIEUW AMSTERDAM I.

The 17,000 ton NIEUW AMSTERDAM named after the first settlement at New York, sailed on her maiden voyage in April 1906, subsequently becoming one of the best-known ships of the Line.

At the time she was the largest ship under the Dutch flag.

Her graceful lines belied her huge capacity of 417 first hotels...." hotels...." class, 391 second class, 2,300 third class passengers and



S.S. NIEUW AMSTERDAM, 1906 Holland American Line Courtesy The Peabody Museum of Salem

over 14,000 tons of cargo. When loaded to nearly 35 feet draft she displaced 31,000 tons. Two quadrupleexpansion engines. developed 10,000 h.p., giving a service speed of 16 knots. Although she was not fast, her comfort, cuisine and service were of the standard of excellence for which the Line is renowned.

She was also the last of the Company's ships to carry sails for emergency use, but these were never used. Refer to http://www.unofficial.net/hal/line.html for more information.

Oh wonders of the Internet. It is hard to believe but it turned out that the trip of the Nieuw-Amsterdam to New York, departing Rotterdam on June 30, 1917 turned out to be the start of a very memorable trip. It is all written up in great detail in the Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant (NRC) of December 29, 1917.

".... Of the 240 first class passengers there were 224 destined to travel on to the Dutch East Indies; the rest had the US as their final destination. After a relatively calm journey, with a lot of fog in the North and a delay of several hours due to a meeting with an English cruiser, we reached Halifax in 9 days. The usual visitation, which in the previous war years took place, first at Downs and later in Falmouth, was done here this time. After a two day delay we reached New York on July 14. As cold as the trip through the North was, the 103 F temperature was even too much for the old Indie people. We wished Captain J. Baron a good trip back and thanked him for his good care. The inspection was done quickly and in the evening many passengers met on Broadway after having settled in in the various

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Coming * back however, was a different story. It turns out that the Nieuw Amsterdam was under contract to bring back grain for the Belgian Relief Fund, an organization set up by Herbert Hoover (who became later President of the U.S.A). As long as the grain was not onboard, the Nieuw Amsterdam was not permitted to

leave New York. In the mean time the passengers were waiting and some of them ran out of money. The passengers organized themselves and applied for aid to the Dutch consulate whose arms were tied. Finally mid November the green light was given and the return trip started. It once again went via Halifax, but while sitting offshore the Nieuw-Amsterdam was witness to the following:

Halifax Explosion

On Thursday, December 6, 1917, the City of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, was devastated by the huge detonation of a French Merchant ship, fully loaded with wartime explosives, that had accidentally collided with a Norwegian ship in the 'Narrows' section of the Halifax harbor. Approximately 1500 people were killed instantly, another 500 people died shortly after from wounds caused by debris, fires, or collapsed buildings, and it is estimated that 9000 people were injured.

The French Merchant ship Mont-Blanc, chartered by the French government to carry munitions, collided with the unloaded Norwegian ship Imo, chartered by the Commission for Relief in Belgium to carry relief supplies. It caught fire immediately and exploded about nineteen minutes later. All buildings and structures within two square kilometers of the explosion were obliterated, including those in the neighboring communities of Richmond and Dartmouth.

The explosion caused a tsunami wave in the harbor, and a pressure wave of air that snapped trees, bent iron rails, demolished buildings, grounded vessels, and carried fragments of the Mont-Blanc for kilometers.

This was the largest artificial explosion until the first atomic bomb test explosion in 1945 and still ranks high among the largest artificial non-nuclear explosions. (From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia)

Fortunately the Nieuw-Amsterdam was anchored in a location that was shielded from the explosion by a hill and did not sustain any significant damage. It left a couple of days later, only being delayed for a relative short time.

It was Christmas time that she returned safely to Rotterdam.; a six months round trip!

Gey van Pittius

I also tried to find out more about Gey van Pittius, and it turns out that a Mr. A.R.W Gey van Pittius was a Dutch commander fighting Napoleon at Waterloo. Another Gey van Pittius showed up in the Dutch East Indies as a military person. This Gey van Pittius family

seemed to be big in the military, and possibly 'our Gey van Pittius" was traveling at the expense of the Dutch government and that's why there is the marker on your receipt.

What else did I find out about him? Here too the Internet gives us many answers.

All ships arriving in New York harbor unloaded their passengers via Ellis Island. Every passenger coming onshore was documented and that's how we know a bit more about Mr. Gey van Pittius. All these documents from Ellis Island can be accessed online.

