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Dear Friends,

As you will see this is the first of our two sheet newsletters, which I hope to be able to produce every other issue. To the response from a few members I am trying a mini Postal Auction, and if this proves successful we can continue with this on a regular basis with each newsletter or if there is sufficient material perhaps run a larger one, two or three times a year. I would like to hear your views on this venture. You will also find the first stage of our correlation of the catalogues, and this will continue with each newsletter for all the early issues.

By the time you receive this Christmas will almost be upon us, and I would like to take the opportunity of wishing you a very happy Christmas and good collecting for the New Year.

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the following new members who have joined us recently:-
Mr. John White, The Stamp Studio, 1586, Piedmont Av., Atlanta Georgia 30324, U.S.A.
Mr. Arthur Neu, 207th St. and Broadway, New York NY 10034 U.S.A.
Mr. Thomas Urban, D-465 Gelsenkirchen, Nattmannsweg 10, West Germany.
Mr. O.R. Sanford Jr., P.O. Box 22366, San Francisco, Cal. 94122, U.S.A.

Change of Address:

Dr. Frank E. Vignola, 1830, Garfield, Eugene, Oregon 97405 U.S.A.

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Dr. Wolfgang Hellrigl would like the following information on simple die cards of the 1907 Pashupati issue:-

a) Denomination b) Colour c) size of card. d) Whether printed on paper, card, glazed card etc.

Mr. P. Haubner, Zobelsrenther Strasse 27, D.8670 Hof/Sanle, West Germany would like to know if anyone has any information on the 10 paise stamps from Sikkim. He has a block of four in a brownish-orange colour similar to those reported by Dennis Way (Stamp Collecting 10.8.1951). The size is 25 mm. x 30 mm.

NEW SETTINGS OF THE 1 ANNA

The following two settings have recently been reported:-

- a) Sheet with cliches 13,23,51,61,64 inverted.
- b) Large block with cliches 47,52,64, inverted.

If any other member has these settings would you please let our Classic Issue co-ordinator know.

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SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES

U.S.A. : Mr. Frank Vignola, 105, 22nd Av., San Francisco, Cal. 94121.
INDIA : Mr. C. Tulsiyan P.O. Siswa Bazar, Distt, Gorakhpur U.P.
NEPAL : Mr. Dhruva Rudra, P.O. Box 80, Gana Bahal, Kathmandu

COURT FEE STAMPS

Court Fee stamps are used in Government Offices for various fiscal purposes, and are quite difficult to obtain, as the documents to which they are affixed are filed in the Government archives for future reference.

The first recorded Court Fee stamp was in Morley's Philatelic Journal in January 1906. The size of the stamp is about 28 mm. x 40 mm. and the inscription round the circular centre design reads:- "Garakhkal - Nepal". In the centre of the circle is the Royal Head-dress of Nepal and the value tablet across the bottom of the stamp is 'One Rupee'. It was printed imperf. on laid paper and the same stamp is recorded by W.L. Adgey Edgar in the Weekly Philatelic Gossip in April 1959 as being offered to him for £950. as the "Cavalry Mail Stamp."

The later types were said to have been first issued around 1922 and the central design is similar to that of the Pashupati stamps. The size is 56mm x 35 mm. They are usually impressed by a six pointed star handstamp, in Red. Cancellations are made by pen, coloured handstamps, punch or by a combination of these three methods.

LIST OF REVENUE OR COURT FEE STAMPS SINCE 1922

1 pice black on white paper	6 Rupee Orange on Blue Paper
2 pice " " "	7 " " " "
4 pice " " "	7 " " " White "
8 pice " " "	8 " " " " "
25 " " " "	8 " " " Blue "
50 " " " "	9 " " " " "
75 " " " "	9 " " " White "
1 Rupee " Blue "	10 " " " " "
1 " Orange " "	10 " " " Blue "
2 " Black " "	15 " Dull blue on White "
2 " Orange " "	15 " Bright blue " "
3 " Black " "	20 " Green on white paper
4 " Orange " "	25 " Red on white paper
4 " Black " White "	25 " Red on blue paper
5 " " " " "	
5 " " " Blue "	
6 " " " White "	

The following values are thought to exist but I have no details so far:-
7p., 10p., 12p., 30 R., 50 R., 100 R.

STUDY GROUPS

The following members will be acting as co-ordinator of the Study groups, and I would ask any members if you have information you think might be of interest, then write to the co-ordinator of that particular section.

