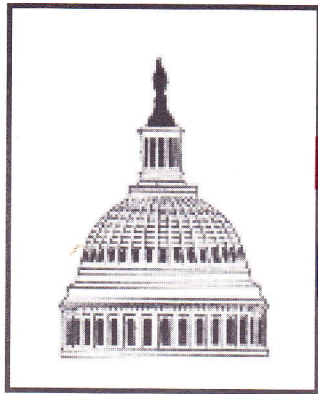
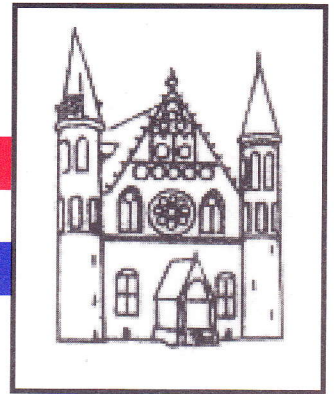
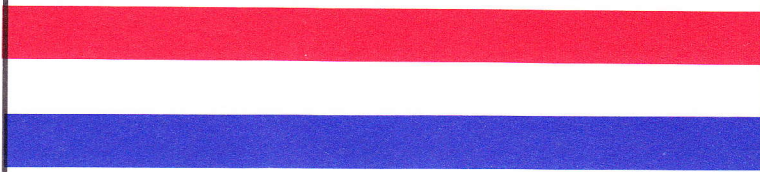


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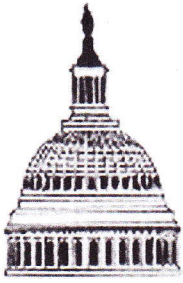
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President's Page

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Our Society's Bylaws stipulate that elections of officers are held every year. We have just had such an election in 2007, about 55 members cast their votes, but we have 150 plus members. I realize we don't have hotly contested primaries with highflying rhetoric and promises creating a lot of expectations from the people elected. Neither do we normally have burning issues, yes, we have had some on occasion, so I would like to suggest that elections every two years would be quite satisfactory for our Society. You will find elsewhere in this issue of our Magazine a proposal to amend our Bylaws to accommodate elections every two years. Please read them carefully and let us know what you think.

Oversight of our affairs is in the very capable hands of the members of our Board of Governors who have a final say in all matters in case of differences of opinion.

Another matter: In the last issue of our Magazine we reported that our very capable Auction Manager has had to step down due to ill health. We have always looked forward to the Auctions. We are very happy to be able to tell you that Hans Moesbergen has stepped up to the plate and will take over from Dick. You will find a short CV of Hans Moesbergen elsewhere in this issue. Dick has computerized the entire system and is helping Hans to get a headstart. We will have an auction!

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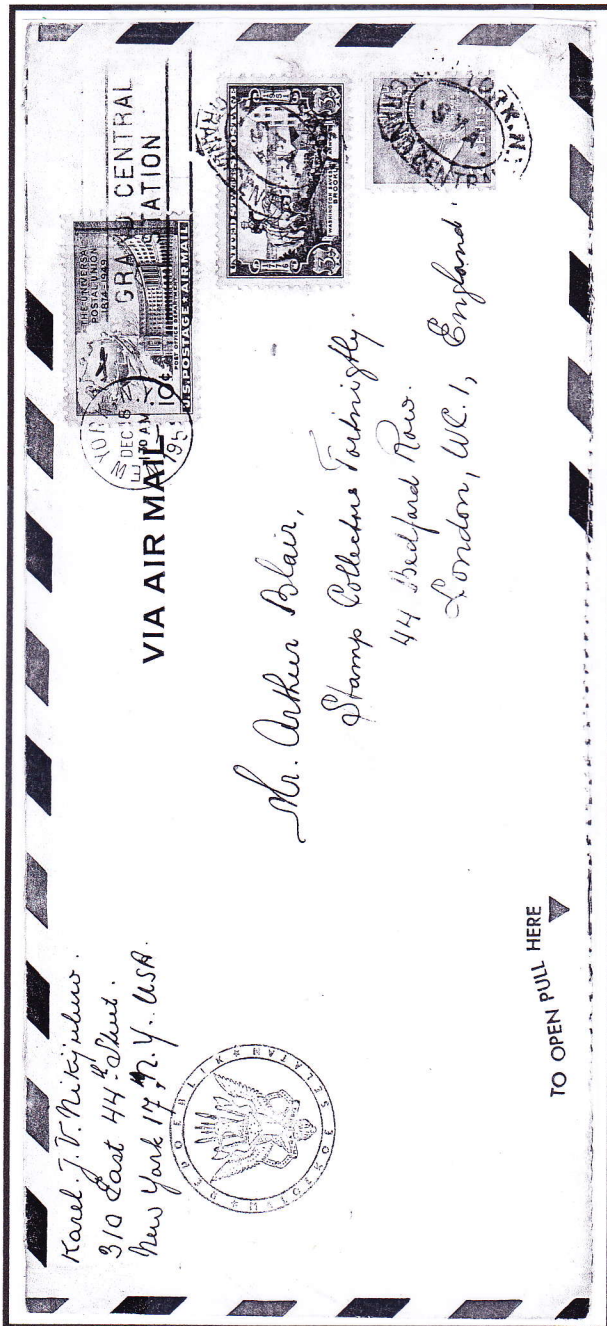
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South Moluccas

by Alan Bartlett

In the January 2008 issue of *Netherlands Philately* there was mention of a new catalogue of South Moluccas issues that is available by downloading. I can confirm that it is a well presented and comprehensive listing, including as it does both the Dutch 'Indonesia' issue overprinted 'Republik Maluku Selatan', which were genuinely postally used in the breakaway republic, and the several issues of pictorials produced in the United States from 1951 to 1954, which were never sold or used in the South Moluccas, so only have the status of labels. (For a full discussion of both, see John Jeffries' article 'Stamps of South Moluccas - Fact or Fantasy' in *Netherlands Philately* Vol.22 No.3).



When Indonesia suppressed the breakaway republic in 1951, the majority of the rebels fled to the Netherlands, but the ousted government sent a Karel Nikijolow to New York to make representations to the United Nations and to open an information office there.

Fig.1 shows a cover signed by Nikijolow, sent 18 December 1952(?) to London, with an RMS coat-of-arms cachet. At least one variation of this cachet is known on cover.

Some while back I came across a quantity of the RMS labels in a local dealer's rummage box. What makes this find unusual is that a small set of the labels, each from a different issue, is hinged on to the front of each of six small printed leaves.

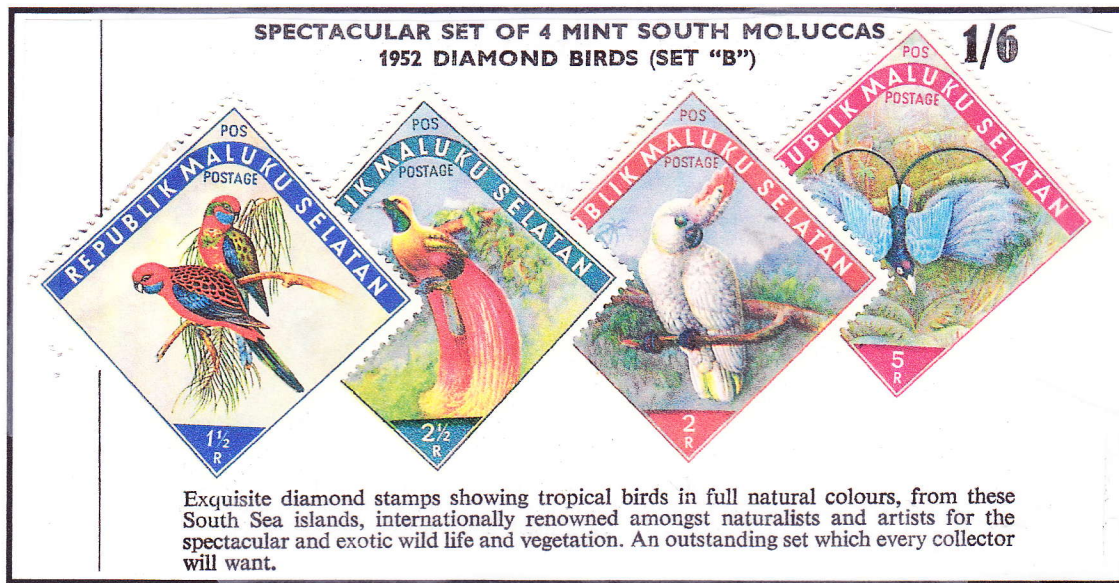


Fig.2 shows the four highest value labels of the 1952 Tropical Birds series on the first of the leaves. It is evident that these leaves were originally made up into some form of booklet produced by a dealer in the UK, as on each front is printed a price in £.s.d., ranging from 9d. to 1s.6d. - then about US10c. and 20c respectively.

