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Editorial.

Again Beginning a New Volume

With this number THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST begins to trace the record of Philately on the first blank pages of the leaves that are to become its Ninth Volume.

For nearly four years an unprecedented state of depression has fallen like a pall over the countries of this world, shaking the foundations of political systems and threatening our very existence. It was the inevitable aftermath of a criminal war, foisted upon the nations by the cupidity of their leaders, and the unjust peace treaties that fools were led to believe would "make this world a fit place to live in." And there are many fools—born that way, and irredeemable. Small wonder Jesus wept.

And, strangely, the world is looking to America to lead it out of this morass of despondency—on to a cleaner, better future.

We have elected another President. Let us hope that he will forget the meaning of "party" and its puerile bickerings and realize that to him is given the opportunity—and the power—to become a Messiah to humanity, by breaking down the iniquitous barriers that prevent the full development of America's world mission—to lead in the upward march to higher ideals.

To that end we pledge the modest service of Volume Nine.

—REMEMBER TO PUT A THREE-CENT STAMP ON YOUR LETTER—

Prepare to clear a page in the Revenue section of your album for the big Pabst and Anheuser-Busch stamps.

First Annual Exhibition of the Virginia Philatelic Federation

The first All-Virginia Stamp Show was held in Richmond under the patronage of Hon. Berkeley Williams, Postmaster of the city, and under the auspices of the Virginia Philatelic Federation, on November 16th, 17th and 18th and, by public request, continued over the 19th. It was an overwhelming success and proved a revelation to the non-collecting public, who came in a spirit of mild curiosity which quickly changed to one of intense interest as they entered the brilliantly illuminated chamber and beheld the historical and colorful displays. Many a man and woman found here a new purpose in life—an inexpensive, satisfying pursuit—one that will hereafter bring much that is bright and cheerful into their lives. It was remarked by those who had attended the great national exhibitions that this Virginia Show was surpassing in its dignity and decorum. Not a loud voice jarred its respectful atmosphere—not an exhibit was touched by visitors—and, although the frames containing some of the greatest rarities were protected by nothing more than cellophane sheets, not a stamp was missing when the Exhibition closed. No unpleasant incident marred a single hour. Thus Richmond establishes a record and a precedent which will be followed by Lynchburg in the fall of 1933.

A full report of the Exhibition will be found on the Federation's official pages in this number of THE NEW SOUTHERN.

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Our Christmas Number

In keeping with our custom of former years, the December number of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST will be made a real "Christmas Number," replete with things reflecting the season, and with dealers' offers that will solve the perplexing problem of "the right thing to give a collector-friend." We invite the stamp merchants to display their choicest wares in the Christmas Number windows of these pages.

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Illuminating News Concerning a Lithuanian Speculative Issue Deal

The ghost of Seebeck will not down. We are in receipt of an interesting communication from Herrn Arnold Ebel of Königsberg, Prussia, printed in the "Open Forum" which bares another "skin-game" about to be pulled off on gullible stamp-collectors. Of course, we United Statesers are always looked upon as "easy marks" and expected to swallow the bait, hook, sinker and all. But then Lithuania "needs the money."

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Italy has issued a set of twenty Fascisti Commemorative stamps! That sounds the death-knell to disarmament. "*Aux armes Citoyens!*"

Franklin D. Roosevelt—Philatelist

THE NEW SOUTHERN extends sincere congratulations to Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, Philatelist, upon his overwhelming victory in the recent presidential election. May good health attend him throughout his tenure of office for many years.

The American people have dumped upon his work-table a sackful of "Mission-Mixture"—not of his selecting—and a mess it is: chiefly remainders of "War Issues" and discolored "Officials," with badly thin-spotted "Treasuries" and "Interior" Departments. He will have one heck-of-a-time assorting and weeding-out. His long experience, we trust, has qualified him to detect the counterfeits and the fakes, and his honest collector-instincts will guide him in their disposition. We believe he will specialize in "United States Issues" (with a leaning to "Confederates," of course) and place in his "Cabinet" album only full-gum, boardwalk-margin pieces, tested with the benzine of high purpose. It will take him many years of patient, ceaseless labor to straighten out that mixture, but, *Deo volente*, he can do it. As loyal brother Philatelists, regardless of our "Specialties," let us dedicate heart, head and hand to the recovery of the United States under the coming administration of President Roosevelt, Philatelist.

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Judge Benners Again First to Discover Varieties

They may escape the Bureau inspectors, but color varieties and plate flaws never "get by" the argus eye of our good friend Judge Benners of Birmingham, Ala.

Submitting blocks in evidence, the Judge establishes two distinct shades of color in the Webster commemorative—violet, on Plates 2135, 2136 and 2137; purple violet on Plates 21038, 21039 and 21040. He leaves it to the color experts to determine which of the two is normal.

Judge Benners further calls attention to a plate variety on the Penn commemorative. The stamp above the lower plate number 21071 shows a 1-mm. diagonal line to the left of the upper lobe of the figure 3 within the left keystone. The variety is constant, supported by six copies.

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Thanks for the Honor

The Editor has been advised of his appointment on the Honorary Committee of the International Stamp Exhibition to be held in Vienna next year. He is grateful to the directorate of "WIPA," and accepts the distinction as a compliment to American Philately. Perhaps he may attend.

The Stamps of the Duchy of Modena and the Modenese Provinces

I am indebted to Dr. Emilio Diena of Rome, Italy, the dean of Italian Philately, for an inscribed copy of the English Edition of his monograph "The Stamps of the Duchy of Modena and the Modenese Provinces with the Foreign Newspaper Tax Stamps of the Duchy." It is an elegantly printed work accompanied by seven plates illustrative of the text. This English translation is published by the proprietors of the *Philatelic Record*, Manchester, England, and is sold for five shillings.

It is impossible to attempt a review of Dr. Diena's "Modena" in the limited space at my disposal. He takes us back to its earliest record as a Roman Colony in the year 83 B. C. and then traces the story of the Duchy from 1452 to 1859. In 1288, we are told, Obizzo d' Este became the recognized lord of its capital city of the same name, and since that time the line of the Estes is inseparably connected with the destiny of Modena, the name appearing on its first postage stamps in 1852 in the legend across the top: "Poste Estensi"—Post of the Estes. Following this genealogical introduction we are carried through the postal history of the Ducal Period to the Provisional Government, on to the time when Modena became part of the Kingdom of Italy. Every phase is punctured with interesting documents and narrative. There are no dry statistics—the book is a romantic fragment of Italian history.

In view of the apparent importance attached to new issues by the Italian authorities, and the excellence of the philatelic publications in that country, one is amazed at the following sentence in Dr. Diena's Preface.

"In Italy, where the collecting of stamps is still considered even by people of culture, a childish amusement, it will be thought a strange fancy to compile a work of this description. I shall not attempt to convert those who think thus; they need only disregard this volume, which is intended for philatelists."

It is the old story: "The prophet is not without honor, save in his own country." I dare say Dr. Emilio Diena and his work are recognized and appreciated in full measure in every other civilized country. Few men have won the love and esteem in which he is held by every student of Philately. His englished "Modena" is in outstanding contribution to philatelic history.

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A Flying Trip to the Middle West

The Editor has been absent from the city for a week on a visit with Mayor Harold C. Brooks of Marshall, Michigan. Mayor Brooks, as is well known, possesses one of the finest collections of Confederates in this country. He is now completing his Provisional covers, and mounting the material for exhibition purposes.

Another Christmas Ahead

Again Old Santa Claus is preparing for his annual visit to the children of men who still retain a streak of faith in humanity, notwithstanding the disheartening experiences of this passing year. And the old boy is sorely tried, and worried, to make up his Christmas budget. There are so many more demands upon his stock this year—perhaps more than ever before. Therefore it is up to us to lend a helping hand.

First, there's the Red Cross with its annual appeal in the shape of the Christmas Seals. And do you know that these pretty little wafers have come to be a recognized branch of stamp-collecting? They should be, because behind them is a *cause*, far more worthy of your support than most of those speculative, "hold-up" stamp issues of a number of two-by-four "countries."

Then there are the shut-ins—hundreds of them—into whose bleak existences you can carry a ray of sunshine. Send them a bunch of your duplicates. Most of them are stamp-collectors. And if you do not know of such an unfortunate, send the stamp to the *NEW SOUTHERN*. We know them, and we will see to it that many a one forgets for an hour the physical suffering in the enjoyment of your kindness on Christmas-time.

If you are troubled about just the right gift for your boy or girl—or your collector-friend—"think stamps and albums"—read the advertisements in this number. You might present them with a year's subscription to *THE NEW SOUTHERN*. If they are not stamp-collectors, there's another lot of books most suitable for holiday gifts. Read the list of our publications, or write for a catalog. Let's all help Santa Claus this Christmas.

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The William Penn Stamp a Decided Success

The William Penn stamp, commemorating the 250th anniversary of the landing of the founder of Philadelphia, and from whom the great State of Pennsylvania takes its name, appeared on schedule time and was dispensed at the postoffices designated for first-day sales, October 24th.

The new commemorative is above criticism. An entire departure in design—ignoring entirely the suggested sketch by Mr. Brazer, broadcast in the philatelic press—it marks, we hope, the beginning of a new era in art at the Bureau. It is chaste and dignified—a remarkable piece of portraiture on steel. The old Keystone State has full cause to be proud of this distinctive commemorative.

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Collectors desiring to dispose of choice Confederate *adhesive* Provisionals on cover should communicate with the Editor.

Reflections on the First Big Stamp Show in Virginia

For the first time Virginians have had the opportunity to come in contact with Philately—to meet stamp-collectors—see what they are doing, and learn “what it’s all about.” They have just given an overwhelming majority for Governor Roosevelt, and surely they were interested to learn more of the hobby in which our President-elect finds that pleasurable relaxation so necessary to men of active mentality. The non-collecting visitor was agreeably surprised in the colorful, artistic displays housed in the Richmond Post Office Building, which itself is a landmark of Virginia history. They found something different from a State Fair, a horse or automobile show, or even an art exhibit. They experienced a new thrill, and, I dare say, became converts to Philately.

Americans have been somewhat slow in recognizing the merits of intelligent stamp-collecting. They have looked upon the pursuit as a juvenile occupation or a pastime fit for a rainy day with which to keep Johnny out of other mischief, little realizing the beneficent influence it will exert on Johnny’s prospects in life when he grows to manhood. The leading countries of Europe foster stamp-collecting in their schools, with the result that their young men—intrigued by the romance of adventure—study foreign languages, familiarize themselves with the social and commercial life of other peoples, and finally fit themselves to travel and capture the world’s markets for their home countries. We have been somewhat late in this fight for the foreign business. Asia and South America have long ago been exploited by the European, and such few colonial possessions as we do have are ours because the European powers did not want them. Ask every European commercial traveler, every principal of a Continental branch banking house in Asia or South America if he ever collected stamps. He will invariably tell you that he still collects them. Stamps have early aroused in him the “Wanderlust”—the desire to find the “end of the rainbow” and the “pot of gold”—the spirit of the Conquistadors—he has wanted to see the countries from whence came these small pictures, and he has wisely prepared himself for the voyage of discovery, broadened his vision and widened his sphere of activities—become a progressive and useful world-citizen. And back of it all—yes, the earliest inspiration—is the memory of his first stamp-collection in an old school-days copy-book. . .

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Associated Press May Feature Stamps

It may interest the readers of THE NEW SOUTHERN to know that The Associated Press is considering the matter of furnishing its membership (daily newspapers throughout the world) with a weekly feature story on Stamps.

Coming Auctions

George B. Sloane, 116 Nassau Street, New York: December 13-14.—Collection of Senator Frelinghuysen: United States. See Advertisement.

M. Ohlman, 116 Nassau St., New York: Sale of U. S., British N. A. and Foreign, in December. Write for catalog.

Percy G. Doane, 154 Nassau Street, New York: 253rd Auction Sale, December 2-3—choice U. S. and Foreign. Write for Catalog.

Eugene Klein, 200 So. 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa.: December 14.—General Collection and Early U. S.

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The Daniel Webster Stamp a Failure

The Daniel Webster commemorative was placed on sale October 25th, following on the heels of William Penn. The design is a decided failure, being made up of the time-worn lictor's fasces, scrolls, bands and ovals—in its *ensemble* flat. The only redeeming feature is the omission of the usual conventionalized cabbage leaves that sprout out from the figure-ovals on most of our stamps. It must have been painful to lay them aside for the nonce.

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Germany's 1933 City Views Charity Stamps

I am indebted to Herrn Alfred Weigang, Hanau a/Main, Germany for the 1933 set of City Views charity stamps, the third series of this character. In keeping with the earlier issues famous landmarks of Germany are depicted in exquisite recess-plate printing. The new set shows the Wartburg, Stolzenfels Castle, Nürnberg Castle, Lichtenstein Castle and Marburg Castle—five of the proudest survivors of feudal times.

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Acknowledging First-Day Penns and Websters

The Editors of THE NEW SOUTHERN desire to express their gratitude to the following good friends for first-day covers of the Penns and Websters. It was kind to think of us on these occasions. Miss Marion Willington, and Dr. S. E. Hutnick, both of Philadelphia and Mr. Carter Glass, Jr., Lynchburg, Virginia.

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Tête-Bêche: President v. Hindenburg-Adolf Hitler; President Herbert Hoover-Governor Franklin Roosevelt.

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History Repeats Itself

Back in 1850 the citizens of the United States were chafing under a condition similar to that of today—an unwarranted high letter-rate of postage. An organization was formed for the purpose of appealing to Congress for relief. A petition was prepared and signatures solicited.

Mr. Robert F. Chambers of Providence, R. I., one of the staunchest supporters of THE NEW SOUTHERN, recently came across a document among his stampless covers which tells the story of this movement, and we are permitted to reprint the appeal elsewhere in this number.

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Galvez 1933 Catalog of Spain and Her Colonies

To the collector of the stamps of Spain and her colonies, including those of her former possessions, there is perhaps no better guide than the Galvez Catalog. It is the Standard for all Spanish-speaking peoples, and rightfully so. Listing and illustrating every issue and type and variety, with prices—in centavos and pesetas—for unused and used, it should be in the hands of every collector specializing in Spain and her colonies, especially at its modest price of 3 Pesetas. Both typography and illustrations are excellent. Published by M. Galvez, Principe 1, Cruz, 1, Madrid, Spain.

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Dr. Albright's Masonic Covers

The *Masonic Tribune* of Seattle, Wash. reproduces the story of Dr. C. Leonard Albright's Masonic Memorial covers from the NEW SOUTHERN, illustrating these unique souvenirs which carry upon their face the signature of every Grand Master and Grand Secretary attending the recent dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. These covers will form part of the Virginia Exhibition displays.

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The Stamp Collector's Magazine Continues

The coming of the November number of *The Stamp Collector's Magazine* indicates that this popular publication will continue to appear under the editorship of Mr. Guy W. A. Camp. The cover carries a bordered picture of the late Rudolph C. Bach, and an editorial obituary pays the last tribute to its founder. There are no further details concerning the new management.

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The Editor begs indulgence for delays in replying to correspondents during the past two weeks. He has been busy grooming the Democratic donkey for the kick-off of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Naval Cancellations.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Now that all the excitement—Penn and Webster—is over, lend an ear to the Navy! How did your Navy Day covers come thru? Fine! That's good!

I had the good luck to receive the following:

U. S. F. Constitution at Washington, D. C. applied a very neat oval shaped cachet in green celebrating Navy Day and the George Washington Bicentennial. The central design is a good likeness of the *Constitution*. Also received a special printed envelope, in two colors, red and blue, from *Old Ironsides*. An old style sailing vessel on the waves with the words "Celebrating Navy Day aboard 'Old Ironsides, U. S. F. Constitution, October 27, 1932.'" Very pretty. Special printed envelope from *U. S. S. Wyoming, Texas, Maryland and Tennessee*. *Maryland* cancellation in red and *Tennessee* in a dull purple. *U. S. S. Antares* in black with Boston, Mass. Navy Day between killer bars. *U. S. S. Sirius* at Navy Yards, Philadelphia, autographed by Naval Mail Clerk. Autograph not asked for but greatly appreciated. Thanks Mr. Wallace! *U. S. S. Ellis, Biddle, Mississippi, Truxton and Holland* all dated on Navy Day. *Holland* cancellation is in red and autographed.

Received two interesting covers from the *U. S. S. Argonne*. One cancelled in red, using the ships own mail canceller. The other is from the same ship but cancellation is in black and reads: *Base Forge, Argonne Flag Ship*. Both are on special printed Navy Day envelopes showing an eagle standing on a shield.

At this time I wish to express my thanks to Mr. B. S. Walton, 2605 Ruffin Way, Norfolk, Va., for so kindly mailing covers from various ships passing thru Hampton Roads. Mr. Walton, I understand, will mail such covers as are sent him. Be sure your covers are properly franked and prepaid with enough postage so he won't have to pay postage due on them. Thanks again Mr. Walton! We all appreciate the offer of your services.

I have recently been asked this question: "How do Navy Vessels get their names?"

I don't know who has the honor of selecting the names but here is an idea.

Battleships are named after States; Destroyers after Deceased Naval Officers who have performed a heroic deed during naval engagements such as *Perry, Barker, MacLeish* and *Paul Jones*. Transports are named after Presidents and Generals; Minesweepers and Minelayers after Birds and Tugs after Indian Tribes and Rivers. Submarines were numbered until the advent of the U type boats. Now they are named after Fish such as *Bass, Barracuda* and *Dolphin*.

While at the Yorktown Sesqui last year, I obtained a two page leaflet giving a brief history of "*Old Ironsides*" and have placed this alongside my *Constitution* covers. Here is that same history—justly titled *The Ship That Was A Navy*.

"*Old Ironsides*," the *U. S. Frigate Constitution*, launched October 21, 1797, at Hartt's Shipyard in Boston, Mass., has been reconstructed at the Navy Yard, Boston, in the same drydock that she christened in 1833, having been the first ship to enter it. This gallant old ship, on whose decks are enshrined the proud traditions for which America stands, has been restored as she looked at the height of her brilliant career, a beautiful survivor of the by-gone days of sail, a floating memorial to the heroes who fought on her decks and made such glorious history for America that the people may have a closer interest in this staunch defender of our liberties and our rights as a nation. Restored to her former glory, a National Floating Monument, she will ever be a patriotic inspiration to posterity.

No ship more justly deserves a place in the affections of a country than does the *Constitution*, whose "*Ironsides*" shielded and protected our young and struggling nation at one of the most critical periods in her history. Thousands of visitors come annually to explore her ancient decks and to marvel at the deeds of the ship which gave us *Bainbridge, Hull, Stewart* and *Decatur* and won for us our freedom of the Sea. "*Old Ironsides*" has never known defeat, although she bears the scars of

forty-two battles. Now, after one hundred and thirty-five years of loyal service to her country, she is to be victorious over the elements of time and decay and to be preserved a lasting relic for all time.

The keel of the *Frigate Constitution*, one of the first three ships of our present Navy, was laid in 1794, at Boston. Mr. Joshua Humphreys, a talented shipbuilder of Philadelphia, was her designer, who combined the best features of the French and British ships of the time, in planning a vessel that would be capable of "fighting and running" as conditions and strength of the enemy dictated. The excellence of this design is proved by the beauty, strength and intrepidity of the *Constitution*. General George Claghorn was in charge of building. Three years after the keel was laid, the ship was launched and equipped at a total cost of \$302,917, a small sum in comparison to the cost of building modern men-of-war.

In 1798, the *Constitution* saw her first active service suppressing the French Privateers who for years had preyed on our shipping along the Atlantic seaboard and the waters of the West Indies. Her next task took her into the Mediterranean Sea. It happened that for centuries the Barbary States, Morocco, Algiers, Tunis and Tripoli, had levied tribute on even the most powerful European Nations and if payment was refused, had captured the ships of the offenders and dragged the crews into slavery. Since 1785, when Algerian corsairs had seized American ships, holding their crews for ransom, the United States had suffered outrageous indignity and insult at the hands of the pirates. More than a million dollars in presents had been paid to the Dey of Algiers, in addition to annual tribute of \$22,000. The Pasha of Tripoli enraged because the Dey of Algiers was receiving more tribute and attention than he, cut down the flagstaff of the American Consulate, May 4, 1801, thus declaring war.

Two squadrons had been sent to the Mediterranean before the *Constitution* as Commodore Edward Preble's flagship, arrived there in 1803, with a small fleet of war vessels to blockade the port of Tripoli. At the outset, misfortune overtook the Americans. The *Philadelphia*, a 36-gun Frigate, while chasing a Tripolitan Cruiser, struck a reef, and helplessly aground, was captured by the enemy. The officers and men were imprisoned, and several days later the pirates floated

the *Philadelphia*, so that now they had against us a more formidable vessel than they had ever possessed. In the cabin of the *Constitution* plans were laid for one of the most daring expeditions in our history. Using a captured Tripolitan ketch, Lieutenant Stephen Decatur and approximately seventy-four officers and men, in the dead of night, crept into the harbor of Tripoli and alongside the *Philadelphia*. A false move and they would have been blown to atoms. Except for six or eight of the crew disguised as Maltese sailors, the men were concealed as the little ketch drifted toward the great hulk of the *Philadelphia* and the pilot informed the sentinel that they had lost their anchors and wished to tie up alongside. All went well until one of the pirates, peering from the *Philadelphia's* rail, caught sight of the men lying on the ketch's deck. Instantly the cry "Americanos! Americanos!" resounded through the ship, but before the pirates could gather together, the Americans, with cutlasses in hand, swarmed over the *Philadelphia* in a hand-to-hand struggle with the pirates. In ten minutes the ship was captured and set on fire. The work of destruction was quickly done and the men regained their boat. Their escape seems a miracle, for the whole harbor was awake and the burning ship illuminated the bay, but not one American was killed. Equally thrilling and dramatic are other tales of heroism and daring, when for months Preble's squadron again and again bombarded the Tripolitan forts.

The blockade continued: Preble was succeeded by Commodore Barron and then by Captain John Rogers. Finally after five successive bombardments the forts of Tripoli were silenced and on June 3, 1805, a treaty of peace with Tripoli was drawn up in the cabin of the *Constitution* and later with Tunis, ending the tribute which we had been paying the Barbary pirates.

The *Constitution*, tested in the wars against the French privateers and the Barbary pirates, was now to achieve her greatest renown when, in the War of 1812, she stood invincible against the English Navy and fought for our independence on the sea as, two generations before, the colonists had fought for it on land. Great Britain's hostile attitude toward our neutral commerce had reached the point where our national honor was at stake. Her persistent capture and impressment of American sailors into her navy was an outrage. Determined to end this outrage

the United States declared war on June 18, 1812.

Three days after the opening of hostilities, the *Constitution*, commanded by Captain Isaac Hull, left Washington for New York to join Captain Rogers' squadron. On July 17, five sails were sighted off the New Jersey Coast and Captain Hull, supposing them to be Americans headed for them. Early next morning Hull discovered that he had given chase to the British squadron; to make matters worse, there was no breeze. The enemy, now joined by two more vessels, gave chase. The situation grew worse, capture seemed certain, when the resourceful Americans hit upon a plan of escaping by use of the kedge anchors. The kedge anchor fastened to a long hawser was dropped ahead from a small boat, and hauling on this hawser, the men on the deck of the *Constitution* drew their ship ahead to the anchor, which was again carried out and the process repeated. The British were quick to imitate the maneuver, but not until the *Constitution* had withdrawn well beyond the range of their guns. Finally after two days ceaseless toil the Americans evaded the enemy, and Captain Hull headed his ship for Boston.

The *Constitution* put to sea from Boston on August 2, 1812, in search of the enemy. On August 19, Captain Hull sighted the *Guerriere*, a British frigate, mounting forty-nine guns, a good match for the *Constitution*, and bore down toward her. There was long range firing during which little damage was done, and then the *Constitution* closed and exchanged broadsides within pistol shot. The sea was very rough but the American aim was deadly. The *Guerriere's* mizzenmast went by the board, and Hull luffed under his enemy's bow and raked her, then wore and raked her again. So near were the two ships that now they fouled and a line was secured between them by the Executive Officer of the *Constitution*. Boarders were called away on the *Guerriere* but recoiled before the mass of seamen on the American ship. The rough sea forced the ships apart and as they separated, the foremast and the mainmast of the *Guerriere* went by the board so that she rolled a helpless hulk upon the waves. Hull drew off, repaired damages, and bore down again, when the *Guerriere* struck her flag. Americans had proved that ship for ship there was nothing to fear.

During the excitement of the battle one

of the largest shot the enemy could command struck the side of the *Constitution* but the plank was so hard the shot fell out and sank in the water. This was noticed by the men, and the cry was raised, "Huzza: her sides are made of iron. See the shot fall out!"

From that moment the name of the *Constitution* was garnished with the colorful title of "Old Ironsides."

In order to comprehend the exultation over the victory it is necessary only to consider the state of the country, and especially the utter discouragement of the port from which the *Constitution* had sailed. The summer of 1812 had presented a gloomy outlook. There was lack of sympathy with the war. It was the gloomiest period in the history of the young Republic. Affairs had not gone well on land and the campaign against upper Canada had proved a failure. General Hull's surrender on land had occurred only a few days before Captain Isaac Hull's triumph on the sea.

The morale of the country was at its lowest ebb when the *Constitution* sailed into Boston Harbor with flags flying and the story of her wonderful victory over the *Guerriere* was told. Captain Hull and his officers were received with open arms and from one end to the other of the Thirteen States swept the news of this victory and awakened renewed vigor of the whole country in their war with the British.

The spell of English superiority at sea was broken. The victory came at a psychological moment and overnight it electrified the people and gave them the stimulus that was needed. Without this victory the future of the Republic would have been hard to foretell.

Within three months while Commodore William Bainbridge in command of the *Constitution* was cruising off the South American coast, where he went to destroy British shipping, he sighted the English frigate *Java*. In a few hours the deadly accurate fire from *Old Ironsides* had reduced the *Java* to a mass of wreckage and after her crew was taken off she was sunk.

The *Constitution's* last exploit of that war was a cruise in 1815 under Captain Charles Stewart which concluded with the capture of the frigate *Cyane* and the sloop-of-war *Levant* off the island of Madeira. The success of the war cannot be attributed to one frigate, yet the *Constitution* inflicted by far the major part of

the damage to British armed ships. Her greatest achievement, however, lay not in her conquests but in the moral effect which her victories had upon the country, serving as they did to unite opposing factions and territories in a feeling of national pride and unity of purpose.

After the war she served for a period of five years as flagship of the Mediterranean Squadron. In 1830 she was condemned by the Naval Commissioners as unseaworthy and ordered to be broken up. Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem "*Old Ironsides*," so aroused public sentiment that the Navy Department ordered the ship to be rebuilt.

From 1860 to 1871 the *Constitution* was used as the School Ship of the U. S. Naval Academy. In 1878 she made her last cruise in foreign waters carrying the United States exhibits to the Paris Exposition. For many years she was used as a receiving ship at Portsmouth, N. H. In 1897 she was towed to Boston for her own centennial and has remained there since that date. In 1905 she was threatened with destruction, when it was proposed to use her as a target for the ships of the Atlantic Fleet. This elicited a storm of protest and Congress appropriated \$100,000 for partial repair.

The *Constitution* stands for a great deal in the hearts of the American people. Built mainly through Washington's efforts, she has served faithfully under every President. Just think, from Washington to Hoover! She had an invaluable moral effect in inspiring the nation with a sense of union and in giving us standing in the eyes of the world. In 1802 we went to war with Tripoli because of piratical attacks made upon our commerce; in 1812 we went to war for "free trade and sailors' rights"; and 1917 we declared war on Germany because of her destruction of neutral shipping. In each case the principle involved was freedom of the seas, and in two of these wars, the *Constitution* played a leading part. She is thus representative of a principle for which America has three times drawn the sword, emblematic of an ideal which is world wide in its scope. "*Old Ironsides*" stands as a living and appropriate symbol of American "Freedom of the Sea."—*Courtesy of Norfolk-Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce.*

Here are a few more ships to go after. All are stationed at New York, N. Y.

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Co-operators: Navy Day covers from August Dietz, Jr. and B. S. Walton. Many thanks!

News item: Norfolk, Va., Nov. 7—Destroyer Division No. 2, composed of the *Breckenridge, Barney, Blakely, Biddle* and *Dahlgren*, left Norfolk this afternoon for the west coast to join the United States fleet now on duty in the Pacific. The Division is now replacing the Destroyers *Bernadou, Dupont, Ellis, J. Fred Talbot* and *Cole*, which arrived at the Norfolk Navy Yard several weeks ago and will remain on this coast for six months.

To secure cancellations from the five destroyers mentioned last, address covers to Mail Clerk, U. S. S. —, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Virginia.



Birmingham Making Progress

Mr. J. E. Addicks, President of the Birmingham (Ala.) Philatelic Society, writes that at every meeting they have taken in at least one new member, and the Society now numbers thirty-six. The first exhibition proved to be a decided success and they are already planning for the next year's show, which will probably take place the middle of October or November, and, instead of having it in the Public Library, it is planned to exhibit in the Bromberg Galleries. The Society is now making its headquarters at the Tutwiler Hotel, where the monthly business meetings take place. Plans for the election of officers for the ensuing year are in the making, and the election will be followed by a banquet.

Tuscaloosa members attending a recent meeting, announced plans for the formation of a branch of the Birmingham Society in Alabama's State University city. Surely Philately of the South is forging to the front!

Why the First Cape Stamps Were Triangular.

BY BARRY MAY in *The South African Philatelist*

An article by Mr. G. J. Allis, a recognized authority on the stamps of the Cape Colony, which appeared recently in the *Cape Argus*, does not, in my opinion, go quite far enough as an answer to the question which has probably at one time or another been asked by every serious collector of postage stamps, viz.: Why should the Cape of Good Hope have printed stamps differing in shape from those then used by every other country in the world?



circumstances; are not in themselves very serious, although annoying to the public; and would not be likely to occur between letters stamped and posted in England and those posted in South Africa.

Before proceeding further, it is necessary to point out that it was not intended to make the use of stamps compulsory, and, as a matter of fact, many people continued to post their letters unstamped, leaving the recipients to pay for the privilege of receiving them. This appears from a subsequent report of the Board (dated January 23, 1854), also found in the Grahamstown Public Library, from which the following is quoted:

"6. We are gratified in being able to state that, although it has not been deemed advisable to make the prepayment of stamps compulsory, the public have very generally availed themselves of the use of those stamps throughout the Colony, and the result has been not only great convenience to the community at large, but also a great saving of time and labor and the curtailing of money accounts and transactions in the Post Office Department; and we would express a hope that, after some further time being allowed to lapse, to make the people of our country better acquainted with the use of stamps, the prepayment of postage stamps may be made compulsory, as in England, with great benefit to the public service."

From this it is evident that, in visualizing the position which would be created by the introduction of postage stamps, the Board had to consider correspondence comprising letters (1) stamped in England, (2) stamped in South Africa, and (3) posted unstamped in South Africa.

There were obvious objections to the use of stamps of this shape. What was the advantage which outweighed them? Or was the selection of a triangular shape due to mere caprice? I had often pondered over the question, but had never arrived at a satisfactory answer, until one day in Grahamstown some years ago I came across, in the wonderful Public Library there, an old folio volume, labelled "Votes and Proceedings of Parliament," in which was printed, as an annexure, the report of the Board of Post Office Inquiry referred to by Mr. Allis.

The Board, which consisted of three members, one of them being Mr. Charles Bell, who designed the triangular stamps, had been instructed to make a very thorough inquiry into the postal arrangements of the Colony about which, for some time, public complaint had been loud and frequent. In their comprehensive report the Board recommended, among other things, the immediate introduction of postage stamps, and suggested that, in order to obviate errors in sorting, they should differ in device and shape so much from the British postage stamps as to catch the eye at a glance.

Here, then, as Mr. Allis states, is the genesis of the famous Cape three-cornered stamps; but it seems to me that, to clear up the matter finally, it is necessary to go a step further and to discover, if possible, the underlying reason for the Board's suggestion, which on the face of it seems to be based on flimsy grounds. Errors in sorting cannot be entirely avoided in any

The key to the problem is to be found in the fact that British stamps paid postage only to quayside in this country. A letter posted in London and addressed, say, to Swellendam would, on arrival at the latter place, be handed to the addressee only on his paying the postage from Capetown. Before the use of Cape stamps it did not matter to the Postmaster at Swellendam that some of the letters reaching him bore stamps and some did not; he collected postage on all. But when postage could be prepaid by stamps the position was different. Then the postmaster received letters (a) bearing Cape

stamps, (b) bearing British stamps and (c) unstamped, and it was his duty to collect postage on (b) and (c). It is clear, therefore, that if the stamps on (a) and (b) were not easily distinguishable, there would be a danger of some of the latter getting among the former, to the loss of postal revenue.

The Board evidently had in mind not the annoyance likely to be caused to the public by an occasional mis-sort, but the possibility of loss to the Colony by the postmasters mistaking British for Cape stamps. It follows, therefore, that the reason for selecting an unusual shape for the first Cape stamps was based on sound and weighty grounds.



The Lansdowne (Pa.) Stamp Club Exhibit

The annual exhibition of the Lansdowne Stamp Club will be open free to the public from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M., Friday and Saturday, November 25th and 26th, in the fireproof building of the Lansdowne Bank and Trust Company where the exhibits have been held for the past several years through the courtesy of the Bank.

The entries for this year's exhibition, which have just closed, show keen competition in most of the Classes which this year have been divided more in accord with the standard classifications of the Society for Stamp Exhibitions and consequently the exhibits will present a more interesting and varied appearance. Most of the Sections to be shown are entirely different from those exhibited heretofore.

Stamp collecting has attracted so many new converts and revived so many old ones within the last year or so, that a larger number of visitors than usual will very likely be attracted by the great diversity of the exhibition as outlined above.

All are welcome!



The Origin of Politics



Romulus, First Republican, Remus, First Democrat.—A. H. B.

Letter of Complaint to H. St. Geo. Offutt

Our good friend Mr. R. J. Reid of Chatham, Va. succeeds in recovering more Confederate official and semi-official correspondence than anyone we know of, and he never fails to submit it to THE NEW SOUTHERN. Here is a letter addressed to Col. H. St. George Offutt, Chief of the Contract Bureau of the Confederate Post-Office Department, from the citizens of Museville, Va. It is a commentary on rural postal conditions in 1864.

MUSEVILLE, PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY, VA.,

March 10th, 1864.

H. ST. GEO. OFFUTT, ESQ.,
Chief of Contract Bureau,
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

DEAR SIR:

We have today been informed by yours of the 4th inst. that the contract on this route (No. 2488 from Danville to Rocky Mount, Va.), has been instructed to furnish this office with side mails, instead of visiting it direct. We most respectfully ask the Department to require the Contractor to visit this office direct; it being now a very important office in consequence of the very large number of soldiers in the army from its immediate vicinity who address their letters to this office, and receive letters from their friends from it. The Contractor fails to visit it direct that he may run a two-horse stage on another route, charging the soldiers the most exorbitant rates for passage. The mails have been delayed one or two days by his failure to keep stock sufficient to deliver them in due time. If the Contractor cannot comply with his original contract, it can be let in this immediate neighborhood on terms far more advantageous to the government.

HENRY L. MUSE, *Postmaster.*

Signed:

Henry Berger,	Wm. S. Gipson
V. Oliver Smith	Samuel Pruett
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Jim and Dick.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Most times Train No. 22 stopped at the little town of Leesville just to get reports from the station agent, for it was a combined passenger and freight train.

It was a cold winter night and Jim Shepard, the agent, hated to leave his warm office even for a moment, so he rushed outside intending to hand over the reports on the run. The train was almost at a stand-still, however, when Jim handed the engineer the reports and it was not until after No. 22 was on her way again that he saw the dim outline of a man over at the freight shed. The man had evidently just got off the train but it was too cold to pay much attention so Jim hustled back to his fire.

Jim's business at this moment was very peculiar. Before him, on the desk, were half a dozen little piles of postage stamps and off to one side was a large box. Jim would grab a handfull of stamps out of the box and sort them into the proper piles. A fine occupation for a station agent, but it was a quiet night and no one was likely to drop in on him.

Jim was thoroughly lost in his sorting and every once in a while some particular stamp would require a more exacting examination. He was holding one up to the light when he heard someone come into the waiting room. Jim called "Hello," thinking perhaps one of his friends had braved the weather and dropped in on him. But he got no answer so he went to the door to see who it was.

A man was seated in the far corner of the room. He appeared to be a young man, but as his overcoat collar hid his face it was impossible for Jim to recognize him. He appeared to be a stranger in town.

"Last train has gone, mister," said Jim. The man did not answer at once but finally muttered "Yes, I know." His teeth seemed to be clattering when he talked.

"I just got off the train and don't even know the name of this town," volunteered the stranger.

"This is Leesville," said Jim. "Come into my office by the stove."

The man lost no time in accepting the

invitation and stood for quite a while warming his hands over the stove. After a few minutes he turned his collar down and Jim saw the stranger was about his own age. Finally the stranger spoke.

"I got on the train at Omaha without a ticket and I wanted to go to Denver, but was short of fare, so I told the conductor to take me as far as my money would last—and here I am."

While he was talking he was eyeing the piles of stamps on Jim's desk.

"Sorting postage stamps?" asked the stranger.

"Why, yes," said Jim, with half a smile on his face, "Sounds like you know something about it."

"Richard Williams is my name, partner. I used to be quite interested in stamps, but I had to give it up about eight years ago. Had a pretty nice collection, too. My father gave it to me." He started to button up his coat. "Well, partner, I sure do thank you for your kindness. Guess I'll be on my way now."

"Where are you going this kind of night?" asked Jim.

"Darned if I know, but I can't stay here disturbing you all night. I thought perhaps you would have no objection to me staying in the waiting room until morning. I'd like to get a job in town, if I can."

"Well, if that's the case," said Jim, "you might as well stay here where it's warm. Make yourself at home."

"That's mighty nice of you. Why not let me help you sort those stamps. Maybe it will bring back pleasant memories."

A few minutes later they were both chatting and laughing over the stamps like old friends. It was long before they were calling each other Jim and Dick. With the two of them working it wasn't long before the contents of the box diminished. Jim was glad to have his company. The stamps were all new to Dick, but he knew shades and perforations and had no trouble in sorting them correctly. Jim was happy. Seldom did he ever meet anyone who was interested in stamps and this young fellow was so entertaining that the feeling of strangeness wore off. Jim

invited his new friend to spend the night with him at his house. About nine-thirty they had all the stamps sorted and put in separate envelopes. Jim locked up the station and they soon arrived at Jim's house.

After having supper they sat in the kitchen talking and Dick told of how he had lost his job in Omaha where he was bookkeeper at a bank that went under.

Later on in the evening, Jim showed his collection to Dick and as he turned the album pages he mentioned a few stamps that he could remember. On coming to the pages of Cape of Good Hope, Dick exclaimed.

"There are the triangles. I had a whole page of them and a number of duplicates. Seems to me that Dad gave me an envelope full of those blue ones. He liked triangles and had a whole book filled with those green Newfoundland triangle stamps.

"Gee! That must have been a wonderful collection. What made you get rid of it?"

"Oh, I couldn't afford to keep it up so I told my sister to give it to some of her friends, but the last time I heard from her, she said she still had it. Maybe she couldn't find anyone that was interested in stamps."

Jim was excited.

"Say!" he said. "You sit right down here and write your sister to send that collection to you. If it has just a few of the stamps you described, why, I'll put you on your feet in no time. I deal in stamps and have a number of clients who are crazy to get hold of material like that. Tell your sister to insure that album to the limit and you stay here with me until it comes. Now, come with me and I'll show you your room. We'll get up early in the morning and lose no track of your collection."

On the following morning they talked over the best plan of getting Dick's collection to Leesville. It was finally decided that Dick would make the trip back to Omaha. He didn't like the idea of Jim paying his fare back but accepted on condition that Jim would take the money out of the first sale of stamps.

As he was boarding the train he started to thank Jim and his eyes were suspiciously moist.

"That's all right, old timer!" said Jim. "Well, so long, and don't forget to bring back everything that looked like a postage stamp."

Jim went about his work that day with the collection on his mind. He wondered if he had made a mistake in trusting his new found friend, but finally he put all doubts aside and settled himself to writing a dozen letters to his best clients, telling them of his find.

Two days later Dick hopped off the train at Leesville and yelled; "Hey, Jim, give me a lift, will you?"

"How did you make out, Dick, was the collection still there?"

"All of it, Jim, and more stuff than I remember having. Sis had it stored away in the attic and I hope it isn't spoiled.

"Well, I'm going to knock off for today. I got a friend to take my place while we look over that collection," said Jim.

Tom stopped at the Post Office to leave the mail that had just come in on the train and they waited a few minutes while the postmaster distributed it. Jim received a dozen letters and read them while they were eating dinner. Three of the letters proved very interesting.

The next few days the two of them spent every spare minute in going over the collection. Jim was very secretive about some of the stamps he was setting aside.

It was arranged that Dick would take care of the station while Jim went to the city to see about selling the collection. He was going to offer it to a few of the clients who had asked to see the stamps.

Dick was surprised to see him come back on the evening train that same day and before he could ask a single question, Jim extracted a check from his wallet.

"Six thousand dollars!" exclaimed Dick, "how in the world did you do it?"

"That ain't all, old man, the balance of the collection should bring more than that."

"Balance? Didn't you sell the whole thing?"

"Oh, no!" grinned Jim, "This is for a few of the stamps that I knew would sell on sight. I let them go pretty cheap because I knew you needed the money. You can kiss your worries good-bye, old man, they are over for you."

"Thanks to you, Jim. You don't know how much I appreciate this and I'll never forget it. I like Leesville and I'm going to stay here. Maybe I can find a way to pay you back somehow."

"Oh, that's alright," said Jim, "see you later, Dick."

Jim went back to his desk, leaving his new friend to his own thoughts.

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Exhibition Committee Report

The Chairman of your Exhibition Committee desires to make report of the First Annual Exhibition of the Virginia Philatelic Federation.

The Exhibition scheduled for November 16th, 17th and 18th took place in Room 337, of the United States District Court, Post-Office Building, the use of which was secured through the courtesy of the Hon. Berkeley Williams, Postmaster of Richmond and the resident Federal authorities, to whom we are deeply grateful. The Stamp Show was open to the public daily from 12 o'clock noon until 11 at night. Complying with a public request the Exhibition was extended over the 19th, with the same hours.

All federated Virginia Clubs were represented by exhibits, many of which were outstanding in material and arrangement, including a number of frames sent in by several Virginia ladies.

Mr. Perry Fuller of Baltimore, well-known Philatelist and auctioneer, graciously accepted the invitation to be sole judge of the exhibits, and his awards—made without knowing the names of the exhibitors—were approved without a dissenting voice. The Federation is deeply indebted to Mr. Fuller, whose keen knowledge of stamps, sound judgment, and pleasing personality endeared him to every one with whom he came in contact. We regret that he could not remain the entire duration of the Show. Mr. Fuller's impression was voiced in the following words: "Considering the limited territory to which your exhibition is confined, you have made a showing equal to that of any exhibition on whose board of judges I have ever served."

It is unhesitatingly admitted—and must be made a matter of record—that to Mr. Charles Hofmann, Secretary-Treasurer of the Federation, is due, in overwhelming

measure the greater success of this Exhibition. Unsparring of himself, he labored from morning to late at night during the three days preceding the Exhibition, erecting the frames and mounting the exhibits. In this herculean task he found loyal lieutenants in Messrs. Jack Green, John Raskey, Nat Horowitz, Howard E. Jackson, Arthur Wood, R. E. Patterson, Binford Walford, Sam'l Rosendorf, Jr., Sergt. Robinson, U. S. Marines, and others.

The attendance, especially at night, was highly satisfactory—over two thousand visitors registering.

Hon. Harold C. Brooks, Mrs. Brooks and their daughter Miss Emmy Brooks, motored from Marshall, Mich. to be present, remaining until the close of the Big Show. Many out-of-town visitors, from all Virginia cities came to Richmond for the occasion. The Reception Committee comprised every member of the Federation, who, welcoming all visitors, endeavored to show them every courtesy and to impress upon them the educational value of stamp-collecting. Our popular Postmaster led in this attention to the guests, holding regular Old Virginia levees, surrounded by a bevy of charming girls and matrons.

On the night of the 18th, Mr. Carter Glass, Jr., President of the Federation, called the membership to the annual meeting, in an adjoining chamber. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Exhibition Committee made its report and was dismissed with the thanks of the Federation. The election of officers for the ensuing year followed, resulting in an unanimous choice of the present incumbents. It was likewise decided to accept the invitation extended by Dr. Don Preston Peters and hold the 1933 Exhibition in Lynchburg, Virginia, sometime in October.

President Glass appointed the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Membership: August Dietz, H. E. Jackson, Richmond; Dr. Don Preston Peters, Lynchburg.

Exhibition: J. Binford Walford, Richmond; Ambrose Page, Newport News; Arthur Wood, Petersburg; Walter C. Ayres, Roanoke; Dr. Wm. H. Evans, Norfolk, and Roy B. Smith, Mrs. R. P. Beasley, Mrs. Don Preston Peters, R. R. Murphy, John T. Wright, and Milton Moses, of Lynchburg. Mr. Milton Moses of Lynchburg is appointed Chairman of this committee, and the various club representatives should ask three or four members to work with them.

The following awards were announced and the exhibits decorated:

GRAND PRIZE

Charles L. Hofmann.....Richmond Stamp Club

SECOND GRAND PRIZE

J. Binford Walford.....Richmond Stamp Club

BLUE RIBBONS

Dr. Don Preston Peters.....Lynchburg Stamp Club
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U. S. Specimen Envelopes

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Masonic Covers—Washington Temple

Nat Horowitz.....Richmond Stamp Club
Washington Bicentennials

Sam'l S. Rosendorf, Jr.....Richmond Stamp Club
U. S. A. Precancels

August A. Dietz, Jr.....Richmond Stamp Club
Cape of Good Hope, Old Mexico. Paris Baloons

Edw. R. Markhoff.....Richmond Stamp Club
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R. H. Athern.....Richmond Stamp Club
Exhibit of Educational Value of Stamp-Collecting, as Part of Boys' and Girls' Exhibit.

In conclusion, your Committee desires to express thanks to all the exhibitors for the remarkable material displayed—for their friendly cooperation, and their attendance—and in particular to the visiting non-collectors, whose deep interest and praise is abundant reward for their efforts in arranging a dignified, instructive Stamp Exhibition in Virginia.

AUGUST DIETZ,
Chairman Exhibition Committee.



Publicity Director's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

Congratulations are in order for that Philatelic Veteran, Dr. Wm. Evans of Norfolk and those other collectors in that vicinity who in their wisdom saw fit to organize the Norfolk Philatelic Society, on October 5. Under the leadership of Doctor Evans we hope to see Norfolk have just as large a club as Richmond in the near future. We trust that by this time they have seen fit to join the Virginia Philatelic Federation and take an active part in our Richmond meeting which will be in full swing when this article is published.

The organization of the Norfolk Club, is the result of the writer's visit to that city, last August, when personal calls were made to Norfolk's leading collectors, and a pleasant half hour was spent with Doctor Evans.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director.*

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

If anyone doubts the fact that this column is read I'd like to show them a few of the letters received every month. However, I wish to say that the success of the Air Mail page in THE NEW SOUTHERN can be attributed to the readers and not to the editor. Ninety percent of the news published herein is furnished by collectors who cheerfully and consistently supply me with information on each mail. And though not half of it can be included in this column the fault is due to the fact that it becomes "old" before the forms go to press. If this happened to be a daily paper things would be different—but it just isn't and we've got to make the best of it. So be patient, dear one.

Ever so often I receive a rather drastic letter from a reader raking me over the coals for publishing news on an event that has already taken place. I fully realize the keen disappointment that a collector feels about such a matter, however let me repeat that this is a *monthly* magazine and such information, or "news", is given simply to perpetuate the event in print, because as the years roll by (and they do mighty quickly—remember when you were just seventeen—or seven?) those of our readers who do save their copies of THE NEW SOUTHERN may refer back to the events that are listed and this column may prove of value to the 1975 student of covers. As Elbert Hubbard once said: "Don't take Life too seriously—you'll never get out of it alive"; the same epigram may be adaptable to air mail and cover collecting: Don't take your stamps too seriously—you'll never get 'em all.

In our last issue I was guilty of a misstatement—and a terrible one—that is, I said on November 11 the last cachet would be applied on covers at the Federal Hall Station, N. Y. Quite a few readers

checked me on this and for the life of me I cannot understand how I ever made such a *faux pas*. The next date is November 25th.

Bob Thompson, the editor of our new Naval Cover Department, lives in Glen Allen, Va., and anyone wishing to know anything about naval covers should write him. He was brought into the fold of this fascinating domain of cover collecting by W. C. Crosby, the noted naval cover and album man of San Pedro, Calif. This department has created no little amount of interest among our readers. If you collect covers you will find navals *par excellence*. And, by the way, if you want a good cover album for Christmas write W. C. Crosby—he has them.

And speaking in an advertising manner, I wish to call your attention to the advertisements in this issue of the Gnidrettis Historic Covers, the firm that recently acquired the remaining lot of the famous Post Rider and Plane covers from Williamsburg to Richmond. These covers make ideal Christmas gifts, besides I believe they are excellent philatelic investments at the price quoted. The Gnidrettis Historic Cover company guarantees you that they will not offer this cover for less than is now listed—and will probably advance the price shortly as the supply is very limited. Order yours now in time for Christmas.

Cachet will be applied on all 6¾ envelopes only, on December 4 in commemoration of Washington's Farewell Address to his officers, if sent to M. M. Robertson, 206 E. 80th St., New York City, by December 1.

Any reader of this column may send covers to York Briddell, P. O. Box 668, St. Petersburg, Fla., who will keep on hand until the next event takes place. Mr.

Briddell is now issuing a Naval Cover Bulletin and a request may bring a sample copy.

J. C. Van Losberg notifies me that the Hiawatha, Kansas, airport dedication took place on Sept., 17-18, 1932 and a cachet was applied to covers and he has one.

I am indebted to John George Valek for much information during the past month. The following letter was received by Mr. Valek upon inquiry to the War Department and will undoubtedly be of interest to all cover collectors. You might write your Congressman, the Post Office Department and the Navy Department about giving collectors more flight covers on our dirigibles. Perhaps, a deluge of letters will set Washington a-thinking that stamp collectors are worth some consideration as prolific letter writers, at least. Here is the letter:

August 25, 1932.

MR. JOHN GEO. VALEK,
P. O. Box 22, Helmetta, N. J.

DEAR SIR:

With reference to your letter of August 16th requesting information on the possibility of the new Army dirigible carrying mail on its trial flight you are advised as follows:

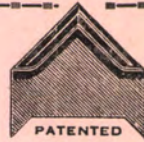
No plans have been made for carrying mail on this flight. Requests for such action might come from a recognized philatelic society in which case consideration would be given such request. Should mail be carried the philatelic societies would be notified and the flight would be announced in the various newspapers.

Yours truly,

E. E. HILDRETH,
Captain, Air Corps,
Acting Chief, Information Division.
By: ROLAND BIRN.

That's the letters, boys. Now, the only thing I see to do is to get all philatelic societies, clubs and whatnot to write letters and request that the new ship carry mail on its initial flight. The more letters, the merrier. Go to it.

I am just in receipt of a copy of the *Historical Souvenir Air Mail Cover Catalog*, published by A. C. Roessler, 140 South Parkway, East Orange, N. J. It is the second edition of this interesting, fascinating, well-written, excellently-planned booklet, which is evidence that the work



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An attractive cachet will be applied to all covers sent L. F. Ditzel, 2101 Mount Holly St., Baltimore, Mr., before December 1 commemorating the 300th Birthday of the founding of Maryland Free State.

Covers sent to P. Richer, 35 Harding Terrace, Newark, N. J., by November 23 will receive the cachet on the dedication of the opening of the new Elevated Super Highway.

H. W. Peterson notifies me that the Faribault, Minn. airport will not be dedicated until July of next year, so hold your horses.

J. W. Stoutzenberg, 821 W. Clay St., Collinsville, Ill., is publishing an up-to-date bulletin service and interested collectors should write J. W. for subscription rates.

Jim Green sends the following items of interest:

Mandan, N. D. Chamber of Commerce says their airport dedication will take place next spring.

Palestine, Texas, airport is completed, but no date set for dedication. Covers may be sent to C. of C.

Price, Utah, another possible dedication to take place soon. Might try covers to Chamber of Commerce.

San Bernadino, Calif. No date set, but better rush covers to C. of C.

Shelby, Mont., dedication will take place next spring.

Stevensville, Mont., dedication probably next summer. More later.

Van Horn, Texas, rumors they will dedicate soon. Try C. of C.

Faribault, Minn., airport will dedicate July, 2, 3, 4, 1933. Isn't this ample time for you slow boys?

Fitzgerald, Ga., dedication is rumored to be soon. Better send covers to C. of C.

Fort Defiance, Ariz., correspondent tells us this airport will be dedicated. Better send covers soon to J. G. Hunter at Fort Defiance. Air mail covers only and no postage dues accepted.

French Lick, Ind., dedication next spring.

Laredo, Texas, airport dedication is still in its infancy. Dedication will probably take place when port is completed.

Clarion, Pa., air events were held recently, but the dedication will be held next year, honoring Parker Cramer.

Devils Lake, N. D. More information says that this dedication will not be held anytime in the near future. Hold all covers.

Covers received—and many, many thanks to all who so kindly remembered me during the past month:

I am grateful to Judge Alfred Benners of Birmingham, who sent me a cover from Argentina carried on the first trip of the Graf Zeppelin from South to North America. Sept. 30, Columbia, Tenn., fine red triangular cachet on Bicentennial. Sept. 4, Harrisonburg, Va., the set of three covers on the 200th Anniversary of the settlement of the Valley. Oct. 4, Richmond, Va. triangular cachet on Bicentennial and Virginia Home-Coming Week. Oct. 8, large blue cachet on 250th Anniversary Bordentown, N. J. Oct. 11, Pulaski, N. Y., fine oval red cachet on Centennial of Incorporation. Oct. 16, Reading, Pa., excellent large blue cachet on First Annual Philatelic Exhibit. Oct. 15, Richmond, Va., very fine and neat cachet in blue on Dedication of the Carillon War Memorial. Oct. 24, brought the new Penn and Webster stamps—Hanover, N. H., New Castle, Del., and Chester, Pa. furnished very fine cachets on the covers I received.

Naval covers received: Oct. 27, Navy Day, fine blue oval cachet from "Old Ironsides", the "Trenton" furnished fine red printed cachet and red postmark with Navy Day between killer bars, "Neches" had purple postmark from San Diego, "Arkansas" had day between killer bars, "Texas" applied picturesque magenta cachet, also cachet in black and blue, "Medusa" had day between killer bars, also "West Virginia" and "Relief." The Naval Ammunition Depot at Hawthorne, Nevada, lived up to expectations and used a striking postmark of anchor in red with two-color cachet, "Maryland" used blue postmark and two-color cachet of Theo. Roosevelt.

Co-operators, and thanks to each for all the news and covers: *****
 *W. C. Crosby, Don Dickason, *George Scheer, Jr., Harry Evans, Leon Olney, *Dr. Joseph Ullman, **A. G. Rocquemore, *Miss Mary Withington, ***Dr. S. E. Hutnick, *Judge Alfred Benners, **Bobbie Waitt, Jr., *Ed. Hinz, ***Fred Sanders, *Lewis A. Barnard, *Wm. Earle Doan, ***J. H. Clemer, *Donald McSween, **J. N. Lawrence, ****Thos. Steele, **William D. Hennessy, Jr., Jim Green, J. W. Stoutzenberg, L. F. Ditzel, P. Richer, H. W. Peterson, A. C. Roessler, M. M. Robertson, York Briddell, Robt. C. Thompson, George Valek, J. C. Van Losberg.

Stop Press News

Effective December 1, Camden and Columbia, South Carolina, and Augusta, Georgia, will be embraced for supply on Air Mail route 19. The service to these cities will connect with the existing service on AM 19 at Charlotte, North Carolina. The Postmasters at Camden, Columbia and Augusta will apply official cachets on all air mail covers sent to them before December 1 for dispatch on this route.

Don't forget the Natural Bridge cachet on December 1. It's a beauty. Covers should be sent immediately to Natural Bridge Corp., Natural Bridge, Va.

The Post Office dedication at Niles, Ohio, has been postponed until after December 10. Covers to B. R. McIntyre, Box 3, Niles, Ohio.

D. E. Schucker, 435 N. 8th St., Lebanon, Pa., will receive covers (air mail only) for the winner of the International Lord Wakefield Endurance Flight Trophy and a cachet will be applied in the near future.

Fred Sanders of the Aerophilatelic Club of New York, 4743 38th St., Long Island City, N. Y., will receive and handle cachet on covers by one of the Historical Associations for a Washington event sometime in December.

Covers sent to Seaboard Service, 721 Calvert Bldg., Baltimore, Md., prior to December 1 will receive a handsome cachet on the Maryland Tercentenary in commemoration of the signing of the Charter.

Louisville, Ky., Post Office will be dedicated soon and covers should be sent to W. R. Tharp, 602 N. 31st St., Louisville, Kentucky.

The Chamber of Commerce, St. Petersburg, Fla., will issue a cachet for all covers sent them on December 14 on the 4th anniversary of the city on AM 25.

Henderson, Texas, will dedicate airport probably in December, and the Chamber of Commerce will hold covers for event.

W. G. Crosby, the naval cover dealer of San Pedro, Calif., writes an interesting letter regarding official and unofficial naval cachets. Only those cachets applied by rubber stamp or printing on board a ship and approved by the commanding officer should be termed official. Others are simply private, or unofficial, markings and must not be confused. An article on this matter will appear shortly in THE NEW SOUTHERN by an authority on naval covers.

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The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Australia.—We are informed (unofficially) that the "O S" stamps are to be discontinued and if this is correct the recently issued ones should be worth acquiring at present prices.

Austria.—A new Charity stamp has been issued in memory of Austria's greatest post-war statesman, Dr. Ignaz Seipel, who died on August 2nd. The stamp shows a portrait of Dr. Seipel and is printed in dark blue, the value being 50 groschen, but the stamp is sold for double face value, the additional 50 groschen going towards charity.

Barbados.—For the benefit of those who are interested we give the following information: The ½d., 1d. and 2½d. stamps of the current issue exist in two perforations, the first printing being perf. 14, and the second printing 13½x12. These two printings were in sheets of eighty made up of eight vertical rows of ten and on each sheet the imprint is shown, Thomas de la Rue & Company Limited, London. We have now received a third printing of the ½d. and 1d. in sheets of 120, perf. 13½x12, twelve vertical rows of ten 120, perf. 13½x12, twelve vertical rows of ten, the imprint is omitted on these sheets, but they have a plate number 2. This third printing shows a slight variation in shade.

Barwani.—We are informed that a new set of stamps is being prepared for this Indian State, bearing the portrait of the present Minor Rana Saheb of Barwani State, the denominations being: ¼, ½, 1, 2 and 4 annas.

Bahrain Islands.—Stamps of British India have been overprinted BAHRAIN for use in this territory.

Basutoland.—It is reported that this South African country is to have stamps of its own.

Betchuanaland.—The announced new series will consist of the following values: ½, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6d., 1, 2, 2/6, 3, 5 and 10 sh., and showing scenes of the country with the king's head in medallion. In addition there will be due stamps of ½, 1 and 2d.

China.—The Martyr stamps referred to some time ago are now beginning to appear, the 8, 10, 20, 30 and 40 cents have already been issued, and the ½, 1, 2½, 3, 13, 17 and 50 cents are to be placed on sale shortly. They are of similar types of the Sun Yat Sen issue, but show various portraits.

Costa Rica.—A special set of four stamps appeared on the occasion of the Philatelic Exhibition in San José. The stamps are triangular, and consist of the following values: 2, 4, 5 and 10 centavos.

Curaçao.—Commemorating its Tri-Centenary in 1934, Curaçao will issue a special set of 17 stamps of the following values: 1 1½, 2, 2½, 5, 6, 10, 12½, 15, 20, 21, 25, 27½, 30 and 50 cents, 1.50 and 2.50 gulden.

Falkland Islands.—A pictorial set, commemorating the first centennial of this colony is said to be in preparation, consisting of the following values: ½, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 4 and 6d., 2/6, 5 and 10 sh. and £1. The new stamps are to be placed on sale January 1, 1933.

Germany.—A set of seven stamps has been issued in the following denominations: 4, 5, 12, 15, 25, 40 and 50 pfennig, to commemorate the 85th Birthday of President von Hindenburg. The design shows a profile portrait of the President in a medallion style, in the upper corners the denomination is shown and at the base the words "Deutsches Reich." Although this is a Birthday

issue, the usual practice of showing the dates has not been carried out in this instance.



The 1933 Charity stamps have appeared, consisting of the following values 4 plus 2 Pfg. the Wartburg, light blue; 6 plus 4 Pfg. Castle Stolzenfels, olive gray; 12 plus 3 Pfg. Nürnberg Castle, light red; 25 plus 10 Pfg. Lichtenstein Castle, dark blue; 40 plus 40 Pfg. Marburg Castle, violet brown. This attractive set is in keeping with former issues.

Luxembourg.—The usual annual Charity stamps will appear this year in December and will show an effigy of the Countess Ermesinde of Luxembourg, who reigned from 1196 to 1247, these dates being shown on the stamps. This wise and great Princess died in 1247 and her reign was a period of peace and progress. There will be five denominations as follows: 10c. plus 5c. olive-grey, 75c. plus 10c. violet, 1fr. plus 25c. carmine, 1¼fr. plus 75c. red-brown, 1¾fr. plus 1½fr. blue.

Mexico.—The Carranza commemorative stamps were recently overprinted "Habilitado Aereo 1932" in order to use up the stock, but we understand that only a very small supply received this overprint and they were all sent to outlying post offices and soon used up. We are also informed that a few sheets of the 10c. violet Air Mail stamp perforated were overprinted "Servicio Oficial" and issued by mistake.

An airmail stamp of 80 centavos is in preparation.

Nicaragua.—1,000 of the 15c. Air Mail stamps have been overprinted as follows: "Semana Correo Aereo Internacional 11-17 Septiembre 1932". These stamps were placed on sale for a special air mail on September 17th in connection with the International Air Mail Week held at Managua and in recognition of the services rendered by the Pan-American Airways Incorporated to the Latin American countries. The use of this special stamp was compulsory on all air mail used on September 17th. The stamps were overprinted in sheets of fifty and the only errors that are to be found are on the 29th and 45th stamps, the former "Aerreo" instead of "Aereo.", and the latter an inverted "m" in "Septiembre."

Portugal.—Further remainders of the Camoens series, consisting of 40, 48, 64 and 75 cent., 4.50 and 10 Esc., are being overprinted with a red cross and "1933" for Red Cross purposes.

Roumania.—We are informed that the use of Official stamps is to be discontinued and that the remaining stock on hand is to be overprinted for ordinary postal use. We are further informed that another commemorative set is to appear shortly and is to be sold with a surtax for the benefit of the postal employees, the values will be: 4 lei plus 1 lei, 6 lei plus 1 lei, 10 lei plus 1 lei.

Russia.—We have received a new 15 kopeks stamp issued to celebrate the great Russian writer, Maxim Gorky, the stamp is printed in brown and shows a portrait of Gorky. A 35 kopeks stamp printed in blue in the same type is expected shortly. The stamps are dated "1892" "1932", signifying the fortieth anniversary of Gorky's first writing, "Nakar Chudra", at the base of the stamps is shown his signature. The 15 kopeks Zeppelin stamp has been printed in a new color, grey, on unwatermarked paper and we have also seen the current 1 rouble stamp with view of Post Office imperforate with the key and daisy watermark. We are informed that only a very small quantity was accidentally issued in an imperforate condition and they were immediately sold out.

A new series is reported to be in preparation showing the various racial types of the peoples of the Soviet Union. The values are said to range from 1 to 35 kopeks.

Sahara.—The current issue overprinted "Republica Española" has now been overprinted horizontally instead of vertically. We have also seen some sets with the overprint reading downwards instead of upwards which we understand were issued in error.

Samoa.—The 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and £1 New Zealand stamps, Coat of Arms type, have been overprinted for use in Samoa.

St. Vincent.—We have received an official notification that the 5d. stamp of the current issue is being withdrawn from use and any existing stock will be destroyed on the first of December next.

A new 1¼d. stamp is announced.

Swaziland.—The new set consists of the following values: ½, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6d; 1, 2/6, 5 and 10 sh.



Sweden.—Three hundred years ago King Gustavus Adolphus was killed on the battlefield of Lützen on November 6th, 1632, to commemorate this event a special set of stamps is due to be issued the first week in November, the values being: 10, 15, 25 and 90 ore.

Switzerland.—The 1933 Pro Juventute series will show "Flagwaver," "Stone thrower," "Wrestler," and the portrait of Eugen Huber, the famous jurist who compiled Switzerland's code of civil laws.

Uruguay.—The colors of the current (1929) Peso values have been changed: 2p. red, 3p. black, 4p. olive green 5p. orange.



Public Ledger Stamp Club

The opening of the Public Ledger Stamp Club of Philadelphia, Pa. took place on the evening of October 28th in Room 215 Public Ledger Building. Anyone desiring to share in the benefit of the Club should send name and address for a membership card.

The club had some well-known collectors present who gave short talks on various subjects. Guests of honor were "on the air" over two radio stations for the first fifteen minutes of the meeting.

Inquiries should be directed to Mr. Art Werther, Managing Director P. L. Stamp Club and Philatelic Editor *Public Ledger*, Independence Square, Philadelphia, Pa.



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Fordham's Contest and Winners

The following constituted the Questions for Contest held on October 31, by the Fordham Stamp Society—742 East 180th St., Bronx, N. Y. and a list of the answers and winners is supplied by Mr. W. H. Montoske, Contest Secretary.

- 1—On what stamp of what country is a great modern pianist portrayed? *Answer.*—Paderewski on Poland No. 130.
- 2—What U. S. stamp portrays the Sloop Restaurationen? *Answer.*—2c. Norse American No. 620.
- 3—What is the name of the Indian on the 14c. U. S. stamp? *Answer.*—Chief Hollow Horn Bear, A Brule Sioux Chief..
- 4—What country and when issued a set of stamps in honor of Lord Byron? *Answer.*—Greece—1924.
- 5—On what U. S. stamp was an electric bulb first shown? *Answer.*—1c. 1902 No. 300.
- 6—What is a cancellation? *Answer.*—A mark applied to a stamp that has performed its duty either postally or fiscally to prevent its re-use.
- 7—What stamp issuing British Colony is known as the Isle of Cloves? *Answer.*—Zanzibar.
- 8—What country sold the space on the reverse side of their stamps for advertising purposes? *Answer.*—New Zealand.
- 9—What is meant by *Tête-Bêche* pair? *Answer.*—Where one stamp is the reverse to its mate.
- 10—Write a composition of not more than 250 words, titled "The Finest Stamp In My Collection." *Answer.*—Composition.

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Barnett K. Sompson, President Brooklyn Stamp Club.

Raymond F. Marti, President Fordham Stamp Society.

Fred. H. Dietz, Secretary Bronx Stamp Club.

WINNERS

First Prize—D. B. Witmer, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Second Prize—W. E. Schauer, Bronx, New York, N. Y.

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An Old but Timely Circular of the New York Cheap Postage Association Comes to Light After Eighty-two Years.

Mr. Robert F. Chambers of Providence, R. I. sends the following interesting document, published in 1850, which seems peculiarly *apropos* today. It is a protest against the injustice of imposing an unwarranted taxation upon the people of the United States. The same course of action is suggested at this time.

The circular is in the shape of a folded letter sheet, providing space for signatures.

The person to whom this Circular is sent, or into whose hands it may fall, is earnestly requested to take prompt measures to carry out the wishes of the Committee—or hand it to some intelligent and active person who will do the needful without delay.

NEW YORK CHEAP POSTAGE ASSOCIATION

At a Meeting of the Directors of the Association, held on the 5th of January, 1850, the following Resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, the Resolutions inadvertently published in some of the newspapers, and purporting to have been adopted by the Directors on the 12th Dec., 1840, were offered, but not definitely acted upon by the Board; and whereas it has been ascertained that they are not strictly in accordance with the object of the Association, as set forth in the 2d Article of its Constitution—

Resolved, That as one of the original and fundamental objects of the Association is to effect a postal reform, by which pre-paid letters, under half an ounce, shall be carried for TWO CENTS to all distances in the United States, it be recommended to the friends of cheap postage throughout the Union, to petition Congress to establish this rate.

Resolved, That the draft of a Circular and Petition, presented at this meeting, be approved and adopted, and that the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to have the above Resolution and the Circular printed and circulated throughout the country.

SILAS WOOD, Chairman *pro tem*.
ISAAC WINSLOW, JR., Rec. Sec.

CIRCULAR

TO EACH FRIEND OF CHEAP POSTAGE IN THE UNITED STATES

SIR,—The New York Cheap Postage Association request your immediate attention to these few hints, in relation to a public object of great moment, which is in a situation to require your individual and earnest attention.

The Report of the Postmaster General has disappointed the friends of Cheap Postage. With a most prosperous condition of the department; with a rapid increase of business; with an increase of \$3,882,762 from letters alone, and \$819,016 from newspapers; with a clear surplus in hand of \$691,682, which will be increased by the 30th of June to \$1,033,710; and with the people expecting the adoption of a proper system of Cheap Postage, he only recommends a reduction to a uniform rate of five cents per half-ounce!

