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January meeting. Attending at the Western Philatelic Library in Sunnyvale, CA were: Franklin Ennik, HansPaul Hager, Hans Kremer, Burt Miller, Paul Swierstra and Fred Van der Heyden.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Our Annual holiday dinner held at Uncle Yu's Restaurant, in San Ramon, CA was a grand success and enjoyed by all who attended. The food and ambiance were outstanding and an atmosphere of *gezelligheid* prevailed. We were very pleased that Eve Heimans and Claire Vandenberg could also join us.

AROUND THE TABLE

Hans Kremer passed around a 1935 brochure, sent to him by our member Saburo Masuyama, that describes a Trans-Siberian Railroad schedule from Berlin to Peking, China; a recent six-stamp kinderzegel souvenir sheet honoring the children of Prince Willem-Alexander: Amalia, Alexia and Ariane; a new, 2012 edition of the *Luchtpost Catalogus van Nederlandse en Overzeese Rijksdelen* published by the Nederlandse Vereniging van Aero-Philatelisten, *De Vliegende Hollander*; and a 3 cent postal card mailed 3 november 1919, sent from Eersel (NBr.) to Geldrop. The sender added a 3 cent Wilhelmina cut from a briefkaart hoping to cover the new 5 cent briefkaart rate (effective 1 november 1919) but the postal clerk noticed the error. A **T-marker** was added and a red circle drawn around the errant stamp. A 4 cent penalty (2 x missing amount) may have been charged to the receiver of the card. Unused cut postage stamps from postcards and envelopes became valid for use as postage November 1973!!!. (according to PTT Dienst Order of 28 November 1973).



The **February 23rd meeting** will be held at the home of HansPaul Hager starting at 1:00pm. HansPaul's telephone number 408-770-9132. **Note the change of the meeting date to a week later.**
The **March 16th meeting** will be held at the home of Dennis Buss starting at 1:00pm. Dennis' telephone number 707-774-6296.

Paul Swierstra passed around a letter posted from the Netherlands with a *Hytech baliefrankeermachine* sticker label, similar to the one shown. ----- The members of the stamp club *Postzegelvereniging Postuumaat* collect these postal stickers and related postal history items in addition to postzegelboekjes, hangboekjes, rolzegels/portbetaaldzegels, and automaatstroken stickers of the Netherlands and elsewhere. See

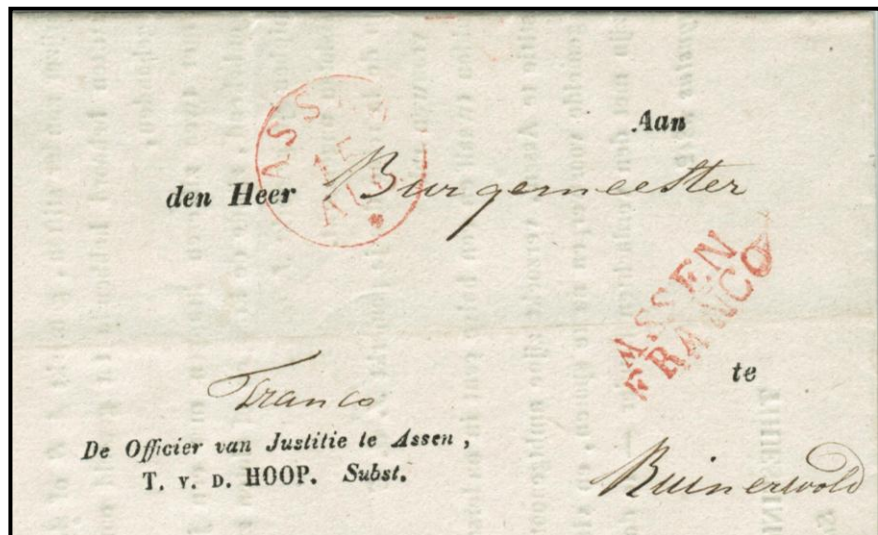


additional information in Dutch and English on their website. Paul also showed covers franked with the 2012 reduced rate December stamps and examples of last-day of useage of various cancels; and an envelope franked with recent postage stamps cut from other envelopes that were then scotch-taped on that somehow slipped pass the PostNL cancelling machine detectors.

HansPaul Hager passed around a package wrapping with many stamps attached that were cancelled with a very large diameter Alkmaar canceller dated 21 November 2012; various holiday envelopes franked with reduced-rate december stamps; several square, holiday envelopes that confuse the USPS sorting machines; and a copy of the book by Fred J. Nash, *The Philatelic History of Dutch West Borneo during the World War II Era*. Dai Nippon. 2012. 266 pages. HansPaul also showed us a military discharge document issued in Maastricht, Limburg, dated 24 September 1791, a fine example of a very early use of French revenues in what is now again Netherlands territory.

