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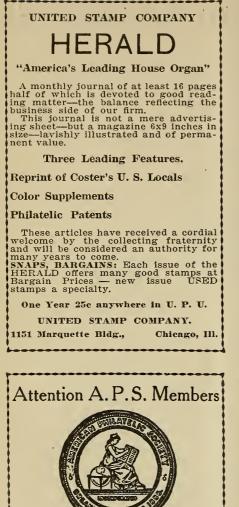
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THE ONE CENT 1851-7

By F. R. Cornwall

THE varieties of the 1 cent 1851 are difficult of exact classification. Generally speaking, this stamp was first issued imperforate, and subsequently, in 1857, was perforated.

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Mr. Luff, in his most creditable and authoritative work on "The Postage Stamps of the United States (1897)" says that there was but one master die; two transfer rolls were made from this master die, and twelve plates were made from these two rolls. The first roll was untouched, i. e. the impressions from the plate made therefrom show the full scroll ornaments (so-called type I); while the impressions from the plates produced by the second roll have the scroll cut away (so-called type II). Mr. Luff further says that the so-called types III and IV are merely sub-varieties, i. e. plate varieties, type III with curved top and bottom lines broken, and type IV with these broken lines restored by re-engraving-He says "Type III is caused by not 'rocking' the transfer roll sufficiently far. Type IV is an attempt to remedy the defects of Type III. The last two, are, therefore, plate varieties and sub-varieties of Type II. In the 1857 issue, however, the third variety must be accepted as a type, as there is abundant evidence to show that in that issue, it is not due to defective workmanship but is made from a transfer roll from which the ornaments and lines have been completely cut away."

Hence, we have three transfer rolls from this master die accounted for, which taken together with the transfer roll made in 1875 for the Centennial Exposition reprints, makes four transfer rolls as follows:

- 1. Type I, stamps close together.
- 2. Type II, stamps close together.
- 3. Type III, stamps close together.

4. Type I, stamps spaced apart.

There appears to be ample justification for the belief that three or more transfer rolls were used for the produc-

tion of the plates from which the original stamps (200 to the sheet) were printed, and if we accept the transfer rolls as the arbiters of types, then we must have three or more types of the imperforates, (disregarding the insufficient rocking of the roll). And if, as I believe was done in 1875, the transfer roll contained four impressions from the master roll, to produce the plates from which the original stamps were printed, we can account for some puzzling repetitions. On the other hand, if but a single impression was transferred at a time our perplexities multiply, and Mr. Luff's "insufficient rocking" seems plausible, though hardly consonant with the thoroughness of workmanship by which these stamps were undoubtedly produced. It seems most improbable, in rocking from a single impression, that the stroke of the bed plate, or the rocking of the roller over the bed, operating like an ordinary milling machine, should fall short just that one little line; and assuming further that it so fell short at the beginning of the transferring operation, the line of the transferring roller would at least make a faint impression, if it was present, as the roller buried itself in the soft metal of the plate. It must have so made a faint impression, or the workmen shortened the stroke proportionate to the burying operation-the latter alternative being most unlikely, and, in consequence, is rejected as highly unreasonable.

My own opinion is that Type III is the result of a sheet or sheets printed from a plate impressed by the third roll for perforation, but which escaped the perforating machine. Dated cancellations prior to the adoption of the perforation machine, 1857, would, of course, disprove this.

Now as to the so-called plate varieties—Putting aside the suggestion that the transfer roll was insufficiently rocked, and assuming that it was properly operated, was it easier, in the manufacture of new plates to (a) rub out the scrolls, or (b) to make Type III; and then after building the house of cards to be knocked down, re-engrave the erased line, or (c) to patch up the transfer roll, and, as new plates were required, to make a new plate from the patched-up transfer roll? Why rub out a line from the single transfer roll and then re-engrave it on two hundred transferred impressions? Not that it can be denied that some stamps on certain plates were retouched or re-engraved, or that blunders were made, such as rocking the roll in the wrong position (so-called "double strike") or in the wrong direction (double impression), but these do not militate against the existence of a transfer roll containing Type IV. They rather speak in favor of it. There is no doubt that one or more of the earlier plates, probably plate I, originally containing Type I, had the top and bottom lines, including the scrolls "rubbed" out, as is evidenced by the "smeary" appearance of some of the stamps, and that this work was necessitated by the close proximity of the stamps, and was done by careless or indifferent workmen.

Mr. Luff speaks of finding types I (at the bottom) and II (at the top) on the same stamp. This is probably a printer's error, as types I and III were evidently meant—the broken circle being at the top. Type II is usually understood to mean the same as Type I, full lines top and bottom with scrolls removed. Specimens have been seen with Types I, II and III on the same stamp— Type I at the lower left, Type II at the lower right, and Type III at the top.

Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Luff gives six types of the 10c, 1851, certain characteristics which involve the removal of the side ornaments as well as the top and bottom curved lines, no mention is made of these absent side ornaments as auxiliating the types of the one cent. That they are a factor, and a prime factor at that, is borne out by Mr. Luff's "insufficient rocking of the transfer roll" vertically, as explaining the reason for the existence of Type III in the imperforate issue. If the roll was rocked vertically, from top to bottom of the stamp and vice-versa, it would be impossible to escape impressing the full side ornaments into the plate. If they are not there, and do not appear on the stamps, their absence is accounted for in either one of two ways—they were erased from the transfer roll, (a type according to Mr. Luff) or from the plate (a sub-variety). Which is the most reasonable?

Without adverting to the argument that it is easier to "doctor" the transfer roll than to "fix" two hundred stamps, it is conceded that the roll is rocked from top to bottom and vice-versa, and also that by this operation, it is impossible to avoid impressing the full side ornaments into the plate. Then why, Oh! why, are not the side ornaments cut away a "type"? Of a certainty the transfer rolls were so "doctored"!

As Darwin predicted a moth with a proboscis five inches long to pollenize a certain flower in Brazil (five years before the discovery of the aforesaid moth) so will I, in ignorance of all that is known of these interesting stamps, predict the following types, sub-varieties, or by whatever name they may be called—

- I. Full scrolls, full side ornaments, top and bottom lines complete.
 - (a) Full scrolls, top line broken, bottom line complete.
- II. No scrolls, top and bottom lines complete.
 - (a) No scrolls, top line, broken, bottom line complete.
 - (b) As IIa, side ornaments cut away.
 - (c) No scrolls, top line complete, bottom line broken.
 - (d) As IIc, side ornaments cut away.

- III. No scrolls, top and bottom lines broken.
 - (a) As III, side ornaments cut away.
- IV. Top line re-engraved, bottom broken.

(a) As IV, side ornaments cut

away.

- (b) Bottom line re-engraved, top broken.
- (c) As IV (b) side ornaments cut away.
- X. (An unknown quantity) Combinations of above.

THE SALES DEPARTMENT

One Of The Important Benefits Of Membership In The A. P. S.

Many stamp collectors have joined the American Philatelic Society for the sole purpose of participating in the Sales Department either to buy or to sell or both.

The intent of this feature is to provide a place where a member who is isolated may find a market for his duplicates. Also to be able to obtain a larger selection of stamps than most dealers generally send out.

The Sales Superintendent supplies members with uniform blank books 4x $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches holding 120 stamps, 10 pages of 12 spaces to the page. These are sold at 5 cts. each and on the covers are printed the rules and regulations governing the Department.

When filled with stamps by the members they are returned to the Superintendent who tabulates them, gives them an official number and makes them up into circuits of 10 books, which are sent in their turn over different routes. A circuit may go from one member to another, the limit being twelve, when it is returned to the Superintendent for the purpose of checking up and revising the circuit or route or possibly withdrawing and retiring one or more of the books that may have had the bulk of the stamps sold.

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Five or more members residing in the same town or vicinity may form themselves into a Branch, appoint one of their number to act as Agent to the Superintendent and have circuits sent to them through the Agent at regular intervals. The Agent passes the circuits around in their turn, collects and returns the circuit, each member of the Branch contributing his share of the expense to the Agent.

There are from 3000 to 5000 books in the Department during the year at a net valuation of from \$50,000.00 to \$75,000.00. The Department is run on a strictly cash basis but where a member is both a buyer and a seller it acts in the nature of an exchange.

The Sales Superintendent deducts $12\frac{1}{2}$ % from all sales to defray operating expenses and $\frac{1}{2}$ % is charged on the net valuation which goes into the "Insurance Fund," all books being fully insured during the time they are in the Department. This "insurance" feature removes all risk and brings into the Department many valuable, fine and rare stamps, frequently marked at surprisingly low net prices.

Any stamp collector of good repute and legal age furnishing proper references may join the American Philatelic Society and participate in the Sales Department. The present Sales Superintendent is Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, 1301 Fort Dearborn Bldg., Chicago, Ill., who will cheerfully furnish prospective applicants with more detailed information concerning the workings of the Sales Department, including rules and suggestions for both buyers and sellers.

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Conducted by Wm. C. Stone, Springfield, Mass., to whom all information

concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

UNITED STATES. For some time past the leading post offices have been keeping account of the parcels requiring stamps of a denomination not now in existence, such as 7c, 9c, 11c, etc., so that it is quite probable that we may expect a number of new stamps in the not far distant future. Local postal officials report a large number of parcels needing a 7c stamp in particular.

AFGHANISTAN. The Monthly Journal reports the 1 and 2 annas in imperforate condition.

AITUTAKI. The current New Zealand 1 penny has been surcharged for use in this island.

1 penny, carmine.

ALBANIA. The following extract from the *Contemporary Review* for September will prove of interest.

"The real Albanian postage stamp is to be engraved with the head of Skanderbeg, for whose lamented death about the time of wars of the roses men and women still wear a long black fringe of mourning on their jackets. But until that is ready, the provisional government at Avlona has roughly obliterated the sultan's familiar emblem with a print of a large two headed eagle and under the eagle stands the word 'Shqipenia.' This is the northern form of the Albanian's name for his own country. (Eagle's Land.)"

ANTIGUA. The five shilling stamp now bears the portrait of King George in place of that of Edward VII.

5 shillings, violet and green.

ARGENTINE. The first set of the officials noted last month is reported by several European journals and is for the Minister of the Interior the surcharge being "M. I."

- 1 centavo, yellow brown.
- 2 centavos, brown.
- 5 centavos, red.
- 12 centavos, blue.

The 2c has the "sun" watermark the others the "honeycomb."

AUSTRALIA. Another value has been seen of the "O. S." set.

5 pence, light brown.

The kangaroo stamps are to be withdrawn so great has been the outcry against them. To replace them there will be issued a modification of the first prize design in the competition some two or three years ago.

AUSTRIA. Another value is reported on plain paper.

35 heller, slate.

BARBADOS. Stamp booklets containing 18 penny and 12 half penny stamps are now on sale for 2 shillings each.

BRITISH GUIANA. Several more of the new set have been seen.

- 1 cent, green.
- 2 cents, carmine.
- 4 cents, brown and mauve.
- 5 cents, ultramarine.
- 12 cents, orange and mauve.
- 24 cents, purple and green.
- 48 cents, gray and purple.

BULGARIA. Arthur Maury chronicles a series of seven values of the current set with a surcharge signifying "War of Liberation" with "1912-1913" below.

- 1 stotinki, green (carmine).
- 2 stotinki, black and rose carmine (blue).
- 3 stotinki, black and lake (deep indigo).
- 5 stotinki, black and green (vermilion).
- 10 stotinki, black and lake (black).
- 15 stotinki, bistre (green).
- 25 stotinki, black and ultramarine (red).

The colors of the surcharge are given in parentheses. It hardly seems probable that any special series will be issued to commemorate the results of the second war! CANAL ZONE. I find I have omitted to list the new surcharge for this country. It differs somewhat from the previous issue in that the letter C ends in a point and has no down stroke. The final E is much wider than before. The gum of the new issue is white instead of vellowish.

1 centesimo, green and black.

2 centesimi, red and black.

5 centesimi, blue and black.

CHINA. The Waterlow surcharges are still slowly appearing as the other issue becomes exhausted. Here are five new varieties.

7 cents, crimson lake.

16 cents, olive green.

30 cents, vermilion.

50 cents, green.

2 dollars, claret and yellow.

And of the postage due set the following have so far been seen with the same overprint in two columns:

½ cent, brown.

1 cent, brown.

2 cents, brown.

4 cents, blue.

5 cents, brown.

10 cents, blue.

20 cents, brown.

30 cents, blue.

Whitfield King & Co. announce the issue of two of the new set. The lower value has a Chinese junk for the central design and the other a view of a temple. They are line engraved, perforated 14 and were prepared by Waterlow & Son, Ltd.

1 cent, orange.

5 dollars, carmine and black.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Some of the postage due stamps have recently appeared in a new shade or color.

2 centavos, olive.

4 centavos, olive.

6 centavos, olive.

10 centavos, olive.

DUTCH INDIES. Two of the low values have appeared with figures on white ground and also a new 1 gulden stamp with head of Wilhelmina to left with palm trees and mountain scenery at the sides. $\frac{1}{2}$ cent, lilac.

2½ cents, green.

1 gulden, brown.

GREAT BRITAIN. The new set is at last complete, the following values being put on sale August 1st.

6 pence, purple.

7 pence, bronze green.

8 pence, black on lemon.

10 pence, azure blue.

1 shilling, umber.

The current types of the ½ and 1 penny have appeared in coils with the multiple cypher watermark.

1/2 penny, green (type 3).

1 penny, carmine (type 3).

GREAT BRITAIN. Levant. The following have been overprinted for use in the Levant offices.

1/2 penny, green (type 3).

1 piastre on 2½d., ultramarine

1¼ piastre on 4 pence, greenish gray.

1¼ piastre on 3 pence violet.

GREECE. Two more lithographed stamps have been seen.

2 lepta, carmine.

3 lepta, scarlet.

GUATEMALA. Three new provisionals have been issued, the overprint consisting of the value and the date 1913.

- 1 centavo on 50c, blue and brown (blue).
- 6 centavos on 1 peso, black and brown (green).
- 12¹/₂ centavos on 2 peso, black and vermilion (black).

The colors of the surcharges are given in parentheses.

HONDURAS. And still they come!

2 centavos on 20c, yellow (black).

NETHERLANDS. The Postage Stamp is informed of the fact that a jubilee issue will shortly appear to commemorate the centenary of the relief from the hands of Napoleon. There will be a round dozen values.

NEWFOUNDLAND. The report in our September issue that no more $\frac{1}{2}$ cent stamps would be printed was evidently an error for Whitfield King & Co. report a new stock has been received. NICARAGUA. A. W. Dunning sends me three new surcharges as follows, the quantities printed of each being given:

½ centavo on 3c, brown (22,000).
½ centavo on 15c, violet (46,000).
½ centavo on 2c, carmine(52,000).

The last surcharge is on the locomotive type, the others on the Liberty design. There were 100 inverted surcharges of the $\frac{1}{2}$ on 3c.

PANAMA. From my old friend Emil J. Rall of Ancon, I have received specimens of the stamp issued in commemoration of the discovery of the Pacific ocean by Balboa in 1513.

The stamp is 32mm. in height and 20mm. wide. The discoverer is represented standing on a peak with drawn sword and shading his eyes with his left hand as he gazes at the distant sea. Mr. Rall says they are to be used only during the month of September and so must be already out of use.

2½ centesimos, green.

RHODESIA. Erwin G. Ward has shown me specimens of a number of the new stamps which bear a portrait of King George wearing a naval or yachting cap.

1/2 penny, green.

- 1 penny, red.
- 2 pence, gray and black.
- 21/2 pence, blue.
 - 3 pence, yellow and black.
 - 4 pence, orange and black.
 - 5 pence, green and black.
 - 6 pence, mauve and black.
 - 8 pence, green and mauve.

10 pence, red and blue.

- shilling, blue green and black.
 shillings, brown and black.
- 2sh 6d, sepia and blue.
- 3 shillings, blue and brown.
- 5 shillings, green and blue.
- 7sh.6d, slate and mauve.
- 10 shillings, green and red.
- 1 pound, purple and black.

RUSSIA. Chinese Offices. Several values of the 1910 issue have been appearing with the overprint in new colors as below:

- 2 kopecs, green (blue).
- 3 kopecs, red (black).
- 4 kopecs, rose (black).
- 50 kopecs, green and purple (blue).

RUSSIA. Levant. Whitfield King & Co. have the following surcharged for the Levant offices.

- 15 paras on 3 kop., red (1909).
- 50 piastres on 5 roubles, blue and green (1906).

SAINT LUCIA. Two new values have just been issued of a different design from the rest of the set, the lower value being similar to the new Jamaica set and the high value like the new British Honduras.

> 4 pence, red and black on yellow. 2sh.6p, black and red on blue.

SURINAME. The new 1 gulden stamp has appeared similar to that for the Dutch Indies noted this month.

1 gulden, brown.

ZANZIBAR. A new set has been received bearing a portrait of Sultan Khalifa bin Harub who succeeded to the throne December 9, 1911. It seems quite likely that many of the rupee values are intended for fiscal rather than postal use.

- 1 cent, slate gray.
- 3 cents, green.
- 6 cents, scarlet.
- 10 cents, brown.
- 12 cents, violet.
- 15 cents, blue.
- 25 cents, sepia.
- 50 cents, green.
- 75 cents, slate gray.
- 1 rupee, yellow brown.
- 2 rupees, violet.
- 3 rupees, yellow brown.
- 4 rupees, red.
- 5 rupees, blue.
- 10 rupees, brown and green.
- 20 rupees, green and black.
- 30 rupees, brown and black.
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- 40 rupees, red and black.
- 50 rupees, mauve and black.
- 100 rupees, blue and black.
- 200 rupees, gray black and brown.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Month of September 1913.		General Fund.
Chicago, October 1, 1913.		Receipts
Stock Fund.		Debit balance forwarded, \$861.36
Credit balance,	\$4,029.66	Transferred from
Insurance Fund.		Exchange account \$75.00
Receipts		Sept. Dues, 68.00
Bal. forwarded \$1,439.96		143.00
P. M. Wolsieffer 18.15		
		Debit balance, \$718.36
Credit balance,	\$1,458.11	Summary of Balances.
Exchange Account		Stock Fund, \$4,029.66
Bal. forwarded, \$117.08		Insurance Fund, 1,458.11
Disbursements, 75.00		Exchange Account, 42.08
		Suspense Account, 8.50
Credit balance,	\$42.08	
Suspense Account.		\$5,538.35
Receipts-		Less General Fund Overdrawn, 718.36
Bal. forwarded, \$67.50		
Sept. receipts, 8.50		Total, \$4,819.99
		Resources.
\$76.00		Bonds (book value) \$2,612.34
Disbursements, 67.50		Cash in Bank, 2,207.65
		Total, \$4,819.99
Credit balance,	\$8.50	C. F. MANN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SALES SUPERINTENDENT

No. 2

Chicago, September 1st, 1913. Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S., Gentlemen—

The business done by the Sales Department for the month of August is as follows—

2258 Books in circulation,

	valued at	\$44,667.08
195	New books received,	
	valued at	3,472.88
2453	Books-total	\$48,139.96
119	Books retired during	:
	Aug. (Sales \$717.40) 3,037.05

2334 Books in circulation,

valued at \$45,102.91 Insurance on the 119 Books retired in August is \$18.15, which amount I have forwarded to the Treasurer today.

The sales for the month of August were \$746.94.

The best seeling books and those in greatest demand are used and unused old issues United States stamps, old European issues, and used and unused 20th Century stamps. Any of the above in good condition at moderate prices will sell well.

There are a number of cities and towns in which there are five or more members of the Society. These should get together, form a Branch of the A. P. S. and appoint one of their members as "Agent" for their locality to handle the A. P. S. circuits. The Sales Superintendent can give far better service to members that receive circuits through a Branch Agent than if placed in a "Ten member mail circuit." For further information write the Superintendent.

The Department now has a good many books on hand priced at the old catalogue values, and all members have the chance to take advantage of any increase in values. Write at once if you desire to be placed on a circuit, all requests being taken in the order of their receipt.

> P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Sales Superintendent.

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EXCHANGES—We will be pleased to exchange three copies with all philatelic publications upon receipt of request to do so. Kindly send one copy to Mr. A. G. Burgyone, Assistant Librarian, 4933 Center Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., one copy to the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee, W. R. Ricketts, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., and one copy to the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

GREETING To the International Philatelic Exhibition, to those

to whom has fallen the task of its organization and executive work, and to every stamp collector who may attend the great show, the American Philatelic Society and The American Philatelist extends its greetings, and hopes that through the meetings, and minglings of the collectors lasting benefit may accrue to Philately. Being the first truly international exhibition attempted in this country American collectors have grasped the opportunity to demonstrate that Philately in the Western Hemisphere embraces many philatelists and collections entitled to rank with the best to be found in any country.

An Exhibition of this character serves to bring Philately into greater public notice by showing the wide interest taken in our hobby, truly international in scope, and undoubtedly causes many to become interested in stamp collecting. At the same time the educational value, through the study of the various exhibits, should be of great benefit to every collector who has the privilege of attending.

The events of the week of October 27th to November 1st will mark the culmination of months of arduous and selfsacrificing work on the part of those directly charged with the staging of the Exhibition and we hope the results in themselves will be the recompense which will repay those faithful workers in Philately's cause.

TO THOSE WHO ARE NOT A. P. S. MEMBERS.

Through this issue we expect to bring to public notice the advantages of membership in the American Philatelic Society.

,500 extra copies of this number have been printed and will be distributed at the Exhibition by the Special Committee, Messrs. Klein, Klemann and Stone, appointed to arrange and care for the Society exhibit, embracing a complete file of the XXVIth volume of this publication together with copies of Hand Books published by the Society and which at the time of publication were distributed to all members free of charge; printed forms of application for membership, membership cards, certificate of stock and other forms in official use: the whole demonstrating how carefully and comprehensively Society affairs are managed.

To every worthy collector, we extend the invitation to study the reasons for our existence and the numerous advantages offered to our members, and then ask themselves the question—"Can I afford not to be a member of the American Philatelic Socitey?"

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and the beginning of the 28th year of the Society. Volume XXVI, concluded with the September issue, marked a year of effort to supply every member a monthly record of the Society's official business, and unless a member deliberately chose not to read the magazine he has no excuse for not being fully informed of the true condition of the Society. If we have accomplished that one result, the existence of the American Philatelist has been justified. With the members alone rests the future of the magazine. It is their own journal and if it is to attain and retain a rank among the philatelic press that the American Philatelic Society occupies among societies, it calls for the hearty support of every member. For any Society of the character of the A. P. S. to create and maintain its prestige, one phase of its individual membership must be developed, that of cooperation. Bear in mind the A. P. S. is not a Society for the few-to some must be delegated the duties of carrying into effect its laws and of serving the members in official capacities-but every member should feel and have a personal interest in the welfare of the Society. By that alone can each member receive full returns for his membership fee. Are YOU receiving yours?

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BRUCE V. JENKINS.

We are advised by Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer that Mr. Bruce V. Jenkins, of Baltimore, died on Sept. 19th, 1913. Mr. Jenkins was a charter member of the

A. P. S., holding certificate.No. 43. No further particulars are given.

JOHN SANGSTER EWEN.

We have received the following letter from Mr. Henry B. Phillips, advising us of the death of Mr. Ewen, as follows: Mr. Wm. E. Ault,

Secretary American Philatelic Society,

Jeffersonville, Ind.

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Dear Sir—

It becomes my duty to report to you the death of a fellow member, Mr. John Sangster Ewen, Roll Number 1255, a former resident of Berkeley, but at the last a resident of San Francisco, who passed on to the beyond on August 15th, 1913.

Mr. Ewen had retired from active collecting the last few years, having presented his collection to Mr. George Watson, a nephew living at Murraysfield, Midlothian, Scotland.

He kept up his interest in stamps, however, and retained his membership in our Society.

He was of Scotch birth and ancestry of a highly respectable family; he was a graduate of St. Andrews. A widower with no surviving heirs, aged about 63 years.

A sturdy, upright, honest man, the writer will miss him as a friend of more than twenty years standing.

I cannot do better than to close by quoting the motto he requests be placed on the tablet which he directs be placed over the remains of himself and wife—

"MORS JANUS VITAE."

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO MEMBERS

SPECIALTIES.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Chester Myers, was adopted by the 28th Annual Convention at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 19-21, 1913—

RESOLVED, That the Secretary be instructed to insert in the next issue of the *American Philatelist* an unstamped mailing card drawing the attention of members to the new benefit of membership in the Society, namely, of having inserted in the Membership list after each member's name in the alphabetical list, a brief indication of his philatelic specialties; and further

RESOLVED, That statements of specialties already published be reprinted unless ordered changed by a member after notice of intention to repeat has been given on mailing card above referred to.

In accordance with the above, with each number of this journal for the present month mailed to members will be found a post card calling attention to this advantage of membership and it is hoped that all members desiring notice of their specialties published in the Membership List, or wishing to make any change in those now listed, will make immediate use of the card that this information may be tabulated in time for the issue of the Membership List.

The publication of these specialties are undoubtedly of considerable benefit to all members and especially to those who may wish to exchange stamps or secure information concerning their favorite countries, as it enables them to readily ascertain what members are interested in their particular branch of collecting.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

In order that you may be assured of receiving all Society publications and official matter, you are urged to keep the Secretary correctly informed of all changes of address. Look up the last printed membership list and if you have not already advised him of any change therefrom, do so at once.

REPORT OF THE PHILATELIC LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

The following is reprinted from the September issue of this journal, and it is hoped that members will subscribe liberally to this report for the purpose for which it has been issued.

The 15th Annual Report of the Philatelic Literature Committee was printed from mimeographed sheets, compiled by Mr. W. R. Ricketts, with additions and corrections by Messrs. Aldrich and Nast, these comprising the Committee. The work is along the same lines as the Hand Book No. 3, recently published and distributed among the members. Unlike the Hand Book, this report will not be sent to members free of charge. In an endeavor to assist in securing funds for the advancement of the Society's Library at Pittsburgh, Mr. Ricketts has prepared this report at considerable expense and great labor, and in return asks that members make a small payment for a copy of same. 160 copies will be all that will be printed, and 103 of these have now been placed with the Secretary for disposal. The following note appears on page 2 of the report:

NOTE—All copies of this pamphlet are in the hands of the secretary, Mr. William E. Ault, 816 E. 7th Street, Jeffersonville, Indiana, from whom they can be had at fifty cents each. All money received from its sale to be used in the purchase of books or papers for the "AMERICAN PHILATELIC LI-BRARY."

The price above mentioned applies to copies printed on white paper, but a few are available on colored paper, blue, green or yellow, at seventy-five cents each. A few copies were distributed at the Convention at 25 cents less than above prices, this being suggested by Mr. Ricketts as a sort of souvenir of the meeting.

An early application for your copy should be made. Remember the cause to which the funds are to be applied and let your order come in at once.

FOR SPECIAL ATTENTION.

Members please take note that the annual dues of \$1.80 are now payable, and should be forwarded to the Treasurer, Mr. C. F. Mann, 3916 Rokeby St., Chicago, Ill., at once. By giving this matter your immediate attention, much labor can be saved to the officers. We trust every one will see that his membership is renewed without delay.

STAMP NOTES ON A WEST INDIAN TRIP.

BY C. F. HEYERMAN.

(Continued from Vol. XXVI. page 215.)

At the Isthmus we reached our farthest point south, less than nine degrees from the equator—sounds like Dr. Cook.

The thermometer stood at 112deg. but a breeze kept if from being oppressive. The Canal Zone is certainly the "Spotless Town" in reality; from the streets, houses and back yards, even to the Canal, work in progress, everything is in perfect order. A train took the party to the Gatun locks which were seen from top to bottom and are now filled with water ready for use. It was hard to realize the growing Gatun lake already covered many village sites. The Culebra cut impressed one most as to the work done when one looked from the tops of the Gold and Contractor hills to the bottom, and this chasm was made by man. From near the latter hill, Balboa is supposed to have first seen the Pacific.

Panama and Ancon are only separated by the boundary line running through one of the streets. The Ancon post office is a good sized two story frame building wire screened from the ground to the roof. The two and five cent stamps with new type of surcharge and white gum were on sale. The obliging clerks knew nothing about varieties and so was unable to pick up any errors. Doctor Perry was away on a trip to Nicaragua.

Panama, the capital of the Republic, lies entirely within the Zone. The long two story building housing the post office is of the usual heavy style of Spanish architecture with a balcony projecting from the second floor. Outside of getting stamps wanted by friends there was nothing of special interest in, this line.

Until now, I had seen no stamps in store windows or offered by street sellers, who peddle everything, with the exception of one place in Havana; but Venezuela, Trinidad and Martinique are exceptions.

We had scarcely landed at La Guaira when the swarm of boys with view cards were at us and they all had sheets of stamps for sale. They always asked "One Dollar" but were willing to take ten or twenty cents. The stamps being mostly revenues, some high values, punched and a scattering of low, denominations. The queer little narrow guage railroad soon started on its wonderful trip up 3105 feet to Caracas, a distance of 23 1/2 miles, made in a little over two hours, good time considering the tremendous difficulties to be overcome in the ascent.

Caracas would be a fertile field for the A. P. S. recruiting committee for junior members, as I do not believe one could find a single boy who could not bring out of his pockets a few loose stamps to several sheets, the majority of them native, but also some foreign, of the common order. A collection of about 197 including early issues and a few bi-sects, was for sale in a photographer's window at \$50.00. This was the asking price, but with time heavy on ones hands, it might have been bought at a price satisfactory to anyone interested. The stamps sold on the street for the view cards to be sent home was seldom the 15 centimos necessary and many, no doubt, had to pay postage due at the other end.

The building devoted to the main post office is located on the north side of Plaza Bolivar, the principal square. It is again two stories in height, and it is unusual to see a building higher, although the hotel was three stories. The post office was finished in a faded yellow with light blue trimmings. The second story French windows were protected by iron railings. The inter-

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SECRETARY'S REPORTS

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 13th. 1913. Applications Pending.

Westfall, A. H.

- Gilbert-Lodge, Edward Morton.
- Beans, George H.
- Karlitsky, M. S.
- Salisbury, S. E.
- Wunderly, L. S.

New Stockholder.

- 4307-Koch, Fred. W., Berkeley, Calif. **Resignations Received.**
- 2628-Mercer, Henry W., Seattle, Wash.
- 3959-Lindman, R. H., Detroit, Mich. (Formerly Chicago, Ill.)
 - Changes of Address.
- 3927-Brunswick, David M., from Camp Marienfield, Chesham, N. H., to Dunbar Hall, Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N. H.
- 4001-Yeckl, Geo., from 224 O'Farrell St., to Box 65, San Francisco, Calif.
- 4125-Brack, George M., from Lake Elmo, Minn., to 953 Hague Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
- 4140-Yeagle, Dr. Chas. H., from Manila, P. I., to Clyde, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership Sept. 6, 1913 1453 New Stockholder admitted Sept.
- 13th, 1913
- Total membership Sept. 13, 1913 1454 WM. E. AULT, Secretary,

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 20th, 1913. Applications Pending.

Westfall, A. H.

Gilbert-Lodge, Edward Morton.

Beans, George H.

Karlitsky, M. S.

Salisbury, S. E.

Wunderly, L. S.

Applications Posted.

Herrick, Chas. E., 3816 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Age 49; Secretary; Firm, Brennan Packing Co.; Refs., Drovers National Bank, Chicago, Ill., Rockford National Bank, Rockford, III.; Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, #38.

Newman, Alfred E., care Y. M. C. A., Los Angeles, Calif.; Age 23; Stenographer; Ref., W. E. Newman, 62 Gay Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.; Proposed by Frank Prescott, #3851.

Resignation Withdrawn.

The following member, having resigned in good standing during the past fiscal year, and desiring to withdraw his resignation and having paid dues in full for current year, is hereby replaced. on the membership roll-

462-Fowler, Henry Ades, 127 North Dearborn St., Chicago, III.

Resignation Received.

3605-Randolph, Evan, Philadelphia, Pa.

Changes of Address.

- 2499-Wood, Geo., from 66 Hamilton Place, to 132 Sunnyside Ave., Piedmont, Oakland, Calif.
- 3359-Brooks, M. O., from 50 Montgomery Ave., Tompkinsville, Staten Island, N. Y., to 44 Hudson St., Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.

Correction.

The address of the following member having been incorrectly stated in report of June 14th, 1913, is hereby corrected as follows-

3804-Cooper, Commdr. A. O., 1390 14th Avenue W., Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Sept. 13, 1913	1454
Replaced on membership roll	
Sept. 20th, 1913	1

Total membership Sept. 20, 1913 1455 WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 27th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Salisbury, S. E.

Wunderly, L. S.

Herrick, Chas. E.

Newman, Alfred E.

Applications Posted.

- Spalding, Dr. Fred M., 390 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.; Age 43; Physician; Refs., William L. Aldrich & Co., 5 Bromfield St., Boston. B. L. Drew & Co., 7 Water St., Boston; Proposed by Harry T. Willcox, # 3968. New Stockholders.
- 4308-Westfall, A. H., Chicago, Ill.
- 4309-Gilbert-Lodge, Edward Morton, London, England.
- 4310-Beans, George H., Glenside, Pa.
- 4311-Karlitsky, M. S., Butler, Pa. **Resignations Accepted.**
- 2350-Delafield, Wallace, Jr., St. Louis, Mo.
- 2367-Voltz, Henry, Woodhaven, N. Y.
- 2622-Huberich, Victor H., Spreckels, Calif.
- 2930-Utermark, C. J. T., Seattle, Wash.
- 3523-Manier, Robt. W., Binghampton, N. Y.

Resignation Received.

- 2249-Melody, M. F., Louisville, Ky. Changes of Address.
- 367-LaChasse, Gustave de, from P. O. Box 1851, to 128, East Avenue 57, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 2141-Guy, James, from 213 Mercantile Place, Los Angeles, Calif., to Box 96, Lancaster, Minn.
- 3316-Lighthipe, Wm. I., from 255 Orange Road, Montclair, N. J., to 11 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y.
- 4025-Usher, Arthur C., from 10 Gerry St., Marblehead, Mass., to Room 208, Wilder Bldg., Rochester, N. Y.
- 4218-Stewart, Melville, from 14 West 107th St., to care Low's Exchange, 1123 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Sept. 20, 1913 1455New Stockholders admitted Sept.

27th, 1913

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- 1459
- Resignations accepted Sept. 27, 1913 5
- Total membership Sept. 27, 1913 1454 WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING **OCTOBER 4th**, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Herrick, Chas. E.

- Newman, Alfred E.
- Spalding, Dr. Fred M.

Application Posted.

Noske, Fred W., 502 35th St., Second Floor, Milwaukee, Wis.; Age 23; Insurance clerk; Firm, with Northwestern Mutual Life Ins. Co.; Refs., National Exchange Bank of Milwaukee; Proposed by H. W. Protzmann, # 3039.

New Stockholders.

- 4312-Salisbury, S. E., Monrovia, Calif.
- 4313-Wunderly, L. S., Sandusky, Ohio. **Resignation Received.**
- 2639-Vanderhoof, E. R., Denver, Colo. **Resignations Accepted.**
- 1972-Baugh, P. D., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 2718-Hollenbach, Wm. H., Reading, Pa.
- 3210-Lauffer, Geo., Kansas City, Kan.
- 3512-Thompson, Dr. Hugo S., Springfield, Mass.
- 3803-Art, Carl W., Spokane, Wash.
- 4191-Chandler, George A., Beaver Dam, Wis.

Changes of Address.

- 1722-Ward, Erwin G., from 617 Armory St., Springfield, Mass., to 397 Pleasant St., South Weymouth, Mass.
- 3698-Walden, Lemuel G., from 4'8 Templeton St., to 697 Washington St., Dorchester, Mass.
- 3841-Bartleson, Rasmus, from Frazee, Minn., to 1519 7th St., S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 4197-Knauer, J. Glen, from 9th and Chestnut Sts., Reading, Pa., to 1916 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 4272-Grimes, J. Gordon B., from R. R. #2, Bloomer, Wis., to care Oakington Farm, Havre de Grave, Md.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Sept. 27, 1913 1454 New Stockholders admitted Oct. 2

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Resignations accepted Oct. 4th, 1913

Total membership Oct. 4, 1913 1450 WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 11th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Herrick, Chas. E. Newman, Alfred E. Spalding, Dr. Fred M. Noske, Fred W.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 15th, having paid dues in full to August 31st, 1914, is hereby replaced on membership roll and is now in good standing—

3380-Knight, C. H., 1320 N. Cleveland Ave., Canton, Ohio.

Resignations Accepted.

2628—Mercer, Henry W., Seattle, Wash. 3959—Lindman, R. H., Detroit, Mich.

Deceased.

- 43—Jenkins, Bruce V., Baltimore,Md. Sept. 19th, 1913.
- 1255—Ewen, J. S., San Francisco, Calif. August 15th, 1913.

Resignations Received.

- 2132—Stillman, Wm. M., Plainfield, N. J.
- 2510-Biggard, Ben., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 3447-Hart, M. L., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 3829-Ramsay, Robt. E., Macon, Ga.
- 3861-Pietz, Adam, Philadelphia, Pa.

Changes of Address.

- 146—Calman, Henry L., from 42 E. 23rd St., to 100 William St., New York, N. Y.
- 184—Cosby, Maj. Spencer, from 1752 Q St., Washington, D. C., to care American Embassy, 5, Rue de Chaillot, Paris, France.
- 242—Schurmann, Edward, from 7 E. Market St., to 329 Lemcke Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 251—Dunning, A. W., from 7 Euston St., to Boulevard Sta., Brookline, Mass.

- 896—Winterhalter, Capt. A. G., from Hydrographic Office, to Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
- 1313—Lyons, J. H., from 12 Bromfield St., to 387 Washington St., Boston, Mass.
- 1360—Fischer, Erwin L., from 3130 Glendora Ave., to 3343 Carthage Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 1711—Moisant, S. E., from Box 464 to City National Bank Bldg., Kankakee, Ill.
- 1867—Heineman, Sol. E., from Box 534 to 428 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 2107—Barrett, Arthur J., from 303 W. 21st St., to 19 W. 106th St., New York, N. Y.
- 2111—Hoerig, Curt, from Box 1125, to 521½ 34th St., Milwaukee, Wis.
- 2123—Bagg, Egbert, from 424 Genesee St. to 406 Genesee St., Utica, N. Y.
- 2268—Fischer, Alfred, from 644 Broadway to Box 1608, Milwaukee, Wis.
- 2378—Hill, Frank E., from 842 Broadway, New York, N. Y., to 156 Urban St., Mount Vernon, N. Y.
- 2393—Lehman, Charles, from 54 W. 91st St., to 203 W. 94th St., New York, N. Y.
- 2439—Bennett, Don R.,from 119 Hooker Ave., to 2173 West Boulevard, Detroit, Mich.
- 2577—Beck, Dr. Carl, from 42 Roslyn Place, to 601 Deming Place, Chicago, Ill.
- 2684—Wharton, J. N., from 2441 Grenshaw St., Chicago, Ill., to 409 S. 4th Ave., Maywood, Ill.
- 3161—Bartel, Dr. L. W. from 211 N. Garrison Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to Santa Fe, Isle of Pines, West Indies.
- 3252-Wright, A. M., from 37 Norton St., Dorchester, Mass., to 208a Tyndale St., Roslindale, Mass.
- 3346—Johnson, Dr. Herbert S., from 8 Myrtle St., to 14 Myrtle St., Malden, Mass.

- 3633—Hodge,F.W., from Garrett Park, Md., to 2312 19th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
- 3934—Hyde, Mrs. Theophilus R., from \$8 Morningside Drive, to 70 Morningside Drive, New York, N. Y.
- 4128—Wilkowski, John A., from 48 McGraw Bldg., to 102 Broadway, Detroit, Mich.
- 4207-Kimbark, G. C., to read 815 Meyer Ave., Canton, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Oct. 4, 1913	1450
Replaced on membership roll	
Oct. 11th, 1913	1

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Total membership Oct. 11, 1913 1447 WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

- Philadelphia Stamp News. Sept. 7, 13, 20 and 27, 1913. Vol. IV, Nos. 24, 25, 26 and 27.
- Newark Stamp News. August, September and October, 1913. Nos. 8, 9 and 10.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift. July 20th and August 20th, 1913.
- New England Stamp Monthly. September 20th, 1913. Vol. II, No. 11.
- The Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan. July, 1913, Vol. II, No. 1.
- The Stampster. August 5th, 1913.
- A. C. Roessler's Stamp News. September, 1913. Vol. V, No. 5.
- The Stamp Lover. September, 1913. Vol. VI, No. 4.
- Curious Currency, Ancient and Modern. An interesting account of curious forms of money in use at various times and places. Compliments of The First National Bank of Boston.

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COMMUNICATION

We will gladly print communications of general interest from our readers, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed therein.

Washington, D. C.,

September 30, 1913.

To the Editor, "The American Philatelist,"

Dear Sir:

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With reference to the article entitled "French Offices in China, 1908," in the September number, I beg to state that the statement to the effect that the second printing of the 1906 surcharges were never sold for postage by the French offices in China is incorrect.

I resided in Canton in 1908 and 1909 and purchased many of these second printings over the counter at the French post office there. The 1908 printings were sold and used for postage concurrently with the issue surcharged on the pictorial type of Indo China and to take the place of certain values of this issue when the supply became temporarily exhausted, and I have copies from nearly every French office in South China that have seen bona fide postal use.

> Very truly yours, EVERETT A. COLSON, A. P. S. 2655.

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ior was dark to keep out the heat and the number of lock boxes impressed one. The 1911 correos set was on sale, as well as the "Instruction" set, this latter so fully illustrated in our two leading catalogues, is nothing but stamps entirely for revenue purposes, although sold at the post office. The officials as well as outside people said these were for documentary use and were not legal for postal use, so should be left out of the next catalogue editions.

SPANISH MARIANNA ISLANDS

By Hugo Meyer (A. P. S. 4007)

Spanish Mariana Islands, is a group of over twenty islands in the Pacific Ocean, situated East of the Philippine Islands. They are of volcanic origin, and have a warm but not un-The area is about healthy climate. 1254 square miles, and only a few, including Guam and Rota are inhabited. The inhabitants consist partly of negroes, and seem to have formed an aboriginal population. Since 1899 Guam is United States possession and a few other Marianna Islands are German possession since 1900. The islands were first discovered by Magelhaens in 1521 and called Las Islas de los Ladrones (the Thieves' Islands) on account of a strong thievish propensity observed among the natives. In 1667 the Spaniards established a regular settlement in Guam, and called the islands Marianna Islands, after Maria Anna. In 1899 a temporary series of surcharged Philippine stamps of 1898-1899 were issued after the capitulation of Manila; but very little attention has been paid to their authenticity and in the light of the following letter is can now be finally stated that these stamps surcharged "Marianas Espanolas" have been issued in order not to interrupt postal communicatons between the Marianna Islands and the Philippine Islands.

War Department

Bureau of Insular Affairs

Washington

March 11, 1911.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the Governor General of the Philippine Islands has returned to this bureau your letter of November 21, 1910, in which you requested information as to the authenticity of Philippine postage stamps of the issue of 1898-1899, surcharged "Marianas Espanolas." Your letter was referred to Mr. Manuel de Yriarte, Chief of the Division of Archives of the Philippine Government, who returned it with a memorandum, of which a translation is inclosed herewith stating that these stamps are generally considered authentic, etc. etc. Mr. Hugo Meyer

New York City.

Translation.

Memorandum for Mr. Meyer. After the capitulation of Manila, and in order not to interrupt postal communications between the Marianna Islands and this capital, the Spanish authorities of the Islands mentioned surcharged the 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8 centavo Philippine stamps of the issue of 1898-1899 with "Marianas Espanolas."

These stamps are generally considered as authentical by stamp collectors and are so rated in the catalogues of Galvez, in Madrid, and Senf, in Germany.

Mr. Castaner, a Spanish collector residing at No. 139 Alix, Sampaloc, has a copy of the decree by virtue of which the stamps mentioned were surcharged.

Manuel de Yriarte,

Chief of the Division of Archives of the Philippine Government.



OUR REVIEW By the Editor.

STAMP COLLECTING. From England comes Vol. 1 No. 1, of a new philatelic magazine, "An Illustrated Newspaper for Stamp Collectors," to be issued every Saturday. The initial number is a most creditable one and contains much of interest to collectors. Stamps of the Scott Expedition, being a history of the Victoria Land Stamps; Philatelic Finance, a discourse on catalogue prices and stamp finance; Where to Hunt for Rare Stamps; The Postage Stamp in War, dealing with stamps used in the Crimea; Liechtenstein, an excellent article on this little country and its stamps; Stamp Collectors London, a word-visit to the stamp shops of the great city; New Issues and Notes and a short "fiction" story of the "Twelve Pence, Canada," combine to present an array of reading matter which will undoubtedly find many interested readers. If the following issues of Stamp Collecting are on a par with this number we predict a bright future for it. Published by the Philatelic

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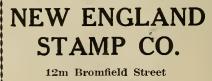
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The attendance was all and more than was expected and it goes without saying that those responsible for the Exhibition have every cause to feel gratified with the result of their months of work. We shall have to content ourselves with what will be only mere mention of the principal features of the show, and even then we know many interesting points will have to be skipped.

It has been stated that stamps totaling in value nearly \$2,000,000 were exhibited. The awards consisted of a Grand Prize, Research Cup, Silver Cup, Visitors Cup, 4 Grand Gold Medals, 28 Gold Medals, 37 Silver Gilt Medals, 75 Silver Medals, 50 Bronze Medals, and 13 Diplomas, a total of 211 awards, the principal being as follows:—

Grand Prize-Henry Duveen.

- Research Cup—E. M. Taylor, showing a wonderful collection of the stamps of Mexico, containing about 60,000 specimens, showing practically everything in the postal issues, papers, overprints, etc.
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- Silver Medals-Theo. W. Barry, Clarence Eagle (2), G. L. Gilmore, Bruno Loewy (2), L. B. Mason (2), L. A. Missbach, V. M. Berthold, H. C. Gibson, Julius Adenaw, H. E. Deats, H. H. Wilson, J. P. Benkard, E. Doeblin, E. A. Fleisher (2), C. F. Waldron, F. C. Earl, W. H. Hendrickson, C. T. Harbeck (2), H. B. Newman (2), Edw. Goldschmidt (2), C. Ott, Chas. Gregory, Jos. S. Rich, Henry G. Brock (2), J. M. Bartels, H. J. Duveen, Julian Park, Philip H. Ward, Jr., Julius Leavy, G. H. Worthington, C. L. Pack (4), J. B. Chittenden, E. D. Bacon, Capt. G. S. F. Napier, F. Spiegelberg, A. H. Storer,

H. J. Reckett, L. A. Goetz, W. C. Peyton, J. C. Damm, S. A. Baron, F. Spiegelberg, Jr., H. C. E. Hammelman, John T. Coit, A. Krassa, E. H. Richardson, Sam Singer, W. B. Sprague, Jos. A. Steinmetz, Theo. E. Steinway, and W. N. Wyeth.

The Silver Cup offered for the best exhibit in Monographs was awarded to The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., for "The Catalogue for Advanced Collectors." Numerous Silver Gilt, Silver and Bronze medals were awarded the various firms and publishers of philatelic publications and supplies.

It is impossible within the limitation of this article to describe the various exhibits, as every one of the higher awards represented a magnificent display of the stamps of the respective countries, and practically all the offerings were of a very high order showing much philatelic study and many of them considerable research in their various lines. Never before in this country has such an ag gregation of philatelic wealth been shown at one time, and we believe but very few exhibitions have surpassed this one in the magnitude of the display.

The Exhibition was opened Monday evening, Oct. 27th, at 8 P. M., at The Engineering Societies' Building 25-33 West 39th St., Mr. George H. Worthington presiding. Addresses by the Hon. Thos. W. Churchill, President of the Board of Education of New York, Hon. Joseph E. Ralph, Director of the U. S. Bureau Engraving and Printing, whose address is published elsewhere in this number, our President, Brig. Gen. Chas. A. Coolidge and our former President, Mr. F. R. Cornwall.

The banquet at the Hotel Astor on Tuesday Evening, was attended by about 300 local and visiting attendants. Commodore Worthington presided and Mr. C. L. Pack acted as Toastmaster.

The exhibit prepared by our Society was given a good position on the ground floor and sample copies of this journal were distributed at the magazine table on the fifth floor, together with application blanks and recruiting literature.

The one event to mar the Exhibition was the theft on Saturday afternoon of five copies of the 1869 inverts, belonging to Mr. C. E. Chapman, two of the 15 cents, two of the 24 cents and one of the 30 cents, all very fine copies, and valued at about \$2,500. At this writing none of them have been located but it is the earnest hopes of every collector that the guilty party may be speedily run down.

This Exhibition has demonstrated that American Philately is highly developed and that American Collectors are fully alive to the possibilities of scientific following of the hobby, or art, as it has been justly termed. That the United States contains some collections of stamps which take rank with the best of any country is amply shown.

It is impossible to note the many interesting items shown by the various exhibitors, but just to mention a few of the greater rarities, we list the following:-Three Alexandrias, 10 cent Baltimore on Cover, two Brattleboros, two Milburys and 54 St. Louis, 1861 Premier Gravure complete; numerous Confederate locals; Hawaiian Missionaries used and unused; 60 "wood block" Capes, all shown by Commodore Worthington. "Post Office" Mauritius 1p. and 2d both unused. British Guiana 1850 on covers; mint block of fifteen 3d Sydney View; Western Australia 1854, 4d. inverted swan; early Germans; block of nine double Geneva and block of twenty 5c. Geneva large eagle; shown by Mr. H. J. Duveen. A wonderful unused collection of France, the property of Mr. Franz Reichenheim, and an exceedingly complete collection of Great Britain shown by Mr. Sydney Loder. A quarter sheet of twenty-five first issue Sweden 4 sk. b. unused, exhibited by Baron Erik Leijonhufvud. Two volumes of the "Rivadavia" issue of Argentine, belonging to Mr. Chas. L. Pack. A large collection of Postmaster and Carrier stamps by Mr. C. E. Chapman. A complete collection of Philippines, with the exception of No. 112 by Mr. J. M. Bartels. The existence of that stamp is in doubt. An almost complete collection of the same country by Major F. L. Palmer. A collection of the first issue of Bolivia shown by Mr. Edward M. Taylor, who also exhibited the collection of Mexico which was awarded the Research Cup. 380 specimens of the Mulready and its caricatures, shown by Mr. William Homan Uruguay, 1856 and 1866-72 issues, in an amazing array, plated, owned by Mr. C. L. Pack. We could go on indefinitely, and still not note many of the things which deserve attention. Rare philatelic publications were shown by Messrs. Deats, Rich, Ricketts, and Luff.

The catalogue issued by the Exhibition is really a work of art and contains much information to be gleaned by a study of the descriptions of the exhibits.

AWARD OF THE VISITORS CUP.

Each visitor to the Exhibition was requested to cast one vote for the display, which in his opinion. was the most interesting, and the cup went to Mr. Joseph A. Steinmetz, of Philadelphia, a member of our Society. We have received a little booklet describing in brief his exhibit, outlined in his own words—

"An hundred or two graphic pages, se-

lected at random from a wonderland collection—Messengers from the Isles of the Seven Seas, from the Orient and the Occident and from the Polar Lands of the Snows. Not just mere dead, drybone stamps, but charming little talismans of the Arabian Nights of Stampdom; living, vibrant, happy children of the Fairy Kingdom of our entrancing Hobby."

Special attention is paid to U. S. stamps in various ways, and from the extracts of official correspondence between the Post Office Department and the stamp printers, much interesting information is revealed and it is shown that the 24, 30 and 90 stamps listed under the 1851-56 issue, imperforate, do not really exist, except as varieties of the same stamps of the following issue, as none of these values were created until after the introduction of the perforating machine for separation of our postal issues.

History, sentiment and philatelity are happily interwoven in the pages of the exhibit and many rare stamps are included to better illustrate the owner's ideas. An exceedingly interesting account of encased postage stamps which served the purpose of money during the troublous times of the 60's is included in the book mentioned. Within this short space we cannot mention further the many interesting pieces contained in the display, but we do not doubt that the award is well deserved.



ADDRESS OF HON. JOSEPH E. RALPH,

DIRECTOR, U. S. BUREAU ENGRAVING AND PRINTING.

Delivered at The Opening of the International Philatelic Exhibition

Monday Evening, Oct. 27th, 1913.

It affords me much pleasure to meet the "ultimate consumer." We hear so much about the ultimate consumer, but when one is engaged in a business where he has no competition and then he meets him, he should be happy. I must congratulate you upon the splendid exhibition you have here tonight. It is one of the most magnificent, ones of the grandest that has ever been held in the world.

Now I must confess that what I will say to you may not follow in exact chronological order. I am going to jump, in my remarks, from thin to light paper, and mix my varieties and colors and tints up pretty much. I am a very busy man and have not had much time to study this although my heart is in this just as your hearts are in your work. I might say now that we have heard many references to you collectors as cranks. I can say that I have never met a more eminent, distinguished and intelligent body of men than the gentlemen engaged in the collection of stamps. They are men wedded to their art.

And it is an art. If there were only one single postage stamp in the world, it would be as valuable and well-known as that famous painting by Michael Angelo in the Vatican at Rome, which he worked on for seven years; but I think that this painting is not more wonderful as a work of art than any of our postage stamps. The greatest engravers in the world work on them, and you sannot conceive of the work and study of the men who engrave the stamps on the steel plates. I cannot imagine any greater loyalty than that of the men in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who give so much effort and study to the work they are engaged in.

Before I came to know the collectors in America, I suppose we were like the two Irishmen who approached a bridge from opposite directions, and thought they knew each other. When they arrived at the bridge and had exchanged greetings, they discovered they were strangers, and one remarked, "Sure, when we were so far off we couldn't see each other, you thought it was me and I thought it was you, and now that we're here its neither of us."

It affords me much pleasure to meet with you to-night and to make the acquaintance of my best customers. While the Bureau, which I have the honor to direct, prints all of the securities of the United States Government, which embraces checks, drafts, bonds, paper money, revenue, customs, parcel post and postage stamps and certificates of deposit for the Post Office Department, and knowing the object which brings you here, I will only discuss that which is of greatest interest to you, the methods of printing our postage stamps.

I fear that I have not sufficient time to touch upon the technique of the manufacture of postage stamps as fully as I would like to, but if in my remarks I have omitted to touch upon those essential features which interest you most, I shall be very glad to answer any questions you might ask concerning our stamps at the close of my remarks.

It has been our constant endeavor not only to safeguard our stamps and circumvent their counterfeiting, but to make them really artistic. When you comprehend the small space allowed for artistic embellishment you necessarily must marvel at the results we obtain. The difficulty encountered in designing a stamp I shall touch upon later on, but let me say that we should be pleased to receive suggestions from you men who devote so much time and so much expense adding to your collections, and to whose energy we no doubt are very much indebted for what we have to be proud of in our American stamps.

In our great factory each day forty million postage stamps are manufactured counted and put up in packages ready for shipment to the 60,000 post offices throughout the United States. This daily output would cover approximately eight acres of land if laid out flat, or make a chain of stamps 703 miles long when laid end to end.

I do not believe one could go far wrong in asserting that the prosperity of a country and the standard of the intelligence of its citizens may be gauged by the consumption of its postage stamps. As an illustration of this statement, an idea of the business growth of the United States may be gleaned from the fact that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing delivered 10,937,926,987 perfect postage stamps during the fiscal year 1913, representing a face value of \$185,504,556.20.

The engraving division is the cornerstone of the Bureau and the bulwark of our securities. In this division every form of security I have mentioned above have their origin, and the most artistic and skilled engravers that the world produces are employed here.

Steel engraving is the perfection of art as applied to securities; it differs from painting and sculpturing, inasmuch as the engraver who carves his work on steel plates must deliberately study the effect of each infinitesimal line. Free hand. with a diamond-pointed tool known as a graver, aided by a powerful magnifying glass, he carves away, conscious that one false cut or slip of his tool or miscalculation of depth or width of line will destroy the artistic merit of his creation, and weeks or months of labor will have been in vain. In no other form of printing can the beautiful, soft and yet strong effects in black and white be obtained as in steel engraving. The introduction of cheap mechanical process work has superseded the beautiful creations of our master engraver commercially, and now we find the art limited to the engraving of securities as applied in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

The work in this division is classified and divided so that the engravers become specially skilled in some particular branch of the art. For instance, they are classified as portrait, script, square letter and ornamental engravers. Each is confined to his own specialty, and thus becomes unusually expert, the result being that not only better work is secured, but a greater amount is turned out in a given time, and, what is of greater importance, increased security is obtained. The individual excellencies and characteristics of a number of men are impressed upon every stamp issued. Therefore, it would be as difficult for one engraver to make a perfect reproduction of a Government plate as it woud be for one to reproduce an absolutely perfect facsimile of his or her own signature, and, strange as it may seem, no one has yet accomplished this feat.

To the credit of the engravers and employees of this division, it should be stated that in the history of the Bureau none of its employees has ever engaged in counterfeiting.

When it is determined to issue a new stamp, the matter is discussed by the

officials having charge of the several branches of the service involved, and the conclusions reached are embodied in a model made by a trained designer, which is submitted for the criticisms of the officers who discussed the matter in the first place. The model is then modified in accordance with their criticisms, and is finally approved by the Postmaster General.

The approved design is placed in the hands of the engravers who cut it upon a small piece of annealed steel. After the approval of a proof of this engraving, it is heated red-hot in cyanide of potassium and hardened by suddenly dipping it into oil and water. This single engraved subject is duplicated four hundred times upon the large plates that the stamps are printed from by means of the transfer process.

This is a method or reproducing engraving devised many years ago by Jacob Perkins, an inventive American, who may be considered the father of the present method of duplicating bank-notes and stamp plates. It consists of making a reversed duplicate or mold of the original engraving by rolling a soft, annealed steel roll upon it in the transfer press. Being accurately guided and held by the mechanism of this press, continued rolling under high pressure forces the soft steel of the rool into the engraved lines of the original design, and forms an exact counterpart, in relief, of it. This roll, being hardened, is used to duplicate the engraving, by the same process, upon a soft steel plate, which it will do a great number of times before wearing out, reserving the original engraving, or die as it is called, for making additional rolls. The original engraving is never printed from except to make what is known as die proofs.

The paper required for the manufacture of the postage stamps for the fiscal year just ended amounted to 480,000 pounds, and to make this paper 1500 spruce trees were ground to a pulp. These trees are cut on the mountains of western North Carolina, and covered an area of sixty acres. Had the trees been converted into lumber, over fifty well appointed bungalows could have been built, and the paper itself would make an edition of over 1,-500,000 twenty-page seven column newspapers.

About 500 men are engaged in the pulp mills in which the pulp is made in North Carolina, and the same number is employed in the paper mills at Hamilton, Ohio, in which the finished paper is produced. Six hundred men and women find employment in the Bureau in the manufacture of the stamps, so you will see that a small sized army is daily engaged in getting them ready for the consumer.

You delight in and require your specimen to have equally perforated margins of blank paper—as you term it, to be perfectely centered—and wonder why all of our stamps are not so perfect. If you could follow the spruce log from the time it is cut out from the mountainside to its final appearance in the finished produce, you would marvel that we get the results as good as we do.

The paper being printed wet contracts on drying, and the mathematically correct layout of the engraved plate bears only an approximate relation to the dried, printed sheet. The paper we print today will vary in shrinkage from that we print tomorrow. As the physical properties of the tree govern the expansion and contraction of the paper made therefrom, no two sheets are exactely the same size. The actual difference in size of the individual stamp is too minute to be readily discernable, but becomes a serious factor when the row is twenty stamps long as we now print the sheets.

But that is not all. To smooth the paper for the operation of gumming, it is subject to 500 tons pressure in a hydraulic press, and if very dry it stretches but very little, but if the day is damp and humid, it stretches preceptibly. The contraction of the gum itself is a factor, and the atmospheric conditions still another. Our perforating machines have not human intelligence, and they blindly perforate the sheets alike until their adjustment is changed. Therefore, the best we can do is to average the adjustment and it is only by chance that all the perforations are exactly central. Of course, you will understand that typographic printing being done on dry paper eliminates many of these problems, and no great feat is performed in perfectly centering a dry printed stamp.

The amount of ink required for printing the stamps for the last fiscal year was 568,117 pounds.

The present method of printing stamps is accomplished upon what is known as "four plate power presses." Four plates are used in order that the operations of inking ,wiping, polishing and taking the impressions may be done simultaneously. This press requires the services of a printer to polish the plates, one girl to lay the sheet in position, and another girl to take it off after printing.

After each two hundred sheets are printed, they are counted and dried. To secure a flat surface for subsequent operations, they are pressed in a hydraulic press.

Now, the plates that we use are known as "intaglio" plates. An intaglio plate is engraved like that (exhibiting model); it is opposite to "cameo." The typographic printing is from type, raised letters like this (exhibiting model). À small quantity of ink is rolled on the surface of the type and is left there and when pressed upon the paper it leaves its impression on the paper; but in the intaglio plate the ink is rolled over the plate and the plate is wiped off, leaving the ink only in the sunken lines. After printing the sheet is lifted out from the press and the result is that you get stronger color, and you get shadows, and you get strong lines, so that it stands in relief. Now the typographic printing would appear flat, like this (showing model). That is the difference between printing from intaglio plates and typographically.

They are next gummed by passing beneath a glass roller which is bathed in a solution of dextrine, (which forms the gum), and the sheets are then carried by grippers through a drying chamber in which the gum is dried in less than thirty seconds. Just before leaving the gumming machine, the sheets are carried through a device that breaks the gum into innumerable cracks and materially prevents subsequent curling.

The printed and gummed sheet of 400 stamps is now fed through a rotary perforator that perforates the stamps in one direction and cuts the sheet in half. Another perforator of the same construction perforates the stamps cross-wise and makes another cut, thereby quartering the original sheet.

After a close and rigid inspection these sheets are counted and made into packages for final packing for shipment to the post offices.

The gum on the back of the stamps is made by scientifically roasting the highest grade of tapioca starch such as is used for making puddings, and as 450,150 pounds were used last year, all of the inhabitants of New York City could have been given their fill of tapioca pudding for one meal with the material used.

The sheets of 100 stamps each, as sent to the post offices during the fiscal year 1913, piled upon each other, would make a shaft over six miles high, and placed end to end would make a strip over 16,-000 miles long; and as there are ten rows of stamps in each sheet, a strip of single stamps would be more than 160,000 miles long, enough to girdle the earth six times, with something over.

Just a few words of a technical nature relative to the inks used in the printing of postage stamps. Before I became Director of the Bureau, colors for making the inks for printing stamps and other securities were selected by comparison with a standard for match in hue and color strength, no attention being paid to their permanency. The natural result was colors that were notorious for fading. At that time little was known of any systematic method of testing for permanency, and when I undertook to secure standards that were permanent, I had to devise methods.

The deterioration of colors is caused by the action of both light and atmosphere. Chemical composition will give a clue as to the action of atmosphere, but the action of light is still more subtile, and nothing short of an actual test is of value. Of course, it is impracticable to have a test extending over years of time, so some method had to be devised to give results in days.

It has been determined from exhaustive experiments that a color that will not change after exposure to bright sunlight in the summer for a period of three days can be relied upon to withstand days of exposure in the diffused lights of an ordinary room. The amount of actinic light given off by the sun during a cloudless day in summer was measured photographically, and by the same method the amount can be gauged on a cloudy or rainy day. This enables a standard condition to be measured and governed.

The amount of fading in such a day, even with rather fugitive colors is very slight, so the following method was devised to determine what effect long exposure would have. A strip of paper printed with an ink made from the color was exposed to light one, two, and three days, with a part protected by black paper. By comparison of the exposed parts with that protected by black paper, it was found that some of the colors would fade a little more each day, and others would fade for the first day, and remain stable for the other two days. The former were classed as progressive in fading, and the inference is that they would eventually fade away. The assumption is that the other would fade slightly and then remain permanent. Further experience has corroborated this view, and today no colors are used in the Bureau that show progressive fadings.

We now make fading tests with an artificial light—the quartz mercury lamp —which is on the same principle as the familiar Cooper-Hewett mercury tube, except it is so high in the ultra violet, or actinic, rays, that it is enclosed in a special protective casing to prevent those near it from being sunburned, which would be the case if they were exposed to it for a few minutes.

I would say that the light is so strong the ultra-violet rays—that if you looked into the lamp you would become blind, you would lose your sight; it would destroy your vision. In securing permanent colors, we had to sacrifice some of the brilliancy that is characteristic of nearly all of the analine colors, although there is solidity and softness that is more artistic in our present series.

The only analine colors we use are the reds, and those colors that contain red (purples and browns and oranges). For yellow we use chrone yellow; for blue, Prussian blue and ultramarine, and for black we use bone-black, which is practically carbon. All of these are minerals except Prussian blue, which is partly organic and partly inorganic.

The source of some of these colors may be of interest to you. The analine reds are made from coal-tar; the Prussian blue was originally made from calcined horn, but now from a great variety of substances, and can even be made electrolitically from nitrogen of the air; the ultramarine was originally made from lapislazuli, but now synthetically by calcining its constituents; the chrone yellow is made artificially and is chemically chromate of lead. The bone black is made from calcined bones, as its name would indicate.

The science of color, which has advanced to a rational stage only in recent years, is too complex to be treated at length here, but there are a few phenomena that may be of interest to you. An ink is not a simple color, and it shows two distinct hues, known as overtone and undertone. These may be simply defined as the color transmitted from the surface, or reflected, and that transmitted through the ink. An appreciable thickness of the ink may be a red of yellowish cast, while an excessively thin layer may exhibit a The former is known as bluish cast. overtone and the latter as undertone. When a postage stamp plate is new, the overtone will predominate, while as it wears the undertone becomes apparent. This partly explains what you term as shades, although there are other factors that govern this variation. Although we take precautions to use an ink that exhibits the minimum of difference between overtone and undertone, and discard the

plate when it exhibits pronounced wear, this variation is bound to exist.

The yellowing of paper, which is inevitable no matter how expensive the paper may be, changes the color by introducing just that amount of yellow just as surely as if it were added to the ink formula.

Exposure to acid fumes, no matter how diluted, sooner or later will affect the color to produce shades, and it is not our purpose to make an indestructible ink, for if we did there would be no difficulty in removing the cancellation marks and using a stamp indefinitely. We aim to give the best that we can make that will meet with all conditions.

You are all aware, no doubt, of the destruction by the Bureau of a large number of the two-cent Panama-Pacific Commemorative stamps as the result of an error in the designation of same. There were 41,064,800 of these stamps printed, having a face value of \$821,296, yet not a single stamp of this series ever left the Bureau. What a prize one of those stamps would have been to the collector!

As the result of a change from the original design in the 50-cent parcel post stamps, 570,800 of that series, with a face value of \$285,400, were desroyed. Nor did one of these stamps leave the Bureau precincts.

Near the close of the past fiscal year, inspectors of the Post Office Department visited the Bureau all unannounced to check up our accounts, and after a task of many days' duration, the accounts checked out to the last one-cent stamp, and we received the heartiest compliments for the excellent system we have in practice in the Bureau. Over eleven billions of stamps were accounted for, and I am pleased to state that not a single stamp was misplaced or went astray.

Securities to the value of over three billions of dollars were manufactured by the Bureau during the year 1913, and to the credit of our employees be it said that all of this vast sum was handled without the loss of a single penny or postage stamp to the Government, and none of its faithful toilers ever engaged in the counterfeiting of our products.

After seven years' labor, we have perfected a rotary printing press for the printing of postage stamps that will completely revolutionize stamp printing from intaglio plates. The new machine, which is expected to be placed in operation in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing within the next thirty days, is the result of the labor and efforts of Mr. Benjamin R. Stickney, Mechanical Expert and Designer of the Bureau. I would call particular attention of the collectors from foreign countries, to this machine. I believe the pictures of this machine are on exhibition in the lower hall and I understand that the frames containing some of the first stamps printed on this press are also shown.

This press combines twenty-three operations in one. It prints, gums and perforates the stamps; cuts them into sections of one hundred stamps each, or will finish the stamps in coils of 500 and 1,000 stamps per coil. It turns out the finished product ready for shipment to the postmasters of our country. By its use a saving of 65 per cent. or \$280,000, will be effected each year in the present cost of printing the stamps.

I have not the time to describe the technique of this machine, and we invite those who are interested to visit the Bureau after November 15th, when the machine will be in operation.

Touching on the question of cost, in most foreign countries they use the typographic process, the cheapest process; we use the intaglio process, the most expensive. The men who operate our process make \$10 a day. For comparison, in Japan the minimum wage is eight cents a day, in American gold, or fourteen cents in Japan. The average wage in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is \$1.75 per day, and the minimum wage of printers is \$10 a day. We produce postage stamps at a cost of five cents a thousand. In addition to that, every year each employee receives forty-five days vacation, and the average day is seven hours. In Japan it costs them seven and one-half cents per thousand to print their stamps

and they use the same process. So you can see the high average of efficiency of the working men and women of the United States.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, just to conclude my remarks, I want to tell you how proud I am of the men who are employed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. No college fraternity is prouder of their alma mater than are these employees. I don't think that a higher compliment could be paid to anyone that that which I am compelled to pay to these men and We have something less than women. seven thousand banks in the United States and we constantly hear of defaulters, of employees absconding with money belonging to the firms which have trusted them. We make and handle over forty millions of postage stamps every day and yet we balance to a stamp. These men and women take just as much interest if we have a discrepancy as I do. They feel they are responsible. We don't recognize in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing that it is possible to err. We have every conceivable check. We check efficiency. We say that the efficiency is equal to any manufacturing shop in the world. I want you to come there to see it.

I take pleasure in stating that within the next forty-five days we will move into our new building, costing \$2,500,000 a structure specially designed for our Bureau. In the building we will have everything that can be had for the welfare of the employees and the efficiency of the work. When any of you come to Washington I shall be glad to have you pay a visit to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

The men who execute the work are trained from boyhood. We have a system of apprenticeship. When a boy applies I talk to him and try to find out what his ambition is. If his aptitude is toward the artistic we try him in designing or

engraving; if mechanical we try to make a mechanician out of him, or draughtsman, or printer. In that way we get the best results. But the first work I have the boy execute is this: he is given a pencil and a piece of paper, and told to write, "Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle", one hundred times. And I state to you that if there is anything that we have to be proud of it is because we have followed this as a motto. We have eliminated all of the old imperfections and we have cured all of the old troubles, and the result is in what I told you of. When Michaelangelo completed his great masterpiece, all of the great art connoisseurs were called to view it. It was placed in the Vatican at Rome, and Michaelangelo was called to hear the compliments that were being showered on his work. When he saw the painting on the wall he stood to one side and looked at it carefully, and said there was something on it he didn't like, and asked permission to touch it up. He worked on it for months and in time announced it completed. The same gentlemen were assembled again to look at it, and they said "What did you do to it?" They said, "We can't see that you have done anything to. it." Michaelangelo pointed out that he had done this and that, and they cried, "Why, those are trifles!" and he answered, "Trifles make perfection, and perfection is no trifle."

Just another word. There is a criticism that is often heard that the postage stamp is not artistic. When you consider that a postage stamp is about seveneights of an inch by an inch, it is a pretty diminutive thing. I have here a postage stamp enlarged twenty times (exhibiting diagram). Now, when the engraver starts to engrave that he must enclose the stamp in two strong lines; then we have the portrait or center, and then we have the lettering on top and bottom. Those essentials don't leave very much room for artistic embellishment. We have now adopted the Gaudens busts of Washington and Franklin, and these are recognized by critics as the finest in the world. I think we may be justly proud of our postage stamps.

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EDITORIAL.

WHAT DO I The Editor has received GET OUT the following communication OF IT? from Mr. Henry C. Crowell Chairman of our Board of

Vice Presidents, bearing the above caption, and as this follows along the lines which have been printed for time to time in this column, we again ask our members to give the matter contained therein their earnest thought. Our Society is not intended wholly for the older or advanced collector, but its scope is so broad and the advantages which it offers are varied enough to embrace every age and condition of collector.

I notice in the report of proceedings of the U. S. Rev. Society that a suggestion to affiliate with the A. P. S. was not adopted as being impractible.

No reason was advanced. Now outside of one junior philatelic society to cater to the younger collectors, I feel that any other society weakens American Philately justso much.

The main reason for the various societies or associations which have been born, flourished and then quietly faded away in the past, has been to provide official titles for the promoters.

Can anyone tell me of one feature covered by any other national society (except for younger members and others who feel they cannot afford the 15c per month in the A. P. S.) which the oldest and best of our national societies is, not or could not do better and wherever such activities bring us in contact with the general public or the officers at Washington, our parent society can do more effective work and can do it in a more dignified, impressive manner, than any other organization.

The tendency of business is towards centralization, even city governments are organizing their purchasing departments under one head to gain the advantage of purchasing in larger quantities.

Let us dream a little. Suppose we had 5000 members, our income would be \$9000 a year from dues alone, we could afford perhaps a big official organ each week, because the advertising at a reasonable rate would be highly profitable to the dealers and make the "American Philatelist," a source of income instead of expense. With the surplus receipts a certain portion could be invested in bonds each year to yield 4 or 5% and the balance above our expenses could be used to promote philately and the interest of our members, and so increase the number of good stamp collectors.

We would become a power and grow in size and influence for real good from pure inertia. A recruiting officer or committe could be appointed (with a salary, if advisable), and in time a large percentage of American and Canadian stamp collectors would be on our list. To be a stamp collector and not a member of the largest and best of American Societies would be an uncommon sight, one calling for an explanation, perhaps apology, and not the contrary as is now the case.

Some members are eternally asking themselves if not others "What do I get out of the A. P. S."

The benefits, if taken advantage of, more than repay each one for his 15c per month. Be sure you study these benefits and are taking advantage of them before you ask this question. But if we derived but little *material* advantage from the A. P. S. for what it has done and is doing every day for American Philately it should have the moral and active support of every stamp collector worthy of the name.

If you have in mind some stamp man or woman that ought to be one of us by all means get his signature and help along the grand old Society that has done and is doing more for Stamp Collecting than any other American Philatelic Society.

Henry C. Crowell.

It is unnecessary to recount the benefits which are ready for you for the simple asking, but it makes no difference whether you use the Sales Department, patronize the Counterfeit Detector of Expert Committee, use the Library or take advantage of any of the other departments open to every member, the fact still remains that the one greatest feature of a Society, and one which is all the more greater through the standing of the American Philatelic Society, is something which cannot be measured by the amount of yearly dues, no matter in what terms they may be expressed, and that is, the formation of associations between collectors, members of the Society, ripening into the broadest of friendships, from which accrue benefits untold, and which would never be possible without the influence of the Society. This state is to be found by any member who will seek it. Do not expect all things to come. Those which we cherish the most are those which are often the slowest to materialize. While every member can have access to every branch of the Society it lies with the individual to secure the greatest good.

NEW According to newspaper KING OF advices, King Otto of Bavaria BAVARIA. insane during the entire term of his reign, has been deposed from the throne, through a recently enacted law, and is succeeded by Prince Regent Ludwig, who will be known as Ludwig III. The story of King Otto, who ascended the throne upon the death of his father in 1886, is indeed a sad one, as it is stated he has never known that he was a monarch.

This will probably mean a new series of stamps for the kingdom, to replace the portrait series of 1911.

THE That it pays to carefully COMMON examine even the commonest STAMP. stamps for variations from

the normal, which oft times prove of great interest, is shown by a short article appearing in the Stamp Lover for October. In a lot of stamps of the U. S. an English collector has discovered a very clearly double-printed copy of the 3 cent U. S. stamp of 1873, a variety not having been mentioned before. From the illustration given of the variety, the double printing is evidentally very clear.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS. We shall shortly publish an excellent article on one branch of U. S. postal stationery

which should prove of much interest to our members, but are not quite ready to make definite announcement of just what it will be at this time. We merely mention this to show our members we are endeavoring to secure articles which will contribute greatly to the value of our journal.

OUR Agreeable to the By-Laws, NEW the Secretary called for PRINTERS. estimates for the printing of our monthly journal, Con-

vention proceedings and Membership list shortly after the last Convention, and from the bids received the Board of Directors placed the contract with the J. W. Stowell Printing Co., of Federalsburg, Md., as their estimate was the lowest. The Hann & Adair Printing Co., of Columbus, Ohio have done our work for several years past. In an early future issue of The American Philatelist a financial statement of the cost of the paper will be given, together with the cost of the issuing of the Convention account and membership list of last year, and a statement of the receipts from advertising.

INDEX TO A complete Index to VOLUME XXVI. the last volume of this journal is in preparation and will be issued probably with the December number. This will be printed separately so that it may be used if members desire to bind the issues for the year of 1912-13.

MR. S. A. TILLEARD.

Through our International Secretary Mr. L. Harald Kjellstedt, the following communication has been received by Pres. Coolidge, and we give in full the text of letter of sympathy sent to The Royal Philatelic Society—

October 10, 1913.

General C. A. Coolidge, President,

Detroit, Mich.,

Dear General-

I am informed by the Hon. Treasurer of the Royal Philatelic Society that the distinguished Secretary of the Society, Mr. S. A. Tilleard, died suddenly Sept. 22nd, and was buried Sept. 24th at the Golden Green Crematorium, H. M. The King being represented at the funeral. The loss of Mr. Tilleard, who was philatelic Secretary to the King, is a loss to philately and I wonder if you would not express to the Royal Philatelic Society, our corresponding member, the smypathy of our Board in their great loss.

> I remain, dear General Faithfully yours, L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT.

> > (Reply)

October 16, 1913.

To the Honorable Officers and members of The Royal Philatelic Society, London, England.

Gentlemen: —

Through our International Secretary, Mr. L. Harald Kjellstedt, we have just been informed of the death of your Secretary Mr. S. A. Tilleard, September 22nd, 1913, and the Board of Directors of our Society wish to extend to you their deepest sympathy in the hour of your loss, feeling that with the passing of Mr. Tilleard, you, as well as Philately in general, and the English speaking collectors in particular, have been deprived of the services anl influence of one whose work and name will ever remain inscribed on Philately's roll of honor.

It is a difficult matter to express in words the tribute which our hearts pay to the memory of the deceased. We know what it is to have ties so suddenly severed.

Assuring you that in your loss you have the sympathy of the American Philatelic Society, as a body and individually, we have the honor to be,

Yours very truly,

WM. E. AULT,

CHAS. A .COOLIDGE, Secretary. President.

MR. PAUL J. H. BARTELS.

A. C.S.

The Secretary has been advised by Mr. J. M. Bartels, of the death of the latters first cousin, Mr. Paul J. H. Bartels, of Vera Cruz, Mexico, which occrred unexpectedly on Sept. 24th, in the fifty-sixth year of his age, leaving three daughters, none of whom are grown. Mr. Bartels has been a widower for some years. The deceased was a collector since boyhood and was only recently reinstated as a member of our Society. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

MRS. LIONEL WEBSTER.

We have just been advised of the death of Mrs. Lionel Webster, a member of the A. P. S., at her home in Portland, Oregon, some seven months ago, but no particulars are available. We have forwarded a letter of sympathy to Mr. Webster.

JOHN SANGSTER EWEN.

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Through the courtesy of Mr. H. B. Phillips we are enabled to present a likeness of Mr. Ewen, whose death was chronicled in our issue of October.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCT. 18th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Spalding, Dr. Fred M. Noske, Fred W.

New Stockholders.

- 4314-Herrick, Chas. E., Chicago, Ill.
- 4315—Newman, Alfred E., Los Angeles, Calif.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 15th, 1913, having paid dues in full to Aug., 31, 1914, is hereby replaced on membership roll and is now in good standing— 2434—Wilcox, W. L., Box 17, Dunedin, New Zealand.

Deceased.

2105—Hesser, Geo. T., Folsom City, Calif. 3276—Bartels, Paul J. H., Vera Cruz, Mexico. Sept. 24th, 1913.

Resignations Accepted.

3605—Randolph, Evan, Philadelphia, Pa.

Resignations Received.

- 1844—Asby, Geo. C., Union Center, Wis.
- 2071—Tanguay, J. E., Woonsocket, R. I.
- 2150-Parker, F. W., Somerville, Mass.
- 2182—Marcuse, S. C., San Francisco, Calif.
- 3436—Kimball, Peter C., North Scituate, Mass.
- 3674—Brewster, J. N.S., Jr., Elizabeth, N. J.
- 3984—Lehmann, Otto, New York, N. Y.
- 4110—Perkins, Percival D., Windsor, Vt.

Change of Address.

- 116—Book, Robt. D., from Sewickley, Pa., to Union Bank Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 156—Beamish, Chas., from 36 West Coulter St., Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., to 1314 High St., Pottstown, Pa.
- 251—Dunning, A. W., from 7 Euston St., to Boulevard Sta., Brookline, Mass.
- 571—Frechie, S. M., from 81 Main St. Binghampton, N. Y., to 430 E. 59th St., New York, N. Y.
- 945—Rosenthal, Edward M., from 2629 Dearborn St., to 2632 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
- 1130—Wolseley, Henry W., from 100 Washington St., to 69 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill.
- 1563—Simmons, Sam R., Jr., from 340
 E. 142d St., to Box 36, Station R.
 New York, N. Y.
- 1763—Porter, H. L., to read, P. O. Box 213, North Easton, Mass.
- 1778—Weeks, Geo. DeWitt, from 377a Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. to care The Garfield Safe Deposit Co., New York, N. Y.
- 1877—Grotjan, F. S., from 567 Bird Ave., to 63 Granger Place, Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1913—Hunnewell, James M., from 114 Chestnut St., to 14 Chestnut St., Boston, Mass.
- 2098—Stevens, K. K., from 3351 Parkview Ave., to 3408 Parkview Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 2167—Aldrich, W. S., from Box 158 to Box 612, St. Joseph, Mo.
- 2272—Beebe, L. A., from 40 Bruce St., to 64 Bruce Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.
- 2385—Stevens, Major P. C., to read, Q. M. Corps, U. S. A., Plattsburgh Barracks, N. Y.
- 2423—Mason, Laurence B., to read 17 Madison Ave., Cranford, N. J.
- 2537—Handler Dr. Sigmund, from 670 St. Paul St., to 924 St. Paul St., Rochester, N. Y.
- 2605 Hilleke, John, from Box 404 to Box 421 Vicksburg, Miss.

- 2692—Bier, Max F., from 1486 Bedford Ave., to 1496 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 2764 Caswell, Edwin, from 791 Overton St., to 808 McKay Bldg., Portland, Oregon.
- 2798 Chilson, Stanley G., from 197 Dean Ave., to 84 Dean Ave., Franklin, Mass.
- 2886—Pifer, Edw. P., from Pearl City, Ill., to Roswell, New Mexico.
- 2888—Lazarus, Louis, from 824 13th St., to 836 13th St., Oakland, Calif.
- 2972—Coes, Frank L., from Box C, Station B., to 2 Coes Square, Worcester, Mass.
- 3008—Butler, B. D., from 223 W. Jackson Blvd., to 981 Rand, Mc-Nally Bldg., Chicago, Ill..
- 3120—Correct name to read as follows: Vanderpoel, John A.
- 3170—Hall, R. D., from 5 N. Mulberry St., to 7 N. Mulberry St., Mt. Vernon, Ohio.
- 3205—Foster, Horace P., from 27 Columbus Ave., to 65 Essex St., Beverly, Mass.
- 3254—Blackwell, W., from 29 Minna St., to care Crown Distilleries Co., Beale & Mission Sts., San Francisco, Calif.
- 3341—Jakobson, J. A., (Correct name to read thus)
- 3414—Bartels, F. C., from North Olmsted, Ohio, to Rocky River, O.
- 3559—Bogert, Willet A., from 88 James St., to Tenafiy Road and John St. Englewood, N. J.
- 3565—Jenny, Charles E., from (219 Glenn Ave., to Box 493, Fresno, Calif.
- 3618—Schlessinger, Baldwin, from 155 Wooster St., to 129 W. 27th St., New York, N. Y.
- 3700 Corini, M. H., to read P. O. Box 182, Central Valley, N. H.
- 3778—Pepper, Geo. H., from U. of P. Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., to 245 Roseville Ave., Newark, N.J.
- 3851—Prescott, Frank, from 108 N. Grand Ave., to 115 East Avenue 36, Los Angeles, Calif.

- 3857—Grubbs, T. Elmer, M. D., from Mammoth, Calif., to Kennett, Calif.
- 3894—Stevenson, Rev. Fred T., from Madrid, Iowa, to Casey, Iowa.
- 4005-Mower, Robinson H., from P. O. Box 947 to 609 Trust Bldg., Rockford, Ill.
- 4007—Meyer, Hugo, to read, 37 Mine Co., U. S. Coast Artillery, Portland, Maine.
- 4131--Bickford, E. H., from 18 Toronto St., to St. George Mansions, 3 Harbord St., Toronto, Canada.
- 4166 Schwartz, Geo. J., to read 348 N. Market St., Wooster, Ohio.
- 4175—Gellerman, F. Ralph, from 403 14th St., to 415 6th St., Cloquet, Minn.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership Oct 11, 19131447 New Stockholders admitted Oct. 18th, 1913 _____2 Replaced on membership roll Oct. 18th, 1913 1450 1 Deaths reported Oct. 18th, 1913 2 Resignations accepted Oct. 3 18th, 1913 1 Total membership Oct. 18, 1913 1447
 - WM. E. AULT, Sec.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 25th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Noske, Fred W.

Applications Posted.

- Coleman, William J., 144 Hoyt St., Brooklyn, N. Y., Age 48; Window Trimmer; Refs. Thos. O. Perry, Pres. Bushwick Lumber Co., 1084 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Haas, Undertaker 447 Evergreen Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Proposed by, Clarence P. DeKay, # 2804.
- Kasemeier, E. L., 900 N. Limestone St., Springfield, Ohio; Age 36; Auditor; Firm, The Ohio Electric Railway Co.; Ref., W. C. Everett, Auditor The Virginia Ry. C., Norfolk, Va.; Proposed by, Monroe Nash, #4280.

- Burnett, Thomas, 1343 N. 26th St., Camden, N. J.; Age 37; Printer and Publisher; Firm, Wythe & Burnett; Ref., Harry Bealer, Woodlynne, Camden, N. J.; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, #343.
- Kelleher, Daniel F., 693 Main St., Cambridge, Mass.; Age 27; Telephone Inspector; Ref., Cosmopolitan Trust Co. Boston, Mass; Proposed by Wm. L. Aldrich, # 2082.
- Pember, Capt. K. A., Woodstock, Vermont; Age 33; Architect; Refs., J. S.
 Brownell, Woodstock, Vt., Hon. F.
 C. Southgate, Woodstock, Vt.; Proposed by, Chas. A. Coolidge, #64.

New Stockholder

4316—Spalding, Dr. Fred M., Boston, Mass.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following dropped March 15th, 1913, having paid dues in full to August 31st, 1914, is hereby replaced on membership roll and is now in good standing:—

3942—Calvet, Eugene, Poste Francaise, Smyrna, Turkey.

Resignations Accepted.

2249—Melody, Rev. M. F., Louisville, Ky.

Change of Address.

- 3954—Adams, Wm. J., from R. F. D., #1, Wheelock, N. D., to 214 Warren Ave., Tampa, Fla.
- 1687—Baldwin, R. E., from 1133 E. 61st St., to 1109 E. 61st St., Chicago, Ill.
- 3309—Bartlett, Dr. Sidney R., from El Paso Club, to 1103 Wood Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 3183—Clark, Hugh M., from care Scott Stamp and Coin Co., 127 Madison Ave., to 349 W. 120th St., New York, N. Y.
- 4004—Collins, F. D., from American Bridge Co., to 1014 S. Vandeventer, St. Louis, Mo.
- 4083—Crabbs, Leo. B., from 518 Houston Ave., to 303 W. 10th St., Kansas City, Mo.
- 3534—Crawford, Edw. J., to read care San Joaquin Lt. & Pr. Corp., Fresno, Calif.

- 3472—Crowell, R. H., from 1025 Garfield Bldg., to 805 New England Bldg., Cleveland. Ohio.
 - 527—Davis, Jos. S., to read, 1749 N. Serrano Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 2531—Doyle, George A., from 34 Cottage place, to 72 Whitney Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
- 3853—Eilers, R. H. to read 1627a Euclid St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 1837—Elliott, Howard H., from Box 199 to Box 182, Winchenden, Mass.
- 3831—Fehlig, Burdette H., from 3407 Wyoming St., St. Louis, Mo., to 11 Wincleat St., Toronto, Ont., Canada.
- 4130—Forbes, J. J. from 617 Euclid Ave., Ontario, Calif., to Claremont, Calif.
- 2641—Fox, Herbert H. A., from 22 Varick St., to 25 Varick St., Oswego, N.Y.
- 3544—Graham, George B., to read 504 W. Delavan Ave., Buffaio, N. Y.
- 2444—Hill, Edwin B., from P. O. Box 638, to Granite Reef, Mesa, Ariz.
- 2042—Kleinman, H. J., to read 3643 No. Marshall St., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3126—MacBride, F. Van Dyk, 161 High St., Passaic, N. J. (note correction in name).
- 3243—Miller, Glenn R., from 532 Abington Ave., to 519 Abington Ave., Zanesville, Ohio.
- 3794—Moore, Mrs. F. P. from 1015 Chance Ave., to 1015 14th St., N. W., Canton, Ohio.
- 253—Morgenthau, M., from 115 Broadway, to 30 E. 42nd St., New York, N. Y.
- 3165—Newmark, M. H., to read 1248 Wholesale St., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 2508—Pratt, Wm. Everett, 1355 Winona Ave., Chicago, Ill. (Note correction of name).
- 3435—Quesnal, O. A., to read R. F. D. No. 1, Kalispell, Montana.
- 3693—Wade, Chas. M., from 471 Addison Ave., to Room 1, Madison Thoits Bldg., Palo Alto, Calif.
- 4055—Weber, Robert, to read 34 Elm St., Galeton, Pa.
- 3532—Young, Mrs. Ira R., from 1015 Chance Ave., to 1015 14th St., N. W., Canton, Ohio.
- 3743-Penichet, Dr. Francisco, from Mon-

te 366, to Box 1262, Havana, Cuba. Membership Summary.

Total membership Oct. 18,

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New stockholders admitted		
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Replaced on membership roll		
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Resignation accepted Oct.		
25th, 1913	_	1

 Total membership Oct. 25,

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 WM. E. AULT, Sec.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

November 1, 1913.

Applications Pending.

- Coleman, William J.
- Kasemeier, E. L.
- Burnett, Thomas Kelleher, Daniel F.
- Pember, Capt. K. A.

Applications Posted.

Gardella, John B., 2724 Chestnut St., Oakland, Calif.; Age 32; Printing and Publishing; Refs., Oakland Journal, A. Currlin & Son, Oakland, Calif., A. Hanlon, Real Estate, 909 Broadway, Oakland, Calif.; Proposd by, Edwin P. Seebohm, No. 2047.

New Stockholders.

- 4317—Noske, Fred W., Milwaukee, Wis. Resignations Accepted.
- 2639-Vanderhoof, E. R., Denver, Colo.

Deceased.

3385-Webster, Mrs. Lionel, Portland, Oregon.

Change of Address.

- 999—Baer, Henry L., from 202 Quincy St., to 308 Mason Ave., Hancock, Mich.
- 2356—Boisselier, R. W., from 1203 Missouri Trust Bldg., to 1986-7-8 Railway Exchange Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.
- 4252—Burns, Harry C., from 431 Second St., to 538 Second St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.
- 3339—Chase, Frank N., from 112 Rialto Bldg., to 4052 Flad Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

- 2709—Field, Wm. H., from 41 Sh**re**wsbury St., to 1211 Lewis St., Charleston, W. Va.
- 2954—Galbraith, J. A., from Newark, N. J., to 16 Beaver St., New York City, N. Y.
- 4026—Johnson, G. H., from 238 E. Oglethorpe Ave., to 116 East Oglethorpe Ave., Savannah, Ga.
- 3792—Litchenstein, B., from Box 315, to Box 442, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.
- 4234—MacDonough, Leo, to read(1422 Indiana Ave.) Box 16, Sta. C, Toledo, Ohio.
- 2064—Pratt, Wm. E., to read 35 W. Lake St., Chicago, Ill.
- 2007—Speakman, Howland, from 3526 W. Monroe St., to Congress and Honore Sts., Chicago, Ill.
- 2648—Staub, C., from 1151 Marquette Bldg., to 660 Graceland St., Chicago, Ill.
- 2404—Steinway, Theo. E., from Orchard St. and Jackson Ave. to care Steinway & Sons, Ditmars Ave. and Purdy St. Long Island City, N. Y.
- 4134—Stiness, Edw. C., from Box 635 to 10 Weybosset St., Providence, R. I.
- 3917—Thomas, R., from P. O. Box 236 to 134 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.
- 2831—Tibbals, A. Lee from 1130 N. 9th St., to 1128 N. 9th St., Kansas City, Kansas.
- 4071—Trout, Edgar E., to read 410 Woodland Ave., Wayne, Pa.
- 2618—Tweedy, Frank, from U. S. Geological Survey, to 3416 13th St., Washington, D. C.
- 3902—Urynowicz, Martin M., from 2060 N. Leavitt St., to 1838 Armitage Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- 2616—Walter, Rev. Lloyd C., from 607 W. Elm Ave., Enid, Okla., to Okmulgee, Okla.
- 4110—Yeagle, Dr. Chas. H., from Clyde, Ohio, to Ft. Bayard, New Mexico. Membership Summary.
- Total membership Oct. 25,

1913 _____1448

New stockholders admitted Nov. 1st, 1913 _____ 1

- Resignation acceptedNov. 1st, 1913Death reportedNov. 1st, 19132
- Total membership Nov. 1st, 1913______ 1447 WM. E. AULT, Sec.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING November 8th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Coleman, William J.

- Kasemeier, E. L.
- Burnett, Thomas
- Kelleher, Daniel F.
- Pember, Capt. K. A.
- Gardella, John E.

Applications Posted.

- Jonas, Henry, Goshen, N. Y.; Age 42; Merchant; Ref., Clarence P. Dekay, Florida, N. Y.; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Griffith, Lee A., 2608 Briggs Ave., New York City, N. Y.; Age 32; Civil Engineer; Ref., Bronx Borough Bank; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Alcaide, S. A., Guayama, Porto Rico; Age 45; Sugar Planter; Ref., Royal Bank of Canada; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Chittenden, J. Brace, 144 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Age 49; Professor of Mathematics, President of Collectors Club, New York; Proposed by, Chas. A. Coolidge, No. 64.
- Spiegelberg, F. Jr., 109 Summit Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.; Age 17; Student; Guarantor, F. Spiegelberg, 36 W. 76th St., New York, N. Y., Justice; Proposed by, J. M. Bartels.

Application for Reinstatement Posted.

2474—Schenck, O. A. care Market Exchange Bank, Columbus, Ohio; Age 43; Banker; Ref., Alvin Good, Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by, W. H. Barnum, No. 585.

Resignations Accepted.

2132-Stillman, Wm. M., Plainfield, N. J.

- 2510-Biggard, Ben, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 3447-Hart, M. L., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 3829-Ramsay, Robt. E., Macon, Ga.

