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## EDITORIAL

In an article in Stamps, February 24, 1962, under the heading "U. S. Stamps Used On Mail To Czechoslovakia" Mr. Bernard Davis, General Commissioner from U. S. A. to the International Exhibition in Prague 1962, made some statements with the remark that he had received the information from Mr. Bohumin Matějka, General Secretary of the Federation of Czechoslovak Philatelists in Prague. (Similar article also appeared in Western Stamp Collector). Mr. Davis stated that the Czechoslovak Specialist in its Editorial of October 1961 issue gave misinformation as to the non-admissibility of a number of U. S. issues as postage to Czechoslovakia. It is indeed extremely improper to accept information without further investigation as to whether it is in conformity with the facts. If this were generally practiced, chaos would result in no time. Mr. Davis should have first of all consulted the person responsible for that Editorial in the Specialist, my predecessor. After contact with him, Mr. Davis would have realized that there may be quite some doubt as to the validity of the information he had received. He then most assuredly would not have asked that such an article be published.

At this time in this Editorial we wish to point out two important facets of this matter:

1. Our predecessor made the statements in the October 1961 issue of the Specialist with evidence in his hands and not just to fill his pages.
2. Mr. Davis acted entirely out of turn by reporting on something on which he had no personal information without securing additional data from the writer of that Editorial. This is really not done and we are truly surprised that Mr. Davis was so neglectful which is truly unbecoming to the Delegate of U. S. to FIP and Director of International Affairs of the American Philatelic Society.

This Editorial is followed by an article on the subject by Dr. Matejka.

One of our members, Mr. Tomcik, would like our society to list the special fields of interest of each member. We believe that this listing could prove very valuable. There is, however, an economic problem involved unless we could ask each of our members to write us giving us the information. We would be pleased to publish this acquired information with our membership list in September. On the other hand, the sending out of a questionnaire to each member would involve too much expenditure. Let us see whether our members find time to read our Editorials. Send us the information, please.

Our Editor Emeritus forwarded us a letter from one of his Esperanto friends. This letter contained a list of names of collectors in Czechoslovakia desirous of exchanging stamps with collectors here. The publication of this

list would take too much space. In addition, our experience does not warrant the blanket recommendation of any collector in Czechoslovakia. However, anyone interested may communicate with us and we would send a few names to each inquirer gladly.

We have been asked some interesting questions. Mr. B. R. Beede, 287 Sylvan Street, Rutherford, N. J., would like to find out whether there were Czech units fighting with the German army in WW II using German Field Post service. He states that there was a small unit supplied by Slovakia which fought with the German army in the Russian Campaign. Mr. Beede and some fellow collectors of his are endeavoring to compile a booklet on the postal services of all non-German military units which utilized the German military postal system during World War II. Kindly communicate with him if you have any information on the subject.

Mr. Yarco, a member of our society, calls our attention to a pamphlet published by the Austrian Stamp Club of Great Britain entitled "Post Offices of Former Austrian Territories," part I, which contains many markings in Bohemia, Moravia, Silesia and Hungary. You may obtain it by sending 50 cents to A. D. Littlewood, 32 Park Road, Ilford, Essex, England.

Soon Compex 1962 will open its doors. You will find additional information in other sections of this issue. We all wish it a huge success.

#### WHAT PRICE CARELESS, HASTY ACTION

Stamps Magazine of February 24, 1962 (Vol. 110, Number 8) published an article to the effect that certain stamps of the United States have never been rejected by the Czechoslovak Republic. This article was transmitted to Stamps Publication by Mr. Bernard Davis, General Commissioner from U.S. for Praga 1962 having received notice from Bohumin Matějka (not the faintest relationship), Secretary-General of the Federation of Czechoslovak Philatelists.

To make matters worse, this article, up to the time it was published in Stamps, was unknown to any officer of the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society, yet an official statement is required from our Society to correct certain misinformation our Editor (at that time Frank Kovarik) of the specialist was supposed to have made.