There is a text printed on the backs of five of the six leaves, numbered pages 1 to 5 accordingly, which provides a detailed narrative about the RMS and the labels themselves, titled *'The South Moluccas Story - The Forgotten War'*. On the back of the sixth leaf, which is unnumbered, is a map of the area claimed as the Republic of the South Moluccas.

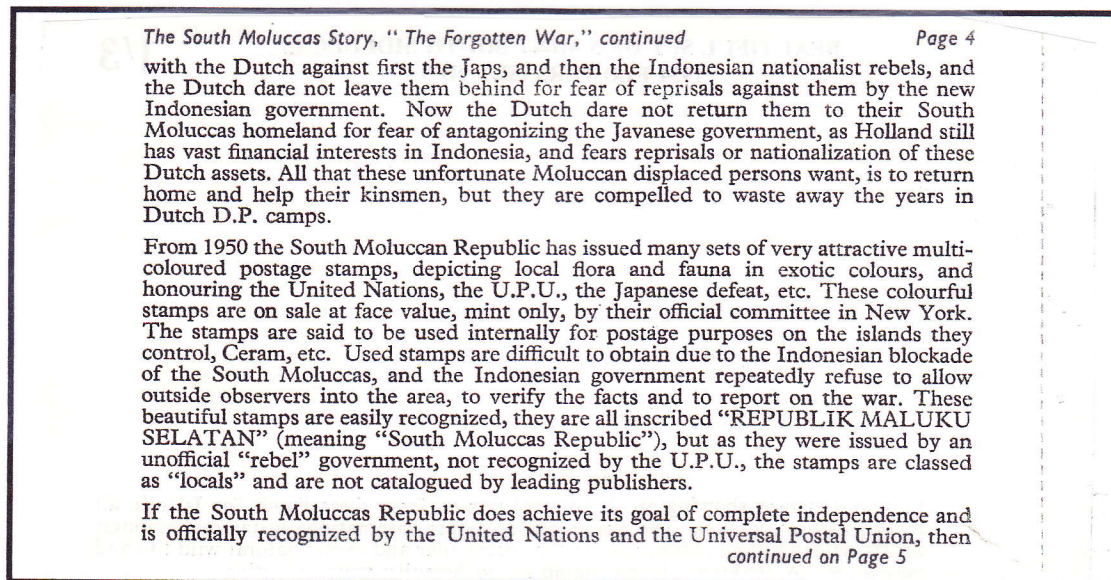
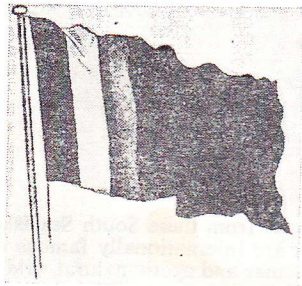


Fig.3 shows page 4. The text picks up a point from page 2, which read "The people of the South Moluccas, including the famous soldiers from Ambon - the crack Amboinese colonial

troops - had bravely fought with the Dutch against first the Japs . . .".

these first unofficial local stamps might eventually obtain catalogue status, and be eagerly sought after by collectors the world over, and may one day become quite valuable. But NOW is the time to buy them, whilst they are low in price. They are unquestionably amongst the most beautiful and colourful of all modern stamps.

(These notes are based on information supplied to us by the official South Moluccan Committee in New York, and on articles which have appeared in American and Australian magazines and newspapers).



THE SOUTH MOLUCCAS FLAG

The Flag is in four vertical parts and in four colours. Blue for the South Seas and Loyalty; White for Purity and Peace; Green for Fertility and Hope; the larger part Red, for Sacrifice and Love.

Fig.4 shows page 5. On page 4, continued on page 5, the dealer is quite honest about the possibility that the issues might never be recognized as anything more than colorful labels.

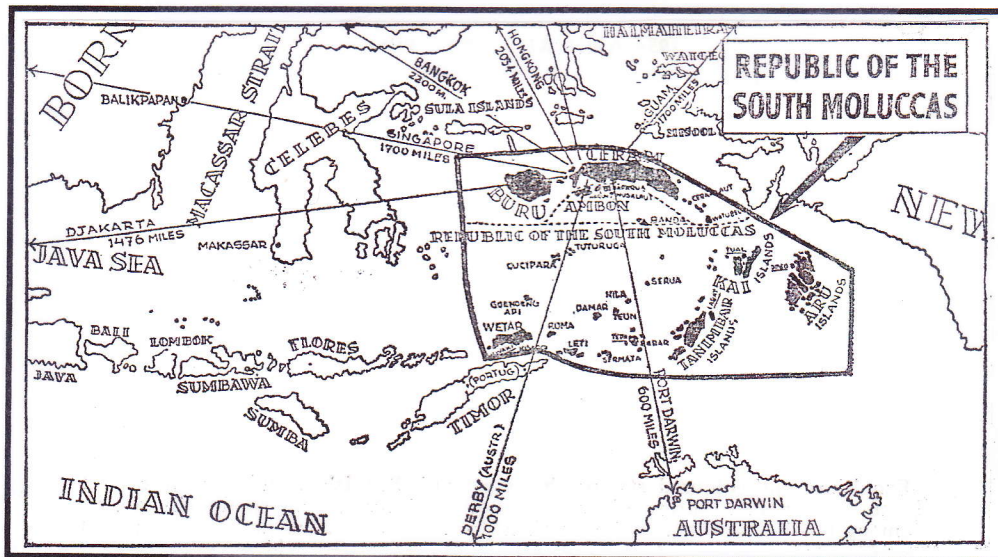


Fig.5 shows the RMS map mentioned above.

There was an unfortunate sequel to the flight of the rebels to the Netherlands. Queen Juliana's obituary in 'The Times' of 23 March 2004 noted that "In 1975 the police and security services foiled a plot to kidnap Queen Juliana from the Soestdijk Palace by a group of South Moluccans. They were part of a 33,000-strong group of Indonesian exiles who had fought on the Dutch side during the struggle for Indonesia independence between 1945 and 1949. Temporarily repatriated to the Netherlands, they refused to integrate with the Dutch community and wanted the government to establish an independent republic for them in the South Pacific.

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Postal package card Pp. 2. Card manufactured early 1950's with the "Nieuw-Guinea" territory name. Mailed from Sorongdoom June 20, 1957, by airmail to Hollandia. Arrival cancel on the back: Hollandia 1, June 27, 1957 at 11 am, delivered at 1 pm. Rate Fl. 2.- for 1-3 kg, + 10 cent airmail surcharge per 50 gram, total Fl. 5.-.

Rekening Courant Dienst (Current Account Service)

After a slow start, the Current Account Service became fully active from July 1, 1952. Used deposit forms (RC 1) have been preserved from the final period of Dutch New Guinea and the UNTEA period. The deposit fee was 10 cent per Fl. 100.-. The service was available only for domestic use.

