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### NEW ZEALAND NOTES AND COMMENT — by John Robinson

#### Among the Current Pictorials

**2½d Titoki; Row 5 No. 9.** A most interesting series of flaws in **Black Cylinders 3A and 4A** have been noted in this position. A summary of the situation would read as follows:

**Cyl. 3A:** Two states seen. (1) A clear, white, round flaw, 1 mm across, in Thirkell D1, to the left near the second berry. (2) Flaw retouched, distinctive black dots within white area.

**Cyl. 4A:** Only one state, retouched, has been seen. The retouch has been done in an apparently different manner; it certainly looks different. The underlying flaw remains the same. First to report this flaw was Mr. I. Johnstone.

**5d Daisy:** A major variety has been found with a completely double strike of the comb head in the left margin. The extra perforations, clearly to be seen, are about 3-4 mm away from the normal vertical left-side row, and doubling extends well into the horizontal lines as a matter of course. The variety is equally comparable to the lovely similar one found some time ago the 1/- Timber stamp. This new variety was sold at the Palmerston North Post Office.

#### New 4/3 Booklets

The new 4/3 Booklets are certainly full of surprises. It seems possible that new "booklet" cylinders have been used for all three values. That a new green cylinder has been used for the 3d value is not open to doubt, for the proof sheet held by the G.P.O., Wellington (and kindly examined for us by Mr. M. C. Stanley) shows the cylinder combination "1121." Proof sheets, imperforate — which is unusual for De La Rue printings of these pictorials — have the cylinder combinations "111" for the ½d and "1111" for the 1d values, as before. All these proof sheets are of the same format as before, but 6 of the 30 panes from each sheet are now provided with **identification numerals in their binding selvedge**, next to the first stamp in each pane. These numerals are in the background colour of the stamps, red for ½d, brown for 1d and deep blue for 3d; they are printed by **photogravure**.

There are 6 of these numerals, 1 to 6. The booklet panes, in 3 vertical rows of 10 in each sheet of 30, are provided with numerals in the **first and eleventh** horizontal rows. The panes in the top row are numbered, appropriately enough, 1, 2 and 3. Panes 16, 17 and 18, which are from the 11th and 12th rows of the sheet, are numbered 4, 5 and 6, the numbers being, as stated, in the 11th row. Thus one pane in 5 has a number, and the reason for the numerals 4, 5 and 6 is not hard to find. It seems most probable that these large booklet sheets are **torn** into two halves, along the perforations midway in the sheet. They are then assembled, with advertising matter, Airmail labels, wax paper, etc., and a large multiple booklet, containing 15 panes as required, is made. Guillotining is not necessary along the top of the panes which bear numbers 4, 5 and 6, and these panes certainly look as though they have been separated from their upper neighbours by tearing, rather than by the usually inaccurate cut by guillotine. Thus every booklet with numbered panes will have the same number on all five of its panes.

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One point of interest to specialists will be that the Experimental "Chambon" perforation head has been used to perforate these panes. Perhaps the booklets were made up a long time ago. Or is this proof of reintroduction of the experimental head, stated to have been discarded after a few weeks' use? Another interesting query concerns the numerals themselves, which are printed by photogravure. How did the printers add these to existing cylinders? I understand that the new 1d proof sheet shows the old flaw in Row 5 No. 8 (see April Newsletter). In fact, the whole subject of these new booklet sheets is one that I, for one, find most interesting. I must not forget to thank Mr. B. Forster who started me off on this inquiry by showing me one humble booklet with a numeral 2 on each panel

### **A Variety to Search For: 2d yellow K.G.V., surface-ptd., Pl. 31, R 1/9**

Although mentioned in Vol. 1 of "The Postage Stamps of New Zealand," this flaw is not well known. It consists of prominent white, horizontal lines on the neck, and is every bit as conspicuous as the better known plate flaw on the cheek in the contemporary 3d value. Mr. K. J. McNaught, to whom I showed a mint copy (on the first paper), said it was elusive even in used condition, but that it may sometimes be seen in the issues overprinted for Island Dependencies. Two white lines, remember — and after you have found that first example for your collection, keep looking! We can use your extras.

