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A COPERNICUS U. S. STAMP ISSUE IN 1973?

The Polonus Philatelic Society has been approached by the Polish American Congress for aid in their campaign to have a United States Commemorative stamp issued in 1973 on the 500th anniversary of the birth of Nicolaus Copernicus. Their national President, Aloysius Mazewski, spoke to your Polonus president asking for assistance in this drive.

The matter was brought up at the August 14th Polonus meeting held at the Sherman House during the Polish American Congress Convention. A Polonus meeting was held here as several members participated in the philatelic exhibition held in connection with the convention. Members met here to view the exhibition and then gathered in a conference room for a business meeting.

The membership was overwhelmingly in favor of assisting the Polish American Congress in the stamp drive. Suggestions were made to prepare a petition and have copies printed, distributed to the members who would solicit signatures and then send them to the Postmaster General in Washington, D.C.

To further acquaint us with their campaign, our member Napoleon Zbyszewski, who is also chairman of the Polish American Congress Philatelic Committee, invited Aloysius Mazewski along with the Illinois Division president, Dr. Edward Rozanski, to attend a Polonus meeting and speak

on this matter. Coincidentally, both Mr. Mazewski and Dr. Rozanski happen to be members of Polonus.

As a result, your officers decided to devote the Friday, September 25th program meeting to these speakers. The meeting will get under way at 8:00 p.m. sharp at the Bagatela Club Hall, 1122 N. Milwaukee Avenue. A Beeba will follow the meeting.

POLISH AMERICAN CONGRESS PHILATELIC EXHIBITION

The first philatelic exhibition ever to be held in conjunction with the Polish American Congress was a huge success according to its chairman, Napoleon Zbyszewski. It took place at the Sherman House in Chicago, during their convention held August 14th thru 16th.

Polonus members were invited to participate, and shown was the collection "Copernicus and the Space Age" by Zdzislaw Wagrowski, "Polish Fieldpost Postal History" by Walenty Poniecki, and "U.S. Kosciuszko and Pulaski Issues" by Chester Schaffer. Interesting Apollo II covers and historical material was prepared and shown by Napoleon Zbyszewski.

Delegates attending the convention from different parts of the country were pleasantly surprised with this exhibition and the crowd of viewers and activity around the bourse table were great.

Polish Anthropologist Professor Malinowski Shown On New Issue Of Papua and New Guinea

On August 19, 1970 Papua and New Guinea issued a set of four stamps honoring the advancement of science in conjunction with the Science Congress being held at that time. The 10c value of this series features one of the foremost exponents in the development of modern social anthropology, Bronislaw Kaspar Malinowski, who was born in Cracow, Poland on April 7, 1884.



His interest in Sir James Frazer's "The Golden Bough" led him to study this branch of Science at the University of Cracow and there he received his Ph.D. in 1908. He later studied at Leipzig University and the London School of Economics, where he successively became Lecturer, Reader, and from 1927-42 held the Chair as first Professor of Social Anthropology.

In 1914, while in Australia attending the British Association's Congress for the Advancement of Science as a guest of the Commonwealth Government, the outbreak of World War I occurred. Because of his Austrian-Polish nationality, he was in danger of being interned, however it was arranged by the authorities that he should be permitted to spend the war years in the then British Protectorate of Papua.

During the next four years (1914-18) he was able to study Melanesian society at close hand, firstly in the Trobriand Islands and later in North West Melanesia. As a result, his ap-

proach to field work began to break away from the accepted formula of obtaining information by the second-hand means of questioning "informants" for "he preferred to watch the everyday life of the people for himself." This unique innovation in field research was embodied in the first of his great works the "Argonauts of the Western Pacific" which was published in 1922.

As a detailed study of the Trobriand Islanders it not only became a recognized classic in the history of social anthropology, but paved the way for the implementation of revolutionary methods in field research. In it his functionalist approach to Melanesian history, whereby "primitive man" became "a vital living creature" and his society "an organic unity of which every part had its function" gained for a world wide reputation as a pioneer of modern anthropology.

Successive books on Melanesian society, including his last great published work "Coral Gardens and their Magic" again implemented these concepts, but were more related to specific aspects and theoretical problems associated with their remarkable culture.

Through his published works, papers and teachings he also breathed new life into the field of Applied Anthropology, for his concepts were remarkable for their universality. He never forgot the importance of the individual in relation to his environment nor the fact that for a human culture to survive it must be based on certain recognized values. These ideas, which inspired both scholars, psychologists and administrators of his day, ultimately led to a more enlightened approach by the British Colonial Administration towards the indigenous peoples of Africa and Asia.

From 1939, until his untimely death at New Haven, Connecticut, on May 16, 1942, Professor Malinowski was visiting Professor of Anthropology at Yale University.

We are grateful to member T.W. Kuzma of Melbourne, Australia for supplying us with the preceding article.

FROM CANADA

The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada held its 42nd annual show and convention in Winnipeg, Manitoba, June 24-27. Our Polonus member, Dr. Miet Kamienski of Scarborough, Canada won the following awards:

Gold medal—Selected covers, fore-runners of Independent Poland's first original adhesive of 1919.