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Philately and the World Wide Web - 'An 1876 Maritime Dispute' and 'The 1905 Honor Guard'
by Ben H. Jansen

In this article, I want to share with you the fun I had exploring the background of two postcards, dating from around the turn of the 19th to 20th century, using the world-wide web (WWW). The WWW is a vast repository of text, images and videos, uploaded by societies, governmental bodies, and individuals. Each item posted on the WWW is identified by a unique address, referred to as the URL (universal resources locator). URLs of specific information used to write this story are provided in the references. Search engines, such as Google, have been developed and can be used for free to provide access to this information. No need to leave the house; all information can be accessed by typing in a few keywords. However, as with most searches, some questions remain unanswered and new ones arise. Let me explain.

A maritime dispute

The first case concerns the postcard shown in Figure 1 (front) and 2 (back), which I bought for \$1 at a local show. The card is Geuzendam¹ type 2b and was mailed and delivered on May 15, 1876 between noon and 4:00 pm in Rotterdam. The card has a small hole in it, right through the imprinted value mark, probably caused by the spike commonly used in offices those days to hold documents together.

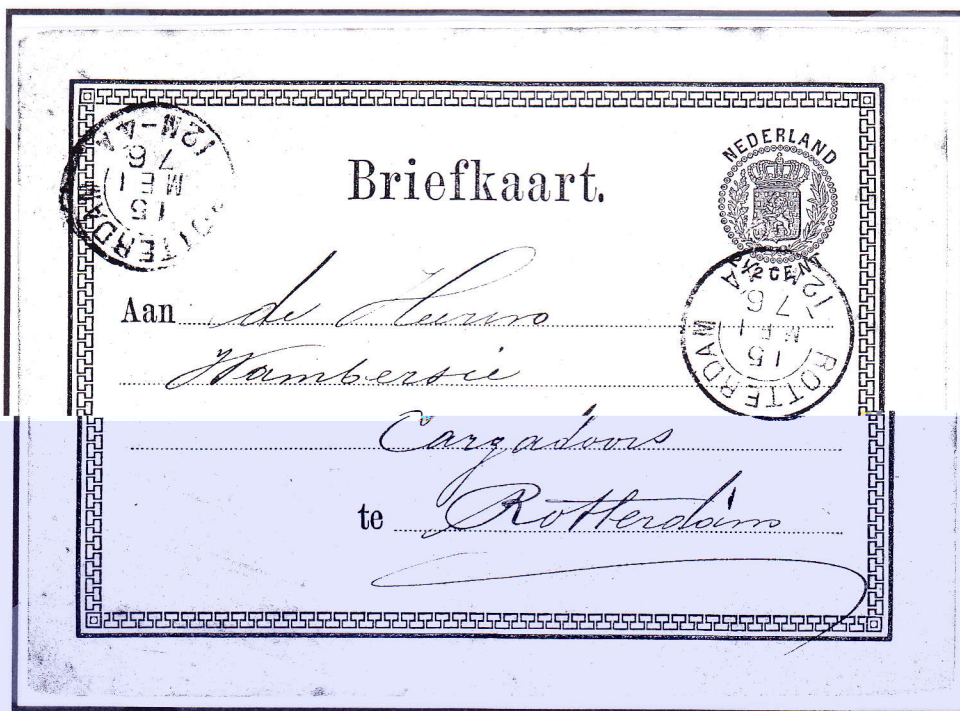


Figure 1: Front of card.

The card is addressed to "de Heeren [Gentlemen] Wambersie, Cargadoors [ship-brokers], Rotterdam". The sender was H. Bothof, who apparently worked for the A. Smit company in Slikkerveer, on the outskirts of Ridderkerk, just east of Rotterdam.

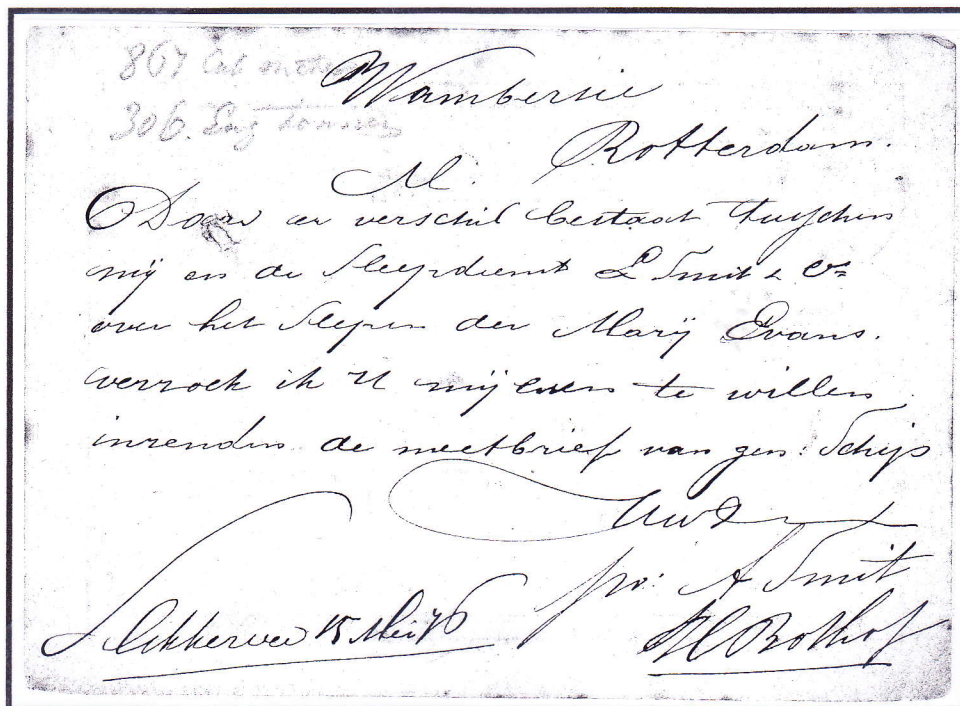


Figure 2: Back of card.

The complete text (in Dutch) reads:

“Daar er verschil bestaat tussen mij en de sleepdienst L. Smit & Co over het slepen der Marij Evans, verzoek ik mij even te willen inzenden de meetbrief van gen. [=genoemd] schip”.

Translated, it says that there is a difference of opinion between the A. Smit company and the towboat company L. Smit & Co about the towing of the Mary Evans, and they (A. Smit company) would like to see the certificate of registry of the ship in question. There is also a pencil-written note “867 cub meters, 306 Eng tonnes” in different handwriting than the text written with ink.

Several hours of web searches revealed the following regarding the addressee, the ship, the sender and the L. Smit & Co.

The ‘gentlemen’ Wambersie were one of the five most important ship-brokers in Rotterdam and arranged for loading, unloading, storage and transport of a ship’s cargo. The Wambersie company was founded in 1820 by Emanuel Wambersie, from Savannah, Georgia, who was the USA consul in Rotterdam from 1819 till 1829, when he died in office². Initially, the company was focused exclusively on chartering and loading ships to the USA.

