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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

_ Would you please make the following additions and alterations to your membership lists.

New Members - This month we have pleasure in welcoming two more members into the Society.

- 76. Mr A.T. Sedglay
- 77. Mr P.S. Weston

Resignation -

- 55. Mr Ford-Hutchinson

Change of Address -

- 28. Mr Allsop

IRISH PERFINS

The Irish Philatelic Circle have formed a group to study the perfins of Ireland with the object of eventually publishing check lists.

Mr Burrows who is also one of our more active members is tackling the task of collating all information and compiling the final lists, and he would like any assistance our members can give him.

If you have any perfins on the issues of Eire please let him have full details of, perf in type, issue, and identity if known, plus any other information you may believe is relevant.

We are indebted to Mr Burrows in a number of respects, and particularly for the assistance he has given in preparation of certain sections of the Officials Catalogue, so if you can help him in his own project, please do so.

EDITORIAL JOTTINGS

I am afraid this issue will once again be a little late in appearing. My apologies for this but pressure of other work has put me behind, and during the last week of the month, when I normally do the bulk of the work associated with the bulletin, I was away from home for four days on business. I hope publication will not be more than a week late.

*** We received a request recently from a Mr H Murray,
for the name of someone who
is interested in exchanging or selling mint booklet panes. If
anyone has something in this line to dispose of perhaps they
would contact Mr Murray direct.

*** Following on Mr Jennings work on early perfins which was
produced by the American Perfins Club, he has now produced a
'follow-up' which can either be considered as a separate work or
a further chapter of his previous effort. It deals with the
Surface Printed issues of 1865 to 1883, listing all perfins found
on these issues and indicating the plate numbers on which each
perfin appears.

It is proposed to publish this work separately from the
bulletin and we would like some indication of the number of
members who will be interested in purchasing a copy when it appears.
The final price is uncertain since it is partly dependent upon
the interest shown, however, it is expected to be about 2/- to 3/-.
Would anyone interested please let me know?

*** This month's issue will be franked with the Society's perfin
on 2½d issue of Guernsey.

4th POSTAL AUCTION

Sufficient lots have now been gathered together to make the
auction worthwhile and the catalogue appears in this issue. In
order that our American members may have a chance to bid the
closing date for bids will be 30th April. We would, however,
suggest that members overseas send their bids by airmail to be on
the safe side.

Rules governing previous auctions apply and Mr Carr can accept
phone bids, in the evenings only

THIS MONTHS CONTENTS

Two pages of general interest, Official Perfins Worksheet No.
18, Council Listing two pages for the letter H - 8.1 to 8.5, Three
pages of Identities - S5, S6, S7 which replace previous undated
pages, Official Perfins Catalogue pages 11 and 12, and Auction
Catalogue as above.

1. CHINESE TURKESTAN OR SINKIANG

The 1915-19 stamps of China, (picturing the junk, the Rice-cutter, and the Gateway, and in the Peking printing), were overprinted for use in Sinkiang. One overprint was used in 1915 and a second in 1916, but they are so alike that it would probably be difficult to tell them apart when the stamps were also perforated with Chinese characters for use on Official correspondence.

The perfin has the following number of holes - 25,15/20,14

Stanley Gibbons, Part III, notes that the perfin was used on stamps with the two overprints, and also on certain later issues. Can anyone give more, information please?

2. COST RICA

According to Yvert & Tellier the 1937-38 Official Stamps were also perforated for use on official letters by:

- A. a single large punch hole (4mm.)
- B. a star composed of 30 holes

	A	B
2c violet		
3c bistre		
4c carmine		
5c olive green _		-
8c sepia		-
10c carmine _		-
20c indigo		
40c vermilion		
55c lilac		-
1 col. red-brown		
2 col. grey-blue		
5 col. orange		
10 col. blue		

3. COLOMBIA

Stamps of Columbia overprinted "OFICIAL" are often found with the perforation "ANULADA" when they are used. Is this an Official Perfin or simply a form of cancellation? If it is to be included can anyone give details of the perfin please?

