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A Survey of the 1926-1954 English-Afrikaans Se-Tenant pair Stamp Issues of South Africa

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1927 Scott 30 (S.G. 37) 2sh6p brown & blue green "Trekking"

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I collect classical era (1840-1940) worldwide stamps-all countries, from the British Commonwealth to French Colonies, from Switzerland to Upper Silesia, from Aden to Zululand. Yes, Allenstein, Barbuda, Cyrenaica, and Diego-Suarez too.

The disadvantage, for sure, is the knowledge base tends to be spread thin. But the rewards are considerable. The Jeopardy categories of world history, culture, and geography hold no terror. And, although one may not enjoy a specialist's depth, one does acquire a WW collectors breadth.

Among the various stamp issuing countries, some have a reputation as more complicated for a stamp collector than others. Greece, for the 19th century, comes to mind, with the Large Hermes Heads issues.

And for the 20th Century?

Without a doubt, the South Africa definitive issues of 1926-1954 (Scott 23-67) qualify.

What I propose to do here is to review these English-Afrikaans Se-Tenant pair stamps at the intermediate level, certainly appropriate for a WW collector generalist.

Since it is all rather complicated, and there are over a dozen individual stamp designs to cover, the presentation, no doubt, will be spread over multiple Echoes newsletters. (I suspect Phil Bronner, our ECHOES editor, will not mind as he is always looking for material. ;-) (Ed. Note: You are correct, Jim!)

The overview will be based on the Scott catalogue-therefore a bit simplified-but I will provide some additional reference to the Stanley Gibbons catalogue.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Due to illness; the President's message is short and sweet!

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!



Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a happy holiday season! Sorry this issue is late, holidays and illness always seem to pair up for me this time of year!

We start an article by Jim Jackson entitled "A Survey of the 1926-1954 English-Afrikaans Se-Tenant pair Stamp Issues of South Africa". There are 51 illustrations with this article, and to ensure that they are large enough to elaborate the points made in the text, I anticipate this article will extend over several issues.

If you have an interest in a particular collecting area, please write an article for the Echoes. Also, keep an eye on Philatelic publications that may have an article of interest to the club in general.

Members are reminded that a Buy, Sell, Trade Night will be held January 27th; an auction will be held February 24th; and our first show of the year will be On March 19th.

Don't forget...feedback is always welcome!

The ECHOES is published six times a year in January, March, May, July, September, and November. *If you do NOT get your ECHOES the first week of the issue month, let me know! I will get another mailed out to you! Remember, email delivery = **COLOR!!***

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All submissions of articles, illustrations, letters, etc., by members of the Greater Eugene Stamp Society will be considered. We reserve the right to edit for length and content. Also, any material might be denied publication based on its inflammatory nature, bias, its poor quality, readability, obviously inappropriate subject matter, or the lack of space in the current publication. These deci-

sions are based on the discretion of the editor. All material must arrive typewritten please (!) to the editor either at a scheduled meeting, by mail, or email. Timeliness of submissions and space will determine when they will appear in the Newsletter. Cutoff dates for all submissions will be the 15th of the month prior to the 1st day of the month the issue is to come out. Don't bold, italicize or underline. Do not use cen-

tering. Use a plain background and standard typefaces.

Many thanks for all who send material! We really appreciate it!



**Electronic submissions via
email preferred!**

A Survey of the 1926-1954 English-Afrikaans (continued from page 1)

I will review initially the ½p, 1p, and 6p denominations. They were first issued in 1926 as typographed; later issues were photogravure (rotogravure).

The remaining Se-Tenant 1927-1954 issues, either engraved or using photogravure, will then be reviewed.

So let's begin.....

1926 Scott 23 (S.G. 30) ½p dark green & black "Springbok", perf 14½x14; Typographed.



The lowest denomination Se-Tenant is the ½ pence "Springbok"

design, and was typographed by Waterlow and Sons in 1926 (as was the 1p and 6p) in London, and then Pretoria. We will not get into identifying the respective printings as they are difficult to determine and fairly trivial differences exist. Suffice it to say the London printings are clearer and sharper, the Pretoria printings are less so.

The pairs are generally collected in a horizontal format, and vertical pairs are worth less. No good reason, just convention! The 1926 typographed ½p and 1p pairs are only CV \$3, so one may want to try to find intact pairs for these stamps. Often, for the Se-Tenant pairs, intact pairs are much more expensive than a pair made up of two (non intact) singles.

