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SECRETARY'S NOTES  
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Membership Two new members to list this time,

- (238) Mr Fred Jeffrey, 80 Dalewood Avenue South, Hamilton,  
Ontario L8S 1ZZ, CANADA.
- (239) Mr C. R. Riding, 23 Elmbourne Road, Tooting, LONDON, SW17 8JS

Members "Wants and Offers". Mr J. M. Beard, 39 Carstairs Road, Catford,  
LONDON, SE6 2SL, would like to buy, on cover, GB, especially early or in  
quantity and also foreign machines numbered in the GB series.

METERS ON POSTMARKS  
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Many "thematic" collectors of adhesive stamps choose as one of their subjects what are known as "stamps on stamps".

This anniversary cancellation from Austria, shown us by Mr Werner Simon, could well start a similar fashion for us if more countries follow on their anniversaries.

Apart from the slogan cancellation used in Great Britain to mark the 50th year of the use of meters can anyone tell us of something similar ?

NEW HASLER MODEL F 66 for GREAT BRITAIN  
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We have mentioned this model before, in fact one was on show at the Post Office luncheon to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the introduction of meters in this country. The one we saw had a blank space instead of a number at the bottom.



New Hasler Model F 66 (Contd.)

In our last bulletin we also reported the existence of Hasler machines with a prefix of HAS instead of the usual HGB and we are told that these are in fact the Model F 66 machines, approved as long ago as May 1971.

From reports received it seems that the numbering system, based on a geographical location, is the same for these machines as the others, with the numbers starting as HAS 000 in each area.

MACHINES CURRENTLY IN USE IN GREAT BRITAIN  
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The Post Office were kind enough, in July, to give us an up-to-date list of the machines in use in this country together with their various prefixes. We give this list below.

ACRAL A9000	ACA	- We know this as the Francotyp.
HASLER F 66	HAS	- New model, see above.
F 88	HGB	
PITNEY BOWES CV Meter	PBC	
5300 Series Meter	PBT	
RT Meter	PBR	- Two types, see earlier bulletin.
Automax Machine	PBA	
Simplex Machine	PBS	
6300 Machine	PBL	
RONEO-NEOPOST Model 105	N	- Presumably old L.V. machines
and	N - A	- The newer larger range machines.
Model 105-2	W - A	- New machine, not seen yet.
Model 205	J - and JA	-
Model 305	NA	
Model 505	RN	
Model 605	TN	- The Postalia.
SINGER-FRIDEN 9222	G	
PM4	G	

In the case of the Models 105, 105-2, 205 and the 305 the "A" is followed by "B" and so on through the alphabet, when each group of numbers up to 999 is exhausted.

G. B. NOTES

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Roneo-Neopost Model 205. Mr John T. Brown sends us a copy of J-5867, from London, W.I. used on 13 VII 72. This has a hyphen between the J and the number.

Roneo-Neopost Model 105. In the last Bulletin we noted three of these machines with B, C and D suffixes, all of which had hyphens between the figures and numbers. Mr John T. Brown writes to say that these are not unusual up to N-881-E but that he has not seen higher than that.

Bus Parcels. We do not often mention the metered tickets used for parcels on buses, in fact we very rarely see or hear of them, but two recent changes should be recorded.

In MSB 89 we illustrated a self-adhesive pre-printed label used by Crossville Motor Services Ltd. This has now of course appeared with decimal values of 10p, 15p, 20p, 25p, 30p, 35p, 75p and 100p and printed in green now instead of black.

When these tickets are used the space showing the value on the Customers Receipt should be clipped with a normal ticket punch to show the value franked on the lower part, attached to the parcel, although it seems that this is not often done.

Value Added Tax at the rate of 10% was introduced on a wide range of goods and services in April 1973 and although ordinary Post Office parcel rates remained unchanged the tax was payable on "privately" carried parcels. The tickets have not been changed - yet - but are simply franked with the VAT-inclusive rate, e.g. 11p instead of 10p.

"Highest Numbers". With thanks to W. H. Bogue, J. T. Brown, D. Fletcher, O. Richards, M. de Wailly, etc.

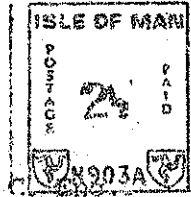
<u>Hasler</u>	HGB 1152	*2012	*3042	4006	5020	*6014		
	(i) HAS 1002						7003	8001
<u>Francotyp.</u>		*AC.A 40			<u>Friden</u>		G.0717	
<u>Pitney Bowes</u>		*PBA 556 F		PBL 567 F			PBC 045 A	
		*PBR 029 A		*PBS 249 H			*PBT 1891 F	
				*PBS 228 P				
		PBR 156 A						
<u>Roneo-Necpost.</u>		JU 644		N 782 L			NX 529	
		(ii) (W 101 A)		*RN 8038			TN 307	

(i) See note on page 93.

