

PUBLIC AUCTION

in VIGNOLA by Vaccari auction room

philately - postal history postcards - literature

sale catalogue no.77

SATURDAY 24 APRIL 2010

PRICES REALIZED

Vaccari public auction of postage stamps, postal history, postcards and philatelic literature was held on Saturday 24 April 2010 in Vignola (Mo) by the auction room of Vaccari srl, via M.Buonarroti 46.

Auctioneer for the literature and postcards sections, the opening ones, Silvia Vaccari, and for the philatelic section Antonello Cerruti. Mail offers were dealt with by Silvia Vaccari (literature and postcards) and by Paolo Vaccari (philately).

Number of lots offered 2,226 philately 1,487 - postcards 477 - literature 262

Number of sold lots 1,893 philately 1,206 - postcards 477 - literature 210

Percentage of sold lots \$85%\$ philately 81.1% - postcards 100% - literature 80.2%

Duration of the auction
7 hours and 43 minutes
philately 6 hours and 18 minutes
97 postcards (knocked only on request) 55 minutes
64 books (knocked only on request) 30 minutes

Average duration per lot of philately 15.25 seconds

Total bidders in the auction room and by mail 902

auction room + phone connection 122 - mail bids 780

Percentage increase of the starting price 49.2% philately 48.1% - postcards 77.1% - literature 80.8%

Sale percentage in the auction room and by telephone with respect to mail bids 34% as to number of lots 45% as to value of sold lots



Sold 85 lots out of 100

There were, on the whole, 2,226 lots, and 1,893 have found a buyer. 85% of the items, therefore, has been sold: for literature 80.2%, for philately 81.1% and for postcards 100%.

It is a really good and interesting result, in spite of the economic crisis. The economic situation is not so positive even for collecting; at the same time, there are those who choose to invest in philately.

PHILATELY - POSTAL HISTORY

The highest return was for lot 481 [letter from Casal S.Michele with floating cancellation belonging to the collection of Naples and Naples Provinces cancellations] with euro 12,500 (base euro 5,000).

Some particular returns.

lotto 650 (base euro 3,300 - return euro 6,000)

[Risorgimento - letter from Modena to Malta of 29.9.1858 addressed to Modenese patriot Nicola Fabrizi at the time exiled in Malta (historical note enclosed), tricolour franking for L.1 with c.10 with full stop after the figure n.15 + c.15 + c.15

lotto 824 (base euro 2,000 - return euro 3,100)

[Kingdom of Italy - Volta c.20 violet border of sheet, Unificato n.210A - trace of hinge only in the border of sheet - really very fine]

lotto 866 (base euro 500 - return euro 1,400)

[Italian National Guard - printing of Brescia - c.25 with overprint I type (I printing composition F), Sassone n.474/Ifa+474/Ifb, sheet of 200 copies with gutter in the middle - overprint heavily shifted to the left - yellow rust spots on the reverse but really rare]

lotto 936 (base euro 400 - return euro 1,700)

[Republic of Italy - express from "Monopoli/Bari 28.7.47" to Bari franked with Air Mail L.2 pair + single + Espresso L.15 in the first day of issue, Unificato n.A127+E27, all of them well perforated - ex Vaccari auction n.10/1980 - really very fine]

lotto 938 (base euro 1,000 - return euro 3,400)

[Republic of Italy - FDC Venetia - 3 binders with a total of 204 covers, some travelled and some not, of the period 1948-1964 - high catalogue value - list enclosed - really very fine]

lotto 955 (base euro 1,500 - return euro 3,000)

[Republic of Italy - FDC Italy at work - set of 19 stamps Unificato n.634-652, on 3 covers with postmark "Venezia 20.10.50" - really rare - enclosed, authentication documents of 16.9.2009 given by Della Casa]

lotto 1129 (base euro 10,000 - return euro 12,200)

[Space - USA - 1969 - APOLLO 12 - space letter no.55 out of 87 flown on the following mission Apollo 15 which reached the Moon surface on 30 July 1971 - the 87 letters prepared by Richard F. Gordon, due to a technical inexplicable reason, remained on the Earth by Cape Kennedy base and, at the end of the quarantine period, they were given back to the astronaut who had them marked, on 10 December 1969, at the post office in Houston - in 1971, at the request of Gordon, commander of the mission on the Earth, they were loaded on Apollo 15 - in these letters there is no mark of quarantine, which had been interrupted since Apollo 14 flight - franked with c.6 - canc. "Houston Dec 10 1969 Tex." - on the front, handwritten note "Flown to the Moon", and Gordon's declaration on the back - signatures of Charles Conrad, Jr., Richard F. Gordon, Jr. and Alan L. Bean - financial cert. Bolaffi 100% (1984) - cert. En.Diena (1984) - cert. Barbara F.Gordon (1984)]

lotto 1130 (base euro 6,000 - return euro 8,500)

