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From the Editor's Desk - Nahum Shereshevsky

Maximaphily and thematics have a lot in common, and it is no surprise then, that initiative to form the Maximaphily Group of Israel came from an AYELET member, Lucian Milis. Many other members of the group are also AYELET members, including your Editor who postmarked many postcards with his own two hands. The difficult part of making maximum cards is, of course, finding the postcards (the stamp and postmark are given factors). More information on the group and a few examples of realizations you can find on p. 13. I intend to illustrate new maximum cards from time to time as they are made.

Meter corner goes wild this issue with animals of all sorts that are found in logos of a variety of businesses.

The New Issues part is larger than usual this time because two stamp issues are covered. (The Israeli Philatelic Service issues new stamps five times a year, but ISRATHEME is issued only four times a year, therefore one journal issue a year has to cover two stamp issues). As it happened the April and June issues included some large items like a souvenir leaf and an exhibition card; however, we are pledged to show you all the new items and illustrate all the relevant sides. This is of primary priority - when I plan an issue of ISRATHEME I start with the new issues and postmarks, giving those sections all the space that is required.

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## BOOK REVIEW

ISRAEL POSTAGE STAMPS 1948-1992 Catalogue no. 12

Edited by Yacov Tsachor Published by the Israeli Philatelic Service

This catalogue is an updated version of Catalogue no. 11 (1988) and is in the same format. Every single stamp is reproduced in full colour and slightly reduced (except for souvenir sheets and other large items that are substantially reduced). Information listed for every set or stamp includes: inscription and inscription on tab, designer, day of issue, motif, sheet layout, perforation, method of printing, colour, plate number, discontinuation of sale date, number of stamps sold. In addition to this catalogue's number, Scott, Yvert, Michel and Bale catalogue numbers are also given. Also shown are machine vended stamps (Frama and Klussendorf) and computer vended postage labels ("masad"). There is a list of postal stationeries, booklets, IRC's, and a list of the different printings of the definitive issues. Also included in the book: an article on the transition and Minhelet Ha'am periods (January 1948 - May 15, 1948) with a map of Minhelet Ha'am post offices, examples of plate block types, a membership list of the Israel Stamp Dealers Association. The book is bi-lingual (Hebrew - English) and has 260 pages, hard-bound.

The importance of this kind of catalogue for us thematic collectors is in that it shows every stamp. For me this catalogue is an essential tool that I use constantly in the writing and editing of ISRATHEME. I do miss one thing and that is Stanley Gibbons catalogue numbers, as I use them with Scott in this journal. It would also have been nice to have illustrations of the postal stationery and booklet items, although that may require a different catalogue. Still, since Bale lists these items, why not give their catalogue numbers? But all these are minor matters. I recommend this catalogue wholeheartedly, especially to thematic societies and serious thematic dealers. The cover price in Israel is NIS 70 (about \$24). For ordering details write to the Israeli Philatelic Service, 12 Sderot Yerushalayim, 68021 Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel.



## שמורות טבע בנגב NATURE RESERVES IN THE NEGEV

(Sc. 991/993 Yv. 1042/1044 Mi. 1099/1101 Ba. 974/976)

כתובת: מס' 1105: "שמורת עין צין";

1106: "שמורת שיח";

1107: "שמורת רמון";

מעצב: א. ויסהוף

יום ההדפסה: י"ב בתמוז

ה'תשמ"ח (27.6.1988)

ציור: שמורות טבע בנגב

גיליון של: 15 בולים, 5 שובלים

ניקוב: מסרק 14

שיטת ההדפסה: אופסט

מס' ערך נקוב צבע מס' הלוח

1105 0.40 ש"ח רב גוני 57

1106 0.60 ש"ח רב גוני 58

1107 0.70 ש"ח רב גוני 59

המסכת המבוזרת: 20.1.1989

בולים שנמכרו: מס' 1105: 1,618,000

1106: 1,717,000

1107: 1,620,000



Inscription: No. 1105: "Ein Zin

Nature Reserve";

1106: "She'zal Nature Reserve";

1107 "Ramon Nature Reserve"

Designer: E. Weishoff

Day of issue: June 27, 1988

Motif: Nature reserves in the Negev

Sheet of: 15 stamps, 5 tabs

Perforation: comb 14

Method of printing: Offset



No. Denom. Colour Plate No.

1105 NIS 0.40 multicoloured 57

1106 NIS 0.60 multicoloured 58

1107 NIS 0.70 multicoloured 59

Discontinuation of sale: January 20, 1989

Stamps sold: No. 1105: 1,618,000;

1106: 1,717,000;

1107: 1,620,000

## 100 שנה ל"בני ברית" בירושלים CENTENARY OF "B'NAI B'RITH" IN JERUSALEM

(Sc. 990 Yv. 1045 Mi. 1102 Ba. 973)

כתובת: "מאה שנה לבני ברית בירושלים"

מעצבים: נ. ו. מ. אשל

יום ההדפסה: י"ב בתמוז ה'תשמ"ח (27.6.1988)

ציור: בנין ספריות בני ברית בירושלים

גיליון של: 15 בולים, 5 שובלים

ניקוב: מסרק 14

שיטת ההדפסה: אופסט

מס' ערך נקוב צבע מס' הלוח

1108 0.70 ש"ח רב גוני 60

המסכת המבוזרת: 20.1.1989

בולים שנמכרו: 1,539,000



Inscription: "Centenary of B'nai Brith in Jerusalem"

Designers: N. & M. Eshel

Day of issue: June 27, 1988

Motif: B'nai Brith Building, Jerusalem

Sheet of: 15 stamps, 5 tabs

Perforation: comb 14

Method of printing: Offset

No. Denom. Colour Plate No.