P.T.O.

4. GUATEMALA

Stamps were perforated-with-the word "OFICIAL", from 1912. S.C.A. 1944 gives a list but no illustration. Yvert illustrates the perfin with the letters having the following number of holes, 10, 7, 4, 9, 4, 8, 6.

From information received from Mr Welch it seems that the die was repaired in 1924 with the result that the letter C had two more holes than before, so one could suppose that the original die was:-

Original	10,7,4,7,4,8,6
Repaired	10,7,4,9,4,8,6

Can anyone confirm that the original C was composed of 7 holes and that the repaired one had 9 holes? It is possible that the first had 9 holes and the repaired C had 11 holes, although this seems less likely.

S.C.A. lists the following:

On the stamps of 1902

1c purple & green	20c black & clatet
2c black & lake	25c black & blue
5c black & blue	50c blue & red brown
6c blue-green & bistre	75c black & lilac
10c blue & orange	1p black & brown
12½c black & blue	2p black & red orange
(The 6c is included by Yvert)	6p black & scarlet (1911)

On the stamps of 1922-24

6c olive bistre	1.50 blue
12½c green	2p red-orange
25c brown	2.50 violet
50c red	3p green
1p yellow-brown	15p black
	25c blue & sepia (1917)

On the stamps of 1926

6c yellow-bistre	2p orange
12½c green	2.50 purple
25c brown	3p green
50c deep red	5p purple
1p chestnut	15p black
1.50 p blue	

1c olive (1927)

Please indicate any stamps that you have, or make any other comments on this sheet, and return to Miss Thornton

8.1 HACKNEY (B) LONDON, E.8.

Hackney's history is largely associated with London and, although it is believed to have been outside the Roman city, Roman remains have been found in the area.

The derivation of the Borough's name is thought to have come from HACA's EYOT or Island.

Perfin: HB/C 2H 10,11/7 (4½)

All values up to 6d are in current use and are supplied by J. Sloper & Co.

8.2. HAMMERSMITH (B) ZONDON,W.6.

The early history of Hammersmith is uncertain although it has been mentioned as a camp of Danish invaders in 879. The area did not become a separate entity until 1834 since until that year it had formed part of Fulham Parish.

Today, the district is largely residential but some industry exists in the area, mainly in the electrical and light engineering fields and in food and drink manufacture.

Perfin: HB/C 2H 10,11/7 (4½)

Perfins were being used as far back as 1924 although it is not known whether the same die was in use, similarly it is not known when they were first adopted.

At the present time they are supplied by Slopers.

8.3 HAMPSHIRE (C)

In Saxon times what is now Hampshire was part of the Kingdom of Wessex and Winchester, the present county town, was regarded as the capital of England.

Hampshire was, at one time, known as the County of Southampton and indeed retained that name for legal purposes until 1st April 1959.

Perfin: H/CC 2H 10/7,7 (4½)

It is not known when perfins were first used but it was certainly prior to 1949

Supplies are obtained from Slopers and current values used are:- ½d, 1d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4½d, 6d, & 1/-.

8.4 HAMPSTPAD (B) LONDON N.W.3.

The earliest reference to Hampstead (HAMSTEDE) is in a charter attributed to King Edgar, who died in 975.

In 986 the manor of HAMSTEAD was bestowed by charter of Ethelred upon the Abbey Church of St Peter, Westminster.

The springs of Hampstead had long been famous when the mineral water wells were opened in 1706, and the village became a fashionable Spa, a development which probably led to its later popularity as a residential suburb for London.

Perfins:	(i)	HB/C	2H	12,15/9	(4½)
	(ii)	HB/C	2H	10,11/7	(4½)

The period of use of perfins is uncertain but it is known that they were in use prior to 1914, and die (i) has been seen on ld lilac.

Present values in use are 2½d, 3d, 4½d, 6d, perforated with die (ii) by J. Sloper & Co.