Mr. Gey van Pittius was a 30 year old

single man, 6 ft 2 inches, blond and blue eyes, on his way back to the Dutch East Indies where he was born (Batavia). His first name was Adriaan and as his contact. address in the Netherlands he used his mother's name and address: Mrs. A.R.W. Gey van Pittius, Balistraat 72, The Hague. His profession is listed as 'Officer Dutch Army". There are a total of 28 column headings on the official "List or Manifest of Alien Passengers for the United States Immigration Officer at Port of Arrival". (For an illustration see end of article). Add to that an 'Affidavit of the Master or Commanding Officer, or First or Second Officer', which was a signed form declaring that the information given by the passengers was correct as far as he knew, and finally a doctor's report that all passengers listed were in good mental and physical health. (You can look at these document under

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www.ellisisland.org; you'll have to sign up, but it's free). On the main form there are many headings, among them

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From the form it appears that U.S Citizens, Diplomats and Tourist plus Residents of Canada, Cuba, and Mexico were exempt, while the categories of Head tax Deposits were 'Special Inquiry, In Transit, and Claims to be a U.S Citizen'. Our Mr Gey van Pittius was listed as "In Transit", with destination "In transit to Dutch East Indies."

Once the DEI passengers had disembarked they still had a long way to go to the Dutch East Indies. How did they get there?

In the NRC newspaper of 12-24-1917 the following ad ran



It promotes to use of the Southern Pacific Company to travel from New York to San Francisco and then per <u>Toyo</u> <u>Kisen Kaisha</u> from there to either China, Japan, Manilla and the Dutch East Indies. The Toyo Kisen Kaisha is also know as the Oriental Steamship Company.

The trip across the US to San Francisco took place either via Chicago or St. Louis



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World WarII Censor Markings of Surinam. Julsen, F.W. 1920

World War 11 Censor Markings-Surinam. Julsen, F.W. 5771

SPECIAL CANCELS

Commemorative Cancels



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FROM THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

New members

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Postmerken & Postinrichtingen in Nederland tot

1871 - Deel 1

(Postal markings & Postal establishments in the Netherlands up to 1871 - Part 1)

Sometime ago Po & Po announced that they were planning to issue a unique book on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of Po & Po which occurred in 2006. A few days ago I received this book with the above title.

This book contains all the known postal indications about:

- written indications by senders or couriers

written and/or stamped postal markings of the Netherlands postal establishments

- written and/or stamped "postage free" markings.

Unlike the earlier well-known Korteweg book, which Netherlands Philately Vol. 31, No. 5

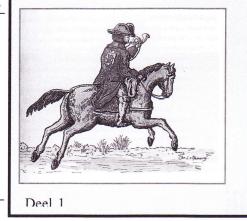
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dealt with postal markings by grouping them by types, this book or catalogue deals with them in alphabetical order by province, a lot of it accompanied by historical notes and good illustrations. All data discovered since the appearance of the Korteweg book are included.

Once in a while one runs across a publication which turns out to be a milestone in Netherlands philately, Korteweg's book was one of these. Now we have this catalogue which overshadows the Korteweg book. The

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amount of research that went into this work is nothing less than phenomenal, the Po & Po team led by Hotze Wiersma is to be congratulated!

They are already at work on Part 2!

Although written in Dutch, guides are included in German, English and French, allowing anyone to use this catalogue with a bit of effort. For those of us who revel in Dutch postal history this catalogue is an absolute "must".

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The publication can be ordered through

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1956 1.50 10pp ill

SHORT NOTES.

New type of cancel being tried out.

The 'old' cylinder bar cancels (like the POELDIJK cancel shown here) made by Raab in Germany have been around for awhile, but they are not without problems. Their wheels are getting stuck, sometimes making it hard to change the date and time.

Starting October 2006 a number of postoffices received a new type of cancel, made by Colop. They have an old fashioned ink cushion, which easily can be replaced when it wears out and replacing the date is very simple. We'll see how it comes out in the end. An example of the new Colop cancel is shown here

See Postzegelblog Cees Jansen, febr 2007)





Old RAAB on left

New COLOP on Right

COLOP canceler



Fat Variety?

Refer

to: www.philatelie.demon.nl/Berichtenarchief/berichtenarchi ef.html#12 of March 13, 2007:

Of the recently issued 44 cent 'Bugaboo' stamp there appear to be at least two varieties: the regular version, and the 'fat version'

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Netherlands Antilles rate Changes:

As per February 12, 2007 most postal rates of the Netherlands Antilles have been changed.

Letters to addresses in Curacao, Bonaire, St. Maarten, Saba, and St. Eustatius will be Naf. 1.04 up to 20 grams, 1.59 from21 to 50 grams. For letters to the US Canada, and Europe you'll have to pay Naf.2.85 for the first 10 grams, Naf. 4.05 (11 to 20 grams), and Naf. 6.30 (51 to 100 grams)

Rates

Local (mail to Curaçao, Bonaire, Sint Maarten, Sint Eustatius and Saba from the same island) & Between the islands (mail to Curaçao, Bonaire, Sint Maarten, Sint Eustatius and Saba from any of the other islands)

Weight Rate (in ANG.)	
up to 20 grams	1,04
21 to 50 grams	1,59
51 to 100 grams	1,86
101 to 250 grams	2.07
251 to 500 grams	2,36
501 to 1000 grams	2,90
1001 to 2000 grams	3,22

