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EDITORIAL

One of our members in the East called our attention to an error in the numbering of the Specialists. Kindly correct the last three issues to read: March Number to 161, April to 162 and May to 163. Thank you member Maresch.

The Big Show is over. For a report by your editor on FIPEX and our participation therein, turn to another page in this issue. We cannot sit back and rest on our laurels. We must continue in the work so well begun by advertising the merits of our Society in the interests of those who collect Czechoslovakia, no matter what phase of the country they collect; some notes on their specialty will appear at some time in this publication.

While in New York a former official of the Czechoslovak government who chose to remain in this country told us he has a duplicate collection which he should like to sell. We do not know of what the collection consists, but interested members may write to the editor enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for the reply. Incidentally, he is a member of our Society.

Our venture in New York cost us more than \$300. Two members have contributed quite sizeable sums to reduce this deficit. However, many members assured us they are glad we went to the expense and trouble of a lounge because the lounge was a regular meeting place for our members and friends. "I'll meet you at the lounge" was as common a parting phrase as "Good night" or "so long." Several members promised to contribute their mite, they only wanted to know how much is expected of them. We do not want to tax our members but do want to let them know that free will offerings will not be refused. To break even we must raise at least \$160, this does not include the expense of binding older issues of the Specialist. All contributions should be sent to the treasurer who will gladly acknowledge them. Thanks and God bless you!

In the last issue of the Specialist we reported from the Chicago group meeting that our Society will participate in the pilgrimage to Grand Rapids, Mich., for the S. P. A. Convention and Exhibition. Dr. Matejka and your editor almost pledged their attendance; should other members be there at the time we shall be more than happy to meet them.

Our other national organization, the A. P. S., is holding its convention and exhibition Wednesday thru Sunday, Sept. 5-9, at the Hotel Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo. There again, Dr. Matejka and your editor hope to participate and ask all members who will attend this affair to contact us. Thursday, Sept. 6 at 2 P.M. a meeting of our Society will take place and it is the hope of your officers that, if at all possible, you attend. Depending on the number of

members present, a cocktail party will be conducted later in the home of our president, James W. Adler.

As this is being written, one week after FIPEX closed, your treasurer is still vacationing in New York. Your editor and his family got out the Specialist (incidentally, mailed this morning, rather late) but, we were amazed at the number of Specialists expedited. We recall in the early days of the Society, we addressed all the envelopes by hand and it was an easy task to fold and insert those four or six page Specialists. It is true the Addressograph can handle ten or more to the one done by hand but we do have an increase of more than 150% in membership. We hope George and his family return fully refreshed and rarin' to go!

In all the years of our editorship some Specialists were returned almost every month from the Post Office with markings: "NOT THERE," "MOVED LEFT NO ADDRESS," etc. For the first time one came back marked: "REFUSED." Your editor wants to know the member's reason and if it is within our means to make a correction. Something like this savors of "unsolicited merchandise" and we do not want this stigma on our escutcheon.

On several occasions we wrote that our authors manage to keep themselves busy by writing for us articles for our publication. When in New York one member innocently remarked that the work of the editor is all glory and no toil. We were desperately anxious to give this member all this glory and no toil detail. We can write on some certain phases of our hobby but we are too honest to admit we know everything. John Velek knows his Hradčany; the Masaryks or Pošta Československá 1919 are terra incognita. So it is with us all. A good editor knows his specialists, requests them to treat a certain phase or era and leaves the rest to them. Most manuscripts come in Czech, some in German. These are sent to our translators who return the translated articles to us for editing. We then send it to the "polishing department" and when the finished product reaches us again it is ready for the printer.

We hoped to publish the membership list in this June issue but because of FIPEX we found it expedient to postpone it until the next issue of the Specialist in September (for the benefit of our new members the Specialist is not published in July and August). We have almost decided to retire in August and devote all our spare time to philately and, who knows?, panhandling. If we can devote more time to this, our brain child, then the promise of some 24 page Specialists (providing the treasury can take it), can become a reality.

