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N.Z. NOTES & COMMENT BY C.P.

9d Maori Panel, 1935/47 Pictorials. The 9d "Maori Panel" is usually regarded as one of the more "difficult" to identify in its various forms and printings, but given an ability to recognise mesh and to distinguish grey from black, there should be little difficulty in sorting an accumulation of these stamps. First separate those with **grey frames** from those with **black frames**. Put the greys aside for a moment. Of the blacks, sort all that are a **dull black** from those that are a **shiny jet-black**. The dull blacks will all be larger than the shiny blacks, and all will be the original issue with single watermark, C.P.11a (S.G.566).

The "shiny" blacks (which are all in the smaller type and are the war-time printings) must now be separated by their watermarks. For this the detector tray is necessary. Mesh is no help here as both those on Single and those on Multiple watermark paper have vertical mesh in this instance. Generally the "single" watermarks show up more easily. The "single" watermark stamps are C.P.11d (S.G.626) while the "multiples" are C.P.11c (S.G.627). Now turn to the grey stamps previously put aside. Knowledge of mesh is useful here. The stamps with (apparently) vertical mesh have their watermark sideways and are C.P.11c (S.G.587); those with horizontal mesh are C.P.11c (S.G.587a). And that is that!

Another value in the series has been mastered and what looked to be a real headache has proved to be no more than a pleasurable challenge, much easier to cope with than had seemed possible.

The Kaka Parrot (1965 Health). Those who like something more than the minimum data to go with their stamps may care to know of a personal sight I had of one of these beautiful birds.

My home at the time was in Mt. Roskill, a suburb of Auckland overlooking the Manukau Harbour. We had in our garden quite a wide variety of trees, covering some two acres, and including one we always called "The Flame Tree". I am no botanist but I always understood that this tree, which in season is covered with brilliant red flowers, is not a native of New Zealand. It may be of Indian origin. In any event it was a rare attraction to honey-seeking birds and at times we had as many as six or eight tuis noisily busy in its branches. This itself was unusual, so close to the city, but even more unusual was the appearance one day of a magnificent kaka. I made enquiries at the time and was told that this species had been reported in Auckland before but only very rarely. It is more numerous much further south and well away from civilization. I had a good view of our rare visitor and since this is an experience that few New Zealanders can hope for, what I saw should be of interest.

The bird was a big one—I would guess about the same weight as a big domestic rooster. This specimen was much greener than the one depicted on the recent stamp but this may be because on the stamp we are mainly shown the underside of the wing. The bird was hanging upside down in typical parrot fashion with wings folded. As I watched he progressed by claws and beak along the underside of a branch, taking huge "handfuls" of blossom in one claw and stuffing them into his beak. I have seldom seen a more wasteful eater for he dropped far more flowers than ever reached his beak. He stayed on the tree for quite half an hour. The Government Philatelic Bulletin for July last gave interesting notes on this quite scarce bird, commenting on its usefulness in helping cross-pollination, spreading seeds, which it swallows whole, and keeping insects in check. My brief and perhaps untypical experience suggested rather that if there had been half a dozen birds, instead of one, the tree might well have been stripped bare!

N.Z. Government Bulletin. The above mention of the Govt. Bulletin may prompt enquiries from readers, so I will anticipate them by saying that the circular can be obtained on application to the Director General, Stamps Division, G.P.O., Wellington, N.Z. It is still (as far as I know) issued free and is well worth the having for any N.Z. specialist interested in the latest news.

More work for John Robinson. Readers will be interested to know that John Robinson, our Auckland Manager, has been appointed Editor of the "New Zealand Stamp Collector". This is the publication founded in the 1920's by the late R. J. G. Collins and today published by the Federation of N.Z. Philatelic Societies. The position of Editor became vacant when Ray Collins died and it is a measure of the high regard in which John Robinson is held that he should have been chosen to succeed so illustrious a philatelist.