- 3861—Pietz, Adam, Philadelphia, Pa. Change of Address.
- 3938—Bresler, Victor, from 81 Putnam Ave., to 511 Dime Bank Bldg., Detroit, Mich.
- 1547—Coning, F. W., from 350 George St., to 59 Paterson St., New Brunswick, N. J.
- 3219—Detroit Philatelic Society, Branch No. 25, to care Henry Look, Secy., 200 Griswold St., Detroit, Mich.
- 1848—Doolittle, Justus J., to read 244 Seymour Ave., Utica, N. Y.
- 4124—Elmer, B., from 345a Washington St., to 29 Milford St., Boston, Mass.
- 3939—Emery, Clarence, from 226 Lowell St., to 342 Kearney St., San Francisco, California.
- 2202—Fuller, Willard S., from 83 St. James Ave., Springfield, Mass., to 158 Franklin St., Westfield, Mass.
- 4034—Grahame, Miss E., from Hubbard & Liberty Sts., to 41 Hubbard St., Montpelier, Vt.
- 1704—Ladua, Theodore P., from 62 West Woodbridge St., to 41 Woodbridge St., West, Detroit, Mich.
- 3000—Livingston, W. T., to read 50 Bethune Ave., West, Detroit, Mich.
- 3300—Look, Henry, from 37 State St., to 200 Griswold St., Detroit, Mich.
- 3422—Newcomb, Howard R., from 24 Marston St., to 59 Burlingame Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 4068—Norris, Fredk. T., from 68 Eliot St., to Hotel Plaza, Madison Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 3692—Parker, Capt. Clyde B., from Ft. Wayne Detroit, Mich., to Texas City, Texas.
- 3711—Roulet, C. B. from Proctorian Bldg., Dallas, Texas, to 138 Whitney St., Hartford, Conn.
- 3541--Thiede, Wm. C., to read 764 College Ave., Appleton, Wis.
- 1467—Waitt, Joseph E., from 66 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass., to 4 Mount Warren, Roxbury, Mass.
- 4302—Torrens, Rev. R. J., from Metcalf, Ont., Canada, to R. R. No. 3, Pembroke, Ont., Canada.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Nov. 1st, 1913 _____ 1447 Resignations accepted Nov.

8th, 1913 _____ 5

Total membership Nov. 8th, 1913 _____ 1442 WM. E. AULT, Sec.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

- Philadelphia Stamp News. October 4, 11, 18 and 25th, 1913. Vol. IV, Nos. 28, 29, 30 and 31. The latter number is the Exhibition Special, containing a good array of reading matter and interesting accounts of New York and Eastern dealers and Philatelists.
- Newark Stamp News. November 1913. Vol. 2, No. 11. A description of the Post Office Museum and many interesting bits of information.
- Roessler's Stamp News. October 1913 Vol. V, No. 6. A breezy house organ.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. Sept 20, 1913. A splendid number full of good solid data for collectors.
- Stamp Collecting. Oct. 18th, 1913. Vol.
 I, No. 5. New York Exhibition Special.
 An excellent number dealing mainly with American philatelic matters.
- Monthly Report of The Herts Philatelic Society. List of members of the Society, a continuation of Mr. Ricketts plan for a "Specialized catalogue of the Countries of the World," and many notes of timely interest.
- The Economist Bulletin. November 1, 1913. Vol. I, No. 2. Full of good offerings to suit a variety of tastes.
- The Stamp Lover. October 1913. Vol. VI, No. 5. An exceedingly interesting literary sketch of Mr. E. L. Pemberton; the 1851-60 Issue of United States; American Philatelic Literature; an excellent Chronicle and many notes comprise the reading matter served for philatelic enlightenment.
- Alfred Smith & Sons' Monthly Circular. October 1913, No. 464

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- Token Money and Private Coinage. Issued by the First National Bank of Boston and received through the courtesy of Mr. A. W. Dunning. A story of tokens and private coinage of what has been used for money at various stages of the world's history. Very interesting and instructive.
- Stamps. H. F. Coleman's list of United States and Colonial (U. S.) stamps. A very complete price list for specialists in these stamps.
- 25th Annual Report of the Philatelic Society of New Zealand. A copy of this report has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the New Zealand Society, which includes the Rules and By-Laws, list of officers and members and in addition, two excellent articles, "The Edwardian Stamps of Great Britian" and "The Stamps of the Brazilian Monarchy." The N. Z. Society is to be congratulated on such evidence of their work during the past season.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 1913.

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Disbursements,	1.00		October dues,		1,277.75
- Credit balance,		\$4,048.66			559.39
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C. F. Heyer-			Stock Fund,		\$4,048.66
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			Exchange Account,		49.13
Credit balance		1,477.45	Suspense Account,		14.70
EXCHANG	E ACCOUNT.		General Fund,		1.34
Balance forwarded,	\$ 42.08			•	
October receipts,	7.05				\$5,591.28
			RESO	URCES.	
Credit balance		49.13	Bonds (book value)	\$2,612.34	
SUSPENSI	E ACCOUNT.		Cash in bank,	2,978.94	
Balance forwarded,	\$ 8.50		Total,		\$5,591.28
October receipts,	6.20	14.70	C. F.	MANN, TI	easurer.

REPORT OF THE SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

NO. 4.

Chicago, November 1st, 1913. Mr. Alvin Good, Recorder, Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S., Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Sir:—

The business done by the Sales Department for the month of October is as follows:—

2356 Books in circulation, valued at	\$45,659.17
137 New Books received, valued at	2,574.74
	2,014.14
2496 Books-total	\$48,233.91
311 Books retired during October (Sales \$1579.91)	5,076.84

valued at \$43,157.07 Insurance on the 311 Books retired in October is \$35.82, which amount I have forwarded to the Treasurer today.

The Sales for the month of October were \$638.77.

The percentage of Sales on Books retired is 32per cent.

The article on the Sales Department in the October number of the "American Philatelist" has created some interest among those members who have never patronized it. Strange as it may seem there are members who have never given it a thought and belonged to the Society for ten years or more. There promises to be a large and active Branch of the A. P. S. in the city of New York in the near future, and an Agent of the Sales Department will be appointed to look after their interests as soon as arrangements are completed.

Other localities having five or more members can obtain the same privileges by appointing one of their members as Agent.

The demand for early issues of United States adhesive postage stamps as well as old European and 20th Century still continues, and as a matter of fact is far greater than the supply.

> P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Sales Superintendent.

COMMUNICATIONS

We will gladly print communications of general interest from our readers, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed therein.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 7. 1913. To the Editor, "The American

Philatelist,"

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the article entitled "French Offices in China, 1908," in the September number, regarding which I wrote you September 30, I enclose a copy of the French text of the letter from M. Coupex, which Mr. Meyer has very kindly furnished me.

You will see from the text that the translation published is full of errors. From the letter it is clear M. Coupex understood the inquiry to relate, as he states, to "la reimpression et la vente de certains timbres de la poste indigene de Chine," i. e., the reprinting and sale of certain stamps of the native post of China. The word "indigene," it may be noted in passing, was incorrectly translated as "Indo-Chinese." M. Coupex further states that the "timbres de la poste chinoise n'ont jamais ete vendus, ni par les colonies francaises. ni par les bureaux francais et Indo-chinois etablis en Chine," which correctly translated, is "Chinese postage stamps have never been sold by the French colonies nor by the French and Indo-Chinese offices established in China." He clearly

refers here to the reprinting and the sale in French post offices of Chinese postage stamps, a thing which, of course, as he states, never happened, and he adds, translatd, "On the other hand, the Indo-Chinese postal administration had made in 1906 an issue of stamps surcharged Canton, Hoihao, etc., and a reprint of this in 1908." The fact that he advised Mr. Meyer to seek further information at the General Directorate of Chinese Posts at Pekin is further indication that he understood the inquiry to relate to Chinese stamps, and not to stamps of the French post offices in South China, which are under the fiscal control of the Indo-Chinese postal administration, at Hanoi.

As stated in my previous leter, I resided in Canton in 1908 and 1909 and bought many of these second printing over the counter at the French post office there, and whether or not the primary object of the second printing was to suply collectors it is certain that they were sold and regularly used for postage. Ordinarily they were to be had only by asking especially for them, but there were times when values of the pictorial type were exhausted that the corresponding values of this second printing were supplied to the public generally for postal use.

> Very truly yours, EVERETT A. COLSON, A. P. S. 2655.

REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE.

Ministre du Commerce, de l'Industrie, des Postes et des Telegraphes.

Direction de l'Exploitation Postale. Paris le 26 Juil. 1913.

Monsieur,

Par votre lettre du 25 mai dernier, vous avez bien voulu me demander de vous fixer sur la reimpression et la vente de certains timbres de la poste indigene de Chine.

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaitre que les timbres de la poste chinoise n'ont jamais ete vendus, ni par les colonies francaises, ni par les bureaux francais et Indo-chinois establis en Chine. D'autre part, l'administration des postes indochinoises aurait fait en 1906 une emission de trimbres surcharges Canton, Hoihao, etc et une reimpression de cette emission en 1908. Si d'autre indications complementaires vous etaient necessaires. vous pourriez vous adresser utilement a la Direction generale des postes chinoises a Pekin, mon administration ne possedant pas d'autre renseignments sur cette question. Recevez. Monsier, l'assurance de ma consideration tres distinguee.

P. Le Ministre du Commerce, de l'Industrie, des Postes et des Telegraphes. Le Directeur de l'Exploitntion Postale. COUPEX.

Monsieur Hugo Meyer,

U. S. Coast Artillery, Portland, Maine.

October 6, 1913.

To the Editor, American Philatelist.

Dear Sir:

The new catalogue includes as Type IV, those specimens of the 1c, 1851-57 with recut top or bottom lines. I am told that the price is to be for used specimens in fine condition, \$1.00 either imperforate or perforate. This may be a reasonable catalogue price for imperforate. For the perforate, it is my opinion that a price of \$10.00 would be much more nearly correct for really fine copies and that even at that price it would be difficult to furnish them as called for. I have been told that offers have been made to furnish these stamps in quantity in fine condition at \$1.00 each. I believe there is just one way that could be done and that is to fake a perforation on an imperforate specimen. This can be done as stamp companies have been known to own machines for such purposes and when the demand comes for these stamps perforate, it would be well for collectors to examine copies offered for sale for this specially added effect. It would also be well if possible to find out who does the work in order that proper credit for it may be given. This may be thought to be an unnecessary warning. After some experience with stamp collecting, I know that it is, unfortunatly, not unnecessary but very pertinent.

I have specimens of the 10c of this issue re-perforated exactly 14 on one side. I have been told of machines for a 12 perforation and do not think it improbable that similar equipment for a 15 perforation should also exist.

While I have been doing little speculating, I would to buy quite a lot of these stamps, at \$1.00, providing J can feel reasonably sure of the genuineness of the perforation.

> Yours truly, WM. L. STEVENSON.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

A STANDARD WORK ON NORWAY COMING.

We have received the following advice from our International Secretary:—

"Knowing the universal demand for an exhaustive and authoratative treatise on the postal issues of Norway, I addressed a communication to the KRISTIANIA FILATELIST KLUB inquiring as to the porspects of such a work being published. The reply, dated Oct. 14th, 1913, reads as follows:—

"Your favor of July 26th has been received and in reply we would say that such a work as you refer to has received our attention for a long time. The necessary preparations have all been made and the work yill appear first in Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift and thereafter as separate print, complete during the jubilee year 1914. At first it will only be published in Norwegian but next year the question of translation will come up. As you are interested in this matter, it will be a great pleasure to keep you informed of the work and as soon as the first installment appears in print, we will send you a copy."

"I believe that this will prove welcome news to every collector of the stamps of Norway and it is only to be hoped that an English translation will be arranged for at as early a date as possible.

L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT."

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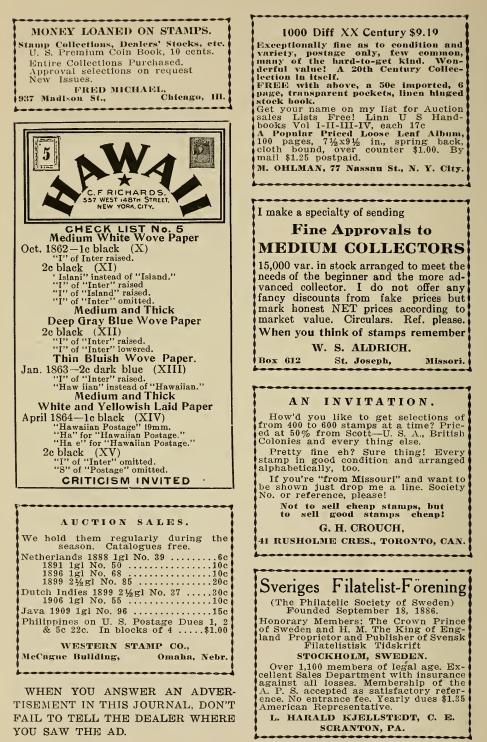
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A FEW WORDS ON PAPER In order to be consistent, papers are shown in this list as "Thin," "Medium" and "Thick," though like the issues of the United States, which the following perforated Hawaiian stamps great-ly resemble in papers, they may be found of sev-eral degrees of thickness. For a sample some of the perforated Hawaii come on what is usually designated as "Thin" or "Thick" paper. I have never scen any of them on as thin paper as the first issue of the 1864-71 2c vermilion, therefore that is the only one here spok n of on "Thin" paper, the others generally known as "Thin" be-ing here referred to as "Medium."

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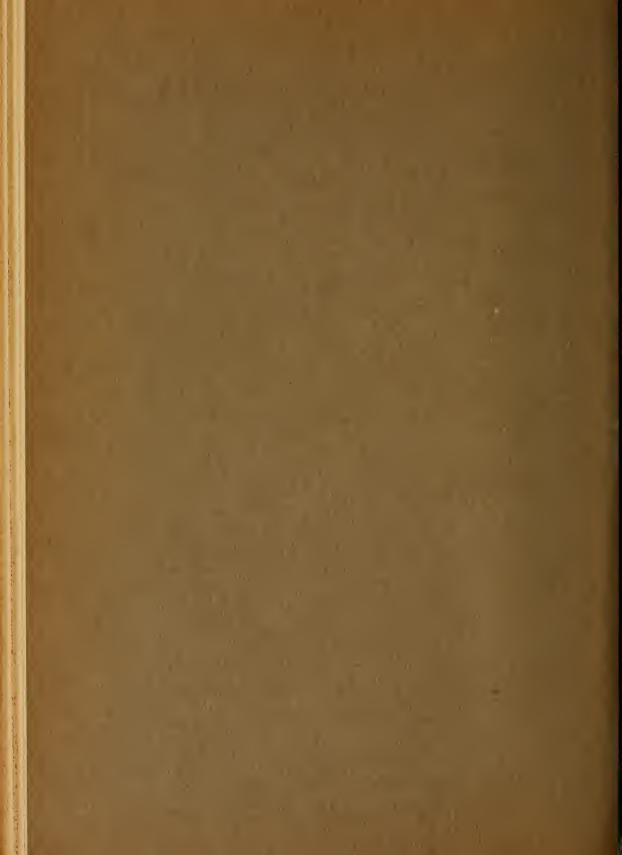
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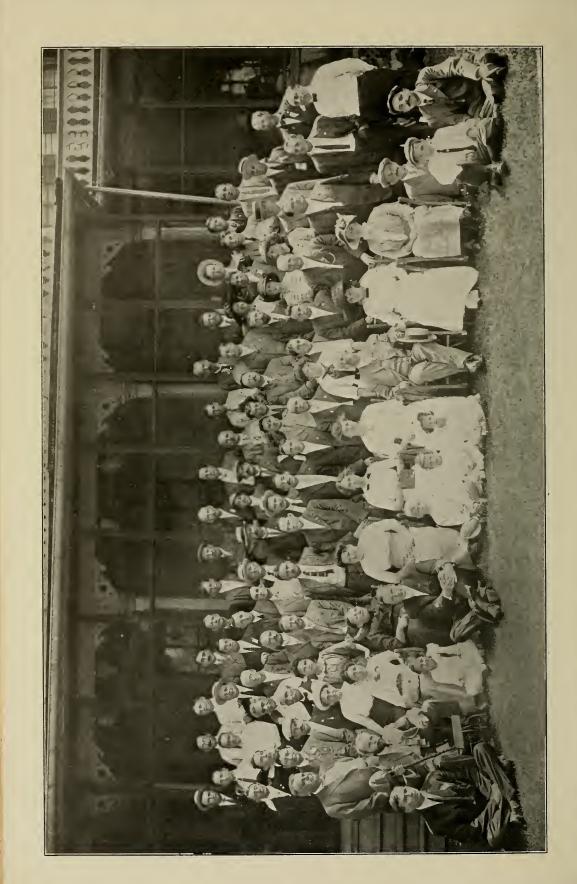
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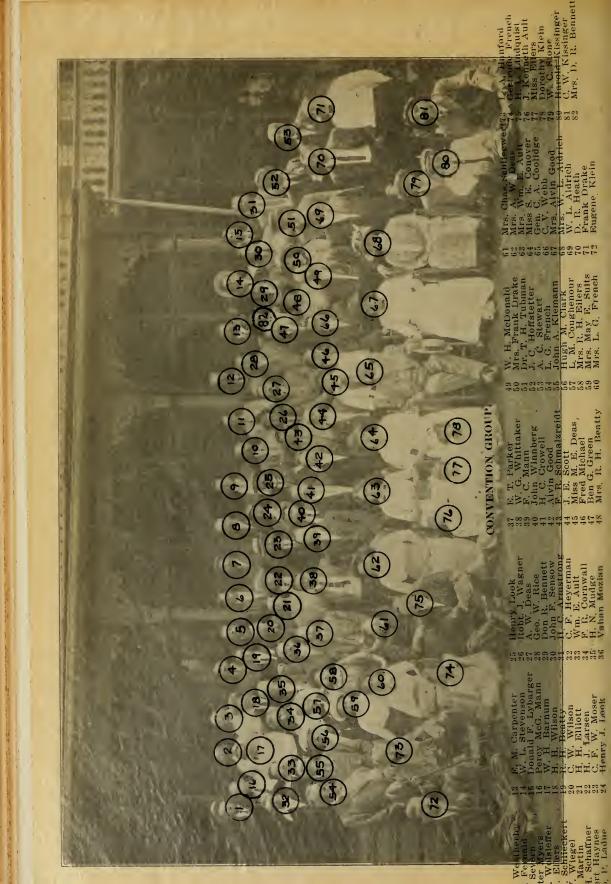
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Eilers, R. HSt. Louis, Mo.
Elliott, Howard HWinchendon, Mass.
Fernald, Alan RDetroit, Mich.
French, L. GCleveland, Ohio.
Good, AlvinCleveland, Ohio.
Green, Ben GChicago, Ills.
Hanford, L. ACleveland, Ohio.
Hartenstein, JuliusDetroit, Mich.
Haynes, Robert
Heath, D. R
Heth, John RBirmingham, Mich.
Heyerman, C. F Detroit, Mich.
Hoffstetter, J. C Erie, Pa.
Johnson, Iver RChicago, Ill.
Kissinger, Clifford WReading, Pa.
Klein, EugenePhiladelphia, Pa.
Klemann, John A New York City, N. Y.
Ladue, Theo. P Detroit, Mich.
Larsen, H. JCleveland, Ohio.
Lindquist, H. LChicago, Ill.
Look, HenryDetroit, Mich.
Lybarger, Donald F

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McDonald, Walter HChicago, Ill.
Mann, C. FChicago, Ill.
Mann, Percy McGraw Philadelphia, Pa.
Martin, Eben SDeGraff, Ohio.
Michael, FredChicago, Ill.
Moser, C. F. WRichmond, Va.
Moses, Otto FCleveland, Ohio.
Mozian, VahanRutherford, N. J.
Mudge, H. NChicago, Ill.
Myers, Chester St. Louis, Mo.
Parker, E. TBethlehem, Pa.
Rice, Geo. W Detroit, Mich.
Schaffner, W. H Marion, Ohio.
Schlieckert, ChasChicago, Ill.
Schmalzreidt, Fred R Detroit, Mich.
Scott, J. EDetroit, Mich.
Sensow, John F LaPorte, Ind.
Severn, C. E Chicago, Ill.
Sponholz, Clarence F Milwaukee, Wis.
Stevenson, Wm. LFlint, Mich.
Stewart, A. CToledo, Ohio.
Stone, Wm. C Springfield, Mass.
Suits, Mrs. F. G. (Mary E.) Milwaukee, Wis.
Tubman, Dr. T. Henry Cleveland, Ohio.
Wagner, Robert J Fostoria, Ohio.
Webb, Clarence V Perry, Ohio.
Weigel, A. WCleveland, Ohio.
Whittaker, W. GCleveland, Ohio.
Wilson, C. W Detroit, Mich.
Wilson, H. HBrooklyn, N. Y.
Winnberg, JohnJamestown, N. Y.
Wolsieffer, P. MChicago, Ill.
Worthington, Geo. H Cleveland, Ohio.

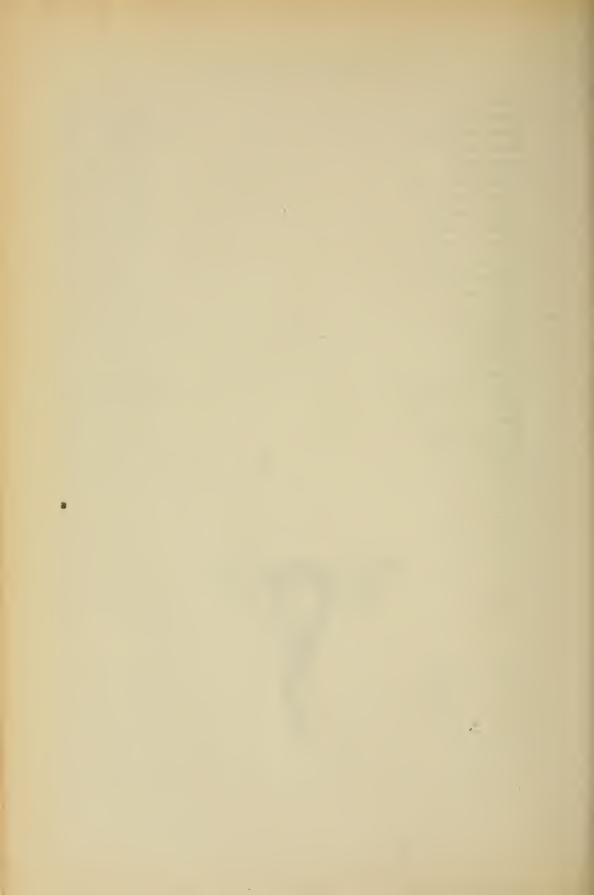
VISITORS.

Aldrich, Mrs. W. LBrookline, Mass.
Ault, Mrs. Wm. EJeffersonville, Ind.
Ault, J. KennethJeffersonville, Ind.
Beatty, Mrs. R. HCleveland, Ohio.
Bennett, Mrs. Don RDetroit, Mich.
Conover, Miss Sara E Absecon, N. J.
Conrad, Mrs. A. LAltoona, Pa.
Cornwall, Mrs. F. RSt. Louis, Mo.
Deas, Mrs. A. WSyracuse, N. Y.

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Deas, Miss M. E	Syracuse, N. Y.
Drake, Frank	Cleveland, Ohio.
Drake, Mrs. Frank	Cleveland, Ohio.
Eilers, Mrs. R. H	St. Louis, Mo.
Eilers, Miss	St. Louis,, Mo.
Fernald, Mrs. A. R	Detroit, Mich.
French, Mrs. L. G	Cleveland, Ohio.
French, Gertrude	Cleveland, Ohio.
Good, Mrs. Alvin	Cleveland, Ohio.
Hennecke, John L	Bucyrus, Ohio.
Kissinger, Mrs. C. W	Reading, Pa.
Kissinger, Harold W	Reading, Pa.
Klein, Dorothy	Philadelphia, Pa.
Look, Henry J	Detroit, Mich.
Ludlow, Mrs. J. W	
MacLaren, W. W	Cleveland, Ohio.
McFarland, Mrs. Anna	Cleveland, Ohio.
Parker, Mrs. E. T	Bethlehem, Pa.
Parker, Miss Helen D	Bethlehem, Pa.
Schlieckert, Mrs. Chas	Chicago, Ill.
Stewart, Mrs. A. C.	Toledo, Ohio.
Weatherby, Silas	Elyria, Ohio.
Winchell, M. R	Chicago, Ill.
Wunderly, L. S	Sandusky, Ohio.





Twenty-Eighth Annual Convention

OF THE

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

Put-in-Bay, O., August, 1913.

Pursuant to the following call, the Twenty-eighth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society was held at the Town Hall, Put-in-Bay, O., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 19-21, 1913:

CALL FOR CONVENTION.

To the Stockholders of the American Philatelic Society;

The Twenty-Eighth Annual Convention of this Society for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it, will be convened at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, on Tuesday, August 19th, 1913, at ten o'clock A. M., and upon succeeding days until all business shall have been disposed of.

The Convention headquarters and place of meeting will be at Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

F. R. CORNWALL, President.

To the Stockholders of the American Philatelic Society;

*I have appointed the following Credentials Committee:

H. E. Deats, Chairman; D. T. Eaton, A. C. Stewart, E. T. Parker, A. R. Fernald,

and on Committee of Arrangements:

W. H. Barnum, Chairman; Alvin Good, F. E. Bruce, A. C. Stewart.

Ballots may be sent to the Committee on Credentials, care Mr. A. C. Stewart, Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

F. R. CORNWALL, President.

June 14, 1913.

Proceedings.

FIRST SESSION-TUESDAY, AUGUST 19.

The Convention met at the Town Hall at 10 A. M., and was called to order by President Cornwall.

The President: Come to order, please. In opening the Twenty-eighth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society, I do so with a gavel loaned by our

^{*}Note—Messrs. Deats and Eaton not being present, Mr. A. C. Stewart was appointed Chairman of the Credentials Committee and Messrs. W. C. Stone and H. L. Lindquist were appointed to fill the vacancies.

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worthy member Mr. Worthington, of the City of Cleveland. And it is worth while to say that this gavel is made from the wood of the Niagara and the Lawrence. I think Commodore Worthington should have the privilege of addressing us for a few minutes. (Applause.) I turn the gavel over to him. (Continued applause.)

ADDRESS OF MR. WORTHINGTON.

Commodore Worthington: It is a great pleasure for me to be here this morning. Although I am an old member of this Society, one of the oldest, I believe, this is the first Convention at which I am able to be present. I do not want to detain you with a long speech, but what I say I think will be of interest.

This gavel, as the President has said, is made of the wood of the Niagara and Lawrence. The head is made of the wood of the Lawrence; the bands from a spike from the same vessel, which was Commodore Perry's first flagship. The handle is made of wood from the Niagara. That was the ship to which Perry transferred his flag when he left the Lawrence. The Niagara was raised last year after she had been at the bottom of Misery Bay, Erie, Pennsylvania, for many years. She has been rehabilitated and is now being escorted around the Great Lakes by a fleet of naval reserve vessels. I am sorry that I could not have had her here this week, but the itinerary was made up a long time ago and could not be changed.

In celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie, which occurs on the 10th of next month, and of one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States we have had a series of celebrations and the national celebration is being held here. It opened on the 4th of July and closes on the 11th of September.

We have endeavored to put on here, at Put-in-Bay's celebration, illustrations showing the difference in the building of ships nowadays and what they were during Perry's time. We have had the Niagara here and this week we have all the latest build of hydroplanes. Next week there will be swimming and diving races. And to some of the younger gentlemen present I would like to say that some of the handsomest lady divers in the world will be here that week. (Applause).

You have noticed near here a fence being erected. That fence encloses the ground wherein lie the bodies of the officers who were killed in the Battle of Lake Erie. Next month they will be removed to the crypt that is being prepared in the new memorial. I hope before you go away you will all visit the latter.

The site of the battle was about four miles north of here. Perry's ships lay in wait in this Bay for the British fleet to appear and when they saw the sails through their glasses, they went out and fought that battle.

Now, I desire to say a word to you as to the memorial, which will be of interest. This memorial when completed will be the greatest in the world. It will cost a million dollars. The money for it has been appropriated by the United States government and by the several States bordering on the great Lakes, and Rhode Island and Kentucky: Rhode Island because Perry was born there and Kentucky because the majority of General Harrison's army that embarked here and fought the Battle of the Thames came from Kentucky.

As to the memorial itself, it will be 335 feet high and stand in the center of an immense plaza 758 feet long and 458 feet wide.

The material of which the memorial is being constructed is Milford granite, from Massachusetts.

We hope when this memorial is completed that there may be said of it as was said of The Temple of King Solomon that when the rays of the rising sun are reflected upon its polished surface, it will dazzle the eyes of all those who at such times behold it, so refulgent will be the splendor of this glorious achievement of modern architecture. (Applause).

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The President: We also have with us this morning Mr. T. B. Alexander, the Mayor and the Keeper of the Jail. (Laughter.) I think that he should turn that Key over to us so that we may return home safely. (Applause.)

Mr. Alexander: Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: I do not claim to be a speech maker, by any means. I was very much surprised, fifteen or twenty minutes ago, when the Commodore came to me and asked me to address this assemblage. I was surprised in more ways than one. First, because I did not know that there was any convention on the Island; secondly, I was busily engaged in my business and I could not wait to change my collar, so I came along just as I was. It is not strange that we might have a convention and the Mayor of the Island not know it—I was also told that there were certain members of the convention who said that they did not know that we had a mayor. (Laughter.) I do not blame the gentlemen much. It was as much as to say that we didn't know how to live and were savages. But we are under the laws of Ohio.

We have here about 340 inhabitants, of which I am one. We have about 45 tax payers and about 96 voters. So a man running for office here gets about 95 of those votes, as it is necessary to beg a person here to accept the office. (Laughter.). We have no office seekers—the office seeks the man. We have a corporation that costs us about \$4500 a year and we have an income tax of only \$2000. And I have been Mayor for six years. Now, you may ask how we regulate business of that kind. I might stand here for an hour and I don't think I could explain it to you. But we always do it and have something on the right side of the ledger. We are now in the midst of the campaign again, but there is nobody to run for mayor. The present mayor refuses to accept it. I think that my private business has suffered enough, although there is some one coming in in my busy hours and asking me to accept it. But there is no one willing to take an office where the expenses are more than double the income; where 45 tax payers are supporting a town of 4500 people. We took care on the 4th of July of 31,000 people. We do more than our own share.

We have one boat in the winter and that boat sometimes make a trip and sometimes she does not—but we don't care. I think the Commodore will probably remember that once when I called on him I walked across the ice. That is a proposition here that most people don't think of. We have at the present time 25 police understand me, we have 45 tax payers. (Laughter and applause.) We have a fire department of 95 volunteers. That is in our island, where less than a mile is incorporated. The rest of it is in South Bass Island, but not out of the State of Ohio. If the police cannot get their money in the fall, they get it in the spring. If, in the spring, anybody gets real careless, we fine them a couple of hundred dollars, and so they are able to pay the grocery bill. (Laughter.)

I am glad, gentlemen, to welcome you, but I am sorry that I did not know that you were coming, so that I could make a more intelligent talk to you. I did not know that there was such a Society in the world, or in the United States, which is practically the world. But now, I am glad to welcome you to Put-in-Bay. (Applause.)

The Commodore omitted to mention that one of Perry's ships, the Porcupine, is on the Island at the present time. It was brought here by a man named N. J. Renders. After the Battle of Lake Erie in 1813 the old boat was used as a Revenue cutter. In 1843 it was purchased by a man by the name of Perry and placed in the lumber trade. Perrysburg, Michigan, Ottawa County, was named after this man Perry. In 1843 she sank in the Grand River, opposite the boyhood home of Mr. Renders. The latter gentleman raised her in 1898 and brought her here this spring. You will find that boat down on Delaware Avenue, about two blocks before the bathing beach. It is authentic. I wish to speak about the men who were buried under that willow tree. The willow tree about ten years ago rotted and fell. There was a small one planted, which died; and afterward the monument, with the cannon balls, was placed on that spot. I have had several people call on me and ask if I could prove who were buried there. A man by the name of Phillip Vroman came to reside on this island in 1852 and died last fall at the age of 95. While I knew Mr. Vroman very well, he was a more intimate friend of my wife's father, but we called at his house. He sold to Phillip Vroman a parcel of land, and they were very good friends.

Phillip Vroman told me the names of a number of those men—though their names I do not now recollect—but they came here a number of times to pay respect to their dead comrades. Phillip Vroman gave me, four or five years ago, the names of those men, but I have mislaid the list. Mrs. Vroman, at the age of 94, is living just two blocks from here, and she enjoys good health. If any of you wish to talk to her about Perry's men, she would be glad to talk to you.

Before I conclude I would like to say just a few words in respect to and in favor of our dear friend Commodore Worthington, for this is an occasion that I cannot pass by without paying him some tribute. Although a voter in Cleveland, I am sorry that he does not vote here. When this matter was brought up about six years ago, of the Perry Centennial, I was away. When I returned, it fell to my lot to raise money for the expense of the Ohio Commission, of which Commodore Worthington was then a member. Governor Harris appointed this Commission to serve without compensation. We had expended some three or four hundred dollars in trying to get the Commission appointed, but it had been appointed to serve without compensation. Then it fell to my lot to raise money to pay their expenses. I found it was a pretty hard matter to raise money in Put-in-Bay. I went to Sandusky and Toledo, to Cleveland and Detroit, and I think the Commodore will remember that I came back in about ten days with \$700. It was no easy job. The next season we had the money while Put-in-Bay contributed her mite from time to time. But we never could have attained the proportion in the way of a celebration that we have attained without the Commodore, and 1 cannot pay too much or too great a tribute to Commodore Worthington who is still working and will never cease until that monument is erect-While we thought that we would have a small celebration, it is ed. (Applause.) something that is running into millions, and we have him to thank for it. (Continued applause.)

I wonder if this would be of interest to you: To know how Put-in-Bay obtained her name? This is mostly hearsay, but I have traced the matter back. This was originally known as South Bass Island, and is on the Government charts as such, North Bass and Middle Bass being to the north of us. I believe that Commodore Perry, after the battle, stated to his sailing master, "We have won our victory and we will put in bay," where he laid for several days. This is Put-in-Bay township, and the compound word was used when the village was incorporated. My wife's father was the first mayor of the town, and his son-in-law the last. (Applause.)

Commodore Worthington has heard this little poem, so, if he will pardon me, I will repeat it:

Where is the Perry Monument? We search from shore to shore Everywhere, we find statues of Heros of the War

When North and South in conflict came But Perry's noble fame Has nought to mark it anywhere A governmental shame.

Now get yourselves to-gether And pull with all your might, We have the finest harbor Within our little Island tight.

We tell the world we'll treat them well And we tell the powers that be They couldn't find a choicer spot To celebrate this victory.

A monument to Perry Right here at Put-in-Bay; A monument to Perry Which forevermore shall stay.

A tribute to his memory And the victory that he won, A tribute to his heros And the men behind the gun.

The President: I think that we owe a hearty vote of thanks both to Mr. Worthington and Mr. Alexander. What shall we say? Gentlemen, we thank you very much for your kindness. I wish to say that Mr. Alexander has sacrificed his personal business to be with us. He did not know that there was such a thing as a Philatelic Society, while we were in a corresponding condition of ignorance regarding the mayor.

I think that the Convention owes a vote of thanks to both gentlemen, and I also assure the mayor, who is a judge of our deeds and misdeeds, that if any of our Society is brought before him, we will do our best to get him out. (Applause.)

Gentlemen, in formally opening the convention, we usually have the call of the convention read, but as that has been printed in our official organ, and I speak of that with pride, which has been sent to our members—not as frequently on time as might be—I think that we can dispense with that, and proceed immediately to the business of the morning, which is the report of the Credentials Committee.

Mr. Chester Myers: Mr. President.

The President: Mr. Myers.

. Mr. Myers: Before we get down to the serious business, Mr. President, I have been chosen by a group of Philatelists, a number of members of the St. Louis Society and the A. P. S. from Missouri, as well as three esteemed members of both societies who reside in Illinois, to read to you this memorial to our retiring President, Mr. Cornwall.

> "There is no greater wisdom than well to Time the beginning and the onsets of things"—Bacon.

In choosing our friend and fellow Philatelist, Frederick R. Cornwall, to preside over its destinies, The American Philatelic Society signally honored, as well, his friends, his city, and his state.

In appreciation we would constantly remind Mr. Cornwall that this honor has been mutually enjoyed. The highest office within the gift of The American Philatelic Society could not have been his had he not given freely of his time and talents to the uplifting of our Hobby. In our constant association with him we have learned to appreciate his help and guidance in everything appertaining to Philately.

In accepting the accompanying token he will, we trust, remember for all time to come, that his efforts have been prized by us. It is our hope that often as he seeks to learn the time of day, he will be reminded that we have profited while he has so well served Philately.

Wm. J. H. Anschuetz	Chas. Lewis
Walter Bain	T. C. Mann
August Ballmann	H. W. Marston
Chas. Bolbach	W. C. Michaels
F. N. Chase	Chester Myers
F. D. Collins	E. J. Ruelbach
H. A. Diamant	C. E. Severn
Ralph Eilers	W. A. Sisson
Frank E. Goodwin	A. Strauss
W. F. Hardy, Jr.	Andrew Whittemore
B. G. Johnson	P. M. Wolsieffer

The President: Gentlemen, I now have the time. (Calls of Good Morning, from the floor, together with renewed applause.) Permit me to say that this is most unexpected. Well, I hardly know what to say. I am like the young lady who had a beau and he was very bashful; he was too bashful to ask her to marry him, so he called her up over the 'phone; he said, "Is this you, Mary?" "Yes." "Will you marry me?" "Yes," she said, "who is it?" (Laughter.) I am overcome. I did not expect this, and I don't know what to say except this, that for the past seven years, I think, I have been identified as an officer of the American Philatelic Society, formerly known as The American Philatelic Association. And while I am retiring as President, I wish to say that in the future the interest of the American Philatelic Society will be my interest and, anticipating my report, I am going to say at any time that the Society needs me I will be with you heart and soul. Gentlemen, I thank you.

I wish to announce first of all, the fact that Mr. Deats and Mr. Eaton, who were appointed as members of the Committee, are not here.

As the first business of the meeting I would like to hear from Mr. Stewart.

Mr. A. C. Stewart: I was rather busy yesterday, so I have got Mr. Stone to report. Mr. W. C. Stone then read the report as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 19, 1913.

To the American Philatelic Society:

Your Committee on Credentials has carefully examined the ballots cast at the election and herewith submits their report on the same:

Total number of ballots received		446
Rejected for the following reasons		
Unsigned	11	
Blank	3	
Signed with rubber stamp	1	
From an expelled member	1	
Total rejected		16
Total number of valid and counted ballots		430

Of the above ballots a number contained votes for only a portion of the names on the ticket. The number received for each candidate was as follows:

William E. Ault of Indiana received	426
Charles A. Coolidge of Michigan received	425
L. Harald Kjellstedt of Pennsylvania received	423
Henry B. Phillips of California received	423
Charles F. Mann of Illinois received	421
Alvin Good of Ohio received	417
John F. Rust of Ohio received	413
Henry C. Crowell of Ohio received	411
Ernest M. Carpenter of Massachusetts received	410

and the above nine persons are declared elected to serve as directors for the ensuing fiscal year.

Scattering votes were also received as follows:

Charles A. Nast 5, G. H. Worthington 3, J. M. Holt 3, H. E. Deats 3, E. Doeblin 3, A. C. Stewart 3, W. H. Barnum 3, D. T. Eaton 3, H. N. Mudge 3, P. M. Wolsieffer 2, Charles Roemer 2, R. C. Edgar 2, W. H. Wherry, Julian Park, S. T. Harris, A. G. Burgoyne, P. McG. Mann, F. L. Palmer, B. H. H. Poole, Chas. Beamish, J. A. Klemann, F. R. Cornwall, C. W. Kissinger, P. J. Kranz, C. A. Howes, W. O. Wylie, A. W. Dunning, Edwin Caswell, P. H. R. Pierson and C. J. T. Utermark 1 vote each.

The following proxies were approved.

Allan R. Fernald	*D. T. Eaton
Harry Lindquist11	*L. G. Dorpat 6
Henry N. Mudge10	Chester Meyers 6
Charles E. Severn	Percy McG. Mann 8
Edward T. Parker14	*W. O. Wylie 3
W. H. Barnum	W. G. Whittaker 7
Albert C. Stewart	*H. E. Deats 6
Clarence V. Webb	E. S. Martin 1
P. M. Wolsieffer50	*A. W. Dunning 1
William C. Stone	Eugene Klein 2
Hugh M. Clark 1	*Eugene Doeblin 1
H. C. Crowell 1	John A. Klemann 7
Alvin Good 5	Ben G. Green 4
C. W. Kissinger 4	
John Sensow 2	Total

There were 19 proxies rejected for the following reasons:

 Made in favor of Directors
 17

 Unsigned
 2

The proxies which were signed but sent in without any person's name being filled in were equally divided among the members of the committee as has been the custom in past years.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. STEWART, E. T. PARKER, A. R. FERNALD, WM. C. STONE, HARRY LINDQUIST,

Committee.

*Not present at the convention.

The President: What is your pleasure concerning the report? If it is that it be filed, that requires no vote. The total number of proxies approved today is 390.

The next business on the program is the reading of the President's report.

The President: I wish to say before reading my formal report that in my opinion the past year, which is the last of my administration, has run more smoothly and that we have had less friction than during the years that I have been connected with the Society. Whether that marks the calm that gathers before the storm, I know not; but I know that you all join with me in hoping that it is not an indication of trouble. On the contrary, I think that the machinery of our organization has been elaborated with so many amendments to our By-Laws that it is at last running harmoniously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Members of the American Philatelic Society:

Another year has gone by and with it marks the close of my official connection as your president. During my administration I have, from necessity, been in close touch with the affairs of the organization, and consequently have in mind the interest of Philately in general, and of our society in particular.

First, I might mention the fact that the collection of United States stamps, essays and historical data gathered together after years of painstaking labor and great expense, by the late Earl of Crawford, is available to our government. It is needless to say, the Government of the United States, is the most logical prospective purchaser of this collection, which by all means should be kept intact and preserved for the benefit of future generations to come.

Along the lines of the above is the collection of stamps in the National Museum at Washington, D. C. Recently the Civil Service Commission requested that applications be filed for the position of philatelist to take charge of, and arrange, this collection. It appears that the collection is far from complete, and it would be highly desirable to make this collection as complete as possible, either by purchase in the market or by donations. This would involve a special appropriation by Congress, and possibly could best be obtained when specific items, which are lacking in the collection, are known.

Another matter which is to be of great importance to the promotion of our hobby is the collection and preservation of publications for future reference. The Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is the custodian of books belonging to the Society, but as a working library to the student who is desirous of getting literature on a given subject it is far from being complete. Many standard books are lacking in addition to which many current periodicals are not received. Current publications, or at least many of them, would undoubtedly be glad to exchange with us for The American Philatelist, and in that way we could acquire contemporaneous periodicals at little expense. With respect to standard books and works of reference, I would suggest that, in addition to the amount appropriated to the society's librarian for binding purposes, at least One Hundred Dollars be placed at the disposal of your Philatelic Literature Committee for the purchase of books needed. The formation of a working library brings to mind the availability of books in the library to our members. Of course, the library has to be located some place, and kept in the proper manner. Pittsburgh is well situated geographically for this purpose. The members, however, are not taking advantage of the books and using them to their fullest extent, as I understand there are very few calls for the shipment of books from the library. Members should remember that these books are the property of the society and are available upon the payment of transportation charges.

One of the benefits which the society is now able to give its members is The American Philatelist. Launched with fear and tribulation, it still floats upon what we had first thought would be troubled waters. As an official publication, it has unquestionably filled its purpose, and that exceedingly well. Now, that the first year's experiment as a monthly publication has been successful, perhaps it might be well to consider the broadening of scope and field of operation, so that the society's publication will be made more useful and interesting, and eventually become a work of the highest order, including in its pages original data which in the years to come will prove most interesting and valuable. Your president is given authority to "blue pencil" matter which may be interesting only to a few, and in the exercise of this discretion, I recommend the present policy of keeping purely personal matters out of our official publication be continued.

By means of your Official Journal, you have been kept advised of the society's condition through the reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Sales Superintendent. A few of the branches have had the minutes of their meetings published, and it would seem to be highly desirable that this practice continue and that the minutes of the meetings of all branches be sent in.

I shall not attempt to review the various happenings in the world of philately for the past year, but every indication points to not only increasing interest, but substantial additions to our ranks, not only here, but abroad. The Secretary's report shows a healthy and natural growth from week to week. Of course, there is always a decrease in membership when the "garden is weeded" by dropping the negligent and indifferent members, who forget to pay their dues. Such a loss is really the society's gain, as none of us who have our shoulders to the wheel, with the progress and prosperity of the society at heart, care to be burdened with dead timber.

Two years ago in celebrating the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Society, we had at Chicago the greatest stamp exhibition ever held in the United States. We have in prospect at New York next October another Exhibition, international in character, which, no doubt, will so far surpass our maiden effort that we can only look back upon it and say "We Started Something."

It behooves every member of the Society to lend his personal and individual support to the oncoming Exhibition. The Society as a whole has endorsed the venture and, while we as a body can only give encouragement as the consensus of our opinion, yet as individuals we can do more and in reality produce greater effective results. As stamp collectors we should enter heart and soul into the spirit of the proposition and, to paraphrase the slogan of one of our industrial organizations, "ALL TOGETH-ER, ALL THE TIME FOR EVERYTHING PHILATELIC."

In conclusion I can not refrain from again expressing my thanks and appreciation to the Officers of your Society who have cooperated with me to make the passing administration one of the most peaceful in the annals of our history. Not that we have had no work to do; not that complaints against members have been fewer; not that troubles incident to every large organization have failed to arise, but because when these things have happened, they have been taken care of and handled promptly and with justice to all.

Your Board of Vice Presidents has reported regularly and dispensed with its business with promptness and rectitude. Your Secretary, who is also the Editor of your Official Journal, has not only been most prompt but, I am sorry to say, has, on one or two occasions, found your President off on a business trip which latter accounts for the delay in the Official Journal reaching you promptly on or before the tenth of each month.

Your Treasurer has handled the funds of your Society in an entirely satisfactory manner and whether we owe our credit balance to his good services, as against a deficit at the time he took office, I leave to his admirable reports.

Your International Secretary has not forgotten that he is "on the job" and your Directors at Large have done their work promptly.

In this connection it is but fitting I should state that upon the death of Mr. Henry J. Crocker of San Francisco, California, who was a Director At Large, I wrote to the other of your Directors to obtain an expression from them as to the appointment of a successor. As the oncoming election was but shortly removed from the time of our loss and the great and irreparable loss to Philately, I deemed it but an expression of sympathy and regard to his memory that we refrain from appointing a successor to Mr. Crocker to fill the unexpired term of his office. In indulging in this personal sentiment, I perhaps have been derelict in my duty to the Society and to that extent I can only ask that you consider the spirit of my action and condone the offense if any has been committed.

As a retiring President, and one who is as modest as he is retiring, let me say that as a 'HAS BEEN'' the welfare of your organization will always stand first and foremost in my heart and if there is anything I can do to further your prosperity, command me.

F. R. CORNWALL, President.

The President: I would suggest that the Committee on Resolutions consider the suggestion in my report concerning the appropriation of a sum of money to be applied by the Philatelic Literature Committee for the purpose of buying books. I wish to say, also, in this report that when I said that the finances of your Society are in good condition, I had in mind this one fact: last year when we showed a deficit, we had bills for the Quarterly outstanding at the time aggregating over \$400, which should not be charged to this year's business. So, when you take that from this year and add it to last, you really see that you have a credit balance on the right side of the ledger.

The next business is the report of the Board of Vice Presidents. General Coolidge.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VICE PRESIDENTS.

Detroit, Mich., August 19th, 1913.

To the General Convention American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:-

Your Board of Vice-Presidents met nearly every week during the past year, generally attended by all the members, except during the last two months when Mr. Herbert Bowen was necessarily absent on account of severe illness.

There have been before them for consideration 59 cases of more or less importance, all of which have been disposed of, except four cases in which the necessary data has not been completed. These will have to be turned over to the new Board for the ensuing year.

While there seems to have been less substitution of stamps in the Exchange Circuits than previously, it is doubtless due to the precautions and executive ability of the Exchange Superintendent; this source of difficulty is liable to continual occurrence and requires constant watchfulness and ceaseless vigilance, but can never be wholly eradicated while the cupidity of mankind exists.

The insurance fund was drawn on for only \$40.79 to replace stamps lost or purloined from the Exchange Circuits; which we consider a very creditable showing and an unprecedentedly small amount considering the great value of the books in circulation.

There has been a great demand for fine United States. Stamps, but evidently those who hold them are not disposed to part with them at present values, feeling that they are destined eventually to bring higher prices in the near future. The Board of Vice Presidents were compelled to recommend four cases for expulsion from membership in the A. P. S. after impartial investigations, supported by the written evidence of all parties to the controversies, all of which is on file in the retained records of the Board.

There were three persons applying for membership, to whose admission objections were raised; but as two of them had received their admission cards before the complaints were filed, no action was possible except on regular charges and evidence "de novo," which the complainants were disinclined to institute.

There were six cases of disagreement between members of the A. P. S. in regard to exchanging or purchase of stamps, which were finally adjusted in an equitable manner, excepting one case in which all the evidence has not been received to date. Most of the cases exhibit a looseness in the manner of the business methods and carelessness in the manner of transmittal, together with inattention or neglect to reply promptly and definitely to the communications of their correspondents.

While the Board of Vice-Presidents has been willing to adjust amicably, disputes between members relative to exchanges, they have endeavored to have it clearly understood that they are not a collection agency or a clearing house. Whenever the parties have been amenable to justice and honorable dealing, they have extended their influence to adjust the claim equitably, but whenever chicanery, deceit or intent to defraud has been exposed, they have found it necessary to take stringent remedial measures to preserve the honor and purity of the Society.

The basis of the organization of the A. P. S. is founded on the honor and integrity of its individual membership, and we consider every member a gentleman; we cannot afford to have a single dishonest person, or one who is guilty of an intentional dishonest transaction, among us. It is the duty of the Board of Vice-Presidents to eliminate such members, but it must be remembered that this is a legally corporate body and the Board of Vice-Presidents are compelled to abide by the construction of the By-laws in recommending any member for expulsion to the Board of Directors. Before any legal cognizance can be instituted, written charges are required by the By-laws, and an affidavit to substantiate the specification is an absolute requisite; then the defendant must be given an opportunity to adduce evidence in his own defense or disapprove the allegation.

If members who complain against parties would forward specific written charges and their affidavit with their first communication, it would save the time of the Board, and much unnecessary correspondence and annoyance. On the other hand, if parties against whom complaints are alleged would answer the inquiries of the Recorder promptly, it would expedite matters and relieve any impression that they desire to evade an investigation.

During the year a colored man was admitted as a member of the Society. While there is no provision against such admission, it is a question whether it is desirable to admit persons of that race. It might be advisable that the nationality should be stated on the application for membership.

Attention is called to the fact that in one or two instances a "trade name" has been used in applying for membership. This form of procedure, while it may have been used without intent to deceive, should not be permitted. Our Society stands on too high a plane of gentlemanly honor for any member to appear under a pseudonym for any reason.

Your Board has felt compelled to give warning to members of the association who advertise in a foreign publication which countenances the manufacture of "facsimiles of obsolete stamps" etc., that the practice is reprehensible.

The Board desires to continue on record the fact that the famous R. J. Mundell case is still unsettled, there being a balance of \$148.96 due the Society, the party never having been located since he defaulted and absconded.

It is recommended that the Philadelphia Stamp News be continued as the Official Weekly publication of the A. P. S. its services having been exceedingly valuable.

Your Board is of the opinion that the Official Journal, "The American Philatelist," published by the Society, has exemplified the wisdom of the last Convention, in its establishment, and that its continuance during the coming year under the present system and management will be a desirable feature towards the advancement of the Society, and an inducement for outside collectors to join our ranks. We would suggest that it should be made a semi-monthly as soon as practicable.

It is recommended that the By-laws Sec. 4 Art. 5, in case of the Treasurer, and Art. VII, Sec. 4 B, in case of the Sales Superintendent, be so amended that the Bonds for those officers, when given by a reputable Bonding Company, may be approved and accepted by the President of the A. P. S. without requiring the authorization of the entire Board of Directors.

It is recommended that when a person is re-admitted as a member of the Society after having resigned or been dropped for over one year, he shall be given a new number and not allowed his previous designation.

The notice published against the sending of "unsolicited approval sheets" has not seemed to prevent this disagreeable feature. It is hoped that each member will aid in suppressing this evil, by refusing at all times to patronize that class of dealers.

The Board of Vice-Presidents deprecates the withdrawal of older members from the Society for, often, insignificant reasons while they still continue as Collectors; feeling that it is the bounden duty of all Philatelists to continue their membership in the national organization as an incentive to others; for while they may not consider that they receive benefits commensurate with the small annual expenditure for dues, or become dissatisfied at some action or want of action of the officers; or feel that the Society is not accomplishing all that they expect of the organization; they should remember that we are banded together for the interest of our great science in the future as well as the present, and that we are honestly trying to do what we believe is for the benefit of that object. It may not be your way, but give them credit for the good work they accomplish. If you are not satisfied, attend the Convention and elect Officers who will carry out your views. We have a duty to our associates, and the influence of the older and more advanced collectors is an important factor in the progress of our cause, and their disaffection weakens the advancement of Philately.

> "Be to our virtues ever kind, Be to our faults a little blind."

> > Respectfully submitted, CHARLES A. COOLIDGE, Chairman, C. FREDERIC HEYERMAN, HERBERT BOWEN.

> > > August 12, 1913.

Gen. C. A. Coolidge, Chairman, Board of Vice-Presidents American Philatelic Society, Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:-

As trustee to take charge of stamps turned into the Board of Vice-Presidents in refund of substitutions etc. I have received during the year, eight stamps with a net value of \$15.00 to be sold for the benefit of the Insurance fund.

There has been remitted to the Treasurer \$4.18 from sales. Four books are being circulated in the Sales Department with a value of \$76.69. A Lot of 100 stamps, mostly very common, unmounted, are on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. HEYERMAN, Trustee.

General Coolidge: I will say that Mr. Bowen is now convalescent and expected to be here, but his physician would not allow him to come.

The President: Gentlemen, the report of your Board of Vice Presidents will be filed unless there is objection, and it will be referred to your Committee on By-Laws and Resolutions Committee when the same are appointed.

Coming under the jurisdiction of the Board of Vice Presidents is the Sales Superintendent, and I think it is no more than proper at this point that we should hear from our friend P. M. (Applause).

Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, Sales Superintendent, read his report as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SALES DEPARTMENT.

Chicago, June 20th, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents,

American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:

This Annual Report covers the period from date of my last Annual Report August 16th, 1912 to June 20th, 1913 inclusive, or about ten months, nearly the same length of time as my last one.

The Sales in my last report were \$6542.66 and in this report \$7720.70, an increase of \$1178.04.

Total number of new books received last year was 1774 valued at \$32,311.40 while this year there were 1402 new books valued at \$27,693.87.

The Insurance Fund last year received \$107.02 while this year it receives \$229.03.

The percentage of sales on valuation in last report was 25.007% while in this report it is 25.844% or an increase of .837%.

While the financial part of this report shows that the Sales Department did better this year than last, the business of the Department could probably have been doubled if the Superintendent had the kind of material members are constantly asking•for.

Nearly every participant of the Department has requested books of old issues United States stamps, old issues European and Twentieth Century stamps of which there were only a limited number sent in. Had it been possible to supply this demand the total of sales would have been greater.

It is a very difficult matter to make a great success of the Department without the hearty cooperation of all those participating. I regret to say there are a few members who will not be guided by the rules, and those few upset the entire arrangement of whatever circuit they happen to be on.

Some members desire circuits at certain periods and the Superintendent tries to get the circuits in their hands when wanted. One member holding up the circuit longer than he is entitled to spoils the whole scheme. Then the Superintendent gets letters from other members that two or three circuits arrived about the same time or within a few days of each other, and that none had been received before in a month or six weeks. Not only is the member justly annoyed by such an occurrence but he purchases a less amount from the several circuits received almost together, than he would if they had arrived as per schedule planned in the Superintendent's office.

Last year I did not assess any fines or discipline any member for cause but the utter disregard of the Regulations and oft repeated infractions of the rules compelled me to do so on several occasions this year greatly to my regret.

That many of the members realize this state of affairs is shown by the letters sent in calling my attention to Mr. Blank who held up the circuit for two or three weeks, or that Mr. Blank had forwarded the circuit unsealed as printed matter or by Parcel Post not insured, etc. Such cases can not always be handled without the Superintendent hurting some ones feelings and places him often in a delicate position of either charging up a fine or dropping the guilty member from the circuit.

The By-Laws calls for only quarterly reports but in order to keep in touch with the members I have made a report the first of each month. In these monthly reports I have tried to keep the members posted in regard to any special features, the wants of the Department etc., and it has been of benefit to the Department in many ways.

The scheme of sending "Special Individual Circuits" of 25 books to members to be returned direct to the Superintendent has worked well, a number of members having taken advantage of it, that never received any regular circuits before. This idea is more on the order of a confidential nature, some members objecting to the publicity of what and how much they are buying.

The following is a detailed statement of business done by the Department from August 16th, 1912, to close of business June 20th, 1913:

2927	books on hand August 15th, 1912, valued at	.\$52,390.22
198	books received during balance of August and Sept., 1912, valued at	. 3,963.61
136	books received during October, 1912, valued at	. 2,507.67
173	books received during November, 1912, valued at	. 3,515.63
107	books received during December, 1912, valued at	. 1,873.03
185	books received during January, 1913, valued at	3,455.58
146	books received during February, 1913, valued at	. 2,295.24
82	books received during March, 1913, valued at	1,684.61
145	books received during April, 1913, valued at	2,508.58
113	books received during May, 1913, valued at	. 2,266.02
117	books received during June (to 20th), 1913, valued at	3,623.90
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4329		\$80,084.09
1763	books retired to June 20, (Sales \$8,170.23), valued at	\$31,613.63
2566	books in circulation. June 20th, valued at	\$48,470,46

Summary of Cash on 1763 Books Retired,

Which were valued at \$31,613.63	Total Sales \$8,170.23
Cash remitted to owners	\$6,853.46
Value received, postage on books to owners	43.38
Commission to Sales Superintendent	1,024.09
Fines for counterfeits, etc.	20.27 -
Insurance	229.03 \$8,170.23

It will be noted that the sales from the retired books have amounted to 25.844%, an increase of .837% over that shown on last account.

CASH REPORT.

Debits.

Cash received from sales, August 16th to September 30, 1912	Cash on hand August 15th, 1912\$	6,513.75
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Insurance.

During the year to June 20th, 1913, there have been retired 1763 books valued at \$31,613.63, on which the assessed insurance was as follows:

For books retired to September 30, 1912\$	47.99
For books retired to October 25, 1912	13.26
For books retired to November 30, 1912	24.08
For books retired to December 31, 1912	23.04
For books retired to January 31, 1913	13.98
For books retired to February 28, 1913	26.99
For books retired to March 28, 1913	31.90
For books retired to April 30, 1913	11.38
For books retired to May 31, 1913	7.65
For books retired to June 20, 1913	8.76

\$229.03

Which amounts have on the several dates mentioned above been forwarded to the Treasurer for credit to the Insurance fund.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Sales Superintendent.

Mr. Wolsieffer: I have told you in my report here that we had cash on hand \$6,113.80, which was on June 20. This information shows that since your report was made we have retired 561 books, valued at \$9870.97. Sales \$2722.04. Net amount to owners, \$2282.90.

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The President: Gentlemen, the report of your Sales Superintendent will be referred to your Committee on Sales Department, and attached to that report is the audit which the by-laws require, as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Chicago, July 17, 1913.

Board of Vice-Presidents,

American Philatelic Society,

19 McGraw Building, Detroit, Mich.

Gentlemen:

In response to your request of June 25th, this is to advise that the undersigned have audited the Sales Superintendent's books and papers in reference to his annual report of June 20th, 1913, through your board, in connection with the 28th Annual Convention to be held at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, and find said report to be correct; we having also verified his cash on hand and find it to be in accordance with his account as shown in said report.

Respectfully,

H. N. MUDGE, FRED MICHAEL, ARILD M. DAHL, Auditing Committee.

The President: The next business on hand is the report of your Secretary, and while Mr. Ault tells me that he was present at Columbus and that this is his second convention, I think it is no more than fitting, and as a token of appreciation of his remarkable labors of the past, that in addition to introducing him to you as your Secretary, I should add his greater honor as Editor of The American Philatelist. (Applause).

The Secretary, Mr. William E. Ault, was greated with great applause as he arose to read his report, which was as follows:

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

Jeffersonville, Ind., August 19th, 1913.

To the President and Members of the American Philatelic Society—

Gentlemen-

I have the honor to present herewith my report as Secretary of this Society for year 1912-13.

While we show a small loss in our membership as compared with the number reported to the last Convention, yet in view of the fact that undoubtedly greater interest is being taken in Society affairs by the members 1 think we have reason to feel that the tide is turning and it is to be hoped we have reached the low ebb.

The membership statistics follow	
Membership August 17th, 19121489	
New Stockholders admitted 187	
Reinstatement of members lapsing prior to March 1913 13	
Reinstatement of members lapsing March 1913 19	
Old Stockholders added (Owing to errors, etc.) 11	
By error in count occurring prior to Sept. 1912 3	1722
Resignations accepted	
Deaths reported	
Expelled by Directors	
Dropped March 15th, 1913, for non-payment of dues 165	273
Membership August 16th, 1913	1449
showing a net loss of 40 for the year.	

One application received during past fiscal year was refused and returned by order of Board of Vice-Presidents.

No Branch charters have been applied for and none of the charters of existing branches have been annulled this year, which still leaves a total of eighteen branches in existence according to records, but of these in addition to the three reported delinquent at the last Convention, which still owe dues for that year, two have failed to pay their dues for the current year, as follows—

Wichita Branch No. 31

Philippine Branch No. 33

leaving only thirteen branches in good standing at the present time, as follows-

Chicago Branch No. 1	Louisville Branch No. 26
Pacific Philatelic Society Branch No. 3	Berkeley Branch No. 27
St. Louis Branch No. 4	Springfield Branch No. 28
Pittsburgh Branch No. 5	Cleveland Branch No. 30
Philadelphia Branch No. 18	Saginaw Stamp Club, Branch No. 34
Columbus Collectors Club Branch No.21	Buffalo Collectors Club Branch No. 37
Detroit Philatelic Society Branch No.25	

The 200 new stockholders and reinstatements have been proposed by 93 members, as follows---

P. M. Wolsieffer
W. H. Barnum14
I. C. Greene
A. W. Dunning 8
L. H. Kjellstedt 6
H. S. Powell 6
Wm. E. Ault 6
C. P. DeKay 5
Dr. A. W. Bruce 4
P. McGraw Mann 4
W. G. Whittaker 4
J. M. Bartels 3
R. H. Beatty 3
G. G. Bergman 3
Chas. L. Brisley 3
H. C. Crowell 3
Eugene Klein 3

Donald W. Martin	3
E. M. Carpenter	2
Nathan Cobe	2
Alvin Good	2
L. C. Hassler	2
Geo. W. Linn	2
Chester Myers	2
M. Ohlman	2
Julian Park	2
Ross O'Shaughnessy	2
Wm. B. Sprague	2
C. V. Webb 2	2
Henry Wendt	2
W. O. Wylie	2
Wm. J. Adams I	I
Geo. L. Baldwin	L
Rasmus Bartelson 1	L

A. W. Batchelder 1	Chas. E. Jenny 1
L. L. Batchelder 1	Iver R. Johnson 1
L. A. Beebe 1	Daniel J. Kaib 1
Don R. Bennett 1	B. W. Laird 1
Frank Bescher 1	H. A. Lauritzen 1
Max F. Bier 1	L. Lazarus 1
Chas. M. Breder 1	Harry Leonard 1
F. I. Cleveland Bundlie 1	Harry M. Lindsay 1
Leon V. Cass 1	Milton P. Lyons, Jr 1
Henry Chaloner 1	August Mack 1
P. L. Chambers 1	Eben S. Martin 1
Fredk. Charles 1	Chas. R. Morris 1
A. F. Cooke 1	Vahan Mozian 1
Gen. C. A. Coolidge 1	Robt. C. Munroe 1
Iole Dione 1	F. E. O'Brien 1
Blaine Elmer 1	Major F. L. Palmer 1
B. H. Fehlig 1	Dr. Francisco Penichet 1
A. R. Fernald 1	J. Emory Renoll 1
Fred B. Filsinger 1	Chas. Roemer 1
Herbert H. A. Fox 1	John W. Scott 1
Fred G. Fuessel 1	E. P. Seebohm 1
E. J. Gifford 1	H. O. H. Shelley 1
C. H. Goulden 1	E. B. Sterling 1
Geo. B. Graham 1	A. C. Stewart 1
F. B. Griffith, Jr 1	H. A. Whipple 1
James Guy 1	John A. Wilkowski 1
L. A. Hanford 1	C. N. Williams 1
Robt. Haynes 1	Wm. Wolters 1
Dr. J. M. Holt 1	A. M. Wright 1
C. A. Howes 1	

I regret to have to report the heavy loss occasioned by death among our membership during this fiscal year, no less than 18 of our members having answered the final summons—

180 F. W. H. Hahn, Louisville, Ky.

264 Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.

- 278 Frank J. Bescher, Kansas City, Mo.
- 510 F. H. Bierman, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 898 Henry J. Crocker, San Francisco, Calif.
- 1741 Alfred E. Cole, Plainfield, N. J.
- 1803 C. B. Duffy, Columbus, Ohio.

2370 Edward Howard, Yuba City, Calif.

2518 John Pfalz, Dresden, Germany. (Late of New York).

2540 Edgar M. White, Seaford, N. Y.

2558 Chas. Printzlau, Baltimore, Md.

3491 Edward D. Ingraham, Buffalo, N. Y.

3530 Joseph Tuma, Cleveland, Ohio.

3761 V. M. Graham, Saranac, N. Y.

3874 Chas. F. Dosch, Jr., Westerville, Ohio.

- 3980 Edward C. Scheffler, Chicago, Ill.
- 4193 Herbert H. Everard, Detroit, Mich.

4202 James McKay, Northampton, Mass.

Mr. Henry J. Crocker was a member at large of our Board of Directors. Of the above, the death of Mr. Edgar M. White, was not reported to your Secretary until after his name had been included in the list of those dropped for nonpayment of dues, which accounts for the deficiency in the above number and the number mentioned earlier in this report.

The following money was received by me during the fiscal year 1912-13, and remitted to the Treasurer, month by month, as shown by my financial reports, as follows—

	Stock	Dues	Ex- change	Rein- state- ments	Sus- pence	Mise.
September, 1912\$	6.00	\$ 19.40		\$ 1.00		
October, 1912	7.00	24.25		1.00		
November, 1912	6.00	14.50	.10			.75
December, 1912	30.00	56.90	.30	2.00	.40	.76
January, 1913	15.00	24.60	.50	1.00		
February, 1913	17.00	24.45	.05	1.00		.56
March, 1913	18.00	39.90	.50	1.00		.25
April, 1913	16.00	19.95	.30	1.00	.90	.47
May, 1913	16.00	16.20	. 40		1.45	.55
June, 1913	12.00	8.85	. 20	1.00		1.75
July, 1913	27.00	10.80	.40	2.00	3.60	1.00
August, 1913	17.00	3.45		2.00	4.05	
	187.00	263.25	2.75	13.00	10 40	6.09
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No.804	June	28, 1913	Hann & Adair Printing Co., Addressing and mailing
			membership lists, odd postage and stencils 5.20
No.805	June	28, 1913	Brewers Printing House, Printing rate cards for A.
			P. and ballots, calls, Proxy blanks and envelopes 25.50
No.806	July		Wm. E. Ault, Secy., Clerk Hire & exp. June, 1913 35.28
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No.814	Aug.	2, 1913	Wm. E. Ault, Secy., Clerk Hire & Exp. July 1913. 24.67
No.815	Aug.		L. C. Hassler, Treas., Salary and expenses Dec. 7,
•			1912 to June 9, 1913 63.65

The balance in the Secretary's expense Account on August 1st, 1913, was \$100.00, as shown by attached letter, as required by the By-Laws.

Hand Book No. 3, comprising the 14th Annual Report of the Philatelic Literature Committee, was issued according to the orders of the last Convention, and made quite a pretentious volume of 161 pages.

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Complying with the instructions of the last Convention regarding the publication of specialties of our members, I caused to be sent with the first number of the American Philatelist Vol. XXVI, a colored insert drawing attention to this matter, the result of which is reflected in the membership list published in April. It is to be regretted that only about 250 of the members availed themselves of this privilege, but as it was an innovation tried for the first time, the showing is not to be considered altogether a bad one at that.

I have endeavored to complete the file of the American Philatelist in the Library of the Minnesota Historical Society, sending such numbers of the Quarterly as I had on hand from the list furnished me as missing, and asked that the remaining copies be sent from our reserve stock. I have had the above Society, as well as the Congressional Library at Washington, and the New York City Library placed on our mailing list and consider it highly desirable that we secure such publicity wherever our Journal is welcome.

In the performance of my duties in this office two items have suggested themselves as a help to those officers affected—

FIRST. Article V., Sect. 4. of the By-Laws. This requires the Treasurer to keep a suspense account "to which shall be credited all moneys received for other than current accounts, including all partial payments or over payments." To my mind all partial payments on dues of the current year should be credited to the member's account as made and not be required to remain in the suspense account. Very frequently a member will remit for the balance due on his account for the current year's dues and unless this has been previously posted to his account it requires considerable work on the part of the Secretary or Treasurer to look up such matters, whereas if such payments be posted, as would be the case in any business, the individual account would show at a glance what such balance is. In order to remedy this it is only necessary to strike out the words "including all partial or overpayments." The latter would naturally, from the wording of the remainder of the sentence of the section under discussion, be carried into the suspense account.

SECOND. I would recommend that all application blanks and other forms for or upon which remittances are made, bear this clause—"All remittances must be made in bankable funds—postal or express order, draft or check with 10 cents exchange added." Frequently remittances are made in postage stamps in such a condition that they are almost a loss to the Society and their use entails considerable extra labor in providing them with gum, removing paper, etc.

I desire to thank all officers and members for the uniform courtesy extended and appreciate the good will expressions which it has been my pleasure to receive.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

Jeffersonville, Indiana, Aug. 4, 1913.

To whom it may concern:

This is to certify that W. E. Ault, Secretary, had on Aug. 1st, 1913, a balance of \$100.00 to his credit in this Bank.

THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, Jeffersonville, Ind.

C. E. POINDEXTER, Cashier.

The President: Gentlemen, the report just heard will be handed to the By-Laws Committee and to the Finance Committee.

In the excitement of being "watched" this morning, I omitted to call for a reading of the proceedings of the last convention. It has been usual to dispense with the reading of those proceedings.

General Coolidge: I move that the reading be dispensed with.

Mr. Stone: I second the motion.

The President: It has been moved and seconded that the reading of the minutes of the last convention be dispensed with.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The President: The next order of business will be the reading of the Treasurer's report. Mr. Hassler, the Treasurer, is not here, but Mr. Ault will read the report.

The Secretary then read the Treasurer's report as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Stock Fund

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 14, 1913.

To the American Philatelic Society:

Following is Treasurer's report for year ending Aug. 14, 1913.

Stock Fu	nd.			
Receipts:				
Balance forward\$3,8	344.66			
From W. E. Ault	L87.00	\$4,031.61		
Disbursements:				
Voucher 743	1.00			
Voucher 796	1.00	2.00	Cr. Bal.	\$4,029.66
Insurance F	und.			
Receipts:				
Balance forward\$1,1				
	265.04			
C. F. Heyerman	25.52	\$1,454.96		
Disbursements:				
	10.54			
Voucher 782	4.46	15.00	Cr. Bal.	\$1,439.96
Exchange Ac	count.			
Receipts:				
Balance forward\$	94.68			
Receipts to date	22.40		Cr. Bal.	\$ 117.08
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	64.50	120.20		
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General Fund.

Receipts:									
Dues			 			 		. \$2	,462.52
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Disbursements:

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736\$36.45	777\$76.85
737	778275.34
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739 75.49	780 9.45
740 50.00	781 23.94
741 5.42	783 15.50
742 82.04	784124.93
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746100.00	78721.42
747 6.12	788 67.75
748 25.00	7891.17
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750 11.75	791 18.60
751 1.97	792 76.22
752 29.23	7931.29
753 8.33	79413.34
754 28.50	795 22.37
756158.22	797 1.68
757 4.36	798 56.02
75911.25	79922.57
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Summary of Balances.

Stock Fund	\$4,029.66			
Insurance Fund	1,439.96			
Exchange Account	117.08			
Suspense Account	65.70	\$5,652.40		
General Fund overdrawn		861.36	Cr. Bal.	\$4.791.04

Resources.

Bonds (book value)	. \$2,612.34
Cash in bank	. 2,178.70 Total\$4,791.04

L. C. HASSLER, Treasurer.

Louisville, Ky., August 18th, 1913.

Mr. W. E. Ault, Secty.

Am. Philatelic Society, Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the account of L. C. Hassler, Treas., Am. Philatelic Society, we find to his credit at close of business, August 14th, 1913, the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-eight Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$2,178.70).

Yours very truly,

GERMAN SECURITY BANK,

Geo. Gutig, V. P.

The President: The report will be referred to Finance Committee No. 1.

The next order of business is the reading of the report of the International Secretary.

The following report was read by Mr. Ault:

REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY.

Scranton, Pa., August 5, 1913.

To The American Philatelic Society:

Gentlemen:

As your International Secretary I beg to report that the duties connected with this office have been fulfilled to the best of my ability. These duties have involved a good deal of foreign correspondence and several translations from various languages. The inquiries from abroad have always been met with personal letters conveying all the information that could be desired. This notwithstanding, the number of new memberships secured has been very small. The chief reason for this is our inability to send our sales books abroad. It seems to me that some plan could be devised whereby our Sales Department could enter into cooperation with sales departments of our corresponding societies. A trial could be made with the Philatelic Society of Sweden, and I would be pleased to lay before that society any suggestions for mutual cooperation or exchange of sales books that our Sales Superintendent would be authorized to make.

My reports to the Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt have been forwarded every month and have been published with satisfactory regularity. I beg to recommend the continuance of our support of this journal which forms a connecting link between at least 200 philatelic societies distributed throughout the world.

On my recommendation, the Board of Vice Presidents elected the Philatelic Society of Argentina to corresponding membership, and the Argentine society promptly returned the honor sending us regularly their splendid publication, the "Revista De La Sociedad Filatelica Argentina." In furtherance of closer relations with philately abroad, I take the liberty of proposing for corresponding membership the Philatelic Club of Christiania, Norway; the Philatelic Club of Copenhagen, Denmark, and the Philatelic Society of Helsingfors, Finland.

Ten different foreign philatelic journals have come to my office more or less regularly, viz., 1 from England, 2 from France, 4 from Germany, 1 from Sweden, 1 from Switzerland and 1 from Argentina. All have been promptly forwarded to the Assistant Librarian.

I remain, gentlemen,

Respectfully yours,

L. HARALD KJELLSTEDT, International Secretary.

The President: The report will be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The next report is that of the Examiner of Sales Books. We will pass the reading of that for the moment.

As the Secretary occupies the dual position of Secretary and Editor, and as that calls for a separate report, we will now ask him to divorce himself from his Secretaryship and tell us what he has done in the past year as Editor.

Mr. Ault read the following report:

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE AMERICAN PHILATELIST.

Jeffersonville, Ind., August 1st, 1913.

To the President and Members of the American Philatelic Society—

Gentlemen----

I herewith submit my report as Editor of the American Philatelist covering ten numbers of the XXVIth Volume, issued since Sept. 1st, 1912.

Owing to the fact that the issuance of the American Philatelist as a monthly journal was a new, or rather revived, proposition, necessarily caused a delay in getting started and that the numbers have not appeared earlier each month is occasioned by the desire that each issue reflect the records of the Society for the preceding month.

It is your Editor's hope that the Journal has accomplished something towards creating and holding interest in Society affairs, as it has been the earnest endeavor of those responsible for its publication that it contain something of interest outside of the official reports. That there is a vast room for improvement I am only too willing to admit, and should the Society see fit to continue the publication, the start made can be developed and should have the support of every member.

To the date of this report ten (10) numbers have been distributed, with a total of 192 pages, and when the Convention Proceedings of 105 pages and the Membership List with 61 pages, be added, both of which appeared as a supplement to one of the regular monthly issues, we have a total of 358 pages, with probably 40 pages to be added for Nos. 11 and 12.

Undoubtedly the most important article published during the year was that portion of the Official Catalogue of U. S. Stamps, compiled by the Committee for

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this purpose, which appeared in the June number dealing with the issues of 1902 and 1903.

Your Editor has solicited advertising from practically every established dealer in this country, but found only limited response. During the past ten months advertising to the amount of \$227.90 has been carried, of which \$191.20 has been collected and remitted to the Treasurer from time to time, the balance comprising principally the space used in the July number. It is to be regretted that more dealers could not see their way to use our columns. The rates are not high, at least not prohibitive of a better patronage. Our thanks are due to those who have had advertisements in our Journal, some of whom have used space regularly since the initial number.

I desire to extend my thanks to those members who have helped me in my capacity as Editor, especially Gen. C. A. Coolidge, and Messrs. Stone and Kjellstedt, who have contributed considerable matter for publication.

In judging the result as a literary publication I ask all members to be lenient; remember the issues have been experimental in a way and it is left to the Convention to decide the fate of the monthly American Philatelist.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. E. AULT, Editor.

The President: As there are no recommendations contained in the Editor's report, I presume that it is in order that the report be filed.

The next is the report of the Assistant Librarian. Have you that Mr. Secretary?

The Secretary: I have.

Mr. Ault read the following report:

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

4933 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. August 16, 1913.

To the Board of Directors,

American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:

Inasmuch as the affairs of the A. P. S. library are being conducted with all possible care and consideration for the requirements of members by the management of Carnegie Library, but little remains for the Assistant Librarian to do.

My work has been confined to answering inquiries by mail and acknowledging contributions, the latter being, I regret to state, but few in number.

I again take the opportunity of urging that all members in a position to donate philatelic publications new or old, bear in mind the needs of the library, which, while most efficiently administered, is not increasing as it should.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR G. BURGOYNE,

Assistant Librarian.

The President: As the report of the Assistant Librarian needs no reference, it will be filed.

Gentlemen, I am going to change the order of procedure to this extent. It has heretofore been the custom to listen to the reports of your officers before appointing committees, but, as the hour grows late, I will make the appointment of committees at this time so that the members may at least get together and organize, after which Mr. Barnum has an announcement to make. Then we will have a recess for lunch.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

First Finance: C. W. Kissinger, C. F. Mann, J. C. Hoffstetter.
Second Finance: W. L. Aldrich, John F. Sensow, Fred Michael.
Library: Ben G. Green, L. A. Hanford, W. L. Stevenson.
Sales Department: A. C. Stewart, John A. Klemann, J. E. Scott.
Branch Societies: P. M. Wolsieffer, Charles Schlieckert, D. A. Heath.
Resolutions: E. M. Carpenter, E. T. Parker, H. C. Crowell.
Place of Next Convention: H. H. Wilson, R. H. Beatty, A. W. Weigel.
By-Laws: H. N. Mudge, W. C. Stone, Chester Myers, Alvin Good, C. E. Severn.

Mr. Mudge: May I be pardoned for calling your attention to the fact that you have one too many on your By-Laws Committee? Do I make the fifth or who would like to withdraw? (Laughter)

The President: We will withdraw Mr. Severn.

Mr. Barnum: Mr. President.

The President: Mr. Barnum. (Applause)

Mr. Barnum: Thank you. Wait until I get through, and then it may not be so loud. In the first place, I may preface my remarks by reminding you that in handling this convention the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club has been at a little disadvantage in regard to the distance. As far as the time of reaching here goes, we might as well be running a convention in Detroit, as those of you who came over know, who rode four and a half hours on the lake.

But in arranging a program, your Committee found that it was a little difficult. The entertainment of the Centennial is so uncertain as to time that it is a little hard to make any other settled arrangements so as not to interfere with the aviation trials, or other entertainments that they have arranged. However, we figured that it would be necessary to hold a meeting Tuesday afternoon, so it was decided to leave that day open for business.

Tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock we take the small steamer or launch, the Tourist, at Fox pier—that is the pier right below the Commodore Hotel. That is at three o'clock, and you will need no tickets. Some of us will be right at the gangplank and see that you get aboard. This will be a little tour of the islands covering a period of about two hours. It will be necessary to get back at five o'clock, as we will announce later.

We have arranged to have the usual group photo taken, but can not definitely state the time. That will be around noon tomorrow. It will be in the neighborhood of the Commodore Hotel, or on the Square, as they call it.

At present I do not think of anything else to announce, but I am sure that Mr. Cornwall will give me a chance to talk if I think of anything. If anybody has not registered, there is a place to register right at the rear. There is a little souvenir that comes from the Detroit Branch, and I can not impress on you too strongly that we want every member registered and to wear his badge.

The President: Gentlemen, before I entertain a motion, not to adjourn, but to take a recess—I suggest that it be put in the form of a motion because it might look better—I wish to make this statement, that the August number of The American Philatelist, and which is the culmination of our Editor's effort to produce a literary number, is on the table, and if you will come up and get a copy, you may be able to read it in the small hours of the morning, because I understand that there is no place on the island to go between two o'clock and bedtime. (Applause and laughter.)

Mr. Barnum made a motion to adjourn until two o'clock, which motion was seconded and carried.

SECOND SESSION-TUESDAY, AUGUST 19.

The Convention was called to order by President Cornwall at two o'clock p. m.

The President: Gentlemen, will you come to order, please. The President of the Junior Philatelic Society writes me this:

London, S. W., Aug. 8th, 1913.

Dear Mr. Cornwall,

I am taking the opportunity of addressing to you a quantity of the special New York Exhibition number of "The Stamp Lover" of which members attending the convention may like to have copies.

With best wishes for the success of the convention, and with hearty greetings, I am, Yours very sincerely,

FRED. J. MELVILLE.

President F. R. Cornwall,

American Philatelic Society Convention,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, Ohio, U. S. A.

The President: I have requested Mr. Myers to pass around copies of The Stamp Lover.

The next order of business is the report of the Counterfeit Detector.

Mr. Eugene Klein read the following report:

REPORT OF THE COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

Philadelphia, August 15, 1913.

To the President and Members of the American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:

During the fiscal year of 1912-13, three hundred and seventeen stamps were submitted to me for examination. Of this number one hundred and seventy-two were originals, one hundred and thirteen were forgeries, twenty-nine were reprints, one a proof, one essay and one doubtful. Quite a number of the stamps submitted bore forged surcharges, but with few exceptions all were easy to recognize. I wish to call attention to the following new very dangerous forgeries: Belgium, 1875, 5f and Congo, 1886, 5f, both beautifully executed, printed on very white paper; Gabon, 1910 set, the high values of which have become much sought after; Fernando Po, 1868, 20c, an exceedingly well made forgery and a number of phantastic Samos provisionals which were issued thanks to the Balkan war; Canada, 1907, Jubilee high values, easy to recognize by the thick paper and Great Britain, £1 King Edwards of which several thousand have recently changed hands in London. I may also mention the following newly forged surcharges, Bavaria, 1908 Officials overprinted E and China, 1903 Provisionals with forged surcharge and cancellation.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE KLEIN, Counterfeit Detector.

The President: Gentlemen, there is no objection to receiving that report; therefore it will be filed and placed in our proceedings.

The next is the report of our Obituary Committee. It has been suggested by the International Secretary that when the report is read we arise and remain standing.

The members arose and remained standing while Mr. Ault read the following report

REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE.

Buffalo, August 11, 1913.

To the American Philatelic Society in convention assembled:

Our losses by death during the year have been unusually heavy, seventeen in all, including some who have been associated with this Society almost since the beginning. Men like Messrs. Bescher, Crocker, Duffy, Doughty, and Scheffler were national figures in the world of philately; the others, too, were quiet, studious collectors whom we ill could spare; death is the great leveler and the great common fact of life, and we miss them all equally.

The deaths as they were reported were as follows:

	278	Frank J. Bescher, Kansas City, Mo.
	898	Henry J. Crocker, San Francisco.
	1741	Alfred E. Cole, Plainfield, N. J.
12	3491	Edward D. Ingraham, Buffalo.
	3980	Edward C. Scheffler, Chicago.
442	1803	Christopher B. Duffy, Columbus.
	264	Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.
•	2518	John Pfalz, Dresden, Germany.
	180	F. W. H. Hahn, Louisville, Ky.
	3530	Joseph Tuma, Cleveland.
	2558	Charles Printzlau, Baltimore.
	4202	Joseph McKay, Northampton, Mass.
	2370	Edward Howard, Yuba City, Calif.
L.	3761	V. M. Graham, Saranac, N. Y.
	510	F. H. Bierman, Cleveland.
	4193	H. H. Everard, Detroit.
	3874	Charles F. Dosch, Jr., Westerville, Ohio.
4 3.4 4.4 5.4 5.4 5.4 5.4 5.4 5.4 5	2518 180 3530 2558 4202 2370 3761 510 4193	 John Pfalz, Dresden, Germany. F. W. H. Hahn, Louisville, Ky. Joseph Tuma, Cleveland. Charles Printzlau, Baltimore. Joseph McKay, Northampton, Mass. Edward Howard, Yuba City, Calif. V. M. Graham, Saranac, N. Y. F. H. Bierman, Cleveland. H. H. Everard, Detroit.

The circumstances of Mr. Bescher's death, as will be recalled, were 'particularly pathetic, for he was overcome by the heat when away from home, in Chicago, where he received every loving care and attention from the Chicago collectors. Never was the brotherhood of philately better exemplified. Frank Bescher was known wherever stamps are collected, and no collector was regarded with more affection.

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Mr. Crocker, for all his wealth, was a close student of his stamps. He was a director of this society, in which he took a deep interest. His contribution to our literature, his masterly work on Hawaii--his collection of which was unsurpassed--takes one of the highest places in philatelic literature, His Hawaii, which took the highest award, was being exhibited in the Jubilee Exhibition in London at the time of his sudden death.

Mr. Scheffler was for years prominent in Chicago philately, having been one of the "stand-bys" in the Chicago Philatelic Society.

Christopher Duffy was the leading spirit in the foundation of the Columbus Collectors' Club and served for three years as its president. At the time of his death he was writing a handbook on the stamps of Guatemala; he was interested also in Great Britain, his specialized collection of which was without a peer, either in America or abroad. He reconstructed sheets according to plate and control numbers, and had many large volumes to attest the sincerity of his endeavor. In other words, he was far from a dilletante in philately. It was his one relaxation to free his mind from besetting business cares, which, as purchasing agent for a large railroad, were legion. His life was a splendid tribute to philately as a recreation.

Fred Doughty was a very early member, having been a collector since his boyhood days, and had been the means of first interesting in philately many of the present collectors of Saginaw.

Mr. Hahn's membership number, 180, was even earlier than Mr. Doughty's. He was treasurer of the Louisville Tobacco exchange.

Edward Howard was an authority on the issues of Greece. At the time of the San Francisco disaster he had the manuscript of an extended work on these complicated issues nearly complete, but this, as well as his collections and library, was lost, and he barely escaped with his life. What such a catastrophe meant to a real philatelist can be only imagined. But he refused to be discouraged, and reverted again to the collecting of the stamps of his favorite country.

H. H. Everard, though rather a recent member, was an earnest collector and had an especially fine United States collection. He was a paper manufacturer, an industry which made him a millionaire and able to extend his own collection to an unlimited degree, as well as to carry on a fine general collection for the benefit of a young son.

Of the other gentlemen named no details are at hand. Members can greatly facilitate the work of this committee, if it is to be properly kept up, by sending newspaper clippings and other details of any deaths of members.

Mention might also be made of the death of I. A. Mekeel, a member for many years who resigned shortly before his untimely death, since his large business and publishing interests had occupied his time latterly to the exclusion of his former pet hobby. "Mekeel's Weekly" and the "Philatelic Journal of America" are partial monuments to his memory.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIAN PARK, Chairman, L. G. DORPAT, and A. F. HENKELS,

Committee.

The President: The next report to be heard is that of the Committee on Philatelic Literature, and in that connection I will say that last year this report was printed as a handbook. It was not read, and as Handbook No. 3 it was distributed among our members. Mr. Ricketts, Chairman of that Committee, has through patience, and monumental effort, prepared duplicate copies of that report in the interests of the literary members, and the report is for sale. He writes:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PHILATELIC LITERATURE.

Ganoga, Ricketts P. O., Wyoming Co., Pa.,

Mr. William E. Ault,

The Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Ault,

I ship you by express (United States) the box of reports and I am mighty glad to see the last of it. It has been a task and no mistake getting this ready for the Convention and I hope it will be appreciated, but I am afraid it will not. However if we can raise some interest in the Library I think the work will not be in vain.

Copies sent are 19 & 20 Pink Paper; Nos. 22-30 Blue Paper; 32-40 Green Paper; 42-50 Yellow Paper; 52-125 Regular white paper, total 103 copies. I ran out of paper so had to cut off the last 35 copies and these will not be issued unless the sale of others warrant, although the 2nd page says 160 copies published. Also wanted to print all in black ink but this ran out and order I put in two weeks ago has not yet been received, although shipped over a week ago according to a letter from the A. B. Dick Co. of New York, so had to use some blue ink to complete. I have a number of the prospectus which I will send you to send out with reports, etc., these I will send to Jeffersonville later. I also have sent you remaining pages to No. 14 Pink to comp. your copy.

Sincerely yours,

WM. R. RICKETTS.

August 11th, 1913.

The President: Mr. Ricketts' idea in making up a number of copies of his report is a worthy one. It is to save the Society the expense of publishing, or having it printed as a handbook. He offers the white paper copies to members of the Society attending the Convention for 25 cents each; colored paper copies 50 cents each. This money is to go to the Society, to the library fund for purchasing books. We have a number of copies, and I trust that you are interested in the promotion of our Library to come forward with your money and take your choice of either being a white man or a colored man—here is a chance to be a white man. Come forward and buy a copy of this report. (Laughter and applause). (See foot note.)

Gentlemen, according to the program of the preceding convention, after the reading of the formal reports and the appointment of committees, an adjournment was taken to Wednesday. But we have a few minutes and, if the Committee on Philatelic Index is ready, we can hear that report. That is presided over by our genial Mr. Kissinger.

The following report was read by Mr. Clifford W. Kissinger:

REPORT OF THE PHILATELIC INDEX COMMITTEE.

As no matter pertaining to the Index has been published in the "American Philatelist" since August 1912, for reasons over which the Committee had no control nor the Editor, we hope the Society will bear with us and expect to resume publication in the near future and when once begun will appear monthly without break. WILLIAM R. RICKETTS,

CLIFFORD W. KISSINGER, C. A. HOWES,

Forty Fort, Pa., August 13th, 1913.

Committee.

Note—The regular prices for these reports are: White paper, 50 cents each; colored paper, 75 cents each. The prices mentioned above were set for copies distributed at the Convention only.

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The President: The report will be received and filed. Has the Credentials Committee a supplemental report to make and file?

Mr. Stone: Not at this time.

The President: The report of the Attorney is now in order, and I will read that. The President read the following report:

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY.

Detroit, August 19th, 1913.

To the Board of Directors and

Members of the American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:---

Of the three matters pending for the Society on the date of the last convention, one has been adjusted. It was found impossible to do anything with the other two.

A large number of claims have been turned over for collection by individual members of the Society. Some have been satisfactorily adjusted, and some are in process of adjustment; but by far the greater number are worthless. One reason for this condition is that the majority of the claims are not forwarded to the attorney for the Society until several years after the indebtedness has been incurred, and in a great many cases the debtor has removed to an unknown address.

I think it would be well for dealers to be more careful in sending out approvals, and I would certainly recommend that claims be sent to the attorney for the Society more promptly, in order to make it possible to obtain satisfactory results.

Very respectfully,

FRED. R. SCHMALZRIEDT, Attorney for American Philatelic Society.

The President: I presume that the committees appointed this morning have not met and have therefore transacted no business. As there appears to be a break in the order of reading reports and new business, I want to read one or two communications, which I have received. Mr. Ault has several and I have several. The first is addressed to me, and is signed by The Chicago Philatelic Society. It is as follows:

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 18th, 1913.

Mr. Fred R. Cornwall,

President American Philatelic Society.

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

The stamp collectors of Chicago wish to compliment you and render thanks for your untiring zeal and devotion in the interests of the American Philatelic Society during your term of office. We send our greetings to the incoming president and to the society our best wishes for a successful and enjoyable convention.

CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The President: The next is from Mr. Toppan, who says:

Coronado, Cal., Aug. 18th, 1913.

F. R. Cornwall,

Prest. American Philatelic Society, Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

I am very sorry that I cannot be with you in person this week but am doing my best by projecting my astral body. Best wishes for a pleasant and harmonious convention and kindest regards to all my friends, not forgetting the Cleveland bunch. GEO. L. TOPPAN. The President: The next is from a gentleman who seems anxious that everybody should have a drink, but excepts one member. He says:

Pepperell, Mass., Aug. 18th, 1913.

P. M. Wolsieffer,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

Please buy drink on my account for everyone who feels thirsty except Charley Severn. Your authority in his case extends only to hunyadi or philo water not to exceed one pint daily. Regards to all the boys.

H. W. L.

The President: Mr. Ault has some communications which he will read.

Mr. Ault then read the following telegrams:

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 18th, 1913.

Mr. W. E. Ault,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

May harmony and goodfellowship prevail at the A. P. S. convention at Put-in-Bay. L. C. HASSLER.

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 18th, 1913.

American Philatelic Society,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

Just returned from the Wilds of Severonia where my trusty collection again saved me from an untimely death Philatelic is actively flourishing in mentalia and Hotairia but libalions to the godess are rigidly suppressed in prohibitia and wylietown met a rare stamp collector Akin to an int eater who could stick one thousand hinges per hour he was called O G Liminator and is famous for his licker.

COUNT LAPP DE BOOZE.

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 18th, 1913.

American Philatelic Society,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

After considerable urging I consent to accept the office of director General of your Society for the Modest Stipend of five thousand dollars per annum I am certain that my name and fame will shed Lustre on your organization and help bring it to a still higher standing throughout the world please reply prepaid.

PARNASSUS PENFLIP.

The President: Last year the Society appointed a Committee to determine the advisability of either striking off duplicate medals or defacing the die from which the medals were struck for the 25th Anniversary. The report is ready. It is not a regular committee. It is an irregular committee. But the committee is ready to report.

The Secretary read the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXHIBITION MEDALS.

Put-in-Bay, August 19, 1913.

To the Stockholders:

In pursuance of a vote at the 27th Annual Convention by which the undersigned were appointed a committee, with full power, to determine the advisability of conferring a medal similar to exhibitors' medals on members of the various committees and Judges of the Exhibit and others who brought the 25th American Stamp Exhibition to a successful conclusion in 1911, we, the committee, after giving the matter careful consideration, came to the conclusion that it was not for the interest of the Society that such supplementary medals should be given.

In arriving at this decision we were actuated by the facts that not only would there be a chance for possible criticism as to the number of medals which it seemed unavoidable to put out, but that the issuing of such a medal would lessen the value of those awarded to exhibitors. In this latter belief we were supported by protests received from actual medal winners against any form of supplementary medal from the original die being issued in connection with the 25th Anniversary Stamp Exhibition. We have, therefore, destroyed the die of the face of the 25th Anniversary medal, and the reverse of the same has been placed in the hands of the Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. CORNWALL, H. N. MUDGE.

