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EDITORIAL

Another season is ended. Perhaps this 1954 season will forever remain in the minds of American philatelists because of the unusual spread our hobby obtained in the May 3rd issue of the popular magazine "Life". It is said it took two years to prepare this part of the issue; it cost thousands of dollars to present the illustrations; whatever the cost or labor, this much is certain: It was a big boost to our hobby. On the other hand it is proof that philately commands the respect of big publishers who know they are not aiming too high when they devote space in their magazines to a hobby as popular as ours. Of the many stamps illustrated in color on the cover only one comes close to "our phase"; Slovakia #B22.

Member Wheeler asks if we will bind the Dictionary. Yes, at present we do not know what the cost will be. We are keeping a record of corrections to be made and before we reprint the dictionary we hope to present as perfect a piece of work as possible.

Member Stach is planning a trip to Europe and invites members to notify him of their particular needs and wishes and if at all possible he will fulfill them. His address will be: Mr. Alfons Stach, Graben Hotel, Dorotheregasse, Wien I, Austria.

All the collections sent for display at our recent show have been returned, the trophies were mailed to the winners, but one item was forgotten. The Grand Award was always donated by the New York Group of our Society but because this group has not been meeting as in the past, member Horechny wanting to keep at least the tradition alive, donated the Joseph W. Lowey Memorial Plaque. Thanks, Lolly. We hope you succeed in reviving the spirit of the group.

The Cleveland group has suffered the same fate as our friends in New York. Past president member Blizil succeeded in bringing back into the fold three delinquents and hopes to shepherd back many more. More power to you, George! The bigger the Society, the more money comes into the treasury, the better can be our Specialist.

We have received the map of Czechoslovakia from member Woodbury; as far as we know, five members in the Chicago area are now the proud owners of this very complete map. Member Helm writes he, too, wants the map and continues in his letter that the Specialist has done much to increase his knowledge of Czech stamps. He promises that next year he will be at least an associate member. Hope many emulate your example, Bob!

In the March, 1954 issue of the Specialist we quoted a letter received

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from member Woodbury in which he mentioned a listing of towns ceded as a result of the Munich sell-out to Germany, Poland, etc. We should have added a postscript that this listing was prepared by member Barry who went to much work and trouble to obtain it. We are still hoping to publish this listing but it will take many pages of the Specialist and we may commence this project when the dictionary is completed.

Members will find a new advertiser in this issue. The material Mr. Burkiewicz offers is very unusual and carries a full guarantee. We recommend him to your needs.

In closing this editorial we wish our members a restful and pleasant vacation. May you return with added zest and ambition to your beloved stamps.

THE 1954 POFIS PRICE LIST OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

POFIS (Postal Philatelic Service) is the government monopoly in Czechoslovakia handling all sales and purchases of philatelic material. This organization has issued a price list of Czechoslovakian stamps issued from 1918 to 1939, plus a catalogue supplement for the stamps issued in 1953. The booklet is significantly numbered "2"; on looking at our copy of their catalogue published last year we notice it is numbered "1".

The price list is valueless to one unacquainted with the numbering system employed in Czechoslovakia which follows the excellent specialized Handbook published by Ladislav Novotný of Bratislava in 1949. There are no illustrations in this booklet nor does it contain any pertinent information but the supplement, which deals with only the stamps issued in 1953 is a true illustrated catalogue which entails all the information a collector needs. We have advocated something of this sort for a long time; however, the idea is worthless unless an older catalogue bearing all necessary information is obtainable. It should be unnecessary to publish a new catalogue every year; supplements plus a price list of the issues found in the master handbook should make for a less costly catalogue. This price list includes the stamps of Eastern Silesia (minus the stamps of Poland overprinted "S O 1920"), Siberia, as well as the so-called Revolutionary Issues.

The prices are based on the fictitious currency of the country; the Post Office Department of Czechoslovakia continues to withhold one stamp of almost every stamp set issued which can be purchased only from POFIS at at least a 100% increase over face and unobtainable at any government Post Office. Our objections on this score were raised last year when we reviewed the 1953 catalogue and we have no intentions of changing our mind on these labels.

The price list is priced at Kčs 0.95 and the 1953 supplement catalogue at Kčs 0.60, can be obtained from POFIS, Praha I, Na Příkopě 13, Czechoslovakia.