[Space - USA - 1971 - APOLLO 15 - space letter carried around the Moon - franked with 3 stamps of which 2 c.8 "Apollo 15" - oval cachet of 26 July 1971, the day of the Apollo 15 spacecraft launch and canc. "USS Okinawa Aug 7 1971 AM (LPH3)", the day of the recovery in the Pacific Ocean by the ship USS Okinawa (on the back, postmark "Recovery Aug 7,1971" in red) - signatures of David R. Scott, Alfred M. Worden and James B. Irwin - this cover is part of a group of 100 similar covers (60 of them were confiscated by NASA in 1973) which Mr Herrick of Miami gave to the Apollo 15 astronauts to have them carried in orbit around the Moon - financial cert. Bolaffi 100% (1992)]



lotto 1136 (base euro 1,000 - return euro 7,000)

[Space - USA - 1969 - commemorative cover APOLLO 11 mission no.15 out of 35 franked with c.6 "Apollo 8" canc. "Kennedy Space Center, FL Jul 16 AM 1969", the day of the Apollo 11 spacecraft launch destined to take the first Man onto the Moon - signatures of Neil Armstrong, Michel Collins and Edwin E. Aldrin Jr. - financial cert. Bolaffi 100% (1984)]

lotto 1139 (base euro 650 - return euro 2,600)

[Space - USA - 1974-1979 - 80 commemorative covers and FDC of flights and technical tests relevant to Space Shuttle Enterprise and 747/Shuttle Enterprise - some items repeated - most of them with indication cat.Lollini "Cosmos"]

lotto 1420 (base euro 3,000 - return euro 6,500)

[Lots - TUSCANY - large stockbook with 148 postage stamps or pieces, even one pair and one strip of 3 + 34 letters with different franking - there are also soldi, quattrini, cr.60 and cr.9/1859 - (total Sassone 2008 euro 150,015.00)]

POSTCARDS

The 100% of postcards has found a new owner. Particularly demanded the ones relevant to aviation and military, and also lots.

The **highest return** was for **lot 1950** [ITALIAN COLONIES - scatola con 380 cartoline tra cui 120 nuove con vedute di Bengasi, Mogadiscio, Tripoli, altre località e ritratti di indigeni - periodo 1920-1939 circa con pochi esemplari anteriori al 1920 - circa 15 cartoline con francobollo asportato - qualità mista], With **euro 600** (base euro 520).

Great success for **lot 1960** [DECIMA MAS - lotto 4 VOLANTINI propagandistici originali - "Che vuole l'Italia?, Tu Marinaio, Lavoratori!, Cristianesimo..." - stampa 1 lato - buono stato, alcuni margini con lievi abrasioni], with **euro 240** (base euro 40); and for **lot 1961** [MUSSOLINI - La Liberazione del Duce ad opera del Führer, 12 Settembre 1943 - lotto 7 VOLANTINI propagandistici (3 doppi, 6 stampa fronte/retro) + 1 fotografico "Fedeltà per Fedeltà" - originali, buono stato], with **euro 200** (base euro 30).

Among the highest returns

lot 1957 (base euro 100 - return euro 240)

[MIX - scatola con 195 cartoline di cui solo 26 viaggiate - tra le nuove notate n.24 "Convegno di Peschiera", n.43 "Esposizione Torino 1911" e n.39 "Torino Stadium 1911" - qualità mista nel complesso buona]

lot 1953 (base euro 120 - return euro 220)

[ITALY - CITIES - 2 album con 290 cartoline italiane non recenti - maggior parte b/n, non lucide e prevalente FN - le ann. periodo anche primi '900, alcune fine '800 - qualità mista]

lot 1952 (base euro 100 - return euro 180)

[ABROAD - scatola con oltre 600 cartoline paesaggistiche quasi solo Europa, tra cui Bruxelles, Parigi, Barcellona, Anversa, Liège, Bruges - notate 20 Gruss/tipo Gruss - in prevalenza b/n, poche le lucide - FN, solo 60 circa FG - epoche varie, in prevalenza 1900-1950 - qualità mista]

lot 1954 (base euro 150 - return euro 180)

[LAKES - album con 65 cartoline non recenti con vedute di Laghi Italiani e città sui laghi - periodo 1900-1970 circa - in prevalenza Lago Maggiore, Lago di Como e Lago di Garda ma anche Lago Misurina (1), Lago Trasimeno (1), Lago Nero (1), Lago d'Orta (2) e anche Lago di Lugano (3) - FN/FG - in prevalenza b/n (metà lucide), alcune a colori non recenti e non lucide - qualità mista]

lot 1959 (base euro 100 - return euro 160)

[MIX - 2 scatole con oltre 2.400 cartoline recenti dal 1960 circa - prevalentemente regionalistiche (lucide, a colori, alcune b/n) Italia ma anche estero - Auguri - Navali - ristampe - varie - qualità mista]



lot 1955 (base euro 50 - return euro 140)