The President: We have two other communications.

The Secretary read the following letters:

Scranton, Pa., August 15th, 1913.

To the A. P. S. Boys-

It is with regret that I am unable to be with you this year, contrary to my plans, but other matters have detained me.

Wishing you one and all a good time and a successful meeting, I remain

Fraternally yours,

AUGUST MACK.

P. S. Aug. 19th happened to be my wedding day, so while you are Swapping Stamps etc. I will be celebrating my 10th Anniversary. No wine allowed, there are different ways to celebrate.

Best wishes from Mrs. Mack, to the ladies met at Springfield and other ladies present.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16, 1913.

To the members of the American Philatelic Society

In Convention Assembled,

Put-in-Bay, Ohio.

I regret exceedingly that conditions have arisen to prevent my being with you at this convention but I cannot refrain from sending my best wishes for a pleasant and successful meeting.

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. R. MORRIS.

The President: Gentlemen, there is one thing that occurs to me at this convention and with your permission I would like to carry it out. That is this. For a number of years we had with us a gentleman who attended regularly; in more recent years his age has prevented his coming. But he thinks of us and sends us his good wishes. He has never refused to do anything to further the interests of our Society. He has always telegraphed up. I am anticipating a telegram from him at this convention, and I am surprised that we have not received it. I want to beat him to it. This is the anniversary of his birth. I would like to have the Society send him its greetings. I refer to Mr. Doeblin. (Applause).

Mr. Stone: I move that the President be authorized to send the message to Mr. Doeblin.

Mr. Klein: I second that motion. Mr. Doeblin will celebrate his 71st birthday next Monday.

The President: Do you know his address?

Mr. Stone: I suggest that that telegram be sent to his home address. There will be felicitations to him there.

The motion was carried unanimously with applause.

In pursuance to above the following telegram was sent Mr. Doeblin-

Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 19, 1913.

Mr. Eugene Doeblin,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Accept heartiest congratulations on approaching birthday. May many more follow.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The President: We have another letter here addressed to our worthy Superintendent, from Mr. Saxton. He says:

Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, Chicago, Ill. Canton, O., Aug. 16, 1913.

My Dear P. M .:--

I had made all my arrangements to attend the Convention next week, but it looks now as though some business matters were going to come up and interfere with my plans, so that I am enclosing herewith several proxies, which I wish you would use to the best interests of the society.

Regretting my inability to see the "Boys" again, but trust that you will remember me to all, I remain,

Very truly yours,

W. G. SAXTON.

The President: Have you any further communications?

The Secretary: No further.

The President: We will hear the report of the Educational Committee.

Mr. Mudge then read the following report:

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

To the President, Directors and Stockholders

American Philatelic Society.

The Governing Board of the Educational Committee beg leave to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending August 31st, 1913:—

Shortly after their appointment the committee was organized as follows:

Governing Board-

H. N. Mudge, Chicago, Ill., Chairman.

P. M. Wolsieffer, Chicago, Ill.

Iver R. Johnson, Chicago, Ill., Secy-Treas.

Territorial Committeemen-

A. W. Batchelder, Boston, Mass.

J. W. Prevost, Springfield, Mass.

Alvin Good, Cleveland, Ohio.

A. R. Fernald, Detroit, Mich.

F. E. Goodwin, St. Louis, Mo.

Your Governing Board experienced considerable difficulty in securing members of this Society to serve as Territorial Committeemen in the various philatelic centers, as has been done heretofore, and much time was lost in attempting to perfect an organization. In this we were not successful, as many of the members we approached pleaded lack of time or interest or did not reply at all. Our deep appreciation is due to Messrs. Batchelder, Prevost, Good, Fernald and Goodwin for their prompt acceptance of our invitation to serve on this Committee.

Being unable to completely organize the committee, the situation was analysed and it was decided that in view of the coming Exhibition at New York in October of this year that we not attempt to make a canvas for funds as in previous years, but that we refrain from so doing in order that the Exhibition might be a financial as well as a Philatelic success.

In 1911 the Educational Committee found that contributions to its funds were very difficult indeed to secure owing to the Exhibition at the Chicago Art Institute conducted under the auspices of this Society. The list of donors and contributors to the expenses of that Exhibition very nearly paralleled the list of donors to the Educational Committee, and in some instances the usual contribution to the committee was split—and a portion was contributed for Exhibition purposes.

Your committee feels that had it persisted in the solicitation of funds for this year, in view of its experience in 1911 it would probably have been at the expense of the New York Exhibition, or that our efforts would have the effect of being a burden upon the public spirited philatelists.

The object and purpose of the Educational Committee being to secure wide publicity for the merits of Stamp Collecting through the Public Press, it was felt that the amount of Philatelic Publicity that would be secured as a result of the New York Exhibition would be far greater and more effective than that which we could secure through the free distrbiution of the usual specially prepared Burroughs Articles. In this manner the final results achieved would be much greater than would be secured by a division of the funds.

The Philatelic Newspaper Articles prepared under the auspices of previous committees have attracted the attention of quite a few special writers, and during the past year stamp articles have appeared in various newspapers all over the country that bear the earmarks of having been paid for at the regular space rates. The most notable of these is a series of articles appearing on the Boys and Girls Page of the Chicago Sunday Record Herald. The continuance of these articles is much to be desired, and if our members would write a letter of appreciation to the editors of those papers featuring stamp articles, that come under their observation, it will, we feel sure, create a demand that Editors will only be too glad to supply.

The advertising department of one of America's largest corporations has used stamps as a means of publicity for its products. Extensive billboard display signs have been erected in many large cities calling attention to the fact that stamps are included in every package of their product. In a talk with our secretary, the advertising manager stated that over 50 million stamps would be distributed during 1913. While the quality of these stamps is not of a very high order, the fact that 50 millions are to be distributed in 12 months cannot but favorably affect stamp collecting. While this committee cannot directly make claim to the securing of this publicity, we feel that the good philatelic publicity work of the past has prepared the way for this independent advertising enterprise.

During the past year the distribution of packets of stamps through The American Boy has been continued by the courtesy of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. No statement of account has as yet been rendered and we are therefore unable to advise the number of packets distributed.

The distribution of folders ceased with the labors of the 1911 committee and

was not taken up this year owing to the fact that sufficient funds were not available. In their stead a small packet of 50 really good stamps has been prepared and used to close the folder distribution. These are now in process of being distributed.

No complete financial statement can be submitted at this time for the reason that some accounts have not yet been rendered for this year, and some remain from the year 1912 when no committee served. We ask that further time be allowed in which to adjust our accounts and that a report of the same be submitted to the Board of Vice Presidents for their approval and that the report be incorporated as a part of this report when printed in the American Philatelist.

In view of the great difficulty experienced in securing members of the Society to serve upon this committee, and upon careful consideration of the many angles of the situation relating to the work of this committee, we recommend that the further conduct of the Committee be on independent lines, and not connected in any way with the Society; in which connection we also recommend that the Society give its support to an independent publicity movement, the merits of which are to be determined by the Board of Vice Presidents, to an extent not exceeding Fifty Dollars, in addition to whatever balance remains after the accounts of this committee have been adjusted and closed.

> Respectfully submitted, H. N. MUDGE, Chairman. P. M. WOLSIEFFER. IVER R. JOHNSON, Secy.-Treas. Governing Board of the Educational Committee.

The President: Gentlemen, I presume it requires no motion to refer that to the incoming Board of Vice-Presidents. Therefore that will be done, and the report will be printed in our proceedings. There is left to be read to you a report that, though last, is not least, and I shall ask Mr. Barnum to read the report of the Recruiting Committee.

Mr. Barnum then read the following report:

REPORT OF THE RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

Cleveland, August 15, 1913.

To the President:---

and Members-American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:---

Notwithstanding a slight shrinkage in the net membership from that of a year ago, in submitting this, its annual report, the Recruiting Committee is pleased to state that the additions in new members and reinstatements exceed that of the two preceding years as shown by the following summary:

> Year ending Aug. 19, 1911, New Members and Reinstated 153 Year ending Aug. 21, 1912, New Members and Reinstated 124 Year ending Aug. 16, 1913, New Members and Reinstated 200

Notwithstanding this substantial gain in new members, the lapsing memberships from resignations and non-payment of dues, came in unprecedented numbers, due, in great measure to the increase in dues inaugurated at the last Convention. However, this loss was anticipated and should be much less the coming year.

In this report it is unnecessary to dwell upon the individuals to whom the increase in new members is due, as it would be but a repetition of the list included in the Secretary's report. The Committee cannot refrain however, from emphasizing the fact that Mr. Wolsieffer proposed no less than twenty-five applicants, or exactly one-eighth of the total for the year. The Recruiting Committee extends its sincere appreciation to Mr. Wolsieffer.

The expenses incurred during the year amounted to \$65.20. As itemized bills have been rendered the Secretary from time to time, no statement is included herewith.

Many courtesies have been extended the Society through this office, and this report would be incomplete without individual mention of the same.

Mr. Percy McGraw Mann, donated a two inch display space throughout the year in the Philadelphia Stamp News.

Mr. G. H. Crouch, a half page display space in three numbers of the International Collector.

Dr. John Milton Holt, display space in Everybody's Philatelist.

Charter member, E. R. Aldrich, display space in the Collectors Monthly.

All of these gifts came unasked.

Aside from the usual duties devolving upon it, the Recruiting Committee used its efforts to aid the Secretary in rounding up the delinquents, and also to have the new philatelic societies in St. Paul, New Orleans, Rochester and Wooster, Ohio, organized as branches of this Society, but unfortunately it was impossible to arouse sufficient interest to achieve the last result.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BARNUM, ALVIN GOOD, R. H. BEATTY, Recruiting Committee.

General Coolidge: Mr. President, may I have the floor for a minute?

The President: Yes, sir.

General Coolidge: The new Directors will meet at the hotel, at the Society rooms in the hotel. The new Board of Directors will meet there. The Precancel Society will also meet there directly after noon. Those who are not members but have an interest in the Society will meet with us.

The President: A scheme has recently been proposed to have the branches report to the Board of Vice-Presidents, then those reports are presented to the Secretary and read to the convention.

General Coolidge: I have been chairman of that committee for three or four years, and I approve of that system of turning those reports over to that committee and having them summarized.

The President: We have reached that stage where we are entering into the realm of new business. I think a motion to adjourn would be in order.

Mr. C. F. Mann made a motion to adjourn, until ten o'clock Wednesday, August 20, which motion was seconded and carried.

THIRD SESSION-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20.

The Convention was called to order by President Cornwall at 10 A. M.

The President: Ladies and Gentlemen: Will you please come to order. The next order of business is new business.

Mr. Kissinger: I would like to have the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee be put on the exchange list of the American Philatelist.

Mr. J. C. Hoffstetter: Before that motion is seconded, Mr. Kissinger, will each member of the Committee receive a copy of the exchange list?

Mr. Kissinger: My motion was that the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee be placed on the exchange list.

Mr. Barnum: I second that motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Kissinger: I understand that there have been sent to the Assistant Librarian some handbooks and literature and the people who sent them have not received acknowledgment. I think that the people who are kind enough to send books to us ought to receive our acknowledgment and know that we appreciate them. I move that a proper postal card be printed so that the Librarian can send it to them.

The President: I agree with you. There ought to be some acknowledgment. I think that if the Librarian was requested to make his acknowledgment to the Secretary of his receipts during the month, that the publication of that would be sufficient.

Mr. Kissinger: That would be sufficient.

The President: The Secretary will be requested to do that. But I think it is not necessary to put that in the form of a motion.

It has been called to my attention this morning that we have a bucket of water in the back of the room and in view of the fact that Mr. Severn was relieved from the duties of the By-Laws Committee, I will appoint him to the honorable position of water boy to pass the water around.

Mr. Severn: I decline that honor.

The President: I think if he passes it in constantly recurring periods of, say, fifteen minutes, it will be all right. (Laughter.)

The President: Mr. Carpenter, are you ready to make any report from the Resolutions Committee?

Mr. Carpenter: I haven't got the report ready yet, but I will soon have it.

Mr. Kissinger: We would like to have \$50. sent to Mr. Ricketts for the purchase of books for the library.

The President: Put it in this shape, so that the money will not be actually appropriated for that purpose. If you need up to \$50, ask the Secretary to issue warrants up to that amount. I think a resolution would be satisfactory.

Mr. Myers: Last year, at my suggestion, a brief statement of the members' specialties was included in the Membership List. Our Secretary in his report yesterday stated that comparatively few members availed themselves of that privilege. That there were 253 members availed themselves of that advantage out of 1430 interested members of our Society seems to me quite an excellent showing. Therefore I am going to offer this resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Secretary be instructed to insert in the next issue of the American Philatelist an unstamped mailing card drawing the attention of members to the new benefit of membership in the Society, namely, of having inserted in the Year Book after each member's name in the alphabetical list, a brief indication of his philatelic specialties; and further,

RESOLVED: That statements of specialties already published be reprinted unless ordered changed by a member after notice of intention to repeat has been given on mailing card above referred to.

Mr. Myers: In other words, my idea is simply again to call this benefit to the attention of members and to reprint those references that have already been put in type, in order to avoid the necessity for those 253 again making known their specialties to the Secretary.

Mr. Stone: I second the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: Your Resolutions Committee is ready to report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Put-in-Bay, Aug. 20, 1913.

President and Members of the A. P. S.

Gentlemen:---

Your Committee on Resolutions has considered that part of the reports referred to us and would report as follows:

We agree with the President's recommendation that sums should be appropriated for the purchase of text books for our library but do not believe that at this time the finances warrant an expenditure of one hundred dollare and therefore offer the following:

RESOLVED: That the sum of fifty dollars be placed subject to the call of the Philatelic Literature Committee for the purpose of purchasing philatelic books for the library of the Society.

The President: Gentlemen, you have heard the Resolution that the Society place \$50. at the disposal of the Philatelic Literature Committee for the purchase of books. Is there any motion for its adoption?

General Coolidge: Excuse me, but I believe that the Library Committee has a somewhat similar resolution.

The President: Pardon me, General, the Library Committee will make a similar resolution.

Mr. Kissinger: I move its adoption. Does that include the amount from the sale of Mr. Ricketts' typwritten reports?

The President: No; it is in addition to that.

Mr. Stone: I second the motion.

Mr. Severn: This expenditure is to be made under the direction of whom?

The President: The Library Committee.

Mr. Stone: Excuse me, Mr. President; but this is subject to the call of the Philatelic Literature Committee.

The President: Correct, Mr. Stone.

Mr. L. A. Hanford: Does that include any old kind of books or any literature?

The President: I think that we can rely on the intelligence of the Philatelic Literature Committee.

It has been moved and seconded that a sum not to exceed \$50. be placed at the disposal of the Philatelic Literature Committee for the purchase of books. Those in favor of the motion please say aye.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: Also,

RESOLVED: That the further sum of \$50. be placed subject to the call of the Assistant Librarian for the purpose of binding pamphlets and magazines now in the Library.

The President: It has been usual to appropriate that sum; but last year we did not draw on any part of it. There are a number of periodicals unbound and we would like to have them bound.

Mr. Klein: I second that motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: Our committee has been informed that it is the custom of the Board of Vice Presidents to send carbon copies of the minutes of their meetings to the different officers. Therefore we offer this resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Vice Presidents be authorized to expend the sum of Five Dollars per month for stenographer and postage.

General Coolidge: I move that the motion be adopted.

The motion to adopt was seconded.

The President: I think that is a very wise provision. I inaugurated the custom of sending carbon copies of the minutes of the Board meetings and our successors have followed that practice and Mr. Heyerman requested authority to employ a stenographer, and I found that it approximated about \$5. a month. I think that practice should be continued, and in order to enable the incoming Board to do so I suggested that this resolution be made.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: While we are on the subject of postage, we have offered the following:

RESOLVED: That the President be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for postage expended in connection with his office.

Mr. Stone: I move that it be adopted.

The motion to adopt was seconded.

The President: In explanation of that motion I wish to say that General Coolidge will find that when original matter for, or proof of the American Philatelist is sent to him for his approval, and there are usually from 16 to 24 pages, whether Mr. Ault uses thick paper or thin, it will be quite an item. I think that the postage amounts to about \$25. a year. Under those circumstances I think that we should pay the postage of our President.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: RESOLVED: That the Philadelphia Stamp News be continued as the official organ of the Society for the ensuing year.

I think that the News has been a very fine publication for us and it is desirable to continue it.

Mr. Heyerman: I do not like the words "official organ." I think it should read. "That the Philadelphia Stamp News be furnished the reports of the officers for the ensuing year."

Mr. Barnum: Mr. President, I am very glad to be able to move the adoption of this resolution.

Mr. Carpenter: Then the resolution would read:

RESOLVED: That the Philadelphia Stamp News be furnished with the reports of the officers of the Society for the ensuing year.

Mr. Barnum: I move the adoption of the resolution.

General Coolidge: I second the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: RESOLVED: That the thanks of the Society be extended to Mr. W. R. Ricketts for his arduous work in preparing the Annual Report of the Committee on Philatelic Literature and especial thanks for generosity in presenting the same in such attractive form to be sold for the benefit of the Society's Library.

General Coolidge: I move that the motion be adopted.

Mr. Stone: I second the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter: Mr. President, this is all that we have to offer at the present time. We will give the balance of our report later.

The President: The next business in order is the selection of the place for our next Convention. Is the Committee ready to report?

Mr. H. H. Wilson: The Committee on the Place of the Next Convention is ready to report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEXT CONVENTION.

Your Committee begs to report that the Society has received invitations from Convention Bureaus and like organizations for 1914 Convention, as follows:— Buffalo, Atlantic City, Niagara Falls, New York, St. Louis, St. Paul, Nashville and Denver, but not any invitations from A. P. S. Branches.

They therefore recommend that next years convention be held at some spot to be selected by this convention, arrangements to be made by a committee to be appointed by the President. They suggest Alexandria Bay, Thousand Islands, as an ideal spot to hold next years convention.

> H. H. WILSON, R. H. BEATTY, A. W. WEIGEL,

Committee.

Mr. Severn: I desire to say that in view of the fact that we have received no invitations from any Philatelic Society, some of our most notable conventions have been held in Niagara Falls. I refer to 1894, and that was one of the most satisfactory conventions we have ever held.

The conditions there are ideal and the natives, through long experience, have learned to treat tourists tenderly and not in the way that some may have been treated here. Another point in favor of Niagara Falls is that a large number of excursions are run there. Some of the members to whom I have spoken agree with me as to the advantages to be derived from that.

In this connection it is fair to say that there are certain members of the A. P. S. in Buffalo, N. Y., who would gladly be called into committee arrangements. And I believe that we would make no mistake in selecting Niagara Falls. (Applause.)

The President: Did you make a motion?

A Member: I would like to supplement Mr. Severn't remarks because I think he is largely influenced because there is lots of water there. (Laughter.)

Mr. Severn: I move that Niagara Falls be selected as the place of the next convention.

General Coolidge: I desire to second the motion just made, for the reasons that the gentleman stated and for the reason that the place is accessible, that it is on the road to New York and that we have easy transportation. It is easier to go there than it is up to the Thousand Islands. I would like to go up there myself, but if the Philatelic Society has got to pay any expense, it is easier to have it paid from Buffalo.

In that connection, I would like to say that I have a telegram this morning from my friend and, I am happy to say, my cousin, Mr. Julian Park. He says:

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 19th, 1913.

Gen. C. A. Coolidge,

Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

Heartiest congratulations on your election and best wishes for successful convention. Wish I could be there in person as well as in spirit.

JULIAN PARK.

The President: Before we act on Mr. Severn's suggestion we have the report of the Committee on the Place of Next Convention, which is yet to be disposed of. They simply make a recommendation as to the place and a suggestion as to the appointment of a committee of three and the incoming President will have the appointment of that committee providing the report of the Committee on the Place of the Next Convention is adopted. Now I would like to have your vote on the report of that Committee.

Mr. Stone: Then adopting their report would carry with it the appointment of the Committee.

Mr. Severn: The adoption of the report would not necessarily carry with it the selection of the Thousand Islands. Therefore I move its adoption.

The motion was seconded.

The President: You have heard the motion that we adopt the report.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The President: I think that we can very well leave that for our next President, to appoint a committee.

Mr. Barnum: Mr. President, I certainly think that the members assembled here ought to definitely decide where the next convention is to be held. I cannot see why we should not ask for nominations now. It would be much more satisfactory to have the matter disposed of now.

The President: Then, under the right of my authority, I will nominate Mr. C. E. Severn, Mr. H. H. Wilson and Mr. W. H. Barnum.

Mr. Fernald: Do we now demand a jury trial?

Mr. Green: It looks like a snap decision to decide on Niagara Falls. I would like to have them decide on the Thousand Islands.

'the President: I would advise Mr. Green to consult with the Committee on that point.

A Member: In 1915, it seems to be the idea that the convention will go east.

The President: Let me suggest that we are talking to no purpose until the present committee makes a report. In the meantime while we are waiting for the committee to report, we will hear the report of the Committee on Philatelic Fellowship.

Mr. Mudge then read the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PHILATELIC FELLOWSHIP.

August 20, 1913.

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To the President and Stockholders:

We, to whom was assigned at the 27th annual convention the question of a creation of a special class of members of the American Philatelic Society to be known as "Fellows," hereby report that in our estimation, based on an intimate knowledge of the history and workings of the Society and of the general temper of its membership, it is not advisable to legislate on the subject. The proposition in the matter is, in a broad way, to select a certain number of collectors who have made some notable contribution to the advancement of philately in America as "Fellows" of the A. P. S., the essence of the purpose of this body being, that having the intellectual equipment necessary there will go with it the willingness to exercise such gift for the good of philately; the body to be of a limited number to be agreed upon, probably not to be less than thirty or more than seventy-five; a small nucleus of this body to be elected by the Society, after which its ranks are to be filled and its quota perpetuated by the "Fellows" themselves; the Fellows to have all the privileges of ordinary members and possibly some in addition.

We are of the opinion that such class distinction in the membership as is thus proposed would be irritating to the membership at large in that it is un-American in spirit. We fear that it would generate in the Society an element of jealousy and self-seeking politics which would be so repellant to the majority of the members as to ultimately work to the detriment of the Society's best interests. We also believe that it is extremely problematical, even with the preceding objections failing to materialize, if such a body as is proposed would, as a body, be able to maintain the high ideals of the proposers of this movement and give to the intellectual equipment that they possess the systematic and effective work for the good of philately or the Society that is expected; this owing to the territorial scattering of our membership, and to a certain human element that is bound to be manifest. Rather, it is feared, would the matter drift into being regarded in the light of an honorary membership.

Furthermore, we are of the opinion that it is to the best interests of the Society for the class of men who would be entitled to be created "Fellows" to be in the ranks the same as other members, thus serving as a leven to the membership as a whole; having no fear that on account of their not being put in an artificial niche by themselves their real achievements, or the honor and esteem in which they will be held, will be any the less.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. MUDGE, WM. C. STONE, JOHN N. LUFF.

General Coolidge: I move the adoption of the report.

The motion was seconded and was carried unanimously.

The President: A telegram has just been received from Karl Koslowski. He advises us that our words be well and fitly spoken. He says:

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 19th, 1913.

American Philatelic Society.

Care Mr. Alvin Good, Hotel Commodore, Put-in-Bay, O.

Chairman and members greetings, speak clearly if you speak at all, carve every word before you let it fall.

KARL KOSLOWSKI.

The President: We have several committees that have not yet reported. If any of them are ready to report, we would be glad to hear from them.

Mr. Green: The action of the Resolutions Committee has anticipated the report of the Committee on Library. But this is our report:

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

To the President and Members:

The Committee on Library having considered the recommendation of the President in regard to the appropriation for the coming year believe and recommend that the Society appropriate an amount not to exceed \$50 for the purpose of the purchase of standard reference works and periodicals.

Respectfully submitted,

BEN G. GREEN, L. A. HANFORD, WM. L. STEVENSON.

The President: Gentlemen, you have heard the report of your Library Committee. What is your pleasure?

General Coolidge: I move its adoption.

The motion to adopt the report was seconded and was carried unanimously.

The President: It simply exemplifies, Mr. Green, how great minds work in the same channel.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEXT CONVENTION.

Mr. Severn: Not always do great minds work in the same channel for on this committee there will be three reports. The chairman's report is in favor of Niagara Falls and he reports as disfavoring the Thousand Islands because of the hotel accommodations at that place. We have a veteran traveling man with us and he says, by all means, go to Niagara Falls; he says the hotel accommodations are spacious there, while at the Thousand Islands the hotels are small and restricted and the walls are thin. Therefore I favor making Niagara Falls the scene of the next convention. (Applause.)

The President: If you have not stampeded the rest of the Committee, we would like to have the second report.

Mr. Wilson: I do not favor Niagara Falls. I have been to the Thousand Islands. The hotel accommodations are very good and the walls are very thick. There will be no objection to a man taking his wife there, if he wants to. (Applause.)

Mr. Barnum: I believe in giving other members of the committee all the advantage of speaking first. I am not in favor of either Niaraga Falls or the Thousand Islands. To my mind Atlantic City is the place to go. There is one hotel that is anxious to have us come back and it will take at least as good care of us again as it did before. If any members have any criticisms to offer, they may make them. (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. Severn: I think Mr. Barnum has been in Atlantic City recently. I think that is enough to kill the Atlantic City proposition.

The President: Gentlemen, you have heard the reports. What is your motion? This promises to be a question of individual choice wherein the good of the Society is paramount, or predominant—I don't know which. We will, if necessary, have to resort to a proxy vote.

Mr. Stone: Mr. President.

The President: Mr. Stone has the floor.

Mr. Stone: Mr. President, for the information of the members I will read again the report of the proxies, received up to this morning.

THE AMERICAN PHILATELIST.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 20, 1913.

To the American Philatelic Society:

The following additional proxies have been approved by the Committee on Credentials:

Harry Lindquist 2	Total	13
*W. O. Wylie 2	Total	4
Eugene Klein11	Total	13
Henry N. Mudge 5	Total	15
W. H. Barnum 5	Total	23
Hugh M. Clark 2	Total	3
Percy McG. Mann 3	Total	11
	Total	82

This brings the total representation of proxy holders to 472.

Your committee desires to call attention to the fact that a number of the persons in whose favor proxies are made out are not present at the convention and that in consequence their makers are deprived of representation. Members should be careful to ascertain who is to be at the convention and also not to make out a proxy in favor of any of the Directors who can neither hold a proxy nor transfer it to another person.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. STEWART, E. T. PARKER, A. R. FERNALD, WM. C. STONE, HARRY LINDQUIST.

The President: Now, gentlemen and members of the Society, when your names are called, will you kindly announce your own vote, with the number of votes that you are casting, so that the Secretary may record them.

Mr. Kissinger: Are you sure that you want to vote on this now? I think that Alexander Bay is a dandy spot.

The President: Tell them about it.

Mr. Kissinger: The accommodations are all right. You are going to have water all around you. It is close to Buffalo. And you can leave there in the morning and arrive in New York the next morning.

Mr. Severn: We have received an invitation from Niagara Falls and we know that some arrangements will be made for our reception.

Mr. Wilson: Since making my report Mr. Clark has spoken to me and he has made some comments on the matter: I think it would be well for him to speak of Alexander Bay.

Mr. Clark: Mr. President: I spent two summers at Alexander Bay and as far as the hotels are concerned, there are two large hotels at Alexander Bay and probably two more on the Islands. There will be no trouble at all in making reservations. They have rooms which they give free for conventions, and things of that

*Not present at the convention.

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sort. We can get rates to Alexander Bay just as cheap as we can to Niagara Falls. All of the railroads and the boat lines will make special rates. You can go to the Thousand Islands by either Toronto or Kingston. The rate from Chicago—to give an example of the reduced rates that they make—is \$29. on the Grand Trunk, just the same as to New York. And then there are a great number of pleasure trips to be taken through the Thousand Islands. There are a great number of small islands and there is plenty of entertainment.

The President: Who is going to furnish the technical information?

Mr. Clark: I can do so.

Mr. Wolsieffer: There are some members who are not in favor of a summer resort at all and have an idea that we are missing many opportunities by going to them. If held in a city, the opportunity for receiving much publicity in the way of newspaper advertising is far greater than it would be at a resort. There are many cities that would be of use to us in this way, by giving us columns of advertising in the nature of reading matter—advertising space that could not be purchased. In the large cities where there is no representation of the Society, by holding a convention there we might be of great benefit to the local collectors and get them started in forming a local Society, or a Branch of the American Philatelic Society.

You all remember that when we were in Detroit in 1908 the great amount of newspaper space that they gave to the convention and the exhibition of stamps held in the Art Institute at the same time. Such benefits we cannot obtain at any summer resort, where everybody is busy with other affairs and pleasures.

I would be greatly in favor of some city like Rochester, N. Y., or Baltimore, Md. The latter city is adjacent to Washington and many historic places and side trips could be made by those attending the convention if held there. There are some good collectors in Baltimore and all they need to start them up is a live Society or Branch of the American Philatelic Society.

Let us resolve to go to some city where the Society will receive some benefit and create an interest. We may be able to interest the general collectors sufficiently to induce them to join the Society, with the possibility of becoming regular convention attendants in the future. We should be able to recruit at least three hundred new members each year, and there is no doubt we would secure many through convention advertising if held in the proper place, which I do not think a summer resort is for such occasions. (Applause.)

Mr. Carpenter: I am heartily in favor of what Mr. Wolsieffer has said. There are others who were there at Detroit in 1908, when we were in the same fix that we are in to-day. We had no invitation from any stamp club, but there happened to come in an invitation from the Mayor of Milwaukee and we voted to go to that city. At that time there were not enough members in Milwaukee to form a Committee of Arrangements. If I remember rightly, there were but two members, Mr. C. C. Johnson and Mr. Geo. L. Toppan. I think, as Mr. Wolsieffer has said, that it did a lot of good having the convention there.

Mr. Schmalzreidt: There seems to be some dispute between the members as to whether to go to a city or a summer resort. If we want to go to a summer resort, let us go there. But there is one thing that we do want, and that is a place that is easy of access by rail or water. I do not believe that you can find a better place than the Mackinaw Islands. I have been there several summers, though I have not been there this year. You can get a bed, or the best meals for seventy-five cents or a dollar. I think if you are going to a summer resort you cannot go to a better place than the Mackinaw Islands. Mrs. May E. Suits: I think if you want to go to a city that is a city, instead of a summer resort, Milwaukee is the place.

Mr. Kissinger: If you are looking for a city, what is the matter with Rochester? We have a stamp club there, and it is just adjoining the Thousand Islands.

Mr. Fernald: I don't want to give any expression as to the club, but it seems to me that it would be an imposition on the new organization if we went there as a body.

Mr. Martin: I would like to offer Hartford, Conn., as the scene of the next convention. I don't know whether this Society knows it or not, but we have one of the largest societies in the United States there. The hotel accommodations will be ample and it will be practically a summer resort with all the accommodations thereof.

Mr. Good: I would like to say that there are many beautiful places around the Thousand Islands that we can see and that there is nothing like it. There are thousands of fine places down there; and as for me, all cities look alike.

Mr. Mudge: As a matter of possibly determining the choice of members, I would make a motion, if it is in order: That we first vote on the broad proposition whether we go to a city or a summer resort.

The motion was greeted with applause and it was seconded from all parts of the hall.

The President: The motion has been put broadly as to whether we shall go to a city or a summer resort, regardless of where that city is. Those in favor of going to a city will please stand.

Twenty-nine members arose.

The President: Those in favor of a summer resort please stand.

Twenty-three members arose.

The President: The city has it. It is a vote of twenty-nine to twenty-three.

 ${\rm Mr.}$ Kissinger: If the city is going to have it, I favor Rochester, and I put that in the form of a motion.

The motion was seconded.

Mr. Barnum: Mr. President, is it necessary now for members to vote against a city?

The President: You don't have to,-remain silent.

Mr. Barnum: That vote that was just taken was merely an expression of opinion?

The President: Yes, sir. Gentlemen, you will now place in nomination the cities that you think should be the place of our next convention.

Mr. Robert Haynes: I nominate Niagara Falls.

Mr. A. R. Fernald: Mackinaw.

Mr. W. H. McDonald: Baltimore, Md.

Mr. C. F. Mann: Atlantic City.

The President: The nominations are closed.

It was then moved and seconded that the nominations be re-opened for the purpose of admitting the name of Pittsburgh as a convention city.

The President: It has been moved and seconded that the nominations be reopened in order that Pissburgh, with all its dirt and smoke, may come in. Those in favor of thus re-opening the nominations for that purpose, please say aye. The opposed no. The nays have it. Pittsburgh is not on the map.

Gentlemen, in taking this vote, I wish that when I call the cities, those in favor of the city called will please rise and announce the number of proxies on their vote. Or, rather, the Secretary will call the roll and then you will announce your vote.

The roll was then called. The Secretary and Mr. W. C. Stone acted as tellers.

The Secretary: Are there are whose names have not been called?

There was no response to this enquiry.

The President: While the tellers are fixing up the vote to suit themselves I would like to hear from Mr. Stewart regarding our photograph.

Mr. Stewart: The official photograph will be taken at the right end of the hotel. about 12 o'clock, or a little after.

A Member: Where?

Mr. Stewart: I said on the lake side of the hotel.

The President: In order that there may be no misunderstanding, as soon as we take a recess for lunch the members will gather on the lake side of the Hotel Commodore.

A Member: At what hour?

The President: As soon as a recess is taken for lunch. I do not know what that hour will be.

The following is the vote for the next convention city:

		Alexander Bay	Rochester	Atlantic City	Niagara Falls	Baltimore	Macki- naw
1	Barnum, W. H.	Day		Olty	rans	21	14.11
2	Aldrich, W. L.						
	Ault, Wm. E.					1	
	Bell, Geo. A.				1		
	Beatty, R. H.	1					
	Tubman, Dr. T. H.	1					
	Elliott, H. H.					1	
1	Mozian, Vahan				1		
	Clark, H. M.	4					
3	Hoffstetter, J. C.						
	Ladue, T. P.						1
	Schmalzreidt, F. R.						1
	Rice, G. W.		1				
	Haynes, Robt.				1		
	Winnberg, John					1	
4	Suits, Mrs. F. G.						

VOTE ON THE, PLACE OF NEXT CONVENTION.

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		Alexander Bay	Rochester	Atlantic City	Niagara Falls	Baltim ore	Macki- naw
	Look, Henry	Day		0.03	L UNIO	1	
	Mann, P. McG.					11	
	Myers, Chester						7
	McDonald, W. H.					1	
	Mudge, H. N.					15	
	Lybarger, D. F.					1	
	Lindquist, H. L.					1.4	
	Larsen, H. J.				1		
	Klemann, John A.				8		
	Klein, Eugene			14	Ŭ		
			5	••			
	Kissinger, C. W.					1	
	Heath, D. R.		1				
	Heyerman, C. F.	1	· ·				
	Hanford, L. A.	,					
	Eilers, R. H.						36
	Fernald, A. R.	(*					5 U
	Good, Alvin	6					
	Green, Ben G.	5					•
	Deas, A. W.		1				
	Coolidge, C. A.				1		
5	Cornwall, F. R.						
	Crowell, H. C.		2				
	Carpenter, E. M.		1				
6	Martin, E. S.						
	Wilson, H. H.	L					
	Wagner, R. J.				1		
	Webb, C. V.				40		
	Wolsieffer, P. M.					5.1	
	Whittaker, W. G.	8					
	Weigel, A. W.	1					
	Stone, W. C.				49		
	Schlieckert, Chas.					1	
	Sensow, John F.			÷		3	
	Scott, J. E.					1	
	Stevenson, W. L.					1	
7	Severn, C. E.				45	5	
	Stewart, A. C.				40		
	Parker, E. T.	15					
	Moser, C. F. W.	1					
	Michael, F.				1		
	Mann, C. F.					1	
1		Tennester DT-					
	Cast one vote for W						
	Cast one vote for P						
	Cast one vote for K						
	Cast one vote for M						
	Cast one vote for S						
	Cast two votes for						
7	Cast one vote for P	epperell, Mass.					

The Secretary: The vote for the place for the next convention is as follows:— Niagara Falls, 189; Baltimore, 131; Mackinaw Islands, 46; Alexander Bay, 44; At lantic City, 14; Rochester, 11; scattering, 8. Mr. Kissinger: I move that we make it Niagara by unanimous vote—that Niagara Falls be selected for the 1914 convention.

The motion was carried, with much applause.

Mr. Good: This afternoon, if you have nothing else to do, we will take the steamer Tourist for a trip around the islands. We will leave at five o'clock; and at eight o'clock to-night there will be the reception on board the yacht Priscilla. The launch from the yacht will call for you.

Mr. Mudge: I move that we adjourn to Thursday, at 9:30 A. M.

The motion was seconded and carried, and the adjournment so announced.

FOURTH SESSION—THURSDAY, AUGUST 21.

The Convention was called to order by President Cornwall at 10:15 A. M.

The President: We are on the last lap of the Convention and as we have several formal things to do, I will ask your undivided attention so that we may finish up in good time as many of us would like to have a bite to eat and catch that 4:30 boat—I don't know to where, but we would like to catch it.

Are there any communications, Mr. Secretary?

The Secretary: Yes, sir; I have a telegram from the Hotel La Salle, Chicago. It reads:

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 20th.

American Philatelic Society.

Put-in-Bay, O.

If Chicago is selected for nineteen fourteen convention of your Society we hereby offer to furnish accommodations for convention purposes. Meeting rooms, committee rooms and suite for Officers free of charge. Wishing you a very successful nineteen thirteen convention we are.

HOTEL LA SALLE.

The Secretary: Also we have a letter from Mr. John N. Luff, who says:

New York, Aug. 18, 1913.

Mr. Wm. E. Ault,

Secy. American Philatelic Society.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find the report of the Expert Committee to be presented to the Convention. It is not excessively long but says all there is to say. With best wishes for the success of the Convention, which I regret I am unable to attend,

Very truly yours,

JOHN N. LUFF.

The Secretary; The report reads:

REPORT OF THE EXPERT COMMITTEE.

New York, Aug. 18, 1913.

The President and Members

of the American Philatelic Society:

Gentlemen:---

The Expert Committee have to report that during the past year five stamps have been submitted for their examination.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN N. LUFF, Chairman.

The President: The report will be received and filed. Is the Committee on Branch Societies ready to report?

Mr. Wolsieffer: Yes, sir. Mr. President.

The President: Mr. Wolsieffer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BRANCH SOCIETIES.

Put-in-Bay, O., Aug. 21, 1913.

The Committee on Branch Societies reports that Annual Reports have been received from Berkeley, Chicago, Cleveland, Columbus, Detroit, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Saginaw and Springfield, all of which will be published in the Official Journal.

Several of these reports indicate considerable activity and give some interesting details of their meetings and this Committee would urge all Branches to do likewise.

The establishment of more Branches is greatly to be desired and this Committee believes it would be a good thing if the Society had a permanent Committee to be known as "The Branch Committee" to whom all matters coming up during the year be referred, and whose further duty should be to encourage the formation of new Branches.

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Chairman. D. R. HEATH. CHAS. SCHLIECKERT.

The reports of the Branches as submitted to the Convention follow:----

Chicago Branch No. 1.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

Chicago Branch No. 1, American Philatelic Society, has completed a very successful year. Regular meetings were held the second Thursday evening of every month, and were very well attended. The members provided entertainment of unusual merit at nearly every meeting. Several visitors from out of town were present at our meetings.

Chicago Branch suffered a very severe loss by the death of Secretary Scheffler, who had worked long and faithfully in the interest of this branch.

While our membership did not enlarge materially in the past year, the old members showed unfailing interest in the branch. We believe that the coming year will be even more successful than the past.

A. WM. BLOSS, Secretary.

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St. Louis Branch No. 4.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

This branch has preserved its organization for the past year, but has not held any stated meetings, because most of the members of the branch are also members of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society, and when occasion requires, special meetings are held after the regular meetings of the local society.

Nothing of special importance has occurred during the past year which would be of interest to the members at large, except the election of Mr. Frank E. Goodwin, 804 Pine Street, St. Louis, Missouri, as Secretary, to whom all communications, etc., should in the future be addressed.

Respectfully,

F. R. CORNWALL, President.

Pittsburgh Branch No. 5.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

Monthly meetings were held during 1913-1913 in the offices of Mr. W. A. Hemphill, Keystone Bank Bldg., 324 Fourth Avenue.

Several applicants were admitted to membership.

The celebration of the 25th anniversary of Twin City Philatelic Society on June 17th by a banquet was the big thing of the year. It was featured by the presentation of a loving cup to Mr. Eugene Doeblin, a member of the society from its inception. Mr. Adam Daum made the presentation speech.

Officers of Branch 5 for 1913-1914: President, Eugene Doeblin; Secretary, Charles J. Jaegle, Jr.

The membership approves of "The American Philatelist" and hopes that it be continued.

Mail for Branch 5 should be addressed in care of C. J. Jaegle, Jr., 301 Fisk St., Arsenal Station, Pittsburgh, Pa. Yours,

C. J. JAEGLE, JR., Secretary.

Branch No. 18.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 25, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

Gentlemen:

As Secretary of Philadelphia Branch #18 A. P. S., I would report that there has been held in the past year four meetings of the Branch. No business of importance has been transacted excepting the endorsement of the Board of Officers as nominated by the Chicago Branch No. 1.

The meetings of Branch #18 are held in the Club Rooms of the Philadelphia Stamp Club immediately before the meetings of the said Club, and as most of the Branch members are also members of the said Club, the entertainment provided by the local Club suffices for both.

There are twenty-five members at present and at the Annual meeting of October, 1912, the following Board of Officers were elected to succeed themselves:— President, F. Hahman; Vice President, Eugene Klein; Secretary and Treasurer, A. F. Henkels; Sales Manager, John W. Haseltine.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. HENKELS, Secretary.

Branch No. 21.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 16, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

The Columbus Collectors Club, Branch #21 of the American Philatelic Society, has held regular meetings every two weeks during the past year. The average attendance being about twelve. The membership figures at present are somewhat smaller than a year ago, because it has been thought better to drop from the roll several names, the owners of which didn't pay their dues. Several new members have been added, and I regret to report the loss by death of two of our most popular members, Mr. C. B. Duffy, our first President, and Mr. Chas. F. Dosch.

Our Branch still maintains its own Club Rooms and is adding to its already large library.

We have in Columbus quite a few real stamp collectors and find our hardest task is to devise ways and means to have them turn out at the meetings.

Financially the Club is well able to continue its work and is laying plans for a busy winter season.

Respectfully submitted, GEORGE WARD LINN, Secretary.

Branch No. 25.

Detroit, Mich., August 6, 1913.

To the President and Members of the American Philatelic Society.

Gentlemen:---

A Branch report is rather dry reading as a usual thing and it becomes more so when the matter has already been published in the American Philatelist, so the report will be made as brief as possible.

From September 28th, 1912 to June 27th, 1913, nine business meetings were held and ten social ones or a total of nineteen gatherings which were attended by a total of 363 or an average of nineteen members per meeting, visitors who are always welcome, not being included. The resident memberships numbered thirty-one and six non-residents.

During the year the Society lost by resignation five members, three of whom were non-residents and one left to live in California; three were elected to membership, one of them, Mr. H. H. Everard, died, from the effects of an accident, on June 18th, 1913.

Some of the special features during the year were as follows:

Warren H. Colson gave the Society a talk on Hawaiians.

The annual meeting October 11th, 1912, resulted in electing the same officers for the ensuing year. Seven auction sales were held. A quiz and discussion on the stamps of Canada; December 27th was the big Santa Claus meeting with twentyfour members present. Mr. Rice gave a talk in January on "How to lay out a loose leaf album".

A strip of three members entertained the Society on February 25th, 1913, at which time Mr. John F. Rust of Cleveland was the guest and exhibited his U. S. collection.

A West Indies monologue with views by the Secretary was given in March.

Our two veterans—Bowen and Rice—entertained the Society in April and the latter gave a talk on the stamps of Mexico and a few interesting remarks on U. S. prints.

May 9th General Coolidge spoke on pre-cancels, Dr. Babcock on parcel post varieties and Mr. Rice on the U. S. 24 and 90c issues.

At the business meeting in June, Mr. Hartenstein gave a talk on Lithographing and at the last meeting, June 27th, seven "left overs" entertained the Society at the Detroit Boat Club with guests from the Post Office officials.

New issues were obtained at cost, a number of times for the members. The library has been increased by several full sets of priced catalogues of Auction Sales from dealers and Mr. C. G. Ferris, our fellow member, presented his book U. S. Stamp Auction Review 1912 to 1913.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. HEYERMAN, Secretary.

MEMBERS OF BRANCH No. 25.

Babcock, Dr. W. L. Beck, Howard C. Bennett, Don R. Bowen, Herbert Ballentine, D. L. Brisley, Chas. L. Bresler, Victor Cornell, W. F. Colburn, B. S. Coolidge, Gen. C. A. Cady, W. B. Colburn, W. B. Fernald, A. R.

Hartenstein, J. Heineman, S. E. Heyerman, C. F. Hinchman, T. H., Jr. Jackson, S. W. Jumper, C. H. Kay, J. Ladue, T. P. Livingston, W. T. Look, H. Newcomb, H. R.

Ferris, C. G.

Norris, F. T. Parker, C. B., Capt. Rice, G. W. Sanderson, E. L. Schmalzreidt, F. R. Smith, R. E. Swan, W. M. Scott, J. E. Sharpe, C. F. Telfer, E. Wilson, C. W. Woodruff, F.

Branch No. 27.

Berkeley, Cal., Aug. 6, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

Berkeley Branch #27 has not had any meetings this year, all of the Branch members being members of the Berkeley Philatelic Society, which holds meetings on the fourth Sunday of each month. The average attendance is 12. This Society has 32 members. At each meeting we try to have something special, the last one Mr. Prindle spoke on the Stamps of Siam.

Enclosed is the program for this year.

I remain,

HENRY CHALONER, Secretary.

Branch No. 28.

Springfield, Mass., August 8, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

Springfield Branch No. 28 is a purely business organization and holds meetings quarterly in connection with the meetings of the Springfield Stamp Club, practically all our members being members of that club.

The present enrollment of the branch is twenty-two, a gain of one over last year. There are prospects of further additions in the immediate future.

There is a good market here for medium priced stamps and our Sales Manager reports a ready market for novelties and new issues. Owing to his absence from home a report of his department is not available at this date but will be found in the report of Mr. Wolsieffer.

At the last meeting of the Branch the President and Secretary were authorized to sign the ballot and proxy for the Branch, the latter to be held by the Secretary who will attend the convention.

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The following is a list of our members and officers at date:

John W. Prevost, President; Robert C. Munroe, Vice President; William C. Stone, Secretary-Treasurer; Wilson C. Emery, N. P. Bugbee, W. S. Fuller, E.G.Ward, H. G. Kitson, R. C. Brainard, J. D. Bartlett, T. J. Champagne, J. L. Kilbon, C. E. W. Welcome, H. S. Thompson, E. A. Chapin, E. D. Curtis, B. A. Oppenheimer, H. M. Wood; J. M. Oliver, H. R. Wolcott, C. S. Leonard, J. Frank Drake.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. STONE, Secretary.

Branch No. 30.

To the President and Members American Philatelic Society:

The Cleveland Branch has held but one meeting during the past year, as meetings are called only when affairs of the parent society seem to demand it.

The membership in Cleveland has shown a small but gratifying increase during the past year, the present number being 40 as against 34 one year ago.

The Cleveland members appreciate the honor conferred upon three of their number by Chicago Branch in placing them in nomination for the Board of Vice-Presidents.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIN GOOD, Clerk.

Branch No. 34.

Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 11th, 1913.

To the Board of Vice Presidents American Philatelic Society:

In accordance with your request of the 14th ult., I herewith hand you report of our past years work.

Branch #34 of the A. P. S. located at Saginaw, Mich. has at present the following officers, who are the same as held said offices last year:

President,-John J. Spencer.

Vice-Pres.,-Jos. Demers.

Sec.-Treasurer & Exchange Mgr.,-Donald W. Martin, 704 Holland Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

Our years work has not to non-members of our branch appeared as active as might be imagined. Our work has been greatly that of interesting and instructing the younger collector of the city, instructing him along proper lines etc. We hold regular meetings each and every two weeks, Monday evenings. At present we are arranging for a meeting place in connection with the Y. M. C. A. of this city for the purpose of getting into closer touch with the young collector. Most all of our members, especially the older ones, are already members of the Association and by affiliation with said society, we hope to work up an attendance at our meetings composed of the younger collector who, some day will be the older collector. This fact is overlooked by so many of our society branches and the young collector is awe struck by the transactions of the older members and finally drop out of attending meetings merely because of lack of interest in them by the older collectors. This does not mean that we neglect every thing among ourselves for this purpose, we holding our meetings and keeping in close touch with one another daily conducting our business transactions through our secretary after consultation of our executive committee, made up of the officers. We have an attendance of young members of at least 50, most of whom now own nice collections, some, even valuable and most desirable. Our sales from APS circuit exchanges has exceeded, we understand many of the larger branches of the society which bespeaks of the branch in a favorable way as a branch of the A. P. S. Yours truly,

DONALD W. MARTIN, Sec'y-Treas.

The President: The recommendation of the Committee on Branches, in order to be carried out will have to be referred to the By-Laws Committee, unless the President for the ensuing year takes it upon himself to appoint a committee, which I think he has the right to do under the by-laws—not as a permanent committee but as a temporary committee which can be made permanent next year.

The next is the report of the Committee on the Sales Department.

Mr. Stewart: Mr. President.

The President: Mr. Stewart.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SALES DEPARTMENT.

Put-in-Bay, Ohio, 8-20-13.

To the American Philatelic Society:

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Sales Dept. after investigating the report of Supt. of Sales Dept. find that the Dept. under the able management of Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer is being run in a most exemplary manner and therefore the Committee has no recommendations to offer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. STEWART. J. E. SCOTT.

The President: Is Finance Committee #1 ready to report?

Mr. Kissinger: Yes, sir.

The President: Go ahead, Mr. Kissinger.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE NO. 1.

Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 21st, 1913.

Mr. F. R. Cornwall, President, American Philatelic Society.

Your Committee on Finance No. 1, to whom was referred the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports respectfully state that we have carefully gone over all of the books and records delivered to us and find the following:

Report of Treasurer.

STOCK FUND.

Balance on hand Aug. 22, 1912 Received from Secretary Ault for new stockholders elected	
Disbursed by vouchers 743 and 796	\$4,031.66
Net credit balance	\$4,029.66
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.	
Balance on hand Aug. 22, 1912 Receipts to date	.\$ 64.50 65.70
Disbursed by voucher #755	\$ 130.20 64.50
Net credit balance	\$ 65.70

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INSURANCE FUND.

Balance on hand Aug. 22, 1912 Receipts to date	
Disbursed by vouchers 758 and 782	\$1,454.96 15.00
Net credit balance	\$1,439.96
EXCHANGE FUND ACCOUNT.	

Balance on hand Aug. 22, 1912\$ Receipts to date	
Net credit balance	117.08
NET total credit balances in above accounts\$5,	652.40

GENERAL FUND.

Received from all sources not above noted (per itemized acct. of Treas.)\$2,830.31
Disbursements during year by vouchers per Treas. itemized account\$3,034.08
Amount of General Fund overdrawn Aug. 22, 1912 \$ 657.59
Amount of General Fund overdrawn Aug. 21, 1913\$ 861.36
Leaving a net balance of all funds on hand at this Convention of:
Cash
and bonds, book value\$2,612.34
A total of

We have in our possession the certificate of the German Security Bank, Louisville, Ky., notifying the bank balance of the Treasurer to be \$2,178.70, which is the net amount of cash in Treasurer's possession exclusive of bonds (book value) \$2,612.34, Total \$4,791.04.

We also have in our possession the certificate of Citizens National Bank, Jeffersonville, Ind., notifying the bank balance of the Secretary to be \$100.

We recommend that \$75 of \$117.08 the Exchange Account balance be transferred to the General Fund.

We recommend that Finance Committee No. 1 be appointed at the same time the Credentials Committee and that Secretary's and Treasurer's books be in the hands of the said Committee at least one day previous to the opening of the Convention.

We recommend the existing bond of Treasurer be surrendered to Massachusetts Bonding Co. and new bond be secured forthwith for the newly elected Treasurer and a renewal certificate be received for the re-elected Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD W. KISSINGER, Chairman.

C. F. MANN.

J. C. HOFFSTETTER.

The President: You have heard the report of your Finance Committee #1 and you have also heard the recommendations. What is your pleasure?

General Coolidge: I move that they be adopted.

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Mr. Severn: I second the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The President: Has the Resolutions Committee anything to report, Mr. Carpenter?

Mr. Carpenter: We have one additional resolution which we will offer at the present time, and perhaps if you wait until the end of the session we may have another one.

Mr. Carpenter then read the following resolution:

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, There is now in the United States National Museum in the City of Washington a large and valuable accumulation of postage stamps, including the collection of the Post Office Department, and which is now in course of preparation for permanent exhibition, and

WHEREAS, It is the desire of the American Philatelic Society to cooperate to the fullest extent possible with the officials of the Smithsonian Institution and the National Museum toward a scientific classification and arrangement of said collection and for the securing of future additions thereto, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the President of the Society be and he is hereby authorized to appoint a committee of five members of the Society, not fewer than two of which shall be residents of the City of Washington, to carry into effect the purposes expressed in the preamble of this resolution, provided however, that such committee shall not be authorized to incur any expense on account thereof without the approval of the Board of Directors of the Society.

The President: You have heard the resolution which, for your information I will say, was prepared and sent to us by Mr. Howard C. Beck, of Washington, D. C. It is in harmony with the recommendations that I made in my report. What is your pleasure?

General Coolidge moved the adoption of the resolution; the motion was seconded and the resolution unanimously adopted.

The President: Is the By-Laws Committee ready to report?

REPORT OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Mudge: The changes are few and simple and almost perfunctory and of such a nature that I think that I can explain them.

It was recommended that the bonds of those under bonds should be approved by the President and not sent around to all of the nine directors, and we recommend that Article V, Sec. 1, be changed to read, on the 9th line, after the word Society, as follows:and other obligations entered into by the Society; including the approval of bonds of the Secretary, Treasurer and Sales Superintendent, as provided in these by-laws.

In harmony with that, and in the same Article, the last line of Sec. 3, where it says that the Secretary should be under bonds of \$500, we recommend that the law be changed to read, instead of "approved by the Board of Directors," approved by the **President**.

In Sec. 4 of the same Article, under the head of Treasurer, there is a clause that

now reads, beginning on the 9th line: "shall be kept a seperate suspense account, to which shall be credited all moneys received for other than current accounts, including all partial or over-payments."

The Secretary in his report—I believe it was the Secretary—called attention to the fact that there was some confusion growing out of the fact that these partial payments and over-payments and the like showed in the general account. Therefore we recommend that that part of that clause, including all partial or over-payments, be excluded, making it read: "Among his accounts shall be kept a separate suspense account, to which shall be credited all moneys received for other than current accounts."

In that same section, where it reads that the Treasurer's bond shall be approved by the Board of Directors, substitute for the words "Board of Directors" the word President.

Under Section 4, of Article VII, concerning the Sales Superintendent, in the 12th line, for the words "Board of Directors," substitute the word **President**, as to who shall approve his bond.

Those are the changes that we recommend.

There was another change proposed, that members on being reinstated be given a new number. We do not concur in that recommendation. That matter was threshed out some years ago and it was rather demonstrated at the time that it was right and proper to fine the man who allowed himself to drop and then came back again, but we would gain nothing by changing the number.

Mr. Iver R. Johnson: I was very much interested in what Mr. Mudge had to say about the suspense account. I would like to hear from the Secretary what he thinks about it, inasmuch as I was not here at the first committee session.

The Secretary: Mr. Mudge did not quite state that just as my report stated it inasmuch as he included the posting of all over-payments. My suggestion was that a partial payment of the current year's dues should be posted to a man's account, the same as you would find in any business house where a merchant would pay a portion of his bill on account of what he owed. It is not carried on a suspense account. Why should you carry this account separately? The other part of the By-Law will cover all over-payments. If a man pays \$1.70, he has no credit for that on his individual account. If he pays the balance, we have to look up his previous payment. You can, through error, drop him for non-payment of dues, but if these payments are credited to the individual account you cannot drop him that way. That was my idea in bringing that change forward.

Mr. Johnson: In arranging this system I found in my examination of Mr. Adair's books that it was very, very difficult to audit the accounts due to the fact that partial payments were credited, and in getting up the new system it was concluded that all partial payments should not show on the ledger. If they were shown there, it would take ever so much more time to audit the books. The partial payments probably amount to \$50. or \$60. a year and I think it would be easier to carry those items as petty cash; that the Secretary before getting up his suspension list could compare that list with the suspension account. Unless we do that we are going to have trouble in auditing the books. It is going to be practically impossible to arrive at any balance. We will always be out \$40, \$50, or \$60 on our balance. Now, it is not so much work to handle the partial payments in the suspense account. I consulted with a few accountants about it and they said it was a nice way of handling the business. But in a Society such as ours the dues are only \$1.80 a year and if a man does not pay his dues in full, he should not be credited for partial payment on the ledger. Possibly with 70 to 75 accounts, it is very hard to keep track of them and I think that the Secretary will find if he handles his bills through the suspense account he can do it better than having two lines where one should suffice. I suggest, Mr. President, that that section relating to suspense account remain as it is.

The Secretary: I realize, of course, the force of Mr. Johnson's argument and I am not arguing in the matter to be contrary at all, but I cannot conceive how the mere posting of those separate payments would involve any extra labor in auditing the books. It is no harder to check 10c than it is to check \$1.80. Now, if you keep a suspense account, the Secretary must also keep a memorandum of the reports that he gets from the Treasurer and carry an entirely separate account for them. It means, also, keeping a sheet in your ledger without it showing why it is there. Whereas if a partial payment is posted to it there is a reason on the face of it as to why that member is carried as a member.

It is all a small matter when we come down to it, but it seems to me that for the clearness of the record those payments should be posted as they are made. Suppose a man makes a partial payment this year, and next year he does not pay in full. The question might arise, why wasn't he dropped the year before?

Mr. Johnson: There is the suspense account. That account could be carried as a sort of petty cash.

The Secretary: Yes, but that means referring to two records. My idea is that it should be shown on the account all the way through.

Mr. Johnson: Mr. President, we find in auditing the items if we show the partial payments we have to go all through the ledgers and pick them out. By having them in a separate place we do not have to bother with them at all; we have only the even amounts to check. As far as I am personally concerned, it does not make any difference to me whether it is adopted or not, but I think it will work out much better if the system remains intact as it is rather than to have it changed.

Mr. Mudge: Mr. Mann has audited these books under the present system for two years and I would suggest that he give us his views as to that.

Mr. C. F. Mann: I fail to see where there would be any additional labor at all, whether it is in the suspense account or in the ledger. In fact, I would rather have it in the books than in the suspense account.

The President: It seems that it is a question of bookkeeping which, according to Mr. Johnson, was a system adopted after our books were in horrible condition. Now they have gotten into good condition and those who post them and keep them ought to follow their own ideas as to whether they will have a suspense account or credit the individual member's account according to the payments made.

General Coolidge: I recommend the approval of the report of the Committee.

Mr. Carpenter: I second that motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The President: Is the Second Finance Committee ready to report?

Mr. W. L. Aldrich: We haven't anything to report. We looked around for some work to do, but we couldn't find any. (Laughter.)

The President: According to your statement, Mr. Aldrich, which is a negative report, I think that most of us would like to be on your Committee. The idea of appointing the Second Finance Committee was to audit the reports of committees that had finances appropriated to them during the past year. If those committees haven't handled any money, your report will be received, with thanks.

Mr. Aldrich: We are ready to go to work any time that they find anything for us to do.

The President: Gentlemen, is there any other business before the Society?

Mr. Severn: I would like to record a proxy as favoring no restrictions in the power of the Sales Superintendent. Mr. President, I am giving this literally, as it was given to me. In order to perform my duty, I think this is the only way that I can present several instructions.

Also a proxy favoring giving more power to the Board of Vice Presidents to eliminate frauds from our membership and not to wait for the presentation of an affidavit.

Also to urge the appointment of a committee to study the question of rendering counterfeits innocuous by marking in ink on backs, or punching, or buying by Society for a collection, or to destroy.

Mr. Stone: Who offered that, Mr. Severn?

Mr. Severn: Mr. C. F. Richards, of New York City.

The President: It is very interesting, but I think it is impracticable. I do not think that the Society cares to take any action on that.

Mr. Mudge: I move that Mr. Severn's report be received and placed on the table.

The President: The table is here to receive it. What else have we on hand?

Mr. Carpenter: I have one or two resolutions which I would like to present. I thought I would do that at the last moment.

The President: I don't want to pose as a railroad conductor or as operating a steam roller, but if we have no other business I see no sense in taking up time by sitting around.

Mr. Carpenter then read the following resolutions:

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this convention be extended to the members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club for their royal welcome, their liberal hospitality and the abundant and enjoyable entertainment furnished by them during our stay in Put-in-Bay.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this convention be extended to Commodore Geo. H. Worthington, an early member of our Society and an Honorary Member of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, for the many courtesies extended during the convention, and especially for the reception tendered its members and guests aboard the palatial yacht, Priscilla.

RESOLVED. That the thanks of this convention be extended to our retiring President, Mr. Frederick R. Cornwall, for his untiring work in behalf of the Society during his two terms of office and the able manner in which he has presided over this convention.

> E. M. CARPENTER, E. T. PARKER, HENRY C. CROWELL, Resolution Committee.

Mr. Stone: I move that the resolutions be adopted.

Mr. Kissinger: I second the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The President: Gentlemen, we have reached that stage in our proceedings where I become your valedictorian and tell you something about the pleasure it has given me to act as you presiding officer. Not only the fun I have had but the instruction I have received in handling a Society or body of this kind.

As I told you sometime ago when I was first elected, I considered that my election as your President conferred upon me the highest honor that could be conferred upon a philatelist in the United States. It has put me in touch with the best stamp collectors in this country, and to say that I am happy to know them it putting it mildly.

To say that I have profited by being your President is also a weak expression of my appreciation of the honor that you have conferred upon me.

In retiring as your President I am very glad indeed to state that I shall be succeeded by a gentleman who is so far superior to me in his enthusiasm as a stamp collector, and whose interest in the Society is so great, that I feel that the Society cannot help but prosper under his administration.

I am going to introduce to you your next President now elected, General C. A. Coolidge, of Detroit. (Applause.) I turn over my gavel to him. (Continued applause.)

General Coolidge: Gentlemen of the American Philatelic Society: I appreciate the high honor which you have done me in electing me your President, but I do not suppose you elected me your President for the honor to me; you elected me to assist you and if possible to conduct you through the incoming year in a becoming manner and to do the best that I could toward the interest of the Society.

I was one of the few members in the early days who joined the Society and though I was clear out on the tops of the Rocky Mountains and was not able to attend your conventions and hadn't much to say in the matter, I was glad to be a member of the Society for the honor which it conferred upon every member of the Society as a collector and a gentleman, and I think that it would be for the interests of philately that all collectors should become members of the Society and encourage philately.

I am sorry that so many have dropped out from time to time; I wish that we could get them back. There are a number of old collectors who ought to come back. They are still collectors although they are not active in the convention.

I am rather sorry to say that I am a minority president. Not only as I a minority president of the Society because of the small attendance which we have here less than 100 out of 1400—but I am even by the proxies of members who can send their votes by mail—they do not take time enough to sign the paper which our Secretary sends them. They do not sign their votes and we haven't to-day, and we haven't had for years, the interest that there ought to be in signing proxies and sending in the vote and I hope that in another year your next president will have the majority of the votes of all the Society. (Applause.)

I do not want to make a long speech, but I do want to tell you that my most hearty co-operation will be with the Society and all the work that I can do for it to the best of my ability, which is not very great, will be given to the Society for the coming year. (Applause.)

I hope that we will meet in Niagara and have a larger convention and have more of our members there and that the vote will be larger for your new president.

We have been a peaceful convention, as I have said, for a number of years, and

I think it has been due to our President Mudge who started the entire thing, and we haven't had a division of votes, and I hope that we shall have no division.

What does the Society do? Why are these conventions? We come here and don't kick up any row and so they think that the Society is doing nothing. But, gentlemen, that constitution of ours has been given the best thought of the members of the Philatelic Society, legal talent and otherwise, for years and years and we have got it down so now that it is almost perfect. A little change may be needed from time to time according to emergencies that arise and we have got so that we can do the work that is necessary in shorter time and with less squabbling, and that is something that the convention has done.

It is able now to do the work rapidly and smoothly and for the best interests of the Society, and that is one thing that our convention has done. It has grown from a small gathering to 1400-odd members and although we ought, perhaps, to have twice as many members, it, nevertheless, is of benefit to the country and the philatelists and the spread of our science.

In Detroit seven years ago we started a little A. P. S. Branch and we started with, I think, nine members on the roll. Our Branch has grown to have some 30odd members and is only kept down to that number because we could not entertain any more in our houses and so we have limited our Society. And Detroit, since the time seven years ago when we started our Philatelic Society, now numbers sixty members of the A. P. S. We have gained new members because we had a little affair of our own and that has spread all over the city.

Now, you can all do the same. You can start in your little towns here and there with two or three members and if you get up a Society you will find new members and old philatelists and they will help you spread the Gospel of Philately. (Applause.) It is wonderful how you can discover people who have been collecting for years and yet do not know of the American Philatelic Society, and if you will go to work the coming year we can double our numbers.

We are going to have a new recruiting officer because the one that we have had the last year has so much other work that he cannot attend to it. Mr. Kissinger will be the new chairman. We want not only to form Societies in the different cities but to form Societies which will increase our numbers.

A Society is a great benefit and if properly conducted, as our Detroit Branch has been, it will benefit the Exchange Department. It simplifies his work and gives him a larger number in every town to send his books to, so it does not cost the Society so much or cost him so much. So I want every member to constitute himself a Committee of One to enlarge the Society. I know that you will do your part and I shall try to do my part.

I thank you for your attention. (Great applause.)

General Coolidge: Gentlemen, the Board of Directors have held a meeting and have elected the following officers:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

President—Gen. C. A. Coolidge.

(I may cut out the "General" there. I am only a member of the Philatelic Society now.)

Board of Vice Presidents-Alvin Good; H. C. Crowell; John F. Rust.

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Mr. Kissinger: In that connection I want to appoint you all a Committee of One to get at least one member each during the ensuing year. At least one. (Applause.)

General Coolidge: Now you hear your new recruiting officer and you know that you have got to work.

Mr. W. G. Whittaker: I enjoyed the remark of the chairman of the new Recruiting Committee. Mr. Klein and myself wish to offer a certain amount of space in our auction catalogue to be used for any matter which Mr. Kissinger may wish to present to our readers for the benefit of the A. P. S.

The President: I think it would be interesting at this time to hear from one of our members who is deeply interested in the forthcoming Exhibition to be held in New York in next October. And in order that we may learn something of what that exhibition is to be, in addition to what we have read in the newspapers, I will ask Mr. Klein to give us a few words. (Applause.)

Mr. Eugene Klein: As a member of the Executive Committee of the International Philatelic Exhibition to take place in New York this fall, I wish to say a few words to you.

We have worked hard for about a year in gathering funds and advertising the Exhibition to such an extent as to have not only promised us, but to be certain now of, some of the foremost collections of the world. I do not care to mention any names to you because there are some exhibitors who want to surprise the public which is to attend. But we have collections coming from South America; of course all Europe and our own United States. We will show such fine collections that it will be a wonderful sight to behold.

The exhibition will open on Monday, October 27th, at 2 o'clock. The formal opening will take place at 8 o'clock in the evening, when we hope to have Postmaster General Burleson to address us. We have Mr. Ralph, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, also to address us, and possibly some of the foremost New York men.

On Tuesday evening a great German night will be given by the New York Stamp

The Hand Book Committee was later appointed by President Coolidge as follows —Iver R. Johnson, Chairman; H. L. Lindquist, and Walter H. McDonald, all of Chicago.

Society, which I certainly hope that no one of you will miss. By "German night" is meant what Cermans usually call "a kommers", with all the German finesse and everything else—

The President: Beer?

Mr. Klein: Plenty of it. And all the ladies are expected to be present.

On Thursday night the grand banquet will be held, which is being arranged by Mr. Pack.

We are expecting quite a number of foreign visitors who have written us that they are coming and have made all arrangements to be present. We will all have an opportunity to meet them there and I trust that you will make it your business to be there and meet not only those foreign visitors but those eastern collectors. (Applause.)

Mr. Stone: Is there any hotel designated as headquarters?

Mr. Klein: Yes. Mr. Bartels is arranging for hotel headquarters.

General Coolidge: Is there a bath room attached?

Mr. Klein: Yes, sir.

Mr. Barnum: It occurs to me that our Society is overlooking one of its best advertising opportunities if it does not have some one to represent it at this International Exhibition. By representation I mean some one who will pass out application blanks and some descriptive and philatelic literature; and I cannot understand how the Exhibition Committee could feel that we were asking more than we should if we asked for that privilege. It strikes me that that would be a mighty live place to do recruiting work. (Applause.)

The President: Mr. Barnum's suggestion is a most excellent one and if the new officers, or new administration, will take that up with the Exhibition Committee, I have no doubt that they will not only give us space but will aid us in every way to put the A. P. S. were it should be—the foremost society of this country. (Applause.)

I have one suggestion to make to the Exhibition Committee which I think is timely; that is this, the members of the American Philatelic Society are working with you and co-operating with you heart and soul. They want to see this a great success. This Society has not only endorsed your proposition but has advanced money toward its support; but the Exhibition has not given the Society the recognition which I think it should. As I remember, they have an Honorary Board and I have looked in this in vain for the name of the American Philatelic Society.

Mr. Klein: It is there. It is in the second edition.

The President: I haven't seen it, Mr. Klein. It was not in the first edition.

Is there any other business?

Mr. Barnum: Has the final report of the Credentials Committee been received?

The President: It has not been filed. I do not know that it was necessary.

Mr. Stone: There have been only three proxies received since and they have been added in.

Mr. Anderson: It occurs to me that a good way to get proxies is to put a stamp on an addressed envelope. I have had some experience and, little as it seems, it will save time and get you many more proxies anyway if you put a two cent stamp on each one of the addressed envelopes.

The President: The suggestion is a good one and I think that the Secretary

might act on it. We ought to have some stamped envelopes so that they cannot use the stamps for any other purpose. (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. Wolsieffer: I would like to request information. Would it be possible for the American Philatelic Society to make an exhibit at that International Exhibition? Not for competition, but to show that we are there. Could we put up, say, a little frame or a stand to display our various publications? It might be possible to run off a special edition of the American Philatelist and give the copies away. It would be the finest advertsing that we could have. Possibly the Board of Vice Presidents could arrange that matter. I cannot imagine any greater advertising that the American Philatelist could get than to have a special edition and have an application blank printed right in the body of the number. Give them away to all comers.

Mr. Klein: Mr. Wolsieffer's suggestion is a good one. In fact, we have received several applications from foreign Societies to put up a frame and say what they are doing, and also to show the printed matter and distribute copies of their papers. If the Society sees fit to have a Committee appointed for that purpose they could make application for the space.

Mr. Severn: Now that the subject has been presented, I really feel that it is imperative for the American Philatelic Society to have an exhibition at the time of this International Exhibition. Otherwise invidious comparisons might be instituted between the enterprise of other countries and the United States and I think that the matter appears to us in all its seriousness now, and I think that we ought to be an exhibitor at this International Exhibition.

The President: I think myself that invidious comparisons ought to be avoided if we can avoid them. As the appointment of that committee would come under my successor, and as now is the time, I will entertain a motion to appoint a committee, say of three, to confer with the International Exhibition Committee and to make arrangements, subject, of course, to our Board of Directors as far as the expense is concerned, to secure space or do anything that is fit and proper to put us on a par with sister societies in foreign countries.

Mr. Stone: I make the motion.

The motion was seconded.

The President: It has been moved and seconded that a Committee of three be appointed to make arrangements with the International Exhibition in New York to secure space there and do whatever is necessary to put us on a par with our sisted societies in foreign countries.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Kissinger: I would include, too, that they get right on the job. I understand that the space is pretty well taken up. The entries close this coming week.

Mr. Severn: Why should not the application for space be made immediately?

The President: We will make that application through Mr. Klein.

General Coolidge: Mr. Klein, will you serve on that committee?

Mr. Klein: I will, sir.

General Coolidge: Then I will appoint our old friend Mr. Stone; also Mr. Klein and Mr. Wolsieffer.

Mr. Stone: Put Mr. Klein's name first, please.

Mr. Wolsieffer: I don't want to shirk any duty and I am perfectly willing to go on the committee, but the thought that occurs to me is, wouldn't it be better to have a man nearer to the base of operations? General Coolidge: Mr. Klein and Mr. Stone are near there.

Mr. Stone: I think it would be better to appoint the other two members from New York.

The President: Then I will name Mr. Eugene Klein, Mr. John A. Klemann and Mr. Stone.

Mr. Stone: I would rather be excused.

General Coolidge: They will do all the work for you. They don't expect you to do any work. (Laughter.) You are merely a figurehead.

The President: Is there any other business? We have reached the stage now where we have nearly become exhausted.

General Coolidge: Are you going to throw a Stone?

ADJOURNMENT.

The President: I am not going to throw a Stone. We are enervated and we are approaching the point where it is becoming the last gasp.

There is one more committee to be appointed and that committee has exercised its prerogatives for so many years that it is almost unnecessary to name the committee, so I shall give it the initial of S. D. (Applause.) I appoint Mr. Stone on the S. D. Committee. (Laughter and applause.)

Mr. Stone: Your committee would beg leave to report the following three resolutions:

First: Resolved, that we have all had a good time.

Second: Resolved, that we all hope to be at Niagara Falls next year and to continue to have a good time.

Third: Resolved, that we do now adjourn sine die. (Laughter and applause.)

The President: Gentlemen, you have heard the motion. Those in favor of it will please say aye.

The motion was carried unanimously and the President announced the convention adjourned sine die.

Attest: WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

The following communications were received after the close of the Convention---

Post card, dated Queenstown, August 12th, 1913-

Gentlemen-

Greetings and best wishes for a successful Convention.

A. W. B. (A. W. Batchelder)

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 2, 1913.

To the President and members of the A. P. S. present at the convention 1913 in Put-in-Bay, O.

Dear Friends:---

Your very kind congratulatory telegram has added to the debt of gratitude which I already owe to our beloved Society for many kindnesses and honors heaped upon me during the twenty-six years of its existence. I believe I can best express my appreciation by giving utterance to the prayer that those dear to me may ever be blessed with such earnest and sincere friendships as I have found among the members of the A. P. S.

Appreciatively and sincerely,

E. DOEBLIN.

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 21 Princeton St., Springfield, Mass. Meets quarterly.
- 3208 Cleveland Branch No. 30, Alvin Good, Clerk, Hickox Building, Cleveland, Ohio. Meets quarterly.
- 3638 Saginaw Stamp Club, Branch No. 34, John J. Spencer, President, D. W. Martin, Secretary, 704 Holland Ave., Saginaw, Mich.
- 3691 Buffalo Collectors Club, Branch No. 37, F. P. James, Secretary, 410 W. Ferry Street. Meets first and third Thursday.

CORRESPONDING SOCIETIES.

Internationaler Philatelisten Verein, Dresden, Victoriastr, 10, Dresden A, Germany. Oesterreichischer Philatelisten Club "Vindobona," Himmelpfortg 9, Vienna I, Austria. The Royal Philatelic Society, London, 4 Southampton Row, London, W. C., England. The Philatelic Society of Sweden, Greftureg 24A, Stockholm, Sweden.

- The Herts Philatelic Society, 29 Holland Villas Road, Kensington, London, W., England.
- The British Guiana Philatelic Society, care A. D. Ferguson, F. R. P. S., Georgetown, British Guiana, South America.
- St. Petersburger Philatelisten Verein, care M. Ssanin, Esq., Sabalkansky, 16 g. 86, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- The Philatelic Literature Society, F. J. Peplow, Esq., Secretary, "Grotesby," Blackheath, London, S. E., England.
- Societe Francaise de Timbrologie, M. R. Leroy, Secretary, 19 Rue Blanche, Paris, France.
- Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, Casilla De Correo 1103, Buenos Aires, Argentina, South America.

By-Laws of the American Philatelic Society

As Adopted at the Seventh Annual Convention, August 15, 16, 17, 1892, and Amended at the Subsequent Conventions, including Amendments Adopted at the Twenty-eighth Annual Convention, August 19, 20, 21, 1913.

ARTICLE I.—Capital Stock.

Section 1. Every certificate of stock issued by this society shall be for a single share only, and shall be subject to the following terms and conditions: That the holder thereof has accepted the said certificate with the understanding that it can be issued or transferred only to a person who has been duly elected a member of the Society in the manner provided by its By-Laws, and who is not the holder of any other share or certificate of its capital stock. That no transfer of said stock, or the certificate thereof, shall be valid unless made upon the books of the Society and signed by the member transferring the same, or his lawful attorney, and attested by the Secretary, and upon return of the outstanding certificate, which shall be cancelled and filed by the Secretary. That the holder is liable for the payment to the Society of the annual dues provided for by the By-Laws, until the said stock certificate is surrendered to the Society, and is not entitled to vote said stock so long as he is in any man-That the ner indebted to the Society. Society has a first lien on the said stock and all increments thereof for all indebtedness of the holder to the Society, and that no transfer thereof shall be permitted so long as the holder is so indebted to the Society; and that the possession of said certificate shall not be regarded as evidence of the ownership of the holder, or his right to participate as a stockholder, unless it appears upon the books of the Society, that all said conditions have been duly complied

with. That the ownership of said stock shall at all times be subject to the provisions of the By-Laws. That upon the expulsion of the holder, or his resignation, or the dropping of his name from the roll of membership for non-payment of dues or other indebtedness to the Society or any of its departments, his stock shall revert to the Society, and his certificate become and remain null and void.

Sec. 2. Every certificate of stock shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary, and sealed with the corporate seal of the Society, and shall be duly numbered and entered in the stock book to be kept by the Secretary for that purpose. A charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for a duplicate certificate in case of loss.

Sec. 3. Certificates of stock shall be valued at \$1.00 each, and all money received for stock certificates as provided for by Article II, Section I, shall be kept by the Treasurer in a separate and inviolate fund to be known as the Stock Fund, the interest of which may be applied to current expenses; and the Treasurer shall place this fund at interest in such manner from time to time as the Board of Directors may approve or direct.

ARTICLE II.—Membership.

Section 1. Any person desiring to become a member of this Society shall file with its Secretary an application in the form prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors, signed by one member of the Society, and, if the appli-

cant is of legal age, accompanied by one or more commercial references, which commercial references shall not be the firm, or a member of the firm, of which the proposer is a member, and if the applicant has not attained the age of 21 years, he must accmopany his application with a bond signed by some responsible person, obligating himself for the proper fulfillment of the applicant's promises and obligations to the Society in case the applicant is admitted, such guarantor to furnish one or more com-Said application mercial references. must be accompanied by the sum of \$1.00, for one share of stock and the amount of dues for the remainder of the fiscal year, ending August 31, the whole to be refunded if admission is refused. The Secretary shall acknowledge the receipt of each application, stating the date when the applicant will become a member, provided no objections are received. The Secretary shall cause the name, age, occupation, and address of each applicant and the names of his references and bondsmen to be published in the Official Journal, and if no objection shall be received by the Board of Vice-Presidents within one month after publication, the applicant shall become a member. In case the Board of Vice-Presidents shall receive any objections to the admission of any applicant they shall notify the Secretary thereof, and proceed to investigate the case, and may accept or reject the applicant in their discretion, and shall certify their result to the Secretary, who shall thereupon proceed accordingly.

In case the Secretary is advised that objections to an applicant have been received by the Vice-Presidents, he shall continue to publish the applicant's name in the Official Journal, but under such circumstances the applicant shall not become a member until the Secretary be advised by the Board of Vice-Presidents that they, after investigation, have accepted the applicant.

Sec. 2. As it is important to the wellbeing and prosperity of this Society that all members thereof should be persons of good repute, every person applying for admission thereto agrees to become subject to such dules of discipline as may be provided by the By-laws from time to time. All charges of improper conduct on the part of any member of the Society shall be addressed in writing, accompanied by affidavit of the truth of the charges, and all obtainable proof, to the Board of Vice-Presidents, who shall investigate and determine the same under such rules as they may prescribe; and report their findings thereon to the Board of Directors who may, in their judgment, suspend or expel such member, and declare his stock forfeited to the Society, and their action shall be final and binding on all parties. Should the Board of Directors deem it advisable, they may, however, certify the case for consideration to the next convention of the Society, and such convention shall have the same powers in the case as the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. The annual dues shall be \$1.80 to all members, payable in advance, to the Treasurer, on the first day of September, when the fiscal year shall commence; provided, that every new member for any unexpired portion of the first fiscal year after his admission to membership shall pay at the rate of fifteen cents per month, or fraction thereof, from the date of his application. Members paying dues by personal check must add thereto ten cents for exchange.

No assessment other than the annual dues shall be levied except on recommendation of the Board of Directors, published in the call for an annual convention, special meeting, or mail vote, and adopted by a vote of two-thirds of all the stockholders voting thereon; provided, that the number of affirmative votes shall be not less than one-third of the whole number of stockholders entitled to vote.

Sec. 4. In case any member fails to pay the annual dues or any indebtedness to the Society or any department thereof, within thirty days from the time the same are due, the Treasurer shall notify such delinquent member, and unless such dues or debts are paid within thirty days thereafter, the Treasurer shall notify the Secretary, by whom his name shall be stricken from the rolls, and his stock shall be declared forfeited **to** the Society, and his name shall be omitted from the printed membership list. The Secretary shall notify the Sales Superintendent to debar from the privileges of the department any member whose name shall have been dropped from the rolls.

Any stockholder or branch society having resigned in good standing, or any stockholder or branch society whose name shall have been stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues or debts as aforesaid, may be reinstated on payment of such dues or debts, and \$1.00, plus the amount of dues for the remainder of the current year, and a share of stock bearing the original stock number shall be reissued, and in case of reinstatement of a branch society, a charter certificate bearing the original number shall be reissued. In case of minors a new guarantee shall be required, and in the case of members who have been suspended for more than one year new references shall be required.

All applications for reinstatement shall be published in the Official Journal and treated in the same manner as is provided for an ordinary application for membership.

Sec. 5. Any stockholder in good standing may at any time tender his resignation to the Secretary, and surrender his stock certificate to the Society. All resignations received by the Secretary shall be published in the next Official Journal, and if no objections are received within one month of the date of the publication, they shall be duly accepted by him, to take effect from the date of their receipt, but no stockholder will be permitted to resign while indebted to the Society. In case the Secretary is in doubt as to the advisability of accepting the resignation of any stockholder, he shall refer the matter to the Board of Vice-Presidents, who shall have power to decide the case, and, if they deem advisable, to prescribe conditions on which the resignation shall be accepted.

Sec. 6. No stockholder of the Society who has not attained the age of twentyone years shall be eligible to any office.

Sec. 7. Any Philatelic Society outside the United States and possessions may be elected by the Board of Vice-Presidents upon the recommendation of the International Secretary, or by the Society in convention assembled, as an honorary corresponding member, and shall receive all publications of the Society and shall be exempt from dues; such honorary corresponding membership shall not carry the right to vote or hold stock. A list of such members shall follow the branch societies in the annual list of members.

ARTICLE III.—Meetings.

Section 1. The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Society, to be designated as the Annual Convention, shall be held each year at such date and such place, within or without the state of Minnesota, as may have been selected by the last preceding Annual Convention, and the publication in the Official Journal of the proceedings of the convention, naming such time and place, shall be deemed sufficient notice of such meeting; but the President shall also issue a call for the Annual Convention, stating the time and locality of convening thereof, to be published in the number of the Official Journal issued not less than sixty days prior to the holding of such convention.

Sec. 2. Special meetings of the stockholders of this Society may be called by the Board of Directors, or by one hundred stockholders of this Society. Notice thereof shall be mailed to each stockholder, at his last known address, at least sixty days before the date fixed for holding said meeting, and a copy of such notice shall be published in the Official Journal at least one month before the time of holding such meeting.

Sec. 3. If in the opinion of the Board of Directors it should be advisable at any time, or in case one hundred stockholders so request, the President shall call for a general vote of the shareholders upon any desired question. Notice that such call has been issued shall be given in the

Official Journal, at least one month before the date when the vote is to be counted. The vote shall be in the form designated by the President, with the assent of the Board of Vice-Presidents. The call and the form shall each state the time and place at which the count is to take place. and a copy of each shall be mailed to every person appearing upon the books of the Society as entitled to vote as a stockholder thirty days before the vote is to be counted. The vote shall be signed by the stockholder and sent to the Board of Vice-Presidents; and no vote shall be counted unless in the form prescribed at the date when the call was mailed. Any stockholder shall have the right to be present and witness the count. The result shall be certified by the Board of Vice-Presidents to the President, who shall announce the result in the next number of the Official Journal. A majority of the votes cast shall determine the question submitted, but the By-laws can be amended only as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 4. All stockholders of the Society who are present at any of its meetings shall be entitled to participate in the proceedings; but only those not indebted to the Society shall be entitled to vote in person, or by proxy, at any annual convention, at any special meeting, or upon any question submitted to a general vote.

No member of the Society shall be allowed to vote more than fifty proxies.

Sec. 5. A quorum for the transaction of business at any convention or special meeting shall consist of one-half the stockholders there represented in person or by proxy; but the By-laws can be amended only as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 6. No director of this Society shall be permitted to act for or vote as proxy for any other stockholder of this Society.

Sec. 7. At all meetings of the Society, all questions of order and parliamentary law shall be determined by reference to Robert's Rules of Order.

Sec. 8. At all meetings of the Society, all reports of officers and committees and

all resolutions must be presented in writing.

Sec. 9. At the annual convention, the President shall appoint the following standing committees:

- A Committee on Finance;
- A Committee on Library;
- A Committee on Sales Department;
- A Committee on Branch Societies;
- A Committee on Resolutions;

A Committee on Place of Next Convention; each to consist of three members.

A Committee on By-laws, to consist of the President, who shall be chairman of the committee, and four other members.

The following shall be the order of business:

FIRST SESSION.

1. Call to Order.

2. Reading of Call.

3. Report of Committee on Credentials.

4. Reading of Minutes of last Convention.

5. President's Address.

6. Appointment of Committees.

7. Reports of Officers.

- 8. Reports of Permanent Committees.
- 9. Communications.
- 10. Assigned Matters.
- 11. New Business.

SUBSEQUENT SESSIONS.

1. Call to Order.

2. Supplementary Report of Committee on Credentials.

- 3. Communications.
- 4. Assigned Matters.
- 5. Unfinished Business.
- 6. New Business.
- 7. Reports of Standing Committees.

8. Reports of Special Committees.

Sec. 10. At all special meetings of the Society, the President shall appoint such of the foregoing committees as are necessary, and the foregoing Order of Business shall be followed so far as the necessities of the occasion will permit.

ARTICLE IV.—Directors.

Section 1. The Board of Directors of this Society shall be designated as the Board of Directors, and shall consist of nine members, who shall all be citizens of the United States.

Sec. 2. Each Director shall be a stockholder of the Society, and shall hold his office until the close of the next annual convention, and until his successor shall have qualified. At least five of their number shall be collectors and not dealers by profession; and at least seven of their number shall be residents of different states. Three of the Directors shall serve as a Board of Vice-Presidents and must reside within a radius of thirty miles, and in case of the three Vice-Presidents being from the same state or locality as another candidate for Director, the Vice-Presidents will take precedence over the other candidate, even though he have a greater number of votes.

Sec. 3. Immediately after the annual election of Directors, they shall choose from their number a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and International Secretary, and appoint such officers and committees as are required by the By-laws to be appointed by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 4. The Board of Directors may meet at such times as they from time to time determine, or whenever called together by the President by a notice addressed to each Director at his last known address, by mail or by telegraph, a sufficient time before hand to enable him to reach the place of meeting. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 5. To expedite the transaction of business by the Board of Directors they may take mail votes upon any question in the following manner: Any member of the Board desiring to submit any matter for their action may reduce the same to writing in the form of a motion and shall mail a copy thereof upon a separate sheet of paper to each member of the Board. Any comments or observations he desires to make thereon must be on a different sheet. Upon receipt of such motion each member shall write upon the same sheet of paper his vote for or against the same, or any correction or amendment thereof he may wish to make, and forward the same by return mail to the President, who shall, in case any amendment shall be offered, forthwith mail, or cause to be mailed, a copy of the motion as amended to each member of the Board who shall return the same by return mail, with his vote for or against the same, or the expression of his preference for the original motion. The President shall, upon receiving the ballots of the other members, certify to the Secretary the result, accompanying the certificate with the original ballots. The Secretary shall file the same and record the vote, notifying the other members of the Board of the result.

Sec. 6. The Board of Directors shall exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the Society and all its officers; may make rules for the conduct of business in the several departments not inconsistent with these By-laws; may require special reports from any officer from time to time; may remove any officer appointed by them, as provided by statute, fill any vacancy in their own number arising from any cause except removal by stockholders, as provided by statute, and generally manage and control the business of the Society, as provided by law.

ARTICLE V.-Duties of Directors.

Section 1. President.-The President in addition to the general duties of his office, shall preside at all meetings of the Society, sign all certificates of stock and all warrants on the Treasurer for moneys expended by the Society, as well as contracts, deeds, bonds, notes, and other obligations entered into by the Society, including the approval of bonds of the Secretary, Treasurer and Sales Superintendent, as provided in these By-laws. Prior to each annual convention he shall issue the call therefor, as provided for in Article III, Section 1; shall appoint a committee of five members on Credentials, and a Committee of Arrangements to provide suitable rooms and make other preparations for holding said meeting, the expenses incurred by such committee in the performance of their duties to be defrayed from the general fund of the Society.

At each annual convention he shall address the Society on such matters of interest as he shall determine.

Vice-Presidents.-The three Sec. 2. Vice-Presidents Directors elected \mathbf{as} shall select one of their number to act as chairman of the Board of Vice-Presidents, who shall perform all the duties of the President in case of the absence, death, or disability of the President. The Board of Vice-Presidents shall decide all questions arising as to the admission of applicants for membership, as provided in Article II, Section 1, and shall investigate all questions of discipline, as provided in Article II, Sections 2, 4 and 5, and all disputes and difficulties between members or officers of the Society, as provided in Article II, Section 2. They shall approve the form of ballot to be used at all elections and prepare an authorized form of proxy to be used at all conventions.

The Board of Vice-Presidents from time to time, and at least every three months, shall make report of their proceedings to the President, for publication in the Official Journal, and shall make a full report of their proceedings to the annual convention.

They shall keep a minute book of all proceedings and a file of correspondence, which they shall turn over to their successors when qualified.

All expenses for postage, stationery, telegrams, and registry fees shall be certified by the chairman, and be paid from the general fund.

They shall elect one of their number to act as recorder, who shall have charge of their records and keep their minutes.

Sec. 3. Secretary.—The Secretary in addition to the ordinary duties of his office, shall keep a record of all proceedings of the Society and Board of Directors, conduct all correspondence, have the custody of and preserve all documents, have custody of the corporate seal of the Society, seal all documents required to be sealed therewith, keep proper books of issue and transfer of stock certificates, issue all stock certificates, membership cards, and receipts, countersign, register, and attest all documents signed by the

President. He shall also keep a set of loose leaf ledgers for members in good standing, as well as for past members, each separate page of which shall represent a stockholder, and shall have all data regarding his application and admission into the Society clearly set forth, together with a record of the annual payment of dues, or the date of suspension, expulsion or reinstatement. He shall, under the supervision of the President, edit the official matter published in the Official Journal; provided, that if there shall be a disagreement between the President and Secretary as to the advisability of the publication of any matter, said matter shall be submitted to the Board of Directors. He shall also receive all applications for membership, make publication thereof in the Official Journal, and conduct all correspondence in reference thereto, as provided in Article II, Section 1, and notify applicants of their election. He shall furnish a copy of the Charter and By-Laws and the list of members of the Society to each member in good standing. He shall receive all resignations and applications for reinstatement, etc., as provided in Article II, Sections 4 and 5, and perform all such other duties as are incident to his office. He shall pay all funds collected by him from any source to the Treasurer each month. He shall prepare and present to each annual convention, and to any special meeting, when so required by the Board of Directors, or the stockholders calling the same, the general report of the condition of the Society, required by law to be made by the Directors, together with a complete financial statement of the transactions of his department for the year, accompanied by all of his books of account and record. He shall cause to be published in each number of the Official Journal, in addition to the list of applicants, resignations, etc., of members, a report of all proceedings of the Board of Directors, of of the Society, since his last published report. He shall at all times be subject to the direction of the President or Directors in the performance of his duties. He shall be paid all transportation expenses to and

from the convention, and \$5.00 per day during the session. He shall be allowed his reasonable expenses for postage, stationery and printing, for which purpose \$100.00 of the Society's money shall be in his hands, which fund shall be reimbursed on the first of each month by warrant on the General Fund to the extent of the expenses of the preceding month, so that on the first of each month this fund will always equal \$100.00. In addition he shall be allowed the sum of \$200.00 per year for his further use in the prosecution of the duties of his office.

He shall give bond to the Society in the sum of not less than \$500, said bond to be obtained at the expense of the Society, of some Surety Company to be approved by the President.

Sec. 4. Treasurer.—The Treasurer shall receive and take charge of all moneys, property, and securities of the Society. He shall collect all dues and make monthly reports of his receipts and disbursements, showing balance of cash on hand, to the Secretary, who shall publish it in the Official Journal. Among his accounts shall be kept a separate suspense account, to which shall be credited all moneys received for other than current accounts. He shall pay out no money except on warrants regularly drawn on him by the President and Secretary, and shall present to the annual convention a complete financial statement of the transactions of his department for the year, accompanied by the proper vouchers, all his books of account, a cashier's certificate of the amount of money on deposit at the date of such statement, and any and all such other papers and instruments as may be requisite for a complete auditing of his books and accounts. He shall deposit all moneys in some bank, to be designated by the Board of Directors to the account of the Society, and shall give bond to the Society in the sum of not less than \$3,000, said bond to be obtained at the expense of the Society, of some surety company to be approved by the President. He shall be allowed his reasonable expenses for postage, stationery, and printing, and in addition thereto the sum of \$25.00 per year, which shall be in full for all other incidental expenses.

Sec. 5. International Secretary.-The International Secretary shall conduct all correspondence for the Society or the Board of Directors, with individuals or societies in foreign countries. He shall, whenever called on to do so, assist the Secretary or any other officer of the Society, in their correspondence concerning the business of the Society and their several departments. He shall perform all the duties of the Secretary whenever the latter is absent or temporarily unable to perform his duties. He shall present to the Annual Convention a full report of the proceedings of his department for the year.

He shall report regularly to the Vertrauliches Korrespondenz - Blatt the changes in membership so long as this Society continues interested in its publication. He shall, so far as possible, report to the Board of Vice-Presidents any publication in foreign journals of items affecting the welfare of this Society or its individual members.

ARTICLE VI.—Elections.