International

Weight	Rates per zone* (in ANG.)			
	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
up to 10grams	1,45	2,40	2,85	3,80
11 to 20 grams	1,95	3,35	4,05	5,25
21 to 50 grams	2,95	5,80	6,30	8,30
51 to 100 grams	4,95	8,10	10,00	12,50
101 to 250 grams	7,95	13,80	16,45	21,20
251 to 500 grams	11,95	17,90	20,50	27,00
501 to 1000 grams	15,95	22,50	25,80	35,00
1001 to 1500 grams	18,45	25,50	30,00	41,50
1501 to 2000 grams	22,00	29,00	35,00	47,00

* Zone 1: Aruba

Zone 2: Caribbean, Central & South America Zone 3: United States, Canada & Europe Zone 4: Asia, Africa & Australia

ProPostal 2000 Stamp Vending Device

On Macrh 31, two new stampo venmding machines were installed at the Rottertdam main postoffice. These types of vending amchines were recently used for the first time in Nijmegen. The Rotterdam machines get numbers TNT00003, and tNT00004 respectively.

Wincor Nixdorf's ProPostal 2000 supports postal organizations that are migrating basic postal transactions to a user-friendly and convenient self-service channel.

ProPostal 2000 has been designed to move the standard process for postage

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The vast benefits of ProPostal 2000 are immediately apparent: Counter employees can concentrate on more important tasks and consumers appreciate the fast, round-the-clock service. ProPostal 2000 is a reliable and indispensable sales channel not only in postal outlets but also in 3rd party locations.

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The entire solution for postal automation is rounded off by a comprehensive software and services portfolio that allows carefree implementation and operation of your self-service network.

Highlights:

- * Identifies weights
- * Calculates postage
- * Prints up to 2 different label types
- * Issues receipts
- * Convenient payment methods

Unknown cancel in ASNP Vol. 31/4

Ed Matthews writes:

On page 94 of the March 2007 ASNP Magazine you show a picture of an "unknown" postmark or cancel. As luck would have it, at the same time the ASNP magazine arrived, there was a catalog of the 192nd Auction of the Overijsselse Postzegelveiling. It shows as lots 773, 774 and 776, internal postal documents of the DEI with the HB POSTERIJEN "postmark". They appear to me to be simply datestamps, there are several other stamps on these documents which also are not postmarks as we know them. These ones are dated 1923 and 1931.

ELECTIONS

In September we will have our annual elections. Please read what it says in the bylaws, so you can either nominate yourself or somebody else.

Article IV- Elections

Section 1. The annual balloting of officers and Governors shall take place in September by members in good standing.

Section 2. Nominations signed by five or more members shall be send to the Corresponding Secretary before June 1. Nominations may also be sent to the Corresponding Secretary by the Board of Governors.

Section 3. An official list of nominees shall be prepared by the Corresponding Secretary and sent to the magazine editor. The editor shall prepare an official ballot containing all nominations, blank spaces for the insertion of additional names, and spaces for indicating a choice opposite each name. Ballots shall be mailed before August 1 and must be returned by October 1 to be counted.

Section 4. The ballot shall be sent to the person designated by the Board of Governors. This person will send them to the Corresponding Secretary who will report the result to the magazind editor for

publication.

Section 5. In case of a tie vote, the board of Governors will decide the election. In case of incapacity of a candidate or officer, the Board of Governors shall appoint a qualified substitute.

MAGAZINE REVIEWS

Note: In general only those articles with philatelic subjects related to the Netherlands and its former Colonies are discussed here; many other articles of interest appear in these publications.

Photo copies can be made available (at the cost of reproduction plus mailing) to anyone interested in a particular article. Contact Hans Kremer, 50 Rockport Ct., Danville, CA 94526 (hkremer@usa.net).

Maandblad Filatelie

Maandblad Filatelie - Brouwer Media - P.O. Box 20, 1910 AA Uitgeest, The Netherlands.

Subscription \in 18.40 / yr., \in 32 for foreign countries, free to members of Dutch philatelic societies.

February 2007 - An article our US based members can relate to, deals with the PBSM-624 machines (Postal Booklet and Stamp Machines). They are the stamp vending machines used in the lobbies of most US postoffices. - Another article talks about the discontinued handdriven franking machines, like the old Francotyp cancelers. As per September 2007 only digital franking machines can be used.

<u>March 2007</u> - This issue is mainly dedicated to philatelic aspects of France, but the article about the 'HOLLANDE' cancels is definitely of interest to anybody studying Dutch pre-stamp philately. Hans Gabriels shows and describes eleven such covers covering a period of 1714 through 1810. Most of this mail between the Netherlands and France went via Antwerp and/or Lille.