Fred Van der Heyden passed around a copy of the 1932 travel saga, *Lonely America: One Against the World* by Lothrop Stoddard, which contains a short section describing the different attitudes between the US occupation of the Philippines and the Dutch occupation of the Dutch East Indies; a series of vintage Western Union telegrams with various holiday and birthday greetings; a selection of paper currency denominations of the East Indies: Dutch, Japanese occupation, and Indonesia; and a series of post cards with San Francisco, CA cancels, ca 1900-1908. Fred also passed around the book, *Hoe koud het was.....en hoe warm: Gedenkboek van den winter 1928-1929*, published by Koninklijke Fabriek F.W. Braat N.V. in Delft. (=How Cold it Was.....And How Warm: A report from the winter of 1928-1929). Temperatures dropped to minus 20°C, causing the Zuider Zee to ice-over. Cars could drive to the islands of Schokland and Urk and ice-sail boats went from one side of the Zee to the other.

Franklin Ennik passed around a copy of the 8th edition of the *NVPH Speciale Catalogus*. This 1947 edition was the first one printed after WW II. Frank also passed around an official stampless letter-sheet dated 15 augustus 1842, sent postage-paid to the Burgemeester (Mayor) of Ruinerwold (Dr.) by the Drentse provincial public prosecutor, Thuessink van



der Hoop, in Assen. The letter contains an appeal, that he also sent to the mayors of all 32 *gemeenten* (county administrations) in the province of Drenthe, to be on the look-out and trace the list of objects stolen from the house of Albert Jacobs Keun in Paterswolde, in the municipality of Eelde, on the night of 9-10 August 1842 and to arrest any person who has these objects with him.

L I J S T

van goederen door middel van uit- en inwendigē braak, ont-
vreemd uit de bewoonde behuizing van *Albert Jacobs Keun*
te Paterswolde, gemeente Eelde, provincie Drenthe,
in den nacht van 9 op 10 Augustus 1842.

1°. een zilveren oorijzer zonder stiften, gemerkt *A. S. of A. J. S.*
2°. twee gouden stiften behoord hebbende tot gemeld oorijzer en met hetzelfde in
papieren zakje gebonden,
3°. een kerkboek met twee zilveren krappen met een jaartal der vorige eeuw,
het juiste jaar onbekend, zijnde de krappen of sloten zeer oud.
4°. een zilveren knipbeursje gemerkt *J. G. E.*
5°. drie gouden halsslotsen ongemerkt.
6°. een zilveren *eau de la reine* doosje gemerkt *J. G. E.*
7°. een vijfschachten vrouwen rok.
8°. zes en vijftig gulden twaalf en een halve cent in onderscheidene muntspecien.

De officier van Justitie te Assen, verzoekt zijne ambtgenooten en alle verdere amb-
tenaren van politie gemelde voorwerpen na te sporen, en viodelijk zijnde dezelve —
zoo daartoe termen zijn met den verdachten houder — te doen aanhouden.

Assen, den 15 Augustus 1842.

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In the missive the public prosecutor includes a list of the missing objects:

1. A silver *casque* ornament, without pins, with the initials, A.S. or A.J.S.
2. Two gold pins, that belong to the above silver *casque* ornament, in a paper bag.
3. A psalmbook or bible with two silver clasps that is from the last century.
4. A little purse with two silver 'snaps' for closing, with the silversmith initials J.G.E.
5. Three gold *necklocks* without initials (a necklock is the clasp of the necklace).
6. A little '*eau de la reine*' silver box, (=also called *eau de Cologne*) with initials J.G.E.
7. A farmer wife's skirt made of a special cloth weave (=five '*schachten*' weave).
8. Fifty six guilders and 12½ cent in various coin denominations.

Acknowledgement: I thank my nephew, Jan E. Ennik, formerly director of the Drenthe Provincial Archief in Assen, for looking into this interesting philatelic item for me.

Burt Miller passed around a 'first-day cover' with the first five issues (in 2000) of rolzegels/portbetaaldzegels (haring eater & tulip designs); a veldpost cover franked with the Netherlands Legion 12½ cent + 87½ cent souvenir sheet (with plate fault) and luchtpost sticker; and a registered cover franked with the 1913 Jubileum 10 gulden Wilhelmina overprinted 2.50 gulden (NVPH nr. 105), sent 20 november 1920 from Rotterdam to Beesd. Rather than destroy the largely unused stock of 10 guilder denominated sheets, the frugal PTT revalued these stamps with a more usable denomination of 2.50 guilders. These 2.50 guilder stamps were used to pay for post-box fees, package fees, and money orders.



Record sales for the 2012 princesses childrens stamps.