8.5 HARLOW (UDC) ESSEX

Harlow was the first Urban District Council to be formed as a result of development under the New Towns Act of 1946. The present council was constituted in 1955.

The area has expanded rapidly as a 'New Tom' and has increased in population from 5,829 in 1951 to the present figure of over 62,000.

Perfin:		HU/DC	2H	10,8/9,7	(4½)
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Perfins were introduced as soon as the Council was formed in April 1955 and are supplied by Slopers.

8.6 HASLINGDEN B LANCASHIRE

The old town of Haslingden stood on the slope on the border of the ancient Rossendale forest but today it has spread around the base of the slope.

Haslingden, in keeping with many other Lancashire towns, has a main industry associated with cotton goods. It received its Charter of Incorporation on 2nd June 1891.

Perfin:		HC	H	10,7	(4½)
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This Council first used perfins in 1954 and obtains supplies from J.Sloper & Co.

					<u>S. 5</u>	2/65
SM/BP	2H	9,11/11,8	4½		Shell Mex & British	
					Petroleum Co Ltd.	
SMC	H	10,15,8	5½		The Singer Manufacturing	
					Co. Clydebank, Scotland.	
*S&/MCD	2H	10,12/15,7,11	5	Ø	Stewart & Macdonalds Ltd	
*S&/MCD	2H	13,14/17,6,12	5½/6		Stewart & Macdonalds Ltd	
SM/&C.N	2H	11,15,/13,8,13	5½ (III)		Simon May & Co. Newcastle.	
SM/&Co	2H	10,15/13,8,6	4½(I))	Samuel Montagu & Co	
SM/&Co	2H	10,15/14,8,4	5½(III))	London.	
*SMGC	S	10,11,9,7	4	Ø	South Metropolitan Gas Co.	
SM/GCo	2H	9,11/10,13,7	4½		South Metropolitan Gas Co.	
SM/HMC	2H	9,11/10,13,7	4½		South Manchester Hosp.	
					Management Committee.	
SMS	H	9,11,9	4½		S.Maw Son & Sons Ltd	
					New Barnet, Herts.	
*S.M.S/&T	2H	10,15,10/14,7	5 (III)		S. Mawson & Thompson,	
					London E.C.	
SM/W	2H	10,15/11	4½		Schrader Mitchell & Weir	
					Glasgow.	
*SN	H	9,11	4½		Santiago Nendofer. London El	
S Crown O H					Stationery Office, London.	
SO/HMC	2H	9,8/10,11,7	4½		Selley Oak Hospital	
					Management Committee.	
S&P	H	10,12,10	6 (IIIa)		Sisson & Parker Ltd	
					Nottingham.	
SP/Co	2H	9,8/7,4	4½		The Shell Petroleum Co.	
*S.P/&Co	2H	9,9/13,8,6	4 (Ia)		Sharp Perrin & Co. London E.C	
*SPERO	H	9,9,10,11,10	3½	Ø	Richard Haworth & Co Ltd	
					Manchester	
S.P.G	H	13,11,10	5)	Society for the Propogation	
*SPG	H & S	11,10,11	6)	Ø of the Gospel.	
SPI	H	9,8,4	4½)	Scottish Provident Institute	
SPI	H	9,8,4	5,5,4½)	Mutual Assurance.	
*SPI	H	10,10,5	5	Ø	Scottish Provident	
					Institution, Edinburgh.	
SP/L	2H	9,8/6	4½		Spratt's Patent Ltd,	
					London E.3	
S.P/L	2H	10,10/7	5		Spratt's Patent Ltd,	
					London E.3	
S/R	2H	9/10	4½		Shell Chemicals Ltd,	
					Stamford-le-Hope.	

