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A U.S. POST OFFICE AT POLPEX 1964

For the first time at a Polpex, there will be a post office station. The U.S. Post Office Department will also provide a special cancellation on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Polonus Philatelic Society and its Jubilee Exhibition, POLPEX 1964 on February 28, 29 and March 1, 1964 at the Andrew House, 2441 W. Division Street in Chicago.

Since we are attempting to make this our largest show ever, advance planning is required. Instead of the usual 144 frames, our goal is for 200 frames this year. In previous years exhibitors were allowed a maximum of two exhibits and up to 6 frames per exhibit. For POLPEX 1964 exhibitors will be allowed a maximum of two exhibits and up to 8 frames per exhibit. We appeal to every member, to those outside of Chicago, and especially to those in other countries to exhibit at the show.

POLPEX SOUVENIR SHEET DESIGN CONTEST

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The theme of the souvenir sheet shall be the 25th Anniversary of the Polonus Philatelic Society.

2. Any Polonus member in good standing may participate.

3. The design must be submitted on a sheet not smaller than 8½" x 11". Name and address of the designer should appear on the reverse side.

4. The design should be in the hands of the Contest Committee not later than October 31, 1963. Send your design to Chester Schafer, 864 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60622.

5. A panel of three members not par-

Because it is our Silver Jubilee, we hope to have a large amount of articles appearing in the Philatelic Press, in Polish publications as well as our own souvenir program catalog. We want to spread Polish Philately far and wide and stimulate as much interest as possible in our coming POLPEX 1964. Plan your articles now! Let us know what you will write about. Contact your editor.

It is a custom at every Polpex to hold a Beeba. For this 1964 show we will have a Banquet with catering provided by the Ted S. Przybylo Caterers of The Andrew House.

With this issue of the Polonus Bulletin we enclose a reply card. Kindly fill in the necessary information and mail it out promptly. By making this preliminary survey, we will better be able to put on a successful Polpex.

Participating in the contest will serve as contest judges.

6. The Polpex Committee reserves the right to modify the winning design to meet production requirements.

7. All submitted designs will become the property of the Polonus Philatelic Society.

AWARDS

1st Prize—A copy of Poland No. 1.

2nd Prize—A set of Poland First Day Covers (of a desirable issue).

3rd Prize—\$5.00 in trade from dealer Roman Reinowski.

4th Prize—\$5.00 in trade from dealer Roman Burkiewicz.

NEW ISSUES
by J. J. Domar

The first World's Fencing Championship games were held in Athens as part of the Olympic Games in 1896 and comprised of only two individual competitions, i.e. foil and light sabre fencing of men. Gravelotte (France) in foil and Giorgiades (Greece) in light sabre were the first world masters as well as Olympic champions.

From 1896 to 1936 World's Fencing Championship matches were held every four years as part of the Olympic Games, since 1936 they are held annually and during the year of the Olympics.

Specific kinds of Fencing Championships were gradually introduced to the championship program, so it was not until 1937 that the eight competitions took place in the Tenth World Championship matches in Paris. The classes were as follows:

- Individual foil fencing of men
- Team foil fencing of men
- Individual foil fencing of women
- Team foil fencing of women
- Individual e'pee fencing

- Team e'pee fencing
- Individual light sabre fencing
- Team light sabre fencing

Poland competed for the first time in the Sixth World Championship games held with the Olympic Games of 1924 in Paris. The first award Poland received was a bronze medal by the light sabre team in the Seventh World's Championship matches held at Amsterdam in 1928.

In these competitions Poland has won the title of World Master of fencing five times:

- Light sabre Paris, 1957
- Light sabre Budapest, 1959
- Team light sabre, and
- Individual foil of men Turin, 1961
- Team light sabre Buenos Aires, 1962

This year for the first time Poland was the host to the 28th World Championship matches held in Gdańsk from the 15th to the 28th of July. All eight classes were competed for by representatives from 32 countries.

To honor this occasion a set of six stamps were issued by Poland — designed by Krystyna Tarkowska.

The 20 gr. — a helmet with crest on a background of fencing swords — a foil, e'pee and light sabre.

40 gr. — Contemporary champions fencing with light sabres on a background of medieval knights fighting on horseback.

60 gr. — Two competitors fencing with light sabres on a background of dismounted dragoons in a man-to-man struggle.