On the great mass of letters this is no reduction at all. On a calculation, which is certainly large, he supposes it may reduce the revenue \$775,000, which will not nearly absorb the surplus. But, if it should have the effect, which all other reductions of rate have had, *the increase of letters will more than compensate for the lower price, and keep up the revenue to its present mark.*

The expense of transportation of the mail in this country is \$2,577,407; and in Great Britain it is \$2,229,763, which shows that we can carry letters as cheaply as England. The whole cost of our Post-Office is \$4,479,049; of the British, \$7,016,250, which is all paid by the Penny Postage. Our 21 millions of people, with the same privilege, would write as many letters in proportion as their 27 millions, which would give us 270 millions to their 346 millions. At the lowest calculation, Cheap Postage would more than double the number of letters the very first year. It did so in England, where the weekly number of letters which in 1840 was 2,102,281, became 4,355,237 in 1841. This would give 128 millions, yielding \$2,560,000 the very first year. The postage of Congress, if charged at present rates, the Postmaster General says, would amount to \$792,700, besides what is paid to Postmasters for delivering free letters, at two cents each, amounting to nearly \$100,000 more, all which Congress ought to pay out of its contingent fund. To this add \$850,000 for newspaper postage and you have \$4,222,700. Then let the expense of the Ocean Steamers be transferred, as it ought, to the Navy account. There can be no doubt that, by the time the surplus now on hand is exhausted, the vigorous increase of postage would enable the Department to support itself out of its current receipts.

Five cents is not "Cheap Postage." This is a technical term, well understood, and is applied to the philosophical system invented by Rowland Hill, and which has been in use in England for ten years. Penny Postage, or two cents, is what all mean by Cheap Postage,—carrying letters for what it is worth, and not taxing letters to pay for other objects. The experiment in Great Britain proves that the service can be afforded for two cents, and therefore that is the only just measure

of its value—money's worth for the service performed. To charge five cents is to impose a tax of 150 per cent. for other purposes. To charge three cents is to impose a tax of only 50 per cent. *ad valorem*.

WHAT IS TO BE DONE ABOUT IT?—It is very evident that something must be done, or we shall not have it. Providence never intended that a free people should obtain so great a boon without an effort.—Cheap Postage is "for the people," and if the people wish for it they must say so.

What then shall be done about it? If something is to be done, somebody must do it. Whose business is it? Everybody's? In one sense it is everybody's business, because everybody is to be benefited by it, impartially, as they would by sweetening the air in time of pestilence. But, "what is everybody's business is nobody's business," and if left there it will not be done. You must do it—it is *your* business.

"What shall I do?" What is wanted, is an expression of the people's wish, so that Congress cannot mistake, and will not disregard it. This is done in three ways, some or all of which are within the power of each and every reader of these lines and therefore *you* are justly responsible for so much. These measures are—

1. Publishing articles in the newspapers and magazines. Let every Press speak.

2. Writing letters to members of Congress. If not personally acquainted, you are represented by some one, and have a right to address him on matters of public concern.

3. PETITIONS.—The multiplication of petitions is the main reliance now. If a million petitions can be sent to Congress before the 1st of February, we shall have Cheap Postage. Multiply them.



\$100,000 Stamp Collection Willed by Chicagoan to Friend

A collection of postage stamps, valued at \$100,000 at normal prices, was bequeathed by J. Max Golding of Chicago to Wilmer D. Schalfer, a friend, of Appleton, Wis., according to Mr. Golding's will, just filed for probate.

Mr. Golding, a retired electrical engineer, died here Oct. 15 at the age of 65. His assemblage of air mail stamps was said to be one of the most complete in existence, including the first one issued by Germany, several United States and foreign issues and special covers from famous flights, such as that of Colonel Lindbergh from New York to Paris and that of the Graf Zeppelin around the world.—*New York Times*.



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Information Concerning the One Cent Printed Fifty Years Ago.



The One Cent Confederate Stamp.—It is extremely doubtful whether the one-cent stamp was ever actually in use. Of the first supply of same sent out by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., one portion was lost by the shipwreck of the vessel, and the other portion was sent to St. Thomas's for transshipment, and kept there till the war was over. A second batch was lost with vessel that carried it; a third reached the Confederacy in safety, but only just before its fall; and the unused specimens which have become so common no doubt came from the stock sieged at Richmond, or left unclaimed at St. Thomas's. (Dr. Gray's Catalogue).—*The Stamp News*, England.



Additional Color Varieties of Confederate Handstamped "Paid's"

For your record, I have a Walterborough, S. C. 10c. Paid as shown in Confederate Catalog in bright red instead of black, with town postmark in red also.

Also Canton, Miss. PAID 10 like Type II in Catalog in black.—R. V. RICE.



Malden (Mass.) Organizes

The Malden Stamp Club was organized at a meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday evening, November 2, with twelve charter members present.

James R. Littleton was elected president with C. E. Carleton, 16 S. Washington St., as secretary-treasurer and S. K. Bixby as auctioneers.

Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

Washington and His Cabinet Officers' Franks.

BY HARRY M. KONWISER

Stampless Cover collectors, in some instances, favor the collecting of a group of covers franked by the Presidents of the United States and their Cabinets, and naturally the earliest Cabinets—of the Washington Administrations, 1789-97—are most in favor and demand.

It is essential that collectors of these covers, all minus any indications of the postage paid notations, should collect these covers for the exact periods in which the statesmen were in office, and it is to that point (the exact dates) that this list is offered. The dates and style is had from "The Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1927," published in 1927 by the United States Printing Office.

FIRST ADMINISTRATION

April 30, 1789 to March 4, 1793

President of the United States—George Washington, of Virginia.

Vice-President of the United States—John Adams, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of State—John Jay, of New York, was Secretary of Foreign Affairs under the Confederation, and continued to act, at the request of Washington, until Jefferson took office. Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia, September 26, 1789; entered upon duties March 22, 1790.

Secretary of the Treasury—Alexander Hamilton, of New York, September 11, 1789.

Secretary of War—Henry Knox, of Massachusetts, September 12, 1789.

Attorney General—Edmund Randolph, of Virginia, September 26, 1789; entered upon duties February 2, 1790.

Postmaster General—Eben Hazard, of New York, continued from Constitutional period; Samuel Osgood, of Massachusetts, September 26, 1789; Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, August 12, 1791, entered upon duties August 19, 1791.

Washington letters franked are not scarce, but are in demand; John Adams franks are quite scarce, and the Cabinet signatures on franked covers are to be had—if the collector is not too much in a hurry to complete his set.

SECOND ADMINISTRATION

March 4, 1793 to March 4, 1797

President—George Washington, Virginia.

Vice-President—John Adams, of Massachusetts.

Secretary of State—Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia, continued from previous administration.

Edmund Randolph, of Virginia, Jan. 2, 1794. Timothy Pickering, (Secretary of War), ad interim, August 20, 1795. Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, December 10, 1795.

Secretary of the Treasury—Alexander Hamilton, of New York, continued from previous administration. Oliver Wolcott, Jr., of Connecticut, February 2, 1795.

Secretary of War—Henry Knox, of Massachusetts, continued from preceding administration. Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, (Secretary of State), ad interim, December 10, 1795, to February 5, 1796. James McHenry, of Maryland, January 27, 1796; entered upon duties February 6, 1796.

Attorney General—Edmund Randolph, of Virginia, continued from preceding administration. William Bradford, of Pennsylvania, January 27, 1794; entered upon duties January 29, 1784. Charles Lee, of Virginia, December 10, 1795.

Postmaster General—Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, continued from preceding administration. Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, recommissioned June 1, 1794. Joseph Habersham, of Georgia, February 25, 1795.

Practically all these Cabinet Officers "can be had" in franking form, with Charles Lee and William Bradford rated scarce, in franking form.

Timothy Pickering, it will be noticed, was in five different Cabinet offices, in the Washington Administrations. The Wolcott, Jr., of the Second Washington Cabinet, was the son of Oliver Wolcott, one of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence.

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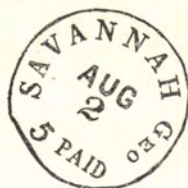
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Besides exhibits of many local dealers, there will be exhibits from Nebraska, Indiana, New York and Michigan. News of the exposition has already been broadcast over the national network of the national network of the Columbia Broadcasting System. There will also be newspaper and radio advertising to swell the attendance. The show is being run on a non-profit basis (booth space costs only \$25) for the purpose of adding many new collectors to the ranks of people already enjoying collecting.

There will be exhibits of postage stamps, coins and paper money, firearms, Indian relics, antiques, glassware, coverlets, prints, clocks, autographs, manuscripts, books, and many other objects. The exposition was planned purposely to cater to varied interests in collecting and almost everyone attending will find something in which he is or can be interested.

Dealers throughout the United States have focused their attention upon this show. Its success will reassure them that a combined exhibition of collectors' items in their locality in one successful method of bringing new collectors into the field and keeping up the interest of older collectors.

Montclair (N. J.) Organizes

The Montclair Stamp Club was organized September 23, with eight charter members. On the 30th seventeen had affiliated themselves, and the attendance has been kept at this number. The Club meets every Friday night at 8 o'clock in the Montclair Y. M. C. A. Club Rooms. Mr. C. L. Elliott, Box 144, Montclair, N. J., is the Secretary. Visitors are always welcome.

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Bandits' Attack Kills Philatelist

*John R. Miller, 72, Succumbs to Injuries
Received in Holdup October 20*

John R. Miller, seventy-two a philatelist, who had an office at 38 East Twenty-third Street, died early today in Bellevue Hospital of a fractured skull received on October 20 when he was hit over the head by a bandit posing as a customer.

Mr. Miller, who lived in Mountain Lakes, N. J., was preparing to close his shop for the day when two men entered his office. One of them held him in conversation while the other drew a revolver and struck Miller repeatedly. The bandits got away with \$2,000 worth of stamps which were in an open safe in the office. —*New York Evening Post.*

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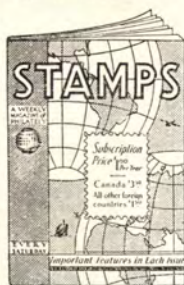
The cachet commemorating the "Natural Bridge Pageant of Creation," announced for November 1, has been postponed to December 1. Covers in great number are being received by the directorate, and will be held for the event. The management of the pageant, which will take place on the site of America's greatest natural wonder, requests the broadcasting of this change of date, and assures all those who sent covers for cacheting that they will be taken care of, while inviting all collectors to send a reasonable number, unsealed, in time for the event. Address: Natural Bridge of Virginia Incorporated, Natural Bridge, Virginia.



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Compiled by HARRY M. KONWISER

Patent Postage Stamps. Senor Duro sends us a cutting from *Revista de Correos* containing a short article by himself on a curious essay proposed in 1877. It appears, . . . a stamp has been invented by a Mr. Mays, of Philadelphia, Pa., the peculiarity of which consists of its having a coupon attached to it, which was to be torn off by the postal officials as a means of cancellation. Mr. Mays seems to have obtained a patent for this so-called invention * * * but the idea which Mr. Mays seems to have revived dates much further back than 1877. An essay of a similar kind was proposed for France * * * this very system seems to have been employed, in a rough way, for the last ten years in Afghanistan; perforation is not employed, but the principle is the same, and a bad one it is for collectors of used stamps.—*The Philatelic Monthly*.

It is a matter of fact that many of the American stamps are fast becoming rare. Take, for example, the adhesives of 1851, issues of the denominations of 24, 30 and 90 cents, the 1861, 30 and 90 cents, the 1869, 24, 30 and 90 cents, the 5 cent newspaper stamp with the blue border of the 1863 issue.—*The Stamp World*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Imitations of the scarce 8½ Cents Nova Scotia are being offered from Canada. The engraving is good, but the color is bronze green, easily distinguished from the bright green of the genuine.—*New Jersey Philatelist*, Jersey City.

* * * Mr. Chalmers has certainly failed to prove that his father was the first to suggest its [adhesive stamp] application to prepaid letters.—*The Philatelic Record*, London.

The New Catalogue. Our printer has failed to come up to his contract and in consequence we will be delayed for a few days.—*The Philatelic Monthly*.

The Five Cent Canadian.—When the 1868 Canadian set appeared, a five cent die was prepared but never issued, although much required. Proofs in brown were struck off (mentioned in *Stamp Collectors' Magazine* for 1868), but it was not until the postage to England was reduced to five cents that it was thought necessary to issue stamps of that value. The die prepared in 1868 was then used, until one could be engraved of the same size. This would account for large size being first issued, to be so quickly displaced by the small. (*Philatelic Monthly*).—*The Stamp News*, England.

A Word From Taylor. Some one today showed me your journal . . . sets forth S. Allan Taylor had a hand in the racket by making up an Eastern Packet. . . it is not true that I ever in my life sold any of these Eastern things.—S. Allan Taylor, writing to *The Stamp World*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Look Out For Them. Imitations of the scarce 8½ cents Nova Scotia are being offered from Canada. The engraving is good, but the color is bronze green, distinguished from the bright green of the genuine.—*The Philatelic Monthly*, Philadelphia.

An advanced collector sends us word that a very good steel engraving imitation of the 10 pence Canada is now on the market . . . detected from the original . . . no stop after the "pence" and the rim of the hat touches the oval.—*The Stamp World*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

With the 1st of October the philatelic season may be said to fairly commence.—*The Stamp World*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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These booklets are sold for the face value of the stamps they contain: 30c, 60c or 1.20—and are similar to those used in Europe and United States. Each booklet contains detachable leaves on which the names of one hundred important establishments are inscribed, and at which discounts of five to ten per cent are made on presentation of the leaves.

Several important theaters and cinemas have also adhered to the scheme, making discounts of 30 to 50 per cent. In all cases the amount of the discount is paid in postal savings bank stamps which may be deposited at any post office in the country.

The amount of mail despatched from Argentina per Zeppelin on the 1st September was 1,082 registered and 3,679 ordinary items on this flight the airship brought from Europe for Chile and Bolivia 64 registered and 402 unregistered pieces.

Correspondence from Friedrichshafen arrived yesterday at this city exactly six days after the Graf Zeppelin left the German airport. The mail weighing 54 kilos, was brought from Pernambuco by a Condor machine.

The renewal of the aeroplane service from Tucuman to Tafi del Valle is announced for the beginning of this month.

The extension of the service to the province of Salta depends on the fulfilment of the promise of the provincial government to grant a subsidy to the line.

Owing to lack of funds there is no immediate prospect of an extension of the Patagonian Airway to Tierra del Fuego.

The Interventor in the Federal District of Rio de Janeiro has made a preliminary agreement with Dr. Eckener for the construction of a mooring mast in Rio for the Graf Zeppelin which will make this city the terminus for her transAtlantic flights.

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Opposes Unnecessary Issues

KORTEKADE 24a,
ROTTERDAM, 14th Oct. 1932.

To the Editor NEW SOUTHERN,
DEAR SIR:

I always look forward with pleasure to reading your paper, and would now like to make some comments on Mr. Crouch's remarks, which your paper has printed.

We here in Europe, in Holland especially, have considered that it is about time that steps are taken to stop these unnecessary Zeppelin issues, special stamps, etc., and I know for a fact that they are being boycotted with success here in Holland.

That Mr. Crouch says the £1 Congress and other issues were absolutely unnecessary I quite agree, and the sooner these are boycotted the better, but it is hardly fair to draw a comparison. If your best friend purposely butts his head against a stone wall, it doesn't mean that you ought to do the same.

The issue of commemoratives in favor of special funds, special flights to and from one country to another with the sole object of filching the pockets of philatelists has got to stop.

You will agree with the writer, that it is no encouragement to anyone to begin a collection of Air Stamps if he sees that he will either have to pay \$100 cash for certain sets or else leave ugly blanks in his album; and when he learns that such sets were absolutely unnecessary; well, I guess he'll feel pretty sick.

Also your remarks as to the British government being unable to construct a Zepp are rather unfriendly; or are you anti-British?

Yours truly,

P. GORDON.



Knocks and bouquets—what's the difference? They all go to make up the spice of life.

Warns Against Holdup

KÖNIGSBERG, PR., October 10th, 1932.

GENTLEMEN:

A new set of stamps will appear in Lithuania on the 25th or 30th of October. They will be on sale at the postoffice for eight days only, and will not be valid for postage after that time. The new stamps will only be sold in complete sets, along with the current issue, and may be had upon special request. All remainders will be turned over to a committee. Mr. Litzuik, New York, now in Kaunas, has a treaty with this committee, and pays a certain sum for these remainders, but only from 10 to 20% of the face value. Therefore, it is quite probable that later on these stamps may be had at a price far below face value.

The first speculative issue of Lithuania of July 1932 (eight values of postage and eight of airmail, perforate and imperforate), as well as the Latvia "Aiszargu" issue, are to be had below face value today. The New York agent was responsible for these issues, and the new Lithuanians will be produced both perforate and imperforate at his request.

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Tuberculosis and the Depression.

By A. SCHAEFFER, JR.



A curious paradox of the present depression is that apparently contrary to all previous experience and belief the death rate from tuberculosis has not risen. It has been preached for years that "poverty and tuberculosis go hand in hand,"

yet even after three years of lowered living standards the tuberculosis death rate continues to fall steadily.

Does this destroy all previous knowledge? Have tuberculosis associations throughout the United States been broadcasting incorrect information? Has the money that has gone into health education year after year been wasted?

The answer is emphatically "No." The need for spreading the doctrine of "Watch Your Health" is greater now than it ever was, for in addition to the threat contained in lowered living conditions is the danger of worry, which often is ignored, but which is of great importance medically. It should be remembered that tuberculosis is not an overnight disease that comes on one suddenly. It usually steals into the body, taking its own time to establish a strong foothold before giving notice of its presence. Therefore, although it may seem surprising that the tuberculosis death rate continues to go down during the present depression, it is impossible to guess how many people are now contracting the disease which in many cases will not make its presence known for years to come.

Again, many persons are on the ragged edge of health, and a slight push, such as lack of food, or even worry, is likely to tip the balance against them.

There are also the persons who, without knowing it, have the disease, and in their case the end of the battle may be hastened by excessive deprivation.

Most important of all is the possible effect of the depression on children. Our present knowledge of how tuberculosis begins and develops during childhood is that the child's living conditions and environment help to determine whether or not the

child with early lesions will later develop the adult type of the disease. Many children now heavily infected are at present presumably suffering enough deprivation to cause the balance to turn unfavorably, and as a result they will later become victims of the disease. Thus, the havoc wrought by the present depression is not likely to show as a sudden hump in the mortality curve, but will be spread over a period of years, and this will make the situation seem less important than it actually is.

In considering these facts it should be kept fixed in mind that poverty by itself does not and cannot cause tuberculosis. Tuberculosis is caused only by the tubercle bacillus. The person who has the disease is the chief source of infection to others. The germs of tuberculosis are likely to be in his sputum, on his lips, and on the eating and drinking utensils he uses, unless they are carefully washed. The more intimate the contact with such a person, the greater is the danger. Children in a tuberculous household are likely to become infected.

It is for this reason that when a doctor discovers tuberculosis in one of his patients he urges that every member of the family shall be examined to discover which member is giving it to the others.

The importance of keeping these facts vividly before the public is greater at the present time than at any single period of the past. And in addition to this educational work, which is conducted in practically every town of the United States by the 2,084 affiliated State and local tuberculosis associations, clinics must be maintained, preventoria conducted, nursing service continued and various other phases of anti-tuberculosis work supported.

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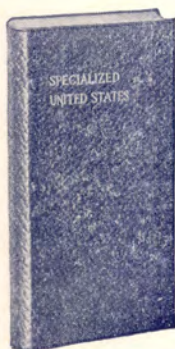
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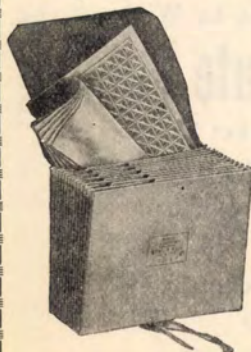
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Editorial.

At the Close of the Bicentennial Year

We are about to ring down the curtain on this memorable George Washington Bicentennial Year. It has meant much to Philately. Perhaps no other class of our people caught more completely the spirit of it all, or were more deeply impressed, than stamp-collectors. There is no better evidence of this than the fact that the Bicentennial series as well as the additional commemorative stamps and historic cachets, that marked the celebrations this year, did their full part to detract our thoughts from the distressing conditions that surround us—kept us cheerful and pepped up, while the rest of the country was losing its head.

More than the fictitious "rising market" reports, "prosperity-just-around-the-corner" ballyhoo, and all other artificial business respirators—stamp-collecting has generated the real current of optimism for the mental dynamos of uncounted thousands in these United States.

Ergo, why not discard the "super-men" we boasted, the industrial and banking "geniuses" we lauded to the skies—and who fell short miserably when put to the acid-test—laugh them off the stage, and give the country some hobby like stamp-collecting, that will lift men's minds out of the blue funk of despair, rest them enough to recover the proverbial "American horse-sense"—and then snap out of this mess between Christmas and Nineteen-Thirty-Three.

These are the thoughts that convey our Season's Greetings.

The Confederate Catalog

In response to numerous inquiries concerning a second edition of the *Dietz Specialized Catalog of Confederates*, the publishers would state that, on account of the fact that so much new material is coming in for listing, several Supplements, following the standard publication, would be necessary to keep the Catalog up to date. The Walcott, Richey and Emerson collections, whose, hitherto unlisted material is promised, will, when incorporated, come very near completing the record of Confederate provisionals. Then will be the time to compile and print the Second Edition.

The question of pricing, too, is quite perplexing at this time when "market values" cannot even be approximated. In our monthly Addenda to the Catalog we are, however, ignoring the "depression"—pricing as before—and trusting in a turn of the tide, when a thorough revision will be made.

In the meantime collectors should preserve the pages of the "Addenda" for reference in connection with the Catalog and Supplement.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

Catalog of Confederate Paper Money

In a recent number of *THE NEW SOUTHERN* we stated that an old catalog of Confederate paper money had come into our possession, and suggested the reprinting in pamphlet form, provided a sufficient number of interested collectors could be found to justify the publication. We have received some two dozen letters from our readers urging us to do this. Of course, this is not nearly enough support for the project; but feeling that the wishes of these friends should be considered, and trusting that the rest of our readers will forgive the digression from pure philately for the nonce, we are printing an abbreviated, but still sufficiently complete, Catalog of Confederate Paper Money in this issue. Our readers who collect this material will thus have at least a guide in their specialty. We have omitted the prices in the old catalog, and cannot attempt a valuation at this time.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

Don't Forget Our Friends, the Shut-Ins.

Quite a number of kind friends have sent in packages and boxes of stamps to be distributed among our list of Shut-Ins on Christmas, but we would like to make each gift just a bit bigger. Come on, contribute from your stock of duplicates! They'll all be dumped in a big hamper, mixed thoroughly, and divided by bulk. Then, before sealing, "something extra" will be hidden in each package. And then, on Christmas-eve night you, who have contributed, can light your old pipe and get a real kick out of thinking of some distant Shut-In.

General Lee Would Beg to be Excused

We have received clippings from several New York papers containing the following appeal for a Gettysburg commemorative stamp to mark the seventieth anniversary of that famous battle and to perpetuate the name of President Lincoln. Here is one of them.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—*Sir*: I appeal for your assistance in creating sentiment to the end that Gettysburg, scene of the greatest oration in the English language and the greatest battle fought on American soil, should be honored by the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp on July 4, 1933, the seventieth anniversary of these two historic events.

My suggestion is for a large bicolored stamp bearing as the central design the heroic figure of Lincoln delivering his famous address, while in ovals on either side would appear the portraits of Generals George Gordon Meade and Robert Edward Lee.

To patriotic citizens everywhere I appeal for indorsement of my proposal for a stamp to perpetuate the name of the immortal Lincoln and direct the light of publicity to America's national shrine—Gettysburg!

W. E. MARSH.

Hartford, Conn., November 19.

We of the South are in no wise opposed to Mr. Marsh's suggestion, and while we do not believe *another* Lincoln stamp is necessary to the perpetuation of the name of the martyred President, we would prefer that some other Union general's portrait be substituted for that of General Lee.

The Yorktown stamp did not picture Lord Cornwallis.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

The Christmas Seals of the Tuberculosis Association

Mr. D. F. Wheless of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., calls our attention to the fact that we inadvertently "boosted" the 1932 Christmas Seals as being issued by the organization of the Red Cross, when, as a matter of fact, the sale of these pretty stamps accrues to the cause of the Tuberculosis Association. Thanks, Mr. Wheless—we stand corrected. Now, everybody buy the Seals of the Tuberculosis Association!

Mr. Wheless enclosed a complimentary copy of his check-list of these seals. It is attractive enough to interest stamp-collectors. We learn, too, that the American Red Cross issued and sold these seals from 1908 to 1919 inclusive, after which time the National Tuberculosis Association carried on the sale.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

Last Call Before Christmas

There is still just time enough to send in your order for a copy of *The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America*, *The Dietz Specialized Catalog of Confederates* (and the Supplement), *Konwiser's Colonial and Revolutionary Posts*, as well as the other non-philatelic publications of The Dietz Press, and gladden some friend on Christmas.

Discovery of a Rare United States Postmaster's Provisional

One of the great charms of stamp-collecting lies in the fact that there are still "unknown worlds" to discover—some stamp, which no one had hitherto heard of, may be found by *you* and enrich you beyond your most fantastic dreams. It has occurred time and again, and that is why we stamp-collectors always have something to look for in the old hair-trunks in the garret and among the family correspondence of earlier years. Some of us never "hold the royal flush"—but we do not give up "hoping."

Mr. Richard Murphey of Lynchburg has experienced the thrill of finding one of the rarest Provisionals of the United States, and the story of this discovery is fully told in this Christmas number of *THE NEW SOUTHERN*.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

1933-Edition of Bartels' Catalog of the Envelopes of the U. S.

We have received the Fourth Edition (1933) of J. M. Bartels' Catalog of Cut Square and Entire Envelopes, Wrappers and Postal Cards of the United States, including the Colonial Possessions. It is brought up to date, even including the 6c. orange and the 8c. airmail. Collectors of envelopes and postcards cannot well carry on without this safe guide. The pricing has undergone a thorough revision and the various die descriptions have been clarified and re-written. To be had of the publishers, J. M. Bartels Company, 116 Nassau Street, New York. Price, 25 cents.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

Stamps Closes Volume I

Sincere congratulations to Editor Lindquist on completing the first volume—thirteen weekly issues—of *Stamps*, the world's *premier* philatelic weekly. The same standard of excellence set by the first number has been kept up; in fact, if I may venture a *critique*, it appears to grow better with each succeeding number. It is to be hoped that the stamp trade will continue to give this publication the strong support it merits.

Stamps is edited and published by H. L. Lindquist at 100 Sixth Ave., New York City, and is but \$1 the year of 52 numbers.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

Thanks for the Fine Cachets and Ships' Posts

The Editor is grateful to the many friends who thought to send him event covers bearing historic cachets, and to several gentlemen who, remembering his weakness for early ships' companies' stamps, presented him with a number of pieces missing in his collection.

Who said "There ain't no Santa Claus?"

The United States Postage Stamps of the Twentieth Century

John Luff gave us the story of the stamps of the United States up to the beginning of the Twentieth Century. His monumental work will remain a lasting memorial to his labors and a reference source for all time. But unlike the story of the stamps of the Confederacy, the last chapter of the stamps of the United States will never be written. However, this fact did not discourage Beverly S. King and Max Johl from taking up the thread of narrative where Luff laid down his pen and carry on to the Washington Bicentennials—a fitting close for the second volume of our country's philatelic history.

It would, perhaps, have been more in keeping with the harmony and the dignity of the theme had this new volume preserved the fine typography and the format of Luff's earlier work, so that it might have become a companion volume, but questions of economy must be considered in these times, and so articles that appeared in *The Collectors Club Philatelist* are lifted bodily and become the typographical pattern for the book.

There is no quarrel on this point, especially since the object is attained: to give collectors of United States stamps a reference work as nearly complete as it is possible to make. In fact, one is amazed at the wealth of information—the thoroughness of research—the exhaustive statistics—and the answer to nearly every question Philately could propound. King and Johl may now lay down their pen, confident that American Philately will accord them a niche in its Pantheon along with John Luff, and leave to a future generation the task of writing the story of our stamps from where they closed their volume.

Price \$3.50 (50 de Luxe copies at \$5.00), to be had of the publisher H. L. Lindquist, 100 6th Ave., New York, N. Y.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

Frank Godden's Handsome Brochure and Price-List-1933

We have received an advance copy of Frank Godden's (359 Strand, London, W. C. 2) handsome brochure entitled "The Home of Classic Stamps" as well as the Price-List of British and Colonial Stamps for 1933, which may be had for one shilling. The brochure, with its die-stamped medallion profile of Queen Victoria, pictures many of the world's rarities that have passed through the House of Godden into famous collections, for Frank Godden is justifiably proud of his clientele. This souvenir will be preserved by every collector of things beautiful. The catalog, an 80-page publication, lists everything its title denotes and, at the present rate of the Pound, should be very attractive to our collectors.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

Mention THE NEW SOUTHERN in writing to your Congressman.

Death of H. F. Colman

Collectors everywhere will be grieved to learn of the death of Mr. H. F. Colman, for many years Washington's leading stamp dealer. His death occurred in Burlingame, Calif., on Thanksgiving Day, November 24.

Mr. Colman retired from business several years ago and made his home in California. He was held in highest esteem by all collectors who came in contact with him. Straightforward and honorable in all his dealings, he had many friends in the South, and Richmond collectors especially thought of Washington as "Colman's town."

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of his family.



Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s Wholesale Price-List—1932

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., 1 West 47th St., New York, is distributing its 1933 Wholesale Price-List, effective November 1, 1932, and superseding all previous lists. It is again replete with attractive offers—the famous Scott-Seald Packets, Postage Stamp Catalogs, Albums and Philatelic Accessories, are fully described and illustrated. Write for a copy.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

Correcting a Price Error in the Confederate Catalog Addenda

Our attention has been called to a grievous error in pricing, inadvertently made in the November Addenda to the Confederate Catalog. The Fishersville, Va. Paid 10 in conjunction with the Railroad cancellation should be listed \$50.00, instead of \$10.00. Collectors preserving these records will please make note of this correction.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

"Pays" from the Walcott Collection

Collectors of Confederate Handstamped "Pays" will be interested to learn that Mr. Charles J. Phillips is submitting the hitherto unlisted material in the George Walcott collection for the Addenda to our Confederate Catalog. The first instalment appears this month. Mr. Phillips has purchased this remarkable collection and is now disposing of the material.

Next month we will list a large lot from the collection of Mr. S. W. Richey of Cincinnati, Ohio.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

Just Overlooked It, We Suppose

Have you ordered your Confederate turned wall-paper cover and the historic Williamsburg Post-Office Day letter?

Postage Meter Catalog—First Edition with Addenda

Some years ago I suggested that the collecting of Postage Meters would, in time, develop into an important branch of Philately—in fact, I indulged in the calamitous prophesy that the meter would eventually supersede the postage stamp. The last day of the stamp is still in the dim distance, but the Postage Meter has found an earnest and constantly increasing group of followers, who have found in William C. Steiger an able exponent and historian. And I am astounded and attracted by what this man has done.

Before me lies a handsome, flexible-back, loose-leaf Postage Meter Catalog—First Edition-1931 of 138 pages, with its Addenda of 42 pages listing all known meters in the Type E Group to July 6th, 1932. It is edited by Wm. C. Steiger, 400 Lookout Avenue, Hackensack, N. J., and published under the auspices of the International Postal Marking Society, whose official organ, *The Postage Meter*, published by Harold P. Piser, 2525 Beverly Road, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been repeatedly referred to in *THE NEW SOUTHERN*.

As a practically arranged, compact, and systematically built catalog it seeks its equal. It started right. An exceptional piece of printing, it will be both a guide and treasure to collectors of Postage Meters.

If you are collecting Postage Meters, you should join the International Postal Marking Society, secure one of these catalogs with its Addenda and receive the official organ regularly. The entire cost is but \$4.00.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS—

The Poole Educational Stamp Albums

It would not surprise me at any time to find some of the present text-books in our public schools superseded by just such a series of Educational Stamp Albums as Mr. B. W. H. Poole of 612 Washington Building, Los Angeles, Calif. is writing and publishing. They are truly *educational* and calculated to make study a pleasure. Designed to open up an entirely new era in stamp-collecting, their object is to connect stamps with the stories told by the designs. Mr. Poole plans to have his albums feature only those philatelic issues that have some historic, geographic, scientific or romantic story to unfold. The first Album is devoted to the stamps issued for the benefit of Child Welfare and allied charities, and its pages provide spaces for the stamps themselves while the surrounding text tells the story most entertainingly. The type is large and readable. The Albums represent an unique idea cleverly worked out. The second of the series will be entitled "National Heroes on Stamps." No price stated. Write the publisher.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR—

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American Collectors Can "Put a Crimp" in This Skin Game

Last month we printed in *The Open Forum* a communication from Arnold Ebel of Königsberg, Prussia, in which a warning was sounded against the proposed new stamps from Lithuania. This month Mr. Ebel virtually retracts his statements, endorses the new stamps, and even offers to sell them. That's a queer proceeding. But now comes *Die Postmarke*, one of the most reliable stamp papers on the Continent, and tells the whole story, of which we print a condensed translation.

A NEW SEEBECK

A philatelic event of no mean importance has all but escaped notice, due to its clever staging: a new Seebeck has arisen in Philately! Again it is an American who would bring happiness to collectors according to a formula which is not entirely original. It is the New York stamp-dealer Litziuk—and he is no novice at the game.

In view of the changes in Europe brought about by the World War, it was no longer necessary to seek the Central and South American republics as the field for Litziuk's operations, but instead there are these smaller Eastern European States that have come into being since the war. While the exact terms entered into between Litziuk and these States are not as yet fully disclosed—because in some instances native "middlemen" becloud the "deals"—still enough is known to afford an insight into the business methods of this new Seebeck.

The campaign began in Latvia. Here Litziuk, it is alleged, linked up with an officially fostered organization, which was in dire financial straits—the Latvian militia, known as the Aizsargi. Through its support he managed to induce the Postoffice Department to issue, within a short time, no less than four "special" series of stamps, to be sold at an exorbitant premium, for the benefit of Aizsargi. True, he complied with all the requirements Philately demands of a *bona-fide* issue. The stamps were duly reported to the U. P. U., sold in a limited quantity and for a very limited time at the main postoffice in Riga; and for a short period they were valid for postage on inland and foreign mail. However, they were soon withdrawn from sale, when Litziuk's real business began. According to agreement, it is alleged, he received the greater portion of the remainders at face value. And since there were no stipulations that bound Litziuk to a selling price, he is now in the rôle of a serious competitor of the Latvian Postoffice, being able to undersell his benefactor and make a considerable profit.

After the Aizsargi clean-up, Latvia was pretty well bled, and discredited in the eyes of Philately, so Litziuk sought other fields, turning to Estonia. But here, to his surprise, he encountered a cold reception—the Estonian Postal authorities consistently declined to lend ear his most tempting proposals.

Undaunted he next turns to Lithuania. Fortune again favors him, for he finds another organization in need of money. The Postoffice Department was willing, with the help of Litziuk and the stamp-collectors in this organization, to "turn an honest penny," and again the merry dance begins. Two of these Litziuk-issues have already appeared—of course, perforate and imperforate and, most remarkable—they are sold at face! But stud-poker is played differently in Lithuania. The new issues go through the same "legitimizing" process as did those of Latvia. Again but a small quantity is placed on sale for a very limited time. But this time Litziuk gets *all* the remainders at far below face—the sum he pays going to the empty coffers of the organization which "held the bag." Thus it was possible to sell these stamps to dealers below face even before they were officially issued—which has been done.

Finally, *Die Postmarke* wonders where Litziuk will turn after discrediting Lithuania as he did Latvia—even suggesting that he may be linked up with recent Soviet issues—and advises collectors at large to refrain from further enriching this "American wholesale-speculator"—the second Seebeck.



A Rival for the Boscawen

BY THE EDITOR

Luck would have it so that we are privileged to announce in this our Christmas Number the discovery of a hitherto unknown Postmaster's Provisional, which bids fair to become a formidable rival of the famous Boscawen.

I present the United States Postmaster's Provisional of Lewisburg, Virginia on cover. I assert for it every claim made for the Boscawen.

If John Doe owned the Boscawen it would be worth about thirteen cents. When it gets into the collection of Arthur Hind it is worth fifteen thousand dollars. Why? Let's snap out of this idol worship. Hiram Deats first owned the Boscawen, and, if memory serves me right, he paid fifteen dollars for it. And there was a *second* copy. There is but *one known* copy of the Lewisburg, Virginia. The famous Boscawen carries the legend "PAID 5 CENTS"—nothing more. So does the Lewisburg. The Boscawen is printed (or hand-stamped) in dull blue. The Lewisburg is in a pale rose vermillion and the postmark in reddish vermillion. Lewisburg eclipsed Boscawen in population and commercial importance in the fifties of last century.

So, where's the difference in status? Of course, it is in *who owns it*. None other. Well, the Lewisburg was found—and is owned—by Mr. Richard Rizer Murphey, an educator in the schools of Lynchburg, and a prominent member of the Virginia Philatelic Federation. The cover was shown the Editor at the recent Exhibition of the Federation held in Richmond. Mr. Murphey's address is 712 Pearl Street, Lynchburg, Virginia.

There is an interesting story connected with this find. Mr. Murphey was spending his last summer's vacation in Ohio. Needless to say that his collector instincts led him into the antique shops of every town he visited, asking for old stamps, but without success. Rather disheartened, he set out for home, breaking his journey on Labor Day for a brief stop in Portsmouth, on the banks of the Ohio river. Here he visited two antique shops and was told of an old gentleman in Sciotoville, a suburb, who was an antiquarian and a bookworm, and who, they said might have some stamps. But stamps he had none and he was interested only in County history. But he, in turn, gave Mr. Mur-

they the address of a man in Portsmouth, who had recently spoken to him of some stamps he had. So, back to Portsmouth, to find Mr. B. H. Lane, head of the Railway Express in that town. With some difficulty, it being a Sunday afternoon and he having other plans, Mr. Murphey finally succeeded in having Mr. Lane meet him at his office where he had the letters in question.

His disappointment was great when, on inspection, that material turned out to consist of very ordinary stampless covers, most of which were in poor condition, with here and there a cover bearing a three-cent stamp of the 1851 issue. With sinking heart he reached the bottom of the small pile and then—his eyes opened wide. He took up the cover which had aroused his interest—a faded blue piece of paper of the shade and type common to the period, addressed to Mr. James F. Trayhern, Barry, Frederick County, Maryland, and bearing a reddish vermilion postmark "Lewisburg, Va., Jun. 5" near the lower center left edge. But it was what he saw in the upper right that made his eyes open wide, for there was a faded oblong piece of white paper—an adhesive stamp—framed in a pale rose vermilion and carrying the inscription "PAID 5 CENTS" in three lines. In addition the cover bore adjacent to the stamp some initials—meaning unknown—and on the obverse, above the wafer which sealed the letter, was written "James Updike." A hasty glance at the other side disclosed the fact that there was no letter within and, consequently, no date.

Mr. Lane the owner of the material, imparted the following details. This letter, and all the others which accompanied it, came into his possession in 1930, upon the death of his stepmother. Mr. Trayhern was his grandfather. Upon his death the papers seem to have passed to his daughter, Mr. Lane's mother, who died during his infancy. Mr. Lane's father remarried and died in 1898. His widow continued to live in Petersburg, Virginia, where these papers had been brought upon Mr. Trayhern's death, and remained there until 1928. In that year the step-mother went out to live in Ohio with her stepson, bringing with her the trunk which contained the letters, and after her death Mr. Lane discovered them. He had thought nothing of them, however, until shortly before Mr. Murphey met him he had been aroused by reading an article

intended for popular consumption which related the stereotyped tales of rare stamp finds. It was then that he brought the old letters to his office, intending to make an effort to ascertain whether he had anything of value. He was not a collector, and totally ignorant of stamps.

Mr. Murphey would have purchased the stamp at the very moment he first saw it, had it not been for one fact: there was no letter to fix the date; nor did any of the other covers contain letters. . .

What had happened was this. Someone—a lady, from the appearance of the handwriting; Mr. Lane believes it to be the hand of his grandmother—at some time subsequent to the receipt of these letters was affected by what the Latins call *cacethes scribendi* and set out to write a novel about a very stupid young man named Edward. Paper must have been scarce, for she took poor James F.'s old letters and, tearing off the half-sheet which bore no correspondence, used the reverse of the address sides for her story. She wrote on anything and everything, for Mr. Murphey has the better part of that manuscript, including eight stampless covers unfolded, in addition to one bearing a 3-cent stamp of 1851, as well as several lavender, pink and white sheets, evidently torn from old composition books—even old indenture forms of 1847, whose blank spaces she filled with her almost illegible handwriting. This zeal for novel writing was at once a blessing and a curse for Mr. Murphey—a blessing, since it resulted in the preservation of the Lewisburg cover, a curse, because the dated-letter half of the sheet was missing.

Moved by this fact, Mr. Murphey did not buy the cover that Sunday, but left for home. However, the memory of it continued to rise up to haunt him, for he was persuaded that the stamp was a hitherto unknown Postmaster's Provisional, and in the end he wrote to Mr. Lane and purchased the correspondence—rather the fragments of the novel—intact.

In the meantime Mr. Murphey instituted some intensive personal research, with the result that the date of the cover can be definitely fixed within a restricted period. He has established the fact that Mr. Trayhern was located at Barry (now Brunswick), Maryland in 1846, and remained there, or at Lovettsville, Virginia, just across the State line in an adjoining County, until 1850. Further, the five-cent rate did not go into effect until July 1,

1845, and, as we all know, the first general issue of stamps appeared on July 1, 1847, the same act forbidding postmasters to use their provisional stamps after that date, although the use of postage stamps was not mandatory.

From this it would appear that the stamp was issued by Samuel Sylvester Smith, postmaster of Lewisburg, Greenbrier County, Virginia, for sixteen years in all. Mr. Smith, who died in 1857, was succeeded in office by his wife Mary S. Smith, and they were the parents, we might add in passing, of the famed Col. William Proctor Smith, Chief of Engineers under General Robert E. Lee in the Confederate Army.

This is the story of the Lewisburg, Virginia, adhesive Postmaster's Provisional. It is unquestionably authentic. The Editor enjoys the personal acquaintance of Mr. Murphey and unhesitatingly vouches for the foregoing statements made to him in Richmond.

It may be mentioned that Mr. Murphey submitted the cover to two of our leading authorities for opinion. Both gentlemen truthfully state that "no such stamp is known to Philately," but admit that it "appears to be a Postmaster's Provisional." One of the experts opined the "if there is a value attached to this stamp it would be for only the nominal sum of about \$200 to \$300." This gentleman very kindly suggested, too, that the stamp be referred to the Editor of THE NEW SOUTHERN, "who may be better informed on stamps issued by the Southern States."

In summing up these opinions, the Editor finds himself in agreement with these authorities in so far as the Lewisburg has hitherto been unknown to Philately. Every new find is "unknown" until it is discovered. It was not established that the postmaster of Boscawen issued stamps until one of the stamps was found. Some now unknown Confederate provisionals will yet be discovered. We have no records of all the Postmasters' substitutes for stamps, by which to check up.

If the authorities go as far as to state that the Lewisburg "appears to be a Provisional" and, "if there is a value attached" it might be worth the "nominal sum of about \$200 to \$300," I am pretty much of the opinion that the Lewisburg is what it appears to be. If it were not, its tentatively appraised value would not be two to three cents!

Come, let's be fair about this stamp. It

was found in Ohio—not in the South. It is the peer of the Boscawen, minus the shadow of a twin brother, who may turn up some day to claim half of the heritage of notoriety.

When the Lewisburg finds a berth in one of the famous collections it will find a place in the catalog. It's the old story.

Judge Benners and His Friend Atherton Swap Notes on the Webster Stamp

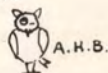


Take a look, Judge, at this
Guy's Expression!
Looks like he'd had a
Tough Session!
"The World is All Wrong"
Is the Theme of his Song,
For here we see
"Old Man Depression"!!!

(With apologies to *Linn's Weekly* which mentions this "face.") —H. P. A.

To which ye Judge retorteth:

To beat depression,
We see, at a glance,
That we still have
A Chinaman's chance!



Best of It's Kind Issued

Permit me to say that although I am a comparatively new subscriber to your magazine, I think that it is the best of its kind issued, and I read it from cover to cover and then keep all copies for future reference.—H. H. JOHNSON.

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issues of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

Fifty Years Ago in Philately.

Being a Collection of Excerpts from the Philatelic Press of December, 1882.

Compiled by HARRY M. KONWISER

FINE COLLECTIONS

The most valuable collection of postage stamps in this country is owned by a gentleman in St. Louis. The collection numbers 10,105 specimens, including 460 essays and proofs, 626 locals, 205 telegraph stamps, and 1,076 revenues. There are few finer collections in Europe. There are several collections in Washington, numbering from three to five thousand, and one containing 7,500. One containing 4,295, several others numbering four to five thousand, and quite a few ranging from one to two thousand. One collection in this city which was commenced less than a year ago, numbers over two thousand fine unused, and many of them are very rare stamps. There are large collections in Boston, New York, and other places, each numbering several thousand. We know of one collection in New York which contained 10,000 some three years ago, but this included revenues, match, medicine, tobacco, and other than postage stamps. As to the value of the various collections spoken of, we are not at liberty to speak.—*The Curiosity Shop*, Cleveland.

One of the neatest ideas of money-making officialism was promulgated on April 2nd, at Washington, by the General Post Office of the United States. . . . decided to sell all the official postage stamps at face values to the public, *only* (and of covers there is the usual preposterous saving clause so characteristic of officialism when it is doing a fair action only to put money in the government purse), such specimens will be obliterated by the surcharge of the word *specimen*; and such specimens likewise will be un gummed. Not very bad, is it? Very neat to offer 5, 10 and 20 dollar stamps of the most puissant department of State, obliterated and un gummed, at their facial value. . . . Most people would say this is stamp dealing with a vengeance.—*The Philatelic Times*, England. (Reprinted from *The Philatelic Journal*).

Review of Counterfeits. The various stamp journals of this country are to be commented for their vigorous effort in trying to suppress and expose dealers in counterfeit stamps. . . . Were it not for the counterfeits who infest New York (and whose names it will be necessary to mention) there would not be half so many in them through those swindlers. . . . We have in view a few of those dealers who have extended their operations too far to be good to the stamp collecting community and we warn them unless they stop this nefarious trade, we shall expose them in full. Counterfeits are becoming more numerous every day. (From *Stamp Collector's Monthly*).—*Old Curiosity Shop*, Cleveland.

RATHER SHORT-LIVED

An esteemed correspondent * * * gives interesting news about the British Guiana Provisional stamps of 1881 and 1882. * * * the "official" 12 and 24 cent stamps surcharged "2" were in use but two days, and the "1" on 48 cents "official" only seven days. * * * The type-set 1 and 2 cents of 1882 were all perforated with the word "Specimen" and sold in that manner, the authorities deeming it the best way to prevent imitations.—*The Philatelic Monthly*, Philadelphia.

BEFORE THE SCIENTISTS

Mr. Wm. a Jefferies gave a short lecture on postage stamps and postal cards before the West Chester Microscopical Society at a recent meeting. Mr. Jefferies stated that he had devoted a number of years to the collection of stamps and cards, and that he had about 5,000 of the former, and 1,000 of the latter.—*The Philatelic Monthly*, Philadelphia.

Money In a Good Collection. We are informed that Mr. Thiemann took a premium of five dollars at a Kansas City fair in October for the best display of postage stamps.—*The Philatelic Monthly*.

A Descriptive List of Confederate Paper Money

Reprinted from C. F. Johnston's Catalog—Richmond, Va., 1879.

CONFEDERATE TREASURY NOTES 1861. WRITTEN DATES

\$1000. Montgomery; interest at ten cents per day; head of John C. Calhoun in lower left corner; head of Andrew Jackson in lower right corner; National Bank Note Co.

\$500. Montgomery; interest at five cents per day; train of cars on a bridge; cattle wading in a creek in the center; seated female figure leaning on a barrel; sheaf of wheat and plow behind; National Bank Note Co.

\$100. Montgomery; interest at one cent per day; train of cars running to right in center; Southern Bank Note Co.

\$100. Richmond; interest at one cent per day; train of cars running to left in center; Southern Bank Note Co.

\$50. Montgomery; interest at one-half cent per day; negroes hoeing in cotton field; National Bank Note Co.

\$50. Richmond; interest at one-half cent per day; two females seated on a cotton bale in center; head of Washington on right side; figure of Justice in upper left corner; Southern Bank Note Co.

JULY 25, 1861. WHITE FACES AND BACKS

\$100. Head of Washington in lower left corner; two female figures in center; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$50. Head of Washington in center; female figure in lower left corner with globe and bird; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$20. Ship under full sail in center; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$20. Female riding a deer in center; seated Indian smoking a pipe in lower left corner.

\$10. Female leaning on a shield, on which is a Confederate flag bearing eleven stars; eagle in the distance in center; female with outstretched arms in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$5. Center piece similar to the preceding \$10 note, excepting that instead

of the shield there is the figure 5; sailor in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$5. "FIVE" across left end; numeral V in upper left corner; figure 5 in upper right corner; on back, "Confederate States of America" in blue; J. Manrouvier, New Orleans.

SEPTEMBER 2, 1861. PLAIN WHITE BACKS

\$100. Men loading a wagon with bales of cotton in the center; sailor in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$100. Same as preceding, but has flourishes between the "Confederate" and "States."

\$50. Seated figure with money chests in center; two sailors in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$50. The same as preceding, but has flourishes between the words "Confederate" and "States."

\$50. Train of cars in center; female figures in right and left lower corners; Ls and scroll work in center of face, in red; Southern Bank Note Co.

\$50. Head of Jefferson Davis in center; on extreme left of note, "Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.," above the words, "Fundable in 8 per cent, stock or bonds"; no series and 2d series.

\$50. Same as the preceding, excepting that "Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va." is beneath the words "Fundable," etc.; no series and 2d series.

\$20. Head of Alexander H. Stephens in lower left corner; B. Duncan, Richmond, Va.

\$20. The same as preceding; B. Duncan, Columbia.

\$20. Head of Alexander H. Stephens in the center; "Twenty" and "XX" in green; Keatinge & Ball, Columbia, S. C.

\$20. Three female figures in center; figure of Liberty to left; "20" and scroll in green; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$20. Ship under full sail in center; sailor in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$20. Same as the preceding, but has more flourishes around the ship.

\$20. Same as preceding, still more flourishes; more sky and heavier sea around the ship, and one of the flags longer on the foremast; no flag on mainmast.

\$20. Same as preceding, excepting faint flag on main mast and "J. T. Paterson, Columbia, S. C."

\$20. Kneeling female figure; globe and ship in center; seated female figure in lower left corner; 20s and band of 20s across the face in red; Southern Bank Note Co.

\$10. Negro picking cotton in center; B. Duncan, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Camp scene; General Marion offering a breakfast of roast sweet potatoes to a British officer in center; head of R. M. T. Hunter in lower left corner.

\$10. Head of R. M. T. Hunter in lower left corner; head and bust of Blanton Duncan's child in lower right corner; Xs, 10 and Ten, with band of "Ten Dollars" across face in red; Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Same as preceding, excepting it has Leggett, Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Group of Indians in center; seated female with trident in upper left corner; female standing, holding X, in upper right corner; Southern Bank Note Co.; Xs and Ten, with band of Tens across face in red.

\$10. Wagon loaded with cotton bales in center; head of Oldham, Postmaster-General, in lower left corner; Xs and Ten in red; Leggett, Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Two females with an urn in upper left corner; train of cars in right center; J. T. Paterson, Columbia, S. C.

\$10. Same as preceding, excepting Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Head of R. M. T. Hunter in lower left corner; head of C. G. Memminger in lower right corner; Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$10. Same as preceding, with addition of plain Xs in red.

The same with delicately figured Xs in red.

\$10. Seated female figure leaning on a shield; eagle behind in upper left corner; train of cars in right center; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$5. Group of females in center; female figure to left and statue of Washington to right; 5s and Five in red; Southern Bank Note Co.

\$5. Negroes loading cotton in lower left corner; Indian in upper right corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond, Va.

\$5. Vignette of boys in lower left corner; machinist with hammar seated in lower right corner; Leggett, Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$5. Sailor seated by cotton bales in center; head of Memminger in lower left corner.

\$5. Same as preceding, but printed in blue ink.

\$5. Same as preceding, excepting B. Duncan, Columbia, S. C.

\$5. Head of Memminger in center; Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.

\$5. Same as preceding, without "Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va."

\$5. Same, with Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.; "5, V and Five dollars" in green.

\$5. Female seated on a bale of cotton in center; sailor in lower left corner; Hoyer & Ludwig, Richmond.

\$5. Same as preceding; J. T. Paterson, Columbia, S. C., in left lower margin.

\$5. Same as preceding, J. T. Paterson & Co. in right lower margin.

\$2. Head of Benjamin in left upper corner; the South personified striking down the North and crippling the eagle in center.

DECEMBER 2, 1862

\$100. Head of Mrs. Davis in center; head of G. W. Randolph in lower right corner; two infantry soldiers in lower left corner; green back; Keatinge & Ball, Columbia, S. C.

\$50. Head of Jefferson Davis in center; green back; no series, 1st series and 3d series; "Keatinge & Ball, Richmond, Va.," above and below the words "Fundable in stocks," etc.

\$50. The same as preceding; but "Keatinge & Ball, Columbia, S. C.,"; "3d series.

Naval Cancellations

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Before we say anything about covers received or covers to come, let's heed the following warning printed in various Philatelic magazines recently.

That—we collectors stand a very good chance of having our covers completely ignored by Naval Mail Clerks in the near future if we continue to ask special favors such as colored postmarks, autographs, etc. Please remember that a Naval Mail Clerk is not employed by the Post Office Department and therefore does not have to comply with your requests. If you receive a colored cancellation or an autograph or two you can consider yourself lucky. Several complaints were registered with the P. O. because collectors' mail interfered with that of the ship's personnel and what were they to do about it? The reply was—"if necessary discontinue catering to collectors." Sad but true—and you can easily see what this would mean to the hobby if they enforce it. It would only be a short time before all Naval Vessels stopped handling our covers and that would be the end of a most wonderful hobby. Let's be content with our covers even though they are not plastered with autographs or a colored postmark and some day you'll run across a Mail Clerk who understands a collector's weakness and favors you with a brilliant cancellation.

Not so very long ago a certain collector sent a few covers to his favorite ship with a request for "everything under the sun" to be applied to his covers. He got it—and how! The cancellations looked as if someone had tried to erase the ink before it was dry and the autographs the same way! The irate collector immediately wrote the Mail Clerk and told him what he thought of him. The Mail Clerk turned the letter over to the Philatelic Press with his note explaining that he was sorry the covers came through the way they did but he could not be held responsible. He had complied with the collector's wishes and in return had got "bawled out."

A thousand things can happen to your covers after they leave the Mail Clerk's hands. You can rest assured that no Mail Clerk, however much he is pestered with

such requests, would deliberately ruin a cover. In this case the covers may have reached the P. O. at their destination in first class condition and got messed up there. If some of your covers come through that way don't complain to anyone, not even your sister—just take it and like it. You're not the only one!

And remember, the Mail Clerk is doing you a favor, so if you are one who sends out a great number of covers to any one ship, why not include some sort of a present for him—a token of your appreciation? Cigars, cigarettes, mint stamps for his own use or something he can use. You'll find it helps!

Also remember that the space on board a ship occupied by the Mail Clerk is smaller than you think and crammed full of various postal apparatus, so when sending covers you wish to be held for mailing or a certain date, try to send them so he will not have to hold them more than a couple of days at the most.

Now for some news!!

This time, from my good friend Mr. W. G. Crosby, U. S. N. Retired, of San Pedro, Cal., who is well up in the front concerning Naval Cancellations and knows what he's talking about. A goodly portion of his letter contains very interesting information about cachets drawn up by an officer in the Navy. Here's Mr. Crosby, fellows!

"Navy Mail Clerk aboard the *U. S. S. Texas* cancelled covers on Armistice Day, November 11th, 1932, using three different dies, steel hand die type 6, hand rubber die type 5 and electrical machine die. All covers were cancelled in black. One of the cover collectors aboard the same ship drew up the cachet for Armistice Day. His name is Mr. E. O. Tauer. This same officer designed one last year, also drew up various other cachets such as Navy Day '31, '32, Fleet Flag cachet when Admiral Chase was transferred to Washington, D. C. and was relieved by Admiral Frank H. Schofield, besides several other cachets. All covers were printed aboard the *U. S. S. Texas*. They also had the same design made into a rubber hand

stamp to cachet all covers sent to the ship by collectors all over the United States. All these designs have been approved by the Commanding Officer which makes them 100% Official.—Even Admirals Chase, Schofield and Commander-in-Chief sent their mail to their friends in these cacheted naval covers. Any naval cachet that has been designed by navy officers or navy men who are cover collectors ought to be classed as Official cacheted naval covers.

I see where many firms are printing up and selling cacheted naval covers to the public. These ought to be classed as unofficial covers. I am glad to see the interest taken in naval covers regardless of what kind are sent out, but just thought I would explain the way I feel about Official and Unofficial cacheted covers."

Those are good words, Mr. Crosby, and I'm sure there are thousands of collectors who feel the same way about Official and Unofficial cachets. C'mon you collectors—voice your feelings on paper and send them in! By the way, anyone who wants a beautiful and practical album for mounting their covers, should write Mr. Crosby at 104 E. 5th St., San Pedro, Cal., for particulars.

I have just received a copy of the second issue of *Naval Postmarks* published by H. P. Piser of Brooklyn, N. Y. which is the official organ of the International Postal Marking Society. It is brimfull of interesting Naval items and data and the publisher and editors, as well as those who furnished articles, are to be complimented for their effort in putting forth this magazine—news, interest, neatness—all there!

Covers have been coming in pretty fast—and pretty covers too! The following are from ships in the Asiatic Fleet, address via Postmaster, Seattle, Washington. *U. S. S. Panay*, black, no wording between bars. This cancellation has almost $\frac{3}{16}$ of an inch of the circular right side cut out. *U. S. S. Pigeon*, dark brown, no wording. *U. S. S. Canopus*, black, Cavite, P. I. between killer bars. *U. S. S. Bittern*, black, Cavite, P. I. between bars. *U. S. S. Finch*, black, MIN DET 3 Manila, P. I. between bars. MIN DET 3 evidently means the position of the ship. Will someone kindly give me help here?

U. S. S. Light Target 1, 1X35 applied a brilliant red cancel. The *Light Target*, formerly the *U. S. S. Stoddard*, was to be decommissioned sometime ago but evi-

dently the ceremony didn't take place. You can secure this cancellation through the Postmaster at San Diego. *U. S. S. Hovey*, bright red, San Diego between bars. *U. S. S. Hale*, black, with Mare Island, Cal. written in ink between the bars. Very unique and pretty. *U. S. S. Avocet*, Pearl Harbor, T. H. in black. *U. S. S. Ortolan*, black, no bars to cancellation. A double circle impression obtainable through San Diego, P. M. Worth having too! Haven't noticed any covers from the *U. S. S. Indianapolis* yet—have you? This newest addition to the Navy was commissioned at Philadelphia a few weeks ago and sent to New York. You might try her there. My covers have been out since the day after the commissioning and I'm beginning to wonder whether she carries a Mail Clerk as yet.

Well, here are a few more ships to chase these cold wintery days! All are stationed at San Diego, Cal. Let's go!

U. S. S. Detroit, Melville, Altair, Litchfield, Dent, Talbot, Rathbourne, Waters, Roper, Dorsey, Elliott, Lea, Aaron Ward, Buchanan, Crowninshield, Hale, Decatur, Trever, Zane, Wasmuth, Perry, Hulbert, Preble, Bushnell, Noa, and Wm. B. Preston.

While you're at it—why not send these fellows a postal card bearing the season's greetings? They'll get a kick out of it!

So long, for this month, folks. I hope you have a Very, Philately-full Christmas and a Cover-full (Colorful) New Year! P. S. After "siege" is over—why not send in those articles you've been thinking of?

Address: Glen Allen, Virginia.



Special T. B. Stamps



The Norfolk, Va. Tuberculosis Society is selling an individual Christmas stamp in behalf of this commendable cause. The stamp is artistic and printed in red and green. The price is but one cent cash. Address Mr. Harold H. E. Lea, 218 Hermon Ave., Atlantic City, Norfolk, Va.



THE NEW SOUTHERN only \$1 the year.

Confederate Notes and Novelties.

Being a Collection of Interesting Material Sent the Editor by His Friends.

The Slave Market

Our good friend Mr. R. J. Reid of Chatham, Va., is constantly "turning up" some unusual Confederate documents, and he never fails to send them for inspection, knowing that they will be of interest to our readers.

A recent lot of such material contains a few unusual pieces. There is first a printed "Negro Market" quotation—a document of intense human interest. We are reprinting this circular, since it contains a reference to the impending Presidential election and reflects the public state of mind at that tense period.

BETTS & GREGORY,

Auctioneers,
Franklin Street,

RICHMOND, Sept. 11th, 1860.

DEAR SIR:

We beg leave to give you the state of our Negro Market, and quote them as follows:

Extra Men,	\$1,500 to \$1,550
No. 1 do.	\$1,400 to \$1,500
Second rate or Ordinary do.	\$1,100 to \$1,200
Extra Girls,	\$1,300 to \$1,400
No. 1 do.	\$1,250 to \$1,300
Second rate or Ordinary do.	\$1,100 to \$1,150
Boys 4 feet high,	\$ 400 to \$ 450
Boys 4 feet 3 inches high,	\$ 500 to \$ 550
Boys 4 feet 6 inches high,	\$ 650 to \$ 750
Boys 4 feet 9 inches high,	\$ 850 to \$ 950
Boys 5 feet high,	\$1,000 to \$1,100
Girls of same height of boys	about the same price.

Good young women and first child \$1,300 to \$1,400.

We would say our negro market continues dull except for first rate negroes.

There are several persons here now making up lots for the Orleans market and if you have any on hand now is the time to bring them. The chances are they will be lower.

The presidential election is having considerable effect on the market. How it will go no man can tell. But we would advise you to buy nothing but good negroes and buy them at prices to sell

immediately. It will not do to hold them under the present prospects. But of course if I had a chance to buy at prices that I could see money in I would buy and sell immediately.

Very Respt.,

BETTS & GREGORY.

The next items are several reports of Postmasters, which seem to indicate that each letter passing through their hands was listed! Small sheets of thick, coarse brown paper about 5x5 inches contain a printed form part of which reads as follows:

LETTERS from TUDOR HALL, VA., Feb. 26, 1862.
To Dickinsons Store

PAID HERE.					
BY STAMPS.			BY MONEY.		
No.	Dolls.	Cents.	No.	Dolls.	Cts.
1		5			

G. H. ROBINSON, P. M.

There are three of these Reports—two from G. H. Robinson, the postmaster of Tudor Hall, Va., dated respectively Nov. 29, 1861 and Feb. 26, 1862; and one from E. B. Hill, the postmaster of Culpeper C. H., Va., dated Jun. 1863. Each of these Reports lists one letter "Paid Here by Stamps, 5 Cents."



The third item is an example of a misspelled canceller—Halifax C. H. Va. appears as Hallifax. It ties a 3c. 1851.

Confederate Plate Variety



Up to this time collectors have paid little attention to the study of the commoner values of Confederates. The London-printed FIVE CENT is such an excellent piece of engraving and printing that only microscopic flaws have been detected, not sufficiently pronounced to be considered varieties. The four steel-plates of Archer & Daly's 10 Cents, Types I and II, have likewise been found practically flawless, and we have been content to "let it go at that."

But now Mr. Charles J. Phillips, the well-known New York dealer—engaging upon a thorough study of the four 10-Cent steel-plates—has actually discovered a major variety on Plate 3 (Type II) of the 10-Cent.

Mr. Phillips submitted two examples in evidence, and I have confirmed the fact on full sheets of this plate in my collection.

Stamp No. 40, Right Pane, on this plate shows clearly a defective transfer as here illustrated. While Mr. Phillips' specimens are from a later state of the plate and might suggest wear, my sheets are of the earliest printing, and the variety is just as distinct—hence it is constant. It is clearly a variety, and Mr. Phillips is to be congratulated on finding the first defective transfer on the Archer & Daly 10-Cent plates.

 Converted to Confederates

I have enjoyed the SOUTHERN PHILATELIST greatly, and have friends to whom I have shown it. It aroused my interest in stamps of the Confederate States to such an extent that I acquired my first this past week.—(MISS) MARION WITHINGTON.

Historic Confederate Cover

Mr. S. W. Richey of Cincinnati, O., again submits a Confederate item of considerable historic interest. It is a small cover franked with a 10c. Paterson blue and postmarked Big Lick, Va. (now Roanoke). On turning its folds we find that it was fashioned from one of the printer's waste-sheets of the Presidential Election of November 6th, 1861. These "Election Tickets" were evidently printed four-on and cut apart. This cover takes up the space of three ballots, and reads as follows:

ELECTION TICKET

Election, Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1861.

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HON. JEFFERSON DAVIS.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,

HON. ALEX. H. STEPHENS.

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 We Told You So

Other values may go down, but the prices of rare issues of stamps continue to rise. The man who invested wisely as a philatelist leaves an estate of small bulk but tremendous money possibilities. The stamp-collecting craze is world-wide and steadily growing.—Editorial *Savannah Morning News*.

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Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr., 109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Here we are again—another year has rolled around—and it's Christmas-time. I send greetings to all of you through this column and trust that Santy Claus will fill your stockings full of first flights, multi-colored cachets, Zepps, officials, dedications and all the other good things that make a cover collector feel happy. It's true that the past twelve months have been tough going, but let's all console ourselves with the feeling that without stamps and covers our own mental condition would have been a darned sight worse. And let's go at collecting all the harder during the coming year and get just as much kick and stimulation out of it as possible, because it is the one bright spot in a fellow's life today who is struggling through this depression.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a review of the latest editions of the *Berkshire Airpost Catalog* and the *Scott Air Post Catalog*. I heartily recommend both volumes to air mail collectors.

In the past three numbers of this magazine I have called especial attention of the readers of this column to the fact that THE NEW SOUTHERN is not published on the first of each month, but always around the 20th of each month. Therefore, it is a waste of time for chronic kickers to continue (if they really read this uplift sheet) to write letters inquiring about their copies. I always like to answer an honest inquiry, but some fellows persist in writing as much as four times each week on the subject "when will my next issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN be mailed?" Actually, one ardent reader wrote on the 16th of November and demanded that I tell him if and when we were going to send him the January issue. Remember, fellows, that this is a *monthly* and not a daily paper. Furthermore, we make every at-

tempt to give you all the advance news possible on time, but we too realize that much of this so-called "news" is old when it is received; however, it is included in this column simply to document the event. It is impossible for any philatelic publication to give *all* the cachet cover news so far in advance that collectors from every corner of the world may have their covers at the designated spot on time to receive the prescribed cachet. We receive some news from our host of kind friends and co-operators a day after the magazine is mailed. This means that at least thirty days must elapse before *you* can get the same news through this column. Tote fair. Be considerate. Have patience. You can't corner the world in cover collecting. And don't forget to send a stamped envelope for reply.

A Bicentennial cachet will be issued on December 24 depicting Washington Crossing the Delaware. Covers to Chas. W. Eckert, Sr., 713 High St., Bethlehem, Pa.

On January 4-6 the annual air races will be held at Miami and all air mail covers will have cachets applied. Send to Chamber of Commerce at Miami, Florida.

The 30th National Ski Meet will be held at Salisbury, Conn., January 28-30, 1933, and the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a well-designed cachet. Only 20 covers to a person. Send to H. E. Bellini, Lakeville, Conn.

Now, here's a tip. There are twenty-five cities and towns in the U. S. that are named after Abraham Lincoln, and February 12 is his birthday. You can still get the 3c. Lincoln stamps in practically any Post Office, so why not get a list of these towns from your local Postmaster, stamp your covers with the 3c. Lincoln and have them postmarked at the twenty-five cities and towns. If you like

historicals, here's a great opportunity with plenty of advance notice.

An attractive four-color cachet will be applied to all 6¾ envelopes on December 31 the last day of the Bicentennial Year by L. E. Knight, Newton Ave., and Walter St., Bethlehem, Pa., but as there will be a small charge to cover costs I advise that you write first.

A similar charge-for cachet will be applied on February 11, 1933 at Fort Worth, Texas, by Harry Granger, 300 Page St., Fort Worth, Texas, but write first.

Bob of the Northland, Edmonton, Canada, reports that for the first time since May 1931 has the Canadian Government sanctioned the issuing of semi-official air-mail stamps, but now a new set is being prepared and several two-way first flights are going to take place. Better write Bob immediately. His box number is 474.

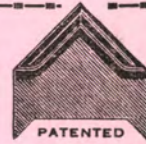
On January 13, 1933 the Chamber of Commerce of Augusta, Ga., will sponsor a cachet for the formal opening of the Augusta National Golf Course where Bobby Jones will play. Send covers to Jouett Davenport, Chairman, at the Chamber of Commerce.

Garfield, N. J., will have a Bicentennial cachet during the latter part of December and covers should go to Paul P. Gervers, P. O. Box 31, Garfield, N. J.

Don't forget to use commemoratives on your covers when sending for cachets. They're always appreciated.

J. H. Stephenson, Sydney, Australia, writes that proposals are being considered for the rearrangement of the Australian air services to link up with either a proposed extension of the Imperial Airways, Ltd., down through Java, etc. to Darwin, and the Dutch have also offered to extend their present service from Holland and Batavia to link up with the new Australian service.