Section 1. All elections of Directors shall be conducted under the supervision of the Committee on Credentials, appointed by the President for that purpose. which shall consist of five stockholders. The ballot shall be signed by the stockholder voting and delivered to the Committee on Credentials, and may be sent to the Committee in any manner desired by the stockholder, and at any time before the closing of the polls for that election. At all such elections a plurality of votes cast shall elect, except as provided in Article IV, Section 2, in regard to Vice-Presidents, but no vote shall be counted that shall not have been received before the closing of the polls, nor shall any stockholder be permitted to vote in any other than the prescribed form, or by proxy, or to change his vote after it has once been received by the committee.

Sec. 2. The polls for the annual election shall close at noon of the day preceding the day appointed for the opening of the annual convention, and at all special elections at such times as shall be named in the call for the election.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall cause blank forms for the ballot and proper envelopes for enclosing the same to be mailed to the last known address of each stockholder entitled to vote at least sixty days before the date fixed for closing the polls, and the form of the ballot shall be designated in all published notices of the election.

Sec. 4. The special election to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors, provided for by the statues of the state of Minnesota, in case of the removal of a Directors by the stockholders, or in case of the want of a quorum of qualified Directors, shall be conducted as far as possible in the same manner as other elections; but in case the election is called by the stockholders, they may precsribe and send out the form of ballot, necessary envelopes for enclosing the same, and notice of the election, which shall, howeveras far as possible, conform to the ordinary forms in use in the Society.

Sec. 5. All special elections of officers to be elected by the stockholders shall be conducted in the same manner as other elections, but shall be called by the President, and notice thereof shall be mailed to the last known address of each stockholder entitled to vote, at least sixty days prior to the date fixed for the counting of the vote, and shall be accompanied by the form of the ballot to be used, proper envelopes for enclosing the same, and shall designate the time and place of holding the election, the persons who are to act as Committee on Credentials, and such other information as shall facilitate the sending of the vote to the Committee.

Sec. 6. Prior to every annual or special election, nominations for the office or offices to be filled may be sent by any five members or any branch of the Society to the Secretary, and all such nominations received by him shall be published in the number of the Official Journal nearest to sixty days prior to the date for closing the polls. Sec. 7. Cumulative voting shall be illegal at any election.

ARTICLE VII.—Officers and Standing Committees.

Sec. 1. In addition to the nine Directors, the officers of the Society shall be: A Sales Superintendent:

An Examiner of Sales Books;

An Editor of the American Philatelist; A Librarian;

An Assistant Librarian, and

A Counterfeit Detector.

Sec. 2. In addition to the officers as named in Section 1 of this Article there shall be the following Permanent Committees:

An Expert Committee;

A Committee on Philatelic Literature;

A Committee on Philatelic Index;

A Committee on Philatelic Hand Books.

A Recruiting Committee, and

An Obituary Committee.

Sec. 3. All of the officers and Permanent Committees mentioned in Sections 1 and 2 of this Article shall be appointed and subject to removal by the Board of Directors, as provided for by the laws of Minnesota, and shall make a full report of their proceedings to the Annual Convention and to the Board of Directors or any special meeting of the Society, when called upon to do so. Their terms shall expire when their successors shall have been appointed and qualified. In case any such officer is temporarily prevented by sickness or other cause from performing his duties, the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, appoint a substitute to act during such incapacity. No expense shall be incurred by any officer or standing committee appointed by the Board of Directors, except for postal and express charges, until the same is authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 4. Sales Superintendent.

(a) The Sales Superintendent shall conduct the Sales Department in accordance with the provisions of this section and of the sections of Article VIII of these By-laws.

(b) He shall give bond to the Society in the sum of \$10,000, for the strict and faithful performance of his duties and proper rendering of true accounts for all moneys, stamps, or other property received by him, whether for the Society or individual owners, and until he has notice from the Secretary of the Society that the bond tendered by him, within a reasonable time, after his appointment, has been approved and accepted by the President, he shall not ask or advertise for,or receive from the preceding Superintendent or from individual members, any stamps or other philatelic property for his department.

(c) The Sales Superintendent shall on the first days of October, January, and April, respectively, make to the Board of Vice-Presidents a quarterly report of the affairs of his department, including a full and accurate balance sheet of such bookkeeping entries as shall satisfy said Board, taken from his books upon the last day of the preceding month; and not less than twenty nor more than thirty days prior to the opening day of the Annual Convention he shall make to said Board an annual report, covering the transactions of the department for the past year, and including similar balance sheet or entries. Said reports shall be audited by said Board, who may at any time make or cause to be made by themselves, or a committee, or agent, appointed by them, such examination as they may deem expedient of said Sales Superintendent's books and accounts and of the affairs of his department, and shall cause such an examination to be made in connection with the auditing of the annual report, and shall submit said annual report with the report of such examination and their recommendations on said report and examination to the annual Convention. The approval of the Sales Superintendent's reports by the said Board shall not be construed as an admission by the Society of accuracy of said reports or as a release by the Society of either said Superintendent or the surety on his official bond from liability to the Society or any member thereof for any breach of duty on his part.

(d) The Board of Vice-Presidents may for cause suspend the Sales Superintendent and require him to deliver and turn over all accounts, books and other property of his department, together with all stamps then in possession of said department, to them or to such person as they may designate as Sales Superintendent, pro tempore, who shall exercise all powers of Sales Superintendent until the Board of Directors shall take further action in the matter.

(e) The Society shall provide account books for the Sales Superintendent. Such account books and the correspondence of the department shall be and remain the property of the Society; and shall at all times be open to the examination of the Board of Vice-Presidents and their representatives duly authorized. Except for the purchase of such books, the Sales Superintendent shall pay all expenses of the department.

(f) Upon retiring from office the Sales Superintendent shall turn over to his successor all stamps in his hands as such Superintendent, together with all books of account, official correspondence, papers, instruments, moneys, and evidencs of indebtedness belonging to the department, and the business of the department shall thereafter be conducted by the new Sales Superintendent. All sums due the department shall be collected by the new Sales Superintendent, who shall pay therefrom to his predecessor such commissions as the latter may have earned thereon. also the requisite payments to the Insurance Fund, and all balances due from the department to members at the time of his assuming the office. Upon a change of Superintendents the Board of Vice-Presidents shall give notice to all parties interested, by publication in the Official Journal, calling on them to file with the Board a statement of their claims against the department within thirty days, so that the outgoing Superintendent's accounts may be properly audited and he be given an honorable release. The Board of Vice-Presidents shall also cause an examination to be

made of his books and accounts, and upon the expiration of the period of thirty days from publication of the above prescribed notice shall send to each member who has not filed accounts and whose name appears on the Superintendent's books a statement of his account, and in default of acknowledgment within thirty days thereafter, such account shall be deemed correct.

(g) The Sales Superintendent shall assess a charge of one-half of one per cent upon the net cash value of all books of stamps sent him for circulation in the department, immediately upon their arriving in his hands, with a minimum charge of ten cents per book, and shall remit on retirement of such books the sums so assessed to the Treasurer of the Society, who shall keep it in a special account, known as the Insurance Fund. The Superintendent shall receive all claims for payment desired by owners out of the Insurance Fund, for whatever cause, and shall submit the facts and papers of every case to the Board of Vice-Presidents, who, if they approve, shall certify the case to the Secretary of the Society who shall thereupon draw a warrant upon the Treasurer against the Insurance Fund, in the regular manner pursued for payments from other funds. If at any time the Insurance Fund becomes insufficient to meet any such warrant so drawn against it, the sum shall be paid the owner out of the General Fund of the Society, and shall subsequently be transferred to that fund from the Insurance Fund, as soon as the assessments duly collected shall suffice.

(h) The Superintendent shall submit to the Examiner of Sales Books all books sent in for circulation, remove from books sent him for circulation all stamps which are clearly and obviously counterfeits or non-governmental reprints, and return all stamps removed by him or by the Examiner of Sales Books, as provided in the next section, at once to the owner of the book from which they came, stating the price at which they were marked, and the value to which the book has been reduced by their removal; and he shall place the words, "Specimen Removed," with at least one of his initials in the space thus left vacant.

A fine of twenty-five cents (25) shall be imposed upon the owner of any book of stamps submitted for circulation for any and every counterfeit contained in such book, unless said stamp, or stamps, shall be of less catalog value than twenty-five cents (25), in which case the fine shall be the catalog value of such stamp; such fine to go to the Examiner of Sales Books, or such other expert as he may call to his assistance, subject to the conditions of the following paragraph.

The action of the Examiner of Sales Books or other expert shall be final and binding upon all parties. In the event the owner of such stamp or stamps, so removed, being dissatisfied with the decision of the expert's action, he shall have a right to appeal from their decision to the Counterfeit Detector at his own expense, and the decision of the Counterfeit Detector shall be final. In case such stamp, or stamps, are found by the Counterfeit Detector to genuine, then the fine shall be removed, and the expense of the examining shall be borne by the Examiner of Sales Books.

The Superintendent shall furnish (i) members of the Society control to stamps, and at a cost not exceeding five cents each, books for holding stamps to be circulated in this department, of such form as may be approved by the Board of Vice-Presidents; provided, that they be printed on one side of the leaf only, contain space for ten ordinary adhesive stamps on a page, have successive numerals not less than an inch in height on the reverse or unused side of each leaf, and contain no advertisements save of the society or its Sales Department.

(j) He may refuse to circulate any stamps not mounted in the books so provided by him, or books containing an excessive amount of display, notes, or remarks by the owner; or any books for any reason previously approved by the Board of Vice-Presidents; and he may decline to send stamps to any member or to a foreign country when it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Board of Vice-Presidents that customs, laws or other conditions make it impracticable or undesirable for the department to do business with such a member or in such country.

(k) When all the preceding duties shall have been satisfactorily performed, as occasion demands, or no charge or notice to the contrary be in the hands of the Board of Vice-Presidents, the Superintendent shall be allowed to retain for himself a commission of twelve and one-half percent out of the amounts remitted to the selling owners upon the sales then settled for, made through the regular circuits of the department, and already paid for by cash to him, not including settlements out of the Insurance Fund for theft or other losses of all or any part of the circuit. He shall also receive a salary of \$25.00 per annum.

Sec. 5. Examiner of Sales Books.—The Examiner of Sales Books shall pass upon the genuineness of all stamps, etc., that may be sent to the Sales Superintendent before such stamps, etc., are put upon the exchange circuits.

He shall remove from all books all stamps that he considers counterfeit or reprint, with the exception of reprints sold by the government originally issuing the stamps they represent and receivable for postage at the time of their sale by that government, and return them to the Sales Superintendent, together with the number of the book from which they came, the name of the owner of such book, and the price at which they are marked; and shall place the words "Specimen Removed," with at least one of his initials, in the space thus left vacant.

Sec. 6. Editor of the American Philatelist.—The Editor shall edit all advertising and reading matter excepting official matter originating with the President or Secretary, and shall invite literary contributions and pass upon the same for publication.

He shall solicit and arrange all advertisements. He shall collect all moneys due on advertising accounts and shall

turn the same over to the Treasurer without deduction, immediately after the issuance of each number, accompanied by an itemized statement showing specifically on which contracts payments have been made and the several amounts; such moneys to be placed in the General Fund. He shall in general act as business manager in all matters pertaining to the publication of the American Philatelist.

The editor's compensation shall be \$100.00 per year in addition to postage and printing expenses; which shall be paid to him by warrant on the general fund.

Sec. 7. Attorney.—The Attorney shall endeavor to collect and settle any claims that may be sent him by members of this Society against any person whatsoever, or to recover any stamps, etc., that they are unable to secure the return of. It shall also be his duty, when so ordered by the Board of Directors, to see that proper steps are taken, and the proper authorities notified, to secure the prosecution of any manufacturer of or dealer in forged stamps, etc.

He may charge for his service all actual disbursements for postage, stationery, etc., and ten per cent of all amounts recovered; provided, that in case of collections made for the Society he shall charge only actual disbursements without commission.

Sec. 8. Assistant Librarian.—It shall be the duty of the Assistant Librarian to preserve, and properly care for the records of the Society as received from retiring officers or boards, and he shall further receive all gifts to the Society of printed matter, and attend to binding the same, and shall at proper times forward the same to the Librarian for permanent care.

He shall also, upon receipt of postal notice giving the name of the book desired to be taken from the library advise the member of the cost of carriage, upon receipt of which the book shall be forwarded. He shall also keep a record of all books passing through his hands.

Sec. 9. Counterfeit Detector.-The

Counterfeit Detector shall when called upon to do so, pronounce upon the genuineness of the specimens sent him by members, charging therefor five cents for each specime if five or more stamps are submitted at one time, but if less than five stamps are submitted at one time the charge shall be twenty-five cents; except that the prices for examination of all surcharges as well as cancellations shall be 15 cents per stamp. Postage or expenses of carriage must in all cases be defrayed by owners.

He shall not be required to pass upon the genuineness of any surcharge or stamps which can be plated. He shall also have the right to refuse to pass on such stamps as in his opinion should go to the Expert Committee.

Sec. 10. Expert Committee.—It shall be the duty of this committee to pronounce upon the authenticity of any stamp submitted for their opinion. They shall return to the sender a certificate of their findings in each case, the same to bear a photograph of the stamp in question to be signed by all members of the committee. For the examination of each stamp the committee shall receive the sum of \$1.00. This amount must accompany each stamp so submitted.

Sec. 11. Committee on Philatelic Literature.—It shall be the duty of this com mittee to report, through the columns of the Official Journal, upon all new catalogues, handbooks, manuals, and papers that are brought out during the year; to summarize the same in their annual report for publication in the Year Book, and to make such deductions or suggestions in relation thereto as may, in their judgment, seem to be warranted or called for.

Sec. 12. Committee on Philatelic Index.—It shall be the duty of this committee to compile and compare for publication an index on philatelic literature.

Sec. 13. Committee on Philatelic Hand Books.—It shall be the duty of this committee to undertake the publication as opportunity offers of Philatelic Hand Books that shall be of low cost yet worthy of the name of the American Philatelic Society. The conditions under which said books be issued shall be left to the Committee, whose plans for publication shall be endorsed by the Board of Vice-Presidents before definite action be taken; but, in case the publishing of any such book involves the expenditure of money from the treasury of the Society, it shall be necessary for the Board of Directors to consent to such expenditure before the approval of the Board of Vice-Presidents shall become operative.

Sec. 14. Recruiting Committee.—The Recruiting Committee shall prepare and disseminate literature calculated to impress upon the philatelic public the many advantages to be derived from affiliation with the Society. They shall also investigate the standing of applicants upon the request of any officer of the Society.

Sec. 15. Obituary Committee.—It shall be the duty of this committee to secure during the year such facts about deceased members as will be of general interest, to publish them in the Official Journal from time to time, and to bring them together in their annual report in the form of a summary for publication in the Proceedings of the Society.

ARTICLE VIII.

Section 1. Every member of the Society whose dues are paid for the current year is entitled to participate in the privileges of the Sales Department except as provided in Article VII, Section 4, paragraph j, or until he becomes a debtor of the Society or any of its departments of more than two weeks' standing, or is suspended by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of Article II, Section 2, of these By-laws, or has been dropped from circuit lists by the Sales Department for non-payment of flnes, as provided in Section 2 of this Article.

Sec. 2. A member who desires to be placed on circuit lists, must make application to the Sales Superintendent, stating his wish and he will be irrevocably taken thereby to promise and pledge himself to abide for so long as he participates by all the rules for the conduct of

this department now contained in these By-laws in this Article or Article VII, Section 4, or elsewhere, and any which may hereafter be made, by amendment to these By-laws, or by the Superintendent for matter properly within his dis-Every member who receives cretion. books on circuit agrees to give a written receipt for them to the preceding member from whom they are received, and to take a like written receipt from the member next on circuit to whom he delivers them; to pay a fine of ten cents per day for each day a circuit is kept by him over three days, not counting Sundays or legal holidays, which fines shall be collected by the Superintendent and paid over by him to the Treasurer for the Insurance Fund; to account for every space from which he removes stamps by placing therein an adhesive control stamp furnished by the Superintendent, and properly cancelled, or by writing his full name in ink in the space from which the stamp has been removed, or by placing therein any other mark previously approved in writing by the Superintendent; and immediately upon forwarding a circuit to send to the Superintendent a report sheet containing a memorandum of the total value of all the stamps reported upon each time regardless of whether or not he, as an owner, has at the same time stamps circulating in the department, or any other consideration or debt due or claimed by him from the Society. Every \mathbf{member} agrees by his participation in the department to pay the Society the full priced value of any circuit traced to him, for which he can show no written receipt from any other member; and the value of any stamps found by the Superintendent to be missing from books which have passed through the hands of said member, either by reason of the disappearance of any stamp from a space not accounted for, or the loss of an entire page out of a book, or several pages, if he has not immediately upon receipt of the damaged book notified the member preceding him on circuit, and adjusted the matter with him. The Superintendent shall suspend from participation in the department any member for non-payment of fines or failure to make reports promptly, or to accompany them with the requisite remittance, or upon notification from the Treasurer that said member has been a debtor to the Society for more than two weeks, or at the request of the Board of Vice-Presidents, and any member so suspended shall be restored to the privileges of participation again, only by a vote of the Board of Vice-Presidents, certified to the Superinteudent in writing before being acted on by him.

Sec. 3. A member who desires to circulate stamps in the department must send them to the Superintendent mounted in proper books furnished for the purpose, with his name on the cover, the price visible near each specimen, and the total value of the book in the place provided on its cover. Counterfeits, nongovernmental reprints, bulky entires, and books excessively written in will not be circulated, and the Superintendent may further rufuse circulation in accordance with the provisions of Article VII, Section 4, of these By-Laws. Every owner participating agrees to make cash remittances for any stamps he may buy, during the time his stamps are in the department, exactly like any other purchasing member of the Society and submit to the assessments for the Insurance Fund and Superintendent's commission, when made strictly in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws. Claims for losses shall be made to the Superintendent, and payment accepted by warrant on the Treasurer, as provided in Article VII, Section 4, of these Bylaws. Claims for payment for substituted stamps shall always be accompanied by the substituted stamps in the books as received by the owner, and such substituted stamps shall become the property of the Society, to be sold for the benefit of the Insurance Fund upon payment of the claim made by the owner.

ARTICLE IX.-Official Journal.

Section 1. The American Philatelist shall be the Official Journal and shall be published as often as once a month, and more frequently if the Board of Directors shall so determine. It shall be edited by the Editor and approved by the President for publication.

The Charter, the By-Laws as amended at the annual convention, the full report of the convention proceedings, the rules of all departments which may not be included in the General By-Laws, and the revised list of members, officers, Branch Societies, etc., shall be published as soon as practical. The list of members shall be arranged alphabetically, numerically and geographically; and the specialities of each member, if furnished by him, shall be indicated by proper reference marks. The names of minors shall be marked in the alphabetical list with an asterisk, the significance of which shall be explained in a foot note on each page.

Reports of officers, committees and Branch Societies shall be published in the American Philatelist from time to time, together with such literary matter as the Editor may deem expedient, subject to the approval of the President.

Advertising shall be admitted subject to the approval of the Editor, at a rate to be determined by the President.

Ten copies of each issue shall be sent to each Director, if he shall so request, ten to the Assistant Librarian, and one copy each to such libraries and other institutions as may be approved by the President. Copies to the public, or extra copies for members, shall be sold by the Editor at fifty cents for the issue containing the membership list, twenty-five cents for the issue containing the convention proceedings, fifteen cents for the issue containing the By-Laws, and ten cents for regular number without supplements. The yearly subscription to non-members shall be one dollar. The proceeds of all sales, subscriptions and advertisements shall be turned into the Treasury. All copies of the American Philatelist on hand after one year from date of issue shall be turned over to the Assistant Librarian. The expense of publishing the American Philatelist shall be paid from the General Fund.

Sec. 2. The Secretary, immediately after the convention, shall request bids for the printing of the American Philatelist. and the contract shall be awarded by 'he Board of Directors, who may at their discretion reject any or all bids.

ARTICLE X.—Branch Societies.

Section 1. Branch societies of this Society may be formed as follows: A charter may be issued by the Board of Vice-Presidents for such a branch society on formal application to such Board: provided they shall have adopted a name and rules for their government, and shall submit a copy of the same with a list of the members, at the time the application is made; and provided that the said rules of the branch society are not inconsistent with the Charter and By-laws of the Society.

Sec. 2. Five or more stockholders resident in the locality, or twenty-five stockholders resident in the same state, shall be necessary before a charter can be granted

Sec. 3. Local and state branches so formed shall be numbered in regular order, in consecutive series, and each shall be known by its number, in addition to the name selected by it; provided, that the name of the state branch includes the name of the State for which it is chartered.

Sec. 4. Branch societies so organized shall admit to membership only persons who are stockholders of the Society or who shall have made application for admission as such.

Each branch shall furnish to the Secretary of the Society the name and address of its Secretary, to whom all official communications shall be sent. At each annual convention said officer shall make a report showing the number of meetings his branch has held during the year, the number of members in good standing and any matters pertaining to the work of the Branch Society. Upon request of the Board of Vice-Presidents, the Secretary of any Branch shall furnish any information which the Board may request pertaining to the membership and work of said Branch.

All changes in the by-laws of a branch society shall be approved by the Board of Vice Presidents before the same can become effective. In the event that the membership in any Branch is reduced to less than five members or in the event that a branch refuses or fails to comply with any of the above requirements, the Board of Vice Presidents may submit the facts to the Board of Directors, as in the case of a member, for the purpose of having the revocation of the charter of such offending branch voted upon.

No person, who may be elected an honarary member by any branch, unless he or she is a member of the American Philatelic Society in good standing, shall be permitted to vote or take any active part in the business proceedings of the branch with which affiliated.

Sec. 5. Each branch society so organized shall be required to subscribe for, acquire, and hold, in the name of such branch, one share of the capital stock of this Society and may vote the same by proxy.

ARTICLE XI.-Property.

Section 1. All officers shall, at the expiration of their terms of office, deliver to their successors all books, papers, moneys, and other property in their possession belonging to the Society, and they shall not be relieved from their bonds or obligations until this requirement be complied with.

Sec. 2. The records of the Board of Vice-Presidents and of the Board of Directors shall be turned over to the Assistant Librarian for safe keeping after two years have elapsed from the final adjustment of the subject of such records. These records shall be obtainable from the Assistant Librarian at any time that reference to them is necessary, upon written request of the Board in which they originated.

Sec. 3. A duplicate form record book shall be kept, one by the Secretary and one by the President, wherein shall be securely fixed a duplicate of each form of printed matter that is used by any officer to whom is delegated executive power. All such blanks or forms shall have printed on them in a noticeable place "Form approved by Board of Directors" (date to follow); said approval to apply to the necessity of issuing and to form, and also to subject matter except as otherwise provided in the By-laws.

ARTICLE XII.-Amendments.

Section 1. The By-Laws of this Society may be altered or amended only by the consent of two-thirds of the stockholders voting on such alteration or amendments; provided, that such twothirds shall constitute a third of all the members of the Society entitled to vote. Amendments may be made at the Annual Convention, or at any special meeting, or by a general vote, as provided for in Article III, Section 3, and the action of the Annual Convention or special meeting in amending the Bylaws shall be final, if such proposed amendments shall have been published in the Official Journal at least thirty days prior to the date of such convention or meeting. But any amendment to the By-Laws adopted by any convention or special meeting which was not so published, and any Rules or By-laws passed by the Board of Directors shall be submitted to a general vote, as provided by Article III, Section 3, in case one hundred stockholders entitled to vote shall so request of the President within sixty days from the publication of the same in the Official Journal.

Article of Incorporation of the American Philatelic Society.

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves according to the provisions of an act of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, entitled "An Act relating to Corporations other than those for pecuniary benefit, approved March 3, 1870, under the following Articles of Incorporation:

I. The name of the corporation shall be The American Philatelic Society. Its Principal office shall be in the city of Minneapolis, County of Hennepin, and State of Minnesota.

II. The purpose for which this corporation is established is to assist its members in acquiring knowledge in regard to Philately, to cultivate a feeling of friendship among philatelists, and enable them to affiliate with members of similar societies in other countries, and, in furtherance of these objects, to assist its members in acquiring and disposing of stamps of various kinds through its several departments.

III. Any person may become a member of the society by filing with its General Secretary an application in the form prescribed from time to time, signed by at least two members, and accompanied by one dollar for a certificate of stock and the amount of the dues for the remainder of the fiscal year (ending August 31st), the whole to be refounded if admission is refused, and if the applicant has not attained the age of 21 years, he must accompany his application with a guarantee from some responsible person that the guarantor will be responsible for the proper fullfillment of the applicant's promises and obligations to the society, in case the applicant is admitted. The General Secretary shall cause the name and address of each applicant, his references and guarantor, to be published in the next number of the Official Circular sent to members, and, if no objection shall be received by the Board of Vice Presidents within one month after such publication, the applicant shall be considered elected. In case any objection is filed with the Board of Vice Presidents, they shall notify the General Secretary thereof and proceed to investigate the case and accept or reject the applicant in their discretion.

IV. The capital stock shall consist of ten thousand shares of a par value of one dollar each. No member shall be allowed to purchase or hold more than one share of said stock. The annual dues shall be two dollars, or such sum as may be prescribed in the By-Laws.

V. The corporation shall be managed by and under the care of the Board of Directors, to be elected at such times and in such manner as the By-Laws shall prescribe. The first Board of Directors shall hold their respective offices until the first day of September, 1897, and shall consist of the following: F. F. Olney, of Providence, R. I.; W. C. Van Derlip, J. L. Kilbon, and George L. Toppan, of Boston, Mass.; Joe F. Beard, of Muscatine, Iowa; H. B. Phillips, of San Francisco, Cal.; E. Doeblin, of Allegheny, Pa.; N. W. Chandler, of Collinsville, Ill.; and G. D. Mekeel, of St. Louis, Mo.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this 3rd day of April A. D., 1897.

ALBERT W. BATCHELDER,	WILLARD C. VAN DERLIP, (Seal)
E. M. CARPENTER,	Boston, Mass.
Witness as to	JOHN LUTHER KILBON, (Seal)
	Boston, Mass.
W. C. VAN DERLIP, J. L. KILBON,	GEO. L. TOPPAN, (Seal)
AND GEO. L. TOPPAN.	Boston, Mass.
MAXIL D. ROBB,	EDW. S. STEBBINS, (Seal)
SAM E. ROBB.	Minnearolis, Minn.
	W. R. YOUNG, (Seal)
Witness as to	Minneapolis, Minn.
E. S. STEBBENS, W. R. YOUNG,	GEO. W. ACHARD, (Seal)
AND GEO. W. ACHARD.	Minneapolis, Minn.
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STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, County of Suffolk. } ss.

On this 5th day of May, A. D. 1897, personally appeared W. C. Van Derlip, J. L. Kilbon, and Geo. L. Toppan, to me known to be the signers and sealers of the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same as their free act and deed. JAMES A. LOWELL,

(Notarial Seal)

Notary Public, Suffolk County, Mass

STATE OF MINNESOTA, }ss. County of Hennepin,

On this 3rd day of April, A. D. 1897, personally appeared E. S. Stebbins, W. R. Young, and Geo. W. Achard, to me known to be the persons who executed and signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same as their free act and deed. MAXIL D. ROBB, Notary Public, Hennepin County, Minn.

(Notarial Seal)

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Office of Frank C Metcalf, Registrar of Deeds. County of Hennepin, Minnesota. I hereby ceretify that the within instrument was filed in this office for record on the 29th day of June, A. D. 1897, at 1:45 o'clock p. m., and was duly recorded in Book 72, of Miscellaneous, pages 478, 479, 480. FRANK C. METCALF, Registrar of Deeds.

Frank J. Peterson, Deputy.

Filed for record in this office June 30, A. D. 1897, at 11 o'clock a. m

ALBERT BERG, Secretary of State.

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

We, Frank F. Olney, President and Joe F. Board, Secretary, do hereby certify that at the annual convention of this society, held in the City of Boston, County of Suffolk, and State of Massachusetts, on the 24th, 25th and 26th days of August, 1897, a motion was duly made, seconded, and carried, amending the Articles of Incorporation filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, on the 30th day of June, 1897, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The name of the corporation shall be The American Philatelic Association. Its principal office shall be in the City of Minneapolis, County of Hennepin, and State of Minnesota.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed the seal of said corporation, this 26th day of November, A. D. 1897.

FRANK F. OLNEY, President.

Filed for record in this office December 31, A D. 1897, at 2:30 o'clock p. m. ALBERT BERG, Secretary of State.

> JOE F. BEARD, Secretary.

CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE AMERICAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

We, John N. Luff, President and H. S. Adair, Secretary, do hereby certify that at the Annual Convention of this Society, held in the City of Columbus, County ofFranklin, and State of Ohio, on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd days of July, 1908, a motion was duly made, seconded and carried, amending the Articles of Incorporation filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, on the 30th day of June, 1897, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The name of this corporation shall be the American Philatelic Society. Its principal office shall be in the City of Minneapolis, County of Hennepin, and State of Minnesota.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed the seal of said Corporation this 5th day of September, A. D. 1908.

JOHN N. LUFF, President H. S. ADAIR,

Secretary.

I hereby certify that the above instrument was filed for record in this office on the 8th day of September, A. D. 1908, at 9 o'clock a. m., and was duly recorded in Book Q-3, of Incorporation, on page 400.

> JULIUS A. SCHMAHL, Secretary of State.



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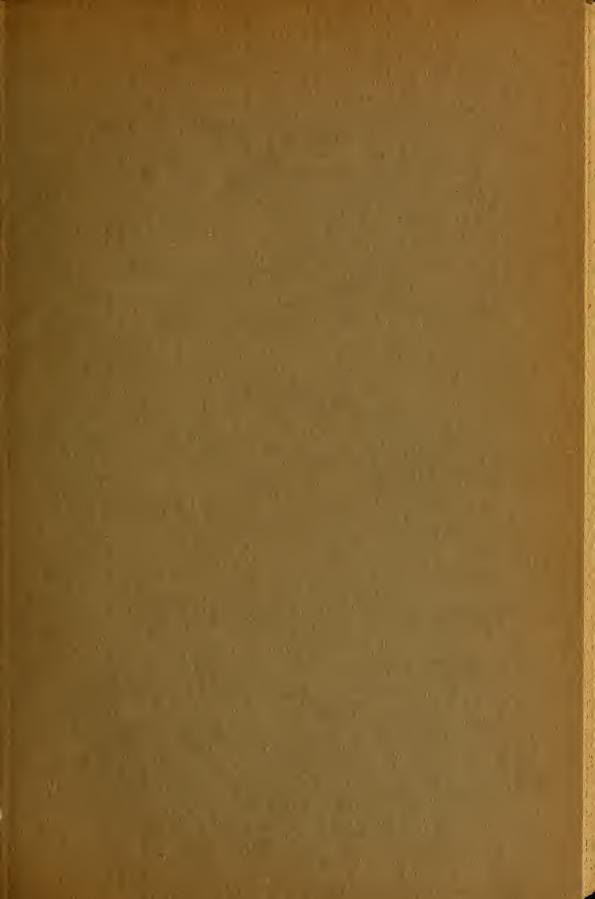
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INFORMATION

Members desiring information relative to any of the following subjects should communicate with the officers noted:

President C. A. Coolidge should be addressed upon any executive or parliamentary matters, committee appointments, etc.

The Board of Vice Presidents, Alvin Good, Recorder, should be addressed upon all matters pertaining to complaints against members.

The Secretary, Wm. E. Ault, should be addressed upon all matters relating to membership, for any printed forms of the society and upon all matters of a general nature.

The Treasurer, C. F. Mann, should be addressed upon all matters concerning payment of dues.

The International Secretary, L. H. Kjellstedt, should be addressed upon all matters relating to our Corresponding Societies and other official business in all foreign countries.

The Sales Superintendent, P. M. Wolsieffer, should be addressed upon ALL matters pertaining to that department.

The Librarian, Harrison W. Craver, should be addressed upon all matters pertaining to the withdrawal of books from the library.

The Assistant Librarian, A. G. Burgoyne, should be addressed upon all other matters concerning the library.

The Attorney, Fred R. Schmalzriedt, should be addressed upon all matters involving financial disputes, unsettled accounts, etc.

The Editor of the American Philatelist, Wm. E. Ault, should be addressed upon all matters relating to the literary and advertising departments of this publication.

To the Counterfeit Detector, Eugene Klein, should be submitted stamps upon which an opinion is desired as to their genuineness.

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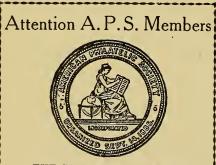
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THE NEW ZEALAND STAMPING MACHINE.

BY RUSSELL L. STULTZ.

Perhaps no postal invention within the past decade has elicited so great an amount of discussion and comment from the public press as that accorded the postal stamping machine adopted a few years ago by the New Zealand Government. While all of this publicity has not been favorable to the subject under discussion it has not been lacking in educational value.

The use of a stamping machine in place of the postage stamp was an innovation of the postal authorities of the Government of New Zealand, that labratory of political and economic reforms. It is to their credit that they are, unlike most government officials, always prepared to consider any means or invention for saving time and labor, and the adoption of a local invention for postmarking letters was one of their first experiments.

Some eight or nine years ago, a struggling mechanic suggested to the postal authorities that an automatic stamping machine would be a great convenience to the business people, besides proving an economy to the department. There was nothing new in his argument, because, for the past half-century, the postal authorities of all countries have been searching for some means of coping with the constantly increasing amount of postal matter, and, while labor-saving devices in the direction of mechanically postmarking letters in place of the old hand-stamp had been invented, there was no practical suggestion for reducing the large expense of printing stamps with all the necessary labor of issuing, checking, taking over, and balancing them.

The evolution of the automatic franking machine in New Zealand is not unlike the experiments with the postmarking and cancelling device, which have often been detailed, and the mechanic previously mentioned was informed that if he could invent a machine that would automatically stamp letters, and there were sufficient safeguards against fraud, it would be given a trial.

The immediate result of this concession was that a penny-in-the-slot machine was constructed and installed outside post-offices and at pillar boxes and similar places. A few month's trial of this innovation discovered that, while it was a convenience, the accumulation of foreigns coins, tokens, discs of lead, etc., was fatal to its success and it was quickly abandoned.

The next distinct step was the invention of a coin-fed machine for use in offices, the immediate forerunner of the present stamping machine. On the insertion of a sovereign, the machanism of the machine was unlocked and impressions of pence and half-pence to the value of One Pound could be obtained, when the machine automatically locked itself, pending the insertion of another sovereign. This device proved itself such a convenience to the commercial establishments that the idea naturally occurred to increase the number and value of the impressions given, and the machine thus reached its third stage.

The new machine, on the insertion of a sovereign, would give impressions of one half-penny, one, two, three, four, five and six pence until the sovereign was exhausted, when the apparatus closed automatically. So delicate were these machines, that, if the dial showed that nineteen shillings and ten pence had been used, and the operator wished to secure a sixpenny impression, the machine would record the impression, lock itself, and debit the four pence to the next sovereign.

This machine was given an exhaustive trial and was mechanically perfect, but the difficulty of control became apparent. The Postal Department objected to its employees handling so much cash when collecting, and furthermore, there was a serious danger of burglary. Commercially it was not always satisfactory, as it was found that occasionally the staff would have left the office, leaving a large quantity of postal matter, to discover later that there was not sufficient impressions remaining in the machine and the messenger or junior clerk was forced to find somebody with the means to recharge the machine.

These failures, however, did not daunt the inventor or the Department and the outcome was the present machine which has now been in use in New Zealand for the past six years.

Unlike its predecessors, no coin is required to operate it. It gives impressions of half-penny, one, three, and six pence and one shilling, and as each impression is made its value is automatically recorded on a set of dials at the top of the machine, which are plainly visible. The first dial records the number of pence and half-pence until one shilling is reached, when a record is made on the second dial, which registers up to twenty shillings, the One Pound being transferred to the third dial, which in turn passes the record on to the fourth and final dial as soon as impressions to the total of twenty pounds have been obtain-This dial records every twenty ed. pounds used, until four hundred pounds is reached. The total is then registered by a toothed wheel, which is visible under a small round glass near the dials. This wheel records up to four thousand pounds when the machine automatically resets at zero. This large sum is one of the safeguards against frauds. To issue enough impressions to bring the record round from a stated sum to that sum again would require 80,000 at one shilling, 160,000 at six pence, 320,000 at three pence, 960,000 at one penny, 1,920,000 at half-penny. It would, therefore, take an operator about a week, working constantly eight hours a day to issue the shillings impressions; and while working at the same rate he would with half-penny impressions finish his task in just about six months. Of course, his labor would be in vain because the impressions are valuless.

The stamp book, of course, must be kept as a record, but its supervision as a prevention of peculation is eliminated. No checking is necessary because only the amount showing on the dial after subtraction of the previous record is paid for, and a receipt is given by the postal official.

The advantages of the machine have been dealt with thus far only from the user's point of view, so now we shall dwell on the innovation in its relation to the government and its safeguards against fraud. The best evidence of its success from a government point of view, is the concluding paragraph of a report from the Secretary of the Post and Telegraph Department on the machine, dated January 13, 1910, which is as follows:—

"The machine as now constructed embodies all the improvements which, in the opinion of the department, were necessary to perfect it."

Before arriving at this decision, every sort of trial was made of the device to learn it it is possible to defraud the government, and the post office officials are convinced that it is a safe system and a vast improvement over the method of printing and selling stamps now in vogue throughout the civilized world. From an economical point of view, the saving to the government is very considerable, since it enterely eliminates the cost of printing stamps and the labor and accounting necessary in connection with the issuing and checking.

In the first place, the machines are turned out from the workshop with only one means of opening and that is by a patent lock, the key of which is handed to the postal authorities after the machine has been thoroughly tested. There are no screws or bolts that will permit admission to the interior, and therefore the machanism cannot be tampered with. The dies are cut by hand and experts declare it is impossible to forge them and if done they could be readily detected. Each die bears a distinctive number and, as the department only gives permission for the use of the machines, a record is kept of every user and any doubtful impressions or other irregularities can be immediately challenged. The ribbons are non-copying, and a carbon impression could be easily detected with the naked eye or by the very simple test of glycerine. Both the inventor and the postal officials have tried every means of defrauding the impression and the machine has arrived at its present state of perfection mainly by the criticisms and suggestions of the latter.

However, the greatest safeguard was recognized in the fact that the impressions are not saleable and the labor of committing a fraud would be valueless. Another important safeguard rests in the fact that the users are largely commercial firms who would not be a party to fraud, and if there was any doubt suspicion would soon be aroused by the ramifications of the returns, which would be always before the departmental officers in their usual periods. The safeguards in the machine itself are that the handle will not move unless the indicator of the value is in the slot, but once it is set in motion it registers the amount and cannot be reversed.

In the government departments special stamps were formerly used with the surcharge "official" and this method necessarily entailed a vast amount of routine in the form of requisitions and vouchers. With the machine, the government employees in the post office department make regular visits to the holders and read the totals very much like a man would read a gas meter. When it is recalled that in New Zealand the telegraph system is controlled by the government and that special stamps were formerly used in connection with it, the saving will immediately become apparent.

The machine is leased in perpetuity to the user for twenty-seven pounds in cash at a rental of one penny per annum. The Postmaster-General retains the key and the machine cannot be transferred without his consent. The dies are also the property of the department and in event of the holder wishing to abandon his machine (an event which has not yet happened) the dies are removed, which renders the machine inoperative.

The machine at present is only manufactured for using impressions of the British coinage values, but all the parts for altering to the decimal coinage of any nation are prepared, and in fact a machine is now under construction to the order of the government of Ceylon for trial purposes.

(NOTE:--We acknowledge our indebtedness to Mr. W. B. G. Wanklyn, of Christ Church, New Zealand, for his description of the mechanical phase of the stamping-machine, as incorporated in this article.)

AN OPEN LETTER.

Recently the Secretary received a letter from one of our members, stating certain complaints which had reached him in regard to the workings of the Society. The letter was written in a friendly spirit and in that way was received, as indicating what certain members had in mind. The reply of the Secretary endeavored to clear up some of the points brought forward, and upon submission to the President and Board of Vice-Presidents, they advised the publication of same in our journal, feeling that the matters thus treated would prove of general interest, especially to those members who have not followed the affairs of the Society very closely. We trust the older members will pardon the use of so much space, but they should feel that the elucidation of such matters should work out for the benefit of the Society, and desides, there are SOME THINGS contained in the following OF WHICH WE CAN ALL TAKE HEED. The Secretary's letter follows:—

"If you will carefully read the Proceedings of the 1912 Convention you will clearly understand why the dues were raised from \$1.20 to \$1.80. It was not necessarily intended that this rate be made permanent, but the increase was decided upon as a measure to give us additional funds to meet the heavy expenses which the workings of the Society had called for since we were obliged to print or publish an official journal, the first few years of which took the form of a quarterly, and that not meeting or filling the needs of the situation, a monthly was decided upon last year.

"You are probably aware of the stand taken by the postal officials in regard to any paper acting as official organ for any Society, when the subscriptions for the members are paid for at any rate whatever by the Society. The ruling was that such papers sent out under such an arrangement could not be mailed at the publishers' rates of postage, hence this eliminated any philatelic paper acting as our official organ.

"This left the only method to reach our members regularly was by a monthly publication, the results of which we have had the past year; it is not for me to say how well, or how far short, the monthly American Philatelist has accomplished the work cut out for it, but I do know that all members have had an opportunity to see what the Society has been doing, not only in my office, but in the Treasurers' and Sales Superintendent's as well, and this year we hope to even have the paper out more promptly each month.

"Now in regard to election of Directors. The fact that only one set of officers are nominated is no fault at all of the Board of Directors which may happen to be in office at such times. If you will kindly refer to the By-Laws relating to elections as printed on pages 93 and 94 of the Preceedings of the 1912 Convention, Article 6, you will see that nominations for directors may be made by ANY FIVE MEMBERS or any branch society, and only such nominations are put on the ballot. The Board of Directors have no voice in the matter of nominations whatever, and the Secretary can only use such names as are sent him in accordance with the above.

"The present Board of Directors, elected at the Put-in-Bay Convention, were nominated by the Chicago Branch No. 1, and this ticket was endorsed by the Cleveland, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Springfield Branches, and none of the others or any other members saw fit to nominate other names for any of the various offices on the Board.

"The reports of the Treasurer, showing the receipts and disbursments have been published in every number of the American Philatelist, with the exception of the last number, August, at which time his report was submitted to the Convention. My reports as Secretary have appeared in every one of the issues of the A. P., showing the admission of new members, applicants for membership, resignations, changes of address, in fact all matter pertaining to the membership of the Society, and these reports have appeared as well in the Philadelphia Stamp News, which, however, is subscribed to by only a portion of the membership. We have given all the publicity to the official workings of the Society which have ever been done and no member can be unaware of the financial or membership matters of the A. P. S. unless he deliberately chooses not to read the American Philatelist.

"The time is not yet to issue the American Philatelist as a weekly and in fact it could not be done with the present rate of dues. The cost of issuing the paper as a monthly was about what the Quarterly cost, but I do not believe any member will say that of the two the monthly is not preferable, not that I had anything to do with it, but from the simple fact that twelve issues of Society news is better than none at all, as you may know the Quarterly did not publish financial or membership reports, other than contained in the proceedings of the annual conventions and membership lists. The revenue derived from selling advertising space is not one-tenth enough to pay for a weekly issue of the paper and it would take at least \$3,000 per year to print the present paper in the form of a weekly. Then, and now the greatest obstacle of all where would a man be found with enough time to devote to getting out a weekly paper? It would consume practically one man's entire time, and you can, probably, as well as I, place the figure of renumerating which would be reasonably expected by such a person.

"The advertisements which have appered in the American Philatelist I do not think have interferred in the least with the advertising in the other philatelic papers; on the other hand there are many more dealers who could affford to carry a quarter-page ad. in our journal at the total cost of \$22.80 PER YEAR and still not drop any of their other ads. in other papers, dealers who sell many members of the Society and could well afford to pay this amount for the simple purpose of keeping their names before the members of the Society.

"The rate now charged for the want notices of members, which is 12½ c per line, with a minimum charge of 50c, for a standing notice for one year, is the LOWEST I KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT, and in fact does not represent the cost of the space which such ads. occupy, and the members alone are to blame for not more liberal use of this column.

"I do not consider it at all practical to establish an Auction Department, from the fact there are so many dealers now in this class of business, and I really believe their charges are as low as such work can be done, in view of the fact that the issuing of catalogues, postage, advertising, etc., all necessary expenses, take up a considerable portion of their I cannot state this authoricharges. tatively; it is my personal opinion. Then again, such auctioneers undoubtedly reach many thoroughly good collectors who are not members of the A. P. S., thereby enhancing the chances of their clients receiving the very best prices obtainable for their stamps. For the Society to enter the auction field, would only create antagonism from the dealers and would undoubtedly result in injury to the A. P. S. Then again, find a man who could fill the bill, and see what he would expect for the services to be performed. If the Society backed up the Auction Department and gave it moral and financial support, there would necessarily have to be a part of the proceeds

diverted back to Society funds to reimburse it for such support, and to form a means of indemnifying members against any losses which might occur.

"From all I can learn, the Sales Department is really a BIG BUSINESS, and requires a vast amount of work from the officer in charge. The fact that sales do not represent a better per centum of the amount placed in the Department is not to be blamed to the Department; at times stamps of very inferior quality are placed on circuit, marked at prices higher than, in many instances, they can be obtained from dealers. Probably it would be an improvement to be able to to group the stamps of one country or group of countries together and send them out this way, but this would so greatly increase the work of the Superintendent that I doubt if any one could be found to take charge of work in this manner. Then again it would greatly increase the chances of loss, and in the end I doubt if it would pay. Individual circuits can be obtained from the Sales Department, as such practice has been in effect for some time past. If you will refer to the reports of this Department as appearing in the monthly issues of the American Philatelist you will note that the Sales Superintendent has called for stamps of certain countries from time to time and has drawn special attention to certain phases of his department with great regularity.

"The desires of collectors are legion, and for a lot of stamps of mixed countries to get around to all those to whom they might appeal, necessarily takes time especially where the sales have to be conducted through the mails. No other means are offered collectors to dispose of their stamps so cheaply and with such sure insurance against loss in any form as are to be found in our Sales Department.

"I agree with you that there are too many societies, and it would be a splendid thing if they all peaceably unite and mutually work for one cause. That is something to be desired, without question, but I fear the time is a long way off when all concerned will be able to see things that way.

"I hope members have made some allowance for the fact that the monthly American Philatelist is still an infant, even if it is a revival of a custom in vogue some nineteen years ago. As the paper develops, and finds greater favor among the members, I do not doubt but what it will prove the strongest tie we will have to hold our members together and at the same time be the most important item we can offer to prospective The literary value of the members. magazine has yet to be appreciated, and if we could only induce those members who can, to write for us instead of giving ALL their services to other philatelic papers, you would speedily see a great improvement in the contents of the paper · Unfortunately but only a very small band of our members have helped out in this matter. Don't you think some of the fault lies with the members themselves?

"Speaking entirely impersonally, I do not believe you will find any members more devoted to the interests of the Society than those who have served as Directors and officers, not only now but in the many years past. It takes a great deal of work and every one filling an office has plenty to do, and I think they are to be commended for putting forth the efforts and devoting the time necessary to carry on the affairs of the Society.

"I have gone into the matter more in detail than I intended but I hope I have cleared up some of the points brought out in your letter. The Society is not a personal matter at all, on the other hand, it calls for co-operation—CO-OPERA-TION FROM EVERY MEMBER—and until this is obtained progress cannot be as great as can be wished for. If EVERY member would do his share towards upholding and promoting the Society, try to conceive of what would be the result."

THE MARVELOUS RISE IN EUROPEAN STAMPS.

The appreciation of the prices of the older issues of Europe seems to have passed all bounds, for high as are the quotations in recently issued catalogues these figures seem to be absolutely ignored in many cases, notably in those of unsevered pairs or stamps on the original cover. When these "fancy" prices began to obtain in Paris two or three years since, there were not wanting critics who ascribed these high figures to reckless competition on the part of leading collectors, or to manipulation by interested owners. Successive sales in the French capital, however, revealed the steady continuance of big prices and effectually disposed of the preceding supposition. The establishment of auctions at Berlin-followed by others at Hanover, Hamburg, Amsterdam, and other cities-has now not only corroborated the French realizations, but has far surpassed them in the results attained.

The recent auctions in Germany denote a still further advance, and it may be said that the prices are absolutely phenomenal. At Herr Kohler's last sale the 3 pfennige, Saxony, used, fetched over £50. It is only a very few years since this stamp was always procurable at four or five pounds, nor can there be any doubt that the present auction valuation is absurdly high. It is, however, well known that extensive speculations have taken place in this stamp, and as it is a standard variety required by every collector, it is in constant demand, and is apparently capable of being forced up to an unlimited extent. Such madly progressive rises in price bode no good for Philately, nor can we believe that they afford a safe investment for the purchaser.

At the same sale a strip of the 1858 issue Oldenburg, one-third groschen, black on green, was sold for the colossal price of nearly £160! We remember less than fifteen years since purchasing a similar strip for £18. This stamp, until quite recently procurable for about £10, is only now quoted by Stanley Gibbons at £12-thus making the auction price for the strip nearly 400 per cent. over catalogue quotations. Of the succeeding issue of Oldenburg of 1860, pairs of the ¹/₃ gr., green, ¹/₂ gr., brown, realized £47 10s and £29 10s. respectively, while a strip of three of the 3gr., yellow, attained £51 10s, all these being stamps catalogued at about an average of three of four pounds apiece. At the preceding figures those seven specimens sold at about six times catalogue value!

We have always advocated the soundness of the European issues, but that such prices should be attained goes beyond our wildest imaginings, nor does it seem feasible that they can continue to be paid by the collector of moderate means. In this country, happily, we pursue our philatelic predilections in saner mood, or we should shudder to think-judged, by their relative rarity ---what prices would be attained for pairs of the 1s. Nova Scotia, 1s. blue paper New Zealand, the early British, Guianas, or the 6p. octagonal Western Australia, if our insular enthusiasm equalled that of the Continent. It may, however, well be that truth lies between the two extremes, and that we have still something to learn about the true appraisement of ultra fine or unusual cop⁴ ies.—London Philatelist.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1913.

Chicago, December 1,	1913.	GENERAL	FUND.	
STOCK FUND. Balance forwarded \$4,048.66		General forwarded, Receipts—	\$ 1.24	
November receipts, 6.00		November dues W. E. Ault, Adv. V		
\$4,054.66		XXVI,	29.07	
Disbursements, 1.00		Subscription,	1.40	
Credit balance \$4	,053.66	October Interest,	1.27	
INSURANCE FUND.			\$ 385.83	
Balance forwarded \$1,477.45		Disbursements,	153.33	
November receipts—				
P. M. Wolsieffer 35.82		Credit balance		232.50
		SUMMARY OF	BALANC	ES.
Credit balance 1	.513.27	Stock Fund		\$4,053.66
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EXCHANGE ACCOUNT		Exchange Account,		49.73
Balance forwarded, \$ 49.13		Suspense Account		23.30
November receipts .60		General Fund,		232.50
Credit balance	49.73		-	\$5,872.46
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT		RESOU	RCES.	
Balance forwarded, \$ 14.70		Bonds (book value)	\$2,612.34	
November receipts, 8.60		Cash in Bank	3,260.12	
Credit balance	23.30	Total –		\$5,872.46
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Chicago, Dec. 1st, 1913.

Mr. Alvin Good, Recorder, Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

The business done by the Sales Department for the month of November is as follows:-

Books in circulation, val-	
ued at	\$43,157.07
New Books received, val-	
ued at	3,441.12
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Books total	\$46,598.19
Books Retired during	
Nov. (Sales \$390.31)	1,032.02
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	ued at New Books received, val- ued at Books total Books Retired during

2276 Books in circulation, valued at \$45,566.17

Insurance on the 64 books retired in November is \$7.22, which amount I have forwarded to the Treasurer today.

The sales for the month of November were \$814.06.

The percentage of Sales on Books Retired is 37-2/3 %.

Members are earnestly requested to

forward Circuits as promptly as possible. This also applies to members that receive books from Branch Agents. Several Agents report that long delays are caused by members of their Branch in holding books a longer time than the Rules provide for. I have instructed Agents to cut off all such members who flagrantly disregard the Rules made for the benefit of all.

The Sales Department cannot expect to receive good books from members if the books are not retired in a reasonable length of time, and promptness in forwarding circuits means quick sales and early retirement of books.

Early issues of United States adhesive postage stamps in fine condition, both used and unused, are still in great demand, as well as all issues of 20th Century stamps.

Circuits sent by express should be protected by cardboard, strongly wrapped and valued at a proper figure, and sent through the money department.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Sales Superintendent.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

- Stamp Collecting. Nov. 15th, 1913. Vol. I No. 9. Stamps of the Spanish Mariannes and plenty of readable notes and articles.
- The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain. Oct. 20, 1913. Vol. XXIII No. 274. An article on Queensland and other miscellaneous philatelic matter.
- Philadelphia Stamp News, Nov. 1, 8, 15 and 22, 1913. Vol. IV. Nos. 32, 33, 34, and 35.
- Roessler's Stamp News. October, 1913. Vol. V. No. 6.
- The Stamp Journal. Nov. 1913. Vol. VI. No. 11.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. Oct. 20, 1913, No. 10.
- Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal. Oct.

1913. Vol. XXI No. 250. Interesting papers on Uruguay, Chili, Papua and Travancore, and the splendid new issue lists which this journal has always printed.

- The Stamp Lover. Nov. 1913. Vol. VI No. 6. Always interesting and containing much matter of value to collectors.
- Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelie Society. _Nov. 1913, Vol. VII No. 2. Reports of the Society's meetings and papers of substantial worth.
- The Ancestry of the American Dollar. Presented by The First National Bank of Boston and received through Mr. A. W. Dunning. A well-worded history of our almighty coin and of much interest even to a collector of stamps.

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EXCHANGES-We will be pleased to exchange three XCHANGES—We will be pleased to exchange uncer-copies with all philatelic publications upon receipt of request to do so. Kindly send one copy to Mr. A. G. Burgyone, Assistant Librarian, 4933 Center Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., one copy to the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee, W. R. Rick-etts, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., and one copy to the Filter. the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

WHAT ARE Simultaneously in THE SIGNS several foreign jour-OF THE TIMES? nals recently have appeared articles dealing with the very broad question of collecting and expressing the view that a return to a more simple form is to be desired, at the same time deprecating the formation of collections along lines tending to take note of every minute difference and variation from some stamp denoted as "normal" and the vast "accumulation" of stamps in such collections.

We might well pause to look at the matter in this light and at the risk of being accused of plagiarism and a desire to agitate the question, we might as well look it square in the face.

While we realize that general collecting along the lines laid down by our catalogues today is almost impossible except to those who have both unlimited time and means, yet if the future of Philately is to be assured, we must look for some means to interest the new collector, and instead of exhibiting a complex and amazing array of stamps of one type differing only in watermark, perforation, stage of plate and the many other, to the novice, perplexing varieties, a more attactive showing and one far more likely to interest those whom we would attract to our hobby, could be made by a collection taking little note of such variations, except in some cases to illustrate certain points which are sometimes essential to show in this manner. Take the stamps of certain countries collected along the lines of the high specialism of these days, when a single issue of a few values can be stretched out to fill as many volumes, and think of the impressions gained by a new recruit to Philately when he views such an "accumulation." Do imagine the you thoughts involuntarily brought to mind will be favorable to his taking up such a seemingly endless task? Is it not rather discouraging to such a collector?

Of course, the formation of a collection is an individual matter, one to be decided entirely by the collector himself, as to what and how he will collect, but nevertheless, what he sees and knows others are doing, will unquestionably have more or less weight upon his own ideas of what should comprise a collection of stamps.

It is not our desire to decry the efforts and study devoted to such specialized form of collecting, for we owe a great debt to those who have studied extensively the stamps of the various countries, but the bringing together of such collections as we have reference to above, brings to our mind the question, Does it pay? Not as a matter of money worth, but is the effect upon the hobby among those outside the folds of Philately likely to cause their taking up stamp collecting?

Show your collection to one who does

not collect stamps and talk watermark, perforation, or any of the many other variations and digest his remarks, if he cares to express his opinion. You will find the impression gained by such a person will not be favorable to his taking up .Philately as a hobby, he will consider it more as a matter of work than a recreation.

Too many times in the present day is the commercial side of stamp collecting held up high above the advantages offered as a source of enjoyment and change from the every-day trials and worries, and while we know that the question of values will ever be with us, and we would not wish them otherwise yet the greatest inducement we should be able to extol to a beginner is that to be found in the relaxation from daily duties and the broad knowledge in various lines to be gained by a study of stamps and their associations, and not the study of the minutiae of the stamps themselves.

Undoubtedly the catalogues are responsible for the listing and collecting of stamps along more or less specialized lines and that is the more noticeable in the case of countries which are at the time "popular" with collectors. The mere listing of a variety creates in a collector the desire for that particular stamp. We are not finding fault with the catalogues or their makers, they are simply obeying the demands of collectors, but if we are to continue to attract new adherents to Philately, the system needs some revision.

MEMBER'S It is very gratifying SPECIALTIES. to note the increased

interest being manifested by our members in the publication of their specialities in collecting in the membership list. A very much larger number of collectors have responded to the invitation to publish this detail in the new membership list which will be issued next spring than took advantage of the benefit last season. If you are among those who have not furnished the Secretary with this information you should do so at once so that the proper entries can be made in the list of names. THE GREETINGS At this season, OF THE SEASON. when "peace on earth good will to men" should be the key-note of our daily expressions, we take the opportunity of extending our best wishes to every member and all our friends, hoping that their Christmas will bring great pleasures and that with the New Year, a season of greater happiness and prosperity may unfold to all.

A SHUT-IN. Many of our members undoubtedly have duplicates and odd philatelic sundries which to them have little interest or value, but in Watertown, N. Y., at 2 Hall Block, Court St., lives Mr. Earl E. Boyd, a life-cripple, whose only recreation is his small collection of stamps and reading. We believe him to be deserving and feel sure he will greatly appreciate anything which might be sent him of a philatelic nature. He is 23 years old and his affliction caused him to have both of his lower limbes amputated several years ago.

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printed separately, so that it may be used by those members who desire to bind the issues of 1912-1913.

U. S. COLLECTION COMMITTEE. Official Notice.

Office of the President.

Nov. 20, 1913.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted at the Annual Convention at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, August 19-21, 1913, the following committee has been appointed to assist the Directors of the National Museum at Washington in the arrangement and classification of the Government collection of stamps:—

MR. H. C. BECK, Chairman,

Washington, D. C.

MR. J. M. BARTELS, New York, N. Y. MR. CHAS. R. MORRIS,

Washington, D. C.

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> Washington, D. C. C. A. COOLIDGE, President.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

November 15th, 1913. Applications Pending.

Coleman, William J.

Kasemeier, E. L.

Burnett, Thomas.

Kelleher, Daniel F.

Pember, Capt. K. A.

Gardella, John B.

Chittenden, J. Brace.

Spiegelberg, F., Jr.

Alcaide, S. A.

Jonas, Henry,

Griffith, Lee A.

Applications for Reinstatement Pending 2474—Schenck, O. A.

Applications Posted.

- Clarke, Eugene H., R. F. D. Box 32, Ingleside, Ill.; Age, 56; Farmer; Refs., B. D. Butler, A. P. S. #3008, Chicago, Ill., Hugh M. Clark, A. P. S. #3183, New York, N. Y.; Proposed by—Wm. E. Ault, #1908.
- Spiegelberg, F., 36 West 76th St., New York City, N. Y.; Age, 50; Judge; Ref. J. C. Morgenthau, New York, N. Y.; Proposed by, Alvin Good, #2054.
- Alford, J. W., 36 East Park Ave., East Orange, N. J.; Age, 39; Wholesale Jeweler; Firm, Vice President of C. G.
 Alford & Co., 192 Broadway, New York
 N. Y.; Ref., Chatham National Bank,
 192 Broadway, New York, N. Y.; Proposed by, C. B. Bostwick, #2119.
- Miller, J. B., 98 Wellesley St., Toronto, Ont., Canada; Age, 51; Manufacturer; Firm, Polson Iron Works; Refs., J. W. Scott, New York, N. Y., Geo. H. Worthington, Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, #343.
- Sutton, Fred T., 108 Convent Ave., New York, N. Y.; Age, 16; Student; Guarantor, B. H. Sutton, Salesman, Du Pont Powder Co., 90 West St., New
- York, N. Y.; Proposed by, A. W. Dunning #251.

Application for Reinstatement Posted.

1486—Semple, Wm. Oliver, 119 N. Second St., Easton, Pa.; Age, Legal; Druggist; Firm, H. B. Semple & Sons, Easton, Pa.; Proposed by, C. W. Kissinger, # 343.

Resignation Withdrawn.

The following member, desiring to withdraw his resignation, and having paid dues for current year in full, is hereby replaced on the membership roll: 2510—Biggard, Ben, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Deceased.

- 1735-Mackenzie, J. M., Toronto, Canada.
 - Resignations Accepted.
- 1844—Asby, Geo. C., Union Center, Wis.
- 2071-Tanguay, J. E., Woonsocket, R. I.
- 2150-Parker, F. W., Somerville, Mass.
- 2182-Marcuse, S. C., San Francisco, Cal.
- 3436—Kimball, Peter C., North Scituate, Mass.
- 3674—Brewster, J. N. S., Jr., Elizabeth, N. J.
- 3984-Lehmann, Otto, New York, N. Y.
- 4110—Perkins, Percival D., Windsor, Vt. Changes of Address.
- 4226—Armstrong, H. C., from 539 Ohio Bldg., Toledo, Ohio, to 4241 Folsom Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
- 2981—Bollman, Aug., from 1612 S. 11th St., to 1602 Menard St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 1224—Bridge, Chas, F., from 600 Madison Ave., to 280 State St., Albany, N. Y.
- 3496—Cline, Rolo, from Chanute, Kansas to 1200 Fourth East, Hutchinson, Kansas.
- 527—Davis, Jos. S., to read, 1749 North Serrano Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 4151—Eisele, Herman, from 412 Century Bldg., to 702 Engineers Bldg. Cleveland, Ohio. (Effective Dec. 1st. 1913.)
- 3928—Gosabass, Michel, from P. O. Box 264, Manchester, N. H., to P. O. Box 451, Columbus, Ga.
- 2141—Guy, James, from Box 96, Lancaster, Minn., to 813½ West 7th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 4232—Heckert, J. E., from 408 Reily St., to 208 Hamilton St., P. O. Box 595, Harrisburg, Pa.
- 2136—Hibbard, Charles S., from 6 Weaver Block, to 69 Genesee St. Utica, N.Y.
- 3131—Koebig, P. W., from 150 Nassau St., to 116 Broad St., New York, N. Y.

- 3792—Lichtenstein, B., to read Box 445, Lawrence, L. I., N. Y.
- 2376—Niemann, Geo., from 1927 N. 40th Court, to 1927 N. Kaskaskia, Chicago, Ill.
- 4067—Ramsey, Wm. G., from 913 Delaware Ave., to Room 853 du Pont Bldg., Wilmington, Del.
- 3773—Reymann, Otto C., from 125 W. School Lane, to 6326 Burbridge St. Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3992—Smith, Mrs. C. S., from 316 B St., to Box 277, Marysville, Calif.
- 3751—Smith, Thorn, from 125 Langley Ave., to 325 W. Ferry Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 2124—Sohn, John, from Box 578, to Box 186, Deadwood, S. D.
- 685—Stock, Ernest, from Mohren Stras se 53, to 79a Frederick Str., Berlin, Germany.
- 3256—Traustel, C., from Moscow Simonova, care Westinghouse Co., to P. O. Box 865, Moscow, Russia.
- Membership Summary. Total membership Nov. 8th, 1913 _____ 1442 Resignation withdrawn Nov. 15th, 1913 _____ 1 1443 Resignations accepted Nov. 15th, 1913 _____ 8 9 Death reported Nov. 15, 1913 1 Total membership Nov. 15, 1913 _____ 1434 WM. E. AULT. Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING November 22nd, 1913.

Applications Pending.

- Gardella, John B. Chittenden, J. Brace.
- Spiegelberg, F., Jr.
- Alcaide, S. A.
- Jonas, Henry.
- Griffith, Lee A.
- Clarke, Eugene H.
- Spiegelberg, F.
- Alford, J. W.
- Miller, J. B.
- Sutton, Fred T.
- Applications for Reinstatement Pending
- 2474—Schenck O, A.
- 1486-Semple, Wm. Oliver.

Applications Posted.

- Kauffman, Arthur, C., 122 5th Avenue, New York, N. Y.; Age 35; Publishing; Firm, Kaufman & Strauss Co.; Ref., Henry Calman, A. P. S. #146, 100
 William St., New York, N. Y.; Proposed by, P. M. Wolsieffer, #38.
- Jacobs, Charles H., 339 Collins Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Age, 51; Manager; Firm, The National Clothiers; Refs., Lincoln Natl. Bank, Roths State Bank; Proposed by, E. Doeblin, #96.
- Thomson, Jack M., 703 Whitney Bldg., Detroit, Mich.; Age, 25; Broker; Refs, Home Savings Bank, Henry C. Stevens; Proposed by, Fremont Woodruff, #1507.
- Wagner, Albert B., 1329 St., Ange Ave.,
 St. Louis, Mo.; Age 42; Clerk; Refs.,
 F. Toran, Clerk, 914 Soulard St., St.
 Louis, Mo., Rde. Neubauer, Barber,
 1713 S. Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.; Proposed by, Martin Pokorny, #4098.

New Stockholders.

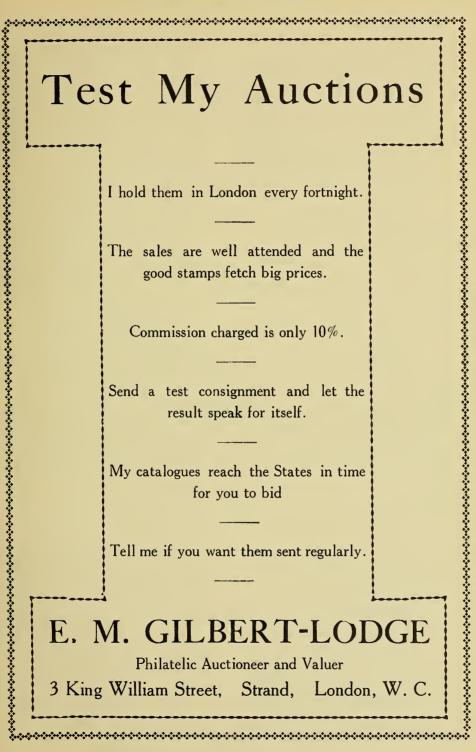
- 4318--Coleman, William J., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 4319-Kasemeier, E. L., Springfield, O.
- 4320-Burnett, Thomas, Camden, N. J.
- 4321---Kelleher, Daniel F., Cambridge, Mass.
- 4322—Pember, Capt. K. A., Woodstock, Vt.

Resignations Received.

4290—Park, Roswell, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.

Changes of Address.

- 3824—Carpenter, A. Everly, from 4824 N. 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa., to care Brown-Shipley & Co., Ltd., 123 Pall Mall, London, S. W., England.
- 3481—Conroy, Chas. C., from 540 E. 15th St., to P. O. Box 826, Los Angeles Calif.
- 2304—Dennett, J. E., from Mt. Vernon St., to 236 Gray St., Arlington, Mass.
- 3730—Fanning, Geo. W., 2nd, from 48 Broad St., to 39 Broad St., New York, N. Y.
- 2990—Farnham, Fred E., from 520 Wrightwood Ave., to care Victor Chemical Works, Fisher Bldg., Chicago, Ill.



- 3007—Harmer, H. R., from Danbury, Chelmsford England, to Maldon, Essex, England.
- 2812—Jackson, Stedman W., from care Bank of Tampa, to 802 Twiggs St., Tampa, Fla.
- 3645—Narbo, Dr. Sven, from 1576 Milwaukee Ave., to 2818 N. North Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- 2886—Pifer, Edw. P., to read, 813 N. Virginia Ave., Roswell, N. M.
- 3017—Wayne, Joseph Jr., from 5449 Wayne Ave., to 5520 Wayne Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Nov. 15th, 1913_1434 New stockholders admitted Nov.

- 22nd, 1913 _____ 5
- Total membership Nov. 22nd, 1913_1439 WM. E. AULT. Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING November 29th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Jonas, Henry

- Griffith, Lee A.
- Alcaide, S. A.
- Chittenden, J. Brace.
- Spiegelberg, F., Jr.
- Clarke, Eugene H. Spiegelberg, F.
- Alford. J. W.
- Miller, J. B.
- Sutton, Fred T.
- Kaufmann, Arthur C.
- Jacobs, Charles H.
- Thomson, Jack M.
- Wagner, Albert B.
- Applications for Reinstatement Pending
- 2474-Schenck, O. A.
- 1486-Semple, Wm. Oliver.

New Stockholder.

4323-Gardella, John B., Oakland, Calif.

Applications Posted.

Rote, S. A., 214 Montmorenci Ave., Ridgway, Pa.; Age, 65; Tax Agent;
Firm, Elk Tanning Co.; Refs., Elk County National Bank, Ridgway National Bank; Proposed by, Wm. E. Ault, #1908.

- Miller, Bertrand C., 326 Federal Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio; Age, 39; Clerk
 U. S. District Court; Ref., The First Trust and Savings Co.; Proposed by, W. H. Barnum, #585.
- Smith, Clyde W., P. O. Box 444, Carlton, Oregon; Age 28; Clerk; Firm, With Carlton Mer. Co.; Ref., Geo. Stickney, Cashier, Carlton State Bank, W. A. Howe, President, Carlton State Bank; Proposed by, A. G. Brinkerhoff, No. 4186.

Applications for Reinstatement Posted.

- 2253—Fratus, Catano, 100 Federal St., Boston, Mass.; Age, 52; Bookkeeper; Ref., Geo. M. Rodie, Manager of Mercantile Agency, 27 School St., Boston, Mass.; Proposed by, Willard O. Wylie, #1689.
- 3920—Lincoln, Leo B., R1112, 112 W. Adams St., Chicago, Ill.; Age, 38; Consulting Engineer; Ref., Frank's Tourist & Ticket Co.; Proposed by, P. M. Wolsieffer, #38.

Resignations Received.

- 2971-Gould, E. W., Rockland, Me.
- 3600—Brunner, Edmund de S., Coopersburg, Pa.

Changes of Address.

- 3359—Brooks, M. O., from 44 Hudson St., Stapleton, S. I., N. Y., to 244 East 48th St., New York City, N. Y.
- 2437—Gribble, John, from 1313 King St., to 1264 Kinau St., Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 1841—Herbert, Chas. G., from Box 1793, to 128 Duane St., New York City, N. Y.
- 4042—Heyman, Lawrence J., from 473 Second St., to 312 Madison Place, Lexington, Ky.
- 2118—Hillman, F. G., from 669 Purchase St., to 1699 Purchase St., New Bedford, Mass.
- 3785—King, Geo. E., from Red Star Mill & Elevator Co., to 1045 North Emporia, Wichita, Kansas.
- 2389—Koehler, Robert, from 1204 6th Ave., N. W., to 1220 6th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
- 3471—Richter, Rev. G. Emil, from Silver Mine, R. F. D. 43, Norwalk, Conn., to Darien, Conn.

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- 3776-Runyan, Ernest F., from 343 Elm St., to 714 N. Co. Line St., Fostoria, Ohio.
- 2180-Sanford, O. N., from City Engineer's Office, to 152 7th Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
- 2208-Voorhees, B. L., from 4534 Hazel Ave., Chicago, Ill., to 339 S. 8th Ave., LaGrange, Ill.
- 4313-Wunderly, L. S., from 518 Wayne St., Sandusky, Ohio, to 348 Engineer's Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Nov. 22nd	
1913	1439
New Stockholder admitted	
Nov. 29th, 1913	1

Total membership Nov. 29th

1440 1913 _____ WM. E. AULT. Secy.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports the meetings of our Branches and re-uest the Secretaries of such furnish s with reports for publication on this of quest page.

BUFFALO BRANCH No. 37.

61st meeting of the Buffalo Collectors Club, Branch #37, held Nov. 18, 1913 at 1025 Fidelity Bldg. Ten members and two visitors present. Messrs. H. J. Baumann and G. W. Francis were admitted to membership. The evening was devoted to an auction sale.

F. P. JAMES, Secy.

CHICAGO BRANCH No. 1.

326th Regular Meeting.

The 326th regular meeting of Chicago Branch #1, American Philatelic Society was held on Thursday evening, October 9th, 1913, in the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Republic Building, State & Adams Streets, Chicago. Illinois. President Dahl called the meeting to order at 8.30 P. M., with the following members present: Bloss, Cabeen, Dahl, McDonald, Rosenthal, Severn, Wolsieffer, Messrs. Jensen and Fowler attended as visitors.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurer read his annual report and same was accepted.

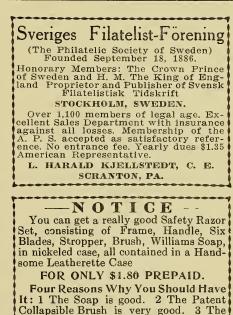
The Secretary read the membership roll and the following names were ordered dropped: Burch, Clark, Crowell, Dunton, Falls, Leighton, Leland, Olsen, Taussig, Van Order, Wittenmeier.

On motion Rosenthal, seconded Severn, the stamp drawing was ordered dispensed with.

After informal discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9.50 P. M.

' A. Wm. BLOSS, Secy.

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WANTED for cash, good used copies of Ceylon Queen's head, 24c, 25c, 28c. Special prices for pairs, strips and blocks. A. W. Dunning, Brookline, Mass, U. S. A.

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tion. Third—There will always be differences of opin-ion as to which are "shades" and which "fades." Fourth—The number of printings of a certain stamp does not nessessarily imply that there will be the same number of shades.

stamp does not nesessarily imply that there will be the same number of shades. I have recently purchased one of the most ex-pensive, best and largest of color charts showing some eleven hundred colors and shades, and I find it absolutely of no use in my study of shades. Take for instance, the 1852 5 cent ultramarine. We have authority for saying there were only five printings of this stamp, yet I have over thirty shades, which I believe are not "fades," and the ultramarine in my color chart differs from every one of them. one of them.

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STAMP NOTES ON A WEST INDIAN TRIP.

BY. C. F. HEYERMAN.

(Continued from page 17).

S ailing east along the Venezuelan coast we passed the Dutch possession of

Curacao which they say is a minature bit of Holland, then we finally reached Trinidad—the Island of Humming Birds, as it was called by the Caribs. Port of Spain, its capital is one of the most cosmopolitan cities of the West Indies. It so impressed many of the travelers that it was the choice of all the ports where they would like to settle, at least for the winter. At La Bera is the wonderful Pitch Lake, about 100 acres, from which most of our asphaltum is obtained.

The Post Office is situated on St. Vincent St., at the corner of Queen St., in a very attractive building of yellow brick, built with two wings which come out to the street, and a garden with stately royal palms in front of the main portion; the lock boxes being in the wing on the corner of the street. Very convenient counters are arranged for the parcel post branch. To accomodate the people of the town of about 60,000 inhabitants, postal agencies are found scattered throughout the city in stores and small buildings, and the people are paid commission for the stamps they sell. One could obtain last March at the main office, the 1898 large 2d, 1909, 1/2d, 1d, 4d, 6d, 1/ also 1902-7 4d in two types and the 1906 due stamps 1d, 2d, and 3d. The Trinidad and Tobago issue consisting of the 1d and 21/2d, had just been put on sale last March.

From here we began to head Northward, our next stopping place being Barbadoes or the "Bearded" from the beard-like clumps of vines hanging from the wild fig trees. For three centuries, little Barbados has clung to the British flag; there are few more densley populated spots this size. George Washington made his only foreign trip to Bridgetown, the capital. If you want to stand in with the Barbadians, do not say Barbydoes, but Bar-bade-os. The Island is very much more of a commercial settlement than Trinidad.

The Statue of Lord Nelson near the docks, reminds us of the stamp of 1905, only there are no stately palms in the back ground, and the "Olive Blossome" sent out in 1605 by Sir Oliver Leigh entered this port, and we find the vessel depicted on the 1906 1d, black, green and blue. The public buildings are very attractive, two story gray stone buildings in large grounds with magnificent old trees.

The Post Office is situated in the rear part, as it might be called, of one of them, with plenty of air space. There was on sale the 1912 set, $\frac{1}{4}$ d, $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d, 2d, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d, 3, 4, 6, 1/-, 2/-, 3/- of the King George and Neptune type. Used stamps were on display in several of the curio stores and after quite a hunt up narrow streets and climbing numerous stairways, we found a dealer who originally hailed from Chicago with a good stock of West Indian Colonies, who had fallen into the bad habit (for the buyer) of expecting full catalogue value.

Continuing the cruise, Martinique was next reached. Port de France, a sleepy and very much run down City was interesting from it being not unlike a French country town. The Place de la Savane is now nothing more than a cow pasture and its stately white marble statute of the Empress Josephine is in the center with a few of the royal palms still standing guard.

The Post Office at No. 1 St. Louis St. faces on the Savane. Its two story stone building very much grimed through lack of care. The lower part of the windows are guarded by iron gratings and in the second story by small balconies of ornamental iron work. The natives are very obliging in trying to furnish the stamps,

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kept in a lady's fashion book of styles long departed, and it was rather diffcult to obtain stamps of each variety on hand, because if only a few were between the pages, and the leaves were turned too rapidly, the chance of buying was lost. There was still on hand a goodly supply of 1892 numbers-39 to 45 being the 20c, 25c, 40c, 50c, 1f, also the 1906 No. 61, 35c and the 05 surcharged in red on the 15c gray (1900 No. 48) being the most plentiful. Of the 1908 set was lacking in many values, possibly chargeable to dealers or speculators in certain values as they had no 5c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c nor 1f of this set of the interesting three designs. It was only a short sail to St. Pierre which was swept out of existence by the eruption of Mt. Pelee in 1902 and is now another Pompeii.

Continuing Northward, we reach the Danish West Indies entering the fine harbour of Charlotte Amalia on the Island of St. Thomas. It is a town of about 13,000 inhabitants and has an important coaling station. Here our childhood fairy tales of Bluebeard and Blackbeard become a reality, as the ruins of the two castles, so named, are shown. Blackbeard was however, a pirate and in 1716 had become such a terror of the Carribean Sea, that he was finally captured and killed in Cuba. Bluebeard who followed the same profession, was killed in his castle by a brother of one of the many wives of this buccaneer. They even show you the sealed up wall of the room in which these many murders were committed.

The school children who all speak English complain of having to learn Danish which is taught in the schools.

The Post Office is a two story, yellow brick building of an airy appearance; the stamp department being on the second floor where the 50c of 1873 to 1896 can still be bought, also the 5 bits, 20, 25, 40 and 50c, 1f, 2f, and 5f of 1905 and the 1908 set complete, the dues of 1905 complete and aslo the July 1912 Charity Stamp in yellow, black and gray which was sold at 5c but of no postal value. It is printed on white paper, Dansk Vestindien in black letters on a yellow ground, at the top; a map of the West Indies showing also Florida, Central America and the Northern part of South America. A line in yellow on this map shows how direct the course is between St. Thomas and Colon. Jul 1912 in colorless letters on a yellow ground is the inscription at the bottom.

Proceeding west, after a few hours, we reached San Juan, Porto Rico, the capital of the Island. Associated with the romantic adventurer Juan Ponce de Leon who was at one time governor of the Island and the Caca Blanca, the White House, which he built, can be seen today. The town has awakened and been cleaned up and has a very bustling American appearance.

Our United States stamps are on sale but there was no time to hunt up any possible finds in Coamo or other Spanish regime stamps.

Again proceeding due North a run of about 700 miles, we enter the harbour of Hamilton, Bermuda, where the temperature rarely goes below 60 degrees in winter, so living out of doors is a thing to be enjoyed. The scenery is a combination of tropical and northern aspects; the great fields of Easter lilies in bloom is a sight never to be forgotten. Interesting aquariums of wonderful fish are to be seen and when the ocean is quiet, a trip to the sea gardens is a wonderful sight.

The 1910 to 1912 stamps were on sale.

Our next port was home where we were at once on the look out for the parcel post values that had not been issued before leaving.

In the advertising columns of this issue will be found a half-page ad. of the Mutual Stamp Exchange. This is undoubtedely the most successful stamp exchange ever attempted in this country, and from the Editor's personal experience in it, he can recommend it very highly as a desirable means for the exchange of duplicates or surplus stock. We wish to thank the Exchange for Yule-tide greetings.

A NEW VARIETY OF AN OLD STAMP.

The 1c, 1879, on hard paper.

BY DANIEL J. KAIB, A. P. S. No. 3249

The important part which the makers, imprint or the plate number may, and sometimes does, play in determining the status of a stamp or in clearing up some disputed point concerning it (a fact that was brought out very forcibly in a paper by Gen. C. A. Coolidge before the Detroit Stamp Society some time ago), is once more clearly demonstrated in the recently discovered new variety of the 1c, 1879 issue of the U. S., printed by the American Bank Note Co. on hard paper.

It was the accepted opinion heretofore, an opinion voiced in practically every treatise dealing with this series of U.S. stamps, that the American Bank Note Co. which took over the contract of the Continental Bank Note Co., when it absorbed the latter in February, 1879, used nothing but soft paper for its stamp emissions, and that its product could thus definitely and easily be distinguished from that of its predecessors. In accordance with this opinion, a stamp of the design current between 1870 and 1883 is classified as follows: If on hard paper and without the socalled "secret mark," it is a product of the National Bank Note Co. ('71-'73); if on hard paper and with the secret mark, it is a product of the Continental Bank Note Co. ('73-'79); if on soft paper (with secret mark), it is a product of the American Bank Note Co. ('79-'83). In other words, the absence or presence of the secret mark determines the hard paper varieties as belonging either to the period of '71-73, or to the period of '73-'79. The stamps printed by the American Bank Note Co. (1879-83), it was believed and positively asserted, were to be found on soft paper only. Witness the assurance with which Mr. Power, an acknowledged authority on our postal issues, speaks in his "United States Stamps", page 51: "The American Co. never printed stamps on anything but soft paper."

This opinion is now proven to be incorrect. The proof is found in a copy of the 1c stamp, on *hard paper*, with the imprint of the American Bank Note Co. attached. The lower marginal strip has been torn away; but by what we may call a fortunate accident, the specimen in question shows the imprint in the bottom line of separation.

The fact, then, that the American Bank Note Co. printed stamps on hard paper. is proven beyond any doubt. As for how many they printed, or of what denominations, these are questions which can probably never be answered. Nor is it likely that many copies-with the Amer. Co.'s imprint attached so as to enable proper identification-will ever be found. It is now 30 years since these stamps ceased to be current, and if, in spite of the close study to which they were subjected by philatelic students, this particular variety remained undiscovered during all this time, it is not likely that it will bob up in unusual number at this late day.

Therefore, for the present at least, the 1c stamp printed by the American Bank Note Co. on hard paper must be considered a decided rarity. The copy which has led to the discovery here spoken of is now, and is likely to remain for a long time, the only known specimen. For, although thousands of stamps may have been printed by this Company on hard paper, they cannot except in connection with the makers' imprint, be recognized for what they are. Separated from this imprint they will be classified as belonging to the printings of the Continental Co. It is a case similar to that of the 6c and 8c, 1895, on revenue paper, which also cannot be positively identified unless the specimen shows the "I" or the "R".

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING December 6th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Kaufmann, Arthur C.	Jacobs, Charles H.
Sutton, Fred T.	Thomson, Jack M.
Miller, J. B.	Wagner, Albert B.
Alford, J. W.	Rote, S. A.
Spiegelberg, F.	Miller, Bertrand C.
Clarke, Eugene H.	Smith, Clyde W.

Applications for Reinstatement Pending

- 1486—Semple, Wm. Oliver.
- 2253-Fratus, Catano.
- 3920-Lincoln, Leo B.

Applications Posted.

- Alkire, H. M., 18 Congress St., Bradford, Pa.; Age —; Oyster Dealer; Firm, Oyster Bay; Refs. A. Jarrett & Sons, Grocers, Bradford, Pa., Commercial Ntl. Bank, Bradford, Pa.; Proposed by Percy McGraw Mann, No. 3202.
- Needham, Henry C., 89 Hancock St., Brooklyn, N. Y.;Age 48; Lawyer; Ref. Equitable Trust Co., New York; Proposed by Alvin Good, No. 2054.
- Filardie, Francis A., 183 Linden St., Yonkers, N. Y.; Age 29; Letter Carrier; Ref. Ulrich Wiesendanger, Druggist, 158 Nepperham Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.; Proposed by L. A. Beebe, No. 2272.

New Stockholders.

- 4324-Jonas, Henry, Goshen, N. Y.
- 4325—Griffith, Lee A., New York City, N. Y.
- 4326—Alcaide, S. A., Guayama, Porto Rico.
- 4327—Chittenden, J. Brace, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 4328—Spiegelberg, F., Jr., Ithaca, N. Y. Reinstated.
- 2474-Schenck, O. A., Columbus, Ohio. Replaced on Membership roll.

The following member, dropped March 15th, 1913, having paid dues in full to August 31st, 1914, is hereby replaced on the membership roll, and is in good standing.

2271—Raymond, William W., Owego, Tioga Co., N. Y.

Resignation Withdrawn.

The following resignation, posted Nov.

29th, 1913, is hereby withdrawn by the member:---

4183-McCann, Burt, Minneapolis, Minn.

Corresponding Society.

The Board of Vice-Presidents has elected the following Society an honorary corresponding Society:---

- KRISTIANIA FILATELIST KLUB, P. A. Mossin, Secy., Christiania, Norway. Change of Address.
- 2147—Ackerman, H. S., from 216 Piermont Ave., Nyack, N. Y., to 716 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 2725—Gammans, Elbert H., Jr., from 181 Joralemon St., to 450 3rd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 2401—Mayberry, Edward F., from 6 Gibbes St., to 12 Church St., Charleston, S. C.
- 797-Rood, P. E., from Sta. F., to 1805 Adams St., Tolodo, Ohio.
- 3091—Shore, Herbert E., to read 522 37th Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
- 2555—Friedl, Rudolf, from I. Herrengassa 6, to I Woolreile, Vienna, Austria.
- 1733—Weismann, Otto, from Coolsingal 42, to Coolsingal 7a, Rotterdam, Holland.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Nov. 29,

- 1913 _____1440
- New stockholders admitted Dec. 6th, 1913 _____ 5 Reinstated Dec. 6th, 1913_____ 1

Replaced on membership roll Dec. 6th, 1913 _____ 1

Total membership Dec, 6th,

1913 _____ 1447 Wm. E. Ault, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING December 13th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Kaufmann, Arthur C.	Miller, Bertrand C.
Jacobs, Charles H.	Smith, Clyde W.
Thomson, Jack M.	Alkire, H. M.
Wagner, Albert B.	Needham, Henry C.
Rote, S. A.	Filardie, Francis A.

Applications for Reinstatement Pending 2253—Fratus, Catano.

3920--Lincoln, Leo B.

Applications Posted.

- Bradley, Henry M., Jr., 113 New Haven Ave., Derby, Conn.; Age 31; Florist; Ref. Birmingham National Bank, of Derby, Conn.; Proposed by Daniel H. Bacon, No. 363.
- Julia, J. Juan, Santiago, Dominican Republic, West Indies; Age 34; Firm J. Juan Julia; Ref. A. Perotta, Puerto Plata, Dominican Rep.; Proposed by A. W. Dunning, No. 251.
- Biron, E. P., 1109 23rd St., Galveston, Texas; Age 25; Ocean Freight Broker; Stamp Dealer; Ref. N. E. Leopold, of Leopold & Shafer, Clothiers, Galveston, Texas, H. L. Ziegler, Freight Broker, Galveston, Texas; Proposed by G. C. Cuenod, No. 1266.
- Speilmann, Oscar P., 1550 Kingsbury St., Chicago, Ill.; Age 38; Mnfgr. of Vinegar & Yeast; Firm Spielmann Bros. Co.; Refs. Geo. K. Schmidt, Banker, North Avenue. & Clybourne Ave., Chicago, Ill., Weller Mfg. Co., Grain Elevating Mach., 853 W. North Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Proposed by T. W. Brophy, Jr., No. 4296.

Application for Reinstatment Posted.

3342—Currie, S. G., 222 Riverside Drive New York City, N. Y.; Age 39; Broker; Refs. Bloomfield Trust Co., Bloomfield, N. J.; First Natl. Bank. Springlake, N. J.; Proposed by Wm. E. Ault, No. 1908.

New Stockholders.

- 4329-Clarke, Eugene H., Ingleside, Ill.
- 4330—Spiegelberg, F., New York City, N. Y.
- 4331-Alford, J. W., East Orange, N. J.
- 4332-Miller, J. B., Toronto, Canada.
- 4333--Sutton, Fred T., New York City, N. Y.

Reinstated.

- 1486--Semple, Wm. Oliver, Easton, Pa. Resignation Received.
- 380—Smith, H. G., San Francisco, Calif. Change of Address.
- 2821—Abbott, Joseph Q., from 164 Myrtle Ave., to Green St. Extension, Fitchburg, Mass.
- 453—Andreen, Oscar, to read, 1512 South St., Lexington, Mo.

- 3691—Buffalo Collectors Club, Branch No.
 37, to read, care F. P. James, Secy.
 112 19th St., Buffalo, N. Y.
- 2640—Cass, Leon V., from 604 Grace st., to 723 Columbia St., Scranton, Pa.
- 4146—Colburn, W. B., from 197 Seminole Ave., to 704 Penobscot Bldg., Detroit, Mich.
- 1870—Emery, Wilson C., from 31 Westminster St., to 159 Dickinson St., Springfield, Mass.
- 308—Green, L. L., from 12 Powder House Road, to 60 Powder House Road, Medford, Mass.
- 4183—McCann, Burt, from 321 N. Newton, to 515 N. Y. Life Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 3016—Marquardt, Wm. F., to read 22 Dracut St., Dorchester Center, Mass.
- 3692—Parker, Capt. Clyde B., from Texas City, Texas, to Honolulu, Hawaii, (Effective Jan. 1, 1914.)
- 3305—Springfield Branch No. 28, to read, 21 Princeton St., Springfield, Mass.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership Dec. 6th,
- 1913 _____1447 New stockholders admitted
- Dec. 13th, 1913 _____ 5
- Reinstated Dec. 13th, 1913 ____ 1
- ____
- Total membership Dec. 13th, 1913 _____

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING December 20th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

- Rote, S. A.Filardie, Francis A.Miller, Bertrand C.Bradley, H. M. Jr.Smith, Clyde W.Julia, J. Juan
- Alkire, H. M. Biron, E. P.
- Needham, Henry C. Speilmann, Oscar P.
- Applications for Reinstatement Pending.
- 3920—Lincoln, Leo B.

3342—Currie, S. G.

2253-Fratus, Catano

Applications Posted.

Terry, Dr. I. L., 737 Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y.; Age 33; Dentist; Ref. Fidelity Trust Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; Proposed by Hugh C. Barr, No. 901.

- Wolter, John R., 551 N. 52nd St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Age 35; Chief Inspector of Elevators, City of Philadelphia; Refs Col. John S. Muckle, Franklin Bank Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.; Proposed by Percy McG. Mann, No. 3202.
- Scudder, A. H., 106 John St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Age 44; Secretary; Firm National Licorice Co; Refs. Tiffany & Co., New York City, N. Y., Loeser & Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Proposed by Frank S. Storey, No. 4257.
- Smith, Harry A., 26 East 4th St., Oswego, N. Y.; Age 26; Post Office Clerk; Proposed by Herbert H. A. Fox, No. 2641.

New Stockholders.

- 4334—Kaufmann, Arthur C., New York, N. Y.
- 4335-Jacobs, Charles H., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 4336-Thomson, Jack M., Detroit, Mich.
- 4337-Wagner, Albert B., St. Louis, Mo.

Resignations Received.

- 3238-Levy, Julius, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3318-Tessier, F. M., Janesville, Wis.

Resignation Accepted

4290-Park, Rosswell, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.

Change of Address.

- 14—Clotz, Henry, from 81 Maiden Lane, New York City, N. Y., to care Carl Giller, Wilhelm Str. 20, Wiesbaden, Germany.
- 2667—Grafe, Gustave A., from 1485 Clybourne Ave., to 709 Center St., Chicago, Ill.
- 1965—Hahman, Fredk., to read, Harrowgate Lane, Frankford, Philadelphia Pa.
- 4297—Hering, Gordon R., to read 815 W. Kalamazoo Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- 3484—Kieling, Robt. O., from 13 Market St., to 601 Dollar Bank Bldg., Youngstown, Ohio.
- 2223-Klemann, John A., from 179 Broadway, to 118 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y.
- 3579—Klemann, J. J., Jr., from 179 Broadway, to 118 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y.
- 2721—Lindsay, H. M., from 805 Madison Ave., to 1003 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Md.

- 3446—Michael, Edward, from 72 Dearborn St., to 138 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
- 3363—Palmer, H. R., from 812 E. Stage Ave., to 812 East 11th Ave., Spokane, Wash.
- 4304—Walker, Stanley M., from Hotel Denton, Salida, Colo., to care Frisco Tunnel Co., Animas Forks, Colo.
- 601—Ballhausen, C. W. L., from Local Land Board Office, to "Belmont," Gipps St., Dubbo, New South Wales
- 2085—Reid, F. W., from 117 Walker St., North Sydney, N. S. W., to 10a Victoria Arcade, Sydney, New S. Wales.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Dec. 13th,

- 1913 _____1453 New stockholders admitted
- Dec. 20th, 1913 _____ 4 1457
- Resignation accepted Dec. 20, 1913 _____ 1
- Total membership Dec. 20th, 1913 _____ 1456 WM. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING December 27th, 1913.

Applications Pending.

Alkire, H. M.	Spielmann, Oscar P.
Needham, Henry C.	Terry, Dr. I. L.
Filardie, Francis A.	Wolter, John R.
Bradley, H. M., Jr.	Scudder, A. H.
Julia, J. Juan	Smith, Harry A.
Biron, E. P.	

Application for Reinstatement Pending. 3342—Currie, S. G.

Applications Posted.

- Turney, M. R. Jr., P. O. Box 290, Greensburg, Pa.; Age 28; Clerk; Refs. R. A. Fulton Lyonn, Postmaster, Greensburg, Pa.; Merchants Trust Co.; Safe Deposit and Trust Co.; Proposed by John M. Stonier, No. 4091.
- Lehman, Mrs. George M., 258 Melwood Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Age 45; Ref. Fidelity Title & Trust Co., Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Proposed by Fredk. Charles, No. 3668.

- Swann, Arthur, 6 E. 23rd St., New York City, N. Y.; Age 39; Cataloguer of books; Firm, With American Art Galleries; Ref. American Art Association of New York; Proposed by Percy McG. Mann, No. 3202.
- Schernikow, Ernest, 17 Battery Place, New York City, N. Y.; Age Legal; Ref. Geo. H. Worthington, Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by Alvin Good, No. 2054.

New Stockholders.

4338-Rote, S. A., Ridgway, Pa.

4339—Miller, Bertrand C., Cleveland, O. 4340—Smith, Clyde W., Carlton, Oregon.

Reinstated.

2253—Fratus, Catano, Boston, Mass. 3920—Lincoln, Leo B., Chicago, Ill.

Resignations Received.

