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Scout Stamp FD In Washington



"ON MY HONOR I WILL DO MY BEST..." A Boy Scout, his arm upraised in the position assumed in taking the Scout pledge, is the motif of the February 8 commemorative for the 50th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. The Norman Rockwell design will be printed in khaki and blue in panes of 50 stamps. The quantity ordered is 120,000,000. Washington, D.C. will be first day city.

February 8 Release Of New 4c In Tribute To Golden Jubilee Of Movement In United States

The design of the 4c Boy Scouts of America Golden Jubilee commemorative postage stamp, to be first placed on sale February 8 at Washington, D. C., will feature a head and shoulders view of a Scout with right hand upraised in a three-finger salute, according to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield.

This stamp, designed by the noted artist, Norman Rockwell, will be arranged horizontally, measuring 0.84 by 1.44 inches, and will be printed on the Giori press in khaki and blue. An initial order for 120 million of these stamps, to be released in panes of 50, has been authorized.

The likeness of a Scout will be printed in gradations of khaki, while the lettering "1910 - 1960" at the left, "Boy Scouts of America" across the top, "U. S. Postage" at the right, and the large "4c" in the field to the right, will be in blue.

When the Department announced on June 6, 1959 that the Postmaster General had authorized the forthcoming Boy Scout 50th anniversary commemorative it was the unanimous opinion of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee that Norman Rockwell, who had drawn the covers

Hungary Restricts Stamps Importation

According to the latest edition of the United States Post Office Department's bulletin, the Postal Administration of Hungary has given notice that postage stamps, canceled or not, and other stamped paper may not be sent in the postal union mail to individuals in that country except through the intermediary of the Stamp Exchange Commission.

Letters or other postal union articles containing such items must be addressed to Budapest, Hungary, P.O. Box 12, Budapest 70, Hungary, with the name of the addressee.

The foregoing does not affect the availability of postage stamps up to one cent in value in gift parcels and packages, the "Postal Union" explained.

Stamp Day Cancellation, Jet Flight From Germany

A special cancellation was used at Oberwolf, Germany, October 24 to mark Stamp Day. The design is a double circle with rectangular inserts at three and nine o'clock for the date; the UN emblem at top center and the Europa "E" in the center.

A first flight by French-built "Caravelle" jet planes was made November 1 from Frankfurt to Paris by Air France. A four-line rubber stamp cancel was applied.

Covers from both events were forwarded by Joachim Dill, Martin Luther Str. 28, (136) Bad Nauendorf frank, Salla, Germany.

NEW 10c AIRMAIL JUNE 10 AT MIAMI

The new 10c airmail of the regular series will be issued at Miami, Fla. June 10, Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced.

Of the same general format as the new 15c and 25c values, it will feature the Liberty Bell and the caption "LET FREEDOM RING". Colors will be green and black; full details next week.

for many of the official Scouting calendars, would be the logical artist to prepare the design.

Rockwell studied at the Art Students League and was a pupil of George Bridgeman and Thomas Fogarty. He is especially noted as a painter of magazine covers and illustrations, principally for the Saturday Evening Post. He is a member of the Society of American Illustrators and the Free Lance Artists of America.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations of the new 4c Boy Scout stamp may send addressed envelopes, together with remittances to cover the cost of the stamps to be

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Bruce Conde, Linn's Mid-East Correspondent, Expelled From Yemen; Mr. "X" Prime Suspect

Bruce Conde whose interesting, informative and highly revealing articles on things philatelic in the Middle East have both entertained and protected Linn's readers during recent years, has been forcibly expelled from Yemen, according to recent news dispatches.

The New York Herald Tribune has reported under a Cairo, Egypt, dateline of November 19 that Bruce Abdel Rahman Conde, a California who was converted to Islam and gave up his American citizenship to settle in remote Yemen, was not permitted to fly on to Lebanon the preceding day because he had no travel document.

Mr. Conde who had arrived with only a slip of paper that amounted to an exit permit from Yemen, was being held at Cairo's International Airport while authorities pondered his case. Mr. Conde was reportedly ejected from Yemen after a scuffle involving a royal guard, and his hand may be cut off in punishment if he returns there.

Although he held a through ticket to Beirut, the airlines refused to take him without a visa. He also

had an excess baggage bill of \$5 which he could not pay because the only money he carried was gold coins which could not be changed at the airport.