During a recent trip to New York I had the pleasure of meeting Fred Sanders, president of the Aerophilatelic Club of New York. Mr. Sanders was then at work in his private office in the Federal Hall building where thousands of collectors' covers received the attractive Bicentennial cachets. Through the courtesy and co-operation of this fellow-collector I was able to get a few real pieces of highly prized Federal Hall covers. All that I can say is, that if any collector goes to the Metropolis don't fail to meet Fred Sanders. He is the greatest aero-minded and hardest working air mail and cover



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It is interesting to note that the Post Office at Santa Claus, Indiana, has been changed from a fourth class to a third class Post Office. This is probably due to the large amount of collector's mail that passes through Santa Claus, Indiana. No doubt the Postmaster is thankful as a salary "raise" must go with the change in class. Our readers may send covers to

this Post Office for cancellation on Christmas Day.

A cachet will be applied to all covers on the last day of the Bicentennial year, December 31, 1932, in New York if sent to Herbert Goudket, 707 Jackson Ave., New York, N. Y.

The Columbus Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a cachet on the Bicentennial year on December 25, and covers should go to Marshall R. Hall, 1407 Mulford Road, Columbus, Ohio.

The Army and Navy Society Children of the American Revolution will sponsor a cachet on December 23 commemorating the naval victory of the "Enterprise," and covers to H. M. Bloedorn, 2725 13th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

As space is at a premium this month I must omit the list of covers received, however these will be given in our next issue.

Coöperators, and many thanks to each: Don Dickason, ****W. C. Crosby, J. H. Sheperson, Paul P. Gervers, Jouett Davenport, George Richter, W. B. Barnett, L. E. Oberholtz, ****Fred Sanders, **M. W. Williams, *W. M. Dunn, **A. R. O'Roark, **W. D. Hennessy, Jr., *J. W. Stoutzenberg, *Mt. Holly Stamp Co., *J. B. Mahool.

Everybody's Hobbies Changes Hands

Harold Hagen has purchased the interest of David Rosen in Everybody's Hobbies Publishing Company of Crookston, Minn. and has appointed Dan Myerchin as editor to succeed Mr. Rosen, resigned.

Mr. Myerchin was associated with Hagen in the publishing of *The Daily Leader* in Crookston, before Mr. Hagen started *Everybody's Hobbies*.

Mr. Rosen will devote his time to his produce interests in the Red River Valley.

Old King's Highway Cachet

Ye Old King's Highway Stamp Club of the town of Darien, Connecticut, is celebrating, on December 31st, the closing of the Bicentennial year by issuing a cachet of the plaque placed on a boulder alongside the Old King's Highway over which Washington rode on his trips thru Darien.

The Rev. Floyd S. Leach, Noroton, Conn. will handle the covers.

Scott's Airpost Stamp Catalog

The Fourth Edition (1933) of this interesting pocket-size catalog has been issued and shows a great improvement over the former editions. It is arranged for the general and specializing collector of air mail stamps, pricing used and unused single copies, mint blocks of four, and stamps on cover. In addition to the regular listing, the book is filled with valuable notes and information of importance and interest to collectors of these stamps.

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I just received a sample copy of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST and enjoyed reading it so much that I am sending in a subscription blank for the next twelve issues beginning with the January issue.
—HARRY WEIN.

First Trip Santa Paula Cachets

A cachet will be provided for the first voyage of the new \$5,000,000 liner *Santa Paula* under same conditions as obtained for the first voyage of her sister ship, the *Santa Rosa*. The Grace Line, owner of the ship, will furnish the cachet.

A cachet will be provided for each port, viz., Seattle, Victoria, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mazatlan, Guatemala, San Salvador, Costa Rica, Canal Zone, Barranquilla, Havana and New York.

Covers to be dispatched from American ports (Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York) should be sent in already stamped with United States postage. Covers for the seven foreign ports should be accompanied by 5c. each for foreign postage; and covers for the Canal Zone should be accompanied by 3c. for Canal Zone postage.

Thus if a collector desires a complete set of covers, he should send in 12 covers, four already stamped with 3c. U. S. postage each and the remaining eight accompanied by 38c. for foreign stamps.

Closing date will be January 17, 1932.

Because of the tremendous rush of covers for the *Santa Rosa* voyage, the Grace Line had to keep five men continuously at work handling them. To simplify matters on the *Santa Paula* covers, the Grace Line makes the following requests:

1. That the letters "U. S. A." be contained in address on all covers from foreign ports.
 2. That each cover bear plainly the name of the port from which it is to be sent.
 3. Those desiring full sets of covers must send entire set at one time.
- All covers, of course, should be addressed to the home address of the party who sends them in.

Envelopes containing covers for this first voyage *must* be addressed to Cachet Director, Grace Line, No. 2 Pine St., San Francisco, Calif.

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New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Bechuanaland.—We are officially informed that the current stamps overprinted on those of Great Britain will be withdrawn from sale immediately the new issue is available.

Belgium.—The Economist Stamp Co., New York, submits a set of three stamps issued to obtain funds for the scientific explorations of Prof. A. Reccard. The values are 75c. brown, 1.75F. blue, 2.50F. purple. The design shows the balloon by means of which the famous professor explored the stratosphere.

Brazil.—During the recent revolt in Sao Paulo this State was isolated for three months and it was therefore necessary to issue special postage stamps for internal use. There are eleven denominations from 100 reis to 10,000 reis in seven different designs, all stamps being inscribed "Pro Constituicao." During the isolation of the State the stamps were used internally, but they have since been recognized by the Federal Government and were made valid for all Brazil up to October 31st last. The stamps are now obsolete and unobtainable and they are likely to be very scarce. They are within practically the same category as the Mafeking Siege stamps.

Bulgaria.—The Balken Olympian Games stamps have been printed in new colors. Of the 1, 2, 4 and 6 levas 150,000 have been printed, 50,000 each of the 10 and 12 levas, and 5,000 only of the 50 levas. The stamps are to be placed on sale very shortly.

Canada.—Seven new postage stamps were issued on December 1st, the values being 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 cents, showing a portrait of King George, and a 13 cents large size of pictorial design.

Canal Zone.—Our correspondent Mr. Austin W. Brooks, in Madden Dam, C. Z., writes:

You may be interested in knowing that two new Canal Zone stamps will be issued about the middle of January. There will be 1,000,000 three-cent and 100,000 fourteen-cent surcharged on current United States stamps of the same denominations vertically in red instead of horizontally in black as at present.

Egean Islands.—The Dante commemorative and St. Anthony stamps have been printed in altered colors and overprinted for use in the Egean Islands. There is only one set for the whole of the Islands, which is something to be thankful for.

Fiji.—The General Post Office, Suva, advises that no more of the £1 stamps are available, this denomination having been withdrawn from use.

Finland.—Advance illustrations of the new Red Cross stamps which are to be issued next month, have been received. The values are—1¼ marks plus 10 penni, 2 marks plus 20 penni and 2½ marks plus 25 penni. The designs show for the 1¼ marks the Finnish Bishop Magnus Tavast who died in 1452, the 2 marks, the Finnish Bishop Mikael Agrikola who died in 1557, and the design of the highest value represents the Finnish Bishop Isak Rothovius who died in 1652.

Guatemala.—The 3c. on 3 pesos Air Mail stamp, has been issued with the overprint in red instead of blue. We are informed that the local Aviation Company does quite a large C. O. D. business, carrying parcels to some of the otherwise more inaccessible parts of the Republic, and pays the postage to the Post Office in stamps for cancellation. It was found that these cancellations could be washed off by unscrupulous persons, the stamps when cancelled being handed back to the Aviation Company. In order to avoid this practice a punch cancellation was established and all stamps used for this purpose are now punched with a small hole, so that they cannot be used again. The Government pays the Aviation Company a subvention which they pay in postage stamps and the Aviation Company uses these stamps for payment of postage as mentioned above.



Hungary.—One of the most pleasing—surely the most attractive—sets of stamps of the year has been issued by Hungary. The official designation reads Series of Hungary's Immortals. The choice of colors has been exceptionally fortunate and the effect is striking.

While a brief notice of this set appeared in our September number, we believe it worth while to print a more detailed record.

Twelve values comprise the series and the following historic data is gleaned from *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly* and *Sieger Post*.

1 Filler black—Imre Madach, Poet. Born 1823, died 1864. Greatest work, *The Tragedy of Man*. Fought in the Revolution of 1848.

2 Filler orange—Janos Arany, Poet. Born 1817, died 1882. Perhaps Hungary's greatest epic poet. Greatest work, the *Toldi* trilogy. Associate of Pétofi. Translated several of Shakespeare's plays.

4 Filler ultramarine—Ignac Semmelweis, Physician. Born 1818, died 1865. Discovered a method of relief for puerperal fever, reducing the rate of mortality in child-birth from 12½ to 1¼ percent.

6 Filler green—Lorand Eötvös, Physicist. Born 1848, died 1919. Inventor of a balance for measuring variations of gravity. Discovered that bodies lose weight when traveling eastward around the world.

10 Filler blue-green—Istvan Szechenyi, Soldier and Statesman. Born 1791, died 1860. Distinguished himself in the Napoleonic wars; originator of the Danube Steam Navigation scheme.

16 Filler dark violet—Ferenc Deak, Lawyer and Statesman. Born 1803, died 1876. Leader of the Magyars in 1861, when he secured from the Emperor the restoration of the Hungarian Constitution.

20 Filler brick-red—Ferenc Liszt, Pianist and Composer. Born 1811, died 1886. Greatest work "Hungarian Rhapsodies."

30 Filler yellow-brown—Lajos Kossuth, Statesman. Born 1802, died 1894. Became virtual dictator of Hungary. During the troubles with Austria, retreated from Francis Joseph to Szege-din, taking with him the famous iron crown of Hungary. Never returned to his native country.

32 Filler maroon—Istvan Tisza, Statesman. Born 1861, died 1918. Reorganizer of the Liberal Party and Premier in 1903. Opposed attack upon Servia in 1914, but commanded with honor a regiment in the World War.

40 Filler blue—Mihaly Munkacsy, Painter. Born 1844, died 1900. Famous for his gigantic religious paintings, "Ecce Homo" and "Christ Before Pilate."

50 Filler olive—Sandor Körösi Csoma, Explorer and Philologist. Born 1784, died 1842. Went to the East in 1820 to trace the origin of the Magyars.



Italy.—A new set of pictorial stamps has been issued to commemorate the Fascist movement. There are sixteen denominations in the ordinary set, from 5 centesimi to 5 lire, all values are sold at face value, except the 5 lire stamp, on which a surtax of 2 lire 50c. is made. There are also two Air Mail stamps, 50 and 75 centesimi, and two Express stamps, 1 lira 25c. and 2 lire 50c. The stamps are, as usual, beautifully printed in attractive colors, but some of the designs are so puzzling that we dare not attempt to describe them.

Jairpur.—We have seen specimens of two new postage stamps, large size and showing a portrait of the ruling Rajah, the values are 4 annas and 1 rupee, the former printed in green and the latter in bistre and in both cases the centers are printed in black. We do not know whether other denominations are to be issued in this new type. These two stamps are exactly the same design as the ½ anna Durbar issue, except that the new issue is inscribed "Postage and Revenue," whilst the ½ anna Durbar issue is inscribed "Postage" only.



Peru.—Three values have appeared in the Inca type here illustrated—10c. lake, 15c. lilac, 50c. brown.

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT
VON GRONAU**



Philippine Islands.—Captain Von Gronau was expected to arrive at Manila on or about October 25th on his round the world flight and to commemorate his arrival in the Philippine Islands the current pictorial postage stamps received a special overprint. We also understand that the 4 pesos current postage stamps are shortly to be surcharged "1 peso" and "2 pesos."



Roumania.—The new Postal Charity stamps have now appeared. There are three denominations, 4, 6 and 10 lei, all of which are sold at 1 leu over the face value. The 4 lei stamp shows a picture of a Tuberculosis Sanatorium, the 6 lei shows a plaque in commemoration of the War, and the 10 lei shows what appears to be a seaside Convalescent Home, presumably for the postal employees.

Russia.—This country is very fond of commemorating its revolutions. We have received a 50 kopeks red stamp issued to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the revolution of 1922, whilst a set of five stamps has been issued to commemorate the fifteenth anniversary of the 1917 revolution.

Saar.—The annual Charity stamps will probably appear towards the end of December, the values being: 40 plus 15 centimes, 60 plus 20 centimes, 1 franc plus 50c., 1 franc 50c. plus 75c., 2 francs plus 1 franc, 3 plus two francs, 5 plus 5 francs.



Switzerland.—The Pro Juventute or Child Welfare stamps which were issued on December 1st are of the following denominations: 5, 10, 20 and 30 cents. The three lower values illustrate Sport, the 30 cents shows a portrait of Professor Eugen Huber, a famous lawyer, and author of the Swiss Civil Law Book.

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.



Towns and Postoffices in Virginia

BY CALLY RYLAND

Far be it from me—or this column to say—
(Though the towns in Virginia are summed in this lay),
That the man who named Pullman cars
spent idle hours
In naming the towns of this old State of
ours,
But listen, let's start with the Ark and
you'll see
What an Odd lot of names tumble out.
There is Bee,
There are Oyster and Crab, there are
Ashcake and Eva,
Bone, Baffle and Barber and a Dam that's
called Beaver.
Achilles and Ajax next form an Alliance
With Coffee and Clover and Cloud and
(Fort) Defiance.
A bevy of beauty our list will include,
Lois, Nathalie, Marion, Dido (no prude),
Edith, Edna and Etta, Nora, Norma and
Ruth,
Myrtle, Nancy, and Delia and Stella and
Truth.
Ophelia and Olive and Lillian we see,
Carrie, Maggie and Bessie, a common-
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 But the next town is Wealthea, the next is Success,
 Which one is your Mecca? I'll hazard a guess.
 And alas! Brandywine has succumbed to the Blue Law
 And Bock and Rye Cove have been deluged with Aqua.
 A Lady most Lively makes Love to a Judge,
 He prefers Jessie Prim, so he Dooms her to drudge.
 A Monk at Seven Fountains looks up at the Moon,
 'Twas a Dandy, he said, like a great big balloon.
 Ben-Hur stole a Birdsnest and called to the Byrd,
 "Twon't Hurt you to Hustle away if you're skeered."
 Jumbo Jump(ed) to Big Island; he liked it a Lot,
 But a Nimrod who followed with Dash marked the Spott,
 And weepingly said that he felt it his Duty,
 That Jumbo should Dye as he was such a beauty.
 So "Poff" went his Gunn and with only one round,
 He was soon eating elephant steak by the Pound.
 A File of Cadet(s) to the Rescue then sped,
 Their Major a fine Shako wore on his head,
 And while he right merrily played on his Fife,
 Said, "I never before saw such Gore in my life."
 But Non Intervention ('s) my orders today,
 Though you Dare think 'em Odd and quite Prim I will say
 That I got 'em as straight as the shot from a Gunn
 From the president's lips—from the Mouth of Wilson.

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—Richmond News-Leader, Jan. 8, 1921.

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John Adams, Second President

BY HARRY M. KONWISER

Collectors of Stampless Covers gathering covers of the John Adams Administration, the third in the government of the United States, from March 4, 1797, to March 4, 1801, come to the realization that the early Straight Line types of postmarks were changed to Circular types in 1800, in most cities. The first (1800) Washington (national capital) type is a circular postmark, reading: "WASH. CITY" with month and day. The circle, in red-brown, is 26 millimeters in diameter and the period between "WASH" and "CITY" is centered.

As in the President Washington Cabinet period, the "Franked by Signature" types of Free Mail, are in demand. Of special interest, in the John Adams group, is the franking signature of John Marshall who acted as Secretary of State in 1800.

All the dates given in this schedule are copied from "The Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1927," published by the United States Printing Office, and available at \$4.50 the copy, or for a "thank you" if you have a friendly member of the House or a United States Senator—provided the copies allotted them have not already been given away.

The 1,740-page book itself is something worth having—giving as it does a short biographical sketch of the thousands of men who served their country in the years mentioned in the title.

THIRD ADMINISTRATION

March 4, 1797, to March 3, 1801

President of the United States—John Adams, of Massachusetts.

Vice-President of the United States—Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia.

Secretary of State—Timothy Pickering, of Pennsylvania, continued from previous administration; resignation requested May 10, 1800, but declining to resign, he was dismissed May 12, 1800. Charles Lee, of Virginia (Attorney General), *ad interim*, May 13, 1800. John Marshall, of Virginia, May 13, 1800; entered upon duties June 6, 1800. John Marshall (Chief Justice of the United States), *ad interim*, February 4, 1801, to March 3, 1801.

Secretary of the Treasury—Oliver Wolcott, Jr., of Connecticut, continued from preceding administration. Samuel Dexter, of Massachusetts, January 1, 1801.

Secretary of War—James McHenry, of Maryland, continued from preceding administration. Benjamin Stoddert, of Maryland (Secretary of the Navy), *ad interim*, June 1, 1800, to June 12, 1800. Samuel Dexter, of Massachusetts, May 13, 1800; entered upon duties June 12, 1800. Samuel Dexter, of Massachusetts (Secretary of the Treasury), *ad interim*, January 1, 1801.

Attorney-General—Charles Lee, of Virginia, continued from preceding administrations.

Postmaster General—Joseph Habersham, of Georgia, continued from preceding administration.

Secretary of the Navy—Benjamin Stoddert, of Maryland, May 21, 1798; entered upon duties June 18, 1798.

Comparing the Washington Cabinet with that of John Adams, attention is directed to the new Cabinet office—the Secretary of the Navy. Benjamin Stoddert, the first Secretary of the Navy, had served as Secretary of the War Board in the Revolutionary Period. Stoddert letters are not scarce, but his "franked covers" are not common.

John Adams' signature on franked letters are available to serious collectors, as are practically all the franking signatures of the Adams Cabinet. Personally, I rate Lee as the very scarce item in this group, with Marshall—as Secretary—equally hard-to-get.

Many of this group should be sought on letters on which the address front shows the franking signatures.



Not So Hot

The much talked about collection of Russian proofs of the Romanoff issue, said to have belonged to the late Tsar, fetched £250 at auction on November 17th.—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly.*

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Reference: THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST.

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The Open Forum.

This feature page is open to all of our readers for the discussion of questions pertaining to Philately. Letters will be printed *verbatim*—the Editor merely reserving the right to delete remarks of a personal nature concerning others. You may write whatever you please about him—knock to your heart's content. This is the place to "get it out of your system." He will try to even be tolerant of the intolerant.—EDITOR.

"Unofficial Perforations" on Imperforate Stamps

The American Stamp Dealers' Association desires to make public its views and issues this statement in regard to the offering of certain alleged *Coil Stamps* of the United States. Its motive in giving publicity to this matter is to call to the attention of the collector certain possible incidences of the merchandising of these alleged *Coil Stamps*.

We solicit the careful study of this question by the trader, the press and philatelic organizations, local and national.

The facts are as follows:

A certain party, whom we will call, Mr. X, issues a price list of what are termed *United States Coil Stamps with "Unofficial Perforations,"* listing therein all the rare and high priced coils. This is another way, although we believe an inaccurate way, of describing an *imperforate* stamp which has had perforations applied by an agency other than the Bureau of Printing and Engraving. An *imperforate* stamp, with the "coil" perforations, privately made, is not, in fact, a government coil stamp. Government coils are that class of stamps which are cut, perforated and rolled into coils by government employees of the Bureau.

The Standard Catalog numbers, which are used in this price list are not correctly used. As an illustration, Scott's number 316 in a pair, catalogs \$400.00. An *imperforate* pair, with the horizontal perforations "12", privately added, by an individual, can never be Scott's number 316 but is still the *common garden variety*, Scott's number 314, with perforations privately applied. As such in a pair, its catalog value is not \$400.00, but only \$1.20.

Mr. X offers these items to *dealers* only. His price list plainly indicates that the items have "Unofficial Perforations." The danger in offering these items to dealers is just this: An unscrupulous or inexperienced dealer will buy these items from

Mr. X and offer them to collectors as the *real* government coils, or to go further: The retail dealer may sell such an item to a collector disclosing its true nature; the stamp may rest in the collection of the collector and be sold by his estate, in perfectly good faith, as the government coil. —AMERICAN STAMP DEALERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.



To Be Taken *Cum Grano Salis*

Last month we printed a communication from Mr. Arnold Weber of Königsberg, Prussia, in which we were given "the inside dope" concerning a "Seebeck" scheme to fleece collectors. The stage was Lithuania and the alleged star actor a certain New York dealer. At about the same time *Die Postmarke* of Vienna, one of the most influential philatelic publications abroad, published the same story in detail. And now we have the following communication from Mr. Weber in which he virtually retracts his charges and assures us the new set of Lithuania is "a success" and that—he has 'em for sale. Our readers will draw their own conclusions. Here's the translation:

"A SUCCESS!

"Following my protest and the measures taken against the new Lithuanian stamps a change in the situation has taken place.

"The new stamps will, under no condition, be sold to the trade below face value.

"This issue is to be the last series issued both *perforate* and *imperforate*. Inasmuch as the new stamps have already been issued to the postoffices, it was too late to apply the rule in this instance.

"In future Lithuania will not issue more than one new set annually."

(Here follows Mr. Arnold Weber's price-list of the new set.)



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ERRATA

The Fishersville, Va. handstamped "Paid 10" in conjunction with the Va. C. R. R. cancellation, listed last month, should be priced \$50.00 instead of \$10.00.—EDITOR.

CONTRIBUTORS THIS MONTH

The material listed in this month's instalment of our Catalog was submitted by Messrs. Chas. J. Phillips, Raymond H. Weil, K. Curtice and W. M. Rawlins.

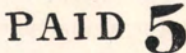
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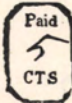
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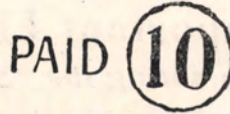
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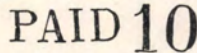
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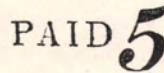
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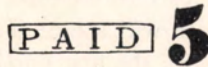
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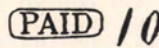
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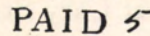
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It is needless to recount in this brief announcement the poets and writers whose contributions were published in the once heralded *Messenger*; however the name of Edgar Allan Poe is closely associated with the publication as editor and contributor and here is evidence that genius is found within each old volume. In fact, much of the material is of the rare vintage of those earlier days and only those acquainted with the contents know the full measure of wealth contained within the numerous volumes from 1834 to 1864.

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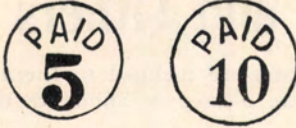
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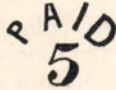
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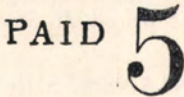
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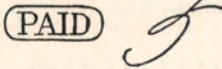
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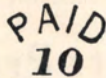
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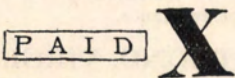
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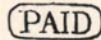


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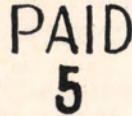
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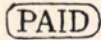
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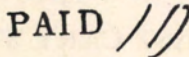
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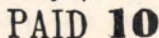
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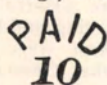
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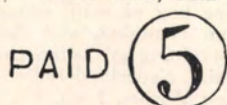
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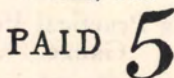
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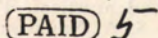
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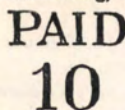
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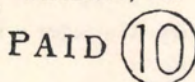
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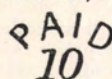
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Important Auctions Ahead

Our readers should write for catalogs of the following sales which are booked to take place this month and in January, 1932.

December 16-17—M. Ohlman, 116 Nassau Street, New York: Exceptionally fine lots of Airmails, U. S. and British America.

December 21—Eugene Klein, 200 South 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.: Selected Early U. S., Proofs, Essays, Specimens, and a general collection of Foreign. The outstanding piece of this sale—made up of desirable material throughout—is an original find 1869 2c. *bisect*, tied to cover with a target cancellation, together with a whole 2c. similarly cancelled with the postmark Orangeville, Pa. in a double circle.

January 18, 1933—Henry K. Jarrett, 67 West Market Street, Bethlehem, Pa.: Rare U. S. and Foreign.



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Publicity Manager's Letter

FELLOW MEMBERS:

Our recent fall meeting and exhibit held in Richmond, was the most elaborate display of stamps and covers ever shown in the Old Dominion. Much favorable comment was heard and no doubt many new collectors will be added to the fold of Philately. Great praise is due Bros. Dietz and Hofmann and their able assistants who worked so hard for many days to make it the success it was. Much credit is also due Brother Dietz for the fine Cachet.

This meeting is now history and we should turn our thoughts to our next meeting which will be held in Lynchburg next October. Committees for this event are now making plans. Each club, too, should get active at once to plan for a bigger and better exhibit than we had in Richmond. Brothers, this is our hobby and there is no reason why we cannot now plan to spend three days in Lynchburg next October. We have ample time to prepare ourselves for this event, and we should look forward with great expectations to that event. We should be constantly thinking and planning how we can make our organization larger and stronger; how we can get those non-member collectors to see the wisdom of joining us, and how we can make active philatelists out of those luke-warm collectors who were just recently stung by the bug of Philately. All these things require careful consideration and exchange of ideas by members of our organization as to how this can best be brought about. Let us think over these things now, and when we get to our next meeting in Lynchburg, we will be prepared to discuss this matter thoroughly, and take some suitable action.

Our local club is active and we have taken in a few new members. More will be secured later. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*.

That Philippine Error

DAVAO, P. I., November 7, 1932.

MY DEAR MR. DIETZ:—Herewith is a clipping from the *Manila Daily Bulletin* relative to an error on the 18c. pictorial stamp of the Philippines. The *Bulletin* honors itself for having discovered the error, but several prominent local collectors, including Dr. Chas. S. Banks, Sr. D. Juan Mencarini, Dr. R. C. McGregor, Capt. Percy A. Will, Mr. Newton C. Comfort, Col. van Schaick, and others to my certain knowledge, pointed out that the picture on the 18c. stamp was certainly not a picture of Pagsanjan Falls. It is now most interesting to me at least to have the Falls identified as the Vernal Falls of Yosemite Valley in California.

Originally, one million of these stamps (the 18c.) were printed by the U. S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Thirty thousand of them were overprinted to commemorate the German Around-the-World Flight, (Capt. Wolfgang von Gronau and three companions in the Groenland-Wal) which arrived in Manila on September 27, 1932. The Germans brought one bag of mail, containing 514 letters from Shanghai, and they carried one bag containing 471 letters from Manila to Soerabaia, Nederland-Indie.

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Club Exhibitions and Activities

7th Annual Exhibition of the Lansdowne (Pa.) Stamp Club

Over five hundred interested stamp collectors visited the annual exhibition of the Lansdowne Stamp Club in the local bank building on Friday and Saturday, November 25th and 26th, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 10 P. M. The exhibition this year was considered fully up to the very high standards established by this Club and the exhibits were practically all different from those exhibited heretofore and of a wide diversity. There was considerable competition in each of the eleven Sections adopted according to recommendations of the Society for Stamp Exhibitions, and it was not an easy task for the Board of Judges which was composed of A. M. Davis, Chairman, Alfred B. Levy and Eugene Glein.

The Grand Prize with Special Congratulations of the Jury, carrying the Certificate and purple and gold ribbon, was awarded to Robert Ervein of Upper Darby for his stamps of Lichtenstein which was a very complete collection in seven volumes including essays, die and plate proofs, unused stamps and used stamps plated, illustrated by enlarged photographs on which notations of the peculiarities of each stamp in the plate was clearly lettered.

In Section A, First Prize Certificate and blue ribbon was awarded to Richard Peters, Jr. of Chester for his collection of 19th Century U. S. stamps contained in seven albums. The outstanding stamp in this collection was the 1869-24c. with inverted center.

In Section B, devoted to U. S. 20th Century stamps, First Prize Certificate and blue ribbon was awarded to George B. Cucore for a very neat studiously presented frame of U. S. Commemorative stamps each of which was illustrated with photographs from which the stamps were engraved. The Second Prize Certificate and red ribbon was awarded to S. W. Haney who exhibited mint blocks in shades, and the Third Prize Certificate with green ribbon to Albert W. Schede who exhibited mint single copies complete for the last ten years.

In Section C, devoted to U. S. Possessions, the blue ribbon was awarded to

Walter P. Yarnall for his complete collection of the stamps of the Philippine Islands, including the recently recalled 18c. orange stamp which has been found to illustrate the wrong waterfall as named in the title. The red ribbon was given to Peter V. O. Barkelew for Hawaiian issue 1864-71 complete and mint copies of No. 50 overprinted "Specimen" and No. 51 overprinted "Reprint."

Section D, covering Europe and Great Britain, including the Grand Prize collection of Robert Ervein. The Second Prize with red ribbon was awarded to Donald Z. Rupp for his collection of Latvia, including stamps printed during the war on the back of German maps, bank notes, labels and any other paper available. The Third Prize was awarded to Eric Saul, Jr. for his collection of stamps from the German Republic. Mr. Eugene Klein also exhibited "Not in Competition" his well known collection of the stamps from Heligoland.

Section E included Colonies of countries other than the United States and there were six competitors in this class. First Prize Certificate was awarded to Albert B. Maris for his very complete collection of the stamps of the Congo. The red ribbon was awarded to Ralph Holsizer for his beautiful collection of the stamps of Martinique. Third Prize with green was awarded to Edward E. Meacham for his beautifully presented collection of 20th Century mint stamps from the Leeward Island Confederation. Other exhibitors in this Section were Mrs. Mary G. Cook who exhibited stamps of Canada, and Feudatory States of British India, and A. Eric Parkinson who exhibited British Colonies.

Section F, covering South and Central American countries, was represented only by William G. Hires' collection of Uruguay which was awarded Third Prize Certificate with green ribbon.

Section H, covering Specialties and Cancellations, is always a popular one. This year the First Prize was awarded Walter P. Yarnall for his extensive collection of the 7c. Bank Note Company stamp which was rather complete from the die and plate proofs through all issues of this stamp, including the various Departmentals and Envelopes up to the Special Printing on hard paper. Second Prize was

awarded Frank Braceland for his exceptionally well written up and illustrated collection of the Washington Bicentennial stamps, and Third Prize to Robert H. Davis for his highly Specialized collection of U. S. Post Office Department 3c. stamps which was given Special Award at this annual exhibition at Los Angeles. The commendation of the Jury was also awarded to Mary G. Cook for her collection of Olympic game commemorative stamps of the World.

Section J, Essays and Proofs, included Clarence W. Brazer's collection of U. S. Columbian issue essays and proofs which was entered "Not in Competition." This is a part of his collection which was awarded the Grand Prize several years ago and thoroughly illustrates the conception and execution of the stamps of this issue, with photographs of original paintings reduced to the size of the illustration on the stamp, including the original tints on which the outlines were engraved and filled with sanguine which after the proofs were taken was transferred to the face of the steel die enabling the engraver to cut the outlines correctly. Artists proofs made during the progress of cutting the die, and the original artists water color designs for the frames about the photographs, showed the various steps up to the trial colors of the die proofs and the eventual finished die proof in the color of the stamp which were exhibited complete with signatures of the picture engraver, as well as of the letter engraver. Plate proofs on the special soft cardboard used for proof-reading and India paper proofs were exhibited in blocks, completing the process for each of the sixteen stamps in this issue.

In Section K, devoted to Rarities, First Prize was awarded to William G. Hires for fifteen pages of stamps cataloguing eleven thousand dollars. Included were the British Guiana 1856-4c. magenta and a mint copy of Ceylon No. 5, a mint copy of the three penny Maritius 1849, and a beautiful copy of British Columbia 5c. rose imperforate cancelled in blue, used at the time when there were only about 3,500 inhabitants of that territory. Mr. Second Prize was awarded to Marv G. Cook for stamps of the early Italian States, including the first issues of Tuscany, Modena, Sardinia, Parma and the Roman States complete.

As is usual at the Lansdowne exhibitions, section L was devoted to invited ex-

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hibits of non-members. The blue ribbon this year was given to James Starr for his very complete collection of the stamps of Chinese treaty ports, contained in several volumes. Mr. Starr has wonderfully presented these stamps with enlarged pen drawings of the stamps at the side of which he has translated all of the Chinese characters so that the observer may read the stamp for himself. This collection was very highly specialized and strong in essays, proofs and perforation varieties. Second Prize was awarded to Brinkley C. Turner for his collection of Jamaica stamps very complete with early cancellations on cover, and the 1903 "blind" error, as well as two covers franked with one penny bisects of 1860. Third Prize was awarded Rudolph Heinncks' zeppelin stamps and covers of various countries.

Other exhibitors in this Section were Ralph A. Casner's Washington Bicentennial covers and James Baxter's wonderfully illustrated text for a book on "How Stamps are Made." This received Special Commendation of the Jury as it covers every possible form of printing, engraving, lithography, etc. used in the making of any postage stamp throughout the world, all carefully described and illustrated with examples of the stamps themselves.

In Section M, devoted to Junior Members of the Club, Walter Nickerson was awarded First Prize for his collection of U. S. 20th Century stamps and Second Prize to Herbert Rommel, Jr. for his U. S. 20th Century and Naval covers many of which were especially interesting with different colored cancellations.



Jersey City's Exhibition

With an interesting exhibit on view with an enthusiastic gathering of stamp collectors to examine it, the second annual exhibition of the New Jersey Philatelic Federation, opened last night in the Bergen Branch Library, Jersey City.

The exhibit, in which sixteen member clubs of the federation are participating, is one of interesting variety and has some especially fine specialized exhibits. There are 79 panels of exhibits.

Impressive among the individual exhibits is one of ten frames of Washington bi-centennial celebration covers, showing various cachets on entire sheets of differing issues, shown by Adolph Knehr, of Newark.

There are several exhibits of United States nineteenth and twentieth century issues; commemoratives with explanations of origins and some with sketches and due proof. Some of the foreign exhibits are similarly illustrated.

Leo August, of Newark, shows some Lindbergh autographed covers and other historical airmail pieces. Willis Potts, of Summit, has some crashed covers on display. Norman Malzberg and Edward V. Tanajewski, of Jersey City, have airmail displays, as has Duncan S. Lamb, of Weehawken.

Eric Soderlind, of West New York, shows a specialized collection of Swedish stamps. Hans Lagerloff, of Weehawken, has an exhibit of Russian rurals, as well as other exhibits. Richard C. Dehlem, of West New York, has an exhibit of Australian issues. Gladys Perlenfein, of Jersey City, and Adolph Klingenstein, of West New York, show Persian and Siamese stamps, respectively. Dorothea Piskorski, of Jersey City, has an exhibit of sets of mint and used stamps. Erich Lehnert of Hoboken shows some Italian royal house cancellations, while W. Frederick Wahlgren, of Jersey City, has some United States Navy covers of interest.

Otto Roedel, of Jersey City, has a "history in stamps" exhibit. The Stamp Club of School No. 3, West New York, has a fine map in stamps display, as well as a life of Columbus, the Panama Canal and other interesting groups. Emil Paulson, of West New York, has historical events of the United States illustrated by stamps, and Martin Neuer has a stamp map of North America.

Awards of ribbons and trophy will be made at the end of the week. The judges include Albert W. Claflin, of Providence; Eugene Klein, of Mount Vernon and Walter S. Scott, of Wantagh, Long Island.

Officers of the league are William C. Steiger, of Hackensack, president; A. Klingenstein, of West New York, and William H. Hoyt, of Summit, vice-presidents; Arthur C. Hall, of Westfield, and A. P. Margolies, of Union City, secretaries, and Stephen G. Rich, of Verona, treasurer.

The post office today issued a cachet that commemorates the British evacuation of Paulus Hook, the bi-centennial of George Washington and makes mention of the Philatelic Association's exhibit. The cachet is in green and has illustrative shields.—*Jersey Observer.*

Birmingham Philatelic Society

The Birmingham Philatelic Society is rapidly rolling up a large and representative membership. Seven applicants were admitted to membership at the last meeting—Messrs. Richard Cooper, James Selman, R. D. Johnston, Jr., H. H. Gobin, J. A. Roberts, Dr. Russell Poor, Prof. J. H. Coulette, and Mr. M. V. B. Gottlieb of the Studio Book Shop. This brings the total membership up to 43—all in this year.

For the next Social Night—December 6th—Mr. Marshall will be host at his residence 513 Ann Street. Incidentally, other clubs might well imitate these events. There is a "Dutch Supper," costing but 25 cents, plus a barrelful of fun—no business, just a good time. The last auction of the year will be held on this night.

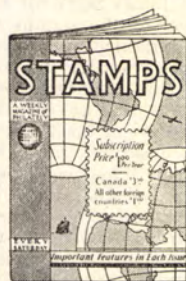
The regular business meeting will be held at the Hotel Tutwiler on December 20th, and the annual election of officers is scheduled for the Big Meeting on January 3rd, 1933, followed by the Annual Banquet on the night of the 17th—place, Hotel Tutwiler, plate, 75 cents. The Big Auction will follow the banquet, and members may bring any number of guests to this event. Under the rules of the Society each member is allowed to enter eight lots, and mail bids from outside collectors will be accepted.

The Birmingham Society is contemplating the publishing of a Year-Book, which is to contain a list of members, address, and specialties, and if exchange is desired. The work will also include Constitution, by-Laws, and a list of the officers.
—JOHN L. GODSEY, *Secretary*.

Crescent City Stamp Club Banquets

The Crescent City Stamp Club, New Orleans, held its first banquet in the De Soto Hotel, on November 16th. Over fifty guests were in attendance and the event—the celebrating of the Club's first anniversary—was a decided success.

Several members gave brief talks, and the principal speaker, Rabbi Louis Binstock told of the educational value of stamp-collecting, which was most enlightening and thoroughly enjoyed. Announcements were made regarding the coming city-wide exhibition, which is sponsored by this Club, to take place on December 9th, 10th and 11th. Many rarities and



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The Crescent City Stamp Club boasts a membership of over fifty.

Chicago Stamp Club News

The Southern Stamp Club meets each Saturday morning from 10 A. M. until 12 noon at the home of Joseph C. Salak, 6348 South Fairfield Avenue, Apartment 2B, Chicago, Illinois.

The Chicago Stamp Club is holding a gala meeting on December 20th at 8 o'clock with refreshments, prizes, exhibits, speakers, displays and bourse. J. C. Salak is planning to have a large party attend this meeting in a body. All wishing to go will meet at the home of Salak.

Associação Filatelica Pelotense Pelotas, Brazil

The new board of direction of the "Associação Filatelica Pelotense" (founded November 19, 1928) for the social year 1932-1933 is composed of the following gentlemen:

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All correspondence should be addressed to the Secretary, Caixa Postal No. 75, Pelotas, R. G. S., Brazil.

New York Philatelic Society Elects Officers

At the regular Election of Officers of the New York Philatelic Society held on December 7, 1932, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President, David Trautman; First Vice-President, Victor Weiskopf; Second Vice-President, O. H. Nantell; Secretary-Treasurer, Max Levy; Publicity Manager, Walter R. Guthrie.

Board of Directors.—Frank Marquis, Haig Ouzounian, John Amosti, R. S. Martin, Morris Sperber.

Building Fund Committee.—Joseph Zanini, George Rothman, E. McD. Bendheim.

Sales Department.—Joseph Zanini, George Rothman, Max Levy.

The club is very proud of the members it has selected as officers, as they comprise a group of men prominent in philatelic circles. The society meets every Wednesday evening at 8 P. M. at 128 West 42nd Street, New York City. Drop in and see us sometime. Visitors are always welcome.

The Grand Council of the Order of DeMolay

The Grand Council of the Order of DeMolay announces the inauguration of a stamp page in its official organ, the *International DeMolay Cordon*, beginning with the January issue. The editorship of this page has been placed in the capable hands of L. E. Oberholtz, the founder and former president of the Midwest Philatelic Society.

The response to the original suggestion for a DeMolay stamp club by Francis T. Laney was more than gratifying and even surprising to the Director of Publicity, George B. Sykes. The stamp page was thus immediately assured but as plans for the club are incomplete no formal announcement can be made as yet.

Any member or former member, Alumni or Mason who is interested in philately should write the editor and express his support along with any suggestion if he has not already done so. Address: L. E. Oberholtz, 935 West 33 Terrace, Kansas City, Mo.

Hillcrest Junior Organized

The Hillcrest Junior Philatelic Society, of Trenton, New Jersey was organized in the early part of October. The officers elected are: President, Paul R. Teetor, Jr.; Treasurer, Wellington B. Eler; Secretary, James B. M. Johnson. The sponsor is Mrs. C. C. Johnson.

Advice to a beginner. First of all get a good album.—*Philatelic Monthly*, Philadelphia.

Here's a Chance for Santa Claus

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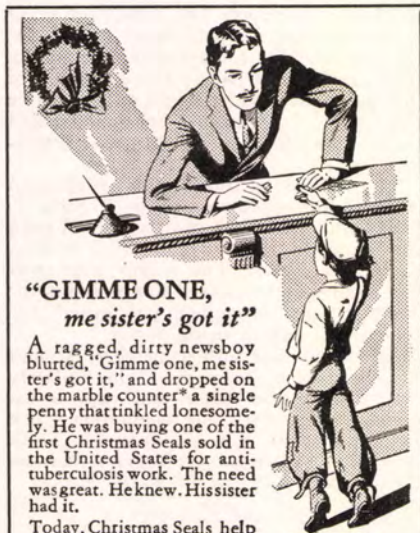
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South American Air Mail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

In your October number your New Issue Department chronicled a special stamp issued by Paraguay in connection with the Chaco dispute with Bolivia. Most of the Chaco is waterless and has very primitive roads and recently it is reported that 200 Bolivian soldiers lost themselves in the woods and died of thirst. Quoting from a telegram received here yesterday from Asunsi6n, the capital of Paraguay, the arrival of two Paraguayan soldiers from the Piliomayo sector is announced. They got lost during the combat at Boqueron on 10th September and have wandered about the woods for forty-seven days suffering great privations and feeding on raw snails. Owing to lack of water their sufferings were terrible because it must be remembered that the Chaco is a tropical region. With a knife and their hands they excavated a hole 18 feet deep and finally found a trickle of water. Although one of them was ill and the other was wounded in a leg they continued to wander about in search of a Paraguayan outpost and finally they constructed a raft and managed to arrive at a place called Monte Lindo where they found a party of their fellow countrymen. To excavate a hole 18 feet deep with a knife appears to be a tall order but the "knife" was probably a "machete" which the South Americans use for cutting down thick undergrowth, small trees, bushes, and so forth, and is very strong.

The Sao Paulo (Brazil) Philatelic Society has issued a warning to the effect that the co-called "military stamps" issued during the recent military movement in Sao Paulo, printed in black, blue and red, on white paper, with the inscription "Exercito Constitucionalista — Correspondencia militar—Forco em operacoes—porte franca—Sao Paulo" in three types differing slightly in color and design, one still retaining green and yellow colors in two columns of the design, left and right, have no philatelic value, though they are being sold at high prices. The "stamps" apparently were printed privately and distributed among the Paulista soldiers going to the front. The military authorities state that these labels were issued without their authority.

An influential group of Argentine business men have recently petitioned the Ministry of the Interior for a return to the old postal tariffs alleging that the heavy increases brought into force a few months ago are seriously inconveniencing them as curtailment of their advertising propaganda is hampering business besides creating unemployment in the printing trade. The Postal Department has just published statistics showing a heavy fall in receipts directly due to these tariffs.

The steamer *Osiris* has just landed in Arica a gigantic aeroplane built in Germany for the Bolivian Air Llovd. It is the largest in South America and will be delivered in La Paz next week.

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British Post Office, American Revolutionary Period

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The British Post Office, in the American Colonies, during the Revolutionary Period, was not operated in any too smooth a manner. In 1774, when Franklin was dismissed, the English Secretary of the Post Office complained to the American Deputy (Foxcroft) that not a single newspaper had been sent to him or to the Postmaster-General from America, and charged him to transmit without fail, not only the several newspapers, but freshest intelligence by every ship.

According to the London newspapers of the day, the postmaster for the American Colonies was directed to apprise the American complainants that investigations were being made to find out who was tampering with the British-operated posts.

Hostilities began in 1775, in July, and by October of the same year there was no regular conveyance for mails from North America; and though packets were re-established, by the English, they were so irregular that it would happen that letters dispatched during three consecutive months would all arrive in England, by the same vessel.

English packet boats were weakly armed, and during the war period ten of them were captured by American privateers. The commander of one packet boat received fifty pounds additional, to pay for the additional crew to aid in offsetting the attacks of Americans, and to help safeguard the mail.

English soldiers, serving in the American campaign, as well as sailors, were refused the right to send or receive their mail free, despite the application of the Commander-in-chief in America to grant the rank and file free mailing rights. The post charge was about two shillings for a single letter.

(NOTE.—Readers of this paper who are interested in having a complete story of the Post Office of the Colonial and Revolutionary period, with illustrations of the Postmarks of the periods should purchase the book: "Colonial and Revolutionary Posts." by Harry M. Konwiser, published by The Dietz Printing Company, Richmond, Va. The price is \$2.00.—EDITOR.)

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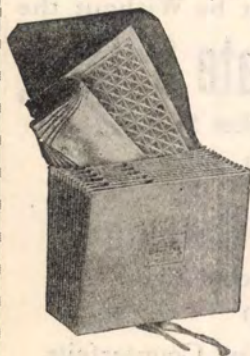
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Editorial.

Nineteen-Thirty-Three

Nineteen-Thirty-Three is going to be a better year. Not because the sum of its figures is indivisible by the ominous "13," or because it was ushered in on a Sunday. I am not superstitious. Nor do I believe "Technocracy" or the tenets of Carl Marx, nor even the election of Roosevelt and the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment as cures, in themselves, will turn the tide. But something far more potent is in the making. There are unmistakable signs that men are beginning to think for themselves—straightening out—facing conditions and intent upon remedying them. And as soon as they get well started on that course, we will be headed for the safety zone.

The "stamp game" has probably suffered least during the past years. Auctions have taken place with wonted regularity and the prices realized showed no noteworthy drop in the bidding on first-class material. The larger dealers have registered satisfactory business right along the line. Men of ready means have not hesitated to buy better-class material, taking advantage of the condition which forced less frugal men to part with their treasures. But the panic is over and the tide of such opportunities is on the ebb. Prices of high grade stamps are becoming settled, and "pick-ups" at sacrificial figures are no longer to be made. That is a good omen for the new year. Do not sacrifice your better class stamps—things are on the upward turn—for 1933 is going to be a better year.

Death of Ex-President Calvin Coolidge

A wave of genuine sorrow swept across our country at the news of the passing of Ex-President Coolidge on the sixth of this month—noticeable to a marked degree in the predominantly democratic South, where this plain, ruggedly honest Vermonter—type of all that is fine in our manhood—was held in high esteem—and trusted.

He was not a luminous meteor. But he was to us that pale, fixed North Star by which the storm-tossed mariner charts his course to the safe haven. . . Calvin Coolidge was a victim of "the office that kills."

A memorial stamp bearing his likeness has been suggested and will probably be issued in the near future. This will be a fitting tribute and meet with the approval of every collector in our country.



Confederate Handstamped "Pays"

The next edition of the *Dietz Specialized Confederate Catalog* will, in all probability, illustrate and list ninety percent of all known Confederate Handstamped "Pays," Provisionals, and Varieties of the General Issues. This statement is made in view of the fact that Mr. Charles J. Phillips, Mr. S. W. Richey, and a number of other collectors, are submitting great quantities of heretofore unlisted material for cataloging. During the past month alone nearly two hundred new items have been received comprising material from the Walcott Collection and that of Mr. Richey. The Walcott material is supplied through the courtesy of Mr. Charles J. Phillips, who came in possession of that remarkable collection—probably the largest in existence—and who is at present arranging it for sale. Interested collectors should communicate with Mr. Phillips.

The task of making the drawings has taken nearly two weeks and the number is far too great to be printed in this month's Addenda. The listing, therefore, will be spread over several issues. When all of the Walcott material has been absorbed a new edition of the Catalog will appear with a complete revision of prices. The present evaluations are arbitrary.



The General Oglethorpe Commemorative

The Post Office Department announces that the Oglethorpe commemorative stamp will be placed on sale at Savannah, Ga., on February 13th, and at the Philatelic Agency in Washington on the 14th. The design is without border, and shows the portrait of General Oglethorpe in armor. The commemorative dates are 1733-1933. Value 3 cents, purple.

The International Philatelic Exhibition—Vienna 1933

Preparations for the great International Philatelic Exhibition—known as the "WIPA"—which will take place in Vienna, Austria, from June 24th to July 9th of this year, are progressing with that characteristic thoroughness which insures success. The management has issued the third number of its propaganda prospectus which contains a complete program of the events. It is printed in German, English and French.

The first dozen pages present an imposing list of the members of the "Committee of Honor," comprising the names of about every outstanding collector known to Philately as well as the entire corps of Austrian State officials, the diplomatic representatives of all Nations accredited, as well as the General Consuls and Consuls of foreign countries resident in Austria. The number of American Philatelists on this committee would alone constitute a fairly large organization! Among the members of the Jury we are glad to find the names of Messrs. Alfred Lichtenstein and Theodore E. Steinway, both of New York. Among the Foreign Representatives of the WIPA we find our good friends Messrs. J. M. Bartels and Eugene Klein, while the "Propaganda Offices" in the United States list Mr. Daniel F. Kelleher of Boston, Mr. Fred E. Farnham of Detroit, Mr. Bertram H. W. Poole of Los Angeles, Messrs. J. M. Bartels, Homan, Krassa Co., the Nassau Stamp Co. and the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. of New York, Mr. Eugene Klein of Philadelphia, and Mr. A. H. Robinette of Washington.

Accompanying this prospectus is a floor plan of the Exhibition Building—the "Künstlerhaus"—showing the location of the exhibits and the dealers' stalls, and turning to the rental rates, we find them most reasonable. Based upon the present rate of the Austrian shilling—7.10 sh. = \$1.00—they will be found running from \$30 to \$180. My particular attention has been directed to quite a roomy space marked with a big red "B." By referring to the index I note it is the "Buffet." What's that?

Visitors to the WIPA are assured of every manner of pleasurable entertainment (and believe me, those light-hearted Viennese know how!), besides one is tempted by an accompanying brochure, entitled "Tours in Austria," to plan for a week's vacation in that beautiful country. Pictures take us through Upper Austria: St. Wolfgang and its lake; Kärnten; into the Austrian Tyrol; to Salzburg the home of Mozart; into Steiermark and Voralberg, and into Burgenland. And how cheaply one travels in Austria! Special rates are offered the attendants of WIPA, and those who visit the erstwhile land of the Hapsburgs for the first time will always want to return.

Plan to spend your summer vacation in Austria by attending the WIPI.

The Stamps of the Kingdom of Naples

Again Dr. Emilio Diena makes an outstanding contribution to Philately in his volume on the Stamps of the Kingdom of Naples including the two ½-Tornese stamps of the Provisional Government. I am grateful to the Dean of Italian Philately for an inscribed copy of this work.

An Appendix, from the pen of his son Mario (who appears to be following in the footsteps of his illustrious sire) accompanies the larger volume. Incidentally this work is affectionately dedicated to his two sons Mario and Alberto.

Because I am not acquainted with the Italian language, in which this book is printed, I have requested my good friend Monsignor Kaup to write a review for our readers, and which will be found elsewhere in this number.

From the standpoint of a printer the book is representative of the best Italian craftsmanship in the excellence of its typography. The illustrations—both in heliotype and halftone—are all that could be desired for the study of detail. The volume may be had of the Publishers, Società Anonima Stampa Filatelica Italiana, in Milan. Price 45 Lire.



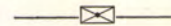
Sieger's Catalog of the Zeppelin Post

We have received a copy of the 8th Edition of H. E. Sieger's Catalog of the Zeppelin Post, which illustrates and prices every stamp and cachet of the ship's cruises up to the close of 1932. Measuring 4x8, there are 72 closely printed pages between stiff board backs, which present the most detailed information on this subject. The Catalog should be in the hands of every collector of Zeppelin covers. Price 2.50 Reichsmark (about 60 cents) plus postage, of the publisher H. E. Sieger Verlag, Lorch, Württemberg, Germany.



Contributors to the Shut-Ins on Christmas

Thanks are due the following Good Fellows, whose generosity made possible a distribution of packets of stamps to all the shut-ins on our mailing-list on Christmas, and, while we do not print the grateful letters received, they may feel assured of having contributed their bit in bringing sunshine to many unfortunates, and of their gratitude. Stamps were received from Mr. Wm. Raymond Wood, Cleburne, Tex., Mr. H. G. Huntley, New London, Conn., The Fairway, Washington, D. C., and several anonymous friends.



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Mr. Nat Horwitz of the Richmond Stamp Club has opened the Rare Modern Book Shop at 213 N. First Street, in Richmond, where he will be glad to welcome book lovers and stamp collectors. Mr. Horwitz will specialize in Bicentennial covers, of which he carries a large and interesting stock. He is likewise prepared to supply all back issues of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST, either in complete volumes or single numbers. Taking an active interest in the Richmond Stamp Club, Nat enjoys the confidence of its membership, and we bespeak for him the patronage of our readers.



Captain Townsend Writes a Timely Stamp Story

We would recommend that Captain Townsend's story "Doctor's Orders," which appears in this number, be placed in the hands of every man who has let this recent depression get the better of him. It is one of the most timely tonics and pep producers administered in a long time.



Another Variety of the 7c. Bicentennial

Mr. John H. Wright of Richmond has shown us a half dozen copies of the 7c. Bicentennial with a small colored dot in the lower stem of the left figure "7." The variety occurs on Plate No. 20563, left upper pane, stamp No. 21.

"An Introduction to Advanced Philately"

This is the title of a handsome volume by Alexander J. Séfi, Editor of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*. In this book—which is a Second Edition, slightly revised and with an added chapter on Photogravure—the author has given Philately—especially the student—its indispensable work-kit. I do not recall reading anything that held a stronger professional appeal. In my Confederate story I ventured to write an outline of the various processes employed in the printing of stamps in the sixties of last century, briefly stating the origin of the crafts and the fundamentals of each method as I had been taught them during my apprenticeship. The "shop terms" and the media of the English today differ somewhat from those employed in this country at the time of my story, but the essentials are practically the same.

No man can presume to call himself a Philatelist until he has mastered the information contained in this book, and no collector should attempt to specialize without this printed kit of tools.

The price of the book is but 18 shillings, plus postage (approximately 25 cents). The edition is limited to 350 numbered copies and 50 *de luxe* (price not stated). Rowley & Rowley, Limited, London, Publishers.

A full review of this remarkable work appears elsewhere in this number.



Britain Bans *The Australian Stamp Monthly*

Our esteemed contemporary from the Antipodes *The Australian Stamp Monthly* is having a run-in with the British authorities. The cover of this attractive and widely read publication shows a grouping of Australian stamps in their natural colors. And now, after fully three years, the authorities in England wake up to the fact that this is an infringement, and threaten the publishers with confiscation of all copies sent to Great Britain! Since the stamps illustrated are exclusively Australian, and inasmuch as the Colonial authorities had found no danger to the postal service in these pictures, we see no just cause for the unwarranted interference. Well, *The Australian Stamp Monthly* will get a lot of good publicity without having to pay for it. Every collector should subscribe to this uncommonly fine publication, which is offered in combination with THE NEW SOUTHERN at \$1.50 the year.



Buy Confederate Bonds!

Signs of a break in the unemployment situation are appearing among the poor munitions manufacturers. We're again showing symptoms of meddler's itch. Prepare for a crop of crash covers.

A Bill on Stamp-Illustrating Before Congress

The Committee on Stamp Illustration, American Philatelic Society, has gone into action—the fight is on.

We are advised by Mr. Mayo Dudley, Chairman of the Committee, that H. R. 14,131 was introduced January 10 by Hon. Andrew J. Montague, of Richmond, former-Governor of Virginia. The Bill reads as follows:

A BILL

To foster American industry, promote education, and facilitate pursuit of the avocation of Philately.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the pictorial representation for philatelic purposes of postage and revenue stamps issued under authority of the United States or any foreign government shall not be unlawful if such pictorial representation is in compliance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Postmaster General. Nothing in this Act or the rules and regulations prescribed hereunder shall be deemed to alter, amend, or repeal the laws relating to the counterfeiting of such stamps.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on the first day of the second month next succeeding the date of its enactment.

Accompanying this Bill is an exhaustive Petition to Congress, setting forth the facts, an analysis, and an argument for liberalization of the restrictions on permissible illustration of postage and revenue stamps. The petition—a sixteen-page pamphlet—takes up every phase of the case, marshalling an imposing array of data in support of its plea for the removal of an archaic law, which should be tied to the tail of the Eighteenth Amendment and share its fate.

Every collector in favor of this movement should write his Congressman and urge him to support this Bill.



Sir Edward Bacon, K.C.V.O.

A singularly beautiful act took place at Buckingham Palace recently when King Edward, after a pleasant conversation with the curator of his stamp collection, Mr. Edward D. Bacon, bade him kneel and, lightly touching his shoulder with a sword, gave him the accolade of knighthood—a fitting reward after twenty years of faithful service. Philately at large enjoys this distinction with Sir Edward—felicitates him, and wishes, in addition to his rare Christmas gift, long life for the Knight and his sovereign.



Thanks! Thanks! Dear Friends

The Editors of THE NEW SOUTHERN express appreciation for the many Christmas and New Year greetings from their friends, among which was a big box of selected oranges from Dr. L. B. Mitchell, of Tampa, Florida.

Death of Mr. W. T. Wilson of Birmingham, England

Through our English contemporaries we learn of the death of Mr. W. T. Wilson, the veteran stamp dealer of Birmingham, England, at the age of 84. Mr. Wilson began as a collector in 1860, and was one of the earliest advocates of advanced philately—the study of design with a view to plating. His published monograph on Mexico remains a monument to his researches and a guide to collectors of that country's stamps. His son, Mr. F. E. Wilson, will continue to carry on the business under the honored old name.



Neglected Presidents

Mr. Joseph W. Jones of Bristol, Tenn. has addressed a letter to the Open Forum in this issue in which he directs attention to the Presidents whose portraits have never appeared on our postage stamps. He appeals to American Philately to start a campaign to the end that belated recognition be accorded our Neglected Presidents.



Then the Stamp Business Will Boom!

A class in John Marshall High School (Richmond) was asked to give a definition of Technocracy.

Martha Ellis said, "I think 'technocracy' is a plan to aid unemployment. Everybody will work four hours a week, and everyone will get an equal income of \$20,000 a year. But, there will be no money."—*The Monocle* (School publication).



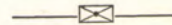
Gossip's Catalog Perpetuates an Old Error

In the Catalog Supplement of the *Weekly Philatelic Gossip* the compiler, describing the New Orleans Confederate Provisional, persists in perpetuating the old error that this stamp is a product of lithography. *It was a woodcut.*



Well, Franklin D. Will Attend to That

"Dame Rumor hath it" that a new set of pictorial stamps was in preparation to succeed the Washington Bicentennials, but owing to the result of the presidential election the work was discontinued.



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Naval Cancellations.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Nearly everyone makes, or should make, New Years Resolutions of some sort. Ye Editore, of this department is no exception and he is resolved to give his kind readers the best and most interesting Naval News possible during his reign—the year 1933! Amen.

Well, by this time (after the past "seige") you should be well on the road to recovery and 'rarin' to go, so yank down old '32 and beg your local manufacturer for twelve more pages of time!

The new Grace Liner S. S. *Santa Paula* will make her maiden voyage about the latter part of January and there are twelve cacheted covers in the offing. For full details and instructions look on page iv of the Pink Section in the December issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST.

The S. S. *President Johnson* sails from New York on February 4th. Suggest sending your covers to Purser, S. S. *President Johnson*, care of James Boring Co., Inc., 642 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. Three more liners sailing this month too! They are the *Belgenland*, *Majestic* and *Georgic*, departing on Feb. 4th, 21st and 15th respectively. Send covers to Purser, (ship), care of White Star Line, Norfolk, Va.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Henry L. Jesperson and Mr. John J. Walsh we list here the itinerary of the U. S. F. *Constitution*—west coast cruise. Sorry this did not get to you in time for departure covers from Washington, D. C.

ARRIVE	LOCATION	LEAVE
	Washington, D. C.	Dec. 7th
Dec. 15th	Guantanamo, Cuba.	Dec. 19th
Dec. 24th	Cristobal, C. Z.	Jan. 15th
Feb. 5th	San Diego, Cal.	Feb. 27th
Feb. 28th	San Pedro.	Mar. 20th
Mar. 22nd	San Francisco.	Apr. 12th
Apr. 12th	Oakland	Apr. 26th
Apr. 26th	Vallejo	May 2nd
May 5th	Astoria, Ore.	May 10th
May 10th	Portland	May 22nd
May 24th	Port Angeles, Wash.	May 29th
May 29th	Seattle	Jun. 12th
Jun. 12th	Tacoma	Jun. 19th
Jun. 20th	Bremerton	July 5th
July 6th	Everett	July 12th
July 12th	Belingham	July 19th
July 22nd	San Francisco.	July 28th
July 30th	San Pedro	Aug. 7th
Aug. 8th	San Diego	Aug. 15th
Sept. 4th	Cristobal, C. Z.	Sept. 11th

Ought to be some interesting cancellations and a few cachets come from this cruise. Anyone hearing of cachets to be applied at any of the above cities please send the news in so we can spread it around.

Mr. Walsh also sent in the following check-list which will no doubt prove interesting as well as valuable to most collectors. You may possibly look for future cancellations from this ship, U. S. S. *Brooks*, on these dates this year.

DATE	SLOGAN	No. of Cvs.
4/ 1/32	"First Day in Comm."	612
4/ 4/32	"First Week in Comm."	
4/ 6/32	"Peary Discovers North Pole"	22
4/ 6/32	"War With Germany 1917"	
4/ 7/32	"Naval Attacks on Ft. Sumter"	30
4/11/32	"Revolution Treaty 1783"	100
4/19/32	"First Shot by U. S. 1917"	
4/22/32	"Perry Returns to N. Y. 1854"	
4/22/32	"Vera Cruz Captured"	
4/24/32	"1st U. S. Troops Sail 1917"	
4/30/32	"Washington's Inauguration"	40
5/ 1/32	"Battle of Manila 1898"	60
5/ 4/32	"Destroyers in Europe 1917"	
5/ 8/32	"Mother's Day"	
	"Little Sweet-Deer Mother"	350
5/13/32	"War With Mexico 1846"	
5/17/32	"NC-4 Reaches Azores 1919"	
5/22/32	"U. S. Ganges Sailed 1798"	25
5/27/32	"Lindbergh's Flight 1927"	30
5/27/32	"NC-4 Reaches Lisbon 1919"	
5/30/32	"Memorial Day"—Phil. Penna.	100
5/31/32	"NC-4 Reaches Plymouth 1919"	
6/ 4/32	"Treaty With Tripoli 1805"	
6/ 4/32	"U. S. S. Fulton Sank 1829"	23
6/13/32	"Formosa Savages Routed '67"	
6/14/32	"Stars and Stripes Forever"	3,000
6/18/32	"War With England 1812"	150
6/26/32	"Bombardment of Vicksburg"	102
6/27/32	"Comdr. Ward Killed 1861"	
6/30/32	"Treaty with Algiers 1815"	
7/ 4/32	"Birth of the Nation 1776"	600
7/ 5/32	"Last Day of 2c. rate"	45
7/ 5/32	"U. S. S. S-51 Floated 1926"	
7/ 6/32	"First Day of 3 cent rate"	48
7/ 7/32	"Hawaii Annexed 1898"	16
7/ 8/32	"Perry Arrives in Japan 1853"	
7/ 9/32	"U. S. Flag over Yerba Ruena"	
7/13/32	"Reprisal Captures Peter"	15
7/15/32	"Farragut Admiral 1866"	
7/22/32	"Pirates Repulsed 1802"	27
7/26/32	"Spain asks for Peace 1898"	47
7/26/32	"First Post Office Day"	130
7/30/32	"Opening Day—Xth Olympiad"	
7/31/32	"2nd Day—Xth Olympiad"	
7/31/32	"Treaty With Tunis 1815"	
7/31/32	"Treaty With France 1801"	30
8/ 1/32	"3rd Day—Xth Olympiad"	
8/ 2/32	"4th Day—Xth Olympiad"	
8/ 3/32	"5th Day—Xth Olympiad"	
8/ 4/32	"6th Day—Xth Olympiad"	
8/ 5/32	"7th Day—Xth Olympiad"	

DATE	SLOGAN	NO. OF CVS.	LETTER	VARIATIONS
8/ 6/32	"8th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		n—Numeral follows ship name (destroyers).	
8/ 7/32	"9th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		p—Whole design larger than normal type.	
8/ 7/32	"Friendship Day".....	20	q—Ship's name between bars of killer.	
8/ 8/32	"10th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		r—Letters placed further apart than normal type.	
8/ 9/32	"11th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		s—Ship's name in letters with serifs.	
8/10/32	"12th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		t—Like normal except ship's name at top of circle.	
8/11/32	"13th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		u—Like normal except ship's name bottom of circle.	
8/12/32	"14th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		v—Word "REGISTERED" added in circle.	
8/12/32	"Peace Treaty With Spain 1898"		w—"M. O. B." added.	
8/13/32	"15th Day—Xth Olympiad".....		x—"PARCEL POST" added.	
8/13/32	"Fall of Manila 1898".....	60	y—Same as normal except no bars "REC'D" added.	
8/14/32	"Xth Olympiad—Closing Day".....		z—Fancy cancellations. Add letters to indicate type.	
8/15/32	"Panama Canal Opened 1914".....	49	PPR—Parcel Post Roller.	
9/ 3/32	"Shenandoah Wrecked 1925".....	15	SL—Straight line cancellation in block letters.	
9/ 6/32	"Battle of the Marne 1914".....		DL—Double line in block letters.	
9/10/32	"Death of Lt. Brooks".....	40	Z—"U. S. Navy" replaces ship's name. Type frequently used during the World War.	
9/17/32	"Constitution Adopted 1787".....	50		
9/19/32	"Unknown Soldier 1931".....	10		
9/22/32	"Nathan Hale Hanged 1776".....	50		
9/25/32	"U. S. S. S-51 Lost 1925".....	100		
9/27/32	"Lancaster Capitol of U. S. '77".....	50		
10/ 1/32	"Major André Hanged 1780".....	135		
10/ 4/32	"Battle of Germantown".....			
10/ 7/32	"Battle of Saratoga".....			
10/ 8/32	"Treaty With Holland".....	87		
10/11/32	"Pulaski Day—1779-1932".....	376		
10/12/32	"Death of R. E. Lee 1870".....	451		
10/12/32	"Discovery of America 1492".....	1,396		
10/17/32	"Burgoyne Surrenders".....			
10/19/32	"Cornwallis Surrenders".....	980		
10/21/32	"Old Ironsides Launched 1797".....	67		
10/27/32	"Navy Day—Roosevelt Day".....	3,500		
10/28/32	"Statue of Liberty 1886".....			
10/28/32	"Battle of White Plains".....			
11/ 1/32	"Stamp Act becomes Law 1765".....			
11/ 3/32	"Harding Born 1865".....	180		
11/ 5/32	"1st U. S. Ship Sunk 1917".....			
11/ 8/32	"Election Day".....	252		
11/11/32	"In Flanders Field 1918".....	400		
11/14/32	"Chas. Carroll Carrolltown".....	100		
11/17/32	"1st Session of Congress".....	136		
11/19/32	"Cruise of Saginaw Gig".....	80		
11/19/32	"Gettysburg Address 1863".....	40		
12/ 1/32	"First Killing for Mutiny".....	10		
12/ 3/32	"1st Fleet Put in Comm. 1775".....			

A very good list to keep for reference. Thanks Mr. Walsh! I have heard that it won't be long now before we have a catalogue listing all major and minor varieties of Naval and Merchant Marine cancellations! Up to now collectors have been listing and checking their cancellations by using key letters. Following is a list of the most commonly used key letters for your convenience. No doubt these will be changed when the catalog comes out but I find it is an easy method of keeping track of my covers.

LETTER	VARIATIONS
a	—Bars of cancel ("killer") removed or missing.
b	—One or more such bars missing.
c	—Any part of circle cut out.
d	—Double line outer circle.
e	—With year date inside circle and smaller grid.
f	—"BR. New York, N. Y." added inside circle.
g	—Numeral in grid.
h	—Whole design heavier lines than normal type.
i	—Whole design in lighter lines.
k	—Heavier circle with dashes missing.
m	—Whole design smaller than type.

Later we will discuss the various types of cancellations.

Let's we forget—put this ship down with your February sailings. *S. S. General Lee* sails from Portland on the 8th. Send to the Manager of Far East Services, States Steamship Co., Porter Building, Portland, Ore.

Mr. Walsh also favors us with the following information:

The following ships leave Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2nd to arrive at San Diego, Jan. 21st—*Dickerson, Schenck, Leary, Herbert* and *Babbitt*. Ships leaving San Diego Jan. 9th and arrive at Norfolk Jan. 29th, are *Manley* and *Hamilton*.

The following leave San Pedro, Jan. 23rd and arrive at Hawaii, Jan. 30th and leave Feb. 5th—*Northampton, Pensacola, Chester, Augusta, Chicago, Salt Lake City, Louisville, Lexington, Dallas and Dahlgren*. These ships combine Destroyers Division No. 1, No. 3 and No. 8 (less *U. S. S. Brooks*).

U. S. S. *Portland* at Fall River, Mass., due for commissioning June 20, 1933.

January 15th probable "shakedown" of *U. S. S. Indianapolis*?????

Just to be sure you have plenty to do this month—here are some more vessels to pursue: All stationed at New York, N. Y. Address there. *U. S. S. Upshur, Yarnall, Tarbell, Tattnell, Hopkins, Dobbin, Badger, Babbitt, Jacob Jones, Twigg, Herbert, Leary, Childs, Barry, Williamson, Gilmer, Falcon, Grebe, Chewink, Mallard, Chaumont, Asheville, Sacramento, Fulton, Gold Star, Hannibal, Henderson, Kittery, Lambertson, Nitro, Nokomis, Patoka, Penguin, Ramapo, Salinas, Sirius, Sapelo, Utah, Vega, Woodcock, Antares, Bridge, Vestal, Brazos, Contocook, Rail, Bobolink, Robin and Vireo*. Let's go!