The allegation is that in October 1962, editor Kovarik stated that U. S. Refugee, Rotary, 3c, 8c, 11c Statue of Liberty and the more recent 15c airmail stamps and TGM issue were barred from the Czechoslovak post. Secretary-General Bohumin Matějka states emphatically that this is a gross misstatement: that any U. S. stamp (Masaryk excepted) is allowed into ČSSR.

However, I, your President, as well as every member of the Society knows better. It therefore, behooved me to act at once and correct this horrible untruth. Upon writing to Mr. Lindquist, Stamps Editor, I was asked to supply documentary proof that what I had to say was the truth.

On March 19, 1962, I sent Mr. Lindquist photostatic copies of the Rotary, 15c airmail, Atoms for Peace, World Refugee as well as the 15c airmail inscribed LIBERTY FOR ALL. I might add that our member, Frank J. Rosen, rose to aid us by supplying me with many of these items since my own personal collection of same has been away for official perusal. Your President will not let grass grow under his feet when the Society's name is at stake.

The crowning glory of it all was a letter from Mr. H. Lindquist as of March 26th in which he states that he is glad that the true facts were presented to him and that in the next issue of Stamps this glaring error will be corrected, and our Editor Emeritus' name exonerated.

I would also like to call your attention to the fact that a similar message of ill-truth was printed in Western Stamp Collector in February. Mr. W. W.

Wylie, its Editor, will also receive documentary evidence to the contrary in addition to the letters he had already received from others in the U. S. stating the non-admissibility of those issues.

Members, if you read in any paper untruths such as these, please notify me at once so that the Editor of the periodical in question can be put on the path of truth.

Pravda Vitezi  
Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr.

#### AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

One of our members, who has spent considerable sums just to retain some collectors on our membership list since they were unable to contribute their dues to us, mentioned that some way should be found to enable the society to retain these members who have contributed much to our society years ago and are still supporting us by sending us articles for the Specialist. We felt that this could well be done by the creation of an honorary non-dues-paying membership class. When we formulated this amendment in consultation with other officers it occurred to us that it would be possibly also advisable to include in this type of membership, members in the U. S. and Canada who have paid their dues faithfully for twenty consecutive years. The minimum total payment amounts to \$40.00 whereas some of us have paid over \$150.00 during a twenty year period. There are organizations in which life membership is not much more than \$40.00, let us face the fact.

Article III. Membership to be amended by the addition of Paragraph 4 to read:

4. Honorary Members. Any well known foreign collector of philatelic items of Czechoslovakia who has contributed articles to the Specialist or who has in any other way aided the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society shall be eligible to Honorary Membership. Distinguished members of the Czechoslovak Philatelic Society residing in the United States or Canada who have been members in good standing for twenty years may also be elected to Honorary Membership. Two members of the Council shall propose collectors for honorary membership and upon a majority vote of the Council in favor of the proposal, shall be enrolled as honorary members.

Honorary members shall pay no dues, shall have no voting power and shall receive the Specialist free of charge.

End

We are hereby giving notice in this issue—This amendment will become part of the Constitution within thirty days after receipt of this issue of the Specialist, unless a majority of the voting membership disapproves.

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### NEW YORK BRANCH MARCH MEETING

Apparently Mr. Koplowitz' efforts are paying dividends since, due to his publicity activities, one young woman brought her two sons to our meeting. Our discussions were slightly above the heads of the young ones but they seemingly enjoyed the evening nevertheless, as they stayed on until the bitter end. Your reporter sent a couple of hundred stamps to the one of the boys who is the active collector. On this evening we devoted our meeting to the Worlds Fair Sheets of Czechoslovakia. Dr. Reiner-Deutsch brought along the extensive collection of Mr. Secky and Mr. Stein acted as interpreter of the items since Dr. Reiner-Deutsch stated that he knew very little about it. We learned that the "silver" overprint was the most scarce item, of which there were quite a number present in the collection. It is indeed unfortunate that the owner of this collection is no longer interested in it.

Mr. Stein collected money for the Compex Directory and all members present donated for the Goodfellow designation.

At the April meeting unusual items will be discussed: the original program of the February meeting when due to very bad weather most members did not show up.

