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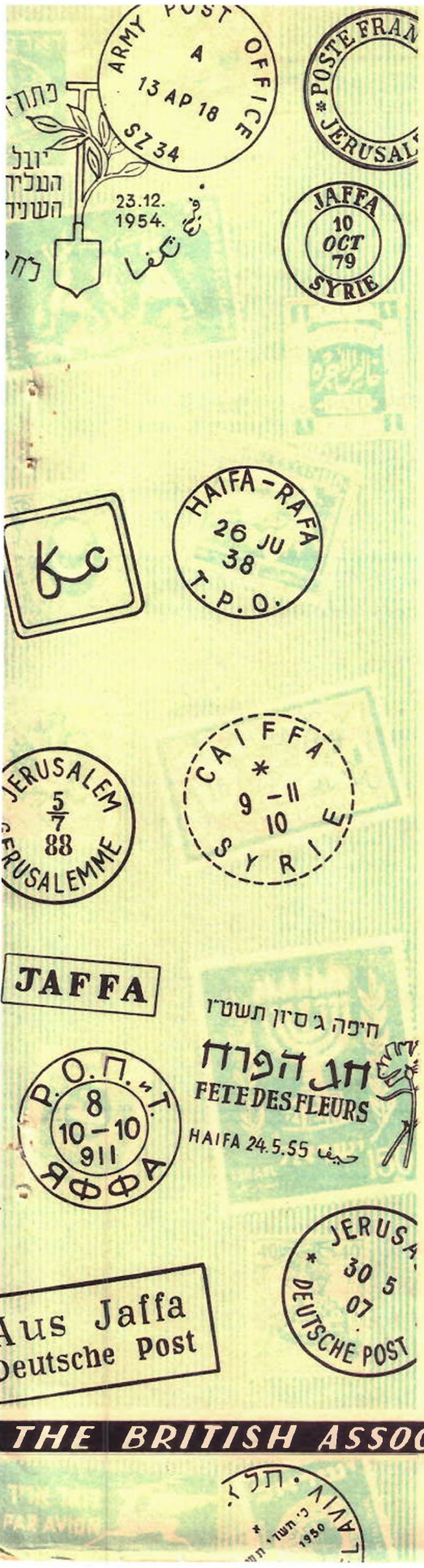
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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE QIRYAT MOTZKIN INTERIM

By Ernst Fluri

This article has been translated from the German and edited on the basis of Mr. Fluri's manuscripts on the results of his research into the origin of Qiryat Motzkin interim letters. The subject was first published in the German-Swiss "Der Israel Philatelist" No. 29 (1969), to whom our acknowledgements are due. -- Edit. Bd.

The Motzkin DO'AR overprint differs from the Haifa one mainly in its larger size. Its origin and use in Qiryat Motzkin, a suburb of Haifa, has been accepted in philately because it was found only on letters cancelled with the postmark of that office. During the years it has been looked upon as a desirable, collectible item for no special investigation into its official or otherwise unofficial nature has ever been attempted.

The DO'AR Overprint

The handstamped overprint ascribed to Qiryat Motzkin has a diameter of 20 mm., i.e. the circle is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  mm. larger than that of the Haifa overprint. Its circle is not quite regular, the S-West - N-East diameter being about 1 mm. longer than the one crossing it at right angle (Fig. 1).

Early Literature

The Motzkin DO'AR overprint was mentioned for the first time in the Handbook and Catalogue of Israel by Heymann & Pertzalan of Tel Aviv, published towards the end of 1952. In the introductory paragraphs it is stated that this overprint was known only on the 10m. Negev stamp, on the 50m. Herzl-Bialik and the set of black Parachutists stamps. In all the specialised catalogues and writings which appeared after the publication of the handbook, the overprint was accepted as such and illustrated. The illustrations that followed were all done in the conventional manner, that is to say that minor irregularities were not represented in the drawings as these were done with a compass. For the purpose of this investigation, however, other more methodical techniques have been employed.

The Motzkin overprint has indeed not been found on stamps other than the three illustrated in Figs. 2, 3 and 4. These are the "Negev Water Development Scheme" 10m. blue, the "Herzl and Bialik" 50m. black and the "Parachutists" 10m. black set of seven different portraits.

The Official Overprints

At the time of the short interim period (1st to 15th May, 1948) the supply of postage stamps to the post offices was the responsibility of the two foremost offices - Tel Aviv and Haifa. Haifa was the postal centre of the Northern areas. The postmasters of these two cities had to obtain the JNF (KKL) appeal stamps, order the handstamps for the DO'AR overprints, and then they had to supervise the actual stamping of the sheets. From Tel Aviv and Haifa the overprinted stamps - and also the Minhelet Ha'am cancelling devices - were then sent to the other post offices.

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QIRYAT MOTZKIN INTERIM (Ctd. from page 3)

Haifa was the administrative office for Qiryat Motzkin. In 1952 Mr. M. Brisker, Haifa, the well-known collector of the interim issues, asked the postmaster of Qiryat Motzkin if he knew of any such supply of stamps to his office, and he received the following reply dated 30.12.1952:-

"Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of 28.12. I have to inform you that, so far as I can recall, no handstamp of the DO'AR type was sent to us for the purpose of overprinting KKL stamps for the transition period of 2. - 14.5.1948.

As is known, every post office received a rubber stamp of the MINHELET HA'AM for cancelling to replace the Mandate date stamp for the period of 2. - 14.5.1948.

I should like to emphasise and repeat that I received KKL stamps already stamped with the overprint DO'AR from the Haifa postal administration.

Yours faithfully,  
(signed) A. Rozen  
Postmaster of Qiryat Motzkin."

In this context, a conversation on 25.6.1968 with the then postmaster of Haifa, the only authority entrusted in those early days with the supply of stamps and the canceller to Qiryat Motzkin, is of interest. It is possible that owing to the lapse of time since 1948 he might not have remembered all the details of the stamp issue, but he was able to explain the position on the evidence of a photograph of the time (Fig.5). This must be taken as a confirmation of the information given by the postmaster of Qiryat Motzkin. The picture was taken at the branch P.O. NAHLA (Haifa 12) in the then Gilead Street, to-day named HARAV HERZOG.

Mr. Barkoni explained that in view of this memorable event that the establishment of the Post was considered to be, the Chairman of the State service committee in the Haifa district, Dr. Bar Rav Hay, visited the office and was photographed together with the people doing the practical side of the work. These were from right to left:

Mr. N. Melamed, a postal clerk, who has an open book of the stamps on the table from which he removed the sheets.

Mr. Barkoni, the postmaster of Haifa.

Dr. Bar Rav Hay (a lawyer by profession), chairman of the District Committee.

Mrs. Esther Lulu, at that time the postmistress of the Nahla B.O.

Before her is a sheet of the stamps and to the left of it one can see the handstamp resting on an ink-pad. This handstamp was the Minhelet Ha'am canceller.

Three girls who did the actual overprinting of the stamps. The first holds the overprint handstamp while the next has the stamp standing on the table. The third girl was assisting the two.

Mr. Barkoni stressed that he had ordered only two DO'AR handstamps, both of the diameter  $17\frac{1}{2}$  mm. He had no knowledge of a larger one.

There were two "printings" of the Haifa interim stamp issue, the first was done on the 2nd and the other on the 9th May. Mr. S. Lachmann, who as a senior



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official was on the staff of the Haifa HPO, clearly remembers that the second lot was completed at the Head Post Office of Haifa.

Letters from Qiryat Motzkin

In order to investigate further the Motzkin overprints, a detailed examination of existing letters which emanated from that office has been carried out. In this connection the genuineness of the Minhelet Ha'am cancellations used on letters is of course of some importance. It will be seen that many of the cancellations found on such letters are from the official handstamp supplied to the Qiryat Motzkin Branch P.O., but there are others which cannot be accepted as genuine postmarks.

The Minhelet Ha'am postmark issued to Qiryat Motzkin is the normal type of cancellation which were used in the interim period. Some technical details are: Diameter - slightly less than 35 mm; Distance between the lower points of the stars - 25 mm. In the last third of the interim period, from the 11th May, small blemishes showed up in the outer circle which are characteristics of the handstamp as used on the later dates. From the 2nd to 10th May the stamp was perfect, from the 11th breaks were visible in the outer circle, below the TAV of QIRYAT and a tiny one above the DALET of DO'AR. Figs. 6, 7 and 8 are photographs of the genuine postmark at three different stages. On the 2nd May there is no defect in the outer circle, on the 11th a break and a bend below the TAV is noticeable and on the 12th there is also a break above the DALET, which was still closed on the previous day.

In turning to the letters so far examined, we find that some were franked with stamps of the normal Haifa overprinted issue while others bear stamps overprinted with the large Qiryat Motzkin circular DO'AR handstamp. As most of the covers were registered, their registration numbers and dates have been recorded. The following is a list of such numbers and dates. Those number of registration labels that were on covers carrying stamps with the large Do'ar overprint are underlined, and in these cases the addresses, the stamps used and the senders, where shown, have been added. For all the other letters none of these latter particulars are of interest except the dates, which are listed, and a few more observations are given.

<u>Registr.No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Sender</u>	<u>Stamps</u>
0005	2.5.48			
0031	7.5.			
0061	9.5.			
0067				
0072				
0074	9.5.			
0075	9.5.			
0081	10.5.			
0151	12.5.	Sh. Karniel Telegraph Office, G.P.O., Haifa.	Freifeld, Herzl 7, Haifa.	2 Herzl-Bialik
<u>0152</u>	12.5.	ditto	ditto	
<u>0154</u>	12.5.	ditto	ditto	2 Parach.
<u>0155</u>	12.5.	ditto	?	2 Negev
<u>0161</u>	12.5.	B. Bretfeld, 17 Herzl. St., Haifa.	Friedmann, Kiryat Yam	Herzl-Bial.