1.15 zł. — Two competitors fencing with foils on a background of a foil duel in the second half of the 18th century.

1.55 zł. — Duel with e'pee on a background of the Old Mill on the Danzig.

6.50 zł. — Two lions holding the Gdańsk coat of arms and the inscription above them "The 28th Fencing World Championship — Gdańsk 15-28-VII-1963."

The emblem of the Polish Fencing Union is in the right upper corner of each stamp.

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B. Powell		45/Jul. 46/—
forgeries — H. Stallberg		100/Nov. 51/1
2nd issue — V. Rachmanov		122/Jul. 54/3
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1919 1k. green imperf. between (121-132) — F. Jankowski		31/Apr. 45/—
1919 National Assembly (133-39) — V. Domanski Jr.		13/Sep. 43/—
15f. paper variety — J. J. Domar		130/Jul. 55/4
1920 3m. on 40f. surcharge (153) — F. Jankowski		42/Apr. 46/—
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W. Szymlek		181/Jun. 60/4
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of 20. Quantities issued:

20 gr. 3 million 1.15 zł. 3 million
40 gr. 4 million 1.55 zł. 2 million
60 gr. 4 million 6.50 zł. 750,000

Also 6,500 souvenir sheets will be issued containing the 40 gr., 60 gr., 1.15 zł., and 1.55 zł. denominations.

Size of stamps 39.5 x 31.25 mm.

First Day of Issue: June 29, 1963.

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To commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Polish Peoples Army (14-V-1963) eight commemorative stamps are to be issued on October 1st.

The first regular unit of the Polish Armed Forces formed in the U.S.S.R. was called Tadeusz Kosciuszko's First Infantry Division.

All of the designs of each value are on a background of a white eagle: the 20 gr., missile; 40 gr., man-of-war; 60 gr., fighter plane; 1.15 zł. a radar device; 1.35 zł., tank; 1.55 zł., rocket on a creeper; 2.50 zł., amphibious car; 3 zł., two swords and two heads of a medieval warrior and of a modern soldier symbolizing the Polish Millennium.

To be printed by multicolor offset, on a chalky paper, in sheets of 20 and in the following quantities:

20, 40 and 60 gr. — 4 million each
1.15, 1.35 and 2.50 zł. — 2 million each
1.55 and 2.50 zł. — 1 million
3 zł. — 950 thousand.

The size of the stamp is 39.5 mm. x 25 mm. Design by Ryszard Dudzicki.

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To commemorate the twin space flight of June 16-19, 1963, a set of 3 stamps were issued August 26th, 1963. They were designed by Tadeusz Michaluk and printed by multicolor offset.

The 40 gr. value reflects the portrait of Spaceman V. F. Bykovsky and a rocket in flight with the inscription, "W. F. Bykovsky, 119 hours in space, June 14-19, 1963."

The 60 gr. value depicts the woman

cosmonaut, V. V. Tereshkova and a rocket in flight with the inscription "V. V. Tereshkova — the first woman in space, 16th—19th June 1963.

The 6.50 zł. value shows the flight of the two rockets on round-the-earth orbits with the inscription: "Second Turin, Space Flight, 16th—19th June, 1963".

Amounts issued: 40 and 60 gr. 5 million each. The 6.50 zł., 900,000.

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On September 16th Poland was to issue a set of 6 stamps and a Souvenir Sheet to commemorate the Mens Thirteenth European Basketball Championships to be held in Wroclaw from 4th to 13th October, 1963. Sixteen European Countries are to participate.

The designs on the stamps show outlines of players and hands showing the ball in successive phases of play, beginning with passing and last with shooting the ball into the basket.

The miniature sheet with a face value of 10 zł. + 5 shows the Wroclaw coat of arms and the outlines of Town Hall and the Peoples Hall — The +5 rate is to be used for the Polish Philatelic Federation.

The inscription informs about the European Sports Stamp Exhibition taking place in Wroclaw during the Basketball Championships. The designs are by Tadeusz Michaluk, printed by multicolored offset, on chalky paper and perforated.

Amounts issued:

40 and 60 gr. — 4 million
50 and 90 gr. — 3 million
2.50 zł. — 1.5 million
5.60 zł. and 10 zł. — 750,000.

—Ruch, J. Bieniecki

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