2383-Purrucker, F. C., Newhall, Calif.

Resignations Accepted.

- 2971—Gould, E. W., M. D., Rockland, Maine.
- 3600—Brunner, Edmund de S., Coopersburg, Pa.

Change of Address.

- 159—Bruce, W. H., from 36 Pearl St., to 75 Elm St. Hartford, Conn.
- 1572—Butler, Basil G., from Box 1042, Manila, P. I., to care Standard Oil Co., of N. Y., Cebu, Cebu, P. I.
- 3641—Clement, W. T., from 9 W. Main St. to 120 West Cottage Ave., Haddonfield, N. J.
- 2905—Dallmeyer, F. W., from R. F. D. Box 9, to R. F. D. Box 16, Jefferson City, Mo.
- 2924—Randall, W. W., from 261 W. 39th St., to 1402 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.
- 3495—Rice, George W., from 486 Seyborn Ave., to 250 Van Dyke Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 3527—Schmidt, Frank, to read 755 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 3991—Brisley, Chas., from 1741 Hutchinson St., to 81 Boulevard St., Joseph West, Montreal, Canada.
- 3211—Kobayawa, Jun, from 33 Water St. to P. O. Box 214, Yokohama, Japan.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Dec. 20th,	
1913145	6
New stockholders admitted	
Dec. 27th, 1913	3
Reinstated Dec. 27th, 1913	2 1461
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Resignations accepted Dec.	
27th, 1913	2
Total membership Dec. 27th,	
1913	1459
WM. E. AULT,	Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING January 3rd, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Bradley, H. M., Jr.	Scudder, A. H.
Julia, J. Juan	Smith, Harry A.
Biron, E. P.	Turney, M. R., Jr.
Spielmann, Oscar P.	Lehman, Mrs. Geo. M.
Terry, Dr. I. L.	Swann, Arthur.
Wolter, John R.	Schernikow, Ernest

Applications Posted.

- Ahern, W. S., Richmond, Va.; Age 44; Clerk; Ref. Fourqurean, Semple & Co.; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Davis, Wray Wythe, 614 W. Grace St., Richmond, Va.; Age 47; Dentist; Refs. Thomas E. McAdams, Merchants Natl. Bank; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Dietz, August, 12th and Franklin Sts., Richmond, Va.; Age 44; Printer; Firm The Dietz Printing Co.; Refs. W. P. Shelton, Cashier, First National Bank, Hiram Deats, Flemington, N. J., A. P. S. No. 36; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Droste, C. L., P. O. Box 1356, Richmond, Va.; Age 51; Merchant; Firm, Duplex Envelope Co., inc.; Ref. Dietz Printing Co.; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Gruno, John H., Box 583, Richmond, Va.;
 Age 28; Merchant; Firm, Friedr. W.
 Lutz & Co.; Refs. W. B. Palmer, 12 W.
 Franklin St., Richmond, Va., Aug Dietz,
 2100 Stuart Ave., Richmond, Va.; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.

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EXCHANGES—We will be pleased to exchange three copies with all philatelic publications upon receipt of request to do so. Kindly send one copy to Mr. A. G. Burgyone, Assistant Librarian, 4933 Center Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., one copy to the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee, W. R. Ricketts, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., and one copy to the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

HAND As will be noted elsewhere BOOKS. in this issue, the Hand Book

Committee recently appointed announces that it has completed its organization and is now ready to consider the publication of such manuscript as may be submitted to it for this purpose.

In the publication of these hand books the A. P. S. is returning in a very substantial form a dividend to its members and the movement is deserving of the warmest support which our members who can contribute such matter can give not only to the Society but to every individual member of it, and we hope the response to the Committee's invitation will be liberal and prompt.

 PHILATELIC
 In the February number we expect to resume the publication of the In

dex which was a feature of the "Quarterly," and of which no installments have appeared since the discontinuance of that publication. Enough copy is now ready for several issues and we hope to have the Index as a regular department.

ADVERTISING. It is very gratifying to note the constantly increasing demand for our advertising space and the fact that our old advertisers continue with us. One dealer who has withdrawn his advertisement states that he has done so for lack of facilities to take care of his rapidly increasing business and he speaks in highest praise of the A. P. He expects shortly to resume his place in our columns. Just bear in mind, that through the American Philatelist, is the only sure and quick method to reach every member of the A. P. S.

THIS MIGHT MEAN YOU

so give it more than passing interest. There are some members who have not vet paid their dues for the current year of the Society, ending August 31st, 1914, and if you are one of them, it should be borne in mind that the books will be closed on March 1st, 1914, and the Secretary's report of March 7th will contain the list of those dropped for non-payment od dues. Don't let YOUR name be included in that list. You want to be known as a member of the A. P. S.-the premier philatelic society-and if you are a atsmp collector you should not let the matter of the small amount of dues, \$1.80, stand in the way of retaining your membership. DO IT NOW and remit the above amount TODAY to our Treasurer, Mr. C. F. Mann, 3916 Rokeby St., Chicago, Ill.

We have received a program and menu card of the banquet of the Washington State Philatelic Society, held at Wolf's Cafeteria, Seattle, Wash., and from the aforesaid card, we gather the impression that other good things besides stamps were shown. The menu was appropriately philatelically labeled.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1913.

Chicago, January	2nd, 1914.	Receipts-		·
STOCK FUND.		Interest on bonds	50.00	
Balance forwarded \$4,053.6	6	Interest on bank ba	ance 2.66	
December receipts 15.0	0	December dues	349.25	
	_	Reinstatements	2.00	
Credit balance	\$4,068.66	Subscriptions	.90	
INSURANCE FUNI		W. E. Ault, Adv. Vol		
Balance forwarded 1,513.2		XXVI and XXVII	31.05	
Receipts—			01.00	
P. M. Wolseiffer 7.2	2		668.36	
	_	Disbursements	243.50	
1,520.4	9			
Disbursements 3.0		Credit balance		424.86
	-	SUMMARY OF	BALANC	ES.
Credit balance	1,517.43	Stock Fund	4,068.66	
EXCHANGE ACCOUNT	NT.	Insurance Fund	1.517.43	
Balance forwarded 49.7	3	Exchange Account	51.53	
December receipts 1.8	0	Suspense Account	24.55	
	-	General Fund	424.86	6.087.03
Credit balance	51.53	deneral Fund	121.00	0,001.00
SUSPENSE ACCOUN	IT.			
Balance forwarded 23.3	0	RESOUR	RCES.	
December receipts 1.2	5	Bonds (Book value)	2,612.34	
	-	Cash in Bank	3,474.69	
Credit balance	24.55			
GENERAL FUND.		Total		\$6,087.03
Balance forwarded 232.5	0	C. F. M	ANN, Tre	easurer.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

HAND BOOK COMMITTEE

Jan. 1st, 1914.

The Hand Book Committee of the A. P. S. invites manuscripts from members of the Society for its next publication.

The Committee desires to produce its first hand-book early in 1914, and members having manuscript near completion are urged to communicate with the undersigned.

The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all manuscript submitted.

A prompt reply to the above request is earnestly solicited.

HAND BOOK COMMITTEE H. L. Lindquist, Secy., 700 E. 40th St. Chicago, Ill.

HERE AND THERE.

Very handsome 1914 calendars are acknowledged from The McGraw Stamp Co., Detroit, Mich., and Toledo Stamp Co., Toledo, Ohio, and we extend our thanks to these firms for their kind remembrances.

Mr. Edward Michael has opened a ground floor branch in the Princess Theatre Bldg., 221 S. Clark St., Chicago, with a complete stock of stamps and coins and accessories, under the charge of Mr. Manuel Donchin. The branch will be known as The Reliance Stamp & Coin Co., but mail orders and correspondence will be handled at the main store, 138 N. Dearborn St.

REPORT OF THE SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

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Chicago, January	2nd, 1914.
Mr. Alvin Good, Recorder,	
Board of Vice Presidents, A.	P. S.
Cleveland, Ohio.	
Dear Sir:-	
The business done by the	Sales De-
partment for the month of	December
(1913) is as follows:—	
2276 Books in circulation, val-	
ued at	\$45,566.17
220 New Books received val-	
ued at	4,732.31
2496 Bookstotal	\$50,298.48
101 Books retired during De-	
cember (Sales \$692.03)	1,928.67

2395 Books in icrculation, valued at \$48,369.81

Insurance on the 101 Books retired in December is \$12.02, which amount I have forwarded to the Treasurer today.

Sales for the month of December were \$1,007.50.

The percentage of Sales on Books retired is $30-\frac{9}{3}$ %.

To begin the New Year right I want to urge all participants to carefully read over the rules printed on each book for

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both buyer and seller in an endeavor to avoid mistakes.

Blank spaces must be attended to by the members finding them according to Rule No. 2 and 4.

Remittances must be sent with report slips no matter if buyers have books circulating in the Department or not, as per Rule No. 7.

Personal checks and unused postage stamps must not be sent in payment, as per Special Rule No. 3.

All circuits must be properly packed and protected. If sent by mail "SEALED" and registered first class only. The Post-Office Department has ruled they cannot be mailed by Parcel Post. Anyone taking such a chance is liable to have the entire circuit confiscated. If package goes via Express it must be very strongly packed, insured and sent through the money department of the Express Company.

Books of good old issues, United States, early European stamps and 20th Century Stamps, are the most frequently asked for and the only kind the Sales Department needs. There are plenty of all other kinds.

OUR REVIEW.

BY THE EDITOR.

"A. B. C." DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE of The WORLD'S POSTAGE STAMPS. Through the courtesy of the publishers, Messrs. Bright & Son, 164, Strand, London W. C., England, we have been favored with a copy of the Tenth Edition of their stamp catalogue. Following the trend of the market, general advances are noted in the early issues of nearly all countries, particularly in European stamps, now very popular. British Colonials on chalky paper are fully listed and there is also a very complete check list of British stamps used abroad, with many of the items priced. If there was nothing else, that list would command the catalogue to specialists of Great Britain's stamp issues. Greece and its war stamps

are carefully listed and priced. Throughthe catalogue is evidence of careful attention having been given to compiling the lists. United States stamps are well listed and illustrated. The book is well printed, the text and illustrations being very clear, and many notes scattered through the lists, together with descriptions and cuts showing varieties add materially to the value of the volume as a work reference, but the catalogue should be seen to be fully appreciated. In these days when many collectors no longer confine themselves to one dealer's catalogue, the "A. B. C." is one that should be found in every philatelist's library. 927 pages, 4x6¹/₄ in. Price 72 cents, post free. (See ad. in this issue).

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- Kaup, Rev. Felix F., 823 Cathedral Place, Richmond, Va.; Age 34; Clergyman R.
 C. Church; Ref. Philadelphia Stamp Co. Philadelphia, Pa.; Proposed by C. F. W.
 Moser, No. 2282.
- Lutz, Friedr. W., P. O. Box 583, Richmond, Va.; Age 26; Firm. Gruno & Lutz, Tobacco and Friedr. W. Lutz & Co., Importers; Ref. J. W. Fergusson & Sons, Inc.; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Mayer, J. F., 2620 Hanover Ave., Richmond, Va.; Age 73; Steam Ship Agent; Ref. Jester Jones, Merchants National Bank; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Walford, John Binford, 802 E. Clay St., Richmond, Va.; Age 23; Superintendent of Construction; Firm Carneal & Johnston, Architects; Ref. Carneal & Johnston; Proposed by C. F. W. Moser, No. 2282.
- Harbison, W. F., 209 Grosvenor Ave., Dayton Ohio; Age 57; Pharmacist; Firm Manager The Dayton Pharmacal Co., Dayton, Ohio; Ref. Philadelphia Stamp Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Stuck, Oliver J., 717 DeWitt St., Kalamazoo, Mich.; Age 25; Telephone installations; Ref. Glen Hathaway, of J. R. Jones Sons & Co.; Proposed by Dr. A. W. Bruce, No. 4160.
- Williamson, T. Wilson, 23 7th St., New Bedford, Mass.; Age 29; Ref. Henry S. Knowles, P. O. Box 104, New Bedford, Mass.; Proposed by Dr. L. F. Potter, No. 3009.

New Stockholders.

- 4341-Alkire, H. M., Bradford, Pa.
- 4342-Needham, Henry C., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 4343-Filardie, Francis A., Yonkers, N.Y.
 - Reinstated.
- 3342—Currie, S. G., New York City, N. Y.

Resignation Received.

3865—Lagerberg, Guy de, Passaic, N. J. (formerly Williamstown, Mass.)

Change of Address.

1568—Beck, Howard C., from care The President's Commission on Economy and Efficiency, The White House, to 718 Riggs Bldg., Washington, D. C.

- 4180—Johnson, Eric M., to read 350 Carrie St. (Box 36), Schenectady, N.Y.
- 1977—Steinmetz, Jos. A., from N. W. Cor. 4th and Market Sts., to 736 Westview St., Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3444—Stolze, Ernst, from 276 24th St., to 274 24th St., Detroit, Mich.
- 3001—Telfer, Eugene, from 47 Grummond Ave., to 84 First St., Detroit, Mich.
- 2357—Wheaton, Francis B., from 2406 18th St., to 2324 19th St., Washington, D. C.
- 2613—Bridger, E. R., from 65 Bishopgate, Without, to 71 Fleet St., London, E. C., England.
- 1882—Dye, John W., from American Vice Counsel General, Smyrna, Turkey to American Consular Agent, Damascus, Syria, Turkey.
- 2461—Kay, A. B., to read 18 Melrose Gardens, Hammersmith, London, W., England.

Summary of Membership.

Total membership Dec. 27th,

19:	13	1459
New	Stockholders	admitted

Jan. 3rd,	1914		3
Deinstated	T	2-1 1014	-1

- Reinstated Jan. 3rd, 1914 ____ 1
- Total membership Jan. 3rd,

1914 _____ 1463 Wm. E. Ault, Secy.

SPECIAL.

The Secretary feels that particular notice should be directed to the above report from the fact that it lists no less than NINE applications from one city endorsed by one of our members, and the work of Mr. Moser in this connection deserves the highest praise we can bestow. We should like to see these members form a branch society. Who will be the next to propose such a list of applicants? Let us, in keeping with the season, turn over a new leaf in Society history, and show a decided gain in membership at next convention.

BRANCH SOCIETIES. BRANCH No. 1.

327th Regular Meeting.

The 327th regular meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1, American Philatelic Society was held Thursday evening, November 13th, 1913, in the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society, 209 South State St., Chicago, Ill. President Dahl called the meeting to order with the following members present.

Bloss, Cabeen, Dahl, Mudge, Rosenthal, Severn, and Wolsieffer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

On motion Severn, seconded Rosenthal, it was ordered that the By-Laws be suspended and that the application of Mr. Henry Ades Fowler be accepted, and that he be admitted to membership.

President Dahl showed some interesting proofs of bank notes.

After informal discussion of timely topics, the meeting adjourned at 10.05 p. m. WILLIAM BLOSS, Secy.

BRANCH No. 37.

Semi-monthly meeting of the Buffalo Collector's Club, Branch No. 37, A. P. S. held on Dec. 2nd, 1913, at 168 Delaware Ave., where a supper was served to twelve members and three visitors.

Annual election of Officers held with following results:—

President-H. C. Barr.

Vice-President—Dr. I. L. Terry.

Secy.-Treas.-F. P. James.

Sales Supt .-- F. L. Koepf.

Messrs. F. J. Grotjan and I. J. Atwater admitted to membership.

Mr. J. W. Schaefer exhibited a collection of early U. S. in blocks.

Adjournment at 11.00 p. m. to Jan. 6th, 1914. F. P. James, Secy.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO OUR MEMBERS.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of our Society, I appeal to the members to endeavor to form Branch Societies in their cities or towns wherever there are five or more members.

FIRST—Because it brings together the members for their own pleasure and edification and improves their philatelic attainments. SECOND—Because it becomes a recruiting center for our great and National Society.

At first you may not realize how extensively it will spread the gospel of Philately—but its ultimate influence on the community, especially when your gatherings are bruited in the daily newspapers, induce others to take up collecting even when they do not join your body. And furthermore the knowledge that there are collectors in the town, is often a means towards bringing forth hidden treasures of postage stamps that have been filed away in old archives, which may result to your advantage.

When you have succeeded in forming a local society induce it to become a Branch of the American Philatelic Society, for the many benefits which affiliation with a National organization gives. To become a branch it is necessary to apply to the Board of Vice-Presidents for a charter, in accordance with Sec. I, of Article 10 of the By-Laws sending them a copy of your rules for the conduct of your Society and a list of members and officers.

As a Branch you can secure books from the Sales Department through one of the local members appointed as an agent, and the saving which can thus be effected individually through the economy of handling the sales circuits in this manner, is a considerable inducement for the formation of a Branch.

Your Branch will receive the same publications of the Society as are sent to individual members, and the cost of using books from the Society's library can be greatly reduced through a branch society. But the greatest of all reasons why you should form a branch, is the association with other collectors, both locally and throughout the country, which cannot be so well developed through any other means.

This question is being taken up at this time in various cities throughout the United States and prospects are favorable to the formation of a number of new branches in the near future. Why not let your city and your local collectors enjoy the benefits, too?

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE, President.

HOLLAND CENTENARY POSTAGE STAMPS.

A most interesting set of postage stamps has just made its appearance in Holland to commemorate the Centenary of the return of the Orange-Nassau Dynasty to the throne of the Netherlands in 1813.

This event occurred at a dramatic period of history after Napoleon the First had made his brother, Louis Napoleon (father of Napoleon the Third), King of this country in 1806.

After many disagreements between the French Emperor and his brother, Louis was forced to abdicate, and in 1810 Holland was united with France.

However, the Dutch rose in rebellion against their rulers in 1813 and the Congress of Vienna created the Kingdom of the Netherlands which, until 1830 included Belgium, and enthroned William the First of Orange, a decendent of William the Silent.

The series just issued consists of twelve stamps which show William the First who abdicated in 1840, William the Second, his son, William the Third, 1849, and his daughter Wilhelmina, the reigning queen.

These four portraits are repeated three times through the set to make up the twelve values. They are printed by J. Enschede & Sons of Haarlem from steel plates and are of upright oblong shape.

The colors and values are as follows:

- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cent green on green
 - 3 cent ochre on cream
 - 5 cents carmine on pink
- 10 cents brown on pink

 $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents blue on bluish

- 20 cents brown
- 25 cents blue
- 50 cents yellow green
- 1 gulden lake
- 2½ gulden violet
- 5 gulden yellow
- 10 gulden orange on cream

We are indebted to Mr. W. S. Lincoln, 2, Holles St., Oxford St., London, W., England, "The Oldest Established Stamp Dealer in the World," for the above information, as well as for a copy of the 2½ cent stamp.



CHECK LIST No. 8

All postage stamps mentioned heretofore in this list are only to be found imperforate. All the following are only found perforated twelve, except as noted. With two exceptions they are printed on white wove paper and all in sheets of fifty.

Medium Paper

1c violet (3 or more shades) (Princess Victoria Kamamalu) Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 75,000 February 3, 1871 100,000 Morember 14, 1871 100,000 March 17, 1875 250,000 November 8, 1878

Medium Paper

1c mauve (3 or more shades) Deliveries made

12,500 February 18, 1886 12,500 November 8, 1886

Thick Paper

1c purple (3 or more shades) Deliveries made 50,000 March 2, 1887

25,000	June 19, 1888	
62,500	September 17, 1890	

Thin and Medium Yellowish Paper

2c vermilion (14 or more shades) Imperforate (One Sheet) (King Kamehameha IV) Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made

250,000	April 2, 1864
100,000	August 31, 1865
300,000	August 16, 1866
330,000	June 15, 1868
555,000	November 17, 1869
600,000	August 8, 1871
25,000	March 4, 1875

Thick White Paper

2c light vermilion Deliveries made 50,000 March 2, 1887 12,500 June 19, 1888

62,500	Septe	mber		1890
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PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

By the International Secretary.

- Monthly Report of The Herts Philatelic Society. Vol. VII. 3. December, 1913. "The Philatelic History of Monaco," by Rev. G. E. Barber, is continued. Mr. Reichenheim has a short account of the New York International Exhibition "Philatelic Crumbs" by the editor, and "Reviews."
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift. Vol. 20, No. 11. Christiania, November 20, 1913. "The Levant," a philatelic review by Justus Andersen, is continued. Ten columns of "New Issues." Literary review and matter of minor importance.
- Le Journal des Philatelists. Vol. VII No. 34. Paris, November, 1913. New Issues. "A Study of French Cancellations," continued. "English Correspondence," with a short account of the New York Exhibition.
- Schweizerische Philatelistische Nachrichten, Vol. V. No. 9. Bern, November, 1913. "What do we have to thank the collector of cancellations for?" first installment in this number. "Regarding the new Swiss Stamps.""Further developments in the Portuguese provisionals nuisance." New issues.

By the Secretary.

Philadelphia Stamp News. Dec. 6, 13, 20th, 1913, Vol. IV Nos. 37, 38 and 39.

- Bulletin of A. O. Marimian. Oct. and November 1913, Nos. 11 and 12. Price lists of French and British Colonial stamps respectively.
- Newark Stamp News. Dec. 1913. Vol. 2 No. 12.
- Everybody's Philatelist. Nov. 1913. Vol. IV No. 11.
- Special List of Indian and "Convention" States Stamps, B. Gordon Jones, 23, Rosemont Ave,. North Finchley, London, N., England.
- Philatelic Periodicals for sale, Victor Marsh, 389 Brixton Road, London, S. W., England. List No. IX, Part 1.

- Roessler's Stamp News. Nov. and Dec. 1913. Vol. V Nos. 7 and 8.
- The Economist Bulletin. Dec. 1913. Vol. I No. 3.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. Nov. 20, 1913. Vol. 20 No. 11.
- West End Philatelist. Oct. Nov. and Dec. 1913. Vol. X Nos. 116, 117 and 118.
- The Postage Stamp. Dec. 20, 1913. Vol. 12 No. 13.
- Stamp Collecting. Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20, 1913. Vol. 1, Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.
- Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal. Nov. 1913. Vol. XXI No. 251.
- Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society. Dec. 1913. Vol. VII No. 3.
- The Stamp Journal. Dec. 1913. Vol. VI No. 12.
- The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain. Dec. 20, 1913. Vol. XXIII No. 276.
- The Stamp Lover. Dec. 1913. Vol. VI. No. 7.

Linn's Way. Vol. III No. 3. Dec. 1913. We regret that lack of space will not permit us to mention in detail the many good things to be found between the' covers of our exchanges. We should like to give our readers a few extracts from the various journals but the demand on our columns for this issue prevents us from following our desires.

OUR REVIEW.

By the Editor.

ANNUAL YEAR BOOK of the Southern Philatelic Society. Vol. 5 for 1914 of this wide-awake Society has been received and it shows that the Southern is an organization well to be proud of. A full account of its official business for the past year and of its recent Convention at Wichita, Kan., is given, together with a list of the members. Mr. C. V. Webb, Secy.-Treas., appears also in the role of advertising manager, there being no less than 32 pages of "ads." in the volume. May 1914 be a year of continued prosperity to the S. P. A.

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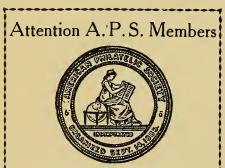
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	1873.	Stamp with head of Liberty in scalloped oval, with wide border. a.		
1.		1c. red brown, watermark 90:60, rough card a. smooth card		$12 \\ 15$
2.		b. watermark inverted As preceding, but watermark 53:35 a. watermark inverted	8	
3.		b. watermark reversed (reading from back) c. watermark inverted and reversed As preceding, no watermark	7.50	1.00
4.	1875.	Stamp with head of Liberty between fasces, no frame. a.1c. black (Write the address etc.)a. watermarked	5	$2 \\ 3.50$
5.	1879.	Stamp with head of Liberty in oval garter. Chain pattern frame. a . 2c. blue	6	4
6.	1881.	Card No. 4, instructions changed. a. 1c. black (Nothing but the address etc.)	5	2
7.	1885.	Stamp with head of Jefferson in oval, between branches, no frame. a. 1c. brown a. red brown	10 10	3
8.	1887.	Head of Jefferson in circle in upper center, no frame. a. 1c. black	5	2
9.	1891.	Vignette of Grant in right corner, no frame. c . 1c. black As preceding, but white card. b .	6	2
10.		1c. blue	4	2
11.	1892.	<pre>Stamp with head of Grant in oval; "Message Card" on first half and "Reply Card" on second half, with frame. d. 1+1c. black a. hinged at bottom Stamp with head of Liberty in oval; with same inscriptions</pre>	10	$\begin{array}{c} 12\\ 25.00\end{array}$
12.		and similar frame. Grayish white card. d . $2+2c$. blue	12	
13.	1894.	Vignette of Jefferson in right corner, no frame. d. 1c. black	4	2
14.	1897.	Card No. 5. d. 2c. blue	5.00	

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	1898.	Vignette of No. 13, but surrounding branches almost meet at top. e .		
15.		1c. black Vignette of John Adams, surrounded by branches. f.	5	2
16.		1c. black Card No. 11, frame removed. e.	4	2
17.		1+1c. black a. Message card measures 140:90mm.	$\begin{array}{c} 10 \\ 50 \end{array}$	20 75
		b. Instructions at lower left hand corner omitted c. Reply Card without impression		
		d. Message Card printed on both sides; no impression on reply card		
		e. No impression on message card, reply card printed on both sides		
18.	1899.	Card No. 13, frame removed and colors changed. e. 2c. black	5	3
	1902.	Vignette of McKinley at right. "Postage One Cent" above; "1843 McKinley 1901" below; vignette of U. S. at left; "United States" above, "Of America" below. The so-called McKinley error card. Owing to the unsatisfactory full face portrait, the entire issue was withdrawn from sale and only one lot of 500 cards was sold at the New York City Post Office. All have a printed address. Cards without the address print- ed are proofs. <i>e.</i>		
19.		1c. black Vignette of McKinley in profile. e.	5.00	4.00
20.		1c. black	3	2
	1904.	Stamp with head of Sherman on message card, with head of Sheridan on reply card. e .		
21.		1+1c. black a. Message card without impression	6	10
		b. Reply card without impression c. Message card printed on both sides, no impression on reply card	25.00	
22.	1907.	Stamp with head of McKinley in rectangle. <i>e.</i> 1c. black	4	2
		As preceding, but face of card is divided by a vertical line, below which one line of instructions.		
23.		1c. black	5	2
24.	1910.	Changed bust of McKinley in oval. e. 1c. blue on bluish	25	6
95		As preceding, but colored background around bust is removed. e.	9	0
25.		1c. blue on bluish Stamp with head of Washington on message card, with head of Martha Washington on reply card. <i>e</i> .	2	2
26.		1+1c. blue on bluish a. No impression on reply card	5	6
27.	1911.	Stamp with head of Lincoln in horseshoe frame. f. 1c. dark rose on cream	3	3
	19 12.	Card No. 25 in changed colors. e.		
28.		1c. dark rose on cream Card No. 26 in changed colors. e.	2	2
29.		1+1c. green on cream Stamp with head of Grant in octagon. $e.$	4	4
30.		2c. dark rose on cream	4	
31.	1913.	Card No. 27, in changed color. f. 1c. green on cream	3	2
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The Three Cent Stamp United States 1879, American Bank Note Co. Print on Hard Paper.

BY THE EDITOR.

The Editor is in receipt of the following letter—

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 30th, 1914. "Mr. W. E. Ault,

Jeffersonville, Ind.

"Dear Mr. Ault-

"Have in my collection a copy of the "3c green which, I think, is printed on "THIN, HARD paper but with American "Bank Note Co.'s imprint, and one "which is unquestionably on THICK, "SOFT, porous paper with CONTINEN-"TAL Bank Note Co.'s imprint.

"If interested write me and I will "submit the stamps for your inspection.

Yours truly,

L. C. HASSLER.

In our January number an article by Mr. D. J. Kaib announced his discovery of the One Cent Stamp of the 1879 issue of the United States on the hard paper supposed to have been used only by the Continental Bank Note Co. and its predecessor and it is now your Editor's pleasure, through the kindness of Mr. L. C. Hassler, to list the Three Cent Stamp on this same paper.

I recently spent a few hours with Mr. Hassler discussing the stamps of the period of 1870-79 of our country, particularly as applied to the three cent stamp, and while we cannot exactly call this a discovery, as Mr. Hassler has had the stamp in his possession for some time and was fully aware of its distinguishing feature, yet, now for the first time, the existence of this variety is given publicity in the philatelic press.

In reviewing the status of this stamp, we can do no better than quote from the recognized authority on our postage stamps, Mr. John N. Luff, who, in his work on "The Postage Stamps of the United States," speaking of the paper used by the Continental Bank Note Co., says---

"The paper used by the Continental Bank Note Co. varied greatly. The majority of the stamps are on a stiff, hard paper, varying from quite thin to moderately thick. A few copies have been seen which are on a semi-transparent, almost pelure paper. At some time during the second contract of this company, 1877 to 1881, a paper was introduced which somewhat resembles that used by the American Bank Note Co. in that it is porous, but it is thinner and not quite as soft. A few months before the consolidation with the American Bank Note Co., which took place Feb. 4th, 1879, the Continental Bank Note Co. began to use a thick, soft, porous paper, very similar to if not the same, as that used after the consolidation, or from 1879 to 1894. It is practically impossible to distinguish the printings of the two companies on this paper and it seems best to attribute all such to the American Bank Note Co. The author has seen authentic specimens of the one and three cents printed by the Continental Co. on this paper. The colors are soft, pale and rather blurred. The one cent is in pale blue and sky blue and the three cents in gray-green and deep green."

As mentioned in above, on Feb. 4th, 1879, the Continental Bank Note Co. was consolidated with the American Bank Note Co., and in treating of the issues of the latter company, regarding the paper, Mr. Luff writes—

"As has been previously stated, the Continental Bank Note Co. began, about the end of 1878 or beginning of 1879, to use a soft porous paper for their stamps. The American Bank Note Co. continued to use paper of this quality, as it was found to give the best results, especially when steam presses were used. The new company also made use of the plates of its predecessor, as well as the plates of the National Bank Note Co. for the thirty and ninety cent values. * * *."

From this it is evident that some stamps of these series can be found printed from the Continental Bank Note Co. plates on soft porous paper, and in fact Mr. Luff so lists several values as having been printed by the American Bank Note Co. Mr. Hassler showed the writer such a copy of the three cent stamp, bearing the Continental imprint, on the soft paper.

But neither in the work from which we have quoted above, nor in any other published article on the subject of these issues, until Mr. Kaib's article, has an assertion ever been made that the American Bank Note Co. at any time used the HARD paper in use during the preceding contracts. The specimen which Mr. Hassler has presents the same paper characteristics as those printed by the Continental Bank Note Co., BUT IT BEARS THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. IMPRINT, not attached to the stamp as a margin, but appearing on part of the paper on which the stamp is printed, the bottom perforation having been run through the imprint. No confusion of imprints can possibly occur, as the style of lettering used by the American Bank Note Co. in their imprints on the plates prepared by them is so vastly different from all former ones that there is no possible chance of an error in distinguishing the imprints, even when only a portion of it would be seen. On this question, Mr. Luff states—

"In the course of time new plates were made as required. They bore the imprint "AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY," in heavy faced, shaded capitals, without frame or other surroundings."

The imprint of Mr. Hassler's stamp fully agrees with the above.

Now the questions naturally arise-If the Continental Bank Note Co. began the use of the soft porous paper prior to their consolidation why should we find later printings by the American Bank Note Co. on the hard paper? Was there some of the latter paper on hand at the time of the amalgamation of the two companies? Did this paper remain unused during the early days of the latter company's contract, only to be called into use after the preparation of the new plates? If there was some of the hard paper on hand at the time the two companies united, probably many of the hard paper varieties which we attribute to the Continental company were the work of the American. Who knows?

These questions will probably never be settled, but the fact remains that the American Bank Note Co. DID use hard paper at SOME time for printing some of the stamps, and it may be that further search will bring to light other values than the one and three cents now known.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

By the International Secretary. REVUE PHILATELIQUE FRAN-CAISE, No. 262, Dec., 1913. Published in Paris by the French National Society. "Chronicle of New Issues." Minutes of Society meetings. "Informations." "Bibliography." "Auctions." VERTRAULICHES KORRESPOND-ENZ BLATT. Vol. XXXIII, Dec., 1913. The contents of this journal, which is supported by all the leading philatelic societies of the world, are of a confidential nature.

DER PHILATELIST. Vol. XXXIV,

No. 12, Dec. 15, 1913. Published in Dresden, Germany, by the International Philatelic Society. "New Issues." "Emil Pauli," a biography. "With the Xmas mail over the ocean," by A. Oskar Klaussmann. "The Netherlands and Colonies," by S. J. Weening. "A Philatelic Nuisance," by M. Loerkans, concluded. "Literary Review." "Forgeries, Frauds, etc." "Congresses, Conventions, Exhibitions." "Mixed matter." Minutes.

SCHWEIZERISCHE PHILATELIST-ISCHE NACHRICHTEN, Vol. V, No. 10, Dec., 1913. Published in Berne, Switzerland, by Ernst Zumstein. "What do we have to thank the Collector of Cancellations for?" concluded. "The World's Postage Stamps," an article containing valuable statistical information. "New Issues." Index to volume.

MITTEILUNGEN des OBERELSAS-SISCHEN PHILATELISTENCLUBS. Vol. III, No. 7, Dec., 1913. Published in Mulhausen in Alsace. Contains matter specially pertaining to the many and varied activities of this live Society.

SVENSK FILATELISTISK TIDS-KRIFT. Vol. XIV, No. 10, Dec.10,1913. Published in Stockholm by the Philatelic Society of Sweden. "Greece. Butterflies from Kawala, Dedeaghatsch, Gumuldschina and Chios," translated from Schweizer Briefm. Zeit. "International Philatelic Exhibition in New York," by L. Harald Kjellstedt, F. R. P. S. "New for the Collector." "Literature." "Our comtemporaries." "Meetings." Index to Vol. XIV.

REVUE PHILATELIQUE FRAN-CAISE, No. 263. Jan., 1914. Published in Paris by the French National Society. "The Provisional Stamps of Guadalajara," illustrated articles by Hugo Griebert. "M. Melville's Impressions of the Philatelic Exposition of New York," translations from the "Daily Telegraph," and "Philadelphia Stamp News." Chronicle of new issues and Index to previous volume.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE HERTS PHILATELIC SOCIETY, Vol. VII, No. 4, Jan., 1914. Published in London. Detailed minutes of the Society's meeting of Dec. 16th, 1913. "Specialised Catalogue of the Countries of the World," by William R. Ricketts. Method demonstrated by a list of the United States 1869 issue, 1 to 90c. This article has appeared in several installments and will be continued. "The Post in Time of War," contributions to the history of the Field Post, by R. E. Translated to English by Glasswald. Mr. Reichenheim and appearing in installments. "Hints for detecting Forgeries," by W. Archibald Boyes. Ap-"Philatelic pearing in installments. Crumbs," collected by the Editor. "Reviews."

Note—Above publications have been forwarded to the Assistant Librarian for the Society's library.

By the Secretary.

THE STAMP JOURNAL. Vol. VII, No. 1. Jan., 1914.

YEAR BOOK OF THE NATIONAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY. Vol. 1, 1914.

THE WEST-END PHILATELIST. Vol. X, No. 119, Jan., 1914.

THE ECONOMIST BULLETIN. Vol. 1, No. 4, Jan. 1, 1914.

PHILADELPHIA STAMP NEWS. Vol. IV, Nos. 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44. Dec. 27th, 1913, Jan. 3, 10, 17 and 24, 1914.

NEWARK STAMP NEWS. Vol. 3, No. 1. Jan., 1914.

COLLECTORS BLUE BOOK. Vol. I, No. 1, Dec., 1913.

THE POSTAGE STAMP. Vol. 13, Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17. Dec. 27, 1913, Jan. 3, 10, 17 and 24, 1914.

STAMP COLLECTING. Vol. 1, Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. Dec. 20 and 27, 1913; Jan. 3, 10 and 17, 1914.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE HERTS PHILATELIC SOCIETY, Vol. VII, No. 4; Jan., 1914.

THE PHILATELIC JOURNAL OF GREAT BRITIAN. Vol. XXIV, No. 277; Jan. 20, 1914.

THE STAMP LOVER. Vol. VI, No. 8; Jan., 1914.

THE LOTTERY. An Ancient Financial Make-shift. Published by The First National Bank, Boston, received through the courtesy of Mr. A. W. Dunning.

TREASURER'S REPORT. FOR MONTH OF JANUARY, 1914.

Chicago, February	2, 1914.	Int. on bank bal. 3.09
Stock Fund.		January dues 183.90
Bal. forwarded, \$4,068.66		Reinstatements 3.00
January receipts 14.00		Subscriptions 1.50
		W. E. Ault, Adv. Vol.
Credit balance	\$4,082.66	XXVI and XXVII 35.29
Insurance Fund.		
Bal. forwarded \$1,517.43		\$651.64
Receipts		Disbursements 421.09
P. M. Wolsieffer 12.02		
		Credit balance \$230.55
Credit balance	\$1,529.45	Summary of Balances.
Exchange Account		Stock Fund \$4,082.66
Balance forwarded 51.53		Insurance Fund 1,529.45
January receipts 1.20		Exchange Account 52.73
		Suspense Account 30.20
Credit balance	52.73	General Fund 230.55 \$5,925.59
Suspense Account		
Balance forwarded 24.55		Resources.
January receipts 5.65		Bonds (Book
		Value) \$2,612.34
Credit balance	30.20	Cash in Bank 3,313.25
General Fund.		
Bal. forwarded \$424.86		Total \$5,925.59
Receipts		C. F. MANN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

Chicago, February 2, 1914. Mr. Alvin Good, Recorder, Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S., Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Sir:-The business done by the Sales Department for the month of January is as follows:----2395 Books in circulation, valued at\$ 48,369.81 243 New Books received, valued at 5,417.31 2638 Books-total\$ 53,787.12 131 Books retired during Jan. (Sales \$829.26) 2,899.20

2507 Books in circulation, valued at\$ 50,887.92

Insurance on the 131 Books retired during January is \$17.24, which amount

I have forwarded to the Treasurer today.

The Sales for the month of January were \$733.34.

There is nothing that I can add to my suggestions of last month which I trust every participant of the Department has read and will heed.

All errors can be avoided with a little care and checking back spaces, books and green slips.

The demand for early issues of United States stamps and 20th Century stamps keeps up, although fine copies of early 19th Century stamps are frequently called for.

There are more books of the very cheap material now on hand than can be judiciously circulated.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Sales Superintendent.

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Notices, 50 cents Advertising Copy must reach Editor by the 25th of each month to insure insertion in following issue. Typewriten or printed copy should be furnished; otherwise no responsibility will be assumed for errors. Right is reserved to reject any advertisements offered. Address all communications to the Editor.

EXCHANGES—We will be pleased to exchange three copies with all philatelic publications upon receipt of request to do so. Kindly send one copy to Mr. A. G. Burgyone, Assistant Librarian, 4933 Center Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., one copy to the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee, W. R. Ricketts, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., and one copy to the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

ANOTHER U. S. DISCOVERY. In this issue we have the pleasure of chronicling another important discovery in the

postal issues of our country, that of the Three Cent stamp of 1879, American Bank Note Co. printing, on hard paper. Last month Mr. Kaib gave our readers an account of the finding of the One Cent stamp of this same issue on the hard paper. Again is demonstrated what an important part can be played by the little imprint of the printers on the margins of the sheet. If plate number collectors had flourished in the days of long ago, philatelically, how much more interesting and now almost startling, information would be clearly set forth! Again the old saying, "Study your stamps," is to the fore. What will be the next?

MORE WORK "Stamp Collecting," FOR THE NEW from quoting the ISSUE COL-Colonial Office Journ-LECTOR. al, in its issue of Jan. 17th, 1914, contains the rather disconcerting news that "the use of surface colored papers in connection with current British Colonial stamps is a temporary expedient only, and that a return will be made in the near future to the old dyed papers." It seems, from our exchange, that the quantity printed of many recent issues of these stamps on the surface colored paper is very limited and this will undoubtedly result in the addition to our list of many more scarce varieties of British Colo-The use of the surface-colored nials. paper was only to tide over a shortage in the paper colored throughout. Just where the rarities will turn up is only a matter of conjecture, but if these are facts, we can expect a repetition of the sudden increase in prices of these stamps such as was noted a few years ago when the watermark was changed from the single to the multiple type.

CATALOGUE In this issue we OF U.S. are enabled to pre-POSTAL CARDS. sent to our members, through the kindness of Mr. Schachne, a most complete catalogue and check list of the postal cards of U. S., and the addition of a net cash price to this list, should materially increase the value of the catalogue. We believe this is the most comprehensive list of these cards which has appeared in the philatelic press, and coming as it does from one recognized as an authority on this branch of our postal emissions, it will serve as a reliable guide to the collection and arrangement of the cards.

PHILATELIC It is with a great **OPINION.** measure of sadness we note the discontinuance of Mr. Poole's journal, all the more so, as it was decidedly original and information it conveyed was of that kind for which collectors always find need. We gather from a circular sent out by the publisher that the paper was not a financial success, nor did it produce the business hoped for by the founder. We trust at some future time, matters will so adjust themselves that a revival of the journal will be forthcoming.

BEN. G. GREEN.

From Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, we learn of the death of Mr. Ben. G. Green, at his home in Chicago Jan. 18th, 1914, of typhoid-pneumonia, after an illness of only a few days. Mr. Green had been a member of the A. P. S. for about nine years and was well known in philatelic circles, although his business was devoted to numismatics, he having an office in the Masonic Temple in his home city, where he conducted many auction sales of coins. He leaves a widow and daughter, to whom this Society extends its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

REPORT OF THE RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

Suite 301, 802 Hamilton St.,

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 16, 1914. Fellow members:—

The suggestion has been made to me by various influential members of our organization that I appoint more members on the Recruiting Committee, and therefore after taking up the matter with the Official Board I have made the following appointments, besides the ones already appointed and whose names appear on the recruiting leaflets:—

Ross O'Shaughnessy, San Francisco, Cal.

Harry T. Willcox, Jewett City, Conn. Chas. R. Morris, Washington, D. C. A. F. Cooke, Honolulu, Hawaii. Edward Michael, Chicago, Ill. Henry Wendt, Manilla, Iowa. H. S. Powell, Storm Lake, Iowa. A. N. Estes, Louisville, Ky. A. W. Dunning, Brookline, Mass. I. C. Greene, Fitchburg, Mass. R. C. Munroe, Longmeadow, Mass. Dr. L. F. Potter, New Bedford, Mass. C. F. Heyerman, Detroit, Mich. Henry Look, Detroit, Mich. Dr. A. W. Bruce, Kalamazoo, Mich. E. J. Gifford, St. Paul, Minn. Chester Myers, St. Louis, Mo. H. A. Whipple, Omaha, Nebr. Chas. M. Breder, Newark, N. J.

H. H. Wilson, Brooklyn, N. Y. F. P. James, Buffalo, N. Y. M. Ohlman, New York City, N. Y. L. A. Beebe, Yonkers, N. Y. W. G. Saxton, Canton, Ohio. Harry C. Burns, Niagara Falls, N. Y. W. H. Barnum, Cleveland, Ohio. W. G. Whittaker, Cleveland, Ohio. Geo. W. Linn, Columbus, Ohio. W. G. Windhurst, Marion, Ohio. Percy McGraw Mann, Philadelphia, Pa. Chas. J. Jaegle, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa. Theo. Siddall, Manila, P. I. L. L. Batchelder, Cleveland, Ohio. G. C. Cuenod, Galveston, Texas. Chas. Roemer, San Antonio, Texas. C. F. W. Moser, Richmond, Va. Stedman W. Jackson, Tampa, Fla. To each of these appointments will

be mailed upon request, leaflets and application blanks, and I hope that each one will use their best efforts to build up the Society.

The Secretary will be pleased to mail additional application blanks to all these appointments and we hope that we will have occasion to supply each of these appointments often.

Wishing all the members of the American success, I am

> Yours very truly, CLIFFORD W. KISSINGER, Chairman.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

JANUARY 10th, 1914.

Application Posted.

Lello, Alvaro de, Campas Salles 67, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil; Age 18; Student; Guarantor, Octavio Masselli, Rua Regente Feijao No. 31, Campinas, Brazil; Watchmaker; proposed by L. Harald Kjellstedt, #1906.

New Stockholders.

- 4344—Bradley, Henry M., Jr., Derby, Conn.
- 4345—Julia, J. Juan, Santiago, Dominican Republic, W. I.
- 4346-Biron, E. P., Galveston, Texas.
- 4347—Spielmann, Oscar P., Chicago, Ill.

Resignation Accepted.

380—Smith, H. G., San Francisco, California.

Changes of Address.

- 2519—Hamilton, Lieut. Chas. S., from Manila, P. I., to Texas City, Texas.
- 3387—Pacific Philatelic Society, Branch No. 3, care H. B. Phillips, care Union Trust Bank, cor. Market St. and Grant Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
- 2962—Wright, R. R., from Marion, Ohio, to Columbus, Ohio.
- 2461—Kay, A. B., to read 18 Melrose Gardens, Hammersmith, London, W., England.

Summary of Membership.

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Total membership Jan. 3rd, 1914	1463
New Stockholders admitted Jan.	
10th, 1914	4
	1467
Resignation accepted Jan. 10th,	
1914	1
Total membership Jan. 10th,	
1914	1466
W. E. AUL	.Τ,
Sec	etary.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

JANUARY 17th, 1914.

Application Posted.

- Lycett, William, 323 Clinton St., Brooklyn,N.Y.; Age 51; Proof-reader; Firm with The Methodist Book Concern, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y. Refs. Nassau National Bank of Brooklyn, 26 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; The Methodist Book Concern, Printers and Publishers, Geo. P. Mains, Publishing Agent; Proposed by Alfred Nielsen, #2792.
- Grady, W. A., P. O. Box 97, Humbolt, Tenn.; Age 26; Foreman Frt. Package Mfg.; Refs., Toledo Stamp Co., Toledo, Ohio; C. H. Mekeel, R. F. D. #29, St. Louis, Mo.; Proposed by, C. P. DeKay, #2804.
- Storrow, J. McK., 1832 Eye St., Washington, D. C.; Age,—Retired; Proposed by, J. M. Bartels, #356.
- Clark, Alvah G., 285 Spring St., Trenton, N. J.; Age, 30; Secretary, School of Industrial Arts of the City of Trenton; Ref., Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit Co., Trenton, N. J.; Proposed by, P. M. Wolsieffer, #38.
- Roesler, Albert H., 828 Unity Bldg., Chicago, Ill.; Age, 22; Law Clerk and Stenographer; Ref., George A. Miller, Lawyer, 928 Unity Bldg., Chicago,; Frederick DeYoung, Lawyer, 828 Unity Bldg., Chicago; Proposed by, Henry Ades Fowler, #462.
- Delgado, J. Llorens, P. O. Box 98, Arroyo, Porto Rico; Age 42; Bookkeeper; Firm, A. Hartmann & Co., Arroyo, P. R.; Proposed by S.A.Alcaide, #4326.

New Stockholders.

4348-Terry, Dr. I. L., Buffalo, N. Y.

- 4349—Wolter, John R., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 4350-Scudder, A. H., Brooklyn N. Y.
- 4351—Smith, Harry A., Oswego, N. Y. Resignations Accepted.
- 3238-Levy, Julius, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3318-Tessier, F. M., Janesville, Wis.

Resignations Received.

3372-Judels, J. E., Antwerp, Belgiúm.

- 3531--Liebner, Oscar F., Cleveland Heights, Ohio. 4104-Fischer, Sharles G., San Francisco, Calif. 4156-Badger, E. W., Manton, Calf. 4175-Gellerman, F. Ralph, Cloquet, Minn. Changes of Address. 4000-Brantley, D. C., from 1713 Bellevue Ave., to 3040 Arcade Bldg., Seattle, Wash. 4127-Grant, Mrs. Edith Root, from 1102 16th St., Washington, D. C., to 998 Fifth Ave., New York City, N. Y. 3188-Correct to read-Sioco, Dr. F. Gonzalez, Canbaba, Pampanga, Philippine Islands. 4337-Wagner, Albert B., from 1329 St. Ange Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to Sidney, New South Wales. Summary of Membership. Total membership Jan. 10th, 1914 1466 New Stockholders admitted Jan. 17th, 1914..... 4 1470 Resignations accepted Jan. 17th, 1914 2
 - WM. E. AULT, Secretary.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 24th, 1914. Applications Posted.

- Baas, Geo. A., Batesville, Ind.; Age, 51; Manager B. Telephone Co.; Refs., First National Bank; Batesville Bank; Proposed by, P. M. Wolsieffer, No. 38.
- Roberts, Geo. C., P.O.Box 196, Sharon Hill, Pa.; Age, 39; Salesman; Firm, Maryland Coal & Coke Co.; Refs., F.
 A. Taylor, 816 Stephen Girard Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.; Walter D. Bush, Jr., Wilmington, Del; Proposed by, Eugene Klein, # 2275.
- Otsuka, Jay, 203 S. Main St., Rockford, Ill. (Address until June 1st, 1914-1500 Astor St., Chicago, Ill.); Age, 30; Japanese Merchant; Ref. C. W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa.; Proposed by, lver R. Johnson, #2049.

Applications for Reinstatement Posted.

3877—Appleyard, Frank, P. O. Box 951 (66 Leonard St.) New York City, N. Y.; Age —; Creditman; Firm Harding, Tilton & Co.; Refs., Eugene Klein, Philadelphia, Pa.; A. Krassa, New York City, N. Y.; Proposed by, Wm. E. Ault, #1908.

New Stockholders.

- 4352—Turney, M. R., Jr., Greensburg, Pa.
- 4353—Lehman, Mrs. George M., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 4354—Swann, Arthur, New York City, N. Y.
- 4355-Schernikow, Ernest, New York City, N. Y.

Resignation Accepted.

2383-Purrucker, F. C., Newhall, Calif.

Resignations Received.

- 4086-Morrison, Rolin, Chicago, Ill.
- 4103--Greenfield, D. Lee, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 4108—Linthicum, A. W., Portland, Oregon.

Changes of Address.

- 2092—Aldrich, W. L., from 339 Washington St., Boston, Mass., to 41 Kenwood St., Brookline, Mass.
 - 2916—Effinger, Michael, to read care City Post Office, Lancaster, Ohio.
 - 4101—McCutchen, W. M., from 7th & Ocean Aves., Belmar, N. J., to 101 Park Ave., New York City, N. Y.
 - 4031—Murray, Edwin W., from Searcy, Ark., to 213 N. 4th St., Monroe, La.
- 4023--Kuhne, W., from Freiburger Str.
 9, Breslau III. Germany, to Kopischstrasse 83, Breslau 5, Germany.
- 3191—Sweep, A. A., to read Sourabaya, Java.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership Jan. 17th,
- 1914 1468 New Stockholders admitted Jan.
 - 24th, 1914..... 4

- Resignation accepted Jan. 24th, 1914.....1
- Total membership Jan. 24th, 1914 1471 WM. E. AULT, Secretary,

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

JANUARY 31st, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Lello, Alvaro de; Roesler, Albert H.; Lycett, William; Delgado, J. Llorens; Grady, W. A.; Baas, Geo.A.; Storrow, J. McK.; Roberts, Geo. C.; Clark, Alvah G.; Otsuka, Jay.

Application for Reinstatement Pending. 3877—Appleyard, Frank.

Applications Posted.

- Rumford, C. P. M., 1519 W. 14th St., Wilmington, Del.; Age, Legal; Manufacturer; Firm, Midland Metal Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Refs., Central National Bank, Wilmington, Del.; Edward M.Taylor, Altadena, Calif.; Proposed by, H. E. Kaighn, #4079.
- Falkenhagen, A. H., 3119 J., Galveston, Texas; Age 30; Merchant; Firm, Falkenhagen's Wood Yard; Ref, First National Bank; Proposed by, G. C. Cuenod, #1266.
- Francis, Guilford W., 64 Pearl St., Buffalo, N. Y.; Age, 36; Real Estate and Insurance; Ref., Commonwealth Trust Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; Proposed by, F. P. James, #3752.
- Chamberlin, W. A., 1374 Cove Ave., Lakewood, Ohio; Age, 31; Clerk; Ref., Cray Bros., 1111 W. 11th St., Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by, W. H. Barnum, #585.
- Godcharles, Frederick A., 101 N.
 Front St., Milton, Pa.; Age, 41;
 Manufacturer and Editor; Refs., Milton Trust & Safe Deposit Co.; Milton National Bank; Fuller Bros. & Co., 139 Greenwich St., New York, N. Y.;
 Proposed by, J. W. Scott, #15.
- Walker, Edgar H., P. O. Box 353, Carson City, Nevada; Age, 29; Secretary, Railroad Commission of Nevada; Ref., Carson Valley Bank; Proposed by. S. L. Lee, M. D., #1239.

- Hamilton, William A., Mill Valley, Calif.;
 - Age, Legal; Real Estate; Firm, W. B. McGerry & Co., 41 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif.; Ref., Dan O'Callaghan, Real Estate Broker, 23 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif.; Proposed by, Ross O'Shaughnessy, #1576.

New Stockholders.

- 4356—Ahern W. S., Richmond, Va.
- 4357—Davis, Wray Wythe, Richmond, Va.
- 4358-Dietz, August, Richmond, Va.
- 4359—Droste, C. L., Richmond, Va.
- 4360—Gruno, John H., Richmond, Va. 4361—Kaup, Rev. Felix F., Richmond,
- Va.
- 4362—Lutz, Friedr. W., Richmond, Va.
- 4363-Mayer, J. F., Richmond, Va.
- 4364—Walford, John Binford, Richmond, Va.
- 4365-Harbinson, W. F., Dayton, Ohio.
- 4366-Stuck, Oliver J., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- 4367-Williamson, T. Wilson, New Bedford, Mass.

Resignation Accepted.

3865—Lagerberg, Guy de, Passaic, N. J.

Changes of Address.

- 3820—Ballard, O. L., from 811 P. O. Dept., to 21 Quincy Place, N. E., Washington, D. C.
- 4085—Eberbach, John B., to read, 5302 Wayne Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 4208—Rau, Jacob, from 1812 W. 21st Place, to 1939 Thomas St., Chicago, Ill.

Membership Summary.

- 31st, 1914.....
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 Resignation accepted Jan. 31st,

 1914.....
- Total membership Jan. 31st, 1914..... 1482 WM. E. AULT,

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and request the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page.

BRANCH NO. 1

328th Regular Meeting.

The 328th regular meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1, American Philatelic Society, was held Thursday, December 11th, 1913, in the rooms of the Chicago Philatelic Society, 209 South State St. President Dahl called the meeting to order with the following members present:—Bloss, Rosenthal, Cabeen, Wolsieffer, Dahl, Hunter, Fowler, McDonald and Severn.

Mr. Albert Roesler attended as a visitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. There being no business before the meeting, informal discussion and entertainment followed, and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P. M.

> WILLIAM BLOSS, Secretary.

BRANCH NO. 37.

Regular meeting of the Buffalo Collectors' Club, Branch No. 37, was held on January 20th, at 1025 Fidelity Bldg., with eight members present. Mr. Julian Park and Mr. Milo D. Eames were admitted to membership. Mr. Park addressed the meeting in regard to the coming Convention of the American Philatelic Society at Niagara Falls. A resolution was passed to the effect that the Branch would do all it could toward arranging for the Convention and making it a success.

Mr. F. L. Koepf exhibited his collection of United States postage and revenue stamps.

Evening devoted to general discussion of stamp topics. Adjournment at 11:00 P. M., to February 10th, 1914.

F. P. JAMES, Secretary. I make a specialty of sending FINE APPROVALS _____OF Medium Grade Stamps to Responsible Collectors

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SCRANTON, PA.

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NEW ISSUE NOTES.

Australian Commonwealth.

A change in politics has brought a new postmaster-general into office. The new design pictures King George. The first issue consisted of one million stamps (one day's supply). Engraved, perforated 11, no watermark, several shades of carmine. Next lot will be printed from electros and paper will be watermarked "A" and Crown.



China—An improvement on the due stamp is shown in our illustration. Values in blue; ½, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 30c.



Norway—We have a proof of a design which has been accepted by the Norwegian government.

The stamp will celebrate the centenary of Independence.





CHECK LIST No. 9.

Medium Bluish Paper

5c greenish blue (4 or more shades) Surcharged "Specimen" in black (King Kamehameha V) Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 200,000 August 31, 1865 150,000 August 16, 1866 Medium and Thick White Paper 5c uitramarine (18 or more shades)

5c light blue (12 or more shades) Imperforate Imperforate Horizontally Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 250,000 September 19, 1884 125,000 November 16, 1885 62,500 February 21, 1888 312,500 June 19, 1888 200,000 September 17, 1890 312,500 June 19, 1891 625,000 June 24, 1892

Thick White Paper

5c black blue (3 or more shades) Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York City Delivery made 62,500 September 17, 1890 Medium and Thick Paper 6c yellow green (4 or more shades) 6c green (3 or more shades) 6c blue green (3 or more shades) Imperforate (one sheet) (King Kamehameha V) Kngraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made Denventes made 100,000 February 3, 1871 100,000 August 8, 1871 100,000 March 17, 1875 50,000 July 27, 1877 125,000 April 29, 1878 250,000 April 22, 1879 CRITICISM INVITED.

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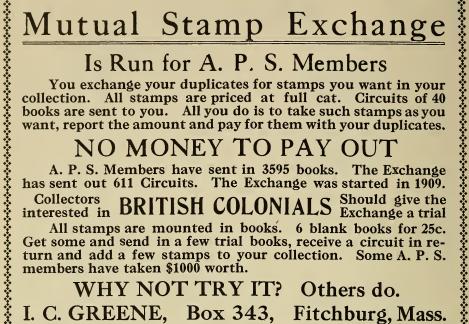
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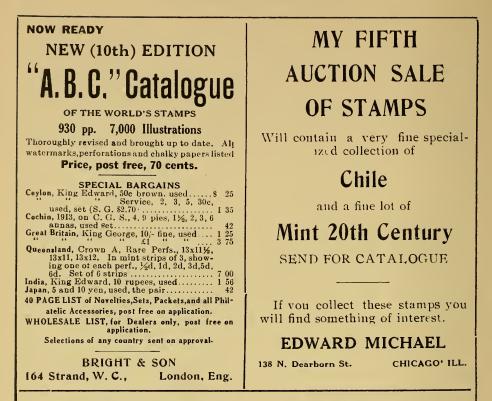
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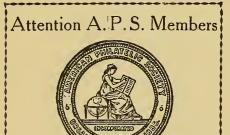
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THE FIRST ISSUE OF SALVADOR.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

First issues of any country have an interest peculiarly their own and the four labels forming Salvador's initiation to what has since been a strenuous philatelic career are no exception to this general rule.

The four stamps forming this first issue were chronicled in the "Stamp Collectors Magazine" for June, 1867, so it may be presumed they were issued some time during the previous April or May. The values and colors were as follows:

- $\frac{1}{2}$ (medio) real, blue
- 1 (un) real, vermilion
- 2 (dos) reales, green
- 4 (curato) reales, brown.

The stamps were in issue for a period of about twelve years and, as it is probable several printings took place during that time, it is not surprising to find there are deep and pale shades of all values. The stamps were engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Company, of New York. The paper is plain white wove, of medium thickness, the gum is thick and usually brown, and the perforation gauges 12, being the product of single-line or guillotine machines.

THE DESIGN.

The design consists of a horizontally lined central transverse oval containing a smoking volcano, arched by eleven small stars. Above and below this oval are inscribed ornamental scrolls that on top bearing the words "CORREOS DEL",

and that underneath showing the name "SALVADOR." At the sides are smaller scrolls showing the value in words, all these inscriptions being in uncolored capital letters. In each of the corners are circles containing the numerals of value. It is evident that the original die consisted of the central oval, the upper and lower inscribed scrolls, and the ornamental border. From this four sudsidiary dies were made on which the lettering, etc., peculiar to each individual value was engraved. On the side scrolls the value was engraved in words, and as these inscriptions varied in length so do the letters very in size: "UN REAL" being the shortest shows the largest letters, and "CUATRO REALES" being the longest has the smallest letters. The corner numerals are on horizontally lined circles so far as the 1/2, 1 and 4 rls. are concerned, but on the 2rls. the background of the figures is vertically lined. The background, i. e., the space between the border and central picture, differs for each value. On the 1/2rl. the space is filled with a repetition of the value "1/2" so arranged that the figures fall in vertical lines. On the 1rl. the word "UN" is repeated in small capitals, these also being in vertical columns with spaces between the words thus:----

UN	UN	\mathbf{UN}	UN
UN	UN	UN	UN
UN	UN	UN	UN

In the case of the 2rls, the value "DOS" is shown but there are no spaces between the words neither are they in columns but as follows:—

DOSDOSDOS OSDOSDOSD DOSDOSDOS OSDOSDOSD

The background of the 4rls. consists of a constant repetition of the figure "4" placed as follows:—

The volcano shown as the centerpiece is particularly oppropriate for running through the republic is a range of mountains highly volcanic in character. This has no less than sixteen volcanic peaks ranging in height from 7386 to 4000 feet. According to "Le Timbre Poste" the eleven stars shown above the volcano were intended to typify the eleven departments then comprised by the country viz., San Salvador, La Libertad, Sonsonate, Santa Anna, Cascathan, Usulutan, San Vicente, San Miguel, La Paz, La Union and Chalatenangs.

THE SHEETS.

As I have already stated the stamps were produced by the American Bank Note Co. They were printed from plates engraved in taille-douce in sheets of one hundred each, in ten rows of ten. The imprint of the manufacturers is shown three times on each of the four margins. In the center of each margin is "American Bank Note Co., New York", while in the center of the space on each side of this is "COMPANIA AMERICANA DE BILLETES DE BANCO NUEVA YORK." The imprints in Spanish are all in capital letters and those in English are in ordinary type. Each imprint extends for a space equal to the width of two stamps so that only the 1st, 4th, 7th, and 10th stamps of the outside rows on each sheet have no lettering adjoining.

The plates all seem to have been "laid" down in the same manner the top rows, or at any rate the top stamp of each vertical row, being applied first. In all four cases a guide dot was engraved below the design on the transfer roll. Thus as each impression was applied to the plate it marked a dot below which served as a guide fo the correct placing of the stamp in the succeeding horizontal row. When the last row was applied the dots appeared on the margin and these were not removed. On the roller dies for the 1/2 rl. and 1 rl. this dot was placed 33/4 mm. distant from the center of the lower frame line of the design. Its position was such that the succeeding impressions failed to hide it and it always shows in the left side of the second O of CORREOS. In the ½rl. the dot is very conspicuous but in the 1rl. it is very small. In the 2rls. and 4rls. denominations the guide dot was 41/2mm. distant from the lower part of the design so that it is not often visible on the stamps. When the impressions on the plate were properly adjusted this dot should have been obliterated by the color below CORREOS but in cases where the stamps are not quite correctly laid down the dot may be seen on the base of the second "O" of CORREOS or on the uncolored line below that word. These guide dots being attached to the lower part of the design should, of course never show on the stamps on the top row of the sheets. I was therefore a little puzzled at first to find a dot of similar character and in a similar position on the third, fourth, fifth and sixth stamps of the top row of the sheets of the 1/2rl. Further examination showed other dots just above the tops of the eighth, ninth, and tenth stamps, on the white ball in the center of the top frame on the seventh stamp, on the line below CORREOS on the second stamp, and on the top of the outline of the central oval on the first These dots are, however, not stamp. transfer-roll guide dots but dots marked on the plate by hand as a guide to the placing of the ten stamps of the upper row. That they were ignored as a guide is obvious from the varying positions they occupy as detailed above.

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P. M. WOLSIEFFER.

The following circular, self-explanatory, has been sent out by Mr. Wolsieffer, and the news of his change in business relations comes rather as a surprise to his many friends, and everybody knows "P. M." He will be found at his new address after March 1st.

Feb. 19, 1914.

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DR. ROSWELL PARK.

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Very unexpectedly, on the morning of Sunday, Feb. 15th, 1914, heart failure caused the death of Dr. Roswell Park, at his home in Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Park was for a short time a member of our Society, and we unite in expressing to his two sons, Dr. Julian Park, now a member of the A. P. S., and Roswell Park, Jr., and his sister, Mary Park, the deep sympathy which we feel in their time of bereavement.

Dr. Park was born in Pomfret, Conn., May 4, 1852, and had attained a worldwide reputation as a physician, besides contributing widely to the literature on his chosen field of work. Dr. Park was the physician in charge at the time of the assasination of President McKinley when he was attending the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo in 1901.

In 1880 Dr. Park married Martha Durkee, of Chicago, who died in 1899.

Dr. Park filled a most enviable position in the public life of Buffalo, and he will be missed in many ways by those with whom he was associated. He was a cousin of our President, Gen. Chas. A. Coolidge.

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EXCHANGES—We will be pleased to exchange three copies with all philatelic publications upon receipt of request to do so. Kindly send one copy to Mr. A. G. Burgyone, Assistant Librarian, 4933 Center Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., one copy to the Chairman of the Philatelic Literature Committee, W. R. Ricketts, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., and one copy to the Editor.

EDITORIAL.

BOOST.

"Boost, and the World boosts with you," Editor Mann, in the Philadelphia Stamp News sets an example which others could well afford to copy, not that the Society expects such contributions of space and advertising, but if for nothing else than the common good, for whatever tends to help the cause of the American Philatelic Society at the same time and in the same way helps Philately to attain a more prominent position among those whom she gathered into her fold for their own enjoyment and knowledge.

In his issue of Feb. 7th, he draws attention to the Society, and in many other numbers of the News he gives the Society considerable publicity. We want Mr. Mann to know that we appreciate his efforts in this direction.

MEMBERSHIP. In this issue the Secretary's reports show

that quite a number have been suspended for non-payment of dues and this naturally makes a considerable reduction in our total membership, but large as the number of such suspensions is, yet we feel gratified, in a measure, that this list has been so materially reduced over that of the several past years. The number suspended last March was 165. Any of those included in this year's list can be reinstated by simply forwarding the amount of the yearly dues, \$1.80, at once to our Treasurer, and if you see your friend or philatelic acquaintance listed. try to induce him to renew his membership without delay.

PHILATELIC With this issue we again INDEX. Start the publication of the Philatelic Index, one of

most important listings of philatelic refence ever undertaken, and a list, which when completed, will form an exceedingly valuable adjunct to the student's library.

ONCE AGAIN. At the risk of wearing

it threadbare we cannot refrain from drawing attention of our members to the fact that our journal is primarily intended as a conveyor of Society news and it is the earnest desire of the Directors that every member be fully conversant with all affairs of the Society. Yet at the same time, it can be plainly seen that the quality of our reading matter is improving and with a continuance of the interest which has recently been manifested in the journal, we hope to eventually produce a philatelic magazine which will become a source of much pride to the Society and offer a very substantial inducement to collectors to become affiliated with the A. P. S.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR	MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1914	l.
Chicago, March 2nd, 1914	bank balance 3.41	
STOCK FUND.	Supscriptions .75	
Balance forwarded \$4,082.66	W. E. Ault, Adv. Vol.	
February receipts 22.00	XXVI and XXVII 49.15	
	Reinstatement 1.00	
Credit balance \$4,104.66	February dues 210.40	
INSURANCE FUND.		
Balance forwarded 1,529.45	\$495.26	
Receipts-	Disbursements 121.26	
P. M. Wolsieffer 32.72		
	Credit balance	\$374.00
Credit balance 1,562.17	SUMMARY OF BALAN	CES.
EXCHANGE ACCOUNT.	Stock Fund \$4,104.66	
Balance forwarded 52.73	Insurance Fund 1,562.17	
February receipts .40	Exchange Account 53.13	:
	Suspense Account 32.95	i
Credit balance 53.13	General Fund 374.00)
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.		-
Balance forwarded 30.20		\$6,126.91
February receipts 2.75	RESOURCES.	
Credit balance 32.95	Bonds (Book Value) \$2,612.34	ł
GENERAL FUND.	Cash in Bank 3,514.57	,
Balance forwarded \$230.55		-
Receipts:-	Total	\$6,126.91
January interest on	C. F. MAN	N, Treas.

REPORT OF THE SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

No. 8.

Chicago, February 28th, 1914. Mr. Alvin Good, Recorder,

Board of Vice Presidents, A. P. S., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

The business done by the Sales Department for the month of February is as follows.

2507 Books in circulation,

valued at _____\$50,887.92 127 New books received, valued at _____2,172.86 ______2634 Books, total _____\$53,060.78 129 Books retired during Feb-

ruary (Sales \$602.37

valued at _____2,590.18

2505 Books \$50,470.60 Insurance on the 129 books retired during February is \$15.48, which amount I have forwarded to the Treasurer today. The sales for the month of February were \$764.69.

From announcements sent out recently the members of the American Philatelic Society have been advised of the change of address of the Sales Superintendent from Chicago to Philadelphia.

The Sales Department is in need of books of good stamps only, United States early issues and 20th Century stamps. There are too many of the cheap books, more than can be circulated, and members complain about wasting time and paying postage on them.

Mr. Henry Ades Fowler, Room 828 Unity Building, Chicago, Illinois, has kindly consented to act as Agent for the Sales Department in Chicago, and all Chicago members will find a good selection of books at his office.

> P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Sales Superintendent.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

February 7th, 1914. Applications Posted.

- Haskell, F. W., 315 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Age 52; President, Firm The Carborumdum Co.; Refs. Power City Bank, Niagara Falls, N. Y., Any bank or mercantile firm; Proposed by Julian Park, No. 1869.
- Blum, Max L., 317 Graham St., Pittsburgh Pa., Age 48; Merchant; Firm, Kaufmann & Bear Co.; Refs., Lincoln National Bank, Farmers Deposit Bank; Proposed by, E. Doeblin, No. 96.

Correction.

In report under date of Jan. 17th, 1914, application of Mr. Delgado should have read as follows:

Delgado, J. Llorens, P. O. Box 98, Arroyo, Porto Rico, etc.

Change of Application.

Mr. J. McK. Storrow, whose application was published in report under date of Jan. 17th, 1914, advises that he was formerly a member of this Society, and wishes reinstatement, instead of asking for original application. He held stock certificate No. 1645 and his application is accordingly changed to come under the heading, "Application for Reinstatement",

New Stockholder.

4368--Lello, Alvaro de, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Death Reported.

2094-Green, Ben G., Chicago, Ill.

Resignation Received.

- 3533—Miers, Daniel M., Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
- 4046-Leob, Henry, Oakland, Calif.
- 4223-Keegan, A. I., Jr., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Change of Address.

- 2754—Boers, Herman W., from 95 Horton St., to 159 E. Kirby Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 2933-Caird, Alexander, to read, 20 Center St., Florence, Mass.
- 3166—Columbus Collectors Club, Branch No. 21, to read, care Paul Bauer, Secy., 1051 Dennison Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

- 3831—Fehlig, B. H., from 11 Wincleat St., Toronto, Canada, to 3521 Connecticut St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 3442—Gilson, Ernest W., to read, 84 Mt. Vernon St., Fitchburg, Mass.
- 3167—Herzog, H. A., from 1311 61st St., to 1309 E. 1st St., Austin, Texas.
- 3308—Huscher, Chas., to read, Box 191, Golden, Colo.
- 3802—Johnson, E. S., to read, 326 S. Main St., Athens, Pa.
- 2852—Kinell, Rev. A., from 406 S. 2nd St., Victor, Colo., to 2211 Stuart St., Berkley, Calif.
- 2322—Perry, Elliott, from 140 W. 14th St., New York City, N. Y. to Box 333, Westfield, N. J.
- 630—Phinney, O. H., from Alamosa, Colo. to 715 Washington Blvd., Kansas City, Kansas.
- 3742—Whitney, George W., from 16 Adams St., Somerville, Mass., to 130 Sycamore St., Winter Hill Mass.
- 3331—Wood, Harry M., from 11 Myrtle St., to U. S. Envelope Co., Springfield, Mass.

Information Wanted.

Mail addressed to Lewis A. Dunham, DePere, Wis., is held with explanation, "Removed—left no address." Present address desired.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Jan. 31st,

- 1914 _____1482 New Stockholder admitted Feb.
- 7th, 1914 _____ 1 1483
- Death reported Feb. 7, 1914____ 1
- Total membership Feb. 7, 1914 1482 WM. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING February 14th, 1914. Applications Posted.

Skinner, Clyde A., 70 Willow St., Waterburry, Conn.; Age Legal; Salesman; Firm, Sonnenberg-Skinner Piano Co.; Ref., G. Irving Lake, Druggist, 875 W. Main St., Waterbury, Conn.; Proposed by A. W. Dunning, No. 251.

- Pollard, Rowland P., Proctorville, Vt., Age Minor; Stamp Dealer; Firm, Bryant Pollard; Ref., Chas. W. Whitcomb, Cashier National Black River Bank, Proctorsville, Vt., Guarantor, Don C. Pollard, President National Black River Bank, Proctorsville, Vt.; Proposed by, Fred D. Pollard, No. 1938.
- Perlman, William, 1023 5th Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Age 32; Merchant; Refs., Washington Trust Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Monongahela National Bank, Pittsburgh Pa.; Proposed by, Chas. H. Jacobs, No. 4335.
- Black, Ernest, 628 Liberty Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Age 26; Confectioner; Firm
 J. Black Co.; Refs., Manchester Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., Monogahela National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Proposed by, Chas H. Jacobs, No. 4335.

New Stockholders

4369-Lycett, William, Brooklyn, N. Y.

4370-Grady, W. A., Humboldt, Tenn.

4371-Clark, Alvah G., Trenton, N. J.

4372-Roesler, Albert H., Chicago, Ill.

4373—Delgado, J. Llorens, Arroyo, Porto Rico.

Reinstated.

1645-Storrow, J. McK. Washington, D. C.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, whose resignation was posted Jan. 17th, 1914, desiring to withdraw same, and having paid dues in full for the current year, is hereby replaced on the membership roll:—

3318—Tessier, F. M., care American Express Co., Janesville, Wis.

Resignations Accepted.

- 3372-Judels, J. E., Antwerp, Belgium.
- 3531—Liebner, Oscar F., Cleveland Heights, Ohio.
- 4104—Fischer, Charles G., San Francisco, Calif.
- 4156-Badger, E. W., Manton, Calif.

Resignations Received.

4288—Gessner, N. E., DeGraff, Ohio. Change of Address.

- 3755—Alden, John, from Hyde Park, Mass., to 40 Harvard St., Newtonville, Mass.
- 3335—Harrison, Geo. A., to read P. O. Box 606, Colbert, Okla.

- 3727—King, Dr. W. W., from care American Consulate, Naples, Italy, to care U. S. Public Health Service, P. O. Box 767, San Juan, Porto Rico.
- 1343—Martin, E. S., from DeGraff, Ohio, to Covington, Ohio.
- 3981—Nammack, C. H., from 517 53rd St., to 2041 65th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 3005—Sanderson, E. L., from Associated Newspaper School, Inc., 4th Ave., at 19th St., New York City, N. Y. to care University Club, Detroit, Mich.
- 3438—Smith, Warren E., from P. O. Box 1086, New Orleans, La., to South Norwalk, Conn.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Feb. 7th

191414	82
New Stockholders admitted	
Feb. 14th, 1914.	5
Reinstated Feb. 14th, 1914	1
Replaced on membership roll	
Feb. 14th, 1914	1 1489
Resignations accepted Feb. 14,	
1914	4

Total membership Feb. 14th 1914 _____ 1485

WM. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING February 21st, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Whitman, Horace C., 201 N. Second St., Clearfield, Pa.; Age. 17; Asst. Car Charger and Clerk; Firm. with New York Central & Hudson River R. R. Co.; Ref., Clearfield National Bank, Clearfield. Pa.; Guarantor, H. S. Whitman. Jr., Bank Cashier, Clearfield. Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Taylor, L. Mulford, 2409 W. 17th St., Wilmington, Del.; Age, 29; Real Estate Operator; Firm, President, The Home Building Co.; Refs. Security Trust & Safe Deposit Co., Wilmington, Del., Wilmington Trust Co., Wilmington, Del.; Proposed by, H. E. Kaighn, No. 4079.

- Puelle, W. D., 506 Fremont St., Galveston, Texas; Age, 47; Proprietor of Barber Shop; Ref. City National Bank; Proposed by, G. C. Cuenod, No. 1266.
- Harris Albert Henry, 42 Fieldhouse Road Balham, London, England; Age 28; Publisher; Ref. Bertram W. H. Poole, Altadena, Calif.; Proposed by Alvin Good, No. 2054.
- Weiland, Geo. P., 1128 Park St., Syracuse, N. Y.; Age 22; Machinist; Refs. Jacob Weinheimer's Sons, 202-208 W. Salina, Syracuse, N. Y. Chas. G. Young, Plumber, 836 Park St., Syracuse, N. Y.; Proposed by August Stoffel No. 4305.
- Prieto y Luco, Luis A., Las Heras 109, Valparaisco, Chile; Age 41; Rentista; Proposed by Ira C. Greene, No. 2676.
- Runge, E. T., 1656 E. 75th St., Cleveland,
 Ohio; Age 45; Auditor; Firm, Ferro
 Machine & Fdy. Co.; Ref. H. R. Valentine, care B. Dreher's Sons Co., 1028
 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed
 by W. G. Whittaker No. 3549.

New Stockholders

4374—Baas, Geo. A., Batesville, Ind.

4375-Roberts, Geo. C., Sharon Hill, Pa.

4376—Otsuka, Jay, Rockford, Ill.

Reinstated.

3877—Appleyard, Frank, New York City, N. Y.

Resignations Accepted.

4086-Morrison, Rollin, Chicago, Ill.

4103—Greenfield, D. Lee Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa.

4108-Linthicum, A. W., Portland, Oregon

Expelled.

By action of the Board of Directors for the year ending Aug. 31st, 1913, action being withheld at their request, and now confirmed by the Present Board, the following has been expelled for cause: 2768—Hinson, J. F., Kenansville, N. C.

Change of Address.

- 3700—Corini, M. H., from Central Valley, N. Y., to 1805 Lincoln Ave., Alameda Calif.
- 3776—Runyon, Ernest F., from 714 N. Co. Line St., Fostoria, Ohio, to 467 Iglehart St., St. Paul, Minn.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Feb. 14th,	
19141485	
New Stockholders admitted	
Feb. 21st, 1914 3	
Reinstated Feb. 21st, 1914 1	1489
Resignations accepted Feb.	
21st, 1914 3	
Expelled by Directors Feb. 21,	
1914 1	4
Total membership Feb. 21st,	
1914	1485

WM. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING February 28th, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Jones, Harry B., Box 1166 Pittsfield, Mass.; Age —; Building Contractor; Firm, Foote & Jones; Ref. Agricultural National Bank; Proposed by C. H. Buckingham, No. 4015.
- Ormston, M. O., 1505 Adams St., Apt. 18, Chicago, Ill.; Age 35; Mechanical Engineer; Refs. C. E. Severn, James Michael; Proposed by Fred Michael, No. 938.
- Mashek, Jarosh V., 3144 W. 22nd St. Chicago, Ill.; Age 36; Dentist; Ref. Frank Kirchman, 3149 W. 22nd St., Chicago, Ill; Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, No. 38.

Application for Reinstatement.

Moore, L. Ernest, Box 36, Searcy, Ark.; A. P. S. No. 3673; Age 34; Real Estate and Insurance; Ref. People's Bank, Searcy, Ark.; Proposed by I. C. Greene No. 2676.

New Stockholders

- 4377—Rumford, C. P. M. Wilmington, Del.
- 4378—Falkenhagen, A. H., Galveston, Texas.
- 4379-Francis, Guilford A., Buffalo, N. Y.
- 4380-Chamberlin, W. A., Lakewood, O.
- 4381—Godcharles, Frederic A., Milton, Pa.
- 4382—Walker, Edgar H., Carson City Nevada.
- 4383—Hamilton, William A., Mill Valley, Calif.

Resignations Received.

4066-Price, Tyler G., Chicago, Ill.

4187—Somerville, Norman, Toronto, Canada.

Change of Address.

- 3486—Borg, John Edw., from 7066 Spencer St., to 7052 Rear Spencer St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 643—Gregory, W. F., from 262 Greenwich St., to 79 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y.
- 2838—Hyde, Capt. Arthur P. S., from Fort Flagler, Wash., to 161 24th Ave., Seattle, Wash.
- 3285—McConnel, C. R., from 93 Nechannock Ave., New Castle, Pa., to P. O. Box 531, Alliance, Ohio.
- 2720—Welcome, Carl E. W., from Box 302 to Box 435, Westfield, Mass.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Feb. 21st,

- 1914 _____1485
- New Stockholders admitted Feb. 28th, 1914 _____ 7
- Total membership Feb. 28th,
 - 1914 1492 WM. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING March 7th, 1914. Applications Pending.

Skinner, Clyde A.

Pollard, Rowland P.

Perlman, William

Black, Ernest

Whiteman, Horace C.

Taylor, L. Mulford

Puelle, W. D.

Harris, Ablert Henry

Weiland, Geo. P.

Prieto y Luco, Luis A.

- Runge, E. T.
- Jones, Harry B.

Ormston, M. O.

Mashek, Jarosh V.

Application for Reinstatement Pending.

3673-Moore, L. Ernest

Applications Posted.

Sargent. Ziegler, 247 Church St., New Haven, Conn.; Age 32; Manufacturer; Firm Sargent & Co.; Refs. Nassau Stamp Co., 118 Nassau St., New York, N. Y., Philadelphia Stamp Co., 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, No. 38.

Ince, Bertram W., 7 Washington Place New York City, N. Y.; Age 37; Clerk; Refs., Broadway Trust Co., Federal Safe Deposit Co.; Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, No. 38.

New Stockholders

- 4384—Haskell, F. W., Niagara Falls, N.Y.
- 4385—Blum, Max L., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Resignations Accepted.

- 3533—Miers, Daniel M., Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
- 4046-Leob, Henry, Oakland, Calif.
- 4223-Keegan, A. I., Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Resignation Posted,

3297-Caverly, Harcourt L., Toledo, Ohio.

Change of Address.

- 4261—Allen, John Stone, from 201 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass., to South Yarmouth, Mass.
- 3548—Hart, Edward G., to read, 88 Lawnview Ave., Euclid, Ohio.
- 4311—Karlitsky, M. S., from P. O. Box 367, to P. O. Box 445, Butler, Pa.
- 4259—McNutt, Chas. L., from 721 E. University Ave., Bloomington, Ind. to 1616 W. 16th St., Bedford, Ind.
- 3387—Pacific Philatelic Society, Branch No. 3, to read, care H. C. Marcus, Secy., 711 Mission St., San Francisco, Calif.
- 3413—Weart, Spencer S., from 1475 Woodland Ave., to 1425 Woodland Ave., Canton, Ohio.
- 3549—Whittaker, W. G., from 3106 W. 25th St., to 613 Caxton Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership Feb. 28th.

 1914
 1492

 New Stockholders admitted
 March 7th, 1914
 2

 March 7th, 1914
 2
 1494

 Resignations accepted March
 7th, 1914
 3

 Dropped for non-payment of
 109
 112

 Total membership March 7th,
 1914
 1382

While the large number of suspensions this week is very much to be regretted, yet at the same time we feel in a measure gratified that the number is smaller than for several past years, and the net membership, fully paid up, is larger than at this time last year. Any of those reported suspended this week can be reinstated by simply remitting the amount of the yearly dues, \$1.80, at once to our Treasurer. Let us all put forth our best efforts and show an increase in membership next August.

WM. E. AULT, Secy.

Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues.

The following, having failed to pay their dues for the current year ending August 31st, 1914, are hereby dropped from the roll of membership.

- 3867-Anderson, Carl A., Flournoy, Calif.
- 2863—Anschuetz, Wm. J. H., St. Louis, Mo.
- 3729-Antonie, Rev. P., Boulder, Colo.
- 3201 Artman, W. M., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 4035—Ashenhurst, H. S., Colorado Springs Colo.
- 1819-Baker, F. L., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 3907-Barnett, Maurice, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 616-Bartlett, W. C., Dunsmuir, Calif.
- 3634-Baum, Karl P., Knoxville, Tenn.
- 3998-Beatty, Dr. W. K., Vigan, P. I.
- 4293—Bernstein, Dr. Edward J., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- 2119—Bostwick, C. B., New York City, N. Y.
- 3506—Bowen, Mrs. Julia A., Auburndale, Mass.
- 3963—Brainard, Raymond C., Springfield, Mass.
- 1670-Brown, Clark W., Ashland, Mass.
- 4069-Byrum, Paul R., Alamosa, Colo.
- 3748-Clarke, Bates E., Kalamazoo, Mich.
- 493-Coe., Wm. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 3733-Corbaley, G. C., Spokane, Wash.
- 3682-Crowl, Homer, Canton, Ohio.
- 1925-Davis, Dr. Holland A., Denver, Col.
- 3848-Dean, Leo E., Detroit, Mich.

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- 3160-Elliott, Ralph, Sykesville, Md.
- 2415—Ertmann, Fritz G., Salt Lake City, Utah.

4033—Falls, Richard H. M., Chicago, Ill. 2811—Fleischer, Jerome F., Providence, R. I.

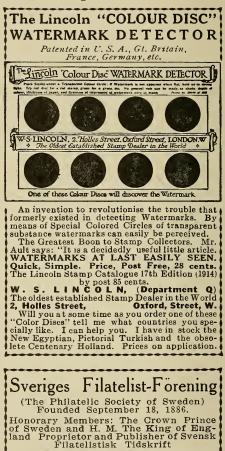
3964—Foster, Sol. M., Marine City, Mich. 3944—Fox, Harry, Seattle, Wash.

- bit Fox, Harry, Beattle, Wash.
- 4141—Fuss, Edward W., Newark, N. J.
- 2059—Goodhue, Frank D., Cincinnati, O.
- 1836-Griffith, F. B., Jr., Buffalo, N. Y.
- 2137—Guscetti, F. J., Berkeley, Calif.
- 4254—Hallet, Andrews, Cambridge, Mass.
- 3868-Harding, Newton H., Chicago, Ill.
- 4213-Harrington, H. N., Rome, N. Y.
- 3784-Haynes, Geo. E., Toledo, Ohio.
- 3615-Hobbs, Chas. S., Seattle, Wash.
- 4087-Howard, John A., Tallahassee, Fla.
- 2095-Hughes, W. J., St., Paul, Minn.
- 3818—Hunger, G. Wallace, Washington, D. C.
- 318—Jones, A. Melvin, Hoosick Falls, N. Y.
- 2778-Kilmer, Louis A., Marshall, Ind.
- 1829—Kirchenbower, Wm. G., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 4116-Kohr, Harry F., Kansas City, Mo.
- 2712-Laird, Benj. W., Salida, Colo.
- 3759-Lazos, Lewis, Denver, Colo.
- 4017-Leon, Theophile E., Chicago, Ill.
- 3367-Leutwein, Albert, Seattle, Wash.
- 2524-Lindquist, Harry, Chicago, Ill.
- 3828—Loeffler, Frank A., Washington, D. C.
- 4287—Matthews, William C., Central City, Colo.
- 4255—Matthews, William Mills, Dayton, Ohio.
- 2128-Meyer, Martin E., Chicago, Ill.
- 2680—Micheloni, Dr. L. A., New York City, N. Y.
- 4045-Miller, H. G., Zumi, N. M.
- 4107-Mohr, Wm. A., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 1214-Nelson, Robt. S., Birmingham, Ala.
- 4239-Otley, W. A., Chicago, Ill.
- 3918-Patch, Charles, Jr., Detroit, Mich.
- 3863-Patterson, W. O., Culebra, C. Z.,
- Panama. 3179—Paulson, Frithiof, Chicago, Ill.
- 2945—Pennock, Dr. D. S. B. Philadelphia, Pa.
- 2719-Peters, John, Sr., Chicago, Ill.
- 2979-Phillips, W. C., Glastonbury, Conn.
- 4163-Polcznski, Ernest, Detroit, Mich.
- 2760-Powers, C. F., Ashmont, Mass.
- 2675-Quackenbush, L. G., Oneida, N. Y.
- 4040-Rice, S. S., Los Angeles, Calif.

- 4241—Riggs, Herbert R., Omaha, Neb.
- 2574-Rotch, Francis, Jr., Seattle, Wash.
- 4229-Scharr, Geo. H., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 3527-Schmidt, Frank, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 2869—Schwizer, E., Boston, Ohio.
- 3883—Seagrave, Herman B., Dorchester Center, Mass.
- 1609-Shove, Erwin L., Passaic, N. J.
- 2472—Smith, Geo. K., Jr., Columbus, O.
- 1162-Swenson, H. S., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 3772-Taite, Harry L., Celveland, Ohio.
- 2405—Taussig, Dave, Chicago, II.
- 4205-Thatcher, H. A., Sioux City, Iowa.
- 3072-Thorp, Frank, E., Norwich, N. Y.
- 3431-Tower, George E., Mendota, Ill.
- 3986—Tracy, Franklin W., Springfield, Ill.
- 4072—Wallquist, Karl A., Chicago, Ill.
- 3706-Walliser, Carl, Oakland, Calif.
- 3670-Warner, Francis B., Philadelphia,
- 4010-Wiggers, Geo., New York City, N.Y.
- 3306-Wood, Roy A., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 3734-Woodworth, W. L., Lakeport, N. H.
- 2594-Worrilow, Maj. U. G., Manila, P. I.
- 2962-Wright, R. R., Columbus, Ohio.
- 4001-Yeckel, Geo., San Francisco, Calif.
- 4043—Austin, Wm. J., Durban, Natal.
- 4195-Balme, Adrian, Mexico City, Mexico
- 4016—Bennett, Henry, Havana, Cuba.
- 2809-Brown, William, Salisbury, Engl.
- 3400-Buddee, A. L., Mexico City, Mexico
- 3955—Filsinger, Fred B., Toronto, Canada
- 2663—Howard, Howard R., Magdalena, Mexico.
- 3307—Johnson, Herbert F., London, England.
- 3163—Kelson, A. A., Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada.
- 3125-Knight, Richey, Bayfield, Canada.
- 3282—Kolle, H., Buenos Ayres, Argentine Rep.
- 3383-Kraus, Ernest, Wein, Austria.
- 3982—Livingston, C. Ludlow, Swansea, Wales.
- 3808—Mulhall, Sydney M., Liverpool, Canada.
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A "DIE D" 2c. 1879 REMINISENCE. By William W. Randall.

In the latter part of 1883 I was traveling through Indiana, and as was my custom then and since, I called on the stamp clerks or postmasters in the cities I visited, to see what they had in old issues of adhesives and envelope stamps. I chanced to call at Jeffersonville, Ind., (the home of our present worthy Secretary of A. P. S.) and was shown a wrapper of 2c Jackson vermilion, that looked different from the kind I had been using. I asked the stamp clerk how many he had and he counted 370, which I purchased. I sent a copy to the late L. W. Durbin, of Philadelphia, who answered that it was a simple die variety that he had not seen before, but would take ten of the 2c wrappers for \$2.50, which I let him have. I soon discovered that I had found a new die, afterwards named "Die D" and so far as I ever heard that was the only lot of wrappers that ever turned up.

The majority of them I sold to John W. Scott, the veteran stamp dealer, for an average price of fifty cents. As is well known to most collectors of U. S. envelopes, the 2c Die D vermilion in the envelope form are excessively rare, the one on amber being practically unobtainable in entire condition. They come on P. O. size 2 only.

This is a brief description of the conditions under which I discovered the 2c Jackson envelope Die D, which is printed now for the first time.

(Your Secretary had just seen the light of day for the first time, in that year, otherwise maybe he could tell this story." —Ed.)

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and request the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page. BRANCH 25.

Feb. 13, 1914.

The 52nd Meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Society held this day at 8.30 p.m. at the appartments of Mr. F. T. Norris, Plaza Apartments. Preceding the meeting, a luncheon was served the members present, at the rooms of the Woman's Exchange, on Farmer Street.



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Medium and Thick Paper

18c dull rose (10 or more shades)

(His Highness Mataio Kekuahaoa) Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York

Deliveries made

25,000 February 3, 1871 50,000 August 8, 1871 100,000 April 22, 1890

Medium and Thick Paper

2c brown (14 or more shades)

(King Kalakana)

Engraved and printed in sheets of one hundred, which were cut into two in the middle, thus making ten stamps to each sheet of fifty (as sold) with straight edge, by

> The American Bank Note Co. New York

> > Deliveries made

500,000	January 16, 1875
500,000	September 4, 1876
500,000	April 29, 1878
500,000	April 22, 1879
750,000	May 28, 1880
750,000	July 21, 1881
25,000	November 8, 1886
12,500	June 19, 1888
62.500	September 17, 1890

Medium Paper

12c black

(Prince Leleiohoku)

Engraved and printed by The National Bank Note Co. New York

Deliveries made

100,000 January 16, 1875 125,000 April 22, 1875

CRITICISM INVITED.

Members Present:—President Coolidge and Messrs. Heyerman, Norris, Look, Heineman, Ladue, Scott, Swan, Bennett, Hartenstein, Babcock, Sharpe, Smith, Rice Schmalzriedt, Woodruff, Jumper, Wilson, Ballentine and Cornell.

President Coolidge presided.

The minutes of the 51st Regular Meeting were read and approved.

A communication from our member, B. S. Colburn, who is spending the winter season at Bretton Inn, Ormand Beach, Fla., was received and ordered filed.

Communications from Messrs. Bowen and Hinchman, expressing their inability to attend this meeting received and ordered filed.

Several marked copies of the Christian Science Monitor, giving items on new stamp issues, were received and distributed.

Catalogues of several auction sales were also received and distributed among the members present.

A discussion was had on the advisability of delegating a member of the Society to call at the local post office, from time to time, and purchase new issues or shades in stamps, for distribution among the members. No definite conclusion was arrived at.

A discussion was also had regarding publicity in the local press, on Philatelic matters as a result of which the President appointed Mr. Heyerman, publicity agent for the Society.

On recommendation of our sales superintendant, Mr. Smith, it was decided that all members should be supplied rubber stamps, for use on circuit books.

Mr. George W. Rice read a very interesting and instructive paper on the history of "Sarawak," and its postage stamps, and upon conclusion of the reading, was given a rising vote of thanks by the members present.

The Committee, on Stamp Exhibition, was extended further time to report.

The host, Mr. Norris, exhibited his collections of Canadian and Newfoundland stamps. They proved very interesting exhibitions of the stamps of those countries. Meeting adjourned.

HENRY LOOK, Secretary.

BERKELEY BRANCH No. 27.

Feb. 4, 1914.

At the last regular meeting of the Berkeley Philatelic Society, the following resolution was adopted:—

WHEREAS:—It will be necessary to fix the place of meeting for the year 1915 at the Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society to be held in August of the present year, and

WHEREAS:—the year1915 is the year of the Panama-Pacific International Exhibition to be hold in the City of San Francisco

WHEREAS:—the management of said Exhibition has through its Manager of Conventions and Societies, extended a cordial invitation to the American Philatelic Society to hold its 1915 Convention in San Francisco, and has extended the use of a suitable convention hall, with committee rooms, for the free use of the Society in which to hold its convention either inside or outside of the Exposition grounds as may be preferred, and

WHEREAS:—it is customary when any City or locality desires to have the convention that an invitation be extended to the Convention when in session, and

WHEREAS: — such invitation should come from representative Collectors and Societies located at or near the location, and

WHEREAS:—such notice of invitation should be made known a considerable time in advance of the Convention meeting in order that proper arrangements may be perfected and understood

Therefore, be it *Resolved*—that the Berekeley Philatelic Society join in extending an invitation to the American Philatelic Society to hold its 1915 Convention in San Francisco and be it further

Resolved, that such invitation be now to the President and Secretary of said Society and copies of said invitation be mailed to the Pacific Philatelic Society that it may be appraised of the action of this Society, and that 'the Secretary cause the same to be published in the current Stamp Magazines or other publications.