On the day before we left for New York the postman brought us a parcel from our best contributor, member Zdeněk Kvasnička. It contained corrected copy of the Kvasnička cancellation articles which appeared in the Specialist. (Two more chapters are ready for publication and should appear in the September and October Specialists.) Then an elaborate supplement is added containing a listing of all Austrian and Hungarian post offices and their Czech or Slovakian translations. An addenda gives a complete listing of all known railroad cancellations. In the past we sometimes advocated and sometimes deprecated pricing of stamps by organizations who do not sell the material. We are happy to announce that a point system is used in connection with the listing thus giving a relative scarcity of the various items. The few collectors among our members who possess a Vacek Handbook, will be amazed at the wealth of material member Kvasnicka added to this postmark checklist. As soon as our treasury can face the bill, we contemplate turning this work over to the printer. This opus should be as valuable to the collectors of Czechoslovakian cancellations as the Mueller Handbooks are to the collectors of Austria. Furthermore, this work is as modern as colored TV.



Kovarik interviewed for the radio.



Our Lounge at FIPEX. Left to right: Kessler, Kovarik and Fritzsche.

Parade of New Issues

New Commemorative Issue "Czechoslovak Products"



The Ministry of Communications issued on March 17, 1956, four commemorative postage stamps showing the motives of the Czechoslovak traditional products of jewelry, glass, china, ceramics art and textiles.

The stamps show the following motives, denominations and colors:

- (1) Jewelry, 30 hal., olive green
- (2) Glass, 45 hal., blue
- (3) China and ceramics art, 60 hal., brown red
- (4) Textiles, 75 hal., brown.

The designs and the engravings of these stamps are by Jiří Švengsbír. The stamps were recess-printed by the Post Printing Office in Prague in sheets of 50 copies. Format vertical, dimension of the stamp picture 23 mm by 30 mm.

Validity for the postage from March 17, 1956.

The design and the engraving of the First Day Cover is by Jiří Švengsbír.

New Commemoratives "Construction and Defence of our Country"



On the occasion of the national exposition "The Construction and Defence of our Country" in the works of the Czechoslovak and Soviet graphic artists, taking place in Prague at the end of April this year, the Ministry of Communications issued on April 9, 1956, a set of three commemorative postage stamps of the following values, colors and motives:

- (1) 30 hal. value brown, "We serve our people" by Jan Čumpelík, painter-artist.
- (2) 60 hal. value, red a plastic "The victor of Berlin" by Jevgenij Viktorovič Vučetič, soviet sculptor.
- (3) 1 Kčs. value, blue "Tankist with standard" by Jaroslav Schoř, painter-artist.

All the stamps were printed in photogravure by the Post Printing Office in Prague in sheets of 50 copies. Format vertical, dimension of the stamps picture 25 mm by 30 mm.

Validity for the postage from April 9th, 1956.

The design of the First Day cover is by Frantšek Hudeček, the engraving by Jaroslav Goldschmied.



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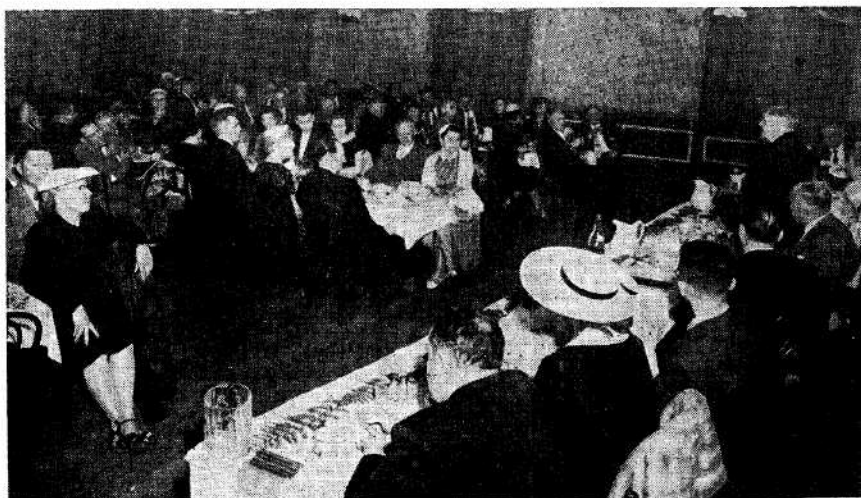
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Speakers' table at the Kovarik Testimonial Dinner.



Guests at the Testimonial Dinner.

