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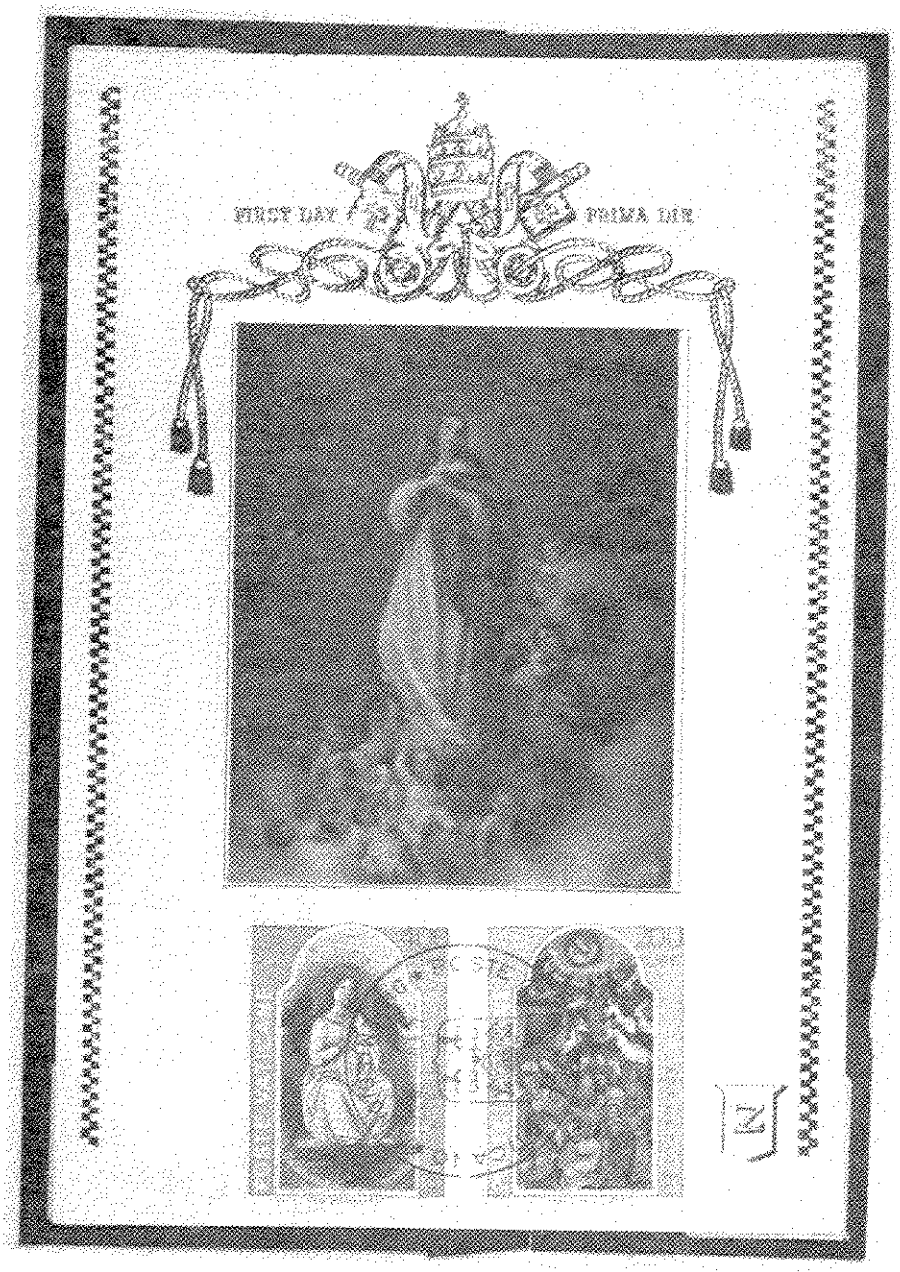

ASSUMPTION ISSUE

Pictured on our cover this issue is the series of stamps that was released on July 4, 1977 to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption.

The series is comprised of two values, 200 and 400 lire, for a total sum of 600 lire. The stamps differ in subject. The value of each is indicated in the top right hand corner. In a line parallel to the sides there are the words POSTE VATICANE (on the left) and the word ASSUNZIONE (on the right).

The 200 lire stamps reproduces the "Dormftio Virginis" or the "Sleep of the Virgin" and the Assumption into Heaven, copied from a miniature in the Latin MS. n. 2919 of the Ottoboni (Pope Alexander VIII) collection.

The 400 lire stamp reproduces the Virgin assumed into Heaven in a flight of angels, copied from a miniature in the Breviary of Mattia Corvino - Latin MS. n. 112 of the library formerly belonging to the Duke of Urbino. Both codices are in the Vatican Apostolic Library,

The stamps are vertical in format, measure 30 x 40 mm., and have perforations of 13¼ x 14. They are issued in sheets of 40, and are printed by rotogravure in several colors on white glossy paper by the Polygraphic Institute of the Italian State. The complete series amounts to 1,250,000 sets.

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VATICAN CITY
BUYING AND SELLING

