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Dear Friends,

We have some good news to report on our first publication "The Native Postmarks of Nepal", which won the India Study Circle's 'Martin Memorial' competition for the best literary publication during the last year. The highest award for literature at the British Philatelic Exhibition in London in October was a Silver Medal, which was also awarded to our book. With our next issue in January I hope to be able to include a full listing of our members, as the previous one issued is getting rather out of date now.

There seems to have been a little confusion with some of our members with the listings of our library items and the Bibliography by Wolfgang Hellrigl published by George Alevizos. To avoid any misunderstanding I would like to underline to members, we are not in competition - one is a list that Pierre holds in the library and Wolfgang's listing is of all known items, and I would hope that all members would purchase this excellent booklet. The reference numbers given in the booklet can also be used when ordering photo-copies from Pierre.

As this will be the last newsletter before Christmas, I would like to wish all of you and your families a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

NEW MEMBERS

S. Sgt. M.D.Fisher, 1010 Country Court, Clarkson, Washington 99403 U.S.A.
J.J.Bonang Jr. P.O. Box 1172 Hawthorne, Calif. 90250, U.S.A.
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MEMBER RE-JOINED:

N.D. Shrestha, Nepal

MEMBER RESIGNED:

R. Richardson, England

CORRECTION

In the article on the Silver Jubilee of the first ascent of Mt. Everest in Newsletter No. 11, item No. 6 the sales figures should have read as follows:-
Sales at Nepal Philatelic Bureau R.124,878, G.P.O. R, 18,614, Kaske P.O. R. 1,062 and Namche Bazar R1,632
Total sales: Rs.146,126. Foreign Exchange U.S.\$ 34,671, Overall total sales: Rs. 800,000.

CO-ORDINATOR FOR MODERN ISSUES

Please note that Mr. D.W. Hatch RT3 8, Pheasant Run, Cortland NY 13045 has taken

SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES:

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

over from Mr. B, Richards for this position.

NEW ISSUES

There has been a change in the new issues programme for this year. Issues for the remainder of the year are as follows:-

15th September - Visit Nepal Series

Trisuli River	RO.10
Daesaemaru Window	0.50
Mahakali Dana	1.00

31st. October - Fruit Series

Three values	R.05, .50., 1.00
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10th. December - Human Rights Day

17th December - 75th Anniversary of the 1st. Engine-powered flight R.2.30

28th December (a) 34th Birthday of H.M. King Birendra	RO.05
(b) A Modern painting	0.30
(c) A traditional painting.	2.00

SAN FRANCISCO 1979

Our next Circle meeting will be held in San Francisco on 27th, 28th, 29th April 1979, during the Westpex '79 Exhibition. The provisional programme will include the following:-

Fred de Ridder will speak and show some of his collection of Tibet. Colin Hepper will do the same with Nepal registered mail, and The Westpex Court of Honour will consist of 120 pages of Frank Vignola's Native Postmarks and Obliterations of Nepal - Classic Period. There will also be some time devoted for a general discussion on the Circle activities. Actual dates and times will be available nearer the time, and I hope that as many of our U.S.A. members as possible will be able to attend. I seem to write to most of you at some time or another during the year, and I look forward to being able to meet you all.

LONDON INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION (6-14th May) 1980

I have sent some literature on the above Exhibition to those of our members who I know are keen exhibitors, but if any member requires information the address to write to is: London 1980, P.O. Box 300, Danes Inn House (4th Floor), 265 Strand, London W.C. 2 R 1 AF

I know it seems a long way ahead, but I am already making provisional arrangements for our annual Study Circle meeting during this Exhibition, so don't forget, and get the date down in your diary.

WHAT COLOUR IS A STAMP?

This problem of being able to give an accurate and universal colour to a stamp has been around for many years, and we have been investigating the possibility of using a colour guide to identify Nepal and Tibet Stamps. A book which I feel fits both a good colour range and is a price that all members can afford is "The Color Handbook" and this can be purchased from Collectors Institute Ltd., 10817 Prairie Brook Road, Omaha, Newbraska 68144, U.S.A. The price is U.S.\$ 5.95. In all future auctions when describing the early stamps I will also use the colour code from this book, so members will have a reference book to know exactly what the shade is i.e. 4a green would be 4a green (code 70.0.50.0)

NEWS FROM NEPAL

Post Office Building Built

Dhangadi, July 25

An additional Post Office building has been constructed at Pandaun village panchayat in Kailali district with local voluntary labour and assistance, reports RSS. Seventy local people contributed voluntary labour for the construction of the building constructed at a cost of 21,000 rupees.