Cooperators: John J. Walsh, Henry L. Jasperson, C. Edward Ceder, B. S. Walton—Thanks!

Covers received: *U. S. S. John J. Ford*, Manila, P. I.—*U. S. S. Oahu*, Ichang Hupeh, China—*U. S. S. Pecos*, Manila, P. I.—*U. S. S. Tulsa*, Nanking, China. Grace Line applied neat circular cachet commemorating Maiden Voyage of *S. S. Santa Rosa*, Dec. 20, 1932. Cachet in green on covers mailed from various ports of call.

News item—Rep. McClintic of Oklahoma introduces a bill in Congress calling for decommissioning of all the fifteen battleships in the American fleet and describing them as obsolete "floating graveyards." Thirty-nine naval vessels, including three battleships, two heavy cruisers, two light cruisers, twenty-one destroyers and eleven submarines, will be placed in "reduced commission" (operating without a large part of their crews) in the Navy's "rotating reserve plan" so as to make available personnel for manning seven new war-ships to be completed by July 1st next. No additional personnel is permitted under the reduced budget. Interesting, eh!

Not altogether Naval—but interesting just the same—the following bits of articles were picked up here and there. Your comments—please!

Did you know that, the Island of St. Kilda, probably one of the loneliest of the British possessions, has no postoffice of its own and no means of purchasing stamps—yet their mail is delivered to foreign countries—sometimes! The Islanders use the ocean as their mailman and a tin can fastened to a bouy acts as a mail box. All the Island's mail is placed in this box bearing the inscription "St. Kilda Island—Mail—Please Open" and then thrown into the ocean. Old Neptune does the rest and the box usually lands somewhere in the Shetland Islands where its contents are forwarded to their proper destinations. Sometimes it takes as long as three months for the can to arrive and many times it is washed up on some uninhabited island. We all would like to possess one of these covers—eh?

Any of you who would like to try your luck on a couple of Yugoslavian Seaposts—here you are!

Jugoslavia has a well established seapost whose cancellations have, up to now, been little known and have never been described. There are two steamship companies: The *Jadranska Plovidba* (Adria-

tic Steam Co.), in Susak, the Yugoslavian part of the port of Fiume, and the *Dubrovačka Parobrodská Plovidka* (Ragusean Packet Steam Co.), in Inbrovnik (Italian Raguso.) The Steamers *Kasova* and *Split* cover the line Trieste-Split-Metkovich. The postal business is looked after by the second officer. He carries a cancellation with the ship name. Mail goes from Susak to Senj; line No. 351; to the Islands of Rab-Olib; Line No. 353; to the Island of Pag, line No. 354; to Obrovac; line No. 355; to the Island Rab (Italian Arbe); line No. 356. There is a postal clerk on board these ships who looks after all postal matters. He carries a cancellation giving name of the route in line number, for instance—Susak-Pag 354, and on the return trip—Pag-Susak 354. Lines number 354 and 356 have the inscription on the cancellation in both Latin and Cyrillian letters, the others in Latin letters only.

Three steamship lines run from Split (Italian Spalato), the city of the palace of the Emperor Diocletian; to Metkovich, Kotor (Italian Cattaro), and Bar (Italian Antivari). Postal business is attended to by regular postal clerks who also accept registered mail. The cancellation is a double circle in the upper part of which a steamer is reproduced and in the lower part is the line number, at left the route in Latin and at right in Cyrillian letters.

There are the following cancellations: Split-Metkovich Nos 308a, 308b, 309, 310a. Metkovich-Split. Split-Kotor. Nos. 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 319. Kotor-Split. Split-Bar N. 318. Bar-Split.

The cancellation stamp is taken by the postal officials on various steamers so that, for instance, on the steamer *Solona* letters have various numbers. On the line Kotor-Split and return only, there are also the steamers of the *Dubrovačka Plovidba*, all other lines are covered only by steamers of *Jadranska Plovidba*. A paquebot cancellation is also used in Split. This bears the inscription *Predano Na Parobrodu* (deliver on the steamer) *Paquebot*.—*Kammergerichtsrat Dahmann*, Berlin W. 57, *Elssholzst.* 2.

An article in *S. C. M.* printed a few years ago, and accidentally run across, caught my eye and proves very interesting. It was written by Dr. Francis E. Lacy and is titled "The U. S. Naval Lyceum Postmark."

Probably one of the earliest U. S. Naval postmarks is that which was applied to

mail forwarded through the U. S. Naval Lyceum in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. The Naval Lyceum was a library and gathering place for officers of the Navy during the middle period of the 19th century. The librarian of the Lyceum received mail addressed to officers of the fleet, and forwarded this mail to the various ships wherever they might be.

The writer has a folded cover mailed on May 13, 1844, in New York, addressed to "Past Midshipman Robert Townsend, U. S. Ship *Raritan*, Rio Janiero, South America, care of the Naval Lyceum, Brooklyn." On the face of the cover is "Paid" and "New York, May 13, in red, with a manuscript "6." "Care of the Naval Lyceum" has been crossed out in heavy black ink. On the reverse side of the cover is found the postmark illustrated in black ink.



Postmark of U. S. Naval Lyceum, 1844.

That the Naval Lyceum at Brooklyn did collect and forward mail sent in its care is attested to by Hammersley's Encyclopedia, 1881. The payment of only the local rate of six (6c.) cents indicates that mail was forwarded via U. S. Naval Vessels or that the Government forwarded this mail free. It is well known that mail from Naval Officers was carried free through the mails at this time and it is quite possible that mail addressed to them would be forwarded free from such a dispatching point as the Naval Lyceum.

The latest news at hand comes from my good friend Mr. Walsh. He writes the following: *U. S. S. Indianapolis* leaves Philadelphia Jan. 10th, refuels at Hampton Roads, Va. and proceeds to Guantanamo, Cuba. *U. S. S. Babbitt* joins the *Indianapolis* by Feb. 18th and both proceed on Feb. 23rd to Panama. On March 6th, *Babbitt* and *Indianapolis* proceed to sea off coast of Chile. The operations there will include the fueling of the *Babbitt* at sea. On April 1st both vessels will return.

Jan. 9th, *U. S. S. Manley, Brooks* and *Hamilton* leave San Diego for Norfolk to arrive Jan. 29th.

Reservist Cruise of the *U. S. S. Wyoming*:

Jan. 3-6 en route to and at Hampton Roads.

Jan. 7-Feb. 15 en route to Guantanamo.

Feb. 16-28 en route to Gulf Port, Miss.

Feb. 28-Mar. 7 en route to New York.

Cruiser CA-39 building at Quincy, Mass., has been named the *U. S. S. Quincy*. Many thanks Mr. Walsh!



Awards in Cleburne Stamp Club Exhibit

Raymond Wood and Pat Daniels were the heaviest winners in the Cleburne Philatelic Society stamp show held Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, according to announcement today by the judge, Carl Collins.

The display of stamps was in the building adjoining the Pastry Shop on the east side of the square.

Wood won seven first places and Daniels two firsts and a second. James Layland, Victor and Vergil Robertson, Pat Baxter and James Wright also won ribbons.

Awards were furnished by the organization sponsor, Harold V. Ratliff.

Results of the judging were: specialized U. S. stamps—Raymond Wood, first; Pat Daniels, second; James Layland, third. General foreign—Daniels, first; Layland, second; Victor and Vergil Robertson, third. Specialized foreign—Daniels, first; Vistor and Vergil Robertson, second; Pat Baxter, third. Covers—Wood, first. Precancels—Wood, first; Baxter, second.

Postal cards—Wood, first. Envelopes—Wood first. Revenues—Wood, first; Layland, second; James Wright, third. Airmail—Wood, first; Wright, second.—*Cleburne (Texas) Times-Review*.



Littlecote Galleries, Inc., in New Location

The Littlecote Galleries, Inc., Utica, N. Y., announce their new location at 34 Bank Place. This concern caters to the art lover, hobbyist and stamp collector.

Thomas Jefferson, Third President

BY HARRY M. KONWISER

Autograph Collectors as Stampless Cover Collectors, featuring the President of the United States, begin the Jefferson Cabinet with a Jefferson letter, or a Jefferson Franked Cover. Neither are what might be termed "scarce" but as the demand for Presidential material is quite strong, at all times, Jefferson letters or Jefferson franked covers are not common and bring fair prices.

The first item sought by a collector of Stampless Covers of this group is a franked cover showing the use of Jefferson's name for franking purposes. As President, Thomas Jefferson employed the term: "Free Th. Jefferson, Pr. U. S." (on a cover, addressed by the famous Virginian, addressed to Philadelphia, owned by the writer) and a few Jefferson letters seen by this writer have carried the word "free" as also the name of this official franking the letter and his title—a requirement of the law on "free" mail.

Aaron Burr, Vice-President from March 4, 1801, to March 3, 1805, in Jefferson's First Administration, naturally comes to mind, to collectors of Jeffersonian material, and as this New York statesman was a member of the Senate for six years, and was an important statesman of the day, until his unfortunate duel with Hamilton, Burr letters (franked or otherwise) are available.

John Marshall, Chief Justice of the United States, acted as Secretary of State for one day (March 4, 1801) and if any Stampless Cover collector has a Marshall of that date he (or she) has something of his time interest, provided the letter is of an official nature.

James Madison became Secretary of State under Jefferson, succeeding Jefferson, as President, in 1809.

The first Washington Postmark was the type, predominant in the first Jefferson administration, was the term "WASHN. CITY" in circle, together with the month and the day. This style ("N."), as shown, is known in several types, and during the Second Jefferson Administration the word-

ing, in the circular form, became "WASHINGTON . CITY" with a period between "WASHINGTON" and "CITY". The "WASHN. CITY" type, however, is also known for 1810 and 1815 and in larger size in the 1820-1830 period.

All of the dates given in this Presidential resumé are from "The Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1927" as previously explained in this periodical, and are naturally presumed to be correct in every detail.

FOURTH ADMINISTRATION

First Jefferson Administration

March 4, 1801, to March 3, 1805

President of the United States—Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia.

Vice-President of the United States—Aaron Burr, of New York.

Secretary of State—John Marshall, of Virginia (Chief Justice of the United States), one day, March 4, 1801. Levi Lincoln, of Massachusetts (Attorney General), *ad interim*, March 5, 1801. James Madison, of Virginia, March 5, 1801; entered upon duties May 2, 1801.

Secretary of the Treasury—Samuel Dexter, of Massachusetts, continued from preceding administration to May 6, 1801. Albert Gallatin, of Pennsylvania, May 14, 1801.

Secretary of War—Henry Dearborn, of Massachusetts, March 5, 1801.

Attorney-General—Levi Lincoln, of Massachusetts, March 5, 1801, to December 31, 1804.

Postmaster General—Joseph Habersham, of Georgia, continued from the preceding administration. Gideon Granger, of Connecticut, November 28, 1801.

Secretary of the Navy—Benjamin Stoddard, of Maryland, continued from the preceding administration. Henry Dearborn, of Massachusetts (Secretary of War) *ad interim*, April 1, 1801. Robert Smith, of Maryland, July 15, 1801; entered upon his duties July 27, 1801.

While the Attorney General is listed here, this office did not become a Cabinet office until 1814.

Georgetown was in the District of Columbia, in the Jefferson Administration, and postmarks read: "GEORGET. COL" with month and day—in red, as the usual Washington Postmarks.

SECOND ADMINISTRATION

March 4, 1805, to March 3, 1809

President of the United States—Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia.

Vice-President of the United States—George Clinton, of New York.

Secretary of State—James Madison, of Virginia.

Secretary of the Treasury—Albert Gallatin, of Pennsylvania.

Secretary of War—Henry Dearborn, continued. John Smith (Chief Clerk), *ad interim*, February 17, 1809.

Attorney General—John Breckenridge, of Kentucky, August 7, 1805 (died December 14, 1806). Caesar A. Rodney, of Delaware, January 20, 1807.

Postmaster General—Gideon Granger, of Connecticut, continued.

Secretary of the Navy—Robert Smith, of Maryland, continued.

None of the Jeffersonians are scarce—to serious collectors of franked items, but naturally some of the less-famous of the Cabinet are harder to locate. Fortunately our early statesmen were letter writers and many letters of this period are to be had.

The writer has a letter written by Dolly Madison, to her brother, John G. Jackson, dated January 12, 1809, hand-stamped "FREE" and carried by the franking signature, reading: "Dept. of War James Madison." Obviously a violation of the law, as the letter is quite personal relating the troubles of her sister Polly's child.



Naval Cancellations Please

I had intended to discontinue my subscription but the last two issues with the "Naval Cancellations" column has "inspired" me to subscribe again. The November "Naval" column was certainly interesting with many good "tips." May the column grow and improve with age.—
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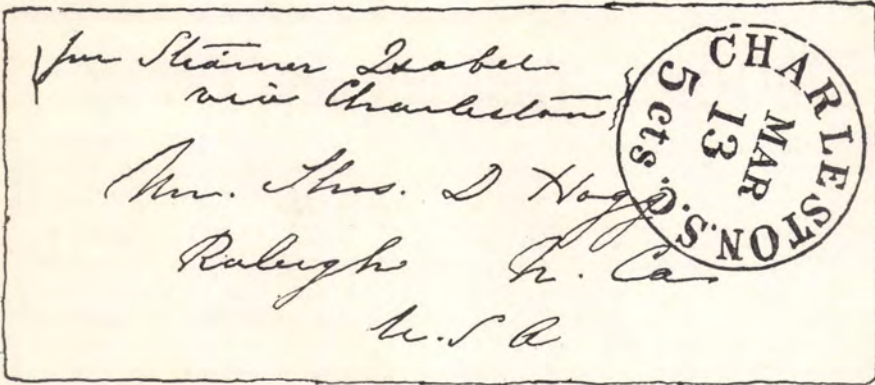
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United States, Confederate or Blockade Runner?

The above illustration shows an interesting cover submitted by Mr. H. H. Johnson of Fort Worth, Texas, for identification. Is it a United States piece, a Confederate, or a foreign letter sent to Raleigh during the war? Unfortunately there is no letter to disclose a date. The handstamped "5 cts" in canceller represents a type as yet unlisted in our Confederate Catalog, and the marking is in a bright blue color on white envelope.

If this is a pre-war cover, when the letter-rate was 5 cents, and posted in Charleston (in "U. S. A."), why "per steamer" to a city in the interior of North Carolina, and why add "U. S. A." to the address?

If it is a Confederate handstamped

cover of the stampless period, again why "per steamer" and the direction: "U.S.A."?

There remains the possibility of its being a foreign letter, in which case it belongs into the war period and should be catalogued with Confederates, for it bears no foreign postage stamp. Let us assume the writer to be in England. Time, the beginning of the war. The letter is entrusted to the captain of the "Isabel" and his directions are to post it at Charleston. The writer evidently did not yet know the official title of the Southern Confederacy, and either cautiously or carelessly addressed it "U. S. A.," thereby giving us something to puzzle over at this late day.

What is your answer?



Third Spelling of Halifax



Mr. R. J. Reid of Chatham, Va., submits a cover showing a third spelling of Halifax in the canceller. We now record Hallifax, Halafax and Halifax. If any more variations occur we'll be in a Hellofax.

More South American Air Lines

Our correspondent in Buenos Aires, Mr. A. H. Davis, writes as follows:

The Pan-American Airways announces the construction of two new types of giant aeroplanes designed for passenger and freight service over any of the ocean trade routes of the world. Although the specifications of these machines, which Colonel Lindbergh helped to design, are not revealed, the company states that they will be larger than any now in commercial service, and will be able to cover an ocean distance of 2,500 miles, and to carry fifty passengers and express loads on the routes now operated by the Pan-American.

BOOKS—Philatelic and Others

Believing the majority of stamp collectors are inclined to literary pursuits and appreciate Good Books, we are pleased to announce the following list:

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President Covers Come Into Demand

BY HARRY M. KONWISER

Presidential covers are the latest thing in philatelic enthusiasms.

Burton G. Cowles, superintendent of the Division of Deed Letters of the Post Office Department and one of the most eminent authorities on stamps and stamp collecting in Washington, said: "The collection of presidential covers is becoming very popular, particularly with the younger generation of postage stamp and cover collectors, and the fortunate feature of this class of covers is that a start may be made at any time and continued until the set is complete. The stamp collecting hobby has been and is of inestimable value in teaching geography. So, too, will be the collecting of President covers in teaching United States history."

Briefly outlined, as Mr. Cowles explains it, the game amounts to a deliberate effort to secure interesting covers from places and on dates connected with the life of each of the 31 Presidents. For example: George Washington was inaugurated as first President at New York City on April 30, 1789. To represent that incident in his career, the collector would want a cover with a stamp showing a portrait of Washington postmarked at New York on an anniversary of the first inaugural ceremony, April 30. Again: Andrew Jackson won the battle of New Orleans, January 8, 1815. To commemorate that event in the life of Old Hickory, the collector would desire a cover with a stamp depicting Jackson postmarked at New Orleans on, say, January 8, 1933. Obviously, there is no limit to the possibilities, direct and indirect, of such a philatelic sideline.

BIRTHDAY LIST

Mr. Cowles has worked out a President birthday list for the convenience of cover collectors, as follows:

George Washington, born at Wakefield, Va., February 22. Send covers postmaster at Washington's Birthplace, Va.

John Adams, Quincy, Mass., October 30. Covers to Quincy, Mass.

Thomas Jefferson, Shadwell, Va., April 13. Covers to Shadwell, Va.

James Madison, Post Conway, Va., March 16. Covers to Madison, Va.

James Monroe, Westmoreland Co., Va., April 28. Covers to Monroe, Va.

John Quincy Adams, Quincy, Mass., July 11. Covers to Quincy, Mass.

Andrew Jackson, Monroe, N. C., March 15. Covers to Monroe, N. C.

Martin Van Buren, Kinderhook, N. Y., December 5. Covers to Kinderhook, N. Y.

William Henry Harrison, Berkeley Station, Va., February 9. Covers to Norfolk, Va.

John Tyler, Buffalo Station, Va., March 29. Covers to Greenway, Va.

James K. Polk, Mecklenburg County, N. C., November 2. Covers to Charlotte, N. C.

Zachary Taylor, Orange County, Va., November 24. Covers to Orange, Va.

Millard Fillmore, Locke, N. Y., January 7. Covers to Fillmore, N. Y.

Franklin Pierce, Hillsboro, N. H., November 23. Covers to Hillsboro, N. H.

James Buchanan, Mercersburg, Pa., April 23. Covers to Mercersburg, Pa.

LINCOLN COVERS

Abraham Lincoln, Larue County, Ky., February 12. Covers to Lincoln, Ky.

Andrew Johnson, Raleigh, N. C., December 29. Covers to Raleigh, N. C.

Ulysses S. Grant, Point Pleasant, Ohio, April 27. Covers to Point Pleasant, Ohio.

Rutherford B. Hayes, Delaware, Ohio, October 4. Covers to Delaware, Ohio.

James A. Garfield, Orange, Ohio, November 19. Covers to Garfield, Ohio.

Benjamin Harrison, North Bend, Ohio, August 20. Covers to North Bend, Ohio.

Chester A. Arthur, Fairfield, Vt., October 5. Covers to Fairfield, Vt.

Grover Cleveland, Caldwell, N. J., March 18. Covers to Caldwell, N. J.

William McKinley, Niles, Ohio, January 29. Covers to Niles, Ohio.

Theodore Roosevelt, New York City, October 27. Covers to New York City.

William Howard Taft, Cincinnati, Ohio, September 8. Covers to Cincinnati, Ohio.

Woodrow Wilson, Staunton, Va., December 28. Covers to Staunton, Va.

Warren G. Harding, Corsica, Ohio, November 2. Covers to Marion, Ohio.

Calvin Coolidge, Plymouth, Vt., July 4. Covers to Plymouth, Vt.

Herbert C. Hoover, West Branch, Iowa, August 10. Covers to West Branch, Iowa.—*Washington Evening Star*, Jan. 5, 1932.



E. D. Bacon Knighted, Philatelists Hear

Honorary Member of Collectors' Club in This City Honored as King's Stamp Curator.

News has just been received by the Collectors' Club that the order of Knighthood was bestowed during the Christmas holiday by King George V of England upon Edward Denny Bacon, who has been curator of the King's philatelic collection for twenty years. The award bestowed the title of Knight Commander of the Victorian Order upon Mr. Bacon. Sir Edward is one of the few honorary members of the Collectors' Club, and in Europe he has been recognized for more than a generation as one of the leading philatelic students in the world. For six years he was president of the Royal Philatelic Society of London and he had charge of the arrangement of the valuable Tapley collection of postage stamps now housed in the British Museum.

Sir Edward has written extensively on philatelic topics, one of his best known monographs dealing with the line-engraved stamps of Great Britain.—*New York Times*.



Keller & Gluck Dissolve Partnership

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Here's the starting of a new year, and though the depression still seems to be on, the outlook is most encouraging for a grand array of air mail and general cacheted covers during the coming months.

On February 12 a cachet will be sponsored at Utica, N. Y., in honor of Abraham Lincoln. Covers to Clifford Wells, Jr., 1506 Neilson St., Utica, N. Y.

The Suburban Stamp Club of Boston will sponsor Lincoln, Washington and Exhibition cachets on February 6, 12, 22 and 26. Charge per cover will be 5c.—no profit is asked and this charge will simply cover the 3c. postage, envelope and cachet. State dates desired. Write F. O. Ohlund, 434 Norfolk, St., Mattapan, Mass.

Our readers will be interested to know that radio's crooner and our West coast reporter, Myron F. McCamley, has recently changed his address to 5526 North Delaware Ave., Portland, Oregon.

The Cleveland Stamp Club in celebration of their Fifth Annual Banquet and St. Valentine's Day will sponsor a cachet on February 14. Send covers to Jack Schildhouse, 1135 Superior Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

The Grace Steamship Lines announce cachets on covers for the maiden voyages of their two new ships, the "Santa Lucia" and "Santa Elena." The closing date for covers for the "Lucia" will be February 28. Send covers stamped, addressed to yourself, for four U. S. ports and send eight covers with 38c. for the eight foreign ports this ship will touch. Don't forget to add "U. S. A." to your address on the foreign covers. The former cachets issued by this company on covers are certainly attractive and it is gratifying to know that other opportunities are offered collectors by the Grace Lines. Send covers and remittance to: Cachet Director, Grace

Line, 2 Pine St., San Francisco, California.

Readers of this column will be interested in the cachet catalog which will be announced shortly by Edwin H. Brennecke, 422 N. LeClaire Ave., Chicago, Ill. Mr. Brennecke is doing a remarkable piece of work in his forthcoming volume. It will be loose-leaf, well bound, profusely illustrated and priced. Hundreds of covers that are not now listed in other catalogs will be found in the "American Catalog" to be published by this collector. For further information write Mr. Brennecke.

The Daytona Beach Stamp Club will sponsor a cachet for the International Speed Trials February 10 through 15, at which time Sir Malcolm Campbell will race his new super-speed car. Covers to Harry Mason, Care Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce, Daytona Beach, Florida.

The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a colored cachet during the visit of "Old Ironsides" about February 28. Only one cover from each collector will be cancelled on board ship, however as many covers as you wish will be given the cachet and returned. Send, not later than February 25, to Chamber of Commerce, San Pedro, California.

Julius B. Bock, Eisenbahnstrasse 4, Berlin-Halensee, Germany, writes that the Austrian Sailflight of motorless fliers carried mail from Vienna to Semmering, Austria, on January 15, and as the event was too late for American collectors to get covers he offers cards at 35c. each, plus 5c. postage.

Harry Lepman, 5338 Grant St., N. E., Washington, D. C., is receiving covers for an attractive cachet on March 4, when Franklin D. Roosevelt will be inaugurated as President. All covers must be sealed and stuffed and carry the correct amount of postage.

Robert L. Cook, P. O. Box 795, Asbury Park, N. J., is receiving covers for a cachet to be applied on February 18 on the 201st Anniversary of the birth of Washington and the 84th Anniversary of the Township. Send your cover immediately for this event. A very elaborate and artistic cachet is planned and prominent artists will work on the designs.

Lowrey Stulb, Augusta, Ga., remembers the editor of this column with an attractive Christmas souvenir. Many thanks.

Our old friend, L. E. Oberholtz, Kansas City, Mo., is giving the Order of DeMolay a real stamp column in the "DeMolay Cordon." Oberholtz is doing a great work in this connection and should have the encouragement of all. His address is 935 W. 33rd Terrace.

If you like THE NEW SOUTHERN please tell your friends about it. If you would like to help us send for some subscription blanks. They will be mailed you immediately. Use them in your correspondence.

The "Stamp Tongs of Astoria" (club) will sponsor a cachet on February 8 commemorating the 23rd Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. Send covers to Arthur Lutz, 2275 35th St., Long Island City, N. Y.

Miss Elizabeth Hayes, Secretary of the Wythe House, Williamsburg, Va., informs us that the following covers cacheted during the Wythe House celebration were returned "unclaimed":

Mr. Benjamin T. Bagley, General Delivery, Miami, Fla.

Mr. E. E. Worth, 37 W. 58th St., New York City.

Miss Mae Israel, 1201 Myra Ave., Hollywood, Calif.

Miss Mary Beth Blayney, 3215 North Ave., (No city or state).

If the above parties will send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Miss Hayes she will gladly forward the covers.

Joseph Barkman, East Tawas, Mich., sends a copy of an interesting letter from the First Assistant Postmaster regarding 4th Class Post Offices not cancelling mail on Sunday. The letter was in response to Mr. Barkman's inquiry regarding a lot of covers he had anticipated mailing from Lincoln, Mich. on February 12. Lincoln's birthday. Collectors should bear this in mind when sending covers to a 4th class Post Office for Sunday cancellations. Many thanks, Mr. Barkman—that's co-operation.

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partment and the Post Office Department, and suggest that the "Akron" carry some more collectors' mail.

Covers received: I am indebted to Herr H. R. Stoeckle, Montivedeo, Uruguay, for a set of the latest Uruguyan airmails. Dec. 31, Cranford, N. J., excellent cancellation and cachet on Bicentennial event. Jan. 1, Niles, Ohio, Post Office dedication. Dec. 20, covers with the new Philippine stamps. Jan. 21, Salem, N. J., P. O. dedication. The Grace Line covers—an excellent set. Jan. 9, Philadelphia, Pa., First U. S. Balloon Ascension. Jan. 10, Last Day for U. S. Light Target. Jan. 7, Canal Zone, U. S. Frigate Constitution, Jan. 2, Albany, N. Y., inauguration H. H. Lehman, Governor. Dec. 31, Bethlehem, Pa., Last Day Washington Bicentennial. Same for Valley Forge, Pa. Same for Collinsville, Ill., Washington, N. J., and Morristown, N. J. Also Darien, Conn. with a striking purple cachet.

Jan. 13, Augusta, Ga., opening of new golf course. Dec. 25, U. S. S. Trenton, and same from "U. S. S. Maryland," and Hollybush, Ky., and Merry Oaks, N. C. Fine Christmas cachets and greetings on each. Nov. 11, Albany, N. Y., unveiling Houdon Statue of Washington. Dec. 4, Plainfield, N. J., Bicentennial dedication.

Dec. 12, Franklin, Pa., commemorating Fort LeBoeuf.

Coöperators, and many, many thanks to each for the attractive covers and abundant news items sent me during the past month: ***Ernest H. Oesch, ***A. R. O'Roark, **William D. Hennessy, Jr., **Fred Sanders, Don Dickason, Joseph Barkman, Arthur Lutz, *Lowrey Stulb, Robt. L. Cook, Harry Lepman, ***W. C. Crosby, *Julius B. Bock, L. C. Mott, *R. S. Nelson, ****J. W. Stoutzenberg, *Mt. Holly Stamp Co., *J. B. Mahool, **Meadville Chamber of Commerce, *Charles E. Seal, **Karl Dietz, **I Fallek, **Dr. S. E. Hutnick, *B. R. McIntyre, *Floyd S. Leach, ***L. E. Knight, ***Charles E. Seal, *Canal Zone Stamp Co., **Louis A. Walton, *Clarence Ingersoll, L. C. Mott, Harry Mason, Frank Howe, Jack Schilhouse, M. F. McCamley, C. Wells, F. O. Ohlund. Not many editors can boast of such coöperation from readers.

D. H. Jacobs, 108 North 24th St., San Jose, California, will apply cachet on February 22 for Washington's Birthday. Mr. Jacobs will also hold your covers for cacheting when the new Post Office is completed about two months hence. Send covers for both events as soon as possible.



Zachary Taylor Stamp Is Urged

ORANGE, Jan. 20.—United States Senators Claude A. Swanson and Carter Glass have been approached by the Orange chamber of commerce, urging that the United States Post Office Department issue next year a commemorative stamp honoring the 150th birthday of Zachary Taylor, native of Orange county, hero of the Mexican War and afterwards President of the United States. Taylor was born November 24, 1784, his birthplace in Orange county is marked with a stone.

The suggestion was first brought to the attention of the local chamber of commerce by Maxie Perry, son of the present mayor of Orange; Dr. F. B. Perry, and J. Malcolm McIntosh, assistant postmaster.

The chamber of commerce was much impressed with the favorable publicity, which would result to Orange should the special stamp be issued, and immediately endorsed the suggestion. Thus the appeal to Senators Swanson and Glass.—*Richmond News-Leader.*

Stop Press News

On February 25, the Chamber of Commerce of St. Petersburg, Fla., will sponsor another attractive cachet commemorating the Tenth Anniversary of the local stamp club and also the Third Annual Exhibition of stamps and covers: Send covers sealed and ready to go to Chamber of Commerce.

The Crescent City Stamp Club of New Orleans, La., will sponsor a cachet on February 28 for the Mardi Gras and covers should be sent Emil A. Thurman, 1366 Laharpe St., New Orleans, La.

Julius B. Bock, Eisenbahnstrasse 4, Berlin-Halensee, Germany, will gladly handle covers at 25c. each for the 20th International Agriculture Exposition to be held in Brussels, Belgium, from February 26 to March 5.

The Empire State Philatelic Association is sponsoring a special cachet for the Presidential Inauguration of Franklin D. Roosevelt, March 4, 1933. This cachet will be printed on the envelopes in colors, and will also bear a portrait of Mr. Roosevelt. Mr. Roosevelt is a charter member of this Association. The covers will be postmarked from Washington, D. C. Send covers (air or regular) open and empty to Mr. N. L. Van Wey, Secretary, Dunkirk, New York.



Chance to Get Stamps of India

Mr. Ram Krishna Lahiri, 5/6 Raja Rajballuv Street, Calcutta, India, a deaf and dumb student of the Calcutta Commercial Institute, writes that he has been granted permission to gather used Indian stamps in the government offices, which he will sell to dealers and collectors at from 5 to 10 cents per 100. Samples submitted are good condition stamps on parts cover. Letters should be registered on account of disturbed conditions in India.



Kellermann's Hungarian Catalog

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Postage Meter collectors will also be happy to learn that they now have a little magazine of their own, containing only matter pertaining to meters. *The Postage Meter* is being published under the auspices of the International Postal Marking Society and is the official organ of the Postage Meter Unit, being at the same time one of the supplements to *Postal Markings*, the parent organ of the society. Both papers are given with a membership in the society, the annual dues being \$2.00. As a subscription alone *The Postage Meter* is 50c and *Postal Markings* \$1.00 per annum. Sample copies are 10c each.

All future additions to the catalogue will be listed in *The Postage Meter* and, aside from articles of interest on meters, it is planned to begin a Type F checklist as well as a study of foreign meters. Important features will be illustrated.

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Finds Magazine Interesting

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the copy of THE NEW SOUTHERN that was sent to me. I am just a beginner in stamp and coin collecting and I found your magazine very interesting.

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The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Austria.—Another set of four Charity stamps will be issued this month in connection with the sports meeting at Innsbruck. There will be four denominations: 12, 24, 30 and 50 groschen, and the stamps will be sold at double their face value. The meeting will be held from February 9th to the 13th by the Federation Internationale de Ski. The recently issued Charity stamps with portraits of various painters were withdrawn from sale on December 31st.



Brazil.—*Boletim da Sociedade Philatelica Paulista* of Sao Paulo, illustrates the set of stamps issued by the Paulista Revolutionary Government, and lists the following values and quantities printed:

100 Reils, brown-orange	1,000,000
200 Reils, carmine	2,500,000
300 Reils, bottle green	500,000
400 Reils, blue	500,000
500 Reils, sepia	500,000
600 Reils, rose	500,000
700 Reils, violet	500,000
1,000 Reils, orange	500,000
2,000 Reils, maroon	100,000
5,000 Reils, green	100,000
10,000 Reils, claret	100,000

Our correspondent in Rio de Janeiro, Senhor Bernardino Souza submitted several values of this attractive set.

Cayman Islands.—A complete new set of stamps has been issued to commemorate the Cen-

tenary of the founding of the Cayman Islands. The design shows vignettes of King George and King William IV., which are separated by palm trees and turtles, the latter being one of the chief industries of the Island. In the top left and right corners are the dates "1832" and "1932." The stamps are beautifully executed, being produced from copper plates. The set consists of ¼, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, and 6d.; 1, 2, 5 and 10sh.

China.—Three more denominations of the Martyr set have come to hand, ½c. sepia, 13c. green and 17c. olive. A complete new set of Air Mail stamps has also been issued, showing an aeroplane in flight over the Great Wall of China, 15c. green, 30c. red, 45c. puce, 60c. dark blue, 90c. olive.



Costa Rica.—We illustrate the type of the set recently issued on the occasion of the Philatelic Exhibition. The values are 3c. orange, 5c. green, 10c. rose, 20c. blue.

Dutch Indies.—The Charity stamps issued for this Dutch Colony this year are to benefit the Salvation Army.

Egypt.—We have received a number of envelopes franked with the special postal seal for the use of the British Forces in Egypt. It is oblong in shape and printed in red and black, at the left is a badge of the Navy, Army and Air Force Institute, and at the right inscribed in blue are the words "British Forces in Egypt Postal Seal 1 piastre." The seal is affixed to the back of the envelope and on the front is a special circular postmark surmounted by a Crown and inscribed with the words "Egypt" at the top and "Post Paid" at the bottom. Each cover we have seen shows a different numeral in the center of this postmark.

Falkland Islands.—A beautiful pictorial set of twelve values has appeared for this far southern Colony in commemoration of the centenary of the Islands.

Gibraltar.—The 6d. and 1/- stamps have arrived in new shades.

Liechtenstein.—The 25, 90 rappen and 1fr.20r. postage stamps have been issued in reduced size and the 25 rappen and 1fr.20r. have been overprinted "Regierung Dienstsache" for official use. Three new Charity stamps have also been issued, 10 rappen, Arms of Liechtenstein; 20 rappen, portrait of Her Highness the Princess, flanked on either side by girls in native dress; 30 rappen, portrait of His Highness the Prince, flanked on either side by Boy Scouts. These stamps are of a similar nature to the Child Welfare stamps of Switzerland, they are inscribed "Für die Jugend," meaning "For the Children," and they are sold at a surtax, which goes to the Child Welfare Fund.



Netherlands.—We have received from Mr. P. den Outer of Rotterdam the 1933 set of Child Welfare stamps. They are designed along the lines of last year's issue.

New Zealand.—Profiting by Spain's experience with her *Desnuda* stamp, New Zealand may capture a few pennies with her newly issued 1 penny, depicting *Hygeia*. Some girl—that!

Nicaragua.—The Post Office held a small surplus stock of the Earthquake commemorative issue of 1932 and in order to use them all up they have been overprinted for Interior Air Mail, values as follows: On Ordinary Postage Stamps, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 centavos, 8c. on 10c. (two varieties), 16c. on 20c., 24c. on 25c., 50c. and \$1; on Air Mail Stamps, 25c., 32c. on 50c. and 40c. on \$1. We are informed that only 990 of the 1c. and 2c. stamps were made, so that there can only exist this number of complete sets. We have also received a further set overprinted on the ordinary postage stamps. The overprint is "Correo Aereo Interior 1932 Vale" and new value, 1c. on 2c., 2c. on 3c., 3c. on 4c., 4c. on 5c., 5c. on 6c., 6c. on 10c., 8c. on 15c., 16c. on 20c., 24c. on 25c., 25c. on 25c., 32c. on 50c., 40c. on 50c., 50c. on \$1, \$1 on \$1. These stamps are being sold at a high premium.



Norway.—The Björnson set of commemoratives has appeared. It consists of the following values: 10 øre green, 15 ø. dark brown, 20 ø. red, 30 ø. dark blue.

Peru.—Four new and attractive stamps have appeared—2 centavos grey black and 4c. brown, Volcano El Misti; 10c. red President Cerro; 1 sol deep red-orange Simon Bolivar monument at Lima.

Poland.—The special commemorative stamp which was announced many months ago appeared on December 15th, and it is to commemorate the 750th anniversary of the town of Torun. The denomination is 60 groszy and the stamp is printed in blue, showing a view of this ancient Polish town. Our agent informs us that on the 15th of March, 1933, a 30 groszy stamp is to be issued to commemorate the achievements of the Polish aviators, Lieut. Zwisko and his observer Wigza.

Roumania.—A special stamp was issued in connection with the Philatelic Exhibition recently held at Bucarest. The stamps were printed in sheets of one, imperforate, with wide margins all round, and at the top of the sheet is inscribed "Expozitia Filatelica Romana E. F. T. R. O." and at the bottom "Noemvrie 1932 Bucaresti." The face value of the stamp is 6 lei, but it was sold

at an additional charge of 5 lei, and only one sheet was sold to each purchaser of a ticket of admission to the Exhibition.



The special issue to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Roumania's first postage stamps, announced for 1933, appeared ahead of schedule time. The designs of this set are imitations of the rare old Moldavians and of the Post coach issue of 1903. They consist of the following values: 25 Bani black, 1 Lei violet, 2 Lei green, 3 Lei red, 6 Lei lilac-brown, 7.50 Lei light blue, 10 Lei dark blue and 16 Lei green.

St. Pierre and Miquelon.—A complete new pictorial set has arrived from this French Colony, the denominations are exactly the same as before. The old issue has been withdrawn.

Salvador.—A set of Air Mail stamps has been issued commemorating the centenary of the death of Padre José Matias Delgado, who in Salvador is called "Father of his Country." There are four denominations: 15, 20, 25 and 40 centavos. They show a portrait of the Padre, with the dates "1832" and "1932" on either side, the portrait is surrounded by a winged wreath. There is an inscription at the base of the stamps, stating the purpose for which they have been issued.

South Africa.—The 1/- Official stamps were first overprinted on the original typographed issue, we have now seen the same overprint on the rotogravure printing. The first issue overprinted on the typographed stamps have had only a very short life, so that they are likely to prove quite scarce. We have not yet seen the 1/- rotogravure stamp without the "Official" overprint.



Uruguay.—Our correspondent in Montevideo, Mr. Hermann R. Stoeckle, submits specimens of the 2c. charity stamp with overprint "1½." Only 100,000 were issued to meet the demand for 1½c. stamps required by the rate on printed matter. The copies sent us show the overprint twice on each stamp—the figures appearing foot-to-foot—*tête bêche* as it were.

South American Air Mail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

Following the example set in foreign countries, Argentina is to have once more this year its Christmas stamp for victims of tuberculosis. The stamp has an attractive design printed in red and green and is being sold at five cents. The blocks of four enclosed herewith is from a booklet I have purchased. Those sold over the post office counters are from sheets of which I also send you a sample. The proceeds are to be employed towards the erection of a hospital for tuberculosis patients. The funds obtained last year were invested in national bonds as they proved insufficient for the purchase of the necessary land and it is expected that this year the proceeds will be sufficient to start on the projected work.

The melting snows of the bleak Andes have failed to reveal any trace of the Pan-American air liner which disappeared on July 16 en route to Argentina with nine persons on board.

Panagra officials state that if nothing is sighted from the air by next January, a new land expedition of experienced mountaineers will be organized. Every machine of the line to and from Mendoza twice a week and on special day trips spends a few minutes sighting over the area where the air liner is supposed to have crashed.

Snow fifteen to thirty meters deep piles up in the valleys and made foot expeditions at the time of the disaster in mid-winter turn back without even penetrating the "lost" area. This area is the region of jagged, stormswept peaks, valleys and ravines hundreds of meters deep, near the statue of Christ which was probably the last sign of civilization seen by the persons on board the ill-fated liner.

The widows of the two American officials of the Panagra who were in the aeroplane are still in Santiago awaiting some word from the lost machine. They are Mrs. Mary B. Robinson of Chicago and her two children and Mrs. Loretta P. Camus of Troy, N. Y. and her two children.

Mr. Charles J. Robinson, the husband of Mrs. Robinson, was the division superintendent of the Chile-Argentine sec-

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tion of the Airway and pilot of the plane in the absence of the regular pilot Mr. F. E. Camus. He was a passenger for Buenos Aires.

The Argentine ministry of the Interior has just issued a Decree conceding to foreign periodicals which are distributed by post throughout the Republic a reduced tariff providing the foreign postal administrations grant a similar privilege to Argentine publications.

The Brazilian Minister of Marine is studying the feasibility of establishing an airway between Para and Manaus with elements of the naval aviation department.

Dr. Eckener announces that by the end of 1933 a continuous service of the Graf Zeppelin between Europe and South America will be established and that arrangements have been made with the municipal authorities of Barcelona and Seville for the construction of airports and hangars to accommodate the airship. Friedrichshafen will continue to be used as the European terminal. He adds that there is absolutely no foundation for the rumor that the airship will make a trip to the Arctic next summer.

A small Philatelic Exhibition is being held in La Plata in connection with the Jubilee celebrations. The most noteworthy exhibits are those belonging to Messrs. Aurelio Leoni, Jaime Ramon and Justo Ruban Cabeza. It is rumored that a commemorative set of five values has been printed but so far the stamps have not been issued to the public.

M. André Bouilloux Lafont, a director of the Aeropostale Company (the French international airline between Europe and South America) who is a son of the Chairman of the Company has been arrested in Paris for a breach of the company laws. It was recently announced that proceedings would be taken against both for issuing a misleading balance sheet. The French Air Minister states that these proceedings will not in any way affect the operations of the Company which will be carried on with new men and fresh money, under the control of the State.

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Doctor's Orders

BY CAPT. A. C. TOWNSEND

A sweet faced lady of around fifty opened the door before the caller could ring the bell. "Dr. Roberts?" she asked. "Thank you for coming so quickly. Please come in here with me for a minute before seeing Mr. Ficklen."

She disposed of his hat and coat, led him into a reception room, asked him to be seated, and then said, "I am so sorry I could not persuade Mr. Ficklen to go to your office, Doctor, and greatly appreciate your calling, which I know is not your custom. Like so many others, my husband is going through a heavy business strain and has gotten into a pitiable state of nerves and insomnia. Yesterday he quarreled with his physician and dismissed him."

Her lips quivered and she made a visible effort to control herself. "He has never been this way before. Our life has been a very happy one, and I do hope you can help him."

Dr. Roberts smiled in a way that gave her confidence in him at once. "I shall certainly do my best, Mrs. Ficklen," he replied. "And first I must ask you not to worry too much. Remember always that he is not himself, that it is not his true self giving you short answers and snapping at you—if he does that—and that it is his struggle to maintain *you* in a proper social position that is at the bottom of the trouble."

"Oh, I do! Doctor," she cried, as her eyes filled with tears. "I try not to answer him back or cross him in any way. Shall I take you to him?"

"Just a minute, please. Let me first get an idea of the case." He asked a number of questions and then rose to his feet. "Thank you; I have a very clear idea now. I am thinking of a treatment that may startle you, but I ask you to have faith in me. We doctors do some queer things these days. Now, will you take me to him?"

Mrs. Ficklen led him to the library and opened the door. "Dear," she said to a wiry man who was walking the floor in almost a cloud of smoke, "this is Dr. Roberts, whom you said I might have

come over and talk with you. I'll leave you in peace and quiet for a chat."

Ficklen shook hands as the door closed. "Glad to meet you, doctor. At least, I hope I am. The wife wanted to have you over. Personally I don't think you can help me. I have a heavy burden on my shoulders and I'm a little off my feed, but there's nothing to do but fight it out. Have a seat."

He dropped into a big chair behind the library table, threw his cigar into a receptacle, opened a box and pushed it towards the doctor. "Have a cigar?"

"Thank you, no," said Dr. Roberts. "I limit my evening smoking to one cigar, and I've already had one."

"Now don't start that!" cried Ficklen. "Smoking is not hurting me. I just fired one doctor for trying to tell me it was. It soothes my nerves after one heart-breaking day after another, and I'm not going to give it up."

"I wasn't going to ask you to," smiled Dr. Roberts. "I simply know my own nerves and brain and humor them as they seem to demand. Times are pretty tough, aren't they?"

"Tough! You don't know the meaning of the word. I have a factory and 1,500 employees to look after and try to keep them supplied with work enough to eke out an existence until things straighten out. And I come home here at night to think and worry and try to plan *something* to better conditions for us all, and it is simply—"

His voice had risen shrilly and he stopped abruptly, reached for his cigar with a quivering hand and glared at the doctor. "Don't start any nonsense about taking a rest or stuff of that sort. I've got to stay on the job and fight it out. And I will not take bromides. Get that straight."

"I understand," said the doctor. "I won't ask you to do the impossible. Just a question. Is your time fully occupied at the factory?"

"Occupied!" Ficklen laughed bitterly. "Half of the time I sit at my desk with nothing to do but think and go wild. My business is at 20% of its capacity."

"Then may I suggest this, Mr. Ficklen? You have more than enough time there to do your planning and worrying. You are carrying a heavy load, but try, for the sake of your wife and your employees to leave the load at the office at night. Remember that you have 1,500 people looking to you to see them through the depression. Should you break down from worry, what would become of them? Just try to lock up the load with the office."

He rose to his feet. "Tell me," he asked, "are you a collector of anything?"

"Bills," grunted Ficklen. "No, I have never had time for such foolishness. Why?"

"A good many people in the business world think that a hobby is an excellent thing, especially so in the present condition of business. And we doctors are most of us convinced that it is really a very helpful thing."

He held out his hand. "Do this one thing for me, will you? For the balance of the evening try to keep your mind entirely off business. You can't, of course, but keep trying. Go and sit with Mrs. Ficklen and talk of anything else under the sun. I'll be back to see you tomorrow night, if I may. Got a little idea I'd like to spring on you."

As he was putting on his overcoat Mrs. Ficklen waylaid him again. They held an earnest conversation, and then the doctor patted her on the shoulder and took his leave.

The next night he walked into Ficklen's library with a large package. "How did it work?" he asked as he shook hands. "Any improvement?"

"Improvement! I kept that poor woman talking until two o'clock, and then I lay there until dawn wishing we were back in a small town and that I had never started the factory. Have a cigar?"

"Thanks, I will. Haven't had one this evening. Waited to smoke with you. Any difference at the factory?"

"Little bit. Got one nice order today, that'll help keep the wheels turning. What you got there? Something new in the medicine line?"

As the doctor began unwrapping his package he said, "Mr. Ficklen, this may seem like foolishness to you, but I assure you from experience that it is not. Here is a stamp album. Here is a catalog. Here is a packet of stamps. I want to ask you to—"

Ficklen had sprung to his feet, his face convulsed. "Get out of here!" he cried. "I want a doctor to help me get some sleep and you come with a lot of child's play. Why didn't you bring some building blocks? Get out!"

"When a well known business man pays thirty-eight thousand dollars for one stamp, can you call it child's play? the doctor asked quietly.

"Ficklen stopped with his hand at the doorknob and spun around. "I don't believe it," he cried. "Or if he did, he is an idiot."

"No man who has earned and can spend that amount of money for something he wants can be called an idiot, Mr. Ficklen. I can tell you who he is, a manufacturer with a line somewhat similar to yours. And I can name a dozen men in this city who stand high in the business world who have stamp collections worth from fifty thousand dollars on up."

Ficklen dropped into the nearest chair and stared at the doctor. "It doesn't seem possible," he said. "What can they do with them? What pleasure is there in it?"

"That is what I want to explain to you," said the doctor. "Come over to your desk and let me illustrate. Then you can order me to leave if you wish to."

Ficklen sat down at his desk and the doctor stood beside him. "This is a stamp album. It contains spaces for some stamps of every country that issues them. Not all, by any means, because many are too scarce and high priced, but enough to illustrate each issue. Naturally, our own stamps have the preference in the front of the album."

He opened the other book. "This is a complete catalog of every stamp issued by every country. It is a wonderful work, more complicated and difficult than any bit of weaving you turn out in your factory. It really is," he asserted, as Ficklen snorted.

"And here," he went on, "is a package of one hundred stamps I picked out for you from my own duplicates. I will appreciate it greatly if you will try to place them correctly in the spaces provided in the album. *You can't!*"

Ficklen glared at him. "There is nothing to it," he declared. "The spaces are in the album. The pictures are given in the catalog. All one has to do is to match them up. Tommyrot!"

"No, there is a good deal more to it, or

big business men would not find relief in their collections from the cares of the day. Stamps are perforated in various ways as well as some of them being unperforated. They are watermarked and unwatermarked. And there are other things to be studied and puzzled out. Here is your perforation gauge; this is how you work it. And this cup is a watermark detector. See how it works?" He was illustrating deftly as he talked.

Ficklen looked at the open album. He turned the pages of the catalog. He took up the packet of stamps and shook them out on his desk and studied them. "It is nonsense," he finally declared. "With my training in minutia, and knowing nothing about stamps, I can place these correctly in an hour." He scowled at Dr. Roberts.

"That was about my idea when I started," smiled the doctor. I soon found different. This is Wednesday. I'll bet you a thousand dollars you cannot get those stamps in their proper places by daybreak Sunday."

"It's a bet," said Ficklen, grimly. "I can use that thousand at the factory. I'll phone you before Friday to come around and pay up."

"It's a bet," smiled the doctor. "Now just one more thing." He pulled another little package from his pocket. "These are stamp hinges, and this is how you use them. They will keep you from spoiling the album in pulling out the stamps you get in wrong."

He held out his hand. "I'll be in at nine Sunday morning to collect. Then you can go to church and, I hope, hear the minister preach from the text 'A fool and his money are soon parted' or something of that sort." His smile took any sting from the words. "One of us is stuck, and I'm very sure you are the one."

At the door he turned. "May I make one little request? Let Mrs. Ficklen sit with you part of the time while you work on the stamps, will you? I'll make her promise not to talk for you have a tough job ahead of you."

The next morning Mrs. Ficklen phoned. "He had an awful time, Dr. Roberts. I don't know whether it did him any good or not, he got so excited. He worked on them until midnight and growled over them like a bear with a sore head. Oh, one thing. He had to stop smoking. He spilled ashes over the stamps two or three times and then didn't smoke for the rest

of the evening. But I'm afraid he slept very little."

"Don't worry, Mrs. Ficklen. The medicine is working, and I shall expect a better report tomorrow."

Friday morning Mrs. Ficklen again reported. "He smoked just one cigar after dinner, doctor, and then he went savagely at those stamps. He seemed to make better progress, though once in a while he got badly mixed up. Then he would work out a problem and chuckle and smile at me in a way he has not done for months. I left him puzzling over something at eleven and before I got to sleep he came in with a smile and said he had you on the run. I spoke to him once and he answered, 'Darn it, I forgot to look for a watermark on that 2c triangle,' whatever that meant."

Saturday she called up the doctor in great glee. "It is working, doctor! I had company, and after they left I went to the library. He was sound asleep with his head on his desk and a few stamps spread out on it. I carried him off still half dazed and he tumbled into bed and slept soundly until after seven. Oh, I'm so happy and thankful!"

Sunday morning Mrs. Ficklen ushered the doctor into the library, where he faced a much chagrined man. "You win, darn you," Ficklen cried. "There are four of the cursed things I simply could not run down. Oh, I could have found them at last, but I was too tired and sleepy to work as long as I meant to last night."

The doctor turned the pages of the album. "Pretty good for a beginner," he smiled. "You didn't notice that this 3c 1857 is the one with the outer line, or that the 3c 1861 is a grilled stamp. And this 7c is the one with the secret mark, so it is in wrong. Pretty good right along," he continued. "I'll mark the wrong ones, so you can correct them in spare time. How do you feel?"

"Bully!" said Ficklen, "except for the loss of that thousand. I wanted that for the factory, but things have picked up a bit this week anyway. And, say, I got an idea for a fancy pattern from one of those pictures in the catalog that I believe will make us a winner."

He picked up the catalog. "I notice these 1847 stamps are pretty scarce. I'm going to write home to my brother and see if he can't dig me up some. He is living in the old home the family built

before that date, and I remember a lot of old letters in a trunk in the attic. Maybe they are up there yet. I hope so."

They chatted for a few minutes, then Ficklen opened a drawer of his desk and took out a checkbook. As he began to write the doctor stopped him.

"Make it to Mrs. Ficklen, will you? I felt sure the remedy would work, but I didn't have a thousand to spare if I *did* lose, so Mrs. Ficklen had agreed to pay the bill!"

Lansdowne (Pa.) Stamp Club

At the next meeting of the Lansdowne (Pa.) Stamp Club to be held in their rooms in the Lansdowne Theatre Building, Mr. Charles O. Townsend, Photographic Director of the *Public Ledger* will exhibit his fine collection of Early British Colonial stamps and other classics from the famous Major Steinmetz collection. Mr. Townsend secured a large number of the finest pieces from this collection of the stamps of the world and of the United States. Major Steinmetz having been much interested in aeronautics, had special opportunities for collecting rare Air Mail stamps, and Mr. Townsend will tell a number of interesting stories of the way in which Major Steinmetz secured some of his stamps.

At the February 17th exhibition Benjamin Cadbury of Moorestown, New Jersey will be the exhibitor of his Twentieth Century U. S. collection.

Roosevelt Recommends Stamp Collecting

Collecting stamps has been a life-long hobby with incoming President Roosevelt. His albums proved the source of much pleasure during the long period of convalescence from infantile paralysis. He recommends his hobby to all children as the best incentive to a study of history and geography. Speaking of stamps, has Savannah's army of enthusiasts ever held a display, or united in a philatelic club?—Editorial Page *Savannah Morning News*, January 3, 1933.

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The explanation of this freak is the same as in many other similar instances found on the Richmond prints, and illustrated both in "The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America" and in the "Dietz Specialized Catalog of Confederates" where they are called "Ink Specks." A small particle of grit located on that area of the plate and formed the colorless loop on the "1" of "FIVE." If this grit, under the pressure of printing, made an indenture on the electrotype it became a permanent flaw—a constant variety. If the foreign particle of grit was removed before causing damage to the plate, it will not appear again in the same place.

Elbe Company Promotes Mr. Deutsch

The Elbe File and Binder Co., Inc., announces that Mr. Nathan H. Deutsch has been appointed manager of the Philatelic Division of the Company.

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Two Outstanding Achievements in Review.

The Postage Stamps of the Kingdom of Naples

Not without a feeling of reverence and happy expectancy do we approach the latest brochure presented by the Dean of Philately, the renowned Dr. Emilio Diena. It is not just another contribution to the science of stamps; we must call it an authoritative review of a chapter in history that is closed forever.

In this most thorough-going study the author first presents an historical sketch to the end that the philatelist and non-philatelist may become conversant with the development of the postal service of the kingdom of Naples.

The author goes into detail in giving notes on the kingdom's population, weights and measures, and explains the currency then in use, unfolding a clearer picture of the early attempts made by way of essays and proofs. When he comes to speak of the more up-to-date postal legislation (1857) he calls it postal reform and features the adoption of adhesive stamps in January 1858. He treats exhaustively of the design to be adopted, the Bourbonic coat-of-arms and the emblem of Sicily (Trinacria), and goes into a minute examination of the first issue—well known from the catalogue. From there he passes on to a proposed second issue, for which G. Masini furnished designs. These, however, were not accepted. The author next turns to the two provisionals of 1860 and in showing the reason for the reduction of the rates on newspapers to $\frac{1}{2}$ tornese makes these two stamps the subject of a most scrutinizing investigation.

Space does not permit us to call attention to the details of this fascinating search, the gradual elimination of the Bourbonic arms and the substitution of the Savoyan Cross, the use of halved stamps only tolerated sparingly, and the introduction of the issue of 1861. He touches on the annexation of the Pontifical domain of Benevento and Pontecorvo by the Neapolitan Provinces, and after touching on the re-issue of the 1858 stamps he turns to the field of cancellations which is, in itself, made a most interesting subject. He concludes this chapter by reviewing the part the railroads played in the use and can-

cellation of the stamps and considers also the phase of military occupation. of the stamps of the kingdom of Naples enhances the value of this scholarly work still more. We need not point out the fact specially that Dr. Diena furnishes references and material in support of his conclusions: The work is so profusely illustrated that a student of these classic stamps will want for nothing.—F. KAUP.



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Mr. Séfi's volume is far more than the title conveys. He has not alone taken up and described in the simplest terms all the processes employed in stamp printing today, but actually had Perkins Bacon & Co., Ltd. engrave a pattern stamp on steel, take up a relief on the transfer-roll, and put down a group of six on a steel printing plate from which impressions were made. Each stage of the process: an illustration of the original engraving (which Mr. Séfi calls the "Die"), a print from this engraving, an illustration of the transfer-roll, and of the printing-plate, an impression from the printing-plate, a print from the plate after it had sustained a slight damage, and finally an impression from the same plate after this damage had been repaired—each stage represented by a tipped-on insert. Even a "Re-Entry" is purposely made in the original printing-plate transferring, so that the reader may clearly understand cause and effect.

In the next chapter Mr. Séfi carries the same original design through the Photogravure process, then through Lithography (where he shows a "Faulty Transfer" followed by a "Substituted Transfer") and kindred planographic processes. He next reproduces the design by means of a photo-engraving (etching on metal), and after giving us a proof of this relief plate he duplicates by Stereotyping, using the *papier mâché* (paper pulp) method. Sixteen duplicates constitute the "form," which, after an equi-distant spacing between the units, is ready for printing. Subjecting these stereotypes to some rough treatment, he is able to show the results of various kinds of injury sustained dur-

ing the actual work from such plates. His next step leads us into Electrotyping. There is the wax mould and the Electrotypes with an impression from the plate, whereupon we are shown the print of a Stereotype made from the last mentioned form of six electrotypes. This is illustrated by actual impressions tipped-in as were the steel-plate engravings.

And this is followed by a description of Surcharging. Mr. Séfi illustrates how certain "Double Overprints" occur.

The next chapter treats of Papers, and here we encounter large-size sample sheets (tipped-on) of Wove (hand-made and machine-made), Laid, Pelure, Batonné and Quadrille papers—a feature which adds much to the value of the book. The closing chapters tell of Perforation and Other Methods of Separation, and of Reprints and Forgeries.

The author has given us a work of inestimable value—not alone to the stamp collector, but to all those who seek a better knowledge of the various printing processes employed today.



Suburban Stamp Club (Boston) to Have Exhibition

The Suburban Stamp Club Exhibition held last fall at the Boston Public Library proved so successful that the Club has been requested by the library to repeat the event. The Club has also been requested to hold the Exhibition for three weeks instead of two and to make it an annual event.

An Exhibition will be held February 6th to 26th, 1933, at the Boston Public Library Exhibition Hall, open daily and free to all. All frames and cases for this Exhibition have already been taken and no more entries can be considered.

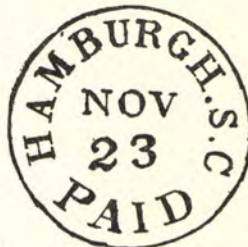
A special cachet has been prepared.

The Suburban Club has a membership of over 300.

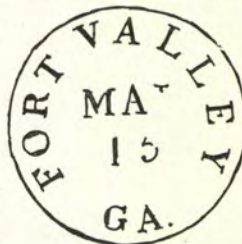
Among the Exhibits will be: Stamps and Coins of world wide variety; 200 varieties of Washington Bicentennials; 500 Lincoln medals; a most complete set of Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary coins, tokens and medals; 550 different medals of Washingtonia; designs and pictures in natural colors, made from cuttings of postage stamps; U. S. envelopes and postcards; Stampless and Air Mail Covers; Odd and queer cancellations.—F. O. OHLUND, Publicity Manager.

Mr. S. W. Richey Submits Two Interesting Covers

Collectors of Confederates have always been "keen" on U. S. stamped envelopes used in the Southern States after their demonetization. It is well known that the Confederate Post-Office Department converted large quantities, which had been turned in by the postmasters throughout the South, to its own "Official" use, but there are numerous instances where private citizens, having a supply on hand, used them merely as covers for their letters. Of course, the stamp impressed upon them was not recognized for postage, and in many instances it was covered with a Confederate adhesive. Some of the earlier specimens show the U. S. stamp "surcharged" with a Confederate "Paid."



Two specimens of this class have been submitted by Mr. S. W. Richey of Cincinnati. The first was posted in Hamburg, S. C., and shows the converted dated canceller "Paid" plus another "Paid" across the 3c. red on buff of the 1860 issue. The cover is addressed to Hon. Thomas W. Thomas, Elberton, Ga., handstamped black.



The second piece is postmarked Fort Valley, Ga., and the 3c. pink on buff is "surcharged" with a big "10." Cover addressed to Mrs. Catherine Stone, Barnette Station, Warren County, Ga. The handstamping is in blue.

The Open Forum.

This feature page is open to all of our readers for the discussion of questions pertaining to Philately. Letters will be printed *verbatim*—the Editor merely reserving the right to delete remarks of a personal nature concerning others. You may write whatever you please about him—knock to your heart's content. This is the place to "get it out of your system." He will try to even be tolerant of the intolerant.—EDITOR.

Let's Get to Work on It

BRISTOL, TENN.-VA., Jan. 13-33.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

For a long time I have wondered about why our stamp makers should be so partial to certain of the Presidents, and others, and yet should absolutely ignore those who perhaps are more worthy than those whose portraits are portrayed, and I have come to the conclusion that perhaps it was because no one has taken the matter up as it should be. If a man is great enough to be elected President of this country, he is worthy of the honor of appearing on our stamps.

However, about half our Presidents have been left off, while others have been practically in every issue we have had since the beginning. Among those neglected are the Adamses, Polk, Van Buren, Pierce, W. H. Harrison and Johnson, and I can see no good reason for it.

Among the States which would be interested are the following: New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee and it seems to me that it would not be difficult to get the backing of the Senators and Representatives from these States if the matter were presented to them.

My idea is that since it is customary to issue a new series about every ten years, and also because it is very likely that a new stamp bearing the portrait of Mr. Coolidge will soon make its appearance, the time seems ripe for getting *all the Presidents who have not appeared on stamps*, in a new issue, and *on the lower values*.

I have written Congressman J. Will Taylor, of the 2nd Tennessee District, and he is favorable, but he suggested that, as there would soon be a Democratic President, the matter should be brought up by men of that party. Personally, I do not think this at all necessary as party lines should not enter into such matters, but

possibly he is right. He stated that he was interested and would do all he could to put it across.

Knowing that you are in touch with Mr. Glass, that you stand high in the publication field, and that your suggestions would be gladly received by them, I believe that you are the man who can put it across. Right now seems to me to be the most opportune time we will have in years, and that if started now, it can be done.

Personally, I feel that new faces on our stamps would be welcome by collectors everywhere and that the publicity given to the "lost" Presidents would help to rescue them from the oblivion to which they are being consigned.

It also seems to me to be a good time to make some radical changes in the engraving and colors of our stamps, as varieties like the 6c., 8c., 9c. and 10c. are so insipid that when a little ink is used in canceling them it is almost impossible to tell who or what they are. More white space, like that of the William Penn, would work wonders in their appearance.

I will be very pleased to have your comment on this matter, and if you think favorably of it, believe that it should be started without delay.

Very sincerely yours,

JOS. W. JONES.



Troubles of a Cachet Director

713 High St.,

BETHLEHEM, PA., Dec. 31, 1932.

MR. AUGUST DIETZ,

DEAR SIR:

I want to personally thank you on behalf of the State Historical Committee of the Patriotic Order Sons of America for the splendid cooperation you have given us during this Bicentennial year.

It may be interesting to you to know that 11,511 covers were mailed from

Valley Forge, Pa., on Dec. 19th and 13,475 covers from Washington Crossing on Dec. 25th.

I might mention that we ran into considerable difficulty in handling the 25,000 covers for these last two events. Most of the offenders being residents of the States of New York and New Jersey:

The following are just a few of the endless list of wrongs:

Received about 200 pieces of mail with postage due, many were refused.

About 175 to 200 covers with no postage to forward.

One dealer sent in 100 covers with no address on them, of course we caught it in time and addressed them.

Received about ten envelopes which were forwarded via third-class mail and no enclosures. Enclosures evidently lost.

Received several envelopes which stated that money was enclosed, envelopes were torn and money evidently lost.

Received about 250 requests to buy Geo. Washington Bicentennial stamps and place them on letters.

Dealers taking advantage, some sending in as many as three hundred under assumed names.

Airmail letters with three cents postage. All kinds of foolish requests.

Had many cards from postmasters stating that they were holding letters for me with as high as 21c postage due.

Many commanding and sarcastic letters.

Covers received on Dec. 27th requesting postmark of Dec. 19th at Valley Forge.

My experience in handling nearly 60,000 covers this year has fully convinced me that a charge of 5c is not unfair in handling covers. Many collectors do not appreciate free services.

Our committee had planned to sponsor cachets for about eight major historical events in this State during the coming year, with free service, but from present indications and the general attitude of many of the collectors, I am certain that free service will be discontinued.

We have given the best possible free service and assumed rather heavy expenses in conveying mail to various post-offices for these events and received nothing but criticism.

Yours truly,

C. W. ECKERT, SR.,
State Historical Committee,
Patriotic Order Sons of America.

Texas Republic Postal Notes

BY HARRY M. KONWISER

The Republic of Texas opened its post office during the 1835-45 period.

The Republic became a State in the Union, by Congressional act of December 29, 1845, pursuant to a resolution of March 1, 1845. Actual consummation, on the part of Texas, began on February 16, 1846.

United States Senators Sam Houston and Thomas Rusk took their seats in the Senate on March 26, 1846.

The United States Post Office (1846) report included 1845 operations in Texas.

On October 23, 1835, John Rice Jones became the Provisional Postmaster General, but the First Congress of the Republic made Robert Barr, Postmaster General, under the act of December 20, 1836.

On January 18, 1841, an act was passed (by the Fifth Congress) abolishing the office of postmaster-general, and creating in the State Department a bureau styled, "The General Post-Office" with a clerk to perform the duties of the new division of the State Department.

The Texas Republic Council, on October 30, 1835, empowered the postmaster-general to fix rates of postage for all letters and packets transported by mail.

This decree for rates, adopted at San Felipe, December 12, 1835, provided for a 6¼ cent rate, on single letters, on letters conveyed not more than twenty miles; over twenty miles and not exceeding fifty cents, twelve and one-half cents; over fifty miles and not exceeding one hundred miles, eighteen and three-quarters cents; over one hundred miles and not exceeding two hundred miles, twenty-five cents; all distances exceeding two hundred miles, thirty-seven and one-half cents; on all ship letters, six and one-fourth cents additional.

Gammel's Laws of Texas indicate a mail or post route was established from the General Post Office to the principal towns of each municipality in Texas, to be operated as quickly as contracts could be made for mail transportation. (December 12, 1835).



Collectors of airmail will confer a great favor on the Editor by keeping him posted on coming events in this field. Due credit will be given in every instance.

Virginia Philatelic Federation

ORGANIZED JUNE 30, 1932

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To All Virginia Club Secretaries and to Collectors

January 11th, 1933.

TO THE SECRETARIES OF ALL UNAFFILIATED
CLUBS IN VIRGINIA.

MY DEAR SIR:

I am sending you under separate cover copies of the By-Laws of the Virginia Philatelic Federation, which fully set forth a portion of the purposes and aims of this organization, also blank forms of application for membership for your use in securing members.

This State-wide organization was launched on June 16th, 1932, at a meeting held in the rooms of the Richmond Stamp Club at Richmond, Va. At a called meeting held in the rooms of the Petersburg Stamp Club, in Petersburg, Va., on June 30th, 1932, officers were elected, by-laws adopted, committees appointed and other matters acted upon which completed the full and formal organization of the Federation.

On November 16th to 19th we held our first State-wide Annual Stamp Exhibition, in the Post Office building at Richmond, Virginia.

This exhibition brought out for display, philatelic material of both a volume and particularly a quality that was truly a revelation to all those who were fortunate enough to attend that showing.

The comments of the Judge, of the visitors and of even those of the oldest or veteran collectors, were of a nature to bring satisfaction to the most skeptical and the layman saw things philatelic that he never dreamed existed. Collectors and non-collectors from all over this State and from many other States came, saw, learned and went on their way again, well pleased and happier for their having attended our first annual stamp exhibition. We were scheduled to run three days, but had to

keep it going four days and then we had requests to keep going the following week.

Converts to our hobby and science were made right there in that room where our exhibition was held, Philately received a new boost—took on a new meaning to the uninitiated, awakened the dormant collecting instinct in many of our visitors, old friendships were renewed and new friendships made, by reason of this our first attempt to bring together the stamp collectors of Virginia, by means of which they demonstrated to each other, and to the general public, just what stamp-collecting means to them what it may mean to the potential collector.

We had on show displays that ranged in cost from a few cents to well up in large figures, if value may be considered, each of which, regardless of cost or value, represented not money, but happy hours spent in the collecting and assembling, perhaps happy associations and certainly a desire on the part of that exhibitor to accomplish some objective in his or her particular line of collecting.

All the members of our Federation have something to be proud of in that first get-together exhibition of our organization by the collectors of this State. We hold our second annual exhibition in October of this year, as the guests of the Lynchburg Stamp Club. We shall have an even better show then, for we learned a few things in our first attempt.