Sales of the 2012 Children's Promo stamps have received/raised a record amount of 11.6 million euros. Last year the yield was 10 million euros. The photos of the princesses Amalia, Alexia and Ariane, shown on the souvenir sheet, helped to generate this increased amount according to the organization Stichting Kinderpostzegels. More than 200,000 school children participated in selling the kinderzegels by taking orders for these (and postcards, stamps and postal stickers) at home (and door to door). This resulted in higher sales per child. The photos of the three princesses were made by their father, Prince Willem-Alexander. (Source: *Dagblad van het Noorden* 7 november 2012).



Note the change of the date for the February 2013 meeting to the following weekend.

Thieme & Cie printers and the Zutphen roller cancel.

with thanks to Hans Kremer

I was going through some of the older issues of "Netherlands and Colonies Philately," edited by Johannes de Kruyf, when I came across an item about a roller cancel used in Zutphen in 1916. The article was written by Alex ter Braake and reads as follows:

ZUTPHEN

Publisher: W.J. Thieme & Cie., Zutphen.

Two editions were published:

- A. *Zutphensche Courant*, a daily newspaper, approximate number of copies sent by mail to out of town subscribers: 1,000.
- B. *De Vacature*, a weekly (employment news for teachers), approximate number of issues mailed: 28,000.

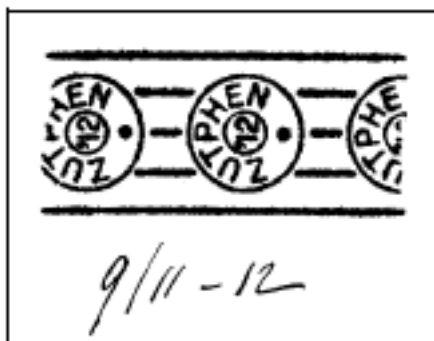
Wrappers: There were no separate address labels. The wrapper paper was mostly reddish brown, in 1919 also light brown. Size: total length about 13 inches, as wrapped about 5 ½ inches, width mostly 1½ inches. Addresses in two vertical columns of 25, printed on sheets of wrappers, measuring 36 x 29 inches. Subscriber's numbers were placed left of address. The names of new subscribers were hand written until sufficient (50) to justify printing a new sheet. No printed guidelines for later separation. Wrappers carried the imprint: "Indien adres onjuist, dit blad terugzenden aan W. J. Thieme & Cie te Zutphen." (If address is incorrect, return this publication to W. J. Thieme & Cie in Zutphen).

Postage: For single papers ½ cent, for multi-mailings proportionally higher denominations. Individual stamps, no strips, were affixed to the sheets, one to the left of each address.

Cancellations: Cancellor issued to Zutphen post office on November 9, 1912, and known to have been used through 1919.

Wrappers for the daily papers were sent to the post office in sheets at approximately 8:30am for cancellation by the roller device, and returned to the printers two hours later.

Wrappers for *De Vacature* were delivered to the post office a few days prior to mailing and the stamps cancelled with roller during slack periods. It is reported that, as an exception, 28,000 wrappers (560 sheets) once were cancelled within one hour.



Separation: Upon return from the post office the sheets were cut to individual wrappers by mechanical shears. It occurred that stamps were inadvertently cut in two, particularly if the stamps had been incorrectly affixed to the wrappers. Parts of two different stamps have been found on one wrapper.

Mailing: The individual wrappers were put around the folded newspapers and glued. The *Zutphensche Courant* was delivered in bulk to the post office each day at about 3:30pm. Wrappers for the weekly *De Vacature* were sorted according to destination and sent to the post office in batches, the earliest at about 10:00am on Fridays, the day of publication.

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Illustration of wrapper copied from: <http://www.willempasterkamp.nl/>

50 Years Commemoration of the Breda Stamp Society 21 November 1943.

On 21 November 1943 it was 50 years ago that the Breda Stamp Society was founded. That fact could obviously not go unnoticed. Despite the war, a post card was issued to commemorate the festive event.



The post card is franked with the 5 cent “prancing horses” from the Germanic symbols series NVPH nr. 405-411. The stamp was perforated with a fake Perfin with the text **P.Z.V. 50** and cancelled with a special cancel with the text **50 / 1893-1943 / Postzegelvereniging Breda / 21 November 1943**. The yellow banner has the text: *Uw pijlen vastgebonden houdt en 't saem eendrachtig zijt* (=Bundle your arrows and be united). These lines come from a poem by Valerius (1626), called “*Waer dat men sich al keerd of wend,*” which was part of the *Nederlandsche Gedenck-clanck*. It was written as a homage to the United Seven Provinces battle against Philip II of Spain. The Dutch Lion is usually holding a ‘bundle of seven arrows.’

(Sources: www.filavaria.nl/karton.htm

Wikipedia: *Nederlandsche Gedenck-clanck*).