The Mary Evans was a three-masted barque, built in 1861 by Hutchinson & Co at Newcastle (England)³. A barque is a vessel with a rig comprising three (or more) masts, fore-and-aft sails on the aftermost mast and square sails on all other masts. The Mary Evans had a length of 114ft 3in and a beam of 26ft 8in. The tonnage was 306 gross registered ton (GRT), which corresponds to the penciled note on the card. Also, one GRT equals 100 cubic feet, or about 2.832 cubic meter, and 306 GRT would equal 867 cubic meter, which matches the second penciled number on the card. The ship was registered in London and the first ship owned by David Jenkins, who purchased it in 1861 and sold it in 1882 to B.B. Nicholl, Sydney⁴. She was sold again in 1884 to J.E. Mitchell of Sydney, moved to Brisbane under the ownership of J. Gullard in 1886 and was sold to John Moncrieff of Brisbane and

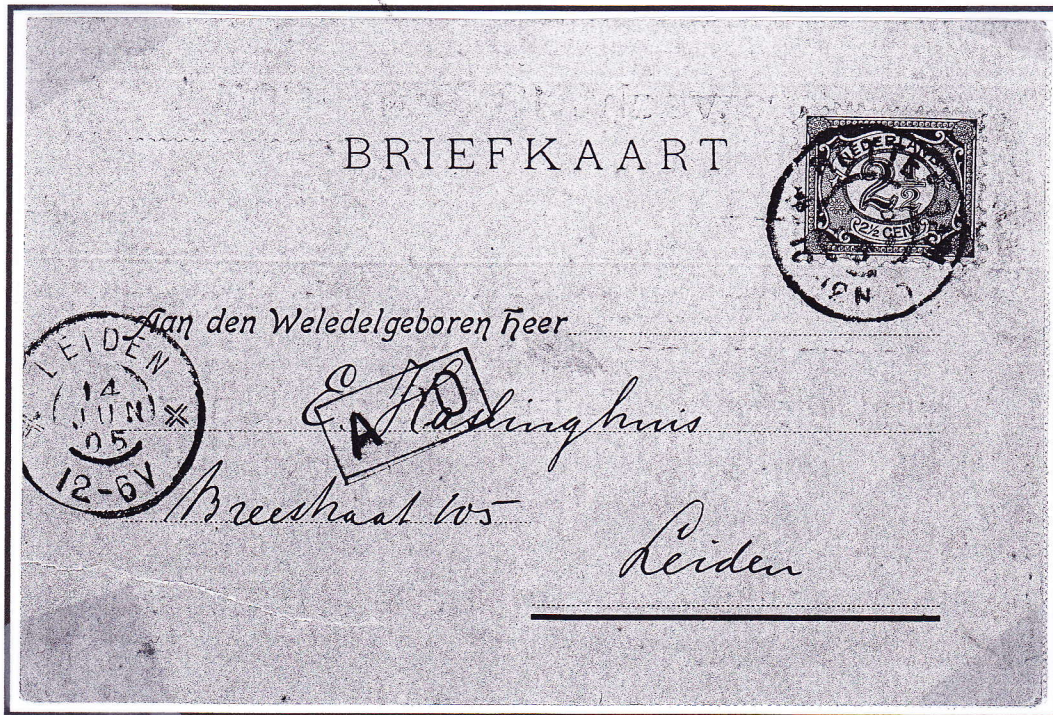
dismantled in 1893. David Jenkins was a ship owner in London and the Mary Evans was named after his mother. Initially, the Mary Evans traded to the West Indies, but by 1864 the D.J. Jenkins & Co was concentrating on the Indian and Far East markets and, in particular, the tea trade. Typically, the ship sailed via the Cape of Good Hope (South Africa) to India with a cargo, then to China in ballast, where tea was loaded, which was then transported to London.

The L. Smit & Co arose from the Fop Smit company⁵, which was established in 1842 by Fop Smit when he signed a contract with 47 ship owners and insurance companies in Rotterdam to station a steam-powered towing boat at Hellevoetsluis within eight months. This contract was initially valid for five years. When Fop Smit died in 1866 at the age of 89 years, his sons Jan and Leendert Smit continued their father's wharf and towing services under the name L. Smit & Co. The '& Co' refers to their cousin Jan and Murk Lels, who was the husband of a sister of cousin Jan. This company has evolved into the present Smit International, which is one of the largest salvage and towing companies in the world⁶.

The A. Smit company was owned by Arie Smit, whose father was Jan Smit (and co-owner of L. Smit & Co) and grandfather Fop Smit. Arie got his training in the family business of his grandfather, and in 1875 he was assigned to lead the wharf 'De Schelde' in Middelburg (Zeeland Province)⁷. He was mayor of Vlissingen from July 1, 1879 through August 1, 1888 and was elected to the 'Tweede Kamer' (House of Representatives) in the Netherlands by the Middelburg district in 1886. He was not re-elected in 1888, but he returned to the Tweede Kamer in 1891, this time to represent Ridderkerk. He remained a member of the Tweede Kamer through 1897.

Finding pertinent information about H. Bothof was harder. However, I discovered that in March 1983, the "Lotos" was launched, an iron fullrigged ship of 1244 GRT, built by H. Bothof & W. Gravenstein, Slikkerveer^{8,9}. It may therefore be possible that Bothof, together with Gravenstein, took over the A. Smit company when Arie Smit became mayor of Vlissingen. Of course, it is also possible that they started an altogether new company.

Unresolved is the issue why the Mary Evans was towed to the A. Smit wharf. Did the ship sustain damage that had to be repaired before returning to her home base in London?



The Honor Guard

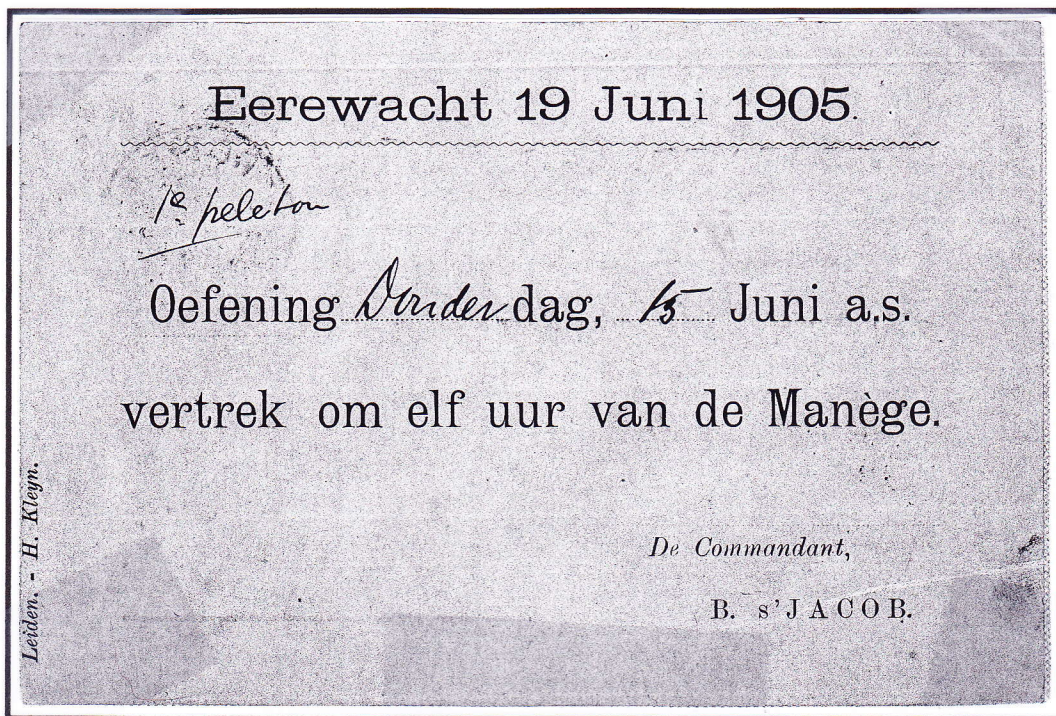
The front and back of the second card, also purchased at a local show, but this time for \$2, are shown in Figure 3 and 4, respectively. This card was mailed from Rotterdam to Leiden.

The 2.5 cent Vurtheim numeral (NVPH 55) paid the correct rate¹⁰ for a domestic post

card. The departure cancel was applied on June 13, 1905, between 10 pm and midnight (10-12N). According to the arrival cancel, it was received in Leiden the next day, between midnight and 6 am (12-6V). Both cancels are the

'large circle' type. The card was delivered during the first round by mail man 20, as indicated by the A 20 cancel.

The backside of the card reads (translated): "Honor guard June 19, 1905. Practice on Thursday, June 15, departure at eleven from the riding school. The commander, B. s'Jacob." There is also a handwritten 'first peleton'.



The riding school refers to the "Rotterdamsche Manège," founded in 1837 and which still exists today¹¹. The official opening of the 'new' building of the riding school on the (Oude) Binnenweg took place on April 15, 1839, in the presence of virtually all prominent families of Rotterdam, the Mayor, and the Aldermen. Figure 5 shows how the building looked shortly after the riding school had moved to the Kralingerhout in 1937, where it is still located.