SR/DC	2H	9,10/9,7	4½	Swaffham Rural District Council, Norfolk.
*S/RG	2H	9/10,8	4½	S. Ralph Golding & Co Ltd London W.4
S.S	H	11,11	5	G.Small & Sons, Tuanton, Somerset.
S&S	H	9,12,9	4½(Ia)	1.Hugh Stevenson & Sons Ltd Manchester 4. 2.H.Scott & Sons. London N22. 3.W.M. Still & Sons Ltd London E.C.1 4.Joseph Sankey & Son Ltd Bilston, Staffs. 5.Edward Saunders Son Ltd London N.W.10
S&S	H	10,14,10	5 (I)	Sutton & Sons (Seedsmen) Reading.
S&S	H	9,12,10	5½(III)	Stuart & Sons Ltd, Stourbridge.
S.S/C	2H	11,11,8	5½	South Shields Corporation
SS/&Co	2H	11,11/13,8,6	6 (III)	Schill Bros Ltd. Manchester.
S'SEA/Cpn	2H	10,10,10,10/8,10,11	4½)	Swansea
S'SEA/CPn	2H	9,9,9,8/7,8,8	4½)	Corporation.
S&S/T	2H	9,14,9/6	4½ (I))	G. Small & Sons Ltd
S&S/T	2H	9,12,9/6	4½(Ia))	Taunton, Somerset.
ST	H	9,6	4½	Standard Telephones & Cables Ltd, London.
StA/C	2H	9,5,8/7	4½,3,4½/4½	St Albans Corporation.
ST/&B	2H	9,6/12,11	4½(Ia))	Spencer Turner & Boldero Ltd.
ST/&B	2H	13,7/14,15	4½/5(III))	" " " "
St/BH	2H	9,5/11,10	4½,2½/4½	St Bartholomews Hospital London.
ST/C	2H	10,7/8	5½	Scottish Tube Co Ltd, Glasgow.
STD	S	9,6,9	4½	"The Standard" (Newspaper) London E.C.
StG/H	2H	9,5,9/10	4½,2½,4½/4½	St George's Hospital London S. W.
*StP/BC	2H	9,5,8/11,7	4½,3,4½/4½	St Pancras Boro' Council London N.W.1
STH	H	9,6,10	4½	St Thomas's Hospital, London S.E.1
StH/C	2H	9,5,10/7	4½,2½,4½/4	St Helens Corporation Lancashire.

					<u>S.7</u>	2/65
SU/DC	2H	9,8/9,7	4½		Shipley Urban District Council	
SU/DC	2H	9,8/9,7	5		" " "	
*S.U./G.	2H	11,10/10	5½	Ø	Sheffield United Gas Light Company.	
S.U/GAS/Co.	3H	11,10/10,10,11/8,6	5½	Ø	" " " "	
S.U./Ld	2H	12,10/7,7	5½	Ø	Salt Union Ltd, Winsford.	
SUTTON/READING		(Three types known)			Sutton & Sons Ltd	
SUTTON/&/SONS		(One type known)			Reading.	
SW	H	9,12	4½		Sutton District Water Co Surrey.	
S/&W	D	9/12/12	4½(Ia)		Smith & Wellstood Ltd London W.1	
SW/EB	2H	9,12/9,11	4½		Sth Western Electricity Board.	
SW/GB	2H	9,12/9,11	4½		Sth Western Gas Board.	
SWR/&Co	2H	11,13,11/12,8,6	4½(IIIa)		Sir S. W. Royse & Co Ltd Manchester	
S/27	2H	9/10,7	4½		Middlewood Hosdital, Sheffield.	

1.6 HER (HIS) MAJESTY'S STATIONERY OFFICE

Whitaker's Almanac tells us that "H.M. Stationery Office was established in 1786 and is the British Governments central organisation for the supply of print-ing, binding, office supplies and office machinery of all kinds, and published books and periodicals, for the Public Service at home and abroad; it also undertakes duplicating and distributing services for government departments. The Stationery Office is the publisher for the government and has bookshops in London, Edinburgh Cardiff, Manchester, Bristol, Birmingham and Belfast."