1108 NIS 0.70 multicoloured 60

Discontinuation of sale: January 20, 1989

Stamps sold: 1,539,000

## חביבה רייק HAVIVA REIK

(Sc. 994 Yv. 1046 Mi. 1103y Ba. 977)

כתובת: "חביבה רייק"

מעצב: ר. בקמן

יום ההדפסה: י"ט באלול ה'תשמ"ח (1.9.1988)

ציור: דיוקנה של חביבה רייק

גיליון של: 15 בולים, 5 שובלים

ניקוב: מסרק 14

שיטת ההדפסה: אופסט

מס' ערך נקוב צבע מס' הלוח

1109 0.40 ש"ח רב גוני 55



Inscription: "Haviva Reik"

Designer: R. Beckman

Day of issue: September 1, 1988

Motif: Portrait of Haviva Reik

Sheet of: 15 stamps, 5 tabs

Perforation: comb 14

Method of printing: Offset

No. Denom. Colour Plate No.

1109 NIS 0.40 multicoloured 55

## NEW ISSUES

18.4.93

### MEMORIAL DAY 1993 - MEDICAL CORPS MEMORIAL 80 ag

The oath sworn by the physicians and medics of the Medical Corps has come to be regarded by the Israel Defence Forces as a whole, as an ethic standard establishing that every thing must be done to help those wounded in the field, and under no circumstances whatsoever may a casualty be abandoned. The IDF Medical Corps has developed from the "Medical Service" of the Hagannah during the Mandate period. The "Service" was small and was assisted by civilian medical organizations, but it trained a large staff of medics that were needed in the future. Over the years the Medical Corps has become a very experienced and professional organization, incorporating a network of medical facilities and personel at all levels from the combat field to specialized clinics and military convalescent centres.

The Medical Corps has set itself two prime considerations: the constant concern for soldiers' health in times of respite, and being able to provide comprehensive and progressive medical solutions to combat or terrorist attack casualties.

The stamp shows the Medical Corps Memorial, located at the Military Convalescent Centre near Haifa. This memorial is designed in the form of tents of the Battle Casualty Station, which serves as the focal point of the Corps on the battlefield. On the tab is the IDF emblem, as in all Memorial Day stamps. The FDI postmark (#4 on p. 20) shows the Medical Corps emblem.

### ISRAEL - 45 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE NIS 3.60

This stamp is dedicated to the unification of Jerusalem and shows the "Hurvat Rabbi Yehuda Hassid" synagogue in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City. Rabbi Yehuda Hassid headed a group of Polish Jews who came to Israel in 1700. He started to build a synagogue and a yeshiva, but they were not completed. More than 150 years later a large synagogue was built on the site, called "Hurvat Rabbi Yehuda Hassid" or simply "The Hurva" ("Ruin"). The official name was "Beit Ya'acov" - "The House of Jacob", after Baron James Rothschild whose family helped funding the building. After the fall of the Jewish Quarter in 1948, the Jordanians blew up the synagogue, destroying it almost completely. After the liberation of the Old City in 1967, the Jewish quarter was rebuilt, but not the Hurva synagogue. The stamp shows the synagogue as it used to be, and the tab shows the large stone arch, the only remnant left. The FDI postmark (#2 on p. 20) shows olive branches and a logo which incorporates a menorah, the old city wall and the verse "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem". This logo is also shown on the tab.



## 50 YEARS SINCE THE UPRISING IN THE GHETTOS AND CONCENTRATION CAMPS

Joint issue with Poland NIS 1.20, 4000zt stamps and souvenir leaf

The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising was the first urban uprising in occupied Europe and the largest uprising of the Jews against the Nazi oppressor. It broke out on April 19, 1943, the eve of Passover, after months of preparations that started when the Jews in the Ghetto realized that the Nazis meant to exterminate them all. The fighters knew they had no chance of victory, but it was important for them to show the world that Jews don't give up without a fight: nonetheless, it took the Germans a whole month to end the revolt, by destroying the ghetto building by building.

While the uprising in the Warsaw ghetto is the most famous one, it was not a unique event. In many ghettos, in large and small towns in Eastern Europe, uprisings took place when the Germans tried to annihilate the Jews. Uprisings broke out also in the death camps, despite the sub-human conditions. The first uprising was in Treblinka in August 1943. Hundreds of prisoners managed to break through the camp fences, though only 70 survived. A similar situation was in Sobibor camp two months later.