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### CHICAGO BRANCH MARCH MEETING

The branch met Sunday afternoon March 11, in its regular meeting place with 13 members present. Your scribe complained about the snow and sleet of previous meetings; this time the complaint is about rain. We Chicagoans aren't sorry the rain came, but it could have chosen a more propitious time. Another reason for the small attendance was the death of the scribe's father, which resulted in the late mailing of the March Specialist and no notices were sent out about the meeting. Those who were present were well rewarded by an expert in photography, Mr. Sidney J. Pivečka, who spoke on the developing of colored film. Those of us who are frequently exposed to "colored photography" were amazed at the results of true "colored photography." Others knew something of the subject and after Mr. Pivečka's talk and the exposition of his material, plied the speaker with many questions which he answered to everyone's complete satisfaction. Our next meeting will be held April 8 and the subject of our program will be a talk on the religious theme "Benedictines on Stamps," by our member Sister M. Lucy, O. S. B., who is a member of this old monastic order. Because she cannot personally attend, her talk will be delivered by member Frank J. Kovarik. The May meeting will be devoted exclusively to Compex and no other program will be presented. Nothing is yet scheduled for June.

All the members know that the Chicago branch handles the work connected with the big Chicagoland Stamp Show, better known as COMPEX. Frames are allotted to the participating clubs, groups and societies and each of these sends to the Compex treasurer \$2.00 per allotted frame. In the case of our Society, our treasurer remitted \$180 to the Compex treasury for our 90 frames. If the members do not subscribe to these by paying the \$2 per frame, the Chicago members fill them; such exhibits would not be for competition, but on each frame the Society loses \$2. In that way, even a profit can turn into a loss. We urge every member to show some Czecho material at this show and ask him/her to file his/her application with the exhibition chairman, member John Velek, 6218 Diversey, Chicago 35, Ill.

Frank J. Kovarik, 8748 Rockefeller, Brookfield, Ill., is soliciting ads for the COMPEX directory. With the last two Specialists you received an application blank for these ads and we sincerely trust you will obtain ads for this worthwhile program. If we get enough ads for this directory, we can earn a per-

centage on these to help the treasury. Remember, the \$3 dues per year is insufficient to pay for the Specialist and efforts must be made to raise additional money. Members who voluntarily pay higher dues help and the balance must be raised from Compex profits.

A third project not to be passed up and also handled by member Kovarik, is the donation to the GOODFELLOW FUND. You and your friends contribute one dollar or more each for space in the Directory. This display of your name (which may include the Mrs.) is quite prominent. In last year's Directory we showed 27 names; translated into money it meant 27 dollars, the space cost us 15 dollars, which spelled an immediate profit to the treasury of 12 dollars plus a commission on the ad space.

Those who plan to attend Compex should not miss participating at the banquet; tickets for which are obtainable from member Jos. J. Janecka, 7306 Ogden Ave., Riverside, Ill., at \$6.00 per plate. This dinner-dance will be held Friday, May 25, and we have the assurance of our P. M. G., the Honorable J. Edward Day, he'll be with us. To get desirable places we must notify the dinner chairman as early as possible with cash in hand. As soon as Joe sells 8 tickets he buys a table. Don't complain if you sit with people you don't know or ever heard about because you purchased your ticket at the last moment.

Help Compex in every way possible and you are helping the Society and, indirectly, you are helping yourself. If you want your particular facet of philately to grow and prosper, you must do something, too. Don't leave it to the other guy, he is most likely, poorer in help than you.

Finally, a personal note from your past editor. Many thanks to the many members who sent us a message of sympathy on the loss of our Dad, who was well known personally to many members of our Society. He especially liked to talk to the collectors who spoke Czech. Many of them will miss him.

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#### UNITED NATIONS OFFICIAL FIRST DAY CEREMONY AT COMPEX

The official first day ceremony of the United Nations new definitive issue, 1c, 3c, 5c and the 11c, will take place at the Hotel La Salle on May 25th, 1962, during the opening day of COMPEX 62.