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<u>Registr.No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Sender</u>	<u>Stamps</u>
<u>0162</u>	12.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
	12.5.	15 letters have been recorded, all of the same date, with these Nos. 0164, 0165, 0169, 0191, 0192, 0193, 0196, 0198, 0199, 0201, 0202, 0204, 0205, 0209, 0215		
<u>0217</u>	12.5.	J. Alber, Sidney Keit 1, Kiryat Bialik.	--	Negev
0236	17.5.	(Arrival)		
0243	17.5.	(Arrival)		
0251				
0252				
0285	16.5.	(First Day of Israel Post)		New Coin Stps.
Reg. Haifa				
<u>1365</u>	16.5.	Sh. Rabintel, Post Office, Haifa.	B. Friefeld, 7 Herzl, Haifa.	Herzl-Bialik
<u>0328</u>	14.5.	Sh. Korngold, Hechalutz St., 43A, Haifa.	Fgafeld, Herzl 73, Haifa.	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0329</u>	14.5.	Sh. Rabintel, Telegraph Office, Haifa.	Freifeld, Herzl 7, Haifa.	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0331</u>	14.5.	Sh. Korngold, Hechalutz St. 43A, Haifa.	Fgafeld, Herzl 73, Haifa.	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0332</u>	14.5.	Sh. Rabintel, Telegraph Office, Haifa.	Freifeld, Herzl 7, Haifa.	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0333</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0334</u>	14.5.	Sh. Korngold, Hechaluz St. 43A, Haifa.	Fgafeld, Herzl 73, Haifa.	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0335</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0336</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0338</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0340</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.
<u>0345</u>	14.5.	ditto	ditto	Herzl-Bial.

In the first eight weekdays, i.e. from 2nd to 10th May, approximately 80 registered letters were posted at Qiryat Motzkin, ten per day on average, at the beginning some less, later a few more. In the four last days of the interim weeks, i.e. from 11th to 14th May, about 200 registered letters were posted, which is about 50 per day.

If we take a closer look at the registration numbers in the above list, we find a striking inconsistency of the higher numbers placed at the end of the list with the much lower ones arranged in the first two thirds of the list. It

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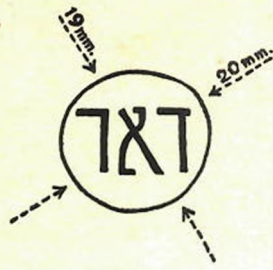


Fig. 1



Fig. 2



Fig. 3



Fig. 4



Fig. 5



Fig. 6



Fig. 7

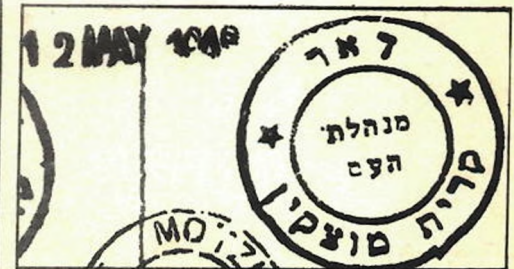


Fig. 8



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Fig. 9



Fig. 10

*Exp: Shalom Karniel 40 Freifeld  
7. Herzl Street Haifa*

Fig. 11



QIRYAT MOTZKIN INTERIM (Contd. from page 6)

is surprising that on the 16th May, the first day of the Israel Post, the No. 0285 was used, but according to the covers listed much higher numbers, starting with 0328, were registered two days prior to that. This is indeed a remarkable lack of continuity.

Analysis of Recorded Letters

Registered Letter No. 0152 (Fig. 9), from Mr. W. Lani's collection, is perhaps one of the earliest found with stamps overprinted with the large Motzkin DO'AR handstamp. The address is in Hebrew writing. It is the office address of Mr. Shalom Karniel, who was a postal clerk in Haifa but in those interim days temporarily did part-time work at the Qiryat Motzkin Branch P.O. The stamps on this cover that bear the large Motzkin DO'AR overprint are the Herzl-Bialik vertical pair and the Hanah Senesh Parachutist stamp. All the other KKL stamps have the normal Haifa overprint.

On the other covers one finds Mr. Karniel's address written in Latin characters (Fig.10). His private address also plays an essential part in the analysis of these covers. Fig.11 shows his private address in his own writing taken from one of the covers, but the majority of covers do not disclose his name as that of the sender.

From these few observations one would assume at this stage that he addressed all these covers to himself.

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SPURIOUS MATERIAL IN AUCTIONS,

By N. Gladstone.

In BAPIP bulletin number 61 of April, 1969, an article was written by Mr. Ernst Fluri of Switzerland, concerning the bogus Shapiro stamps and covers. At the end of this article was a statement attested by many well known auctioneers, and stamp dealers, stating that they will refuse to deal with or sell these spurious items.

As an added warning to collectors of Palestine and Israel material, the writer of this article firmly believes that the "GOVERNMENT TOHUWABUHU" overprints, and also the "AFULLA", "NAHALAL", and "TIBERIOUS" overprints, on the Palestine Mandate stamps should also be put in this "dubious" category.

These overprints were never sanctioned officially, and the "GOVERNMENT TOHUWABUHU" overprint was initiated by an enterprising person for self gain and has no status whatsoever.

The "AFULLA", "NAHALAL", and "TIBERIOUS" overprints, were the inventions of certain people in the Post Office, who overprinted the normal Palestine Mandate stamps on their own initiative.

Collectors of the Palestine Mandate stamps should know that the normal Palestine issues were valid throughout the whole of the Mandate administration, and during the Interim Period, and were demonetised on May 16th, 1948. They were tolerated for a week after the establishment of the State of Israel, until the 25th May, 1948, and covers using these stamps after this date are known to have been taxed.

The reason for this short article is to remind collectors of Palestine Mandate material, that quite a considerable amount of this "overprint" material is now being freely advertised by auctioneers here and abroad. Collectors should be on the lookout when seeing these items that are offered at ridiculously high prices.

I am surprised that these auctioneers should have the audacity to put these spurious items in their auctions, which will only bring harm to Holy Land Philately.

Out of all the international catalogues that do list these items, only the Heymann-Pertzellan catalogue of 1953 list the "AFFULLA", "NAHALAL", and "TIBERIOUS" overprints as items that were overprinted due to "the initiative of the local postmasters", and do not price them at all. Collectors can draw their own conclusions with reference to these "overprint" items.

SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIETY OF ISRAEL PHILATELY.

The SIP Bulletin issued in Johannesburg, mentioned several times by us in the past, is maintaining its good work for the benefit of members. We have read with great interest the latest numbers of June and July and see that the society also takes a keen interest in the work of the BAPIP Association.



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- (4)
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- a very similar lot
- 1944 parcel despatch card from Lammersdorf to Dachau Concentration Camp showing Dachau censor cachet, \*\*.
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HISTORY ON ISRAEL'S STAMPS (No. 4) JANUSZ KORCZAK

By E.C. Sterne

Janusz Korczak (or Henryk Goldschmidt) was the son of a wealthy assimilated lawyer in Warsaw. He was born on 22nd July, 1878 (or 1879), and perished in Treblinka during World War II, in 1942. His home life was not happy because his father suffered from a recurring mental illness. It is suspected that the fear of inherited mental instability prevented Korczak from marrying. Instead, after he had qualified as a doctor specialising in children's diseases, he started an orphanage for Jewish children in 1908. To this he devoted more and more of his time. His methods of education became so famous that the Polish authorities set up a similar home for Gentile children.

He wrote books and, for a while, broadcast regularly. He became a non-Zionist member of the Jewish Agency and visited Palestine in 1934 where he took a great deal of interest in the educational system of the Kibbutzim - the communal settlements. During the Second World War he served as a doctor in the Polish Army. Apparently, the Germans offered to let him go when they deported the children of his orphanage, but he refused and was seen leading the children to the waiting trucks, carrying two of them in his arms.

What then was the remarkable system of education that made Korczak famous? We have a number of his books from which we can learn about it. The main point in it was that he allowed the children a major part in the running of the orphanage and in the selection of its members. Korczak's system produced a 'selective democracy' in which more responsibility and more freedom was given to the best collaborating boys. Offenders were judged by a boys' tribunal. (If all that sounds less unusual today, it must be remembered that the orphanage was set up sixty years ago.) However despite all this, Korczak's 'father-figure' always dominated the orphanage - it was just that he was able to implant self-confidence into his orphans to 'do it yourself' under his guidance.

He wrote children's books and educational works in which he defended the 'weak' children against adult pressures. The idea that children are only 'little adults' runs through all his works. He argued that a seventy-year old thinks of a forty-year old as 'not yet grown up', so one should think of children, and he did not set great stock on child psychology, which, in his view, could not deal with individuals. In consequence, he did not approve of teachers' training colleges. Practical work was the best training in his eyes. Korczak was never particularly bothered about formal religion, although he realised that Jewish children's problems were 'different' from those of others. He has been compared to Pestalozzi and the Russian educator Makarenko, but there were of course, not only similarities, but also differences. He himself said that his 'system' was not a general solution, it was the one which suited his personality. His love for 'his' children, his ability to understand them intimately and his devotion to their welfare, right into the gas chamber, gave him a place among the great Jewish men of our time.

The stamp by O. Adler shows his portrait and, in the background, Korczak as teacher and comforter in the concentration camp.