The stamp is a joint issue of Israel and Poland, the first joint issue in Israel. The design of the stamp, symbolizing the courageous resistance of the revolutionary fighters against the Nazi oppressor, is identical in both countries' stamps. The stamp was issued on Israel's Holocaust Memorial Day, and the annual Lohamei Ha-Getaot postmark was used as FDI (#5 on p. 20).

The souvenir leaf carries the two stamps with the respective FDI postmarks. The background shows a part of the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt Memorial, a sculpture by Nathan Rappaport. The memorial is in Warsaw, and a copy of it can be seen at Yad Vashem (The National Holocaust Memorial Institution) in Jerusalem. Two stamps are reproduced - a 1956 Polish stamp that shows the entire sculpture (SG 977/Sc 737), and a 1968 Israel stamp (SG 392/Sc 364) that shows a detail - a figure of a young fighter. The same figure appears in the Polish FDI postmark. All the inscriptions on the leaf are in Hebrew, Polish and English, as well as the texts on the back side.

### ILLUSTRATION OF SCIENTIFIC CONCEPTS 80 ag x 4

Recognizing that high technology and scientific advancement are the key to Israel's economic independence and security, science museums have as one of their first goals to prepare today's young people for tomorrow's world. Unlike other museums, science museums are "user friendly" - the visitors are encouraged to touch, feel and operate the exhibits themselves. "Learning by doing" is the name of the game. In addition, the museums have special educational programmes for schools and lectures for the general public on various aspects of science and technology.

There are two science museums in Israel: the Israel National Museum

of Science, Daniel & Matilda Recanati Center, Haifa, founded in 1983, is located in the old building of the Technion - Israel Institute of Technology. The Bloomfield Science Museum, Jerusalem, opened in 1992. The stamps show four exhibits that demonstrate scientific concepts, the first two are from the Jerusalem museum and the other two from the Haifa museum, which also appears in the FDI postmark (#3 on p. 20). The stamps were issued se-tenant in mini-sheets of 8 and are described from left to right as seen in the illustration.

\* Floating Ball (principle of lift) - in this exhibit, when the ball tries to move sideways out of the air stream, the air pressure on the side of the ball outside the stream become higher then on the inner side, so the ball is pushed back into the stream.

\* Wavy Ladder (waves) - in this exhibit, one swings one of the arms and watches the resulting waves go up to the ceiling and "bounce" back down.

\* Mixing coloured lights (colour mixing) - this exhibit demonstrates additive colour mixing and the concept of complementary colours. The intensities are regulated so that mixing all three lights renders white. The overlapping zone of any two circles appears as the complementary of the third colour.

\* A projected slide - no screen (The eye's memory) - the visitor turns the wheel with a handle and observes a projected slide. When the rotation is fast enough, a clear picture is obtained.

#### 7.5.93 POZNAN WORLD PHILATELIC EXHIBITION SHOW CARD

The Israeli Philatelic Service has been issuing show cards for international philatelic exhibitions for many years, but until now these items were available only at the exhibitions. This is the first time that a show card was officially announced and sold to the public in Israel itself, and therefore it is mentioned in ISRATHEME. The card carries the Ghettoes Revolt stamp, postmarked with the "Greetings for POLSKA 93" special postmark, see #9 on p. 20. Below the stamp is the cachet postmark used by the Israeli Philatelic Service at the exhibition. Also found on the card: a reproduction of the 0.12 value stamp from the 5731 (1970) Festival set (SG 455/Sc 425) which shows the old synagogue in Cracow, and a photograph of the synagogue. The inscriptions on the card are in Hebrew, Polish and English.

29.6.93

#### THE 14th MACCABIAH NIS 3.60

The 14th Maccabiah games will take place over two weeks between July 5 and 15, 1993, with over 5000 participants from some 50 countries. No new world records are expected, but in the Maccabiah the emphasis is on the gathering of Jewish athletes from all over the world, cultural happenings and educational programs and tours for the



visitors from abroad. Maccabiah stamps have been issued in Israel since 1969, a detailed article on the philatelic side of the Maccabiah appeared in ISRATHEME #6 (March 1992). This stamp shows two relay racers changing the baton. The relay race has been an Olympic event since 1908 for men and since 1912 for women, while in the Maccabiah games it has been from the first games in 1932. The tab and the FDI postmark (#20 on p. 20) show the Games' logo.

**DRUGS - NO THANKS!** NIS 2.80, maximum card

The bane of drugs in Israel has increased in recent years, from a marginal phenomenon to a problem of frightening proportions. There has been an increase in consumption and supply of drugs, and new kinds of drugs have appeared, such as acid and crack. Furthermore, drug consumption today is not characteristic of one particular class. The damages of using drugs are not limited to the user only but affect the whole of society - loss of work days, medical treatment, increase in crimes that are committed to get money for drugs. According to the 1990 statistics, 200,000 people in Israel were using drugs at various levels, 30,000 of them are addicts consuming drugs daily, among them 15,000 who are severely addicted.

The efforts to reduce the phenomenon cannot be limited to law enforcement, which concentrates on preventing the supply of drugs; The battle should begin with educating young people against using drugs - not even trying it once. The central role should be played by the educational system, from the earliest age possible.

