



# THE ROUND-UP ANNEX

## squared circle study group newsletter

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I was saddened to learn of the deaths of Study Group members Alex Csucs and Emerson Clark this summer. Alex, a member of the Detroit/Windsor Regional group and Emerson, a past president of the American Philatelic Society, were frequent contributors to the Annex.

I received a note from Study Group member G. Palmer Moffatt of Tucson, formally resigning from the group. Palmer has decided to concentrate his efforts on the compilation of Newfoundland post offices, postmasters and date stamp types (1900-1949).

Finally, Alan Wolff dropped me a note with his new address; also, I misspelled his name in the last roster - sorry about that Alan. His new address is P.O. Box 2589, Aptos, CA 9500

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**ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.**

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Stratford, Ont. MAY 1893

Received from R. G. Allan the  
sum of Eighty nine cents Dollars,  
as payment of assessment, including dues, for May 1893  
on Certificate No. 00277 in the DOMINION PROVIDENT, BENEVOLENT AND  
ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION.

E. K. Barnsdale  
Manager-Sec'y.

NOTE.—This receipt is invalid unless the Association seal is affixed.

Ted Kerzner sent the above photocopy of his COLEMAN strike and the following comments: " The strike is a backstamp on postal stationery, used as a receiver. It is an 1893 usage, but the date is not otherwise legible... From the same mailer to the same addressee, I have another similar assessment notice mailed JU 13/93 and backstamped at COLEMAN on receipt in which the contemporary CDS is used...I had originally speculated that this was indicative of a short six week usage of the squared circle hammer, following which its use was abandoned, until the clearly dated 1894 usage was illustrated in the ANNEX (in early 1987)."

A LOOK AT THE "TYPICAL" BNAPS STUDY GROUP

New Study Group Coordinator Jon Johnson of Calgary forwarded to each Study Group head the results of a survey on the Study Groups of BNAPS. I think you will find the tabulation below interesting.

Ongoing Study Groups	Membership	Officers	Newsletters Issued-1987
1 BNA Perfins	63	3	5
2 Centennial Definitives	25	1	4
3 Duplex Cancels of BNA	46	1	3
4 Flag Cancels	25	2	4
5 Map Stamp	65	1	3
6 Military Mail	43	1	7
7 Newfoundland	53	1	6
8 Postage Dues	14	2	2
9 Postal Stationery	83	2	6
10 Prince Edward Island	14	1	2
11 Re-entries	44	1	5
12 Revenues	150	2	10
13 R.P.O.'s	90	2	9
14 Small Queens	62	1	3
15 Squared Circles	62	1	4
16 1972 Landscape & Definitives	8	1	0
17 Transatlantic Mail	38	1	3
18 Roller Cancels	10	1	1
19 Semi-Official Airmails	14	1	0
20 Slogan Cancels	8	2	0

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"Maple Sugar."



THE SPACE BELOW IS RESERVED FOR ADDRESS ONLY.

Messrs R. & G. Jost.  
 Guyboro. Guyboro, Co.  
 N.S.

CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE

Jerry Carr - Jerry dropped me several notes updating his new purchases; he always seems to find the time to hit the small to medium sized bourses in the Detroit area and usually finds some unique items.

Jim Miller - Jim sent me a copy of an article he authored on the 2 and 3 Ring Orb cancels which he has submitted to Mike Street for publication. If you want a "preview" of the article before it hits TOPICS, please drop me a line.

Wilmer Rockett - No. 176 of the Revenue Study Group Newsletter was received.

Jim Felton - Jim forwarded a photocopy of a ST. JOHNS, N.B. Barred Circle cancel with a previously unreported time mark; the strike is dated MR 17 12N /92.

Rick Parama - Rick dropped me a note from Australia regarding his collection of INNISFAIL strikes; I will include his letter in the next issue of ANNEX.

REPORTS OF NEW FINDINGS

I have made an initial sort through the package of correspondence from Bill Moffatt and have updated Bill's records to reflect the reports in ANNEX over the past five years. I will review the remaining correspondence in the near future and report any relevant findings. I have received or discovered the following new information:

DUTTON, ONT (Jerry Carr) - A first report of this hammer on a Special Delivery issue (E1), dated PM/JY 16/01.

ALMA, ONT STATE 2 (Hennok Sale) - A new late date of use on a strike dated -/AP 14/99.

WATERLOO, ONT (Frank Hoyles) - A new early date of use on a card dated -/NO 9/93.

MEDICINE HAT, ASSA (Frank Hoyles) - A new late date for the first period of use: -/AU 3/99.

REGINA, ASSA (Jim Miller) - Jim sent along a photocopy of a cover with a backstamp which appears to be dated -/AU 2/01. Jim offers the following observations about this possibly new late date:

" The handbook states the latest confirmed date is 2/JY 8/98, while an isolated late date is reported of ?/FE 11/04. The way this is worded in the handbook ( ".....reported in Handbook III") makes me think the 1904 date is unconfirmed."

If anyone has the 1904 strike, please contact Jim or yours truly.

REPORTS OF NEW FINDINGS (CONTINUED)

I finally had a chance to review Geoff Newman's pages in ANNEX Volume 10, No. 1/46, pages 352-358 and found a number of new dates, including the following:

BEAVERTON, ONT - The strike dated 2/FE 7/94 improves the earliest numeral time mark by two (2) days.

BRACEBRIDGE, ONT - A new early date for this hammer: -/FE 13/94.

BLEECKER STREET, TORONTO - A new late date of this hammer: -/JU 27/00.

HAWKESBURY, ONT - A new late date of use: -/AU 2/97 on a 3 cent Jubilee issue.

MATTAWA, ONT - A new early date of use: -/AP 13/94.

A FEW FINAL THOUGHTS.....

- With this issue of the ANNEX, I have pretty much exhausted my backlog of material for future issues. Now is the time to photocopy your "treasures", jot down a few accompanying thoughts and ship them to yours truly!

- In my quest to obtain all four editions of the Squared Circle handbooks, I have acquired two extra copies of the 2nd Edition Handbook. These are for sale on a first-come/first-served basis for \$15.00 US each. They will be promptly shipped first class mail; if you desire insurance, the registration fee is \$5.00 additional.

- I am also selling a portion of my library, which includes back issues on TOPICS from VOL 7 (1949) through 1980. These are bound with mixed color bindings through VOL 28 and are in good condition. If interested, please drop me a line or call me at 1-517-627-3667 evenings or weekends.

- With the arrival of our daughter in late August ( a bit early) and the commitments necessary for work, Cub Scouts, swimming and on and on and on with the three boys, I am finding it a bit difficult to put out newsletters on a regular basis. I hope to be able to continue with the ANNEX for the near future; however, if any of you would be interested in assuming the task of this newsletter, please drop me a line. It's truly a rewarding experience and there's a lot of room for improvement in my efforts.

- The next issue of ANNEX is tentatively scheduled for December and will include the review of the Bill Moffatt correspondence and a reprint from the Scott Stamp Journal on the NASSAGAWEYA squared circle hammer.