HENRY CHALONER, Secy.



COMMUNICATIONS

We will gladly publish letters of general interest from our members, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed therein.

To The Editor,

American Philatelist,

Dear Sir:

I hope that you can spare space in the American Philatelic within the next month, for the following letter:

"I think it is an injustice to the members of the American Philatelic Society, if, at the next convention, which is to be held at Niagara Falls, they are not permitted to have printed on the official ballot, a list of magazines in which weekly news should be printed, of this society.

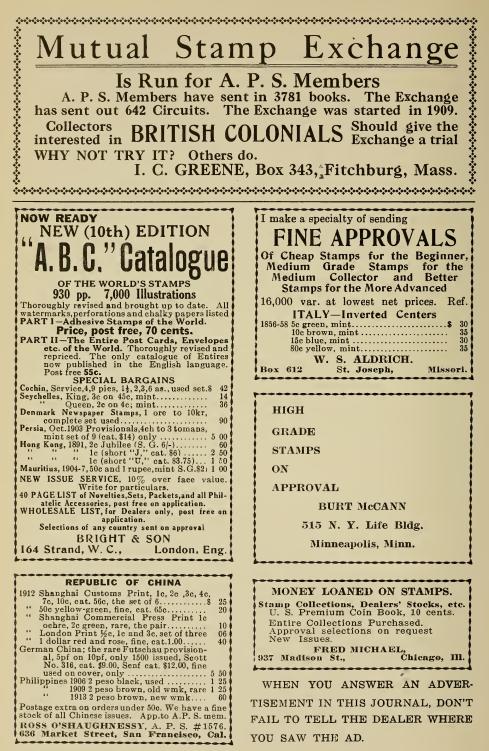
If the Philadelphia Stamp News has the exclusive right they should pay the Society for this privilege. If they are not willing to pay for it, all magazine and stamp papers should be extended the courtesy of having official news.

I hope this question will be discussed at the next convention, as I think if the Philadelphia News wants the exclusive privilege, they should pay the Society for it.

They have taken it upon themselves to raise the price of their magazine and they do not make any reduction to the members of the A. P. S., who gave them this privilege.'

> Respectfully yours, W. A. GREENBAUM, Member of A. P. S. No. 2220.

Through the kindness of Mr. W. S. Lincoln, London, England, we have been favored with a copy of his "Colored Disc" Watermark Detector, a decided novelty for the aid of Philatelists in the detection of watermarks. By the arrangement of eight differently colored transparent discs, through which a stamp can be inspected, the watermark is made very clear and in most instances does away with the familiar benzine cup. It is a decidedly useful little article. Reference to our advertising pages will reveal Mr. Lincoln's ad. in this issue, offering the watermark detector.



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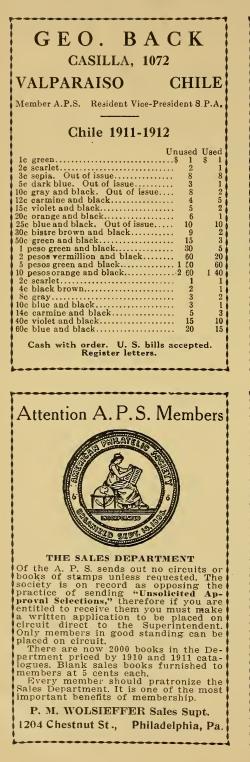
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THE IMPERFORATE ISSUES OF CHILI Hints on Distinguishing the Various Printings, Etc.

By S. C. BARNETT.

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EDITOR'S PREFACE.

In reprinting this article from our esteemed exchange, we do so with the belief that it is the most comprehensive article dealing with this complex issue which has appeared in the philatelic press and as many of our members are interested in the stamps of Chili, we hope we shall strike a responsive chord. We re gret that some of the points in the ori ginal article will necessarily be missed on account of the lack of the illustra tions which accompanied it, but neverthe less the information conveyed will un doubtedly help many a collector to correctly arrange his stamps of these is sues.

Before, however, beginning the article we below give a comparative list of Gibbons numbers and Scott's numbers, as it may be that many readers will not have the former catalogue at hand and we hope this will enable them to follow the article more intelligently.

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We desire to express our thanks for the permission so graciously extended us for the use of this article.

The momentous announcement by Mr. C. J. Phillips about three years ago, * of the newly discovered printings by Messrs. Gillet and N. Desmadryl, has rendered Mr. Bacon's magnificent article on the early issues of Chili ‡ open to considerable revision. Although we have had one or two good articles on these first issues, and are still awaiting the longpromised article in the Anales de la Sociedad Filatelica, which apparently is as far off as ever, I feel there is room for one, the sole purport of which is to try to assist the collector to identify and classify the very confusing series of print-I am therefore, in this article, ings. going to devote myself entirely to pointing out those details which I have found as fairly unfailing aids to the recognition of these printings, leaving out the general information and description of the issues which was briefly set out by Mr. C. J. Phillips at the time of his announcement, and which will probably be exhaustively dealt with by Mr. G. H. Dannatt in his promised handbook on Chili.

I can well remember when I first started specializing in Chili the feeling of almost despair of ever overcoming the comparatively small trouble, which then seemed so unsurmountable, of classifying these Chilian stamps by their watermarks. I feel sure—in fact I know for certain—that there are many fairly advanced collectors who, even now, are not quite clear on the points of the "small" and "medium" watermark "5" and the "small" and "large" watermark "10"; while it is safe to assert that there is not one per cent, of even advanced col-

* G. S. W., Vol. XI, p. 365.

‡ The London Philatelist, June, 1902, et seq.

lectors, who at the present time can distinguish the Gillet or Desmadryl prints from those produced by the Post Office printing department at Santiago. In fact the great majority of collectors must, of necessity, unless they have specialized in Chili, be ignorant of even what distinguishing factors there are to judge by; and as these various printings are now "catalogued varieties," they concern the General Collector, as well as the Specialist, and it is naturally of importance that the means of distinguishing them should be known to all collectors.

Not only collectors, but dealers also, are quite hazy in their knowledge on these points, which, however, is not to be wondered at, when one remembers that a dealer has very little time for specializing, but must take all and sundry. So little a while as three years ago, the great majority of dealers did not correctly classify these early issues, and many were the fine bargains I picked up, at the price of 4d. each for some score of Post Office 10c., blue, to say nothing of four Lithographs, which all cost less than 4s. each, and from one dealer alone.

Unfortunately this order of things no longer exists; on the contrary, I was examining, some time back, a small selection of Chili from a well-known London dealer; in it no less than four Post Office prints of the 10c, blue, figured as Desmadryls, and out of the six Lithographs, two were correctly described, the other four being 5c, brown, Post Office prints—apparently the owner was determined to be on the right side, and the "wish was father to the thought."

The idea of this paper, then, is to try to make the reader conversant with the various points of difference, so as to readily detect the rarer varieties, even at a glance; this latter achievement is of use sometimes, as to handle a specimen too much and examine the watermark, which in some Chilian stamps causes a great todo, often means an enhanced price put on the same by the dealer, who although in ignorance naturally thinks there is something uncommon about the stamp in question.

Before I really start on the subject-

matter of this article let me say that I. fully appreciate the difficulty of the task I am undertaking. When first I grasped the differentiating factors of the Gillet and Desmadryl prints, I thought the describing of the salient points would be an easy matter; but the more copies of these stamps I see, the more and more the difficulty increases, particularly when one examines various "stock books" in search of "material", and is confronted by socalled Desmadryl and Gillet prints which certainly never first saw the light of day in the printing-house of either of these two printers. All these things help to confuse instead of throwing light upon this difficult subject, and I am also conscious that what I write now may, in a few years' time, have to be considerably amended in certain details. I can say, that what little information I am able to give has been based on the examination of the large Chilian collection brought back from Chili by Mr. C. J. Phillips, and carried further by subsequent research; it therefore can, I think, lay claim to fairly represent the correct classification of the various printings as they are at present known.

As the idea of this paper is one of "classification" only, I think one of the simplest methods of describing the different types would be the following:—

There are six distinct varieties of the imperforate type of Chili, patent to any one at a glance, i. e.: 5c, BROWN on *blue;* 5c, BROWN; 5c, RED; 10c, BLUE; 1c, YELLOW; and 20c, GREEN.

So by taking each of the above in turn and dividing them up into the different printings, it will be fairly straightforward work for even the novice to classify the stamp he is in doubt about. Where the term (No. \rightarrow) occurs it refers to the Gibbons Catalogue for 1913.

5c. red-brown on blue.

Stamps under this heading belong to the issue either of 1853 or 1855, Gibbons Nos. 1 and 17, both printed in London by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon and Co.

It is commonly said that these two printings can only be distinguished by means of the watermark, but I can safely say that after some little practice one can almost unfailingly pick out the two issues by facial appearance alone.

Taking them in order of issue-

1853. First London Print (No. 1).

In the first London printing, as it is commonly termed, the impressions are in a full *red-brown* ink, generally almost chocolate-coloured. The stamps have the appearance of being printed from plates fully inked with a thick ink; the paper is fairly thick and generally heavily "blued"; the watermark is very hard to see and is the one known as the *small* "5" (Fig.1).

1855. Second London Print (No. 17).

In the 1855 series the colour is much more *red* than *brown*, as a rule, although occasionally one meets with *brown* shades, and then they are generally more of a *greenish brown* than the *chocolate* of the first issue. The paper is generally fairly thin, the watermark, known as the *medium* "5" (Fig. 2), is very distinct; the paper is only slgihtly *blued*, in fact in many copies the paper is pale *greenish*, *yellowish*, or *salmon* on the back, and the "blueing" takes the form of a thin *blue* line tracing the salient points of the design.

The ink which was used for printing the stamps appears to have been of thin consistency, giving slightly more actual detail than in the first issue, but lacking the "full-bodied" appearance which they enjoy.

Speaking generally, if the watermark is difficult to see and the paper *deeply blued*, the stamp is probably the 1853 issue; if, on the other hand, the watermark is very distinct and the paper only slightly *blued*, then in all probability it is the 1855 printing.

5c., brown.

Under this heading the following varieties exist; Gillet, Desmadryl, Lithographs, and Post Office prints.

1854. Gillet Prints (Nos. 6 and 7).

London by The 5c, Gillet prints are very easy to distinguish from all the others, as they these two are only found in very decided *burnt Sien*guished by *na* shades. They are quite unmistakable, I can safely and the colours range from a *burnt sienna*, (Continued on page 154)

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AMERICAN POSTAL SERVICE.

By Russell L. Stultz.

FOREWORD.

The immense scope of the postal service of the United States as it exists and is operated to-day is but the logical result of a natural and unrestricted evolution, and is in entire accord with the phenomenal progress achieved by all other component parts of our great social and economic fabric,

Few countries, indeed, can boast a postal history so romantic, so heterogeneous and varied as that of the premier American Republic, the foundations of whose post-office were laid nearly three centuries ago under the administration of the British Crown, continued and improved on through the early days of the Republic and the structure completed in the present century under the Union. Although the original founder of the service could not have foreseen the vast proportions which the object of his creation would eventually assume, it is not improbable that he permitted himself to dwell upon the possibilities of the then distant future. At no time, however, could the most sanguine creations of his fancy have embraced so wonderful a scheme of things as that realized under our modern postal system. Nothing less than the creative ability of a Napoleon could have conceived so stupendous an undertaking.

The institution of the post as it first existed in America was at best but a crude affair—one which depended wholly upon the whim and convenience of an all too undependable community for its even occasional operation. As with the rapid development of a new land, the necessity for some effectual means of uninterrupted communications between its people quickly became imperative, and numerous, if rather aimless efforts were directed during the early years of the colonies toward an expansion and improvement of the atrocious service. These attempts, however, were almost invarially confined to isolated areas, prohibiting any concerted action. Chiefly for this reason, for more than a century following the first recorded instance of its usage in America for public requirements, the service rendered was in the main but superficial.

Succeeding this period of inactivity, with the appointment in 1753 of Benjamin Franklin to the position of "Postmaster-General for the Colonies" came a new era in the growth of a hitherto almost dormant institution. With him it was first placed upon a systematic, self sustaining basis. The years since have been scarcely more than the logical steps in the evolution of a great economic movement, the story of which forms perhaps the most fascinating narative of any concerning the triumphant progress of our country.

As early as 1844, the multitudious advantages of an adequate and comprehensive system of postal communications were fully recognized by the Postal Committee of the United States House of Representatives in an official report to Congress in the following words: "To content the man, dwelling more remote from town, with his lonely lot, by giving him regular and frequent means of intercommunication; to assure the emigrant who plants his new home on the skirts of the distant wilderness or prairie that he is not forever severed from the kindred and society that still shares his interest and love; to prevent those whom the swelling tide of population is pressing to the verge of the wilderness from sinking into the hunter or savage state; to render the citizen, how far so ever from the seat of government, worthy, by proper knowledge and intelligence, of his important privileges as a sovereign constituent of the government; to diffuse throughout all parts of the land enlightenment, social improvement and national affinities, elevating our people in the scale of civilization and bringing them together—this is the end of the Post Office."

Again, a quarter of a century later, on June 10, 1870, U. S. Senator Sumner, of Massachusetts, in a brilliant peroration before the Senate, paid an eloquent tribute to the civilizing influences wrought by the modern postal organization:

"Of all existing departments," he declared, "the Post Office is most entitled to consideration, for it is the most universal in its beneficence. That public welfare which is the declared object of all the departments appears here in its most attractive form. There is nothing which is not helped by the Post Office. Is business in question? Then the Post Office is at hand with invaluable aid, quickening and multiplying its activities. Is it charity? The Post Office is the 'good Samaritan,' omnipresent in all the highways of the land. Is it the precious intercourse of friends? The Post Office is carrier, interpreter, hand-maid. Is it education? The Post Office is school-master, with schools for all and with scholars by the million. Is it the service of the government? The post Office lends itself so completely to this essential work that the national will is carried without noise or confusion to the most remote corners, and the Republic becomes one and indivisible. Without the Post Office, where would be that national unity with irresistible guarntee of equal rights to all which is the glory of the Republic?"

After an elapse of thrity-seven years, Senator Sumner's sentiments were reiterated by the Postal Commission of the 59th Congress of the United States when, on January 28th, 1907, it officially stated that "upon the postal service more than upon anything else, does the general economic, as well as the social and political development of the country depend."

What is true of America is true of the world. No one of the executive departments of our government—or of any government—contributes more to the comfort and convenience of the people than that of the Post Office. With its network of postal routes binding together the entire country, its thousands of postoffices and its army of officials engaged in collecting and distributing the mails, it is indispensible to the business interests of the people, and a civilizing influence of inestimable value.

Although the present-day efficiency of the modern postal system is a thing at which to marvel, when the vast distances, physicial obstacles andcelerity of movement are considered, we may reasonably conclude that the service is capable of even more brilliant achievements. A comparison where no comparison can actually exist-between the service rendered two centuries ago and the highly developed organization of to-day is a far cry, one whose very existence is pregnant with tremendous possibilities to the intelligent student of economic and commercial problems.

From the slow and not always certain method of transmitting dispatches abmanus to the swift mail aeroplane of the future is, indeed, a distant step, and one which is fraught with even greater possibilities. And yet, another century perhaps decade—may witness as radical a departure in our facilities for conveying the mails. With the Postal Savings and Parcel Post already in operation, a new era has dawned for the modern postal institution, the limits of which no person can gauge.

An article of these curtailed proportions cannot make any serious pretense toward doing more than the most cursory justice to a subject so complex—and yet so human in its actual workings—as that of the United States postal service. The best that can be hoped for is a bare outline of the salient features that have been instrumental in promoting the efficiency and scope of the institution.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

In the preparation of this work, the author has, wherever necessary, drawn freely upon a number of standard economic and historical publications for copies of various official decrees, orders, etc., as well as for detailed descriptions and accounts of the postal service during the Colonial Period-to all of which we wish to acknowledge our indebtedness. Notably among these must be mentioned the following: Doyle's "English in America"; Joyce's "The British Post Office"; Benjamin Franklin's "Autobiography"; Garner and Lodge's "History of the United States": Henneon's "History of the British Post Office"; "American State Papers" ("Post Office Department" volume); Fiske's "History of the United States"; Hoskin's "The American Government"; "United States Post Office Department Reports" (Various Editions); etc. In this class should likewise be included a number of the established year Books and Annuals, the most important of which are: "The International Year Book"; "The World Almanac and Encyclopedia"; "The Scientific American Year Book": "The Tribune Almanac": "The Brittanica Year Book"; "The American Year Book"; and "The Globe Almanac." The several editions of these volumes have been found most valuable, especially in matters occurring within the present century.

Acknowledgments are also due to various of the current American philatelic periodicals for the use of extracts from the historical notes and references, which have appeared in their pages from time to time. Prominent among the numbers are: "Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News"; "The Stamp Journal"; "New England Philatelist"; "Collector's Journal"; "The New Yorker"; "Philatelic Journal of America"; "Philadelphia Stamp News", and possibly a few others, as well as the "Stamp Collectors' Annual" (1913 Edition), of London, England.

In concluding the list of authorities consulted, we cannot refrain from mentioning a few of the most important of the contemporary reviews, viz: "The Outlook"; "The American Historical Review"; "Current Opinion" (formerly "Current Literature"); "The Review of Reviews", and "The Independent.

PART I.

THE COLONIAL PERIOD: 1620-1710. CHAPTER I.

THE DAWN OF THE AMERICAN POS-

TAL SERVICE. 1620-1639.

Any intelligent account of the American postal system must necessarily be prefaced with a brief description of the social conditions prevailing in the Colonies during the early years following their founding. Compared with conditions today, life during the Colonial Period of our country was extremely narrow and monotonous. There was an isolation and stagnation about it which would be intolerable in the twentieth century. Each community was a life unto itself; it was to a large degree selfsufficing as a matter of necessity, for means of intercourse were crude and imperfect. There were no railroads in existence and travel by sailboat was not always convenient or possible, and besides it was too uncertain to rely upon. Travel by horse-back or stage-coach was, therefore, the chief alternative. Besides indescribable discomforts and hardships, there was the element of time involved.

In 1756, the first regular stage between New York and Philadelphia was established. It required three days to make the trip, and four days more to extend the journey to Boston. Something of a sensation was caused in 1765 by the announcement that a coach, described as a "good wagon with seats on springs," would thereafter make the journey between Philadelphia and New York in two days, and at the low cost of twenty shillings for the through trip. This record seemed so marvelous that the vehide was popularly dubbed a "flying machine." Ordinarily, the conveyances were shackling old vehicles drawn by jaded and illfed horses. In dry weather and on the best roads they attained from thirty to forty miles per day; at other times rarely more than twenty-five, and only by frequent relays could this rate of speed be maintained. The tired passengers, after a restless night in a tavern, were aroused before dawn by the sound of the

driver's horn. At steep hill-sides and bogs the male passengers were often required to alight and assist the heavy vehicle over. The hardships and dangers of crossing large rivers in unsafe ferryboats frequently deterred many from traveling and were a source of anxiety to the friends of those who did. Greater still were the difficulties and dangers of ocean travel. It required months to cross the Atlantic, and news of events in Europe was ancient history-literallywhen it reached the remote settlements of America. Nothing but the most urgent business in Europe could induce an American to undertake such a journey.

For the earliest record of an authorized postal service in the American colonies we must hark back to the year 1639, nineteen years after the founding of the New England colonies. During the period immediately following their planting there were no postal facilities worthy of the name, except such as were supplied by private enterprises. As may be assummed, these were few and untrustworthy. Local deliveries were at this early date totally unknown, probably undreamed of. A letter was an event and the recipient was held in the correct measure of regard commensurate with that distinction.

About this period it was customary for masters of vessels leaving from English and European ports for America to hang bags in coffee-houses for the reception of letters destined for the Colonies. The addressees of such letters were expected to apply for them at the wharf upon arrival of the vessel from abroad, failing which they were displayed in nearby stores or coffee-houses for delivery to the addressees whenever demanded. For this service a fee of 1d. was charged for a single letter and 2d. for a double letter or a parcel in excess of a single letter. This condition of affairs continued—with little or no deviation—in remote localities long after more prosperous communities had instituted a form of regular postal delivery.

The colony of Massachusetts was apparently, the first of the original thirteen to take decisive steps looking to the establishment of a postal system under governmental control when, in 1638 it earnestly besought some consideration for this privilege, among the reasons advanced being the declaration that "a post-office was really so useful and absolutely necessary." In response to a petition submitted to London during this year, the General Court of the Colony was empowered in 1639 to enact the first American postal law in an ordinance which read as follows:

"It is ordered that notice be given that Richard Fairbanks, his house in Boston, is the place appointed for all letters which are brought from beyond the seas, or are to be sent thither, to be left with him; and he is to take care that they are to be delivered or sent according to directions; and he shall be allowed for each letter a penny, and he must answer all miscarriages through his own neglect in this kind, provided, that no man shall be compelled to bring his letters thither except he please."

Thus was provision made for the first instance of governmentally regulated postal service instituted within the present confines of the United States-certainly a quaint document when considered in connection with the terse orders emanating from the departments of the modern postal administrations. To the intimate observer of the various agencies affecting the economic and social development of our country, however, no more valuable examples of genuine human interest exist than the seldom chronicled records found in these documents relating to the establishment and early years of what is to-day the most powerful and extensive postal organization existant.

(To be Continued).

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

ANGOLA.—Full set of stamps in the design of the Ceres stamps of Portugal, modified for Colonial use; name of Colony at the bottom, and "Correio" at the right; name of Colony and value in black; surface printed at Lisbon on white wove paper, and perforated 15x14¹/₂.

¹/₄ c brown olive. 1/2 black. 1c deep green. 1½c chocolate. 2c carmine. 2½c violet. 5c blue 7½c yellow brown. 8c slate. 10c orange brown. 15c lake. 20c yellow green. 30c sepia on green. 40c brown on rose. 50c orange on salmon. le deep green on blue.

BELGIUM.—New value in the Postal Packet series; perforation and design unchanged.

55c lilac brown.

CAPE VERDE.—Full set of stamps in the design of the Ceres stamps of Portugal, modified for Colonial use, with the name of the Colony at the bottom and "Correio" at the right; surface printed at Lisbon on white wove paper, and perforated $15x14\frac{1}{2}$; name of Colony and value in black.

¼ c brown olive.
½ c black.
1c deep green.
1½ c chocolate.
2c carmine.
2½ c violet.
5c blue.
7½ c yellow brown.
8c slate.
10c orange brown.
15c lake.
20c yellow green.
30c sepia on green.
40c brown on rose.
50c orange on salmon.

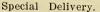
1e deep green on blue.

CONGO.—Full set of stamps in the design of the Ceres stamps of Portugal, modified for Colonial use; name of Colony at the bottom, and "Correio" at the right; name of Colony and value in black; surface printed at Lisbon on white wove paper, and perforated $15x14\frac{1}{2}$.

¹/₄ c brown olive. 1/2c black. 1c deep green. 1%c chocolate. 2c carmine. $2\frac{1}{2}$ violet. 5c blue. 7½c yellow brown. 8c slate. 10c orange brown. 15c lake. 20c yellow green. 30c sepia on green. 40c brown on rose. 50c orange on salmon. 1e deep green on blue.

CUBA.—New series of adhesives and a special delivery stamp; design of adhesives a map of the Antilles, and of the special delivery, an aeroplane flying over Havana harbor, with Morro Castle in the distance; printed on white wove paper, and perforated 12.

> 1c green. 2c carmine. 3c violet. 5c blue. 10c brown. 50c orange. \$1 black.





10c dark blue.

DUTCH INDIES.—Several values have been issued in the new Colonial type, with Queen Wilhelmina facing to the right.

> 17½c red brown. 20c emerald green. 22½c deep orange. 25c mauve. 30c dark blue.

EGYPT.—A complete new set of adhesives has been issued on white wove paper, watermarked Star and Crescent, and perforated 14. Design and shape so long in use have been discarded and a pictorial set of much beauty has been engraved and printed by De La Rue & Co., of London.



1m sepia; Gyassas on the Nile.
2m bright green; Goddess Isis.
3m orange yellow; Ras-el-Tin Palace, Alexandria.
4m vermilion; Pyramids.

5m lake; Sphinx.

10m deep blue; Colossi of Thebes.

20m olive; Pylon at Carnak.

50m mauve; Citadel of Cario.

100m deep slate; Rock Temples at Abu-Simbel.

200m claret; Assouan Dam.

GERMAN OFFICES IN CHINA.—The 10 cents on 20pf ultramarine has been issued on watermarked paper.

GREECE.—Further values in the current design, but lithographed, are reported.

301 carmine.

401 gray blue.

501 lilac brown.

HONDURAS.—The lithographed series of 1913 is beginning to appear with new values in surcharge, four varieties having already appeared.

Provisionals.

"1 cent." on 2c rose carmine.

"5 cent." on 6c dull violet.

"10 cent." on 2c rose carmine.

"10 cent." on 6c dull violet.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Various new values in the King George series have appeared.

3d violet on yellow tinted paper.

1sh black on green tinted.

2sh6d black and carmine on blue.

5sh green and red on yellow tinted.

MONTSERRAT.—The 3d King George stamp has come to hand.

3d violet on yellow tinted paper.

MOZAMBIQUE.—Full set of stamps in the design of the Ceres stamps of Portugal, modified for Colonial use; name of Colony at the bottom, and "Correio" at the right; name of Colony and value in black; surface printed at Lisbon on white wove paper, and perforated 15x14½.

¼ c brown olive.
½ c black.
1c deep green.
1½ c chocolate.
2c carmine.
2½ c violet.
5c blue.
7½ yellow brown.
8c slate.
10c orange brown.
15c lake.
20c yellow green.
30c sepia on green.
40c brown on rose.
50c orange on salmon.

1e deep green on blue.

NICARAGUA.—Peso values of the Official set of 1912, overprinted "Vale" and new value thus " $\phi 0.01$ " in two lines in black, the word official being obliterated by black rule lines.

Provisionals

" $\phi 0.01$ " on 1p light blue and black.

" $\phi 0.02$ " on 2p light blue and black.

" $\phi 0.05$ " on 5p light blue and black.

ROUMANIA.—Issue to commemorate cession of Silistria; surface printed at Bucharest on white wove paper; perforated 11x13½; pictorial designs, mostly emblematic; poorly printed by lithography; large size. 1b gray.

3b black brown and chocolate.

5b green and brown.

10b orange.

15b bistre and violet.

- 25b blue and brown.
- 40b brown and violet.

50b yellow brown and blue.

- 1 leu blue and brown.
- 2 lei pale red and violet.

ST. VINCENT.—The 5d King George stamp has been seen; type of Scott's A17. 5d olive.

SERVIA.—The current stamps have been reissued with slight changes in colors.

5p yellow green.

- 10p scarlet.
- 15p black.
- 20p brown.
- 30p olive.
- 50p brown red.
- 1d gray black.

TURKEY.—A pictorial set of much beauty has been issued, the ice having evidently been broken by the Adrianople commemoratives. Stamps printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. of London on white wove paper, unwatermarked, perforated 12; four lower values lithographed others recess-printed. Stamps are large oblong rectangles, the 2, 4, 5 and 6pa being upright, the others horizontal. Postage due stamps are nearly square; new designs, but not pictorial, except that the lpi shows a military trophy.

2pa mauve; Hippodrome Obelisk-

4pa sepia; Column of Constantine.

5pa purple brown; Leander's Tower.

6a deep blue; The Seven Towers.

10pa green; Fanaraki.

20pa scarlet; Castle of Europe.

- 1pi bright blue; Sultan Ahmed Mosque.
- 1½pi carmine and black; Martyr's Monument.
- 1¾ pi gray and red brown; Bathing Fountains of Salem.
- 2pi green and black; Cruiser Hamidieh.
- 2½pi orange and green; Candilli.
- 5pi deep lilac; Ministry of War.
- 10pi red brown; Sweet Waters of Europe.

25pi olive green; Suleimanieh Mosque.

50pi rose; The Bosphorus.

- 100pi indigo; Sultan Ahmed's Fountain.
- 200pi black and green; Sultan Muhammed V.

The 10 and 20 pa and 1 and 2pi have been overprinted with a small star for foreign correspondence, the 20pa in blue, the others in red.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1914.

Chicago, April 1, 1914.	Credit balance	53.93
STOCK FUND.	SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.	
Balance forwarded\$4,104.66	Balance forwarded\$ 32.95	
March receipts 23.00	Receipts, March 9.20	
Credit balance \$4,127.66	Credit balance	42.15
,,,	GENERAL FUND.	
INSURANCE FUND.	Balance forwarded\$ 374.00	
Balance forwarded\$1,562.17	Receipts-	
Disbursements, 8.37	February interest 3.21	
	W. E. Ault, Adv.	
Credit balance 1,553.80	Vol. XXVII 24.04	
EXCHANGE ACCOUNT.	Subscription	
Balance forwarded\$ 53.13	March dues 79.55	-
Receipts, March 80	Reinstatements 1.00	
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\$482.05 Disbursements 98.65		Suspense Account42.1General Fund383.4	
	383.40	RESOURCES. Bonds (book value) _\$2,612.3	
SUMMARY OF BALANCE- Stock Fund\$4,127.66 Insurance Fund 1,553.80 Exchange Account 53.93		Cash in Bank 3,548.6 Total C. F. MANN,	\$6,160.94

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with quite a golden hue in it, to a very dark shade, so dark that they have a chocolate tint—this is the shade catalogued as *deep chocolate*. Personally I don't quite like the term *chocolate*, as the stamps still have the appearance of dark *burnt sienna*, caused by the face of the stamps being tinted with this colour, although the actual lines of the engraving are in a colour well described by the above term. I think that if these *deep chocolate* prints are catalogued, the paletinted ones in a *golden-brown*, quite distinct from the real *burnt sienna* shade, should also be catalogued.

The general appearance of the Gillet 5c, rather suggests poor printing, and as he made such an unqualified success with his 10c. the indifferent printing is rather remarkable. As a matter of fact, however, the actual printing is by no means bad; in some cases the impressions are really first-class examples of engraving, the general appearance being spoiled by the ink, which was apparently used rather thin, "spreading" over the plate and thus tinting the whole of the surface of the stamps.

The remaining three printings—Desmadryl, Lithographs, and Post Office—are often confused, Post Office prints being found under the heading of both Desmadryls and Lithographs; while on the other hand it has been my good fortune, once or twice, to find Lithographs under the heading of both Desmadryl and Post Office printings—a mistake one, somehow, would like to meet with more frequently. The watermark in all these printings is the one known as the small "5" (Fig. 1). 1854. Desmadryl Prints (Nos. 3-5).

These prints, as a rule, are fine examples of engraving, all the lines of the design standing out clear and distinct; the work in the spandrels, in particular, is clearly and finely marked, the shading on the head of Columbus is also fine (Fig. 6). The only exceptions are those specimens which are not infrequently met with, having a "dragged" or "double" impression. It is a curious fact that all the copies I have seen of these are on strongly "ribbed" paper; I do not know if it is this "ribbing" that causes the impression" "double appearance, or whether it is merely a coincidence.

Speaking generally, the tint of the Desmadryl printing is *red-brown*, but they are found in the following distinct shades: *pale brown*, *dcep brown*, *pale red-brown*, *dcep red-brown*, and *chestnut-brown*. The last, I might mention in passing, is a scarce variety; it is quite a *dcep* colour, not merely a dcep shade of *red-brown*, which is what one generally finds in "stock books" as *chestnut*, but quite distinct. I think I have only seen a dozen or so copies of the "real thing" during the whole time I have been interested in Chili; I also had one copy in quite a *dcep chocolate-brown*.

The paper varies from fairly stout to quite thin, some copies being on a semitransparent paper. A curious feature of certain Desmadryl prints is to be seen on the back; a green or blue stain is frequently found spreading itself more or less all over the stamp. This stain does not penetrate through to the face and I suppose it was caused by a minor de-

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COMMUNICATIONS

We will gladly publish letters of general interest from our members, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the opinions cxpressed therein.

An open letter to the Editor of The Amrican Philatelist. Dear Sir:

A sworn enemy of all newspaper controversy, I nevertheless am compelled to approach you in a matter of some importance, inasmuch as my personal honor is concerned. A Pennsylvania stamp paper had published a list of U.S. Cards in its issue of Nov. 29th, 1913. My catalog of U. S. Cards was contained in the Feb. 1914 issue of The American Philatelist. In its issue of Feb. 28th, 1914 the Pennsylvania sheet says editorially: "Our list went unrecognized by The American Philatelist, but the editor thereof feels tickeled all over, and says so in an editorial in the number above referred to, because he is able to present a plagiarism compiled by the only acknowledged postal card dealer in this country, who appends a list of prices to his list of cards, thus pleasing the editor thereof and the President of the American Philatelic Society, who is supposed to give approval to all matter entering the society's publication, because they have given away, free, two pages for the advertising purposes of a well-known postal card dealer."

Now Mr. Ault, no one knows better than yourself, how libellous this article is. I had written the list upon your special request, at the solicitation of numerous card collectors and your request reached me in October 1913. Owing to circumstances beyond my control-the details of which are well known to you -I was compelled to postpone the compilation until December, but my copy was received by you too late for the January issue, so that it could not be published until the following month. You are also well aware of the fact that the idea of pricing the cards was yours and not mine.

I therefore brand as not true:

A. The imputation of plagiarism, for my

list was in your hands long before I ever had any knowledge of another list being prepared.

B. The accusation of personal gain. You hold a communication from me asking you to change anything which would smack of any idea of my offering any cards for sale. Moreover, my advertisement was not published in the Feb. No. of *The American Philatelist.*

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I do not consider it necessary for me to go into details in reference to the Pa. scribe's criticisms about the prices affixed For the benefit of his subscribers I hope he has a better knowledge of stamp values than of card prices. He critisizes me for pricing my No. 25 at 25 cents, while, had he opened his eyes, he would have seen that the card is priced just 2 cents.

To revert again to the accusation of plagiarism, I call your attention to the fact that the first list of the Pennsylvania sheet contained such gems as: No. 4 1 cent red-brown, with grille No. 6 1 cent black, with grille No. 9. 1 cent black, with grille No. 11 1 cent red-brown, with grille

After my catalog was published, the stamp paper issued a second U. S. list, carefully eliminating the 4 cards mentioned above and adding several cards taken from my catalog. In view of all these facts, and that they are facts the truth-loving editor of the Pennsylvania sheet can not gainsay—who is the plagiarist, he or I?

Yours very truly,

Siegfried Schachne.

Chillicothe, O.,

March 24th, 1914.

(Note—The above statements regarding the preparation of the article in question are in accordance with the facts of the case. We do not feel that this calls for any further comment and so far as we are concerned we will consider this a closed matter.—Ed.)

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EDITORIAL.

NEWAs will be noted else-ISSUEwhere in this issue, weEHRONICLE. have again begun the pub-

lication of a Chronicle of New issues, under the direction of Mr. Henry A. Kidder, Mr. Stone having been compelled to give up this work some time ago on account of press of other duties. We hope our members will find this department of much use to them, as it is unnecessary to introduce Mr. Kidder in this connection.

MEMBERSHIP. From the reports of the Secretary published in this issue, we note a decided increase in the membership over what it was a year ago. On April 5th, 1913, the membership stood at 1362, and our roll on the 4th of this month numbered 1403. With concerted effort, we can go to our Annual Convention in August showing a substantial gain over last year.

LITERARY In this issue we begin FEATURES. the publication of two articles which will afford instructive and entertaining reading to our members, the one dealing with the imperforate issues of Chili, a subject which the most advanced collector will admit is a hard one to master, and the other being a history of the postal development of the United States, a subject in which we are all interested, not only from a philatelic standpoint, but from an historical one as well.

CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS.

for the election of the Board of Directors to serve for year 1914-15.

It is now time for nominations to be made for the election of the Board of Directors for the year commencing Sept. 1st, 1914, to be elected at the Annual Convention to be held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., August 11, 12 and 13, 1914, and all Branches are urged to give this matter immediate attention, forwarding such nominations as they desire to make to the Secretary at once, that same may be published in accordance with the By-Laws.

OUR REVIEW.

By the Editor.

WHO'S WHO IN PHILATELY, 1914. Edited by Albert H. Harris and published by "The Philatelic Circular," 42 Fieldhouse Road, Balham, London, S. W., England. It is evident that much care was taken in the compilation of the names and biographical data contained in the volume and it will undoubtedly prove of great interest to collectors. While many names are missing which one would expect to find among the English speaking collectors, yet the work, for its first year of publication, speaks well for the editor and unquestionably lays the foundation for a more comprehensive work to follow. Price one Shilling (1sh. 2d. post free.)

CHARLES BYRON BOSTWICK.

With much regret we announce the death of Mr. C. B. Bostwick, January 5th, 1914. Undoubtedly in a state of amnesia, he wandered from home on the morning of the 4th and was found dead in the woods near Amagansett, L. I., where he usually spent his summers. Mr. Bostwick recently suffered a severe attack of neuritis. He was 42 years of age, a graduate of Princeton, and was well known in philatelic circles from his studies in Siam and Cayman Islands. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family in their hour of loss.

We regret very much that Mr. Bostwick's name should have been included in the list of those of our members suspended for nonpayment of dues, as published in this journal last month, but the notice of his death did not reach our Secretary until too late to make the correction. We have made such corrections in our record as will correspond to the facts, as we feel it is due in justice to our former member.



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It is with deep regret we are called upon to record the death, on March 23, 1914, at his home in Pittsburgh, of Mr. Arthur G. Burgoyne, for mány years identified with our Society as Assistant Librarian. An attack of pneumonia, of but four days duration, was the cause of his demise.

Mr. Burgoyne was born in 1861 in Ireland, but early in life located in Pittsburgh, where he attained an enviable position in the educational and newspaper field, as a journalist, poet, humorist and lecturer, being connected with the leading papers of his home city, and was also Professor of music in the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

He leaves a widow, one son and three daughters, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy in their hour of bereavement. As a Society we mourne the loss of one who has been a member for so long and who was held in such high esteem by all who knew him.

A CATALOGUE OF SOUTH AFRICAN STAMPS.

We are in receipt of a circular from Mr. N. Welsford, Sec. of the Philatelic Society of Natal, announcing the preparation of a special catalogue to deal with the stamps of Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Orange Free State and Transvaal. They have secured the services of well known specialists in these stamps, yet are desirious of any help which collectors may be able to extend to them, in the listing of uncatalogued varieties, etc., to the end that the catalogue may be as complete as possible. The work will be published at a price stated to be about 2sh. 6d., and all communications regarding same should be addressed to Mr. J. Chamberlain, Chairman of the Compilation Committee, "Kia-Ora", Newcastle, Natal.

REPORT OF HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Members of the American Philatelic Society:

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1/4 page \$3.00 1/2 page \$5.50 Full page \$10.00.

Quarter page is the smallest space that will be sold. These hand books will have a circulation of at least 2000 copies, and we trust that the dealers will support it liberally. Kindly reserve your space as early as possible.

Apr. 2, 1914.

Sincerely yours,

The Hand Book Committee,

H. L. Lindquist, Secy.

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SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Those receiving unsolicited approval sheets will kindly inform the Recorder of the Board of Vice Presidents the names of dealers sending them, in order that the Board may take action to eradicate this evil.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

March 14, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Binnie, H. J., P. O. Box 72, Elstow, Sask., Canada; Age 46; Farmer; Refs. Messrs. McConnell Bros., Elstow, Sask., Canada. Manager Bank of Toronto, Colonsay, Sask, Canada; Proposed by H. F. Kalse, No. 3589.
- Nickles, C. E., 122 Florida Ave., N. W. Washington, D. C.; Age Legal; Stamp Dealer; Refs. H. F. Colman, 509 7th St., N. W. Washington, D. C., Union Trust Co., Washington, D. C.; Proposed by O. L. Ballard, No. 3820.
- Means, Oscar E., Saybrook Bank, Saybrook, Ill; Age 21; Assistant Cashier, Saybrook Bank; Refs. C. B. Riggs, Dry Goods and Clothing, Saybrook, Ill; Easterbrook Bros., Undertaking and Furniture, Saybrook Ill.; Proposed by Donald W. Martin, No. 3780.

New Stockhelders.

- 4386—Skinner, Clyde A., Waterbury, Conn 4387—Pollard, Rowland P., Proctorville,
- Vt.
- 4388—Perlman, William, Pittsburgh, Pa. 4389—Black, Ernest, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Resignation Accepted.

4288-Gessner, N. E., DeGraff, Ohio.

Changes of Address.

- 3097—Hunter, Thos. C. E., from 116 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., to P. O. Box 108, Topeka, Kansas.
- 4236—Clarkson, Hugh, from Bay St., Gravenhurst, Ont., Canada, to 31 Lytton Boulevard, Toronto, Canada.
- 4211—Crouch, Gordon H., from 911 Dovercourt Road, to 41 Rusholme Park Crescent, Toronto, Canada-

Notice.

3169—Change name and address to read as follows: MacBean, Miss Helen S. Columbus, Ohio.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING March 21, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Decker, Charles B., 1330 Wealthy St., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Age 18; Stamp Dealer; Firm Michigan Stamp Co.; Guarantor Peter W. Decker, Real Estate Dealer, 1330 Wealthy St., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Ref. Grand Rapids Saving Bank, "Wealthy Branch," Grand Rapids, Milh.; Proposed by Chas. A. Coolidge, No. 64.
- Nissen, C. F., Newton, Kansas; Age 50; Wholesale Merchant; Firm The Crescent Produce Co.; Proposed by Percy McGraw Mann, No. 3202.
- Seidl, Dr. Fred, Benson, Ill.; Age Legal; Physician and Surgeon; Coronor of Woodford Co., Ill.; Refs. Farmers Bank, Benson, Ill., Barker & Wheeler, Wholesale Drugs, Peoria, Ill., McCoy & Howe, Indiannapolis, Ind.; Proposed by R. J. Wagner, No. 3503.
- Gundlach, T. J., 428 Wyoming Ave., Buffalo Ave., Buffalo, N. Y., Age 25; Asst. Supt. Prudential Ins. Co.; Refs. Market Bank, Buffalo, N. Y., Erie County Bank, Buffalo, N. Y.; Proposed by Frederick L. Poepf, No. 4157.

New Stockholders.

- 4390—Whiteman, Horace C., Clearfield, Pa.
- 4391—Taylor, L. Mulford, Wilmington, Del.
- 4392-Puelle, W. D., Galveston, Texas.
- 4393—Harris, Albert Henry, London, England.
- 4394-Weiland, Geo. P., Syracuse, N. Y.,

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- 4395—Prieto y Luco, Louis A., Valparaiso, Chili.
- 4396-Runge, E. T., Cleveland, Ohio.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following members, dropped March 7th, 1914, having paid dues in full, are hereby replaced on the membership roll and are in good standing:—

943—Reynolds, John N., Chicago, Ill. 2252—Dodge Frank A., Cambridge, Mass.

Resignation Withdrawn.

The following member, desiring to withdraw his resignation, and having paid dues in full for the current year, is hereby replaced on the membership roll:—

2367-Voltz, Henry, Woodheaven, N. Y.

Changes of Address.

- 2514—Chalfant, Clinton L., from 1328 Benton Ave., Springfield, Mo., to Advocate Office, Kalamazoo, Mich.
- 943—Reynolds, John N., from 417 S. Dearborn St., to 608 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
- 3369—Schwede, W., from 1118 1st Ave., Seattle, Wash., to 107 Columbia St., Seattle, Wash.
- 2517—Scypes, Robert, from Richland Center, Pa., to Quakertown, Pa. (Effective April 1st, 1914).
- 2367-Voltz, Henry, from 1135 Jamaica Ave., to 4005 Syosset St., Woodhaven, L. I., N. Y.
- 2526—Bergman, G. G., from 556 62nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y., to P. O. Box 161, care Singer Sewing Machine Co., Port of Spain, Trinidad, B. W. I.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership March 14, 1914
 1385

 New Stockholders admitted March 21st, 1914
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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

March 28, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Bird, Warren C., 122 N. Liberty St., Baltimore, Md.; Age 53; Retired; Firm Formerly of J. Edward Bird & Co., Baltimore, Md.; Ref. Mercantile Trust & Deposit Co.; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.
- Peters, Dr. Don Preston, 131 N. Broadway, Baltimore, Md.; Age 36; Surgeon; Ref. Baltimore Trust Co.; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.
- Menager, L. C., 2990 St. John's Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.; Age 43; Retired; Ref. H. E. Harkisheimer, care Elgin Butter Co.; C. W. Kissinger; Proposed by M. Ohlman, No. 4073.
- Adams, Henry, 1263-69 Calvert Bldge., Baltimore, Md.; Age 54; Consulting Engineer; Firm Henry Adams; Ref. Geo. P. Neilson, Supt., Baltimore Bargain House, Baltimore, Md.; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.
- by fially W. Elifusay, No. 2121.
- Johnson, Chas. H., 234 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, Calif.; Age 43; Sales Manager; Firm Hendee Mfg. Co.; Ref. J. A. Goddard, 224 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, Calif.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.

New Stockholders.

- 4397-Jones, Harry B., Pittsfield, Mass.
- 4398-Ormston, M. O., Chicago, Ill.
- 4399—Mashek, Dr. Jarosh V., Chicago, Ill.

Reinstated.

3673-Moore, L. Ernest, Searcy, Ark.

Resignations Accepted.

- 4066-Price, Tyler, G., Chicago, Ill.
- 4187-Somerville, Norman, Toronto, Can.

Changes of Address.

- 1908—Ault, Wm. E., from 816 E. Seventh St., to 331 E. Chestnut St., Jeffersonville, Ind.
- 2275—Klein, Eugene, from Empire Bldg., to 142 S. 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1851—Pratt, LeRoy, from 1013 A. St., to 413 Tacoma Bldg., Tacoma, Wash.
 - 38—Wolsieffer, P. M., from 1301 Ft. Dearborn Bldg., Chicago, Ill., to 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING April 4, 1914.

Applications Pending.

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C. F.; Seidl, Dr. Fred; Gundlach, T. J.;
Bird, Warren C.; Peters, Dr. Don Preston; Menager, L. C.; Adams, Henry;
Johnson, Chas. H.

Applications Posted.

- Welsh, Thomas W., of F., 234 W. Lafayette Ave., Baltimore, Md., Age 29; Mercantile Broker; Ref. E. T. Drury & Co., Wholesale Grocers, 410 Guilford Ave., Baltimore, Md.; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.
- Kirk, Miss Debby Lewis, Llanerch, Pa.; Age Legal; Ref. Land Title & Trust Co.; Proposed by Eugene Klein, No. 2275.
- Martinez, Rafael, A Esg. 5 Vedado, Havana, Cuba; Age 30; Real Estate; Firm R. Martinez; Ref. Pernas & Lellado, 130-132 Pearl St., New York, N. Y.; Proposed by M. Ohlman, No. 4073.
- Taylor, Geo. Winship, Catonsville, Maryland; Age 30; Attorney-at-Law; Ref. National Union Bank, Baltimore, Md.; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.

Application for Reinstatement Posted.

763—Phillips, William H., P. O. Box 75' East Liverpool, Ohio; Age 47; Manufacturer; Firm The Smith-Phillips China Co., The Smith-Phillips Music Co.; Ref. Any bank in East Liverpool, Ohio; Proposed by Wm. E. Ault, No. 1908.

New Stockholders.

4400—Sargent, Ziegler, New Haven, Conn-4401—Ince, Bertman W., New York, N. Y.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following dropped March 7th, 1914 having paid dues in full for the current year, are hereby replaced on the membership roll and are in good standing:—

- 3201—Artman, W. M., 1447 Bonnie Brae St., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 2811—Fleischer, Jerome F., 107 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, R. I.
- 2524-Lindquist, H. L., 700 E. 40th St., Chicago, Ill.
- 2979-Phillips, W. C., Glastonbury, Conn.
- 4016—Bennett, Henry, Box 151, Havana, Cuba.

Resignation Accepted.

3297-Caverly, Harcourt L., Toledo, Ohio.

Correction.

The Secretary regrets very much that the name of Mr. C. B. Bostwick, No. 2119, should have been included in the list of those dropped for non-payment of dues March 7th, 1914, as Mr. Bostwick died Jan. 5th, 1914, but notice of his decease did not reach this office until too late for the correction to be made. The records will accordingly be changed to correspond with the above, as we feel that it is an injustice to allow the suspension to stand in view of this sad occurrence.

Changes of Address.

2573—Levy, Julius, from 416 E. 5th St., New York City, to 304 Empire Bldg. Philadelphia, Pa.

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CANAL ZONE.

Postage Due Stamps.

Copy from the "Canal Record" March 4, 1914. (Government publication).

In accordance with the "Taft Agreement," the Canal Zone Government purchases all of its stamps for use on mail matter originating in the Canal Zone, from the Panama Government at 40% of their face value. Heretofore, it has been the practice to use these stamps on letters arriving from abroad on which the full amount of postage has not been paid. During the last fiscal year, it is estimated that this class of postage amounted to about \$4000.00 in value. Most of the mail matter from the United States comes fully prepaid, but in the case of mail from the West Indies, and to some extent from Europe, the postage is only partly paid, or in some cases not paid at all, as under the Rome convention, letters for points abroad may be accepted at the home post-office without prepayment of postage. In view of the fact that this class of postage does not come under the Treaty with Panama, a supply of stamps for this purpose has been ordered from the United States Government, which will be furnished at the cost of the printing. They will be surcharged "Canal Zone" in the same manner as the Panamanian stamps, and, on receipt will be used on all letters received at Canal Zone post-offices on which postage may be due.-(H. Leonard).

COLLECTORS IN THE PROFESSION.

Since theatrical people are always of interest to the general public, they certainly become more so to philatelists when we learn that they spend some of their spare time over stamps.

Recently an article with a picture of Melville Stewart appeared in the *Philatelic Gazette*, and members of several societies have had the pleasure of meeting this enthusiast. Arthur Laceby is another prominent American actor who is interested in our pursuit. Miss May Irwin is sufficiently interested to request her manager to arrange dates so that she was able to attend the New York In-



CHECK LIST No. 11.

Thick Paper 1c blue, (10 or more shades) (Princess Likelike) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. Now York Deliveries made 50,000 February 20, 1832 25,000 June 30, 1883 25,000 September 19, 1884 12,500 November 16, 1885 12,500 November 16, 1885 12,500 November 8, 1886 50,000 March 2, 1887 25,500 June 19, 1888 62,500 September 17, 1890

Thick Paper

1c green (10 or more shades) (Princess Likelike) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 125,0000 June 21, 1882 225,000 September 19, 1884 50,000 February 18, 1886 187,500 June 19, 1888 312.500 June 19, 1888 312.500 June 19, 1888 312.500 June 19, 1889 162,500 September 17, 1890 937,500 June 24, 1892

Medium and Thick Paper

2c lilac rose (7 or more shades) (King Kalakaua) Printed by The American Bauk Note Co. New York Delivery made 750,000 June 21, 1882

Thick Paper 2c carmine (11 or more shades) Imperforate (King Kalakaua) Printed in sheets of one hundred which were cut into two in the middle, thus making ten stamps to each fifty (assold) with straight edge,by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 750,000 September 30, 1883 625,000 September 19, 1884 1,000,000 Narch 2, 1887 750,000 June 19, 1888 1,250,000 April 11, 1889 1,250,000 September 17, 1890 CRITICISM INVITED. ANNOUNCEMENT

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Possibly other artists can be added to this list, and they are always glad to make acquaintances among collectors in cities they visit.-(C. F. Heyerman).

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and re-quest the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page. BRANCH NO. 25.

Detroit, Mich.

March 13th, 1914.

The 53rd meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Society held this date at 8.30 p. m., at the residence of Mr. William M. Swan, Grosse Pointe Village.

Members present: Messrs. Babcock. Bennett, Cornell, Coolidge, Hartenstein, Heyerman, Heineman, Jumper, Kay, Ladue, Livingston, Look, Norris, Rice, Schmalzriedt, Smith, Swan, Scott, and Sharpe (19).

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President Coolidge presided.

The Minutes of the 52nd regular meeting, were read and approved.

Catalogues of several auction sales were received and distrubuted; also priced catalogues of Messrs. J. C. Morgenthau & Co.'s 75th and 76th sales were received.

A communication of Scott Stamp & Coin Co. to Mr. Heyerman, offering to forward to Society, priced catalogues of their future sales, was read and filed, and Secretary requested to acknowledge communication and offer with thanks.

The Committe on giving a local Stamp Exhibition reported holding a conference with the Y. M. C. A. authorities; as a result of which they concluded it would not, for the present, be feasible to hold, to any advantage, the proposed Exhibit. The report of the Committee was accepted and the matter of exhibit laid on the table for an indefinite period, and the Committee discharged.

Meeting adjourned.

An interesting auction of some 50 choice stamp lots was thereupon held. Refreshments.

Refreshments.

HENRY LOOK, Secretary.

BRANCH No. 37.

The 66th regular meeting of the Buffalo Collector's Club, Branch No. 37 held at 168 Delaware Ave., with thirteen members and three visitors present. A supper was served at 6.30 p. m., followed by the regular meeting which was devoted to an auction sale. Mr. John W. Schaefer exhibited an interesting collection of cut squares and Mr. F. J. Grotzan a general collection.

Messrs. Theo. J. Gundloch and Owen Dicks were elected to membership and Major H. H. Bandholtz elected an honorary member.

Adjournment at 10.30 P. M. to March 24, 1914.

F. P. JAMES, Secretary.

PUBLICATIONS

RECEIVED.

By the International Secretary.

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- Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt, Vol. XXIV, Feb. 1914.
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- Der Philatelist, Vol. XXXV No. 2, Feb. 15, 1914.
- Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, Vol. XVII, No 6, Nov. and Dec. 1913.
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Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society, Vol. VII No. 6, March 1914.

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- Germania Berichte, Vol. XI No. 3, March 10, 1914.

Note—Above publications have been forwarded to the Assistant Librarian for the Society's Library.

(We regret that the demand on our space this month prevents us from publishing the excellent review of these journals so kindly furnished by Mr. Kjellstedt.—Ed.)

By the Secretary.

- The *Philatelic Journal of America*, Vol. 24, No. 9, March, 1914.
- List of Philatelic Literature for sale. Victor March, 389 Brixton Road, Lon-
- don, S. W., England. March 1914.
- Freemans Monthly Journal, Feb. 1914.
- Stamp Collecting, Vol. 1, No. 23, 24, 25 and 26 and Vol. 2, No. 27. Feb. 21st, 28. March 7, 14 and 21st, 1914.
- The Postage Stamp. Vol. 13, Nos. 22, 23, 24 and 25. Feb. 28, March 7, 14 and 21, 1914.
- Newark Stamp News. Vol. 3, Nos. 3 and 4, March and April, 1914.
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- Periodical Price List, No. 2, B. W. H. Poole.
- New Zealand Stamp Journal, Vol. 1, No. 8. Feb. 1914.
- Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal, Vol. XXII No. 254. Feb. 1914.
- Philadelphia Stamp News. Vol. IV Nos. 49, 50, 51 and 52 and Vol. V. No. 1. Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 21 and 28, 1914.
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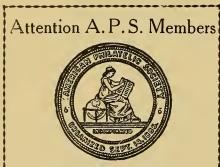
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Hints on Distinguishing the Various Printings, Etc.

By S. C. BARNETT.

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(Continued from page 154).

gree of the same chemical action which took place in the first London printing.

1854. Lithographs (Nos. 8-11).

There are really large numbers of shades in these stamps. I have seen them in colours ranging from *chocolatebrown* and *grey-brown*, through all shades of *brown* to "*biscuit*"; in *orange-brown*, *red-brown*, and two distinct shades of *red*, one of which could not be distinguished in colour from the common Post Office "reds."

In execution they also vary tremendously: apart from the differences caused by the transfer from plate to stone, I have had one copy that was virtually as good as an engraving (Fig. 7), and, on the other hand, one that was little better than a blurred mass of brown. There is, to my mind, only one test which will hold good, even with the most perfect Lithograph: the white lettering of "COLON" and "CHILE," in the engraved stamp, is outlined by a sharp line of colour deeper than the background, as Fig. 4; while in the lithograph the white letters are "flat" against the background, as Fig. 5, without any outline of colour.

This guide I have found unfailing; one particular 5c. Desmadryl that I had was like a Lithograph in every respect except for this one factor, which absolutely proved that it was an engraved copy. It is best to select the "1" of "CHILE" or "L" of "COLON" for examination, as some of the other letters, particularly the "o", do sometimes appear to be outlined in certain lithographs. In the case of badly printed lithographs, of course, this test need not be applied, as the bad printing itself classifies the stamp.

A general characteristic of the lithographed variety, good or bad, is its very flat appearance; another thing I have noticed is that the surface of the paper appears smoother than in most of the engraved copies-this is to be seen on the back, as well as on the face of the stamp. The paper itself appears more opaque; this is owing, I think, to the fact that in the "surface" method of printing the ink does not penetrate so deeply into the pores of the paper. The mere fact that the paper is damped before used with the engraved plate, while lithographs are printed dry, would account for this difference.

1857. Post Office Prints (No. 18).

This one heading in the Catalogue covers quite a number of distinct shades; besides being found in the shade under which they are catalogued, these stamps are found in many shades of yellowish brown and orange brown. The heading also covers innumerable shades of redbrown, in which the red predominates, shades which are, to my mind, better described as brownish red. The last named shades are not likely to be confused with those of either Desmadryl prints or lithographs, but the earlier prints, in dull red-brown, are often found in "stock books" masquerading as their rarer brethren.

There is, luckily, in this case also a fairly easy and efficacious means of identification. The head of Columbus in all the Post Office *brown* prints has a "cameo"-like appearance, by this I mean the head appears "white" against the background, and thus stands out clearly. Fig. 8 shows what I mean.

In both the Desmadryl prints and the Lithographs the head is well "shaded," and thus is not so striking to the eye.

Putting it shortly then, the general appearance of the Post Office prints is: A "light" head, a fairly dark circle of background, and the spandrels generally showing up considerably lighter than the latter. In the Desmadryl prints and the Lithographs the spandrels and the circle containing the head are much the same depth of shading; the head also is shaded deeply in parts.

This difference is rather curious, considering that both the Desmadryl and the Post Office prints are supposed to be printed from the same plate, and opens up a rather important question. I see that Mr. Philips states that the First Plate was used for printing the 5c. Post Office prints, a statement which has been repeated by both Mr. Hayman and Mr. Dannatt, the latter, however, raising a query about it. I wonder whether this fact has been really established. I do not like to question it, if Mr. C. J. Philips obtained the information from an absolutely reliable source, but I have always considered in my own mind that the printings of 1857 et seq. were from the Second Plate, and those of 1865 onwards from the First Plate.

My reason for arriving at this conclusion is the strong dissimilarity in appearance between the 1857 prints and most of those of 1865. I do not suppose there are many fairly advanced specialists of Chili who could not distinguish these two issues by their facial appearance alone, without referring to the watermarks.

The first Post Office prints have, to my mind, the appearance of having been printed from a plate considerably "softer" than that which produced those of 1865. I surmise that the second plate was used for the first of the Post Office prints in all the shades of *brown* and *red*, and that with the change of paper; in 1865, the first plate was recalled into use, thus accounting for the 5c. with the portion of marginal inscription and watermarked with the long-necked "5", which Mr. Burton had in his collection, and which was illustrated in his article on Chili in *The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*.

I am inclined to think, however, that in the later periods of the 1857 series the first plate was also occasionally used; it is highly probable that during a shortage of stamps both plates may have been called into use, as certain prints with the small watermark bear very strong resemblance to the 1865 prints. I therefore think that when first the new plate was sent to Chili it was naturally used, and then when it became "worn" the first plate was reverted to. I do not see how a plate that produced the many really "worn" plate (not "badly inked" plate) effects that one occasionally sees in the 1857 series of printings could produce some of the "fine-lined" work which is often seen in the early 1865 prints.

Another point that rather supports my theory is that I have had through my hands a fair number of marginal copies of the 5c., with small watermark, and in no case have I ever seen even a suspicion of marginal inscription. I know it is true that the inscription does not extend the whole length of the side, but still it covered the major portion, and it is rather singular that none of these copies should bear a trace of the inscription.

Since writing the above, I have found I think, proof that both plates were used for the 1865 printings; I am, however, leaving untouched what I have already written, as the proof I have only actually holds good in reference to the 1865 issue, and not necessarily, although certainly probably, in regard to the 1857 series.

I illustrate a pair of stamps of the 1865 issue which have just, come into my possession (Fig. 9). These used to be in Mr. Burton's collection, and were used as showing the very bad alignment of the plate. The watermark proves by the four parallel lines which were in (Continued on page 176).

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NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

UNITED STATES.—The long promised stamps for the parcel post have at last been issued to some of the post offices.

Adhesives.

7c gray blue.

9c dull rose red. 12c dark purple brown.

20c ultramarine

30c orange brown.

BAVARIA.-Bavaria's new King is pictured on the new set just issued. Printed by the mezzotint process, the stamps are the prettiest of the year, if not ever issued. No printed description can do them justice. There are three designs, the pfennige values having a picture of the King in a circular frame, the stamp being 21x25mm. The 1m, 2m, 3m, values have a recent picture of the King without spectacles, and are 24x28mm. The 5m, 10m, and 20m values are of large size 34x40mm. the portrait being framed by a laurel wreath. The only inscription on all denominations are "Bayern" and the value. Adhesives.

3pf brown. 5pf green. 10pf red. 20pf blue. 25pf gray. 30pf orange. 40pf olive. 50pf red brown. 60pf blue green. 80pf violet. 1m brown. 2m violet. 3m red. 5m dark blue. 10m dark green. 20m dark brown.

CANAL ZONE.—The current 1c, 2c and 10c postage due stamps of the United States have been surcharged "Canal Zone" diagonally in black, position and angle of the surcharge being similar to those on the Porto Rico and Philippine stamps. Postage Due Adhesives.

1c rose carmine.

2c rose carmine.

10c rose carmine.

DUTCH INDIES.—The 5c postage due stamp has been issued in a single color.

Postage Due Adhesives.

5c pale orange red.

FRENCH COLONIES. — Mauritania and French Guinea have been provided with new sets of postage dues of crude design and cheap appearance. Only one design is used throughout, with name of Colony changed.

Postage Due Adhesives.

5c green.

10c carmine.

15c gray.

20c brown.

- 30c blue.
- 50c black.
- 60c orange.
- 1fr violet.

GOLD COAST.—The higher values of the King George set are now appearing.

Adhesives.

20sh violet and black on red.

GREECE.—Two charity stamps have been issued for the benefit of the fund for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the soldiers. The design represents a wounded soldier with the family in the background covered by a sister of charity.

Charity Stamps.

21 carmine.

51 blue.

GRENADA.—The 3d King George stamp has been issued on yellow tinted paper.

Adhesives.

3d violet on yellow tinted.

INDIA.—Further printings have been made on the stamps of India for use in the Convention states. Those for "Jhind" are now surcharged "Jind."

Chamba.—1r ordinary and 2a, 4a and 1r "Service."

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Gwalior-12a ordinary and 4a "Service."

Jind—3p, $\frac{1}{2}a$, $\frac{1}{2}a$, 2a, 3a, 4a, 6a, 8a, 12a and 1r ordinary 3p, $\frac{1}{2}a$, 1a, 2a, 4a, 8a, and 1r "service."

MALTA.— The 2½d value of the King George set has been issued.

Adhesive.

2½ d ultramarine.

NETHERLANDS.—The color of the 50c of the current type has been changed.

Adhesive.

50c gray and violet.

Quelimani.—The Ceres type of the stamps is being overworked, this new colony having received a full dress. Values and name of Colony are in black as usual for this type.

Adhesives.

¼ c olive brown.
½ c black.
1c blue green.
1½ c chocolate.
2e earmine.
2½ c violet.
5c blue.
7½ c yellow brown.
8c slate.
10c orange brown
15c plum.
20c violet brown on green.
30e brown on pink.
50c orange on salmon.
1e deep green on blue.

ROUMANIA.—The 10b value of the current type has been issued in the typographed style of 1908-09.

Adhesive.

10b carmine.

ST. LUCIA.—The 4d has been issued on yellow tinted paper.

Adhesive.

4d carmine & black on yellow tinted

SENEGAL.—Full new set has been issued in a large horizontal design showing a native market place. "Afrique Occidentale Francaise" appears at the top and "Senegal" below.

Adhesives.

1c brown and violet.

2c black and blue.

4c gray and brown. 5c yellow-green and green. 10c orange and carmine. 20c violet brown and black. 25c ultramarine and blue. 30c black and carmine. 35c orange and violet. 40c violet and green. 45c dark blue and brown. 50c violet brown and blue. 75c grey and carmine. 1fr violet and black. 2fr carmine and blue. 5fr green and violet.

ST. THOMAS and PRINCE ISLANDS.

Full set of stamps has been issued for this Colony in the Ceres type, name of Colony and value being in black.

Adhesives.

¼ c olive brown.
½ c black.
1c blue green.
1½ c chocolate.
2c carmine.
2½ c violet.
5c blue.
7½ c yellow brown.
8c slate.
10c orange brown.
15c plum.
20c violet brown on green.
30c brown on pink.
50c orange on salmon.
1e deep green on blue.

TETE.—This Colony has also received a full set of Ceres stamps, name of Colony and values being in black as usual.

Adhesives.

¼ c olive brown.
½ c black.
1c blue green.
1½ c chocolate.
2c carmine.
½ c violet.
5c blue.
7 ½ c yellow brown.
8c slate.
10c orange brown.
15c plum.
20c violet brown on green.
30c brown on pink.
50c orange on salmon.
1e deep green on blue.

TIMOR.—The new Ceres set has appeared for this Colony, the colors being the same as for other colonies, with the value changed to conform to the native currency. Values and name of Colony in black on all denominations.

Adhesives.

½a olive brown.

- 1a black.
- 2a blue-green.
- 3a chocolate.
- 4a carmine.

6a lilac.

- 10a blue.
- 12a bistre.
- 16a slate.
- 20a orange-brown.
- 40a lake.
- 58a sepia on green.
- 76a brown on pink.
- 1p orange on salmon.
- 3p green on blue.

Upper Senegal and Niger.—Another series has been added to the long list of French Colonial stamps. The design represents a camel rider, the size being the large upright oblong familiar inrecent issues.

Adhesives.

1c brown violet and violet. 2c gray and lilac. 4c black and blue. 5c yellow-green and green. 10c orange and carmine. 20c lilac and black. 25c ultramarine and blue. 30c brown and red brown. 35c carmine and violet. 40c grey and carmine. 45c blue and brown. 50c black and green. 75c orange and brown. 1fr brown and lilac. 2fr green and blue. 5fr voilet and black.

URUGUAY.—The lithographed stamp of the low values are now being issued in changed colors.

Adhesive.

- 1c yellow green.
- 2c carmine.
- 4c orange.

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the margin of the paper, that these two stamps are from the_gright upper corner. The watermark, of course, is not visible in the illustration, but the margin itself, shown in the photograph, proves they are anyway, from the top of the plate.

Now Mr. Dannatt possesses a "trial pull" from the First Plate showing the upper two rows. This was illustrated in Mr. Dannatt's article in The Stamp Lover, and I reproduce the right-hand corner of it (Fig. 10). It will be observed that the alignment is almost perfect, and I think that this proves pretty conclusively that the pair of stamps illustrated are from the second Plate, while the copy of the stamp with watermark long "5" and with marginal inscription, already referred to, shows that the 1865 printings were done from the First Plate also.

The importance of this discovery will be appreciated when, in the future, specialists become able to distinguish between the First and Second Plate prints, and thus add to the difficulties which already exist for the would-be specialist in Chili.

I have already practically made up my mind which are the First Plate prints and which are those from the Second Plate. In fact, I have done so for some time, but I think, perhaps, it is worth mentioning that when I started writing on my theory I was merely in the realm of supposition; I had no proof whatever, and I have only at the moment of writing these past score or so of lines examined the pair which converts the supposition into fact.

In the case of these Post Office prints, I am giving below the chronological order and dates of the shades as they appear to me to have been issued:—

1856-1858. Dull red-brown to brownish red shades.

1858-1861. Red shades.

1861. Orange and reddish orange. 1862. Carmine shades.

(To be continued).

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Call for Convention.

May 1, 1914. To the Stockholders of

The American Philatelic Society— The Twenty-ninth Annual Convention of this Society for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it will convene at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Tuesday, August 11th, 1914, at Ten o'clock and thirty minutes A. M., and upon succeeding days until all business shall have been disposed of.

The Convention headquarters and place of meeting will be at the International Hotel, Niagara Falls, New York.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE,

President.

May 1, 1914.

To the Stockholders of the

American Philatelic Society.

I have appointed the following Credentials Committee—

Charles F. Heyerman of Detroit, Mich., Chairman.

F. S. Grotjan of Buffalo, N. Y.

W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, Ohio.

C. E. Severn of Chicago, Ill.

H. M. Clark, of New York City, N. Y. and on Committee of Arrangements for

Convention— Julian Park of Buffalo, N. Y., Chair-

man. H. C. Barr of Buffalo, N. Y., Vice-

Chairman.

F. S. Grotjan of Buffalo, N. Y.

F. P. James of Buffalo, N. Y.

Ballots and proxies, both signed if member cannot attend, will be sent to Committee on Credentials, care of Mr. F. S. Grotjan, International Hotel, Niagara Falls, N. Y. Each member must SIGN his own BALLOT, his proxy is not allowed to vote for officers.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE,

- President.

NOTICE.

April 29, 1914. By order of the Board of Vice Presidents, the following notice is published Parties having unsatisfactory dealings with August Mack, Scranton, Pa., please mail particulars to Alvin Good. Recorder, 1131 Leader Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Office of the President.

May 4, 1914. Owing to the death of Mr. A. G. Burgoyne, the office of Assistant Librarian has become vacant, and to fill the unexpired term, I have appointed Mr. Adam E. Daum, 421 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE, President.

CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS.

for the election of the Board of Directors to serve for year 1914-15.

It is now time for nominations to be made for the election of the Board of Directors for the year commencing Sept. 1st, 1914, to be elected at the Annual Convention to be held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., August 11, 12 and 13, 1914, and all Branches are urged to give this matter immediate attention, forwarding such nominations as they desire to make to the Secretary at once, that same may be published in accordance with the By-Laws.

NEWS ITEMS.

Mr. G. G. Bergman, A. P. S. No. 2526, in announcing his change of address to P. O. Box 161, care Singer Sewing Machine Co., Port of Spain, Trinidad, B. W. I., writes as follows:

"If you so desire, you may announce in the American Philatelist that I will gladly purchase without charge for regular members of the A. P. S., any unused current Trinidad stamps, but remittance should not be less than one dollar in greenback, as unused U. S. postage stamps would not be useful to me. Also addressed envelope should come with remittance, which of course could also be made by postal order or N. Y. Draft."

It is such spirit which makes for the betterment of a Society, that willingness to extend help to our fellow-members.

CONVENTION NEWS.

CONVENTION NEWS.

The time for the annual gathering of the stockholders of our Society is rapidly approaching and that the Committee on Arrangements appointed by Pres. Coolidge is busy at work is attested by the receipt of a letter from Mr. H. C. Barr, Vice-Chairman, outlining what has been done to this time. Mr. Barr states:

The International Hotel which will be the headquarters of the Convention, and at which place will be held the meetings of the Society, is conducted on the American plan, with the following special rates to our members—\$4.00 per day single, \$3.50 per day double, in rooms without bath. \$5.00 per day single, \$4.50 per day double, in rooms with bath. The Hotel offers splendid accommodations, and is under new management this year that bids fair to surpass anything that has been offered there in the way of management in the past. The members can rest assured they will be well taken care of; the ladies will be provided with entertainment during the day while the members are in session, and there will be a good time for all. Sight seeing will of course, occupy the spare time of all those present, and Niagara Falls certainly ought to attract a large number of our members.

The Buffalo Collectors Club, Branch No. 37, are taking great interest in the coming Convention and will be glad to welcome all visiting members and to offer any advice in regard to Buffalo hotels, etc., in case any members wish to stop over here. They will attend the Convention in a body and see to it that everybody has a good time. All of our members may not know that Buffalo is only about 40 minutes ride from Niagara Falls by train or trolley.

While the Convention dates are Aug. 11th to 13th, we urge everyone to be here the afternoon or evening of the 10th.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR MONTH OF APRIL, 1914.

Chicago, May 1st	., 1914.	Subscriptions	1.75	
STOCK FUND.		W. E. Ault, Adv Vol	l	
Balance forwarded \$4,127.6	6	XXVII	· 49.35	
April receipts 12.0	0	Reinstatement	1.00	
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Credit balance	\$4,139.66		458.41	
INSURANCE FUND).	Disbursements	192.25	
Credit balance	1,553.80	Credit balance		266.16
EXCHANGE ACCOUN	NT.	SUMMARY OF	BALANC	ES.
Balance forwarded 53.9	3	Stock Fund	\$4,139.66	
April receipts .3	0	Insurance Fund	1,553.80	
	_	Exchange Account	54.23	
Credit balance	54.23	Suspense Account	44.00	
SUSPENSE ACCOUN	IT.	General Fund	266.16	
Balance forwarded 42.1	5			
April receipts 1.8	5	Total		\$6,057.85
	_	RESOUR	CES.	
Credit balance	44.00	Bonds (book value)	2,612.34	
GENERAL FUND.		Cash in Bank		
Balance forwarded 383.4	0			
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EDITORIAL.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION. The time of our annual Convention is but three months distant, the twenty-

ninth annual gathering of our Society. We shall meet this year on Eastern soil and the attendance should surpass that of last year, as Niagara Falls is so situated that it is in easy reach of a majority of our members and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of the opportunity to be there. Convention attendance is a habit which when once formed always holds forth an attraction not easy to resist. It is a time when those of kindred tastes have an outlet for their enthusiasm and a renewal of old friendships and the making of new ones.

Aside from the social features of a gathering of this kind, there lies the real business which draws our members together—vital issues affecting the wellbeing of our National organization. Of late years there has been little need of much alteration of the laws under which we operate, and so far as known at this writing there will be but small necessity of any far-reaching legislation at the coming meeting.

The absence of such matters and of competition in the elections of our board of Directors have contributed to keep down both the vote and the number of proxies, but members should not neglect these important duties which they owe to the Society for these reasons. Conventions have been held in the past when the number of stockholders represented in person and by proxy could have prevented the passing of any new laws which might have been very much to the interests of the Society to put on record, but in such cases concerted action of those in attendance has averted such an occurrence.

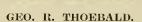
It is not too early to impress upon every member that the seemingly small item of casting their vote and having themselves represented by proxy, if unable to be present in person, should not be passed by lightly. Before the appearance of the next issue each member will have received the official ballot for use in the election of the Board of Directors for the year ending August 31st, 1915, accompanied by an official proxy blank, and these should have their proper consideration. We want each member to feel that his vote is required, even if he should consider it only a matter of form, and to feel that his representation is a thing to be hoped for. Every member should feel that the A. P. S. is HIS Society and should take pride in its prestige, and by following its forms, he can add immeasurably to the beneficial workings of the Society.

Let every member think over this and when the time comes to cast your ballot do so with a sense of duty performed and with a knowledge that his action helps the cause along.

WM. W. RAYMOND.

And again the Grim Reaper steps in among us and removes from our membership one who has been associated with the Society for the past eight years. On April 17th, 1914, at Owego, N. Y., his home, Mr. William W. Raymond, died of apoplexy, aged 44 years. Mr. Raymond was Secretary of the Standard Butter Co. of Owego.

We extend to his family our sincere sympathy in their loss.



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Again we are called upon to mourn the loss of a member of long standing of our Society. Mr. Geo. R. Theobald, A. P. S. 1673, died Feb. 10th, 1914, at his home in Richmond, Maine, of acute Bright's Disease, aged 45 years. Mr. Theobald had been a stamp collector practically all his life.

The Society extends to his family its deepest sympathy in their bereavement.



SOCIETY FORMED BY COLLECTORS.

With about forty in attendance the Pasadena Philatelic society was formed last night at a meeting held in the office of Louis L. Sands in the Hotel Green arcade. W. Parker Lyon was chosen chairman and meetings will be called every two weeks at which all earnest collectors are invited to be present.

Among those present were W. Parker Lyon, Louis Sands, Alexander Hollond, David Blankenhorn, Lloyd Macy, B. W. H. Poole, David Painter, E. W. Painter, E. G. Pettigrew, Sigurd Russell, E. M. Taylor, Granville Eaton, R. F. Means, Albert Lundin, Jacob Weigel, Jack Kendall, David E. Brown, and T. C. Veale. —(Pasadena (Calif.) Star, March 18, 1914).

We extend our best wishes for a successful and long career.

OUR REVIEW.

BY THE EDITOR.

THE STAMP COLLECTORS' ANNUAL The eleventh yearly edition of 1914. this work, which has become known among all stamp collectors, has been received through the courtesy of the publishers, and as usual we find it well filled with interesting and timely articles and the information found in its 154 pages assures it a welcome in any philatelist's library. Simply a resume of the contents is enough to assure one that it is well worth possessing. "The Story of the Year," a philatelic review of 1913; "Stamp Books of the Year"; "Stamps of the European Post Offices in Egypt"; "Great Britain-The Georgian Series," well written and illustrated with a very "Norway; comprehensive check list; Types of the Issue 1867-1868"; "The Philatelic Congress of Great Britain"; Lists of the Philatelic Societies and publications of the world and of the exchange clubs of Great Britain; An universal directory of the stamp trade; "The Philatelic Literary Index for 1912-13," a compilation of much value; and "The Year's New Issues; an illustrated chronicle of the postage stamps of 1913." Edited by Douglas B. Armstrong. Price 1sh. net. Published by The Philatelic Press, 22 Chancery Lane, W. C., London, England.

THE 1861-68 ISSUE UNITED STATES STAMPS, being Number Four of Linn's Philatelic Handbooks. Our thanks are due the publishers for copy reviewed. While we shall not attempt a critical review of the matter contained in the volume, from a reading we shall say that the information set forth is in a decidedly interesting form, treating the stamps of these dates in a very concise manner and in a logical sequence. Books of this style should prove very popular with collectors, and being gotten up in usual tasteful form, should readily find a place on a collector's bookshelf. Works on the stamps of our Country are always welcome to American philatelists. Written by Frank E. Goodwin and published by George W. Linn Co., Columbus, Ohio. Price 15 cents.

SALES SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

No. 9.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 1, 1914. The business done by the Sales Department since my last report is as follows: 2505 Books in circulation val-

	ued at\$ 50,470.60
241	New books received val-
	ued at 4,541.55
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2746	Total number of books _ 55,012.15
121	Books retired since Re-
	port No. 8 (Sales \$716
	86) valued at 2,694.54
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2625 Total number now in the

Department valued at_\$52,317.61 Insurance on the 121 books retired since Report No. 8 is \$16.33 which amount has been forwarded to the Treasurer.

The sales since last report was \$994.04.

Although all participants of the Department have been notified of the change of address of the Sales Superintendent from Chicago to No. 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., yet a number of members continue to send reports and circuits to Chicago which means delay and in several instances confusion.

Branch Agents are requested to notify the Superintendent of any flagarent cases of delay on the part of members dealing with them. The same rules, regulations, fines, etc., are in force when members receive books from Branch Agents as if the books came direct from the Superintendent.

Buyers should use great care in checking up their purchases before the books are forwarded to the next on circuit so as to avoid the many small mistakes and blank spaces. Members are required to adjust these matters between themselves as the rules provide, for the Superintendent cannot take care of such cases.

Old issues of United States stamps, old European of the 19th Century and used 20th Century stamps are in most demand at present.

Books valued at \$10.00 net and over show a better percentage of sales than those under that. There is little or no demand for the very cheap stamps of which there are always an abundance in the Department.

The Chicago Agent of the Sales Department, Mr. Henry Ades Fowler has changed his address from 828 Unity Bldg. to 1301 Fort Dearborn Bldg. Mr. Fowler has a good supply of the A. P. S. Books on hand where members can see them and secure city circuits. He announces that he will keep his office open every Tuesday and Friday evening till 9 o'clock which will be a great convenience for Chicago A. P. S. members.

Members in any locality can receive regular circuits or "Special Individual Circuits" no matter if there is a Branch Agent located there or not, or in very large cities there may be two local Circuits and two Branch Agents. The Department will make any arrangements to accommodate members and facilitate the circulation of the books in the Department. P. M. WOLSIEFFER,

Sales Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

Dear Fellow-members: April 27, 1914. After taking the matter up with the Official Board, I have again appointed the following to serve on the Recruiting committee:

Mr. E. G. Gregg.

Mr. Karl Koslowski.

Mr. J. M. Schaefer.

Mr. Thorn Smith.

Mr. Ernest Stolze.

To each of these appointments, I have

mailed letters informing them of same also enclosing them some application blanks. I hope that each one will use their efforts, and if at any time they are in need of more application blanks and leaflets, I shall be glad to mail more upon request.

Wishing all the members of the AM-ERICAN success I am,

> Yours for a greater A. P. S. C. W. KISSINGER, Chairman.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Those receiving unsolicited approval sheets will kindly inform the Recorder of the Board of Vice Presidents the names of dealers sending them, in order that the Board may take action to eradicate this .evil.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING April 11, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Winans, Miss Francis E.L., 225 Franklin St., Bloomfield, N. J.; Age 23; Stenographer; Refs. Freund, Freund & Co., 85 Franklin St., New York City, N. Y.; Proposed by W. G. Whittaker, No. 3549
- Doane, Percy G., Tribune Bldg., New York City, N. Y.; Age 36; Stamp Dealer; Refs. Geo. R. Tuttle, 116 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y., Nassau Nat'l. Bank, Nassau & Beekman St., New York City N. Y.; Proposed by H. H. Wilson, No. 3563.
- Bryant, Wm. R., 1525 Olivewood Ave., Lakewood, Ohio; Age 24; Chemist;
 Firm Standard Oil Co. of Ohio; Ref.
 W. G. Whittaker, 604 Caxton Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by, W. H.
 Barnum, No. 585.
- Schmidt, George K., 1604 Clybourn Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Age legal; Real Estate; Refs., Oscar P. Spielmann, A. P. S. 4347, Chicago, Ill., T. W. Brophy, Jr., A. P. S. 4296, Chicago, Ill.; Proposed by, Fred Michael, No. 938.
- Bleakie, William J., Sabattus, Maine; Age 40; Woolen Mill Agent; Firm, Webster Woolen Co.; Refs., First National Bank, Lewiston, Maine, Androscoggin County Savings Bank, Lewiston Maine; Proposed by, R. J. Wagner, No. 3503.
- Carter, Arthur B., 1 Cathedral St., Annapolis, Maryland; Age 57; Asst. Postmaster of Annapolis, Md.; Refs., Farmers Natl. Bank, Annapolis, Md., Grofton D. Ridout, V. P. Farmers Natl. Bank, Annapolis, Md.; Proposed by, Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.

New Stockholders.

4402—Binnie, H. J., Elstow, Sask, Can. 4403—Nickles, C. E., Washington, D. C. 4404—Means, Oscar E., Saybrook, Ill.

Death Reported.

1292—Burgoyne, Arthur G., Pittsburgh, Pa., March 23rd, 1914.

Changes of Address.

- 2821—Abbott, Joseph Q., from Green St. Extension, Fitchburg, Mass., to 683 Main St., North Leominster, Mass.
- 2147—Ackerman, H. S., from 716 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., to 228
 S. Maple Ave., Ridgewood, N. J.
- 4186—Brinckerhof, A. G., from P. O. Box 32, Carlton, Oregon, to 148 N. 24th St., Portland, Oregon.
- 2640—Cass, Leon V., from 723 Columbia St., Scranton, Pa., to 2010 Darien St., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 4380—Chamberlain, W. A., from 1374 Cove Ave., to 1529 Rockway Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.
- 1233—Gleason, G. G., from 102 Gibbs St., to 78 Clifton St., Rochester, N. Y.
- 1922—Pond, Chas. L., from 432 W. 31st St., to 3203 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 3631—Tudbury, Warren C., from 8 Mall St., Salem, Mass., to 441 Consolidated Realty Bldg., Los Angeles, Calif.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership April 4th, 1914 1403 New Stockholders admitted
- April 11th, 1914 _____ 3 1406

Death Reported April 11, 1914

Total membership April 11th,

1914 _____ 1405 WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

April 18, 1914.

Applications Posted.

Haggett, Edward G., 87 Fleetwood St., Portland, Maine; Age 41; Bicycle Dealer; Firm, Edward G. Haggett; Ref., Fidelity Trust Co., Portland, Maine; Proposed by, James C. Woolley, No. 2205.

- Brown, Harold H., 26 Union St., Newton Centre, Mass.; Age 18; Printer; Guarantor, Edgar A. Brown, Publisher, 26 Union St., Newton Centre, Mass.; Proposed by, Wm. L. Aldrich, No. 2092.
- Joyce, Morton D., 11 W. 81st St., N. Y. City, N. Y.; Age 14; Student; Guarantor, Wm. B. Joyce, President National Surety Co., 11 W. 81st St., New York City, N. Y.; Proposed by, M. Ohlman, No. 4073.

Application for Reinstatement Posted.

2769—Pietsch, Andrew J., 2505 Garrison Ave., Baltimore, Md.; Age 54; Asst. Supt. Public Schools; Proposed by Harry M. Lindsay, No. 2721.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

- 4405—Decker, Charles B., Grand Rapids, Mich.
- 4406-Nissen, C. F., Newton, Kansas.
- 4407-Seidl, Dr. Fred, Benson, Ill.

4408-Gundlach, T. J., Buffalo, N. Y.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 7th, 1914, having paid dues in full for the current year, are hereby replaced on the membership roll and are in good standing:

1670-Brown, Clark W., Ashland, Mass.

2594-Worrilow, Capt. U. G., Manila, P. I.

Changes of Address.

- 462—Fowler, Henry Ades, from 127 N. Dearborn St., to 1301 Fort Dearborn Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
- 2275—Klein, Eugene, from 136 S. 15th St., to 142 S. 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa. (Correction).
- 367—Lachasse, Gustav de, from 128, East Avenue 57, to 371½ West Avenue 52, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 3851—Prescott, Frank, from 115 East Ave. 36, to City Engineers Office, City Hall, Los Angeles, Calif.
 - 47—Rothfuchs, C. F., from P. O. Box
 924, Los Angeles, Calif., to P. O.
 Box 493, Long Beach, Calif.
- 2349—Sisson, Wm. A., from 314 Pine St. to 510 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.
- 2594—Worrilow, Capt. U. G. from care Philippine Scouts, Manila, P. I. to Texas City, Texas,

Membership Summary.

Total membership April 11th,

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	April	18th,	1914			4
Re	eplace	ed on	memb	ership	roll	
	April	18th,	1914			2

Total membership April 18th, 1914 _____

WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING April 25, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Linnemann, A. C. O., Box 613, Honolulu Hawaii; Age 37; Bookkeeper; Firm M. McInery, Ltd.; Refs, Trent Trust Co. Ltd., Chambers Drug Co., Ltd; Proposed by Bruce Cartwright, Jr., No. 4224.
- Kocher, Frank, Cokeburg, Wash. Co., Pa. Age 30; Manager; Firm Wehrum Sup. Co.; Ref. National Bank of Ellsworth, Ellsworth, Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.
- Soper, E. K., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.; Age 28; Teacher; Ref. University of Minnesota; Proposed by E. J. Gifford, No. 4077.
- Frelin, Jules Theophile, 228 Flowell Hall, Minneapolis, Minn.; Age 44; Teacher; Refs. Saint Anthony Falls Bank, University of Minnesota; Proposed by E. J. Gifford, No. 4077.

Application for Reinstatement Posted. 1883—Oughtrud, Mrs. E. W., 28 Lincoln

Avenue, Montreal, Canada; Age Legal; Stamp Dealer; Ref. Mrs. Louis Kellogg, West Hartford, Conn.; Proposed by, W. C. Stone, No. 49.

New Stockholders.

- 4409-Bird, Warren C., Baltimore, Md.
- 4410—Peters, Dr. Don Preston, Baltimore Md.
- 4411-Menager, L. C., Jacksonville, Fla.
- 4412-Adams, Henry, Baltimore, Md.
- 4413—Johnson, Chas. H., San Francisco, Calif.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following dropped March 7th, 1914, having paid dues in full for the current year, is hereby replaced on the memberbership roll and is in good standing:

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3307—Johnson, Herbert F., 44 Fleet St., London, E. C. England.

Deceased.

1673—Theobald, Geo. R., Richmond, Me. Feb. 10th, 1914.

Changes of Address.

- 4265—Eames, Milo D., from 801 White Bldg., to 1084 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1869—Park, Julian, from 510 Delaware Ave., to 77 Richmond Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1103—Perrin, Albert, from 106 E. 23rd St., to 1 East 28th St., New York City, N. Y.

Membership Summary.

Total membership April 18th,

- 1914 _____1411 New Stockholders admitted
- April
 25th,
 1914
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 Replaced
 on
 membership
 roll

 April
 25th,
 1914
 1417
- Death reported April 25, 1914
- Total membership April 25th,
 - 1914 1416 WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING May 2, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Winans, Miss Francis E. L. Doane, Percy G. Bryant, Wm. R. Schmidt, George K. Bleakie, William J. Carter, Arthur B. Haggett, Edward G. Brown, Harold H. Joyce, Morton D. Linnemann, A. C. O. Kocher, Frank. Soper, E. K. Frelin, Jules Theophile.

Applications for Reinstatement Pending 2769—Pietsch, Andrew J.

1883-Oughtrud, Mrs. E. W.

Applications Posted.

Hayden, Horace Edwin, Jr., Box 67, College Station, Texas; Age Legal; Assis-

tant Professor of Botany, A. & M. College of Texas; Refs. People's Bank, Wilkes-Barre, Penn., First National Bank, Bryan, Texas; Proposed by Wm. E. Ault, No. 1908.

Katzaraky, Wladimir, Znamenka 16, Moscow, Russia; Age Legal; Agent for Carter's Ink Co. for Russia; Ref. The Carter's Ink Co., First & Athenaeum Sts., Cambridge, C. Boston, Mass; Proposed by C. Traustel, No. 3256.

New Stockholders.

- 4414—Welsh, Thomas E., of F., Baltimore, Maryland.
- 4415—Kirk, Miss Debby Lewis, Llanerch, Pa.
- 4416-Martinez, Rafael, Havana, Cuba.
- 4417—Taylor, Geo. Winship, Catonsville, Maryland.

Reinstated.

763—Phillips, William H., East Liverpool, Ohio.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 7th, 1914, having paid dues in full for the current year, are hereby replaced on the membership roll and are in good standing:

- 1214—Nelson, Robt. S., 2210 Highland Ave., Birmingham, Ala.
- 3955—Filsinger, Fred B., 59 Vermont Ave. Toronto, Canada. (Note change of address).
- 3282—Kolle, H., care Freiz & Co., Casilla de Correa, Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic.

Changes of Address.

4279—Whittaker, Robert, from R. F. D. No. 3, Newton Square, Pa., to Llanerch, Pa.

Membership Summary.

 Total membership April 25th,

 1914
 1416

 New Stockholders admitted

 May 2nd, 1914
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 Reinstated May 2, 1914
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 Replaced on membership roll
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Total membership May 2, 1914 1424

WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

By the International Secretary.

- The Philatelic Society of St. Petersburg, Russia, has forwarded for our library, under registration, three parts of a publication issued by the Society, but as every word is printed in Russian characters, I am not even able to give the name of the publication.
- Vertrauliches Korrespondenz Blatt. Vol XXIV. No. 3, March 1914. Published at Hamburg, Germany. Contains membership report by the International Secretary of the American Philatelic Society.
- Mitteilungen des Oberalsessischen Philatelistenclubs. 3rd year. No 10, March, 1914. Published at Mulhausen, Alsace, by the philatelic clubs of that Country. Society and exhibition news. Items from Belgium, Norway and Bavaria. Guiding rules for the valuation of cancellations.
- Schweizerische Philatelistische Nachrichten. Vol. VI, No. 3, March 1914. Published at Berne, Switzerland by Mr. E. Zumstein. "The first stamp issues fo the Gorman General Post Office." Contribution to the history of the "Vineta" provisionals. New Issues. Latest news. Forgeries. Miscellaneous. Literature.
- Der Philatelist. 25th year, No. 3, March 15, 1914. Published at Dresden by the Internationalen Philatelisten-Vereins Dresden. News for the collector. The Postage stamps of Albania, by Gustave Freyse. The 40 years jubilee of the German post office museum. The Hungarian stamp issues in the Fall of 1913 by Stefan Somossi. The postage stamp albums and Pedogogies. Forgeries. The book market. Miscellaneous. Exchanges. Society minutes and news.
- Revue Philatelique Francdise. 25th year. No. 265. March, 1914. Published in Paris by the Societe Francaise de Timbrologie. "What the collector needs to know, by L. Hanciau. "Forgeries of the Guadeloupe 25c, blue, of 1900, and the Mayotte 10c and 15c of 1900." "A postage stamp auction at Agen, January 22, 1914." "Reprints of the postal

cards of Iceland", by H. Schoeller." "My collection," by A. Lavenir. Literature. Society notes. New issues.

- Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift. Vol XV. No. 3, March, 1914. Published at Stockholm, Sweden by Sveriges Filatelist Forening. "Our Portraits" shows the likeness of Mr. L. Harald Kjellstedt, accompanied by a pleasing editorial on his activities during 10 years service as the Society's American representative and associate editor of its journal. "The new stamps of Turkey." "Where should the limit be put?" by A. A. Solbu, an argument against extensive specialism in the Swedish issues. "Contributions to a study of the official 4 ore stamps, perf. 13, of 1882-93," by Victor Ewald. "England £1, King Edward, cancelled Guernsey." "The U.S. Parcel Post issue," by L. Harald Kjellstedt. Question column. New issues. Literature. Our Contemporaries. Society minutes.
- Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society. Vol. VII. No. 1, January, 1914. Published in London for members of the Society only. "The Canadian Philatelist" (London Ontario.) "The Early Publications of J. B. Moens." Reviews. Notes. Queries.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. 21st year No. 3, March, 25, 1914. Published at Christiana, Norway by the Nordisk Fildtelistforbund. "The Postage Stamps of Norway" by Justus Andersen and Henrik Dethloff. The present installment of this important work deals with the issue of 1856-57. "The influence on philately of the late Balkan war" by K. Torjussen. News for collectors. Forgries. Literature. Important articles in the philatelic press. Miscellaneous. Society minutes. In connection with the latter it is worth pointing out the courtesy and cooperation extended to the Philatelic Club of Christiania by the Norweigian Post Office Department. At a meeting held last December, the members were permitted to examine proofs of the new jubilee issue, and also

the original die of the first Norweigian stamp, the original plates of the 2 and 3sk of 1856-57, and the original die and plate of the 8sk of the same issue. To every meeting of the Club, the Post Office Department also sends regularly for examination all specimen stamps received from the headquarters of the International Postal Union since the previous meeting.