Note: There was a typographed "economy printed (to use up old paper)" issue in 1948 using up the old 1926 plates in pale olive gray & blue green (S.G. 126).

So, what are the characteristics of the 1926 ½p dark green & black "Springbok" stamp?

- Although the "Springbok" stamps can be found in many different shades over the years, the color of the 1926 typographed stamp is dark green and black. This is at least helpful.
- It is the only example that is typographed, all other later issues are printed with photogravure (also called Rotograph or Rotogravure). Important!
- Horizontal perf is 14½; all later issues are horizontal perf 15. Important!
- The "SUIDAFRIKA" stamp is without hyphen. The 1930-45 photogravure examples are also without hyphen, but the 1933-54 photogravure examples are with a hyphen.
- The leg of "R" in AFRICA or AFRIKA ends in a curved line in the typographed stamps, as opposed to a straight line for the photogravure stamps. Important!

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SUPPORT OUR CLUB MEMBERS !!

Carol Furness has **Carol Furness Postcards** in her home in Drain. Please call her for an appointment. She is also a regular at Piccadilly. Drop in!

Mike Hardy sells on eBay as "Mkhard69". He also sells from his home! Call him!

Paul Renner sells as "PNC" on eBay and has been known to sell at Piccadilly. He is now a full-time dealer!

Clarín Lewis has a booth in The Mercantile Vintage Mall at 145 Pioneer Parkway East, Springfield. He is also now a dealer.

Mike Luttio is a full-time dealer who sells at our shows and at buy, sell, trade nights. Call and leave a message if you'd like to deal with him outside of "hours."

Bill Witcraft of Dothan, Alabama sells on eBay as "Sergeantmajorbill."

Space is available at no charge for club members who wish to let others know they are available to sell philatelic items!

ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS & OTHER CLUB NEWS

Mary Ann Renner (Vice President), Paul Renner (Treasurer), and Mike Weyers (Board Member) had agreed to retain their seats and were re-elected by Acclamation at the November Meeting.

They were sworn into office for the 2016-2017 term at the December meeting by Past President, Phil Bronner.

In other club news, Hal Petersen has assumed the duties of Silent Auctioneer from Mike Weyers.

We also have two members, Edrey Anker and Frank Vignola who have attained Life Membership this year. Congratulations to you both, and wishes for many more years of collecting!

G.E.S.S. member Harry Shepherd, the President of the Coos Bay Stamp Club has established a web site for the Coastal Clubs (Coos Bay and Reedsport). He has added links to some good auction and retail sites. The Oregon Coast Stamp Clubs website can be reached at:

www.Oregoncoaststampclubs.com

Let's take a closer look...

Note that the leg of "R" is curved in both stamps, although each "R" is different, and curved in a unique manner. (Figure at right.)

For comparison, the 1930 Scott 1/2p photogravure stamp has straight "R" legs—and even thickness. (The right stamp "R" is a bit obscured by the cancel, but can still be seen.) Stanley Gibbons describes the leg of "R" as "ending squarely", and flush with the bottom of the frame. Note also the color differences!



1926 Scott 23 1/2p dark green and black "Springbok" Typographed: Note the leg of "R" is curved in both stamps.



1930 Scott 33 1/2p blue green and black "Springbok" Photogravure: Note the leg of "R" is in a straight line.



1930 Scott 33 (S.G. 42) 1/2p blue green & black, Perf 15x14, Photogravure, No hyphen.

The 1930-45 photogravure issue, also without hyphen, has a number of differences that have already been described. Compared to the 1926 typographed issue that includes horizontal perf (15 vs. 14½), color (blue green & black vs. dark green and black), and the leg of Africa and Afrika "R"s (straight vs. curved.) (Figure at left.)

The 1933-54 photogravure issue is characterized by a hyphen in SUID-AFRIKA. Not the "gray" color of the Springbok as opposed to black. (True, these stamps were printed in many different shades, but still helpful. Figure at right.)

1936 Scott 45b (S.G. 54) 1/2p green & gray, Perf 15x14, Photogravure, Hyphen.



1937 Scott 46 (S.G. 75c) 1/2p green and gray, Redrawn.

18½x22½ mm

The 1937 Scott 46, 1/2p was redrawn—the easiest thing to see are the horizontal lines in the frame along the top and bottom of the stamp.