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By Dr. E. Bowman and P. Kanner

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Route No. 1. HA-NEGEV 1

When this route was established on the 28th March, 1950, it provided the only line of communication for the settlements of the Northern Negev where all efforts were concentrated on reconstruction and development, after the Armistice had come into force in the summer of 1949. The route, with its base in BEER SHEVA, ensured not only postal facilities for the settlements but actually also provided transportation for persons and parcels. This is evident from the details given in the Postal Circular of 30.1.1951 which officially terminated these transportation facilities - most probably not previously planned - and announced the setting up of a second route in the Negev.

The map in Fig. 17 illustrates the considerable changes made in the route between 1951 and 1960. As enumerated on the map, at present 18 settlements are being served, and this includes the exchange of mailbags at the OFAQIM Post Office. The route runs 172 kilometers in about 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. NEGEV	<u>First Day</u>	28.3.1950	<u>Type</u>	A as Fig. 1, BULL. No. 63, page Xa where Hebrew date is inverted.
	2. HANEGEV 1		2.9.1951	B	Fig. 18
	3. HA-NEGEV 1		18.9.1958	Cb	Fig. 19

Route No. 2. HA-GALIL HA-ELYON 1

This route was introduced on 30th March, 1950 with its base in TIBERIAS. It fulfilled the same functions for the settlements in the Upper Galilee as route No. 1 for the Northern Negev, but owing to its heavy schedule it was split up into two routes as early as 4.9.1950.

Several changes were made in the route, including a transfer of the base to the ROSH PINNA Post Office on 1.6.1953. The map in Fig. 20 shows the changes between 1955 and the last official time table of 7.8.1966. At present 12 settlements are being served as shown on the map, with a run of 127 km. in about six hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. GALILEE SUPERIEURE	<u>First Day</u>	30.3.1950	<u>Type</u>	A Fig. 21
	2. GALILEE SUPERIEURE 1		4.9.1950	A	Fig. 22
	3. HAGALIL HAELYON 1		2.9.1951	B	Fig. 23
	4. HA-GALIL HA-ELYON 1		19.8.1958	Cb	Fig. 24

Route No. 3. HA-GALIL HA-ELYON 2.

This route was set up on the 4th September, 1950, with the base in TIBERIAS as above, at a time when route No. 2 was re-arranged. The route has since undergone repeated changes including transfer of the base to ROSH PINNA P.O. and at present it serves also as mail tender, exchanging bags at the P.O.s of AYYELET HA-SHANAR, QIRYAT SHEMONA and TEL-HAY - KEFAR GIL'ADI. The map in Fig. 25 illustrates the changes made between 1955 and the time table of 1.7.1968, in force at present. The route now serves 16 places on a run of 125 km. of about six hours.

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<u>Postmarks</u>	1. GALILEE SUPERIEURE 2	<u>First Day</u>	4.9.1950	<u>Type</u> A Fig. 26
	2. HAGALIL HAELYON 2		2.9.1951	B Fig. 27
	3. HA-GALIL HA-ELYON 2		19.8.1958	Cb Fig. 28

Route No. 4 EMEQ BET SHEAN

This route was introduced on 14th December, 1950 for the Bet Shean Valley. It was repeatedly changed in the course of the years, which included a transfer of the base from AFULA to BET SHEAN on 15.8.1968, this being the date of the latest time table. The route now serves the following places:-

EN HA-NAZIV, SEDE ELIYYAHU, TIRAT ZEVI, RESHAFFI, SHELUHOT, REHOV, SEDE TERUMOT, REIAYA, OF TOV (Slaughterhouse), NEME ETAN, MAOZ HAYYI, KEFAR RUPPIN, HAMADYA, DOSHEN, BET YOSEF, YARDEIA, HAVOT SHEMUEL, NEME UR and GESHER. The run of 105 km. takes six hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. EMEQ BET SAN	<u>First Day</u>	14.12.1950	<u>Type</u> A Fig. 29
	2. EMEQ BET SAN		2. 9.1951	B Fig. 30
	3. EMEQ BET SHEAN		19. 8.1958	Cb Fig. 31
	4. BET SHEAN		13.10.1969	Cb Fig. 32
	5. EMEQ BET SHEAN		1. 2.1970	Cb Fig. 33

Date stamp No. 4 was meant to replace the worn out No. 3, but the word EMEQ was erroneously omitted or removed. Therefore, a new datestamp - No. 5 - had to be supplied with the name corrected, and this was taken into use on 1.2.1970.

Route No. 5. HARE YEHUDA

This route was established on the 15th January, 1951 for the Judean Hills with its base in Jerusalem. The route was re-arranged on 8.4.1956 and split into HARE YEHUDA 1 and 2, the latter being renamed later HA-EIA. The latest time table of 3.8.1969 shows that the postal van serves also a mail tender for the post offices of MAOZ ZIYYON and QIRYAT ANAVIM. The route serves the following places: MEVASSERET YERUSHALAYIM, MOZA TAHTIT, BET ZAYIT, MATAEI HAARAZIM, MOZA ILIT, ARZA, BET NEQOFA, Government School/QIRYAT ANAVIM, MAAIE HA-HALISHA (Settlement and Resthouse), QIRYAT YE'ARIM, ABU GOSH, NEME ILAN, SHOEVA, SHORESH, BET MEIR, ZOVA, EN KEREM/Agricult. School, EVEN SAPPUR, MOSSAD MESILA, ORA and AMINADAV. The tour of this route of 83 km. takes 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HARE YHUDA	<u>First Day</u>	15.1.1951	<u>Type</u> A Pictl. Fig. 34
	2. HARE YEHUDA		2.9.1951	B Fig. 35
	3. HARE YEHUDA 1		22.4.1956	Ca Fig. 36

The pictorial ornamentation of the postmark of Fig. 34 depicts a postal van moving up a hilly road. It is inscribed YOM HAFALAT HASHEIRUT (Inauguration Day of the Service).

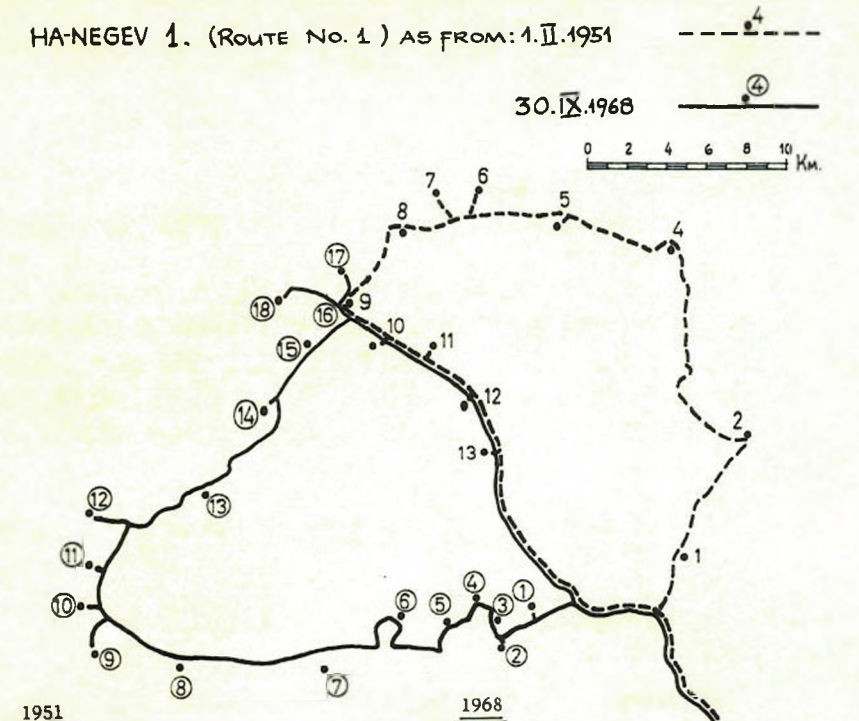
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HA-NEGEV 1. (ROUTE NO. 1) AS FROM: 1. II. 1951

30. I. 1968



Beer Sheva.

- 1. Mishmar Ha-Negev.
- 2. Shoval.
- 4. Ruhama.
- 5. Dorot .
- 6. Sede Aqiva.
- 7. Nir Am.
- 8. Mifalstim.
- 9. Sa'ad.
- 10. Shuva.
- 11. Tequma.
- 12. Bet Ha-Gaddi.
- 13. Sharsheret.

Beer Sheva.

Beer Sheva.

- ①. Bitha.
- ②. Ofaqim.
- ③. Peduyim.
- ④. Rannan.
- ⑤. Maclul.
- ⑥. Pattish.
- ⑦. Urim.
- ⑧. Gush Magen.
- ⑨. Nir Oz.
- ⑩. Nirim.
- ⑪. En Ha-Shelosha.
- ⑫. Kissufim.

- ⑬. Re'im.
- ⑭. Be'eri.
- ⑮. Alumim.
- ⑯. Sa'ad.
- ⑰. Kefar Azza.
- ⑱. Nahal Oz.

Beer Sheva.