(ii) No reports yet.

Mr Bogue also reports an advance on an earlier series for the Hasler - fml 1116.

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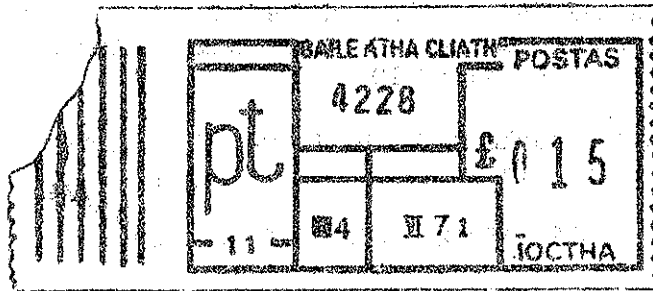
Isle of Man. George Pearson was the first to show us an impression since postal independence, a Roneo-Neopost Model 105, apparently still numbered in the Great Britain series and used in Douglas on 17 VII 73

Simple design with ISLE OF MAN at the top, POSTAGE PAID at sides and two small shields showing the island's three-legged emblem.

The townmark appears to be unchanged.

IRISH NOTES.

Roneo-Neopost Model 105. Additional value for our Type 25 - 1/- (ESL)



Decimal Parcel Post Machine. Mr K. B. Millar shows us this hitherto unrecorded decimal version of the Plessey (formerly T.I.M.) parcel post machine. The impression is in purple on a plain white "tape".

The layout is similar to our Type PP.4 but apart from the changed figures of value and the much more attractive "pt" symbol there appear to be other changes.

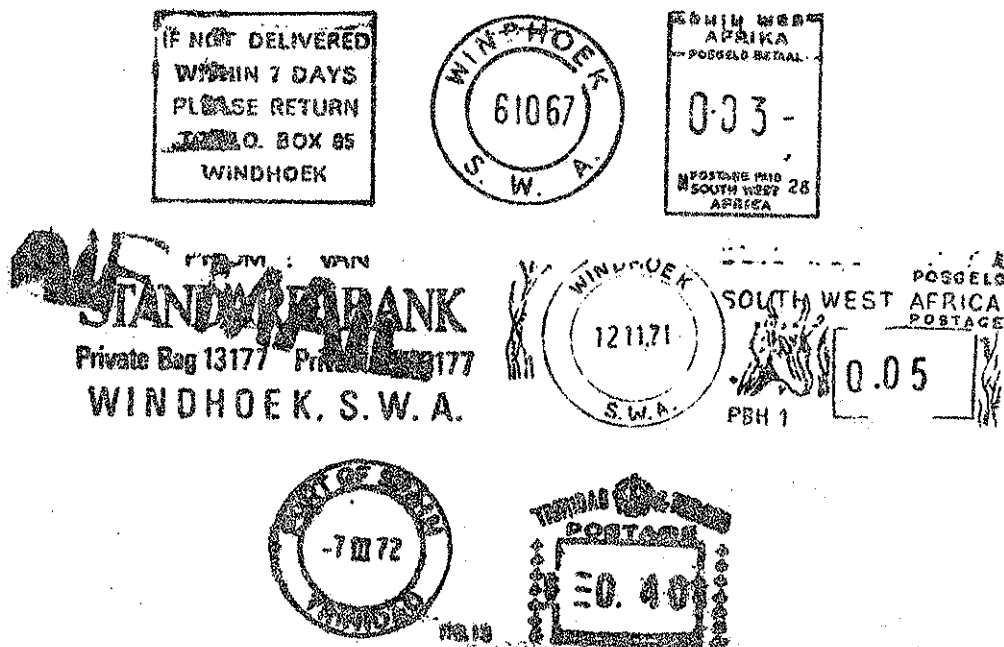
A record number now appears below the name, as it did on both the experimental machine used by British Railways at Brighton (S) in 1951 and 1952 and on the Ledger Label machines shown in our Parcel Post Meters of Great Britain, and what may also be a machine number (11) appears below the "pt".

When originally installed in December 1966 there were four machines, numbered from 1 to 4, at Baile Atha Cliath (Dublin) and each other office with more than one machine had them numbered from one upwards, where only one machine was installed it was not numbered. We would hardly expect the number at this one office to have been increased to eleven so they might now be numbered in one series.

NOTES AND NEWS FROM OVERSEAS.