Immediately after the Federation meeting of June 30th, at Petersburg, the Richmond Stamp Club voted each member as a member of The Virginia Philatelic Federation forty in number. Lynchburg Club has twenty members affiliated and Petersburg Club has ten members affiliated with the Federation as of December first, 1932, and both these Clubs promise many more members for this coming year.

At a meeting of the Richmond Stamp Club, held on January 5th a resolution

was adopted to the effect that "Membership in the Richmond Stamp Club shall carry with it also a membership in the Virginia Philatelic Federation, and the Treasurer of the Richmond Stamp Club is authorized to pay the annual dues for such membership to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Virginia Philatelic Federation."

The above action was taken after some little discussion, pro and con, based on the fact that dues of the Richmond Stamp Club being twenty-five cents per month or three dollars per year, and there being no wish to create any extensive reserve fund in the treasury of the Club, therefore it was felt that this would be the best method to successfully carry on both organizations. I mention this for just what it may be worth to your Society.

The Virginia Philatelic Federation wishes to build up a membership of good, sound, active and reliable collectors who are residents of this State. An organization that will become a worthwhile, live Federation. We want members in good standing in all local stamp clubs to become affiliated. We want collectors in localities where there are no regularly organized stamp clubs to join in with us. We have objectives which we wish to carry out and we shall need members who are interested, and if needs be who will work, to enable us to carry out our aims and ambitions.

If there is no regularly organized stamp club in any particular locality, then a collector may join individually and with that as a start we will do all in our power to help organize a local club in such places where there are a sufficient number of collectors to warrant such an undertaking; and it does not necessarily require so very many members to form a local club.

We want to help, encourage and instruct the "kids"—those potential collectors and students of Philately. We would like to make every "kid" in any school "stampwise" and their parents wise to the fact that, being stampwise, those "kids" are deriving a lasting help in their studies and perhaps their future contacts in life.

Each member of the Virginia Philatelic Federation should become a missionary along these lines and thus do his part toward helping those future collectors along their road.

I make mention of what the Richmond Stamp Club has done in the matter of taking care of their members' dues to the

Federation. Your club can do the same or probably better.

You have your local Society. We wish your entire membership, or at least as many as possible, to become affiliated with our Federation. We want four hundred members, residents of Virginia, on our rolls before our next annual exhibition this coming October. They are available, so let's get busy in your Society and get them.

Please bring this matter up at the next meeting of your Society and try and take some definite action. Have your members fill in the application blanks I am sending you, then forward these properly filled in and endorsed along with dues for membership as mentioned in the By-Laws, to the Secretary-Treasurer, who will be glad to issue membership cards for 1933.

Let's get going, regardless of that old depression we used to hear so much about. We want members. We have a membership committee who are "rarin'" to go, but they can't function till they have something to work on.

With all best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am,

Fraternally yours,

CARTER GLASS, JR.,
President.

CHARLES L. HOFMANN,
Secretary-Treasurer,

122 N. 8th St., Richmond, Va.

Semi-Annual Dinner

Jan. 13th, 1933, and Friday.

DEAR FELLOW FEDERATIONISTS:

At the regular meeting of the Richmond Stamp Club, held in the rooms of the Club, at Hotel Murphy on the night of January 12th, a Committee was appointed to arrange for our regular Semi-Annual Dinner. The time decided upon was Ground Hog day, Thursday February 2nd, 1933 at 7:00 P. M., the place will be Hotel Murphy, Richmond.

Heretofore these affairs have been thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. This year we shall try and excell our past efforts and make it better than ever.

The Hotel Murphy has always given us a most delightful repast and all that goes with it at a cost this year of only \$1.00 per plate. They don't promise Ground Hog on the menu, but assure us a setout that will be well worth while.

A motion was carried at this meeting to extend an invitation to all fellow members of the Virginia Philatelic Federation to join with us on this occasion. This means you, and as many of the members of your Club as can find it convenient to be on hand, and we would welcome all of you all.

Think this matter over, please, and be sure and advise our Secretary, Edgar M. Stanley, 202 South Mulberry Street, Richmond, Va. on or before January 26th, 1933, as to how many to prepare for.

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES L. HOFMANN,
President Richmond Stamp Club,
122 North 8th Street,
Richmond, Va.



Publicity Manager's Letter

FELLOW MEMBERS:

The new year is now with us and the old one just past will go down in history as one of the biggest in Philately, because of the George Washington Bicentennial which was celebrated in practically every city and hamlet in this country by appropriate festivities and special cachets. The Government issued a complete set of stamps which will be a worthy asset to any collection in years to come.

We must now look into the future for that "New Deal" which we will receive after March 4th. There is much in store for all of us, so let us forget the depression and boost our Federation and our stamps.

Carter Glass, Jr., our worthy President sent me a clipping from the *Danville Register* of Christmas day which contained a very fine article about the Danville, Va. collectors, under the able leadership of G. T. Beekman, and Dr. Ragland, who are sponsoring a Stamp Show in the Danville Post Office, through the cooperation of the local Postmaster. This exhibit will be held Saturday, January 7th, with over 20 frames, and will be open to the public from 2:30 to 5:30, and from 7:00 to 9:30 P. M.

There are about 100 stamp enthusiasts in Danville and vicinity, and Messrs. Beekman and Ragland hope to be able to organize a stamp club at that time, which in turn will join the Virginia Philatelic Federation.

We wish the sponsors the best of success, and trust they will be able to start their club with 100 members. This will give them the largest club in the State.

Full details of the Danville meeting and exhibit will appear in this column next month.

A new Post Office will also be dedicated in Danville at some future time and a special cachet will be applied by the Danville Club. Those interested might send their covers to Mr. G. T. Beekman, Care WBTM, Danville, for the event.

Mr. Beekman also broadcasts over WBTM each Wednesday at 5 P. M. It is a good program on Stamp Collecting. Readers are requested to tune in and enjoy his talks.

Let us all follow the Danville idea and get a live club started in every city in Virginia.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director.*



Richmond (Va.) Stamp Club Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Richmond Stamp Club, held on Thursday night, January 19th, in the club room of Murphy's Hotel, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Charles L. Hofmann, President; Douglas B. Beattie, 1st Vice-President; Dr. A. O. James, 2nd Vice-President; Edgar M. Stanley, Secretary-Treasurer; R. Jack Greene, Sales Manager. The annual dinner will take place in Murphy's Hotel Thursday, February 2nd, at 7 o'clock. All members of the Virginia Philatelic Federation are invited. Cover \$1.00.

The Richmond Stamp Club is probably one of the most vigorous in the country, due, primarily, to its fortunate selection of an energetic and popular staff of officers. Its membership now numbers upward of sixty and it is constantly increasing. The average attendance at its weekly meetings is between forty and fifty, with numerous visitors. Quite frequently members invite ladies who are interested in stamps to these meetings, and the fair visitors seem to enjoy the discussions and stamp trading as much as the boys themselves. There's always "open house" on Thursday nights.



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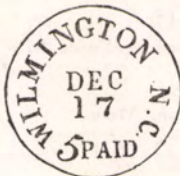
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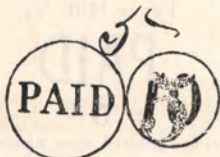
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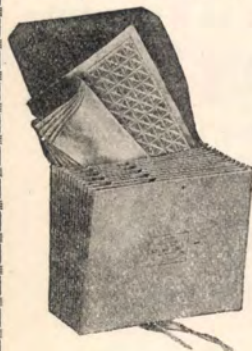
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Editorial.

"Full Steam Ahead!"

Down here "where the South begins" the first harbingers of Spring have made their appearance. Nature, awakening from her Winter's sleep, is preparing for a new season of beneficence. Man, alone of all creation, seems unable—or unwilling—to fall in line with this great revival of hope and inspiration. . .

In less than a month from the time of this writing the administration of our government will undergo a sweeping change in party, policy and personnel. For the first time a stamp collector will occupy the White House, and the entire country looks up trustingly to Franklin D. Roosevelt for that leadership which will guide us out of the depression and onward to a complete recovery.

His is The Great Opportunity, and we believe he knows it—and that he will make good.

And so it becomes the duty—yes, the privilege—of every American collector, regardless of political faith, to support Mr. Roosevelt in such policies as he will inaugurate. Let's give him a break.

We may confidently look forward, too, to a sympathetic understanding of the problems which Philately would like to see solved—especially that restrictive law concerning stamp illustrating. And we may be sure some outstanding stamp event will mark his administration.

"Full steam ahead!"

Breaking the Depression With a Surcharge

Lay aside, for the moment, that jig-saw puzzle and grapple with this thought. It had its inception in Philately. The backbone of the depression can be broken with a Surcharge.

Our trouble is, as I see it, a constantly diminishing amount of money in circulation. Wealth, frightened, is hoarding; banks are calling loans; industry is no longer financed, and must cut wages, dismiss employes, or shut down operation. The working man's wage is the life-blood of every community. Withdraw that and the arteries of trade become atrophied. Collapse must follow unless transfusion is made in time to save. Liquor will not revive—neither will Technocracy or Socialism. The hunger and need of the masses cannot be alleviated with unworkable theories.

Here, then, is a philatelic suggestion: Establish a government printing press in every U. S. Postoffice. Require all paper money to be presented for surcharging. Print a big red "TEN" across every dollar bill; "FIFTY" across every five and "ONE HUNDRED" across every ten spot—and so on up the line. Increase at once the circulating wealth of the country 1,000%.

Every hoarded gold dollar will be drawn from its hiding place and exchanged for paper to be surcharged—unless there is no longer faith in our government. The gold will flow back to the United States Treasury—where it belongs—and where it will be mighty convenient if greater troubles come.

Industry and commerce, farming and banking will revive at once—absolutely. Unemployment will cease, bread-lines disappear.

In connection with this thought I am reminded by my good friend Judge Benners, that "when Lincoln was hard pressed for means to carry on the war, and the result was doubtful, he abandoned the gold standard, and issued the legal tenders. While the Constitution forbade the making of any thing except gold and silver a legal tender, he justified the issue as a war measure, based on necessity, which knows no law. And by its use he won the war. True, it was in the nature of an artificial stimulant, but it saved the patient. When prosperity returned, the return to the gold standard merely increased it."

If we still have faith in these United States, the surcharged paper money will solve the problem. It will not be "inflated currency." Inflated currency is not backed by gold. This will be—because it will drive the hoarded gold to the Treasury, to "back up" the people's money, whatever that may mean.

I did not become suspicious and demand gold when the size of the dollar bill was cut down from $3\frac{1}{8}'' \times 7\frac{7}{8}''$ to $2\frac{5}{8}'' \times 6\frac{1}{8}''$. As long as Uncle Sam stamps his seal on it this nephew will trustingly accept it.

Pass the idea on to your bewildered Congressman.

And Now Savannah's Gone and Spilt the Beans!

O! the refreshing *naïveté* of these festive "Georginians"! Here the Post-Office Department goes to the expense of preparing a pretty commemorative stamp, especially for Georgia, ships a big consignment to Savannah, marked "Not to be opened before February 12th," and gets us all keyed up to see what the cat dragged in this time.

But lo and behold! in the editorial *Sinctum Sanctum Sanctorium* of the *Savannah Free Press* they smart under this restraint and forthwith concoct a sinister plot, taking the local photographer into their confidence.

Why render obedience to the instructions of a defeated Republican administration? Why wait for H. R. 14,131 to pass the House and Senate? As far as Georgia is concerned Roosevelt is in the White House, and furthermore who dares to say they shall not look upon Oglethorpe, their patron saint, before Sunday? It is simply preposterous—this Republican chicanery.

Defiantly the junta of liberty proceeds to the Savannah post-office, the photographer bringing up the rear with the Big Bertha camera and tripod swung over his shoulder like an old-time hod. They demand to see Oglethorpe. "Click" goes the camera. The job is done. . . Georgia will not be estopped.

On Wednesday morning, February 8th, the *Savannah Evening Press* printed a picture of the new stamp—kicking the sacred law against illustrating in the slats—and Rich, the photographer, gets his name boldly documented on the reproduction of a United States postage stamp (and thereby becomes *particeps criminis*), which, by the way, is a greater crime than being an honest legislator.

I tremble to think of the consequences. Perhaps they will send Sherman down with a punitive expedition—perhaps take the case to The Hague. . . At any rate, our advice is: get the negative, and the plate—and Rich—to the Savannah river! . . . "Splash! Gurgle, gurgle, gurgle". . . *Spurlos versenkt*.

"Uncle Billy" Lycett

Few men in American Philately today are better known—and loved—than "Uncle Billy" Lycett, ex-Secretary of the Society of Philatelic Americans for lo! more years than the memory of this generation can compute.

On January 21st he celebrated his seventieth birthday and the event was marked by a gathering of his entire clan at Cape May, N. J. The *Cape May Star and Wave* in its issue of January 26th features the celebration on its first page, column one.

Well, that's been "Uncle Billy's" place in our hearts long ago.

Do You Know the Value of Your Collection?

A simple question, you say. But *do* you know? And if your collection is insured, how did you arrive at its value? Suppose a favorable opportunity of sale presented itself—or circumstances forced you to dispose of the one remaining asset which you *can* turn into ready cash—are you sufficiently informed to promptly set a price? I doubt it.

Arthur Hughes—you all know him—is a stamp-collector and an old insurance man with years upon years of experience. Instinctively he has felt the need of intelligently protecting a valuable collection. He has given the subject much thought and finally succeeded in evolving a simple, practical inventory, which he has patented and placed on the market. It sells for one dollar—and it may be the means of saving you a thousand. It is not a scheme to sell insurance. You take care of that. But he enables you at a glance to know the catalog value of your collection. It is the Hughes' Philatelic Inventory I have in mind. Get one today, enter your records and place it with your stocks and bonds in your box in the bank vault. It will bear more interest than anything else you have locked up there. Tell your stenographer to take this dictation:

"MR. ARTHUR J. HUGHES,

"P. O. Box 340, Wyoming, N. Y.

"DEAR HUGHES:

"THE NEW SOUTHERN states that you have something I need. Enclosed one dollar for a copy of your Philatelic Inventory. If it does not come up to specifications, I'll send it back and jump on the editor with all fours!"



Who's Going to Check Up on This Calculation?

We were inspecting a sheet of 2c. Lake Placids at the Club meeting, the other night, and the question was propounded: How much of the area of the sheet is removed by the perforating, *i. e.* what percentage is holes?

Mr. R. R. Walker, who is a bit of a mathematical wizard, essayed to figure it out, and here is the result. Who is going to check up on him?

In the 24mm. of perforations there are 13 holes and 13 bridges. There are in this sheet 5,049mm. of perforations. $5,049 \div 24 = 210\frac{1}{4}$. $210\frac{1}{4} \times 13 = 2,734$ holes in the sheet, each of which is about 1mm. in diameter and contains .7,854 sq. mm. $.7,854 \times 2,734 = 2,147.28+$, which is 4.1% of the area of the sheet. If the holes were 2mm. in diameter the percentage of paper cut away would be 8.2, figuring only half as many holes. The figures used are approximate, having dropt small fractions.

We respectfully submit this to the economy sleuths of the Post Office Department. Bigger perforation holes will result in larger discs, which, if gathered, will yield a return of 15c. per 100 lbs. in scrap paper.—"Pennies saved, grow to dollars."

Dr. Victor M. Berthold Passes Away

Again the Grim Reaper has selected a shining mark from among Philately's paladins. Dr. Victor M. Berthold passed away, after but a few days of illness, at his home in Laurelton, Long Island, on December 29th of last year. The news did not reach us in time for our January issue.

No panegyric of mine can add to the merits of a man whose love for Philately impelled him—magnificently equipped as was his scholarly mind—to dedicate to her the fruits of much historic research. His place in her temple is permanently established. The many evidences of mutual esteem that mark our long acquaintance remain as treasured mementos—his personally inscribed works are the evidences of his fine friendship. Our sincerest sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.



Death of Don C. Hammatt

Financial reverses—as the Topeka papers intimate—may explain the mystery of the tragedy that culminated in the death of Mr. and Mrs. Don C. Hammatt of Topeka, Kans. Don Hammatt was reputed to be one of Topeka's wealthy men, but to us he was just a little more: he was an enthusiastic stamp collector, a congenial comrade, a lovable good fellow—and we are saddened by the news that he is no more.



Flaw in That Stamp Illustrating Bill

One of our esteemed analytically-minded correspondents points out a serious flaw in that bill to liberalize stamp-illustrating. As phrased this bill puts the police duties on revenue stamps up to the Postmaster-General. Our correspondent is inclined to the opinion that this does not come under the official duties of that officer, and he does not believe the bill, as drawn, can pass an intelligent test as to its constitutionality.

What Philately wants, he opines, is a law that has the full sanction of the Treasury Department.

Gentlemen of the Committee—what about it?



The Oglethorpe Stamp

Harmonizing perfectly with the recently issued William Penn commemorative, the General Oglethorpe stamp is another credit to the Post-Office Department and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. There is no room for criticism.

That One-Type-Font Government Printery in the Canal Zone

Ever since 1904, when the first Canal Zone overprints appeared on Colombian and República de Panama stamps, up to the present United States currents, one style of type has been employed—the capital letters of an ordinary 8-point Roman. It is the most unsatisfactory type-face that could be selected unless, of course, there is but one font in the shop!

Considerable trouble seems always to be experienced whenever a new U. S. series receives this overprinting. They experiment in various colors, but find, in the end, that they must come back to black in order to make the print show up on the darker-color stamps. In the 1924-26 issue they were forced to use red on the Panama-issue ½c. olive-brown and on the 17c. black. Even here the result was far from satisfactory. As a printer, I cannot understand why they do not change to another style of type—one that would prove effective in either black, blue or red—a bolder, *sans serif* letter, and at the same time less subject to wear or “broken lines.” The present type-face can be imitated by any printer. Other governments’ printing offices design a special, distinctive letter for such overprinting—why cannot we do this? Here are a few suggestions. The lettering can be reduced in size.

CANAL Canal **CANAL** CANAL *Canal*
ZONE Zone **ZONE** ZONE *Zone*



Another Section of the Kohl Handbook—Hannover

Part 29 of the “Kohl-Briefmarken-Handbuch” has come to hand, and continues with the stamps of Hannover—the issues of 1850-1859.

Hannover is one of the favorites with collectors of German States in this country and those who specialize in these interesting stamps will find here a wealth of information for their guidance.

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Coming Auctions

Mr. Daniel F. Kelleher (7 Water St., Boston, Mass.) will conduct his 368th Sale Saturday afternoon, March 25th. The lots consist of U. S. Stamps, Postmasters and General Issues—250 superb items. Advanced collectors and all interested in high-class material should get on Mr. Kelleher's auction mailing list.

Mr. M. Ohlman's (116 Nassau St., New York) 178th Sale will take place on Friday and Saturday, March 3rd and 4th. It consists of U. S. 19th and 20th Century, Foreign and a large wholesale South American stock. There is "something for everybody" in this auction, and collectors should write for a catalog at once.

The J. M. Bartels Co. (116 Nassau St., New York) 193rd Sale will take place on Saturday, March 11th. United States, Confederate States, British North America and British West Indies make up the desirable material in this auction. Collectors should write for catalog.

Mr. W. T. Pollitz (24 Milk St., Boston, Mass.) will conduct his 19th Sale of U. S. on and off cover as well as Foreign stamps, on Friday evening, March 10th. Write for a catalog.



First-Day Oglethorpes

The Editor desires to express thanks to the following kind friends who remembered him with a first-day cover bearing the new Oglethorpe commemorative and postmarked Savannah, Ga., February 12, 1933; Atlanta, and Oglethorpe University Feb. 13 respectively: Mr. Albert E. Gorham, Washington, D. C.; Mr. George A. Porter; Junior Chamber of Commerce; Judge A. H. Benners, Mr. Nat Horwitz, and several others without names of senders.



Cook Islands

This month we are printing another philatelic travel story from the pen of Dr. L. L. Burton, colonial surgeon, on the far away Island of St. Helena. The scene is Rarotonga. We turn to the page of Cook Islands in our collections—and think of Varo Varo, the belle of Rarotonga, and Iro . . . and the tragedy in that Elysium of the South Seas. . .



Many newspapers in The Associated Press now operate independent stamp departments, as features, and it is not unlikely that The Associated Press management has observed the many interesting stamp pages, and for that reason may see fit to add a Stamp Column to its service.

The First Maryland Post.

By L. M. RELLIM

It is of more than passing interest to ascertain the earliest official postal notices in the Colonies and in making searches among the old archives of Maryland the following proclamation was noted, and because of the quaintness and misspelling used it is herewith given in the exact original. This proclamation was the culmination of letters written by Deputy Postmaster Hamilton and supports the statement by Mr. Harry M. Konwiser in his valuable work "Colonial and Revolutionary Posts" that the Neal Patent granted by the King was not a paying proposition and the aid of the colonies was solicited.

Councill again Sate and were present
His Ex^{ncy} Francis Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t
Gen^{ll} & ca

Coll Henry Jowles
Coll Nicholas Greenberry
Thomas Tench Esq^r
Coll Charles Hutchins
Coll David Brown
Thomas Brooke Esq^r
Edward Randolph Esq^r

May 22th 1695

Ordered that Proclamation issue to give notice of the house Burgesses agreement made with Cap^t Perry which accordingly issued was signed by his Ex^{ncy} and passed the Broad Seal of the Province the Tenor whereof followeth in these Words Vizt

By his Ex^{ncy} a Proclamation

Whereas the Burgesses and Delegates at a Gen^{ll} assembly of this Province begun & held at Annapolis the Eighth day of May instant have thought fit for their Mat^s Service & benefit of the Countrey & promoting the post Office to appoint and Settle Some person of Trust and integrity to keep going betwixt the River of Potomock in Maryland & Philadelphia in Pensilvania in the Nature of a Post for the quick and speedy dispatch of letters & ca And forasmuch as the said Burgesses & Delegates have Entered into agreem^t with one John Perry who has vndertaken the said Employ I have thought fit (for informacon of the inhabitants of this Province) to Publish and Make known & I doe hereby publish and make known that the agreem^t of^d and Stages Allotted for the said Post to goe are in manner following layd downe (that is to say) Eight Times in every Year betwixt Potomock and Philadelphia aforementioned & is to begin at Newtons Point upon Wiccocomaco River in Potomack & from thence to go to Allens Mill and Allens Mills, to

Benedict LeonardTown, from Benedict LeonardTown over petuxant River to M^r Lingaus, from M^r Lingaus, to M^r Larkin's, and so to South River and Annapolis formerly Ann Arrundell from thence to Kent & so to William Stadt formerly Oxford, and from thence to Dan^{ll} Toa's's and so to Adam Petersons and from thence to New Castle & so directly to Philadelphia & Returne the say Way back again to Potomack And at all those places Receive Carry, bring, & Leave all Pacquets and Letters of & from the Inhabitants of this Province at his Nearest Stages according to the Directions of the same, for which he is to take no gratuity or Reward for carrying any Lett^{rs} from this Province to Philadelphia or bringing any from Philadelphia hither & delivering the same according to directions at his Nearest Stages And if further Occasion Require he is to goe to New Yorke Virg^a or else where as by me he shall be directed for which the assembly of this Province have agreed to allow the Sume of fifty pounds Sterl Yearly And to the End due Notice hereof may be given I hereby comand the Sherriffes of the Province to Make Proclamation hereof in the most Publick and convenient places within their Respective Counties. Given at Annapolis Under the great Seale of the Province this 22th day of May in the seaventh Year of his Mat^s Reign Annog Domi: 1695

God Save the King ffr: Nicholson

True Copy from off the Originall

H. Denton C of Concil

The aforesaid Post is to Set forward his stages from Newtons Point (God willing) the last Munday in June next and this is to give notice that all Letters that are brought or Sent to the Port of Annapolis are ordered to be delivered into the Secretary'es Office for all persons, to have Recourse to

"Uncle Billy" Lycett.

A Tribute and a Birthday Greeting to the Man Who Has Done Much for American Philately.



MR. WILLIAM LYCETT of Cape May, N. J. . . . but hold! None will know of whom I write if the start is made in this way—for to American Philately the subject of this tribute has long been just "Uncle Billy," and that endearing sobriquet carries with it the affection and esteem of a vast army of stamp-collectors extending from Dan to Bersheba! So, let's start with a "new páragiraffe," as Andy would express it.

"Uncle Billy" (that strikes the right chord!) celebrated his three-score-and-ten with a dinner and a reunion of relatives at Colton Court, in his home town of Cape May, on the 21st of January. The party was the biggest thing Uncle Billy ever took part in, with the exception of his wedding-day, of course, for kith and kin within a radius of 200 miles, hiked, motored, shipped, skated, tobogganed, skiied, flew and swam to Cape May to be present on that festive occasion with their tribute of love and affection. . . .

But it is not of that remarkable party I would tell—rather of Uncle Billy Lycett himself, and what he means to his thousands of nephews and nieces throughout the realm of Philately. Dean of the older school, he is to the younger generation friend, counsellor and inspiration.

It would require a small volume to present even a brief sketch of Uncle Billy's career. From the time when, as a seven-year old, he lined up the 3c. 1869s on his father's desk for a game of "choo-choo cars"—through all the issues of the succeeding decades that are as varied as the experiences of life itself—up to the present

time—would spell the story of a man whose years have been well lived, because that man possessed the rare faculty of making friends among young and old—radiating cheerfulness and kindness wherever he mingled with his brother-men.

Few men have led a more active life, or been affiliated with more organizations, than Uncle Billy—not as a "jiner" merely, but always in some post of trust, where there was work to do. For eight years Secretary of the S. P. A., his service in that capacity resulted in the rejuvenation of this national society of philatelists. It was in this sphere of his activity that we knew him best.

I am proud, too, of the fact that he is an outstanding member of my craft—a true disciple of Gutenberg—having been President of the New York Typographical Society for two terms, besides holding various offices of trust in the printing industry for forty years!

His proof-reading record is extraordinary, and the tasks include such a prodigious mass of material as to be almost unbelievable. Dr. Cadman once stated that "Uncle Billy knows more Bible than 99% of the top church officials!"

He is a Master Mason and is still affiliated with Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 123, of Union City, N. J.

Uncle Billy is of English-Welsh stock. His maternal ancestor came to America in the *Mayflower* and his paternal ancestors from England at the close of the Revolution. Mrs. Lycett, whom Uncle Billy fondly calls "my little English wife," is a native of Dover, England.

May our Uncle Billy be granted many more years of good health and activity.



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Cook Islands.

BY DR. L. L. BURTON, Colonial Surgeon, Island of St. Helena.

"Blimme Bill, 'ere's a bloke a goin' to the island where Bony Party died"—having glanced at the label on my cabin trunk.

So, to paraphrase the above, one might say "Ere's a bloke a goin' to the island where Captain Cook was murdered," and that would be the extent of their mis-knowledge, for Cockney porters' geography knows no difference between "H" and "R".

I have just been over to the "treasure house" in which my stamps are stored, and it came to me how little—even though that little was a bit more than the above—is known by the collector of today about the Cook Islands.

"Will you accept an appointment for six months in the Cook Islands?" This telegram opened by me, one morning, while at breakfast in my house in the North Island of New Zealand, came like a breath of fresh air to a parched and hungry man.

To get it spelt "Elysium" in capital letters.

A few days later I had entrained at Auckland, and after a long journey to Wellington, embarked there on the R. M. S. *Makura* for Rarotonga, the principal Island of the Group. A few days steam and we arrive at Rarotonga.

Clement Wragge, in his "Romance of the South Seas," says: "A warm soft atmosphere, sweet as Elysium . . . a lovely island and mountainous, two great tiers of luxuriant vegetation cover the hills to their summits. The highest 2,200 feet. Below, fringing the beach, cocoanut palms in myriads, forming together a glorious picture."

Stewart's "Pacific Islands" says "The most valuable and fertile of the Cook Group. Attaining as it does a height of 3,000 feet; circumference 20 miles; population 3,000 natives, and 200 whites."

The Encyclopædia Britannica: "Rarotonga, hilly, fertile and well watered. Several cones 300 to 400 feet high, above which towers the majestic Rarotonga volcano 2,920 feet high." Thus do so-called authorities differ.

Discovered by Captain Cook in 1777, and in 1823 became the scene of the mis-

sionary labors of John Williams of the London Missionary Society.

Having a coral reef all landing is effected in boats or native canoes.

Let us turn to her stamps. First we see a portrait of Queen Makea Takau on the 1893-99 issue then the stamp with the Torea or Wry Bill bird. Passing on a few surcharges in 1919 we find stamps of New Zealand surcharged "Rarotonga."

In 1920 we come to the first of a series of pictorial stamps issued for Rarotonga from ½d. to 1/0. The ½d. depicts the Landing of Captain Cook. 1d., Wharf at Avarua (Raro's only port); 1½d., Captain Cook; 3d., Palm Tree; 6d., Huts at Aorangi; 1/0. Avarua Harbor.

The same designs serve for Aitutaki (140 miles from Rarotonga).

In 1927 a black and pale blue 2½d. stamp, showing a Rarotongan Chief, was issued.

The same value in 1927 is given to Aitutaki, but he is now called a "Native" Chief!

Niue (one of the Group,) in 1927, is given the Native chief, and the same picture as that for Rarotonga, showing "Rarotonga Harbor," for her 2½d. and 4d respectively.

Alas, how one longs for photogravure to take the place of the designs engraved and recess printed by Bacon & Co.

I have looked at my stamps through a lens, in the hope of being able to get, if but a little, of the charm of the South Seas, and something of its reality—but failed.

In landing you see, within the reef, the remains of a steamer wrecked years ago, whose bows still show above the water.

Only one thing do I recognize—the jetty. I landed on it in 1925. Walking its length (it has a rail down the center for trolley cars) we come to the wharf sheds and offices of the Customs.

Passing these we emerge almost in front of the Whare, which is the one and only boarding house on the Island.

Here in the road are parked cars, ready to whisk you off "Round the Island, sir." "Cars!" you exclaim in astonishment. "Surely there are no motors?"

Yes, over one hundred 'way back in 1925, and within the first twenty-four hours I was rushed off at forty miles an hour, by a native driving his own car, to see his child.

You look again at the only 1/0 showing anything of the island and you imagine: rocks, with a few trees, and some huts.

Let us turn to the left as we land. In front of us lie the Administration Offices, with that of the Superintendent of Works to the left, snuggling behind a hedge which encloses a delightful tennis lawn. In one corner we see a seven trunked palm tree (one of the abnormalities of its species). Passing this point we find a small store and behind it the cold storage (which used so often to be under repair).

Over a tiny bridge, beneath which an almost dried up stream trickles to the sea, to reach on your right one of the stores of the island—Mitchell & Co. Further on the Cinema, where Brown's pictures used to be shown twice a week.

And now you enter Elysium. Up the road, as far as you can see the hibiscus and the purple duranta, and trumpet lily; acacia, and flowers of hibiscus in many species, and water hyacinth.

The native buildings? Yes, but they are often hidden 'way back behind those waving palms, standing alone in a kingdom of their own.

Half way up the main road you turn off, along a lane, and reach the Protestant Church. A massive building of white-washed walls, while before it lie the tombs of bygone Rarotongans. And they are tombs of massive coral cement, restraining, if need were, the exuberant spirits of a past, from taking flight.

Here you see the quivering foliage of the Australian casuarina, and the rich red petals of the poinsettia, or coral tree.

At the back of the church, and some distance away the clergyman's residence, a big building of two stories. You look round. Where are the gray "rocks, the forbidding heights?" You see them not. In their place verdure everywhere, and nature holding before your eyes a carpeted floor covered with grasses, shrubs, and all that is tropical of tropical flora in gorgeous profusion.

It is an island twelve miles in circumference, with a level road encircling the whole. A few roads lead into the interior, and up to the hills but the one road furnishes the answer of how cars came to Rarotonga in the Cook Islands.

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Encircling the whole island you have sands—the "golden" sands of the poet, lying within the barrier reef.

Poultry is kept, and pigs. The former not for their eggs, but for the table, when, on occasion a dance is given, and 200 birds are prepared for the guests.

Oranges. Yes, I think so. I "sucked" one, the first night, and knew it to my sorrow. My lips were sore for days.

You *drink* orange juice in Rarotonga as you would milk in England. Tomatoes, yes, and bananas, and paw paws—bread fruit, mangoes and pineapple.

There is prohibition in the Cook Islands, and it is only my right to prescribe one whiskey, or one brandy a month, or four light wines or fourteen bottles of ale in the same period—all "For Health Purposes."

Of course with prohibition no liquor is ever seen!!!

Where there is a will there is a way, and prohibition only makes the distillation of spirits from orange, and other fruits to be more secretly and probably more abundantly made than if there were no restrictions.

If men are wanted for work, a conviction for selling or making prohibited spirits quickly results in a sufficiency of labor.

The movie. You imagine a third, or a fourth rate show. We saw as good pictures in Raro as we ever saw in Auckland. They came direct from 'Frisco.

Dances, and Aitutaki. I spent three weeks there. Her barrier reef I shall never forget. It rises a wall of foaming water twenty feet high, around the reef.

With one opening, through which we had a mile's pull to the wharf.

But to come back to the dances. They were quite the most strenuous I have ever seen. Attendance was compulsory, so in this way the natives reached a stage of perfection which resulted in friendly rivalry when inter-village contests are held.

Here in Aitutaki they would send to 'Frisco for the latest dance music.

In Aitutaki I recall a tomb; covered by a tiny wooden erection, with a glass window, and behind it stands the bedstead on which the deceased had last slept, to-

gether with the sewing machine which she had last used.

In another was the bicycle which the "departed" rider once used.

Yes, they closed 'em fast and secure in the Cook Group. The coral cement covering the bodies must have weighed *tons!*

But what more of Aitutaki? Its lagoon. The largest in the Pacific with thirteen islands, on one of which was a leper settlement, if I can use the expression for the house in which the two lepers, segregated there, lived.

I visited them, and gave them their injections. Gorilla, the native rower, who had brought me out, over needle points of coral, which seemed just ready to rip our slender canoe to bits, waited on the shore, while I walked up to the little hut in which the two men lived.

"Is there anything you want, Iro?" The Rarotongan looked at me pathetically. "Could I have a couple of guitar strings, sir?" One tiny blemish in his cheek. Just the touch of leprosy on the face of a beautiful youth of eighteen.

His companion, minus feet and legs, minus nose and fingers, propelling himself on stumps, and making some noise in the back of his throat.

Could there be a more touching epic written, than one depicting a tiny hut on a tiny islet in a lagoon in the South Seas?

Beauty chained, almost, one might say with a fearsomeness beside which Victor Hugo's "Quasimodo" was a beauty. As I walked back to the waiting canoe the youth stood on the edge of the tiny verandah of the 'hut.' And, in the distance our canoe sped before the wind. I looked back.

Iro, the Rarotonga, stood watching. What were his thoughts?

Were they of the night when, with Varo Varo, the belle of Rarotonga, who had sat with him in the pictures, watching the unfolding of the reel "Separation?" He had just kissed her in the darkness.

"What spot that you got, on him cheek, Iro?"

And the answer came, when Dr. Timere, the specialist, diagnosed him as a leper.



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<i>Old Ironsides</i> , George Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22, 1933.....	.25

I expect to follow *Old Ironsides* while on this West Coast Cruise, and will secure cachet covers from each sea port she visits if possible. All *Old Ironsides* covers on this West Coast Cruise price 25c. each. Covers will be franked with various different commemorative issued stamps and embossed envelopes.

W. G. CROSBY, P. O. Box 602, San Pedro, California

Airmail News of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr., 109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

I am omitting the usual news of coming events on naval covers in this column as a special department in another section of THE NEW SOUTHERN on Navals is ably conducted by Robert C. Thompson of Glen Allen, Va. Should any of our readers at any time wish information on these interesting covers, please write Mr. Thompson.

An announcement of no small interest is that the former American Flying Mail Association has been merged with the American Air Mail Association and members of the A. F. M. A. will receive due notice of their new membership from the secretary of the A. A. M. A. Through the good work of J. P. Penning and L. B. Gatchell this merger was satisfactorily completed.

Robert L. Cook, P. O. Box 795, Asbury Park, N. J., will accept and cachet covers for the Fifth Anniversary of the Sea Girt Rifle and Pistol Club on March 10.

Old Ironsides will visit Astoria, Oregon, May 5-10, and the local Chamber of Commerce will sponsor and cachet all covers sent them before this date.

J. K. Gaikinkler, 4904 North Avers Ave., Chicago, Ill., will hold and have covers cacheted for the following events. Please see that covers are marked for each event and no postage dues will be accepted.

April 7, Jackson, Miss., 135th Anniversary Territory of Mississippi.

May 7, New Salem, Ill., 100th Anniversary Lincoln's Postmastership of New Salem.

June 1, Chicago, Ill., Opening of Century of Progress.

Last part of July: Arrival of 20 planes from Italy (air mail covers only for this event.)

July 1-4, Chicago, Ill., International plane and balloon race.

Besides, Mr. Gaikinkler will be glad to handle covers for several special cachet events which will take place in Chicago during the Exposition. Send him a supply.

A souvenir cachet will be applied to all covers on March 25, "Maryland Day" the 150th Anniversary of the death of Charles Carroll, writer of the Bill of Rights. Covers to: Cover Service, Arundel Hotel, Baltimore, Md.

The St. Joseph Stamp Club, St. Joseph, Mo., will sponsor a cachet on April 3 commemorating the 73rd Anniversary of the Pony Express from that city in 1860. The charge is 5c. per cover, including stamp, envelope and historical sketch. Send to: G. J. Luhn, secretary, 314 Felix St., St. Joseph, Missouri.

On March 21, the Scituate Stamp Club will sponsor a cachet commemorating the 120th Anniversary of the "American Army of Two"—the two girls who saved the shipping in Scituate Harbor during the War of 1812. Send covers to Rev. James A. Simons, Scituate Center, Mass.

Many of our readers, and friends of Erik Hildesheim, well-known air mail writer of Chicago, will be delighted to know that he has been appointed editor of a stamp department for the *New Outlook* magazine. Erik may now share the editorial *sinctum sanctum* with Al Smith, who is the editor-in-chief.

One cover will be cacheted for all collectors on March 4 at Hyde Park, N. Y., the birthplace of Franklin Roosevelt. Additional covers will cost 5c. each. Send your cover to: Roosevelt Cachet Committee, P. O. Box 255, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Joseph Palmer, 25 Patchen Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., will sponsor a cachet sometime in April commemorating Washington's inauguration as First President. Write Mr. Palmer for further information.

D. E. Schucker, Lebanon, Pa., reports that the U. S. Department of Aeronautics is planning locating an airport on Martins Creek River near Easton, Pa. May be chance of a dedication. Watch your newspapers.

Joe Stoutzenberg sends the following advance news:

A new Canadian flight between Big River, Sask., and Ile ala Crosse, Sask., via Green Lake and Beauval, Sask., about March 16. Complete point to point coverage will provide set of eight covers with eight different cachets as follows: Big River to Green Lake; to Beauval; to Ile ala Crosse. Green Lake to Beauval. Ile ala Crosse to Big River. Beauval to Big River. Green Lake to Big River. Beauval to Green Lake. Canadian air mail rate is still 8c. so U. S. covers should be addressed to yourself as usual. Send to all points wanted to the District Superintendent of Postal Service, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada, to reach him not later than March 13 with money order payable to the Receiver General of Canada.

A "Buy American" cachet will be sponsored in New York on March 4. Send covers to E. L. Pollock, Stamp Review Editor, *New York American*, 220 South St., New York City.

I failed to mention in last month's issue that Donald Dickason, dean of airmailists of Wooster, Ohio, is still conducting splendid auctions of air mail items. A postal sent him will place your name on his mailing list for regular stated auction sales.

Alfred Haase, our Petersburg correspondent, sent us some valuable cachet news, but it arrived just a little too late for the last issue and too far ahead of time for this number. Our heartiest thanks, though, Al.

The Dolton Stamp Club of Chicago will sponsor a cachet on March 13 for its first stamp exhibit. Covers to Roland Rademacher, 13840 Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale Station, Chicago, Ill.

There will be a cachet May 1 for the International May Day Celebration at Reading, Pa. Covers to K. E. Smith, 628 Walnut St., Reading, Pa.

There will be a very important historical cachet at Richmond, Virginia, in the near future. Definite announcements of this will appear shortly, however if you don't want to be left out send your covers now to: Air Mail Editor, The New Southern Philatelist, 109 East Cary St., Rich-

mond, Virginia. No postage dues accepted. Send as many covers as you wish, but all must be fully prepaid. Leave unsealed and unstuffed.

R. A. Polkert, Box 5, Gibsonia, Pa., one of our regular readers is interested in Railroad cachets and will appreciate hearing from other collectors of these items.

Coöperators, and many thanks to each: Jouett Devenport, A. C. Husak, Merle Simpson, *****W. C. Crosby, Wayne M. Ervin, J. K. Gaiswinkler, Don Dickason, Coleman Blum, G. J. Luhn, **Nat Horwitz, Rev. James A. Simons, Alfred Haase, Wm. D. Duggan, Joseph Palmer, D. E. Schucker, ***Judge Alfred Benners, **Robert S. Nelson.



Stop Press News

A. A. Leve, 333 S. Warren St., Syracuse, N. Y., will handle one cover for the cachet of March 4 in his city, however extra covers must be paid for at 5c. each. The cachet will be in four colors.

Bob of the Northland just announces a new magazine printed in Canada. It's called *The Northland Stamp Monthly* and should be a good one. Price \$1.00 per year. Address: Box 474, G. P. O., Edmonton, Canada.

D. H. Jacobs advises us that there will be a large event and dedication at Sunnyvale Air Base the latter part of March or April and the C. of C. of San Jose, Calif. has charge of the official cachet. Mr. Jacobs is holding covers for this event, which is all air mail, and all covers must be sent to him and not the Chamber. Address: D. H. Jacobs, 108 North 24th St., San Jose, Calif. Note his advertisement in this issue.

Don't forget the coming Virginia cachet and all covers must be mailed the Air Mail Editor, THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST, 109 E. Cary St., Richmond, Va.



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South American Air Mail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

You will have seen by your daily papers that Jean Mermoz, the famous mail pilot of the Compagnie Generale Aeropostale has again successfully crossed the Southern Atlantic with six companions in an aeroplane called the "Arc-en-Ael" (Rain-bow). His previous flight was made in 1930 in 21 hours. This time he made the crossing from Senegal in 14½ hours. He left Rio early this morning and should arrive at the French Company's aerodrome near this city at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The atmosphere conditions are ideal and he may probably continue the flight to Chile. The object of the trip is to demonstrate the feasibility of carrying up to 1,500 kilograms of mail in an aeroplane over the Southern Atlantic thereby eliminating the necessity for the employment of despatch vessels over the trans-Atlantic portion of the French Company's airmail route. Locally Mermoz is extremely popular on account of his heroic feats on several occasions and there is no doubt he will receive a tremendous reception.

The funeral of Santos Dumont took place in Rio on 21st December last and although somewhat belated probably the following short account will interest your readers. The body of Alberto Santos Dumont was brought to the Federal Capital four months after his death from heart failure in Santos. Ever since his demise he had been lying in state in Sao Paulo Cathedral probably because it was not possible to remove the body on account of the civil war raging during those months.

The public demonstrations of grief were very profound and the greatest crowd lined the streets since the visit of Mr. Hoover as President-Elect of the United States nearly five years ago.

A procession more than ten miles long, including representatives of every class and organization, from Cabinet Ministers to tiny school children, moved from the Cathedral, where services were conducted by Cardinal Sebastiao Lime to the cemetery of Sao Joao Baptista (St. John the Baptist).

In this palm-dotted spot, surrounded by green mountains and overlooked by the 80-foot statue of Christ the Redeemer on

Corcovado Peak, the coffin was placed beneath the Replica of the Santos Dumont monument at Saint Cloud near Paris, which the great inventor had selected for his grave.

Most of the population which did not participate in the procession watched the funeral march, joined by thousands from the Nictheroy and neighboring States.

The funeral caison was drawn by students from the military, naval, and civil aviation schools. The procession, besides contingents from all varieties of civic, social, labor, commercial, and church organizations included detachments of soldiers, sailors, and marines, as well as members of the diplomatic corps.

Great crowds had previously paid a tribute to Santos Dumont when the coffin left Sao Paulo and upon its arrival in Rio.



Schoolboy to Address Philatelic Congress

Details which are beginning to leak out about this year's Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, to be held in London from May 29th to June 2nd, under the auspices of the British Philatelic Association, suggest that the keynote of the gathering will be originality.

There have been many suggestions for linking the younger generation with the Congress, but it has remained for the B. P. A. to take the very practical step of inviting a youth who is still at school to read a paper at one of the sessions.

He is Mr. R. H. Douglas, of Derby, who won the Stamp Collectors' Challenge Cup last year at the age of 15½, and twice previously won the Silver Cup in the Junior Philatelic Society annual essay competition. He was just over 13 when he first astonished a large audience at Caxton Hall with a remarkable paper on Persian reprints. Mr. Douglas has done some careful work in the study of Persian stamps and, as he is still young enough not to have forgotten what general collecting is like, it will be interesting to see what he makes of his subject "Microscopical Philately; Is it Good or Bad?"—A. W. TYRRELL, London.



The Editor will be grateful for any information concerning new issues. Full credit will be given.

International Philatelic Exhibition, Vienna, 1933 (WIPA 1933)



The International Philatelic Exhibition, Vienna, 1933 (WIPA 1933) will be the most important philatelic exhibition ever held as can be judged by the number of entries received so far and the enormous interest shown by the public. This fact is also proved by the entire exhaustion of the important issue of the third prospectus which appeared in December 1932. The fourth prospectus is being prepared; it will carry all further details among which we particularly mention fare reductions obtained recently and other facilities, and the definite program of entertainments. The fourth prospectus will be sent without special application to Members of the Committee of Honor and to such persons only who participate in the WIPA 1933 as exhibitors or visitors and who have communicated their intention to the Management of the Exhibition.

The last day for entries is the 28th of February; this day must be strictly observed in order to secure a correct compilation of the Exhibition Catalogue which will be printed in three languages.

The participators' tickets of the WIPA will appear in February and will be available at the price of RM 3.— plus RM—.50 postage, at the Office of the WIPA 1933, Vienna I., Wallnerstrasse 6 (Telephone U 20-4-91), and at all representatives of the WIPA abroad and all Travelling Offices of importance.

For dealers' stalls in the three buildings of the WIPA, especially in the Military Casino where an International Bourse will be held during the whole time of the WIPA, many applications have arrived up to this date. The regulations concerning rental of dealers' stalls, and plans with exact details, will be sent by the Office of the WIPA, Vienna I., Wallnerstrasse 6, to any dealer, free on request.

Plan now to attend the WIPA this year.

Exhibit Data Wanted

Mr. Carl Rhoads, 715 W. Chestnut St., Bloomington, Ill. is compiling a list of libraries and historical societies having stamp exhibits, and will be grateful for any information given.

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New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.



Austria.—An attractive set of four values has been issued on the occasion of the Winter Sports Meeting in the Tyrol. The stamps were sold at double face value, the premium going to the funds of the International Skiing Federation. The set consists of 12 gr. green, 24 gr. violet, 30 gr. scarlet and 50 gr. blue.

Chile.—The current 1 peso Air Mail stamps have now been overprinted in black instead of blue, and the black overprint has also been applied to the new 5 pesos stamps on watermarked paper.

Costa Rica.—A set of four triangular stamps were supposed to have been issued in connection with the recent Exhibition held at San José, but they did not arrive in time and so the Exhibition had to go without them. The stamps were, however, duly delivered after the close of the Exhibition and the Postal Authorities decided to put them on sale. We understand that the stamps were soon exhausted. The values are: 3, 5, 10 and 20 centavos.

Egypt.—The stamps commemorating the Railway Congress were due to be issued on January 19th, the values being: 5, 13, 15 and 20 millimes. We are further officially informed that the new Air Mail stamps are not likely to be placed on sale yet, in fact they have not even been printed.

French Morocco.—A complete new pictorial set has been issued showing various views of towns in the French Zone of Morocco. A new set of Air Mail stamps has also appeared, the values being: 50, 80 centimes, 1 franc 40c., 2 francs 50c., 5 and 10 francs.

Guatemala.—The 4c. orange stamp of 1929, has been surcharged "Aereo Interior 1933" in green, we are informed that 300,000 have been surcharged. It is also stated that in order to use up the 3c. Air Mail stamps a new 1c. denomination is to be brought into use shortly, presumably another surcharged variety. Our agent also tells us that orders have been given for the destruction of the remaining stocks of the 12½c. carmine stamp of 1918.

Nicaragua.—To commemorate the inauguration of the new railroad between San Jorge and the Port of San Juan del Sur, a special set of five postage stamps and five Air Mail stamps was issued. They were locally printed in sheets of four showing various views of this new railway. The values of the postage set are: 1, 2, 5, 10, 15c., and the Air Mail, 15, 20, 25, 50c. and \$1. Only 1,000 sets were issued, so that it is hardly necessary to say they were soon sold out. A further letter from our agent states that still another commemorative issue was made to celebrate the inauguration of the other railroad just completed from Leon to Sucre. The stamps were printed locally and are similar to the first issue referred to above, the values being the same. The San Jorge are dated "18 de Diciembre 1932" and the Leon, "30 de Diciembre 1932," all values are printed in sheets of four and we understand, as in the first issue, only 1,000 sets were issued. Our agent writes as follows: "By the President's special wishes these two Railway commemorative issues have been placed on sale to show what he had accomplished during his four years presidency, and certainly it must have given credit to him for what he has done in spite of the world-wide depression, starting and completing two railways, which, in Nicaragua, were a long felt necessity." We are hoping that now the President has retired from the office that his successor will not emulate the example by issuing further unnecessary and speculative stamps.

Panama.—The current 25c. Air Mail stamp has been surcharged "20c.", the Post Office being overstocked with the 25c. value and short of the 20c. A new stamp has also been issued for the Canal Zone, the United States 3c. Washington Bicentennial has been overprinted "Canal Zone."

Papua.—A very fine pictorial set has been issued here. The values run from ½d. to £1,

Peru.—A new 2c. gray stamp has been issued for the benefit of the unemployed and is inscribed with the words "Pro Desocupados." The design shows a man standing at the anvil with a hammer in his hand. A new pictorial issue has been prepared by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons, we have seen four denominations so far, 2c. grey, 4c. brown, 10c. carmine, 1 sol orange. The two lower denominations show a mountainous view of Arequipa; the 10c. shows a portrait of the President, General Luis M. Sanchez Cerro, and after this value had been on sale for two days it was withdrawn and the remainder ordered to be incinerated, we are not informed the reason for this, but we suppose it is a political one; the 1 sol shows the monument to Simon Bolivar at Lima. The 50c. Official stamp, has been discovered in a very different color green. Our correspondent informs us that only a few sheets were discovered in this color and that they are likely to be extremely scarce.

Philippines.—The new provisional 1 and 2 pesos stamps surcharged on 4 pesos have now been received. Our correspondent informs us that no misprints or errors are known in connection with these stamps and also tells us that the Von Gronau flight had nothing to do with the DO-X flight. Captain Von Gronau was making a Round the World flight in the interests of commercial aviation, his plane, the "Green Whale" was nearly wrecked in a storm in the Bay of Bengal, but he and his plane were rescued. With reference to the 18 centavos stamp of the pictorial issue, as soon as the authorities were aware of the fact that the wrong view was depicted on this stamp all the stock of this denomination was withdrawn from sale, both the ordinary stamp and those overprinted for the Von Gronau flight.

Spain Again Honors Philately



The second convention of the International Union of the Philatelic Press, convening in Madrid last month, has been honored by the issue of specially designed postal stationery in the pattern here illustrated. The following values have appeared: 15c. green on gray-blue, 30c. red and 40c. blue on white paper.

Poland's Thorn Stamp



Marking the seventh centenary of the founding of the city of Thorn, Poland has issued an attractive stamp printed in blue on cream paper—value 60 gr.

Finland's New Red Cross Set



We illustrate the attractive set of Finland's Red Cross Stamps. It consists of the following values: 1¼ m. plus 10 p. sepia; 2 m. plus 20 p. slate purple; 2½ m. plus 25 p. slate brown.

John S. Rich Arrested

The San Antonio *Express* of Feb. 14 gives the particulars of the arrest of John S. Rich, proprietor of the Alamo Stamp Co., formerly doing business in San Antonio. It will be recalled that Rich decamped some months ago, taking with him many valuable consignments of stamps and his whereabouts have been enveloped in mystery. Much credit is due to Dr. Prichard Von David of San Antonio, who trailed Rich to California, where he brought about his arrest, and Rich is now back in San Antonio. Fred Green, also of San Antonio, who lost a \$1,000 collection, went to California to identify Rich. Von David and Green brought back three suit cases, a hat box and a paper box all full of stamps which will be used as evidence in court. It is estimated that stamps worth over \$25,000 have been recovered and to Dr. Von David belongs the credit of trailing Rich to the Pacific Coast, where he recovered his collection valued at \$2,700, as well as the Green collection.—*Mekeel's Weekly*.

New Discoveries of Provisional Postmaster Stamps

Shortly after the passage by Congress in 1845 of a law reducing the ordinary postage rates to 5 cents and 10 cents for distances under and over 300 miles, and pending further debate as to the advisability of issuing postage stamps, a number of individual postmasters proceeded to issue their own stamps. Years later, stamp collectors began finding these provisional stamps, and gradually all the present accepted varieties have been more or less authenticated, and are included in the Standard Catalogue. Some of these provisionals are extremely rare, as only a few specimens ever turned up, but where there are several copies of a stamp on letters addressed to different places, the status of these rare ones can be unquestioned. There are two provisionals, however, one from Boscawen, N. H., and the other from Lockport, N. Y., of which only one copy each has ever been found, and these have been accepted as genuine postmasters solely on the circumstances surrounding the finding of them and the reliability of the finders. As new finds of stamps on old correspondence are continually being made, there never is any telling when more of these two may turn up, or for that matter, there is nothing to prevent the finding of new varieties. In fact, it seems that two possible new ones have recently turned up and are now being subjected to the usual critical examination.

LEWISBURG, VA.

Mr. August Dietz, in the December issue of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST recites the circumstances of the finding of a stamp which may eventually become an accepted postmaster's provisional, from a hitherto unsuspected town, Lewisburg, Va. Quite a good case is made out for the newcomer, based, as in the case of the Boscawen and the Lockport, on the circumstances surrounding the finding. The stamp is a little square piece of paper in the upper right corner of a folded letter and bears only the printed inscription "Paid 5 Cents" in three lines, quite similar to the inscription on the Boscawen. The letter was purchased by Mr. Richard Murphey, a teacher, of Lynchburg, Va., while on a vacation trip, from a collector in Portsmouth, Ohio. The preservation of the cover is accounted for by the fact that one of the family to whom the letter had been

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addressed had started to write a novel, and not having enough paper had unfolded a lot of old letters to use the clean inside covers to receive the text. The novel never was finished, but if it has been the means of saving a postmaster's provisional, perhaps it has done more good than if it had.

—ADAMSVILLE, R. I.

Some ten years ago, the *American Philatelist* reproduced and described an envelope mailed from Adamsville, R. I., to John Gifford, Deansville, N. Y. In the upper right corner was a stamp about one inch square with a large ornamental hollow figure 5 on a black machined background similar in printing to figures on some of the old banknotes. The stamp is canceled in two lines in red manuscript AG, PM. There is no postmark but there is a manuscript notation at the top of the envelope, Adamsville, R. I., June 16, no year date being in evidence.

Another cover similar in all respects to the first one except that the cancellation date is Aug. 8th was found in upstate New York in 1926. The present owner was unaware of another until this fact was recently recalled by H. M. Konwiser, librarian of the New York Collectors' Club. Mr. Konwiser would now like to locate the first cover in order that a comparison can be made, and the exact status of the two covers established. Any information in regard to the first cover will be appreciated.—R. A. BARRY in *New York Herald Tribune*.



Valuable Confederate Reprint

"The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America," by Aug. Dietz, tells of a section of the De La Rue electrotype of the FIVE-CENT altered to TEN, in the possession of Mr. Carl H. Anthony of Baltimore. This plate—a block of nine—is the companion-piece of the section in the Ohio State Museum. The plate was "captured" by Mr. Anthony's uncle, Mr. Richard Alexander Glenn, and identified by Mr. Frank Baptist in 1918.

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When Lincoln Carried the Mail.

BY ALTON MEANS in the *New Haven Evening Register*.

One of the most popular portraits on United States stamps is that of Abraham Lincoln. To date there have been eight distinct major varieties of postage stamps bearing his likeness. The first of these stamps appeared August 15, 1866. It was issued by a grieved nation to do honor to the martyr-President who had died at the hand of an assassin's bullet on April 15 of that year. The stamp is of the 15-cent denomination, black, to signify mourning.

The next appearance of the Great Emancipator's portrait was on the 90-cent value of the first bicolored issue of the United States, that of 1869. This stamp was carmine with the portrait in black.

The so-called "Bank Note Issues," beginning in 1870, have a six-cent stamp in carmine or pink which shows the portrait of Lincoln. In 1890 it appeared on the four-cent stamp of an issue of smaller size. The addition of triangles in following issues repeated the identical portrait but constituted a new variety.

On the 1902 series, which is well known as the first regular issue of the Twentieth Century, the portrait of Lincoln was placed on the five-cent blue stamp.

CENTENARY ISSUE

In 1909, the centenary of Lincoln's birth, February 12, 1809, was honored by the issue of a two-cent commemorative stamp. This stamp was the first of the single denomination commemorative stamps, so

many of which have appeared during the past six years.

The last series of stamps to include the portrait of the great Lincoln is that now current which appeared for the first time in 1922. In this series the portrait appears on the three-cent violet stamp, which is one in common use today, due to the new rate of postage on first class mail.

The advent of Lincoln's birthday calls our attention to many acts concerning his life, but there are some, not so well known, which are of particular interest to stamp collectors.

Abraham Lincoln had some connection, during his life, with the work of the Post-office Department. In May, 1833, he was appointed postmaster at New Salem, Ill., and he held this office for three years. It is said that he "carried the postoffice in his hat" as the mail was light, coming but once a week, and he placed letters in his hat for safe keeping while going about the work of making delivery.

MEMBER OF CONGRESS

As a member of Congress, elected in 1846, Lincoln was once more connected with Postal work. At this time he served as a member of the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads.

We are all familiar with the portrait of Lincoln but there are some who probably do not know the features of his general appearance. Of these features, Lamon

says. "He was six feet four inches high, the length of his legs being out of all proportion to that of his body. When he sat on a chair he seemed no taller than an average man, but his knees rose high in front. He weighed about 180 pounds, but was thin through the breast, narrow across the shoulders, and had the general appearance of a consumptive subject. Standing up, he stooped slightly forward; sitting down, he usually crossed his long legs or threw them over the arms of the chair.

"His forehead was high and narrow, inclining backward as it rose; his ears were large and stood out; eyebrows heavy, jutting forward over small sunken blue eyes; nose long, large and blunt; chin projecting far and sharp, curved upward to meet a thick lower lip which hung downward; cheeks flabby, the loose skin falling in folds; a mole on one cheek and an uncommonly prominent Adam's apple in his throat. His hair was dark brown, stiff and unkempt; complexion dark, skin yellow, shrivelled and leathery."

CHARMING PERSONALITY

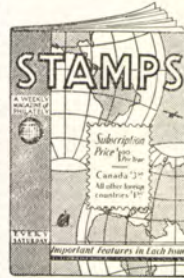
Despite his physical peculiarities, Lincoln had a particularly charming and lovable personality. No higher tribute could be paid him than that of Alexander H. Stephens, who was Vice-President of the Confederate States. He had known Lincoln in Congress and said of him:

"He was warm-hearted; he was generous; he was magnanimous; he was most truly, as he afterwards said on a memorable occasion, 'with malice toward none, with charity for all.' He had a native genius far above his fellows. Every fountain of his heart was overflowing with the 'milk of human kindness'."

COOLIDGE STAMP

The first Lincoln stamp of 1866 initiated the policy of the Post Office Department of issuing stamps to honor deceased Presidents. This policy was continued with the Harding stamp of 1923. The current 17-cent stamp, first issued in 1925, honors Woodrow Wilson.

Since the death of Calvin Coolidge, there has been a great deal of agitation for a stamp to honor him. This agitation has borne fruit and, although no official announcement of the issue has as yet been made, it is now known definitely that such a stamp will appear this year, probably upon Coolidge's birthday on July 4th.—*New Haven Evening Register.*



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Naval Cancellations.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

As mentioned in last month's NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST I promised to discuss the method of cataloguing Naval covers by numbers together with the key letters to variations. The most simple way of doing this is herewith described by Dr. Francis E. Lacy as it appeared in the *American Philatelist* for February 1929.

The main types of cancellations are indicated by numerals and capital letters and the variations from the normal or commonest types are indicated by the addition of small letters. See your last month's copy of NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST for this key letter list.

Types 1 to 5 and 9 are all from rubber stamps; type 6 is from a steel hand stamp and types 7 and 8 are machine cancellations. While types 6, 7, and 8 show no variations throughout the period of their use, this is decidedly not the case with the rubber stamps. The latter are cast from soft rubber, cemented to a rubber cushion and then mounted on a metal or wooden block. Slots are made for the insertion of the date within the circle and in the case of the types 3, 4, and 5 there are grooves between the bars for the insertion of type. Under the conditions of use aboard ship, such as heat, moisture and rough handling, distortion of the rubber soon takes place. This causes changes in the shape of the circle and the bars, especially in the type 3 variety. They frequently become loosened from their base and turn in or out and occasionally come off entirely or are cut off by the user.

Type 1 was the first variety to appear and is usually found with the name of the ship at the top of the circle. The commonest variations are 1u in which the name of the ship occurs at the bottom of the circle, with the "U. S. S." remaining at the top and 1s in which the letters have serifs. Type 2 appeared in 1911 and differs from type 1 in that the bars are heavier and spaced farther apart and the ship name is usually at the bottom of the circle. Type 3 appeared in 1913 and with slight variations is in use to the present day. The original intention was to have the name of the port in which

the ship happened to be inserted in the space between the bars of this type, but frequently we find this space empty or occasionally used for the insertion of some slogan such as "Join The Navy," "Buy Liberty Bonds," "Enroute —," "Don't Forget Box Number", etc. The commonest variation of this type is 3s, in which the letters of the ship name have small serifs. This type is more common today than the original.

The earliest examples of this type have the bars spaced a little farther apart than occurred later. This type is more subject to distortion and loss of the bars than any other type. Of 495 different cancellations of the type 3 group that I have seen, 272 are of the regular type 3 and 175 are of the type 3s. Type 4 with "BR N. Y. New York," in the circle was never popular and I have found it from only 5 different ships. The *U. S. S. Pennsylvania* had one when stationed on the Pacific coast and the mention of "New York" in the cancellation caused such confusion as to the location of the ship that the mail clerk cut off the offending portion with a knife making it type 4c. The marks of the stumps of the letters can still be seen if the cancellation is a heavy one. Type 5 appeared in the fall of 1928 and never stood up well under hard usage. While the bars of the killer seemed to hold place well, the rubber of the circle was distorted quickly. Recently this type has appeared with a much heavier circle and with the three dashes missing from the lower part of the circle. The variations of type 6 are mentioned under "Key Letters to Variations" (last month's NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST) Type 7 appeared about 1919 and is identified by the wavy lines of the killer. The ship's name is occasionally seen at the top of the circle, especially recently. Type 8 appears, from the *U. S. S. Whitney*, with the words "Scouting Fleet" in the left hand portion of the flag. I believe that every ship that has issued a cancellation stamp at all received type 9 or one of its variations. I have seen several type 9v dated 1909. Occasionally the mail clerk has arranged a

killer to the right of the type 9 canceller. This killer is usually in the form of bars of various numbers and sizes and is frequently made by stretching rubber bands around a block.

No provision has been made in this classification for indication of minor variations caused by wear of the stamp, colors of the cancellation or different wording between the bars of the type 3, 4 and 5 varieties. Some collectors have been indicating colors by putting the initial to indicate the color in parenthesis following the type number. Colors are very frequently found in all naval ship cancellations especially during the last ten years. After looking over thousands of cancellations I find them in the following order of frequency: black, red, blue, purple and green. I have seen Parcel Post Roller cancellations from only two ships, and classify it as type PPR. The straight line cancellations are not scarce and are found on both parcel post and first class mail. I have called these when in block letters SL and when in serified letters SLs.

The great secrecy maintained during the World War regarding ships manifested itself in our Naval cancellations by the substitution of the words "U. S. Navy" in place of the ship's name. This occurs in cancellations similar to types 1, 2, 3, 6 and 9, the greater majority being type 1 and 2. I have indicated these by the letter "Z" followed by the numeral to indicate the type.

Occasionally cancellations appear that were not supplied by the Postoffice Department. Some of the double line circles probably belong to this class but where they fall closely in with the official types they are indicated by the addition of the letter "d" to the type number. Some of the others do not resemble any of the official types and I have indicated them by the letter "F." Several of these "fancy" cancellations are usually made to fill an emergency where the regulation stamp has been lost or broken, or prior to the arrival of the official stamp when a ship first goes into commission. Most of these cancellations have come from ships on distant foreign stations probably because it takes months to get a new stamp on order from Washington.

Study this description and the "Key Letters to Variations." We may attempt to illustrate several of the types and varieties mentioned. If you have a proposed

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and I have such faith in the United States and its future prosperity—that I have, for the past few months been investing, largely, in United States and Confederate States stamps. My recent purchases have exceeded

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and I shall be happy to receive, for purchase, superb items in the above groups—of stamps issued before 1880.

My latest purchase has been a great collection of 19th Century United States nearly all unused and mint. This collection was made by a well known collector, (who does not wish his name published) some 18 to 25 years ago. I have re-arranged this collection in five Oriel Albums, and shall be glad to show it in New York or within 300 or 400 miles, by appointment, or to send selections of any issue on approval. I have combined with this new collection the pick of my own stock of unused, used, used with rare cancellations, and rare items on covers. I bought cheap and I am selling cheap.

CHARLES J. PHILLIPS

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2c White Plains	2c So. Carolina
2c Saratoga	2c Braddock
2c Valley Forge	2c Von Steub.
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classification which you think is more simple than Dr. Locy's, send it in—by all means!

Due to manuevers of the Battle Fleet last summer in the Pacific, several changes in addresses have been made. Here is the latest Department Standard Mailing List of corrections:

BATTLESHIPS

Care of Postmaster, New York City: *Arkansas, Idaho, Mississippi, New Mexico.*

Care of Postmaster, San Pedro, Cal.: *Arizona, California, Colorado, Maryland, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia.*

HEAVY CRUISERS

Care of Postmaster, New York: *Louisville, Chicago, Pensacola, Salt Lake City.*

Care of Postmaster, San Pedro, Cal.: *Chester.*

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LIGHT CRUISERS

Care of Postmaster, New York City: *Marblehead, Memphis, Raleigh, Richmond, Trenton.*

Care of Postmaster, San Diego, Cal.: *Cincinnati, Concord, Detroit, Milwaukee, Omaha.*

The following Destroyers comprise the Rotating Reserve. Address Care of P. M., New York, N. Y. The *Dahlgren* does not carry a mail clerk as his commission was revoked.

Bainbridge, Goff, Rueben James, Overton, Sturtevant, Brooks, Zane, Hatfield, Fox, Dahlgren, King, Humphreys, Lawrence, McFarland and Sands. My mistake, *Dahlgren* should be spelled *Dahlgreen*.

Mr. A. W. Brooks, Madden Dam, Canal Zone favors me with a beautifully cacheted cover from *Old Ironsides* with Balboa, C. Z. between killer bars. The cachet applied in magenta is of a different style than I have yet seen from this old War-Horse. Also the type of cancellation is different having *U. S. Frigate* at top of circle and *Constitution* at the bottom. The circle is much lighter while the bars are 1/16 of an inch longer and slightly out of proportion. The style of type used for the name is without the serifs. Maybe Mr. Moore has worn the old style 5k out and started the New Year by giving us what I would call type 3u. Am I right?

The Chamber of Commerce, San Pedro, Cal., will apply cachet commemorating the visit of *Old Ironsides*, Feb. 28th. Only one cover will be accepted from each collector. They are to be cacheted and mailed on board the ship. All other covers will receive the cachet but will be mailed from the Post Office.

I asked for help sometime ago on a cover I received from the *Finch* with Min Det 3 between the killer bars. Mr. Walsh, Clinton, N. Y. beat you all to it! Here's the dope. Cover from *U. S. S. Finch* with "MIN DET 3" between killer bars stands for "Mine Detachment 3." Official classification is "Mine Division 3, Minecraft, Asiatic Fleet." There is one other ship in this Division, the *Bittern*. Thanks Mr. Walsh!

I also want to thank the many readers who sent me information regarding first day covers from the *Indianapolis*.

The *U. S. S. Portland*, second of 15 Naval Cruisers authorized by the Navy Department has completed her shakedown trip to the Massachusetts Bay and is now in drydock at Boston Navy Yard, Boston, Mass. Her weight is 10,000 tons and she cost \$10,000,000. Commissioning will take place latter part of this month, between 20th and 28th.

Mr. Wm. H. Brickner, mail clerk on *U. S. S. Maryland* is seriously ill following an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Stevens, assistant mail clerk has been carrying on with Mr. Brickner's splendid work in applying neat cancellations. Why not send Mr. Brickner a card? Address him: Naval Hospital, Mare Island, Cal.

The *Hannibal* and *Nokomis* left Philadelphia Navy Yard for survey duty in Central American waters. Address these vessels Care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y.—Mr. Earle S. Nason, W. P. G.

The *U. S. S. Kittery* has been ordered to Philadelphia Navy Yard for decommissioning which may take place within a week, ten days or month—all depends on the Commandant of the Navy Yard—H. L. Thomas.

Stoddert (Light Target 1, 1x35) placed out of commission January 10th at San Diego.