Silver medal—Krakow Overprints.

Silver medal—Western Ukrainian National Republic 1918-1919.

The next meeting of the Polish Stamp Group of Toronto will be held on October 4th at the home of Wacław Gruszczyk. The subject to be discussed — PORT GDANSK.

Most of those attending these meetings are Polonus members.



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NEW ISSUES

Victory Over Fascism and Union With the Mother Country

To commemorate the 25th anniversaries of victory over Hitler's facism and the union with the mother country, two stamps, each of 60 gr. face value were issued on May 9, 1970. One value shows Polish and Russian soldiers in front of the Gate of Brandenburg, and the other shows a flower with the Piast eagle in the center, and the coat of arms of seven towns united with the mother country.

The first value was offset printed in sheets of 30 on common paper. Designed by A. Heidrich. The second value was offset and letterpress printed in sheets of 40 on common paper. Designed by K. Rogaczewska. Both values were printed by P.W.P.W. at Warsaw in quantities of 6,000,000 copies each.

Tourism — On The Piast Route

On May 9, 1970 five stamps were issued showing fragments of towns which were united with the mother country and which possess historical monuments as evidence of the Polish origin of those territories. All are of 60 gr. value and show:

Wrocław—Town Hall built in 13th-15th century.

Opołe—a panoramic view of the town with the tower of the Piast Castle, the cathedral and other churches.

Legnica—the castle of the Legnica Piast duchy.

Bolków—Castle Tower.

Brzeg—Town Hall

Offset printed by P.W.P.W., Warsaw on chalky paper in sheets of 15 stamps and 15 tabs. Designed by A. Heidrich. Quantity issued: 8, 000,000 of each.

Peasant Movement

Issued on May 15, 1970 on the 75th anniversary of the Peasants' Party. The 60 gr. value shows their symbol, a green flag with the inscrip-

tion "Land, rule and education for the country people." Offset printed by P.W.P.W. at Warsaw on chalky paper in sheets of 20. Designed by K. Syta. Quantity issued: 6,000,000.

New U.P.U. Headquarters

Issuer May 20, 1970 on the occasion of the opening of new Universal Postal Union headquarters in Bern. The 2.50 zł. stamp shows the new building and emblem of the U.P.U. Offset printed by P.W.P.W. at Warsaw on chalky paper in sheets of 30 stamps. Designed by H. Chylinski. Quantity printed: 2,500,000.

Plock Science Society

On the 150th anniversary of the Plock Science Society a 60 gr. value was issued on June 3, 1970. It shows the torch of learning on a hand with fingers suggesting to be the distilling columns of the large petrochemical works in Plock.

Offset printed by P.W.P.W., Warsaw on chalky paper in sheets of 30. Designed by H. Chylinski. Quantity issued: 6,500,000.

Nicolaus Copernicus

On June 26, 1970 a set of three stamps were issued which are a continuation of the series commemorating the 500th anniversary of his birth which occurs in 1973. The issue shows his autograph on each stamp and the panoramas of towns after the illustrations of the "World Chronicle" by Schedel published in 1493.

40 gr.—a portrait of Copernicus taken from a miniature by M. Bacciarelli, a panoramic view of Bologna and the dates of his stay in that town, 1496 to 1501. 6,500,000 issued.

60 gr.—a portrait of Copernicus from a miniature by W. Lesueur, a panoramic view of Padua and the years he spent there 1501-1503. 6,500,000 issued.

2.50 zł.—a portrait by Zinck Nora, a panoramic view of Ferrara

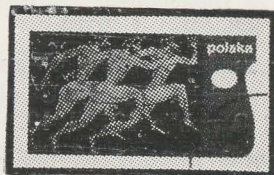
and the year he was there, 1503. 3,000,000 issued.

Stell engraved, letterpress and rotogravure printed by P.W.P.W. at Warsaw in sheets of 50 stamps on common paper. Designed by H. Matuszewska.

International Olympic Academy

Issued on June 16, 1970 in connection with the 10th Session of the International Olympic Academy scheduled to meet in August, 1970. Three stamps make up the set, each of 60 gr. face value, and a souvenir sheet of 10 zł. + 5 zł. face value with the surtax for the Polish Olympic Games Committee. The stamps show:

Runners: a reproduction of a drawing from a Greek vase.



Arche: a reproduction of a drawing by W. Skoczylas.



National Cross Country Race: A modern composition by Fr. Winiarski.



(Cuts courtesy Linn's Stamp News)

The souvenir sheet reproduces the "Olympic Laurel", the badge of the committee, and the stamp in the sheet shows the central portion of a vignette showing the "Horse of Glory" starting off at a run, designed by artist Z. Kaminski in 1928.

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140-48	.40	267	.30	B15-25	25.00
149-52	.10	268-74	4.00	B26-27	1.25
156-62	.60	275	1.50	B28	1.50
163-69	.25	277	3.00	B32-34	.40
170-90	.85	278	2.50	C1-9	3.50
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