CO-ORDINATORS FOR STUDY GROUPS

Classic Issues	...	Wolfgang Hellrigl + Frank Vignola
Pashupati Issues	...	Lester Michel and Colin Hepper.
Modern Issues	...	B.L. Richards
Postal Stationery	...	Armand Singer
Forgeries	...	Wolfgang Hellrigl
P.H. Pre-1949	...	Wolfgang Hellrigl
Postal History after 1949	...	Colin Hepper
India Used in Nepal	...	No offers yet. Any volunteers????
Seals	...	Michael Zolno

NOTE

REMEMBER FOR THOSE OF YOU WHOM IT CONCERNS SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE ON 1ST JANUARY 1978 £1.50 for 1 year, £4.00 for 3 years and THESE CAN BE PAID TO OUR SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES.

ITEMS FOR SALE

One or two members have asked if they can offer material for sale through the newsletter. I am prepared to give this a try but have suggested that it might be better to auction them rather than have more than one offer for the same item particularly as some members are longer getting the newsletters delivered than others.

For an auction we must have a few basic rules i.e.

- i. Each lot will go to the highest bidder, and for more than one equal bid the lot will go to the first one received.
- ii Purchaser to pay Society plus postage when in receipt of lot from successful bid.
- iii Vendor to pay 10% of sale price to Society funds.
- iv. Lots making less than two thirds of the estimated value will be withdrawn.
- v. Bids will be in the following stages:-

Up to £1.	steps of 10 pence
£1. to £5	steps of 20 pence
£5. to £10.	steps of 25 pence
over £10.	steps of 50 pence

LOTS FOR SALE	Bids to reach me by:	31st January 1978	ESTIMATE
1. 1886	1 anna Blue (SG.7) mint	Good margins imperf.	£3.
2. 1886	4 anna Green (SG.9) mint	3 good margins 1 close cut.	£3.
3. 1886	1a,2a,4a, used.	Good margins	£4
4. 1935	8p. Red (SG53) mint	Full perfs.	£15.
5. 1920	Reg. Cover	Cancelled Pokhara very fine strike.	£3.
6. 1924	Reg. Cover	Cancelled Baglung.Stamps also tied with sender's seal.	£3.
7. 1926	Reg. Cover	Cancelled Jumla. Transit mark of DOTI	£3.
8. 1933	Reg. Cover	Postmarked Kailali with 6 x 4p. stamps (SG44)	£2.
9. Block 12 x 16p. (SG 54)		Both blocks still on Telegraph form	£3. the two.
10. Letter with early type Royal Seal - clear strike.			£4.

If this venture proves successful we can run some more with later newsletters.

SAN FRANCISCO 1979

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Looking ahead to arranging future meetings of our circle in 1979 our U.S.A. Representative Mr. Frank Vignola has agreed to arrange a Study Circle Meeting in San Francisco around the end of APRIL 1979. This will co-incide with the 'National' WESTPEX 79 Exhibition. Helping to arrange this affair will be Al Zulueta, Roger Skinner and Mr. O.R. Sanford. Will keep you informed of arrangements in later newsletter.

Details will be in the next newsletter of the meeting in France MAY 1978

~~~~~ ADVERTISEMENT ~~~~~  
FOR NEPALESE STAMPS MINT OR USED, F.D.C's AND SPECIAL POSTMARKS CONTACT:
Bishnu Lal Shrestha, P.O. Box 193, Kathmandu, Nepal
(Registered mail requested for safe delivery.)
Has anyone any information on the postmarks associated with the Gurkha Emergency Force on duty with the U.N. in the Middle East 1973/4. If so please contact : MR. J.L. EMMENEGGAR, P.O.BOX 1318, CH-4001, BASEL, SWITZERLAND.
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# CORRELATION OF CATALOGUE NUMBERS

## 1881 ISSUE ON WHITE EUROPEAN PAPER

<u>IMPERFORATE</u>	<u>George Alevisos</u>	<u>Scotts</u>	<u>Stanley Gibbons</u>	<u>Yvert Tellier</u>	<u>Michel</u>
1 anna ultramarine.	4	}	}	}	1a/B.
1 anna Deep Dull Blue.	4a				1b/B
1 anna Milky Blue	4b				1c/B
2 annas Purple	5	5	2	-	
2 annas Violet	5b	-	-	2	2/B
2 annas tete beche	5a	5a	2a	2a	2a/B
4 annas Yellow Green	6	}	3	}	}
4 annas Deep Green	6a		-		
4 annas Pale Green	6b		-		

## PIN PERFORATED

1 anna ultramarine	1	1	}	}	1a/A
1 anna Milky Blue	1a	-			1c/A
2 anna Purple	2	2	5	5	2/A
2 anna Tete Beche	2a	2a	5a	5a	2a/A
4 anna Yellow Green	3	}	6	}	}
4 anna Deep Green	3a		-		