### **Postal History Notes**

**S.S. Manaroa:** I have been shown a cover, dated 17/4/1913, with a rubber hand stamp, struck in mauve, which reads: SAVED FROM WRECK / OF S.S. MANAROA in two lines. The sans serif letters are 4 mm tall and the hand stamp 45 mm long.

**Tui:** Mr. A. J. Robinson has shown me a Penny Universal cancelled in MS, "Tui/22/1/09." This P.O. was opened 19/1/09 and the first "coin-type" date stamps from this office have been seen from 26/2/09. Has any reader an earlier date?

**SQUARED-CIRCLE DATE STAMPS:** These popular postmarks have been much in the news lately, and the Auckland Postal History Group now supplies us with an additional list of offices known to have used these date stamps. Many readers sending in information as a result of our initial list in the "Newsletter" last March have helped fill this new list. A report that a squared circle has been found from TAUMATAWHAKATANGINANGAKOAUUAUTAMA-TEAPOKAIWHENUAKITANATAHU has not been substantiated!

Anaroa, Awararo, Cromwell, Hayward's, Honikiwi, Kakatahi, Kawakawa, Korere, Makauri, Matiere, Methven, Naumai, Onerahi, Opuiti, Otago Heads, Papamoa, Puketui, Puwera, Red Hill, Streamlands, Tararua, Te Haroto, Tuatapere. Also both spellings of Danevirke / Dannevirke and both Hamilton as well as Hamilton A. "PAID" squared-circle date stamps have been noted from Auckland, Dunedin, Gore, Hawera, Mosgiel, Palmerston North and Wellington. Any one with any more for the record? Late additions to this list are Ouruhia and Tuturau.

### **3d Road Safety, Multi-coloured Commemorative, Issued 1st May, 1964**

**Technical Details:** Three colours, deep buff, black and grey-blue; one cylinder used for each, designated 1A. Printed by Harrison & Sons Ltd., London, whose imprint lies in the lower selvedge at the left. The cylinder numbers are placed in the lower selvedge under the fifth stamp. Printed in sheets of 120, sheet value £1/10/- in upper right selvedge. Watermarked paper of usual good quality as used for recent commemoratives. Watermark upright. Perforated with comb head, moving across sideways from one vertical edge of the sheet to the other, and gauging 14½ x 14½.

**Comments:** The idea of this stamp had appealed tremendously to me, for if ever there was a reason for issuing a special stamp, this is it. Much better than the usual irrelevant reasons for commemoratives, yes, even ours, this was a splendid idea, of great importance to every single person in the country — for is anyone free from danger on the road? And then to look at these colours was a terrible anti-climax. The design is a competent one; certainly not inspiring, but reasonable enough; a design with potential impact, even — provided, we had hoped, that the colours would be sufficiently bright to attract attention. With the map in red, perhaps we may have had a winner? Now the stamps will attract no more non-philatelic attention than any other insipid production would. Its one effect

may be to reduce the "road toll" among philatelists — and nobody else. As to why the printers have chosen to place the cylinder numbers so far away from their imprint, I understand that this is their whim and does not express the wishes of the New Zealand Post Office. As such we can but hope that appropriate instructions will result in future stamps having these marginal markings placed with more thought for the purse of the collector. The stamping of sheet numbers over the cylinder numbers is not the way to win friends or influence philatelists. There is plenty of blank selvage elsewhere around the stamps which could be used for this purpose.

Varieties: Row 3 No. 2 has a very conspicuous coloured flaw in the buff plate. It appears as an "apostrophe" after NEW. R9/6 has a small blue mark in "D" of ROADS; reported by Mrs. P. Macarthy. R5/8 has a black dash in the lower part of the hand. Incidentally, I wonder what has caused such great tension in the driver? Anyhow, the flaw is in Thirkell D4, and was reported by Mr. K. G. Baker.

### "ARMS TYPE" RARITIES

#### Single Watermark, Cowan Paper, MINT unless otherwise stated.

If ever there was a rising market for stamps, this is it! These "Arms Types," once spurned by collectors, are coming into their own. Many of them are exceptionally rare stamps, and we believe that these have a long way to go. So "uphill" is the market that readers will soon realise that it is impossible to collect these rare stamps by reference to prices quoted in any catalogue, and ours, though it approaches the ideal in this respect (and in others!) is no exception.