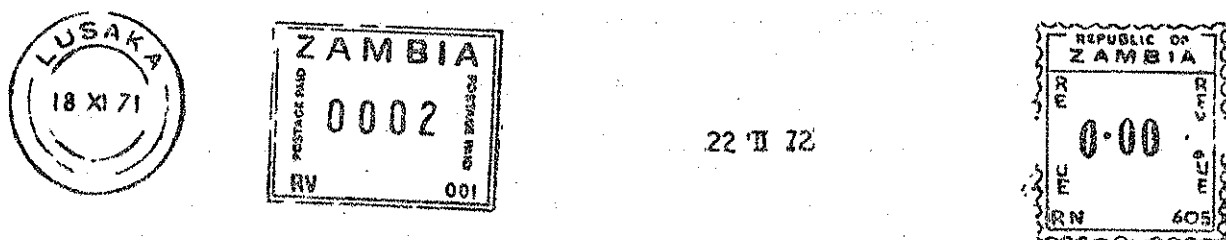
With thanks as usual to our faithful reporters. We have started from about where we left off last time.

SOUTH WEST AFRICA. Roneo-Neopost Model 205 and Pitney Bowes (GB) Series 5000 (SDB)

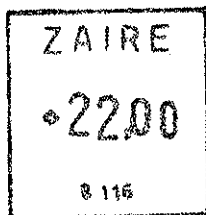


TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. We show the Pitney Bowes Series 5000. The Roneo-Neopost Model 205 comes with the value figures in two forms. Mr R T. Needels shows us NE 2 as x01 and NE 27 as 0.01

ZAMBIA. Roneo-Neopost Model 505 number RV 001 and a Model 305 (number RN 605) used for Revenue, the impression for this is in Green - note "Republic" on the latter.



NOTES AND NEWS FROM OVERSEAS (Contd.)



ZAIRE. Hasler in a very simplified definitive design. (MdeW)

BANGLADESH. Mr G. Pustel shows us a number of the provisional types.

One is a Simplex, DA 300 used very early on 11 I 72 (i.e. within a few weeks of independence) in an unaltered state, our Type 12 of Pakistan, but with handstamped BANGLADESH (Bengali over English). A later impression on 15 IV 72 from the same machine shows that the inscription at the top and PAKISTAN at the bottom, together with the Urdu "Rupees" had been removed. The same handstamp was being used.

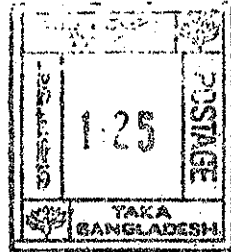
Another cover has an impression from a 4-bank Roneo-Neopost Model 305 with all inscriptions removed except for POSTAGE at the bottom and a townmark reading DAULATPUR / P.O. so presumably this is a Post Office machine. This has a handstamp reading PEOPLES REPUBLIC / OF / BANGLADESH. (The place name fooled us for a while as the only Daulatpur in our atlas is in West Pakistan!, so there must be two places with the same name).

On the subject of handstamps, an excellent article by R. E. Doubleday in a recent issue of "Stamp Collecting" outlined the arrangements made for overprinting adhesive stamps. Briefly, the Director General of Posts issued a directive in January 1972 containing instructions for handstamping and the details were left to local Postmasters, who obtained their own rubber stamps.

A notice was also published permitting firms to make and use rubber stamps to overprint their stocks of adhesives (and we presume their metered impressions).

Satas "Post Office" machines have been in use for some years in Pakistan and more recently we have noted one or two Model 305's used with townmarks without licence numbers and so presumably also post office machines. This use seems to have been extended recently in Bangladesh, possibly as an emergency measure, as we have now seen similar machines from KHULNA / G.P.O. and also -H.O.- / JESSORE, in each case with a rather roughly engraved townmark and one from JHENIDAH P.O. with the bottom half of the townmark circle blank as if the original users initials and licence number had been removed. Five covers from the Jessore machine all show different handstamps, ranging from small Bengali only to a large horizontal bar with Bengali and English name underneath, three of these are all used on the same day, -7 IV 73 so perhaps each clerk has his own handstamp. Similarly three types have been seen from Jhenidah, one including a horizontal bar and two different on the same day, 14 III 73

NOTES AND NEWS FROM OVERSEAS (Contd.) - Bangladesh.



This Roneo-Neopost Model 305 is the first we have seen in a definitive design. "Taka" is the unit of currency. (GRP)

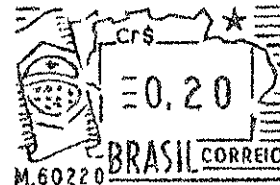
BRAZIL. Our member, Sr Ernst Muhr, is hoping to fill some gaps in his listing of Pitney Bowes machines. As far as he can tell the "flag" design has been used as follows :

<u>Model R</u>	<u>Not Known</u>	<u>Automax.</u>
DCT 1 ... 10		
5001 ... 5521	5582 ... 5583	5522 ... 5581
5584 ... 5596	5597	5598 ... 5599
5600 ... 5606	5607 ... 5609	5610 ... 5722
5723 ... 5735	5736 ... 5739	5740 ... 5931
5932 ... 5934		5935 ... 6899
		17001 ... 17014
50001 ...		

in addition to which are the later American model, from 60000.