Scott#	SELL NH	SELL Hinged	SELL USED	BUY NH
1-13	73.00	40.00	26.50	46.50
14	9.75	4.75	2.40	7.25
19-34Es	105.00	65.00	35.00	73.50
35-40	Want	Want	Want	1450.
41-6	330.00	150.00	50.00	220.00
47-54	125.00	70.00	26.00	80.00
55-60	80.00	50.00	22.50	55.00
61-7	62.00	35.00	11.75	45.00
68-71	8.25	6.00	3.90	5.75
72-6	4.00	3.25	2.75	2.75
77-9	.37	.30	.35	.20
80-3	1.00	.80	.80	.65
84-6	.37	.30	.35	.20
87-90	1.70	1.30	1.10	1.05
91-8Es	1.80	1.30	1.20	1.15
99-101	.37	.30	.35	.20
102-9Es	4.25	3.30	2.95	2.70
110-1Es	1.25	1.00	1.00	.75
122-1Es	60.00	34.50	19.75	43.50
132-9	9.50	6.00	6.75	6.75
140-2	25.00	17.00	15.50	19.00
143-4	10.00	8.00	6.25	7.50
145-8	22.00	17.00	14.25	14.75
149-53	46.50	30.00	28.50	32.00
154	3.25	2.60	2.88	2.15
155	5.25	4.25	3.95	3.75
155a	58.00	54.00	57.50	43.50
156-7	6.35	5.50	4.90	4.35
158-8Es	2.40	2.00	2.05	1.65
169-70	14.00	11.50	9.50	9.50
171-2	8.00	6.50	6.65	5.70
173	33.00	24.50	23.50	24.00
174-5	4.50	3.75	3.25	3.05
175-81	4.50	3.75	3.25	3.05
182-4	6.75	5.25	4.50	4.75
185-6	3.30	2.70	2.25	2.20
187-8	3.25	2.70	2.75	2.20
189-91	12.25	9.50	7.00	8.25
192-4	2.30	2.00	1.80	1.40
195-6	5.25	4.25	4.00	3.75
197-9	2.40	2.15	2.15	1.70
200-2	2.40	2.15	2.15	1.70
203-8	4.25	3.25	2.65	2.75
209-11	1.50	1.25	1.30	1.00
212-3	1.90	1.65	1.45	1.20
214-5	2.25	1.95	2.00	1.95
216-8	1.75	1.45	1.40	1.20
219-22	1.80	1.50	1.60	1.20
223-6	1.30	1.10	1.05	.80
227-8	1.45	1.15	1.15	.95
229-32	1.30	1.05	1.15	.80
233-8	.85	.70	.60	.50
239-42	4.75	3.25	3.95	2.85
242a	9.75	8.75	8.75	7.50
243-6	1.00	.80	.90	.65
247-9	6.25	4.60	3.75	3.65
250-3	.55	.45	.45	.30
254-5	.55	.45	.45	.30
256-61	6.50	5.50	4.50	4.20
262-3	.75	.55	.50	.40
264-5	.80	.65	.55	.45
266-8	.95	.80	.75	.55
269-72	1.90	1.60	1.25	1.10
273-4	.90	.75	.50	.50
275-80	6.75	5.50	4.65	4.50
281-3	.70	.55	.35	.40
284-1Es	.85	.70	.65	.50
292-4	.85	.70	.60	.50
295-7	1.70	1.25	1.00	1.00
298-300	1.70	1.25	1.00	1.00
301-3	5.10	4.25	2.00	3.50
304-9	5.60	4.15	2.00	3.85
310-12	5.35	4.35	2.05	3.60
313-6	1.95	1.65	1.30	1.10
317-22	2.95	2.30	1.50	1.90
323-5	.60	.50	.50	.30
326-9	2.20	1.90	1.45	1.30
330-4	6.50	5.50	2.65	4.10
335-7	1.60	1.40	1.10	.90
338-40	1.25	1.00	.85	.75
341-4	.55	.45	.45	.35
345-52	.55	.45	.50	.35
353-5	.45	.35	.35	.23
356-9	.60	.50	.45	.30
360-1	.90	.75	.80	.50
362-4	.40	.30	.30	.20
365-8	1.70	1.45	1.15	.90
369-71	1.50	1.30	1.10	.80
372-4	.55	.45	.40	.27
375-8	.45	.35	.35	.23
379-82	.55	.45	.45	.30
383-6	.45	.35	.35	.22
387-91	.30	.25	.23	.15
392-4	.30	.25	.25	.15
395-6	.55	.45	.45	.30
397-9	.27	.22	.25	.15
400-3	.27	.22	.25	.13
404-9	.55	.45	.50	.27
410-3	.30	.23	.25	.13
414-5	.25	.20	.25	.13
416-9	.25	.20	.25	.13
420-2	.28	.22	.25	.15
423-2Es	1.25	1.00	.95	.70
433-8	.30	.23	.25	.13
439-44	.35	.25	.30	.16
445-7	.30	.22	.28	.15
448-52	.45	.35	.45	.23
453-4	.27	.22	.25	.13
455-7	.50	.40	.45	.26
458-60	.50	.40	.45	.26
461-3	.45	.35	.45	.23
464-6	.50	.40	.50	.26
467-9	.50	.40	.50	.26
470-2	.60	.50	.52	.32
473-5	.65	.52	.53	.35
476-8	.50	.40	.50	.27
479-83	1.40	1.15	1.25	.80
484-6	.60	.50	.60	.27
487-91	.70	.60	.70	.40
492-4	.70	.60	.70	.40
495-9	1.05	.90	1.00	.60
500-3	.50	.40	.50	.30
504-8	.95	.80	.90	.55
509-12	.85	.70	.80	.45
513-4	.70	.55	.65	.40
515-7	.70	.55	.65	.40
518-20	2.85	2.50	2.75	1.75
520a	3.25	3.00	3.15	2.00
521-5	2.45	2.15	2.10	1.50
526-7	.75	.65	.65	.42
528-30	.75	.65	.65	.42
531-3	1.10	.95	1.00	.65
534-6	1.00	.85	.90	.50
537-40	1.25	.95	1.15	.60
541-4	1.40	1.10	1.20	.80
545-7	1.15	1.00	1.00	.70
548-9	.95	.85	.85	.50
550-4	1.35	1.00	1.25	.75
555-7	1.25	.80	1.15	.75
558-60	.85	.75	.85	.45
561-71	2.25	2.00	2.20	1.40
572	.75	—	.75	.45
573-8	1.35	—	1.35	.80
579-81	.90	—	.90	.50
582-4	.95	—	.95	.55
585-7	1.05	—	1.05	.65
588-9	.75	—	.75	.40
590-1	.80	—	.80	—
B1-4	55.00	32.00	27.00	35.00
C1-8	7.75	5.90	4.75	5.25
C9-15	14.50	8.00	6.50	11.25
C16-7	375.00	280.00	195.00	260.00
C18-9	98.50	72.00	53.00	73.00
C20-1	210.00	165.00	140.00	150.00
C22-3	60.00	47.00	13.50	44.00
C24-32	3.95	3.25	3.10	2.75
C33-4	8.75	7.10	5.10	6.25
C35-44	1.75	1.40	1.50	.95
C45-6	6.75	5.75	4.50	4.25
C47-52	1.40	1.15	1.15	.85
C53-4	4.50	3.75	3.75	2.80
C55-8	11.25	9.50	8.25	7.50
C59	5.50	4.40	5.10	3.95
C60-2	12.00	—	12.00	8.50
E1-2	29.50	16.50	13.50	19.50
J1-6	63.00	40.00	15.50	45.00
J7-12	.60	.50	.50	.35
J13-18	2.35	2.00	1.85	1.30
J19-24	.85	.70	.80	.42
Q1-15	42.00	31.50	33.50	31.50

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Joseph Lopreiato

A Vatican collector since age seven, he has also interests in Popes on stamps, Somalia, stamps on stamps, and U.S. postmarks relative to the Church. He is a member of VPS, SPA, APS, and COROS.

Returning to the stamp scene during the past year, after a ten year absence, he is currently devoting his free time researching the Vatican and its postal issues. One of his articles "Stamps Note Return of the Papacy to Rome" appeared in the July 18, 1977 edition of Linn's Stamp News.