539 Z40a, SG 544n: 12/6, deep plum ..... 60/-  
 540 Z44a, SG 544r: 30/-, brown ..... £8

541 Z45a, SG 544s: 35/-, orange-yellow, the rarity. Price on request.

542 As Lot 541: A fine used copy, very rare ..... £105

543 Z47a, SG 544u; £2/10/-, red; rare. Price on request.

544 Z49a, SG 544w: £3/10/-, rose; rare ..... £40

545 Z50a, SG 544x: £4, light blue ..... £22  
 546 Z51a, SG 544y: £4/10/-, deep grey; rare ..... £32  
 547 Z52a, SG 544z: £5, indigo blue; rare ..... £30

#### A very few TOP QUALITY Full Face Queens

548 SG5, 2d Richardson, blue paper. Four good margins, three enormous. A beautiful stamp, cancelled "16." Highly recommended ..... £10  
 549 SG9, 2d Richardson, a greenish shade, white paper. A gem, used ..... £9  
 550 SG41, 6d black-brown, Davies print on Star paper. Superb used ..... £9  
 551 SG44, 1/- dull green, Davies print on Star paper. An exceptionally fine mint copy, traces of original gum. Magnificent ..... £35

#### Full Faces for the Masses !

552 SG6. If this had its fourth margin we would get about £150 for it, but it is ever-so-slightly cut into. Otherwise an exceptional used copy, cancelled "10," and most appealing ..... £15  
 553 A COLLECTION-BUILDER LOT. No rubbish here, just average to good copies; a grand selection of 15 imperfs and 4 perforated Chalons. S.G. Nos.: 8, 10, 13, 33, 36, 39, 40 (2 shades), 41 (3 good shades), 43, 45, 82, 99, 69, 75 (the last 2 are p. 13), 115, 133. S.G. Cat.: £275, C.P. Cat.: £257. In either language, a terrific bargain at ..... £30  
 554 SG 117, 3d Full Face, perf 12½, on cover from Wellington (070 duplex) to Hawkes Bay ..... 60/-  
 555 SG 122, 6d red-brown Full Face, on cover from Christchurch (C in bars obliator) to England via Panama ..... 65/-  
 556 SG 135, 6d blue Full Face, on cover from Dundeein ("O" duplex) to Kent; SE 28, '72 ..... 60/-  
 557 PERFORATED 12½, Large Star Watermark, 1864-7 Set, simplified. A very nice set of 8 stamps, one of each value, with both 2d plates, used, ready to form a grand frontispiece to a "young" collection. Cheap at ..... £10

## Two mounted, specialised selections, of great interest

- 558 **Second Sidiface Queens.** On F.G. Leaves, there are 3 pages of the 1d and 2d values, showing the dies and various die states. A valuable lot for reference purposes. To the firstcomer ..... 30/-
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- 559 **2/- Capt. Cook, Multiple Watermark, perf 13½ x 14, our L13d.** The scarce perforation variety, **COMPLETED RECONSTRUCTION OF 120 STAMPS.** This is the earlier state of Plate 1, with only a few retouches, e.g., R1/6. Many flaws are present, COQK, "coconuts" and "dot over bow," and, of course, every stamp in the sheet is different, and recognisable. Condition is really fine used. It is offered together with a copy of Mr. R. J. G. Collins' book on this interesting stamp. A magnificent opportunity ..... £30