The Anti Drug Authority of Israel, set up in 1988, is a governmental body which formulates policies in different areas, backs up and coordinates other bodies that have contact with the problem. (This body does not deal with law enforcement which is the responsibility of the Israel Police).

The stamp shows the poppy which is used to produce drugs. The tab shows the Anti Drug Authority logo and the FDI postmark (#18 on p. 20) has the slogan "Drugs - no thanks" in Hebrew and English.

**ROAD SAFETY FOR OUR CHILDREN** 80ag, NIS 1.20, NIS 1.50

Every year in Israel over 30,000 are injured and over 400 are killed in road accidents. In 1991, nearly 3800 children under 14 were injured and 51 killed - more than an entire class of schoolchildren. Naturally, the education system sees as one of its main goals to lower these figures. Road Safety education serves as an educational instrument for the children and a propaganda instrument for teachers, parents and the adult population in general.

During the school year 5751 (1990/91), a national stamp drawing competition for school children on the subject of road safety was announced by the Philatelic Service, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Transportation. Entries were received from all over the country, and 60 were selected to be presented to the Postal

Authority's Committee for New Stamps. From those, three were chosen to appear on these stamps. On the tabs is the verse "Therefore take good heed to yourselves" (Deutoronomy 4,15). The FDI postmark (#17 on p. 20) shows a logo used for the "Stop Before You Cross" campaign.

SCIENTISTS 80 ag, NIS 1.20

80 ag GIULIO RACAH

Giulio Racah was born in 1909 in Florence to a distinguished Jewish Italian family. He received his doctorate in physics from the University of Florence in 1930. The highlight of his career in Italy was his appointment as an Associate Professor at the University of Pisa, but in 1938 he lost his position following the new racist laws. Racah left Italy for Palestine in 1939 and was very welcomed by the Hebrew University which had been looking for years for an outstanding theoretical physicist. During the War of Independence Racah was the commander of a scientific unit.

Giulio Racah's scientific fame was in quantum theory, a branch of physics that was developing at the beginning of his academic career. Racah succeeded in producing accurate conclusions in the field of quantum electronics. He produced his great original contributions to physics during the Second World War, while he was in Jerusalem, cut off for five years from the mainstream of physics. These contributions grew out of a response to problems which he encountered in his study of atomic spectroscopy, and the papers that he published in this field between 1942 and 1949 are today regarded as exemplary works. Giulio Racah received many honours and distinctions in recognition of his scientific achievements, including the Israel Prize in Natural Sciences in 1963 and the naming of a lunar crater after him. Giulio Racah died in 1965 while visiting his family home in Florence, from a gas leak in the old heat installation.

The stamp shows his portrait and in the background are equations, taken from his most important scientific works. On the tab is the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

NIS 1.20 AHARON KATCHALSKY - KATZIR

Aharon Katchalsky-Katzir was born in 1913 in Poland and came to Israel in 1922. He studied at the Faculty of Natural Sciences of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and his first book (1936) was a guide to the butterflies of Israel, but his Ph. D. (1939) was in chemistry. In 1947 Katzir was a co-founder of the IDF's Research & Development Unit, and after the war he was invited by Prof. Chaim Weizmann to join the Weizmann Institute of Science, where he founded the Department of Polymer Research, which he chaired until his murder in 1972. His interest was later shifted to mechanochemistry and irreversible thermodynamics, a new approach that he later applied to describe the dynamics of life processes.

Aharon Katchalsky-Katzir was involved in many areas of the natural sciences, among them brain research, cybernetics, artificial



intelligence, network thermodynamics. Over the years he established a school of young scientists and valued the involvement of science and scientists in social problems. Professor Katzir conceived the idea of the Israel Academy of Science and Humanities and was one of its founders. His achievements received world wide recognition, among them the Israel Prize in Exact Sciences (1961). In 1972 Aharon Katzir was killed in a terrorist attack at Ben Gurion airport. His brother, Professor Ephraim Katzir, also a natural scientist, was president of Israel (1973-1978).

The stamp shows his portrait, and in the background are equations and diagrams which describe in general terms the transformation of chemical energy into mechanical work ("machanochemistry"). On the tab is the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot.

The FDI postmark of the two stamps (#19 on page 20) shows the logos of the Hebrew University (top) and the Weizmann Institute of Science.