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THE CZECHOSLOVAK PHILATELIC SOCIETY COMMEMORATES ITS FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

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Fifteen years ago the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society came into being through the efforts of the late Joseph W. Lowey of New York. Many might have thought that such a group would have a short life, considering the fact that the country had just ceased to exist as a political entity. However, it thrived, and in May 1939 a modest club paper of four pages was issued under the editorship of a professional newspaper man, Tod Raper, of Columbus, Ohio.

The first convention of the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society was held on June 17, 1939 in New York. It was rightly thought that the New York World's Fair would be a drawing card, and the first plenary session of the Society was attended by some fifty Czech enthusiasts. After a fine Czech dinner in an old Czech neighborhood of the city, the assembled members elected their officers and asked member Frank Kovarik to choose a trio of Chicago members to draw a constitution for the Society. It was at this meeting that many basic laws, governing the Society to this day, were formulated.

All went well until March 1940, when the editor resigned, and it was not until May that they were able to secure the services of Peter Kreischer of Chicago. He carried on successfully until December 1941, when, due to the war and his job, he was compelled to resign. Lolly Horechny took over with the January 1942 issue, but he too found it necessary to resign this post after only three months of service. Dr. Wm. Reiner-Deutsch, then president of the Society, asked Frank Kovarik of Chicago to carry on. Mr. Kovarik promised to help out until another editor could be found, but his "temporary" editorship has continued ever since, and he now admits that editing The Czecho-



(Cover courtesy Jindrich Novacek)

On February 18, 1954, the present Czech government marked the 30th anniversary of the Communist Party in Czechoslovakia. In 1929 Thomas Garrigue Masaryk was still President, and so little notice was taken of the advent of the Communist Party that encyclopedias and yearbooks of that time failed to record it. Today the Communists are in control of the country.

slovak Specialist is as much his hobby as is the collecting of Czechoslovak stamps.

Up to the time of the liberation of Czechoslovakia, the membership remained more or less static. Then many returning soldiers who had participated in the war decided to collect stamps of the land made famous by two international statesmen, Thomas G. Masaryk and Eduard Benes, the first and second presidents of the republic. Then a second catastrophe struck this unhappy land, which, freed from the oppressive hand of Hitler, now came under the domination of the Soviets. The country's lawfully elected president was compelled to resign, and the brief release from oppression and fear was ended.

Despite the adversities of the Czechoslovak nation, The Czechoslovak Philatelic Society carries on. Not many collect the new issues coming from the country now, but the members continue their interest in the country's philately by studying the postal history of the land under the Hapsburgs and in its first glory as an independent stamp-issuing country. When Hitler permitted the establishment of Slovakia and forced the formulation of the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia, after taking for himself what he wanted of the Sudeten area and donating princely portions to his allies, the mails went on, and even this portion of postal history is interesting to members of this group.

The Czechoslovak Philatelic Society is celebrating its fifteenth anniversary was a stamp exhibition and auction held in Sokol Chicago Hall, 2345 So. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Illinois, March 20 and 21, 1954. All collectors and their friends are cordially invited to help the Chicago group celebrate its birthday. The publisher of STAMPS is glad to devote this issue to the Society and proclaim the ancient Slavonic greeting, "Mnogaja Ljeta!" Long live the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society.

-H. L. Lindquist

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COMENIUS — FOUNDER OF MODERN EDUCATION METHODS By Glenn D. Everett

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Czechoslovakia has issued a stamp in honor of the Reverend John Amos Comenius, a clergyman to whom American school children owe a debt of gratitude, whether they know it or not.

This venerable Moravian scholar, whose personal life was filled with tragedy, but whose soul was lighted with a beautiful faith, is credited with founding modern educational methods that make learning a pleasure and stimulate the student, instead of driving him with a rod.

When Comenius was born in Moravia, part of what is now Czechoslovakia, in 1592, schools were a harsh place. Students were made to learn their lessons in Latin; they were given extremely difficult subjects to master without regard to their age; and they were punished mercilessly if they failed to hew to the line of stern discipline. Many students fled from school broken in health and spirit. Only the hardy could survive the ordeal.

Comenius (who Latinized his name from the original Komensky) remembered his school experiences after he became a minister. One day, completely dissatisfied with the Czech schools, he sat down and started to write a book, "Didactica Magna," which set forth the errors of education, as he saw them, and proposed a remedy. The book became a classic and marks a milestone in the history of education.