It has been announced by Mr. D. Thomas Clements, Chief of the Postal Administration of the United Nations, that this ceremony will be a part of the COMPEX program whose theme is TOWARRD UNITED NATIONS. Mr. Clements and his assistant, Mr. A. Sterman, will both be present at COMPEX in an official capacity.

Arrangements by COMPEX are to be made for this ceremony during the morning of Friday, May 25th, right after the opening ribbon cutting ceremony with a maximum number of people in attendance in the Illinois Room of the Hotel La Salle.

COMPEX is also arranging for official COMPEX first day covers of these stamps together with a handsome cachet prepared by that well known Chicago artist, Paul Rohloff. These covers will be dispatched from COMPEX through the UN Postal Administration and properly backstamped by the Hotel La Salle mail receiving mark, thereby showing its passage in the mails. For prices of these covers, kindly contact COMPEX 62, 216 Hotel La Salle, Chicago 2, Illinois. Please remember that all proceeds will revert to the individual clubs that comprise COMPEX for their club activities throughout the year. This is not a private or personal venture.

A special United Nations Postal Administration official exhibit will be on display for the first time outside of New York City for those that wish to see photographically the history of the UN Postal Administration during the past 12 years.

# CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Just returned from a tour of Czechoslovakia. Have anything you need, in stock, such as Scarce Provisionals; essays and proofs since 1918; autographs. Scarce coupons of all issues with all positions, right, left, upper or lower portions; mint or used. Control and addition numbers as well as Plate numbers. Tete-Beche and Gutters. All positions of Watermarks, errors and shades. First Day Covers and Festival or Special Cancellations. Stationery and Revenue. Even some Silver Coins.

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## 1920-1926 Allegorical Issues

by C. H. Osbourn

(continued from last issue)

- 148 84 20H Orange  
 Type I (comb 14) (line 13¼)  
 Type II (comb 14)  
 The difference between Type I and II is in the shape of the numerals.  
 Type I. The numeral 2 has narrowed and pointed under projection.  
 Inside of 0 has chamfered corners.  
 Type II. The numeral 2 has heavier, shorter and thicker projection.  
 Inside of 0 is oval.  
 Type I  
 (a) Red Orange  
 (b) Bright Orange  
 (c) Brown Orange  
 Heavy strong paper  
 Type II  
 (a) Dull Red  
 (b) Vermilion  
 Missing perforations  
 148/1 Carton paper  
 148/2 Printed on gummed side  
 148/3 Offset  
 148/4 Double print  
 Creased  
 Plate flaws:  
 (1) Colored spot in letter  
 (2) Straw in beak  
 Orange—Type I—Imperf.  
 Dark Orange—Ty. I—Impf.  
 Orange—Type II—Imperf.
- M/148 20H Orange—Type I  
 84a Tete beche—Type I  
 Gutter tete beche—Type III  
 20H Orange—Type II  
 84a Tete beche—Type I  
 Gutter tete beche—Type III  
 Plate flaws:  
 (1) Missing perforations  
 (2) Letters missing  
 (3) Spots in vignette  
 (4) White lettering  
 (5) Cross hatched inscription  
 (6) Stroke over the tail  
 (7) Slanting line over the letter  
 (8) Letter joined to beak  
 (9) Tail at the right open  
 20H Orange—Perf. 13¼  
 (a) Horizontal pieces, centre imperforate with a border on the right.  
 (b) 20 H with an empty field (pairs)  
 (c) Printed on gummed side
- 149 85 25H Blue Green  
 Type I (Comb 14)  
 Type II (comb 14)

- (a) Dark Green I (Comb 14)
- (b) Dark Green II (Comb 14)
- (c) Yellowish Green II (Comb 14)

NOTE: The difference between Type I and II is that in Type I, the 2 is diagonally cut away at top, while in Type II, the top of the 2 is more rounded.