Fig. 17



Fig. 1A - FIRST DAY OF "NEGEV"



Fig. 18



Fig. 19

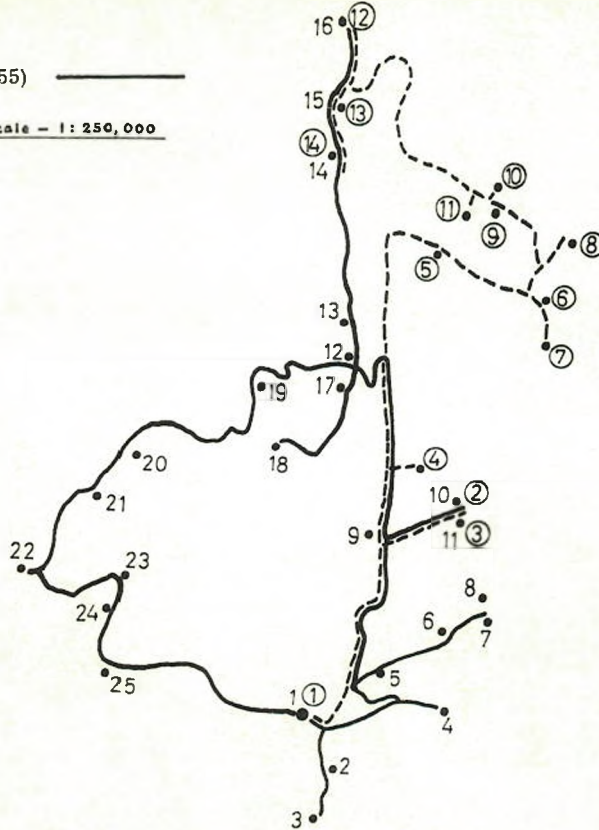


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HA-GALIL HA-ELYON No. 1. (1955)

Scale - 1 : 250,000

1. Rosh-Pina
  2. Elifelet
  3. Ammiad
  4. Kefar Ha-Nassi
  5. Mahanayim
  6. Mishmar Ha-Yarden
  7. " Police Post
  8. Gadot
  9. Sede Eliezer
  10. Yesud Ha-Maala
  11. Hulata
  12. Metzudat Yesha
  13. Jiftah
  14. Ramim
  15. Margaliyyot
  16. Misgav Am
  17. Ramot Naftali
  18. Dishon
  19. Malkiyya
  20. Yir'on
  21. Bar'am
  22. Sasa
  23. Gush Halav
  24. Sifsufa
  25. Meron
- Rosh-Pinna



HA-GALIL HA-ELYON No. 1 (7/8/1966)

- |                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. Rosh-Pinna        | 8. Shamir        |
| 2. Yesud Ha-Maala    | 9. Amir          |
| 3. Hulata            | 10. Sede Nehemya |
| 4. " (Reshut)        | 11. Kefar Blum   |
| 5. Neot Mordekhay    | 12. Misgav Am    |
| 6. Lahavot Ha-Bashan | 13. Margaliyyot  |
| 7. Gonen             | 14. Ramim        |
|                      | Rosh-Pinna       |

Fig. 20



Fig. 21



Fig. 22



Fig. 23



Fig. 24



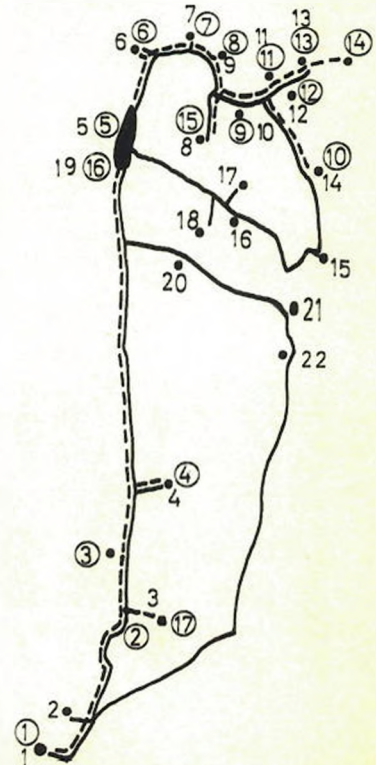
THE AUTOMOBILE POSTAL SERVICES OF ISRAEL (Cont'd)

HA-GALIL HA-ELYON No. 2 (1955) . HA-GALIL HA-ELYON No. 2 (1/7/1968) - - - - -

- 1. Rosh-Pinna
- 2. Hazor
- 3. Ayyelet Ha-Shahar
- 4. Hulata (Reshut)
- 5. Qiryat Shemona
- 6. Kefar Gil'adi
- 7. " Yuval
- 8. Bet Hillel
- 9. Ma'yan Barukh
- 10. Ha-Gosherim
- 11. Dafna
- 12. Shear Yashuv
- 13. Dan
- 14. Kefar Szold
- 15. Shamir
- 16. Amir
- 17. Sede Nehemya
- 18. Kefar Blum
- 19. Qiryat Shemona
- 20. Neot Mordekhay
- 21. Lahavot Ha-Bashan
- 22. Gonen

- ①. Rosh-Pinna
- ②. Ayyelet Ha-Shahar
- ③. Sede Eliezer
- ④. Hulata (Reshut)
- ⑤. Qiryat Shemona
- ⑥. Tel-Hay
- ⑦. Kefar Yuval
- ⑧. Ma'yan Barukh
- ⑨. Ha-Gosherim
- ⑩. Kefar Szold
- ⑪. Dafna
- ⑫. Shear Yashuv
- ⑬. Dan
- ⑭. Snir (Moshe Sharet)
- ⑮. Bet Hillel
- ⑯. Qiryat Shemona
- ⑰. Ayyelet Ha-Shahar

Scale - 1:250,000



Rosh Pinna

Fig. 25

No. 2



Fig. 26



Fig. 27



Fig. 28



Fig. 29



Fig. 30



Fig. 31



Fig. 32



Fig. 33



THE AUTOMOBILE POSTAL SERVICES OF ISRAEL (Contd. from page 14)Route No. 6. HA-NEGEV 2

This route started on the 1st February, 1951, when a further postal van became available and the first NEGEV route (No. 1) was split. The base of the route has remained in Beer Sheva ever since, but there were considerable changes between 1951 and the latest time table of 30.9.1968. They are illustrated on the map in Fig. 37. The route now serves 17 places, including delivery of mail bags at NETIVOT P.O., and the tour of 133 km. takes about six hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. NEGEV 2	<u>First Day</u>	1.2.1951	<u>Type</u>	A Fig. 38
	2. HANEGEV 2		2.9.1951		B Fig. 39
	3. HA-NEGEV 2		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 40

Route No. 7. EMEQ HA-YARDEN

This route was established on the 6th July, 1951 with the base at TIBERIAS to serve the Jordan Valley and to enable the administration to close down stationary post offices at Kinneret, Ashdot Yaakov and Afiqim (this last was meanwhile re-opened). The latest time table of 15.8.1968 shows that besides exchanging mail bags at the post offices of HAMEI TIBERIAS and AFIQIM, the route serves the following places:- KINNERET, OHOLO, BET YERAH, DEGANIYA ALEF and BET, BET ZERA, MASSADA, SHAAR HA-GOLAN, ASHDOW YAAKOV MEUHAD and IHUD, MAAGAN, TEL QAZIR and HA-ON. The run of 62 km. takes 5½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. EMEQ HAYARDEN	<u>First Day</u>	6.7.1951	<u>Type</u>	B Pictor. Fig. 41
	2. EMEQ HA-YARDEN		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 42

Route No. 8. HOF ASHQELON

This route was introduced on 29th November, 1951 with its base at ASHQELON, to serve the villages and settlements along the Mediterranean coast near Ashqelon and surrounding areas. The latest time table shows the following places being served:- BET SHIQMA, GEY'A, TALME YAFE, MAVQI'IM, GEVARAN, KARMIIYYA, ZIQIM, YAD MORDEKHAY, EREZ NIR AM, MEFALSIN, GEVIM, YAKHINI, SHAAR HANEGEV Regional School and Council, DORT, RUHAMA, MAR'IT and OR HA-NER. The tour of 146 km. takes over 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HOF ASQILON	<u>First Day</u>	29.11.1951	<u>Type</u>	B Fig. 43
	2. HOF ASHQELON		19. 8.1958		Cb Fig. 44

Route No. 9. HA-GALIL HA-MAARAVI

The route was set up on 27th March, 1952 with the base at NAHARIYYA to serve the hilly region of the Western Galilee. The latest time table of 3.6.1968 names the following places of call:- SAAR, QIRYAT HOF, GESHER HA-ZIV, Regional Council SULAM ZUR, ROSH HANIQRA, BEZET, SHELOMI Postal Agency, MEZUVA, YAARA, ILON, GOREN, SHOMERA, EVEN MENAHEM, NETU'A, SHETULA, KEFAR ROSENWALD (ZERA'IT), ARAB EL ARAMSHA, ADMIT Postal Agency, AVDON, KABRI and Government Hospital NAHARIYYA. The route is over 114 km. long and takes 6¼ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HAGALIL HAMAARAVI	<u>First Day</u>	27.3.1952	<u>Type</u>	B Fig. 45
	2. HA-GALIL HA-MAARAVI		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 46

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THE AUTOMOBILE POSTAL SERVICES OF ISRAEL (Contd. from page 15)Route No. 10. EVT<sup>U</sup>AH

This route was set up on the 14th October, 1952 with the base at Ashqelon but under the name of HOF ASDOD, which was later changed to the present EVT<sup>U</sup>AH. It serves the coastal region north of Ashqelon with many development projects. The latest time table of 30.10.1966 shows the following places of call:- MASHMIA SHALOM, BERURIM, BENE REEM, HAZAV, NEVE MIVT<sup>U</sup>AH, KEREN YAVNE (incl. Theological Seminary), BET RABBAN, KEFAR AVIV, NIR GALLIM, NEVE HERZOG Seminary, BENE DAROM, GAN HA-DAROM, SEDE UZIYYA, ETUNIM (incl. Rural Centre), GIV'ATI, AZRIQAM, SHETULIM, BET EZRA, NIZZANIM Youth Village, and NIZZANIM including delivery of mail for ESHKOLOT. The run of 120 km. takes about 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HOF ASDOD	<u>First Day</u>	14.10.1952	<u>Type</u>	B Fig. 47
	2. HOF ASHDOD		19. 8.1958		Cb Fig. 48
	3. EVT <sup>U</sup> AH		23. 6.1964		Cb Fig. 49

The official First-Day cover issued by the Posts has in the postmark no dash under the H thus reading EVT<sup>U</sup>AH (Fig. 49a).