April 2007 - The kids section has a nice short article about some philatelic aspects of the province of Zeeland, in particular as it relates to water (the Zeeland Bridge, Oosterscheldedam and Veere). - A subject I had never heard about is the 'Venetian stamp'. It deals with the festivities of Tilburg to commemorate their 100 year 'city rights', given to them by King Louis Napoleon in 1809. As part of an open air exhibition there was a Venetia Pavilion, which had replicas of Venetian buildings and even had a canal with gondoliers. At this pavilion there was a postoffice and all mail dropped of there received a special Italian 'express stamp', which in turn was canceled with a Venetie cancel. The Venetian stamp, although a replica of a real Italian stamp, is just an label. The real Italian stamp says 'Poste Italiane', while the label says 'Poste Venezia'. The article shows a couple of nice covers (in color) with a Venetia 'stamp'. - The use of the so-called Todd- and Jesurun stamps is described by Mr. Aster. Refer to 'Websites worth visiting' in this Magazine to read more about these stamps

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The Netherlands Philatelist -

Magazine and Newsletter, each published three times a year by the Netherlands Philatelic Circle (Magazine Editor: Les Jobbins, 25 Oakfield Drive, Reigate, Surrey RH2 9NR, United Kingdom). Membership (this includes the Magazine as well as the Newsletter): £ 15 per year.

Magazine Vol. XXVI#3, March 2007 -

A couple of additional covers relating to the first Surinam-New York flight in 1929, as was reported originally in the previous Magazine's article. - Also additional covers showing the SS van der Wijck, which also was written up first in the previous Magazine. -Hans Hones has translated the article about the Oranje Hospital ship that was originally published in de Postzak#201, of July/August 2006. - John Hill is explaining how to read Dutch zip codes as they were applied during the late 1970s. - Alan Bartlett informs us about the location of the Waris and Jaffi districts; were they in Dutch or Australian New Guinea?

Nederland onder de Loep

The Rundbrief (whose official name is "Nederland onder de Loep") is our German 'sister organization's publication. The ASNP and Arge (Arbeitsgemeinschaft Niederlande e.V.) exchange their respective publications. The Rundbriefs are stored at the ASNP library.

Arge Secretary: Peter Heck, Tiefengasse 33, 65375 Oestrich-Winkel, Germany. Membership is € 20.

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Rundbrief # 176 April 2007

This issue opens with an 13 page article by Bert Goofers about the postal situation in the Dutch part of the southern province of Limburg during the French occupation 1794 - 1815. The article is richly illustrated with 10 covers, and will continue in the next issue of the Rundbrief. - Dr. Louis shows three letters from the 1850s, all franked with a 5 cent William III stamp, although the distances these letters traveled all exceeded 30 km. The rate for letters traveling more then 30 km was either 10 or 15 cent. Why then only 5 cent for these? It turns out that letters to men in the military could be sent for 5 cent, regardless of the distance traveled! - Mr. Hönes writes about a "2e VERZ' cancel (listed in Bulterman's Dutch East Indies cancels, 1864 -1950) of the Dutch East indies, but he also shows aa "1e VERZ' marker on a letter mailed from Soekaboemi to Batavia (1902). Mr. Hönes is looking for more info about the purpose of these cancels. - Other articles deal with the Dutch postal history as originally written in 1858 by H. Stephan; a nice prefolded letter that traveled form Padang (1938) to Voorburg (Netherlands) and back (insufficient postage and refused).

Netherlands Philatelists of California

Membership dues are \$ 10 for corresponding USA and Canada based members; \$ 15 for regular members. attending the monthly meetings, and \$ 16 for international corresponding members. Secretary/Editor: Frank Ennik, 10944 San Pablo Ave. # 226, El Cerrito, CA 94530-2374 E-mail:ennik123@comcast.net Website: www.angelfire.com/ca2/npofc

The <u>March</u> issue has a short article about "Michiel de Ruyter, a hero in Hungary', and an interesting article about old Dutch money orders (Postbewijzen). - As usual the Cancel -, Cover -, and Third Category of the Month, compliment this and the April edition.

<u>PO&PO</u>

The Verenigingsnieuws (Newsletter) is published quarterly by the Nederlandse Vereniging van <u>Po</u>ststukken en <u>Po</u>ststempelverzamelaars (PO&PO). Dues are \notin 22.50 / yr. (per 1-1-2006 this will go to \notin 25), which includes delivery of the Newsletter and the more irregular **Postzak.** Secretary: J.F.G Spijkerman, Postbus 1065, 6801 BB Arnhem; e-mail: secretariaat@po-en-po.com

De Postzak - # 202, January 2007

This issue contains a number of shorter articles.