## GEMS FOR THE SPECIALIST

- 560 **Second Sidiface Queen, ADVERTISEMENT STAMPS.** 2d lilac, second setting of these charming advertisements. A complete, and accurate, reconstruction of the four panes; 240 copies all told, in varying colours of brown and mauve, etc. .... 250/-
- 561 **G3c, Penny Universal, Basted Mills Paper, perf 11 x 14.** A perfect mint block of 20 (5 x 4) ..... 35/-
- 562 **H7e, 8d Edward VII on "Pictorial" Paper, perf 14, watermark sideways.** A fine used vertical strip of 4. Unusual and rare (SG 478) ..... 30/-
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- 563 **K5c, 4d King George V, yellow.** An amazing used block of 6, with selvedge, consisting of 3 two-perf pairs, top left stamp the major "Club-foot" re-entry (R4/10). Neatly cancelled, Featherston Military Camp, 1917. A magnificent item, and extremely rare in this desirable form ..... £10
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- 564 **K7a, 5d King George V, STEEL BLUE.** A perfect marginal  $\square$ , mint ... 22/6
- 565 **K8d, 6d King George V, Pictorial paper, line perforation 14, and sideways watermark.** A fine, though indistinctly cancelled, block of 6 (SG 495) ..... 35/-
- 566 **K9a, 7½d King George V, a scarce value.** Fine used  $\square$ , ex Collins' ..... 20/-
- 567 **K12b, 1/- King George V, our "salmon" shade, sometimes called "pale orange-red."** A very fine mint  $\square$  (SG 488d) ..... 50/-
- 568 **K18c, 2d yellow King George V, on "LITHO" wmk paper.** A superb mint corner  $\square$  of SG 529 ..... 12/6
- 569 **K18f, as above, the 2d, on Cowan paper, surfaced on the wrong side, with watermark reversed.** Superb mint  $\square$  ..... 15/-
- 570 **K18h, the 2d again, Wiggins Teape Paper, perf 14.** A perfect mint  $\square$  in yellow, with selvedge. Scarce ..... 15/-
- 571 **K19d, 3d chocolate, King George V, Cowan paper, perf 14.** A fine mint corner  $\square$  with sheet number ..... 35/-
- 572 **L4b, 2d "Where" Pictorial, perf 14 x 13½.** A mint  $\square$  in the scarce brown-orange colour ..... 50/-
- 573 **L5b, 2½d Pictorial, SG 560a.** A fine used  $\square$  ..... 6/-
- 574 **L6b, 3d Maori Girl, multiple watermark INVERTED.** A mint  $\square$  ..... 40/-
- 575 **L7c, 4d Mitre Peak, the scarce "Blitz" perf 14, line, SG 583b.** A used  $\square$ , scarce thus ..... 75/-
- 576 **L11c, SG 587a, a mint  $\square$  with watermark inverted** ..... 50/-
- 577 **L11d, SG 626, the smaller 9d, on the scarce single watermark paper.** Catalogued 8/6 each. A fine mint  $\square$  ..... 25/-
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- 578 **N10b, SG 732a, 1/- Queen Elizabeth II, the rare second die state from Centre Plate 3.** Perfect mint marginal  $\square$ ; very desirable indeed ..... £30
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- 579 **N42a/b in se-tenant pairs.** A  $\square$  containing 2 such horizontal pairs of the two settings of the Q.E. 2½d on 3d vermilion. An item which should appeal to all collectors of modern N.Z. The scarce  $\square$  ..... 70/-
- 580 **S16c, SG 535, 1d Map stamp on Cowan unsurfaced paper.** A perfect mint  $\square$  (early orders will be filled with marginal blocks) ..... 10/-
- 581 **V5a, SG 554, the 7d Trans-Tasman Airstamp of 1934.** A perfect marginal mint  $\square$  at a special price ..... 50/-
- 582 **V6c, 6d Airmail stamp of 1935.** A  $\square$  in bright blue, used ..... 22/6

583	X7e, SG 1040, ½d green Govt. Life Ins. issue on final multiple watermark paper. Fine marginal $\square$ , mint	10/-
584	X12d, SG 1044, the scarce 6d Govt. Life Ins. issue, also on multiple watermark paper. A used $\square$ , rare	30/-
585	<b>Third Issue Postage Dues, 3d orange-brown:</b>	
	(a) Y22c, multiple watermark, "stars left," W8b, a used block of 8 on original piece. One only	15/-
	(b) Y22d, as above, but with "stars right," and scarcer thus. A mint, marginal $\square$ of this elusive stamp	13/-