Commander Destroyer Division 15 shifted Burgee command pennant and administration from *Pillsbury* to *Pope*, January 11th.

Commander Cruiser Division 2 shifted flag to *Richmond*, administration remains *Trenton*, January 11th.

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Commander Aircraft Scouting Force now on *U. S. S. Wright*—Bill Mersinger.

Maiden Voyage of Grace Liners *Santa Lucia* and *Santa Elena* promise us two more sets of beautifully cacheted covers. February 28th is closing date and in sending your covers don't forget to put "U. S. A." after address. Eight covers for each ship, accompanied by money order for 38 cents (foreign postage) and four covers franked with U. S. postage for complete set. Send covers with remittance to Cachet Director, Grace Line, 2 Pine St., San Francisco, Cal.


Coöperators: John J. Walsh, Bill Mersinger, H. L. Thomas, *Naval Postmarks*.

A few more ships—all stationed in Asiatic Fleet. Address via Postmaster, Seattle, Wash., Asiatic Station. Let's go!
U. S. S. Seagull, Widgeon, Oglala, Ramsey, Gamble, Breeze, Montgomery, Whippoorwill, Tanager, Quail and Lark.


Mr. Walsh sends me the latest revised itinerary of the *U. S. Frigate Constitution* while on the Pacific Coast. Ought to be some nice cachets in the offing. Don't forget to send the news in! Address: Glen Allen, Virginia. Here we go!

ARRIVE	PORT	DEPART
Feb. 17	San Pedro	Mar. 10
Mar. 10	Long Beach	Mar. 20
Mar. 22	San Francisco	Apr. 12
Apr. 12	Oakland	Apr. 26
Apr. 26	Vallejo	May 2
May 5	Astoria, Oregon	May 10
May 10	Portland	May 22
May 22	Longview, Wash.	May 25
May 27	Port Angeles	May 31
May 31	Seattle	June 15
June 15	Tacoma	June 22
June 22	Olympia	July 1
July 1	Bremerton	July 6
July 7	Everett	July 14
July 14	Belingham	July 20
July 20	Anacortes	July 24
July 24	Port Townsend	July 31
Aug. 2	Grays Harbor	Aug. 9
Aug. 11	San Francisco, Cal.	Aug. 21

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Publicity Manager's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

On January 18th and 19th the writer visited the Eastern Shore and had an interesting talk with Dr. William Evans, President of the Norfolk Club, as well as with Dr. Anderson and other members of that organization. Norfolk, with a membership of 40, is holding regular meetings, and we may expect this club to affiliate with the Federation in the near future.

There are quite a number of collectors in Portsmouth, and it is hoped that a club will be started in that city soon.

Mr. G. T. Beekman, of Station WBTM, Danville, who broadcasts a stamp talk every Wednesday at 5 P. M., informs us that a club is now under way and will be going strong soon. We look forward to having them in the State Federation. Mr. Beekman further informed us that the Danville Post-Office dedication will not take place before next fall, and that all who have sent covers for this event may have them returned if they will send the necessary postage. The economy program has retarded the completion of the building at the time originally contemplated, and announcement of the time will be made as soon as definite information is available.

The Petersburg Club recently elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing term: Mr. Strickland, President (re-elected); Mr. Alfred Haase, Vice-President; Mr. Frank Deffenbaugh, Secretary-Treasurer (re-elected). The Petersburg Club is on the air every Saturday at 1 P. M., through the courtesy of the local station WPHR, which broadcasts on 1,200 kilocycles. All collectors are invited to listen in and send their comments.

All clubs affiliated with the Federation are requested to send in news items for this column.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*.

Semi-Annual Dinner of the Richmond Club

The semi-annual dinner of the Richmond Stamp Club took place in the dining room of Murphy's Hotel on the evening of January 12th. Practically the entire membership was in attendance. President Hofmann, prince of toastmasters, presided.

Postmaster Berkeley Williams, Honorary Member of the Club, was called on for a talk—and he did tell us some mighty interesting things about the postoffice. As an evidence of the perplexing problems that make up the daily routine of Uncle Sam's busiest establishment, he exhibited thirty-eight postcards—one week's crop—all but a few of which bore important messages—of illness, death, overdue notes, appointment of meeting place, notice of arrival of relatives, appeals for aid, and many other human heartbeats—all *without an address!* All without full name of writer or address—merely "John," "Lucy," "Mother," "Dad." . . "Think of the heartaches, the misunderstandings, the disappointments, the losses that such negligence carries in its wake," said Postmaster Williams. What an impressive lesson is this simple exhibit! "Of course, we make every possible effort to find the parties, and you would be astounded to learn that we sometimes succeed—but with no clue whatever, even our best endeavors are in vain." Mr. Williams related many similar incidents as well as intensely humorous experiences in the Postoffice.

Every member was called on by the Toastmaster and all responded with some interesting stamp experience or anecdote. Night letters were sent to absent and sick members—votes of thanks proposed for the committee of arrangements and in recognition of other meritorious services. The best of good fellowship prevailed and at eleven o'clock the party adjourned.

—REPORTER.

The Open Forum.

This feature page is open to all of our readers for the discussion of questions pertaining to Philately. Letters will be printed *verbatim*—the Editor merely reserving the right to delete remarks of a personal nature concerning others. You may write whatever you please about him—knock to your heart's content. This is the place to "get it out of your system." He will try to even be tolerant of the intolerant.—EDITOR.

Perry Supplies Data

WESTFIELD, N. J., *February 4, 1933.*

DEAR AUGUST DIETZ:—Page 97, NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST for January 1933: I think the cover came from a foreign country—probably in the West Indies—not later than 1855. Having been brought to Charleston by ship, (personal delivery) it does not bear a foreign stamp or postmark. Unless the postmark was resurrected and used again during the Civil War the cover cannot belong in the Confederate or Blockade Runner group.

Page 106: I don't follow your argument at all. You give no dates of the years from Mr. Richey's covers. I see no reason why the first could not have been used in November 1860 as a U. S. envelope quite regularly. The second type is quite good for postage today—never having been demonetized—and I would say the "surcharged" numeral "10" is only a cancellation by an old rating stamp, having no other significance. Probably used between 1865 and 1870. Many of the 1864 issue envelopes were sent to Southern post offices after the Civil War—until 1870 there were no other envelopes with which to supply Southern offices. In the '70s some offices were still using old "5" and "10" rating stamps for cancellers.

Yours very truly,

ELLIOTT PERRY.

No Depression in London

LONDON, *24th January, 1933.*

The Editor, NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST,

DEAR SIR:—We are reading and hearing everywhere about World depression in trade, but it is very extraordinary that apparently business in Postage Stamps has not suffered in the same way as other luxury trades.

We are sure that you would be inter-

ested to know of our own experience during 1932.

The figures submitted by our accountants for the past twelve months show that our turnover has been almost a record for any year in our past thirty-five years of trading.

It is quite obvious that if the Stamp Trade had been affected in the same way as other trades we could not have shown this result.

One reason for this, put forward to us recently, was that when business was slack collectors had more time on their hands and therefore turned to their hobby to fill in their spare time and there is undoubtedly some truth in this.

We can only congratulate the Stamp Trade in general that it has not suffered as so many others.

Yours faithfully,

G. F. RAPKIN.

Canal Zone Surcharge News

Our correspondent in Madden Dam, C. Z., Mr. Austin W. Brooks, sends the following philatelic news item:

"I am enclosing copies of the two new Canal Zone stamps, the Washington three-cent and the rotary-press fourteen-cent. Essays were made using a red surcharge, but these proved unsatisfactory, due to the dark color of the stamps, and it was necessary to return to the black as originally used."

A subsequent letter contains the additional information: "I am enclosing the ½ centésimo orange, 1 centésimo green surcharged 'HABILITADA' in red; and the 15 centésimos blue, surcharged 'HABILITADA 10c.' in red. The 25c. airmail (Scott's No. 710) has been surcharged 20 cents due to a change in airmail rates."

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People in torrid Africa, frozen Latvia and Siberia, lazy Hawaii, teeming India, rollicking Ireland, war-torn China, the folks "down under" and "up over"; in every country in the world today there is somebody or some group greatly interested in the two hundredth birthday of Savannah. Among those who will receive them are King George V, of Great Britain, and Premier Mussolini, of Italy.

From Savannah's postoffice this morning at 10:30 o'clock will speed to the remote corners of the world, to the cities of millions, to the plains and the mountains and valleys, letters carrying United States stamps commemorating the bicentennial of the founding of the Colony of Georgia. The postoffice and Chamber of Commerce, have had the biggest jobs of their careers of similar nature.

More than 100,000 pieces of mail, from every State in the Union and every country in the world, will be returned to their starting point beginning today. They are the letters sent by stamp collectors all over the world who desired to have in their collections Georgia bicentennial stamps with the postmark of the bicentennial, the city where the colony was founded and where the stamps first were put on sale.

With the stamps being "reserved" by the thousands, it was apparent last night that the initial shipment of 500,000 to Savannah, where they will be put on sale for the first time today, will not last long.

In order that the people of Savannah and this section may send letters with the bicentennial stamps postmarked today, Marion Lucas, postmaster, announced that the stamps will be placed on sale this morning at 9 o'clock and will remain on sale until 6 p. m. He stressed that the postoffice would be open for no other pur-



pose and that no other business would be transacted.

All letters leaving the postoffice today and which are stamped with the bicentennial stamps will be postmarked "10:30 a. m." Because the Postoffice Department announced that the sale of the stamps would begin on February 13, tomorrow, instead of today (Savannah is the only place where the stamps will be on sale today) Mr. Lucas announced that all letters from beyond Chatham county asking for mailing of enclosed letters with bicentennial stamps that are received up to midnight Monday will be postmarked "February 12, 10:30 a. m."

The philatelists (high-brow for stamp collectors) in their scramble to get what may become a rare stamp deluged the postmaster, not only with requests for mailing them letters with the stamps thereto attached, but with a great variety of weird requests. Mr. Lucas, if he did nothing else for sixteen hours per day for the next year or two, could not read all the letters sent him in the past two weeks. The postmaster assigned approximately twenty clerks to the task of getting out the bicentennial letters on time. His entire time has been taken up supervising the work. One man, and some times two or three assistants, have been merely glancing at the letters to see how many stamps were wanted. The letters then were consigned to a great cardboard box. Later some kind of effort will be made to file them. All the bicentennial stamps are being cancelled by hand to insure a clear cancellation, and this work alone is a big item. The clerks taped their hands, but even this precaution was insufficient to keep the clerks' hands from being blistered. The thousands upon thousands of letters, containing money or money orders

for the stamps, are being stamped by the clerks. Thousands will be disappointed, because they sent stamps to be exchanged for the bicentennial edition, instead of cash or money orders, as directed by the Postoffice Department. The postmaster is returning the stamps to the senders.

In addition to the 100,000 and more pieces of mail being handled by the postoffice, the Chamber of Commerce is taking care of upwards of 10,000 pieces of mail, using approximately 13,000 stamps.

There are many unusual features about the stamp going on sale today that in time to come probably will greatly enhance the value of the bicentennial stamp to the collector. The stamp is in commemoration of the bicentennial of the founding of the colony and its founder, Oglethorpe, and is being put on sale for the first time at the place where the colony was established 200 years ago. The stamp is being placed on sale on Sunday, the first time a special stamp has gone on sale on Sunday. It is the second stamp carrying the name of a person historically connected with Savannah, the other being Pulaski, who was killed in Savannah, and in whose honor a stamp was issued last year.

Persons in every strata of life are represented in the requests for the stamps today. Everybody from President Hoover and President-elect Roosevelt (who is a resourceful philatelist) to lighthouse keepers and convicts behind prison walls either asked for or will receive the stamps. From Kobe to Kokomo, the mail comes in, and it will go out from Savannah to Siam, to white men, black, red men, yellow men. Savannah is getting a tremendous amount of free advertising out of the bicentennial stamp, and all unexpectedly. Commercial philatelists have sent out their own covers, thousands of them to their customers in every clime. There are at least twenty-five designs on hand at the postoffice, some with engravings of Oglethorpe, some with pictures of Savannah, others with various seals of the city and State. One from Kobe, Japan, was embossed in gold. Another had the seal of Georgia and had been autographed by Franklin D. Roosevelt. Gov. Talmadge and Postmaster Lucas, who, by the way, has signed so many of the bicentennial covers that he is suffering "writer's cramps."—*Savannah Morning News*.



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New Argentine Commemorative

Our correspondent in Buenos Aires sends the following information:

"On the 13th of January the Argentine Postal authorities issued the La Plata set of stamps, printed in commemoration of the founding of the city fifty years ago. These stamps should have been placed on sale on the 19th of December, 1932, but apparently a hitch occurred at the Casa de Moneda with the plate of the 30-centavo value.

"The stamps are attractive and the set consists of the following values: 3c., 10c., 15c. (a new value), 20c. and 30c. Already a shortage of the 30c. is reported, because the stamps have been widely distributed throughout the Republic."

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Birmingham Philatelic Society
Issues Year-Book

The Birmingham Philatelic Society has published its first Year-Book, which is quite a pretentious undertaking. It lists the members of this progressive society and prints much other useful stampic data.

The annual banquet which took place on January 17th was attended by 44 members, several more coming in for the subsequent auction sale, making a total of 50 present at this first anniversary. Last year there were but 11 present when the Society was organized. Some progress! As the guests arrived each member of the club was given a letter from our member Mr. R. S. Nelson, "the old stamp-hunter" of Selma, Ala., and each letter contained a prize stamp, mounted on a card, with some of "Bob's" monkey-business. Some of the letters contained Confederates and each was franked with some obsolete stamp. The place cards consisted of a souvenir postmarked "January 17, 6:30 P. M.", the date and hour of the banquet. Several ladies were present, so you know we had a big time. After the banquet we had our first auction sale, the writer doing the "chirping." All the lots sold at good prices.

We re-elected all the officers to serve for another term. They are: Mr. J. E. Addicks, President; Mr. R. R. Darden, Vice-President; Mr. John L. Godsey, Secretary, and Mr. Geo. W. Houtz, Treasurer.

We are planning on sponsoring a "R. E. Lee Stamp" after the Democrats get into office in March, and we hope to have the support of all Southern clubs. I am going to work up a suggestion for a design and submit it to each of the clubs and see if we can start the ball a-rolling. It should have been put over last year, on the 125th anniversary of General Lee's birth.—JOHN L. GODSEY, Secretary.



Has Own Sales Department

The New York Philatelic Society (128 W. 52nd St.) has inaugurated its own sales department. Sales last week started off with a bang, due, of course, to the fact that "prices are right." Come up and see us some Wednesday night and "look them over."—W. R. GUTHRIE, *Publicity Manager*.

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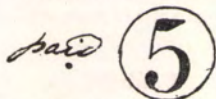
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Uruguay Prints Own Stamps

Our correspondent in Montevideo, Mr. Hermann R. Stoeckle, sends us specimens of the new issue 15 milésimos black, locally printed by the *Imprenta Nacional* (National Printing Office). They are the same type as those printed by Waterlow & Sons, and quite a creditable job.

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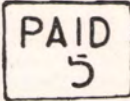
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Who Can Identify These?

During the past month several interesting "Pays" have been submitted which, unfortunately, cannot yet be listed on account of illegible postmarkings on the covers. Perhaps some of our readers can identify them for us.



remains. The left half must have borne the postmark.



The "Paid 5" in frame, here shown, baffles identification. It is possible to decipher "Station, Miss."—the name that preceded cannot be determined. The postmark was too lightly struck.

The most important of these is the "A. D. Hall Paid 5" in double circle, here illustrated. Only the right half of the small envelope bearing the hand-stamp in its upper corner

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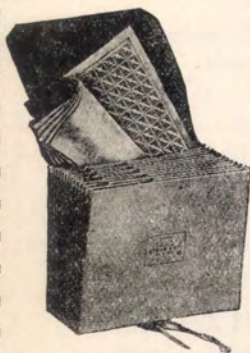
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Editorial.

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Expert

In our November number, shortly after the election of Governor Roosevelt to the Presidency of the United States, we expressed some views concerning the "Mixture" which the people had dumped on his work-table. Since that time he has been inducted into office—found the mess just as he had expected—and set about straightening up. The "Bank Mixture" received his first consideration, and what a clean-up he is making of the heavily-cancelled, off-center, initial-perforated pieces! And when he gets through with that class there'll be a small but o. g. and well-nigh perfect-condition collection left—one that you can confidently bid on and feel that your investment is safe.

He will probably next take up the "Internal Revenues," represented by that most colossal fraud ever perpetrated on an intelligent people—the Noble Experiment—and when he macerates those counterfeits and reduces them to a pulp we will be freed of another incubus retarding our national welfare.

He has mounted his Treasury Departments with new, strong hinges, and now the "Department of Agriculture" awaits his pruning hand. The "Interiors" are still to be assorted and put in good shape, and then he will attend to that war-legacy of Foreigns. If he can rid himself of the Wilsonian complex—well, then the collection will win this Nation's Highest Award for Merit.

Fearlessly he has tackled the job, and fearlessly he carries on. God grant him health and strength to complete his herculean tasks.

Another Commemorative

The New York Times prints the story of a new stamp to appear on April 19th, commemorative of Washington's headquarters house at Newburgh, N. Y., marking the date of the 150th anniversary of the Proclamation of Peace. *The Times* further states:

The old house, now owned by the State of New York, was the headquarters of General Washington for the greater part of 1782 and 1783 and it was there, just after the close of the Revolution, that he received the famous Nicola letter urging him to accept the title of king.

In the few days that Postmaster General Farley has been at the head of the Postoffice Department, he has received several applications from civic interests for historical events in their localities. He also fell heir to more than a score of applications sent to former Postmaster General Brown.

Although President Roosevelt is a stamp collector, he is generally regarded as more of a philatelist than a mere collector and it is felt, therefore, that he will exercise some conservatism in authorizing new commemorative issues by the Postoffice Department.



Coming Auctions

Mr. Daniel F. Kelleher (7 Water St., Boston, Mass.) will have his 368th Sale on Saturday, March 25th, at 3 P. M. in the Tremont Building, Room 322. The material consists of U. S. stamps, Postmasters, and General Issues. There are 250 superb items. Mr. Kelleher's auctions are noted for their choice material and collectors should write for catalog.

Mr. Eugene Klein (200 South 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa.) will conduct his 82nd auction sale March 22nd. The material consists of U. S. Postage and Revenues, Match and Medicine stamps. Here are offered some unusual items, and collectors of this branch of Philately should write for catalog at once.

Mr. Percy G. Doane (154 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.) will hold his 255th Auction on March 23rd, 24th and 25th. The material consists of a collection of U. S. and Foreign—something for everybody. Write for catalog and get in on this sale.

J. M. Bartels Co. (116 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.) will have its 194th Sale on Saturday, April 1st. The material consists of U. S. and Foreign. Write for catalog.

Mr. Haig G. Ouzounian (87 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.) will dispose of a collection of Airmails, U. S. Zeppelin covers and Foreign in his 7th auction sale, Wednesday, March 22nd. Write for catalog.



Watch for an important Confederate Postmaster's Provisional story in next month's NEW SOUTHERN.

Death of Arthur Hind

News of the death of Arthur Hind of Utica, N. Y., which occurred in Miami, Fla. on March 1st, will shock Philately to its farthest outposts, for next to Count Ferrary he was the most widely advertised collector in the world, having acquired the rarest stamps known and built up the most valuable collection existing today. It is said that his collection will be broken up and disposed of by auction at his express request. It is hoped that the cream of this material will remain in this country.

Reminiscently I recall a Sunday morning spent with Arthur Hind in his home in Utica, and his amazement when he realized that my visit had no mercenary motive. He frankly stated that I was one of the few men connected with stamps who did not have "something up their sleeve" when they came to see him. I have always thought that one of the curses of great wealth lay in the fact that it meets candor with suspicion.

Biographical sketches of the man and his treasures have appeared in the press of every country, particularly in philatelic publications. It is therefore unnecessary to repeat the story of Arthur Hind and his British Guiana. He was the American Ferrary—alone on the one-seated throne.



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Stamps Make All the World Akin

I have never before been so forcibly impressed with the fact that stamp-collecting links together men of all nationalities as on one day of this month when letters from twelve countries came to my desk in one mail delivery! The writers included collectors in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Belgium, Canada, England, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Russia and South Africa. And this printshop is not an international banking center either—just at this particular time.

The Dietz Specialized Confederate Catalog

Recently the publishers of THE NEW SOUTHERN offered a special "deal" to the trade on the DIETZ SPECIALIZED CONFEDERATE CATALOG, but the bank holiday "hit" at the same time the dealers were "hit" by the Catalog advertising literature. The result was, that 99% of those receiving details of the offer joyfully agreed to list all Confeds. according to this book. However, actual sales have been made to date only to Vahan Mozian, Inc., New York City. This firm now carries a complete line of our Catalogs and Supplements. Many of the other dealers signify that they too will carry the complete line as soon as the banks reopen. Dealers who did not receive this offer should write immediately.

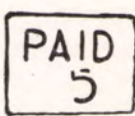


Confederate Handstamped 1c., 2c. and 3c. "Pays" Wanted

Dr. Don Preston Peters of Lynchburg, one of the members of the Board engaged in the revising and re-pricing of the material in the Specialized Catalog of Confederates, requests that covers showing the 1-cent and 2-cent rates in handstamped "Pays," as well as the rare "Paid 3" sometimes found on covers used in the early stages of the war, be submitted for listing and evaluating. These denominations represent the scarcer "Pays," and the next edition of the Catalog should contain every known variety. The members of the Board will be grateful for all such material submitted to the Editor.



Mr. P. V. Hogan Identifies One of the "Pays"



Last month we printed the illustrations of two interesting "Pays" which were submitted on covers with missing or illegible postmarks, and appealed to our readers for assistance in identifying them. Mr.



V. P. Hogan of Laurel, Miss. has located the "Paid 5" in frame, submitting a fine cover bearing this handstamp clearly postmarked "Marion Station, Miss." Now who will solve the mystery surrounding the "Paid 5—A. D. Hall"?



Back On Time

During the past months THE NEW SOUTHERN has been "late" to many, although we repeatedly stated that the publication is not mailed until the last of each month. Not heeding this statement, quite a few subscribers write in monthly regarding their copies. Now, we're back on time and if the "shop" isn't flooded with orders for Scrip we'll continue to be with you about the 20th of each month.

"Breaking the United States With a Surcharge"

I have had more fun than the proverbial "barrel o' monkeys" could afford in observing the reaction to my suggestion in last month's *NEW SOUTHERN* entitled "Breaking the Depression With a Surcharge." Letters *pro* and *con* have been received. Had they been cast in philatelic mould the reprinting would have made interesting reading. One good friend, somewhat bewildered and uncertain, intimated that I was "either crazy or the savior of the country." I admitted the soft impeachment concerning my mental state but modestly declined to take unto myself the honor of the alternative, which will rightfully belong to our brother-philatelist, President Roosevelt.

One of these letters—from our good friend Mr. Elliott Perry of Westfield, N. J., captioned "Breaking the United States With a Surcharge"—is printed in the Open Forum in this number. While several of his premises are exceedingly vulnerable, no brief in rebuttal will be offered, except to say: watch the swift direct action of the President, and see if he is not "breaking the depression" practically in the manner suggested. But why take life too seriously and get all "het up"? The letter, nevertheless, makes good reading.



Early U. S. Postoffice Laws

A quaint old volume published by William Waller Hening, Attorney at Law, in Richmond in 1820, entitled "The New Virginia Justice," and concerning itself particularly with the duties of a Justice of the Peace, contains a chapter on "Mail" and "Rates of Postage" which will prove of interest to the student of postal affairs and to the historian. We are indebted to Mr. Theodor Knutzen of Richmond for calling attention to this work and for the loan of the volume from which the article in this number is reprinted.



"The Mills of the Gods Grind Slowly—"

The Germans stuck to "*Deutsches Reich*" on their stamps during this period of a counterfeit Republic. They have now gone back to their old flag of black-white-red. Soon they will have a Hohenzollern enthroned—and then look out for new surcharges on Colonials and—on several Continentals.



Maybe a WIPA-UP Show

If Hitler and Mussolini succeed in connecting up with Austria and Hungary there'll surely be a WIPA-UP show in Europe this summer.

Lafayette, we're not coming this time.

Discovery and Adventure Beckon Anew.

BY THE EDITOR

Every new convert to Philately is an addition to the crew of a *Sancta Maria* bound on a voyage of discovery to the fabled land of Eldorado. Inspired by the possibilities of finding some rare stamp, by sheer luck he stumbles upon an accumulation of old letters "right under the noses" of older collectors, and from that time on he is an enthusiastic follower of Philately.

During the last decade comparatively more important finds have been made than in any preceding quarter century. A careful check-up will establish the fact that most of these "lucky strikes" fell into the hands of persons who were not professional "stamp-hunters," but men who had become interested in the hobby and started out across ground that had, apparently, been thoroughly "fine-tooth combed."

The famous "finds," along about the eighties of last century, were made in virgin fields, in the preserved correspondence of old families that survived the war. It required but the asking to be given "the old stamps."

But as one generation followed another the material became more scarce. Sometimes death, more often change of residence, would be followed by the wanton destruction of old correspondence, because few realized the value that lay within those faded, ribbon-tied packages of wartime letters in the musty hair-trunk stowed away in the garret. We older collectors of the South could tell of a dozen instances where bonfires reduced to ashes wealth that would have lifted the mortgage from many an old home-place.

Gradually the harvest became less, and for years only stubble rewarded the gleaner. The professional "stamp-hunter" from the North (and many of them had acquired fortunes through finds in the South) was rarely encountered, unless in pursuit of some clue. It became a common saying that "the South has been fine-tooth combed for Confederates—the field has been cleaned up."

Then came the *Renaissance*. With the appearance of Stamp Columns in the feature sections of our newspapers—the

broadcasts of Stamp Talks on the air—the forming of local stamp-collectors' clubs in towns and hamlets—the public Stamp Shows—a widespread revival of interest took place and a more intensive search for "old stamps" ensued. Equipped with better knowledge the younger generation went forth *en masse* on its voyage of discovery.

And the reward has been magnificent. Not alone have hidden caches of old letters been uncovered, but entire collections, made many years ago, have come to light. Some of these have disclosed hitherto unknown provisionals—varieties and types of the general issues of which we had no record—all this has kept the present-day collectors keyed up with the spirit of adventure and resulted in placing Philately in the lead of all branches of collectanea.

Are there still new continents to discover—still stamps of great value to find?

Why, the best is yet to come! Mr. Charles J. Phillips has been telling us of "19th Century Stamps That are Rarer Than the Post Office Mauritius." Let me tell you of stamps that are rarer than those of Mr. Phillips' list.

The man who finds a complete sheet of the Confederate Frame-Line 10c. of 1863 might hold out for any two stamps in that list in exchange. American Philately would take a holiday to celebrate the event and the lucky finder could cover the expense of the celebration and then have enough left to buy a chateau.

And suppose you turned up a full sheet of the Hoyer & Ludwig ten-cent rose-carmines, or a full sheet—yes, even a pane—of the two-cent yellow-greens! Why those stamps in the Phillips List would look like a lot of Seebecks in comparison.

What about a complete sheet of the TEN? This, too, would bring out of its hiding place a sizeable bag of gold eagles.

I am not even considering the probable discovery of still unknown Confederate Locals or larger blocks of Frame-Lines—but merely pointing to a few of the goals the present generation of collectors may set for themselves. None are unattainable.

Discovery and Adventure still beckon!

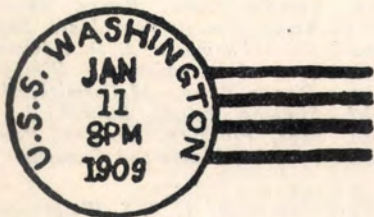
Naval Cancellations.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

As I promised last month to illustrate the various types of Naval cancellations in THE NEW SOUTHERN "sometime," I thought that the sooner the better. Mr. August Dietz, Sr., kindly made etchings of all drawings I submitted to him, and we're all set to discuss them right now! Two of the illustrations were made from reproductions by Dr. William Evans, Norfolk, Virginia, printed in *The Southern Philatelist* for April, 1928. The balance of the etchings were taken from tracings of types illustrated in the October issue of *Naval Postmarks*. Thanks to Mr. Harold P. Piser.

In beginning his article in the *Southern Philatelist*, Dr. Evans says, "On June 1, 1908, a number of ships of the United States Navy were made post-offices, or at least, had a mail clerk appointed to perform the usual duties of a postmaster."

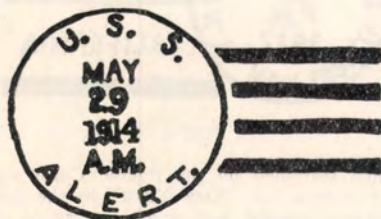
The earliest dated cancellation we have to begin with is that from the *U. S. S. Washington*. All illustrations are actual size except where bars or "killer" have been cut to column width.



TYPE 1

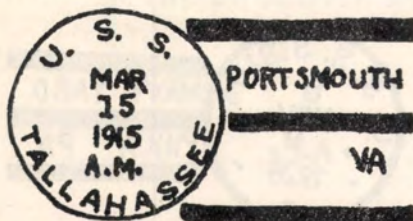
Type 1 was the first variety to appear and is usually found as shown in the illustration. The name of the ship is usually at the top of the circle and the bars are always of the size and shape as shown. The commonest variations are in which the name of the ship occurs at the bottom of the circle, with the "U. S. S." remaining at the top and is in which the letters have serifs.

Type 2 appeared in 1911 and differs from type 1 in that the bars are heavier



TYPE 2

and spaced farther apart. The ship name is usually at the bottom of the circle.



TYPE 3

Type 3 appeared in 1913 and with slight variations is in use today. The original intention was to have the name of the port in which the ship happened to be, inserted in the space between the bars of this type, but frequently we find this space empty or occasionally used for the insertion of some slogan such as "Join the Navy," "Buy Liberty Bonds," "Enroute —," etc.

The commonest variation of this type is 3s, in which the letters of the ship name have small serifs. This type is more common today than the original. The earliest examples of this type have the bars spaced a little further apart than occurred later. It is more subject to distortion and loss of bars than any other type.

Dr. Francis E. Locy says, "Of 495 different cancellations of this type 3 that I have seen, 272 are of the regular type and 175 are of the type 3s."

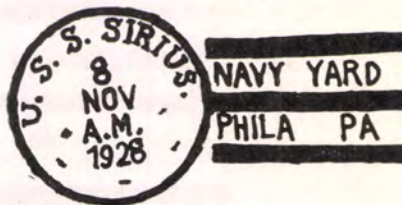
Type 4 with "BR" N. Y. NEW YORK, (" in the circle was never popular and Dr.

Locy has found it from only five different ships. The *U. S. S. Pennsylvania* had one



TYPE 4

when stationed on the Pacific Coast and the mention of "New York" in the cancellation caused such confusion as to the location of the ship that the mail clerk cut off the offending portion with a knife, making it type 4c. The marks of the stumps of the letters can still be seen if the cancellation is a heavy one.



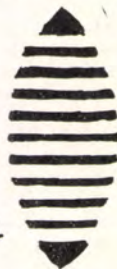
TYPE 5

Type 5 appeared in the fall of 1928 and never stood up well under hard usage. While the bars of the "killer" seemed to hold place well, the rubber of the circle very quickly became distorted. This type has appeared with a heavier circle and with the three dashes missing from the lower part of the circle. The letters of this type have small serifs.

Types 1 to 5 and type 9 are from rubber stamps. Type 6 is from a steel hand



TYPE 6



stamp. Variations of this type are mentioned under "Key Letters to Variations" printed in January 1933 issue of *THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST*.

Space does not permit us to illustrate all the types and still get in some news so we'll talk about types 7, 8, and 9 next month.

Add these ships to those on your list stationed at New York City: *U. S. S. Brooks, Goff, Hatfield, Kane, Fox, King, Lawrence, Sands, McFarland* and *Eagle No. 58*.

The following ships are out of commission and your covers will come back with that notation: *U. S. S. Rigal, Bonita, Grebe, Helena, Jason,* and *Borie*.

The following are stationed in Asiatic Fleet. Address Asiatic Station, Care of Postmaster, Seattle, Washington.

A mistake on my part! Last month I listed the *Seagull, Widgeon, Oglala, Ramsey, Gamble, Breese, Montgomery, Whip-poorwill, Tanager, Quail* and *Lark* as being stationed in the Asiatic Fleet. They are stationed at Pearl Harbor, T. H. Address them at Pearl Harbor. However, if you sent covers through Asiatic Station they should reach the addressed ships O.K.

Now, these ships are in the Asiatic Fleet—let's go!

U. S. S. Houston, Mindanao, Tulsa, Pecos, Isabel, Luzon, Guam, Palos, Monocacy, Tutuila, Oahu, Panay, Bittern, Finch, Heron, Avocet, Paul Jones, Black Hawk, Smith-Thompson, J. D. Edwards, Borie (out of commission), *Whipple, Barker, Tracy, Parrott, McCormick, Mac Leish, Simpson, Edsall, Bulmer, J. D. Ford, Pope, Pillsbury, Truxton, Peary, Stewart, Pigeon, Beaver* and *Canopus*.

Covers received: *U. S. S. Waters*, purple ink, Mare Island, California between bars. *U. S. S. Goff*, red ink, Richmond, Virginia between bars. *U. S. F. Constitution*, San Diego, Cal., neat pictorial cachet in black. This cachet was designed by H. M. Brehm and pictures the *Constitution* riding the waves, cactus and a palm tree in foreground and a lighthouse in the background with appropriate wording. *U. S. S. J. Fred Talbot*, black ink, Navy Yard, Ports. Va. . *U. S. S. Eagle No. 58*, black ink, Washington, D. C. Maiden Voyage covers from *S. S. Santa Paula* bear printed triangular cachets in color. Covers from ports of Seattle, green, Victoria,

orange, San Francisco, blue, Los Angeles, black, Mazatlan, green and Guatemala, yellow.

Mr. Ceder favors me with a card mailed on board the *Heian-Maru* a Japanese ship. Card bears picture of the ship and stamp (U. S.) is cancelled with Tacoma, Wash. hand stamp. The pictorial cancel of the *Heian-Maru* applied in brown ink neatly struck the lower half of the stamp, thus tying it on!

Will illustrate some of these Japanese pictorial cancellations later.

I have compiled a list of memorable dates, of course not all of them, but you might try some of the ships for special cancels on the dates mentioned!

May 1—Dewey's Victory at Manila. (1898)
 May 11—Columbus Sails on Last Voyage. (1502)
 May 24—First Steamship to Cross the Atlantic. (1819)
 May 29—Wisconsin admitted to Union. (1848)
 May 30—Decoration Day.
 June 1—Kentucky admitted to Union. (1792)
 June 14—Flag Day.
 July 4—Independence Day.
 August 3—Columbus Begins First Voyage. (1492)
 August 5—Battle of Mobile Bay. (1864)
 August 11—Trial Trip of Fulton's Steamboat. (1807)
 August 13—Gen. Merritt Takes Manila. (1898)
 August 17—First Practical Steamboat. (1807)
 August 19—Battle of Constitution and Guerriere. (1812)
 August 23—Commodore Perry died. (1819)
 September 4—Labor Day.
 October 5—Columbus Discovers Costa Rica. (1502)
 October 11—First Steam Ferry. (1811)
 October 12—Columbus Day.
 October 27—Navy Day—Roosevelt Day.
 November 11—Armistice Day.

If you run across any historical data, preferably Naval, send it in so's we can add to the list. Let's make it grow!

How many of you thought of Lincoln and Washington Birthday covers? And Inauguration Day too? Look through your NEW SOUTHERN for January and find Mr. Konwiser's article on President's Birthdays. It gives a complete list of them and a chance for you to get some pretty ship birthday covers. Possibly no special notation in the ship's cancellation to that effect but for example, try this:

Take Thomas Jefferson's birthday, April 13th. Place a 9 cent Jefferson stamp (you can still get them) on your cover and send it to your favorite ship, and so on down the line. Of course you'll run across a

few Presidents who have never had the honor of having a postage stamp issued and these you can mark with your own notation.

Well, lots of luck, if you try it! I am! Until next month, adios!

NAVAL ADDENDA:

The *U. S. Light Target No. 1, 1x35* is a Radio Controlled Target Ship. The figures 1x35 is a group heading used to designate various kinds of vessels. IX means "Auxiliary-Unassigned," the numbers being the number of the vessel. Correct title is *U. S. S. Stoddert*. The *Stoddert* went out of commission January 10, 1933.

The *U. S. S. Lamberton* is to replace the *Light Target* as a Radio Controlled Ship.

The *U. S. S. Boggs* is being converted to this type at Mare Island Navy Yard.

The *Reina Mercedes* is a Receiving Ship permanently located at Annapolis, Md.

U. S. S. Utah is a Mobile Target Ship. Cruiser *San Francisco building* at Mare Island, Cal.

The Navy's new Destroyers, the *Hull*, *MacDonough*, *Farragut*, *Dewey*, and *Worden*, will be completed during 1934. The *Hull* being built at New York, *MacDonough* at Boston, *Farragut* at Fore River, Mass., *Dewey* at Bath, Me., and *Worden* at Puget Sound, Washington.

The following Cruisers and Submarines to be completed on dates given; *New Orleans*, June 2, 1933 at Navy Yard, New York; *Astoria*, October 2, 1933 at Puget Sound Navy Yard; *Minneapolis*, October 2, 1933 at Philadelphia Navy Yard; *San Francisco*, February 11, 1934 at Mare Island Navy Yard; *Tuscaloosa*, March 3, 1934 at Camden, N. J.; Submarine *Cachalot*, September 16, 1933 at Philadelphia and *Cuttlefish*, December 29, 1934 at New London Conn.

Coast Guard turns Destroyers *Ericsson* and *Cummings* back to the Navy.

Chaumont, *Henderson*, *Kittery*, *Vega*, *Sirius* are Naval Transports.

Confederate States at the Collectors Club.

Reported by CHARLES J. PHILLIPS

Wednesday, March 1st we had a wonderful display of the General Issues of the Confederate States.

John H. Hall showed us some of the gems of his really marvellous collection, consisting in chief of the pick of the Ackerman, Knapp and Walcott collections. The following were a few of the best items:

1861. 5c. bright green, an unused pane of the 50 varieties.

5c. green, reconstructed pane of 50 superb used.

April 1862. 5c. pale milky blue, reconstructed pane of 47 out of the 50 varieties.

March 1862. 2c. green reconstructed pane 50 varieties, several strips and blocks included.

November 1861. 10c. blue, Hoyer & Ludwig, uncut pane of 50 with full imprint.

July 1862. 10c. pale blue, Paterson, uncut pane of 50, no imprint.

March 1862. 10c. rose, reconstructed pane of 50, mostly used and superb.

A wonderful feature of this fine collection of the lithographs was the number of pairs and blocks showing "Misplaced Transfers." I noted:

5c. green, horizontal pairs, No. 5 and 35. for 5 and 6.

5c. green, horizontal pairs, No. 19 and 41 for 19 and 20.

5c. green, horizontal pairs, No. 9 and 25 for 9 and 10.

5c. green, vertical pair, No. 13 and 30 for 13 and 23.

5c. green, block of 4 used on cover,

7	2	for	7	8
17	12		17	18

5c. blue, block of 8,

2	3	4	5
42	43	44	45

5c. blue, horizontal pair, No. 9 and 2 for 9 and 10.

5c. blue, block of 13, top row, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 40. Bottom row, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.

This is the largest block of misplaced transfers known.

April 1863. 10c. frame line, a single and a strip of 6, four of which have the lines on four sides.

April 1863. TEN cents, superb strip of 7 on cover.

In the lithographs many of the rarest plate varieties were shown. This was awarded the first certificate.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., a fine exhibit in two frames described by Mr. Fifield.

5c. green, reconstructed pane of 50 varieties.

10c. blue, Hoyer & Ludwig, reconstructed pane of 50 varieties.

10c. blue, Paterson, reconstructed pane of 50 varieties.

5c. blue, stone 3 in dark colors, reconstructed pane of 50 varieties.

5c. blue, a block of 108 showing 11 stamps horizontally.

TEN cents, block of 6 and 9, one stamp being the recently discovered rare Type III.

10c. frame line, the famous pair bought from A. Krassa as a single, refused by several experts, finally secured by E. S. Knapp who floated it and found an unused folded under. It is thus a fine horizontal pair, one unused and one used.

2c. brown, a really marvellous item in a used block of 12, unique.

A rare item was a 5c. green, used on a Columbia envelope, 5c. blue on amber.

This fine exhibit secured the second certificate.

L. B. Mason, who was indisposed, kindly sent his Confederates to Elliott Perry who showed them.

They consisted entirely of stamps on cover, including all issues, among them a superb 10c. carmine.

2c. brown, three fine singles and a strip of 5.

10c. frame line.

TEN cents used with a pair of 5c. London print.

Several TENS in the early milky blue color, and the late slate blue.

This secured the third award.

Charles J. Phillips showed three frames of choice items of all the general issues, this being entered "Not for competition."



Were There "Permits" in 1854?

BY THE EDITOR

This month's subject for discussion is a cover of more than ordinary interest—one that will challenge the wits of the experts to find an explanation, and establish its status.

It is an exceptionally pretty piece in its reddish-brown *Whig* Office imprint, with dark blue "Paid 3" and Chambersburg postmark. The manuscript address and notation but add to its attractiveness.

The cover is from the collection of Mr. T. E. Flick of Galveston, Tex., who bought it, twenty years ago, from the late Charlie Roemer, then Superintendent of Sales of the S. P. A.

Hotel, College, Railroad and Firm-imprinted covers are all desirable objects, while Newspaper-imprints are among the scarcer material in this class.

The neat cover before us—illustrated above—measures $2\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{8}$ inches, machine-made of delicately toned paper with embossed garter-and-oak-leaf rosette on its flap, which was sealed with a bright vermilion wafer.

The face of this envelope, however, arrests our attention by the "Paid 3 cts." which forms part of the *Whig* Office press-printed card in the left upper corner. An additional "Paid 3" has been handstamped

in the right upper corner in blue at the time of the postmarking. The cover's date of use was March 7, 1854, established by the notation across the right margin.

What meant this printed "Paid 3 cts." incorporated with the type-set form of the *Whig's* card? Did this newspaper enjoy the "Permit" privilege?

It is well known that business concerns as well as individuals "carried an account" at the postoffices in earlier days. Notations reading "Charge Box —" are frequent. Quarterly settlements were made in the same manner as now obtains in the rental of postoffice boxes. But "Paid 3 cts." clearly indicates a closed transaction—a cash sale; while "Charge Box" is an open account.

There was a definite reason for printing this "Paid 3 cts." in the *Whig's* corner-card and, with a circulation of 2,200, it is quite possible that some arrangement was made with the postmaster of Chambersburg—if for no other reason than to spare him the labor of handstamping the monthly bills sent out by the publishers.

Who can satisfactorily explain the Chambersburg, Pa. *Whig's* right to imprint its envelopes "Paid 3 cts."?

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FELLOW MEMBERS:

The new deal is on and the first thing President Roosevelt did was to close all the banks. This treats rich and poor alike. Good thing for us collectors—we can play with our stamps all we please.

Mr. Gerald T. Beeckman, who broadcasts a talk on stamps over WBTM, Danville, Va., each Wednesday, sends a very interesting report on the organization of a club there on February 27. The following officers were elected: Graham Cobb, President; Mrs. D. J. Holcombe, Vice-President and Treasurer; Charles R. Booth, Secretary. A large number of members of the Lynchburg Club, headed by Dr. Don Peters, President, attended this meeting. Dr. Peters presided and gave a very interesting talk on stamps and early U. S. covers, on which he is recognized to be a past master. Dr. Peters also displayed a portion of his U. S. and covers. Mr. Roy B. Smith, well known precancel collector, likewise exhibited his collection. The meeting was a big success in every way and we feel sure the Danville Club will join the Federation before long.

Mr. Ambrose Page, veteran collector of Newport News, visited our city a short time ago, and talked on "Hobbies," his weakness being stamps. He told us of the interesting meetings being held by his club. From his talk we gathered the Newport News Club will be in the Federation soon. Come again Brother Page, we are always glad to have any visiting collectors!

Petersburg Club is receiving some nice comments in our local broadcasts by President John Strickland, and C. C. Hopkins. We are on the air over WPHR, 1200 Kl., at 1 P. M. Saturdays. Tune in. Our meetings are interesting. On several occasions we had the pleasure of having

Capt. Montgomery C. Jackson of the Petersburg Grays give us some very interesting talks on old coins. His first one was on old foreign coins and their early history. His second on American coins. Capt. Jackson is an enthusiastic numismatist and has the largest collection in Petersburg. Come again Capt. Jackson, we like your line.

The spirit of progress is in the air, so let us all cooperate and have our State Federation twice as large this fall as it was last year. Let us all work to this end.

—ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director.*



Wonderful Lecture on Mexico

The Richmond Club had the treat of its lifetime when Monsignor Felix Kaup, who is an esteemed member of the fraternity, gave a talk on the Stamps of Mexico, on which subject he is a recognized authority. The speaker exhibited his remarkable specialized collection as he proceeded to tell the philatelic history of our sister Republic to the south. The story of Hidalgo, whose portrait appears on the first stamps, is followed by that of the empire under the ill-fated Maximilian with its eagle and emperor's head types in endless variety of District numbers and types overprints. Again the Republic, and the re-appearance of Hidalgo on the stamps, with another bounteous crop of overprints—on, on, linking history with Philately—the speaker held his large audience spell-bound for fully two hours, and at the close a deafening applause spelt the appreciation of his hearers and marked the finale to a perfect evening.

Monsignor Kaup has promised to continue this story of Mexico's stamps, for he had only arrived at the first of the Juarez issues. Every member of the Club should attend the next lectures, and hear the rest of Mexico.—REPORTER.

Early United States Post-Office Laws.

Extract from "Henning's New Virginia Justice," Published in 1820.

MAIL.

The penalties for offences in relation to the post-office establishment and mails, have been considerably varied, as may be seen by comparing the act of the eighth of May, 1794, (*Laws U. S.* vol. iii. p. 50, sect. 16, 17,) with that of the second of March, 1792. *Ibid.* vol. iv. p. 511, sect. 14, 15.

Sect. 14. If any person employed in any of the departments of the general post-office, shall unlawfully detain, delay, or open any letter, packet, bag or mail of letters, with which he shall be entrusted, or which shall have come to his possession, and which are intended to be conveyed by post, or if any such person shall secrete, embezzle, or destroy any letter or packet entrusted to him as aforesaid, and which shall not contain any security for or assurance relating to money, as herein after described, every such offender, being thereof duly convicted, shall, for every such offence, be fined, not exceeding three hundred dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding six months, or both, according to the circumstances and aggravations of the offence. And if any person employed as aforesaid, shall secrete, embezzle or destroy any letter, packet, bag or mail of letters, with which he shall be entrusted, or which shall have come into his possession, and are intended to be conveyed by post, containing any bank note, or bank post bill, bill of exchange, warrant of the treasury of the United States, note of assignment of stock in the funds, letters of attorney for receiving annuities or dividends, or for selling stock in the funds, or for receiving the interest thereof, or any letter of credit, or note, for or relating to payment of monies, or any bond or warrant, draft, bill or promissory note whatsoever, for the payment of money; or if any such person employed as aforesaid, shall steal or take any of the same out of any letter, packet, bag or mail of letters, that shall come to his possession, he shall, on conviction for any such offence, be publicly whipped, not exceeding forty stripes, and be imprisoned not exceeding

ten years. And if any person who shall have taken charge of the mail of the United States, shall quit or desert the same, before his arrival at the next post-office, every such person so offending, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars for every such offence. And if any person concerned in carrying the mail of the United States shall collect, receive or carry any letter or packet, or shall cause or procure the same to be done, contrary to this act, every such offender shall forfeit and pay, for every such offence, a sum not exceeding fifty dollars.

Sect. 15. If any person shall rob any carrier of the mail of the United States, or other person entrusted therewith, of such mail, or of part thereof, such offender or offenders shall, on conviction, be publicly whipped, not exceeding forty lashes, and be imprisoned not exceeding ten years; and if convicted a second time of a like offence, he or they shall suffer death: or, if in effecting such robbery of the mail, the first time, the offender shall much wound the person having custody thereof, or put his life in jeopardy, by the use of dangerous weapons, such offender or offenders shall suffer death. And if any person shall attempt to rob the mail of the United States, by falling upon the person having custody thereof, shooting at him on his horses, or threatening him with dangerous weapons, and the robbery is not effected, every such offender, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by whipping, not exceeding thirty lashes, or with imprisonment not exceeding two years, or with both, according to the discretion of the court before whom such conviction is had. And if any person shall steal the mail, or shall steal or take from or out of any mail, or from or out of any post office, any letter or packet therefrom, or from any post office, whether with or without the consent of the person having custody thereof, and shall open, embezzle or destroy any such mail, letter or packet, the same containing any article of value, or evidence of any debt, due, demand, right or claim, or if any person shall, by

fraud or deception, obtain from any person having custody thereof, any mail, letter or packet, containing any article of value, or evidence thereof, such offender or offenders, upon conviction thereof, shall be whipped, not exceeding thirty lashes, or imprisoned not exceeding two years, or both, at the discretion of the court before whom such conviction is had. And if any person shall take any letter or packet, not containing any article of value, or evidence thereof, out of a post office, or in the custody of a mail carrier, before it shall have been delivered to the person to whom it is directed, with design to obstruct the correspondence, to pry into another's business, or secrets, or shall secrete, embezzle or destroy any such mail, letter or packet, such offender, upon conviction, shall pay for every such offence, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars. *Provided, also, and be it further enacted,* That every person who shall be imprisoned by a judgment of court under the fourteenth and fifteenth sections of this act, shall be kept at hard labor during the period of such imprisonment.

RATES OF POSTAGE

(Laws United States, of April 9, 1816.)

For every letter, of a single sheet, conveyed not exceeding thirty miles	6 cents.
Over thirty and not exceeding eighty	10
Over eighty and not exceeding one hundred and fifty	12½
Over one hundred and fifty, and not exceeding four hundred	18½
Over four hundred	25

For every double letter, or one composed of two pieces of paper, double those rates; for a triple letter, or one composed of three pieces of paper, triple those rates; and for every packet composed of four or more pieces of paper, or other things, and weighing one ounce avoirdupois, quadruple those rates, and in that proportion for all greater weights: *Provided,* that no packet of letters conveyed by the water mails, shall be charged with more than quadruple postage.

No post-master shall be obliged to receive, to be conveyed by the mail, any packet which shall weigh more than three pounds.

One newspaper may be sent by each printer to every other printer, free of postage. *Laws U. S.* vol. iv, p. 516, sect. 19.

The postage of newspapers is, one cent for any distance not more than one hundred miles, and one and a half cents for any greater distance: *Provided,* that the postage in the same state shall not exceed one cent. *Ibid.* sect. 20.

The postage of magazines and pamphlets is, one cent a sheet for any distance not exceeding fifty miles; one and a half cents for any distance over fifty, and not exceeding one hundred miles; and two cents for any greater distance.



Stamp Society to Hear Chicago Speaker

A. C. Townsend of Chicago, noted stamp collector and former military postmaster, will address the Milwaukee Philatelic Society on April 1, at 7 p. m. in the Trustees' Room of the Milwaukee Public Museum.

Mr. Townsend achieved prominence as a captain during the World War when he reorganized the military postal service in America and earned the title of Military Postmaster. He tells amusing stories of the state in which he found the war postal department.

"Letters would come addressed to Mr. Frank Brown, E. F., from wives and sweethearts who had not yet gotten used to calling their men folk Captain or Lieutenant," says Mr. Townsend.

His interest in stamp collecting or "treasure hunting," as he calls it, comes natural to him since his father was a postmaster and since then he has learned a thing or two about mail himself. These experiences, together with a short play about stamp enthusiasts, will form the program of April 1.

An invitation is extended to other Wisconsin philatelic societies.

Everybody Welcome.



The Secretary of the Interior a Stamp Collector

It is said that the Hon. Harold Ickes, Secretary of the Interior in President Roosevelt's Cabinet is an ardent stamp-collector. He is a member of the American Philatelic Society.

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
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Well, with a bank holiday just past many air mail collectors have taken advantage of the time afforded by such a delightful experience of "no notes to meet," no "bills to worry about," etc., and turned towards their collections of covers and air stamps with a real earnestness. In my own city more than one forced "vacationist" has used the quiet days to properly arrange his collection. The result being that it has, to a degree, increased the interest in stamp and cover collecting. We owe whatever good the "holidays" have done to F. D. R., who, himself a collector, fully realizes that the fraternity needs some spare time to catch up in arranging and mounting.

J. Gaiswinkler of Chicago, informs me that a very important World Flight will take place about the 20th of May from his city and anyone interested in covers should write Lieut. Ross Mahachek, 360 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. It is believed that this will be an official flight and the readers of THE NEW SOUTHERN are given first notice of same well in advance through the co-operation of our Chicago correspondent.

Alfred Haase, a real air mail collector of Petersburg, Va., writes that the Crescent City Stamp Club of New Orleans, La., will sponsor a cachet for the 10th Anniversary of the first flight on F. A. M. 2, from New Orleans to Pilot Town, April 9. Send covers to Emil A. Thurman, 1366 Laharpe St., New Orleans, La.

A cachet will be sponsored by Lewis A. Barnard, Box 17, Fernwood, New York, to commemorate the inauguration of Washington on April 30.

On February 27, the Washington Air Mail Society, Washington, D. C., was formed with the following officers elected: Francis B. Leech, president; Ella I.

Merrill, vice-president; Alice B. Cilley, secretary-treasurer; Ed Kee, sales manager-auctioneer. Meetings will be held the third Monday of each month and all visiting collectors are welcome.

The Riverside Chamber of Commerce, Riverside, California, will sponsor a cachet on all covers on May 5 celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the planting of the Parent Washington Naval Orange Tree.

W. G. Crosby sends the following report on covers from the *Constitution*. The figures will certainly be of interest and unquestionably shows the intense interest in naval cover collecting: Philadelphia, 164,809; New York, 102,507; New Orleans, 193,881; Houston, 110,406; Mobile, 119,772; San Pedro and Los Angeles, 219,625. On Feb. 17 there were 8,000 First Day covers cancelled aboard the ship, and 6,000 covers on Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22.

J. W. Stoutzenberg sends the following news:

The long-expected dedication of the Sunnyvale, Calif., air base will take place the latter part of March or early April. Covers should be sent to D. H. Jacobs, 108 N. 24th St., San Jose, Calif.

E. S. Horwitz, Box 1525, Cincinnati, O., will handle all covers for opening of the new five million dollar Union Terminal on March 31.

Covers to Chamber of Commerce, Stockton, Calif., for opening of the new ship on April 15.

The Chamber of Commerce of Laredo, Texas, will receive and hold all covers for the opening of their new airport within the next thirty days.

Walterboro, S. C., will dedicate airport this Spring, and covers should be sent The Press & Standard, Walterboro, S. C.

Clearfield, Pa., will dedicate new P. O. Building April 1. Covers to C. G. Herrington, 9 Garlich Ave., Clearfield, Pa.

Pawtucket, R. I., will dedicate its new P. O. Building soon, and covers should be sent the Chamber of Commerce.

Nat Horwitz, the Bicentennial cover specialist of Richmond, favored me with a copy of the first issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN mailed via first-class from Washington, D. C., during the inauguration.

Don't forget to send your covers to the Air Mail Editor of THE NEW SOUTHERN, 109 E. Cary St., Richmond, Virginia, for that beautiful historical cachet to be applied shortly.

The State Historical Committee of the Penna. State Camp, P. O. S. A., will sponsor a cachet for Flag Day, June 14. Covers should be sent to C. W. Eckert, Sr., 713 High St., Bethlehem, Penna., no later than June 10. The Committee plans several more interesting cachets this year.

Julius Bock informs me that the Graf Zepp will start its first spring flight to Rio de Janeiro on May 6; the second flight June 3; and the third flight July 1. Only mail to South America will be carried. Write to Julius Bock, Eisenbahnstrasse 4, Berlin-Halensee, Germany, for all information and rates.

Joseph Palmer favors me with the following array of news:

Old Ironsides will call at 11 ports in Washington. Those interested may send 11 covers to D. C. Bartley, 6035 8th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash., and these covers will be forwarded to the various destinations for cachets or ship cancellations.

Cachet for International May Day Celebration. Covers to Kenneth E. Smith, 628 Walnut St., Reading, Pa.

Cachet for Fifth Anniversary C. A. M. 27 on July 27. Air mail covers only to William T. Wynn, Jr., 7453 Freda St., Dearborn, Mich.

Cachet in tribute to the late President Calvin Coolidge. Only one cover to receive cachet. Send to Henry T. Stackpole, Box 765, Northampton, Mass.

Helen B. Rawls, 6916 Lakewood Ave., Chicago, Ill., will handle covers for official cachets for the World's Fair. When sending covers state how many you wish for each event.

Cachet commemorating the "Battle of Newmarket" on May 15. Covers to A. R. O'Roark, Box 24, New Market, Virginia.

Don't forget to send your covers for the

Richmond, Va., cachet to August Dietz, Jr., 109 E. Cary St., Richmond, Va.

Purple cancellations may be had by any collector of colored cancellations if covers are sent to Postmaster, Bloomingdale, Ill.


Judge Benjamin S. DeBoice, Probate Court Sangamon County, Springfield, Ill., writes an interesting letter about a proposed fac-simile cover for the 100th anniversary of the commissioning of Lincoln as Postmaster at New Salem. But more about this later, says the Judge.

As space is at a premium this month I will not attempt to list the many collectors who co-operated in sending news and covers to make this column a success. Nor will the list of covers received be printed. All will be listed in our next issue.

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New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Argentina.—A set of new stamps has been issued to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the City of La Plata, there are five denominations, details of which are as follows: 9c. green and chocolate, Port of La Plata; 10c. orange and purple, portrait of President Julio A. Roca; 15c. blue, view of Municipal Palace; 20c. purple and brown, La Plata Cathedral; 30c. dark green and claret, portrait of Dr. Dardo Rocha.

Brazil.—A new stamp of large size has been issued to commemorate the centenary of the foundation of the town of Vassouras, the value is 200 reis and the stamp is printed in red. On the left is shown the Town Hall of Vassouras and on the right a memorial, at the base of which is shown the dates "1833-1933."

Bulgaria.—Our correspondent at Sofia informs us that the recently issued 50 leva Olympic Games stamps in the new color, red, were completely sold out on January 24th and that they are already selling at a premium and are likely to be quite scarce. These stamps were on sale for only a very short while. New Postage Due stamps are to appear shortly, but we have no particulars available at the moment.

China.—Another new set has appeared, this time commemorating Tan Yuan Chang. There are four denominations, 2, 5, 25 cents and \$1. The stamps were placed on sale on January 9th, the date on which the ceremony celebrating the completion of the Tan Yuan Chang Memorial Hall and his Tomb took place. These stamps will also be overprinted for use in Chinese Turkestan and Yunnan and the whole three sets are to be withdrawn from use at the end of June, 1933.

Egean Islands.—The Garibaldi commemorative stamps from 10 centesimi to 5 lire plus 1 lira have been overprinted for the fourteen different Islands, making a total of 140 stamps in the set. The Garibaldi Air Mail stamps, 50, 80 centesimi, 1 lira plus 25c., 2 lire plus 50c., 5 lire plus 1 lira and Express Air Mail 2 lire 25c. plus 1 lira and 4 lire 50c. plus 1 lira 50c., have been overprinted "Isole Italiane dell'Egeo."

French Morocco.—A fine set of pictorial stamps has appeared, containing twenty-two varieties from 1 centime to 20 francs. The stamps show characteristic scenes of the country, Tangier, Agadir, the new Post Office at Casablanca, Moulay-Idriss, Ouarzazat, the Tombs of Saadiens, and fine examples of Moorish architecture. There is also a new Air Mail set containing six denominations,

the three lower values show a view of Rabat and the three higher a view of Casablanca.

Monaco.—Persistent rumors had been going about that this Principality was no longer to have its own postage stamps, but, instead, French stamps would be suitably overprinted. These rumors proved to be wrong, as full supplies of a new pictorial set, containing sixteen varieties of different denominations from 15 centimes to 20 francs are available. There are seven designs, six of which show various places of interest in Monaco, whilst the 40, 50, 90 centimes and 1fr.50c. stamps show a portrait of the present ruler, Prince Louis II.

Paraguay.—This country has sent out its New Year's Greetings by overprinting the five Zeppelin stamps with the words "Correos Feliz Año Nuevo 1933," meaning "A Happy New Year 1933." The values are 50c. on 4 pesos, 1 on 8 pesos, 1 peso 50c. on 12 pesos, 2 on 16 pesos and 5 on 20 pesos.

Poland.—The long expected 30 groszy stamp which is to be issued in remembrance of the two Polish aviators, Zwirko and Wigura, is to appear in the middle of March. While the stamp is issued for air mail, it will be available for both ordinary and air mail postage. It will be oblong in shape, with an aeroplane as the central design, flanked on either side by portraits of the two fliers, who won the international challenge flight round Europe.

Russia.—We are informed that we may expect three new commemorative sets in the near future, one will be an ethnographical set, containing twenty-one varieties, another containing seven varieties to commemorate the fiftieth Jubilee of the Red Army, and thirdly a set of seven to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Karl Marx.

Soruth.—We have seen the one rupee Official stamp, showing the overprint "Sarkari" in Roman capitals instead of block letters. We are also informed that the 3, 4 and 8 annas also exist with this new overprint.

Syria.—We are informed that a new set of stamps will be issued to celebrate the anniversary of the Republic. It is stated that 20,000 sets will be printed and that the face value of the set will be 500 piastres.

Trans-Jordan.—The new pictorial issue appeared on February 1st. The set should prove a very attractive one, they are very well printed and show various views in Trans-Jordan, the 4 mills shows Kerak Castle, the 5 mills the Temple of Artemis Jerash, whilst the 20 mills shows a picture of the new Allenby Bridge stretching over the River Jordan. The £1 denomination shows a very fine portrait of the Emir Abdullah.



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"Stamp Collector's Corner" in *New Haven Evening Register*.

Stamp collectors are familiar with the educational features of their hobby. But they are probably not so familiar with the mental benefits which accrue to them as a result of it. A knowledge of these benefits should be of particular interest to the skeptics whose attitude toward hobbies is not a kindly one.

At a recent meeting of the New Haven Philatelic Society, Dr. E. S. Rademacher, instructor in psychiatry and mental hygiene and clinical director of the Connecticut Society for Mental Hygiene, read a very interesting and enlightening article on the subject of the "Relationship of Stamp Collecting to Mental Health." This paper is now produced in full.

"Psychiatry is that branch of medicine having to do with mental disease. It would hardly seem from the very nature of the subject that this particular science would have much in the way of relationship to the art of stamp collecting. At first glance or thought there is no relationship other than perhaps that both 'Psychiatry' and 'Philately' are words difficult to say or spell and that each is found in the same chapter of Webster's dictionary and each is carried on by peculiar people.

"It is perhaps only after one has had an intimate association in the large dispensaries in neuropsychiatry and mental health and has learned of the vagaries of similarity and difference in the everyday human person that one begins to appreciate the fact that there is a great deal in common between the psychiatrist and the philatelist. 'Psychiatry' means 'mind healing'. 'Philately' likewise comes from the Greek meaning 'loving' plus 'exemption from tax'.

DEFINITE RELATIONSHIP

"Viewed from these meanings there is real and definite bond of relationship between the two arts, for psychiatry, mind healing is just that namely, 'freeing the individual from his emotional taxation,' exempting him from the trials and turmoils that come as a result of the frustration or taxation in the business of everyday living.

"Years ago mental disease was considered a sin and a blight, a scourge to the person and to the world. Years ago psychiatry was a thing practised only in barren buildings behind barred windows. Slowly and steadily our knowledge of mental sickness has increased. Our attitude of superstition and fear has been gradually overcome so that today psychiatry is no longer limited to the traditional asylum disease. Rather it has become the medical study and treatment of every aspect of human endeavor, ranging from the simplest defects and difficulties of adaptation to the more serious ones which may require institutional care.

"Clinics in mental hygiene have arisen to study and treat those variations in behavior or personality that all too often have made for difficulty for the patient in his adjustment to living with his fellowman. Psychiatry has taken on the aspect of prevention of mental ill and conservation of mental health. Clients come for help for those emotional problems; their fears, their anxieties, their worries, their difficulties in adaptation to their daily living conditions. They recognize the values in such service from the standpoint of increasing their efficiencies, services and particularly their happiness.

EVERYDAY CONDITIONS

"There is perhaps no social agency so closely tuned to everyday conditions as is the mental hygiene clinic. Among the very first of social agencies to feel reflections of the present economic depression was the clinic in Mental Health. With the continuance of the economic difficulties there has been evidenced an increasing number of people seeking help from such a clinic as well as a variety of clinical pictures that have arisen from the family difficulties created by the lack of finance.

"Anxieties, mild depressions, strained parental relationships, children with every vestige of assurance stripped from them, men so completely filled with a sense of their own inadequacy that even their physical energy is completely sapped. These

are but a few examples and all in increased numbers.

"Psychiatric treatment is a thing difficult to describe. Its working methods in one case may be diametrically opposed to those in use in another. With increased numbers of patients and with increased demands on the psychiatrist's time it has been difficult to treat all clients on as intensive a direct program as has been true at times in the past. More and more one must rely on those outside social resources and group services catering to special aspects of the individual needs.

"There are various fundamental needs of man, and lack of satisfaction in the fulfillment of any of these various needs results in a type of behavior which we call 'compensatory.' Such behavior may be quite acceptable in a social sense. Such behavior too may be quite detrimental to the individual's best welfare. A study of the causes of behavior disorders or personality differences in children will vividly portray examples of this latter effect of compensatory behavior of a poor caliber. Treatment then rests primarily in finding out those innate needs of the person now blocked from attainment and then working out a solution which is not only socially acceptable in its manifestations but also satisfying to the patient.

"Collecting is a thing of instructive appeal. One might almost prove that the desire for acquisition is a definite inherent property of man. Collecting as we ordinarily consider it, as a hobby, a means of recreation, a diversion, has in it equally as many important factors in the maintaining of our everyday composure.

THRILL FINDING

"The thrill of finding the rare, the unusual; the unspeakable pleasure in completing a set; the obtaining of the new within the shortest possible time; these and many other items making up the whole art, afford us a source of emotional satisfaction sufficient to buoy our spirits over a great many of the hardships and frustrations of life. The desires to attain along these lines may also, too, aid us in applying ourselves to our everyday occupation so that we will increase our possibilities for successes.

"In psychiatric work with children, there is a need for providing means through which they too receive a real feeling of satisfaction and pleasure. This may be

done through building up the child in any number of ways, in physical prowess, intellectual pursuits, social graces and certainly of value, through the developing of outside interests and occupations, which he eventually learns are not only a means of maintaining and developing associations with his own contemporaries, but also he finds has the mark of adult approval.

CHILDREN HAVE URGE

"Many children have an urge to collect and through a real personal sacrifice make a start on their project, only to find a parent either laughing and openly ridiculing the idea or showing only an amused tolerance, or in some instances an open antagonism. Such a parent does not know of the dynamic value which this hobby may hold for the child. They have also definitely lost opportunity to build an increased faith and security in him toward themselves, for hobbies and collections aside from intellectual and educational values which are of even greater import.

In the clinic one of the elements used in building up co-operation toward future work with the child will be a placing of this adult approval on any little hobby or collection or interest which the child may have. Building a halo around such interests is a definite part of the technique of successful case-work with children. Time will not permit of an actual discussion of clinical cases, but the improvement through the use of these interests invariably is the result of the more satisfied emotional state.

In this period of unemployment it has likewise proved a distinct value in the handling and treatment of those cases of depression, anxiety and uncertainty. Most of us as adults have forgotten how to play. We have become too dependent on others for our amusement, a thing in itself which is expensive. A certain aspect in our treatment now lies in the re-training of the patient in those forgotten elements of his past, in his play and recreational activities which he has long since tended to think of only as childish. Once it is possible to re-stimulate his interests in these things, an important entering wedge has been made toward the more direct treatment of his anxiety or depression.

You all know the value coming from your stamp collections, the possibilities in your hobby to stimulate interests in history, geography, engraving, art, economics,

transportation and a host of other everyday adult occupations and cultures. It is not necessary to convert you to a realization of the possibilities of stamp collecting as a real part of child training and child development. It is to the world of parents at large that you must spread this propaganda through your junior clubs, your personal lectures, your junior exhibits with their awards and your own personal interest in the thing you love. Through such a program you more than create an interest in a hobby; you become a living force for civic good to future generations."



That's Why All of Us Are Democrats

Few men get more fun out of—or can better pun—a political situation than my good friend Judge Benners of Birmingham. The recent overwhelming Democratic victory, and the inaugural of President Roosevelt furnished another bag of grist for his mill.

He sends three "historical" covers, which bear his own designs of political caches. The first shows the G. O. P. pachyderm surcharged over the Democratic Jackass, postmarked "Mar. 4, 1929." The second shows two elephants *tête bêche* "June 12, 1928 and Nov. 8, 1932," while the third is the Victory Cover of 1933 with Mister Mule hot-footing it for the Capitol. Incidentally he illustrates the fact that we are all Democrats now with this little story: A tipsy husband, asked by his angry wife, what he meant by coming home at midnight, replied: "Why, m' dear, all the other places are shut up."



That Stamp Illustrating Bill

The stamp illustrating bill recently introduced in Congress will not pass in its present form. The measure had the approval of the Treasury Department, but did not fare as well at the hands of the Post Office Department. It is understood that a new bill, avoiding the shortcomings of the first, will be prepared and introduced at the appropriate time.