Joe, presently a Corporate Wage and Benefits Analyst, attended schools in his native Italy and the United States, including the University of New Haven-School of Management. He has held other management positions in Engineering and Personnel.

Active for several years in local management associations, he has held various offices and chaired several committees, including a four year stint as Editor of a monthly management publication "The Industrial Beehive."

He resides in Newington with his wife, Mary Angela, sons, Matthew, Nicholas and daughter, Frances.

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CHAPTER COMMUNIQUES

New York Chapter #7:

announces their annual stamp show and bourse, to be held on Sunday, October 30th, 1977, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the gymnasium of St. Stephen of Hungary Church, 414 East 82nd Street, between First and York Avenues, New York City. Admission free, prizes and refreshments will be available.

A slide show on how engraved stamps are made, by the Swedish Post Office, and a motion picture on the tall ships, in color and sound, of their visit to New York, will be shown at 1:30 p.m. and again at 4 p.m.

The Club meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. except during July and August. Parking space is available in the Church parking lot.

For more information about the club, please write:
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PLEASE CHECK TO SEE IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES FOR '78

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VATICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Treasurer's Report

Period: July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977

To: Rev. G.L.O'Brien, President

Balances reported on June 30, 1976:		
Checking Account		$ 526.76
Savings Account		677.61
		$1204.37
Received:		
Dues: 262 Payments for 1976-77	$1048.00	
25 Payments for 1977-78	100.00	
Additional payments for dues increase	14.50	
13 New Members @ $4.00	52.00	
1 New Member @ $3.00	3.00	
4 New Members @ $2.00	8.00	
Interest on Savings Account	37.16	
Payment for airmail postage for NOTES	4.50	
Sale of back issues of NOTES	31.55	
Special Contributions	8.50	
		$1307.21
Subtotal =		$2511.58
Paid:		
Postage	$ 65.50	
Envelopes & Supplies	4.88	
Membership Cards	24.87	
Minimum deposit in Auction Account	100.00	
VATICAN NOTES		
Printing (5 Issues)	1253.99	
Postage	225.34	
Mailing List Changes	17.30	
Annual Bulk Mailing Fee	40.00	
	$1731.88	
		$ 779.70
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1977:		
Worcester County National Bank		$ 64.93
Freedom Federal Savings Bank		714.77
		$ 779.70

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. Levitsky

F.J.Levitsky, Treasurer

****** LAST ISSUE ******

THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE that will be sent to those whose Dues are not paid before publication of the next ISSUE which is projected for November. If you have not yet done so, PLEASE MAIL YOUR DUES IMMEDIATELY to Wallace R. Smith, 165-15 Union Tpk., Flushing, N.Y. 11366. Make your check payable to VATICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY, in the amount of $4.00. Members whose Dues are in arrears as of November 1, will have their names removed from the mailing list of THE NOTES.

THIS IS AN ABSOLUTE NECESSITY FROM THE ABOVE TREASURER'S REPORT WHICH SHOWS A DEFICIT OF $425 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1977.

"DISINFECTED MAIL" by K.F.Meyer, M.D. (Cont.)

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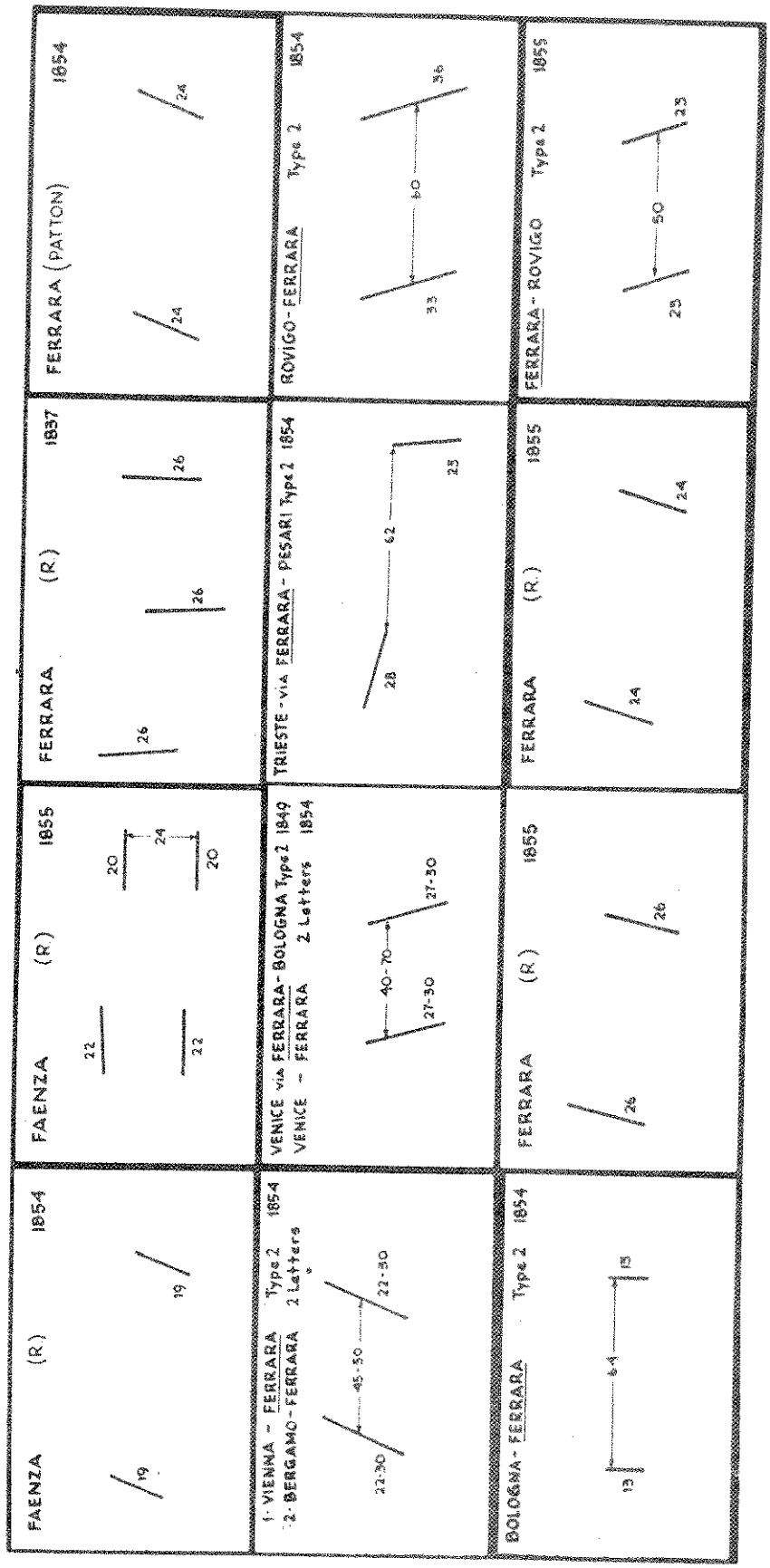
Pattern relationship and measurements (in millimeters) of slits found on letters carrying cachets and seals applied at the Disinfection Stations and Post Offices of the Papal States.