It opens with an "In Memoriam' for Mr. F. W. van der Wart, who passed away at age 87. Mr. van der Wart was the author of various wellknown publication about Dutch cancels. It is amazing to read that he was only 22 vears old when he published his first listing of the Advertizing and Special Occasion cancels in 1943. He was also member # 1 of PO&PO. I visited his house about 10 years ago asking him about some advertising cancels. He disappeared for a few minutes and came back with a shoebox full of covers with all advertizing cancels on them. That's how he stored his collection, in shoe boxes! - An article about Wim Roozendaal (1899-1971) goes into a number of machinecancels Mr. Roozendaal has designed, mostly during the 1930s, but also the wellknown 'pole' design in 1945 of Flyer and Universal canceling devices. - Most of us have seen the covers with double crosses on the front, indicating that these letters/cards have to be delivered on New Year's Day. It turns out that there are covers with these double crosses on them, but they were for correspondence to and from Dutch Navy ships. With these crosses the mail was put into special bags expediting their transportation. - "Incoming mail to Amsterdam' is the title of an article showing many covers sent to Amsterdam and all dealing with UPUN issues. International mail is sent in bags, with a label attached giving the weight of the bag. This information is used to settle the costs of the amount of mail between two countries. If errors are found on these labels the country where this mail comes form will be notified through a 'Bulletin de Verification' For the Netherland this office is in Amsterdam. Mail is addressed many ways: Bureau des Poste, Bureau de verification, Bureau d'exchange de destination and others. It shows again that there are many ways one can collect philatelic material, even modern material.

Verenigingsnieuws: 2007-1, March 2007

More questions about rader wheel type cancels. This time questions about the cancels of Amsterdam - Bijenkorf, Amsterdam - De Geelvinck, Amsterdam - Buitenveldert, Amsterdam W - Jan v. Galenstraat, a (1961?) Rotterdam trial cancel, cancels used on money orders, plus a 'cut' Midsland (N.H) cancel (the 'N.H' was cut when the island of Terschelling became part of the province of Friesland; Midsland is located on Terschelling). - A list of 447 auction items accompanies this issue.

De Aero Philatelist

"De Aero Philatelist" is issued six times a year by "De Nederlandse Vereniging van Aero Philatelisten".

K. Jongerden, Ambonlaan 88, 1276 NJ HUIZEN, The Netherlands.

Subscription is Euro 27.50 per year.

Many issues of "De Aero Philatelist" include a substantial auction section of interesting airmail covers and/or related items.

December 2006 (Number 6):

Jan Hintzen reviews in detail reactions to his regular monthly 2006 articles which he received from fellow VH club members.

Leo H. Jelsma reports on the November Airmail Exhibition (45th Day of the Aero Philately and 70th Anniversary of the "Vliegende Hollander" club) in Rotterdam. Various VH members showed outstanding material and received official recognition.

J. Bot presents an in-depth study of what happened to a postal item on its flight from Amsterdam to Castelrosso (1936) and its eventual return to the sender in The Hague.

Hans Aitink continues with segment #42 on Airmail During Wartime in which he covers air connections between Italy and South America as of the summer of 1940 and various other wartime air routes to Spain and Africa.

W. Snieder presents a nicely illustrated article on Alberto Santos-Dumont (Master of the balloon and Conqueror of the air !). He describes Alberto's designs and production of balloons and airplanes, his life in France, and in Paris in particular, and his later years at his home in Petropolis, Brazil.

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An agenda of upcoming events and a news column by

J.E.C.M. Dekker complete this last issue of 2006.

February 2007 (Number 1):

This issue starts with pictures of last year's 45th Day of the Aero Philately and the 70th Anniversary of the "Vliegende Hollander" club.

Jan Hintzen continues with his segment no. 87, which features this time an eight-page illustrated presentation of the DC 3 "IBIS" and "SPECHT" on the Holland - East Indies route.

Jacques Bot addresses the 1929 flight of the "Maryland Free State" (Fokker F VIIb-3 G-AADZ) owner and operated by the well-known Mr. W. Van-Lear Black

Hans Aitink in segment #43 on Airmail During Wartime discusses Pan Am Transpacific Clipper Service FAM 14 San Francisco to Hong Kong/Singapore during 1939-1942.

An updated agenda of coming event for 2007 completes this issue.

April 2007 (number 2):

Koos Biesheuvel announces and explains his decision to resign as your Aero Philatelist editor after his term of three years of service. He will be succeeded by Rob van Grunningen. There will be a annual general membership meeting on April 21, 2007 in Amersfoort.

Jacques Bot presents an overview of reactions he received to his article on Netherlands Airmail Catalogues.

Jan Hintzen focusses on various special postal markings in connection with flights by the DC 3 "Specht" as a possibility to specialize in. A kind of subject such as this could turn out to be very interesting!

Hans Aitink delivers his segment #44 on Airmail During Wartime and continues with Pan Am Transpacific Clipper Service FAM 19 San Francisco to Auckland 1940/1941.

Herman Verduyn contributes an explanation regarding the administrative indication "voor de verzending terug" (returned before being sent) and the administrative indication "voor verzending teruggevraagd" (return requested before being sent).

Koos Biesheuvel, retiring VH editor, provides a short story on the attempted record flight by Cordos and Rossi with the Bleriot 110 F-ALCC "Joseph Le Brix" from France to South America.

The usual upcoming events agenda and the news column by Jan Dekker complete this second issue of 2007..