Worth Remembering

Do you know that the 5-cent value of the Lexington Concord Commemorative of 1925 has more reading matter incorporated in the design than any other U. S. stamp? The central design, "Minute Man," is flanked by tablets which bear the following lines from Emerson:

By the rude bridge that arched the flood,
Their flag to April's breeze unfurled,
Here the embattled farmers stood,
And fired the shot heard round the world.

—*St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*

First National Stamp Club of New Haven

The employees of the First National Bank & Trust Co. of New Haven, Conn. are organized into a stamp club which celebrated its first anniversary in January. The club meets in one of the vacant offices of the bank building, and last November held its first exhibition, which was a decided success.

The officers for the current year are: J. G. Cochrane, President; G. Cornwall, Vice-President; A. J. Patry, Secretary; F. Timpson, Treasurer, and C. Atzbach, Auctioneer. The Secretary's address is 42 Church Street, New Haven, Conn.

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I expect to follow *Old Ironsides* while on this West Coast Cruise, and will secure cachet covers from each sea port she visits if possible. All *Old Ironsides* covers on this West Coast Cruise price 25c. each. Covers will be franked with various different commemorative issued stamps and embossed envelopes.

W. G. CROSBY, P. O. Box 602, San Pedro, California

The Open Forum.

This feature page is open to all of our readers for the discussion of questions pertaining to Philately. Letters will be printed *verbatim*—the Editor merely reserving the right to delete remarks of a personal nature concerning others. You may write whatever you please about him—knock to your heart's content. This is the place to "get it out of your system." He will try to even be tolerant of the intolerant.—EDITOR.

Let's Tell Our President

We collectors have the chance of a lifetime to get an important matter straightened out once and for all, and every stamp club in the country should take a hand and help to put it over. Remember that "constant dripping will wear away a stone." If you "leave it to George" it will not be done, but if the clubs will get busy it will be accomplished.

Here is the disgusting truth: Ninety percent of almost all foreign stamps are well centered, while ninety percent of ours are simply vile, not counting in the straight-edge nuisance. This is due, it is claimed, to improper drying of the paper on which the stamps are printed.

There is no sense in this. If other countries can issue well centered stamps we can. All that is required is a little investigation into how other countries do it so well.

We have for the first time a stamp collector as President, a man who can fully sympathize with our troubles, because he has had them himself. As soon as he gets on his feet and over the first press of affairs of state, stamp clubs should write to him and beg him to investigate—see what the trouble is—and put a stop to it.

Tell him that the collectors of the country pay the cost of every new stamp issued. Not only that, the government through the Agency makes a huge profit every year on stamps bought by collectors which never do stamp duty. Tell him this actually amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars. He probably knows this, but remind him of it.

Back this up with figures, as follows: On Feb. 11, 1933, the Director of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing wrote me that the cost of printing ordinary postage stamps on the rotary press is \$0.062 per 1,000 stamps, and \$0.112 on the flat-bed press. Also that the cost of the bi-colored Norse-American stamps was but \$0.83 per 1,000 and \$1.02 for the George Rogers Clarks.

And that the figures given above "include all costs, such as designing, engraving, printing, ink, paper, and all other labor and material."

Tell our President these things. Ask him to send an investigator from the Bureau to England (at our expense, out of the profits of the Agency) to see how they print and perforate their stamps, and then order the same process used in producing our stamps.

And ask him if it cannot also be arranged to have all our stamps perforated on all four sides, instead of there being 19% of them with a straight edge in addition to the customary poor centering. That can certainly be done on future issues at but little increased cost.

We have a wonderful opportunity to get a crying evil corrected. If enough clubs will take action in the matter it will be corrected.

A. C. TOWNSEND.



Breaking the United States With a Surcharge

Referring to page 124 of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST for February, 1933: the proposition to break Old Man Depression's back by surcharging each piece of paper currency with a numeral representing ten times the original face value will not bring about the desired result, chiefly for two broad reasons:

First: the premises are wrong.

Second: history has repeatedly shown that the conclusions indicated would have no chance whatever of being realized.

Whether the proposition is called "inflated currency" or camouflaged by any other name, it is still the same old toboggan-slide and leads only to destruction of confidence and financial suicide.

Experience has shown that when backed by \$40 in gold \$100 of paper currency, will purchase as much value in goods as

will \$100 in gold. The ratio may vary according to business conditions or the amount of faith toward the paper money, for when nobody wants gold, less than \$40 in gold will support \$100 of paper currency without affecting the purchasing power of the paper, and if everybody happened to want gold at the same instant it would require \$100 in gold to support or "back" each \$100 of paper currency.

Faith in the intrinsic value of gold has been accumulating for so many generations that, whether it may be justifiable or not, only ignorance will attempt to deny that this faith exists. Indeed, it has become so deeply rooted in human nature that it must be reckoned with as a fundamental element.

At the present time little gold coin or bullion is being hoarded by individuals in the United States, certainly not enough to affect the purchasing power of the paper currency. If all such gold could be acquired by the Treasury the additional paper currency which could safely be issued against it would not be sufficient to make a noticeable change in the situation, and it would be just as easy for those who now are supposed to be hoarding that gold to hoard the paper money which they would receive in exchange for it. The amount of money in circulation (that is, available for circulation), is ample and is not diminishing. There is plenty of money but those who have it are disinclined to spend it. Instead of being circulated in trade it is being withheld from trade. In this sense only is the amount of money in "circulation" too small.

Most of the gold coin or bullion in the United States is held in the Treasury reserves, or in the Federal Reserve Bank, or in other banks. This gold is ample to maintain the purchasing power of the paper currency. A paper dollar will buy just as much in the United States as a gold dollar. In foreign countries it may buy either more or less, according to the exchange rate.

But if the face value of the paper currency be multiplied by ten, as friend Dietz suggests, the immediate and inevitable result will be to reduce the gold ratio from 40% to 4%. As \$4 in gold will not support \$100 in paper money, the purchasing power of the paper money will immediately fall and when a paper dollar becomes worth only 10c. in gold we shall be right back at our starting point. The net result will have been to destroy

confidence in the paper dollar by at least 90%.

The reference to Lincoln which friend Dietz used is, in my opinion, unfortunate. Unless I am greatly mistaken the purchasing power of the paper dollar did not fall much below 40c. gold at any time during or after the Civil War. Years elapsed and much difficulty was encountered in bringing the paper currency back to par with gold. That unpleasant experience should be sufficient to warn us against entertaining any proposition which is certain to have the effect of depreciating the purchasing power of our paper currency to a quarter or less of the lowest point it reached during and after the Civil War.

Perhaps the fallacy in friend Dietz's proposition can best be realized merely by changing the ratio he proposes. Why stop at ten? Why not surcharge each dollar bill "100" or "1,000" or "1,000,000"? Then everyone who has an unsurcharged dollar will become a millionaire. Germany is full of that kind, or was not many years ago. Every debtor will welcome such surcharging, provided he is permitted to discharge his debts with the surcharged currency. Of course every bank, every mortgage holder, every owner of a life insurance policy will either be ruined or else see the value of what he has reduced to 10 cents on the dollar.

Essentially all schemes to tinker with the currency are similar and at the best can have only one result, namely, the ownership of wealth in large and small amounts, and the obligation of debts, are transferred from one set of shoulders to another. So many of us are both debtors and creditors that we gain nothing by shifting our burden from the right shoulder to the left, or *vice versa*. Certainly if the strain on Paul is relieved by destroying 90% of the value of what Peter has saved the net gain to the nation is nil. History is filled with the painful record of attempts to avoid an inevitable result. The name by which the attempt was disguised has never changed the result. Either Peter's gain has equalled Paul's loss or else both Peter and Paul have come out losers. Too often both have been ruined.

ELLIOTT PERRY.



Knocks and bouquets—what's the difference? They all go to make up the spice of life.

Rare Stamps Shown in Annual Display.

About 100,000 Exhibited by Local Collectors' Association.

The St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society and the Collectors' Club of St. Louis held their second annual exhibition of postage stamps at the Mart building, Twelfth boulevard and Spruce street. About 100,000 stamps, valued between \$50,000 and \$60,000, were on display.

There were exhibits containing rare stamps and letters posted in the days before stamps were in use. Other displays were there for their esthetic, historical, geographical or merely human interest. Air mail stamps and much marked letters sent by air mail were there in profusion.

Air mail, and the discovery that President Roosevelt is a collector, have stimulated the stamp business. Each new air mail service which has been established provided opportunities for "firsts"—first flights between cities or countries, first letter salvaged from a burning airplane, first letter stolen from an air mail sack and recovered, and many others.

LINDBERGH AUTOGRAPHS

Col. Lindbergh retraced the routes he had flown as an unknown air mail pilot and autographed all the letters which he carried on these special flights. There are many such letters on display, bearing his signature; others contain the happy legend that "Lindy carried this letter from me to you," or have a huge horseshoe postmark with "Lindbergh again flies the air mail."

But there are other air mail souvenirs of more value. There is a letter, for instance, carried out of Paris by balloon during the German siege in 1870. And several postcards bear the legend that they were carried by "aerial route" in St. Louis from Kinloch Park to Fairgrounds Park on October 5, 1911. Many bright new beautifully designed air mail stamps, which governments are now issuing to please collectors, were also on display.

"ADS" ON OLD STAMPS

Not of least interest were some revenue stamps, issued shortly after the Civil War by manufacturers of patent medicines and matches with the permission of the Government. In those days it was permissible

to do a little advertising on the stamp so that the handsome little sticker which you found on Dr. Herrick's Sugar Coated Pills would also tell you the price: 25 cents; and the dose: two to six pills.

Other of these stamps advertised Dr. Crook's Wine of Tar, Dalley's Galvanic Horse Salve, McMunn's Elixir of Opium, Dr. Radecliffe's Great Remedy, and one stamp, for Dr. C. W. Robach's Blut-Pillen, told the purchaser, in German, that the pills were a household remedy.

ALDERMAN EILERS' DISPLAY

Alderman Ralph Eilers of the Twenty-sixth Ward and the oldest member of the Stamp Collectors' Society, has a large display of the first postage stamps ever issued. They are British, with the head of Queen Victoria, and were issued in 150 numbered series of 340 stamps each. This makes a possibility of 36,000 different stamps of this one issue, of which Eilers has almost 32,000.

Other stamps of value on display were two issued by the St. Louis Postoffice in 1845, before the printing of American stamps; a pad of 400 unused black 2-centers of the Harding mourning issue, and many straight-line canceled covers (unstamped envelopes) dating back to the eighteenth century. There were artistic displays made of stamps, and one man went to the trouble of having mailed to himself 40 letters from places associated with the name Washington, all post-marked on the 200th anniversary of Washington's birth.—*St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*



New York Association's Exhibition

The Brooklyn Eagle building will house the Second Annual Exhibition of the Brooklyn and Long Island Stamp Exhibition Association. The exhibit will be held on the 23rd to the 26th of March. The entire seventh floor will be used. Information may be received from J. M. Camps, 7832 83rd St., Glendale, L. I.—*Everybody's Hobbies.*

Arthur Hind Noted Stamp Collector, Dies in Florida

Once Outbid King of England for Specimen; Valued His Aggregation at More Than \$1,000,000.

UTICA, N. Y., March 2.—Arthur Hind, 77 years old, who owned one of the most complete stamp collections in the world and won international notice on one occasion by outbidding the King of England for a rare 20-shilling Niger Coast stamp, died yesterday in Miami, Fla.

Hind came to this country from England and settled in Clark Mills, a Utica suburb, 35 years ago. His stamps had been exhibited in many cities in this country and in Europe. Once when a part of them was on exhibition in Berlin, Germany, they were insured by Lloyds for \$1,000,000, and that did not cover the value of the stamps, the owner said.

Hind's collection includes many specimens of which no duplicates are known to exist. One of these is a British Guiana one-center dated 1856 for which Hind paid \$37,500 at auction in Paris.—*St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*


Philatelic Congress of Great Britain

The 1933 Congress will be held in London during 29th May to 2nd June, under the auspices of the British Philatelic Association. This will be the Twentieth Congress. Headquarters of Congress will be at the Berners Hotel, and full programme will be announced in a few weeks.

A unique feature of the coming Congress will be a personally-conducted all-day excursion to Epsom on Derby Day. The arrangements made will ensure that everyone taking this excursion will travel to the course and back in comfort by road omnibus, will have a good view of the finish of the great race from a reserved position, and will be able to obtain lunch without moving from that position.

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Another series will celebrate the fourth centenary of the death of the celebrated poet of the *Orlando*, Ludovico Ariosto (1474-1533).

The Vatican City is also reported to be preparing a Holy Year series commemorating the anniversary of the death of Jesus Christ.—*The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*.

Asks U. S. Stamp As Memorial To Slain Mayor

A new memorial postage stamp commemorating the tragic death of Mayor Anton J. Cermak of Chicago was proposed today in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Jennings Randolph (Dem., W. Va.), a new member.

Under Mr. Randolph's bill the stamp would be issued on the first of June simultaneously with the opening of the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition. It would, said Mr. Randolph, bear a likeness of the former mayor.

The West Virginian said he sponsored the measure solely out of admiration for the martyred mayor, and that no Illinois congressman had suggested it to him, although all approved the proposal after he mentioned it to them. He pointed out that had not Mayor Cermak died he would have been mayor of the World's Fair city, and that a stamp commemorating him and the exposition at the same time seemed appropriate.

Efforts by Chicago to obtain a special issue of memorial World's Fair stamps have proved unavailing thus far. Should the Randolph bill go through, however, postal officials will be compelled to make the issue of Cermak memorial stamps.—*Chicago Tribune*.

Convention of Precancel Club

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Precancel Stamp Society will be held at the Lockerbie Hotel, Indianapolis, August 28 to 31, 1933 as guests of the Indiana Stamp Club. Mr. L. O. Ward is General Chairman in charge of the Convention. An exhibit, a bourse, an auction and a banquet will be features of this Convention in addition to the regular business meetings and elections. Any one desiring further information concerning this convention will be placed on the mailing list on application to A. W. C. Brumfield, Chairman of Committee on Arrangements, 99 West 9th Street, Indianapolis.

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No Cache for the Santa Elena

The Grace Line is in receipt of covers from a number of collectors for the maiden voyage of the new liner *Santa Elena*, fourth and final new ship of that line's building program.

Although cachets were furnished for the maiden voyages of the first three ships, the *Santa Rosa*, *Santa Paula*, and *Santa Lucia*, it has been decided not to supply a cachet for the *Santa Elena*; therefore collectors are requested not to send them for that ship.

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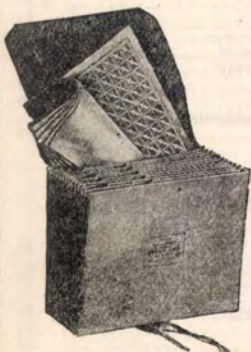
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Editorial.

Perhaps a Case of "Survival of the Fittest"

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To the phenomenal increase of collecting and the resultant demand for publications that would broadcast current events more frequently must be attributed the coming of the weekly, and I predict that the time is not far distant when we will have a daily tabloid stamp paper on our breakfast table. What need then for a monthly publication? Those friends of our earlier years seem to have found the answer by disappearing from the scene.

If the time ever comes when collectors no longer care for the *study* of stamps, and are satisfied with reading biographical sketches of royal collectors and similar ballyhoo, and when dealers no longer seek clients among the advanced in Philately, then the monthly, too, will fade from the picture.

But as the modern six-edition daily cannot supplant the standard magazines, just in the same measure *that* monthly publication which prints the more "solid" matter—scientific and historical studies—need not and will not surrender to its more newsy and noisy competitors.

Perhaps THE NEW SOUTHERN has survived because it was fittest.

Is the Universal Postal Union Disintegrating?

The most astounding disclosure—even in these times of kaleidoscopic changes on the international stage—appears in the current number of *Die Postmarke*, Vienna. We are told that *Austria has withdrawn from membership in the Universal Postal Union!*

A free translation of this article from the German is of intense interest to the student of world economics—and to the philatelist. The following is a mere sketch—sufficient however, to afford our readers abundant food for thought in these times.

Information calculated to stir the feelings of every philatelist reaches us from well-informed quarters. It suggests the imminent disintegration of the entire postal system of our time—an event destined to have a far-reaching effect on stamp-collecting.

The organization of the Universal Postal Union, under the leadership of Heinrich von Stephan in 1875, was then pronounced an achievement of the greatest importance, opening wide, as it would, the world's channels of international trade relations. At that time the expansion of mutual intercourse and commerce between countries was looked upon as the ultimate aim of all economic endeavors. The era of universal prosperity—measured by the yardstick of present conditions—which preceded 1914 was attributed to this phenomenal increase in the volume of international trade.

Today we know better, and now seek our salvation in Autarchy (*Selbstgenügsamkeit*)—self-sufficiency—a state of collective frugality which is satisfied to confine a people's wants strictly to the products and resources of its own country. As a result a constant shrinkage in volume of international trade is taking place. Every State now seeks to produce the necessities of its people, isolating itself from its neighbors. Interstate trade has diminished to but a fraction of its pre-war volume, and if this continues, it will not be difficult to visualize—at a time not very remote—an economic condition similar to that of the Middle Ages.

In view of these trends it is not amazing to find a diminishing significance of all international agreements. One need but point to the League of Nations, which must continually battle with increasing difficulties, and whose influence is being constantly weakened, either by threatened resignations or actual withdrawals.

Similar conditions are affecting other political and commercial agreements between States and many problems have arisen of which the general public is not directly informed or interested. Among these, however, is that of the Universal Postal Union. At its inception, sixty years ago, it stood forth as an act of the greatest magnitude. Today the significance of this institution—in an era of Autarchy—shrinks to the proportions of an unnecessary—out-of-date—arrangement.

During the Middle Ages, when a similar isolation obtained, man managed to get on without a Universal Postal Union. The apprehension, therefore, was not to be ignored that individual States might sever their connection with the Union without great loss to themselves, if for no other reason than a saving of the comparatively high membership-fee.

This fear has become a fact. Austria has been the first government to withdraw from the Union. For some time her resignation was kept a profound secret, but it actually took effect on April 1 of this year.

Let us consider the immediate effects of this step. Letters sent to any part of Austria can only be franked to the borders of that country, and letters from Austria to countries beyond can only be prepaid to her boundary line. The remainder of the postage must be paid by the recipient of the letter. For example: a person in Vienna sending a letter to the United States franks to the Austrian border with a 24-Groschen stamp, plus a five-cent United States stamp. The Austrian stamps will not be recognized by the United States postal authorities. Again, a letter from the United States to a party within Austria will be franked with a five-cent stamp, as before, but this

only pays the postage to the Austrian boundary. Another Austrian 24-Gr. stamp will be required to carry the letter to its destination within Austria.

To meet this perplexing situation, the Consuls of foreign countries stationed in Austria are arranging to have a supply of their respective countries' stamps on hand for sale to the public. When this service is available a letter from Austria to the United States will carry an Austrian 24-Gr. and a U. S. 5-cent stamp, or it may be arranged to have the recipient in this country pay 5 cents due.

However, an ancient postal agreement between Austria and Germany, dating back to 1850, has been temporarily revived to exclude the latter country from the provisions of this new arrangement.

It is impossible to foresee the far-reaching effect of this event on philately. It will require the calling together of postal congresses and the revising of the Universal Postal Union laws of 1875—adapting them to present-day economic conditions and reestablishing this institution of concord among nations.

It is quite possible that other governments, for reasons of economy, will follow the initiative of Austria. However, as the fiscal year of the U. P. U., beginning April 1, will close March 31, 1934, further resignations may not be announced until that date.



Ellis Parker Butler Writes a Book for Young Stamp Collectors

The name of Ellis Parker Butler—author of "Pigs is Pigs"—on the title page of any book will assure its favorable reception throughout this country. But when he essays to write "The Young Stamp Collector's Own Book," and does it in his own inimitable style, the response will be spontaneous throughout the realm of American Philately.

I have just been reading his "Introduction—To Parents." Strange, but it parallels my own story: "As a boy of ten I began collecting stamps in 1879—fifty-four years ago—and the fun I get out of stamps is as great now as it was then." Our records tally, maybe to the hour!

There is no man in America today better equipped—both with experience and a facile pen, plus that human quality so necessary to the work—than Ellis Parker Butler to "sell" stamp-collecting to the youth of the United States, and he has done the job completely in "The Young Stamp Collector's Own Book." Just a few of the chapter-headings will afford a foretaste of what the book contains. "Why We Collect Postage Stamps"; "The Birth of the Postage Stamp"; "How to Collect Stamps"; "The Tools of Stamp Collecting"; "Making the Stamp: The Paper, the Watermark, the Perforations, Engraving and Printing"; "Surcharges and Overprints"; "Stamp Colors"; "The Rogues' Gallery"; "Buying, Selling and Trading"; and the world of useful information in "Where Is It" and "What It Means." And this is but "skimming the surface." Pick up the book and stop the clock. You'll forget about "Daylight-Saving Time" and Depression.

Profusely illustrated, the attractively bound volume contains 342 pages of meaty matter. It is published by The Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis. Price \$2.75. It makes the best gift for your boy.

New Juvenile Stamp Book and Album

The Platt & Munk Co., 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, has just published "The A B C Stamp Book and Album," and the title adequately describes its contents. The book is well illustrated; in fact, every other page carries photographic illustrations of the stamps of the world, and the opposite pages are used by the junior collector on which to hinge the necessary additions to the album. Half of the book is designed for use as an album, and the other half contains valuable historical and geographical information. The volume is a forward step in juvenile philatelic publishing; however, the best way to test out the merits of a book of this kind is to try it out on your own boy. Price 50c. a copy and may be had from the publishers.



Mr. Charles J. Phillips to Dispose of the Hind Collection

According to the will of the late Arthur Hind the world's most famous collection is placed in the hands of Mr. William C. Kennett of Hazlewood, Ohio, who for many years assisted Mr. Hind in arranging his material, and Mr. Charles J. Phillips of New York, for disposal by auction.

Mr. Phillips is to be congratulated, and we again express the hope that the greater rarities in the Hind collection will remain in this country.



A "Theory" Not Original with Dr. Chase

In the April number of *The American Philatelist* Dr. Carrol Chase, in his article on the U. S. "Augusts" of 1861, suggests the possibility of a theft of the "August" dies as a probable reason for the changes made in the designs of the "September" issue.

The good doctor is somewhat belated in his "discovery." This suggestion was advanced in THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST as far back as August, 1931! Perhaps Dr. Chase learned of this but inadvertently forgot the source.



A Useful Novelty

Mr. Max Ohlman, 116 Nassau St., New York is offering a novelty in the form of an electro pencil which will interest stamp collectors. By its use one is enabled to letter albums, stock books and similar objects in gold, silver, or other metallic colors. The little trick is sold for \$1.50 postpaid, which includes a 200-square inch roll of imitation gold foil. The pencil may be attached to any A. C. or D. C. current of 110 to 125 volts. Mr. Ohlman will give further information upon request.

Have They a History of the United States?

The following letter has been received from a lady in Chicago interested in Confederate stamps. Comment is unnecessary.

GENTLEMEN:

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, *April 1, 1933.*

I have inquired at the Public Library and at the University of Chicago Library for "The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America," but neither seem to have it. Will you please tell me where in Chicago I can see it. This would greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

(Signed) MARGARET CABELL.

More Commemorative Stamps in the Offing

In addition to the commemorative stamp marking the Proclamation of Peace, which depicts the Hasbrouck House at Newburgh, N. Y., we are to have commemoratives for the Chicago Exposition as well as an airmail stamp dedicated to the Wright Brothers. Definite information concerning denominations, designs and dates will be published as soon as these details are determined.

Arthur Hind's Appendage

The Philatelic Magazine of London records a Hind anecdote that is worth preserving. We are told that upon the occasion of his visit to one of the Continental stamp exhibitions a few years ago, when he was much in the company of a certain dealer, a wag remarked, "There they go, Mr. A. Hind and Mr. B. Hind."

Didn't Mr. Hind later on sit down heavily on this dealer?

The Newburgh Stamp—Another Good Job

We are again indebted to Dr. S. E. Hudnick of West Philadelphia for first-day covers with the Newburgh commemoratives. The Bureau has turned out another creditable job.

Off the "Gold Standard"

The news that we have been precipitated into Great Britain's class need not agitate us of the philatelic press. Our nearest approach to the stuff has been a "gold brick." Down South we hope again to find use for Confederate money. Everything comes to him who waits—long enough.

The May number of *THE NEW SOUTHERN* will contain some interesting articles. Do not fail to renew your subscription if you want this number.

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Publicity Director's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

News this month is somewhat scarce. We are all very sorry that the *Akron* met such a sad fate recently, and her covers will prove valuable in the future. The Local Club is reorganizing our Junior Club and expects to have same going soon. We will also decide next meeting if we will sponsor an Exhibit in the near future.

The writer recently received a copy of *The American Air Post Catalogue*. It is a fine piece of work, well gotten up, and much credit is due its publishers on this fine work. It should be in the hands of every collector, as the price is very moderate.

The new administration is right on the job in putting out new stamps, and we can look for many new deals during the next four years.

The writer would appreciate any news of our various clubs for this column, same to reach me not later than the 8th of the month.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*,
Petersburg, Va.

Spring and Fall Exhibitions

It is rumored that several of the member-clubs of the Federation are planning to stage local stamp exhibits during the Spring and Fall. It will be well to send detailed information to your Official Organ, to the end that wide publicity may be given these events.

One of the leading Richmond banks is putting on an exhibit of a dozen frames of Confederate objects, chiefly stamps and covers. Why not induce your local bank to do likewise. It is good advertising, both for the bank and for your club. Talk the matter over with your banker—tell him it is done in other large cities.

Ahern Before Richmond Club

The Richmond Stamp Club enjoyed another intensely interesting talk at its social meeting on Thursday night, April 6th, and it was an innovation which might be inaugurated with profit by other organizations.

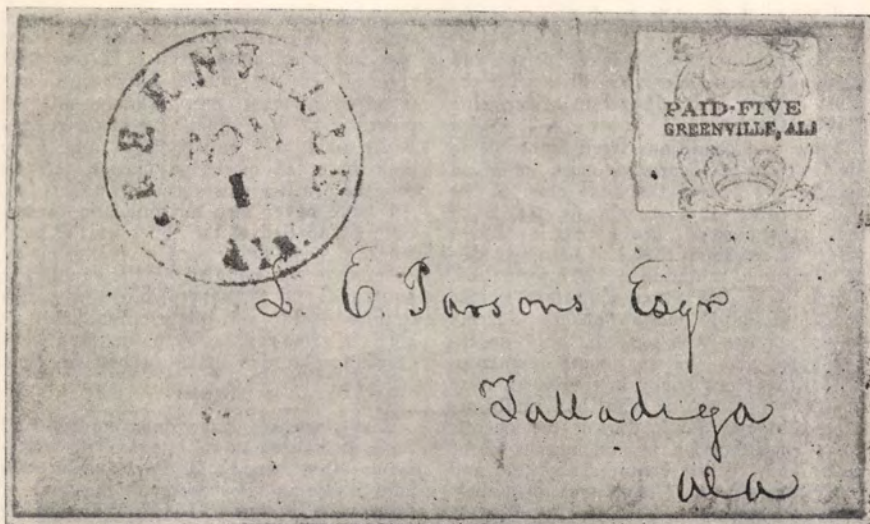
Mr. William S. Ahern, *connoisseur* and dealer in Virginia antiques, who possesses one of the finest postage stamp collections in this city, selected to talk on a subject of collectanea other than philatelic. He told us of Glass.

This somewhat "fragile" subject turned out to be a glittering, scintillating, iridescent thing of beauty in the hands of the speaker, who kept his hearers spell-bound with wit and anecdote, legend and fact.

Claiming the invention or discovery of glass to antedate the Phoenicians, to whom it has been generally attributed, Mr. Ahern told us of the remarkable skill of earlier craftsmen—of objects of great antiquity—of the glass of early Ireland and Venice and Germany—bringing us down to its introduction in the Colonies, and to the art of the present day.

The large gathering listened with rapt attention, and at the graceful close of the lecture expressed their appreciation by a prolonged applause and a rising vote of thanks.

Your Reporter had always been fairly conversant with the purpose and use of glasses, but not until this lecture had he known much about the object itself. But henceforth he will remember that men have fashioned these chalises beautiful that they may be filled with the soul of the choicest vintage, in liquid tints of molten gold, and he trusts Mr. Ahern's next dissertation will concern itself more specifically with what properly belongs in fine glass, other than—but equally as precious as—attar of roses.—REPORTER.



AUTHENTIC GREENVILLE FIVE-CENT ON COVER

The Greenville, Ala. Postmaster's Provisionals.

BY THE EDITOR

The material for this study has been loaned by the leading collectors in this country and abroad. The Editor desires to express his gratitude to Mr. Sidney F. Barrett of the Economist Stamp Co., Mr. J. J. Klemann of the Nassau Stamp Co., and to other prominent collectors who desire to remain incognito.

Greenville, Alabama is situated directly midway the southern part of the State in Butler County on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, about forty miles south of Montgomery, the first capital of the Southern Confederacy. It is the County seat of Butler.

In the latter months of 1861 the Postmaster of Greenville, following the precedent set by other Southern postmasters, prepared and issued for the convenience of the public provisional postage stamps of the denominations of five and ten cents. These so-called "Locals" are listed in all standard catalogs and are among the rarest stamps of their class.

The probable reason for their extreme scarcity may be ascribed to the fact that they were short-lived—late-comers in the "Stampless Period"—dated covers placing them in the months of October and November of 1861 and agreeing in time

with the appearance of the first government issue, which supplanted these Locals.

As far back as the early seventies of last century, when Confederate Locals were still plentiful, probably less than a half-dozen Greenvilles had been found. This fact proved a strong temptation to the counterfeiter who, even at that early date, had sensed a lucrative business among the collectors in the North. Most Confederate Locals being type-set or wood-cut products of a somewhat primitive nature, with all the necessary material available, their reproduction presented no great difficulties.

This opportunity was embraced by two unscrupulous men—one a certain Dr. Petri, probably the first "stamp hunter," who traveled through the South in search of this material; the other S. C. Upham of Philadelphia. Upham advertised his wares—the Memphis and Mobiles, New Orleans

and Nashvilles—while Petri, more circumspect, managed with great skill to market his rarer imitations at better prices and evade detection. He is credited with the now famous and dangerous Greenville counterfeits.

Time and conditions were favorable to his enterprise. Scarcely more than a decade had passed since the close of the war. There were no official records of these postmasters' provisional stamps—where or by whom they had been issued—to which one might turn for information. There were few stamp-collectors in the South—probably not a "baker's dozen," surely *not one* who took the pains to investigate—and the far more numerous adherents of our hobby in the North were blissfully ignorant of what had really occurred in the South during the chaotic postal conditions of the first months of the war. They readily acquired anything and everything that bore semblance to "Rebel" postage stamps.

We shall never know the extent of the iniquitous practices of these two men. Their counterfeits haunt Philately to this day and frequently baffle the experts.

But we are chiefly concerned with the Greenville and its counterfeits.

It is probable that Dr. Petri, in his travels through the South, obtained a genuine Greenville Local on cover, which had previously been unknown to collectors. To sell it for \$100 or more would have been easy enough for such a unique specimen, but by producing a skillful forgery a dozen could be sold at from \$50 to \$100 each, and by concealing the original, no one would even suspect the fraud unless another genuine copy should come to light for comparison. Even the former postmaster of Greenville would probably acknowledge its genuineness, not recollecting, after a lapse of nearly twenty years, any slight variations of type. As no one possessed an original to compare it with the counterfeit, there was little chance of detection. It all promised clear sailing. . .

But "nothing is ever so finely spun, its some day comes to the light of the sun." After a time other Greenvilles on cover turn up. True, they are but few in number compared to the spurious stamps; however they carry the incontestible proofs of authenticity: Greenville-dated letters that correspond with the postmarks are within the covers; the postmark itself, differing from the counterfeit type of cancellation on the imitations, is confirmed

by numerous envelopes of later dates, which establish beyond question that there was but one hand-canceller in the post-office. There is, too, a convincing uniformity in these postmarkings—all are placed in the left upper area of the covers, *never tying the stamp*. This may have been the orders of the postmaster. At any rate the practice was uniformly adhered to.

I have never seen an authentic Greenville stamp tied to the cover by the postmark. I have never seen a counterfeit on cover that was not tied by the counterfeit postmark, and the several off-cover pieces coming under my observation likewise bore the same counterfeit postmark, always carefully placed to make the best showing.

HISTORY

The story has come down to us—and there is no reason to question the statements—that Mr. F. B. Porter, who was both Judge and Postmaster of the town of Greenville during the Civil War, set the types and printed these stamps in person. It is probable, too, that he was connected with the local newspaper, for he is said to have been an amateur printer. There is nothing remarkable about this story, because nearly all of the Confederate Locals were prepared in newspaper offices whose editor or proprietor held the office of postmaster.

The stamps themselves, however, are unique in that they share with Baton Rouge, La. the distinction of being the only two-color adhesives issued in America up to that time. And they share equally with those Louisiana Locals in the crop of baffling counterfeits.

The Greenvilles are type-set and press-printed adhesives. There are two denominations—five and ten cents. The five-cent is known in two distinctive types and one sub-type; the ten-cent is known in but one type.

Type I of the five cent as well as the single type of the ten-cent are positively authenticated by letters whose datings correspond with those of the postmarks. The sub-type of the five—Type Ia—as well as Type II still lack that final evidence which dated cover and letter affords.

There are two dangerous counterfeits—one of the five-cent and one of the ten, as well as numerous crude imitations, but the latter do not merit serious consideration.

These Locals were printed on a white glazed paper with a slight pink tone, a stock quite extensively used at that time.

The types employed in the setting were known among earlier printers as "Nonpareil (now 6-point) Extended Roman," represented by the capital letters in "PAID-FIVE" and "PAID-TEN"; "Pica (now 12-point) Script" for the line "Greenville Ala." on the "Paid-Ten" (as well as on the doubtful second type of the three-line "Paid—Greenville, Ala.—Five"); and "Brevier (now 8-point) Scotchface Roman" small capitals employed in the setting of "Greenville, Ala." on the "Paid-Five." The ornamental scrolls at the top and bottom, which occupy more than four-fifths of the area of the design, consist of four sections of a type border—two "rights" and two "lefts"—likewise well known to printers of that period.

All this material is here shown, considerably enlarged, so that students may more readily familiarise themselves with the "faces" of the different type styles of both the genuine and the counterfeit.

SCROLLS AND TYPES OF THE GENUINE
(Greatly Enlarged)



The Border Sections

**FIVE
PAID TEN**

Extended Roman

GREENVILLE, ALA.

Scotchface

Greenville Ala.

Script

TYPE OF THE COUNTERFEITS

**FIVE
PAID-TEN**

Lightface Celtic

The printing was made in two impressions, either from the complete form by using a "frisket" for the separate colors, or from two separate forms, one of type the other of the border. The inks used were rose-carmine and deep ultramarine, both of great brilliancy. There is no evidence of gum on unused copies.

THE AUTHENTIC STAMPS

The Five Cents



TYPE I.

The form of the five-cent denomination is composed of four sections of border, two at the top and two at the bottom which, if grouped together, would form a circular pattern. The upper half, however, is separated from the lower by a spacing measuring 6mm., giving the form the appearance of an upright oval divided in the center for the accommodation of the inscription "PAID-FIVE" and "GREENVILLE, ALA." in two lines. The value is set in Nonpareil Extended Roman capitals with a hyphen between "PAID" and "FIVE" and the town name is set in Brevier Scotchface Roman small capitals with a long-tailed comma separating "GREENVILLE" and "ALA."

"Paid-Five" measures $19\frac{1}{2}$ mm., "Greenville, Ala." $21\frac{1}{4}$ mm., both inscriptions aligning at the left and "running ragged" at their terminations.

The border is printed in a deep, brilliant ultramarine blue, the inscription is an equally bright rose-carmine. Excessive impression on the inscription lines has caused a shiftlike appearance, though in fact it is but the spreading of color resulting from an excess of ink carried, plus unnecessary pressure. The border with better adjusted impression and less color shows up clear and in detail. The sections of border are well joined.

The paper is wove, fairly thick, with a high glazure, still evident after more than seventy years. The stamps are imperforate.

It is probable that two settings of the five-cent and one of the ten-cent constituted the form, and that both values were printed at the same time. The "edition" must have been very small—probably not more than one hundred stamps—and I doubt that one-half of these were used.

The Five Cents—Type Ia.

TYPE Ia.

run ragged at the left. Styles of types, paper, colors and general appearance correspond with Type I, and we may confidently consider this an authentic stamp—attributing the arbitrary spacing to the lack of skill of the printer. I have not seen this variety on cover.



Authentic Types—Border Joints Closed

**PAID-FIVE
GREENVILLE, ALA.**

Paid-Five—Type I—Lines Ragged at Right

**PAID-FIVE
GREENVILLE, ALA.**

Paid-Five—Type Ia—Lines Ragged at Left

THE UNAUTHENTICATED SECOND TYPE
OF THE "PAID FIVE"



TYPE II.

a second type of a five-cent Greenville, differing in the arrangement of the border sections and the inscription, but otherwise composed of the same types used on the authenticated stamps. The border sections, again paired, are now joined in a different combination, the quarters of the "broad ring" pointing to the center with their four abrupt "breaks." The inscription is in three lines: "PAID" in Nonpareil

Extended Roman capitals; the second line "Greenville, Ala." in Pica Script with the small "r" in normal position and a comma after "Greenville," and the third line "FIVE" again in Nonpareil Extended Roman capitals. Each of the three lines are centered in the form, indicating the handiwork of a trained printer. The distance between the upper and lower border sections is 8mm. The length of "PAID" is 8mm., of "Greenville, Ala." 22¼mm., and of "FIVE" 8¼mm. The stamp is printed in blue-black.



Border Sections in Different Combination

I have not seen this Type II on entire envelope. The specimen before me is on a small piece of cover showing neither address nor postmark.

While I can think of no good reason for a second setting of the five-cent, this stamp appears to have emanated from the same printery that gave us the two authenticated values. Use of the identical types and border sections support this theory. The entire composition is a better piece of workmanship.

What is the status of this stamp? Without material for study, I can only advance the following hypothesis.

The rate of postage was five cents. A small quantity of fives and tens had been prepared. There was less need of tens than of fives. The supply of fives were soon exhausted. The form had been distributed. A new setting—with three-line inscription—was made. Pressure of time did not permit two-color printing, and the form was run off in blue-black. By this time the lithographed government stamps were received in Greenville and the use of the Locals ceased.

Again, this one-color stamp may have been the precursor of the bi-colored five-cent variety, and discarded for a more colorful product.

And finally, it may be but another of those fanciful fabrications of the Dr. Petri class. I cannot yet be positive.

The Ten Cents

The form of the ten-cent denomination is composed of the same four sections of border before described and in the same arrangement. The open space in the center is again 6mm. in depth. The inscription "PAID TEN" (without a hyphen between the words) is set in Nonpareil Extended Roman, from the same font as the "Paid-Five," but with an excessive spacing between the two words. "Greenville Ala." is now in "Pica Script" with a broken and inverted small letter "r," which shows its lower curve at the top. There is no comma between the words "Greenville" and "Ala.," and the two capitals "G" and "A" are separated from their following small letters by an awkward space.

PAID TEN
Greenville Ala.

Types of the Authentic Paid-Ten

"Paid Ten" measures $21\frac{1}{2}$ mm. corresponding with the length of "Greenville Ala.," the value line being amateurishly forced to this length by an unwarranted wide spacing between the words.

The border is printed in the same bright rose-carmine, the inscription in the brilliant ultramarine blue as one finds on the five-cent stamp. The impression is fairly sharp and clear. The border sections are well joined.

The paper is the same as that of the five-cent; the stamp is imperforate, and there are no known varieties—hence there was but one form.

There is no way of determining the nature of the gum, save by the removal of a stamp from its cover—and this will probably never be done.

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In concluding our study of the authenticated stamps, we may definitely catalog two varieties of the PAID-FIVE and one of the PAID-TEN. The second type of the five-cent—that with the three-line inscription—must remain an open question for the present.

THE COUNTERFEITS



The counterfeit of the five-cent is the most deceiving of the Greenville imitations. Paper, type, and colors have been so nearly matched that those who have not made a detailed study of the original—or know the stamp only from catalog illustrations—are inclined to accept it without question, especially when presented on cover tied with its full-dated postmark.

PAID-FIVE
GREENVILLE, ALA.

Types of the Counterfeit Paid-Five

However, comparison with the authentic stamp will disclose marked differences in type and composition. The four border sections are identical with those of the original. The Scotchface Roman small capital letters of "GREENVILLE, ALA." appear to be the same, but to the trained eye there is a difference. It is only necessary to mention the short-tailed comma after "Greenville." The condemning proof, however, lies in the style of type used for the inscription "PAID-FIVE." Evidently the printery that undertook to imitate the genuine stamp did not carry Nonpareil Extended Roman among its type faces and substituted a very similar style—Nonpareil Lightface Celtic capitals. Shown in enlargement, we readily see the pronounced difference in the letter-design. Again, the counterfeiter—skilled printer that he was—rectified the amateurish arrangement of the inscription, which ran ragged at the right on the original (and at the left on the sub-type), by "centering" each line in the counterfeit.



Counterfeits—Border Joints Open

The border sections at top and bottom do not join as on the original—there is nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. colorless space between the two ornaments.

The line "Paid-Five" on the counterfeit measures $16\frac{1}{2}$ mm., "Greenville, Ala."

22mm. Top and bottom border sections are spaced 6mm. apart.

The printer was unsuccessful in the matching of colors. His red is a deep wine-color, more nearly maroon; while his blue lacks luster and strength of color. There is, however, a deceiving similarity to the original in that the red type lines appear shifted and the blue border-form shows very clear.



Counterfeit Paid-Ten on Cover with Counterfeit Postmark.

The counterfeit of the ten-cent is less deceiving to those who have seen the genuine stamp, for we note at once the difference in the inscription line "Greenville, Ala." On the authentic stamp this is set in script, while on the counterfeit it appears in Brevier Scotchface Roman small capitals, the same type as we find on the counterfeit five-cent stamp. In fact, the counterfeit ten-cent was printed from the same type-set form by merely substituting "TEN" for "FIVE," and in the same Nonpareil Lightface Celtic capitals. Again the two inscription lines are centered as on the five-cent. The paired border sections at the top and bottom do not join perfectly.

PAID-TEN GREENVILLE, ALA.

Types of the Counterfeit Paid-Ten

The line "Paid-Ten" on this counterfeit measures $15\frac{1}{2}$ mm., "Greenville, Ala." 22mm. Top and bottom border sections are spaced 6mm. apart.

The color-scheme is again that of the genuine ten-cent: border sections red, inscriptions blue, but there is the same marked difference in the shades as noted in describing the five-cent—in fact, the same colors were used for both values.

Thus we have four distinct points of identification for this counterfeit: Different styles of type for "Paid-Ten" and "Greenville, Ala."; the inscription lines center; border ornaments at top and bottom not joined, and the difference in color shades of the printing.

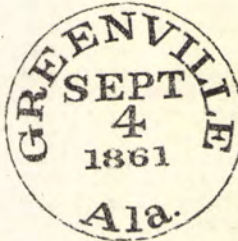
THE AUTHENTIC POSTMARK



The canceller employed in Greenville was cut in an open - spaced clear-face Roman letter, "Greenville" in capitals and "Ala." in capital and small letters. It carried only the

day and month logos, never the year date, and it is noteworthy that carelessness in inserting the logos resulted in inverted dates and months in nearly every instance coming to my notice. Diameter of circle, 34mm. Postmark in black.

THE COUNTERFEIT POSTMARK



The counterfeit postmark is a most attractive composition. Its bold Antique lettering, with elongated square-end *serifs*, makes an ideal type for legibility and wear, but it was never used in Greenville, Ala.

in 1860—or at any time thereafter. This canceller contains the "1861" logotype—never present in the genuine. September seems to have been selected for all these counterfeit datings, one month prior to the earliest recorded dates on the genuine covers. On and off-cover pieces before me bear the following dates: Sept. 4 on two singles of the PAID-FIVE on cover; Sept. 5 on a single PAID-TEN off-cover, and Sept. 15 on a single PAID-TEN on cover. It will be noted that all these have ten-cent franking, and at a time when the single letter rate was but five cents.

The circle of the counterfeit postmark measures $31\frac{1}{2}$ mm. in diameter.

CRUDE IMITATIONS

Little need be said of the crude counterfeits here illustrated. They are either type-set imitations, carelessly done; readily recognized wood-cuts used in catalogs, or photo-engraved reproductions of the latter. The most deceptive of these is the three-line five-cent, because of its close resemblance to this unauthenticated variety, which is likewise a one-color stamp.



Collectors should never accept this stamp off cover, and only on cover when accompanied by the original letter and postmarked in the correct type.

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In my Rogues' Gallery of counterfeit Confederate Locals there are at least a dozen Greenvilles of various styles, types, colors and papers—evidences of how extensively this fakir business flourished in earlier years, before collectors made more serious study of Confederate stamps.

L'ENVOI

The more one studies the composition of these stamps the more glaring appear the differences between the genuine and the counterfeit. Type, arrangement and color show so many points of divergence that one is inclined to be less serious, since the earmarks of the imitations are so obvious. And one is amazed that there should ever have been doubt concerning the counterfeits, when even a slight familiarity with type styles and printing would enable one to detect the spurious article.

Fortunately for collectors, the counterfeiters of stamps were rarely ever careful to "follow copy" (even though it blows out of the window, as the old shop-rule dictated!). They invariably tried to improve on the job. But unfortunately most collectors have but a theoretical knowledge of type and printing, which does not equip them for the study. Between the two the counterfeiter is willing to take his chances.

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The Editor will be grateful to those who may possess copies of the Greenvilles on cover, for the loan of such material. He desires to establish, if possible, the status, of the three-line five-cent stamp (Type II), which has not yet been definitely authenticated.



AUTHENTIC GREENVILLE TEN-CENT ON COVER

A Find of the First Magnitude



THE NEW SOUTHERN takes pleasure in recording the finding of the first known block of the Frame-Line, and Mr. Charles J. Phillips is to be congratulated on acquiring this outstanding Confederate rarity.

The story of the find, as given us by a correspondent in Pennsylvania some months ago, is to the effect that the piece was discovered in some old correspondence, having been sent as a souvenir by a Northern soldier to his family. The correspondence was preserved, and in looking over it this block was found within one of the letters, as fresh as the day it was received.

Another Ten-Cent Variety?



Dr. R. P. Miller of Atlanta, Ga. submits an interesting copy of the Hoyer & Ludwig Ten-Cents blue which shows a distinct six-pointed star in the upper panel bearing the word "POSTAGE". The stamp is otherwise normal, clear impression, beautiful color and wide margined. The Editor will be pleased to hear of other copies showing this stone-flaw, to establish whether it was constant or transient.

An Old Acquaintance



Mr. J. M. Bartels submits a 3-cent 1851 on a small piece of canary envelope with the overprint "C. S. A.—TEXAS—Pa. 5. iD", in black in a type known to earlier printers as "Concave."

It strikes us that we have seen this old customer before, and that he has never been able to establish credit.

King Has Chance For Rare Stamp

If the King of England still wants that rarest stamp in the world, a British Guiana one cent issue valued at \$50,000 for which he was outbid once by Arthur Hind of Clark Mills, he will have the opportunity again soon.

Mr. Hind's internationally known stamp collection is to be sold. He had refused \$400,000 for his United States collection alone. Mr. Hind died a few weeks ago in Florida. The entire collection, under the terms of the will, just revealed, will be entrusted to William C. Kennett of Hazlewood, Ohio, and Charles J. Phillips of New York for disposition.—*Buffalo Times.*

Zeppelin Visits Rome Holy Year

Mr. Julius B. Bock, Eisenbahnstrasse 4, Berlin-Halensee, Germany, sends the following item:

The German dirigible Graf Zeppelin visits Rome, Italy on May 29 and 30th, 1933. Mail will be carried on both trips Friedrichshafen - Rome - Friedrichshafen. The Italian Post Office Department informs me that two stamps will be issued to commemorate this flight of the Holy Year. German and Italian cachets will be used on the different mails. Anyone interested may send forty cents for one card and seventy cents for one cover and state on which trip he wants it to go.

Airmail News of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

If this department was "cut" last month for want of space I can assure all readers that it will surely be made up in this issue. There has been more co-operation and more news from collectors for this column during the past thirty days than ever before. If anyone is skeptical as to the present firm foundation of air mail and naval cover collecting they should see the over-burdened postman who delivers my mail every morning from enthusiastic collectors. It seems as if the hobby is surpassing even the fondest expectations.

Well, here goes:

The American Airpost Catalogue was recently published by Kenneth Tallmadge and Edwin H. Brennecke, and this record-book of covers should meet with the approval of every cover collector. It lists, profusely illustrates and prices Airpost Dedication Covers, Historically Commemorative Covers, Coste-Bellonte Covers, Post-Gatty Tour Covers and Admiral Byrd Covers. There are 113 pages brim-full of information and seriously considered prices of items that are found in practically every collection. It truly fills that "long-felt need" for a catalogue pricing such covers as have heretofore been "passed by" for the more lucrative "Officials," etc. I heartily recommend it to every airmailist. It is priced very reasonably at 50c and may be secured by writing Mr. Brennecke, 422 N. LeClaire Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Before listing the "Coming Events" I wish to advise all sponsors of cachets that no cachet will be listed in this column when a charge is made for same. I am only too glad and willing to assist sponsors when they are prepared to properly cachet covers *without charge* and as a service to the collector, but *I will not* publish any where a charge is made. In this

case our advertising columns are open and the rates are reasonable. At this moment I have before me several letters of forthcoming cachets that require the collector to send from 5c to 30c for a cover. This is plain advertising and there will be no "gate crashing," so none of them are published.

I have just received my first *Crosby Cover Album* and whether you collect air mail or navals . . . well, here is an album!!! One can hardly imagine what an elegant and massive volume it is without seeing it. The binding on the cover is a masterpiece, however the strong, durable, linen hinged, reinforced inside pages cannot be overlooked and I am now convinced that one *must have* a real (or *Crosby*) *Cover Album* to properly collect any types of envelopes.

W. G. Crosby, 104 E. 5th St., San Pedro, Calif., publisher of this album informs me that he is now planning a smaller album, holding 360 covers, to sell for \$8.00, including your name stamped in gold on the cover. Anyone who is not already acquainted with Mr. Crosby, I might say that he *is the* naval cover specialist of the world, Chief Gunners Mate U. S. Navy Retired and Cachet Director San Pedro Chamber of Commerce. Whatever you need or wish to know about naval cover collecting, write him.

At this point, and thru the co-operation of Mr. Crosby, I wish to correct a statement appearing in the March issue regarding the figures on the various ports of call by the *U. S. S. Constitution*. These figures relate to the number of visitors who boarded the ship and *not* the number of covers posted.

The Riverside Chamber of Commerce, Riverside, Calif., will sponsor a cachet on

May 5 for the 60th Anniversary Planting of the Parent Washington Naval Orange Tree.

Maurice S. Petty, 617 Kennedy St., N. W., Washington, D. C., sends the following interesting news and all covers for these events should be mailed to him.

May 1, Washington, D. C., Fifth Anniversary C. A. M. 19; May 15, Fifteenth Anniversary First Regular Government Operated Air Mail Route in U. S.

Newark Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a cachet for the 67th State Encampment G. A. R. on June 18. Send covers to Cachet Director at Chamber of Commerce, Newark, N. J.

The Oshkosh Philatelic Society will sponsor a club on April 30. Send covers to H. J. Burbach, P. O. Box 41, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

The Longview Chamber of Commerce, Longview, Washington, will cachet all letters when *Old Ironsides* visits there May 22-25th.

Myron F. McCamley, our Pacific Coast reporter and crooner extraordinary, informs us that a special cachet is being sponsored by the Oregon Stamp Society of Portland in connection with the visit of *Old Ironsides* from May 20 to 22nd. There will be no charge for covers, so send to: M. F. McCamley, 5526 N. Delaware Ave., Portland, Oregon.

The tragic crash of "America's Queen of the Skies" is enough to make anyone shudder and no doubt the news affected air mail collectors and brought a sort of choking feeling to their throats more than to any others, because we felt a certain closeness to the ship. Hadn't it carried our mail officially—honored mail of the American collector? And the thousands of us who had letters on the dirigible felt that we were a part of the ship, no matter how small or inconsequential . . . we even believed in our hearts that some day it would again carry more of *our* mail. This fact alone made us akin and with a certain sense of ownership we followed daily its flights and maneuvers. But the great, inspiring *Akron* is no more. We mourn the loss of the ship and its personnel, but we will carry before us forever covers which will be a memorial to the courageous men who perished with their ship.

Bernard R. Schaefer has been authorized to inform us that two fliers, Solberg and Mahachek, will attempt to fly around the world from Chicago with 200 pounds

of mail at the opening of the Chicago Fair. For further information write: Around the World Fliers, Room 1920, 360 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Uncle Billy Lycett tells us that one of the crew of the ill-fated *Akron* was a stamp collector—Milton G. Austin of Trenton, N. J. While stationed at Cape May, N. J. (Uncle Billy's home town) on one of the naval blimps at Coast Guard Section Base Nine he began collecting under the tutelage of Uncle Billy, and was particularly interested in air mails.

D. W. Graveman, 634 Morris Park Ave., New York, N. Y., has a number of German "bad boy" (Spitzbub) covers which he is willing to part with to other collectors. I suggest that you send Mr. Graveman 10c to cover postage, or a good air mail cover in exchange. This is co-operation, and the true spirit to share with others that which you have in abundance.

The Crescent City Stamp Club, New Orleans, favors me with one of the 10th anniversary covers of F. A. M. 3, from New Orleans to Pilot Town. The mail on this flight was flown by hydroplane, piloted by Arthur O. Johnson. Mr. Johnson will be glad to autograph any covers of this flight and his address is 3100 Grand Route St. John, New Orleans, La. The covers are attractively cacheted and are excellent items.

Emil and Paul Wunder favor me with a cover carried on the Inaugural Flight of Passenger and Express Service from New Orleans by the pilot. Notice of the flight was so short no advance publicity could be given.

Charles N. Gerber, 371 Alabama Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., will apply a cachet to all covers on May 15, commemorating the 15th anniversary first airmail flight from New York to Washington, D. C. You may write him for a list of commemorative stamps which he will supply on covers at a very reasonable price.

The Bison Philatelic Society, P. O. Box 2, Kensington Station, Buffalo, N. Y., will apply a cachet to air mail covers on June 1 to commemorate the 5th anniversary of airmail service between Buffalo and Albany.

I am indebted to Walter W. Miller for definite information regarding covers sent by many collectors to Mr. Hendricks in Honolulu to be held *if* and *when* the *Akron* visits Hawaii. Collectors are now urged to write Mr. Hendricks and give

him permission to mail their covers on the first event to take place. Please do not put him to any expense as he has thousands of covers and should be highly commended for his co-operation. His address is: Royal C. Hendricks, 2881 Oahu Ave., Honolulu, Hawaii.

On April 24 an attractive two-color cachet was applied to covers at Linden, N. J., on the Anniversary of America's first newspaper. Covers may be obtained for 5c each by writing W. G. Piper, 45 Raritan Road, Linden, N. J.

W. G. Crosby sends a few news flashes as follow: 6,666 covers were cacheted for *Old Ironsides* at Long Beach. Cacheted covers of all ports visited by this ship prior to San Pedro were not backstamped, therefore making them 100% perfect and official navals. Covers from various out-of-the-way and unexpected ports-of-call may be obtained from Mr. Crosby at 25c each. The March 10 cachet was obtained only after Crosby had chartered a launch to take him out to the *Constitution* and they were cancelled by Harry Moore in semi-darkness as no lights are available on the ship while at sea. The Santa Barbara stop was unexpected and markings were applied by the Chamber of Commerce only after Crosby's insistence and intense interest. These should be excellent items in time.

Fred Sanders says there will be a real cachet applied to covers on May 24 commemorating the 50th Anniversary Brooklyn Bridge. Send covers to Aerophilatelic Club of New York, Navy Yard Station, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Jackson Memorial Airport will be dedicated July 2-4 and cachets will be applied to all air mail covers. Send to H. L. Buck, care American Legion, Fairbault, Minn.

A cachet for the Fifth Anniversary AM-19 will be applied to all air mail covers on May 1 if sent to Paul H. Wunder, Care, American Airways, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, La.

Joseph Palmer sends the following news:

May 10, a cachet will be applied by the Clark Stamp Society commemorating the meeting of *Old Ironsides* and battleship *Oregon*. Send covers to Edward C. Bryan, 222 West 6th St., Albany, Oregon.

May 20, cachet for 6th Anniversary Lindbergh's flight. Send covers to: R. H. Sowell, 1222 11th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

During the latter part of May Miami, Florida, will dedicate new Post Office. Covers to David Rosenthal, 1017 S. W. 9th St., Miami, Fla.

Cachet to be applied on air mail covers sent to Fred Geyers, 2417 Cortland St., Chicago, Ill. For International Air Races, July 1-4.

June 23, cachet for Battle of Springfield, N. J. Send covers to Vincent A. Schauler, 76 Church St., Milburn, N. J.

I am indebted to Jim Green for copy of cachet to be applied at dedication of Naval Air Station at Sunnyvale, Calif., in the near future.

W. C. Crosby sent me several attractive "Earthquake Covers" from California, right where he lives.

William E. Doan sends us a clipping stating that the aircraft carrier *U. S. S. Langley* was the first electrically-driven ship in the U. S. Navy.

Judge Benjamin S. DeBoice of Springfield, Ill., informs me that the New Salem Post Office of today is not the New Salem where Lincoln was Postmaster. Where Lincoln was Postmaster is known as New Salem State Park.

The Judge also advises me that the Abraham Lincoln Council Boy Scouts of America will sponsor two cachets on May 7, commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Lincoln's Postmastership. One cachet will be applied free of charge to anyone sending covers to the above Council of Scouts, 513½ East Monroe St., Springfield, Ill. The other cover must be purchased at 25c each and will be a facsimile of the old letter sheets which were used in Lincoln's day. This will also carry a cachet and will be done up in usual style to assure its historical correctness. It is a worthy cause and should have the support of the cover collectors. Order from above address.

S. H. Falkoff, prominent dealer of Wooster, Ohio, sends samples and booklet describing his new "Invisible Pochettes" for the protection of stamps against fingermarks, grease, dust, etc. They are moisture-proof, non-wrinkling and non-shrinking and from all appearances have finally solved the problem of protecting one's stamps. Samples may be obtained by writing Mr. Falkoff and enclosing 5c to cover charges.

Co-operators: Many thanks to all who make this column readable every month: John J. Fitzgerald, *****W. G.

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Lansdowne Club Wins Prize Cup

The beautiful silver first prize cup for the senior division of The Evening Ledger Stamp Club Exhibition held during the week of March 25th to 31st was awarded to the Lansdowne Stamp Club whose fourteen members gathered three or four points more than the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club who were awarded second place.

This cup will remain in the custody of the Lansdowne Club until the next Annual Exhibition unless they should win it thrice in succession when it will become the permanent property of any club so doing.

Among the prize winners were the following:

United States 19th Century—Second, Clarence W. Brazier; Third, Richard Peters, Jr.

Colonial Possessions of any country—Second, William G. Hires; Third, Edward E. Meacham.

African Countries—First, Albert B. Maris—Liberia.

New Issues—Second, Theo. Sauliner.

European Countries—First, Oscar Brehmer.

Modern Covers—Third, Frank Brace-land.

U. S. Commemoratives—Second, George Cucore.

Junior Division—First, William Irvine, Sr.; Third, Herbert Rommell.

All stamp collectors are invited to the next open meeting of the Lansdowne Stamp Club to be held in the Lansdowne Theatre Building at 8 P. M. Friday, April 21st, when Albert B. Maris will exhibit his Blue Ribbon collection of Liberia, essays, proofs, stamps, cancellations and covers from darkest Africa.

O. W. Brehmer will also exhibit his fine collection of old Bavaria stamps which includes many of these very interesting old stamps with cancellations and original covers as well as the more modern and beautiful stamps of that country.

James H. Baxter will also exhibit and explain some very interesting color proofs and the original plates from which the Red Cross Seal Stamps were printed, which plates have recently come into his collection. Mr. Baxter is an authority on printing processes and his explanation of the color printing process accompanied by exhibits should prove exceptionally interesting to stamp collectors.—CLARENCE W. BRAZEK.

New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Australia.—We are informed that it has now been definitely decided that no more stamps are to be overprinted "O S" and that the use of these Official stamps is to be discontinued.

Cochin.—A new issue may be expected in about two months' time and the values will be as follows: 2, 4, 6 pies, 1 anna, 1 anna 8 pies, 2 annas, $2\frac{1}{4}$ annas, 3 annas 4 pies and 6 annas 8 pies. The Cochin Post Office will not supply stamps to stamp dealers.

Dominican Republic.—The Merino commemorative stamps were to be issued on February 27th, the values being: $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 20, 50 centavos and \$1, only 5,000 of the \$1 stamps were printed.

Holland.—A new set of stamps appeared on April 1st to commemorate the fourth centenary of the birth of William I, Prince of Orange. There are four denominations as follows: $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents, Arms of the House of Nassau; 5, 6 and $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents, portrait of Prince William of Orange.

India.—The 1 anna chocolate, Nasik printing, were included in the booklets of stamps, but owing to the increase in postage and the issuing of a new $1\frac{1}{4}$ annas stamp, it was necessary to discontinue the 1 anna stamps in these booklets. The stock remaining on hand printed in sheets specially for folding up for booklets was put on sale at the Post Offices showing *tête bêche* pairs in the sheet.

Manchukuo.—On March 1st a set of four stamps was issued to mark the first anniversary of the establishing of the State, the values being 1, 2, 4 and 10 fen. The 1 and 4 fen show a drawing of the State flag and a map of the Territory, the 2 and 10 fen show a picture of the building of the Manchukuo seat of government, and the stamps bear the inscription "Long live the State." Our agent informs us that crowds of people lined up to purchase sets of these stamps and that the entire issue was sold out during the first two days.

Mauritius.—For the first time this British Colony has issued Postage Due stamps. There are five denominations, 2c. black, 4c. purple, 6c. red, 10c. green, 20c. blue, all of the same design, similar to the Postage Due stamps of the Federated Malay States.

Newfoundland.—The 15c. provisional stamp to which we briefly referred in our March issue has arrived. This issue is of unusual interest owing to the peculiarity of the overprint. The 15c. in the current postage set unexpectedly ran short

and a further lot was cabled for from London, but this new supply did not arrive in time, so that it was necessary to create a provisional issue. The 15c. Air Mail not being in great demand was utilized for the purpose and was overprinted "L. & S. Post," meaning "Land of Sea Post," the words "Air Mail" on either side of the stamp were obliterated by two bars. The full balance of stock of these 15c. Air Mails was overprinted to the extent of 70,000 and in consequence the 15c. Air Mail stamp on watermarked paper is now obsolete. We are informed that this overprinting was necessary owing to the fact that if the stamps were used without overprint for ordinary postal purposes the Newfoundland Postal Department would be charged back by other Administrations making delivery, at air mail rates. We think this is the first time that a British Colonial Air Mail stamp has been converted into an ordinary postage stamp. The overprint reads vertically in the center of the stamp. These stamps were overprinted in sheets of 25 and a few of the sheets we have received show the variety of one strip of five in the sheet without watermark, so that pairs can be obtained with and without watermark. We understand that one sheet of these stamps has been discovered showing the top row of five stamps without the overprint, that is to say, there are five vertical pairs showing one stamp with and the other without the overprint. We are further officially informed that a complete new set of Air Mail stamps will be issued within the next two months, the denominations being 10, 30, 60 and 75 cents. It is also intended to issue a special set of postage stamps to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the formal annexation of the Island by Sir Humphrey Gilbert in the name of Queen Elizabeth in 1583. This new set will be issued on August 3rd and the sale will continue until December 31st of the same year.

Russia.—We have received from the Soviet Philatelic Association, Moscow, photographs of several commemorative sets now being issued. One of these sets marks the 15th Anniversary of the 1917 Revolution, another the First All-Russian Philatelic Exhibition in Moscow, a third commemorating Karl Marx, and finally a set of Air-mails. All are attractive in design and brilliant in color.



Spain.—Through the courtesy of Mr. H. C. E. Marsh, care of British Consulate, Madrid, and Messrs. Errington and Martin, all of London, we are favored with a copy of the new 20c. Urgente (Special Delivery) stamp. The design is either by Goya—or very Goyaesque—depicting a winged lady skipping about in cloudland with three bucking steeds, unbridled and unwinged—hence not of the Pegasus stables—one of which she appears to be tickling under the chin—

urgent-ing him along, as it were. The stamp is printed in salmon red.

Tripolitania.—We have received the usual annual set of stamps issued in connection with the Tripoli Industrial Fair, this new set being the seventh series. There are seven values in the ordinary set, all showing different designs, and six values in the Air Mail set in three designs.

Vatican State.—A complete new issue is expected to arrive at any moment, values and designs as follow: 5 centesimi, Arms type; 10, 12½, 15, 20, 25 centesimi, view of the Vatican Palace; 30, 50, 75, 80 centesimi, view of the Vatican Gardens; 1, 1.25, 2, 2 lire 75c., portrait of the Pope; 5, 10, 20 lire, view of the Church and the Square of St. Peter; Express, 2 lire and 2 lire 50c., panoramic view of the Vatican City.

Zanzibar.—We have had several inquiries concerning the 19c. Postage Due stamp, but are now officially informed that this denomination does not exist. The 3c. has now been printed in the fancy bordered design and on pink paper instead of orange.



Major Camp's Appointment

The Elbe File & Binder Company, Inc., 215 Greene Street, New York City, manufacturers of philatelic supplies and albums, announces the appointment of Major Guy W. A. Camp as manager of its Philatelic Division.

Major Camp is a member of the Society of Philatelic Americans, The Collectors' Club of New York and many other philatelic organizations; has been prominent in the stamp collecting field for many years and has a large acquaintance throughout the United States.

Perhaps his outstanding work was the rebuilding of the Society of Philatelic Americans. He served on the Board of Governors for six years, was Chairman of the Board for five years, and served two years as National President of this organization. Under his direction the membership was greatly increased and the association put on a sound financial basis.

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A Momentous Cache

My good friend Dr. S. E. Hutnick of West Philadelphia, Pa. is not alone an outstanding disciple of Æsculapius, but an artist of no mean ability, to which the above cache will bear witness. The Washington postmark documents the first event in America's emancipation from the tyranny of priest-rule, bootlegging and gangster-terrors. When the President gets through with cleaning out our political Augean stables, decent men may again take hold and lead the masses back to an obedience of the law and to a wholesome practice of temperate living. Things that are not forbidden are rarely misused.

Another similarly cached cover has been received from Mr. C. J. Gifford of St. Louis, Mo.



Trans-Atlantic Air Base in Ireland

Negotiations between the directors of a concern, known as the Irish Trans-Atlantic Corp., and the well known German constructional engineers, Demag, are proceeding in regard to the establishment of a base on Galway Bay for a regular trans-Atlantic seaplane service.—*Harris' Philatelic Magazine.*

South American Air Mail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

Yesterday a specimen of the national tree of Argentina called the "Ceibo" was embarked on one of the P. A. A. planes for delivery at Miami, where it will form part of the Argentine exhibit of tropical flora at the International Exhibition to be opened in that city on the 30th inst.

As it is the intention of the Argentine postal authorities to issue an entirely new set of postage stamps in new designs, and as they are anxious to liquidate the stock of airmail stamps on hand, they have authorized their use for ordinary postage. The 10c value is already obsolete.

A second printing of the La Plata commemoratives has been put on sale, so those people who cornered the 30c value have had to disgorge. The two printings are exactly similar in every respect so that there is nothing to distinguish them.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

Commemorative set will have no franking power in Argentina according to a resolution announced yesterday by the government. Consequently the recipients of letters bearing those stamps will be called upon to pay the postage plus the usual fine.

The great Argentine daily, *La Prensa* had a leading article recently in which that paper claimed that the Argentine authorities should not consider valid the stamps referred to, inasmuch as the Falklands rightfully belonged to Argentina, and letters should therefore be franked with Argentine stamps. Furthermore it was pointed out, that the new issue bears the dates 1833-1933, commemorating the British occupation of the Islands, which *La Prensa* considered a further reason for withholding recognition of their validity.

The Minister of the Interior has announced that steps had already been taken before the article in question had appeared, as he had communicated with the Minister for Foreign Affairs in that connection on two occasions and instructions had been given to the Legation at Berne to notify the Postal Union that the Argentine Post Office refuses to recognize the franking power of the stamps.

VARIETIES OF THE LA PLATA ISSUE

On each sheet of the 3c La Plata Commemorative there are four varieties "1932." These occur on the 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 8th rows. This value is now out of issue, in fact the only denomination on sale is the 20c.

North Hudson Society Activities

The North Hudson Philatelic Society was host to the New Jersey Philatelic Federation on Thursday evening, April 13th, at 988 Bergenline Ave., Union City, New Jersey.

This is the first visit made by the Federation since the new officers were elected, under the leadership of President Adolph Klingenstein. A very interesting lecture was given by Mr. Stephen G. Rich, on the Orange Free State, illustrating his talk with his wonderful collection of the stamps and covers of that country.

Mr. W. M. Hoyt also spoke and exhibited his collection of Norway, which contains many fine specimens, both in stamps and covers. The meeting was well attended by the Club's members as well as the New Jersey Philatelic Federation, and several visitors.—RALPH PIZER.

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Naval Cancellations.

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Ship Ahoy! Comrades! Last month's column was received with open arms as ascertained by the number of letters of comment, and demands an encore! Although your editor is not a Southerner he bows to you in graceful Southern form and thanks you from the bottom of his heart!

I only hope that illustrating the various types of Naval cancellations will serve to encourage greater interest in the hobby and promote further research.