It has been stated that, from 1880 or 1881, the Stationery Office used stamps perforated either with a Crown over S O or between S O, and mention has been made of 5/- and 10/- stamps of 1883-84 perforated with a Crown and S O surrounded by a large perforated circle; but such a perforation would most likely be for fiscal, not postal use. In 1881 punctures consisting of a large crown with letters below were used, for example, on Bankruptcy fiscal stamps with the letters HCJ and on Judicature Fees fiscal stamps with the letters RJC.

Stationery Office records are no longer available to give the date when perforating first commenced but they were using the S CROWN O perforation on stamps of the 1912 - 22 issue. The earliest date so far reported is 20 Dec 22 on a 6d value. There exists a complete Stationery Office label dated 25 Oct 1922 with a 1/- stamp that is not perforated. Could this indicate that perforating was started between these two dates? The other values known from this period are 3d, 9d, and 1/-.

With the 1924-26 issues the values from ½d to 4d are all used, as are the 6d, 9d and 1/- stamps, but members have not reported the 5d, 10d or any value over 1/-. In the photogravure issue of 1934-36 the same values are used with the addition of the 10d. Only the 1d and 1½d stamps of K.E.VIII have been noted with the perforation, but the stamps of K.G.VI include values up to 10/-, although the 5d, 7d, and 11d do not seem to have been perforated.

The pins became much damaged on the stamps of the 1937-47 issue, with as many as nine pins being broken, and a new die became necessary. The change from S CROWN O to HM/SO took place in 1949. The change over commenced in February but stocks already perforated with the earlier

die were used to exhaustion so that there was no specific date of change.

The perforating machine in use is treadle operated and was manufactured by J.Sloper & Company Limited. In reply to an enquiry in June 1964, the Stationery Office said, "Stamps are obtained from the GPO and are over-perforated in a Stationery Office Warehouse. Lower denomination stamps are in sheets of 240 and 3 sheets are overperforated at a time, but only line by line (i.e. 3 x 12 = 36 stamps a time)". It would seem that sheets of stamps are not folded before being perforated, for inverted perfins are rarely found. The only inverted perfin reported is the S CROWN 0 die on the ½d green of 1941-42, and on the 2d value there is an example of a double perforation, one normal and one reversed.

Broken pin varieties may be found on the HM/SO die - one with the hole missing at the centre of M being common.

The following notes on this variety have been obtained from the Stationery Office, "Used with normal size stamps, when face downwards, the fifth stamp from the right on each line shows this defect. With larger stamps (2/6 and over) the second stamp shows the defect but the position is not constant as the overall width of these sheets is less than those of the lower denominations and allows flexibility of feeding".

Postmarks have been reported from London, Cardiff and Manchester, but one would also expect them to be found from the other places mentioned in the first paragraph of the previous page.

The stamps were used for Inland Parcel Post up to 1942 when an "Official Paid" parcel post label was introduced. "Official Paid" letter post labels are also being used so that most of the stamps now used will be found on letters and parcels for abroad. In certain Regional Offices, where Official Paid stationery is used, stamps are still employed on internal mail for payment of registration and expressing fees.

4TH PERFIN AUCTION

All bids to be sent to Chris J. T. Carr, SEPS Auction,
to reach him not later than 30th April 1965.

<u>Great Britain</u>	<u>Reserve</u>
1. Overprint OUS type 1. Plate 81. 8 perfs missing	9/6
2. Underprint OUS type 2. Plate 169. Several perfs trimmed and badly off_ . centre	
3. " OUS type 2. Plate 169. Trimmed on 2 sides & torn.	
4. " OUS type 2. Plate 205. Trimmed along 3 sides.	
5. " Boyd type 3 Plate 85 "	
6. " Boyd type 3. Plate 109 4 perfs trimmed .	4/6
7. " Copestake type 6. Plate 103. 3 sides trimmed	
8. " " Plate 131. "	
9. " " Plate 137. 1 side torn, corner gone _	
10. " " Plate 20?. 1 side torn.	

Although many of the above are badly defective, they have been included as they are of interest. Type Nos. are per Gibbons G.B. Specialised Catalogue Volume 1.