Colin Hepper

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CORRELATION OF CATALOGUES

1902 - 07 1 Anna Recut Frame - Native Paper - Imperf

	<u>G. Alevizos.</u>	<u>Scott</u>	<u>Stanley Gibbons</u>	<u>Michel</u>	<u>Yvert.</u>
Blue	22	23	28	-	14A
T/B Pair	22a	23a	28a	-	14Aa
Grey Blue	22b	-	-	-	-
T/B Pair	22ba	-	-	-	-
Indigo	22c	-	-	16Bb	-
T/B Pair	22ca	-	-	16BbK	-
Ultramarine	-	-	29	16Bc	-
T/B Pair	-	-	29a	16BaK	-
Light Blue	-	-	-	16Ba	-
T/B Pair	-	-	-	16BaK	-
Pale Green	22d	-	-	16Bd	-
T/B Pair	22da	-	-	16BdK	-
Green (1917-18)	22e	17b	42b	16BF	-
<u>PIN PERF</u>					
Blue	-	-	-	-	14B
T/B Pair	-	-	-	-	14Ba
Bright Blue	-	24	30	-	-
T/B Pair	-	24a	30a	-	-
Ultra Marine	-	-	31	16Ac	-
T/B Pair	-	-	31a	16AcK	-
Indigo	-	-	-	16Ab	-
T/B Pair	-	-	-	16AbK	-
Ligh Blue	-	-	-	16Aa	-
T/B Pair	-	-	-	16AaK	-
Green	-	-	-	16AF	-

WHITE WOVEN PAPER IMPERF

Blue	23	23	32	15B	-
T/B Pair	23a	23a	32a	15BK	-

PIN PERF.

Blue	-	-	33	15A	-
T/B Pair	-	-	33a	15AK	-

George Alevizos does not list any pin perforated stamps for this issue, but states that all the stamps listed are known pin perforated.

PRICES REALISED FOR AUCTION NO. 4

Lot 35 - £4.80 Lot 43 - £8.50 Lot 46 - £5.20

Lot 41 - £2.00 Lot 45 - £6.20 Lot 49 - £2.50

Remaining lots unsold. Lot 50 - £1.00

Rules:-

1. Each lot will go to the highest bidder, and for more than one equal bid the lot will go to the first one received.
2. Purchaser to pay Society plus postage when in receipt of lot from successful bid.
3. Vendor to pay 10% of sale price to Society funds.
4. Lots making less than $\frac{2}{3}$ of the estimated value will be withdrawn.
5. 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.
Bids to reach me by 16th December 1978

<u>Lot No.</u>		<u>Estimate</u>
79	India Postal Stationery covers from India to Nepal 1890 to 1925 (17 items)	£8.
80	Cover from Japan to Nepal 1937) Cover from India to Nepal 1933) two items.....	£1.
81	10 Different mint Postal Stationery items from Nepal including Reply Postcards.	£5.
82	Rs.1.25p. Mint Aerogramme with double print	£5.
83	Cover with late printing of 2p. local printed Pashupati stamp imperf. at bottom.	£2.
84	Official cover with service stamps and 2p stamp with 'KAJ SARKARI' OVPT. rather 'tatty'	£1.
85	8 Different F.D.C's of Nepal 1964-67	£2.
86	A 'tatty' Part Cover from India to Nepal with clear postmarks including the NFPAL receiving Postmark 1896.....	£2.
87	4 Different Aerogrammes used 3 Diff P.S. Envelopes used	£4.
88	3 different Native Paper Postal Stationery items used 1935 issue.	£10.
89	An Official Telegram Form with service stamps Pen cancelled 1960	£4.
90	Cover from India to Nepal with Postage Due Strike 1884...	£5
91	Two 'Philatelic' covers with German Manaslu Expedition cancellations.	£2.
92	Two items - one modern cover, one reply card with postage due cachets of Biratnagar	£2.
93	Three covers (Philatelic) with Special postmarks 1977 ...	£2.
94	1919 Cover from India to Tibet with 'GYANTSE.TIBET.SILIGURI BASE' Receiving P.M. stained.	£2.50
95	Chinese P.S. Envelope used in Tibet to Nepal and Chinese cover 1956 with YATUNG Pmk. 1956.	£5.
96	2p Error Green (SG 57 b) Mint block 4	£1.50
97	8p Stationery Envelope (HG 3) Nepal to Tibet Pharjong Transit P.M. November 1940	£5.
98	8p. Stationery Envelope (HG 3) with 2p. stamp added (SG 51) Nepal to Tibet Pharjong transit P.M.	£5
99	Nepal:SG 35 x 9, SG 35 x 1 on piece telegraph form cancelled Chisapani	£1
100	Nepal SG 35 x 37, SG 34 x 1 on part telegraph form cancelled Chisapani	£3.
101	Nepal: Court fee document with SG 60 x 3, SG 66 x 3, SG 58 x 1 pen-cancelled.	£4.
102	Nepal: Court fee document with SG 63 x 14, SG 70 x 2, SG 57 x 1 - pen -cancelled with small seal.....	£5.
103	As above Sg 50, SG 114 Sg 113 x2 pen cancelled.....	£5
104	As above with SG 72, S.G.66, SG 64 x 2, SG 61 x2 8 Rupee Court Fee stamp x 2 2 R. Court Fee stamp	£8