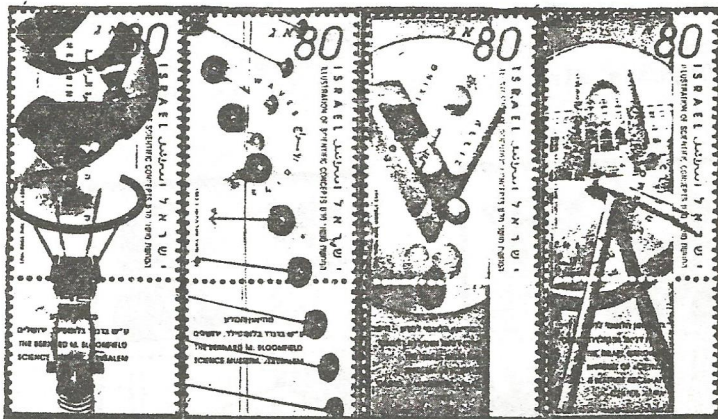
### "SEE YOU AGAIN" NVI Greeting Stamp - booklet and tete-beche pairs

The "see you again" stamp of the NVI greeting stamps series was issued in booklets of 10 stamps (panes of 5 tete-beche pairs). The cover design is identical to the "with love" booklet issued in 1990 (see ISRATHEM #1, p. 5), but the colours are different. The front outer cover carries the inscription "Greeting stamps / 10 inland standard letter stamps". On the back outer cover: "Israel Postal Authority / Philatelic Service" and "running stag" logo in Hebrew and English (all other inscriptions are in Hebrew only); "A Philatelic Service subscription - the best gift". Note that the front cover is on the bottom part of the illustration, as the booklet opens from right to left. Inner cover: "Dial 171 and send a telegram for every occasion" (right side) and "Bills are paid at the Postal Bank" (left). The Philatelic service sold panes of 40 stamps made of two booklet panes tete-bech to each other with an illustrated gutter between them.



Memorial Day

Science concepts



Principle of lift

Waves

Colour mixing

The eye's memory





Israel - 45 years  
of independence



Stamp Souvenir leaf  
50 years since the uprising in the ghettos and concentration camps



Giulio Racah

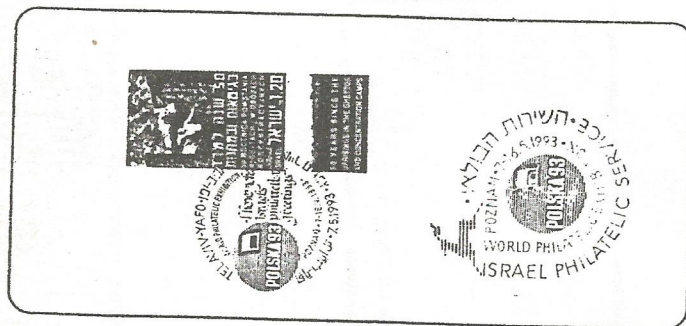


Aharon Katchalsky - Katzir



The 14th Maccabiah





בית הכנסת הישן בקראקוב  
העל מסדרת בולי  
מוקדמים והשלים (1970).

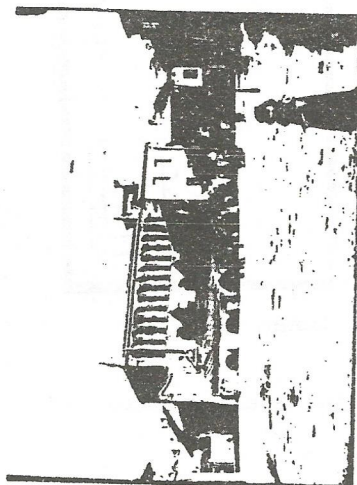
Ten znaczek przedstawiający  
starą synagogę w Krakowie  
został wydany w r. 1970 jako  
część serii FESTIWALE 5731

This stamp, depicting the old  
synagogue in Cracow,  
was issued in 1970 as part of  
the Festivals 5731 stamp series.

בית הכנסת הישן בקראקוב. נבנה במאה ה-16. כיום משמש  
למוזיאון היסטורי הממלכתי  
הפולני.

Stara synagoga w Krakowie. Zbudowana w XVI wieku, dziś  
mieści zbiory Judaikow z Muzeum Polskiej Historii Narodowej.

The old synagogue in Cracow. Built in the 16th Century.  
Today, the synagogue houses the Judaica collection of the  
Polish National History Museum.



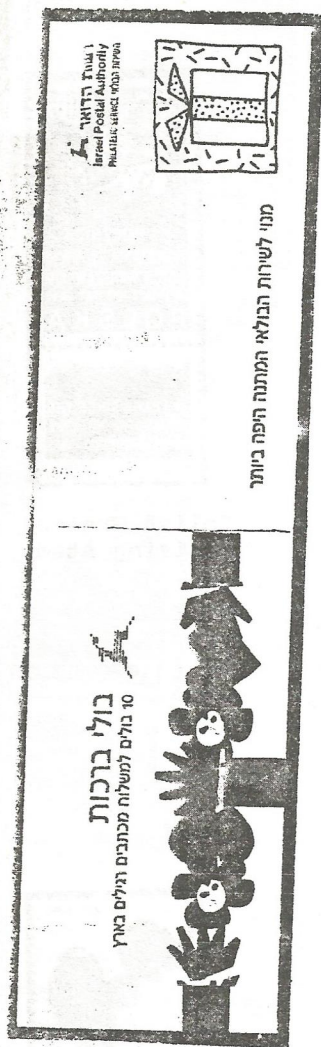
Poznan world Philatelic Exhibition show card



