

9. SWITZERLAND 1958 Alpine Post — SSR-1 (Goebel I) - Vignette « Postes alpestres Suisses", brun

10-12. SWITZERLAND 1966 Village and Mountains & Locomotive - SSR-3 - Le besoin d'imprimer en plusieurs couleurs s'est fait sentir de tout temps. C'est le 14 septembre 1964 avec le timbre 2fr 20 Liestal qu'on utilisera pour la première fois la taille-douce polychrome. Les impressions d'essai "Village de montagne" (19 IV 66 & 25 IV 66) et "Train" (4 I 67) ont été utilisées sur la rotative SSR 3 (WIFAG II).

13. SWITZERLAND 1975 Farmhouses - SSR-3 (WIFAG II) - 23 V 75 - C'est lors du déménagement de 1967, que l'imprimerie des PTT installera la rotative SSR 3 (WIFAG II). Cette machine permettra l'impression en plusieurs couleurs combinées avec le procédé en gravure raclée. Ce Specimen "Ferme bernoise" a été imprimé en mai 1975.

14-16. SWITZERLAND 1966 David - SSR-1 : Blue/Yellow = 25 XI 64 — SSR-2 : Blue = 15 II 66 - Purple = 16 II 66 - Impression d'essai « Horloge aztèque et David » (Impression en taille-douce mono et polychrome).

17-21. Brazil-Brasil 1951 - WIFAG - Les rotatives WIFAG ont été vendues à l'étranger et ont servi à imprimer de nombreux timbres. Ici nous avons une série pour le Brésil.

22-24. FINLAND 1954 Johan Snellman - WIFAG-IL - Série chef d'état.

25. Brazil-Brasil 1956 - WIFAG - 18 VII 65 - Essai pour le Brésil de 1956, cylindre utilisé jusqu'en 1965.

26. RUSSIA 1960 - Tigre, essai pour l'URSS, datant de mai 1960.

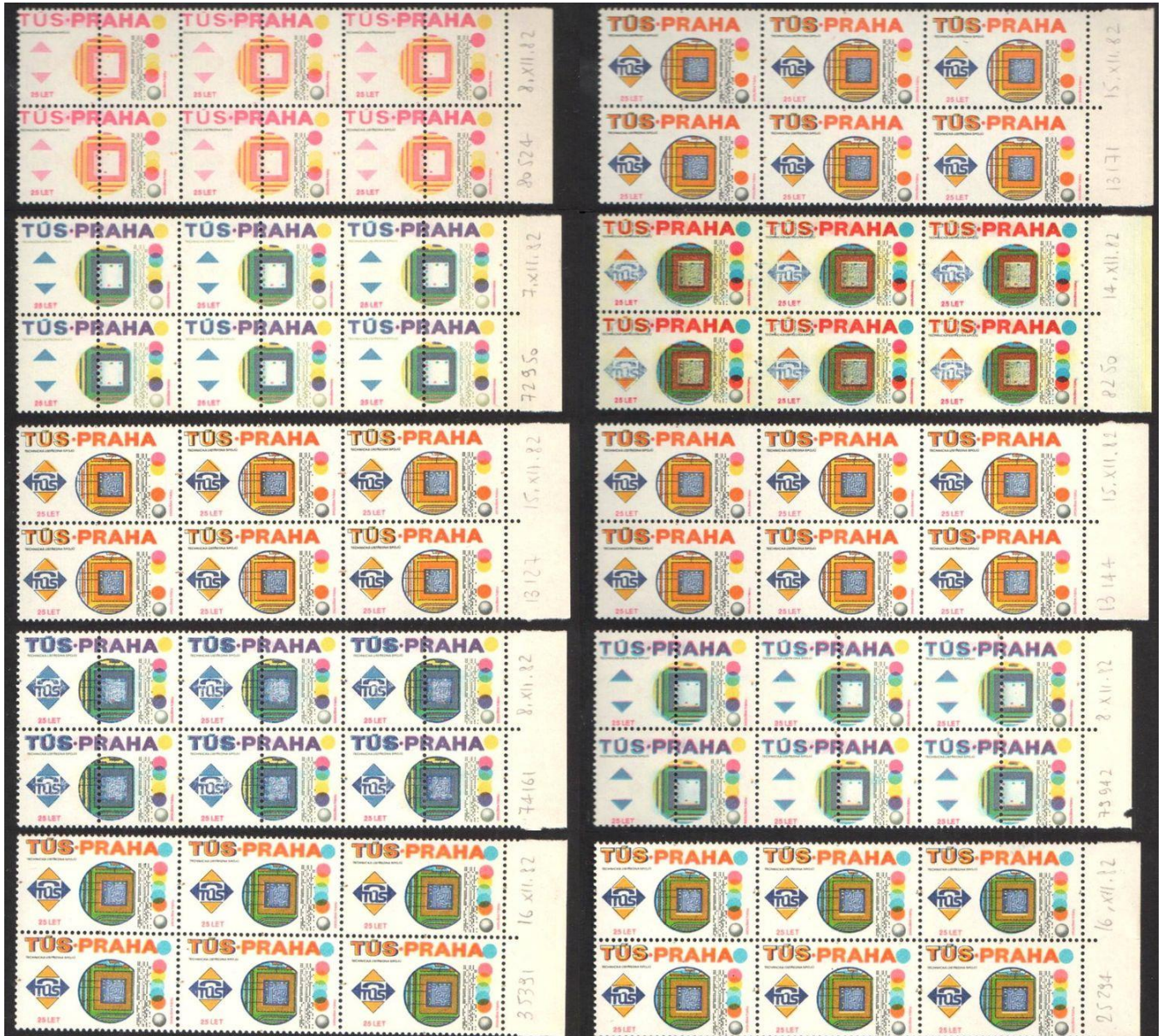
27-32. SWITZERLAND 1960 Organisation Giori - 3 paires produites par l'Organisation Giori, dont le siège était à Lausanne. Née au début des années 1950, elle s'est spécialisée dans la fabrication des imprimantes pour billets de banque et autres impressions de sécurité.

