

Letters and Announcements

1939 Royal Visit Handbook Planned

Graham J. Noble, department of history, Queen's University and C. Ron McGuire, acting curator of the National Postal Museum have been gathering information in preparation for a postal history of the 1939 Royal Visit to Canada, the United States and Newfoundland slated for release late in 1982.

The authors are currently compiling an inventory of all known covers used from the Royal Train post office documenting cachets, commercial mail, usage of the various postal markings including purple cancels and covers addressed to the Royal Train.

The assistance of all collectors who have Royal Visit material is eagerly sought and readers are particularly urged to send details of the following items of special interest:

— all known covers cancelled on the Royal Train including the type of cancel and time marks. Photocopies of all commercially used or unusual non-philatelic covers will be appreciated

— photographs of a postal-related nature (photocopies are welcomed)

— picture postcards of any Royal Visit scenes — both commercially and privately produced items. (Again, photocopies appreciated)

— details of any other relevant material including newspaper and magazine articles, monographs, documents, books, P.O. circulars, stamp and cancellation essays and proofs are needed.

If you can help, all information will be gratefully acknowledged and appropriate credit given. Please contact: Graham J. Noble, P.O. Box 80, Kingston, Ontario, Canada K7L 4V6