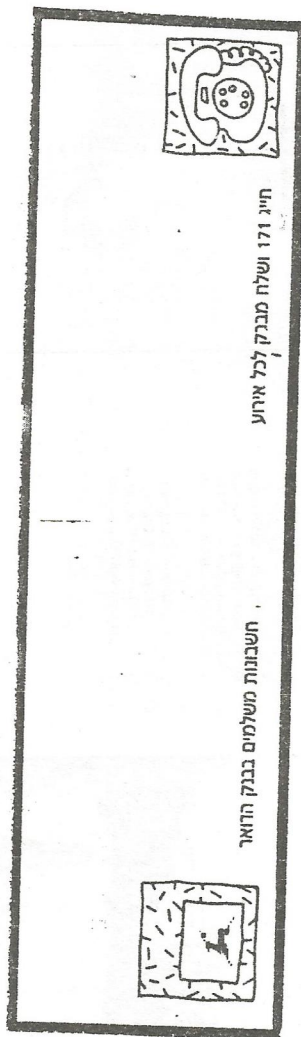
Polish Ghetto  
Uprising stamp



Drugs - no thanks!



Outer cover



Inner cover

"See you again" greeting stamp booklet

Road safety for our children

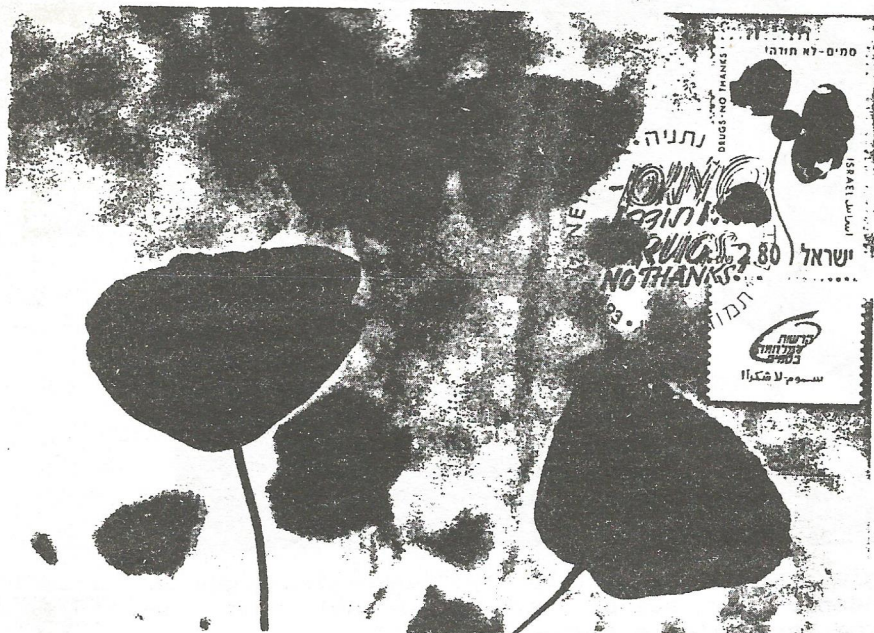
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Drugs -  
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# THE MAXIMAPHILY GROUP OF ISRAEL

Lucian Millis

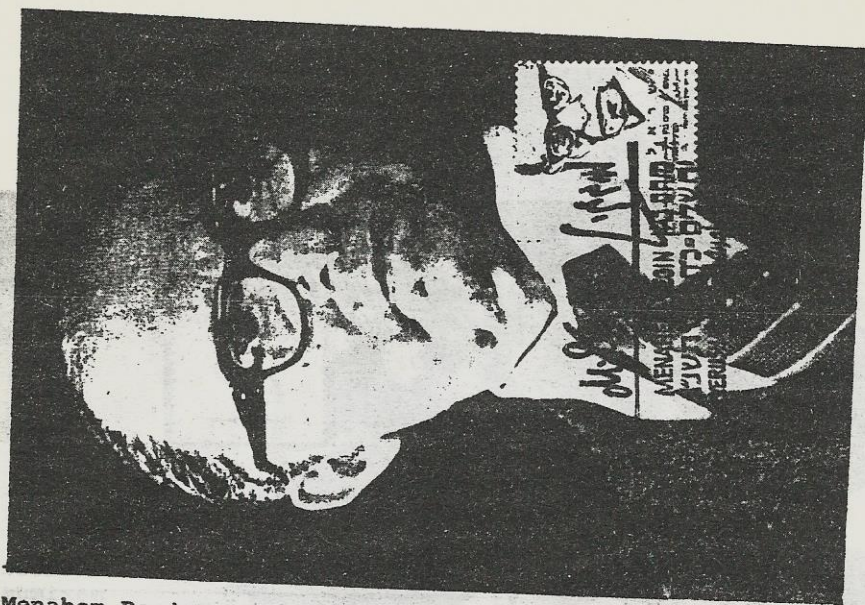
The Maximaphily Group of Israel, founded in November 1992, is an independent, non-profit organization, affiliated to the Israeli Philatelic Federation, dedicated to promote the hobby of maximum card collecting and making maximum cards using Israeli stamps according to the International Statutes of Maximaphily, published by the FIP.