Can anyone help?. His address is Caixa Postal 5534, 01000 Sao Paulo, Brazil.

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DEDUZA 100% DE SUA RENDA BRUTA



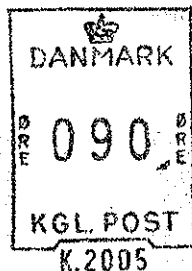
NOTES AND NEWS FROM OVERSEAS (Contd.) - Brazil.

We show this later model, the Series 5000, M 60220 (on previous page)

Sr Muhr shows us also this proof, M 15009, from an Audion Model Astra machine, approved by the Post Office there. He also tells us that the Satas models "Guichet" (with value as \*00.00) and Satas-model "Baby" (with value as 00.00) together with the Roneo-Neopost Model 505, have been approved. The latter appears in proof form in the "Flag" design with number as N.P.-M00000"

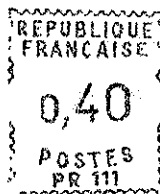
Another machine recently exhibited by the French Postal Administration at a French Exhibition in Sao Paulo was a CAMP in a French type layout with CAMP at the top and numbered CP 55 It is though that they, the French Post Office, wanted to sell consultative services.

CYPRUS. Mr I. K. Hutchinson reported some time ago PB 23 to PB 25 and from a sketch he has sent us these can be identified as Pitney Bowes (GB) Series 5000, in a horizontal version of the "petals" design but with the outline map at the top above the figures of value, shown as w001 Number with "PB" prefix at lower left and "MILS" at lower right.



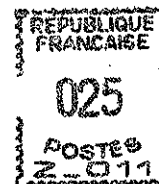
DENMARK. Krag 3-bank with narrow setting between townmark and frank (GRP)

FRANCE. A machine with "PR" prefix used for the payment of Poste Restante fee. The impression is in black. (GRP)





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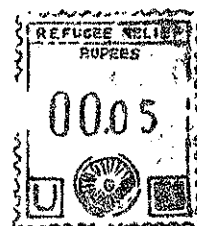
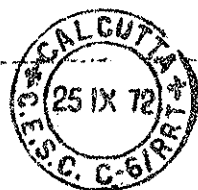


Michel de Wailly shows us two more new types, with PA and Z prefixes.

JAMAICA. An additional value for the Simplex is .15 (GRP)

NIGERIA. Roneo-Neopost Model 205 with decimal value as 001 (GRP)

INDIA. Two more types of the "Refugee Relief" machines, note that neither of these show "India Postage" as do the ones we have noted before and that the licence number on the one used in Calcutta has a suffix of "RRT". Another similar, C-3/RRT has been seen used from Calcutta with a Roneo-Neopost Model 305, C-1626, so there does not seem to be any relationship between the two licence numbers, possibly these extra machines have their own series of numbers in some areas.



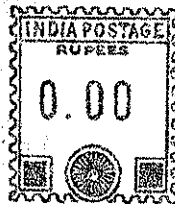
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Pitney Bowes (GB) Series 5000. Note the by now unusual use of a machine number for this country. (G. Pustel)

George Pearson shows us an essay for a Satas machine (overleaf). When introduced the "Wheel of Asoka" at the bottom was smaller and there were no un-engraved panels - they had presumably been included when other makes had licence numbers included in the design of the frank.

NOTES AND NEWS FROM OVERSEAS (Contd) - India.

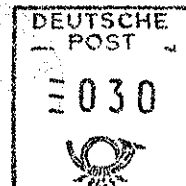


NEPAL. Mr G. Pustel shows us an impression from Neopost L.V. with townmark reading KATHMANDU / G.P.O. KN-2 and value 0.15 This, in the same design as the KN-26 we illustrated in MSB 96, is dated 10 IV 67 and the cover is inscribed "Introduction of Franking Machine in Nepal Postal Service 10th April '67"

The initials G.P.O. suggest that this early machine - would KN-1 be the Agents machine? - was a Post Office machine. The value is an additional one to those we have previously noted, 0.80 and 1.00

NEW ZEALAND. We show the Coin Machine Ltd coin-in-the-slot machine used at Christchurch in 1964/5.

Pitney Bowes (GB) Series 5000, P.B.1052, used from Auckland 25 I 73  
(G. Pustel)



GERMANY (DDR) Mr Lapham shows us this Adrema P.B. with typical East German "Deutsche Post" and postal zone number at the top of the townmark.

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This unfinished listing of the news we have completes another volume of the Bulletin, keep the reports coming in !