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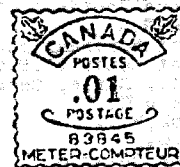
The first snows of winter are upon us in Canada's Capital. A CMSG newsletter seems a little overdue but not much has filled the "in" basket. The current version includes CMSG Misc. Publication No. 2 on Military Meters which first appeared as a draft in Newsletter no. 3 four years ago, now being available on a word processing diskette in order to permit updates and additions at some future time. Ross Irwin graces us with some research on post office meters, Newfoundland meters and a project proposal for distribution of his CSN Metered Mail columns. The newsletter is rounded out by notes and news.

Patriotic Meter Slogans

Wilf Whitehouse includes some additions to CMSG Misc. Pub. No. 1.

WS-6 reported 4/11/41
WS-7 late date 5/10/45
WS-9F reported 16/9/44

MP-19 late date 7/8/46
VL3-2F now illustrated below
on SEP 16/44



NEW MEMBER

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Just getting into the Canadian meter field.
Welcome.

ANOTHER TM ERROR

MONTEBELLO is not hyphenated as their meter at the famous Chateau would suggest (illustrated below)

Le Château Montebello

Montebello, Qué J0V 1L0

POUR VOS VACANCES
ET CONFÉRENCES
FOR YOUR VACATIONS
AND CONFERENCES



MUSIC METERS

A collector of music on meters has written with several questions. Mr. Herbert Moore, 6 Everett Rd., Carmel, N.Y. USA 10512 has over 2200 different US and 50 Canadian music meter slogans and would like to correspond with any other similarly interested music buffs.

PO METERS

Ed Lapham sends the list below of PO meters in his collection some not fully verified due to weak impressions. He also suggests the missing word from the Fredericton meter examined in newsletter no. 15 is "JUNCTION" resulting in the wording offset in the townmark.

A similar list from W. Whitehouse is also reproduced below. Cur thanks to both contributors.

Canadian Meters with "P O" in the Townmark.

Edwin S. Lapham

"P" and "O" in townmark

W. D. WHITEHOUSE

143493	Charlottetown P.E.I.		
143535	Portage La Prairie Man.		
143613	Sarnia Ontario		
145248	Prince Albert Sask.		
145366	Kelowna B.C.	140256	Halifax/N.S.
145382	Vancouver B.C.	143590	Lethbridge/Alberta
145393	Truro Nova Scotia	143613	Sarnia/Ontario
145441	Yarmouth N.S.	145355	Vancouver/B.C.
146137	Outremont Montreal, P.Q.	145366	Kelowna/B.C.
146139	Outremont Montreal, P.Q.	146413	Montreal/Quebec
146146	Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario	146416	Trail/B.C.
146409	Kamloops B.C.	146426	Outremont/Montreal P.Q.
146411	Cranbrook, B.C.	146933	Niagara Falls/Ont.
146416	Trail B.C.	147570	Dawson Creek/B.C.
146420	Islington Ontario	147772	Montreal/Quebec
146422	North Vancouver B.C.	151115	Mount Royal/Montreal P.Q.
146438	Regina Sask.	151400	Vancouver/B.C.
146441	St. Thomas Ontario	151986	Grande Prairie/Alberta
146444	Drummondville Quebec	152407	Postal Stn. "E"/Ottawa Ont.
146917	Belleville Ontario	152424	Duncan/B.C.
146933	Niagara Falls Ontario	153079	Courtenay/B.C.
146943	Swift Current Sask.	153081	Station "C"/Hamilton Ont.
146944	Pembroke Ontario	153084	Kimberley/B.C.
147549	Regina Sask.	154060	Postal Stn. "E"/Ottawa Ont.
147568	Oshawa Ontario	155734	Brantford/Ontario
147583	Red Deer Alta.	156747	New Westminster/B.C.
147584	Montreal Quebec		
147588	Flin Flon Manitoba (listed as 147582?)		
151115	Mount Royal Montreal P.Q.		
151121	Snowdon Montreal P.Q.		
151974	Station T. Toronto Ont.		
151986	Grande Prairie Alberta		
152401	Postal Stn. B Montreal P.Q.		
152407	Postal Stn. E Ottawa Ont. (listed without station)		
152424	Duncan B.C.		
153081	Station C Hamilton Ont.		
153507	Delorimier Montreal P.Q.		
??????	New Glasgow N.S.		