Comenius formulated an approach to education that was radical for his day. He urged that education should follow the natural development of the child, from the simple to the complex, from the known to the unknown. He pleaded for a gentle discipline, with the teacher serving as leader, not master; for use of the mother tongue in instruction rather than Latin; and for practical study (things to do and things to make) rather than the theoretical studies then in vogue which were beyond the comprehension of young students.

A strong movement of reform was launched, and the trend of thought which he started among educators, of giving consideration to the needs, capacity, and desire of the student, is distinctly evident today.

Perhaps his book would not have become so famous if Comenius had not also, as a sideline, written another volume, "The Gate of Languages Unlocked." Strange as it may seem, no one had ever made a simple, systematic approach to the teaching of languages, and this book was an immediate sensation because it made learning of another language so much easier. It was translated into 12 European and 4 Asiatic tongues, and in the American colonies, Indians were taught English from it!

Comenius, though he made life happier and easier for millions of students,

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had a hard, unhappy life himself. At the age of 12 he lost both parents and two sisters in a plague. He suffered great hardship and actually walked 600 miles to attend the University of Heidelberg, Germany. After he entered the ministry and settled down at a good church with his wife and two infant children, the Thirty Years War broke out. He fled for his life and never saw his wife and children again for they perished with illness. Thus, for the second time in his life he was left completely bereft.

At the age of 32, the fortunes of the religious wars turned against the Protestants in Moravia and they were banished under edict of death. He led his persecuted brethren to refuge in Poland. Though they hoped for an early return, none of these exiles were destined ever to see their homes again.

Comenius went to London, to Paris, to Stockholm, and Budapest. Everywhere he was hailed as a scholar, for his books were widely read. In far-off America, Harvard University, five years old in 1640, sought him to become its president, but Comenius wanted freedom for his native land, not a distant place of sanctuary.

When he was 65 the sacking and burning of the city of Leszno, Poland, cost him everything but the clothes on his back. His library, his unpublished manuscripts, the notes from a lifetime of study, all were destroyed. Yet at 77 he published another book of even more beautiful philosophy.

Driven and hounded by wars and religious persecution, Comenius steadfastly preached brotherhood and pleaded for unity among Christians. He is considered by many the father of the ecumenical movement which seeks to unite churches today in harmonious fellowship.

At a time when heretics were being burned at the stake by both Catholics and Protestants, he displayed a broad-mindedness that was unusual. Writing to a group of Protestants who were disputing about the Lord's Supper, he declared, "Whether the sacrament is received by the mouth or by faith alone, why do you quarrel about it?" Remember that we all know only in part, and especially remember that this mystery was ordained not that the hearts of believers may be torn asunder, but rather be bound together in one."

It may seem surprising that the Czech Communist satellite government should have chosen to honor such a gentle Christian teacher on its postage. The Communists had a propaganda angle, as might be suspected. They asserted that only in Rissua are the progressive methods advocated by Comenius to be found in the schools. American capitalistic schools were pictured as dens of barbarism and torture for the miserable students!

Communist governments are showing a tendency to "borrow" Christian heroes of the past for propaganda purposes. Romania recently "honored" Leonardo da Vinci, for example, not because he painted the Lord's Supper and other famous Christian works of art, but because he had progressive ideas about science which have been put in practice only in the Soviet Union, so the Communist claimed. The recent Polish stamp honoring the great clergyman and astronomer, Copernicus, fell into the same class. The Communists take opportunities to stress the supposed conflict between religion and the findings of science.

It is an interesting trend to watch, but the Communist can fool no one with respect to Comenius. This compassionate, peace-loving clergyman would never have approved of Marxist dictatorship!