We now have 21 members from Israel and from overseas, many of them are well-known maximaphilists. So far we made 12 realizations (M.C.'s), with first-day cancelations and special postmarks, all on commercial cards. Other activities that we plan: publishing articles and information about maximahily in the Israel philatelic journals, collaboration with the Philatelic Service, a catalogue of the Israeli maximum cards and an informational exhibition of our realizations.

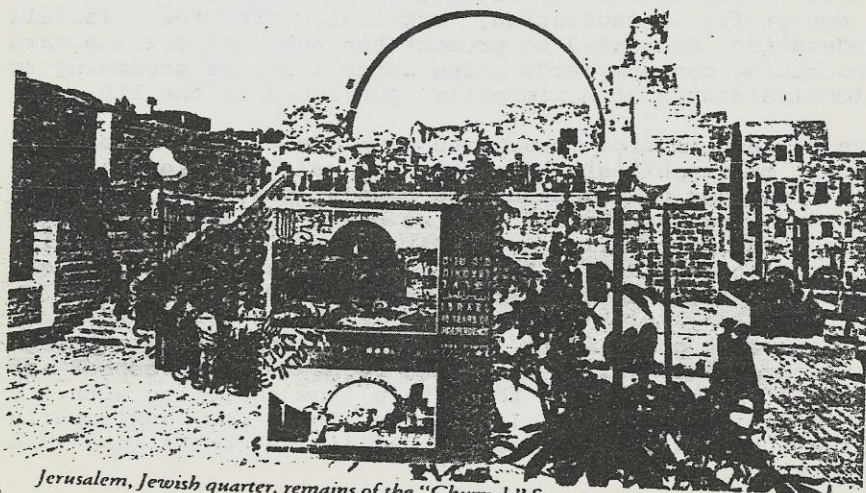
One of our important goals is to foster the international exchange of information concerning maximum cards and fight for the respect of the FIP Regulations. We pledge to refrain from competing with any club, group or individual dealer. I believe that the Maximaphily Group of Israel has already created definitive roots in this country's philately.

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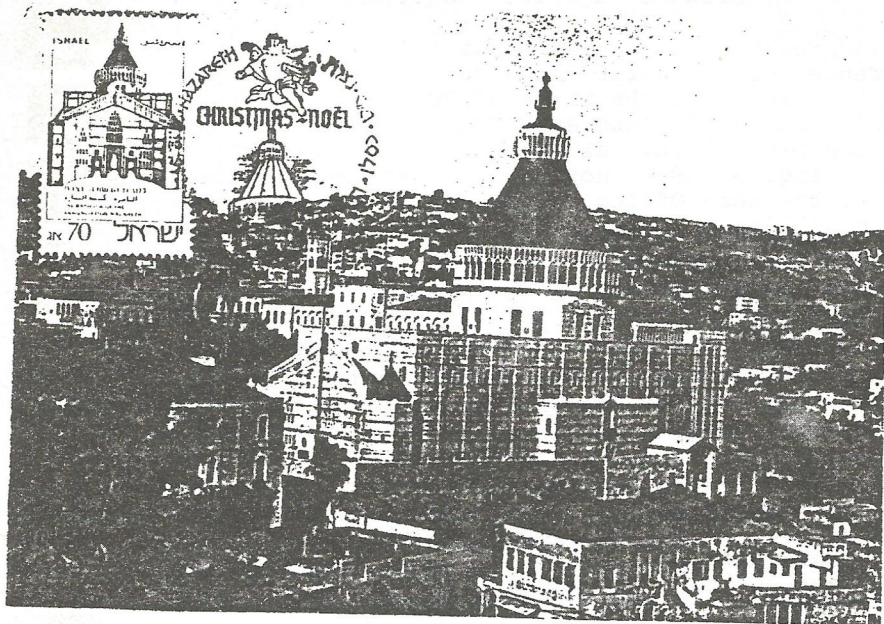


Menahem Begin stamp, 16.2.93 (above), "Hurva" Synagogue on Israel's 45 Independence Day stamp, 18.4.93 (below). Both have the FDI postmark from Yerushalayim (Jerusalem).



Jerusalem, Jewish quarter, remains of the "Churvah" Synagogue





Realizations with special postmarks: Church of Annunciation stamp with Christmas postmark, 24.12.92, Nazareth (above); Wild tulip from 1993 Nature Reserves set with flower show postmark, 1.4.93, Haifa.





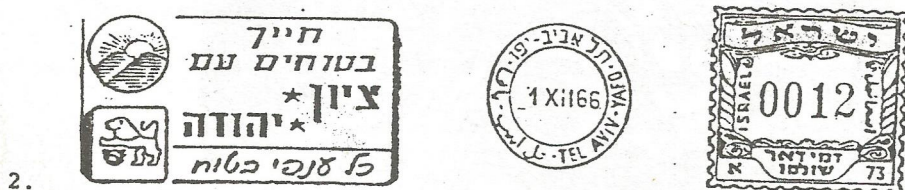
Thematic collectors interested in animals can find an entire zoo among Israeli meter slogans, a selection of which is presented here.