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

The 3 large illustrations in this issue about the testimonial dinner tendered our editor can be obtained at \$2.00 each from your editor. Member L. M. Horechny, the photographer, is donating them and the Society will reap the benefit. We thank our good friend Lolly for this contribution which will help reduce the deficit caused by our participation at FIPEX.

**REPORT ON FIPEX
AND THE SOCIETY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE
LARGEST AND GRANDEST STAMP EXHIBITION STAGED ANYWHERE**

We have always been interested in the Youth of America and soon after our discharge from the Army in 1919 we became active in the Boy Scouts of America. It didn't take long and we organized a stamp club in our neighborhood. A nearby parish had a priest who was mildly interested in stamps and thru him and with the assistance from a nun, Sr. M. Theopista, O.S.F. (R. I. P.—she was a wonderful woman!), we formed a class for budding philatelists regardless of church affiliation. These classes continued until the outbreak of WW II when our job in the Chicago Post Office required all our time, leaving practically no time for other activities. Because of this background your editor was frequently asked to speak to children and youths in many schools as well as in stamp clubs in the Chicago area. Of these experiences two are outstanding. One father came to us begging us to dissuade his boy from collecting because "it is a hobby too expensive for our family." Another father came asking us to make stamp collectors of his two sons, who showed no interest in the hobby. In our family only one youngster has shown interest in philately. We promised our niece and nephews a grand vacation when they graduate High School; when Joseph graduated we told him of FIPEX two years hence and assured him if he cares to wait the two years he'll not regret it. It wasn't difficult to convince him and he obtained permission from the College he attends to absent himself from classes for two weeks. He arrived at our home April 25 and the next day at 5 A.M. our treasurer and his family picked us up and away we rolled. It was a cool, cloudy day as we left Chicago, drove across Indiana to Ohio and then over its turnpike and those of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, thru the Lincoln Tunnel and a little over 17 hours after our departure from home we registered at the Henry Hudson Hotel (George and his family have relatives on Long Island where they spent their vacation).

Early next morning we repaired across the street to the Coliseum to prepare our lounge and the four frames by means of which we tried to bring the facts of our Society to the attention of those who may be interested. When this task was completed we looked around to see the progress being made in preparing the frames of the exhibits. Knowing that about 2500 frames were to be shown we couldn't conceive the show opening with even one half the contemplated frames. Yet, the next morning when we reached the two vast exhibition floors, there were very few empty frames. Some arrived a little late; one group we recall very vividly which was bespoken by Mr. Essay Proof himself, Dr. Clarence Brazer, was never filled. Only a few days after FIPEX we received the sad news that Brazer died. To his widow, a dear friend of ours, we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

Of all the Government Exhibits we are certain the Swiss are still tops even as they were nine years ago. But our United States was not far behind; under the able and efficient supervision of our good friend Mr. Chester Harucki, our government put on the finest exhibition yet. In the very recent years much has been done to help the philatelic fraternity with information, slides, pictures, etc. Gone is the old attitude—stamp collectors are crazy.

Opening day, Saturday, April 28, displayed the popularity of our hobby. A mass of people managed efficiently by the New York Police within designated space about 8 to 10 abreast and extending from the entrance on 8th Avenue at 60th Street, south to 58th, along that west to 9th and north again toward 60th. Once the doors opened the movement was quite rapid. On that day over 45,000 admission tickets were sold. This did not include season passes, passes of lounge workers, the press, etc. The third floor contained

dealer's booths besides many exhibition frames and many government exhibits. On the first day this floor was a veritable bee-hive of activity. Many transactions were consummated even if the money involved may have been only a few cents. The fourth floor contained the lounges of the various Societies, for the record we copy lounge-holding societies in this article.

Philatelic Lounges at FIPEX

Aero Philatelists, American Air Mail Society, American Philatelic Congress, American Philatelic Society, American Revenue Association, American Stamp Dealers Association, American Topical Association, Bogota Philatelica, British North American Society, Bronx County Stamp Clubs, Bureau Issues Association, Collectors Club, Confederate Stamp Alliance, Czechoslovak Philatelic Society, Essay Proof Society, First Day Cover Society, France and Colonies Group, Germany Philatelic Society, Israel Philatelic Society, Masonic Stamp Club, National Philatelic Museum, Philatelic Foundation, Precancel Stamp Society, Scandinavian Collectors Club, Society of Philatelic Americans, United Nations Postal Administration, United Postal Stationery Society, Women's International Stamp Club, Women's Philatelic Society.