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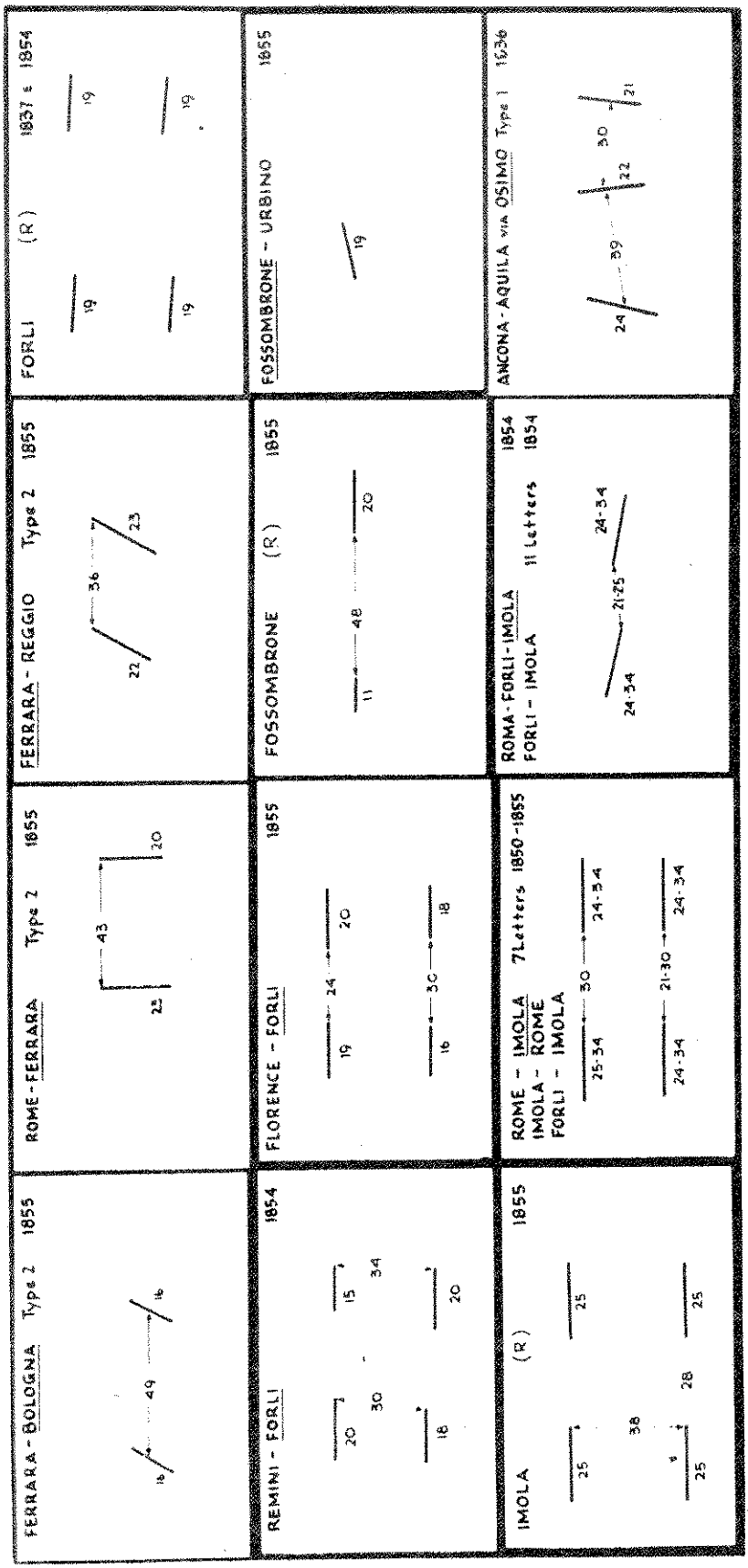

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Summer seems to have generated some new interest in philately. Joining the Society the past three months are:

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STAMPS OF VATICAN CITY STATE

The Secretariat General of the Philatelic Office is currently distributing this new publication. It comprises all the issues of postage stamps from 1929 to 1976 and is subdivided according to the various Pontificates.

To facilitate consultation, the Pontificate is indicated on top of the page, and on the side, the year and the items relative to the issue are given as well, according to the Universal Stamp Classification (C.F.U.).

The illustrations of the single stamps, given in natural colors and reduced by 20% of the original size, are provided with the number corresponding to the universal classification for easier identification.

The dates of postal validity are reported as well as the main lines of the government ordinance which authorizes each issue. The dates of issue may, in some rare cases, not correspond to those on which the postage stamps were put on sale.

The list of the individual stamps of the series is indicated, and, if ascertained, the designer's name, and also the figure designs, the type of printing, the perforation, the composition of the sheets, and the printing.

Some series are described in different pages; in such case the details concerning the issue are given on the pfirst page while on the following pages only the essential figures and features for their specifications are mentioned.

The text is printed in Italian. The translations which are to be found in a special pocket of the cover, make quite easy the task of consulting the publication because they indicate all about the page to which they refer.

The publication can be obtained by mail at the cost of 5500 lire which includes postal cost for regestiered mail. Payment may be made by international money order or by bank check to GOVERNATORATO OF VATICAN CITY, STATE, PHILATELIC OFFICE, and sent to" Citta Del Vaticano, 00120.

FORGERY OF THE 1/2 BAJ. (1/2 Baj. #7a) (Billig #4)

Black print on dark olive brown.

1. Dash between F & R of FRANCO.
   This is the only feature which differs from those listed for VPS #7 in the previous issue. The other features are listed here for reference but are not illustrated in separate sketches.
2. Top serif of B of BAJ is broken.
3. Entire point of A of BAJ is missing.
4. Pearl on left handle of key touches other pearls.
5. Only left half of pearl on top of tiara.
6. Right ribbon on top of tiara incomplete.
7. Single dividing line.