Mr. Robinson's new work is in a private capacity and in no way affects his position as our Auckland Manager.

THE C.P. SIMPLIFIED ALBUM,

Out in New Zealand our Mr. Robinson is busy with preparations for the issue of the first set of Supplementary Sheets that we have so far issued to bring the Album up to date. There will be quite a number of new pages and no user of the Album should risk missing being offered this Supplement. We have a record of numerous users and all who are on the record will receive notice in due course when the sheets are ready.

HOWEVER — If you are a user of the album and you are in any doubt as to whether we have your name and present address please get in touch with us without delay.

N.B. A Supplement to our **Catalogue-Handbook** is likewise in preparation but there is no necessity to get in touch with us about it; our records are kept well up to date. Unless of course you have changed your address recently and failed to advise us.

SO — if you use the Album and are in doubt, please let us hear from you: there is no need for Catalogue users to contact us unless they have changed their addresses. Finally, we are not yet sure when these Supplements will appear — and even then there will be a longish wait because of the slow sea mails. — so please do not expect the Supplements for quite a while yet.

NEW ZEALAND OFFERS.

545 "Chalon Heads" (N.Z.'s first issues, 1855-1871). Not everyone can afford today's high prices that have to be paid (by us too!) for superfine "Chalons". But for those who would like to "fill those spaces" at no great cost here is opportunity!

- (a) 1d vermilion, 2d blue, 3d brown-lilac, 6d yellow-brown, 6d black-brown, 6d red-brown, 1/- green — all with defects of some sort but by no means a bad-looking lot. All imperf. and would cost at least £80 if perfect. The seven Chalons 80/-
- (b) Slightly higher quality than above but without the 1d and 1/-. The five imperf. Chalon space-fillers 50/-
- (c) 2d Chalons — one is S.G.5 on blue paper, the other S.G.38, star wmk. Both imperf.. space fillers, the two 15/-

546 1898 London Print Pictorials — Mint. There are few more delightful sets than the 1898 'London' Pictorials. The demand for our sets of 2½d Wakitipu error stamps last month is a measure of the popularity of this group. So here are some offers — lovely mint stamps that will fairly glow in your collection!

- (a) Complete set, all values. Includes ½d Mt. Cook, 1d Taupo, 2d Pembroke, 2½d Wakitipu, 2½d Wakitipu, 3d Huias, 4d Terraces, 5d Otira, 6d Kiwi, green, 8d Canoe, 9d Terraces, 1/- Kea and Kaka, 2/- Milford, 5/- Mt. Cook. The mint set of 14 £10 10/-
- (b) Shorter set. As above excluding the 5/- value £5 10/-
- (c) Half-set. To the 5d value only, (½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d. (2), 3d, 4d, 5d). The mint set of 8 £1 11 6

547 Assorted Bundles of Covers. There is no doubt about it — covers add interest and distinction to any collection. We have a large mixed stock and these we have made up into bundles at 10/- each bundle. Included are First Day cancellations, "special occasion" cancellations, etc., etc. — we even have some postal stationery. Excellent value, per bundle 10/-

Note: If postal stationery is not wanted say the word and we will leave it out!

GEORGE V, RECESS PRINTS.

536 **George V—Simplified sets.** The 1½d grey, 2d violet, 2d yellow, 2½d blue, 3d brown, 4d yellow, 4d violet, 4½d green, 5d blue, 6d carmine, 8d blue, 8d brown, 9d green and 1/- orange 15 stamps, Mint 42/6d; Used 30/-

537 **George V Individual Officers.** (C.P. Nos. followed by S.G. Nos. in brackets).