There is long history of military groups using the facilities of the riding school, and even today, the 'Huzaren' provide riders for the honor escort of the cavalry on 'Prinsjesdag' (the third Tuesday in September, when the monarch of the Netherlands addresses the General Assembly). My guess is that the addressee, E. Haslinghuis, was a member of the 'Huzaren' and possibly a student at Leiden University. In fact, the addressee may be Dr. Eduard Johannes Haslinghuis¹², born in Rotterdam on July 26, 1881, who wrote a dissertation¹³ in 1912, entitled "The Devil in the Drama of the Middle Ages."

Interestingly, the mayor of Rotterdam at that time, F.B. s'Jacob, has the same last name as the commander of the honor guard. Frederik Bernard s'Jacob was born on April 14, 1850, served as mayor from March 1, 1893 through May 1, 1906, and died on March 15, 1935. I have not been able to ascertain the relation between B. and F.B. s'Jacob, but it is possible that the two were first cousins.

An important question remains; what was the reason for the 'Eerewacht'? It must have been an important affair for which multiple practice sessions were required, as one can deduce from the fact that specially-printed postcards were used to announce these. It may be related to 90th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, which took place on June 18, 1815. Waterloo is a small village in the south of Belgium, which, in 1815, was part of the United Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Battle of Waterloo led to the defeat of Napoleon Bonaparte by a combination of British, Dutch, Hannoverian and Prussian armies. Since June 18, 1905 was a Sunday, a day of rest, it is possible that the official remembrance activities took place on Monday the 19th instead. There is also a small possibility that the honors guard is somehow related to the visit of Prince Arisugawa from Japan, who was received by Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Hendrik in Apeldoorn (the location of their palace 'Het Loo') on June 20¹⁴.



Figure 5. The building on the corner of the Binnenweg and Tuinderstraat that housed the stables of the “Rotterdamsche Manège.” Photograph taken in 1938.

Postscript

To my surprise, these two seemingly unrelated post cards have something in common; F.B. s’Jacob, the mayor of Rotterdam most likely related to the commander of the honor guard, became a member of the ‘Eerste Kamer’ (Senate) of the Netherlands on September 20, 1889, just one year after Arie Smit left the Tweede Kamer!

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PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

If the proposal to change the length of tenure of ASNP elected officials is accepted, the Bylaws of the ASNP have to be amended accordingly.

As it reads at present:

Article III - Officers

Section 1. Elective officers are: President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Membership Secretary, Treasurer, and a Board of Governors consisting of four members. Elective officers shall serve for one year, or until their respective successors have been elected. The Board members shall serve two years. Elections to the Board shall be staggered so that two members will be elected each year. All elective officers and Board members may succeed themselves. One person may serve in more than one office.

Article IV - Elections

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

The proposed amended version:

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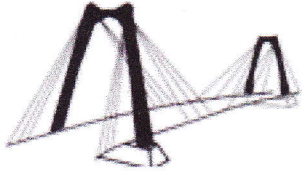
In order to pass the bylaw changes we refer to the bylaws, which read as follows:

Article IX - Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by two-thirds majority of those voting who are members in good standing.

If you have any thoughts about this, being it either positive or negative, please let the editor know and he will print those comments in the May issue of this Magazine. This way all members will have some input.

The ballot with the proposed amendments will be part of the July issue, with the changes (if passed) going into effect in September 2008.



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**Our next auction will be
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**Closing date for material for this auction is
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**The May 2008 auction will, among other items,
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Jacob de Kort

FROM THE (NEW) AUCTION MANAGER

Hi my name is Hans Moesbergen and I immigrated to Arizona, US in 1995 at age 27. I am a Supervisor for the Environmental Health Division of Maricopa County.

At my arrival I collected mainly Germany but after being away from home my interest for Dutch Philately surfaced again and I switched to Netherlands and Colonies.

I have become an all round collector, with the help of a long time friend and collector Carl Heule, and have a strong interest in postal stationery and covers. In 1997 I joined the Phoenix Philatelic Society for which I have served as secretary ever since.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve this organization and its members as the auction manager and hope that I can be of service for many years to come.

Dutch philately has become somewhat of a passion and I hope to continue to learn more and more about the Dutch stamps. I have, for the last twelve years tremendously enjoyed the membership of this organization and am always looking forward to new articles.

I hope this way I can do something back for the organization.

Hans Moesbergen

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

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PHILATELIC EVENTS/AUCTIONS:

2008

- May 14-21 Israel 2008, Tel Aviv, Israel, FIP Show
- May 22-24 NBFV 100 years
Sporthal De Reeve, Kampen
- Jun. 20-28 Efiro 2008, Bucarest, Romania
FIP Show
- Aug. 14-17 Hartford, CT. APS STAMPSHOW.
Connecticut Convention Center, 100

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Columbus Blvd., Hartford.
Projected site of ASNP meeting (Sat. Aug. 16)

- Sep. 12-14 Praga2008
Exhibition Grounds, Prague,
Czech Republic, FIP Show
- Sep. 18-21 Wipa2008, Austria Center, Vienna,
Austria
- Sep. 28-29 100 year NBFV
Stadsschouwburg, Oosterhout
- Oct. 17-19 Postex 2008, Americahal, Apeldoorn
- Nov. 9-10 100 year NBFV
Sportcomplex Groenendaal, Heemstede
- Dec. 12-14 Veendamphila (100 year NBFV)
Sporthal Sorghvliethal, Veendam

2010

- May 8-15 London 2010
Business Design Centre, FIP Show
London
- Oct. 1-10 Portugal 2010
Lisbon, Portugal
- Oct. South Africa (FIP recognition)

2016

New York 2016 (General World)

AUCTIONS

- Mrch 28-31 Nederlandse Potszegelveiling, Weesp
- April 12, 'sHertogenbosch (Stamp Passion);
Van Dieten Auction
- April 18-19 OPV, Enschede/Apeldoorn
- April 21-23 Rietdijk, Noordeinde, The Hague
- April 27 Hillesum, Roosendaal
Rozema collection, part II; also
'Transportation ' related material
- May 19-20 Van Dieten, Capelle a/d IJssel
- May 23-24 Rijnmond Auction, Westerwagenstr 60,
Rotterdam
- Sep. 15-17 Van Dieten, Capelle a/d IJssel

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. Only those publications with new information are discussed.

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 (hkremers@usa.net).

Maandblad Filatelie

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

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

January 2008 - The main article deals with the 'proofs' of the first issue (1852) Author Hans Caarl states that what's listed in the literature as 'proofs' should be called something else like "Trials to determine the paper's security", which is related to Joseph Vürtheim's invention of adding a mixture of incinerated animal bones that are rich in phosphorus, and this phosphorus allowed the ink to penetrate deeper into the paper. From 1852 onwards it was no longer possible to remove the cancellation from the postage stamps. Hans published an article about this in Netherlands Philately Vol.27, No. 3 (pages 67-71) - The four page youth section as usual has a large variety of short subjects, something I would think would appeal to youngsters. It is richly illustrated and a concept all club publications could easily adopt I would think. Definitely a way to attract young collectors. Take a look at their Website: www.stampkids.org and you'll get a pretty good idea what this is all about.

February 2008- The youth section has a nice article about free franking privileges of churches. This had started in 1815(!) and lasted in some form through 1993. - Airmail restrictions due to WWII are described by Hans Aitink. In this issue he covers the period July 1940 till February 1942, and especially the Lydda-Bandung connection. Lydda is currently part of Israel, but in the early 1940's it still was Palestine.

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): £ 20 per year for members beyond Europe.