Route No. 11. HA-GALIL HA-TAHTON

Established for the region of the Lower Galilee on 29th October, 1953 with the base in TIBERIAS. On this route the postal van also serves as a bag tender for YAVNEEL and KEFAR TAVOR and also collects mail from the letter-box at BET GAN near YAVNEEL. The latest time table of 15.8.1968 indicates the following places being served: HAZOR'IM, PORIYA (Hospital, NEVE OVED and Youth Hostel), ALUMOT, SARONA, KEFAR KAMA, SHADMOT DEVORA, KADOORIE Agricultural School, BET KESHET, HAVOT HA-SHOMER, ILANIYYA, SEDE ILAN, HODAYOT, LAVI, AHUZAT NAFTALI, MIZPE, KEFAR HITIM, ARBEL, KEFAR ZEITTI. The 106 km. is covered in about 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HAGALIL HATAHTON	<u>First Day</u>	29.10.1953	<u>Type</u>	B Fig. 50
	2. HA-GALIL HA-TAHTON		19. 8.1958		Cb Fig. 51

Route No. 12. HA-NEGEV 3

This route started on 28th March, 1954 with its base in BEER-SHEVA. The map in Fig. 52 shows all the details of the route as per the latest time table of 2.12.1962. The van covers the 162 km. in six hours calling at 18 places.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HANEGEV 3	<u>First Day</u>	28.3.1954	<u>Type</u>	B Fig. 53
	2. HA-NEGEV 3		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 54

Route No. 13. HA-MERKAZ

The route was introduced on 29th March, 1955 for the Central Region with its base in Jaffa, which on 16.10.1958 was transferred to RAMLA. The latest time table of 16.6.1968 shows that the van exchanges mail bags at BEN SHEMEN, MODIM and MAHNE ISRAEL and serves the following places:- AHISEMAH, GINTON, BEN SHEMEN (Village), KEFAR DANIEL, GANZU, HADIR, BET NEHEMIA, BET ARIF, KEFAR TRUMAN, MAZUR, RENATIYYA, NOFEH, TIRAT YEHUDA, GIVAT KO'AH, BAREKET and MAHSHONIM. The run of 114 km. takes over six hours.



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Fig. 34



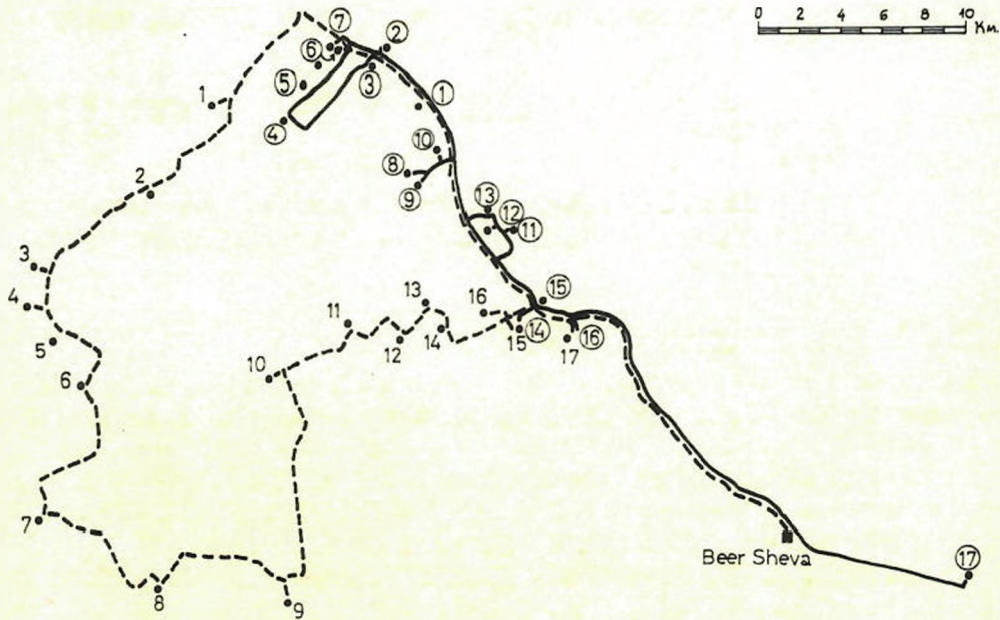
Fig. 35



Fig. 36

HA-NEGEV 2. (Route No. 6) AS FROM : 1. II. 1951

30. IX. 1968 133 Km.



1951		1968	
Beer Sheva.	9. Ze'elim.	Beer Sheva.	9. Giv'olim-Melilot.
1. Be'eri.	10. Urim.	1. Netivot.	10. Sharsheret.
2. Re'im.	11. Pattish.	2. Tequma.	11. Te'ashur.
3. En Ha-Shelosh.	12. Maslul.	3. Yizre'am.	12. Berosh.
4. Nirim.	13. Rannen.	4. Shoqeda.	13. Tidhar.
5. Tzur Maon.	14. Peduyim.	5. Kefar Maimon.	14. Gilat.
6. Magen.	15. Gilat.	6. Zimrat.	15. Yevula.
7. Mivtahim.	16. Bitha.	7. Shova.	16. Tifrah.
8. Gevulot.	17. Tifrah.	8. Ma'agalim.	17. Nevatim.
	Beer Sheva.		Beer Sheva.

Fig. 37



Fig. 38



Fig. 39



Fig. 40





Fig. 41



Fig. 42



Fig. 43



Fig. 44



Fig. 45



Fig. 46



Fig. 47



Fig. 48



Fig. 49



Fig. 49a



Fig. 50



Fig. 51

Fig. 52  
MAP OF ROUTE 12  
HA-NEGEV 3.



Fig. 53



Fig. 54



Fig. 55



Fig. 56



Fig. 57



Fig. 58



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<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HAMMERKAZ	<u>First Day</u>	29.3.1955	<u>Type</u>	Ca Fig. 55
	2. HA-MERKAZ		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 56

Route No. 14. SHOMRON

The route was set up on 29th March, 1955 for the south-eastern part of the Shomron Plain, with the base at HADERA. The postal van exchanges mail bags with the Postal Agency SHAAR MENASHE and JATT and on Fridays it also collects the mail of the Postal Agency ELYAKHIN. The latest time table of 14.12.1969 shows the following places of call:- SEDOT YAM, MISHKE EMEQ HEPER, GAN SHEMUEL, TALMI ELIEZER, MEISAR, MAZAR, BOHEN, BIR AL-SIKA, HIRBET YAMA, Police Station YIFTAN, MAOR, LEHAVOT HAVIVA, SEDE YIZHAK, MAGAL OMEZ, YAKHIN School, GAN YASHIYYA, AHITUV, HEREV LE'AT, HUGLA, HIBAT ZIYON, GE'OBLE TELMAN. The tour of 133 km. is covered in about 6½ hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. SHOMRON	<u>First Day</u>	29.3.1955	<u>Type</u>	Ca Fig. 57
	2. SHOMRON		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 58

Route No. 15. HOF KARMEL

This route was established on the 5th July, 1955 for the Coastal Plain of the Karmel with the base in HAIFA, which was transferred on 7.4.1967 to ZIKHRON YAAQOV. The latest time table of 4.2.1968 shows that the van exchanges Mail bags with the Postal Agency of KEFAR GALLIM and serves the following places:- MAAYAN ZEVI, HAREIDGE Research Station, MAHSHOLIM, DOR, EN ILA, OFER, KEREM MAHRAL, HABONIM, ZERUFA, GEVA KARMEL, EN KARMEL, KEFAR ZAMIR, HAHOTRIM, MEGADIM, BET ZEVI, NEVE YAM, EN HOD, YEMIN ORD, NIR EZION, FUREIDIS. The tour of 113 km. takes over six hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HOF CARMEL	<u>First Day</u>	5.7.1955	<u>Type</u>	Ca Fig. 59
	2. HOF KARMEL		19.8.1958		Cb Fig. 60

Route No. 16. EMEQ SOREQ

This route was introduced on the 12th July, 1955, with the base at REHOVOT, under the name of HULDA-YAVNE, for the Judean coastal region, but on 9.4.1957 the name was changed to EMEQ SOREQ to denote that the SOREQ Valley was the more fitting geographical location. According to the latest time table of 26.11.1967 the postal van exchanges mail bags with seven post offices, namely SHIKUN ASHIOT (Rehovot Suburb), QIRYAT EQRON, MAZKERET BATYA, YAD BINYAMIN, HAFEZ HAYYIM, KEFAR MORDEKHAY and ASERET, and it serves the following places:- GAN SHELOMO, TEL SHAHAR, YESODOT, BET HELQIYYA, REVADIM, SHAARE ABRAHAM, KEFAR HARIF, KEFRAM MENAHEM, ZOMET RAAM, BENE AYYISH, MESHAR, SHADMA, ZEHER DOV, BANYA, BEN-ZAKHAY, KEFAR HA-NAGID, BET GAMLIEL and GALIA. The run of 117 km. is covered in seven hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. HULDA -YAVNE	<u>First Day</u>	12.7.1955	<u>Type</u>	Ca Fig. 61
	2. EMEQ SOREQ		9.4.1957		Cb Fig. 62

Route No. 17. HA-NEGEV 4

Set up on 25th December, 1956 with the base in BEER SHEVA this route was designed to serve the NEGEV Plateau region under the name of RAMAT NEGEV, but



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this was changed to the present HA-NEGEV 4 on 25.11.1961. The map in Fig. 63 fully illustrates the route. On its way the van calls also on two Regional Councils, namely RAMAT HA-NEGEV and HEVEL HAYYAN. The route of 238 km. is covered in seven hours.