Monthly Report of the Harts Philatelic Society. Vol. VII. No. 7, April, 1914. Published in London. Minutes. "Albania," by H. L. Churchill. "The adhesive postage stamps of St. Vincent by G. G. Darbou. "Specialized Catalogues of the Countries of the World" by Wm. R. Ricketts. "The Post in times of War." translation from paper by A. E. Glasewald." Hints for detecting Forgeries" by W. Archibald Boyes. Correspondence. "Philatelic Crumbs' by the Editor (Mr. Franz Reichenheim). Reviews.

By the Secretary.

- The Postage Stamp, Vol. 13 No. 26, Vol. 14, Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4. March 28th, April 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th, 1914.
- Philadelphia Stamp News, Vol. V. Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. April 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and May 2nd, 1914.
- Stamp Collecting, Vol. II Nos. 28, 29, 30 31. March 28th, April 4th, 11th, and 18th, 1914.
- The Economist Bulletin Vol. I, Nos. 7 and 8. April 1st and May 1st, 1914.
- The Stamp Journal, Vol. VII Nos. 3 and 4. March and April, 1914.
- Norkisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. Vol. 21. No. 3. March 20, 1914.
- Everybody's Philatelist, Vol. V, No. 3, March, 1914.
- Monthly Report of The Herts Philatelic Society, Vol. VII, No. 7, April, 1914.
- Linn's Way, Vol. IV, No. 2, April, 1914.
- Germania-Berichte, Vol. XI, No. 4, April 10th, 1914.
- The West End Philatelist. Vol. XI, No. 122, April, 1914.
- The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Vol. XXIV, No. 280, April 20th, 1914.
- The Stamp Lover, Vol VI, No. 11, April, 1914.
- Stanley Gibbon's Monthly Journal, Vol. XXII, No. 255, March, 1914.

COMMUNICATIONS

We will gladly publish letters of general interest from our members, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed therein.

April 4, 1914.

To the Editor of the American Philatelist, Dear Sir:---

It is hoped that you will kindly publish this communication in reply to letter from W. A. Greenbaum, published in your March edition.

I believe Mr. Greenbaum has lost sight of the fact that weekly reports of the Secretary of the American Philatelic Society are published in accordance with the By-Laws which provide for the publication of an applicant's name one month in advance of his admittance to membership. To permit an applicant's admittance without having to wait one month after the appearance of his (or her) name in a monthly, in fact, to expedite the admittance of a new member, a weekly periodical was selected for the publication of the Secretary's weekly reports on membership.

In the United States, there is only one other weekly stamp periodical besides the *Philadelphia Stamp News*. The latter has been duly elected (chosen by vote) and appointed to serve as the weekly in which the weekly reports should be published.

Should it be the desire of the majority of the American Philatelic Society members (voters) to select the only weekly contemporary of the *Philadelphia Stamp News* for the purpose of publishing the weekly reports, I am sure the *Philadelphia Stamp News* or its publisher would not have any desire to stand in the way of anything that will prove of advantage to or which will advance the Society. The matter could be put to a vote and it might create a little excitement at the Niagara Convention.

However, I do not believe the publisher of the *Philadelphia Stamp News* intends to offer any bonus for the privilege of publishing the weekly reports. Why? Because it has cost him \$500 a year to be of service to the American Philatelic Society. He has given space and time to advancing its interests, while the only reward he has heaped has been one of honor—and this he does not wish to purchase.

It might be stated that if the members of the American Philatelic Society had all subscribed for the *Philadelphia Stamp News*, the subscription price of that publication would not have been raised from 50 cents for 52 numbers to \$1.00 for the same, which has proved that about the same number of members will subscribe for it at \$1.00 as subscribed for it at 50c, viz: 40 per cent. of the membership, more than the total number of votes at any of the recent Society elections.

> Respectfully, PERCY McG. MANN, A. P. S. No. 3202.

NEW BAVARIA STAMPS.

The new issue of Bavarian stamps has just made its appearance and is an advance on any other specimen of stamp production yet attempted by this country.

Three designs are employed for the series, the third for the highest denomination being of large upright shape. They are printed by the new Mezzotint process in Munich and bear different portraits of King Ludwig the Third, the lower values, three quarter-face picture of the King wearing glasses, and the higher, a magnificent side-face portrait.

The whole set consists of sixteen values.

Ludwig the Third is the son of Luitpold who died last year at the age of 91, being then the oldest ruler in Europe, succeeding Ludwig the Second, his nephew, that fated ruler whose eccentricity consisted of a passion for building elaborate palaces, and who was declared insane in 1866, drowning himself a few days later. Ludwig was a fervant admirer and sincere friend to that great genius, Wagner.

For the above information as well as a copy of the 3pf. stamp, we are indebted to Mr. W. S. Lincoln, 2, Holles St., Oxford St., London, W., England.



CHECK LIST No. 12.

Thick Paper

10c black (King Kalakaua) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 50,000 February 20, 1882 75,000 June 21, 1882 12,500 November 8, 1886 62,500 September 17, 1890

Medium and Thick Paper

15c red brown (2 or more shades)

(Queen Kapiolaui) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 25,000 February 20, 1882 50,000 June 21, 1882

Thick Paper

10c vermilion

(King Kalakaua) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Noto Co. New York Deliveries made 25,000 September 30, 1883 12,500 April 4, 1885 50,000 March 2, 1887

Thick Paper 10c brown (6 or more shades) (King Kalakaua) Engraved and printed by The American Bauk Note Co. New York Deliveries made 62,500 September 19, 1881 125,000 Aprill 11, 1889 125,000 October 27, 1891

Thick Paper 12c red lilac (3 or more shades) (Prince Leleiohoku) Engraved by The National Bank Note Co. Printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 25,000 September 30, 1583 12,500 June 19, 1588

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Approval to A. P. S. members, others send ref-erence. All my old ads in "American Philatelist" still good. Look them up. ROSS O'SHAUGHNESSY, A. P. S. #1576. 636 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

PARCEL POST VARIETIES.

BY C. A. COOLIDGE.

In an examination of some sheets of the Fifty Cent Parcel Post stamps I have noticed certain minor variations, which I have not seen reported.

On three different sheets of this value, plate number 6428 on the two left stamps, upper row of the top right quarter portion of the sheet, I find a short horizontal red hair line running through the center of the zero of the right 50 of the left stamp and continued through the left 50 of the second stamp, a condition very similar to the hair lines on the Canadian 1 and 2 cent stamps of the King George series. This variation must be constant on that plate, but not to the die, as it occurs only in the two upper left corner stamps of that plate so far as I have observed.

On the "C" of the word CENTS in the second stamp from the left in the upper row is also a short diagonal red line, which touches the outer curve of that letter.

On the figure 5 of the 50 of the upper left stamp, upper row on the plate above mentioned, there is a short curved red line on the inside of the lower curved part of the figure, following the inner line of the 5.

In casually examining the remainder of the quarter sheets of stamps at the Post Office I could not detect any similar light red hair lines on the other stamps.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and re-quest the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page.

BRANCH 25.

Detroit, Mich.

April 10th, 1914.

The 54th meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Society, held this date at 8.30 p. m., at the Apartments of General C. A. Coolidge, in the Pasadena Apartments.

Members present 23; visitors 2. Total 25.

President Coolidge presided.

The Minutes of the 53rd regular meeting were read and approved.

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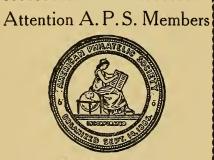
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THE IMPERFORATE ISSUES OF CHILI Hints on Distinguishing the Various Printings, Etc.

By S. C. BARNETT.

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(Continued from page 176.)

By an extraordinary coincidence within a week of finding the pair of 1865 prints illustrated, I have discovered further proof, this time in regard to the 1857 printings; for I have found, and illustrate here (Fig. 11), a strip of three from the same position on the sheet, i.e. the right upper corner, and watermarked small "5."

This proves that the Second Plate was used for the 1857 printing, and it only remains now to discover a copy with marginal inscription and small "5" watermark to complete the chain of evidence and establish for certain that both plates were used for the 1857, as well as the 1865, printings.

5c., red.

Stamps that come under this heading are divisible broadly into two series:—

1858 Post Office prints. Nos. 19-22. Wmk. small "5" (Fig. 1).

1865. Post Office prints. Nos. 36-39. Wmk. long-necked "5" (Fig. 3).

They present practically no difficulties, as the watermark which distinguishes them is quite distinct, and generally is quite easy to see, at least the long-necked "5" is, the small "5" watermark being occasionally rather obscure. obscure.

It is, however, a rather more difficult matter to sub-divide them into "catalogue" shades, and almost impossible to say which should be termed rose-red and which merely red. As a matter of fact they are to be found in nearly every shade of red, brick-red, vermillion-red, carmine-red, and orange red; also in reddish orange and orange, as well as a distinct printing in rich carmine.

A few words here about the orangered may not be out of place. Although the Catalogue gives No. 21 as orange-red, I think the word red should in that instance be omitted. Stamps in orange-red are really fairly common, while those in real orange are worth every penny of their Catalogue price. I think that orange and reddish orange are the only two deserving of the Catalogue price of No. 21.

The 1865 printings also appeared in a number of shades, though, perhaps not quite so many distinct ones as the They are found in pale red, red, last deep red, carmine-red, and lake-red; th's last colour being a very deep shade There will be, I suppose, in indeed. the future. thesubdivision into "Plates," and I think the means of distinction will lie in the "head of Columbus," those prints with the "Cameo"like head being from the Second Plate. and those in which the head is more "shaded" from the First Plate. It will, however, probably be a difficult matter to distinguish them, as the majority of these prints were so carelessly done, and "smearings" and "smudgings" were rife amongst them.

10c., blue.

The first proceeding with all the 10c. is to examine the watermark. The large watermark "10" is pretty nearly always very distinct, so distinct that it appears to be coloured, and may readily be detected by the shape of the figures, particularly the "1," without having to bother about millimetre measurements. The thickness and size of the numerals are not an unfailing test, although, of course, they are the general one.

The following rule may fairly safely be adopted: In the small "10" watermark the "1" is shaped as in Fig. 12, and that in the large watermark as in Fig. 13. The cross lines in the first type are often exaggerated, and the two upright lines are fairly parallel and not sloping out at the bottom, as in most of the large "10" watermarks; and, generally speaking, these lines are about 1-16 of an inch apart, against, say, 1-8 in the larger.

I do not think, then, that even the novice will have any real difficulty in picking out the large watermark, if these factors are borne in mind.

The stamps with the large watermark can be set aside as classified, except for colours; but in the case of those with the small watermark the question then arises—are they London, Gillet, Desmadryl, or Post Office printing? In all probability they are Post Office prints, as these are the most frequently met with, but we can decide by the following points:—

1853. First London Prints (No. 2).

These may be recognized by their being in a very soft rich blue. I know of them in three distinct shades, one of which is fully described by the above term, and of the other two, one has a tinge of Prussian blue, and the other a suspicion of ultramarine in its composition. They were evidently printed from plates well inked with a thick pigment; this causes the details, especially the white lettering, to have a distinct "burr," not a "blurred" edge as one gets by a shifted impression, but an impression from a very evidently overcharged plate, causing the colouring matter to impinge in its fullness on the white parts of the design. Fig. 14 shows this heavy impression very fairly.

I have seen a few copies of this printing in which this excess of ink was not apparent, but they have been very rare exceptions, and one may safely leave them out of consideration.

There is one Post Office printing likely to be confused with the London prints, I think about the last printing (of the 10c. value), made by the Postal Authorities about 1861. It is chiefly similar in the fact of the full inking (Fig. 21), but the colour has a distinct greenish tinge, and lacks the "body" and softness of tone which are the outstanding features of the Perkins Bacon print. The ink has the appearance of being rather thin. It is fortunate that, owing to the lateness of this printing, it is generally found with a "Cancelled" or "Inutil" obliteration; and as the Perkins Bacon print is practically never found with these marks, the task of identification is considerably lightened.

1853. Gillet Prints (Nos. 12-14).

The printings by Gillet may be compared, in relation to the 10c. London Printing, as the 5c. Desmadryl is to the 5c. First London Print, the outstanding feature being very fine-lined prints, every way perfect specimens of engraving. They can well be described as having a delicate "lacy" appearance (Fig. 15). Like the 5c. Desmadryl, the stamps often show strong ribbing, but are also frequently found without this, as in the case of the aforementioned 5c.

The catalogue gives three shades for this stamp, but I have seen copies in the following: Dark blue, deep blue, slate-blue, greenish blue, greenish slate, grey-blue, pale blue, and sky-blue.

There are only one or two Post Office printings which really are liable to be confused with these; they are those finely executed in indigo and Prussian blue (Figs. 17 and 18). Some impressions of these are very fine, but they are not to be compared in fineness of execution with Gillett prints, particularly in the fine lines of shading on the head of Columbus. The colour, moreover, in these Post Office prints is often "blurred" into the margin between the stamps, a fault which is very rerely seen in a Gillet print.

Another distinguishing point for Gillet prints is the appearance, which a large number of them have, of having been printed on a "parchment" kind of paper, giving a semi-transparent effect; this is sometimes very marked, and any finely printed stamps, in the shades given above, or any other shade of blue for that matter, having this "parchment" appearance, may fairly safely be c'assified as Gillets, without further examination, especially if it is accompanied by a fine ribbing on the paper.

1854. Desmadryl Prints (Nos. 15, 16).

These are more difficult to describe, as there are not so many salient features to go by; on the other hand, once a Desmadryl print is known, I find it no more difficult to distinguish than the Gillet.

The outstanding features of these prints are their dull colours and "flat" appearance, some are almost like lithographs; by this description I do not mean to convey any suggestion of faulty or indistinct printing, but an absence of the sharp definition and "lacy" fineness which are the most noticeable features of Gillet prints, although certain points, such as the "dots" of shading on the face of Columbus, are generally very fine (Fig. 16).

The engine-turned design of the backhead, also appears "radiating." I cannot assign any cause for this appearance, but I have noticed it, in a greater or less degree, in almost all the Desmadryl prints that I have seen, except those of extra "flat" appearance, when this factor is lost in the general "dullness" of the impression.

The Catalogue shades are blue and sky-blue; I have never seen a real skyblue Desmadryl print; the only real sky-blue prints to my mind, otherwise than Post Office prints, are the Gillet productions, uncatalogued at present. Deep blue, blue, and pale blue would, in my opinion, be better definitions of the shades.

Care must be taken not to confuse the sky-blue Post Office prints with Desmadryl, a confusion the generality of which is apparent from a look through a range of dealers' stock books. The Post Office prints are really quite distinct, and I have never seen one, even the best specimens (and the major:ty of the sky-blue Post Office prints are very poor), which has the same "even" colouring as the Desmadryl print.

1856. Post Office Prints (Nos. 23-28).

All other specimens with small "10" watermark, that do not come under the preceding three categories, are the productions of the Santiago Post Office, in spite of the fact that some of the dark blue and indigo-blue prints are perfect examples of engraving (Figs. 17 and 18); and when one remembers some of the atrocities that were turned out by the Post Office Printing Dept., especially about 1857-8, when the ink had developed into the sky-blue shades (Fig. 20), it is hard to realize that all these prints had the same origin.

I am not going to attempt to classify the numerous shades under the Catalogue numbers; any one having had even the most superficial experience of the Post Office blues (and I do not suppose this article will be read by many who have not) will at once realize how hopeless this really would be. All one can say for certain is this: There is certainly an indigo-blue, with fine clear printing (No. 23); there is also a decided slate-blue (No. 24), also well printed, but not quite so good as the indigo; there are also sky-blue shades, generally badly printed (No. 26), and there is further a deep blue (1859 (No. 27), which is well printed. These are the four main divisions, as I know them, of the Post Office printings; and beyond these broad divisions the Catalogue must be forsaken as a guide, as the shades and printings are really legion, and there are only six Catalogue varieties to divide them amongst.

These Post Office prints can also be divided into four classes or types of printing, which somewhat correspond with their chronological order: Fine clear prints (Fig. 18), medium prints (Fig. 19),blurred and uneven prints

CONVENTION NEWS.

There are some members of the American Philatelic Society who have such pleasant recollections of the last Niagara Falls Convention that they need no urging to attend another at the same place: but the last meeting held there seems to the vast body of younger members to be back in the dim and hoary past, and the majority may need a word of advice in the matter. It is simply this, to those who don't know: that Niagara Falls is the finest convention spot in the country; its attractions, of course, are famous the world over and hardly need mention; it is the cheapest and most convenient summer city to reach that the entire country can offer. The happy selection of such a spot, combined with the fact that the Society is now at one of the most prosperous periods of its existence, will no doubt bring together at the coming meeting a larger and more enthusiastic crowd than has ever before attended an A. P. S. Convention-and that is saying a good deal.

The dates set are August 11, 12, and 13. The headquarters will be the International Hotel, situated close to the cataract's edge and convenient of access to all points of interest. Entertainment, of course, will be 'of the usual double nature—formal (more or less) and informal, plenty of the latter. Further information on this point will be forthcoming in due time. The word now is simply, to make up your mind to be there—you will never regret it.

THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGE-MENTS:—Julian Park, chairman; Hugh C. Barr, vice-chairman; the membership of the Buffalo Collectors Club (F. P. James, See'y). members. (Fig. 20), and finally, clear prints (Fig. 21).

The first class can be subdivided into— Prussian blue, indigo-blue, and dark blue.

The medium prints are found in— Slate-blue, cobalt-blue, bright blue, and ultramarine-blue.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE. Ballot for Election.

Owing to no nominations having been received by the Secretary in time for printing on the Official Ballot, this form will be sent to all members blank, i. e., with no names of nominees printed thereon, but with spaces left for the insertion of the names of those for whom the member desires to cast his vote. Remember that NINE Directors are to be elected, none of which, with the exception of the Board of Vice Presidents, must reside in the same State, and for the Board the three composing it must reside within a radius of thirty miles.

The list of nominations will appear elsewhere in this number (if received in time for insertion) and in the July issue. BE SURE THAT YOU CAST YOUR VOTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE, and see that it reaches the Committee on Credentials on or before noon of August 10th, 1914. The ballots, proxy blanks, calls for the Convention, and envelopes for the mailing of the ballots will be sent to all members and should be received prior to the appearance of this number of our journal.

ATTENDANCE.

It is the desire of the Committee on Arrangements to learn of those who will attend the Convention in August, and if you contemplate making the trip, kindly advise Mr. H. C. Barr, Vice-Chairman of that Committe, 1602 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AMERICAN POSTAL SERVICE.

BY RUSSELL L. STULTZ. (Continued from page 150.)

CHAPTER II.

THE PERIOD OF TRANSITION 1640-1690.

A singular dearth of information surrounds our all too scant knowledge of this postal service established in 1639 and conducted in Boston for an indefinite period thereafter by the said Richard Fairbanks. In fact, our only source of knowledge—and a very vague and unsatisfactory one-is the occasional references contained in old letters and MSS. of these early years. These extracts, while of interest as historical relics, do not shed any considerable light upon the subject. Neither have we been able to ascertain definitely the duration of the official's tenure of office, although, presumably, he retained the position until removed by death, as was generally customary as late as the latter half of the nineteenth century-more especially in the rural districts.

As was natural in an age of very common ignorance and superstition, the innovation provided by the General Court of Massachusetts, although intended for a convenience, was viewed with a great deal of skepticisim and no little diffidence by a considerable body of the inhabitants. The fact that these colonists were reluctant to entrust their missives to a private individual for transmittal appears all the more remarkable when we recall the haphazard manner in which their mail was otherwise handled by the ship-captains and coffee-houses.

The charges, although small, also acted as a deterrent to a very general patronage of the service; but this lack of co-operation was in time dissipated, though not wholly eradicated until years later. As the nature and benefits of the instition became more apparent over the crude methods which it sought to supersede, its scope was gradually extended to include the adjacent districts within a limited radius, as they became sufficiently populated.

We must revert to the province of Virginia—the oldest of the thirteen Colonies, and which several hundred years later was to win reknown as the "Mother of States" and the "Mother of Presidents"—to learn of the second step in the establishment of the colonial postal service. Founded in 1607, thirteen years before the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Mass., it may be of more than passing interest to note that a period of eighteen years elapsed after the action originally taken by Massachusetts before the official institution of a system of posts in Virginia.

In 1657, a law was enacted by the Colonial Court of Virginia providing for the immediate transmission of official letters and dispatches by messenger from one plantation to another. Pursuant to the common right, a penalty of one hogshead of tobacco was imposed in the event of failure to comply with this regulation. Each planter extracted his own letters from the bag before forwarding it to his neighbor. Although the latter privilege was manifestly possessed of several defects, but few violations of the public trust thus reposed were recorded. This system of private posts between the various plantations of Virginia and the other Southern colonies was so elaborated and enlarged as necessity arose that at the opening of the Revolution in 1775 its efficiency had become really remarkable. The unusual distances between the settlements of this region early made doubly desirable a regular means of communication, the system just decsribed being the immediate result.

In order to trace in chronological sequence the several movements surrounding and leading up to the development of this institution during the Colonial Period, it is necessary to hark back to the Northern Colonies of New York and Massachusetts Bay. This third step was by far the most important of any authorized to this time. A proclamation issued by Frank Lovelace, Governor of the Colony of New York, from his official residence at Fort James. under date of December 10, 1672, announced the inauguration on January 1, 1673, of a monthly overland postal service between New York and Boston, the text reading as follows:

"Whereas, it is thought convenient and neccssary, in obedience to his Sacred Mat'ies Command, who enjoynes all his subjects in their distinct Colonyes to enter into a strict Allyance and Correspondence with each other, as likewise for the advancement of Negogiation, Trade, etc., Civil Commerce, and for the more speady Intelligence and Dispatch of Affayres.

"That a Messenger of Posts bee authorized to sett forth from this City of New York monthly, and thence to travile to Boston, from whence within that month he shall return again to this City. These are therefore to give notice to all persons concerned, that on the first day of January next, the messenger appointed shall proceed on his journey to Boston. If any, therefore, have any letters or small goods to be conveyed to Hartford. Connecticutt, Boston, or any other parts in the Road, they shall be carefully delivered according to the Directions by a sworne Messenger and Post, who is purposefully Imployed in that Affayre. _In the Interim, those that bee disposed to send Letters let them bring them to the Secretay's office, where in a lockt Box. they shall be preserved till the messenger calls for them. _All persons paying the Post before the bagge bee sealed up. Dated at New York this 10th Day of December, 1672. By Order of ye Governor." Shortly after the appearance of this

proclamation, Governor Lovelace issued a letter of instruction to "ye Post Master," which is preserved among the archives in the Capital at Albany to the present day. It instructed that:—

"In the first place, you are to take yo'r Oath of ffidelity which the Secretary shall administer to you; your duty as to the Generall is included in that Oath.

Next, you are to comport yo'r selfe with all sobriety and civility to those that shall entrust you, and not exact on them for the prices of Letters and Pacquetts.

"You are principally to apply yo'r selfe to the Governors, especially Winthrop, from whom you shall receive the best direction how to form ye best Poast Road.

"You are likewise to advise where the most commodious place will be to leave all the bye-Letters out of yo'r Road, which when having it once well-fixt, you are not ouly to leave the Letters there, but at your return to call for answers, and leave a publication of yo'r Resolutions, the which you must cause to be disperst to all parts, soe all way know when and where to leave their Letters.

"You are to give an acco't of your negotiations at this time to the end that I may bee satisfied of all your proceedings, and bee able to assist you if occasion require.

"When you think it requisite, you are to mark some trees that shall direct Passengers the best way, and to fix certaine Houses for yo'r Severáll Stages, both to bait and lodge at.

"When any persons are desirous to travile with you, you are to treat them civilly, and to afford them yo'r best help and assistance, that I may have noe complaint to you.

"You shall do well to provide yo'r selfe with a spare Horse, good Port Mantles, that soc neither Letters nor Pacquetts receive Damage under yo'r hands.

"There are some other considerations which I shall forbeare to mention till your return and I receive further accounts of you; and soc God bless yo'r honest undertakings."

FRANK LOVELACE, Gove'r.,

Fort James, ye 22nd day of January, 1673.

"You are also to detect and cause to be apprehended all fugitive Souldyers and Servants runn away from these parts."

The following is a copy of the "Oath of Fidelity" administered to the Post Master. As will be seen the document was most explicit and solemnly enjoined the official to a conscientious discharge of his duties.

"You doe swear by the Everlasting God that you will truly and faithfully discharge the trust reposed in you as a Post Master and that you will neither directly or indirectly detayne, conceale or open any Letters, Pacquetts, or other Goods committed to \cdot your charge, but carefully and honestly deliver or cause to be delivered all such Letters, Pac quetts, or other goods to the Persons they properly belong to, and that you shall make all the Expedition in passing and repassing the Several Stages with all speed, and to make noe more stay than necessarily belongs to the refreshing yo'r selfe and horse; and in all things truly and soberly to comport yo'r selfe, so as belongs to the trust reposed in you, and as a Poast Master ought to doe; Soe Help your God, etc."

The charges for correspondence and other matter conveyed by this service were calculated according to distance, and the courier was not responsible for the safe transmission of mails. Unfortunately, no schedule of the rates prevailing is available for comparison with the fees levied to-day. The necessities and exigencies of the times had so grown and increased that the line of posts thus established was almost from the first heavily patronized and quickly developed into an instrument of the greatest convenience.

This service had so progressed that in 1676, three years later, a General Post Office was located in Boston, John Hayward being appointed Post Master by the Colonial Court of Massachusetts. The Court's order authorized the official to "take in and convey letters according to their direction." Although not known positively, it may reasonably be assumed that Mr. Hayward was the immediate successor of the Richard Fairbanks first appointed in 1639. About this time, similar arrangements were effected in the more populous centres of the other Colonies, until each of the provinces then settled possessed some semblance of an established if in a few instances rather crude system of posts.

Although the development of the service during the fifty years under discussion was exceedingly slow and at times scarcely perceptible, the progress attained was steady. These conditions were the result of a spontaneous and wholly natural growth, to which may be added the fact that each successive change in the personnel of the Colonial government usually witnessed some improvement in the method of transmitting the mails, or an extension of the service already in operation. While a majority if not all of these innovations would be received with derision to-day, they were considered marvels of progress in the last half of the seventeenth century, and as such were widely acclaimed.

(To be continued)

Designs of New Foundland First Issues 1857 to 1862 P. B. & Co. Print.

A paper read before the Detroit Philatelic Society April 24, 1914 by SOL. E. HEINEMAN.

I do not think that Newfoundland Stamps have generally been given the attention they deserve, especially so the studying of their respective designs. Gibbons Catalogue simply states that the designs on the stamps, first issue, represents the Royal Crown and heraldic flowers of the United Kingdom and that the 6 d. and 8 d. differ from the 4 d. in small details at the corners, as does also the 1 Sh. from the 2 d. There are so many to give their reports and so many points to touch upon in one evening, that I will try and be as brief as possible in calling attention to some small details *not* at the corners. Aside from the distinctive triangular 3 d., the only other values in this issue that are alike in design are the 1 d. and the 5 pence. The other values all differ more or less in design, principally more.

In order to save time I will attempt to describe as briefly as I can only the center designs of these stamps, the corner variations being easily noted. The 1 d. and 5 d. center design, a gothic quatre foil containing the heraldic flowers of the United Kingdom surrounding the Royal Crown, snugly fitted into a white ground octagon, is a design practically identical with that of the New Brunswick pence issue, the difference being, in the shifted position of the crown. The additional difference between this and the pence Nova Scotia is that the heraldic flowers differ in one of the foils in stamps of the last named province.

In the 2 d. we find a faint colored line marking off the corner spandrels from the oval proper. Then a white space between this faint line and a heavier solid colored oval line. Inside of this heavier line four parallel narrow spirals of five hair lines each bearing in the upper half in white block letters the words St. John's New Foundland. Then an inside heavy line. The circular white center containing the bouquet of heraldic flowers leaves a crescent shaped space between this circle and the oval of spirals top and bottom, and these crescents in the 2 d. are filled in with a design of leaves faintly traced and having a back ground of lines.

In the 4 d. we have the outer heavy line of the oval but no faint line and no inside line of color next to the smaller white center circle containing a smaller bouquet of flowers. The outer and inner edges of the upper solid band containing the block letters, are carried around the lower half of the oval as lines of color, and having between them as a back ground for the spirals a band of seven wavy lines. Each of the lines of color just mentioned act as a guide line as it were around which are two double interlocking rows of spirals of five lines each. The crescents of lines between the white circle and the oval have no leaf designs as in the 2 d.

In the 6 d. the white centre with bouquet is an oval, not a circle as in the 2 d. and 4 d. The engine turned spirals are much the same as in the 4 d. but the lines carried down from the label in the 4 d. are absent in the 6 d. and the back ground lines are spaced wider, are heavier, and number only three as against seven in the 4 d.

The sixpence half penny is so distinctive that there is no use of giving a description other than to note that the spirals are different from all the others, and that the crescent filler over the center circle contains the word POSTAGE, and the crescent under the center circle is filled in with arabesques. The center is also smaller, as in the 4 d.

In the 8 d. the engine turned spiral work is somewhat similar to that in the 2 d. but the twist of the spirals is longer and a different effect is obtained. The crescents above and below the large white center are filled in with lines as in the 4 d. and look very much like the threading of a pipe coupling.

The 1 s. has a line of color on each side of a double row of interlocking spirals without background. There is a double line of color around the center circle and the crescents are filled in with a double line of spirals. The spirals in the oval seem to make a sufficiently dense mass so that the block letters on the 1 s. apparently required no solid background such as is found in the other stamps, above mentioned.

I wish to say that while I had before noticed the dissimilarity of the stamps of the first issues of New Foundland, that I had never really studied them carefully before being prompted thereto by brother Rice's very good plan and I had no idea that there really was so much of variety in the center ovals alone. I certainly derived much pleasure in giving to them an evening of close study.

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

BAVARIA.—We illustrate one of the designs of the set noted last month.



BELGIUM.—The 20c value has now been issued with large head portrait and with names of designer and engraver omitted.

20c olive.

BRITISH GUIANA.—Another value has been added to the King George set.

24c lilac and green.

BRITISH LEVANT.—The 1½ d of the King George series has been overprinted "30 Paras" for use in the Levant.

30pa on 1½d. red brown.

DOMINICA.—The 5sh value in the King George set has been issued.

5sh green and red on yellow.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC .--- A new set of stamps has been issued to commemorate the Centenary of the Republic's Independence. The design shows the flag of the republic in an upright oblong, a framed portrait of the Liberator, Juan Pablo Duarte, "Correos" and the value appear at the top, with the figures of value in the upper corners, and "Republica Dominica" at the bottom, with the dates, "1813" and "1913" in the lower comers. The design is very crude, measures 21x27 mm., the stamps being printed on white paper, watermarked crosses and circles, and perforated 121/2 $x13\frac{1}{2}$. The stamps are to be in use only from April 15 to July 15. The flag is printed in its proper colors, and the portrait is in black on all values, the only change being in the frame of the portrait.

½ c blue, red, black and orange.1c blue, red, black and green.2c blue, red, black and salmon.5c blue, red, black and gray.10c blue, red, black and purple.20c blue, red, black and ochre.50c blue, red, black and yellow brn.1p blue, red, black and violet.

EPIRUS.—Another stamp issuing country has been evolved from the Balkan Wars. Design shows an Epirote holding his gun ready for firing. Zigzag rouletting.



11 orange. 51 green. 101 rose carmine. 251 deep blue. 501 brown.

__GILBRALTAR.—Morocco Agencies. The 1d King George stamp of Great Britain has been surcharged in a new form for use in the Morocco Agencies. "Morocco" reads up at the left and "Agencies" down on the right, with the value in two lines at the bottom.

"10 centimos" on 1d scarlet.

GREAT BRITAIN.—For the first time in its Philatelic history the United Kingdom has issued postage due stamps. The stamps are a horizontal oblong, about the size of the United States Panama Pacific stamps. The design shows the Rose, Thistle and Shamrock, with "Postage Due" at the top the figure of value in the centre and the value in words at the bottom. The stamps are watermarked "G. V. R." sideways and are perforated 14x15. ½ d emerald green.
1d rose carmine.
2d black brown.
5d yellow brown.

GUINEA.—This Portuguese Colony has received its outfit of stamps of the Ceres type. Values, colors, paper and perforation like other colonies.

¹/₄ c brown olive. ½ c black. 1c deep green. 1½ c chocolate. 2c carmine. 2½ c violet. 5c blue. 7½ c yellow brown. 8c slate. 10c orange brown. 15c lake. 20c yellow green. 30c sepia on green. 40c brown on rose. 50c orange on salmon. 1e deep green on blue.

HUNGARY.—The postage due stamps of Hungary have been issued on the new watermarked paper.

INDIA.—The 3p, $\frac{1}{2}a$ and 1a stamps have been overprinted "C. E. F." for use in China.

INHAMBANE.—Another Colony of Portugual has received its Ceres stamps, values, colors, paper and perforation as usual.

¹/₄ c brown olive. ½ c black. 1c deep green. 1½ c chocolate. 2c carmine. 2½ c violet. 5c blue. 7½ c yellow brown. 8c slate. 10c orange brown. 15c lake. 20c yellow green. 30c sepia on green. 40c brown on rose. 50c orange on salmon. 1e deep green on blue.

LOURENZO MARQUES.—The full set of Ceres stamps has been issued for this

Colony. Printed on white wove paper and perforated $15x14\frac{1}{3}$.

¼ c brown olive. ½ c black. 1c deep green. $1\frac{1}{2}c$ chocolate. 2c carmine. 2½ c violet. 5c blue. 7½ c yellow brown. 8c slate. 10c orange brown. 15c lake. 20c yellow green. 30c sepia on green. 40c brown on rose. 50c salmon on salmon. 1e deep green on blue.

LUXEMBURG.—The first of the series of stamps with portrait of the Grand Duchess Marie Adelaide has appeared. Design is a great improvement over the previous issue. Inscriptions in doublelined letters read "Grand Duche" at the top and "De Luxembourg" at the bottom, with value in the lower corners just above the name of the country. The portrait is surmounted by a crown. The stamps are printed on white wove paper and perforated $11\frac{1}{4}$ x11.

10c claret

NETHERLANDS.—We show the commemorative set recently issued.



NORWAY.—The series commemorative of the Constitutional Assembly which met at Eidsvold in 1814 has been issued. The stamps, which are three in number, are a large horizontal oblong, 28x22½ mm. They are engraved, the subject being the painting by Wergeland. The inscripcions are small, consisting of the figures of value in the centre of the upper frame line, with "Post' twice at either side, and "Norge" and the dates "1814" and "1914" in the bottom frame line. They are handsomely engraved, printed on wove paper and perforated $13\frac{1}{2}$.

- 5 ore green.
- 10 ore carmine.
- 20 ore slate blue.

SALVADOR.—A new set of official adhesives has been issued; type set; printed on white wove paper in three colors, and perforated 12.

- 2c yellow brown, black and green.
- 3c yellow, black and green.
- 5c purple, black and green.
- 10c red, black and green.
- 12c green, black and green.
- 17c blue, black and green.
- 50c dark brown, black and green. 100c lilac, black and brown.

SIAM.—Three surcharges have just been issued in Siam, the stamps surcharged being of the 1912 series. The old value at the top is cancelled by two lines of color with the new value at the bottom in two languages.

"5 satang" on 6s, carmine rose.

"10 satang" on 12s, gray and brown. "15 satang" on 28s, chocolate.

SWEDEN.—A 5kr stamp has been issued with portrait of the King, in Scotts type A 14.

5kr. red violet on yellow.

UPPER SENEGAL AND NIGER.—We illustrate design of stamps chronicles in May issue.



TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Receipts

Chicago, June 1st, 1914. STOCK FUND.

Balance forwarded____\$4,139.66 May receipts_____ 18.00

\$4,157.66

Disbursements ____ 2.00

Credit	balance	\$4,155.66
	INSURANCE FUND.	
Balanc	e forwarded\$1,553.80	
Recei	ipts 16.33	
Credit	balance	1,570.13

- Credit balance_____ 1,5 EXCHANGE ACCOUNT. Balance forwarded___ 54.23
- May receipts_____ .80

May receipts_____

- Credit balance_____ 55.03 SUSPENSE ACCOUNT. Balance forwarded___ 44.00
- Credit balance_____ 44.10 GENERAL FUND. Balance forwarded____ 266.16

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EDITORIAL.

ANNUAL A curious, and so far we ELECTION. are aware, an unique situa-

tion, at least in recent years, has come about through none of the Branches placing a list of nominations for the Board of Directors for the year beginning Sept. 1st, 1914, before the members for the expression of their choice for these offices.

The By-Laws require that ballots for the election be mailed out by the Secretary sixty days prior to the date of holding the election, and this officer calls attention to this matter in another column of this issue.

This is a matter to which all our members should give their careful attention, and all the more so on account of the conditions which have arisen. Nominations for the various offices will undoubtedly be made, and if any are received in time for publication in this issue of our journal they will be found listed on another page. Should none be received up to the time of going to press, the list will then be published in the July number, which will be the last number to be issued prior to Convention. Should the former be the case, members should preserve the ballot sent them and use it after the full list is published.

At many of the previous Conventions but a comparatively small number of members have cast a vote. This is a condition to be deplored, and it is the earnest hope of the present officers that in this matter the coming election shall mark a deflection from such a custom. Each member owes that much to the Society to see that his vote is registered. It takes but a moment to fill out a ballot—it means much to the officers of your Society to have this interest in its workings manifested by every member.

Another important phase of the work to be done by each Annual Convention lies in the matter of proxy representation by those members not present in person. With the forms for election, is also sent a proxy blank, to be used by such members. In former years such representation has been in many cases far too small, and at times not sufficient to allow for the proper passage of legislation, should a division of opinion occur. It is necessary, in order to amend or alter the By-Laws, that the votes in favor of such be one-third of the total number of members entitled to vote. YOU should see that YOUR vote is registered, and if you cannot attend the Convention, YOU should see that you are represented by proxy.

These matters should receive your consideration and that at the earliest possible time.

WHEN YOU ANSWER AN ADVER-TISEMENT IN THIS JOURNAL, DON'T FAIL TO TELL THE DEALER WHERE YOU SAW THE AD.

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A FURTHER LIST OF EARLY UNITED STATES YEAR-DATED CANCELLATIONS.

BY CARROLL CHASE, M. D.

In the April 1913 number of the Philatelic Gazette I published my first list of these cancellations. In the August 1913 number of the same magazine was published a supplementary list of such additions as I at that time had found. Since then several new ones, and earlier dates of previously noted ones have come to my notice. Instead of here giving only these additions it seems best to publish the entire corrected list, although it is still necessarily incomplete.

A few isolated year dated cancellations that have been noted (used before the issue of postage stamps) are given first, although these have much less interest to me than those used while stamps were current. Of these I have seen five, as follows:—Wilkesbarre, Aug. 31, 1796" in brownish black in one straight line, "Reading, Pa. Sept. 17, 1831" in red in the ordinary circular form, "Tallahassee, Floa., Jan. 3, 1839" in red in oval form, "Pt" or "Ft" "Isabel [Texas], Feb. 4, 1847" in black in two lines and "Brazos [Texas], June 9, 1847" in black in two lines.

The later year-dated cancellations will be put in the form of a table for the sake of convenience. The 1853 New York City postmark was evidently in use only about fifteen days. It was seemingly an experiment, but I have not been able to find any reason why it was discontinued. I have seen eleven of these post marks, July 11, 1853 being the earliest, and July 25, 1853, the latest. New York did not again use the year date until early in 1856 and then seemingly in only one or two of the several hand stamps in use at that time. Jan. 5, 1856, is the earliest one I have noted. I have seen these 1856 New York postmarks in both red and black.

I have recently run across a novelty in the form of a very early year dated railroad cancellation. It is in black in the ordinary circular form, and reads, "From De Soto" at the top, and "Ill C. R. R." at the bottom. The date, "June 5, 1855," in three lines is in the center.

I am indebted for new year dates since the previous list appeared as follows: To Mr. E. F. Coffin for the Tallahassee, Floa., Jan. 3, 1839." To Gen. C. A. Coolidge for the "Brazos, [Texas]", June 9, 1847." To Mr. J. M. Bartels for the "Sonora Cal., Feb. 1, 1856." To Mr. W. E. Whitnall of Liscard, England, for the "Nashua, N. H., May 16, 1856," and to Mr. Robert Whittaker for the "Sacramento City, Cal., Nov. 19, 1856."

There were probably several hundred towns that began to use the year date in 1857 so anything approaching a complete list of these would be impossible.

Herewith the corrected list:-

1853

New York, July 11 to July 25 (inclusive)

1855

Washington, D. C., June 11

- Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 19
- New Haven, Conn., Sept. 17

Farmville, Va., Sept. 28

Memphis, Ten., Dec. 15 (blue)

Newburyport, Ms., Dec. 21 (red)

1856

New York, Jan 5 Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 26 Sonora, Cal., Feb. 1 Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24 Ithaca, N. Y., Apr. 10 Syracuse, N. Y., May 3 Trenton, N. J., May 8 Nashua, N. H., May 16 (blue) Richmond, Va., May 19 Chicago, Ill., May 20 Hudson, N. Y., May 20 Augusta, Ga. May 21 Helena, Ark., May 26 St. Louis, Mo., June 2 Du Buque, Iowa, June 2 Norwich, Ct., June 7 Elmira, N. Y., July 21 (blue) Keokuk, Iowa, Aug. 1 Huntsville, Ala., Aug. 7, (blue) Worcester, Ms., Sept. 5 Westchester, Pa., Sept. 16. Newark, N. J., Sept. 17 Rondout, N. Y., Oct. 7 Troy, N. Y., Oct. 21 Sacramento City, Cal., Nov. 19 Rutland, Vt., Nov. 26 Manchester, N. H., Dec. 17 Columbus, O., Dec. 22

All these postmarks are in black ex-

cept the one noted as in red, and four noted as being in blue.

I realize that this list is still far from complete. I have a dozen or so more, as yet but partly identified, but have hardly thought it worth while to list them until I am certain of the town.

I will be pleased to add to this list any year-dated U. S. postmarks *prior* to 1857 that may be sent for my personal inspection to 1050 Park Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE IMPERFORATE ISSUES OF CHILI.

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The third class, those badly printed, are found chiefly in the sky-blue, and greenish sky-blue shades, but they are also found in quite a greenish slate-blue colour. The badly printed Post Office prints are also found in two distinct types of printing, "rough" and "smooth," I can only describe them as having been printed, in the one case with a semi-dry ink, thus giving a "crayon" effect, and in the other, with a very liquid ink; some of these latter are very pleasing and are often quite good examp'es of engraving, except for the somewhat uneven colour.

The last type of Post Office prints is really two types, one of which I mentioned in connection with the First London printing. They were, I think, the last two printings that were done at the local post office, and they are both found in dark blue and dark greenish blue. The one that I think is the later of the two printings is likely to be confused with the early indigo prints, but may be d'stinguished by a noticeable poorness in printing, particularly in the lower spandrels, the lines of engraving being broken by a lot of white dots. The other printing (Fig. 21), which I think came immediately before the last one, is found in somewhat similar shades to the last, only generally less greenish, and with a ful'er charge of ink, giving it the appearance, as I have already said, of the First London printing. In fact this

stamp often figures in stock books as "First London." I have had, however, a considerable number of "entires" pass through my hands, with both th's and the later printing on them, all dated about 1860-61, and the stamps are in almost every case postmarked with the "INUTIL" or "CANCELLED" postmarks.

Put into tabular form I think the Post Office printnigs should be chronicled as follows:—

Early 1856 to early 1857. Prussian blue, indigo, and dark blue.

1857 to early 1858. Slate blue.

1858 to early 1859. Blue, and skyblue.

Late 1859 to 1861. Dark blue and greenish blue.

1862. Second London Prints (Nos. 31, 32).

Stamps under this heading all have what is known as the large "10" watermark (Fig. 13). Once this watermark is distinguished, there is no real classification to be done, except for shades, etc. The stamps are found in four distinct shades, deep blue, bright blue, pale blue, and greyish blue; the paper is nominally white, but actually specimens on really white paper, unless they are "cleaned" copies, are quite scarce, the general tint being greenish or bluish. Of the other varieties, the bluish paper must be really blued to deserve the distinction of Catalogue

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SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Those receiving unsolicited approval sheets will kindly inform the Recorder of the Board of Vice Presidents the names of dealers sending them, in order that the Board may take action to eradicate this evil.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING May 9th, 1914.

- Applications Posted.
- Fenster, M. J., 65 South Allen St., Albany, N. Y.; Age 30; Stamp Dealer and Clerk; Refs. C. H. Buckley, Real Estate, 83 State St., Albany, N. Y.;
 B. W. Ber:nstein, Furniture, 96-98-100 S. Pearl St., Albany, N. Y.; Proposed by Ira C. Greene, No. 2676.
- Schenck, Benjamin R., 336 Iroquios Ave., Detroit, Mich.; Age 41; Physician; Ref. Herbert M. Rich, M. D.; Proposed by Warren L. Babcock, No. 1736.
- Blunt, Harry H., Box 492, Nashau, N.
 H.; Age 38; Cotton Manufacturer; Refs. Kidder, Peabody & Co., Mr.
 West, Mr. Lewis, Boston; Cooper & Brush, 830 Exchange, Boston; Barry, Thayer & Co., 30 Kilby St., Boston; Proposed by Albert W. Batchelder, No. 526.

New Stockholders.

- 4418—Winans, Miss Francise L., Bloomfield, N. J.
- 4419-Doane, Percy G., New York City,
- 4420-Bryant, Wm. R., Lakewood, O.
- 4421-Schmidt, Geo. K., Chicago, Ill.
- 4422—Bleakie, William J., Sabattus, Maine.
- 4423—Carter, Arthur B., Annapolis, Maryland.

Change of Address.

- 901—Barr, Hugh C., from 1614 Delaware Ave., to 1602 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N. P.
- 3303—Belser, A. A., from 504 Flatbush Ave., to 2007 Foster Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 4015—Buckingham, C. H., from 75 Broad St., Pittsfield, Mass., to 203 Lincoln Ave., Orange, N. J.
- 2222—Malder., W. F. van, from 282 Washington St., to 87 Boudoin Ave., Suite 3, Dorchester, Mass. Deceased.
- 2271—Raymond, Wm. W., Owego, N.Y. April 17th, 1914.

Membership Summary.

Total	membership May 2nd,	
	$1914 \dots \dots \dots 1424$	
New	Stockholders admitted	
	May 9th, 19146	1430
Death	reported May 9th,	
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- Total membership May 9th,
 - 1914 1429 Wm. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING May 16th, 1914.

- Arp, Chas. W., 2233 Larkin St., San Francisco, Calif.; Age 53; Insurance Broker; Refs. George Ward, Resident Manager, North British & Mercantile Insurance Co., San Francisco, Calif., H. Fares, Manager Scottish Union & National Ins. Co., San Francisco, Calif., G. Folte, care German S. & Loan Society, San Francisco, Calif.; Proposed by Ross O'Shaughnessy, No. 1576.
- Haker, Otto, 52 Hydewood Ave., Toronto, Canada; Age 23; Clerk; Refs.
 B. L. Drew & Co., Boston, Mass.; Marks Stamp Co., Toronto, Canada; Proposed by B. H. Fehlig, No. 3831.
- Calman, Paul, 4742 Kennedy Ave., St.
 Louis, Mo.; Age 21; Clerk; Refs. C.
 E. Hussman Stamp Co., 211 Garrison Ave., St. Louis, Mo.; Proposed by B. H. Fehlig, No. 3831.

New Stockholders.

- 4424--Haggett, Edw. G., Portland, Me.
- 4425-Brown, Harold H., Newton Center, Mass.
- 4426—Joyce, Morton D., New York City. Reinstated.
- 2769—Pietsch, Andrew J., Baltimore, Md.

Change of Address.

- 4049—Bresee, Clifford E., from 621½ 15th St., to 1428 I St., Sacramento, Calif.
- 2934—Kershaw, Edwin R., to read 12 Pine St., Perry, Wyo, Co., N. Y.

- 2617—Moses, Otto F., from 7011 Hough Ave., to 1523 East Boulevard, Suite 7, The Inverness, Cleveland, Ohio. Address for all mail, P. O. Box 369, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 3553—Osborn, C. F., from P. O. Box 32, Norwalk, Conn., to P. O. Box 1149, New Haven, Conn.
- 3371—Steinmetz, C., Jr., from 104 Free Press Bldg., to 1201-1203 First National Bank Bldg., Milwaukee, Wis.

Correction.

In report for week ending April 25th, 1914, the application of "A. C. O. Zimmerman" should have read as follows: Linneman, A. C. O., (balance as published.)

Membership Summary.

- Total membership May 9th, 1914.....1429 New Stockholders admitted
- 16th, 19143
- Reinstated May 16th, 1914..1

Total membership May 16th,

1914 1433 Wm. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

May 23rd, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Winslow, F. E., care Tennessee Coal, Iron & R. R. Co., Birmingham, Ala.; Age 49; Auditor; Firm, Tennessee Coal, Iron & R. R. Co.; Proposed by H. H. Chumley, No. 3813.
- Geronimakis, C. S., Zagazig, Egypt; Age 26; Accountant; Firm, with J. Plauto & Co.; Proposed by E. L. Angeloglous, No. 2911.
- Ward, D. M., 222 Taney St., Gary, Ind.; Age 33; Storekeeper; Firm, with American Bridge Co.,; Ref. W. J. Rooda, 521 Broadway, Gary, Ind., C. W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa.; Proposed by C. V. Webb, No. 3110.
- Schlafer, W. D., P. O. Box 36, Appleton, Wis.; Age Legal; Hardware Merchant; Firm, Schlafer Hdw. Co.; Ref. First National Bank; Proposed by W. O. Thiede, No. 3541.

Application For Reinstatement Posted.

2454—Green, Dick, 1608 N. 6th St., Boise, Idaho; Age, Legal; Ref. First National Bank, Preston, Idaho; Proposed by W. H. Barnum, No. 585.

New Stockholders.

- 4427—Linnemann, A. C. O., Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 4428-Kocher, Frank, Cokeburg, Pa.
- 4429-Soper, E. K., Minneapolis, Minn.
- 4430—Frelin, Jules Theophile, Minneapolis, Minn.

Reinstated.

1883—Oughtred, Mrs. E. W., Montreal, Canada.

Change of Address.

- 4197—Knauer, J. Glen, from 1916 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa., to 9th and Chestnut Sts., Reading, Pa.
- 4315—Newman, Alfred E., from Y. M. C. A., Los Angeles, Calif., to 1239 Fifth St., San Diego, Calif. Membership Summary.

Total membership May 16th,

- 19141433
- New Stockholders admitted May 23rd, 1914 4 Reinstated May 23rd, 1914...1
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- Total membership May 23rd, 1914 1438 Wm. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING May 30th, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Sampson, J. W., 175 Bedford Ave., Rutherford, N. J.; Age 36; Advertising; Firm—President, The E. W. Fowler Co., 132 Nassau St., New York City, N. Y.; Refs. Irving National Bank, New York City, N. Y., Bradstreet Co., New York City, N. Y. Proposed by T. C. Mann, No. 2878.
- Stultz, Russell L., R. R. No. 1, Box 43, New Market, Va.; Age, Legal; Miller and Journalist; Firm—Smith's Creek Roller Mills; Refs. S. G. Good, Druggist, New Market, Va., Henkel & Co., New Market, Va.; Proposed by Wm. E. Ault, No. 1908.
- Kissinger, Harold W., 1318 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, Pa.; Age 12; Stu-

dent; Guarantor-C. W. Kissinger, 1318 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, No. 343.

- Kenny, R. W., Jr., 1975 W. Washington St., Los Angeles, Calif.; Age
- 131/2; Student; Ref. C. W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa.; Guarantor-Ben Williams, 1938 Harvard Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif. Retired.; Proposed by A. W. Dunning, No. 251.
- Lutzeier, J. E., 2243 W. 93rd St., Cleveland, Ohio; Age 36; Bookkeeper; Ref. Guardian Savings & Trust Co.; Proposed by Alvin Good, No. 2054.

New Stockholders.

- 4431-Hayden, Horace Edwin, Jr., College Station, Texas.
- 4432-Katzaraky, Wladimir, Moscow, Russia.

Change of Address.

- 2640-Cass, Leon V., from 2010 Darien St., to 6607 Haddington St., Philadelphia, Pa..
- 3809-McKelvey, A. J., from care The Citizens Bank, Kingman, Ariz., to Sylvandale, Mendocino Co., Calif.
- 3227-Weissheimer, J. Warren, from U. S. M. A Room 1824, West Point, N. Y., to Weissheimer, Lieut. J. Warren, 715 Asylum Ave., Hartford, Conn. (Effective June 12th, 1914.
- 4140-Yeagle, Dr. Chas. H., from Ft. Bayard, N. M., to Clyde, Ohio. Correction.
- 3903-Grosse, Elimar L., should read 146 N. Denver Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership May 23rd,
- 19141438 New Stockholders admitted

May 30th, 1914.....2

Total membership May 30th,

1914 1440 Wm. E. Ault, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING June 6th, 1914. Applications Pending.

Arp, Chas. W.

Haker, Otto Calman, Paul Winslow, F. B. Geronimakis, C. S. Ward, D. M. Schlafer, W. D. Sampson, J. W. Stultz, Russell L. Kissinger, Harold W. Kenny, R. W., Jr. Lutzeier, J. E.

Application For Reinstatement Pending. 2454—Green, Dick

Applications Posted.

Jones, A. A., 413 N. 17th St., Herrin, Ill.; Age 27; P. O. Clerk; Firm-A. A. Jones, Mail order specialists; Refs. The Kahn Store, Herrin, Ill., The Herrin Journal Printing Co., Herrin, Ill.; Proposed by I. C. Greene, No. 2676.

New Stockholders.

- 4433-Fenster, M. J., Albany, N. Y.
- 4434-Schenck, Dr. Benjamin R., Detroit, Mich.
- 4435-Blunt, Harry H., Nashua, N. H.

Change of Address.

- 3996-Gregg, Ernest J., from Hart Apts., 181 Clifford St., to Medbury Apts., 58 Medbury Ave., Detroit, Mich.
- 4074-Leese, Percy H., from Wauconda, Wash., to Anglin, Wash.
- 2470-Leonard, Harry, from P. O. Box 785, Jacksonville, Fla., to Culebra, Canal Zone, Panama.
- 4159-Peniston, Heber Kelshaw, from 600 7th Ave., to 1007 4th Ave., Asbury Park, N. J.

Deceased.

4236-Clarkson, Hugh, Toronto, Canada.

Membership Summary.

Total membership May 30th,

- 19141440
- New Stockholders admitted June 6th, 19143 1443

Death reported June 6th,

1914

1442

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Wm. E. AULT, Sec'y.

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BY THE EDITOR.

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- Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal, Vol. XXII, No. 256. April, 1914.
- Stamp Collecting, Vol. II, Nos. 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36, April 25, May 2, 9, 16 and 23, 1914.
- The New Zealand Stamp Journal, Vol. I, No. 11, May, 1914.
- Newark Stamp News, Vol. 3, No. 5, May, 1914.
- Philadelphia Stamp News, Vol. V, Nos. 7, 8 and 10, May 9, 16 and 30, 1914.
- Germania-Berichte, Vol. XI, No. 5, May 10, 1914.
- The Stamp Lover, Vol. VI, No. 12, May, 1914.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift, Vol. 21, No. 4, April 25, 1924.
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- Everybodys Philatelist, Vol. V, No. 4, April, 1914.
- Northwestern Philatelist, Vol. I, No. 4, April, 1914.
- The West End Philatelist, Vol. XI, No. 123, May, 1914.
- The Philatelic Journal of Great Britian, Vol. XXIV, No. 281, May 20, 1914.
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Revue Philatelique Francaise, No. 266, 25th year, April, 1914. Published at Paris by the French Philatelic Society. "What is it the collector of stamps needs to know," by L. Hanciau, "Echos from the Exhibition" (at Lyons). Minutes. New issues.

Germania-Berichte. 18th year. No. 4. April 10, 1914. Published at Leipzig by the "Germania Ring." "A contribution towards the establishment of the full truth in regard to the Turkish newspaper stamps of 1891 and 1892" by E. Heger. "The German "Reichsmarken" of 1875-80 and 1880-89" by Wilh. von Rhein. "The resistance against light of the colors used for the printing of postage stamps" by Max Pellwitz. "The German ship cancellations." "The postage stamp collector and Esperanto" by M. Behrendt. "The German post in foreign countries" by Carl Beck. This number is accompanied by No. 33 of Deutsche Stempel Zei-

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- Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina. 18th year. No. 1. February 1914. Published at Buenas Ayres by the Argentine Philatelic Society. "The stamps of the Republic of Uruguay. Notes on the issue of 1860" by Jose Marco Del Pont. "Collecting a single stamp and its varieties. The Brazilian 100 reis stamp of 1894-97," by Charles
- Lathrop Pack. Miscellaneous. New issues.
- Medlemsfortecking No. 29. The membership list of the Philatelic Society of Sweden for 1914, dated April 1. Covers 68 pages.
- Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt. 24th year. No. 4. April 1914. Published at Hamburg. Report of the International Secretary of the A. P. S.

- Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift. 15th year. No. 4. April 15, 1914. Published at Stockholm by the Philatelic Society of Sweden. "Our Portraits" shows the likeness of Mr. Hans Lagerlof of New York a life member of the society who recently donated to the Swedish postal museum a collection containing 75,000 varieties and valued at \$60,000.00. "The future of Philately," by L. Harald Kjellstedt. "Where to draw the line," by Harry Wennberg. "The Postage stamps of Albania" by Gustav Freyse. Transl. from "Die Post." "Ray cancellations" by Astley Levin, M. D. "New for the collection" by Oskar Kraepelien. Literature. Our contemporaries. Minutes.
- Der Philatelist. 35th year. No. 4. April 15, 1914. Published at Dresden by the Internationalen Philatelisten Vereins. New issues. "News from Bavaria." "The Albanian Post Office Department." "Netherlands and Colonies" by S. J. Weening. "Discussion on stamps in the German Reichstag." "Approval-selections." "Guidance for the valuation of cancellations." New in the book market Miscellaneous. Conventions and Exhibitions. Exchanges received by the Editor. Minutes.
- Schweizerische Philatelistische Nachrichten. Vol. VI. No. 4. April 1914. Published at Berne by Mr. E. Zumstein. "The first stamp issues of the German post administrations" by C. Ommerborn. "The new postage stamps of Bavaria and the copper plate process in Philately." Miscellaneous. "Arguments about Albania." New issues. Latest news.
- Mitteilungen des Oberelsassischen Philatelisten Clubs. 4th year. No. 1. April 1914. Published at Mulhausen by the philateilc clubs of upper Alsace. Chiefly matter pertaining to the activities of these wide-a-wake clubs.
- Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift. 21st year. No. 4. April 25, 1914. Published at Christiania by the Northern Philatelic Union. "The influence on Philately

by the last Balkan war" by K. Torjussen." The art of poetry and philately." "The postage stamps of Norway" by Justus Anderssen and Henrik Dethloff. New issues. Miscellaneous. Society minutes.

Monthly Report of The Herts Philatelic Society. Vol. VII. No. 8. May, 1914. Published for the Society at London by Mr. Franz Reichanheim, editor. Notice of annual meeting. Editorial. Minutes. "The adhesive postage stamps of St. Vincent, by J. J. Darlow. "Hints for detecting forgeries," by W. Archibald Boyes. "Philatelic crumbs," by the editor. "Sixth philatelic congress of Great Britain, London, 1914." Reviews.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and request the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page.

BRANCH No. 1.

332nd Regular Meeting.

The 332nd regular meeting of Chicago, Branch No. 1, American Philatelic Society, was held Thursday evening, April 9th, 1914, in Mr. Fowler's offices, 127 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois. President Dahl called the meeting to order at 8:20 P. M., with the following members present:

Bloss, Cabeen, Dahl, Evans, Fowler, McDonald, Mudge, Rosenthal, Severn.

Mr. Roesler attended as a visitor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were suspended until the following meeting.

The application of Mr. Albert H. Roesler was accepted.

The resignation of Mr. Fred Farnham was received and accepted.

Informal political discussion followed.

Mr. Bloss furnished entertainment in the form of a contest, Mr. Severn wining first prize, Mr. McDonald, second, and Mr. Cabeen, third.



CHECK LIST No. 13

Thick Paper 25c dark purple (Statue of King Kamehameha I) Engraved and printed by

The American Bank Note Co. New York Delivery made 50,000 September 15, 1883

Thick Paper

50c orange (3 or more shades) (King Lunalilo) Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York

Delivery made 50,000 September 15, 1883 Thick Paper

1.00 rose (2 or more shades) (Queen Emma)

Those cancelled with Maltese Cross, by name of the Collector of Customs, written or stamped, were used as Revenues, and will be treated under that heading.

Engraved and printed by The American Bank Note Co. New York Deliveries made 50,000 September 15, 1883 50,000 February 21, 1888

REVISION No. 1 Imperforate

Very Thin Bluish Wove Paper Oct. 1, 1851-2c blue

-5c " -13c "

Two types of each Nov. 1852-13c blue Two types Printed in pairs in the Government Printing Office Honolulu

Thick White Wove Paper (King Kamehameha III) (Twenty varieties in each sheet of twenty) May 1853-5c blue (2 or more shades) Vertical line before "Five" (shifted die) V cross bar to "H" of "Honelulu" Dash below period under "S" of "Is." 13c red (2 or more shades) Engraved by Dearborn and Printed by Holland in Boston, Mass. 1856-7-5c on 13c red, pen written in blk. CRITICISM INVITED. A straw vote on the question of "The Most Beautiful Stamp Ever Issued" was taken, and the United States 30c 1869 issue was declared to be the favorite. The Columbian issue was chosen as the most beautiful series. Mr. Severn promised to speak on the Ten Most Celebrated Stamps Ever Issued at the following meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 P. M.

WILLIAM BLOSS, Secretary.

BRANCH No. 25.

May 8th, 1914.

The 55th regular meetinng of the Detroit Philatelic Society held this date at 7 p. m. at the "Fellowcraft Club."

Preceding the meeting a delicious White Fish Dinner and refreshments was served the members, as guests of Messrs. Fernald, Hinchman and Telfer.

President Coolidge presided.

The minutes of the 54th regular meeting was read and approved.

The report of the Executive Committee on the application of Dr. Benjamin R. Schenk, being favorable, the applicant was unanimously elected a member of the Society.

Dr. Babcock, for the Committee "on change of meeting night" recommended a change to the first and third Wednesdays of each month, beginning with the first meeting in the fall. The report of Committee was approved and the recommendation concurred in.

The Committee appointed at the previous meeting on the advisability of holding open mass meetings reported; they recommended the holding of a mass meeting on the 3rd Wednesday in November, open to all juvenile collectors, the service of a buffet luncheon, the holding of an auction sale, offering prizes to the visitors exhibiting collections, etc. The recommendation of the Committee was concurred in, and they were empowered to proceed, as outlined in their report, and expenses guaranteed by the Society.

Gibraltar and Malta were exploited, as to their stamps and histories, by the members present.

> Respectfully, HENRY LOOK, Secretary.

NOTES.

Collected by the Editor.

PANAMA.—Through Mr. A. C. Roessler, we have the following:—"A set of seven values, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, $2\frac{1}{2}$, 5, 10 and 20 cents, is being prepared by the American Bank Note Co. to celebrate Panama National Exposition (open Nov. 3rd, 1914). Designs show Chorerro Falls, Balboa taking possesion of Pacific, Panama Canal in relief, Culebra Cut, ruins of Cathedral, etc."

HONDURAS.—Mr. John P. Cooper writes as follows:—"I have just received the 10c. in black on 2c. rose, 1913 lithographed, 10c. on 6c. slate and 5c. on 6c. slate, all in black, so we now have—

- 1 cent. on 2c rose
- 1 cent. on 2c vermilion
- 5 cent. on 6c slate
- 10 cent. on 6c slate
- 10 cent. on 2c rose

all in black. I have just come across another copy of the error in the surcharge of OFICIAL on the 2c green (Scott No. 186) "CFICIAL," clear cut C, not a broken O. Only one to each sheet and I find this error was corrected later."

AUSTRALIAN EXHIBITION.—We have received a circular of the Second Australian Philatelic Congress and Exhibition, to be held in Melbourne early in November next. A goodly number of awards are listed and we extend our best wishes for a successful meeting and show.

SIXTH PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF GREAT BRITAIN .- The official program has been received, giving full details of the meeting which was to be held in London, May 20, 21st and 22nd, 1914, under the auspices of the Royal Philatelic Society. An excellent program both philatelic and social, is set forth, and while we have at this writing no report of the meeting itself, we do not doubt that it has been the most successful of any of the congresses which have been held in England. These meetings are the only ones of a national character held in that country, but unlike our Conventions, the delegates are regularly appointed by the various societies and clubs which form th Congress.

United States Entires Envelope Errors for Serious Collectors A Albinoes, Color fails to print. PA Part Albino Part Stamp. N No Color or Stamp impression. R Reverse Fold-Outside inside. S Stamp in wrong place. SB Stamp at back of Envelope. B Brown red impression. D Doubles-Two envelopes together. RD Razzle Dazzle, blotched imp. M Stamp in middle of envelope. Watermark Size Die 1907 White 1c A 5 15 .25 .50 .25 5 1c R 1c N 5 13 Man. 1c A .20 5 1 1 .. 2c R 2c N 2c A B on Wh. .40 A $\hat{3}$.15 .. 2c A 2c S 5 .10 20 555 55 2e R в .25 .. .20 .25 .20 Am. 2c A 44 blue 2c A o, b, 2c A .. 5 13 .. B. on Wh. 2c Big h'd .40 44 2c N 2c A īž 2515 $\frac{13}{13}$ am. 2c A B on am. TWQ o. b. 2c A blue 2c A 14 .20" .20 .20 .20 .25 $\tilde{13}$.. $\frac{13}{13}$ 44 41 white 2c A 13 .25 •• Car. on white 2c R2c A2c A2c R.40 .10 .25 .25 3 C .. $\frac{1}{5}$.. AC .. 2c R 64 2c Booby 2c Odd S 2c D .40 .10 .25 .20 • • Pink 55 " .. Car. ., .. 55555 2c D 2c R D 2c P A 2c S 2c S 2c S B 2c O B 2c P A " .. 44 20 44 .2025 .20 .20 •• .. " $\frac{5}{13}$ ٠. 44 44 2c R 13 $25 \\ 20$ " " 2c S am. 2c R 13 50 $\overline{13}$.. .25 .50 .25 white 1c A Gr. 88 .. Gr. 1c R 1911 amber 1c A "car. on white 2c M US-SE white 2c R 88 . 5 5 USSE gr. on white 1c R "car. on white 2c R "2c R $.40 \\ .25$ 53 25 5 13 7 8 8 7 8 " .. 2c R.25 .20 1907 white 2c A '' '' 2c A '' '' 2c R USSE '' 2c R .15 30 USSE " 30 30 $\tilde{2c}$ R 44 2c R 9 .35 1907 wrapper 1c A Double Postal Card (one card albino) 25 .50

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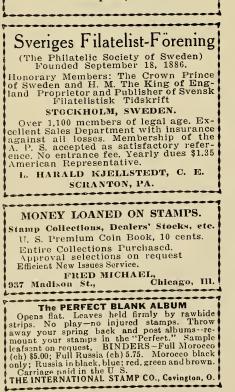
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GREAT BRITAIN.—England has finally issued a series of four values of postage due stamps, but unlike this country, they can be procured unused from the postoffices, but the sale is under certain restrictions.

UNITED STATES.—In the United Stamp Co. "Herald" for March, proof is brought to show that the first issue of U. S. stamps, long credited to August 5th, 1847, as the date of issue, were really in use on July 1st of that year, the day on which the act of Congress authorizing the issue became effective.

COMMUNICATIONS

We will gladly publish letters of general interest from our members, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed therein.

To the Editor of the American Philatelist, Dear Sir:

I do not favor San Francisco as the 1915 convention seat of the A. P. S. for the following reasons:

First, San Francisco is not easily accessible to the great majority of members. The members of the A. P. S. live principally in the East. San Francisco is far from being centrally located.

Second, Our convention in San Francisco would receive scant courtesy from the public in general. Already two hundred and twenty-six societies have decided to meet in San Francisco in 1915. Our convention would be an insignificent one among many.

Third, The convention would be held in the absence of a great many of the leading men in the East who are almost a necessity to a convention of the A. P. S. and who shaped its course rightly for years. A trip to San Francisco would occupy more time than the average member in the East could spare from his business.

Fourth, Attractions outside of the regular program would make the attendance at business sessions far from what it should be in accordance with the number actually registering as present.

Yours very truly,

C. V. WEBB, A. P. S. No. 3110.

AUCTION SALES

How many of the members have ever had the opportunity of attending an auction sale of postage stamps? I mean one conducted as they are in the great auction centers of the country.

I am contemplating holding one at the annual convention of the Society to be held at

NIAGARA FALLS

this August, if suitable arrangements can be made, and the business of the convention not interferred with. I am in correspondence now with the proper persons hav-ing the matter in charge, but as there seems to be a doubt about it being of enough interest to the attendants to have one - the average attendant not desiring to buy or sell stamps, so I am told -(I never found it so, and attended my first convention at Niagara Falls, twenty-one years ago and a great many since, and lots of stamps were bought and sold). I am going to let those who are going to be there decide for themselves. Let me have your opinion about it, whether you would like to have a sale during the convention, or would such a proceeding te repugnant to you.

We can't get the membership to vote or send proxies. Probably if made interesting enough they might come, or at least be willing to send bids. Let me hear from you. Thanks.

"PERSONAL SERVICE" HENRY ADES FOWLER 1301-2 FORT DEARBORN BLDG., CHICAGO, ILL. Cable Address "Stamps," Chicago,

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

May 1, 1914.

To the Stockholders of The American Philatelic Society-

The Twenty-ninth Annual Convention of this Society for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it will convene at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Tuesday, August 11th, 1914, at Ten o'clock and thirty minutes A. M., and upon succeeding days until all business shall have been disposed of.

The Convention head quarters and place of meeting will b eat the International Hotel, Niagara Falls, New York.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE,

President.

May 1, 1914 To the Stockholders of the

American Philatelic Society.

I have appointed the following Credentials Committee---

Charles F. Heyerman of Detroit, Mich., Chairman.

F. S. Grotjan of Buffalo, N. Y.

W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, Ohio.

C. E. Severn of Chicago, Ill.

H. M. Clark, of New York City, N. Y. and on Committee of Arrangements for Convention-

Julian Park of Buffalo, N. Y., Chairman

H. C. Barr of Buffalo, N. Y., Vice-Chairman.

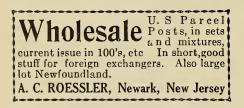
F. S. Grotjan of Buffalo, N. Y.

F. P. James of Buffalo, N. Y.

Ballots and proxies, both signed if member cannot attend, will be sent to Committee on Credentials, care of Mr. F. S. Grotjan. International Hotel. Niagara Falls, N. Y. Each member must SIGN his own BALLOT, his proxy is not allowed to vote for officers.

> CHAS. A. COOLIDGE, President.

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The Imperforate Issues of Chili.

(Continued from 208)

No. 32a; not merely bluish, which, as I say, the majority of copies are, but a really blued paper. Another variety, No. 32b, is supposed to be printed from the second plate on the paper prepared for the 1853 printing, some of which was apparently held back by Messrs. Perkins Bacon and Co., when despatching the first consignment of plates and paper to Chili. Mention must be made of the great rarity of Chili, the error of watermark "20" instead of "10," apparently produced by a sheet of the 20c. paper having got among that of the 10c. As all this paper was naturally checked and accounted for, it is hard to understand how the error was not discovered, unless the sheets of paper got transposed and a sheet of the 10c. paper got among the 20c. supply. In that case another rarity, the 20c.

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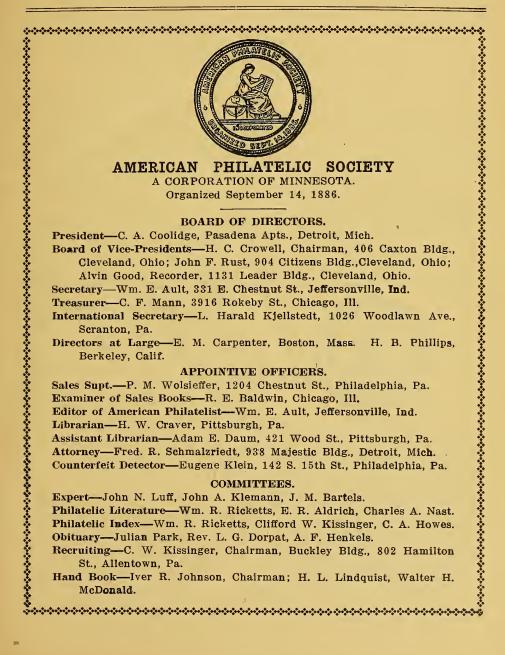
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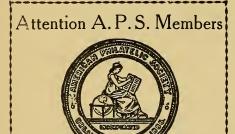
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THE IMPERFORATE ISSUES OF CHILI Hints on Distinguishing the Various Printings, Etc.

By S. C. BARNETT.

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watermarked "10," may possibly exist. I believe, however, that a large quantity of the 20c. stamps remained unissued, and was subsequently burnt by the authorities, so even if the error existed, it may never have been issued.

1c., yellow.

1862 (Nos. 29, 30).

Just the briefest mention will be sufficient for these stamps, since no classification is necessary, unless one calls the dividing into two or three shades of yellow, classification. They are found in yellow and lemon-yellow, though I am afraid the majority of the lemon-yellow specimens are merely lemon because they have been "cleaned"; a great number of these stamps having been used for fiscal purposes. and then cleaned and postmarked. The c'eaned copies will not, however, bear very close inspection, as examination shows an unnaturally white and bodiless paper, while the paper in its original state is always slightly yellowish.

20c., green.

1862 (Nos. 33-35).

This stamp exists in three distinct shades, deep green, yellow-green, and emerald-green, the last being by far the rarest colour; it is so rare that there is some doubt as to whether it was original, or whether the few copies one meets with are merely "changelings."

Nothing much need be said about this stamp, which to specialists is singularly uninteresting. It seems to exist in two types of printing, some prints being quite heavy, the colour appearing "solid," while others are quite fine-lined prints; this difference, however, is not material enough for them to be classified as recognized varieties.

I think the summary at the end of this paper will prove useful, to show at a glance the salient points of difference of the various printings; reference can then be made to the fuller details in the foregoing text. It is unnecessary, and would be a waste of paper, I think, to include the 1c. and 20c. values in this summary.

Within a fortnight of placing the foregoing in the Editor's hands, I have found the evidence I required to prove that the 1857-65 series of printings of the 5c., i.e. those done at the Post Office on the paper with watermark small "5," were printed from the First as well as from the Second Plate.

On looking through Mr. T. W. Hall's magnificent collection of these stamps, we discovered a pair of 5c., carminered, showing the marginal inscription and watermarked small "5," which I reproduce here (Fig. 22) by the courtesy of Mr. Hall; it will be observed that the appearance is considerably different from that of the strip of three from the Second Plate (Figure 11), a difference that will have to be "grasped," when the time comes to divide these multitudinous 5c., red, under their respective "plates."

I also illustrate (see Fig. 23, by the kindness of Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, the

copy of the 5c., red, 1865, watermarked long "5," with marginal inscription, referred to in the foregoing text as originally being in Mr. J. R. Burton's collection.

I am led to the conclusion that the great majority of the 1857 series were done from the Second Plate while the 1865 printings were probably produced more from the First Plate than the Second.

It seems to me that the 5c., dull redbrown, No. 18, and in fact all the brown shades of the Post Office printings, were produced from the Second Plate, as nearly all the copies I have seen have the characteristics of that plate; and I think it will be established in the future that the Second Plate was used exclusively until about 1860. It is possible that they reverted to the First Plate, about the time when the "Cancelled" obliterating handstamps, and the carmine-red ink, were sent ont to Chili by Messrs. Perkins Bacon and Co., as I have seen copies of both the orange-red and carmine-red shades, in both types of printing.

As yet, however, it is early to surmise how and when these two plates were used; sufficient, for the present, is the fact that both plates were used, and I can only hope that my little discovery will be the means of encouraging some others to endeavour to increase the very meagre information that we have at present in regard to these Post Office printings of Chili.

(To be continued).

THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

It is to be regretted that none of the Branches nominated a complete ticket for the election of the Board of Directors in time for the Secretary to have had the names inserted in the Official Ballot which was mailed out early in June. The nominations which have now been made appear below in full.

By Chicago Branch No. 1. For Secretary, Wm. E. Ault, of Indiana. For Treasurer, C. F. Mann, of Illinois.

By Detroit Branch No. 25.

For President, C. A. Coolidge, of Mich. For Board of Vice Presidents, H. C. Cro-

well, of Ohio; Alvin Good, of Ohio; John F. Rust, of Ohio.

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For Directors, E. M. Carpenter, of Massachusetts; H. B. Phillips, of California.

Pacific Philatelic Society Branch No. 3.

For Board of Vice Presidents, H. B. Phillips of California; H. C. Marcus, of California; H. G. Smith, of California.

Mr. H. G. Smith was replaced on the membership roll in Secretary's report for July 11, 1914, and is now a member in good standing. Mr. L. Harald Kjellstedt of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Julian Park, of New York were nominated by five members for President and International Secretary respectively, but both withdraw as candidates for these offices and consequently should not be voted for in that capacity.

It is hoped that members will take an interest in the election and that despite the departure from established customs, a representative vote will be cast. Every member owes it to the Society to see that his vote is registered and there will be ample time after the appearance of this journal to forward his vote to the Credentials Committee.

In casting a vote for your choice, it should be borne in mind that none but the official ballot regularly sent out by the Secretary should be used and after the insertion of the name to be voted for in the proper space on the ballot, you should place an "X" after it in the small square. Each ballot should be signed by the member, and his stock certificte number should also appear.

THIS IS A MATTER OF MUCH IM-PORTANCE AND WE TRUST EVERY MEMBER WILL GIVE IT THE PRO-PER ATTENTION.

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HAWAII—ISSUE OF 1893.

By Bruce Cartright, Jr.

HISTORICAL

Queen Liliuokalani had formulated a new Constitution under which foreigners would suffer greatly. A Mass Meeting was called at which a Committee of Public Safety was chosen. This Committee deposed the Queen on Jan. 17th, 1893, and formed the Provisional Government of Hawaii, to last until Annexation to the United States of America could be accomplished. On April 1st, 1893, Postmaster General Walter Hill was removed from office on account of disability. On April 4th, 1893, Joseph M. Oat was made Postmaster General by the Executive Committee and he was instructed to have all stamps, stamped envelopes, post cards, etc., surcharged.

Provisional Gov't

1893

Mr. Oat gave the order for surcharging all the stamps to the Hawaiian Gazette Co. of Honolulu. The surcharging was commenced as soon as the frames of type were set and the surcharged stamps were offered to the public on May 20th, 1893.

THE SURCHARGE FRAMES.

No stereotyping was done in the Islands at this time and the Hawaiian Gazette Co. set up two frames of type so that there would be ten rows of five surcharges in each frame. All the stamps were surcharged by these frames. Sheet impressions of the two frames can be told apart as follows:

Frame I.

The "G" of "GOVT." is to the right of the "o" of "Provisional on the three middle stamps of the bottom row, or the 47th, 48th, and 49th stamps on the sheet.

There are two states in which this frame occurs, the ORIGINAL STATE and the CORRECTED STATE.

The Original State.

There is no period after "GOVT" on

the 1st stamp of the 2nd row from the top. The frame was loose so that the "G" of "GOVT." on the 1st stamp of the sheet slipped back so that frequently the lower half of the letter only printed and sometimes the letter did not make any impression.

The Corrected State.

The above errors were noticed and the frame was corrected.

Frame II.

The "G" of "GOVT." is slightly to the left of the "o" of "Provisional" on the 47th stamp, is under the "o" on the 48th stamp and slightly to the right of the "o" on the 49th stamp, all the other surcharges on the sheet being normal.

This frame did not contain the missing period or the broken or missing "G" seen in the ORIGINAL STATE of FRAME I.

THE PRINTING.

The two frames containing the surcharges were placed on small hand presses set a few feet apart and the surcharging was done under the supervision of Mr. P. T. Rhodes, or some trusted assistant. After the days work the frames were locked up in a safe place.

There were two printings. The first printing surcharged all the stamps that were offered to the public on May 20th, 1893. At this time it was thought that certain values would run short on account of the demand so the two frames of type were preserved for future use. Sometime in June the supply of the 12ct. mauve with the black surcharge ran short. Some more were ordered but the printers made the error of surcharging the second lot with red ink. New supplies of other values were also surcharged at this time. During this second printing a bright oily red ink was used while the red ink of the first printing was of a dark pink shade.

ERRORS.

There are two general classes of errors.

Errors of Type.

Which were caused by the type setter either leaving out a period or leaving the frame of type loose so that the type became broken or dropped back and did not make an impression. Errors of this class are above suspicion.

Errors of Printing

Which occurred through the carelessness or intention of the printers. The inverted surcharges, double surcharges, "GOVT." and "1893" at top, etc., etc., are errors of printing, many of which I am convinced were intentional. The 6ct. green with black surcharge and the 10ct brown with the red surcharge come under this classification.

COUNTERFEIT SURCHARGES

A great many of these have come on the market and as a rule are very dangerous.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR MONTH OF JUNE, 1914

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Credit balance	\$4,175.66	\$ 127.95	
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EXCHANGE ACCOUNT	r.	Stock Fund\$4,175.66 Insurance Fund 1,601.34	
Balance forwarded\$55.03June receipts40		Exchange Account 55.43 Suspence Account 46.70	
Credit balance	55.43	\$5,879.13	
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT		Less General Fund overdrawn 35.29	
Balance forwarded\$ 44.10 June receipts 2.60			\$5,843.84
Credit balance	46.70	RESOURCES.	
GENERAL FUND.		Bonds (Book value)\$3,489.34	
Balance forward\$ 2.92 Receipts		Cash in Bank 2,354.50	
Interest on bonds 50.00 Interest on bank		Total	\$5,843.84
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CONVENTION NOTES.

The members of the Buffalo Collec- ing Convention of our Society, and a tors Club have generously offered to handsome design with a view of Niagdonate the official badges for the com- ara Falls, worked out in copper and



A VIEW OF THE FALLS.

enamel, has been selected for that pur- mended for its generosity and enterpose. This will form a very attractive prise. That this is one of the livest souvenir for all those who attend, and Branches of the A. P. S. is well known the Buffalo Club deserves to be com- to all those who attended the conven-

tion held in Buffalo in 1901, the year of the Pan-American Exposition. The fact that the Buffalo Club has charge of the arrangements at Niagara Falls this year, is, in itself, a guarantee that the various details of entertainment will be well taken care of.

Mr Julian Park, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, sailed from New York for Europe on June 18th, and is so planning his trip as to be back and on hand at the Falls on the opening day of the Convention. In his absence, H C Barr, President of the B. C C., will act as Chairman.

From all reports there will be "some-

thing doing" all the time and there will be plenty of interest to attract those who may not care particularly for the regular business of the Convention. There will be ample time for sight-seeing and it is planned to have an auction sale of stamps and a Bourse, when all members desiring to do so, can have the opportunity of getting together for the trading and buying of their favorite stamps.

A program, subject to such changes as the occasion may demand, has been prepared by the Committee in charge, and a glance at it will be sufficient to whet the appetites of all who may contemplate attending.



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PROGRAM.

Aug. 10th.

Evening. Informal reception.

Aug. 11th.

- 9.30 A. M. Reception. Distribution of badges, etc.
- 10.30 A. M. Business session.
- 2 P. M. Official photograph.
- 3 P. M. Visit to Shredded Wheat Factory (Free)
- 4 P. M. Sight-seeing. Walks through the Islands above Falls, etc.

Evening. Open.

Aug. 12th.

10 A. M. Business session.

2 P. M. Trolley trip around Niagara Gorge.

5 P. M. Business session if necessary.

Aug. 13th.

10 A. M. Business session.

2.30 P. M. Auction sale.

8 P. M. Bourse.

It is to be hoped that the attendance at the coming meet will establish a record and that many members will form the "Convention habit."

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

ARGENTINE.—The 20c, 24c and 50c values in the current set have appeared on the new watermarked paper. The $\frac{1}{2}$ c, 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, 10c, 12c, 1p, 5p, 10p and 20p values have been previously noted.

AUSTRALIA.—The King George 1d stamp has been reprinted and the new supply is to be sold without restriction as long as it holds out. A correspondent of *Ewen's Weekly* states that at least three printings of the stamp have been made, and summarizes them as follows:

King George Design.

1d carmine, perf. 11.

- Issued December, 1913, unwatermarked paper, dull yellowish gum.
- 1st Printing, Type 1, stamps measuring 21¼ mm. by 25¾ mm. and spaced between 2¼ mm.
 - Issued March, 1914, unwatermarked paper, white shiny gum.
- 2nd Printing, Type 2, stamps measuring 21¼ mm. by 26¼ mm. and spaced between 1¾ mm.

Issued March, 1914, unwatermarked paper, white shiny gum.

3rd Printing, Type 3, stamps measuring 21 mm. by 26¹/₄ mm and spaced between 2¹/₈ mm. BRITISH _LEVANT.—The 1sh King George stamp of Great Britain has been surcharged "5 piastres" for use in the Levant.

5pi on 1sh olive bistre.

BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS.—The ½ d & 1d values have been issued in the King George set, the type being that of the new Grenada series.

½d yellow green.

1d scarlet.

CHILE.—Accarding to the Metropolitan Philatelist, the current 20c stamp of Chile has been seen with inverted head.

CUBA.—It is reported that Cuba will issue a new series of stamps after the Panama-Pacific Exposition, with portraits of Cuban generals. A special 5c stamp will be issued to commemorate the Centenary of the Cuban poetess, Gertrudis Gomez de Avellaneda. The 1p stamp, type of the 1910 issue has been seen in a single color.

1p black.

GRENADA.—The 1sh King George stamp has appeared on the green paper with the white back.

1sh black on green tinted paper.

HONDURAS.—Another must be added to the surcharged provisionals on the current lithographed set.

"5 cent" on 2c rose carmine.

ITALY.—This country was announced to issue a new parcel post series, July 1, of the denominations of 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c, and 1, 2, 3, and 4 lire.

JAPAN.—The current issue of postage stamps has appeared on paper with silk threads, and vertically watermarked wavy lines close together. The New England Stamp Co. has shown the ½s brown, 1s orange yellow, 1½s ultramarine, 2s green, 3s carmine, 4s red, 5s purple, 10s blue, 20s violet, 25s dark olive and 1 yen yellow green and purple brown on the new paper.

LUXEMBURG.—Further values have come to hand in the beautiful new stamps of the Grand Duchess Marie Adelaide series. The design is the same as the 10c chronicled last month, and all values show the same handsome appearance.



12½c dark green. 15c black. 25c dark blue.

MEXICO.—The Constitutionalists have surcharged the Federal stamps looted from captured postoffices with the letters "G. C. M." in a large script monogram. The status of these stamps is very doubtful, and their value small, except when used on the cover.

MOROCCO AGENCIES.—The current King George stamp of Great Britain has been surcharged for use in the Morocco Agencies, but in the type of Scott's No. 1201, and not like the 1d chronicled in the June number. *Ewen's Weekly* notes that the 5sh King George stamp has been issued with "6 Pesetas" in surcharge,

- "5 centimos" on ½d green.
- "6 pesetas" on 5sh carmine.

NICARAGUA.-The long promised series of stamps for this Republic have at last appeared, though at the time of writing only four values have been seen. The stamps are a horizontal oblong, slightly larger than the Panama-Pacific stamps of the United States. The 1/2 c, 1c, 3c, 5c, 15c and 25c have for a vignette a picture of the National Palace at Managua, while the 2c, 4c, 6c, 10c, 20c and 50c show the Cathedral of Leon. The frames vary for each value, the stamps being printed on unwatermarked paper and perforated 12. They bear the imprint of the American Bank Note Co. and are engraved and printed with the usual finish and perfection of that Company. Like the last Waterlow set, the whole series is to be printed in light blue, and the surcharged "Official" in black.

½ c blue.
1c green.
2c red.
3c terracotta.
4c vermilion.
5c dark blue.
6c dark brown.
10c yellow.
15c violet.
20c navy blue.
25c orange yellow.
50c sky blue.

More provisionals have come to hand, with new values surcharged on the blue official stamps of 1912, similar to those noted in the April number.

"c0.01" on 25c light blue and black.

"c0.01" on 35c light blue and black.

a. Error, "c0.10."

- "c0.02" on 20c light blue and black.
- "c0.02" on 50c light blue and black.

TURKEY.—The 1¾ pi gray and red brown has been overprinted with a small blue star for use on the foreign mails, like the 10pa, 20pa, 1pi and 2pi noted in the April number.

COMMUNICATIONS.

We will gladly publish letters of general interest from our members, but cannot hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed therein.

Cleveland, June 5, 1914. To the Editor, American Philatelist, Dear Sir.

As the annual convention approaches, it seems a most opportune time to draw attention to the rapidly diminishing number of local branches, in the hope that some legislation may be passed to stop this decrease in what, to my mind, is a most important factor in the continued success of our Society. To emphasize my point, I only need say that the most recently organized branch was admitted more than four years ago.

In lieu of a better idea, I suggest that the Committee on By-laws, at the convention, so revise the statutes that they will provide for the admission, as branch societies, of local societies without the entire membership of these societies necessarily being members of the A. P. S.

The branches to be required to hold one share of stock, paid up, with a minimum A. P. S. membership of five, as at present but to be allowed to admit, in addition, non-members of the A. P. S., to associate membership with full privileges *except* that they may not hold office or vote on any legislation concerning A. P. S. matters that may come before said Branches.

It is my belief that this will enable us to get many new organizations to affiliate with us, and, in addition, many of the present independent societies may look upon the proposition favorably.

Further, an associate member of a branch will be in a much more receptive mood when being solicited for his A. P. S. application than if he were simply a member of an independent body.

This change will also be of advantage to cities that already maintain branches in addition, or opposition, to the unattached local societies, as it will then allow the branch to be maintained as a part of the other organization. With strong, active branches in most of the large cities, the A. P. S. is bound to prosper as never before, and to obtain them I firmly believe the above, or similar solution must be adopted.

Yours very truly,

W. H. BARNUM,

A. P. S. No. 585.

New Fork City, June 29, 1914.

To the Editor of The American Philatelist Dear Sir:---

I favor San Francisco as the 1915 convention seat of The American Philatelic Society for these reasons.

First. San Francisco is no further from New York than New York is from San Francisco, yet New York has had two conventions while San Francisco has had none. Furthermore the Atlantic coast has had several—the Pacific coast not one.

Second. It is admitted there are fewer collectors on the Pacific coast than on the Atlantic. Therefore philately and our fellow members of the far West have more need of, and are more entitled to, the stimulus which a convention in their midst is sure to bring.

Third. No other branch of our Society has thus far issued an invitation to us to meet with them in 1915. All apparently have tacitly accepted the fact that San Francisco has the right to the convention next year.

Fourth. And most important of all possible reasons, San Francisco has brought her claims before several conventions without a competitor. Her Society has rightly assumed that we would accept her repeated invitations and meet there next year. It would be unfair and dishonorable for us to disappoint them at this late date. We can treat them honorably only by accepting their cordial invitation.

Your very truly;

C. F. RICHARDS. A. P. S. No. 18.

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EDITORIAL.

THE 29th CONVENTION

Once again we approach the time of our annual Convention, the

29th since the formation of the Society, and if we may judge by indications, it will be one of the most enjoyable meets of our history.

Through the great care and thought bestowed upon the By-Laws by previous Conventions, there seems to be little prospect of any radical changes in our laws, but it is hoped nevertheless, that

our members will take sufficient interest in the Convention to see that the representation at the Falls in August may be such that if need be, legislation may be effected by ample vote.

At the risk of being a bore, we cannot refrain from calling attention to the matter of our Annual Election, a notice of which together with a list of the nominations, appear on page 224 and it is earnestly hoped that this will receive the proper consideration from The peculiar state of every member. affairs is not to be atrributed to the officials of the society, but rather to the By-Laws which govern the nomination of candidates for the Board of Directors. Our laws state that ballots must be mailed to all members sixty days prior to the election, and in order to comply with this section, your Secretary had no other course open to him but to mail out the ballots without the names of any candidates for election on the Board. That this will probably result in a light vote is beyond a doubt, but this should not be the case at all, as it will require but a few minutes time of a member to fill out his ballot after the appearance of this number of our Journal. That is surely asking but little from a member and each one should feel that his duty to the Society demands that this item be carefully considered.

The past year, while not being one of any great achievement on the part of the Society, has, however, been one of progress and for the first time in several years the annual report of the Secretary will show an increase in membership, and this has not been secured with any loss in the personnel of the new aderents to our ranks. That the A. P. S. represents the very best in American philately, and numbers among its members men of prominent business and social standing is well known.

It is the hope of your Editor that the "American Philatelist" has found a place in your hearts that will result in a bigger and better A. P. S. as the years

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- Freeman's Monthly Journal, No. 13, June 15, 1914.
- Philadelphia Stamp News, Vol. V, Nos. 10, 11 and 14, June 6, 13 and 27, 1914.
- The Postage Stamp, Vol 14, No. 9, 10, 11 and 13, May 30, June 6, 13, and 27, 1914.
- Stamp Collecting, Vol. II, Nos. 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41, May 30, June 6, 13, 20 and 27, 1914.
- Collectors' Blue Book, Vol. I, No. 6 and 7, May and June, 1914.

Read Carefully the Notice of the Annual Election on Page 224 of This Issue. See That Your Vote is Cast and That You Are Represented at the Convention.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Those receiving unsolicited approval sheets will kindly inform the Recorder of the Board of Vice Presidents the names of dcalers sending them, in order that the Board may take action to eradicate this evil.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING June 13, 1914. Applications Posted.

- Fox, Frederick S., 831 N. 5th St., Reading, Pa.; Age 38; Editor; Ref. Berks County Trust Co., Reading, Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, #343.
- Stedman, Frank A., Bedford Ave., Rutherford, N. J.; Age Legal; Borough Clerk of Rutherford; Ref. Frank P. Newman, Rutherford, N. J.; Proposed by Vahan Mozian, #2279.

New Stockholders.

- 4436—Arp, Chas. W., San Francisco, Calif.
- 4437-Calman, Paul, St. Louis, Mo.

Dropped from Membership Roll.

The following, having failed to pay dues in full for the current year, by order of the Board of Vice Presidents, is hereby dropped from the roll of membership:

4237—Cartwright, J. Campbell, Birtle, Man., Canada.

Change of Address.

- 4267—Bacon, Theodore S., from 19 Eagle St., to 449 McClellan St., Schenectady, N. Y.
- 3776—Runyon, Ernest F., from 467 Iglehart St., St. Paul, Minn., to 714 North County Line St., Fostoria, Ohio.
- 3282—Kolle, H., from care Freiz & Co., Buenos Aires, Argentine, to Konig Wilhelmstr 29, Ulm a/d, Wurtemburg, Germany.

Corresponding Society.

Change of address of the following corresponding society is noted:

St. Petersburger Philatelisten Verein, to care Mr. Edmund Bade, Nevsky Pr. 34, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Notice.

4197—Knauer, J. Glen, Reading, Pa., having attained the age of 21 on June 16th, 1914, the asterisk preceding his name in the alphabetical list of members, is hereby ordered removed.