—"Stamps"—May 5, 1956.

More government exhibits as also a marvelous showing of dies and die proofs of the De La Rue and Co. of London which this year celebrated its centennial. We soon met the first of our New York fellow members and struck up friendships which will last as long and maybe longer than our interest in stamps. The following Chicago members manned our lounge during the days Monday thru Friday: Kovarik, Velek, Janecka, Matejka and Kobylka. Non-member Vojta of Chicago pinch hit a couple of hours during the enforced absence of one of our Chicago members. The New York members who manned the lounge Saturdays and Sundays and all the evenings were: Feiwelsohn, Flynn, Koplowitz, Stein, Horechny, Michaelson, Schoenig, Mrs. Kessler, Dr. Reiner-Deutsch, Beck, Kessler, Ruzicka, Fritzsche, our circuit manager and our Eastern V. P. Woodbury of Rhode Island. If we forgot anyone, we humbly beg your pardon. Rest assured, it is unintentional.

What is the value of a lounge? Czechs from all over the country dropped in for a chat to learn about the Society; non-Czech collectors of Czechoslovakia got a kick out of the real pronunciation of words they thought they had mastered. We gained 11 new members and feel confident others may yet come in. We sold a few vocabularies and a few bound volumes of the Specialist. But we gained more, much more. Only four lounges away from the U. S. Government exhibit and that of the Smithsonian Institute, we were in a favored spot. Someone officiated in the lounge at all times to give information to interested parties. It was also necessary to have someone to watch the books we had on the counter together with advertising material about our Society; especially the kids going thru would take everything (and some grown folks were not much better). One example of the value of the lounge may be shown from the experience of your editor. Nine years ago at CIPEX we tried to contact Mr. James R. W. "Bill" Purves of Australia and he tried to contact us but with no success. Purves saw us but long after the Show in our native Chicago. This time Bill looked thru the FIPEX catalogue, saw that our Society has a lounge and knowing we planned to attend, came directly to our lounge. You can imagine the thrill we experienced when upon entering our lounge as we were turned with our back to the entrance he swung us around, gave us a big hug and saluted us like the old friends we are. He brought a message from our very dear friend in Melbourne, our

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member William "Bill" L. Russell, who suffered a cerebral hemorrhage a short time ago but who is now well on the road to recovery. Does advertising pay? Our participation in 1947 in New York was of the shy and backward type. We gained a few members but aside from that nobody in the Grand Central Palace knew about the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society. This time it was definitely different. We even experienced such ignorant questions as "Are the Czechoslovaks under Tito with the rest of the "Jewgoslavs"? So we helped Czechoslovakia reestablish its subservience as a satellite of Moscow.

Your editor was privileged to give two lectures in the lecture hall. This with a hall devoted to the study of color was in a very inappropriate place compared with the exhibitions in 1936 and 1947. Of course, we realize that the Tuesday talk was at a bad time, only about 15 people attended our illustrated lecture on the Pošta Československá 1919 issue. We had better luck at our Saturday lecture, the Mystery Stamp of 1938. The Saturday and Sunday attendance was more than good and this, with the intriguing caption of our talk filled almost the entire hall. For the future we are sure that if interesting phases of Czecho philately are prepared with illustrations and sufficiently advertised well in advance, these talks can produce a lively interest. We learn from experience.

As with a Show of such magnitude the American custom of dinners, breakfasts, luncheons, suppers and banquets offered a gourmet (as well as a food lover like your editor) an opportunity to get down to earth and eat his way thru the Show. We turned down more invitations this time than were proffered during all the earlier part of our entire 39 years (with apologies to Jack Benny). But one will ever remain with us: The testimonial dinner in our honor Saturday evening, May 5, in the Bohemian National Hall. When we were asked, "Should we have a Society get-together dinner? How many would attend?" From our past experience and hoping to double past performance we exaggerated with "about 40-45 people". This dinner engineered by our very good New York friends was attended by 81 people! Seated at the speakers' table were left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Fritzsche, the only officer of the Society to hold the same office from the organization period; Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury, our present Eastern vice president; Mr. and Mrs. Horechny, one of the active members of the New York group; Kovarik; Dr. and Mrs. Reiner-Deutsch, active in the New York group and the man responsible for our acceptance of the editorship of our magazine; Mr. Stein, the chief New York engineer of our participation in FIPEX; Mr. Kobyłka, our treasurer and compiler of the Society sponsored Czecho albums and Dr. and Mrs. Matejka, general chairman of the next Czech Stamp Show held in Chicago latter part of October.

