CCOA HOLIDAY SHOW AND TELL

DECEMBER 15, 2020
WHERE WAS I ON DECEMBER 7, 1941?

THIS COVER COULD HAVE BEEN IN HONOLULU ON PEARL HARBOR DAY

BUT NO WAY TO KNOW FOR SURE
DECEMBER 7, 1941
IT'S A RIDDLE AND A LONG STORY

- Iceland was APO 810, Contract Post Office of NY PO
- Cover mailed 5 Dec 41 to Honolulu
- 21¢ postage overpaid 20¢ domestic airmail rate to Hawaii
- Hotel added 20¢ stamp and forwarded to Kentucky
- Forwarding postmark is 29 Dec 41
- Traveled from Iceland across Atlantic, across U.S. and Pacific, then back across Pacific to Kentucky

- Where was it on December 7? No backstamps, we can't know for sure
WILKINSON, MN LAST DAY

OPENED AUGUST 4, 1904
CLOSED MARCH 15, 1854
WILKINSON, MN, LAST DAY

WHADDYA MEAN MARCH 15 ISN'T HOLIDAY RELATED?

• INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY
• NATIONAL SHOE THE WORLD DAY
• IDES OF MARCH
• BRUTUS DAY (OF COURSE)
• DUMBSTRUCK DAY
• NATIONAL EVERYTHING YOU THINK IS WRONG DAY
• AND MORE...

• HANDPAINTED LAST DAY COVER BY WM. F. HINES, CASS LAKE, MN
• WILKINSON IS IN N. CENTRAL MINNESOTA – NOW UNINCORPORATED
TONGA, THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS

QUEEN SALOTE REIGNS SUPREME
TONGA, THE FRIENDLY ISLANDS

WHY NOT QUEEN ELIZABETH?

- Stamp series issued about a month after QEII coronation in 1953
- Eight lowest values of 14 stamp set
- Queen Salote (1900-1965) reigned for 48 years
- Attended QEII coronation, rode in open carriage through the rain with Sultan of Kelantan
- Friendly islands named by Captain Cook
- Treaty of Friendship and Protection (1900) preserves independence with British protection
DAVID BEN-GURION

ISRAELI PRIME MINSTER 14 MAY 48 TO 26 JAN 54 AND 3 NOV 55 TO 26 JUN 63
DAVID BEN-GURION
THE MAN COULD SIGN HIS NAME!
ON THREE DIFFERENT FIRST DAY COVERS
CANCELED STAMP SHOWS 2020

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CANCELS FROM THE CANCELED SHOWS

- LINPEX, FEBRUARY 29
- SPRINGPEX, MARCH 23
- MCKINLEY, APRIL 4-5
- WILKPEX, APRIL 17
- DANEPEX, APRIL 25
- WESTPEX, APRIL 25
FRELIKH GAVE HIM A CHANCE TO STOP THE PANDEMIC

OUR MEMBER TAKES RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOT STOPPING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 BY NOT WAITING A DAY TO OPEN
WE TRIED TO TRUMP THE VIRUS

THAT DIDN'T WORK EITHER
LIKE IT DIDN’T INVADE ANYWHERE ELSE!

OR WAS THIS SO WE THREW AWAY THE ENVELOPE?
THE PENNSIC WAR

SLIPPERY ROCK, PA
THE PENNSIC WAR

HUH?

- SPONSORED BY SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM
- ANNUAL MEDIEVAL CAMPING EVENT
- BATTLE BETWEEN KINGDOM OF THE EAST AND THE MIDDLE KINGDOM
- MORE THAN 10,000 PARTICIPANTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD
- SKIPPED IN 2020 FOR COVID-19
- CONCERN WAS THAT MODERN PLAGUE MIGHT MAKE IT TOO REALISTIC
GRAND CANYON DESIGN FDCS

STAMP FD – GRAND CANYON, AZ, 20 JAN 2000
TOM TILL STATION – MOAB, UT
BRYCE CANYON DESIGN FDC

ST. LOUIS, MO, FEBRUARY 24, 2006

ALSO BRYCE CANYON, UT, OF COURSE
GRAND CANYON, BRYCE CANYON FDCS

WHY THE SIGNATURES?

- Autographs are by Tom Till
- Till took photographs used for stamp designs
- Credit for actual stamp design went to Ethel Kessler
- But it was the Tom Till Station, not Ethel Kessler!
UKRAINIAN CINDERELLA
ISSUED FOR UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS
UKRAINIAN CINDERELLA

WHAT ABOUT IT?

- Designed for Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus, Detroit, MI
- Chorus still performs traditional Ukrainian music
- Stamps issued late 60s through early 80s
- Commemorated Ukrainians, culture and this one for Ukrainian Christmas
- Sheaf of wheat is substitute for Christmas tree
- Funds used to keep Ukrainian culture in diaspora
- Stamps no longer issued after Ukrainian independence
Canadian Commemorative

- Set of four stamps to celebrate millennium of Christianity in Ukraine
- Each stamp portrayed different Ukrainian icon related to Christmas
- Most icons came from Ukrainian churches in Canada
ONCE THERE WAS A CHRISTMAS
ANNO 1860, WITH
ONE LAST CELEBRATION
BEFORE CONFLICT WOULD BEGIN

WAS A SPRUCE CUT FOR THE PARLOR
OR PLUM PUDDING SET TO BAKE
IN JOYOUS PREPARATION
FOR THE CHILDREN TO PARTAKE?