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Ostrovy		formovati	to mould
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fialově hnědý	violet brown	neotypie	engraving
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fialově	violet slate	Francouzká	French Indochina
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	Ethiopia	hadry	rags
háček	small hook,	hadrový papír	rag paper
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had	snake	Hamburk	Hamburg

haniti	to abuse	holubička	dove
Hanover	Hannover	holubí pošta	carrier pigeon mail
havíř	miner	Honkong	Hong Kong
hed vabí	silk	honiti	to drive, to chase
hedvabná nit	silk thread	hořejší	upper
hedvabný papír	silk paper	hořejší kraj	upper margin
Helgoland	Heligoland	horlivý	zealous, ardent
hena	henna	horní	upper
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hl adký	clean, smooth	kladívko	04 - 01 4 - 02 - 02 - 02 - 02 - 02 - 02 - 02 - 0
hlasování lidu	plebiscite	hornický špičák	miner's pick
hlava	head, principal	hospodář	farmer
hlava hřebíku	nail head	hospodářská	agricultural set
hlavní čára hlavní chrám	main line	serie	
hlavní poštovní	cathedral	hospodářství	agriculture,
úřad	main post office	hatané	economy
hlavní odruda	principal variety	hotový houska	ready roll
hlavní stanice	main station	houštka	thickness
hlavní trat	main line	hozený	thrown
hlavní úřad.	headquarters	hra	game, play
stan	neadquar vers	hráti	to play
hluboký	deep, rich	hráti o peníze	gamble
hmatati	to touch	hrabě	count
hmota	material	hrábě	rake (garden)
hmotný	material	hraběnka	countess
hnáti	to drive	hrabství	earldom
hned	immediately,	hrachově zelený	pea green
	straight	hrad	castle
h nědav∳	brownish	hradby	fortifications,
hněd horská	amber	PET 460	bulwark
hnědě žlutý	brownish yellow	hrana	edge
hnědě zelený	brownish green	hranice	boundary
hnědě šedý	brownish gray	hrb	hump
hnědě lilový	brownish lilac	hrbatý	hump shaped
hnědo žlutý	brown yellow	hřebenové	comb perforation
hnědo z elený hnědo šedý	brown green	zoubkování hřebíček	tack
hnědo karmínový	brown gray	hřebiti	to foal
hnědý	brown carmine	hříbě	foal
hněti	to mould	hrob	grave, pit
hnouti	to move	hromada	lot, pile
hnutí	movement	hromadně	a mass, altogether
hoblík	plane	hrot	point
hodina	hour		coarse perforation
hodiny	clock, hours	hrubý	gross, rough,
hodně	much, many	Interview of	coarse, clumsy
hodnost	rank, character,	huben ý	thin, lean, meager
Division of Contract of Contra	elevation	hůl	staff, walking stick
hodnota	denomination, val-	hustota	density
	ue as a whole	hust ý	close, dense
Holandská Vých-	Dutch E. Indies	hutnost	density
odní Indie	na wee	hvězda	star
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holka	girl	hýbavý	shifting, moving
holub	pigeon		

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jablkově zelený	apple green	bloček	
Jaderské Moře	Adriatic Sea	jednou	once
jakmile	as soon as possible	jelen	stag
jako sít	net like	jemně	slightly
jáma	pit, borrow pit	jemně lilový	mauve
Jamaika	Jamaica	jemné stupňování	
jantar	amber	jemný	delicate, slight,
Japonsko	Japan		fine, smooth
jarmark jarní t rh	fair	ještě jeviště	more
jarni crn jarý	spring fair fresh, vivid	jeviste	scene, stage horseback rider
jasně modrý	sky blue	jezditi	to drive
jasná barva	bright color	jezdecká socha	equestrian statue
iasnost	brightness	jezero	lake
jasný	bright, clear, dis-	jih	south
\$1000000000000000000000000000000000000	tinct, conspicuous	jihozápadní	Southwest Africa
jazyk	language, tongue	Afrika	
jdoucí	going	jináč	else
	one under another	jiný	different
jeden po druhém	(17.46) (17.40) (18.47)	jistě	definitely, surely
jedenkrát	once	jistota	safety
jeden za drunym jedinečný	one after another	jistý jižní	certain southern
jediný	unique single	Jižní Afrika	South Africa
jednatelství	agency	Jižní Amerika	South America
jednati	to treat	Jižní Australie	South Australia
jednobarevný	monocolor	Jižní Rhodesie	South Rhodesia
jednoduchost	simplicity	jízva	scratch, scar
jedno duchý	plain, simple,	jméno	name
	single	jméno měsíce	name of the month
je dnota	association	jmenovitý	nominal
jednotka	unit	iméno země	name of a country
jednotlivá čára	single line	Jonské Ostrovy	Ionian Isls.
jednotlivě	individually	jsoucí	existing
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kalendář	calendar	klej zemsky klenba	bitumen arch
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kámen	stone		sinking
kamenotisk	lithography	klesající	
Kamerun	Cameroon	kleslý	dropped
Canada	Canada	klesnouti	to drop
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kancelář	office	klíč	lease.
kanice	tape, short lace	klička	key
kaňka	spot, blur, inkstain	klid	loop, sling, mesh rest
kanoniské právo	canon law	klíh	
kapalina	liquid	klikatě	glue, gum zig-zag
kapati	to drop	klížen	
kapesní knížka	pocket book	klížení klížení	gummed gumming
kapka	drop	klobouk	hat
kapka oleje	drop of oil	klonící se	downward
kapsa	pocket	klopa	lapel
kapesné	allowance	klub	association, club
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karafiátový	pinkish	kluzák	glider
karakteristická	characteristic	kluzové létadlo	glider
značka	mark	kněz	clergyman, priest
karmazín	crimson	KHEZ	minister
karmín	carmine	kněžský stav	ministry, priest-
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kilogram	kilogram	konání	administration,
kilometr	kilometer	le ce	perform, execute
kinopřijí mačka	movie camera	končina	region
klacek	club	konec	end, issue,
klapka	flap, key	l.,	conclusion
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The Ministry of Posts issued in March 1954 the first part of the emission of new current postage stamps with the following motives, denominations and colors:

- A nurse, designed by Anna Podzemná-Suchardová, engraved by Jan Mráček, 20 h value, violet.
- Iron-worker, designed by Ivan Strnad, engraved by Ladislav Jirka, 45 h value, blue
- A woman agricultural worker, designed by A. V. Hrska, engraved by Bohdran Roule, 1 Kčs value, green.
- A miner, designed by Vladislav Silovský, engraved by Bedřich Housa, 1.60 Kčs value, black-brown.
- A physician, designed by Mario Stretti, the pen-ink drawing by Jindra Schmidt, engraved by Jaroslav Goldschmied, 2 Kčs value, red-brown.

All the stamps were recess-printed, the values 1) and 3) by the Stickney press in the Post Printing Office in Bratislava, the value 4) and 5) by the Wifag press in the Post Printing Office in Prague.

All the stamps are in vertical form with dimension of the picture 19x23 mm. The sheets from the Stickney press are of 150, from the Wifag press of 100 subjects.

Validity for postage from March 15th, 1954, until recalled. An official First Day cover on this issue was not issued.

The existing current stamps remain still valid. The end of validity of some values of these stamps will be published.

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- P-17 Two line. (Tmání Suchomast, Medzibrod nad Hronom, Poštovna).
- P-18 One line in a frame. (Zbuch, Ústí u Vsetína, Poštovna Diviaky and others).
- P-19 Same arrangement, but a colon between the names. (Poštovňa:Koza-rovce).
- P-20 One line in a frame. Name of the postoffice in parenthesis. (Žlutava (Napajedla)).
- P-21 Same arrangement, but with a colon between names. (Poštovňa: Jastrabá (Tekov)).
- P-22 Two lines in a frame. Top line Poštovna, bottom line the name. (Poštovna, Mšecké Žehrovice).
- P-23 Same arrangement, but asterisk fore and aft of word Poštovna. (Poštovna Madar).
- P-24 Two line in a frame. The name of the postoffice in parenthesis. (Chval-
- kovice (Ivanovice na Hané)). P-25 Same arrangement, but asterisk fore and aft of name of Poštovna.
- (Illesháza (Velký Magendorf)).

 P-26 Two line in a frame. Bilingual, name of the postoffice in parenthesis.
 (Radim (Brentice) Gross Raadim (Brensdorf)).
- P-27 Two line in a frame. Divided by a horizontal line through the middle. Czech name on top, German on the bottom. (Vanov, p. Ústí n. L., Wanow P. Ausig).
- P-28 Name of Poštovna in a frame. An ornamental posthorn in top half. (Lipa).
- P-29 Two line on an oval frame. Between names an ornament. (Černice u Plzně).
- P-30 Two line on a circular frame. Between the names the state escutcheon, asterisks on side. (Poštovňa Ivančina).
- P-31 Double circle frame. Asterisk at the bottom. (Poštovňa Podkriváň).

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