Newsletter January 2008

A reprint of an article titled "After You've Gone" is a stark reminder that all of us would do our families a great service by spelling out in some detail what our collection contains and what you think would be a realistic value if your family decides to sell it after you are gone. A bid morbid maybe, but practical. - The Q and A section of the Newsletter always makes for good reading and shows the wide variety of subjects the members are interested in. What impresses me is the number of members who are making presentations about their collections to other stamp clubs. This is a nice way to promote Netherlands philately

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 available from the ASNP library.

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

Rundbrief 178 December 2007

The main article is Bert Goofers' part three of the series on the postal situation in the Dutch part of the province of Limburg during the French occupation 1794-1815. Fifteen more covers are shown with their cancellations explained in detail. Small maps detailing the routes taken, greatly add to the article. - Bart van Marrewijk's article about Christmas and New Year's mail sent by the Dutch troops in the Dutch East Indies during 1946 - 1949 as it originally appeared in De Kartelrand in January 2007 is translated here.- Mr. Hönes shows covers mailed from KPM ships "Generaal van Swieten", "Generaal van der Heyden", and "Tinombo", prior to them being destroyed in the harbor of Bombay in 1944 when the vessel the "Fort Stikine" blew up, causing death and destruction. - A three page article, similar to what appeared in ASNP Magazine Vol.31, No. 4 discusses the Sprookjesstad Lilliput story.

Netherlands Philatelists of California

Membership dues are \$ 12 for corresponding USA and Canada based members; \$ 17 for regular members attending the monthly meetings, and \$ 18 for international corresponding members. Secretary/Editor: Frank Ennik, 3168 Tice Creek Dr. #6, Walnut Creek, CA 94595 E-mail: ennik123@comcast.net
Website: www.angelfire.com/ca2/npofc

January and February 2008 The usual array of interesting cancels and covers make up most of these issues, but write-ups about the Foundation Economica Ethiopia (showing Dutch stamps), and Sluis, the pioneer FDC cachet maker, make also for informative reading.

PO&PO

The **Verenigingsnieuws** (Newsletter) is published quarterly by the Nederlandse Vereniging van **Poststukken en Poststempelpverzamelaars (PO&PO)**. Dues are € 30. / yr. , which includes delivery of the Newsletter and the more irregular **Postzak**. Secretary: E.W. Flentge, Oude Hollaan 11, 9751 BK Haren, e-mail: e.w.flentge@freeler.nl

De Postzak No new issues received.

Verenigingsnieuws:

December 2007 - Apart from the regular announcements about meetings and the auction, Mr. Flentge writes about the dangers of touching stamps and covers. He did an analysis of the water used to soak stamps, and not only did he find the expected bacteria related to saliva, but also *E.coli* and the *Staphylococcus aureus*. Lesson to be learned is 'handle with care'. - The Mintmuseum in Utrecht is going through their archived material and PO&PO is invited to supply some manpower to register all material related to making cancels. This could bring to light some interesting discoveries. - Bert van Marrewijk writes about the new TNT cancels. This type of cancel (COLOP) is shown in Netherlands Philately Vol. 31, No. 5 on page 117. It shows us once again that current cancels are also worth collecting.

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 2007 (number 6)

Jan Hintzen presents with his segment 91 many reactions he received during 2007 to his regular articles in the Aero Philatelist. In particular he acknowledges a reaction by Jo van Vliet who, in connection with the DC-3 PH-ALS Specht, points to the development of the original DC-3 into military versions of the C (=cargo) series. Later, during WW II, these airplane types would be referred to as "Dakota's" and would be used for many years to come in military and civilian aviation.

Another reaction he received points out how one can enhance a collecting interest with philatelically related (historical !) material and possibly share the result in an interesting "open class" exhibit with a more general appeal

The Kempenfile (46th Day of the Aerophilately) from Nov.26 thru 28, 2007 was a real success for the participating "Vliegende Hollander" members. Many prizes and recognitions were received,

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Hans Aitink, in segment #46 on Airmail During Wartime, reviewed the various British connections in the Far East, especially in the Hong Kong/Bangkok region during 1938-1941. The KNILM and Air France services between Batavia-Saigon and Hong-Kong during this same period are also in detail discussed.

Jacques Bot provides an interesting overview of the 1928 International Civil aeronautics conference which took place in Washington DC at the invitation of President Calvin Coolidge from December 12 -14.

The conference commemorated the 25-year jubilee of the Wilbur and Orville Wright flights with the "Flyer" on December 17, 1903. Representatives from 34 countries and 441 persons participated in the ICAC. It was, of course, the intent to promote aviation in general, but the achievements of important airmail developments were clearly featured.

Two special US stamps were issued in connection with the event: The 2 cent with "Flyer" and the 5 cent with "Jenny".

An activities calendar for all of 2008 is especially helpful for members who have to make arrangements well in advance.

A news items service column by J. Dekker completes this very last 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 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: <http://www.postwaarden.nl/>

Supplement 34 December 2007

If you are a collector of Dutch postal cards (the ones with the imprinted stamps) you'll find a tremendous amount of information about the Vürtheim and Fur Collar postal cards. During the period 1899-1925 more than 2 1/2 billion postcards were sent. Most of these were postcards without the preprinted stamps, which could be bought at 12 cents per 100 cards. The imprinted postal cards (supplied by the PTT) could be ordered at 50 cents per 100; four times as much as the other cards. Accordingly, they made up only between 15 and 20% of the total number of cards sold, but since they were a nice money maker the PTT put in a lot of effort to make them look attractive. This resulted in many varieties of these cards. - Also covered in the

supplement are the 1964 (500 year States-General / Ridderzaal), 1981 (Palace Huis ten Bosch), and 1987 (Palace Noordeinde) issues. Requests to also depict private homes of the Queen on stamps were denied by her.

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 € 30 / yr for overseas subscribers. Secretary: J.A. Dijkstra, Dolderstraat 74, 6706 JG Wageningen, The Netherlands (j.dijkstra50@chello.nl)

Mededelingenblad

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.

Subscription is € 25 per year. Secretary: Leo Vosse, Vinkenbaan 3, 1851 TB Heiloo, The Netherlands.
e-mail: leo.vosse@planet.nl ;
Website: www.dainippon.

February 2008

As was communicated previously, during Postex 2008, which will be held October 17-19, Dai Nippon will be celebrating its 60th anniversary. They will celebrate this together with ZWP (South West Pacific) which has its 40th anniversary this year, so together they make it a 100 years celebration. There will be a reception on Saturday October 18. All members will receive a present in the form of a book.

Also shown is a postcard, franked with a 3 1/2 ct Kreisler sent on 13.III.2603 (March 13 1943), with a company perfin. To date perfins are not known from the Japanese occupation. The perfin R.V.F. is from the P.A. Regnout paint, ink and tin company in Surabaya. As was common, the P.A. Regnout company was Nationale and came under the control of the: Gunsei kanbu Sangyobu Kanri Soerabaia Kojo (Military administration of the department for industrial control, paint factory, Surabaya.)



Membership stands at 221, a loss of about 5% over the previous year.

Waalzegel

Waalzegel is the 4x year publication of the NVPV-Nijmegen. *The contents of the Waalzegel can be seen as a PDF file on their Website:*
<http://www.nvpvnijmegen.nl/>

REVIEW OF RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Benelux Revenues by J. Barefoot, 2007, second edition, 122 pages, black-and-white illustrations, softcover. From Philatelic Literature Review, 3rd quarter 2007:

Revenue stamps are the most important Dutch philatelic invention; these began in 1637 as revenue stamped paper. Certain types of legal documents could only be written on paper pre-printed with a revenue stamp; the tax was prepaid with the purchase of the paper. The Spanish monarch, who ruled the Dutch provinces until 1648, extended the same taxation scheme into Spain and Spanish territories, where it was used until 1844. William of Orange, who became King of England, introduced Dutch-style revenue stamps to England in 1694. In the eighteenth century they were brought to the American colonies.

John Barefoot has just released the second edition of *Benelux Revenues* the standard guide for the adhesive revenue stamps of Belgium, Belgian Congo, Luxembourg, Netherlands, and Netherlands Colonies (including Japanese occupation). He also has included some municipal revenues. The listings, in a three-column format, illustrate each type with prices in British pounds for stamps in used condition. Each country is introduced with a brief history placing the revenue stamps in their proper context.