WERE THE RUMBLINGS OF POLITICIANS
AND ABOLITIONISTS ALIKE
TAKING TIME TO CELEBRATE
BEFORE THE HAND OF WAR WOULD STRIKE?
• THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A POSTMASTER
  IN A QUIET COUNTRY STORE
  MARKING LETTERS AND PLACING THEM
  IN THE MAILBAG ON THE FLOOR.

• THIS LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER
  SOLELY KNOWS THE TRUTH
  OF CHRISTMAS, 1860
  AND WHAT TRANSPRIED IN ITS YOUTH

CHRISTMAS 1860
A STAMP, A PICTURE AND A POEM
LIBERATION COVER
19 MAY 1945 TO PLZEN, BOHEMIA-MORAVIA PROTECTORATE
LIBERATION COVER
12 MAY 1945 TO PRAGUE, PROTECTORATE
LIBERATION COVERS

MORE EXPLANATION

• FIRST COVER – OVERPRINT IN KARLOVY VARY (KARLSBAD), SUDETELAND ON 3 MAY
• OVERPRINT INTENDED TO OBSCURE HITLER’S PORTRAIT
• CITY LIBERATED ON 11 MAY

• SECOND COVER – OVERPRINT IN MNICHVO HRADISTE (MUNCHENGRATZ)
• 5 MAY OVERPRINT WAS DATE OF LIBERATION
• GERMAN NAME FOR TOWN SCRATCHED OFF REGISTRATION LABEL
LIBERATION COVER
28 MAY 1945 TO URČICE U PROSTĚJOVA
LIBERATION COVERS

MORE EXPLANATION

• THIRD COVER – ORIGINAL LIBERATION DESIGN
• FLAMING PREMYSL EAGLE DESIGNED SEVERAL MONTHS EARLIER
• PRINTED IN OLOMOUC (OLMUTZ)
• SURCHARGE FOR RED CROSS, 8 MAY LIBERATION DATE ADDED WHEN KNOWN

• LOCAL ISSUES LIKE THESE VALID FOR SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER PROTECTORATE ELIMINATED AS CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS REUNITED
STAMP ART COVER

APPEARS TO BE WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL STAMPS USED TO CREATE BARN AND TREES

WATERCOLOR FOR BACKGROUND AND FOREGROUND
MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

From one stamp collector to another - Susanne
STAMP ART CARD

HOW DID SHE DO THAT?

• “MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR” PRINTED ON CARD
• CANDLES AND HOLLY BERRIES FROM FIVE CENT AIRMAIL STAMP
• HOLLY LEAVES FROM ONE CENT WASHINGTON PRESIDENTIAL SERIES STAMP
• FLAMES FROM UNIDENTIFIED RED STAMP
• MADE BY COLLECTOR SUSAN KENNEDY IN 1950
WHY THE ODD DISCOLORATION?

CHRISTMAS STAMP ISSUED 6 NOV 1967
PRINTED ON WEB-FED GIORI PRESS
WHY THE ODD DISCOLORATION?

HAS SOME SORT OF OILY RESIDUE SOAKED THRU THE PAPER?
WHY THE ODD DISCOLORATION?

LOOK AT THAT HORIZONTAL BAND OR BREAK...
TAGGING EXPERIMENT!

STARTED IN MAY 1967

TAGGING AGENT CLEARLY SHOWS IN UV LIGHT
FINAL ANSWER IS...

TAGGING BREAK CORRESPONDS WITH DISCOLORATION BREAK

THEREFORE DISCOLORATION IS BREAKDOWN OF TAGGING AGENT
USS DES MOINES (C-15)

PRIOR TO U.S. ENTRY INTO WWI
USS DES MOINES (C-15)

POSTCARD PHOTO IS UNKNOWN DATE
NUTS!
SIEGE OF BASTOGNE BATTLE MAP
FIFTH DAY
FROM WWII

PRINTED BY CLUB MEMBER'S FATHER, AS WAS BATTLE MAP ON PREVIOUS SLIDE
TWO OF A FEW OF DAD'S WWII SOUVENIRS
EGYPT STAMP CLUB

NOTE OUR MEMBER IN THEIR MIDST

FROM ABOUT DECEMBER 1999, TAKEN IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT
RARE COIL ON CARD
FROM PARKHURST VENDING MACHINE
TELLTALE SIGNS ARE THERE!
CANCEL COMMENTS