<u>Postmarks</u>	1. RAMAT NEGEV	<u>First Day</u>	25.12.1956	<u>Type</u>	Ca Fig. 64
	2. HA-NEGEV 4		25.11.1961		Cb Fig. 65

Route No. 18. GILBOA

This run started on 4th April, 1957 with its base at AFULA for the GILBOA district. According to the latest time table of 16.2.1969 the van exchanges mail bags with the postal agencies of MERHAVYA, KEFAR YEHESEQEL, GEVA, EN HAROD IHUD, EN HAROD MEUHAD, TEL YOSEF and it serves the following places:- SULAM, GID'ONA, RAMAT ZEVI, MOLEDET, GILBOA Regional Council, BET SHEAN-HAROD Co-operative, SHATTA Prison, HEFZI BA, BET ALFA, NIR DAVID, MESILLOT and SEDE NAHUM. The tour of 101 km. takes about six hours.

<u>Postmark</u>	GILBOA	<u>First Day</u>	4.4.1957	<u>Type</u>	Cb Fig. 66
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Route No. 19. MEROM HA-GALIL

The route was established on 4th April, 1957 with the base in ZEFAT (SAFAD) for the region of the Galilean Hills. The van delivers mail bags to the local Branch P.O. at ZEFAT, Jerusalem Street, and to the Postal Agency on the Kanaan Housing Estate and also exchanges bags with the MIRON and GUS HALAV agencies. According to the latest time table of 24.12.1968 the following additional places are served: BIRIYYA, KEFAR SHAMAI, SHEFER, AMIRIM, FAROD, EN EL ASAD, SAFSUFU, SASA (Settlement and Police Station), RIRANIT, DOVEV, BARAM, YARON, AVIVIM, MALKIYYA, YIFTAH, MEZUDAT KOAH, RAMOT NAFTALI, DISHON, ALMA, RIHANIYYA, KEREM BEN ZIMRA and DELATON. The route of 145 km. takes about 6½ hours to cover.

<u>Postmark</u>	MEROM HA-GALIL	<u>First Day</u>	4.4.1957	<u>Type</u>	Cb Fig. 67.
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HA-NEGEV 3 . (Route No. 12 ) AS FROM 2.XII.1962

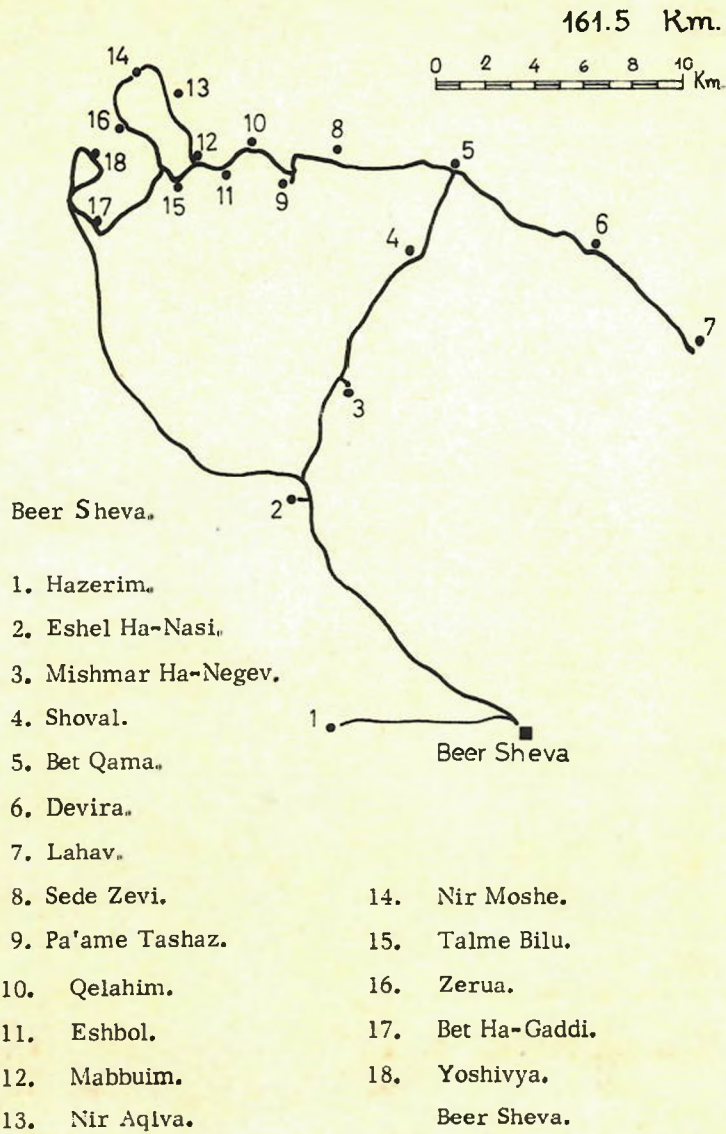


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Fig. 61



Fig. 62



<u>ISRAEL</u>			<u>ISRAEL (contd.)</u>			<u>PALESTINE (Contd.)</u>		
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F.D.C.	£57	£445	159-60	2/-	2/6	45	55/-	
Minist. Block		£325	161-3	3/-	3/9	46	--	£7
10-14	95/-	£31	164-5	3/9	4/9	51	45/-	6/-
Tete-Beche		£12	166-72	7/6	10/-	53	£4	22/-
15-20	14/6	130/-	173-82	7/-	8/6	54	£4	35/-
21	2/3	£2	183-5a	33/-	£2	55/-	90/-	
22	7/6	95/-	186-7	5/3	6/6	56	70/-	
22a	46/6	£25	190-3	7/6	9/6	57	--	£9
23	53/9	£26	194-5	6/9	10/-	60-70	£12	
24	8/-	£5	MS195a	66/-		71-89	£10	110/-
MS24a	£18		196-7	4/-	5/-	71c	£50	
25	47/6	210/-	198-210	15/6	17/-	81b	--	45/-
26-8	45/-	£73	211-13	3/9	5/-	82a	--	£23
29-30	13/6	95/-	214-15	5/-	6/3	84	--	£14
31-2	52/6	£47	216-8	5/-	6/6	87	£2	37/-
33-8	92/6	£22.10s.	219-21	4/6	9/-	88	37/6	8/-
39-40	7/-	£7	222	3/9	7/6	89	£3	32/6
41	22/9	130/-	223	32/-	£2	90-111	£11	170/-
54	3/6	55/-	244-53	43/-	52/-	93c	35/-	35/-
55	1/9	11/6	269	10/9	12/3	97a	23/-	25/-
56-7	6/3	135/-	270-3	7/3	9/9	101	£7	£5
58-60	12/-	150/-	288-9	5/9	6/3	103a	45/-	£1
61	1/9	12/-	317-22	11/-	12/-	109-11	18/-	22/9
62-4	1/9	11/9	342-7	27/-	29/-	D1-5	85/-	£5
64a & b	7/-	35/6	D.1-5	£30	£150	D1b	P.o.R.	
65-7	7/-	48/-	Mounted	£23		D6-11	55/-	£2
68	5/9	30/-	Used	£25		D12-20	27/6	27/9
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82	18/-	£12	1	£30	£14	<u>S.G.</u>	<u>Mint</u>	
82a	11/6	13/-	2	£11		P1-31	£6	
83	2/-	13/9	4	14/-	12/6	P32-50	130/-	
88	1/9	10/6	D 18 C	£38		P51-62	£4	
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POSTAL HISTORY PROBLEMS

By Josephus

It will be recalled that in the first of these articles (BAPIP Bulletin No.64), I promised to co-ordinate members' information on the use of the unoverprinted Keren Kayemeth stamps in Spring 1948. No further documentation has been brought to my notice, but certain tentative conclusions can be drawn from the circumstantial evidence available from covers.

Only four members bothered to contact me but between them they possess twenty-two items of mail, (all but two or three of them envelopes) with no fewer than twenty different K.K. adhesives not overprinted for postage. The account which follows gives an overall picture of this mail, but additional information can be published later, especially if further material can be 'flushed out' by this article.

The earliest usage known is mid-February 1948; but all three items recorded are addressed (by himself) to a well known philatelist in Tel Aviv. They were however used and accepted by Tel Aviv post office as post-paid. I therefore concede that unoverprinted K.K. adhesives were accepted as postage stamps by Tel Aviv post office from 17th February - if not earlier; but none of the four stamps used appear on mail recorded for later dates, and may be presumed to be from a philatelist's collection. The three covers in question are dated 17th, 26th, and 27th February 1948.

MARCH...Ten covers are recorded all from the period 21st March (3 items, all from different correspondence) to the end of the month. As there are three items of the 22nd also, it seems reasonable to suppose that the willingness of the Tel Aviv post office to accept such mail may have become more widely known at this time. The adhesives used in this period are again almost unbelievably varied - no less than nine different stamps. Until the 31st March the usual cancellation was the double-circle type Mandate handstamp of Tel Aviv. One cover of 31st March however bears a 'Warsaw Ghetto Rebellion' adhesive cancelled by the double-circle handstamp of 'Ranaan B'. (the only item from this office among the twenty seven covers). A cover of 21st March was cancelled with the double-circle handstamp of Ramat Gan. While almost all mail consists of envelopes bearing 10 mil. stamps, one item, a postcard dated 29th March is franked with a 5 mils. 'Ben Yehuda' brown stamp, supplementing a 2 mils. Mandate adhesive. (or was the 2 mils. sufficient for postage at this time in which case this item is excluded from this study).

