

Unheralded Jordan Octet Makes Debut

On June 2 eight new stamps of Jordan appeared in the Jerusalem post office, according to a reliable correspondent in that city. Sales across the counter were limited to two of each value per customer, he reported that the per customer, he reported.

He added in a follow-up note that two days later collectors could obtain up to 20 of each value excepting the 100f. which was "difficult to obtain."



From what is known the set was not previously announced, but it appears from the five interlocked circles shown to be in observance of the Olympic Games. Nothing on the stamps themselves indicate this.

Each design, depicting a different sport is framed in a parallelogram, with color shading. The values and motifs are 1 fils, basketball; 2f., volley ball; 3f., soccer; 4f., table tennis; 5f., track; 35f., bicycle; 50f., fencing; 100f., pole vaulting.

The octet was issued in sheets of 50 subjects, with no indication of the printer in the margin, but it is supposed that the printing was done in Beirut as in other recent cases.

The name of the Kingdom, with value and "postage" appear at the bottom in English, and at the top in Arabic in reverse order—being read from right to left.