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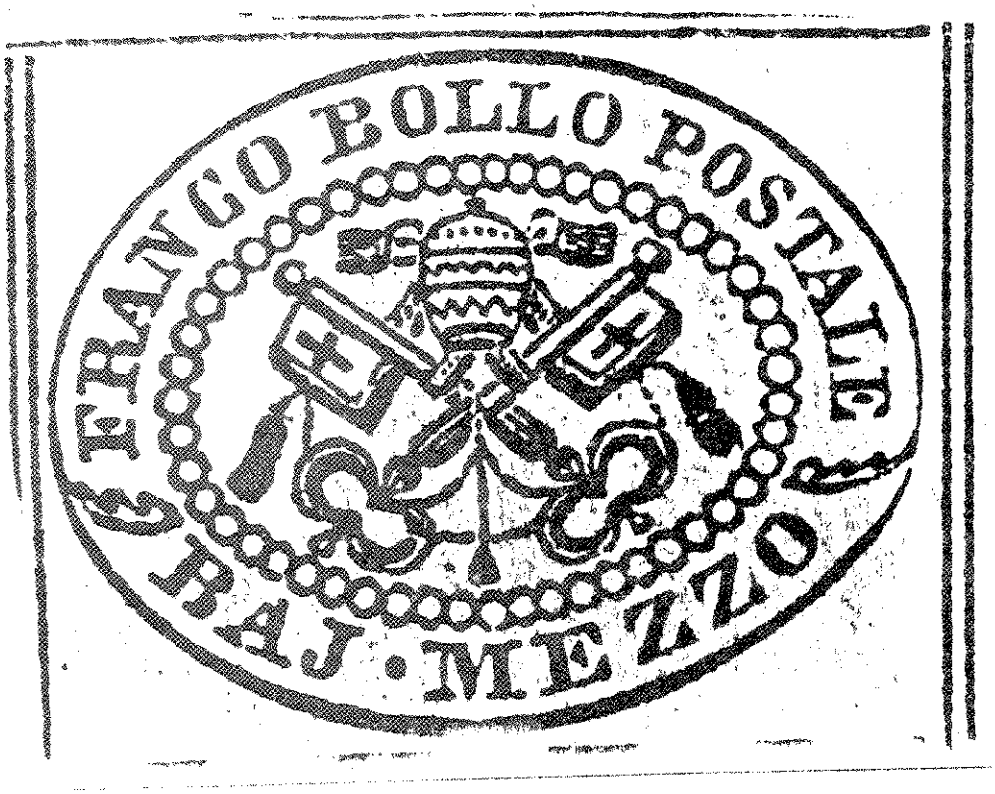
THE GENUINE 1/2 BAJ.

1. No dash between F & R of FRANCO.
2. Top serif of B of BAJ is complete.
3. Only left side of point of A in BAJ is missing.
4. Pearl on left handle of key does not touch or only barely touches other pearls.
5. Pearl on top of tiara complete.
6. Ribbon at top of tiara complete.
7. Double dividing lines.



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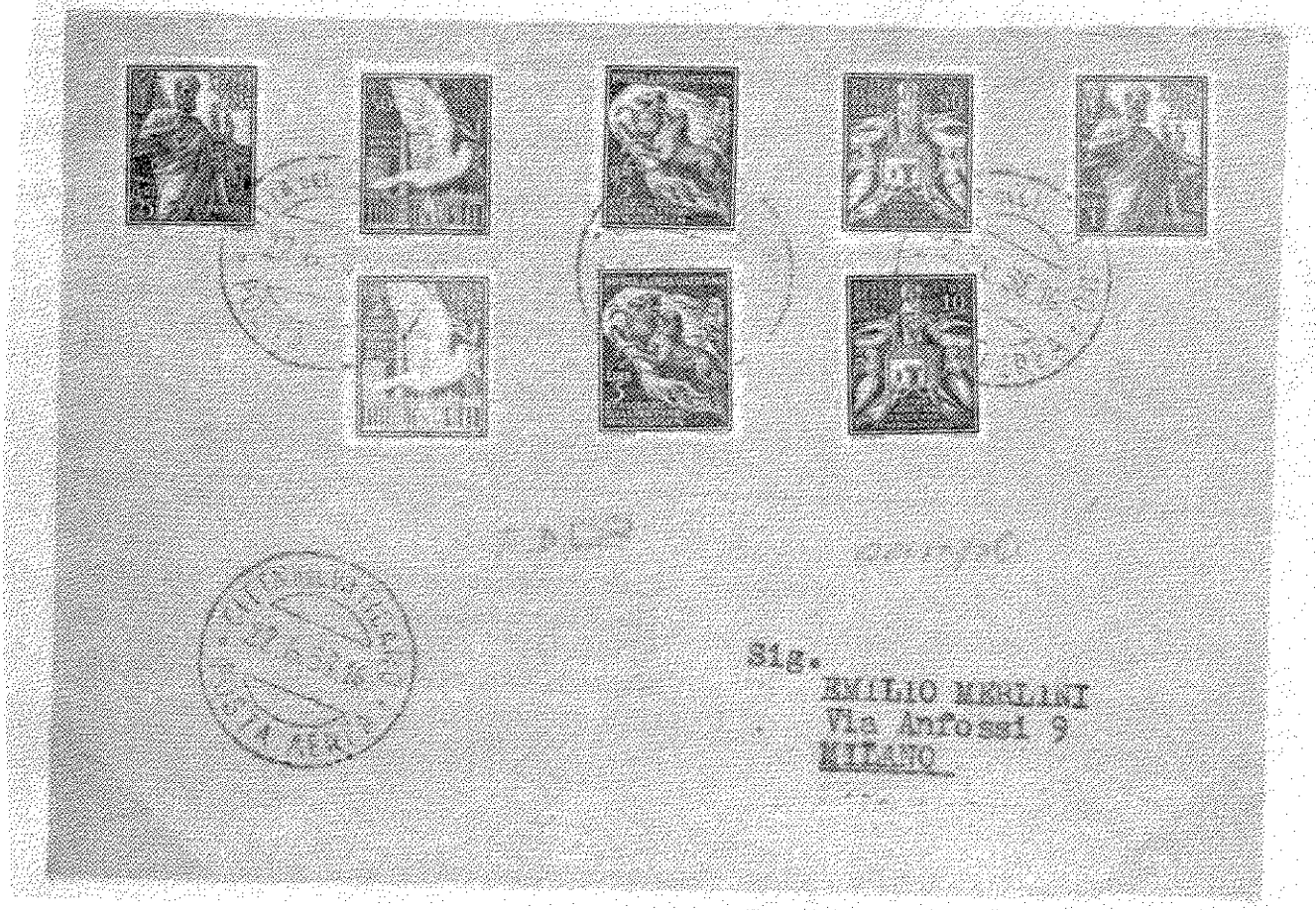
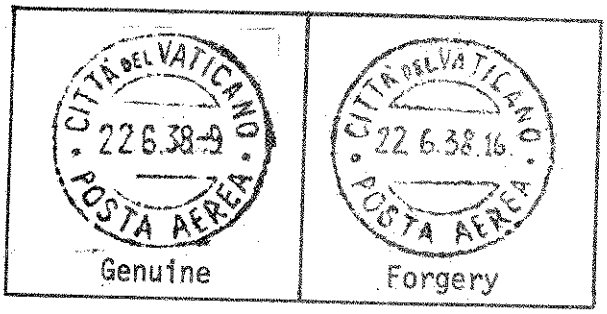
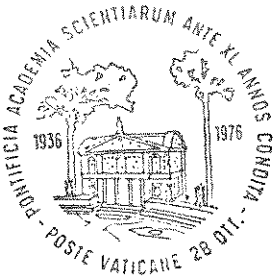