[POMPEI - album con custodia con 75 cartoline di Pompei di diverso tipo (illustrate e fotografiche, tutte FN e nessuna lucida) - in maggior parte nuove, le ann. periodo 1900-1930 circa - notati alcuni illustratori tra cui Craffonara Aurelio e molte della serie ed. E.Ragozino, Galleria Umberto, Napoli (4 serie Casa dei Vettii) - qualità mista (lievi spellature agli angoli per circa 30 es. + 5 difettose con lievi rotture agli angoli)]

lot 1659 (base euro 50 - return euro 125)

[MILITARY - IV Guerra Indipendenza Italiana - dis. Cascella - 13 cartoline commemorative, tutte diverse (Cavalleggero ferito, Avanscoperta dall'Altipiano Carsico, Passaggio sull'Isonzo, L'Adige verso Chizzola, Piccolo Accampamento Cornale, In Ricognizione, Alpini reduci dal fronte Montenero, Feriti del... Bersaglieri Montenero, Alla ricerca di Feriti, Una Sentinella, I Rifornimenti Carnia, Dalle Trincee avanzate, La baia di S.Quaranta e l'isola di Corfù) - Ed. Croce Rossa Italiana - 6 viaggiate 1915-1922 e 7 nuove - tutte con timbro a secco CRI - O - FN - B]

lot 1532 (base euro 60 - return euro 120)

[AVIATION - Il giorno dell'Ala - Esercitazioni dell'Armata del Cielo - A totale beneficio dell'erigendo Istituto degli Orfani degli Aviatori - Aeroporto del Littorio - Roma 8 giugno 1930 - "Maga" Milano (103) - viaggiata Posta Aerea, ann. "Roma Aeroporto Littorio Posta Aerea 8.6.30" + 3 vignette ufficiali commemorative dell'evento (Morbiducci, Tato, Melis) + timbro violetto della Mostra - V - FN - BB - R]

PHILATELIC LITERATURE

The **highest return** was for **lot 2048** [The work of Jean De Sperati - Opera originale in 2 volumi text and plates], and for **lot 2108** [Friendl Rudolf, Sizilien Platten - Tavole di Sicilia]: both with starting price of euro 500 have stopped at **euro 800**.

Great success for **lot 2226**, the complete collection of "Vaccari Magazine" from 1989 to 2008 [Raccolta completa 20 anni - dal n.1 al n.40 - con i n.1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,11,17 esauriti in originale e indice analitico degli articoli pubblicati dal n.1/1989 al n.40/2008] with **euro 600** (base euro 400). All single numbers of the magazine regularly obtain great results; for example issue 17, **lot 225** (base euro 20), has been knocked at **euro 120**.

Other important results for lot **2160** [Ohnmeiss Edoardo P., Metodi e bolli postali napoleonici dei dipartimenti francesi d'Italia] (base euro 50 - return euro 110), lots **2127** and **2128** [Vaccari Paolo, Regno di Sardegna - Regno d'Italia 1855-1863 - Tavole dei colori] (base euro 200 - return euro 260 and 280), lot **2174** [Bianchi Paolo, Storia dei servizi postali della Somalia italiana dalle origini al 1941] (base euro 50 - return euro 151).



5000 euro for the children in Haiti victims of the earthquake

This is the result of the charity initiative connected to the auction The letter front of 1939 has been sold at 2,500 euro, and Vaccari srl has doubled the amount

This is the third auction in which Vaccari srl uses one of the lots on sale for a charity initiative. In 2008, one Risorgimento document to help the Italian Association for Cancer Research; in 2009, some space items to help the association "Vip - Viviamo in positivo" for the clowntherapy.

In the auction of 24 April 2010, the sale of lot 846 has been destined to Francesca Rava Foundation - Nph Italy onlus, who have been operating in Haiti for over twenty years and today help above all the children victims of the earthquake.

The document has been sold at 2,500 euro, and the company has added the same amount. This is the sum needed, for example, for 1,000 daily food rations, 178 surgical treatments or 16 prosthesis.

The onlus is in Haiti with different structures which operate to give a better life to children. As the representative of the Foundation, Francesca Turci has come to Vignola, on the occasion of the auction, having thus the possibility to come into contact with postal collecting. "This is a quite peculiar and fascinating world- she said. I have seen the items, I have spoken with people; there are really interesting things. Philately is a vehicle for history, to discover, and made me curious".

"Italy -she went on, changing the subject- has taken part in the aids for Haiti; the Italian Civil Defence has made a wonderful job; the aircraft carrier «Cavour» has been of great help. We go on with our activity because we have obtained really great results, even because we were already there before the earthquake. Our Hospital has been realized thanks to Italian companies; when I saw it, I felt proud of being Italian. Italians, as to generosity, are second to none".



Francesca Turci and Paolo Vaccari

Further information on the initiative and the organization http://www.vaccari.it/pdf/8375.file.2011_ING.pdf

The video (in Italian) on the activities of the Foundation in Haiti (file wmv) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g00tQi37mLg





SOME MOMENTS AT THE AUCTION



The starting part of the auction with philatelic literature and postcards



The session of philately and postal history



The auction room



The viewing of lots in the room dedicated

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We are available for further information and for high resolution images on demand.