The number of listings has roughly doubled since the previous edition twenty years ago. Although they are not revenue stamps, Barefoot has included a supplement with the Telegraph & Telephone stamps of all three countries, plus the Netherlands railway parcel stamps, because this information is not readily available in an English language catalogue. (2007, 122 pp., A4 format, Price 15 pounds plus postage from the publisher, J. Barefoot Ltd., Box 8, York YO24 4 AR, England

SHORT NOTES

Rietveld Schröder Huis

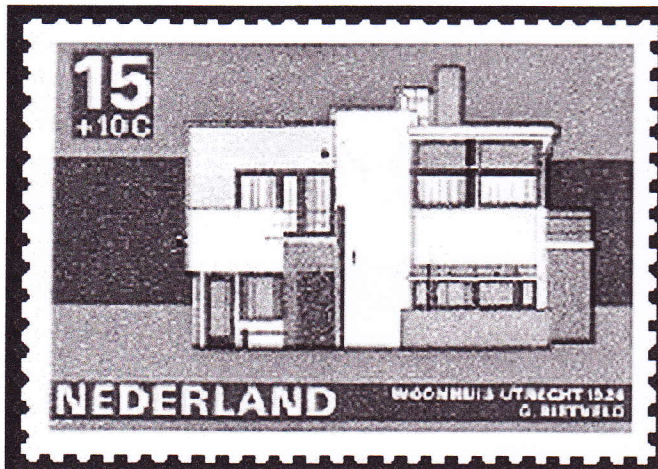
From: <http://worldheritage.heindorffhus.dk/frame-NetherlandsRietveldSchroeder.htm>

The Rietveld Schröder House in Utrecht was commissioned by Ms Truus Schröder-Schräder, designed by the architect Gerrit Thomas Rietveld, and built in 1924.

This small family house, with its interior, the flexible spatial arrangement, and the visual and formal qualities, was a manifesto of the ideals of the De Stijl group of artists and architects in the Netherlands in the 1920s, and has since been considered one of the icons of the Modern Movement in architecture.

With its radical approach to design and the use of space, the Rietveld Schröderhuis occupies a seminal position in the development of architecture in the modern age.

Gerrit Thomas Rietveld (1888-1964) was a Dutch architect and furniture designer, whose work is among the best associated with the movement called De Stijl. His earliest work, the famous red-blue chair (1918), is constructed of red and blue plywood panels in a black and yellow frame in a geometric design that is a three-dimensional equivalent of the work of the most renowned De Stijl painter, Piet Mondrian.



* The Netherlands 1969. Family House built 1924 by the architect Gerrit Rietveld. The stamp appeared in a set of Dutch Summer stamps with surcharge for the benefit of social and cultural care.

The Schröder House (1924, Utrecht, Netherlands), Rietveld's most important architectural design, embodies Mondrian's ideal of "pure, balanced relationships" in its asymmetrical arrangement of vertical and horizontal planes in masonry and glass. His later designs for dwellings and for municipal and commercial buildings carried the De Stijl aesthetic through the 1950s.

Source: Microsoft Encarta 2002.

A visit to the Rietveld Schröder House and the model house on Erasmuslaan 9 begins at the Centraal Museum in Utrecht. The tour will last about 2 hours and you will be accompanied by an experienced guide. You may visit the Rietveld Schröder House on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The guided tour will take about one hour and a half. Price: € 16,-.

Reservations (recommended): + 31 30 2362310 or rhreserveringen@centraalmuseum.nl.

Why do we collect?

We are often asked this question and if you are looking for some answers I suggest you read the article "A Mass Appeal" (What's the deal with collecting? Why do so many go so batty over stamps, coins, garden gnomes, and just about anything else?) as it appeared in the AARP Magazine of March/April 2008. To quote the author, Richard Rubin, "welcome to the world of collecting, where irrationality reigns supreme. It could even be said that collecting is, in itself, an irrational act. Why would any rational person want to have a bunch of stamps sitting around that he or she is never going to use?", and "Still, I will not attempt to defend collecting. It needs no defense. Collecting is not embattled or beleaguered. Some believe the era of collecting may be passing, but for now, at least, the hobby - or habit, or lifestyle, or compulsion, or pathology, or sacred mission- of collecting something, anything, is very much alive."

If you don't subscribe to the AARP Magazine I suggest you go to your local library and spend 20 minutes reading the article. You'll feel good about your collecting interest(s).

RECENT ISSUES

Netherlands

January 2, 2008

10 for the Netherlands, 5 for Europe Priority and 5 for outside Europe Priority

TNT is working for a greener environment. For TNT subsidiary TNT Post, stamps are a great way to stimulate awareness about environmental initiatives among the Dutch public.

This sheet draws attention to existing initiatives that are contributing towards a sustainable environment. These ten stamps use simple illustrations to highlight measures that are helping to lower CO2 consumption, including solar and wind energy, biofuel, CO2 compensation and soot filters.

While stamps for addresses within the Netherlands feature specific topics, the five Priority stamps for addresses within or outside Europe have a more universal orientation.

When it comes to the Priority stamps for inside and outside Europe, the focus is on our world as a whole. The five stamps for addresses within Europe show a bicycle with two globes for wheels, while those for outside Europe display a globe in the shape of a heart. The message is clear: take the global environment to heart, for example by opting for a bicycle.

The stamps are valid until further notice.

Denomination

The values of the stamps are 44 euro cents (10 for the Netherlands), 75 euro cents (5 for Europe) and 92 euro cents (5 for outside Europe).

Technical Details:

Size: 25.3 x 20.8 mm
Perforation: slit
Paper: normal with phosphor tagging
Gum: self-adhesive
Color: yellow, magenta, cyan and black
Print process: offset (10 for the Netherlands); all other products in photogravure
Print run: 4,000,000 sheetlets (10 for the Netherlands), 200,000 mailers (50 for the Netherlands), 1,000,000 sheetlets (5 for Europe), 100,000 mailers (50 for Europe), 1,000,000 sheetlets (5 for outside Europe)
Printer: Walsall Security Printers, UK





January 2, 2008

Personal Stamps 2008(I): 80 Years of NVPH and
Personal Stamps 2008(II): 100 Years of NBFV

TNT Post is introducing a new Personal Stamp with enhanced options for adding a personal touch. A major difference in this new version is the frame. In the old version, a colored rectangular frame enclosed the customer's personal image. The new frame has "Nederland" printed at the bottom and "44 eurocent" printed vertically on the left, leaving a wide square frame that really sets the Personal Stamp off.

This year marks the anniversaries of two major organizations in the stamp world. One is the Nederlandse Bond van Filatelisten-Verenigingen (Netherlands Federation of Philatelic Associations; NBFV), which is celebrating its 100th anniversary; the other is the Nederlandsche Vereniging van Postzegelhandelaren (Netherlands Association of Stamp Dealers; NVPH), which is turning 80 this year.

The NBFV, comprising some 285 societies and 32,000 members, is the national federation of societies engaging in philately. The NBFV stamp has three stylized representations of a flying pigeon, in the colors bronze, silver and gold, a reference to the special pins awarded to NBFV members in recognition of exceptional services rendered to the federation.

The NVPH is an umbrella organization bringing together the majority of professional stamp dealers. The NVPH stamp features an interesting collage of various recent and classic postage stamps

The stamps are valid until further notice. The value of

each stamp is 44 euro cents.