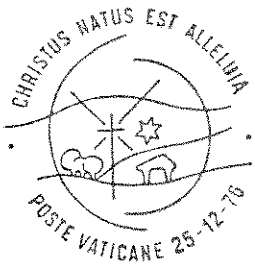
Members are warned of forged first day covers of C1-8 being offered in some areas. The cover above was supplied through Arthur V. Gailius, VPS member, from George E. Holschauer, proprietor of the Colonial Stamp Co., 5410 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. (formerly located in Boston).

Compare the cancels, the genuine being taken from the writer's collection. The date digits in the forged appear to be hand drawn and of different shapes than the genuine. The dividing marks between the upper and lower inscriptions are circles in the forgery while in the genuine they are multi-pointed stars or asterisks. The "A" in CITTA is noticeably smaller in the forgery than the genuine. Although it may not be significant, in the address on the cover, the two lower lines have been erased and MILANO typed in. There is a portion of a machine cancellation on the back of the cover which is illegible. It was reported that additional forged F.D. covers of this issue are known to exist. Our thanks to Mr. Holschauer for making it possible to alert our members to this fraud. (FJL).

Frederick J. Levitsky



Cancellation honoring the 40th anniversary of the Pontifical Academy of Science, October 28, 1976. The cancellation reads: "40th Anniversary of the Founding of the Pontifical Academy of Science." *(See Scott #227-28, honoring the 20th anniv. of the Academy, issued in 1957.)*



Cancellations marking Christmas, 1976. The cancellations read: "Christ is Born - Alleluia." *Both the handstamp and machine cancellations are illustrated.*

Cancellation marking the tenth World Day for Peace, January 1, 1977. The cancellation reads: "Day Dedicated to Nourishing Peace Throughout the World. If You Wish Peace, Cherish Life."

Cancellation marking the celebration of Easter, April 10, 1977. The cancellation reads: "Christ has Risen - Alleluia."

COVERS AND CACHETS OF THE PONTIFICAL STATE
Translated by Rev. Floyd A. Jenkins, S.J.

Religious and Lay Groups

In addition to the lay population, religious congregations, ecclesiastical establishments and tribunals in great numbers, attracted by the Holy See, gathered in Rome itself or its environs. Absolute harmony did not always obtain between these different groups, often of quite different origin, mentality, and character. Difficulties and questions of procedure frequently arose which the tribunals were called on to solve as best they could. It is always necessary to understand that the religious life was intense in the States of the Church and that the lay people profited greatly by the presence of all these religious.

Each of these establishments naturally had its own personal cachet which it imprinted on its letters. The most frequently found are those of "Vescovato" or of "Curia Vescovile" for letters sent by bishops or their councils.

Civil cachets are numerous and a complete listing cannot be made. One must simply cite:

a) Those emanating from the office of General Direction, a stamp registering a combined tax and impost, created by the French after their installation in the country, and maintained by the Popes who appreciated its advantages.

b) Those of groups and societies, such as the Pontifical Diligence, with social administration at Rome and companion cities, notably at Ancona, Bologna, Macerata and Pesaro, the Commercial Company at Rome, and the Maritime and River Security in Rome (an insurance company).

c) And those of individuals having an official position, such as the Pontifical engineers at Ancona, Frosinone, Macerata, and Urbino. There exist many others.

Postal Markings

This necessarily incomplete enumeration brings to mind the cachets (or markings) added by the postal administration, ordinarily on the front of letters and rarely on the back. These markings were usually not placed on the stamps themselves, usually they were placed next to the stamps and the latter were canceled by an "obliteration," at first in the form of a town name in a straight line and later by a circular cancellation.

Along these lines one should mention

a) the tax for letters which had not been franked or had been insufficiently franked, for which the sum due was indicated either by hand or by means of a rubber stamp, usually with the words "Affrancamento Insufficiente" (insufficient postage) or simply "Insufficiente," or "Tasse

rectificate" (corrected tax) for letters whose postage had been incorrectly indicated and which had to be rectified.

b) Markings for letters which left the States of the Church, whether directly or by transit, stamped with the marking "P. Stato Pontificio" to make known their origin and often also the word "abrégé Imp^{e}," an abbreviation of "Impostazione," used especially at Ancona.

c) Letters sent from the parts of Ancona or Civita Vecchia, bearing the indication "Via di Mare," to facilitate their transmission by sea, sometimes with the complement "Piroscafi Postali Francesi" if French paqueboats had to be used.

The most curious of these markings were those which were used in 1854 and above all in 1855 during the flu epidemic which raged during that period, against the plague which produced so many victims; also letters coming from a contaminated region on arriving there were submitted to disinfection by a sanitary Commission which rarely makes known its official role except at Ferrara but usually contented themselves with opening the letters in two places with a razor and, after purifying them, surcharging with the word "Netto dentro e fuero" (clean within and without).

Postal Organization

The postal service comprised:

a) A central administration at Rome,

b) Bureaus of direction to the number of 37, in the beginning so that there would be at least one in each of the 20 provinces.

c) Bureaus of distribution divided into two classes.

In the Bureaus of Direction, the personnel - more or less numerous - followed the importance of the population which it served, comprising especially a postal verifier, charged with rendering account whether letters had been sufficiently taxed or franked.

The whole territory of the States of the Church was divided into three zones enveloping the provinces independently of their boundaries. An inspector was placed at the head of each of these zones and resided in one of the bureaus of direction. The three zones had for their purpose the determination of the tax due.