APRIL...Nine covers are known with April dates, the latest from the 29th. Eight different adhesives were used, again mostly prepaying postage at the 10 mils rate, although one (probably philatelic) envelope was accepted having only the green 1 mil. 'Sports Emblem' stamp. Five items are cancelled with the double-circle handstamp of Tel Aviv, which must be regarded as 'normal' for this period. However the single-circle cancellation of Tel Aviv is known, (7th April), and the oval 'Registered, Tel Aviv' on a cover of 5th April, with a 50 mils 'Valley of Jezreel' adhesive. Of more interest, a 'Valley of Jezreel' 10 mils blue adhesive was cancelled by the single-circle 'Holon/A' on 20th April, and five copies of the 10 mils brown 'Map of Israel' stamp on a registered express envelope of 7th April, by a single-circle 'Herzlia'.

To summarise our knowledge to date: Mail was accepted as prepaid at Tel Aviv and (more recently) other post offices in Jewish areas of Palestine from 17th February, 1948 bearing K.K. adhesives. We, collectively, possess twenty-two such items, most of them apparently commercial, and two actually registered. Apart from Tel Aviv, Mandate post offices at the following towns are known to have accepted such mail, one of each having been recorded so far:-



## B A P I P R E S E A R C H S E C T I O N

ACCIDENT COVERS

The Research Section notes in BULLETIN No.65 on Air Accident mail have caused some members to look at their covers and to write in to confirm our observations. The only contribution that must be considered "new" in this context has come from Mr. Maxwell Seshold. This is a cover from the accident of the flying boat "Scipio" at Mirabello near Crete on 22nd August, 1936. This accident was mentioned several times in the BAPIP BULLETIN (No. 15, 16, 45).

Though it is from a different accident, the cover matches the one of the "Cygnus" crash reproduced in No. 65 in that it has no instruction marking for Air Mail. Unless the collector has adequate knowledge of the circumstances in each case, he could take such letters to be from ship accidents, especially since the cachet reads "Damaged by Sea Water". The front of the cover is quite plain bearing the address to England and a 13m. pictorial stamp cancelled with a bar and cross type postmark of Jerusalem dated 21 AU 36.

The accident cachet is on the reverse of the cover which otherwise has no other markings. This cachet has not been recorded before. It is from a rather primitive device, probably put together from a rubber type and grooved handle printing outfit (Fig. 1). Its colour is violet.

As mentioned above, in BULLETIN No. 65 reference was made to the "Cygnus" accident at Brindisi on 4th December, 1937, from which the majority of mail was salvaged. There are therefore quite a number of letters about, but various cachets were used and interesting covers with these should be recorded. Your secretary has a cover which survived the accident later to be kept in Glasgow all these years. It was severely damaged as the reproduction shows (Fig. 2), the stamps being folded and creased along with the envelope, but as an accident cover it is worth being shown. This is a typical Air Mail letter of the time. The salvage cachet reading "Damaged by Sea Water in Airplane Accident" is in violet. The letter was posted at Jaffa on 29 NOV 37, the date of the slogan machine postmark. There is no other marking on the reverse, but the name and address of the sender in Jaffa is printed.

POSTAL HISTORY PROBLEMS (Continued from page 20)

- Holon .... Single-circle dated 20th April.
- Raanana.B. Double-circle dated 31st March.
- Herzlia .. Single-circle on registered express envelope dated 7th April.
- Ramat Gan. Double-circle dated 21st March.

Further items of this kind are eagerly sought for this study and the writer would appreciate details through the editor. More material surely exists; please seek it out so that we can learn more of this intriguing brief period in Holy Land Postal History.

THE TEL AVIV POST OFFICE SINCE 1920

Our attention has been drawn to the fact that according to Mr. P. Kanner's research on the opening of the Tel Aviv office in 1920, published in BULLETIN No. 65, the Tel Aviv Post Office passes its 50th Anniversary this year. Mr. Kanner writes us that so far as he knows the authorities there have no plans to commemorate the fact and they may not even be aware of it.



AL FATAH PROPAGANDA LABELS

One of our members has very kindly supplied reproductions of many of the propaganda labels which are currently being distributed by various Arab anti-Israel groups. These take various forms, both pictorially and textually. We regret that space alone has prevented us from reproducing all the photostats in this issue. However we hope to show other labels in our next issue of the Bulletin. The examples depicted on page Xk are from the Al Fatah organisation. Most of the examples shown bear the inscription "Palestinian Resistance" - "Resistance Palestinian".

THE DISAPPEARING "J"

By Capt. C.R. Piver

As I started collecting the stamps of the Palestine Mandate Period, I noted that several of my accumulated issues had cancellations showing parts and segments of what appeared to be triangles with some sort of lettering within. I really didn't think too much of it until reading several articles on the subject from my growing library of literature concerning the postal emissions of this period.

These triangular cancellations attracted me for it was a more selective collection-area which required search, research and concentration. As these "triangles" are not exceptionally scarce, I could both satisfy my ego and keep my interest alive for they can almost always be found in accumulations that I am constantly sorting.

On one occasion, not long ago, I was fortunate to find a triangular cancellation from Jaffa on the two mil stamp of the Second London Issue. Not only was there a triangular cancellation, but the stamp also had the perforated initials A.P.C. (Anglo-Palestine Company). The reverse of this stamp had a bit of the envelope residue still remaining which blocked a portion of the perforated initial, so I decided to gently soak it off.

As the stamp lay in the small dish of warm water, the "J" of the "JA" - within the triangle, disappeared (page Xk.) Noting this with some curiosity, I gently rubbed the remaining "A" and the triangular portions with my finger. They remained fast; only the "J" dissolved.

Originally, I considered the possibility of a water soluble ink being used for these cancellations. This, of course, would not be feasible for the purpose of a cancellation is to prohibit the re-use of the stamp and water soluble ink would negate this consideration. In any case, the entire cancellation would have dissolved not just one portion of it.

I am still to find a logical explanation for the Disappearing "J" and would greatly appreciate it if others could offer their opinion.

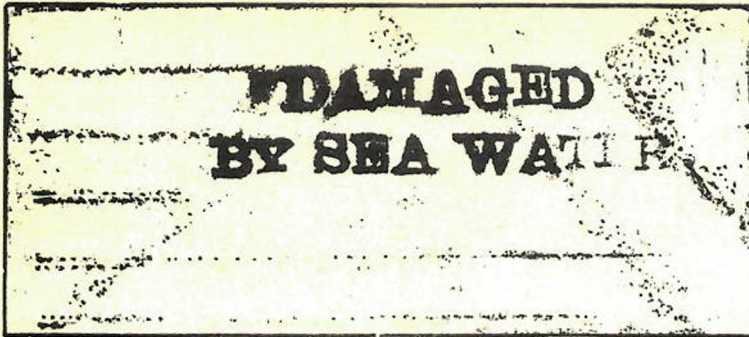
ISRAEL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION BREMERHAVEN

A philatelic Exhibition arranged within the framework of an "Israel Week" held in Bremerhaven, Germany, in the middle of February this year was given excellent publicity in Germany and philatelic circles. One of the collections exhibited was that of Air Mails formed by Mr. A. Goldschmidt (Geneva, Switzerland). The special German postmark is shown on page Xi.



Research Section Notes

ACCIDENT COVERS



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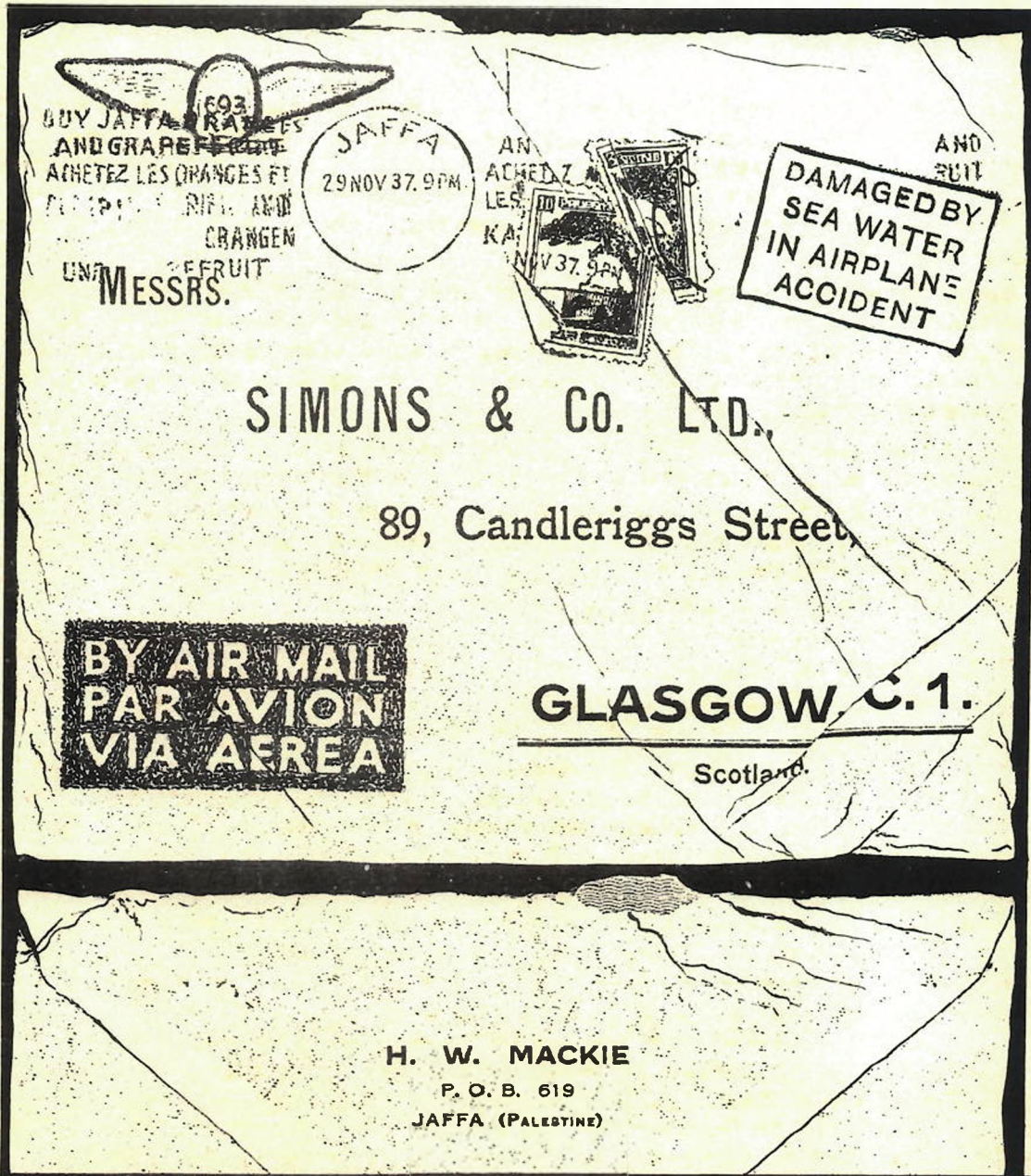
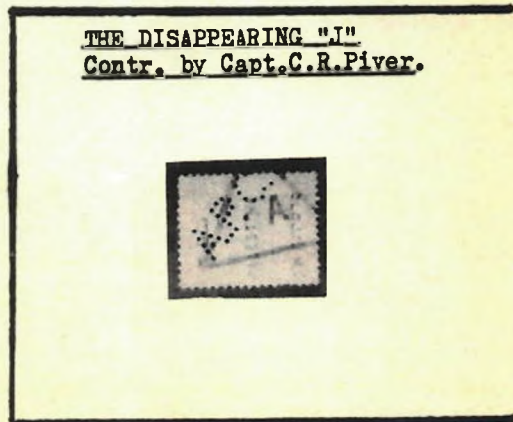


