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New data on proposed Vatican issues for 1954, has a new Lateran Treaty commemorative scheduled later in the year. Further details are not as yet available; it will probably be a one value issue.

Also on the itinerary is a two stamp set honoring the Centenary of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception, and a new set of post dues. Additional information will be furnished as it becomes available.

The new air letter sheet with revised inscription is now available. Issued to conform with U.P.U. regulations, it is identical to the 80 Lire Blue sheet with one exception. The word AEROGRAMMA now reads AEROGRAMME.

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ST. CLARE VARIETY

The 35 L. value of the St. Clare issue has been noted with the halo shifted in various directions. There is a possibility of finding it in eight directions -- shifted to the upper right, lower left, top, etc.

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Our sincere thanks to Father Leitermann of the Vatican Stampmart for providing the enclosed historical background on the Roman States and Vatican City. The article originally appeared in the December 21, 1946, "Weekly Philatelic Gossip", and contains a wealth of valuable information.

LINN'S TO FEATURE V. P. S.

Linn's Weekly Stamp News will devote its August 30th issue to the VPS. All members will receive a copy gratis from the publication. Included will be articles covering various phases of VPS activity.

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Is our face red!! After promising full credit mention to every member contributing an article, we failed to note that the author of the excellent Catholic Press write-up was Harry J. Howard of Belleville, N. J. We'll try not to let it happen again.