Technical Details:

Size: 30 x 40 mm
 Sheet size: 121.8 x 170 mm
 Perforation: 13 : 13 1/4
 Paper: normal with phosphor tagging
 Gum: synthetic
 Colors: yellow, magenta, cyan and black (+ grey NBFV)
 Print process: offset
 Print run: 286,000 NBFV stamp sheetlets and
 500,000 NVPH stamp sheetlets
 Printer: Joh. Enschedé Security Print

Netherlands Antilles

October 10, 2007

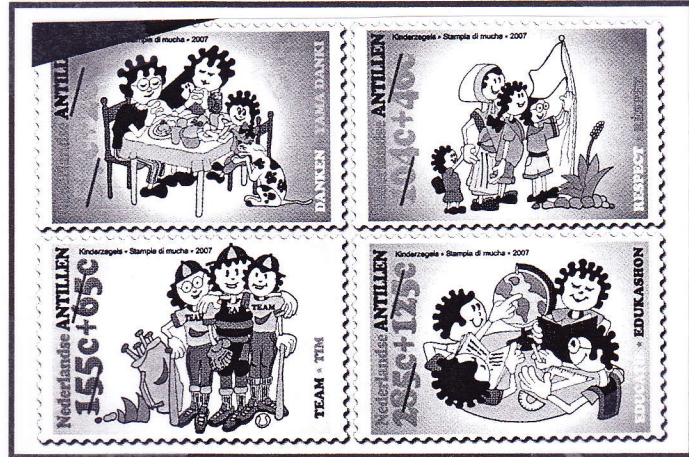
Women of the Royal Family

The 550 cents stamp shows Princess Catharina-Amalia
The 380 cents stamp: Princess Maxima Zorreguieta.
The 285 cent stamp: HM Queen Beatrix
The 155 cents stamp: Queen Juliana.
The 104 cents stamp: Queen Wilhelmina
The 50 cents stamp: Queen Emma

Size of stamps: 36 mm x 25 mm
Size of image: 33 mm x 22 mm
Perforation: 12 3/4 x 13 1/4
Printing: offset coated stamp paper no watermark
Printer: Johan Enschede Stamps Security Printers, Haarlem, The Netherlands

Technical Data

Date of Issue: October 10th, 2007
Sales period: October 10th, 2007 - October 9th, 2008
Issue: Women of the Royal Family
Designer: Studio La Branda
Face value of stamps: 50c, 104c, 155c, 285c, 380c & 550c
Size of stamps: 25 mm x 36 mm
Size of image: 22 mm x 33 mm
Perforation: 12 3/4 x 13 1/4
Printing: offset coated stamp paper no watermark
Printer: Johan Enschede



October 24, 2007
Youth Care Stamps

We must educate our youth from the moment they are small children how to behave themselves.
Stamp 59c + 26 . Saying Thank You
Stamp 104c + 46 . Respect
Stamp 155c + 65 . Team
Stamp 285c + 125 . Education

Date of Issue: October 24th, 2007
Sales period: October 24th, 2007 - January 23rd, 2008
Issue: Youth Care Stamps
Designer: Richmond Gijsbertha
Face value of stamps: 59c+26, 104c+46, 155c+65, 285c+125

November 15, 2007
December Stamps

This stamp series consists of four stamps, of which 2 representing Christmas and 2 representing the New Year.

The first Christmas stamp (48 cents) shows an illustration of a burning candle, with Christmas decorations.

In the other Christmas stamp (104 cents) the design consists of a Christmas tree and gifts, in order to accentuate the cozy family atmosphere.

This year, the one New Year's stamp {155 cents) has an artistic pentagram with musical notes on a stamp with pertaining text.

The other New Year's stamp (215 cents), consists of an artistic composition of the numbers in the dates 2007

and 2008.

Technical Data

Date of Issue: November 15th, 2007
Sales period: November 15th, 2007 - November 14th, 2008

Issue: December Stamps
Designer: Ariadne Faries
Face value of stamps: 48c, 104c, 155c&215c
Size of stamps: 36 mm x 25 mm
Size of image: 33 mm x 22 mm
Perforation: 12 3/4 x 13 1/4
Printing: offset coated stamp paper no watermark

Printer: Johan Enschede Stamps Security Printers, Haarlem, The Netherlands

- at homes (to deliver the mail)
- at associations (to deposit announcements and participation forms) -

Inside companies there are post boxes available to place the mail for internal distribution.

In the early years, one could send a letter only via the Post Office. Slowly but surely the system of mailboxes along the road was introduced. The oldest mailbox of the Netherlands Antilles is one in Cura9ao, dating from 1880.

On December 3rd 2007 Nieuwe Post Nederlandse Antillen n.v. will issue a new stamp series showing new models of mailboxes. The face values are 20c, 104c, 240c, 285c, 380c and 500c.



December 3, 2007

Mailboxes

A mailbox has a rectangular opening in a closed cabinet, wall or door where one can deposit letters. The measurements and set-up of mailboxes, as well as the slots must comply to all legal stipulations and demands of the Postal Service. Mailboxes can be closed by means of a door or hatch with two matching keys.

There is a diversity of mailboxes for different purposes:

- at banks (for deposit slips)
- at pharmacies (for prescriptions and statements)
- along the public road (to send mail)

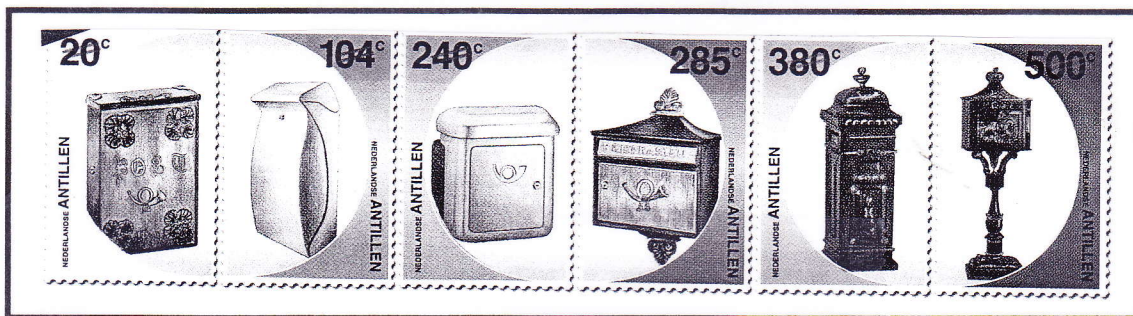
Technical Data

Date of Issue: December 3rd, 2007
Sales period: December 3rd, 2007 - December 2nd, 2008

Issue: Mailboxes
Designer: John Baselmans
Face value of stamps: 20c, 104c, 240c; 285c, 380c & 500c

Size of stamps: 36 mm x 25 mm
Size of image: 33 mm x 22 mm
Perforation: 12 3/4 x 13 1/4
Printing: offset coated stamp paper no watermark

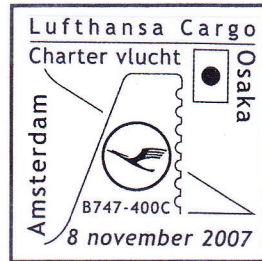
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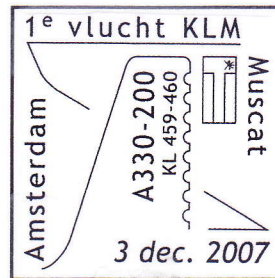
Flight Cancels



1-VII-2007
1st Flight
Amsterdam - Hartford



8-XI-2007
Lufthansa Charter Flight
Amsterdam-Osaka

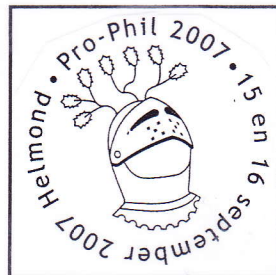


3-XII-2007
1st Flight
Amsterdam-Muscat

Commemorative cancels



8-IX-2007
2800 Gouda
Gouda



15/16-IX-2007
Helmond Pro-Phil 2007
Helmond



20-22-IX-2007
Keulen-Philatelia 2007
Cologne (Germany)



19-21-X-2007
Postex 2007
Apeldoorn



20-X-2007
Stamp Day
Apeldoorn



24-XI-2007
46th Aerophilately Day
Veldhoven



27-I-2008
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