After a wonderful dinner where participants had a choice of roast duck, chicken or pork plus noodle soup, dumplings and sauerkraut, salad, koláčky, coffee, beer and cigars, the festivities were opened by the M. C. Dr. Reiner-Deutsch. He couldn't have spoken better of us if we were in a casket (they say only the nicest things about the dead!) We kept no notes on the order of the speakers nor of all they said and so shall take them hap-hazardly. Member Horechny read two letters; one from the president of our Society, James W. Adler and the other from Mr. Philately Himself, Harry L. Lindquist, editor and publisher of Stamps. We reproduce Adler's letter and in lieu of Lindquist's letter read there we quote a letter received in Chicago after the Show. Fritzsche pleaded for more Czecho material in the Society's circuits; Kobyłka pleaded with the members to pay their dues on time and if possible to voluntarily increase them to associate or patron classes. He also asked the members to support our publishing programs such as the vocabulary and the leftover bound Specialists. (See ad in this issue of the Specialist.)

Stein spoke of the work and the cooperation of the New York members. Dr. Matejka, as chairman of the next Society Show asked for cooperation of all members in the coming show and auction; explained that the Show is not a Chicago local venture but is planned in an international manner. A prospectus will be mailed to every member and every member is requested to actively participate as an exhibitor. One may exhibit either Czecho material or Foreign (in this case even U. S. is foreign!). Woodbury spoke of his adventures in Czecho philately. The guest of honor then spoke. He told of the completion of the Kvasnicka articles and plans for these. (See editorial in this issue.) Then of the Handbook plans and pleaded with the members to purchase the dictionary and the bound volumes of the Specialist so that money thus accumulated could be used in getting out the handbooks. Without finances nothing is possible. He pleaded with the members to pay their dues early and to bring in new members. At the conclusion of his talk he was presented with a leather billfold suitably inscribed for the occasion in gold letters; accepting he remarked that as long as he'll be editor of the Czechoslovak Specialist he'll never be able to put any money into it. Before the conclusion of the program Mrs. H. Lowey, widow of the founder of our Society, Joseph W. Lowey, was presented to the members as were also her two children, Eugene and Judith. Your editor was pleased to renew acquaintance with them; he last saw them nine years ago!

The official program concluded, members were being introduced to one another; old friends, often pen pals, were greeting one another. Three members were given an opportunity to speak over the radio: Dr. Matejka, members Konicek and Kovarik.

The Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition closed Sunday May 6. Early that afternoon your editor, and members Cervený and Janečka left for Washington, D. C. and left the dismantling job to members Stein of New York and Kobyłka of Chicago.

As a postscript we wish to add that during a visit to the Collectors Club and its library we discovered the last bound Specialist there was the 1948 volume. With the approval of all members who were told of the plan, bound volumes of our publication, 1949-1955, were donated by the Society to the Club's Library. A letter of acknowledgement is found in another part of this issue of the Specialist.

To all who helped make our participation at FIPEX the brilliant moral success it was—a hearty thank you! To those who have done so much to honor poor insignificant we—God bless you! And to those who have helped financially to cut the deficit, as well as those who will do so now—May God repay you a thousandfold!

More information on FIPEX in the September issue.

April 19, 1956

Members and Guests,

A letter is a poor substitute for a personal appearance, but due to certain circumstances which prevent my visit to New York at this time I know I shall miss what is without doubt the finest philatelic display ever assembled.

This dinner means a great deal to me personally. Frank Kovarik kindled my interest in Czech philately. Before listening to him extoll the possibilities of specialization in the stamps of Czechoslovakia I believed it was just another section of the Central Europe Album. Now it comprises several independent volumes. Few men have given so freely of their time and knowledge to stimulate the interests in any phase of philately as Frank has done, and continues so to do. The assembling of data and articles month after month for the Specialist of itself would be a sufficient task. But he does much more to advance our common interests, getting many columns of space

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in the national philatelic press, visiting shows thruout the country, and active participation in various clubs around Chicago. I do say without qualification that Frank Kovarik accomplishes more and does more for Czechoslovak philately than anyone else in this country.