The lion is presented in many slogans. Fig. 1 shows the meter of Arie Insurance Co., a natural choice as "arieh" is lion in Hebrew. The lion is the emblem of the Tribe of Judah, hence its appearing on the meter of Zion-Yehuda Insurance Co. (fig. 2). The name "Ariel" is also associated with lion, as seen in the meter of Ariel Air Conditioners (fig. 3). But not all lions are associated with the mailer's name: the Head Office of the Manufacturers Association of Israel has a walking lion in its meter (fig. 4), and the Haifa Hotel Zion has in its logo two lions as "supporters" to a menorah (fig. 5).

Other quadrupeds are found in figs. 6-9. The elephant stands over a big brush in a meter from Hamivreshet Ruhama, the brush factory of Kibbutz Ruhama (fig. 6). A giraffe is the logo of Askar, an asphalt paints factory (fig. 7). The slogan of Transport Enterprises Co. has a strange looking winged camel (fig. 8), and the Elot Regional Council has a gazelle (fig. 9).

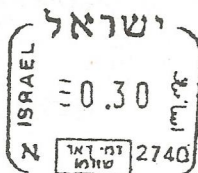
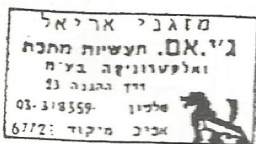
Going on to birds, we find a beautiful cock in the slogan of the Preminger Co. (fig. 10), and the Nesher Cement Co. has an eagle, ("nesher" in Hebrew. fig. 11). Another eagle is found in the slogan of Barclays Bank (fig. 12). Not surprisingly, the Israel Phoenix Insurance Co. has an Arabian phoenix in its logo (fig. 13).

As for fish, these are represented as symbolic fish and cannot be identified. A fish jumping out of the sea is a part of a promotional slogan for Elat (fig. 14), and the Fish Breeders Association has four fish in its slogan (fig. 15). Magen Liberman, a sport equipment factory, shows in its slogan what we suppose is a dolphin with a trident (fig. 16).





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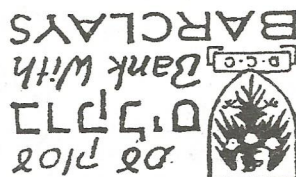
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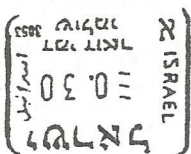
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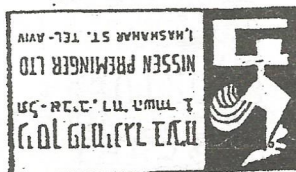
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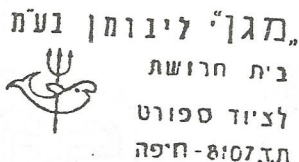
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## SPECIAL POSTMARKS

April - June 1993

Note: '\*' denotes a postmark used for FDC of stamps.

1. 1.4.93 HAIFA: FLORISH '93 - 25th International Flower Show
- \*2. 18.4.93 YERUSHALAYIM (JERUSALEM): "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem" - Israel 45 Years of Independence
- \*3. 18.4.93 HAIFA: Illustration of Scientific Concepts
- \*4. 18.4.93 HAIFA: Memorial Day
- \*5. 18.4.93 LOHAME HA-GETAOT: Holocaust Memorial Day and Heroes Remembrance Day (FDI of Ghettos Uprising stamp)
6. 18.4.93 HARE YEHUDA MPO: Grove in Memory of the Martyrs of Chemnitz, Germany
7. 19.4.93 RAMAT GAN: Alcohol and Driving Don't Go Together
8. 23.4.93 GIV'AT SHMUEL: 50th Anniversary of Giv'at Shmuel
9. 7.5.93 TEL AVIV-YAFO: Israel's Philatelists' Greetings for POLSKA 93 World Stamp Exhibition, Poznan.7-16.V.1993
10. 20.5.93 TIBERIAS: 33rd Conference District 249-Rotary Israel
11. 2.6.93 Hebrew Book Day, used at: YERUSHALAYIM (JERUSALEM), TEL AVIV-YAFO, HAIFA, RAMAT GAN, BEER SHEVA, ASHQELON, AFULA
12. 3.6.93 RAMAT GAN: BLICH Highschool Alumni Convention
13. 7.6.93 YERUSHALAYIM (JERUSALEM): The Hebrew University of Jerusalem School of Pharmacy - 40 Years
14. 20.6.93 TEL AVIV-YAFO: IPA (International Police Association) - Israel Section 30th Anniversary Celebration
15. 24.6.93 HAIFA: TEL-HAI Primary School 70th Anniversary. 1922-1992 Alumni Reunion
16. 28.6.93 YERUSHALAYIM (JERUSALEM): Youth Aliyah Celebrates Sixty
- \*17. 29.6.93 YERUSHALAYIM (JERUSALEM): Road Safety for our Children
- \*18. 29.6.93 NETANYA: Drugs - No Thanks!
- \*19. 29.6.93 REHOVOT: Giulio Racah - Aharon Katchalsky-Katzir
- \*20. 29.6.93 RAMAT GAN: 14th Maccabiah