Membership Summary.

Total membership June 13,

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

June 20, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Fonda, Henry Lawrence, North Front St., Milton, Pa.; Age 17; Student; Guarantor Frederic A. Godcharles, Milton, Pa; Proposed by Frederic A. Godcharles, #4381.
- Pradbury, John W., 1562 Eliot St., Denver, Colo.; Age 27; Steamfitter; Firm with Bradbury Bros. Heating Co., 1219 Stout St., Denver, Colo.; Ref. Hendrie & Botthoff Mfg. & Supply Co.; Proposed by Chas. A. Coolidge, #64.
- Thelander, Kanuth, 310 E. 33rd St., Chicago, Ill.; Age 34; Watchmeker; Ref. P. A. van Volkenburgh, 3148 State St., Chicago, Ill.; Proposed by Fred Michael, #938.
- Moore, P. G., 330 Taylor Ave., Scranton, Pa., Age 43; Business Manager of The Colliery Engineer; Refs. Rufus J. Foster, First V. P., International Text Book Co., Scranton, Pa., Proposed by L. Harald Kjellstedt, #1906
- d'Hemecourt, George A., 4828 Banks St., New Orleans, La.; Age 21; Stenographer, Firm with N. O. N. E. R. R.; Ref. Jos. Cholona, Pres. Jos. Cholona Co., New Orleans, La.; Proposed by I. C. Green, #2676.

New Stockholders.

- 4438—Winslow, F. B., Birmingham, Ala.
- 4439—Geronimakis, C. S., Zagazig, Egypt.
- 4440-Ward, D. M., Gary, Ind.
- 4441-Schlafer, W. D., Appleton, Wis.

Reinstated.

2454—Green, Dick, Boise, Idaho.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 7th, having paid dues in full for the current year, are hereby replaced on the membership roll and are in good standing. 2760—Powers, C. F., 42 Templeton St.,

- Ashmont, Mass.
- 3918—Patch, Charles, Jr., Grose Point Village, Mich.

Expelled.

By action of the Board of Directors, the following has been expelled for cause:

4126-Jacobs, A. S., Omaha, Nebr.

Change of Address.

- 3954—Adams, Wm. J., from 214 Warren Ave., Tampa, Fla., to Route No. 1 Wheelock, N. D.
- 1530—Bartlett, J. Delano, from 728 Cantegral St., to 735 Centegral St., Dallas, Texas.
- 1669—Putney, Freeman, Jr., from 25
 S. 11th Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. to 12 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass
- 3712—Smith, Edward E., from 1313 S. 34th St., Omaha, Neb., to Haines City, Fla.

Correction.

The following correction should be made in the printed membership list:

3755—Alden, John, address should read 40 Hanover St., Newtonville, Mass.

Membership Summary.

Total membership June 13	
$1914\ldots 1443$	
New Stockholders admitted	
June 20th, 1914 4	
Reinstated June 20th 1914 1	
Replaced on membership	

roll	June	20th,	1914		2	1450
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Expelled by Board of Directors, June 20th, 1914 ... 1

Total membership June 20,

WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

June 27, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Morse, W. L., 234 Comstock Place, Syracuse, N. Y.; Age Legal; Manager Underwood Typewriter Co.; Refs. W. J. Steinaker, Grocer, 2203 S. Salina, St., Syracuse, N. Y., Trust and Deposit Co., of Onondaga, Syracuse, N. Y.; Proposed by N. H. LaVaute, # 3906.
- Smith, A. Coleman, 77 N. Franklin St., Pottstown, Pa.; Age 34; Assistant to the Treasurer, Glasgow Iron Co.; Refs. C. W. Kissinger, Reading, Pa., National Bank of Pottstown, Pa.; Proposed by C. V. Webb, #3110.

New Stockholders.

- 4443-Sampson, J. W. Rutherford, N.J.
- 4444—Stultz, Russell L., New Market, Va.
- 4445--Kissinger, Harold W., Reading, Pa.
- 4446—Kanny, R. W., Jr., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 4447-Lutzeier, J. E., Cleveland, Ohio.

Deceased.

- 3203-Ross, Wm. S., M. D., Altoona, Pa., June 12, 1914.
- 3339—Chase, Frank N., St. Louis, Mo., June 17th, 1914.

Change of Address.

- 4152—Elsas, Oscar, from 230 Washington St., to Ponce de Leon Appartments, Atlanta, Ga.
- 2609—Haintz, H. T., from 609 Dwight Bldg., to American Bank Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.
- 3686—Heim, Herman M., from 156 Powell St., to 228 Powell St., San Francisco, Calif.

- 2470—Leonard, Harry, from Culebra, C. Z., to care Supply Dept., Cristobal, C. Z., Panama.
- 3445—Plummer, Edwin L., from 520 Beulah Ave., Milwaukeè, Wis., to 1021 E. 25th St., Erie, Pa.
- 3618—Schlesinger, Baldwin, from 129
 W. 27th St., to 38 E. Houston St., New York City. N. Y.

Membership Summary.

Total membership June 20,	
1914	-
New stockholders admitted	
June 27th, 1914 5	1454
Deaths reported June 27,	
	2
Total membership June 27,	
1914	1452
WM. E. AULT,	Sec'y.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

July 3rd, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Hal er, Otto. Fox, Frederick S. Stedman, Frank A. Fonda, Henry Lawrence. Bradbury, John W. Thelander, Kanuth. Moore, P. G. d'Hemecourt, George A. Morse, W. L. Smith, A. Coleman.

Applications Posted.

- Fedder, Will H., P. O. Box 247 (Gombert Ave.) LaSalle, N. Y.; Age 39; Carpenter; Ref. J. H. Schneck, Postmaster and Insurance, LaSalle, N. Y.; Proposed by Harry C. Burns, #4252.
- Riedell, Paul W., P. O. Box 400, Schenectady, N. Y.; Age 26; Electrical Engineer; Firm With General Electric Co.; Refs. Henry Wendt, Manilla, Iowa, Co-Operative Exchange, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Proposed by Clerence P. DeKay, #2804.

- Root, H. F., Box 188, Hope, Bonner County, Idaho; Age 29; Clerk; Refs. First National Bank, Sandpoint, Idaho, Merchants Mercantile Co., Walla Walla, Wash.; Proposed by C. V. Webb, # 3110.
- Bell, Mrs. J. Lowrie, (Address withheld on request). Age Legal; Proposed by P. M. Wolsieffer, #38.

Notice.

Chas. H. Johnson, San Francisco, Calif., admitted to membership April 25th, 1914, objecting to his stock certificate number, which was 4413, has been renumbered 4442, which change is hereby made in the records of this office.

New Stockholder.

4448—Jones, A. A., Herrin, Ill.

Changes of Address.

- 3161—Bartel, Dr. L. W., from Sante Fe, Isle of Pines, W. I., to 211 N. Garrison Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
- 4013—Bendix, B., from 15 Edith Place, to 5622 Broad St., E. E., Pittsburgh, Pa.
- 3927—Brunswick, David M., from Phillips Exeter Academy, Dunbar Hall, Exeter, N. H., to Overlook Cottage, Eastern Point, Glouces⁺er, Mass.
- 4124—Elmer, Elaine, from 29 Milford St., Boston, Mass., to 16 Upland Road, Brookline, Mass.
- 2795—Lane, Chas. H., from 56 Church St., to 45 Pearl St., Leominster, Mass.
- 2176—Mack, Alfred W., from 1123 Broadway, to 12 W. 3rd St., New York City, N. Y.

Membership Summary.

Total membership June 27, 19141452

- New Stockholder admitted July 3rd, 1914 1
- Total membership July 3rd
 1914
 1453

WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.



REVISION No. 2

Thin White Wove Paper

Same twenty varieties in each sheet of twenty as in the 1853 issue.

1856-7-5c blue (2 or more shades)

Double impression Printed in Boston, Mass.

Thin Blue Wove Paper

Same twenty varieties in each sheet of twenty as in the 1853 issue.

March 12, 1861-5c blue (4 or more shades)

> Double impression Printed in Boston, Mass.

Medium White Wove Paper

November 30, 1864-5c blue (6 or more shades)

These-were not issued for postal purposes, but

These were not issued for postal purposes, but a few were so used. The paper varies in thickness, and there are two or more kinds of gum. Same twenty varieties in each sheet of twenty as in the 1853 issue.

Printed in Boston, Mass.

1868 Six or more shades surcharged "Specimen" in red

7276 of these stamps surcharged "Specimen" were burned in the furnarcs of the Hawaiian Electric Co., in Honolulu in the presence of the Minister of Finance, the Postmaster General, and a committee composed of John H. Soper, W. M. Gifford and F. L. Stolz on January 28, 1897.

Medium White Wove Paper

November 30, 1864-13c dull rose

These were not issued for postal purposes. Printed in Boston, Mass., in sheets of twenty from the same plates as the issue of 1853.

1868 surcharged "Specimen" in black (two types)

16257 of these stamps surcharged "Specimen" were burned January 28, 1897, in the presence of the committee.

CRITICISM INVITED.

NOTES.

Collected by the Editor.

Through Mr. W. S. Lincoln, we have received information concerning the stamps of Japan on the new watermarked paper. These were issued May 20th, 1914, and are chronicled in this number.

Mr. John P. Cooper has shown us copies of the new 1 Centavo stamp of Nicaragua, printed by the American Bank Note Co., the entire issue of which is listed in our Chronicle this month. It is a handsome stamp and fully up to what we could expect of the printers. He also shows us copies of the .01 on 35c. Official of 1911 and the .05 on 5 Peso stamp of the same series.

Mr. Cooper also submits copies of the 2 cents and 10 cents U.S. postage due series of the present issue in decidedly carmine shades.

RECRUITING COMMITTEE REPORT.

Dear Fellow-members:-

Although we have not yet reached the close of our term, I wish to make a report on the work done by the recruiting committee since our last Convention. Not only did we come up to the number of members reported last Aug. but we have gone far beyond that number: this has never been done before in the history of the Association, and I am glad to know that the tables are turning so that we have a gain to report instead of a loss, as has been for the last few years. The committee appointed on recruiting have all been working and even though some have failed to get any new applicants I know they worked to get some, and what more can be expected of anyone.

I am asking of each one of you to be a member on this committee until our next Convention; each one of you endeavor to get at least one new member. It is for your own good as well as the Society, and I am sure we all want to see the AMERICAN increase and prosper as she has never done before. I will send application blanks to any member upon request, and hope that I shall be

called upon by many members to send them blanks.

We are going to have a very good meet in Niagara Falls, and from the correspondence I have had we are going to have quite a bunch of people. Can we count you with us?

Fraternally yours, C. W. KISSINGER, Chairman of Recruiting Committee A. P. S.

Summary of Membership.

OUR REVIEW.

By the Editor.

A. B. C. CATALOGUE, a descriptive priced catalogue of the World's Postage Stamps. We reviewed Part I of this work several months ago and we have now received a copy of Part II, listing "entires," including envelopes, wrappers postal cards, etc., comprising 396 pages of these postal emissions. This is the only catalogue of the kind published in the English language. The publishers state they find interest in these branches of philately very much on the increase and that many collectors are including such stamps in their specialized collections. The book is well written, the illustrations and text very clear and the U. S. section should appeal to all collectors of our country's stamps. The work is indispensible to those who would collect the stamped stationery of their favorite countries, and if for nothing else than the information it contains it should have a place in the working library of every serious philatelist. Price 2sh. 3d. post free.

We have also been favored with a copy of the complete edition of this catalogue, consisting of Parts I and II bound together. Price 4sh. 4d. post Free.

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OFFICIAL NOTICES.

CALL FOR CONVENTION.

May 1, 1914

To the Stockholders of

The American Philatelic Society— The Twenty-ninth Annual Convention of this Society for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be legally brought before it will convene at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Tuesday, August 11th, 1914, at Ten o'clock and thirty minutes A. M., and upon succeeding days until all business shall have been disposed of.

The Convention head quarters and place of meeting will be at the International Hotel, Niagara Falls, New York.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE,

President.

May 1, 1914.

To the Stockholders of the

American Philatelic Society.

l have appointed the following Credentials Committee---

Charles F. Heyerman, of Detroit, Mich., Chairman.

F. S. Grotjan, of Buffalo, N. Y.

W. H. Barnum, of Cleveland, Ohio.

C. E. Severn, of Chicago, 111.

H. M. Clark, of New York City, N. Y. and on Committee of Arrangements for Convention—

Julian Park of Buffalo, N. Y., Chairman.

H. C. Barr of Buffalo, N. Y., Vice-Chairman.

F. S. Grotjan, of Buffalo, N. Y.

F. P. James, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Ballots and proxies, both signed if member cannot attend, will be sent to Committee on Credentials, care of Mr. F. S. Grotjan, International Hotel, N'agara Falls, N. Y. Each member must SIGN his own BALLOT, his proxy is not allowed to vote for officers.

CHAS. A. COOLIDGE,

President.

REPORTS OF BRANCHES, OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

The Secretaries of all Branches, as well as all officers and the Chairman of all Committees, should take notice that a report covering the working of the various departments and branches for its past year must be presented to the Convention, at the opening session on August 11th, 1914. These reports should be presented in person if such officials are in attendance at the Convention, otherwise should be sent to the President or Secretary, by whom they will be presented to the members assembled.

CONTRACT FOR PRINTING.

The contract for printing of the official journal for the year commencing Sept. 1st, 1914, will be placed by the Board of Directors to be elected at the Annual Election as soon after the Convention as possible, and bids for doing this work are now requested. Specifications, etc., will be furnished by the Secretary, upon request.



BRANCH SOCIETIES.

We are always glad to publish reports of the meetings of our Branches and request the Secretaries of such furnish us with reports for publication on this page.

CHICAGO BRANCH No. 1.

The 333rd regular meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1, American Philatelic Society was held Thursday evening, May 14th, 1914, in Mr. Fowler's office 1301 Fort Dearborn Building, Chicago, Illinois. President Dahl called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Bloss, Cabeen, Dahl, Fowler, Mc-Donald, Mudge, and Severn.

The minutes of the March and April meetings were approved as read.

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ON TO NIAGARA FALLS

where my second auction sale will take place on Thursday, August 13th, 1914, at 2.30 p. m., at the International Hotel (Convention Headquarters). The replies that I received to my ad last month were all in favor of the sale and

The replies that I received to my ad last month were all in favor of the sale and having the stamp of approval of the officers and the committee in charge of the entertainment, have decided to assist them and try and aid them in making this year's convention enticing enough to bring you there.

There are, of course, a great many who cannot come, others might come if they saw some object in going, and as I heard in a recent sermon on church going, some might go to church if they saw financial gain in it. There is a return in it for you, looking at the sordid side of it, as it will be cheaper than an ordinary vacation, your entertainment all being provided (at least that is the customary way) with the added pleasure of meeting many collectors, becoming personally acquainted with your correspondents and swapping and SEEING stamps, which is an education in itself. As Mr. Barr writes "From my own experience I think many more members would attend than ordinarily do, if it was not their idea that conventions consisted

As Mr. Barr writes "From my own experience I think many more members would attend than ordinarily do, if it was not their idea that conventions consisted entirely of the transactions which they read of in the annual report, rather than the continuous 'dickerings' in stamps which are going on in quiet corners." Make up your mind to come and have a good time.

The least that you can do is to show your respect to the officers who are so nobly guiding the destinies of the Society, by mailing your ballot and proxy. Let this year be a record breaker in this respect. I shall be glad to receive and honestly use your proxy, if you are not going, and where it is instructed shall faithfully follow instructions. "PERSONAL SERVICE"

HENRY ADES FOWLER 1301-2 FORT DEARBORN BLDG., CHICAGO, ILL. Cable Address "Stamps," Chicago.

Mr. Fowler read a communication from Secretary Ault.

Mr. Fowler spoke of the faithful service of Mr. Ault and moved that he be the nominee of the Chicago Branch for Secretary for the coming year. The motion, being seconded by Mr. Severn, was duly passed.

On motion Severn, seconded by Mudge Mr. C. F. Mann was chosen as nominee for Treasurer for the coming year by Chicago Branch No. 1.

Mr. Mudge showed an interesting collection of stamps, made up some years ago, and Mr. Severn exhibited a curious ship cancellation.

After informal discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9.40 P. M.

A. WILLIAM BLOSS, Secy.

CHICAGO BRANCH No. 1.

334th meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society at its regular monthly meeting held July 9, 1914, endorsed the Detroit ticket in its entirety, and unanimously favored the choice of San Francisco as the place of the 1915 Convention.

Several communications were received and read.

The Branch also unanimously recommended that the Board of Directors re-appoint Mr. Wolsieffer as sales superintendent.

> Yours very truly, ALBERT H. ROESLER, Sec. Pro Tem.

DETROIT BRANCH No. 25.

June 12, 1914.

The 56th Regular Meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Society, held this date at 8.30 p. m., at the residence of Mr. Henry Look, 322 Vinewood Ave.

Members present: Messrs. Babcock, Bennett, Coolidge, Hartenstein, Hinchman, Jumper, Kay, Ladue, Livingston, Look, Norris, Rice, Schmalzriedt, Smith, Scott and Sharpe (16). THE AMERICAN PHILATELIST.

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Visitor: Mr. Lawrence Werner. President Coolidge presided.

The Minutes of the 55th Regular Meeting were read and approved.

Priced catalogue of Morgenthau & Co.'s recent auction received.

Communications from A. Coyette & Garden City Stamp Co., were received and filed.

On motion, duly supported, it was unanimously resolved that the present board of Directors of the American Philatelic Society, for the ensuing year, be nominated for re-election, as follows:

President, C. A. Coolidge, Detroit.

Board of Vice Presidents, H. C. Crowell, John F. Rust, and Alvin Good of Cleveland.

Secretary, Wm. E. Ault, Jeffersonville, Ind.

Treasurer, C. F. Mann, Chicago, Ill.

International Secretary, L. Harald Kjellstedt, Scranton, Pa.

Directors at Large, E. M. Carpenter,

Boston, and H. B. Phillips, Berkeley, Calif.

Following the meeting, an auction sale of some fifty odd lots were sold. Refreshments.

> Respectfully, HENRY LOOK, Secy.

CONOVER-KLEIN.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Miss Sara E. Conover, and Mr. Eugene Klein, which took place at Philadelphia Thursday June 18, 1914 the bride being the daughter of Mrs. Annie E. Conover, and will be remembered as an attendent at our Convention last year at Put-in-Bay. Mr. Klein is on officer of our Society and a stamp dealer of Philadelphia. The honeymoon will be spent in Europe and they will be at home, 53 N. 62nd St., Philadelphia, after Oct. 1st. Our best wishes are extended for a happy and long life, and may Dame Fortune have nought in store for them but the best.

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WANTS AND EXCHANGES.

Members only will have the use of this column. Rates—Per line, including address single insertion, 5 cents. Standing notices, one year per line, 12½c. Minimum charge for yearly notice, 50c.

WANTED-Straight Adhesives, no rubbish, cut squares, or postal cards,-Cat. \$1.00, 22c; Cat. \$5.00, \$1.00; Cat. \$10.00, \$2.00 No lot contains duplicates. L. C. Hassler, 135 Roberta Ave., Louisville, Ky.

EXCHANGE DESIRED—Wanted, American stamps only, including U. S. Colonies, Br. North America, British W. Indies, Foreign imperf. issues only. Blocks, strips, pairs, loose and on covers. Can offer in ex change British German and French Colonials also stamps of the world, loose and on covers, Govt. envelopes, post cards, etc. Martin Pokorny, A. P. S. 4098, 1329 St. Ange Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

WANTED—For cash. Imperforate and part perf. U. S. Revenues in pairs, strips, etc. All values. Duplicates taken in quantity if price is right. Send on approval at best net prices. A. P. S. No. 1702. F. P. Gibbs, Olean, N. Y.

WANTED for cash, good used copies of Ceylon Qucen's head, 24c, 25c, 28c. Special prices for pairs, strips and blocks. A. W. Dunning. Brookline, Mass, U. S. A.

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SCARCE M & M and other good stamps for sale and exchange. Correspondence invited with collectors. Elliott Perry, Box 333, Westfield, N. J.

EXCHANGE desired with serious collectors at home and abroad. Have general collection of 7000 varieties, but specially interested in North, South and Central America. J. W. Alford, 36 East Park St., East Orange, N. J. A.P.S. No. 4331.

STAMPS on approval at net prices representing 60 to 80% discount. Good, scarce varieties, not trash. Robert Whittaker, Llanerch, Pa.

BRITISH INDIA and Indian "Convention" States. All issues in stock. Write for "Indian List." B. Gordon Jones, 23 Rosemont Ave., North Finchley, London, Eng.

WANTED.—U. S. Locals and Carriers for cash, or will give stamps, any country in exchange. John A. Klemann, 118 Nassau St. New York City, N. Y.

U. S. REVENUES WANTED—Medium and better grade in good condition only single coples or in quantities. Submit with lowest price. Burt McCann, 321 N. Newton, Minneapolis, Minn.

MEKFEL'S Weekly Stamp News, Boston. Mass., the old reliable paper, over 7000 subscribers. 50c per year. Edited by Severn, Wylie, Poole and Kidder. WANTED for cash. U. S. and U. S. Colonies, B. N. A. and Mexico, in mint blocks 4. Send on approval with lowest cash price. Perry W. Fuller, Liberty & Lombard Sts., Baltimore, Md. A. P. S. 4S243.

EXCHANGE Revs. but U. S.	all nations. Oconomowoc,	

GOVERNMENT ISSUE of Postal Cards and Letter Cards. Approval selections to responsible collectors. S. Schachne, Chillicothe, Ohio.

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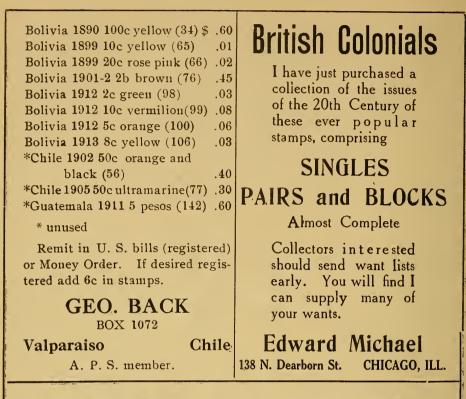
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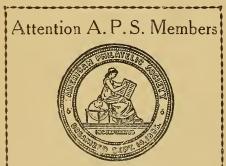
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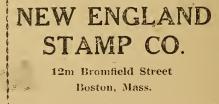
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SUMMARY.

SUMMARI.				
Printing and Catalogue No.	Colour,	Impression.	Watermark	Paper.
		5c., brown or blue.		
Loudon. 1853. No. 1. 1855. No. 17.	Chocolate-brown shades Red-brown or red shades, or brown with a greenish tint.	Fine-lined.	Medium "5" very distinct.	Fairly stout and deep- ly blued on back. Medium thickness, slightly blued, often only greenish, yellow- ish, or pinkish on the back, with faint blue outlining the design.
		5c., brown.	a	
Desmadry]. 1854. Nos. 3-5.	Brown, red-brn. and chestnut- brown.	Very fine-lined, some copies have a "drag- ged" or double print appearance. Centre cir- cle and spandrels are about the same depth of colour.	Small "5"	Medium to very thin, often "ribbed," and stained greenish on the back.
Gillet,	Burnt sienna and	Fairly good.	Small "5"	Stained yellowish on
1854. Nos. 6 and 7. Lithograph. 1854. Nos. 8-11.	Grey-brown, brn. red-brown, bis- cuit, orange-brn. and brick-red	appearance and lack of fine-lined detail.		the face. Smooth and opaque, generally white on the back.
Post Office. 1857. No. 18.	Dull red brown to brownish red,and orange brown.	Generally good; some are very rough. Head appears to stand out, giving "cameo" effect. Back-ground of circle considerably d ar k er than that of spandrels.		All grades from quite thick to fairly thin.
		5c., red.		
1858. Nos. 19-22.		Generally good, some very rough and indis- tinct.	Small "5"	Thick to fairly thin.
1865, NOS, 36-39.	All shades of red	10c., blue.	•	
London. 1853. No. 2.	very full colour.	Heavy, colour spread- ing over the edges of		
	biue.	Very fine-lined and "lacy," every detail clear and distinct.		Generally fairly thick ish white. for the dark blue shades, thin and semi- transparent for the others; often ribbed.
Desmadryl. 1854. Nos. 15, 16.		pears radiated.		Medium thick, and ra- ther opaque.
Post Office. 1857. Nos. 23-28.	Prusian blue and indigo to very	Very good to very bad.		Stout to thin.
London. 1862. Nos. 31, 32.	Deep blue, pale blue, and grey- blue.	don prints.	Small "10." Large "10" very dis- tinct show- ing as if in colour.	Generally rather thin, and greenish or bluish.

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION AT NIAGARA FALLS.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society was called to order by Pres. Coolidge at the convention hall of the International Hotel, Niagara Falls, N. Y., at 10.30 A. M. Tuesday, August 11th, 1914.

Mr. Williams, of the Industrial Commission of Niagara Falls, delivered the address of welcome to the members assembled.

The address of Pres. Coolidge reviewed the work of the past year and called attention to some thing the Society could accomplish to its benefit. The year had been one of much promise and the Society was never on so firm a basis as at this time.

The report of the Credentials Committee showed the election of the following Board of Directors for the year ending August 31st, 1915, together with the total votes cast and received by each of the candidates—

Total number of valid and counted

ballots	356
Chas. A. Coolidge, President rec'd	302
H. C. Crowell, Vice President, rec'd	221
Alvin Good, Vice President, rec'd	217
John F. Rust, Vice President, rec'd	189
Wm. E. Ault, Secretary, rec'd	346
C. F. Mann, Treasurer, rec'd	345
L. H. Kjelldstedt, International Sec-	
retary, rec'd	312

H. B. Phillips, Director-at-large, rec'd_323E. M. Carpenter, Director-at-large

received _____309

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the evening of the 12th, the Board was organized as shown above.

Owing to the lack of nominations and the ballot being printed without any names of nominees, the ballots showed that no less than 69 members had received one or more votes for Director.

The Board of Vice-Presidents' report covered their work during the past season.

The Sales Department, as reflected by the report submitted by the Superintendent, Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, was shown to be in good condition and there is a marked improvement over last year. The principal items are as follows—

1707 new books received during the year ending June 20, 1914, with a value of 333,974.36, and in the same time there were retired a total of 1798 books, original value 333,777.38, showing a sale of stamps to the value of 9,855.86, a percentage of 29% of the value. This is a decided increase over the figures of the report of 1913.

On June 10th, 1914, there was in circulation in the Department a total of 2475 books, valued at \$48,667.44. Cash sales during the twelve months were \$7,995.12. A total of \$219.96 was collected for the Insurance fund in the same period.

The Secretary's report showed an increase of 19 in membership during the year ending August 8th, 1914, summarized as follows—

Membership August 18, 1913	1449
New stockholders admitted 167	
Reinstatment of former mem-	
bers 12	
Additions to membership roll	
through the various causes	
set forth in the reports of	
this officer 26	205
	1654
Less resignations accepted 56	
Less resignations accepted 56 Deaths 16	
Deaths 16	
Deaths 16 Expelled 5	186

Membership August 8, 1914 __ 1468

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. Mann, showed a decided improvement in the finances of the Society. Last year there was a deficit in the General Fund of \$861.36, whereas this year the deficit had been reduced to \$195.62. The funds were distributed as follows—

Stock Fund\$4,193.66	
Insurance Fund 1,620.42	
Exchange Account 55.83	
Suspense Account 46.70	\$5,916.61
Less General fund over-	
drawn	195.62
Credit balance	\$5,720.99
This balance was rep-	
resented as follows—	
Bonds (book value)\$3,489.34	
Cash in bank 2,231.65	\$5,720.99

Report of the International Secretary was read by the Secretary.

The appointment of the various committees to handle the business of the Convention was announced by Pres. Coolidge.

The second session of the Convention was called to order at 10.00 A. M. Wednesday, August 12th, 1914.

Reports of the various officers and Committees were read.

The report of the Committee on place of next Convention favored the selection of San Francisco as the Convention seat for 1915, and after a discussion by the members in attendance, that city was selected.

A number of communications received during the Convention were read.

The third and final session was held at 10.00 A. M. Thursday morning.

The various committees appointed to serve during the Convention reported.

The By-Laws committee reported several changes in the Laws regulating our Society. One which will prove popular is that removing the requirement of exchange be added to personal checks. The two Directors-at-Large will have special supervision over Branch Societies with $1 \approx ad$. led duty of promotion of the organization of such branches. Another change which has been advocated for some time is that regarding the admission of members to branch Societies. Under the old By-Laws only members of the A. P. S. could belong to the branches, but this restriction is now removed and persons not stockholders may become affiliated with branches, but such persons will have no vote in matters pertaining to the A. P. S. This will undoubtedly cause a greater interest in our branches.

In all, the past Convention was a most pleasant one, and will unquestionably redound to the benefit of the Society.

The registration showed an attendance of 78 members, 4 applicatnts for membership and 38 visitors.

THE SOCIAL SIDE.

Despite the fact that the Society was an uninvited guest at Niagara Falls, we do not believe a member will be found who did not enjoy the meeting, and the days of August 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th, 1914, will ever remain a pleasant memory in the minds of those who were there. The members residing in Buffalo and Niagara Falls did all they could to make the visit a pleasant one and the Society can feel proud that they so willingly gave their time to the end that our meeting would prove both successful and enjoyable.

On the evening of August 10th, President and Mrs. Coolidge received the members and guests in the Parlor of the International Hotel and a pleasant gathering attested to the goodfellowship which exists among our members.

On Tuesday afternoon, the official photograph of the Convention was taken on the bank of the river just below the Cataract Hotel.

On the same afternoon the members and guests visited the factory of the Shredded Wheat Co. The trip was a most instructive one, followed by a dainty lunch on the products of that firm.

Wednesday afternoon was devoted to a trip through Niagara Gorge on board a special car, about seventy-five attendants availing themselves of the opportunity to see the wonders of the Falls and the River below. A very handsome badge was distributed to all those registering the design consisting of an upright rectangle mounted as a lapel button, inscribed "1914 A P S Convention Niagara Falls," with a view of the Falls in relief.

A Bourse was held on Wednesday evening and it proved most popular, if we are to judge by the interest which was displayed and the lateness of the hour when the gathering finally dispersed.

On Thursday afternoon, following the final session of the Convention, Mr. Henry

Ades Fowler held his second auction sale. A number of fine items were included.

Last, but far from least in the minds of all those present, was the display of stamps constantly on exhibition, and whenever a group of members was to be seen, it was sure to be centered on some collection or display. It would take entirely too much space to even touch upon the many fine collections and stamps shown, but they were enjoyed by every one who had the opportunity to look them over.

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.



ARGENTINE.—Though dated "1912" this aviation stamp is just appearing.

BEUCHUANALAND.—The 1sh and 5sh King George stamps of Great Britain have been overprinted "Bechuanaland and Protectorate" for use in that Protectorate.

BRITISH GUIANA.—Another value has appeared in the King George series. 48c black and brown violet.

CANAL ZONE.—The Zone Government has ordered from Panama the new Pana-

ma National Exposition commemoratives. The stamps will be surcharged, as usual, "CANAL ZONE." To be put on sale November 1st 1914.

1	cent.	100,000
2	cent.	100,000
5	cent.	100,000
10	cent.	50,000

DAHOMEY.—This Colony has received a new postage due set like that already noted for French Guinea and Mauritania. 5c green. 10c carmine. 15c gray. 20c brown. 30c blue. 50c black. 60c orange. 1fr violet.

DENMARK.—The New England Stamp Co., shows the 1, 2 and 3 ore stamp, Scott's Type A10, on paper watermarked multiple crosses.

EAST AFRICA & UGANDA.—The 25c and 75c values of the King George set for this Protectorate have appeared on paper with white back.

FRENCH INDIA.—A new set is noted for this colony. There are two designs, the values from 1c to 30c having a native idol, while the values 35c to 5fr show an Indian temple. The former is an upright rectangle while the latter is horizontal, both being of the usual size of the later French colonial stamps.

1c gray and black.

2c purple and black.

3c brown and black.

- 4c orange and black.
- 5c green and black.
- 10c carmine and black.
- 15c violet and black.
- 20c vermilion and black.

25c blue and black.
30c ultramarine and black.
35c brown and black.
40c vermilion and black.
45c green and black.
50c carmine and black.
75c blue and black.
1fr yellow and black.
2fr violet and black.
5fr blue and black.

FIJI ISLANDS.—Further values of the King George stamps have been issued completing the series.

2d gray.

2½d ultramarine.

3d violet on yellow.

4d black and red on yellow.

5d lilac and olive green.

6d lilac and mauve.

GREECE.—The 20 stamp, type of 1911, has issued in lithograph form.

HAYTI.—The current stamps of Hayti are being overprinted "Gl. O. Z.—7 Feb 1914" in two lines in a plain rule border, says *Mekeel's Weekly* The initials stand for Gen. Oreste Zamor, the new president of the Republic.

JAMACIA.—The 4d value has appeared on white backed paper.

4d carmine and black on yellow tinted

JAPAN.—The 5y and 10y values have been seen on the new paper.

JAPAN.—Offices in Chinar—Mekeel's Weekly is informed that the 1s, 25s, and ly values on the new paper have appeared with the usual overprint for use in China.

MALTA.—Two more values have appeared in the King George set. The 6d is in the Grenada type and the 2sh in the Nyassaland type.

6d lilac and mauve.

2sh blue and lilac on blue.



MEXICO.—We show two cuts. The larger is the so-called "official," but believed to be revenues. We show it as copies have been used for postage, thus entitling it to place in the catalogue. The smaller cut shows to new "Denver" postage set. Lithographed by Smith-Brooks of Denver.

We list the so-called Denver series of Constitutionalist stamps. The Federal stamps of Mexico are being overprinted "Gobierno Constitutionalista" in two lines in small type, from a rubber hand stamp. An error is noted, the first "T" of "Constitutionalista" being omitted.

light blue.
 yellow green.
 orange.
 lake.
 pink.
 violet.
 violet.
 yellow.
 purple.

Mekeel's Weekly chronicles a series of international revenue stamps issued at Vera Cruz. They have a picture of Benito Juarez, the initials "U. S. A." and "Mexico." They are lithographed and roughly designed and printed. All are rouletted.

5c dark blue. 10c dark red brown. 25c yellow green. 1p dark green.

NIGERIA.—The New England Stamp Co. show the new set, the design being the same as the Northern Nigeria King George stamps. The last of the white backed paper was used to print these stamps.

½d green.
1d scarlet.
2d gray.
2½d ultramarine.
3d violet on yellow tint.
4d black and red on yellow tint.
6d lilac and mauve.
1sh black on green tint.
2sh6d black and red on blue.
5sh green and red on yellow tint.
10sh green and red on green tint.
1 violet and black on red.

NORWAY.—The postage due set has been enlarged by the addition of a 15 ore value.

15 ore red brown.

PANAMA.—L'Echo reports having seen the current 5c surcharged, "No hay.— Vale 2c—Colon—26/5/14." Scott's Circular reports a similar surcharge on the 2½c of the 1909 issue.

ST. LUCIA.—The 2d value in the King George set has been issued in the Grenada type.

2d gray.

ST. VINCENT.—The 1sh King George stamp has been issued in substantially the same color as the 1sh of Great Britain. This marks a radical change from the universal color scheme.

1sh bistre.

SWITZERLAND. — Ewen's Weekly chronicles the new stamps. The centime values are on colored paper, and show a head of Tell. The franc values sh are large oblong stamps, and show beautiful Alpine views.

10c red on buff.

12c brown on buff.15c purple on buff.3fr blue green.5fr deep ultramarine.10fr violet.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO.—The $\frac{1}{2}d$ of 1913 has been overprinted "Official," according to *Mekeel's Weekly*, in a new type a tall thin letter being used. The 4d value has been seen on paper tinted yellow all through.

URUGUAY.—Lemaire's Journal says that the 2c, 4c and 10c postage due stamps have been issued in lithographed form. The new stamps are a little larger than the 1902 issue and perforated 11½. The 1c value is to be suppressed.

VENEZUELA.—Three values of a new postal set are chronicled by Mekeel's Weekly. There is also another set but with "Instruccion" instead of "Correos," the rest of the design being the same.

5c green. 10c red. 25c deep ultramarine.

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- Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, 18th year, No. 2, March-April, 1914. Published at Buenos Ayres by the Philatelic Society of Argentina.
- Der Philatelist, 35th year, No. 6, June 15, 1914. Published at Dresden by the International Philatelic Society, Dresden.

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EDITORIAL.

THE 29th ANNUAL CONVENTION Again we have passed another milestone in our Society's history and the Convention

just held at Niagara's famous Falls marks the close of another year, one which has been successful in Society annals, albeit no work or undertaking of great moment was attempted. It has been a season of steady progress and the promise extended for the future lends hope and inspiration that the year to end August 31st, 1915, will show far greater strides toward a steady fulfillment of the aims and endeavors of the American Philatelic Society.

The Convention was marked by no unusual happenings, but enthusiasm in the welfare of the Society is just as keen as at any time in its history.

One change in the regluations of the Society which holds much promise of good and extension of its sphere of influence and work, lay in the change of the By-Laws regarding Branch Societies. In the past years it has come to be realized that some means must be found to encourage the formation of Branches in the various centers of Philatelic activity and it has been advocated that Branches be allowed to admit collectors of good standing who were not members of the A. P. S., such admission, however, not to carry with it the privileges accorded members of the national body. Such an amendment was adopted and in this way it is hoped that much benefit will accrue to the Society through its workings.

There are a number of cities in which there is sufficient representation of A. P. S. members to form a branch, as it requires but five or more to secure a charter. It is hoped collectors in many of the cities will now take advantage of this opportunity to organize a Branch, and we trust that many of the existing local philatelic clubs may see where it is to their advantage to become affiliated with the Society.

Such branches would naturally open up an extensive field for recruiting of new members for the Society and the individual benefits to be obtained by the members of such branches need not be recounted in this column.

THE AMERICAN PHILATELIST It was the pleasure of the Board of Directors that your present Editor again guide, in

his humble way, the destinies of the American Philatelist for another year, and he has accepted the responsibility with a full realization of his limitations in such a capacity. His earnest wish is to show a steady improvement in your journal, but he cannot, without your help, have the journal reach the ideal which it should unless the members willingly assist in the work. Again the appeal goes out to all who can help, and that there are many is attested by the numerous papers which are constantly appearing in the philatelic press from the pens of our members. It is not the Editor's desire to detract from other magazines, but only to ask our writers to occasionally remember that their Society has a journal in which it is the wish of your officers that their work be published, and we shall gladly welcome any contributions which may possess information of interest to our members. Every member of our Society should feel a personal interest in our official journal and a desire to see it attain a prominent place in the philatelic journalistic field.

COVER DESIGN COMPETITION

The Board of Directors has authorized the Editor to solicit designs suitable for a

cover for the American Philatelist, this to consist of the heading as worded on the cover page of this issue with a proper border, the places for the insertion of the date, numbers and list of officers and committees to be left blank to allow for the necessary changes. We hope the honor of submitting the accepted design will serve as sufficient incentive to those of our members who have the artistic ability to prepare such drawings. Designs should reach the Editor by Sept. 15th, if possible, as we desire to begin the use of the new cover with the initial issue of Volume XXVII, which will start with the October numher

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

July 11, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Walker, D. T., Pittsburg, Kansas; Age
 46; Secretary and Treasurer; Firm
 Pittsburgh Wholesale Grocery Co.;
 Refs. John Maxwell, Cashier National
 Bank of Commerce, Pittsburgh, Kansas,
 Scott Stamp & Coin Co., New York City,
 N. Y.; Proposed by Wm. E. Ault, 1908.
- Bautsch, H. Horace, 466 20th St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Age 33; Letter Carrier; Refs. Geo. S. Cowper, Stationer, 39
 Falls St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Geo. H. Courter, Printer, 316 4th St., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Proposed by H. C. Burns, # 4252.
- Kaemmer, Edwin H., 524 S. 5th St., Camden, N. J.; Age 25; Manager; Refs.
 Central Trust & Savings Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; International Text Book Co., Scranton, Pa.; Proposed by Thomas Burnett, #4320.

New Stockholders.

- 4449—Fox, Frederick S., Reading, Pa.
- 4450—Stedman, Frank A., Rutherford, N.J. Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, having resigned in good standing during the present fiscal year, and desiring to withdraw resignation, having paid dues in full for the current year, is hereby replaced on the membership roll, and is in good standing:

380—Smith, H. G., 340 Sansome St. San Francisco, Calif.

Change of Address.

- 4234—MacDonough, Leo., from Box 16, Station C., Toledo, Ohio, to 161 N. Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.
 - Membership Summary.

Total membership July 3, 1914_1453

- New Stockholders admitted July 11th, 1914...... 3
- Replaced on membership roll July 11th, 1914.....

Total membership July 11th,

1914..... 1457 WM. E. AULT, Sec'y.

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING July 18, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Browne, F. J. D., E. 414 8th Ave., Spokane, Wash.; Age 50; Railroad Conductor; Firm With Northern Pacific Railway; Ref. C. G. Hubbard, Real Estate, E. 426 8th Ave., Spokane, Wash.; Proposed by I. C. Greene, #2676.
- Fisher, Dr. R. C., 42 Lawrence Place, Buffalo, N. Y.; Age 30; Physician; Refs. Erie County Savings Bank;
 S. O. Barnum & Son Co.; Proposed by T. J. Gundlach, #4408.

New Stockholders.

- 4451—Fonda, Henry Lawrence, Milton, Pa.
- 4452-Bradbury, John W., Denver, Col.
- 4453-Thelander, Kanuth, Chicago, Ill.
- 4454—Moore, P. G., Scranton, Pa.
- 4455—d'Hemecourt, George A., New Orleans, La.

Change of Address.

- 3929—Blum, Jean, from 1049 53rd St., Oakland, Calif., to 1254 23rd Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
- 3918—Patch, Charles, Jr., from 702 The Pasadena, Detroit, Mich., to Grosse Pointe Village, Mich.
- 4169—Poole, Bertram W. H., from Box
 231, Altadena, Calif., to 616 W.
 P. Story Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Membership Summary.
- Total membership July 11, 1914_1456

New Stockholders admitted

July 18, 1914..... 5

 Total membership July 18,

 1914.....
 1461

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING July 25, 1914.

Applications Posted.

Bishop, Bertram J., Lock Box 1732, Los Angeles, Calif.; Age 38; Cigar Dealer; Firm The R. J. Bishop Co.; Ref. F. S. Fox, Reading, Pa.; Proposed by C. W. Kissinger, #343.

New Stockholders.

4456—Morse, W. L., Syracuse, N. Y. 4457—Smith, A. Coleman, Pottstown, Pa.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, dropped March 7th, 1914, having paid dues in full for the current year, is hereby replaced on the membership roll and is in good standing:

3527—Schmidt, Frank, 755 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Deceased.

694—Kunast, W., Berlin, Germany., July 12th, 1914.

Change of Address.

4220—Truby, H. A., from Box 668 to Box 231, New Kensington, Pa.

Membership Summary.

- Total membership July 18,
- 1914.....1461 New Stockholders admitted

July 40, 1014	4	
Replaced on membership		
roll July 25, 1914	1	1464
Death reported July 25,		
1914		1

 Total membership July 25,

 1914.....
 1463

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING Aug. 1, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- O'Bryan, Miss Elsie Burton, 499 South Park Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.; Age Legal; Bookkeeper; Ref. Donovan Dry Goods Co., 442 South Park Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.; Proposed by F. P. James, #3752.
- Macfarlane, P. S., 11 Wm. David St., Maisonneuve, Montreal, Canada; Age 31; Engineer; Ref. W. K. Gilliespie, Canadian Steel Foundries, Montreal, Canada; Proposed by J. Clifford Miller, #434.
- Cell, Geo. A. W., Market St., Camp Hill, Cumberland County, Pa.; Age 39; Manager, Remington Typewriter Co.; Refs. Eugene Klein, Philadelphia, Pa.; Frank P. Brown Co., Boston Mass.; H. F. Co'man, Washington,

D. C.; Proposed by W. G. Whittaker, #3549.

- Chapman, George S., 80 Cathcart St., Montreal, Canada; Age 24; Stenographer, (with U. S. Dept. Labor.); Refs. John A. Easton, Treas. Menotomy Trust Co., Arlington, Mass.; Warren A. Pierce, 24 Academy St., Arlington, Mass:; Proposed by Percy McGraw Mann, # 3202.
- Zug, I. A., Wellington, Kansas; Age 40; Merchant; Firm Zug's Sample Store; Refs. Wendover Neefus, Stamp Dealer, Hudson, N. Y.; National Bank of Commerce, Wellington, Kansas; Proposed by Fred E. Farnham, #2990. New Stockholders.
- 4458-Fedder, Will H., La Salle, N. Y.
- 4459—Riedell, Paul W., Schenectady, N. Y.
- 4460-Root, H. F., Hope Idaho.
- 4461—Bell, Mrs. J. Lowrie. Change of Address.
- 4098—Pokorny, Martin, from 1329 St. Ange Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to Nusdorfer St. 44 III 16, Vienna IX, Austria.
- 444—Voetter, Thos. W., from care American Consulate, La Guaira, Venezuela, to R. F. D. #6, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Membership Summary.

Total membership July 25, 1914.....1463

New Stockholders admitted August 1, 1914..... 4

- Total membership August 1,
 - 1914..... 1467

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING Aug. 8, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Haker, Otto.

- Browne, F. J. D.
- Fisher, Dr. R. C.
- Bishop, Bertram J.
- O'Bryan, Miss Elsie Burton.
- Macfarlane, P. S.
- Dell, Geo. A. W.
- Chapman, George S.
- Zug, I. A.

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- Mader, Carl W., 1841 W. 112th St., Cleveland, Ohio; Age 32; Deputy Collector Customs; Refs. Henry Larsen, A. P. S. #4145, Cleveland, Ohio; Maurice Maschke, Collector Customs, Cleveland, Ohio; Proposed by W. G. Whittaker, #3549.
- Pepple, Wilbur C., 136 E. Lane Ave., Columbus, Ohio; Age 24; Student, O. S. U., Columbus, Ohio; Refs. The City National Bank, Columbus, Ohio; W. A. Carlile, of W. S. Carlile & Sons Co., Furniture, Columbus, Ohio; Proposed by Geo. W. Linn, #2452.

New Stockholders.

- 4462-Walker, D. T., Pittsburg, Kansas.
- 4463—Bautsch, H. Horace, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
- 4464---Kaemmer, Edwin H., Camden, N. J.

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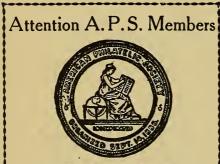
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The Surcharged Postage Stamps Issued from 1892 to 1899.

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The years from 1892 to 1899 with their long line of surcharges are, without doubt in my opinion, the most interesting period in the history of the Postage Stamps of Siam, but from a glance at Stanley Gibbons' catalogue, or Kohl's handbook, it will be at once apparent that the number of varieties created during those years is quite bewildering to the general collector, and in many cases puzzling even to the specialist, with expert knowledge of his subject.

Therefore, to produce some order among this confusion and to bring to light some new facts regarding these stamps, I have compiled from official sources a list of the different series of surcharges in the chronological order in which they were issued by the Postal Department, duly noting the errors and varieties which are found in each setting.

In October, 1892, the stock of 4 atts stamps was exhausted, and it was decided to reduce the value of the 24 atts stamp to 4 atts by a Siamese surcharge. This surcharging was done at the Vacharindr Printing Office (a semi-official Printing Office in Bangkok) and on the 4th November, 1892, 100 sheets-i. e., 12,000 stamps-were delivered to the Postal Department. As the surcharge was impressed by hand, quite a number of instruments had to be made, and it is obvious that some of the hand stamps must now show considerable differences. I have been able to make out 4 distinct types.

Type 1 and 2 do not appear to have been made of printing type, but to have been cut from a wooden or ivory block. Type 1 is slightly heavier than Type 2, and both types differ materially in the shape of the figure 4 and in the characters of the word "att". To me type 1 seems to be the older, for, as we shall see later, it has never received a supplementary surcharge in English. Types 3 and 4 are made of printing type, and their only difference lies in the spacing between the word "raka" and the figure 4.

The varieties found in this surcharge are merely due to irregular printing. They are (1) inverted, (2) double, and (3) omitted surcharge.

It was very soon discovered that these stamps could not be used for foreign postage among the countries of the Postal Union as their value was only expressed in Siamese characters. An order was therefore given to impress upon them a further surcharge in English. This printing was done by the Siam Mercantile Press, and the plate was set up to surcharge complete sheets of 120 stamps.

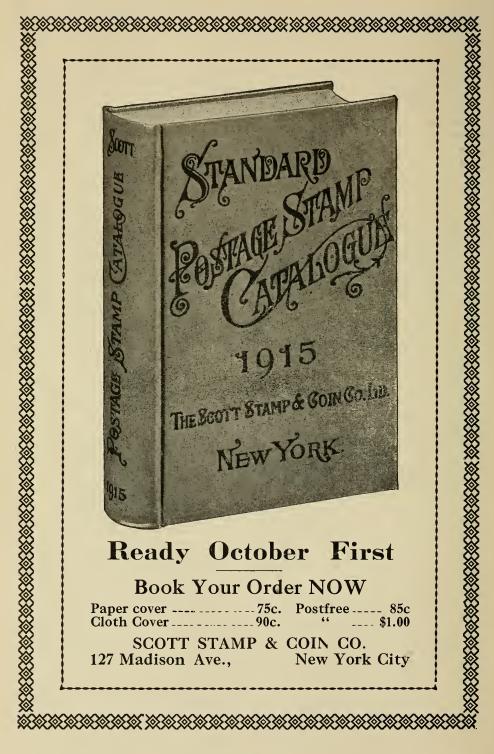
Of the new stamps with English and Siamese inscriptions 4 distinct settings can be distinguished:—

(1) small surcharge without stop after "s"

(2) small surcharge with stop after "s"

(3) large surcharge without stop after "s", and

(4) large surcharge with stop after "s". Unfortunately the records of the Postal Department do not show the order in which they were printed. They only say



that the stamps were delivered by the Siam Mercantile Press in three instalments. On the 26th November, 1892, 72,000 stamps, on 20th June, 1893, 48,600, and on the 3rd July, 1893, 67,400 stamps were supplied, making a total of 188,-000 stamps. On all the 4 settings the space between the English and Siamese surcharge varies very considerably, owing to the fact that the printing was done by two separate processes.

Type 1, which is S G. No. 49, was impressed with the Siamese hand stamp 2. The English setting is small roman without stop. The errors in this setting are: —Siamese surcharge (1) double, (2) inverted or (3) omitted, (4) antique "a" (5) inverted "s", and (6) second "t" antique.

As the two types, roman and antique, will be very often alluded to in this paper, I propose to give a short description of them.

In the roman type the letter "a" has a distinct ball, which is practically absent in the antique type. This results in the latter appearing much more open at the top than the former.

The roman "t" has the foot curved and turned up at the end into a fairly long upstroke. In the antique "t" the foot is not nearly so bent, is somewhat thicker, and there is no upstroke at all at the end.

The serifs at each end of the "s", which are very pronounced in the roman type, are either entirely wanting or very faint in the antique, and their place is taken by very slight thickenings at either end of the curve. Thus like the "a", the antique "s" is very open in character.

The capital "A", which appears in later surcharges, differs in the two types only in so far as the roman "A" is narrower than the antique.

For types 2, 3, and 4, stamps were used which had already been surcharged with the Siamese hand stamp 3. Type 2 has the English setting, very similar to that of type 1, but with the addition of a full stop, and the varieties are also of a very similar nature to those of type 1. They are:—(1) antique "a", (2) antique first "t", (3) antique second "t", (4) antique "s", (5) inverted "s", (6) no stop after "atts", and (7) second "t" script "t". The variety without stop can easily be distinguished from type 1 by the difference in the Siamese surcharge.

In types 3 and 4 the English setting has a larger lettering, and here again the two types differ only by the addition of a full stop in type 4. The Siamese surcharge in both types show the usual varieties:—Double, inverted or omitted. In the English setting of type 3 there is a first "t" antique and space between "tt" of "atts", while in that of type 4 the only variety known is an inverted "s".

Now the printing press had a rest for just one year, for it was not until the 12th July, 1894, that the next surcharge was issued. On that day the Postal Department was supplied with 30,000 stamps of the value 1 atts on 64 atts, and 60,-000 of the value 2 atts on 64 atts. These were followed on the 26th July by 90,-000 stamps of 1 atts on 64 atts, and on the 4th August by 100,000 stamps of 2 atts on 64 atts.

These 4 stamps were surcharged in large roman type from the same setting except for the correcting of the final "s" and the substitution of the numeral 2 for 1. It is scarcely credible, but it is a fact that the setting "1 Atts" with a superfluous "s" was made first. I can only account for the mistake by the supposition that the stamps were handed to the printer, who had very little knowledge of the English language, with the sole transform them into instruction to stamps of the value 1 and 2 Atts, and that no proof-sheets were asked for. The varieties found on this plate are:-(1) inverted "s", (2) inverted stop, and (3) a roman "A".

The next stamp, 2 Atts on 64 Atts, is the most perplexing of all the many Siamese surcharges, for it contains no less than 6 types of the figure 2, which are all clearly distinguishable from one another.

Type 1, a large upright figure, 3mm. high, with a straigt foot. Type 2, a large upright figure, 3½mm. high, with curved foot.

Type 3, a very large, heavy upright figure, 3½ mm. high, with straight foot.

Type 4, a large sloping figure $2\frac{3}{4}$ mm. high, with curved foot.

Type 5, a small upright figure, 2½mm. high, with curved foot.

Type 6, a small upright figure, 2mm. high, with straight foot.

These six types are S. G. Nos. 74 to 79. All the stamps in this setting have the figure 2 lower than the word "Atts", doubtless because the figures are considerably taller than the letters of the word "Atts" and did not, therefore, fit properly into the setting. The varieties which occur in this plate are a raised stop and two inverted "s". Inverted surcharge is also known.

It was from this setting that the plate for the next surcharge "1 Att on 64 Atts" was made by removing the "s" at the end of the word "Atts" and by substituting the figure 1 for 2. This stamp is S. G. No. 73, and the varieties found in this setting are different spacing (1) between 1 and Atts, and (2) between the English and Siamese inscriptions. A raised stop is also said to occur, but it is not to be found on the sheet in my possession, and it was evidently corrected at an early stage of the printing. I have also seen blocks and strips of this stamp with a capital "S" (both normal and inverted) added with a hand-stamp. As regards such an error, the only explanation which offers itself is that, after the first few sheets of the 1 Att had been printed, the foreman in charge of the printing thought that a mistake had been made in removing the small "s" (seen in the previous printing) and tried to repair that mistake as best he could: it sounds almost incredible, but it seems to be the only feasible explanation, as the full stop after the word "Att" can still clearly be seen, and the capital "S" has not been added by a machine-press. Otherwise the stamp must be a clumsy forgery, yet, personally, I do not think that such is the case.

The present plate was again altered for the next issue, 2 Atts on 64 Atts, and this time the same type of figure 2, namely that similar to type 6 (G. G. No. 79), was used throughout the setting. The only, but very interesting variety in this setting is that in which the stop is placed before the "s" (Att.s). It occurs twice in the top row of the sheet.

On the 26th August, 1894, 80,000 stamps of the value 1 Att on 64 Atts of a new setting were issued. This is No. 184 in Gibbons Catalogue, which, however, incorrectly gives the year of issue as 1899. The only varieties in this setting are (1) a space between "t" of "Att" and (2) a missing full stop.

It is not known where this interesting group of surcharges were printed, but it is very probable that the Vacharindr Printing Office was responsible for them.

The next series of five surcharges forms a striking contrast to those just dealt with. Instead of the large inscription and most irregular system of spacing, the surcharges are very small and neat and of great regularity. They were printed from a plate of 60 (five horizontal rows of 12), that is half a sheet at a time, and wherever varieties occur they are always found twice in the sheet, in corresponding positions. They were printed at the Siam Mercantile Press, at that time considered to be the best printing office in Siam.

The first two of this series were 1 Att on 64 Atts and 2 Atts on 64 Atts, S. G. Nos. 92 and 94. 1000 sheets of each were delivered to the Postal Department on the 12th October, 1894.

The English surcharge of the 1 Att on 64 Atts measures 10mm, and there are no varieties of this setting known. The surcharge occurs, however, inverted.

The setting of the 2 Atts on 64 Atts is similar to that of the 1 Att on 64 Atts, and the distance between the figures 2 and Atts is exactly the same. This plate contains 2 errors, "2 Att" with the "s" omitted, and an inverted "s"; and these errors occur, as stated above, twice on the sheet.

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The stock of these two stamps did not last long, for on the 29th December of the same year the Postal Department received a further supply of 4167 sheets of each value. They were, however, printed from a different setting and form the 3rd and 4th of the series. The difference does not lie in the type used for the plates, which is the same as that used for the two previous stamps, but in the space between the numeral and the word "Att" or "Atts", which is much narrower. The setting of both surcharges is very regular, and there is only one variety to be found. This occurs on the 1 Att surcharges, and is the variety known as "1 and Att close together"; it appears of course twice on the sheet.

There is, however, a remarkable peculiarity in connection with the printing of the two stamps above mentioned, which appears for the first time. Of both values specimens are found which have the surcharge on the back as well as on the face, but no stamp is known which has the surcharge on the back alone. The presence of these surcharges on the back of the stamps is very difficult to explain. Mr. Row, in his paper on the Stamps of Siam in The Stamp Lover, expresses the opinion that the backs of the sheets were used by the printer for the purpose of making trial impressions of his set-up surcharge in order to see if it was correct, and if the alignment and spacing were satisfactory. I have always shared that opinion, and from enquiries which I have now made from Mr. Gotte, whose father owned the Printing Office in which these surcharges were made, this supposition proves to be correst. The printer apparently thought that the surcharges on the back would disappear with the gum when the stamps were used, and he did not imagine that in later years philatelists would be eager to collect or attach any value to such varieties of printing.

In the middle of the year 1895 the letter postage to the Straits Settlements was raised from 8 to 10 Atts, and a new stamp became therefore necessary. This stamp is the fifth of the series under review, and was obtained by the not unusual method of surcharging. The already much maltreated value of 24 Atts was again chosen for this purpose, and on the 23rd July, 1895, 4167 sheets of the new value of 10 Atts were delivered.

The type used is similar to that of the last four stamps. The setting is again very neat and regular, and contains only two varieties:—(1) an inverted "s" and (2) an inverted "o": it is also known with the surcharge on the back. By inverted "o", is meant that the block type of the "o" was placed in the press upside down and the figure appears below the 1.

On all the five stamps dealt with above misplaced surcharges are very common, and very considerable variations in the amount and direction of shifting can be found.

The next surcharge is a 4 Atts on 12 Atts (S. G. No. 110), which appeared in January, 1896. Although 100,000 stamps of this surcharge were printed, it is very difficult to find unused, especially in mint condition.

The length of the English surcharge is 12mm., of the Siamese 16mm., and the difference between the two lines is 11mm. The characters are large roman type, and the setting is very regular. Though the records do not say where the stamps were printed, it is very probable that the printing was done at the Vacharindr Printing Office. The varieties known in this setting are (1) inverted "s", (2) antique "t", (3) a missing stop, and (4) inverted surcharge. It is also known with the surcharge on the back as well as the front.

On the 20th January, 1897, 1500 sheets of the same value, but printed at the Siam Mercantile Press, were issued. The setting is small roman, and, as we should expect from our previous acquaintance with the work of this Printing Office, the lettering is very neat nad the printing very clear. The length of the English surcharge is 12mm., that of the Siamese 16mm., and the space between them is 9mm. The varieties which occur in this setting are due to the accidental in-

clusion of antique letters among the ordinary roman type. They are: -(1) first "t" antique, (2) second "t" antique, (3) both "tt" antique, and (4) "s" antique. In addition there is also a stamp without a stop after Atts. This stop must have worn off during the process of printing, for I have a sheet of this setting on which the stop, which is missing in subsequent sheets, can be still faintly seen. Of the Siamese figure 4 · there are two distinct types in this plate. Type 1 has a broad base, measuring 1mm. in length, and always on a level with the other characters. In type 2 the base of the figure is less than 1mm. in length, and is always 1mm. lower than the rest of the characters. There are 42 stamps of type 1 in the sheet, and they are all contained in the first five vertical rows. 21 sheets of this stamp were surcharged double. I have in my possession a vertical block of 6 on which both impressions are very clear, but in which the middle pair have only a single English impression. To create this curiosity a piece of paper must have been placed between printing plate and sheet, for the double impression can still be seen on the back of the two stamps: or else the English type failed to impress through want of ink. On some sheets only the lower rows of stamps are surcharged double. This is accounted for by the fact that the printing press was put up by a native, and probably was not fixed tight, as it had a knack of giving double impressions when driven fast.

So far all the surcharges had been printed in roman type, but for those which now follow antique type was used, with only two exceptions.

The first two to be issued were the 3 Atts on 12 Atts and 4 Atts on 12 Atts. These were printed at the Government Printing Office (the former Siam Mercantile Press, subsequently purchased by the Government), and were delivered on the 22nd February, 1898. Of the 3 Atts 500 sheets and of the 4 Atts 2000 sheets were supplied, but of the first value a second delivery of 1000 sheets was made on the 8th June, 1898.

On the 3 Atts on 12 Atts (S. G. 127) the English surcharge is 131/2mm. long, and the varieties to be found on this plate are:-(1) roman "A", (2) roman first "t", (3) roman second "t", and (4) roman "s". I am also in possession of a block of 4 with a double impression, the second impression being very much misplaced. In this plate the Siamese figure 3 is 1 mm. below the level of the remainder of the Siamese surcharge. Copies are, however, known in which the Siamese 3 is on the same level as the other characters, but in all such cases the space between the English 3 and the word "Atts" is slightly narrower: I am unable as yet to explain its existence.

The 4 Atts on 12 Atts (S. G. 128) was also printed from antique type. The varieties in the English setting are:-(1) first "t" roman, (2) second "t" roman, (3) "A" roman, (4) "Att" roman, (5) second "t" and "s" roman, (6) "Atts" roman, and (7) comma instead of full stop. In the Siamese surcharge we again find the two types of the figure 4 which have already been described, and in which the base of type 1 is on a level with the other characters, whereas that of type 2 is placed 1mm lower. The two types are mixed, but type 2 predominates largely. Double and misplaced surcharges are also known.

On the 4th June, 1898, 320 sheets of the value 1 Att on 12 Atts were issued. This stamp is S. G. No. 124, and the English surcharge is $11\frac{1}{2}$ mm. long. There are two types of the Siamese numeral, one with a long tail and one without a tail. The varieties are: (1) first "t" roman, (2) second "t" roman, and (3) roman "A".

Now we come to the last two stamps with a roman setting, namely, the 1 Att on 12 Atts and 2 Atts on 64 Atts. Judging from their general appearance I am of opinion that they were printed by the Vacharindr Printing Office. They were supplied in two instalments, 1000 sheets of each value on the 14th, February, 1899, and another 1000 sheets on the 14th August of the same year.

The chief peculiarity about these stamps is that the type of the "A" on the left half of the sheet is large antique, whereas that on the right half is small roman.

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This would be a good opportunity for many members, who have not recently patronized the Department, to secure Individual Circuits of 50 books of a miscellaneous character, most of which have had but little circulation. These Special Individual circuits have become quite a feature of the Department and have many advantages. The member receiving them receives a larger number of books at one time, a far better selection in 50 books than he could possibly secure in the regular circuits and he is allowed a week or ten days time to look them over. This Individual Circuit of 50 books by paying transportation charges both ways, actually costs a member less than being on a regular circuit of ten books and paying the postage five times.

Early in the vacation season many of the regular members requested their names dropped from the circuits until later in the season and the Superintendent would be very glad to reinstate all these members just as soon as they request it. New circuits are being made up every week and and member applying for them will receive prompt attention.

All new members may make application for circuits as soon as they are notified by the Secretary and receive their membership card.

Wherever there are five or more members in any town or vicinity they have the privilege of forming themselves into a Branch of the American Philatelic Society. One member of each Branch can be selected to act as Agent of the Department for the Branch and in this way secure a Special Circuit which said Agent can pass around among the members of the Branch. A Branch circuit may be retained for a length of time not to exceed three days per member. These Branch circuits are very popular as members can secure a larger number of books for inspection and the expenses of transportation are considerable less than if each member is placed on a regular circuit.

> P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Sales Superintendent.

THIS IS A MATTER OF MUCH IM-PORTANCE AND WE TRUST EVERY MEMBER WILL GIVE IT THE PRO-PER ATTENTION.

NEW ISSUE CHRONICLE

Edited by Henry A. Kidder, Arlington, Mass., to whom all information concerning new issues or discoveries should be addressed.

ALBANIA.—Four values of the Skandebeg issue, already surcharged with new values in Turkish money, have received an additional overprint "Takse" for use as postage due stamps says Mekeel'sWeekly. The stamps so treated are 10pa, 20pa, 1gr and 2gr.

ARGENTINE.—Lemaire's Journal reports the issue of the lithographed 4c and 30c stamps, completing the series.

BOLIVIA.—The Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung reports the issue of a new series of stamps in copperplate print as imminent:

1c green; ruins of Tiahuanacu.

2c red; Temple of Tiahuanacu

5c olive-brown; ruins of Tiahuanacu.

10c violet; Indian sailing-boat on Lake Titicaca.

20c chrome-yellow; rowing-boat on Lake Titicaca.

1 boliviano, carmine; picture of one of the native Gods.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—According to the Colonial Journal, this Colony has been supplied with the 2½d and 5s values in the King George series.

COLOMBIA.—A series of official stamps will soon be issued with portrait of Ricaurte. These stamps will not be sold to the public.

CUBA.—Lemaire's Journal reports a series of postage due stamps for the Republic. The design shows a large figure of value in the centre, "Republic de Cuba" above, "Tasa por Cobvar" below, and the value repeated in words at either side.

1c carmine.

2c carmine.

5c carmine.

FIJI ISLANDS.—According to Mekeel's Weekly, the £1 King George stamp has been issued.

£1 purple and black on red.

HAYTI.—Various issues of the regular postage stamps of this republic have been overprinted "Gl. O. Z.—7 Feb. 1914," in a rectangular rule frame. The above stands for General Oreste Zamor, the new President. All overprints are in black.

On stamps of 1914.

green.
 carmine.
 blue.
 orange, brown.
 orange.
 claret.

The 20c in two shades and the 50c of the above have been found with inverted overprint.

On stamps of 1906.

50c deep red.

50c deep yellow.

1p red

1p claret.

All with inverted overprint.

On stamps of 1906 for Domestic Use.

2c de g yellow.

3c de g slate.

On stamps of 1912.

1c de g carmine lake.

2c de g orange.

A new engraved issue is promised for this Republic, unless the European War prevents.

In addition to the above, Herman Focke reports the following stamps to *Mekeel's Weekly*, as having received the Gen. Zamor overprint:

1c green, Scott's No. 125.
2c vermilion, No. 126.
3c deep brown, No. 127.
3c orange, same type, reissue 1912.
4c carmine lake, No. 128.
4c drab, same type, reissue 1912.
5c deep blue, No. 166.
7c gray, No. 130.
7c salmon, same type, reissue.
8c carmine rose, reissue.
8c olive, same type.
10c orange red, No. 132.

10c dark red brown, same type.

- 15c olive green, No. 133.
- 15c ochre, same type, reissue.
- 20c blue green, No. 134.

20c yellow green and black, No. 158. 50c deep red, No. 135.

- 50c yellow-orange, same type, 1912. 1p claret, No. 136.
- 1p brick red, same type, reissue 1912.
- "1 Cent de Piastre" on 50c yelloworange.

MAURITIUS.—The Colonial Journal say that the 25c is now printed on yellow paper.

MONTSERRAT.—According to the Colonial Journal the 3d value is issued on the new yellow paper.

MOROCCO AGENCIES.—Several values of the current English stamps have been surcharged with the words "Morocco Agencies" and new values in Spanish money.

"1 peseta" on 10d blue.

NEW ZEALAND.—The 5sh revenue has been overprinted "Official" for postal use.

PENRHYN ISLAND.—Mekeel's Weekly notes the ½ King Edward stamp of New Zealand, surcharged in deep carmine for use in the Island.

PORTUGUESE CONGO. — Mekeel's Weekly reports the overprinting of two Angola stamps for use in Congo. One also has a new value. "Congo" is overprinted in black on both stamps.

An stamps of Angola. 2½r gray. "25" on 200r red lilac.

SPAIN.—El Eco Postal says that a series of stamps will be issued to commemorate the Tri-Centenary of Cervantes. The series will have a portrait of the author and scenes from "Don Quixote" and will be current for the years 1915 and 1916.

SURINAM.—Mekeel's Weekly chronicles the current 1c and 3c stamps of Surinam with white background. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.—The Colonial Journal reports the issue of the 5s and £1 with inscription altered from "Trinidad" to "Trinidad & Tobago."

Mekeel's Weekly reports the 1sh value on paper with white black.

1sh black, on green tinted.

TURKEY.—A provisional was issued July 23 to commemorate the anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution, one of the regular issues being surcharged with new value and appropriate inscriptions and date.

60pa on 1½pi carmine and black.

URUGUAY.—Mekeel's Weekly chronicles the 20c Artigas stamp lithographed.

20c rich brown.

U. S. COILS.

Gen. Chas. A. Coolidge favors us with the following extract of a letter, dated Sept. 17, 1914, from the Third Assistant Postmaster General—

"It is not feasible to issue general authorization to postmasters to sell less than full coils of stamps so long as the coiling charge is made, but it is possible that cheaper production may enable the Department some time in the future to discontinue this charge and that coils may be broken. Meantime the Department is willing to make an exception by which collectors and others may obtain parts of coils from the Postmaster, Washington, D. C., by sending him the value of the stamps desired, with return postage and registry fee."

WHEN YOU ANSWER AN ADVER-TISEMENT IN THIS JOURNAL, YOU WILL CONFER A FAVOR ON YOUR-SELF, THE ADVERTISER AND THE "A. P. S." IF YOU MENTION WHERE YOU SAW THE AD.

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EDITORIAL.

BRANCH SOCIETIES. Already the effects of the recent legislation

with reference to the formation of branch societies seems to have had effect, as there are several applications for charters now in the hands of the Board of Vice Presidents.

We believe when the members in various philatelic centers come to a realization of the benefits which will accrue through the affiliation of their local

organizations with the American Philatelic Society we shall see a decided increase in the number of our branches. Even where no local club is now in existence, but where five or more members of the Society reside a branch can be formed, and other collectors, even though not members of the A. P. S. can be enrolled. This should open up a vast field for recruiting new members for our Society and those who belong to a local society need not be reminded of the many good reasons which make such organizations desirable, not only from a social standpoint, but from mutual aid and assistance as well.

The Society is entering upon what bids fair to be one of its most prosperous seasons, "and we believe interest in the welfare of our national body was never greater. We hope before the time of the San Francisco Convention in 1915 we shall see a list of branch societies which will be greater than ever before in our history.

PHILATELIC INDEX. We find it has escaped our attention to note the form in which

the Index is now appearing. This work was formerly published as an integral part of this journal, but at the suggestion of the Index Committee, three months ago we started printing this Index as a supplement to the monthly issue, binding it in the center of each month's number, so that it could easily be removed for binding separately, starting the page numbers at what would have been the correct page if the same method had been adopted from the inception of this publication.

That this Index will form truly a monumental work is evidenced by the fact that 126 pages have already appeared and the letter "B" is not yet finished.

ADVERTISEMENTS. We have been most liberally supported during the past year by the dealers, in as much as the amount of advertising carried in the present volume has been nearly fifty per cent. in excess of that in Vol. XXVI. We hope every member will endeayor to patronize those dealers whose advertisements are to be found in our columns as such action will have its effect in a most beneficial way for the good of our Society.



EUGENE DOEBLIN.

Early Sunday morning, August 30th, 1914, at his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., Mr. Eugene Doeblin, died, following a stroke of apoplexy. He was one of our oldest members, both in age and in point of membership, holding stock certificate No. 96.

Mr. Doeblin was born Sept. 11, 1842, in Hohensalze, Posen, Germany, coming to this country about thirty years ago, locating in Pittsburgh, where he became identified with several German newspapers in the advertising departments. He is survived by his widow and nine children.

Mr. Doeblin has been a faithful member of the A. P. S. and served it for many years as its International Secretary. He was prominent in philatelic circles in his home city and was one of the founders of the Twin City Philatelic Society. He was a frequent exhibitor at philatelic shows and his collections have taken numerous awards.

The news of his death came as a great shock to his many friends, and they are legion. Mr. Doeblin was present at the Niagara Falls Convention last month, accompanied by Mrs. Doeblin, and those who saw and talked with him can scarcely realize that he has passed out of this life and his album is closed forever. Words can but feebly express the deep feeling of loss which his death brings and we can only hope that time will lessen the sorrow which has befallen his family and friends.

HENRY L. TICHNER.

We are just informed of the death of Mr. Henry L. Tichner, of Berkeley, Calif., which occurred several weeks ago, but the exact date has not been given us. Again we are called upon to mourne the loss of another member who has long been affiliated with the Society, Mr. Tichner's stock certificate number being 924.

Mr. Tichner was a well known and highly respected man. In business life he had been traffic manager for the Wells Fargo Express Co. for San Francisco, but was retired several years ago.

The Society joins in an expression of sympathy to his family for their loss.

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A PHILATELIC RAMBLE JUST BEFORE THE WAR

BY JULIAN PARK, F. R. P. S.

Author of "Philatelic Rambles and other papers in Popular Vein," etc.

Member of the French Society of Philately, etc.

The last week of July I did quite a little stamp-chasing in Europe; the first week of August I forgot all about stamps —I was too much occupied in chasing a passage home. Luckily I managed to get accomodations (not steerage, either) on the second fastest boat which crosses the ocean, the splendid French liner "France" which landed me in New York on August 22. My story, such as it is, has become a commonplace by this time, but its chief interest attaches to the fact that the week before war broke out I was traveling leisurely through the very regions which in a few days were to be devastated by the Kaiser's troops—Belgium, Luxemburg, and Alsace, whence I went by way of Metz and Nancy to Paris, where I was when war was declared.

Saturday afternoon, August 1, the order of mobilization was posted up on the public buildings of Paris. It was handwritten on a huge piece of paper; there was no time for printing. There was no need, either, for many words. It was all in two lines: "Order of extreme urgency. First day of mobilization, Sunday, August 2." That was all. It was enough, for each reservist, following the wonderful system in vogue, had known ever since he had left the active army just the day and even the hour when he was to leave in case of mobilization, and at which barracks he was to report to receive his gun and equipment.

"What day do you go"? It was the question I heard whenever men below fifty years of age were gathered together. Some had to leave at once. "I rejoin at Toul on the first day," said the telephonist at my hotel. Toul—right on the frontier. Life has abrupt changes for men of a continental nation; to be working a telephone one day, and perhaps a few hours later to be right in the thick of the most desperate battle of nations since the world began.

One's acquaintances began to take on a romantic interest of which they would have seemed hardly worthy a week ago. The head waiter over there will be a sergeant, giving orders instead of taking them. One has a sudden consciousness of one's inferiority among these people who are so ready to take their places as parts of the vast fighting machine, coupled with a vague feeling of resentment that all this time they have been leading double lives. Who would have dreamed, for instance, that that tall young man in the barber shop is really a cuirassier and will very likely be charging about in a gleaming breastplate, flourishing a heavy saber to cut off heads instead of trimming them?

And if Paris has so changed, what shall be said of the region which so undeservedly has been made the theatre of warfare? The grand duchy of Luxemburg was the first to suffer. Nature fashioned this romantic and picturesque country,which is, however, so little known to tourists,-in a moment of happy inspiration, and nowhere in such small territory is such pleasing variety of beautiful landscapes. The southern part of the country consists of softly undulating wood and meadow lands, offering a sharp contrast to the bold and rugged contours of the northern highlands. The whole country is but half the size of New Jersey; its army consists of 500 gendarmes, and the ruler is the Grand Duchess Adelaide, a girl of 20 of whose attractiveness we get a glimpse on the current stamps. The independence and neutrality of the country has been guaranteed by a treaty of the powers, the signatories to which included, of course, Germany.

The city of Luxemburg, with a population of about 30,000, speaking equally French and German, occupies one of the most picturesque natural sites of any town in Europe. Perched on the top of an enormous rocky mass which falls away in sheer precipices on three sides to the river beneath, it is surrounded on all sides by the remains of massive fortifications. The deep and narrow valley is bridged over by two imposing, many arched viaducts, and by the new Adolph bridge, a masterpiece of engineering containing the largest stone arch in the world.

From Luxemburg city, after exploring the wilder part of the country, I found it a short run down to Metz, which is essentially a millitary town. Its position is one of the highest strategis importance, and, though not a large place, its garrison seems to be half the city in population. The special attraction for the writer was a visit to the various battlefields of 1870, around Metz. The frontier! The same race, the same land, practically the same wheatfield—but different countries. This countryman over there, plowing his fields, is a German and will have to fight against that farmer a few rods away; both have a common language, French, both have common traditions, French. But when the telegraph clicks, one puts on his red trousers and kepi, the other his helmet and grey uniform. Such is war.

From Metx to Nancy is an hour's run, and from Nancy, one of the most historically interesting of French cities, I went on to Paris, by way of Bar-le-Duc, a little town in French Lorraine, and Rheims, with its magnificent cathedral and its vast champagne cellars—a combination which will satisfy any taste.

Everywhere I went a common interest in philately was often the occasion for some charming acquaintanceships among French-speaking collectors. In a Belgian train, one morning, while I was getting at my ticket from my pocketbook some stamps fell out. My seat-mate immediately shook hands and produced a Wolsieffer pocket stockbook with some Needless to say that the duplicates. rest of the journey went by very quickly. In Paris I was too busy during June to think much of stamps, and let the Wednesdays go by forgetting that that was the meeting day of the Societe Francaise de Timbrologie; on my return, the end of July, the approaching war usurped every other topic of conversation. However, through the courtesy of Monsieur Maurice Picard, the editor of the Society's journal (the leading French exponent of philately), who opened the rooms for me, I had an opportunity of inspecting the Society's new quarters, situated just off the Avenue de l'Opera in he rue Moliere, a locality which in New York would almost correspond to the corner of Fifth avenue and Fortysecond street. Photographs of distinguished members adorn those parts of the walls of the meeting-room which are not occupied with book-shelves, and in the two side-rooms is space for storage, as well as running water, which facilitates the offering of entertainments, at

which refreshments, of course, are in evidence. In fact eatables and drinkables are kept constantly on hand. The accumulation of mail since the last meeting included a vast number of journals from every country in Europe, and I was able to catch up with our own world of stamps by scanning the several American papers, the "American Philatelist" and the "Philadelphia Stamp News" being conspicuous among them.

The foreign dues of the French Socitey of Philately are only a dollar, and any American collector who is familiar with the language would find it worth his while to identify himself with this oldest philatelic society on the continent.

The international exhibition at Lyon, for which great preparations had been made, was naturally postponed on account of the war; and the Cassel exhibition, also to be held in August, attracted many American collectors. The Cassel people, however, succeeded in arousing much criticism in England on account of the favoritism shown German collections, so that very few of the great English collections were to have been shown.

When I was in Geneva, the chief city of French Switzerland, early in the summer, naturally I secured a number of copies of the new Swiss stamps. Study of the lower values resulted in a discovery of a few minor varieties, among them being the fact that Tell has increased in size from the 10c to the 12c. It is not very perceptible; but the rim of the famous archer's tunic, at least, is undoubtedly nearer the bottom of the design on the 12c, as well as the 15c, than on the 10c.

European stamps seem to be getting handsomer with each issue. But perhaps it is due to the handsomer features of the rulers; witness King Albert of Belgium and Grand Duchess Adelaide of Luxemburg. I saw King Albert at the head of his troops, reviewing that splendid little army on the Belgian fourth of July, a tall, handsome figure, a king worthy of his people and of his soldiers.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS

Those receiving unsolicited approval sheets will kindly inform the Recorder of the Board of Vice Presidents the names of dealers sending them, in order that the Board may take action to eraducate this evil.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING August 22nd, 1914. Applications Posted.

- Cooper, Chas. J., 902 Green St., Honouluo, Hawaii; Age 47; Custom Service; Refs. Bishop & Co., Bankers, Honolulu, Hawaii; Honolulu Drug Co., Honolulu, Hawaii; Proposed by C. F. Richards, #18.
- Schirmer, Godfrey, care German-American Trust Co., Denver, Colo.; Age legal; Banker; Firm, President German-American Trust Co.; Refs. Adolph J. Zang, 709 Clarkson St., Denver, Colo.; Proposed by Chas. A. Nast, #1838.
- Hayworth, F. R., 1559 N. Topeka Ave., Wichita, Kansas; Age 32; Chief Clerk; Firm, With R. G. Dun & Co.; Refs. National Bank of Commerce, Wichita, Kansas; Robt. C. Edgar, Wichita, Kansas; Proposed by W. I. Mitchell, #1421.
- Gittelson, Dr. S. J., 1017 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Age legal; Physician; Refs. E. A. Fleisher, 8th & Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.; Proposed by Julius Levy. # 2573.
- Julius Levy, #2573. Colman, H. F., Second National Bank Bldg., Washington, D. C.; Age legal; Stamp Dealer; Refs. A. W. Batchelder, Boston, Mass.; H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.; Proposed by Geo. L. Toppan, # 222.
- Atcheson, W. C., 49 Burlinghame Ave., Detroit, Mich.; Age 46; Proprietor Atcheson Spec. Co.; Refs. Ashley & Dustin Steamer Line, Detroit, Mich.; First & Old Detroit National Bank, Detroit, Mich.; Wendover Neefue, Hudson, N. Y.; Proposed by Karl Koslowski, # 3783.
- Atcheson, A. W., 49 Burlinghame Ave., Detroit, Mich.; Age 21; Clerk, Stamp Dealer; Refs. Ashley & Dustin Steamer Line, Detroit, Mich.; Wm. V. D. Wetterer, Baltimore, Md.; E. C. Dodd, Lagrange, Ill.; Proposed by Karl Koslowski, #3783.

- Harris, F. M., 329 Broadway Market Bldg., Detroit, Mich.; Age 55; Zinc Coat Specialist; Firm, Enamel Steel Package Co.; Refs. H. W. Dakin, 266 Seminole Ave., Detroit, Mich.; Proposed by Karl Kooslowski, # 3783.
- Ottley, Harmon F., 230 Magee Ave., Rochester, N. Y.; Age 29; General Insurance; Firm, H. F. Ottley; Refs. John E. Navud, 201 Powers Bldg., Rochester, N. Y.; R. B. Price, 87 Main St., Rochester, N. Y.; Proposed by Dr. Sigmund Handler, # 2537.
- Williams, Wilbert N., 195 Parsells Ave., Rochester, N. Y.; Age 34; Clerk; Refs. Central National Bank, Rochester, N. Y.; Proposed by Dr. Sigmund Handler, #2537.

New Stockholders.

- 4465-Browne, F. J. D., Spokane, Wash.
- 4466-Fisher, Dr. R. C., Buffalo, N. Y.
- 4467—Bishop, Bertram J., Los Angeles, Calif.

Replaced on Membership Roll.

The following, having been through error omitted from the membership list, and having paid dues in full to August 31st, 1914, is hereby replaced on the membership roll, effective Aug. 10, 1914, and is in good standing.

3426—Hatfield, Chas. E., 127 Madison Ave., New York City, N. Y.

Resignations Received.

- 3954-Adams, Wm. J., Wheelock, N. D.
- 1717—Champange, Theophile J., Springfield, Mass.
- 4085—Eberbach, John B., Philadelphia, Pa.
- 3246-Grant, Jos. W., East Orange, N. J.
- 3557—McEwen, Malcolm H., Oak Park, Ill. 3796—Pease, Roger Q., Newton Center,
- Mass.
- 920-Spalding, Dr. James A., Portland, Maine.
- 4336-Thomson, Jack M., Detroit, Mich.

4025--Usher, Arthur C., Rochester, N. Y.

- 2693—Wheless, D. F., New York City, N.Y. Changes of Address.
- 3757—Jackson, Oscar F., from 2139 W. 30th St., to 612 St. Paul Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
- 3962—Tubman, Dr. T. Henry, from 304 Permanent Bldg., to 3112 Euvlid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 4394—Weiland, Geo. P., from 1128 Park St., to 406 John St., Syracuse, N. Y.
- 4418—Winans, Miss Francise L., from 225 Franklin St., Bloomfield, N. J., to 854 8th Ave., New York City, N.Y.
- 4313—Wunderly, L. S., from 318 Engineers Bldg., to 3112 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership August 8th, 1914 1468 New stockholders admitted Aug. 22nd, 1914 3 Replaced on membership roll 1

Total membership August 22nd,

1914 _____ 1472 W. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING August 29th, 1914.

Applications Posted.

- Biachi, Josheph, 104 24th St., Galveston, Texas; Age 26; Bookeeper; Refs. Houston Ice & Brewing Co., Galveston, Texas; D. Rossi, Galveston, Texas; Proposed by G. C. Cuenod. #1266.
- Freeman, Willis, 7108 Normal Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.; Age 30; Bank Teller;
 Firm, Central Trust Co., of Illinois; Refs. P. M. Wolsieffer, 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.; C. E. Severn, 714-718 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill.; Proposed by Henry Ades Fowler, #462.

Application for Branch Charter.

An application for a Branch charter from the Baltimore Philatelic Society, Baltimore, Maryland, accompanied by list of members and By-Laws, has been filed with the Board of Vive-Presidents for action according to the By-Laws of this Society.

Resignations Received.

- 3958—Chapin, Edward A., Springfield, Mass.
- 3809-McKelvey, A. J., Sylvandale, Calif.

New Stockholders.

- 4468-O'Bryan, Miss Elsie Burton, Buffalo, N. Y.
- 4469-Macfarlane, P. S., Montreal, Canada.
- 4470-Bell, Geo. A. W., Camp Hill, Pa.
- 4471—Chapman, George S., Montreal, Canada.
- 4472-Zug, I. A., Wellington, Kansas.

Change of Address.

4063—Ryall, Geo. D., from 42 Broadway, New York City, N. Y., to care The Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, Calif.

Membership Summary.

Total membership August 22nd,

- 1914 _____1472
- New stockholders admitted Aug.
 - 29th, 1914 _____ 5
- Total membership August 29th, 1914 _____ 1477 W. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING September 5, 1914.

Applications Posted.

Hamilton, Geo. S., 320 Hudson St., Buffalo, N. Y.; Age legal; Salesman; Refs. John W. Schafer, of Schafer & Co., 226 Ellicott St., Buffalo, N. Y.; Proposed by F. P. James, #3752.

New Stockholders.

- 4473-Mader, Carl W., Cleveland, Ohio.
- 4474—Pepple, Wilburn C., Columbus, Ohio.

Resignation Received.

2085—Reid, F. W., Sydney, New South Wales.

Changes of Address.

4366—Stuck, Oliver J., from Kalamazoo, Mich., to 3756 Prospect Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.



REVISION No. 4

Retouched Issue Engraved

Medlum Yellow Wove Paper.

2c carmine (4 or more shades) (King Kamehameha IV)

These were not issued for postal purposes, but a few were so used. In entire sheets parts of the watermarks "Standard No. 1" and "R. & M." often appear, but seldom show on the stamps.

Printed in sheets of fifteen by The American Bank Note Co. New York

Shipped from New York 7,500 September 6, 1889 30,000 September 17, 1890

Surcharged "Specimen" in black August 19, 1892, two or more shades surcharged "Reprint" in black by The Robert Grieve Publishing Co, Honolulu.

13873 of these stamps surcharged "Reprint" were burned January 28, 1897, in the presence of the committee.

NUMERALS

These were printed in plates of ten stamps, each differing from the others, set in two vertical rows of five each.

The impression of the plates of ten stamps was made on each sheet five times, a total of fifty stamps to the sheet, but these were cut into two in the middle thus making sheets of twenty-five as sold to the public. Plate numbers shown are Crocker's.

Thin Bluish Wove Paper 1c light blue (I) 2c light blue (II) "I" of "Inter" below "Nter" Printed in uneven horizontal rows Issued August 1, 1859, by Postmaster General Joseph Jackson Printed about April, 1859, by W. M. Whitney Honolulu Thin and Medium Grayish Wove Paper

2c black (III) Slanting "I" in "Inter." "Islani" instead of "Island." "I" of "Inter" omitted. "Os" of "Postage" omitted. "Hawaiian Postage" 19 mm. Issued August 1, 1859, by Postmaster General Joseph Jackson. Printed about April, 1859, by H. M. Whitney Honolulu

Membership Summary.

Total	membership	Aug.	29th.
1914			1477
New s	tockholders ad	Imitted	Sept.
5th,	1914		2

Total membership Sept. 5th, 1914. _____ 1479 Wm. E. AULT, Secy.

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING September 12th, 1914.

Applications Pending.

Haker, Otto Cooper, Chas. J. Schirmer, Godfrey Hayworth, F. R. Gittelson, Dr. S. J. Coleman, H. F. Atcheson, W. C. Atcheson, A. W. Harris, F. M. Ottley, Harmon F. Williams, Wilbert N. Bianchi, Joseph Freeman, Willis Hamilton, Geo. S.

Applications Posted.

- Knowles, Frank S., 229 Third St., Jackson, Mich.; Age 52; Assistant Postmaster; Refs. Mr. Chas, H. Parrish, Jackson, Mich; Mr. I. B. Rich, Jackson, Mich.; Mr. Milo W. Whittaker, Jackson, Mich.; Proposed by Chas. A. Coolidge, #64.
- Perkins, Geo. H., 200 Fifth Ave., New York City, N. Y.; Age 40; Assistant Sales Manager; Firm, West Virginia
- Pulp & Paper Co.; Refs. Percy G. Doane, 154 Nassau St. New York, N. Y.; Proposed by Geo. R. Tuttle, #155.
- Feasel, Alvin, R. D. #4, Fostoria, Ohio; Age 23; Farmer; Ref. Wilbure H. Rinebatt, Clerk Jackson Township, Fostoria, Ohio; Proposed by R. J. Wagner, # 3503.

Deaths Reported.

- 96—Doeblin, E., Pittsburgh, Pa., (August 30, 1914).
- 924-Tickner, Henry L., Berkely Calif.

Resignation Received.

3358—Grosskreuz, Hans F., Pittsburg, Pa.

Changes of Address.

- 4232—Heckert, J. E., from P. O. Box 595, 208 Hamilton St., Harrisburg, Pa., to 2125 Derry St., Harrisburg, Pa.
- 4218—Stewart, Melville, from 1123 Broadway, to 325 Amsterdam Ave., New York City, N. Y.

Expelled.

By action of the Board of Directors the following has been expelled for causes:

4263—Spohn, Howard L., New York City, N. Y.

Membership Summary.

Total mebmership Sept. 5th, 1914		1479
Deaths reported Sept. 12th, 1914	2	
Expelled by Board of Directors		
Sept. 12th, 1914	1	3

Total membership Sept 12th, 1914 1476 Wm. E. AULT, Secy.

OFFICAL NOTICES. RECRUITING COMMITTEE.

With the approval of the Board of Directors, Mr. Harry M. Lindsay, 1003 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Maryland, has been appointed by Pres. Coolidge, as Chairman of the Eastern Branch of the Recruiting Committee. This year this committee has been divided into a Western and Eastern branch, the former under the Chairmanship of Mr. Ross O'shaughnessy, of San Francisco. It is hoped the friendly rivalry which will naturally result from this division will be productive of such results as have been unknown for many years in the acquisition of new members for our Society.

YEARLY DUES.

The new year of the Society starts Sept. 1st, and it is again time for the payment of the yearly dues, amounting to \$1.80. It is hoped that every member will see that this matter is given attention at once and the amount forwarded to the Treasurer, Mr. C. F. Mann, 3916 Rokeby St., Chicago, Ill. By an early payment of this item the work of your officers will be materially lessened. DO IT NOW and it will make for an increased interest and greatly assist in the work of the Society.

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7 U.S. Post., 1898-99	5 Barbados
4 Omaha	4 Bavar a, 1849-62
4 Pan American	4 Bavaria, 1867-73
3 Louisiana Purch.	6 Bavaria, 1875-76
11 U. S. Post., 1902-03	15 Bavaria, 1881-1900
20 U.S. Postage	8 Bavaria, 1911
5 U.S. Parcel Post	5 Bavaria Official
3 U.S. Special Deliv.	3 Bechuanaland
7 U.S. Postage Due	25 Belgium
15 U. S. Cut Sq. Envs.	7 Bslgium Post Pack-
6 Telegraphs	et, 1895-98
18 U.S. Revenues	4 Belgium Post Pack-
7 Proprietary Reve-	et, 1902
nues, 1898	12 Belgium Post Pack-
8 Documentary Reve-	et, 1902-06
nues, 1898	5 B rmuda
15 Argentine	6 Bolivia, 1894
6 Austria, 1850-59	10 Bosnia
6 Austria 1861-64	8 Bosnia Post Due
11 Austria 1867-83	7 Brazil, 1906
25 Austria 1890-1900	12 Brazil
15 Austria 1904-07	5 Brazil Official
15 Austria 1908 7 Austria Postage	4 British Honduras
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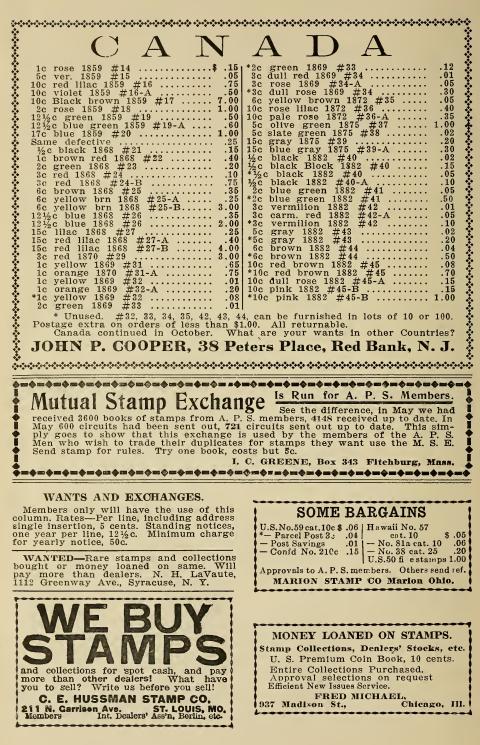
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TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR MONTH ENDING AUGUST 31, 1914.

STOCK FUND.	August Dues 49.25
Credit Balance \$4,193.66	Debit balance 146.37
INSURANCE FUND.	SUMMARY OF BALANCES.
Credit balance 1,620.42	Stock Fund\$4,193.66
EXCHANGE ACCOUNT.	Insurance Fund 1,620.42
Credit balance 55.83	Exchange Account 55.83
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT.	Suspense Account 4.65 5,874.56
Balance forward\$ 46.70	General Fund over-
Receipts 4.65	drawn 146.37
51.35	Credit balance 5,728.19
Disbursements 46.70 4.65	RECOURCES.
Disbursements 40.10 4.03	Bonds (book value)\$3,489.34
Credit balance	Cash in bank 2,238.85
GENERAL FUND.	
Debit balance forward_ 195.62	Total \$5,728.19
Receipts	C. F. MANN, Treas.



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