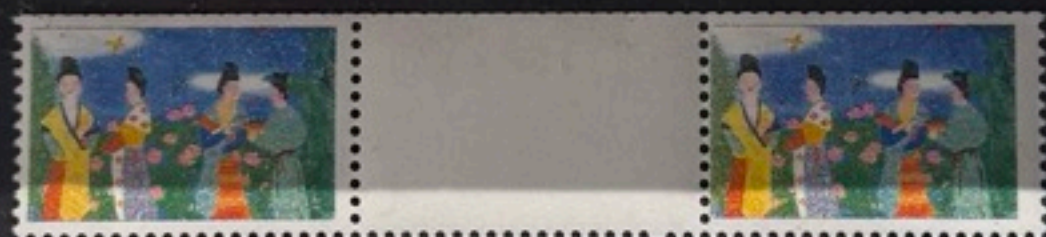




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"The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well."

Baron Pierre de Coubertin
Founder of the Modern Olympics

1980 OLYMPIC GAMES



The earliest reference to the Olympic Games is found in the history of ancient Greece and is dated 776 B.C., more than 2,700 years ago.

The people of the Greek city-states would "suspend strife and trade" and gather every four years at the stadium of Olympia for a holiday. The first 13 Games featured only one event, the stadium race, in which runners competed over a distance of approximately 200 yards. Other races, jumping, discus and javelin throwing and wrestling competitions were added over the next 40 years. Later, with chariot racing and boxing, the total number of Olympiad events grew to 23, until the games were banned by Emperor Theodosius in 394 A.D. and ended 12 centuries of Olympic activities.

Some 15 centuries later, Baron Pierre de Coubertin of France was determined to reinstate the Olympiad. He was convinced that the emphasis Greece had placed on education, physical culture and athletic competition was responsible for the nation's "Golden Age." As a result of his efforts, on March 25, 1896, in Athens, Greece, the Olympics was held once again. By bringing the world's finest athletes together in a festival of sports, the modern Olympics program aims at promoting international respect and good will.

The addition of competitive events on snow and ice 28 years later broadened the scope of the modern Olympics. When the first Olympic Winter Games were recorded in Chamonix, France, in 1924, there were 14 events divided among five winter sports. The popular response to the winter programs grew over the years and so did the number of competitions. A total of 37 events will be staged during the XIII Olympic Winter Games at Lake Placid, New York, February 13-24, 1980.

Until now the Postal Service has had a total of 12 stamp issues honoring the Olympics: three in 1932, one in 1960, four in 1972 and another four in 1976.

An unprecedented issuance of United States postage stamps and stationery salutes the 1980 Summer and Winter Olympic Games. To call attention to these events, ten postage stamps, three postal cards, a stamped envelope and an aerogramme are to be issued sequentially prior to the opening of the Winter Games at Lake Placid, New York.





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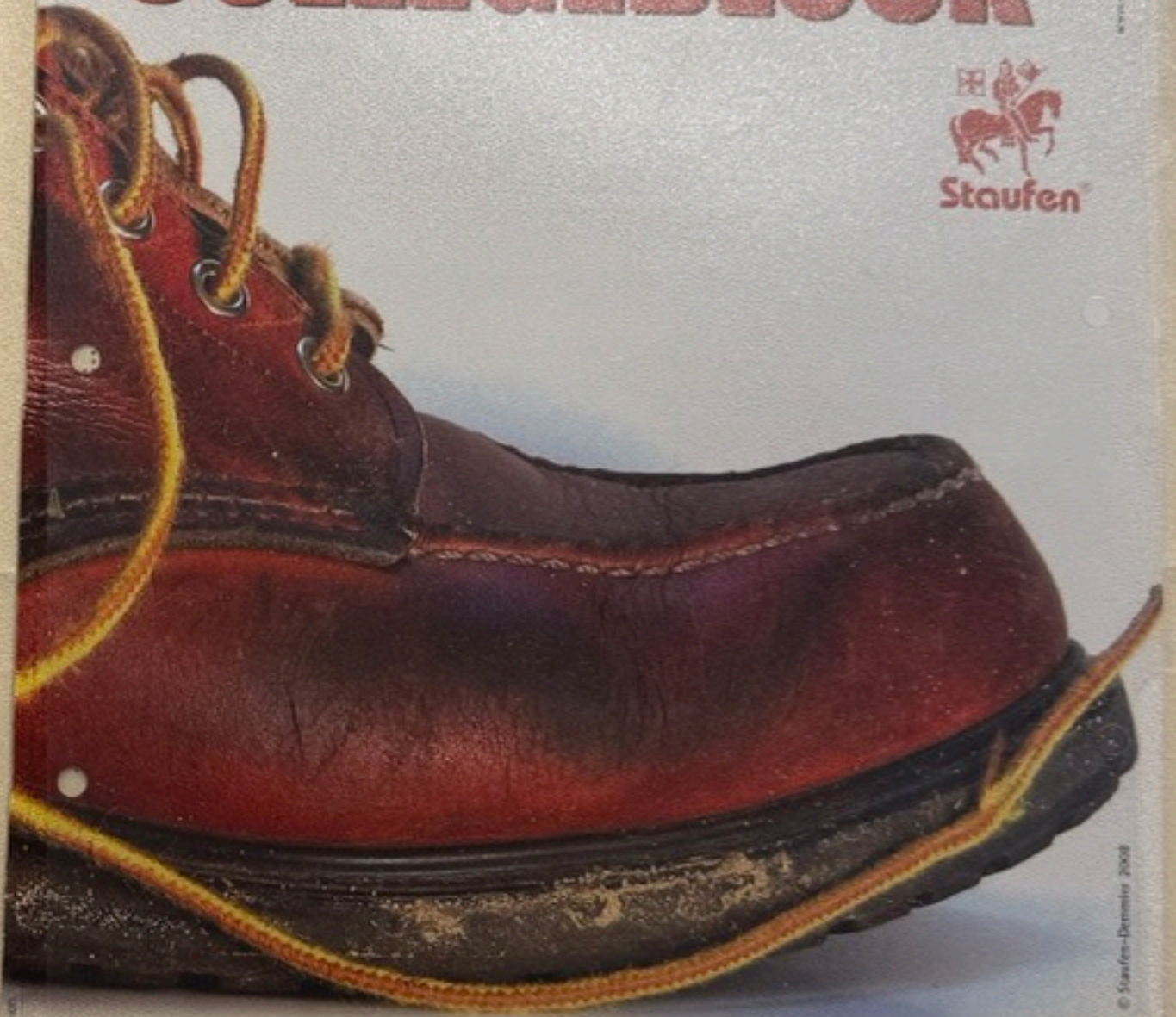