PERF. 14 x 13½	Mint	Used	PERF. 14 x 14½	Mint	Used
K1a (479a) 1½d grey	9d	4d	K1b (479) 1½d grey	9d	4d
K1d (492) 1½d grey	9d	—	K1e (491) 1½d grey	9d	6d
K2a (480a) 2d violet	2/-	4/-	K2b (480) 2d violet	2/-	4/-
K2d (489a) 2d yellow	3/-	3/6	K2e (489) 2d yellow	2/-	3/6
K3a (481a) 2½d blue	1/6	9d	K3b (481) 2½d blue	2/6	1/-
K4a (482a) 3d chocolate	4/-	4d	K4b (482) 3d chocolate	4/-	4d
K5a (483a) 4d yellow	2/-	—	K5b (483) 4d yellow	2/-	10/-
K5d (490a) 4d violet	3/6	6d	K5e (490) 4d violet	3/-	4d
K6a (484a) 4½d green	2/6	3/6	K7b (513a) 5d blue	10/-	4/-
K7a (513b) 5d light blue	3/6	6d	K8b (485) 6d carmine	6/-	9d
K7a (514a) 5d ultramarine	7/6	2/6	K10b (515) 8d indigo blue	3/-	2/-
K8a (485a) 6d carmine	3/-	4d	K11b (487) 9d sage	8/-	4/-
K9a (486a) 7d red-brown	2/-	5/-	K12b (488) 1/- vermilion	7/6	4d
K10a (515a) 8d indigo blue	3/-	5/-			
K10d (516) 8d red-brown	5/-	6d			
K11a (487a and e) 9d sage	6/6	9d			
K12a (488a) 1/- vermilion	12/6	1/-			

538 **George V abnormal perforation varieties.**

(a) Vertical pairs—both perfs.	Mint	Used	(b) PERF. 14 LINE	Mint	Used
K1c (479b) 1½d grey	10/-	—	K2g (493) 2d yellow	9d	6/-
K1f (492b) 1½d grey	7/6	—	K4d (494) 3d chocolate	1/-	1/6
K2c (480b) 2d violet	10/-	—	K8d (495) 6d carmine	1/6	10/-
K2f (489b) 2d yellow	5/-	—			
K4c (482b) 3d chocolate	15/-	—			
K5c (483b) 4d yellow	10/-	—			
K9c (486b) 7d red-brown	25/-	—			
K10c (516) 8d indigo blue	12/6	—			
K11c (487b) 9d sage	50/-	—			

Note: The above stamps, "perf 14" all have the watermark sideways and in this respect, they are unique in this set.

539 **Penny Universal Official.** The five types from the two plates W1 and W2 are well known to specialists. We can offer complete sets of the officials in the ten types, specially made up and guaranteed at 22/6

540 **King Edward VII Land (Shackleton's Expedition 1908).** A block of four stamps postmarked BRIT. ANTARCTIC EXPD.FE 27 08. Apparently used while the "Nimrod" was unloading at McMurdo Sound. The block ... £5

541 **Scott's Last Expedition 1910-1913:** stamps overprinted VICTORIA LAND for use of the members of the expedition. We can offer copies of the Penny Dominion so overprinted ... each, unused, not perfect 12/6

548 **1931 Airm.** It is a long time since we advertised these issues and to many this must be an opportunity to fill some gaps.

- (a) 3d perf 14 x 14½ deep chocolate or lighter chocolate, either shade, mint 12/6
- (b) 3d perf 14 x 15 deep chocolate, the very scarce issue, mint 80/-
- (c) 4d deep violet or lighter violet, either shade, each, mint 126/-
- (d) 7d brown-orange, mint 17/6
- (e) 5d surcharge on 3d green, mint 7/-
- (f) 7d Trans Tasman Commemorative, "Faith in Australia", mint ... 12/6
- (g) 7d Trans Tasman, fine used 14/6

NEW ZEALAND WANTED.

To keep our customers happy—we need to replace stocks. This particularly applies to the earlier issues,—pre-1900 stamps and covers are always welcome! However, there are plenty of 20th Century items that we require too.

Although we do not need the commoner stamps or small lots of moderns, we shall be pleased to hear from any of our readers who have anything worthwhile to offer. If you are thinking of a fur coat for your wife or the youngsters' Christmas presents—or even clearing the mortgage—New Zealand and Campbell Paterson may well provide the answer to your money problem. Try us!

