



# CANADIAN REVENUE NEWSLETTER

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## Coming Events

June 12 - Willow Grove Revenue Group Mini-convention

Sept. 3 to 5 - BNAPS Exhibition and Convention, Toronto, Royal York

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## New Member

# 409 - Sanford Weinstock, 8016 Middlebelt, Westland, Mich. 48185

## Change of Address

# 368 - Frank Oakes, 15 Washington Ter., St. Louis, Mo. 63112

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## Received in the Mail

Bob Lee's Auction for Feb. 13 - This Auction has a great many Revenue Lots.

van DAM's ReveNews # 86 - has many elusive Revenue listed. See Ontario Vacation Pay with wide gutters, in this Newsletter.

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I am very sad to report the death of one of our very good old time members, George Wegg.

The dealers listed below support the Revenue Group and Newsletter  
Why not contact them for your Philatelic needs ?

K. Bileski Ltd., Station B., Winnipeg, Man. Canada R2W 3R4  
or Box 500, Pembina, North Dakota 58271

Jim A. Hennok Auctions, 185 Queen St., E, Toronto, Can N5A 1S2

Robert Lee, 203-1139 Sutherland Ave., Kelowna, B. C. Can V1Y 5Y2

E.S. J. van DAM Ltd., Box 300, Briggenth, Ont., Can K0L 1H0

Steven Zirinsky, Box 49, Ansonia Station, New York, N. Y. 10023

By Ed Richardson - Published in "STAMPS" Apr. 25 1959

SOMEONE has said that "stamp collectors are surely queer,— look how they scramble and bid for that which is imperfect!" Yes, the scramble, the hunting, the bidding for the "imperfect" is a large part of the thrill and downright fun of stamp collecting.

This explains, in part, the enthusiasm one finds among Canadian revenue collectors. The field is still so new, so relatively unexplored, so broad in scope, that one always can hope to come across that hitherto unrecorded item. In fact, it would be hard to name one single Canadian revenue collector who has seriously been collecting these issues for any length of time, who has not experienced that thrill of discovery! Such are the rewards of sideline and "by-way" collecting!

Fig. 1 illustrates a scarce, but not unique Canadian revenue error which has been known for at least six years, having been listed in the 1951 edition of the *Standard British North American Revenue Catalogue*, published by Marks Stamp Co., of Toronto. Insofar as is presently known, only ten pairs, or five blocks of this variety exist. However, additional copies may come to light, as this issue of Ontario Vacation Tax Stamps is still in use. In this particular case the entire left vertical row of stamps is without the denominational overprint.

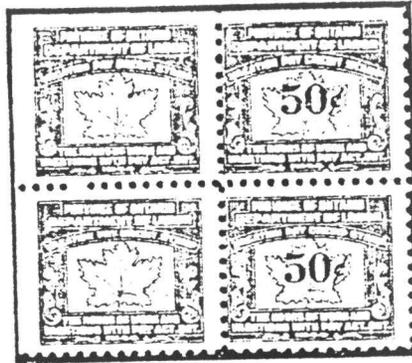


Fig. 1—The 50c Value with the left vertical row of overprints missing.

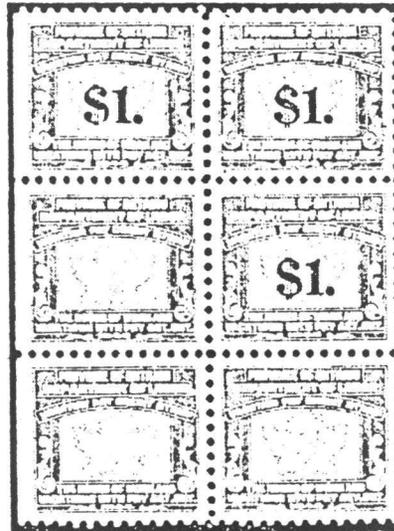


Fig. 2—The \$1 Value, 2nd issue, carmine and black, block of six from left hand side of sheet, three stamps with overprint missing.

In the original issue of the Ontario Vacation stamps all denominations had the common basic stamp, or "background" stamp, printed in sepia, with the denominational overprint in black. This included the 1¢, 2¢, 3¢, 4¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, and 50¢, and \$1.00 values. It can be readily seen, even with the distinctive "¢" and "\$" markings, there was a chance for confusion between the 1¢ and the \$1 value.

Accordingly, the \$1.00 value was re-issued with the basic stamp printed in carmine. At the same time a new value was added to the set, a \$5.00 denomination with the basic stamp in blue.

Fig. 2 illustrates an unusual error in overprint, which may well to be unique. So far it is the only one known to exist. Here again, however, the issue is still in current use and additional copies may turn up at any time.

This particular variety was first reported to the writer in late 1955, and was added to his revenue collection in 1956. It is of course one of those "hitherto unknown" varieties, and is not listed in any of the Canadian revenue catalogs.

These "missing overprint" varieties will remind readers of a similar variety which exists in Canada's postage issues. In 1950 the 10c "Fur Trade" pictorial was overprinted "G" for Official use. This is known in blocks and pairs with "one overprint missing."

NEW VARIETY \* as listed in van DAM'S ReveNews # 86



New in stock - OV3a\*NH wide gutter strip of 4 - \$35  
 OV4a\*NH wide gutter strip of 4 - \$35

		yellow			white				
		gum	gum	used	gum	gum	used		
OV1	1¢ brown	1.00	1.00	1.50	OV6	10¢ brown	5.00	5.00	5.00
	wide gutter single + normal	5.00	---	---	OV6a	wide gutter pair	25.00	---	---
OV2	2¢ brown	2.00	2.00	2.50	OV7	25¢ brown	9.00	9.00	9.00
	wide gutter single + normal	5.00	---	---	OV8	50¢ brown	20.00	20.00	15.00
OV3	3¢ brown	5.00	---	6.00	OV9	\$1 brown Very Rare Value	200.00	---	200.00
	gutter strip of 4 as shown	35.00	---	---	OV10	\$1 red & black	35.00	35.00	25.00
OV4	4¢ brown	5.00	---	---	OV11	\$5 blue & black	---	75.00	30.00
OV4a	gutter strip of 4 as shown	35.00	---	---					
OV5	5¢ brown	4.00	5.00	4.50					
OV5a	wide gutter pair	25.00	---	---					
	wide gutter single + normal	9.00	---	---					

**FREE:** with every Ontario Vacation Pay stamp order: we'll include a photocopy of a "REQUISITION FOR ONTARIO VACATION PAY STAMPS".

one of our generous Members donated the following publications to the Revenue Group, here is a list of some of them. The money received from the purchase of them will go to the cost of the Newsletter.

If interested in the purchase of any of these, Let me know. Do not send money, I will send , on a first come basis.

Catalogue of the Adhesive Revenue Stamps of Canada

Odell and French, 1942 \$25.

Lee Brandon catalogs on Tax Paids plus 1980 supplement  
Liquor bottle Seals \$35.

B. C. Law Stamp, 25¢ value of Fifth Issue , A study in  
plating Martin and Keane, #5.

Alberta First Issue Law Stamps. Bileski \$7.

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