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VATICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

NUMBER 1

Mail Auction Sale # 13

Closing Date: 31 October 1977

Lt.Col. William J. Pelham
Vatican Philatelic Society
P.O. Box 29099
Honolulu, Hawaii 96820

TERMS OF SALE

1. All lots sold to highest bidder at one raise above the second high bid.
2. All bids in U.S. Dollars. Bids for alternative lots cannot be accepted. Purchase limit will be respected. Minimum Bids (MB) are lowest bid accepted for lot.
3. Equal bids will be considered in order of receipt.
4. The right is reserved to withdraw any lots prior to the closing date.
5. Catalogue numbers are from Scotts unless otherwise noted. Numbers separated by a dash (1-9) indicate a complete series. Numbers separated by a slash (1/9) indicate first and last stamps of an incomplete series.
6. Any lot incorrectly described is returnable within three days of receipt. However, lots and collections of ten or more stamps and/or lots of undescribed stamps are not returnable for any reason.
7. Submit bids on auction bid sheet or a reasonable facsimile.
8. Lots may be sent to successful bidders with payments due no later than seven dA\ after receipt, otherwise invoice will be sent in advance and lots forwarded upon receipt of full payment. Payments in U.S. Dollars only.
9. Postage, insurance and/or registration will be added to each invoice.
10. The placing of a bid shall constitute acceptance of the foregoing conditions of sale.

CONDITION DESCRIPTION

** - Never Hinged
* - Unused
o - Used
LH - Light Hinging
HH - Heavy Hinging
HR - Hinge Remnants
Faults - Not normally noticable from face of stamp.
Defects - Minor and noticable from face of stamp.
Filler - Damaged, but fills the space.

A - Average (Perfs touch/in design)
F - Fine (Perfs clear design)
VF - Very Fine (Premium Quality)
S - Superb (Perfect Centering)

Lot #	Cat.#	Description	MinBid
		ROMAN STATES (Bolaffi Numbering)	
01	*	3b ½ Baj, F, No Gum	15.00
02	*	5b 1 Baj (I Comp), VF	5.00
03	*	14 3 Baj, VF	4.00
04	o	12b 3 Baj on Cvr. Rome-Ferentino Rome CDS (1857)+ Rome Grill.	28.00
05	o	Stampless Cvr. Apr 1857. Valentano to Gradoli. Seal of Apostolic Delegation to Valentano.	7.00
		VATICAN CITY	
06	**	41-42 F-VF	3.00
07	*	41-42 F-VF	1.00
08	*	43 VF	7.00
09	o	43 VF	5.00
10	*	45 VF	18.00
11	o	46 F	5.00
12	o	46 F, Edge Stains, Faults	2.00
13	*	49 VF/S, No gum	17.00
14	*	50 F-VF	1.00
15	*	51 F-VF, HH	29.50
16	*	134/136-138 VF	4.00
17	*	134/138 F-VF	2.50
18	**	149-153 F-VF	45.00
19	**	156-157 F-VF	6.00
20	**	158-168,E13-14 (2sets). 1st Print MNH, 2nd Printing LH.	4.00
21	**	176-178 F-VF	4.00
22	*	189-191 F-VF (Gum Dist 191)	7.00
23	**	195-196 F	4.75
24	**	197-199 F-VF	2.50
25	**	200-202 F-VF	2.50
26	**	203-208 F-VF	4.00
27	**	209-211 F-VF	1.35
28	**	212-213 VF	1.75
29	**	214-215 F-VF	1.80
30	**	216-218 F	1.50
31	**	223-226 A	1.00
32	**	227-228 F	1.15
33	**	229-232 F	1.00
34	**	233-238 F-VF	1.00
35	**	239-242 F-VF	3.50
36	**	243-246 VF	1.00
37	**	284-291, E15-16 F-VF	1.00
38	**	515-517 ⊞ F-VF (Block of 4)	2.20
39	**	521-525 ⊞ F-VF (Block of 4)	8.50
40	**	526-527 ⊞ F-VF (Block of 4)	2.40
41	**	526-527 ⊞ F-VF (Block of 4)	2.40
42	**	528-530 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	2.40
43	**	528-530 ⊞ VF (Block of 4)	3.95
44	**	531-533 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.50
45	**	534-536 ⊞ VF/S (Block of 4)	2.40
46	**	534-536 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.25
47	**	537-540 ⊞ S (Block of 4)	2.95
48	**	537-540 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.00
49	**	541-544 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.25
50	**	545-547 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.00
51	**	550-554 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	4.20
52	**	555-560 VF (2 sets)	1.80
53	**	558-560 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	2.60
54	**	561-571 VF	2.00
55	**	561-571 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	7.00
56	**	572-584 VF (4 comp sets)	3.50
57	**	572 ⊞ VF (Block of 4)	2.40
58	**	573-578 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	4.00
59	**	579-581 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.40
60	**	585-587 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	3.40
61	**	588-589 ⊞ F/VF (Block of 4)	2.60
62	*o	C9-11/14-15 VF.	2.00
63	*o	C9-15 VF	3.65
64	**	C20-21 F-VF	160.00
65	**	C22-23 VF	38.00
		AIR LETTER SHEETS	
66	**	ALS 7	1.50
67	**	ALS 9	1.00
		FIRST DAY COVERS - CACHET - UNADDRESSED	
68	o	365-368 Golden 43(1)	2.10
69	o	369-371 Golden 44(1)	2.20
70	o	372-374 Golden 45(1)	1.00
71	o	379-382 Golden 50(1)	1.00
72	o	383-386 Golden 51(1)	1.00
73	o	387-391 Golden 52-53(2)	1.50
74	o	392-394 Golden 55(1)	1.00
75	o	395-396 Golden 56(1)	1.00
76	o	397-399 Golden 57(1)	1.00
77	o	400-403 Golden 59(1)	1.00
78	o	404-409 Golden 60-61(2)	1.15
79	o	410-413 Golden 62(1)	1.00
80	o	414-415 Golden 65(1)	1.00
81	o	420-422 Golden 73(1)	1.00
82	o	423-432, E17-18 Golden 78-81(4)	2.25
83	o	433-438 Golden 82-83(2)	1.10
84	o	445-447 Golden 86(1)	1.00
85	o	448-452 Golden 91-92(2)	1.10
86	o	453-454 Golden 97(1)	1.00
87	o	455-457 Golden 96(1)	1.00
88	o	458-460 Golden 98(1)	1.00
89	o	479-483 Filigrano (2)	2.25
90	o	500-503 Golden 135(1)	1.00
91	o	504-508 Golden 136-137(2)	1.40
92	o	509-512 Golden 138(1)	1.25
93	o	513-514 Golden 141(1)	1.00
94	o	515-517 Golden 142(1)	1.00
95	o	521-525 Golden 152-153(2)	2.75
96	o	526-527 Golden 154-155(2)	1.20
97	o	528-530 Golden 156(1)	1.50
98	o	531-533 Golden 160(1)	2.00
99	o	534-536 Golden 161(1)	1.60
100	o	537-540 Golden 162-163(2)	1.60
101	o	541-544 Golden 164-165(2)	1.75
102	o	545-547 Golden 166(1)	1.50
103	o	550-554 Golden 169-170(2)	1.40
104	o	558-560 Golden 172(1)	1.30
105	o	572 Golden 180(1)	1.80
106	o	573-578 Golden 177-179(3)	3.50
107	o	579-581 Golden 182(1)	2.10
108	o	582-584 Golden 181(1)	2.10
109	o	585-587 Golden 183(1)	2.70
110	o	588-589 Golden 184(1)	1.60
111	o	C47-52 Golden 87-88(2)	4.50
112	o	C53-54 Kim	8.50
113	o	J19-24 Golden 100(1)	3.00
		LAST DAY COVERS - CACHET - UNADDRESSED	
114	o	313-316 Golden 20(1)	3.50
115	o	356-359 Kim 24(2)	1.50
		OTHER COVERS - CACHET	
116	o	375-378 Golden 48(3). 2 FDC-1 Unadd. 1 dated 1/6/64	2.00
117	o	416-419 Golden 72(2)- FDC/LDC	1.60
118	o	461-467 Golden 102,107(2).FDC/LDC	1.75
		FIRST DAY MAXIMUM CARDS - UNADDRESSED	
119	o	448-452 Golden 140-144(5)	1.35
120	o	453-454 Golden 148(1)	1.00
121	o	455-457 Golden 145-147(3)	1.50
122	o	458-460 Golden 149(1)	1.00
123	o	464-466 Golden 155(1)	1.00
124	o	467-469 Golden 156(1)	1.50
125	o	473-475 Golden 158-160(3)	1.75
126	o	476-478 Golden 161-163(3)	1.50
127	o	484-486 Golden 169-171(3)	1.50
		SPECIAL EVENTS COVERS	
128	o	12/8/62 Council Closing.Golden32	1.00
129	o	1/11-6/12/64 Visit with Italian President, Golden 50,64(2)	1.00
130	o	12/2-6/64 Visit to India. Add. Golden 59, 59a-g(8). FDC 400-403, Some India stamps.	4.90
131	o	6/10/65 Visit to Pisa Golden 63	1.00
132	o	4/10/65 Visit to UN. Golden 67-71	3.00
133	o	12/8/65 Begin Beaut. Pius XII, John XXIII. Golden 75-77	1.25
134	o	5/13/67 Visit to Portugal. Stamps-Portugal 997-1000. Golden 89-90	1.50
135	o	7/25-26/67 Visit to Turkey.Stamps-Turkey 1749-50.Golden 93-95	2.50
136	o	8/18-24/68 Visit to Columbia. Columbian Stamps. Golden 101, 104-106.	2.25
137	o	5/21/72 Pieta Attack. Golden 51	2.50
138	o	9/16/72 Visit to Venice, Udine & Quieleia. Golden 145-149	3.00
139	o	9/22-26/72 Visit to Leone & 75th Anniv. Golden 150, 131	1.20
140	*o	APS Sales Book. 140 Stamps, 1/462, C1/49, J8-19, Q-1. All Hinged. As is.	19.00
141	o	383-386 Colorful FDC but not cachet.	1.00