### Special Offers for June

586	<b>Dunedin Exhibition, the set, USED.</b> A bargain at any price	30/-
587	1920 Victory Set, a very few fine used sets, each	37/6
588	1937 Coronation set in mint $\square$ 's. Cheap	4/-
589	1953 Royal Visit, mint $\square$ 's, set	2/9
590	1956 Southland Set. Complete with elusive 8d value, each in mint $\square$	7/6
591	1959 Red Cross, 12 fine used copies, cheap	2/-
592	1935 Pictorial Set, complete, MINT, together with official folder as issued by the Post Office at the time	27/6
593	King Edward VII, the elusive 4d red-orange, used, line perf 14	4/6
594	King Edward VII set, complete, fine used, with yellow 4d only, i.e., 8 stamps	7/-
595	King Edward VII set, with both 4d, fine used (9)	11/-
596	G10f, SG 423. An uncommon Penny Universal, the comb-perf issue, p. 14 x 14½. Fine used	5/-
597	5d black Sideface Queen, for simplified sets. Top grade, used	6/-
598	RD3a, 1d VICTORIA LAND, finest mint $\square$	65/-
599	Ditto, a mint single copy	15/-

### FIVE "UNIVERSAL" COVERS

600	1d Universal, cancelled NASEBY, "English-type" cancellation, 6 JA '04, on a cover to HOBART, via DUNEDIN	10/6
601	A pair of 1d Universals, cancelled COLAC BAY, "English-type" date stamp of 15 JA '05, via INVERCARGILL to HOBART	10/-
602	Pair of 1d Universals, cancelled with coin-type date stamp of WHITIANGA, 12 OC '04, to HOBART	10/-
603	1d Universals, a pair, cancelled with squared-circle date stamp of NAPIER 18 JA '05, with Travg. P.O. Napier date stamp on reverse, to HOBART, JA 26	25/-
604	1d Universal, cancelled with "English-type" date stamp of CLINTON, 17 JE '07, with back stamp of early DUNEDIN machine cancellation, addressed to HOBART, arrival c.d.s. of 21 JE	10/-

### "Tail-end" Lots

605	1963 Healths, Shades. As listed in our Catalogue, 3 of the blue and 2 of the claret stamps. Mint singles	3/-
606	1963 Healths, 2½d + 1d re-entries:	
	(a) Pl. 1B, R5/8 re-entry, as illustrated in the C.P. Catalogue, fine used	5/-
	(b) Pl. 1B, R11/10 re-entry, fine used	5/-
607	1961 Christmas. A used trio, 2 are retouches, the third an example with watermark inverted — scarce; the three	65/-
608	1963 Christmas. Only 10 per cent of used copies we consider to be saleable — a very low percentage. We offer two really fine used examples, one with watermark inverted	1/-
609	1963 Christmas. A plate flaw from Pl. 1B; here R3/4 shows the "forked stick" variety. In mint block of 12. Plus the well-known "spot on nose" variety, R3/8, in block of 9, containing R2/9 with "missing eyebrow"; as well as sheet value. Finally two plate blocks of 6, 1A and 1B; the 4 blocks	26/-
610	Christmas, 1960-63. Fine used copies, 3 of each year. The 12	5/-

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611	5d Daisy, completely double perforation by comb head in left margin. A splendid variety. One or two blocks only, each	£6
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612	J1a, the first Penny Dominion on Howard or Roughway papers. Four used shades including the bright "ruby"	4/-
613	1d Official Centennial. A used single with "joined ff" variety. Scarce	25/-