With our fine monthly publication, and a membership of the caliber such as Frank Kovarik and others of his kind, our Society cannot fail to grow and prosper. Our participation in FIPEX is a big boost, not only to membership but to the prestige of our Society, which is fortunate in having its primary interest the advancement of the philatelic knowledge of Czechoslovakia, and not as the means to advance personal ambitions, or selfish interests, as attempted by some in other groups.

I have had the opportunity of meeting many of our members at various times and places, and have always found them to be people I would like to know better. They are enthusiastic in their collecting interests and I consider each and everyone an ambassador for the Society. I'm sure if it were possible for me to meet every member the same would be true. We have a fine organization, one each member can be proud of, and one to which we can invite new members without any reservation or apology.

I hope that sometime in the near future I'll be able to meet each of you personally, and until then keep up the good work and perhaps one day we'll have a membership so large that our monthly publication will require the services of an editorial staff and Frank will be able to sit back and supervise.

Philatelically yours,
James W. Adler, President

May 14, 1956

Mr. Frank J. Kovarik
2502 South Kedzie Avenue
Chicago 23, Ill.

Dear Mr. Kovarik:

Thank you for your very cordial letter of May 11, and I am glad you got our first day covers, and were pleased with the testimonial dinner in your honor. I was very happy to be able to send a message to it, although I regret that my time was so occupied that I could only attend a very small number of these affairs, and see very few of my friends while they were here. But I hope we will be able to get together more leisurely some time in the future.

With best personal wishes, I am

Sincerely,
H. L. Lindquist

May 14, 1956

Mr. Frank J. Kovarik
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Chicago 23, Ill.

Dear Mr. Kovarik:

The Collectors Club is happy to acknowledge receipt of The Czechoslovak Specialist, Volumes X to XVII, 1948-1955, in four handsome bound volumes.

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Cordially,
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NEW MEMBERS

(Correction to last month's listing of new members. Number 545 was assigned by error to an old member. Please delete.)

- 545. Joseph Chizmarik, 29 Kate Lane, Metuchen, N. Jer.
- 546. Joseph Cervený, 2324 S. 59 Ave., Cicero 50, Ill.
- 547. Ralph A. Palmer, 11630 Wallace St., Chicago 28, Ill.
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- 555. Edward Cejka, 330 4th Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA Plating the First Issue

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THE 3 HALERU PLATE I

(continued)



Position 96. The value tablet is broken at the bottom. There is a break in the long ray. The control number for this stamp is 1.80.

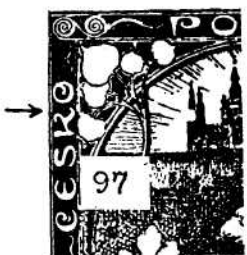
Position 97. The first left tower is broken at the bottom. The control number is 2.10.

Position 98. There is a small break in the lower right heart. A tiny line joins the dot over the second right tower to the tower. The number 2.40 appears below this position.

Position 99. There is a dot in the tail of the left dove and on the top of the upper left heart. There is a break in the design below the large bush. The control number is 2.70.

Position 100. There is a dot in the tail of the right dove and another in the margin above the O of POSTA. There is a short horizontal line in the margin above the V of SLOVENSKA and a break over the K. The line was removed and the break was retouched in a later electrotype. The control number below the last position is 3.— representing three koruny, the face value of the entire sheet.

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1920	Tete-beche values, mint (3) -----	\$2.00
	Red Cross compl., mint -----	.75
	80h+90 Hus, mint -----	.15
1926	Tatra 2K, 3K, 4K, 5K with watermark, mint	5.00
1928	10th Anniversary, compl., mint or used ----	1.00
1930	2K to 10K, mint -----	2.00
1932	Tyrš complete, mint -----	2.50
1937	Bratislava Souvenir Sheet, mint -----	.05
1939-1940	World's Fair Sheets, 6 diff., mint -----	2.75
20	✉ Covers I Republic, all different -----	2.25
20	✉ covers II Republic, all different -----	2.50
20	✉ covers III Republic, all different -----	2.50

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