Held incommunicado—Mr. Conde was being held incommunicado, as is the rule in Cairo in such cases. If he cannot obtain permission to enter some other country without a passport or documents, he would normally be turned back to Eltham Airline on which he traveled here, and returned to the country where his flight originated.

Yemen is one of the few places in the Middle East where the punishment for theft and certain other crimes is cutting off one or both hands.

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- Dec. 3—Hugh C. Barr, Inc., 38 Park Row, New York 38, U. S., Latin America, Br. Colon, mostly XXth.
- Dec. 4—Rasdale Stamp Co., 505 E. Walker, St. John's, Mich. General showing U. S. and Ign.
- Dec. 5—H. Lazarus, 29 Wadsworth Ave., New York 23, Postal History, extensive variety.
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- Dec. 10—Higgins & Gage, Inc., 23 N. Santa Anita, Pasadena 8, Calif. Postal History U. S., Br. and early European.
- Dec. 10-11—Equitable Stamp Co., 505 5th Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Over 1000 lots Br. Empire.

BOY SCOUT

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affixed, to the postmaster, Washington 13, D. C.

A close fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. Envelopes submitted should be of ordinary letter size and each must be properly addressed.

An envelope must not be sent for the return of first day covers. The outside envelope to the postmaster at Washington should be clearly endorsed "First Day Covers 4c Boy Scout Commemorative Stamp". Orders for covers must not include requests for uncanceled stamps.

The 15c international airmail stamp, released November 20 at New York, N. Y. was based on a design by Herb Lubalin, an original drawing of the Statue of Liberty by Joseph Lomberdero and lettering by John Pistilli. The vignette was engraved by Richard M. Bower, and the outline frame, lettering, numeral and plane by George L. Huber.

As announced last week, the 25c international airmail, designed by the same artists, will be released April 22 at San Francisco, Calif. It will feature a likeness of Abraham Lincoln.

The new 10c value will be issued June 10 at Miami, Fla. It will feature the Liberty Bell. As in the cases of the 15c and 25c of the set, the design of the 10c was created by Messrs. Lubalin, Lomberdero and Pistilli.

BRUCE CONDE

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The American Embassy in Cairo is powerless to act officially in this case since Mr. Conde renounced his citizenship some years ago.

He had adopted the Yemeni mode of dress and way of life when he settled there. He wore European dress when he arrived at Cairo November 18, but had darkened his wispy blond moustache and goatee with black grease paint in Yemeni fashion.

A subsequent item in the Herald Tribune of November 23 stated that Mr. Conde had explained to Egyptian officials that he had been ordered out of Yemen after what he called "a personal, non-political quarrel".

Coming as it does hard on the heels of Editor Carl Ruetz's outspoken and revealing editorial of only last week, this Yemeni development will hardly surprise Linn's readers of the past few months. They will recall Mr. Conde's constant hammering at the unhealthy situation controlling the issuance and distribution of Yemeni stamps, and his persistent effort to interest Post Office officials there in the problem, and in correcting it.

Linn's of May 11 gave considerable space to explain how one unscrupulous dealer, Mr. "X", had enlisted the cooperation of a minor official in the Ministry of Posts and how they had together taken much advantage of the philatelically unknowing higher-ups.

Ninety days later—August 17—the crusading Conde reported having actually gained an audience with Minister of Posts Qadi Adallah Hajiri and had awakened him to certain hitherto concealed goings-on. That official expressed amazement and interest, and promised action. But Mid-East political developments were and have continued such as to compel him to leave many details to his subordinates—including the faithless assistant previously mentioned.

As stated in last week's editorial, Mr. Conde has been threatened with bodily harm or worse by "interested parties". Collectors who have followed the accounts in Linn's have an excellent basis from which to evaluate and interpret future philatelic activities taking place in Yemen. Linn's will, of course, report on further details as they develop.

In the meantime, Mr. Conde's many correspondents throughout the world will wisely post no mail to him until his new address can be determined and published.

A Classic Study In A Popular Field

"The Paid Markings on the 3c U.S. Stamp of 1861"

by George W. Linn

As the title indicates, this study is confined to one stamp and one type of cancellation, the word "PAID" with or without other markings. In the more than 100 such marks, Mr. Linn presents 90, with their places of use, not previously recorded. So it can be seen that quite a research went into the writing.

The author has separated the PAID types into twelve divisions depending on their appearance. Each is illustrated, fully described and towns of use listed.

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