11. 1d reds, both defective. M&S Plate 109, MS&L Plate 210	
12. 6 1d lilacs. D&J, H&Co/+(2 copies), L&M(defective), M/M, R&S/M	
13. 166, mainly KEVII, some QV. 80 different	
14. 250 KEVII ½d, slight duplication	5/-_
15. " "	5/-
16. " "	5/-
17. 250 KEVII 1d, slight duplication	5/-
18. " "	5/-
19. " "	5/-
20. " "	5/-
21. " "	5/-
22. " "	5/-
23. " "	5/-
24. " "	5/-_
25. 5 Diff KEVII 3d, 1 KGV 2d, 5 diff QE, 15 stamps.	
26. 250 KGV ½d-2d mixed	
27. " "	
28. " "	
29. " "	
30. Mainly KGV D-22 types, E-17, F-17, G-21, H-42, on 168 stamps	4/-
31. Mainly KGV K-19, L-42, M-45, N-22, nearly all different.	3/-
32. 2/6d Bradbury print. WJB/&Co	
33. 1d 1924 Wembley. J/TS	
34. 2½d 1929 PUC RB/E	
35. 2/6d 1934 Re-engraved C.C.A	
36. Commems. 2½d S. Weddin BP/D, 2½d : Coron. B&T, 3d GLO - A/EI(2 copies), AS and C.B/B	
37. 38 2d red-brown QE	
38. 500 2½d QE	
39. 500 3d QE	
40. 500 3d QE	
41. 20 4d QE	
42. 89 4½d QE	
43. 65 6d QE	

NOTE: Lots 37 to 43 are unsorted bulk lots from a non-collector.

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44.
 45. ex 2/6 QE, CK, DR/Co, Fld, JL/&Co, NB/L, B&H, plus)
 4 x 5/- QE, B&H, DR/Co., JD, JL/&Co) 3/-
 46. 2/6, 5/-, 10/- each B/Bk Barclays Bank. QE. 2/-
 47. 2/6, 5/-, 10/- each MB Midland Bank. QE. 2/-
 48. 300, mainly QE, good variety 3/-
 49. 1000 QE ½d to 1/-, 10/-
 50. " 10/-
 51. " 10/-

Lots 49 to 51 are unsorted lots from a missionary society.

52. 8 oz mixture on paper, mainly QE to 1/6.
 53. Over 100, all reigns from id lilac to 5/- QE.

Other Countries

54. 33 foreign from 10 countries including S. Africa.
 55. 40 India
 56. 60 foreign including 18 Germany, 13 France, 13 Denmark.
 57. 55 foreign including 11 Holland, 9 Belgium.
 58. 40 British Cols. including 17 Australia, 9 India.
 59. USA \$1 1922 issue BSC diag. US perfin cat No. B220
 60. " 17c 1938 issue BMC diag. " B162
 61. " 18c " AEL/Co " A103a
 62. " 24c " " inverted " A103a
 63. " 50c " block of four with NY precancel P179
 and PP/C inverted.
 64. " 1938 Swedes and Finns SAL inverted S27
 65. Venezuela G.N (Official)
 1932 Air 75c, 1B Security-Paper)
 1932 Head 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 370, 40c, 50c, 1b) 3/6
 Security Paper plus 1933 7½c on 10c.)

BOOKS

66. Vallancey's S.P.I.F.S, Handbook, 2nd edition 1948 As.new 7/6
 67. " 7/6
 68. " 7/6
 69. " 7/6
 70. The Stock Exchange Official Year Book 1958. In 2 volumes
 second hand but cost £8 as new. Weight 10½ lbs. Ideal
 reference book for details of companies.

Lots 13, 32 to 35 and 51 to 58 have been donated to the Society and we wish to thank the donors for their generosity. Please send in your bids and help to swell Society Funds, remember every lot sold means more commission. Previous auctions have provided the Society with enough funds to purchase the Society perfin machine and helped purchase the Society's Duplicator.