- 149/1 Grey paper
- 149/2 Yellow paper
- 149/3 Carton paper
- 149/4 Offset
- Imperforates:
  - (a) 25H Green—Type I
  - (b) 25H Dark Green—Ty. I
  - (c) 25H Green—Type II
  - (d) 25H Dark Gr'n—Ty. II
- Plate flaws:
  - (1) Spots and lines in vignette
  - (2) White ring at tail
- 150 86 30 H Violet (Comb 14)
  - (a) Dark Blue Violet (Comb 14)
  - (b) Brown Violet (Comb 14)
- 150/1 Carton paper
- 150/2 Offset
- 150/3 Transparent paper
- Imperforates:
  - (a) 30 H Violet
  - (b) 30 H Dark Red Violet
- Plate flaws:
  - (1) Right 3 with projection
  - (2) In the left, empty with spot
  - (3) White spot between O and S
  - (4) Over the inner line at right a white stroke
  - (5) Under the N, white circle
  - (6) Three cornered spot between the O and S
  - (7) Between the 3 and 0, at top, a circle

#### THE FREE REPUBLIC



Eleven stamps comprise this issue, which appeared in two issues. The change in color on some values being caused by the U. P. U. rulings.



**Perforations**

Perforation is usually Comb 14, but Line 13 $\frac{3}{4}$  is found in all values. Imperforate stamps cannot be regarded as other than Essays, or Unissued stamps, despite the fact that some did find their way to the Post Office imperforated (the 30 H in Brno and the 40 H in Pardubice).

**Paper**

Two kinds were used. Smooth white or porous yellowish. The latter being caused by the gum being absorbed by the porous paper.

**Proofs**

These exist in various colors and sizes, on gummed and ungummed papers and cardboard.

**Varieties**

This series is extremely rich in plate errors, offsets, imperfect perforating, double prints, creases, and other discrepancies.

Denomination	Issued	Demonetized	Quantity Issued
20 H Red	June 22, 1920	April 30, 1921	61,070,000
25 H Lilac Brown	June 18, 1920	April 30, 1921	13,920,000
30 H Violet	June 22, 1920	December 31, 1925	91,260,000
40 H Brown	August 16, 1920	December 31, 1925	165,950,000
50 H Red	September 17, 1920	January 31, 1923	41,840,000
50 H Green	January 23, 1922	December 31, 1925	469,990,000
60 H Blue	August 16, 1920	December 31, 1925	268,530,000
100 H Brown	October 15, 1920	January 31, 1923	197,940,000
150 H Red	April 10, 1922	January 31, 1923	10,000,000
185 H Orange	September 17, 1920	January 31, 1923	21,100,000
250 H Dk Green	October 15, 1920	January 31, 1923	24,900,000

- 151 68 20 H Red (Comb 14) (Line 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ )  
 (a) Light Red (Comb 14)  
 (b) Dark Red (Comb 14)  
 (c) Pink Red (Comb 14)  
 Missing perforations
- 151/3 Yellow paper  
 151/4 Offset  
 151/5 Double print  
 151/R Imperforate
- 152 69 25 H Lilac Brown (Comb 14) (Line 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ )  
 (a) Dark lilac brown (Comb 14)  
 (b) Reddish Brown (Comb 14)  
 (c) Brown Gray (Comb 14)
- 152/1 Smudged print  
 152/2 Double print  
 152/3 Yellow paper  
 152/4 Transparent paper  
 152/5 Vertical striped paper  
 152/6 Offset  
 Imperfect perforating
- 152/R Imperforate
- 153 70 30 H Red Violet (Comb 14) (Line 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ )  
 (a) Dark Violet (Comb 14)  
 (b) Light Violet (Comb 14)
- 153/5 Offset  
 Weak printing