ADDRESS DETAILS ADDED AT NIXIE STATION MAILING DIVISION IN CHICAGO

PURPLE HANDSTAMP SHOWS WHERE IT WAS DONE (N.S.M.D.)
REAL RARITY – THE STAMP

NOTE MARKS IN MARGIN FROM PARKHURST VENDING MACHINE

PARKHURST ONE OF FOUR ORIGINAL CONTRACTORS FOR POSTAL VENDING MACHINES
• MAILED AUGUST 23, NOT NORMAL HOLIDAY, BUT...
• DAY OF NATIONAL FLAG IN UKRAINE
• INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SLAVE TRADE AND ITS ABOLITION
• CHRISTIAN FEAST DAY FOR NINE PERSONS
  • ROSE OF LIMA
  • ZACCHAEUS OF JERUSALEM
  • ET AL.
Welcome to the Christmas Philatelic Club website

The Christmas Philatelic Club (CPC) is a group of dedicated philatelists, specializing in all types of Christmas philatelic material. The Club presently has an enrollment of over 100 members living all over the world. The CPC was founded in Harmony, Minnesota in 1959 by Kenneth W. Mackenzie.

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The Christmas Philatelic Club is a nonprofit organization with 501(c)(3) status—all donations to the CPC are tax-deductible.

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Hello Ed,
Thanks for reaching out to the Christmas Philatelic Club. I do have some photos of covers that may be of interest to your club. I will send these in separate emails to you. The focus of these covers are town names related to Christmas, like Rudolph, Ohio. We have a list of these places on our website: [christmasphilatelicclub.org](http://christmasphilatelicclub.org) The list can be found by clicking on ‘about’, then ‘what to collect’.
Our club just celebrated our 50th Anniversary last year and we continue going strong. We have a quarterly award winning journal, Yule Log, that is filled with Christmas themed articles year round. We have just lowered our dues and would welcome new members that collect Christmas. Go to our website and check us out.

Always happy to assist a fellow Ohioan. I’m located just an hour north in Geneva, Oh.  
Merry Christmas,
Jim Balog
Christmas Philatelic Club
Secretary/Treasurer
CHRISTMAS CLUB
SAMPLE LIST OF TOWN NAMES FROM THE SITE

Hope, MI 48628; Hope, MN 56046; Hope, ND 58046; Hope, NJ 07844; Hope, NM 88250; Hope, RI 02831; Hope, ME 04847

Ivy, VA 22945;

Joseph, OR 97846; Joseph, UT 84739; Joseph City, AZ 86032; Joy, IL 61260;

Lone Pine, CA 93545; Lonepine, MT 59848;

Miracle, KY 40856; Mistletoe, KY 41351; Mount Angel, OR 97362;

Nazareth, KY 40048; Nazareth, MI 49074; Nazareth, PA 18064; Nazareth, TX 79063;

Noel, MO 64854 ...the Christmas City and Canoe Capitol of the Ozarks; Noel, VA

North Pole, AK 99705; North Pole, NY 12946; Notre Dame, IN 46556;

Orient, IA 50858; Orient, IL 62874; Orient, ME 04471; Orient, NY 11957; Orient, OH 43146; Orient, SD 57467; Orient, WA 98916;

Pacific City, OR 97135; Pacific Grove, CA 93950; Partridge, KS 67566; Partridge, KY 40862; Pax, WV 25904; Paxville, SC 29102; Peace Dale Station, Wakefield, RI 02883; Peace Valley, MO 65788;
Pine, AZ 85544; Pine, CO 80470; Point Hope, AK 99766;

Rudolph, OH 43462; Rudolph, WI 54475;

Santa Claus, GA, c/o 131 N. State St., Lyons, GA 30436-9998; Santa Claus, IN 47579; Santa, ID 83866; Santa Maria, CA 93454; Santa Maria, TX 78592; Santee, SC
1957 SPECIAL COVER
FROM THE CHRISTMAS PHILATELIC CLUB ARCHIVES
OUR MEMBER PLUGS THE CLUB AND ITS JOURNAL
CHRISTMAS POSTAL CARDS
AN IDEA THAT TURNED OUT TO BE TOO EXPENSIVE FOR BUYERS
2001 SANTAS – 21¢
SOLD IN PACKET SETS OF 20 CARDS FOR $9.25
$5.05 OVER FACE VALUE
2002 SNOWMEN / GREETINGS - 23¢

SOLD IN PACKET SETS OF 20 CARDS FOR $9.75

$5.15 OVER FACE VALUE
CHRISTMAS POSTAL CARD SHEETLETS

FINAL COMMENTS

- USPS EXPERIMENTED FOR FIRST TIME IN 1989 AT WORLD STAMP EXPO
- SHEETLETS MEASURED 8.5” X 11” (LETTER PAPER) TO FIT IN NEW PC PRINTERS
- USPS HOPED TO PROVIDE CONVENIENT CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGNS FOR HOME COMPUTERS
- 2000 & 2001 PRESS RUNS WERE 500,000 SHEETLETS
- 2002 & 2003 PRESS RUNS WERE 250,000 SHEETLETS
- LIMITED DEMAND, PROBABLY BECAUSE PREMIUM WAS TOO HIGH
Fröhliche Weinachten
buon Natale
щасливого Різдва
새해 복 많이 받으세요
Feliz Navidad
bonne année
Merry Christmas
新年快乐
veselé Vánoce
голд жул
А фриліпч тонка
ладно ж вибачте
Як ви? Як ви?