## POSTAL HISTORY SELECTION

614	<b>POSTAL STATIONERY, UNUSED.</b> Only one lot available, remarkable for the cleanliness of the items. There are 18 different pieces, many are scarce and interesting, e.g., the provisional K.G. V overprints. From Q.V. to King George V items only. Well worth	£6
615	<b>2d Envelope</b> of 1899, redrawn Pembroke Peak. Unused	6/-
616	<b>Two Q.V. Items:</b> 1d envelope of 1900, and picture postcard of 1897 (1½d, carmine). Both unused	8/6
617	<b>Auckland Exhibition</b> , pair of ½d, and single 1d, on clean envelope, cancelled T.P.O. MAIN TRUNK AK, of 15 JA '14	80/-
618	<b>Napier Earthquake.</b> A Y.M.C.A. envelope, "ON ACTIVE SERVICE" printed frank, date stamped NAPIER 14 SE '31. An historic item	80/-
619	<b>EXPRESS.</b> First type, on cover, from Waipukurau, 1938, to Hastings. These covers are scarce, and we have only 3. Each	30/-
620	<b>EXPRESS</b> , one cover only, REGISTERED, from Hastings, 29 NO '39, bearing "Motorcar" Express stamp, 4d Mitre Peak, 2d "Whare" and both "Registered" and "Express" labels and appropriate blue-crayon markings. Rare on cover	60/-
621	<b>SOMES ISLAND.</b> A cover from the Internment Camp, with rare rectangular rubber date stamp of 26 JUN 1941, and cachet on front, "Exempt from postage under International Convention regarding Treatment of Prisoners of War"; censor mark also on front; a cover to Trentham, with Wellington C.1 date stamp of 1 JL '41. A very desirable item	£6
622	<b>Centennial of Otago:</b> Complete set cancelled on first day of issue, with special "Centennial of Otago" date stamp of Dunedin. Each	1/9
623	<b>Canterbury Centennial:</b> Complete set on first day of issue cover, cancelled with the special "Canterbury Centennial" date stamp of Lyttelton. Each	3/6
624	<b>Lamb Export:</b> First day cover, both values cancelled neatly, on souvenir cover. Each	5/6
625	<b>Hawkes Bay Centennial.</b> Set of 3, cancelled neatly with the unique special date stamp from Ahuriri, "pot" type. Each	3/-
626	<b>PENNY UNIVERSAL.</b> London print, of course, cancelled on first day, 1 JA '01, ON PIECE. Each	4/-
627	<b>A Few Early Covers to Stewart Island—where those oysters come from!</b>	
	(a) From Invercargill ("squared-circle" of 12 JE 94), via BLUFF to Horseshoe Bay	10/-
	(b) From Mosgiel, "coin-type" date stamp, 7 NO 91, via Dunedin, R.P.O.-IN, Bluff; arriving Half-Moon Bay, 11 Nov.	25/-
	(c) From Outram, "coin-type" date stamp of 24 OC 91, via Dunedin, Invercargill, Bluff; arriving Half-Moon Bay, 28 Oct.	25/-
	(d) From Berwick, "coin-type" date stamp of 14 DE 91, via Outram, Dunedin, R.P.O.-IN, to Bluff; arriving Half-Moon Bay on 16 Dec.	25/-
628	The unusual, and very scarce ½d "Newspaper" Postcard, printed especially for Austin, Walsh & Co., makers of "The Atlas Cigarette" for advertising purposes. Unused, one only available	45/-
629	6d Full Face, Richardson Print, an attractive-looking copy (minor defects but four margined), cancelled with "O" in manuscript, further obliterated lightly with the Perkins, Bacon numeral-in-bars type, "1," of Auckland	65/-
630	A fairly large piece of original envelope bearing a very clear strike of the two-lined cachet, "RECEIVED IN DAMAGED CONDITION/EX FLYING BOAT CALPURNIA"	5/-
631	<b>Health First Day Covers.</b> Special offer, to clear, six different, posted	3/-
632	<b>1930 Health.</b> First day cover, very fine and clean	30/-
<b>Great Britain, 1840, Penny Blacks</b>		
632	(a) A very fine copy, lightly cancelled, 4 margins. A wonderful opportunity to possess the world's first postage stamp	70/-
	(b) <b>Plate 1B, Re-entry</b> , stamp "OA," SG Cat. £8. Superb used	120/-

### Notes and Comment (Continued)

A note in a recent "Newsletter" of the R.P.S. (N.Z.) Inc. deplored the sale by "a well-known New Zealand stamp dealing company" of forgeries of the 1958 2d Provisional (on Q.E. II 1½d, small figures of value). As the council of the R.P.S. (N.Z.) has decided not to mention the "well-known New Zealand stamp dealing company" by name, we feel obliged to make a statement, in view of the fact that we have always considered ourselves to be "a well-known New Zealand stamp dealing company." We therefore wish to state that we have never sold, nor are likely to sell, such things as forgeries of recent stamps, particularly those made with the intention of sale to collectors.