- 153/6 Printed on gummed side  
 153/7 Very strong paper  
 153/8 Light yellow paper  
 The corner 2 perms missing  
 153/9 One side with double perforations  
 Double printing  
 153/R Imperforate  
 154 71 40 H Brown (Comb 14) (Line 13¾)  
 The development of each value of the Chainbreaker series depended upon pasting over the values of the preceding numeral with those of the succeeding one. When the 40 H paste over was placed over the right numeral "30", the bottom leg of the "3" extended close to the leaves and the overlay did not completely cover it, leaving a spot resembling a small leaf. This oversight was not discovered and the subsequent reproduction created type II.  
**Type I**  
 (a) Dark Brown (Comb 14)  
 (b) Red Brown (Comb 14)  
 154/I/1 Yellow paper  
 154/I/2 Double printed  
 154/I/4 Offset  
 Creases  
 Printed on gummed side  
 Carton paper  
 154/I/3 Horizontal comb perforations  
**Type II**  
 154/II/4 Offset  
 154/II/5 Yellow paper  
 154/II/6 Carton paper  
 Double print  
 154/RI Imperforate—Type I  
 154/RII Imperforate—Type II  
 M/154 71a Tete beche (Type I) Type I  
 Gutter tete beche (Type II) Type I  
 Tete beche (Type I) Type II  
 Gutter tete beche (Type II) Type II  
 Imperf gutter tete beche (Type III) Type II  
 40 H Brown—Type I and II in joined pairs  
 40 H Brown—Type I—Horizontally joined with a gutter  
 155 72 50 H Red (Comb 14) (Line 13¾)  
 (a) Dark Red (Comb 14)  
 (b) Light Red (Comb 14)  
 155/4 Offset  
 155/5 Double print  
 155/6 Yellow paper  
 Weak printing  
 155/R Imperforate  
 156 87 50 H Yellow Green (Comb 14) (Line 13¾)  
 (a) Blue Green (Comb 14)  
 (b) Gray Green (Comb 14)  
 156/4 Offset  
 Weak printing  
 156/5 Yellow paper  
 156/R Imperforate

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## SLOVAKIA

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## EASTERN SILESIA CHECK LIST

Compiled by Frank Kosik

- 1h Hradčany  
 Brown, Dark Brown  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Line perf. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$   
 Thin paper and thick paper exist, imperf. and perforated.  
 Yellow paper  
 Unissued varieties  
 Double overprint  
 Double overprint, one black and one red  
 Triple overprint, perf. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$   
 Inverted overprint  
 Shifted overprint  
 Blue overprint  
 Private perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
- 3h Hradčany  
 Light violet, violet  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Thin paper  
 Unissued varieties  
 Overprinted vertically  
 Shifted overprint  
 Double overprint  
 Overprint type II (Special delivery overprint)  
 Inverted overprint  
 Private Perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x13 $\frac{1}{2}$
- 5h Hradčany. Unissued  
 Yellow green  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x13 $\frac{3}{4}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ .
- 5h Hradčany Type V  
 Light green, green, dark green and blue green  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Perforated Comb, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x13 $\frac{3}{4}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x13 $\frac{1}{2}$ , line perf 13 $\frac{3}{4}$   
 Thin paper and thick paper exist, imperf. and perforated.  
 Yellow paper  
 Unissued varieties  
 Inverted overprint  
 Shifted overprint  
 Private perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x10 $\frac{3}{4}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ x11 $\frac{1}{2}$
- 10h Hradčany Type I. Unissued  
 Red  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 13 $\frac{3}{4}$
- 10h Hradčany Type V  
 Green, light green and dark green  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate

- Comb Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ . Line perf  $13\frac{3}{4}$ .  
 Yellow paper  
 Thin paper and thick paper exist, imperf. and perforated.  
 The imperforated stamp was sold only in the post office of Karvina.
- Unissued varieties  
 Inverted overprint  
 Shifted overprint
- 15h Hradčany  
 Red and brown red  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Perf. Comb  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ . Line perf.  $13\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 Yellow paper
- Unissued varieties  
 Shifted overprint  
 Inverted overprint  
 Overprint Type II. (Special delivery overprint)  
 Private perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$
- 20h Hradčany Type I  
 Green and blue green  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Thin paper
- Unissued varieties  
 Inverted overprint  
 Shifted overprint  
 Overprint Type II. (Special delivery overprint)  
 Vertical overprint. Type I
- 20h Hradčany Type V  
 Red  
 Overprint Black Gray black exists on comb. perf.  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 Imperforate  
 Perf. Comb  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ . Line perf.  $13\frac{3}{4}$   
 The imperforate stamp was sold in the postoffice of Frydek 1.
- Unissued varieties  
 Inverted overprint  
 Double Overprint  
 Vertical overprint. Type I
- 25h Hradčany Type V  
 Violet, brown violet and black violet  
 Imperforate  
 Perf. Comb.  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{3}{4}$ . Line perf.  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 The line perf.  $13\frac{3}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$ , were sold at the postoffice of Bohumin.  
 The perforation exists only on the black violet shade.  
 Thin paper  
 Yellow paper
- Unissued varieties  
 Shifted overprint  
 Inverted overprint  
 Double overprint  
 Private perms.  $11\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $10\frac{1}{2}$
- 25h Blue. Hradčany Type I. Unissued  
 Blue  
 Overprint Black  
 Imperforate  
 Inverted overprint