Handboek Postwaarden Nederland

Authors: G. Holstege, J.Vellekoop, and R. van den Heuvel. The Handboek is a Dutch language publication and addresses philatelic subjects in a high quality and in-depth manner. Segments are completed and made

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available on an irregular but more or less quarterly basis. Publisher: Joh. Enschedé, P.O.Box 8023, 1055 AA, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. E-mail: verkoop@jea.nl, Website: www.jea.nl. Our 'personal' contact is Wendy Hut (w.hut@jea.nl)

The authors invite comments and suggestions by visiting their website: <u>http://www.postwaarden.nl/</u>

Supplement # 31 November 2006

In supplement 30 the first two issues of the Summer stamps were covered. This issue continues with the Summer stamps of 1937 and 1938. In style and execution they continue the previous series. Also covered in this supplement are the 1938 Jubilee stamps. In 1938 Queen Wilhelmina completed the first 40 years of her reign (which ended in 1948). The other subject is the stamp affixing machines used in by the Dutch PTT from 1899 till 1924. The most successful of these were the POKO machines. The use of these machines dropped significantly after 1919 when 'Prepaid Franking' was introduced, and even further after 1925 when the franking machines came on the market.

ZWP (Zuid West Pacific)

The ZWP (South West Pacific) studygroup covers not only the postal history of the South West Pacific but also of the Dutch West Indies. The publications exist of a Mededelingenblad (Newsletter type) and a Mededelingenblad -Bijlage (Appendix). Dues are $\notin 25$ / yr. Secretary: J.A. Dijkstra, Dolderstraat 74, 6706 JG Wageningen, The Netherlands (j.dijkstra50@chello.nl)

Mededelingenblad No new issue received.

Dai Nippon Society -

The Dai Nippon Society specializes in the stamps of the Dutch East Indies during the period of the Japanese occupation, and also during the Republik Indonesia before obtaining sovereignty.

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Website: www.dainippon.nl

March 2007 - Dai Nippon will celebrate its 60th birthday next year. To commemorate, they will, together with the then 40 year old ZWP, manifest itself at POSTEX 2008, to be held in Apeldoorn in October. Members are asked to submit material for the exhibition. - Membership at the end of 2006 was 230, unchanged from the previous year. - An 758 lot auction listing is included. - J.R. van Nieuwenkerk writes about "The "Gouvernement Nippon" overprint" in an nine page 121 article. The article is entirely in English.

The Gouvernement Nippon overprint on postal stationery has for decades been one of the more mysterious items from the Japanese occupation of the Dutch East Indies. The overprint is known on a 3 1/2 cent post card, a few 10 on 12 1/2 ct. re-valued envelopes and eleven 7 1/2 ct. letter sheets. In addition, each of these items also carried a regular occupation overprint. Mr. van Nieuwkerk believes that these overprints were used early 1943 or perhaps even in 1942. Where these overprints (of which there are very few) are applied is still unknown, but Mr. van Nieuwkerk makes a strong case for the island of Bali.

No new issue received.

Waalzegel

Waalzegel is the 4x year publication of the NVPV-Nijmegen. Dues are \in 55 per year, <u>which includes an</u> <u>airmail subscription to the Maandblad voor Filatelie.</u> (Giro acct# 950115, in the name of NVPV afd. Nijmegen) or send Cash in Euros (or Dollar equivalent) to Jan A. Lauret, Dingostraat 120, 6531 PG Nijmegen, Netherlands.

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A very nice write-up on Michiel de Ruyter makes for a

ENT NIPPON AM EN ADRES VAN DEN AFZENDER SIPENO Gouvernement Nippon on 31/2 ct post card, Waingapoe, early 1944

Brepost

Brepost is the bimonthly publication of the Postzegelvereniging Breda in the Netherlands. Secretary: B.H. Kielman, Paradijslaan 23, 4822 PD Breda, The Netherlands (benkielman@casema.nl). Membership dues are $\notin 22.50 / yr.$, which includes an airmail subscription to the Maandblad voor Filatelie.

very interesting issue

The contents of the Waalzegel can be seen as a PDF file on their Website:

http://www.nvpvnijmegen.nl/Artikeleninhoud.htm

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Netherlands

Beautiful Netherlands 2007 -

Gouda

city is

7 February 2007

Gouda is world famous for one specific product cheese. Gouda cheese has been traded since the middleages and, until last century, trading took place in the



still-present Waag (weighing house), built in 1668. But Gouda has more to offer than cheese alone: the city rich is in monuments. such as its fantastic Gothic city hall built around 1450 and the Church of StJohn.

renowned for its singularly impressive stained glass windows. The

also famous for its winter celebration "Gouda by Candlelight". On this night, Gouda, a major centre for candle-making right up until the 1980s, turns off all its electric lights and the city is illuminated bythe glow ofthousands of flickering candle flames, throwing the visitor back into days long gone.

ouda. The-stamps are valid until further notice.

Denomination The face value of each stamp is 44 euro cents.