Metered Mail

The above column ran in Canadian Stamp News from October 3, 1977 until October 26, 1982. There were 107 columns and covered postage meters produced by Pitney-Bowes, Franco and Neopost. The column ended due to a lack of interest by the paper before the later meter types could be covered. The columns contain a great deal of technical information on postage meters.

I have now clipped and pasted the above columns to fit in 24 pages, printed both sides. These are for my own use. IF, I can get 25 orders at \$5.00 post-paid I would have that number printed and bound. The cost is too high if that number cannot be sold.

If anyone has a means of printing and mailing 25 copies for much less than \$125 please write me. If you are interested in buying this book please write me. Do not send any money until we know the project will go ahead.

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NEWFOUNDLAND

Not much response regarding an update on page 15-6 on the Newfoundland meters, I guess they are scarce in readable condition. Information submitted was:

180005 is Imperial Oil; 180009 is Purity Factories.
180005 became 144492. 144483 should read 144489.
North Eastern Steamships as a corner card for unreadable meter.
N-5 1947; N-7 1948; N-8 1947; N-12 1940; N-13 1947; N-17 1947;
N-18 1947; N-19 1932; N-23 1947; N-30 1950; N-32 1947.
The N-13 was changed to Canada and used in 1949.
Earliest Type N4 is Jan. 13, 1948. (180002)

P.O. POSTAGE METERS REVISITED

Ross W. Irwin

Thanks to Alan Draves and Jean Dalpe, and a more thorough search by myself, we can add to and modify the initial list. First, we should note that the province is in full for each indicia unless otherwise noted. The initial list did not include full descriptions of postal stations. This is corrected here.

Corrections to the preliminary list

94048 - Ottawa	151120 - N.S.
140209 - POSTAL STN.B MONTREAL P.Q.	151387 - B.C.
140263 - P.E.I.	151967 - P.Q.
140264 - B.C.	151972 - YOUVILLE MONTREAL P.Q.
140300 - delete, no p.o.	151976 - SNOWDEN MONTREAL P.Q.
140425 - delete	151990 - ONT.
143654 - B.C.	152400 - ST.LAURENT MONTREAL P.Q.
143670 - STATION T TORONTO ONT.	152401 - MOUNT ROYAL MONTREAL P.Q.
143677 - ALTA.	152407 - POSTAL STA.E OTTAWA ONT.
143684 - POSTAL STA. D OTTAWA ONT.	153075 - NFLD.
143947 - delete	153078 - P.Q.
144229 - SASK.	153085 - PLACE D'ARMES MONTREAL P.Q.
146139 - POSTAL STATION A VANCOUVER B.B.	153520 - TORONTO STA.B ONT.
146134 - ROSEMOUNT MONTREAL P.Q.	153524 - TORONTO STA.F ONT.
146149 - for Windsor	155201 - ONT.
146407 - SASK.	155319 - POSTAL STN.E OTTAWA ONT.
146428 - DELORIMIER MONTREAL P.Q.	158694 - hyphens
146421 - delete O	
146424 - delete C	
146430 - delete L	
146433 - NFLD.	
146436 - delete L	
146437 - B.C.	
146438 - B.C.	
146440 - B.C., delete B	
146443 - N.S.	
146460 - delete L	
146924 - N.B.	
147550 - TORONTO STA. F ONT.	
147565 - SASK.	
147776 - ALTA.	
148441 - B.C.	