Perf. 11½, 13¼, 13¼x13½. Inverted overprint on last perforation.  
Overprint Blue. Inverted overprint

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## Parade Of New Issues

Edited by Frank Kosik



### New Czechoslovak Stamps With Sports Themes

On February 5, 1962, the Ministry of Transport and Communications issued a series of six stamps with sports themes. The designs, denominations and colors are as follows:

1. 30 h—two cyclists on the road; the emblems of the cities of Berlin, Prague, and Warsaw with the inscription "XVth Year of the Berlin-Prague-Warsaw Cycle Race 1962"; black and blue.
2. 40 h—a girl gymnast performing on a horizontal bar with the inscription "XVth World Championship in Gymnastics Prague 1962"; black and reddish-violet.
3. 60 h—a pair of figure skaters in action with the inscription "World Figure Skating Championship Prague 14-18 March, 1962"; black and blue.
4. 1 Kčs—a woman bowling player, the FIG emblem with inscription around the skittle and the stamp "World Bowling Championship Bratislava 1962"; black and red.
5. 1.20 Kčs—a football goalkeeper, inscription around the stamp "World Football Championship Chile 1962"; black and green.
6. 1.60 Kčs—a discus thrower with inscription "VIIth European Championship in Athletics Beograd Jugoslavijska 12-16 September, 1962"; black and

brown.

The stamps are designed by the following artists: Jan Černý (1, 4, and 5) and Anna Podzemná (2, 3, and 6).

The engraving was done by: Ladislav Mráček (1 and 6), Jiří Švengsbír (2 and 4), Bedřich Housa (3), and Ladislav Jirka (5).

All the six stamps have been printed by rotary recess print combined with photogravure by the Post Printing Office in Prague. The size of the stamp picture is 23x41 mm.

Two First Day Covers were issued for this series, designed by A. Podzemná and J. Černý and engraved by J. Goldschmied.

One First Day Cover has the 30 h, 1 Kčs and 1.20 Kčs stamps, the other, 40h, 60h, and 1.60 Kčs.

The stamps are valid for both internal and international postal use from February 5, 1962, until further notice.

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#### POSTMASTER GENERAL DAY TO BE SPEAKER AT COMPEX BANQUET

Mr. J. Edward Day, Postmaster General, an honorary member of COMPEX (Combined Philatelic Exposition of Chicagoland) has accepted an invitation to be the guest speaker at the fifth annual banquet, Friday, May 25, 1962, at the Hotel La Salle. In a letter dated February 28th to Dr. James J. Matejka, Jr., president of COMPEX, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General, James F. Kelleher stated that Mr. Day shall view the 1,000 frame exhibition on Friday afternoon and would be very happy to be the guest of honor at the banquet that evening.

Mr. Day shall, in the near future, be in the Far East attending a conference where he shall have an opportunity to look at their stamp work first hand. This in turn suggests that perhaps Mr. Day's speech at COMPEX would discuss some aspects of other country's stamp production including what is to be seen in the Far East as well as the cooperation on the part of the United Nations in their work with this country's stamp production.

It should be remembered that the COMPEX 62 theme is TOWARD UNITED NATIONS and that many of the societies that make up COMPEX will have special exhibits pertaining to the United Nations.

There are still available tickets for the dinner-dance at \$6.00 per person and a few bourse tables for sale. This is truly an exhibition not to be missed as it is shaping up as America's finest philatelic event. Details available by writing COMPEX, 216 Hotel La Salle, Chicago 2, Illinois.

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