33-37. Czechoslovakia 1966 Karlštejn & Visoké Tatry - WIFAG II (IPPP) - Light 16 IV 66 - Dark - White 22 XII 82 - 4 vignettes de 1966 pour la Tchécoslovaquie. Deux représentent le château fort de Karlštejn, deux les Hautes Tatras (en tchèque Vysoké Tatry) et une est blanche.

38. CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1966 Mailcoach - WIFAG II - 7 IV 66 - Vignette de 1966 pour la Tchécoslovaquie. Avec la légende TÚS Praha-zkouška tisku (=TUS Prague - test d'impression).

39-59. CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1978 — 06.XII.82 07.XII.82 08.XII.82 14.XII.82 15.XII.82 16.XII.82 - Tests d'impression tchèques TÚS Praha à 25 LET, avec légende en marge zkouška tisku (= test d'impression). Trois séries avec dentelure coupant le timbre par le milieu.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1978 Probedruc



CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Press : WIFAG III *

Press used from 1978 by TUS / PTC.** Founded 1951.

Units : IPPPP***

Dummy Stamp Design Description : 25 years of TUS Praha. Logo, circuit board, colour dots and text.

Sheet : 292 x 256 mm - 10 rows x 5 dummy stamps.

Marginal Print Dates : 06.XII.82 07.XII.82 08.XII.82 14.XII.82 15.XII.82 16.XII.82

The printing is done in two phases, first they print the background of the drawing in Offset, then they print the motif Intaglio in relief.

The sheets printed from December 7 to 8 are from the Offset phase.

Then, on December 8, we have the first trials of taille-douce with Intaglio violet ink.

They use Offset printed sheets with different Offset alignment tests.

The sheets of 14 and 15 December show the assay and alignment tests of Intaglio.

On December 16, the inking is almost perfect.

* In 1904 the Swiss company Winkler Fallert & Co., AG (WIFAG) was founded and in 1945 it produced its first rotary stamp printing press for the Swiss PTT. By the late 1970s, WIFAG was concentrating on newspaper presses and had ceased to install any further stamp printing presses.

The dummy stamps were used as a part of the press commissioning process and it is understood that these would have first been printed in Switzerland at WIFAG prior to dismantling and shipping the press to the purchaser. It is also thought that the plates used in Switzerland were sent to the purchaser (probably with colour progressive sheets) to enable testing to be undertaken on site in an attempt at getting the printer to replicate the quality of the printing undertaken at WIFAG.

The first issued stamps from WIFAG II were four depicting Slovak fauna issued 25 September 1967.

** Technická ústředna spojů (Technical Exchange of Postal and Telecommunication Services) then known as Poštovní Tiskárna Cenin Praha A.S. (Postal Printing House of Securities) from 1992.

*** KEY: The letter I = Intaglio (recess, steel engraving, line engraving), L = Letterpress (typography, surface printing) and P = Photogravure (gravure). Where a letter is repeated under the Press heading (say, IPPP) it signifies that the press had more than one of that type of printing unit in its configuration, thus enabling more than one colour to be printed in a single pass by the same printing process. IPPP would therefore indicate that the press had one intaglio and three photogravure printing units installed. Be aware that a press could print a particular dummy stamp in a different configuration (as noted under Units). This would mean that not all of the capability of the press might be in use (say, PPP only, thereby not utilising the intaglio element of the press in the example here).

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Brazil Brésil - Probedruck Essai 1951 Flag



BRAZIL

Press : WIFAG-I *

Earlier press installation of 1951 by Casa da Moeda do Brasil (Brazilian State Mint). Founded 1694.

Units : I **

Dummy Stamp Design Description : Brazilian flag. No date or BRASIL wording.

RUSSIA (USSR) 1960 Tiger - Dummy stamp + stamp on 1964 card



RUSSIA (USSR)

Press : WIFAG *

Press used from 1961 by GOZNAK (State Printing House). Founded 1818.

Units : PPP **

Dummy Stamp Design Description : Ussurian Tiger and NOYMA CCCP wording. Often wrongly sold as an essay for the 1970s tiger stamp. Source sheet : 10 rows x 5 dummy stamps.

Marginal Print Date : 27 V 60