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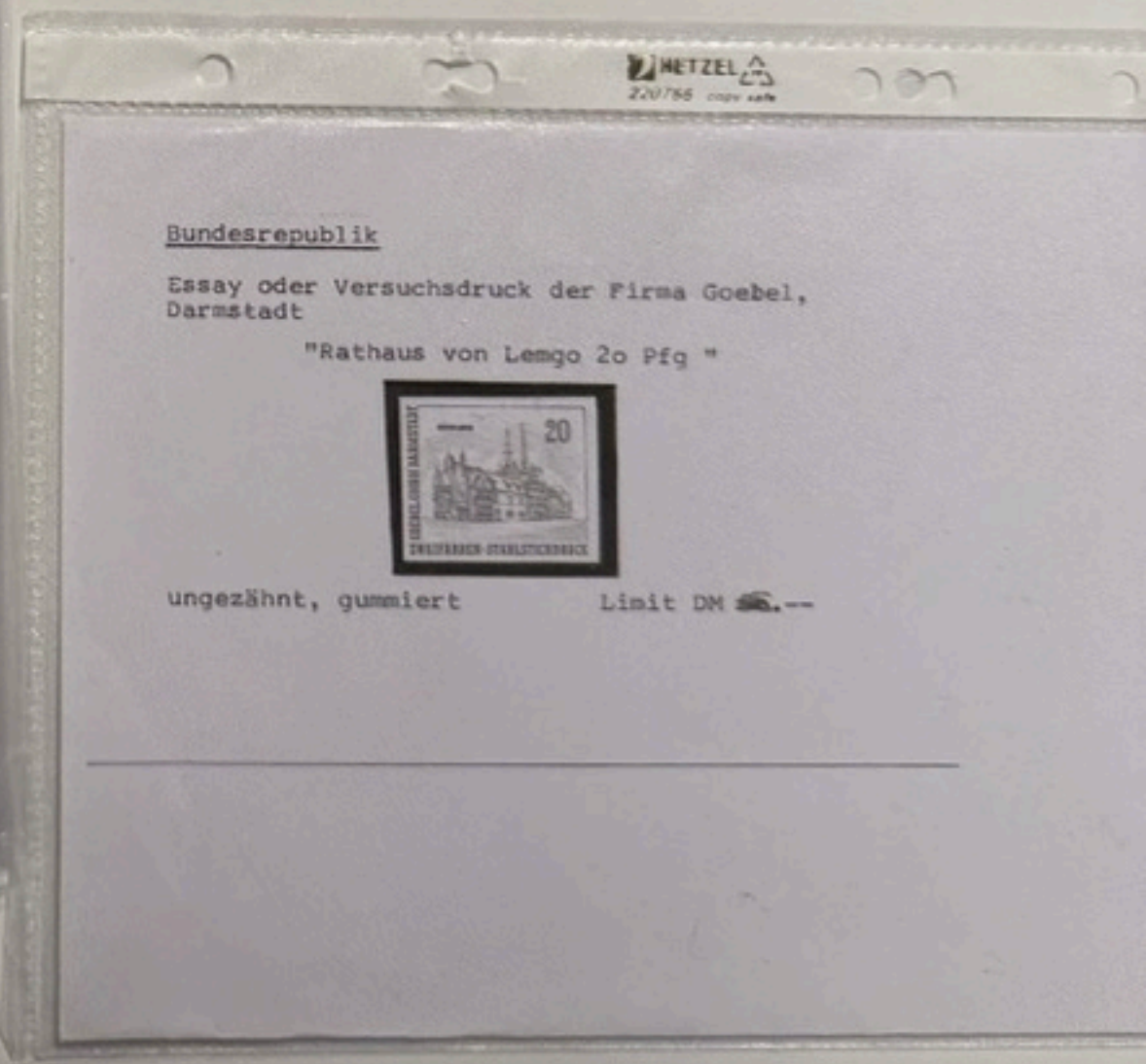
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