Additions to the list

146415 - Toronto	143370 - NEW GLASGOW
146428 - DELORIMIER MONTREAL P.Q.	143413 - HALIFAX N.S.
146437 - VANCOUVER B.B.	143603 - MONTREAL
146441 - ST. THOMAS	?143391 - KITCHENER
146444 - DRUMMONDVILLE	143427 - SUDBURY
146830 - WINDSOR	143684 - HALIFAX
146905 - PEMBROKE	144777 - NEW GLASGOW
94062 - SAINT JOHN	145202 - QUEBEC
140294 - NEW WESTMINSTER B.C.	145236 - QUEBEC

Additions cont'd.

145241 - NEW WESTMINSTER B.C.	152400 - CORNWALL
145248 - WINNIPEG	152401 - POSTAL STN.B MONTREAL P.Q.
145355 - VANCOUVER B.C.	152410 - POSTAL STATION B OTTAWA ONT.
145393 - TRURO	151987 - TORONTO
145441 - YARMOUTH	153081 - STATION C HAMILTON ONT.
146127 - OUTREMONT MONTREAL P.Q.	153507 - DELORIMIER MONTREAL P.Q.
146144 - PEMBROKE	155734 - STRATFORD
146148 - TORONTO	157233 - DELORIMIER MONTREAL P.Q.
146145 - NEW GLASGOW	153518 - WINNIPEG
147772 - MONTREAL	153522 - ST. THOMAS
146917 - BELLEVILLE	159813 - ST. CATHARINES ONT.
146933 - NIAGARA FALLS	156225 - PLACE D'ARMES MONTREAL P.Q.
146944 - MONTREAL	155619 - POSTAL STN.E OTTAWA ONT.
147560 - BARRIE	
147568 - TORONTO	
148087 - PETERBOROUGH	
148282 - QUEBEC	
148423 - TORONTO	
148423 - HAMILTON	
148314 - SNOWDEN MONTREAL P.Q.	
148989 - TORONTO	
148678 - FREDERICTON	
15115- - MOUNT ROYAL MONTREAL P.Q.	
151121 - SNOWDEN MONTREAL P.Q.	
151974 - STATION T TORONTO ONT.	
151974 - PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE	
151986 - GRANDE PRAIRIE	
151997 - OTTAWA	
151990 - KITCHENER	

Has anyone ever seen 94007 from Montreal?

REGULATIONS

Ernest Roscoe in reading a copy of PO regulations made available some time back queries item no. 23 of page 10445 of that document. This states "Where any person makes impressions of a postage indicia impression die as part of the procedure for testing postage meters, those impressions shall be destroyed by burning". This cannot apply to trade samples/specimens which are freely given out as "zero" impressions at trade shows, etc. Does it mean trial designs, etc. not approved by the post office department? The latter items are widely sought and historically valued by collectors but are very hard to get. No wonder - they're apparently illegal to possess. Comments??

UNREPORTED INDICIA

As per above, Wilf Whitehouse sends us a nice illustration of patriotic slogan MP-9 with a previously unknown (to the editor) indicia type. Any information on this would be welcome.



Wilf also sent the Canadian Postage Meters Ltd. advertisement from late 1943 showing they apparently had their own slogan classification system.

USE YOUR POSTAGE METER TO HELP WIN THE WAR

VICTORY LOAN SLOGANS

For Use In
POSTAGE METER MACHINES



Number VL 17



Number VL 19



Number VL 18

Make your choice of one of these designs. Then use the enclosed postage paid order card immediately.



Number VL 20

CANADIAN POSTAGE METERS LIMITED

TYPE 23 METERS

Irwin type 23 meters now come with tall, narrow spaced meter numbers in the 677060 sequence for example.

TYPE 18 METERS

W. Whitehouse and D. Cooper have been tracking the indicia varieties on this type (Irwin system no. 18):

163000-099 3 wavy lines to right sloping down
163110-174+ 3 wavy lines to right sloping up
163000-999 fractional values example 13.8c

Due to unforeseen difficulties, the typing and editing of CMSG publication No. 2 has been delayed. It will be sent to you under separate mailing as soon as it is ready.

Sorry for the delay.

The Editor.