END OF SALE - THANK YOU.

Regret the quick closing date of the past 2 auctions and appreciate the quick response from the members which saved the day. Also appreciate the cooperation in receiving your invoice payments promptly.

Hope to hear from more of the members this coming auction. Why not submit your bid today for an item or items you want or need that are included in the current auction. I am sure that you will be pleased. Thanks to all for your participation and cooperation.

Regards,
Your Auctioneer.

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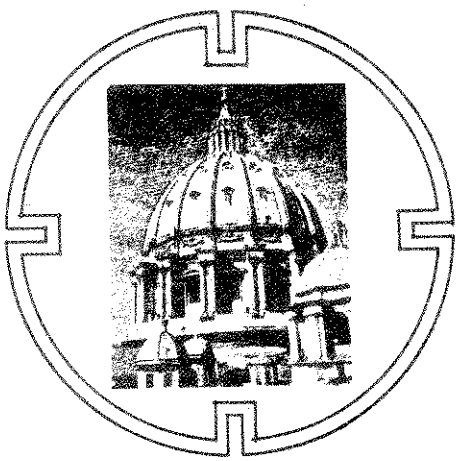

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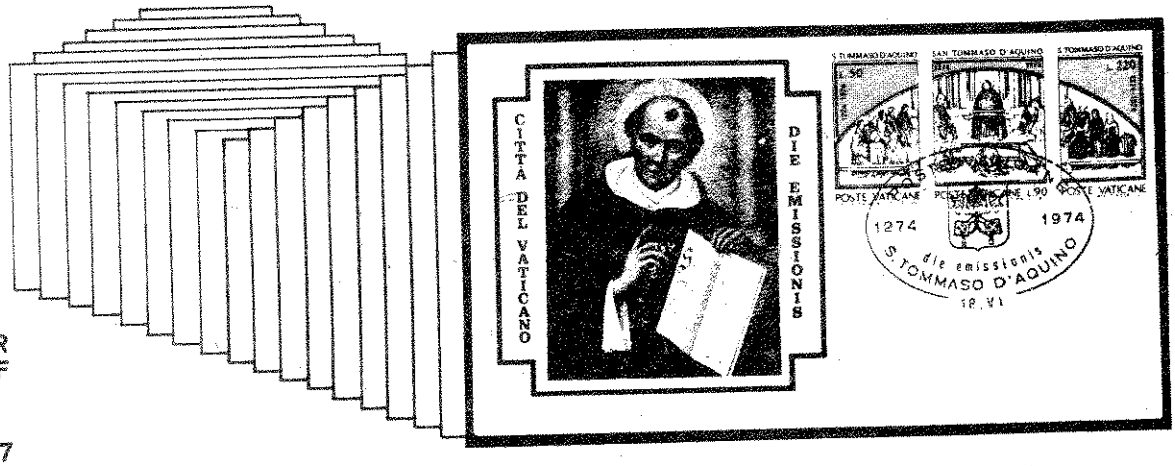

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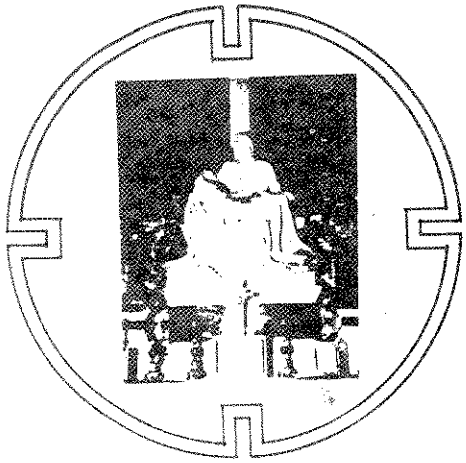

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