

member of the RNCVR of WWI. Dean Mario is the author of an article, *A Victoria Cross Winner's Cover?* The cover is a Canadian Contingent cover of the Boer War. A cover from the Canadian Corvette *Louisburg* is illustrated and discussed by Wilf Whitehouse. There is also a membership list. Wilf Whitehouse shows a censored cover (WWI) with a doubly boxed postage paid marking. *Canadian Forces Exercise Rendezvous '89* is an illustrated article by Dave Hanes. *The Royal Rifles of Canada in Newfoundland 1940-41* is by John Tyacke. It is the interesting account of two brothers as traced by their letters. Several miscellaneous, but militarily connected, covers from Jim Felton are pictured.

C. Stillions, editor of the **Newfie** newsletter, presents an illustrated article, *Some Comments on the Intaguo 'N' Killer*, by David Piercey. This is an interesting and well thought out piece. Peter Robertson submits a photocopy of a variety, he has discovered, on the 2¢ Cabot of 1897. Rob Moore has copied a newspaper account of the death at 86 of Captain Douglas Fraser. He landed the first plane at Gander, and flew several early airmail flights. The newsletter concludes with a membership list.

The **Perforator** is edited by Michael Behm. Bob Traquair authors an article on the history of the Steel Company of Canada which used perfin S9. Bruce Holmes presents a technique for identifying perfins on cover without removing the stamp. Mike Hargraft offers to provide charts to those interested in perfins by position. The editor pictures two perfins (M30 and P20) that may be new patterns. The conclusion is an extensive discussion of perfin C3 by Jack Benningen.

Bob Lemire opens **Postal Stationery Notes** with a report of a new aerogramme and new envelopes occasioned by new postal rates. Steven Whitcombe reports on plating data for Webb P1, P2, P20, P21, P25, P35 and P36. He, obviously, is making a serious study of plating these. Another study is presented by John Aitkin, *Views on the Back of CPR cards*. This is also an excellent article. Bob Lemire gives us, *Some notes on the George VI Precancelled Cards*. Art Klaus has sent in a photocopy of a CNR-D2A card with a remarkable offset. Finally is an index for Vol. 8. Bob opens a second newsletter with an article, *Canadian Express Company Advice Cards*, highly illustrated, by Dick Staecher - again a fine article. *Prepaid Priority Post Envelopes and Special Services, Collectable - But are they postal Stationery*, by Bob Lemire, is an article discussing their place

in postal Stationery. Bob comments in *Post Card Stock on the George VI Cards*. Horace Harrison reports two more used copies of Newfoundland reply letter cards. John Aitken lists two more items to add to *Views on the Back of CPR Cards* - his article in the last newsletter. A page of adlets concludes the issue.

Bill Robinson, RPO editor, also supplies two newsletters. The first is headed by a cartoon decrying the VIA RAIL cuts. Jim Miller has sent in a copy of a card mailed in Nova Scotia. It wandered 14 years, acquired a U.S. RPO, before completing its 60 mile journey. Several newspaper articles are reproduced. One shows and describes a CP mail express car. A second from *Financial Post*, Feb. 1990, details the slashes in East - West track that must be made to compete with truckers. A third, from *Communiqué: Magazine of the Atlantic Postal Region*, 1944 is *Railway Mail Service an Historic Postal Era*. Finally a fourth, by Anne Jarvis of the *Expositor* (Brantford?), *Card Mailed in 1914 when Post Offices Were Found on Trains*. This is from Mike Street, and was inspired by the Brantford stamp show, '89. Part 3 of *Vessels in Newfoundland Gulf and Coastal Service, 1898-1987* by Don Wilson is concluded. Jim Miller reproduces an article, by Leslie Mitchell, *Newfoundland Travelling Post Offices* from the May, 1950 *TOPICS*. Horace Harrison submits an illustration of CNR official postal stationery. Horace also shows copies of two lovely registered covers with the RG-8 marking - one with a wrong direction, and one with a wrong year. The second newsletter pictures the CPR Steamer *Aberdeen*. Bill reports that a West coast steamer marking exhibit won a national gold at *Oropex*. He neglects to mention that it was his. Robert Meiss supplies an article by Jacques Boisvert entitled, *The Day the Grand Trunk Died*. Postal Historian Steve Thorning has turned up a new early date for RR-24. From the **Heritage** magazine of P.O. retirees, Wilf Whitehouse gives us *Stamps*, by Harold Langham. This is a tribute to the railway mail service. Likewise, Tom Southey contributes, *Canada's Shortest Railway*, by Ernie Lathrop - from *The News Real Estate Review*. Another excerpt, from the Whyte Museum, Banff, Alta., is *A Story of Repatriation, Canada and America*, by Don Bourdon. This involves the return of material to the country of origin. Ed Maloney supplies photocopies of data concerning several RPOs and promises more.

Two newsletters from Ralph Trimble present the latest from the Re-entry group. Ralph continues, *Major Re-entries of the 6¢ Red Brown*