But there are other differences as well. We are going to back up, and get a closer look at parts of the frame, the central "Springbok" vignette, and the leaves. We will do this for all the 1/2p stamps illustrated so far. And, as a benefit, we might be able to observe some printing differences between typographed and photogravure specimens.

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CALENDAR

SIGN-UP SHEETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MEETINGS!

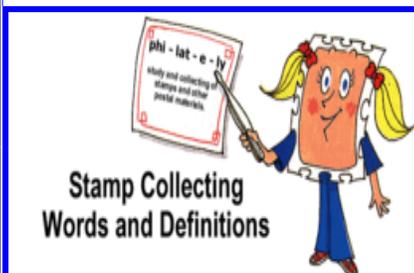
JANUARY

- 1: New Year's Day
- 2: Cottage Grove Library, 1-3 pm, Vanderplaat.
- 13: Club Meeting, Program & C.M. TBA.
- 18: MLK Day.
- 27: Club Meeting, Buy, Sell Trade Night, CM TBA.

FEBRUARY

- 6: Cottage Grove Library, 1-3 pm, Vanderplaat.
- 10: Club Meeting, Program & CM TBA.
- 14: Valentine's Day.
- 15: President's Day.
- 24: Club Meeting & Auction, CM TBA.
- 29: Leap Year!

NOTE: Northwest Philatelic Library is open on Saturdays, 10 am-2 pm, during the Stamp Fair and Collector's Corner.



Admirals: A nickname for three British Commonwealth definitive series, those of Canada, 1912-25 (Scott 104-34); New Zealand, 1926 (Scott 182-84); and Rhodesia 1913-1919 (Scott 119-38). These stamps depict King George V of Great Britain in naval uniform.

JANUARY 2016

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Repetitive Events:

Rose City Stamp Fair, 2nd Saturday of the month, OSS Clubhouse, Portland.
 Collectors Corner, 4th Saturday of the month, OSS Clubhouse, Portland.



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The Greater Eugene Stamp Society (G.E.S.S.) meets the second and fourth Wednesday at Saint Jude's Catholic Church, 43rd Avenue and Willamette Street. Visitors are always welcome! Doors open at 7:00 p.m. for trading, bid board, and socializing. The business meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Applications are available at the meetings, at the GESS sponsored local Stamp Show held in March and September each year, or by contacting the club at the above address. Dues are \$15 a year for adults, \$5 a year for Juveniles under 18 years of age. Visit us on the web at: www.greatereugenestampclub.weebly.com

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BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

JAN: Bronner, P; Hyde, T; Phelps, R; Renner, P.

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Neuhausen, V.*

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**Answers to the quiz
below:
Don't Peek!!!! Cover
this box with a piece of
paper!**

1. Arizona
2. Six cents
3. 100th
4. James Buchanan
5. U.S. and Canada
6. Thomas Jefferson
7. All U.S. cities
8. Washington D.C.
9. The Homestead Act
10. 1873

U.S. Stamp Quiz No. 37

(from 100 Trivia Quizzes for Stamp Collectors by Bill Olcheski copyright 1982, APS)

1. A stamp showing a desert scene was issued in 1962. The 50th anniversary of what state does it honor?
2. What was the denomination of the stamps in the Historic Flag Series of 1968?
3. What anniversary of baseball was marked by a 1969 stamp?
4. Who is on the fifteen-cent stamp of the 1938 definitives?
5. The 100th anniversary of friendship between what two countries is marked by a stamp issued in 1948?
6. Monticello is featured on a twenty-cent stamp of 1956. Of what President was it the home?
7. When the 1972 stamp was issued marking the inauguration of the U.S. Postal Service, what was the first day city?
8. In what city was an Urban Planning Stamp issued in 1967?
9. What 1862 law was the subject of a 1962 stamp?
10. In what year were the first postal cards issued?

Give yourself five points for each correct answer for numbers 1-4.

Give yourself ten points for each correct answer for numbers 5-7.

Give yourself twenty-five points for each correct answer for numbers 8-9.

Give yourself fifty points for a correct answer to number 10.

Remember to:

Check the Sign up sheets for Cookie Monster (CM); Presentations; Show setup, tear-down and cleanup; Show Exhibit, Ride Share, and New Member Guide!

Also, let's each try to get one new member to join our Club in 2016 !!!