Technical details Size 20.8 x 25.3 mm. Colors yellow, magenta, cyan and Netherlands Philately Vol. 31 No. 5

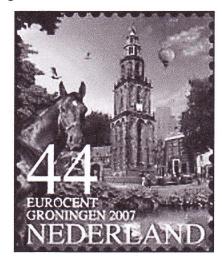
Perforation Paper Gum Availability Product type Print process Print run Printer

black 14 1/2 : 14 1/4 normal with phosphortagging synthetic until further notice sheetlet of five identical special stamps offset 130,000 sheets Joh. Enschedé Security Print, The Netherlands

Groningen

21 February 2007

On this stamp the town of Groningen is turned upside down. The famous Martini Tower is not longer located at its traditonal spot on the Grand Market, but close to water and the Prinsenhof. One can also see a 'Groningen horse', which refers back to the famous song about the horse of Uncle Loeks.



Spring Trees

21 March, 2007

It was 50 years ago this year that the Dutch National Tree Planting Committee (Landelijk Comite Boomplantdag) was founded, iater being renamed the National Tree Day Foundation (Stichting Nationale Boomfeestdag) in 1980. National Tree Day aims to get children and their parents involved in nature and make them aware of just how important nature is. By helping to plant trees, children provide a real contribution to:~ making the world a "greener" place. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Na-lionai Tree Day, TNT Post is dedicating a ser*s of four speciai starr~p sheetlets to the foundation. Each sheetlet sheds light on two species of tree in one of the four seasons. The first sheetlet, "Trees of Spring" will be

issued on 21 March 2007 to mark the start of the spring season. The foundation helped produce the stamp sheetlets and the accompanying theme book

entitled "Save the Trees", in which the sheetlets being issued in 2007 are given pride of place.

The stamps show a photo of the lime tree seen from below, following the elegantly curving trunk to the crown, penetrated by the sun's rays, and the horse chestnut photo shows the bud, the beginnings of the candle and a few young leaves sprouting.

Size	36 x 25 mm
Colors	yellow, magenta, cyan and black
Gum	synthetic
Product type	sheetlet of ten special stamps in two
	different designs
Print process	offset
Print run	450,000 sheets
Printer	Joh. Enschede

Hoorn

26 March, 2007

The stamp shows the colorful

harbour of Hoorn, where s h i p p i n g, fishery, tourism and Michiel de Ruyter all come together.

OnMarch 26 1357 Hoorn received its city rights.





Vlissingen

23 march 2007



Of course Michiel Adriaenszoon de Ruytet (1607 -1676) plays a prominent role on the design of this stamp. It was on March 24 that 400 years ago Michiel born was in Vlissingen. His legacy is his trip up to the river Thames where he annilhilted the British.

Summer stamps

4 April, 2007

The stamp sheetlets show beach photos from the first half of the last century. These sepia-toned and b&w snapshots have been superimposed on

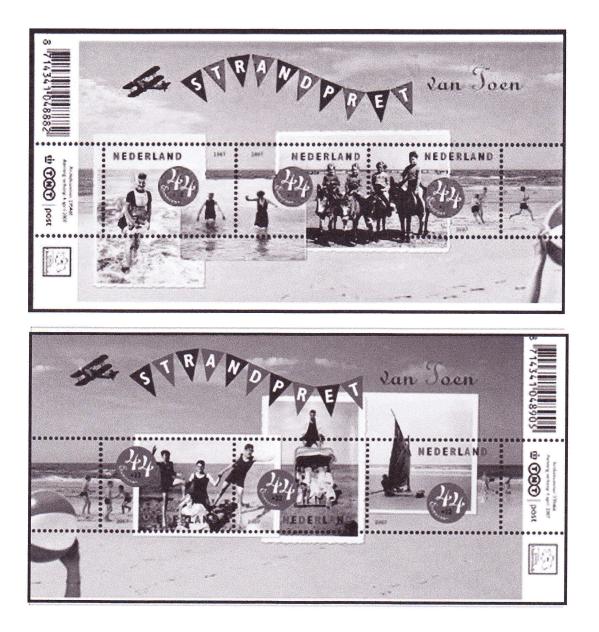
a background showing a modern-day beach scene in full colour.Together, the six stamps spread over the two sheetlets form a single composition that expresses the vastness of sea and beach.

The value of each stamp is 44 euro cents, with a surcharge of 22 euro cents.