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AL FATAH.....PROPAGANDA LABELS





NEWS COMMENTS AND MEMORIES

By Piphilaticus

I suppose that, as a column such as this is essentially personal, I am excused for using the first person in much of my comment.

"Philatelic Memory". An early philatelic memory is of a visit in 1931 while in Bognor, to a house that was known, as far as I remember, as a 'House of Stamps'. There was one room in it that was literally covered by stamps from floor to ceiling - including the ceiling. The furniture was covered with stamps, as were the lampshades. There were tassels of stamps hanging in the windows and from the fireplace. The owner was a man in the late seventies who had a very extensive collection. When leaving, the visitors were invited to take a stamp from a huge box in the hall. My choice was a New Zealand Victorian 'penny'. What the value of those stamps would be today, were they unspoiled, is anybody's guess. I have often wondered whether the house still remains, and what became of the stamps. Perhaps somebody could enlighten me?

"My First Stamp". Still in the past, I remember my first foreign stamp. It was a South African '1/-' of the first pictorial issue, and I have it still, though very much dog-eared. I imagine that we can all remember our first acquisitions, and when we were first bitten by the collecting bug - and why. Has any member reminiscences that he would like to share with me?

"Umounted Used". I suppose it was inevitable, but even now it is still hard to believe. I have just read through an auction catalogue and seen a set offered as "umounted used". With the current fetish of paying more attention to the gum on the back of the stamp than in the stamp itself, perhaps we can expect displays of 'gums', and the word "adhesive" will have a different meaning to the one commonly understood.

"Commemorative Stamps". Another craze that has got out of hand is the issue of covers to commemorate the most abstruse events. Just consider the thousands of people at the Western Wall in 1967 eagerly awaiting the opening of the first Tazi Service. Picture the queue of anxious correspondents waiting for the chance to send letters by air from Tel Aviv to Sharm el Sheikh. Not that Israel is the worst, or only offender in this respect. Nearly every conference in the country now uses a special commemorative postmark, and if the Post Office won't play, they have their own private cachets made. One would have thought that the Postal Administrations issue more than enough labels to mop up any amount of cash that we collectors can afford, but apparently not, or these philatelic "pretty, pretties" wouldn't flourish.

"Collecting The World". I am by no means a 'Senior Citizen', despite my opening paragraph, but can easily remember the days when one optimistically collected "The World". Although there was no hope of anything approaching completion, at least we could keep up with the new issues. Nowadays it is a full-time job just to read about them. I suppose that is where Thematic collecting comes into its own, although dealers are naturally loth to split sets. They try to sell complete sets for the very understandable reason that they have to buy their stocks that way. Perhaps that is why certain 'get-rich-quick-new-issues-only-umounted-mint-complete-sets-merchants' never seem to want to buy anything the average collector wishes to sell. It must be uneconomic for them to sort out items and put them into stock. The dealers who are prepared to carry reasonable stocks and take just a little trouble to watch for collectors' particular interest certainly get, and keep the loyalty of a growing number of philatelists, and jolly good luck to them.

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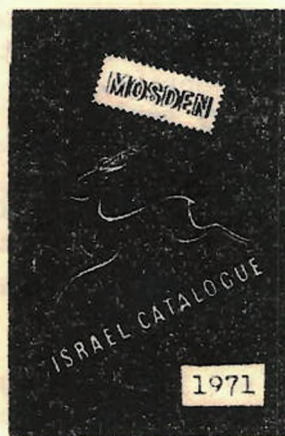
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BAPIP LONDON SECTION REPORTS

By N. Gladstone

Tuesday - 26th May, 1970

The last meeting of the season was held, as usual in the Children's Theatre at Holborn Library, Theobalds Road, London, W.C., and the speaker was our Vice-President Mr. B.A. Remington. His subject was Magen David Adom, Prisoner of War and Internment Camp material, and to add to the variety, items from Military hospitals in the Holy Land.

Mr. Remington commenced with a cover from a German Military hospital in Palestine, and worked his way through the First World War, the Mandate Period, the 1948-1949 "War of Liberation", and so to Israel itself. The speaker emphasised that although the various items from the pre-1948 period were probably more interesting through the small number obtainable, a new field had been opened with the emergence of many branches of the Magen David Adom which have been established in Israel, and the many associated organisations abroad which co-operate with the M.D.A.

The 1967 "Six-Day War" has provided many forms of mail to and from Arab Prisoners of War in Israel and these were well represented in the display, which included two covers from one of the few Israel pilots captured by the Egyptians during this period.

Mr. Alfred Leigh, Joint London Chairman was in the Chair and proposed the vote of thanks.

LONDON SECTION PROGRAMME

(All meetings in the Children's Theatre, Holborn Library, Theobalds Road, London W.C.)  
Time ... 6.45 p.m. for 7 p.m.

Tuesday	-	27th October, 1970	.....	Under arrangement
"	-	24th November, 1970	.....	" "
"	-	29th December, 1970	.....	" "
"	-	19th January, 1971	.....	Auction "
"	-	16th February, 1971	.....	" "
"	-	30th March, 1971	.....	Annual General Meeting
"	-	27th April, 1971	.....	Aerogramme Story (R.G. Parsons)
"	-	25th May, 1971	.....	Under arrangement

SPECIAL DATE TO REMEMBER - PRESIDENTIAL DISPLAY BY DR. H. H. HIRST

As mentioned in BAPIP Bulletin No. 65, our President Dr. H.H. Hirst will be in London for 'Philympia' week and has agreed to give us a display on 24th September. This will enable many of our overseas and country members to join the London Section. We hope as many members as possible will take advantage of the opportunity to be present. The time 6.45 p.m. for 7 p.m. (as usual).

BAPIP GET-TOGETHER AT PHILYMPIA

Members are reminded that we have been able to arrange for the hire of a room for three hours (1700 hours - 2000 hours) at Philympia on Saturday, 19th September. Members of the committee will be present to welcome members visiting the exhibition. Do try to come along to meet your friends.

PLEASE NOTE DATE OF PHILYMPIA GET-TOGETHER AND PRESIDENTIAL DISPLAY ON THIS PAGE



MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

Mr. J.D. Schwartz (Sacramento, Calif., USA) was awarded a Certificate of Honorable Mention for his Palestine studies at the Annual Awards Dinner of the Collectors Club of New York on May 13th.

Mr. Fred Blau received the Israel Ministry of Posts Award for Air Mail History of Palestine at the Compex Show, La Salle Hotel, Chicago, 29-31st May 1970.

Mr. B.A. Remington displayed Postal History of the Holy Land, to the Anglo-Israel Archaeological Society, with the aid of slides of ancient tablets, sherds, etc., at the Society of Antiquaries, London, on 25th June, 1970.

Capt. C.R. Piver has been elected President of the Castle Stamp & Coin Club of Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

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PHILYMPIA PRE-VIEW Magazine No. 3 for the PHILYMPIA Exhibition has been issued. This is a well produced piece of editorial work with a number of good articles of general philatelic interest. The first article, however, entitled "Miles of Frames!", written by Mr. A.L. Michael, the head of the Stanley Gibbons Group of companies, who is the General Manager of the Exhibition, in describing an imaginary walk through the exhibition halls, pays tribute to the great exhibits we are going to see. Naturally, the countries are named, very many of them, large and small, philatelically important and not so important, and we note the names of philatelic entities of the international scene such as Tibet, Korea, Monaco, Sudan, Fezzan, Danzig, the Farøe Islands, Dominica, Tristan da Cunha ... and many, many more.

What surprised us was that no reference whatever can be found to any of the posts of the Holy Land, not even Palestine which after all was a British Mandate in the early years of this century. Mr. Michael offers his apologies for this unfortunate omission - he just forgot about this and Israel.







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