542 **Modern N.Z. Varieties.** Both the current Pictorial (definitive) set and recent Commemoratives have produced many excellent and popular varieties. We have already made full automatic distribution of these to scores of regular "Variety" clients. We invite others to join the "regulars" (without obligation) and in the meantime here are some offers. We advise early action — the varieties are popular and supplies not unlimited.

1960 Pictorials.

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| (a) 4d Row 7/8 Retouch of background, in positional block of 10 ... | 3/6 |
| (b) 1d Row 12/3 Weakness in background, in positional block of 6 ... | 3/- |
| (c) 4d Row 6/4 Malformed foot to 4, in positional block of 8 | 7/6 |
| (d) 5d Row 9/5 Retouch of background, in positional block of 10 ... | 10/- |

Commemoratives.

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| (e) I.T.U. Row 2/4 Retouch by U on globe, in positional block of 8 | 10/6 |
| also in block of 4 | 7/6 |
| (f) I.T.U. Row 9/6 Retouch on T, block of four | 7/6 |
| (g) ANZAC Row 2/4 Retouch by poppy. Positional block of 8 | 7/6 |
| (h) Road Safety. Row 3/2 — the major variety known as the "apostrophe" flaw. In positional block of 6 | 10/- |

543 Recent Plate Blocks — now available.

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| (a) ANZAC. 4d and 5d blocks of six showing printer's imprint and plate number (1A) | 10/- |
| (b) I.T.U. 9d block of six showing printer's imprint and plate number | 8/- |
| (c) CENTY. OF GOVT. block of eight showing printer's imprint and plate number | 6/- |
| (d) 1965 HEALTH pair. Blocks of eight | 10/6 |

Note: All these plate blocks have already been distributed to our many clients who have standing orders. Why not become a "regular" yourself? There is no obligation.

544 Recent Issues Now Available.

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| (a) Centenary of Government in Wellington | 6d | 6d |
| (b) 1965 Healths (Pair) | 1/- | — |
| (c) International Co-operation Year | 6d | — |
| (d) Anzacs 4d and 5d (2 values) | 1/- | 1/- |
| (e) I.T.U. 9d | 1/- | 1/- |
| (f) Churchill 7d | 10d | 10d |

COUNTER COIL PAIRS.

"Matched Sets." For accounting purposes rolls of stamps are cunningly assembled from normal sheets, and "section numbers" are then printed between the strips formed from each row of stamps from the sheet. The entire coil comprises several such strips, and the section numbers range from 1 to 19, or up to 23 in some cases. Some collectors like to show this important section of New Zealand philately in their collections by mounting the whole range of numbers in every single value of each series of stamps. This sometimes tends to be monotonous, and in these "matched" sets we believe that we can offer something less so, and of major interest to all philatelists. A "Matched Set" comprises one pair of every type of coil-pair within the Group, i.e. Q.E. II, or Pictorials, and every pair has, for the sake of continuity, and neatness, the same number. Stocks, obtained from inimitable B. G. Cox, the Coil King, are excellent at present, but will not last for any length of time, we assure you.

- 20 **Queen Elizabeth II:** Matched set of 32, yes, THIRTY-TWO, really different coil pairs, which includes the intentionally different versions of the higher-value pairs, where the "gutters" are of different widths. Here are 16 Q.E. stamps issued in these counter appliances, and though "simply" issued in the S.G. Elizabethan, without the full range of 32 pairs, you just haven't got them all! Every pair in each lot has the same "section number." £13
- 21 **1960 — Pictorials:** These, too, are listed in the ELIZABETHAN, although the important distinction between the COLOUR of the numbers is not made therein. A full set comprises 16 pairs, and you can take it from us that some, no, many of these are difficult to come by. Again, the section number in each lot is the same throughout our 16 pairs 95/-

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