Size	36 x 25 mm
Colours	yellow, magenta, cyan and black
Perforation	13 1/4 X 12 3/4
Paper	normal with phosphor tagging
Gum	synthetic
Availability	until further notice
Product type	two sheetlets each featuring three

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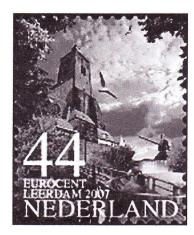
different specialstamps with charity surchargePrint processoffsetPrint run625,000 of each sheetletPrinterJoh. Enschede



Leerdam

13 April 2007

Leerdam in the 'Glass city' of the Netherlands. Its reputation was established in 1765 with the building of the first glass factory in the Netherlands. In 2007 it will be 400 years ago that Leerdam received its 'city rights'



A Flowery present

1 May 2007

TNT Post is once again up to something different: stamps with real seeds. This was supposed to be a joint issue with Austria, but after the Austrian postoffice was not successful in growing any flowers from the seeds they decided against issuing the

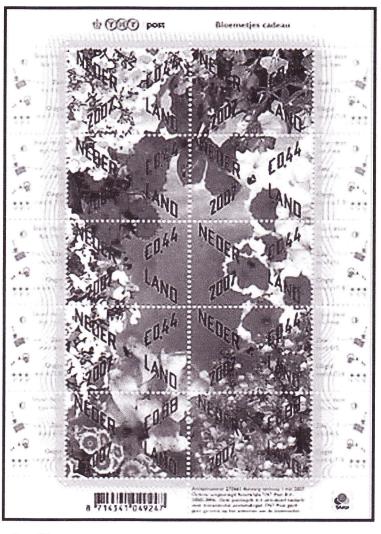
stanmps. TNT Post however went ahead and we'll have to wait to find out how the Dutch did with their seeds. The seed mix contains;

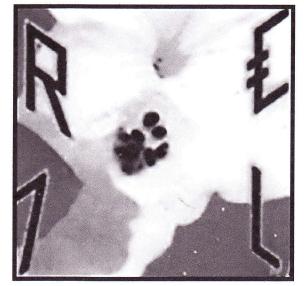
- Petunia Multiflora (petunia)
- Linaria maroccana (vlasleeuwenbek)
- Antirrhinum majus (leeuwenbek)
- Lobelia erinus (lobelia)
- Dianthus chinesis x barbatus (anjer)

One can call it atypical Dutch mix, although the seeds come from Japan and the stamps were printed in France. There are four 44 cent and two 88 cent stamps. These are the rates for the first and second weight class of first class mail within the Netherlands.

Since you can't bring foreign seeds into the US it will be interesting to see what happens when somebody puts these stamps on an a enveloppe to the US (propert rate would be 89 cents as per January 2007).

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Netherlands Antilles

Royal Visit to the Netherlands Antilles

In connection with the visit of Her Majesty Queen Beatrix to the Netherlands Antilles, Nieuwe Post Nederlandse Antillen n v. issued a special souvenir sheet containing four starnps, dedicated to this special occasion.

Her Majesty visited the Netherlands Antilles from 8th. to the 17th. of November 2006. The Royal visit to the Netherlands Antilies started with a visit to Bonaire, followed by Sint Maarten Cura, cao, Saba and St. Eustatius.

This visit was primarily aimed at the Youth and Social Education. The programme underlined Her Majesty's wishes.

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Designs Face value of stamps : Size of souvenir sheet : Perforation of stamps : Printing

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Royal Visit Netherlands Antilles Studio La Branda 149,285,335 & 750 cents 92 mm x 82 mm 13 1/4 x 12 3/4 offset coated stamp paper no watermark Johan Enschede Stamps **Security Printers**

Haarlem, The Netherlands

Koninklijk Bezoek Nederlandse Antillen Nederlandse Antillen 13. ST.G.E.T.

Many organizations that are related to youth matters were visited.

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December Stamps

15 November, 2006

Nieuwe Post Nederlandse Antillen n.v. issued the traditional December stamps series. This mainly because thisseries announces a joyful time all around the world that brings families and friends together.

This year, being the international year of Planet Earth, the December

series celebrated a rather common and uniting aspect during the Holiday celebrations of different countries all around the world: "Light".

"Light" expresses not only joy, warmth and harmony but also hope. In this series the designer, Richmond Gijsbertha, takes aspects of the holidays such as candles, bells and the Poinsettia and an outline of a typical Antillean gable and sets them off against a black background in brilliant colors burst like rays of light.

The Netherlands Antilles is also a melting pot of cultures from all around the globe and the best wishes for a Happy Holiday is conveyed in five languages that are heard every day on our islands: Dutch: Vrolijk Kersffeest en een Gelukkig Nieuwjaar · Papiamentu: Bon Pasku i Felis Ana Nobo • English: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year · Spanish: Feliz Navidad y Prospero Ano Nuevo · French: Joyeux Noel et Bonne Annee!

In this way Nienwe Post Nederlandse Antillen n.v. wishes to convey a message of Love, Peace and Prosperity to all.

Date of issue	:	November 15th. 2006
Sales Period	:	November 15th 2006 -
		November 14th.2007
Issue	:	December stamps 2006
Designer		Richmond Gijsbertha
Face value of stamps		45, 100, 149, 215, 285 and
		380 cents
Size of stamps	:	36 mm x 25 mm
Size of image	:	33 mm x 22 mm
Perforation of stamps	:	13 1/4 x 12 3/4
Printing	:	offset coated stamp paper no
		watermark
Printer	:	Johan Enschede Stamps
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