Before we begin talk of a few more types I wish to inform my kind readers that this system of checking cancellations, compiled by Dr. Francis E. Locy and now being described through this column, has just recently gone out-of-style. But do not be alarmed, my friends! A new and much more simple system has been adopted by the Naval Postmark Unit of the International Postal Marking Society. This new system is compiled by Mr. Delf Norona and I am sure will meet with your approval. I am sorry that news of the adoption of this new system did not reach me in time for the March issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST.

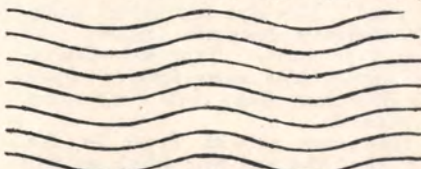
Let me ask you not to make your check list according to Dr. Locy's system as all types will be listed according to Mr. Norona's system in the future. However, it is still a good idea to study the illustrations described so as to have a general idea of the new system. Do not pay any attention to Type 4 as illustrated in last month's column. Type 4 under the new system is Type eR-3. "Key Letters to Variations" may still be used if you desire to do so.

Types 7, 8 and 9 from Dr. Locy's system are described this month to complete the old method of check-listing. Notice the letter and numeral in parenthesis following the Type number. They conform with the new system and should be studied accordingly.

Let's go back to last month's issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN and revise Types 1,

2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 according to Mr. Norona's system. This is the new listing: Types 1, 2, and 3 should be Types R-1, R-2 and R-3 and are described thusly; Type R-1—*Four killer bars close together, about 14mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar.* Type R-2—*Four killer bars wide apart, about 19mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar.* Type R-3—*Three killer bars wide apart, about 25 to 28mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar. Ship's location or slogan frequently appears between the bars.* As mentioned before Type 4 is now listed under Type R-3. Type 5 as illustrated from the U. S. S. Sirius is now Type R-4—*Three killer bars close together, about 19 to 21mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar. Thicker lined circle than R-3. Ship's location or slogan frequently appears between bars.* Type 6 is now Type S-4—*Circle and 11 bar killer. Year date outside circle. Killer with pointed ends.* Notice that we have eliminated one type—Type 4.

Now to go on with Types 7, 8 and 9.



TYPE 7

Type 7 (M-1) appeared about 1919 and is identified by the wavy lines of the killer. The ship's name is occasionally seen at the top of the circle, especially recently. This is a machine cancellation. Type M-1 as described by Mr. Norona follows in italics; *Circle and 7 line wave.*

To complete the machine cancellations we have those of the Naval Shore Stations, Naval Operating Base and Navy Yard Stations. For information concerning these types prior to the next issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN write Mr. Delf Norona, 1002 Fifth St., Moundsville, West, Virginia.



TYPE 8

Type 8 (M-2) appears always as illustrated except from the *U. S. S. Whitney* which has the words "Scouting Fleet" in the left hand portion of the flag. Also a machine cancellation. M-2—Circle and flag with 13 stars.



TYPE 9

As to Type 9, (R-8) Dr. Locy says, "I believe that every ship that has issued a cancellation stamp at all, received Type 9 or one of its variations. I have seen several Type 9v dated 1919. Occasionally the mail clerk has arranged a killer to the right of the Type 9 canceller. This killer is usually in the form of bars of various numbers and sizes and is frequently made by stretching rubber bands around a block of wood." This type is a rubber stamp. Mr. Norona's description follows with new Type number: Type R-8—*Concentric circles, with name between circles. No killer bars. Outer circle about 29mm. in diameter.*

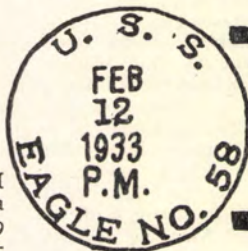
This leaves us with Types S-1, S-2, S-3, M-3, M-4 and M-5 which we will talk about in the next issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN. Don't miss it!

Sometime ago I mentioned receiving a new type cancellation from the *Constitution* and listed it as Type 3u. Under the new system it should be Type R-3, omitting the letter u as the normal type shows ship's name at bottom of the circle. I am not positive but I think this new type was put into use about December 15, 1932. Maybe a short while before then. Who knows? Here we show the two types used on the *Constitution* since the first day of her Post Office, Sept. 10, 1931.



TYPE 5k

This is Type R-4. Where you wish to describe this type more closely use your "Key Letters to Variations" and select the letter k. Thus it would be Type R-4k meaning "with dashes missing."



TYPE 3

Mr. Moore now favors us with Type R-3 shown above. Several *Constitution* covers have been reported in colors but word direct from the Mail Clerk, Mr. Harry Moore, revises this report. There are, however, several covers from this old war-horse giving latitude and longitude between killer bars. They are bringing fancy prices now.

Just to be sure you have the list of "Key Letters to Variations," we'll list it again. Mr. Norona does not use this list with his new system but many of you will no doubt want to use it yourself.

a—Bars of killer removed or missing.
b—One or more bars removed.
c—"BR.)N. Y. NEW YORK(" added inside circle.

Notice that I have changed the definition of the letter c to conform with the new system.

d—Double line outer circle.
e—Types S-1, 2, 3 and 4 with year date inside circle and smaller grid.

I have also changed meaning of letter e. Omitted letters f and g.

h—Whole design in heavier lines than normal type.

j—Whole design in lighter lines than normal type.

k—Type R-4 with dashes missing.

m—Whole design smaller than normal type.

n—Numeral follows ship's name as from certain destroyers.

p—Whole design larger than normal type.

q—Ship's name between killer bars of cancellation stamp.

r—Letters spaced further apart than normal type.

s—Ship's name in letters with serifs.

t—Like normal except ships' name at top of circle.

u—Like normal except ship's name at bottom of circle.

v—Word "REGISTERED" added in circle.

w—Type R-8 with "M. O. B." added.

x—Type R-8 with "PARCEL POST" added.

y—Same as normal except no bars added and "REC'D" in circle.

F—Fancy cancellations; letters or numerals may be added to indicate the nearest type.

PPR—Parcel Post Roller.

SL—Straight line cancellations in block letters.

Z—"U. S. NAVY" replaces ship's name.

NEWS

U. S. S. Woodcock sailed for Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Asiatic ships, *Panay*, *Asheville*, *Luzon*, *Oahu* and *Gold Star* at San Diego.

Sapelo, *Algorma*, *Bridge*, *Gannett* and *Hale* at San Pedro.

The *Algorma* is reported to be using a new style cancellation.

U. S. S. Sirius left Port-au-Prince for Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Va.

Due to minor damage received in recent earthquake, the *Constitution* will arrive at Portland, Oregon on Aug. 2nd and stay until Aug. 14th. She was formerly scheduled to arrive on May 10. From C. of C. through I. P. M. S.

A nice cachet is promised at Seattle, Wash. for visit of *Old Ironsides*, about May 31st. Mr. D. C. Bartley, 6035 8th Ave., N. E. has consented to hold covers—I. P. M. S.

Change in schedule may, most likely, effect date of her arrival at Seattle.

Mr. W. G. Crosby, U. S. N. reports that the *Medusa* will use a very odd cachet in the near future. Date indefinite.

Change of address: *Barry*, New York; *Twiggs*, New York; *Jacob Jones* and *Lawrence*, San Diego; *Dolphin*, New York; *Chaumont*, Norfolk, Va.; *Gannett* and *Argonne*, Seattle, Wash.; *Henderson*, Guam.

U. S. S. Sequoia placed in commission, March 25th at Annapolis, Md. but does not carry a mail clerk.

There was a change in the itinerary of the *Constitution* when she made a two-hour stop at Santa Barbara, Calif. The Santa Barbara C. of C. applied a very neat purple cachet to commemorate this short visit. Mr. W. G. Crosby, 104 E. 5th St., San Pedro, Calif. informs me that he can supply this cover and also any covers from the Pacific Coast cruise at 25c per cover.

Recent bulletin from Post Office Department states that the *S. S. Washington*, sister ship of the *Manhattan* will sail on its first voyage from New York to Cobb, Plymouth, Le Havre and Hamburg and return on May 10th. A special cachet will be used by the Department to commemorate this voyage and covers should be sent to the Seapost Clerk, *S. S. Washington*, New York, N. Y. not later than May 8th.

Just received five beautiful covers from Miss Vivian M. Green who really knows how to fix a beautiful cover. The first one comes from the *Aaron Ward*, Jan. 1, 1933 in a deep red. This Type R-3 cancel has slogan "Happy New Year" between bars and below the lower bar is Mare Island, Calif. The date is set in one line across center of cancellation, whereas, the same cancel appears on the back of the cover with the date in three lines like normal type, with Mare Island, Calif. removed. Autographed by E. A. Eisert, N. M. C. Navy Day Cover from the Submarine *Argonaut* (A-1), similar to Type R-3 except double line outer circle and only two bars spaced far apart. Navy Day Honolulu, Hawaii is the slogan between the bars. Cancel applied in purple. Another Navy Day from the *Boggs*, Mare Island, Calif. between bars in dark red. *U. S. S. Hale*, Dec. 25, 1932, in red with slogan, "A Merry Christmas" between bars in black. This cover in particular would appeal to anyone! The greeting "A Merry Christmas" was penned between

the bars and in such a way as to be centered on the postage stamp. The style of lettering is very modernistic. This Type R-3 cancel is applied twice, on each side of the stamp, once with the bars and once without them! It is autographed by the Mail Clerk, Paul G. Mills. A Last Day in Commission from the *Light Target 1*, 1x35, Jan. 10, 1933. A very fine lot of covers.

Dr. Albright, University of Richmond also sends me a description of three *Constitution* covers which have Latitude and Longitude between the bars. One dated Jan. 12, 1933, Lat. 14-49 N, Long. 92-52 W. Backstamped with same cancel using San Diego, California as location. One dated Jan. 13, 1933, Lat. 15-19 N, Long. 96-12 W. Also backstamped San Diego. Last one is dated Jan. 18th, Lat. 25-05 N, Long. 112-09 W. Also backstamped San Diego. Last two covers have an elliptical cachet applied on the back while last one bears a small square cachet on the front.

Washington Birthday covers were many and in many colors. Cacheted cover from *Old Ironsides* pictures the ship under full sail with a dozen airplanes and a dirigible in flight. Cachet is applied in red and in a rubber stamp made from the same plate used by C. of C. on Feb. 17th welcoming the ship to San Pedro. This same style was also used on March 9 commemorating United States Fleet Review at San Pedro.

Other covers from the *Brant*, blue, *Chandler*, blue, *West Virginia*, red and *Texas*, black used the slogan Washington's Birthday. *Aaron Ward*, purple, *Cuyama*, black, *Argonne*, black, *Holland*, red, *Dorsey*, red, *Saratoga* used machine cancel Type M-1, *Hulbert*, blue, *Relief*, black with "Buy American" between bars. *Lexington*, black with slogan "Cruise to Honolulu, T. H." *The Maryland* used a most unique style of cancellation in black. Type R-4 variety with bars removed and cut of Washington cutting down the cherry tree inserted as a killer.

Two Inauguration Day covers at hand from *Borie*, black, using slogan Inauguration Day and *Reuben James*, black with slogan Washington, D. C. and green printed cachet depicting the Nation's Capitol and appropriate wording. *U. S. S. Brooks* seems to be a favorite ship among many collectors as the Mail Clerk always

uses some interesting slogan. March 8th brought the slogan "Ex-Pres. Taft Died 1930. March 9th, 1862" *Monitor* and *Merrimac* and four line cachet applied in red "Commemorating the Battle Between the Cheese-Box and the Raft, Hampton Roads, Va. 1862."

Bill Mersinger reports receiving the following interesting covers: *U. S. S. Bridge*, black with slogan Supply Ship Scouting Force. *Brooks*, blue, Lincoln's Birthday. *Chaumont*, red, Washington's Birthday. *Claxton*, blue, Training Squadron. *Crowninshield*, green, Washington's Birthday. Unique cancellation from the Italian Training ship *Columbo*, stationed at Key West, Fla. Circular cancel reads "R. Nave—Cristoforo Colombo 3-3-33." *Hale*, black, At Sea. *Texas* used slogan Golden Gate Bridge and applied cachet in green commemorating Pacific Coast Inter-Golden Gate Bridge Celebration.

Change of Navy Mail Clerks:

Breckenridge....Louis G. Goode, TM2c
Dahlgreen....David P. Waggener, TM3c
Lea.....Chas. R. Lemke, SM2c
Overton.....Bernardino Callegari, SK2c
Hopkins.....Otis L. Ruthven, QM2c
McCormick....Geo. McLaughlin, SM2c
Tillman.....Nunzie Gentile, SM1c
Williamson—No Mail Clerk.

Newspaper item states that the Cruiser *San Francisco* was launched at Mare Island Navy Yard a short while ago. Has anyone seen any covers commemorating this event?

President Roosevelt says: "Let's Go!"—he must be reading my column!

I acknowledge with thanks covers from Nat Horwitz and J. B. Merritt. Co-operators: Bill Mersinger, J. J. Walsh, Vivian M. Green, Dr. C. L. Albright and *Naval Postmarks*. Many thanks!

Anyone interested in joining a fast moving Society which now has a Naval Postmark Unit should get in touch with Mr. Jerome Miller, 2665 Grand Concourse, New York, N. Y.



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Maryland Colonial Post.

BY L. M. RELLIM

The first authentic record mentioning a postal service in America is that of the General Court of Massachusetts in 1639. According to H. M. Konwiser in his "Colonial and Revolutionary Posts"—a book of great historical importance to philatelists—that service consisted of the designation of Richard Fairbank's house in Boston as the place appointed for all letters which are brought from beyond the seas, or are to be sent thither. Altho nothing has been found in its support, it is just as possible that similar arrangements had been made by the colonists sent out by Lord Baltimore, but in any event such arrangement was confined to the foreign mail. So that Maryland shares with Virginia the distinction of being the first provinces to establish duly constituted posts, which they did by legislative enactment in 1661. Such excerpts from the State Archives as relate to the Maryland posts follow, and we hope will be accepted by the readers with as much pleasure and interest as we had in extracting them.

Proceedings of General Assembly April 17-May 2, 1661, from page 88 of original Journal:

Thursday the 25th of April

The howse meet againe p'sent as before, except the Secretary and Mr. Bateman

Then was Called for the List of the Lawes yet wanting in the Province

* * *

Ordered that an Acte for Conveyance of all Letters concerning the State and publike Affairs be sent downe to the lower howse whoe desired to certefye the amendments as they shall thinke fitt

* * *

The Vpper howse adjourned whilst tomorrow morning nine of the Clock
From page 92:

Tuesday the 30th of April

Present The Governor The Secretary, Robert Clarke Baker Brooke Edward Lloyd and John Bateman Esq^{rs}.

The Vpper howse Sent the Secretary to the lower howse for a Conference

At a Conference

Then was read the Acte for Conveyance of all Letters Concerning the State and publike affairs

Which was voted unanimously to pass

* * *

The Vpper howse adjourned till nine of the clock in the morning

From page 106:

An Acte for Conveyance of all Letters Concerning the State and Publike Affairs

Be it Enacted by the authority of this p'sent Generall Assembly that all Letters whatsoever to or sent from the Governor

or Governor and Councill or any his Lops, Councillors or Justices of the peace touching the publike affaires of this Province shall without delay be sent from howse to howse, the direct way till they be safely delivered as directed; And every person after Receipt of such Letter delaying to carry the said letters to the next howse above the tearme of halfe an howre shall pay for a fine to the Lord Proprietor One hundred pounds of tobacco vnles it were deliuered soe late in the daye as that it could not before night be delivered at the next howse or that through violence of wynd or Tempest it could by noe meanes be sent over the Creeke or River, if any Chance to be betweene the howse where such letter shall be deliuered And the howse to which it ought to be Conveyed And be it further Enacted that all publike letters shall be superscribed by the person directing or sending the said letter vpon the out side of said that (vizt) to be sent from howse to howse And then subscribe his name this Act to endure for three yeares or to the end of the next Generall Assembly

The lower howse have Assented

Will: Bretton Clk.

The vpper howse have Assented

John Gittings Clre:

However, the first postal system of any consequence in the colonies was established by William Penn in 1683 by a grant to Henry Wady. With headquarters at Philadelphia post-riders in addition to other places were dispatched once a week to Maryland, the time of departure being published "on the meeting-house doore," and proceeded over trails that were marked only by blazing trees. The charge for that service was nine pence.

This colonial post had some measure of success until it was superseded by the royal grant of a patent by King William to Thomas Neal in 1692, and was to run for a period of twenty-one years. Neal appointed Andrew Hamilton of New Jersey "to govern and manage the said general post-office for and through all the King's Plantations and Colonies in the Mainland or Continent of America and Islands adjacent thereto." Hamilton established a postal route on the main line of travel between Portsmouth, N. H. and Virginia, through Maryland, with the general post-office at Philadelphia. Being maintained at a loss, application was made to the colonies for assistance.

That this experiment proved costly can be realized when it must be considered that most of the settlers were clinging more to the river banks than the main roads of travel and what few letters were dispatched, usually were entrusted to chance travellers, traders or special messengers. Moreover, the Puritans of New England, the Dutch around the Hudson, the Quakers at Philadelphia, the Catholics of Maryland, and the Cavaliers in Virginia had a far greater intercourse with their relatives and friends in the lands whence they came than with each other in the separate colonies. Perhaps, that would in some measure explain the identical charge of 9 pence for a letter from Philadelphia to Maryland and from the same town to Europe or the West Indies.

The Province of Massachusetts by an act of its General Assembly, approved June 9, 1693, was the first colony to aid Hamilton under the Neal grant. Among the rates established was that of two shillings from Maryland or Virginia to Boston. Cooperation of the other colonies was sought and the Province of Maryland was solicited the following year as far as the original archives of the State disclose.

We begin with the Journal containing the Assembly proceedings of Sept. 20-Oct. 18, 1694, held at the old capital, St. Maries, at which sessions there was erected the settlement called Severn, on the river of that name, into the town and port of Anne Arundel. On page 25 we find:

council Sate & were present as on Saturday
Monday October the 1st 1694

Coll Hamiltons L^r to the late Governor Copley wth his proposalls about the post Office together with her Majties Royall Letter fn favour there-

of, Esq^r Neales Patent for being post Mast^r Gen^l of America and the afd Coll Hamiltons Deputacon from the said Esq^r Neale being produced & persved here are Recommended to the House of Burgesses for their consideracon

* * *

John Perrys peticon & Govern^r Copleys Letter to him being read was Referred to the House of Assembly for their consideracon

The council was the higher branch and the letter of Hamilton must have been received some time prior to the opening of the sessions of the General Assembly. The John Perry mentioned must have been the same one to whom was entrusted the post, as will appear later, and his petition gives added proof that Hamilton made earlier efforts to interest the province.

During the following year definite action was taken, and because some of the original records are missing we are unable to submit all the proceedings. The first reference found was in the Third Sessions May 8-22, 1695 and from original page 14 we extract:

Fryday May 10th 1695

The house adjournes for an houre

* * *

Colonel Hamiltons Lre together with her Sacred Majesty the Queens Lr in favor thereof Esq^r Neals patent for post Mar^r Generall of America and afd Hamiltons Deputacon from the said Esq. Neale menconed in the 49th folio of the said Journall, was referred to the next sessions of Assembly

While the House was meeting, the Governor and his Council were also in session and in accordance with the prevailing custom (and which is still being followed) the Governor presented his recommendations for the passage of laws, among which was the employment of a post carrier, no doubt, outlined in Hamilton's letter. This suggestion of Governor Francis Nicholson to his council in session on May 14, 1695 was as follows:

15. That some person of trust be employ'd in the Nature of a publick Post to keep going betwixt Potomack & Philadelphia for the Carryin all Letters betwixt said places, and that a Certain yearly Sallary be settled upon such person

The House adopted that suggestion, and

altho the pertinent records of the House are missing, we do, however, find the approval recited in the proclamation of Governor Nicholson issued May 22, 1695, which will be found set out in full in the February issue of this magazine. John Perry, who had presented his petition the year previous, was entrusted to carry the post eight times a year at the annual salary of 50 pounds sterling, with the further stipulation that he was to take no other reward or gratuity. The post was to start on the last Monday of June next and the route was as follows:

betwixt Potomack and Philadelphia aforementioned & is to begin at Newtons Point upon Wiccocomaco River in Potomack & from thence to go to Allens Mill from Allens Mills, to Benedict LeonardTown, from Benedict LeonardTown over petuxant River to Mr Lingaus, from Mr Lingaus, to Mr Larkin's, and so to South River and Annapolis formerly Ann Arrundell from thence to Kent & so to William Stadt formerly Oxford, and from thence to Dan^l Toa's and so to Adam Petersons and from thence to New Castle & so directly to Philadelphia & Returne the say Way back again to Potomack

What success that post had we do not know, as the only reference was located in the Journal of the sessions two years later, as follows:

at a Council in Generall Assembly met on May 26, 1697

May 28 Produced & read a Lre by his Excy from the hon^{ble} Coll Andrew Hamilton with proposalls in relacon to erecting post office here

At the beginning of the following century this Province conceived the unique manner of aiding in the distribution of the post. At that time it was the practice of depositing all letters and packages in a public house to be forwarded by the first conveyance that chanced to pass or set out. This was changed by an act passed by the House Sept. 23, by the Council Sept. 26, and proclaimed Oct. 3, 1704 by Governor John Seymor and entitled "An Act for the Speedy conveying of Publiq Letters and Paquetts of this Province, and for the defraying of the charge thereof" (Acts of Maryland 5 Sept., 1704, p. 118-119). It then became the duty of the sheriff of each county to con-

vey all public letters to their destination in his county, but, if beyond, to the sheriff of the next county, and their emolument depending on amount of service varied from 500 pounds to 1,500 pounds of tobacco (tobacco was then used as currency). This act was repealed and re-enacted April 12, 1707 and October 27, 1713.

Another difficulty arose, for it frequently happened that letters of importance containing bills of exchange fell into the hands of dishonest persons, and so another law was passed April 15, 1707, being "An act to prevent the abuse of breaking open and concealing public and private letters" (Acts of Md. March 26, 1707, p. 275-6). It provided a hearing "Either in Provinciall or County Courts" and if found guilty of purloining a private letter to "suffer imprisonment of his her or their body or bodys for and dureing the Space of Six days without bayle or Mainprize and forfeit the sume of five pounds of sterling." If it be a public letter then the punishment was increased to two months and twenty pounds sterling, respectively.

Neale losing money on the operations of the post, dropped his concession to his deputy Hamilton and an Englishman named West, in 1698. Finally the Crown purchased the Neale grant in 1710 and by an Act of Parliament passed the same year (reign of Queen Anne) designated New York as the center of operations, provided for the appointment of a Deputy Postmaster General subordinate to the Postmaster General in England, and fixed various rates of postage, including a charge of 1 shilling from New York to Annapolis, the chief town in Maryland, or return. In pursuance to that act, John Hamilton, the son of Andrew Hamilton, was appointed and during the same year he established a post between New York and Virginia, through Maryland, which required six weeks for a round trip.

By 1727 the mail went to Annapolis from Philadelphia once every two weeks in summer and once a month in winter, going by way of New Castle to the Western shore and thence to the Eastern shore and back. Improved service followed, for in 1738 when Henry Pratt was the riding master for all the stages between Philadelphia and Newport in Virginia he made the round trip in twenty-four days.

Times change with the passage of years; now we want letters the next day, and instead of tobacco we want to be paid in gold.

The Open Forum.

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"Permits" in 1854?

The interesting cover shown on page 165 of the March, 1933, NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST is of a similar nature to other covers (circulars) I have seen—discussed in the September, 1931 and February, 1933, *American Philatelist*—except that this is the first letter I know of belonging to the stampless covers period (before 1856) with an imprint indicating prepayment of postage.

Before proceeding further I believe it advisable to mention the postal regulations and rates in effect during this period.

Until July 1, 1851, the same rate was charged on letters, whether postage was prepaid or the letter sent postage collect. Beginning on that date, the rate was fixed at 3 cents per half ounce (up to 3,000 miles) when prepaid, or 5 cents collect. On April 1, 1855, prepayment of postage was made compulsory to be paid either in cash or by stamps, and on January 1, 1856, prepayment was made compulsory by means of postage stamps. (This applied only to domestic letters, and not to circulars or letters to foreign countries.)

Getting back to the cover illustrated:

The inclusion of "Paid 3 cts." in the corner card certainly did not "spare him (the postmaster) the labor of handstamping the monthly bills sent out by the publishers," for the letter is postmarked in exactly the same manner as stampless covers of the period are frequently found, the town mark at the left and "Paid 3" at the right. (When a single postmark was used, including both the town name and amount of postage it is almost invariably found on the right side of the cover.)

My theory is that the *Whig Office* wished to make certain that letters mailed in these envelopes would be sent at the 3-cent postage prepaid rate and not at the 5-cent rate collected from the recipient of the letter, and the "Paid 3 cts." included in their corner card was for the

purpose of flagging attention to the mailing clerk and also the postmaster that the letter was to be so rated. (This appears to have been done in the case of circular letters, and I have gone into this at length in the February, 1933, *American Philatelist*.)

It is, of course, quite possible that an understanding was had with the local postmaster that any letters left at the post office with this imprint were to be forthwith marked and treated as prepaid letters, and the postage debited against the account of the *Whig Office*. In this quite likely event, the fact still remains that it cannot be called a "permit" in the modern sense of that term in the postal service. Two important requirements for "permits" are: Inclusion of a permit number, and that matter mailed in this way is not to be postmarked, both of which rules were not followed with this cover.

An exhaustive article on domestic postage rates will appear in the first volume of the "Cyclopædia of U. S. Postmarks and Postal History" to appear this summer, announcement of which will be made shortly.

DEL F. NORONA.



Unlisted Color Varieties Denmark

Mr. A. C. Merser of 673 Linwood Ave., Jacksonville, Fla. writes of two interesting, unlisted color varieties of Denmark, on which he would like to have an opinion. The first is Scott's No. 28 (A6) 8 øre in the lake color of the 12 øre (No. 29) instead of carmine; the next is Scott's No. 86 (A10) 2 øre in the red color of the 10 øre (No. 90) instead of carmine.

There is, of course, the possibility that these stamps are color changelings. This could be easily established by the proper chemical test.

Specialists in the stamps of Denmark should communicate with Mr. Merser.

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5

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5

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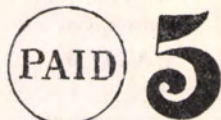
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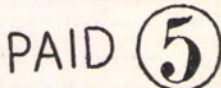
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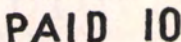
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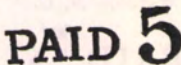
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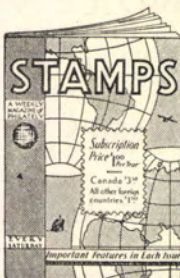
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W. F. Dortenbach, who perhaps has one of the most elaborate collection in Pueblo, was chosen temporary president of the club, and A. D. McCarthy was elected temporary secretary.

A permanent organization will be effected at a meeting to be called later in the month. The temporary officers were authorized to rent a downtown hall, and opinion is that it will be crowded to capacity at the organization meeting.

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"The Post Office is wrecked, and we can't find the Postmaster, so no chance for signature. Lucky to get covers through."

All of which is the height of something or other.

Incidentally, the *Constitution* did not completely escape the earthquake. It suffered some damages to its masts, and the schedule of its voyage has been considerably changed, until repairs will have been made.—JOHN J. FITZGERALD, 481 Ridgewood Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.



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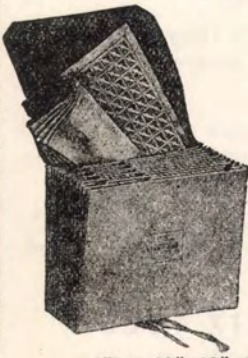
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Editorial.

"Old Fritz's" Picture Gives 'Em the Jitters

Simultaneous with the appearance of the "Potsdam Day" stamps, commemorating the bloodless revolution which closed the era of Republican misrule in Germany and set that Nation on her upward way to recovery, another brainstorm of Hun propaganda, engineered by the old Plunderbund, broke out in Europe and came near contaminating the numerous *ignorami* in this country.

Our erstwhile "Allies"—those of the debt-repudiating stripe—developed an aggravated case of goose-bumps and jitters over the coming into power of Hitler. Their guilty consciences led them to quake at the thought of a just retribution, and so they started the old game of propaganda. This time the Jew had to serve as "atrocious goat," instead of mutilated Belgian children. And since our chronic maladies seem to be meddler's itch and uplift urge—though we have far more serious problems at home—many of our kept newspapers came very near deceiving the unthinking masses into another spasm of hysteria. But they failed to get by with it this time. Memories of "Uncle Shylock" and our burnt fingers from the last fools' crusade are still fresh in the minds of the unemployed veterans, and now the masses are coming to their senses again. Let's try to bear in mind that Manchuko now belongs to the Japanese, Russia to the Russians, and Germany to the Germans—neither of which nations attempts to send us "Resolutions of Protest" on account of our problems on the Pacific Coast, lynchings in the South, or our Prohibition and gangster conditions. They attend to their own affairs.

Again the Mystery of the "August Issue"

The mystery of the "August Issue" will continue for a long time to intrigue the student of United States stamps and challenge him to find the solution. Numerous theories have been advanced from time to time—most of them untenable. Mr. Jackson of the Richmond Stamp Club is again taking up the subject in this number.

As far back as August of 1931 THE NEW SOUTHERN advanced the idea of a "theft of dies." This should not be taken literally. The editor did not intend to imply that there may have been a criminal act on the part of the bank note company engravers who came to Richmond and, establishing themselves, produced the recess-plate printed stamps of the Confederacy in 1863.

Let us visualize what *may* have occurred—though I doubt if documentary evidence will ever be found to substantiate this theory.

The subject must be divided into two parts: the possible acts of the bank note company, and, the possible acts of its one-time employees.

The bank note company submitted designs and estimates for the printing of Confederate stamps. But for the fact that actual hostilities took place, which precluded a closing of the contract, the New York concern would have been awarded the work. Let us now assume that this concern, in view of the apparently lucrative business involved, managed, under an agreement with the Confederate Post-Office Department, to send a number of its best workmen to Richmond and establish a branch in the Confederate Capital. Daly, the "Confederate" partner, we remember, disappears from the scene as soon as the contract is secured. If this was the secret status of the firm of Archer & Daly, then it is quite possible that these men brought with them transfers of such vignettes as might be of use in their work—notably Washington portraits.

Now to the other side of the picture—what Archer and Halpin and Quinlin may have done. Legend has it that these men were made drunk and shanghaied across the lines into the Confederacy. I cannot vouch for this story. They appeared—established quite a pretentious plant—carried on until the close of the war—and then reappear in New York with their former employer. It is the habit of every skilled engraver to preserve copies of his handiwork, chiefly in premier proofs, sometimes in a transfer on metal. Perhaps these men brought, along with their tool-kits, some things that might be of service in their stamp-engraving. This is merely a suggestion.

In either event—that of a bank note company branch in Richmond, or the possibility of transfers of parts of United States stamps being removed from the shop by the engravers—there was fair reason to make such changes in the current United States stamps as the suspicion might warrant.

The Virginia Historical Cachets

The eight historical cachets which are being prepared by THE NEW SOUTHERN and which the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce has sponsored have created no small amount of excitement among cover collectors. Our Air Mail Department in this issue again lists them for those who have overlooked the events.

It seems that quite a number of daily newspapers have printed the story of these cachets and instead of giving the dates to simplify matters, they have suggested that "collectors write THE NEW SOUTHERN for information." In consequence we have received no less than 3,000 requests for data on the cachets. A very few of the requests inclosed postage for reply—and only those who did show this courtesy received the desired information.

Should you have collector-friends who want these cachets please give them this copy of the magazine and have them read the Air Mail Department here may be found a list of the events and dates.

Thank you!



Fred May Takes His Orchestra to Chicago

How pleasant it is to report that our old friend Fred R. May, late inmate of the Edward Hines, Jr. Hospital in Hines, Ill. has been granted a six months leave of absence from the Hospital and contracted to take his orchestra to Chicago for the duration of the Century of Progress Fair.

Incidentally, Fred tells us, his is the only orchestra of its kind in the United States, possibly in the world. There are seven men in the constellation: four of the boys, including Fred, have lost both legs, the other three have each lost one. Among them they play thirty-two instruments, Fred alone mastering seven! It took him over two years to get these boys together.

Fred's address is now 5746 Kenmore Ave., Chicago, Ill., and he is interested in stamps more than ever.

What an example of indomitable American grit!



Harold C. Brooks' Confederates in the WIPA

Hon. Harold C. Brooks, of Marshall, Mich. has entered his magnificent collection of Confederate Provisionals and General Issues in the Vienna International Postage Stamp Exhibition, which takes place June 24th to July 9th. Pressure of business prevented Mr. Brooks carrying out his intention of attending in person, and he has placed his material in charge of Mr. Eugene Klein of Philadelphia, who sails on the "Paris" June 10th.

Chicago Century of Progress Commemorative

The heralded World's Fair stamps, commemorating Chicago's Century of Progress and consisting of two values—1 cent and 3 cents—have come to us on first-day covers from the Windy City, postmarked May 25, 12 P. M., 1933.

Considering the architecturally (though not historically) prosaic subjects—a crude stockaded log fort and a modernistic three-tower skyscraper—the artist managed to work out quite attractive designs, enhanced by the bright colors of apple-green and purple. The outstanding novelty about the stamps is the use of Roman numerals instead of the Arabic. I think this is the first deviation from style since the X Cents of 1847, and then the value was spelt in addition.

I am indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jaeckle of Marshall, Mich., Capt. A. C. Townsend and Mr. Lou W. Kreicker of Chicago, the Franklin Stamp Co., of Washington, D. C., and several unidentified friend for first-days.



Konwiser Issues Own Bulletin

Mr. Harry M. Konwiser, author of "Colonial and Revolutionary Posts," and a leading authority on the early postal history of our country, is issuing a Bulletin in which he purposes printing an "Encyclopædia of United States Postmarks and Postal History." Mr. Konwiser announces for the second issue of his Bulletin, The Story of the Colonial and Revolutionary Posts. This is to be followed by another original paper on The Post Office of the Republic of Texas.

The publisher states no subscription price or address hence we must advise our readers to write direct to Mr. Harry M. Konwiser, 181 Claremont Ave., New York, N. Y. But we do urge collectors everywhere to assist the author in his research by the loan of material or documents, so that his work may be as nearly complete as it is possible to make it.



We Have Heard Such Charming Rumors, Too

A well-known collector who has had charge of many noted cover events tells us that from all of the news notices he has ever had published on forthcoming cachets THE NEW SOUTHERN takes first place.

On one event handled by him the number of covers received through a small notice in the Air Mail Department of this magazine was more than the next three leading publications combined that carried the same notice.

The moral is: if you want the cachet news "what am" news—subscribe to THE NEW SOUTHERN. And, send your dollar now.

"Commemorative Postage Stamps of the United States"

This is the title of another handsome volume from the pen of Colonel Ralph A. Kimble, published by Grosset & Dunlap, 1140 Broadway, New York.

An introduction to the author is quite unnecessary, for he is well known through his stamp talks over Station WMAQ in Chicago, his stamp column in the *Chicago Daily News*, his frequent contributions to the various philatelic publications, and his book "How to Collect Stamps," reviewed on these pages some time ago.

This handsome new volume, gotten up in the publishers' best style, presents Col. Kimble's enthralling story of the historical drama of our country as we find it illustrated on our commemorative stamps. A profusion of illustrations show us the original paintings from which the stamp designs were made, while the Colonel's exhaustive text makes the best of historical reading. The work is to be highly recommended. Handsomely bound, Quarto size, 350 pages of text, 18 of illustrations. Price \$1.50—of the publishers.



"Kohl's Briefmarken-Handbuch"—Section 30

I dare say there is no philatelic publication, the coming of which is more eagerly looked forward to, than these sections of the great Kohl-Handbook that reach us periodically. The latest—No. 30—completes the study of the stamps of Hannover (1859-1866) and enters upon the subject of Hawaii, beginning with those famous rarities, the Missionary stamps. After Dr. Munk tells you about them—their history and the manner of their making, illustrated with excellent halftone reproductions of the genuine—there should be little risk of your being taken in by counterfeits. I repeat: no student of stamps can afford to be without the Kohl-Handbook.



"Who's Who in Philately"

We have received from the publishers, Harris Publications, Ltd., 112 Strand, London, W. C. 2. a copy of the 1933 Edition "Who's Who in Philately," compiled by Mr. Albert H. Harris, editor of *The Philatelic Magazine* and *The Philatelic Trader*. This well-known publication, now in its eleventh edition, thoroughly revised and brought up to date, will again prove indispensable to collector and dealer desiring connections abroad. Embracing every country on the globe, it lists practically all well-known collectors and dealers, noting their specialties, affiliations and achievements, and giving their addresses. The volume of 212 pages and of convenient size, is well worth the price of 5 shillings, plus 3d. postage.

Contemptible Propaganda

Rumors are afloat to the effect that American collections exhibited in the WIPA are liable to seizure by the Austrian government in retaliation for the confiscation and sale of the Ferrary collection by the French government during the war. It should not be difficult to trace the source of this damnable propaganda—bizarre and crazy as it is.

Ferrary was an Austrian. He bequeathed his collection to the Imperial German Postal Museum. It was in Paris at the time and the French government confiscated the material and sold the stamps at public auction. The United States was not a party to this theft. Why should American exhibitors fear seizure of their stamps in Vienna? The idea is preposterous.



Hiram E. Deats Honored

The Philatelic Congress of Great Britain has selected for enrolment on the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists, Hiram Edmund Deats of Flemington, N. J.—than whom no man in America is more deserving of this great honor. Our sincerest congratulations!

Messrs. Frank J. Peplow and Alexander Joseph Séfi, both Englishmen, make up the 1933 enrolment of three names.



Ohlman's "Loose-Leaf Pocket Stock-Book"

Mr. Ohlman the well-known stamp auctioneer of 116 Nassau Street, New York, has registered a happy hit in his new and practical loose-leaf pocket stock-book which embodies every desirable feature of the loose-leaf album. Within a strong cover are five linen-hinged four-pocket removable leaves, made of superior quality stock. The new stock-book sells for 20 cents postpaid. Order one and you will become a convert and a booster.



Be Sure and Read This Department

We suggest that you read the Air Mail Department this month. It gives, very forcibly, several opinions on timely topics that are of particular interest to the collector-at-large and the cover specialist. You may not agree with our Air Mail Editor, but there is philatelic food for thought in his paragraphs.



Charles J. Phillips Celebrates His Three-Score-and-Ten

Our best wishes to Mr. Charles J. Phillips on the event of his seventieth natal day, which occurred this month.

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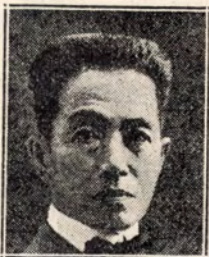
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“Aguinaldo”

BY THE EDITOR

Before me lies a cover bearing a stamp which you will no longer find listed in the catalogs, and across its face is an autographed signature—a name that was once on the tongue of every American—“Aguinaldo.”

Thirty-five years ago. How much of history—world-revolutionizing history—has been written since the Spanish-American war. How far off it seems, today, as I take the backward trail, trying to penetrate the mists that envelope memory road. Adown its vistas flit shadowy forms, moving silently aslant the sunset—winging upward to Valhalla. Now they take shape—ever clearer—near they come. . . . Faint, far-off echoes of cheers and martial music—See! there they go! There is Dewey and Schley and the chivalrous Cervera; Shafter and the two old ex-Confederates Wheeler and Fitz Lee! while a halo of romance still weaves its spell around the beautiful Cuban heroine Evangelina



EMILIO AGUINALDO

Cisneros. Do you see them? And memory's antennæ again vibrates the cheer as Hobson embarks on his perilous mission.

Come with me, back to 1898. I can recall the enthusiasm in Richmond as Fitz Lee coming through made a brief stop on his way from Havana to Washington. I hear again his impassioned words from the rear platform of his car—the call to arms—the stirring challenge “Remember the Maine!”—the volunteering for service, and the boys marching to the front. My own troop of cavalry, the Stuart Horse Guards, enlisted 101%! I had “served my time” and been given my discharge months before; but somehow, like an old cavalry “hoss,” when he hears the bugle, I had “fallen in” with the troop, snapped to the command “Right-dress! Front!” taken the oath, cleaned the old Krag-Jorgensen, polished my saber with “Putz-Pomade”—and added the 1% to the 100. . .

We did not get over to Cuba. They

had more men than they needed to do the job. In consequence of which cheerful fact I have no Spaniard's life on my conscience, nor did I afford them an opportunity to put a 12mm. perforation through my center-line or cancel my questionable usefulness with a nasty machete—for all of which I have ever been duly grateful. I absolutely harbor no ill-will toward the Dons. I think them Type-A folks. Besides, I do not take kindly to the part of a dead hero.

Forgive the digression. Back to my story. The scene shifts across the Pacific—to Manilla Bay. It is Sunday morning, May 1, 1898. There is a calm order: "You may fire when you are ready, Gridley." . . . In single formation Dewey's fleet runs the gauntlet of the Spanish forts, sending broadside after broadside into Montijo's ships and the stronghold of Cavité. . .

Again the scene changes. Another picturesque figure appears on that far-off stage. It is Emilio Aguinaldo, the leader of the native insurrection and organizer of the short-lived Filipino Republic. A mestizo of Chinese and Tagalong parentage, born in Cavité on the Island of Luzon in 1870, this brave and intelligent, but ill-advised, youthful patriot, dissatisfied with the terms of peace which surrendered his native country to the Americans, became the leader of an uprising after the fall of Manilla. General Funstan finally succeeded in breaking down this resistance and personally captured Aguinaldo. Thus ended the insurrection.

An incident of Aguinaldo's "Republic," however, is of philatelic interest. Confident that he would succeed in driving the Americans from the Islands, he proceeded to have printed postage stamps for his government. Some few are said to have actually been used for franking mail in the territory occupied by the insurgents. Be that as it may—quite a number of these stamps found their way to the United States and were at one time listed in the catalogs. Now and then we will recognize them in old collections.

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Some months ago, Dr. A. O. James of the Richmond Stamp Club showed me several "Aguinaldo" stamps, asking if I remembered them. I surely did, in fact, I recalled possessing a few—laid aside all

these years. "I wonder," said the Doctor, "if there is a possible chance of franking a few covers with these stamps and getting Aguinaldo to autograph them?" . . .

The suggestion at once appealed to me. I recalled a boyhood playmate out there in Pulupandan, one with whom I had kept in touch ever since we "enlisted for the wars." Louis Walton took part in the Cuban campaign—rendered honorable service throughout the numerous native uprisings in the Philippines—took a fancy to the country and remained there, rising to a responsible position with a large industry on the Island of Negros. In 1929 he visited his native city after an absence of more than thirty years. He is not a stamp-collector, but we found the old contacts of boyhood days in other fields.

And so to Louis Walton we turned. He is personally acquainted with the old chieftain, now an honored and loyal citizen of the Philippine Islands, United States. The covers were carefully prepared, a long and explicit letter written to Walton, and then . . . we waited.

In due time there came a bulky registered letter from Pulupandan. Anxiously we broke its seals—and there were the Aguinaldo covers! . . .

Good luck would have it that the convention of the Filipino Veterans Association was taking place in Manilla at the time. General Aguinaldo presided over this gathering, and as Louis Walton could not get away from business, to attend, he entrusted the covers to a mutual friend, General Angel Cortesa, who, of course, found no trouble in having General Aguinaldo autograph the stamps.

And the interesting part about it all is that General Aguinaldo will probably come to the United States in the near future. The Filipinos are not at all satisfied with the recent bill passed in Congress which is to give them independence. Louis Walton says "this bill, as its name implies, could have well originated in a barber-shop. It is known as the "Hawes-Cutting-Hare" bill.

The covers which came to Dr. James and myself consist of singles and blocks-of-four of the two types prepared at the time, and each bears the autographed signature of "E. Aguinaldo" across the stamps, tying them to the cover. In addition Louis Walton has secured the Pulupandan postmark, so that their Philippine identity may be complete.

More About the Sixty-Ones.

BY HOWARD E. JACKSON

It is now about a year and a half since I made my first literary venture into the "Mystery of the Sixty-Ones." Undoubtedly there were many who read my article which appeared under that title, in the August 1931 issue of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST, and promptly forgot it; but I still contend that the matters discussed are so philatelically important and intensely interesting as to merit the careful consideration of all serious students of the stamps of the United States.

My previous article was intended to be somewhat of a digest of the facts already known in connection with the so-called "August" 1861 issue of United States stamps. I expect to continue along those lines. I must be content to take what others have learned or guessed and attempt to analyze it or possibly criticize it, for the state of my finances will not allow me to even form a nodding acquaintance with these extreme philatelic rarities.

After the publication of my article, Mr. Elliott Perry published a series of articles in his *Pat Paragraphs*, in which he very thoroughly discussed the issues of 1861, but it remained for Dr. Carrol Chase to take up the question of the "Augusts" from the same angle as I had previously done, in his article appearing in the current April number of the *American Philatelist*.

Dr. Chase's article ends precisely where mine did, with the mystery still unsolved. He puts forth certain theories and conjectures, but even as I, "came out the same door wherein he went." His remarks start, like a voice crying in the wilderness, with the statement: "If the following questions could be authoritatively answered the status of these stamps would be definitely known." Then follows a list of several questions, practically all of which were asked by inference in my article. Yes, Doctor, if your questions could be authoritatively answered there would be no "Mystery of the Sixty-Ones" and we would not be writing about them.

It is stated in the article that it is not meant to be unduly critical of the catalogue, but nevertheless the catalogue is criticized, and rightly so. I agree with

Dr. Chase that the "August" 61's other than 10 cents and 24 cents should not be listed as regular issues unless their status as such can be established, but I do not agree that they should not be listed at all or that they should simply be listed with a note stating that they were "not regularly issued." Such a listing would mean little to me and surely nothing to future philatelists not somewhat familiar with what little is known about these stamps.

We cannot summarily dismiss the greatest rarities among our postal issues with a mere footnote. I believe the "August" 61's are philatelically unique. There is something significant and momentous behind them. They cannot be treated in the same manner as the philatelic hokum more recently launched upon the market, by certain foreign governments.

Dr. Chase states: "It is possible that the successors of the National Bank Note Company could do much to clear up the matter from their records." I am in hearty agreement with this statement, and know of other sources which might be profitably investigated. Then, why is not something done? Why don't those who are equipped and in position to do so, properly investigate the matter? That is as much of a mystery to me as the stamps themselves. I care not if others have failed. Possibly a reinvestigation along some lines which may have already been followed, would turn up facts previously overlooked.

The catalogue infers the issue consists of bona fide stamps and lets it go at that. The philatelic student says something should be done about this thing and likewise lets it go at that, and meanwhile our greatest philatelic rarities languish for want of definition. The years roll by, and unless some Moses steps forth, soon the mystery will belong to the ages. Possibly it is now too late to solve the problem but let it not be said that it remains unsolved because we did not try.

Dr. Chase's article develops some new lines of thought and in many respects follows along certain theories and possibilities mentioned in mine. I was interested

in his treatment of the theory of the secret marks on the 1 cent, 10 cents and 90 cents designs, as it is in line with thoughts expressed in my article. He goes one step further, however, with the idea that some employee of the National Bank Note Company may have stolen duplicate dies or transfer rolls. This idea was first advanced by the Editor of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST in commenting upon my original article in the August 1931 issue of the publication. He mentioned the possibility of plates being in the hands of the Confederates.

Whether plates, dies or transfers of the issue ever found their way South we do not know, nor to what use they were put if they did. However, it is interesting to note the marked similarity between the engraving of Jefferson on the 5 cents United States 1861 and the portrait on Hoyer & Ludwig's 10 cents Confederate. The design on the Confederate is reversed so as to face the right but many details in the two stamps are very similar.

If we compare the medallion of Washington on the 20 cents Confederate with the Washington portraits on the 10 cents and 12 cents United States 1861 we find they are practically identical.

Further interesting light is thrown on my theory of the possibility of the use of the "Augusts" as "specimens" to foreign governments. The statement is made that the majority of these stamps (except the 3 cents denomination) have been found in Europe. This is interesting and a fact that I did not know, but like most facts in connection with these stamps, it only tends to make the night more black.

I would advise every philatelist to read Dr. Chase's article. As one would expect, it is an ably written discussion on a timely topic. It presents a philatelic situation about which something should be done and should tend to arouse interest in a too neglected question.

I believe there is only one statement in the article which I would frankly question. In his "Conclusions," Dr. Chase makes the statement: "In fact the stamps of the "August" set, excepting for the 10c. and 24c., are really more in the nature of essays than stamps. The fact that the stamps have been catalogued for many years as a regular issue does not alter the facts." After going to some length to conclusively demonstrate that he, as well as the rest of us, knows nothing about the

stamps, he practically labels the issue (excepting the 10 cents and 24 cents) as essays. I may be all wrong on the question of essays, but the use of essays as "specimens" to foreign governments, as mentioned earlier in Dr. Chase's article, and also in mine, certainly runs counter to my ideas.

Furthermore, at the time of issue, I don't believe the status of the 10 cents and 24 cents was any different from that of the other denominations, and even though these were the only two denominations postally used, the purpose of and circumstances in connection with the issue if ever known will, I believe, determine their ultimate classification.

I still believe these stamps are philatelically unique and if the mystery is ever solved they will occupy a position held by no other stamp issue. I think we shall find they are not essays in the true sense of the word, but that they were designed for actual postal service and for some reason could not be used as originally planned. When they were printed I think it was intended that the whole issue would be completed with the original designs, but, for reasons I can't help but think had something to do with the war, then just started, the originals were discarded and the alternations made. When those reasons have been discovered we shall have solved the "Mystery of the Sixty-Ones."



Counterfeit Molly Pitcher and Hawaii Overprints

Forged Molly Pitcher and Hawaii overprints have recently appeared in the market in wholesale quantities.

These fakes are rather well executed and have been seen in both used and unused condition, but fortunately it is believed the fraud was discovered in its inception and before the stamps were generally distributed.

However, the popularity of these two U. S. issues will undoubtedly lead to further attempts at faking, therefore collectors and dealers should be on guard for a repetition of the fraud and purchase supplies of these items only from responsible sources.—GEORGE B. SLOANE, *Official Expert*, A. P. S.



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More of the Printed "Pays" of the Fifties.

BY THE EDITOR

The brief story of a cover from the Chambersburg, Pa. *Whig* Office with its printed "Paid 3 cts.", from the collection of Mr. T. E. Flick of Galveston, Tex., which appeared in the March number of *THE NEW SOUTHERN*, has aroused no little interest and discussion. In "The Open Forum" of our April issue Mr. Delf Norona took up the subject at some length, and now our old friend Mr. Louis Lenz of Lake Charles, La. submits eight fine covers to further intrigue the student of Postal Markings of the Fifties and spur him on to find the answer to our question: Why was this *printed* "Paid 3 cts." or its equivalent "Post Paid" incorporated with the business card of the firms appearing on these covers? Again, were there "Permits" in the Fifties?

For the present I shall keep aloof from the discussion and merely present Mr. Lenz's letter and his very complete descriptions of the pieces from his collection, illustrating the postmarks, handstamped "Pays," the manuscript "Post Pays" with Cordova's signature, and the firm imprints on these covers. All illustrations are slightly reduced in size to fit our columns.

It is a remarkably fine lot of covers which should form the nucleus for a collection of this historic material, and Mr. Lenz is to be congratulated on its possession.

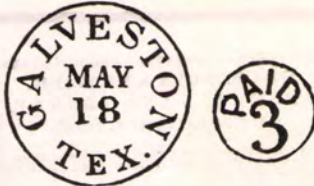
Here is an interesting field for the student of U. S. postal history.

Aside from their philatelic interest, they appeal strongly to my printer-instincts, for the styles of types employed in the setting are, for the greater part, no longer cast or used today. Here I find again the "fancy" borders and the "job faces" of my own apprentice days more than fifty years ago. But Mr. Lenz has the floor.

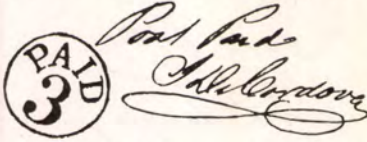
LAKE CHARLES, LA., *April 11, 1933.*

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

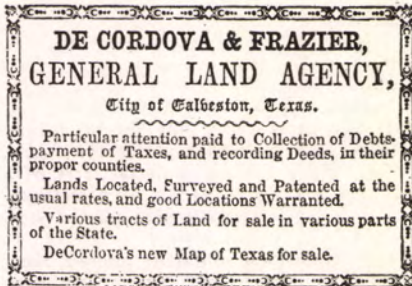
The Flick cover illustrated on Page 165 of the March number of the *NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST* is very interesting. To help Mr. Flick solve one of the early Postal Riddles, I would like to submit a series of covers, from his home town and State. These are from the correspondence of one J. DeCordova, who apparently had an office in Galveston and later (or earlier) in Houston and Austin, Texas:



1. The first cover, a folded letter sheet, is put in merely to show the Galveston Post Mark and the 3 Paid (in blueish-brown). Date of postmark May 18, 1852.



2. The second cover, $5\frac{5}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$, cream color, shows the same two postal markings in black, with the additional "Post Paid J. De Cordova" in manuscript. Date March 22, 1854.



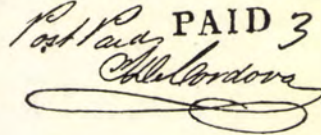
3. The third cover, $5\frac{5}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$, cream color, shows the same two postal markings in black, with the additional "Post Paid J. De Cordova" in red manuscript and an additional imprint of the firm of DeCordova and Frazier, in the upper right hand corner, similar to the complete cover illustrated at the head of this article, but without the printed "Post Paid." The date of the letter enclosed is July 21, 1854.

4. The fourth cover, $5\frac{5}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{8}$, buff color, shows the firm's imprint with a "Post Paid" added, and the Austin, Texas, Cancellation in black. See illustration heading this article.

It is this cover—with its printed **POST PAID**—that prompted my letter—being in the class of Mr. Flick's *Whig* "Paid."



5. The fifth cover, $8\frac{1}{8} \times 3\frac{5}{8}$, deep orange, also has the Austin, Texas, cancellation in a blueish-black and "Paid 6." "Post Paid J. DeCordova" in manuscript with a different style of the firm's imprint and the address changed from Galveston to Austin and Houston, Texas.

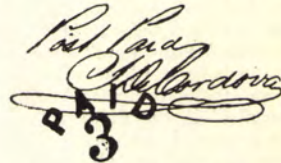


6. The sixth cover, $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$, deep brown-orange, was cancelled in New Braunfels, Texas, "Paid 3," (the "3" in manuscript) "Post Paid J. DeCordova" in manuscript and same firm imprint as on No. 5, on the reverse of the envelope. The date is May 13, No. 1855 (?).

7. The seventh cover, $5\frac{5}{8} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$, fawn, again shows the New Braunfels postmark and "Paid 3" Cancellations and the "Post Paid J. DeCordova" in manuscript. The date is "8-21" (August 21) 1855.



8. The eighth cover, $5 \times 2\frac{7}{8}$, cream color, shows a Houston cancellation and a "Paid 3 in red with "post Paid J. DeCordova" in manuscript. The date is April 1 (?).



These covers came to me from various sources over a period of thirty years and may form an important link in solving some of the early postal puzzles. You are welcome to photograph and use any or all of them if you find them to interest.

My good friend Mr. T. E. Flick may be able to supply some information regarding the firm of DeCardova and Frazier.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very sincerely,
L. LENZ.

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The typography of the De Cardova card on the back of cover No. 5.

Auction Catalog Description

The following ditty suggested itself after reading the descriptions of stamps in a certain mail-auction catalog that comes to my desk at regular intervals. I have never entered a bid with this auctioneer for the simple reason that I cannot visualize the object by his contradictory descriptions. I trust this will come to his notice, so that he may "see himself as others see him"—and benefit by it.

"1869—24c. Green and Violet."

The face is skinned
And the perfs are clipt,
With a half-inch cut
Where the scissors slipt.

A big gum stain
And a crease from wear—
Close all around,
But the inside's there.

A black cork daub
Sorter veils the scene,
An' you can't see much
Of what was green.

Where hinges pulled
There's a place that's thin—
But it's a damn good stamp
For the fix it's in.

If you send it back—
With language rank,
We'll put you down:
A "Condition Crank."

The Philatelic Congress

A Fine Congress Souvenir



The British Philatelic Association has produced a really philatelic design for this year's Congress Souvenir Label, as it is a reproduction of an early print showing an old-time postman delivering correspondence.

Our illustration does not do justice to the beautiful engraving of the label, which is the work of the famous firm, Messrs. Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. They have given infinite care to its production and we think collectors will agree that the result is the finest Congress souvenir that has yet appeared.

It is a curious coincidence that the street number shown on the door in the original print (only part of which appears on the label) is 3, the number of the B. P. A. address in Berners Street.

The labels, which are issued in sheets of twelve, are on sale at threepence per sheet, *postage extra*, and are obtainable from Stanley Gibbons Ltd., 391 Strand, London W. C. 2.—*Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*.

New Set for Newfoundland

The Department of Posts and Telegraphs for Newfoundland has announced two new sets of stamps. The first, which will be issued in May, will consist of five Airpost stamps of denominations 5 cent, 10 cent, 30 cent, 60 cent, and 75 cent. The intention of these stamps is for use on letters and parcels addressed to Labrador, where considerable development is expected in the mining areas.

The second set, which will be placed on sale August 3, 1933, will be composed of a full series of postage stamps commemorating the 350th anniversary of the British accession of Newfoundland by Sir Humphrey Gilbert. The set, illustrating events in the life of Gilbert, will be used only for the balance of the year.—C. G. ALTON MEANS in *New Haven Evening Register*.

Where Is "Big Shanty"?

Mr. S. W. Richey of Cincinnati has submitted a Confederate Patriotic cover—flag in red and blue with eleven stars—addressed to a party in Georgia, hand-stamped "Paid 5" and postmarked "Big Shanty, March 28" here illustrated three-fourths original size. Cover, flag and "Paid" appear to be genuine, but the "Big Shanty" without State is puzzling. This "canceller" is set up of printer's types and "wavy" brass rule. The form was either tied with string (as printers tie their forms) and thus handstamped; or the little form was set in a mortised handle for the purpose.

BIG SHANTY
March 28 **PAID 5**

THE RICHEY AND THE BROOKS COPIES

Mayor Harold C. Brooks of Marshall, Mich. also possesses a patriotic cover with the same type set and wavy-rule postmark, as well as the PAID. The date is "March 28." Again there is no State, but the tent and Confederate Flag cut was engraved by T. S. Reynolds, Atlanta, Georgia. Again the letter is addressed to a lady in Georgia.

It is remarkable that both the Richey and Brooks covers are of the same date.

The intriguing thing about it is the plebeian name of the postoffice. Where is "Big Shanty"? The oldest Postal Guides available here in Richmond do not list such a place, and yet the name seems familiar to several of the Richmond specialists in postmarks.



THE WELLFORD COPY

Mr. McD. Wellford, a Richmond attorney, who is probably the best posted collector of this material, possesses another cover which shows a "Big Shanty" postmark and a handstamped "Paid" but without a figure of value. It is of an entirely different design from the Richey copy and quite indistinct, though little stretch of imagination is needed to des-

cipher the words. Again the faint strike of the canceller gives no clue to the State, which may have been in the lower part of the circular band. This cover, too, bears a Georgia address.

The questions before us are: Where is "Big Shanty"? and did its ingenious postmaster create two different, unique cancellers?

The Editor will be grateful for further information with a view to the listing of "Big Shanty" in our Catalog.



The Talladega, Ala. Provisional



Among the Confederate material offered in a recent London sale appears the Talladega converted-canceller adhesive provisional "Paid 5." The auction catalog illustrates the stamp and prints the following statement in bold type:

"Talladega, Ala., the rare Postmaster's Provisional 'Paid 5,' fine copy of this scarce stamp, only one other copy known. Illustrated and chronicled in the work on Confederate States by August Dietz. The other recorded copy changed hands some years ago at approximately \$1,000."

This will be interesting news to collectors of Confederate Provisionals. The only other copy we know of was submitted four or five years ago by Mr. William R. Ricketts, of Forty Fort, Kingston, Pa., and illustrated in *The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America* under the heading of "Cases in Controversy." In the *Dietz Specialized Catalog* this stamp is listed at \$250.00. If the London auctioneer's statement is correct, Confederate Provisionals are surely good investments.

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr., 109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Editing an air mail column, or any specialized department of a stamp publication, is one of the most fascinating pastimes a fellow may have. The longer you edit one the more you realize that the world is surely made up of all kinds of critters.

And, this is a fair introduction for me to say a few bombastic things, among which are:

One of the most detestable creatures among airmailists is the lame duck who sends more than two ounces of covers for 3c. to be cacheted. He loves to see the good Samaritan on the other end, who is giving time and money to co-operate and cachet covers, pay postage due on *his* mail. But, my friends, let me tell you that these postage dues are always returned marked "*refused.*"

The above is merely a sample of my wrath. The following will prove that I wax much hotter as the occasion demands. It is unquestionably true that all the damphools are not dead yet and Barnum *was* right.

The early part of last month I received an unsigned letter (anonymous notice, I should say) from someone in New York State informing me that a distinguished student of history had decided to aid youth in the history of our country by sponsoring a series of pictorial cachets on important dates. It so happened that twelve dates were given and, of course, a "small charge of 5c. per cover" was required. Four of the events had taken place in Richmond and Virginia, and of the twelve events ten of them had occurred outside of New York State, yet the cachets were to be *sponsored by a party in New York*. Can you imagine yourself living in Podunk, Missouri, and sponsoring cachets for historical events in Virginia? This is

just the racket that seems to be starting—and was attempted by this student of history!

But, dear reader, my temper has not subsided on this particular practice. Of course, the notice was not published, nor will any similar ones ever be published in this magazine intentionally, and I am giving these *facts* so the thousands who do read this column will always beware of being mulcted out of good nickels by the growing crop of philatelic racketeers.

It so happened that one of the events on which a cachet was to be applied was at Jamestown, Va., on May 13th, and as Jamestown is only about fifty miles drive from the office of THE NEW SOUTHERN your editor hopped into his Ford just as the sun was peeping over fair Virginia fields on the morning of the 13th and arrived at Jamestown several hours before ye Post Office opened for business. *And luckily your editor was accompanied by a Federal Postal official.* Together we waited on the banks of the noble James until the Post Office (4th Class Office) opened for business and we sat in the Post Office until it was closed. Only *seven* letters were postmarked on May 13th, except 1,000 which your editor took with him and which were properly cacheted and sponsored, and which were *officially* postmarked, mailed, received in Richmond, and *backstamped*. But, more about these particular covers appears elsewhere in this issue and you are urged to read the story. However the trip and consequent "check up" on the New York cachet gave me an insight into the New Yorker's racket. I *know positively* that none of the seven covers contained a cachet of any kind and if any are found at a later date (excepting the 1,000 which were properly cacheted and postmarked) containing cachets you

may rest assured that they are worthless and the cachets have more than likely been applied in New York for a true Virginia historical event.

Furthermore, the notice I am still referring to, gave information that cachet would be applied to covers sent this party and mailed from Richmond, Va., on May 22nd commemorating the Trial of Aaron Burr. I can find no evidence of such a cachet being applied in Richmond on this date. It is apparent that the racket was not successful and that the cover collectors fortunately did not bite with brand, new, shiney nickels to be wasted on trash.

I am a great believer in cacheted covers sponsored by an organization or a reliable party residing in the vicinity or city in which the event took place and where no charge is made, but I shall always take out the cudgale and horse-whip on philatelic racketeers who intend to maliciously suck the life-blood out of the most interesting line of collecting today.

The columns of this magazine are open to any collector, club or organization playing fair and abiding by the above simple and sporting rules.

A similar practice as outlined is being attempted by an over-zealous collector in a mid-Western State who is sponsoring a cachet for one of the battles which took place during the Seven-Days Fighting at Seven Pines in the War Between the States. Of all the pre posterous things just imagine a Yankee sponsoring a cachet for a Confederate victory in Virginia during the war! Yet, this is exactly what is being attempted by another racketeer. It is a discredit to his own State—surely his State has produced one hero, has been the battle-ground of a victory, or has the honor of having an airplane visit it once a year, so a cachet can be applied to covers. If I felt real vindictive I should send his Town Council or Chamber of Commerce a history of their State and have the Mayor read the book to this idiot while nestling in stocks. He perhaps would have ample time to find that some good man was born, or an event of consequence, ocured within the confines of his municipality at one time.

(I have just paused and refreshed myself with a bottle of 3.2. It's much cooler now and we'll leave the boys who "won't do no wrong no more" to dwell on what has just been said. You know, there is one great thing about the human heart—that is, its ability to forgive and forget).

So, let's talk about more pleasant things: One is, the coming inflation of money. It will be a boon to us fellows in debt, the poor, the unemployed and the stamp collector. We are all looking for the time when we will be happily employed on \$100 a week salaries and with plenty of cash to buy covers and stamps; yet the most joyful part of inflation to the collector is the fact that *his own stamps will advance tremendously in value* to keep in ratio with the dollar. The collection of moderate value today may tomorrow be one of very high value. The cover that today may be purchased for a dime might cost a dollar in a few months. So, the wise collector may well look towards his purchasing power today.

The most remarkable thing about stamp collecting during the depression was the fact that very, very few items decreased in value. *Practically all stamps and covers held their own or increased in value* while stocks, bonds and other investments showed definite, and even disastrous declines. This fact should surely be a lesson to those of means.

The collector with money can surely find no safer and fundamentally sounder investment than stamps and covers if reasonable wisdom is shown in purchasing. The so-called "rich" have probably had more worries during the past few years with their estates than those of lesser circumstances. Yet, I know of no collector who has worried over the dividends or sales of his philatelic investments. The demand increases every day for good items—and demand against supply regulates value. The majority of the hundreds of thousands of collectors want everything, yet the supply can never satisfy the demand.

The enormous purchasing of stamps and covers since the depression is evidence that "pin" and surplus money has found philately a safe investment. U. S. commemoratives, on and off cover, used and unused, which could be purchased at any postoffice for face value a very few years ago are bringing ten times face today. I know of no other investment that has actually done this. Philately gives everything, yet promises nothing. No wonder, stamp collecting *is the greatest of all hobbies*, and probably the *only hobby* which is enjoyed by rich and poor alike.

The wise man, be he of any financial class, may well look towards his stamps.

And now to some cachet news:

"Old Ironsides" will be at Bremerton, Washington, on July 4th and a cachet will be applied to all covers if sent to D. C. Bartley, Washington State Philatelic Society, Green Lake Station, Seattle, Wash. You should also mail 13 other covers to the same party for other ports of call, but mark the July 4th covers with date.

Elmer Nelson, 612 F. St., N. W., Washington, D. C., will apply cachet to all first-class and air mail covers on July 4th from Washington.

Longview Chamber of Commerce, Longview, Washington, advises that "Old Ironsides" will not reach there until August 16, so all covers will be held until that date and cacheted. If you have not sent yours do so today.

We were all pleased to know that Lou W. Kreicker was appointed official cacheteer of the World's Fair cachets. Lou made a good job of the opening day covers, and he invites you to visit his booth at the Fair when in Chicago.

W. G. Crosby, Cachet Director, Chamber of Commerce, San Pedro, California, will gladly cachet and have backstamped a naval cover for you if sent him stamped and addressed to above address. Here's your chance to get a real naval cover by the man who made them famous.

Wilmer C. Kipe, 4701 Old York Road, Philadelphia, Pa., will cachet covers on June 14 for the 176th Anniversary Flag Day.

Richard A. Hardie informs me that the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce, Buffalo, N. Y., will sponsor their second cachet on or about June 20 to all air mail covers for the visit of General Italo Balbo and his fleet of 24 seaplanes when they arrive from Italy. Should be a nice cover.

M. F. McCamley, 704 Oregonian Building, Portland, Oregon, has charge of two cachets. The first is for the Rose Festival from June 8 to 11; and the other is the visit of "Old Ironsides" from August 2 to 12. Send him your covers and mark events on outside wrapper, please.

Of course, much of the news I receive each month is too late for publication, therefore must be omitted, however I do include some which may serve to document it for years to come when such information will be sought after. So don't get sore if one or two events reach you late in an issue. We are not publishing this magazine daily. Of course, if all of our subscribers are willing to remit \$30.00

a year for their subscriptions we will gladly send this news every day as received.

The Wright Celebration Committee's enterprise is now philatelic history, yet could not be helped. We are just sorry for those who had their hearts set on getting these would-be covers. Of results from their full page advertisement in THE NEW SOUTHERN we are justly proud. We have had sent us complaints and inquiries from collectors whose orders totalled more than \$1,200.00 for these covers and whose letters were returned. All responded to the advertisement published in this magazine. We are sorry, but you have your money back.

The Scranton Republican, Scranton, Pa., will sponsor a cachet on July 3 for the 155th Anniversary of the Wyoming Massacre at Wyoming, Pa.

(As Will Rogers once said in Richmond: "Every time the pale faces licked the Indians it was a *victory*; yet every time the Indians licked the pale faces it was a brutal *massacre*." How little tolerant truth there exists among our eminent historians only Time and St. Peter can tell!!!)

Edw. E. Bryan, 220 West 6th St., Albany, Oregon, will sponsor a double-cachet on August 2 when "Old Ironsides" and the battleship "Oregon" (Bull-dog of the Spanish-American War) meet in Portland.

Use commemoratives on your outside wrappers when sending covers as appreciation to the cachet director.

The Chamber of Commerce, Norfolk, Va., will cachet envelopes on July 4th when the Norfolk-Tidewater Airport is dedicated.

Frank G. Ward, 5315 Drexel Ave., Chicago, Ill., will receive covers for cachet on June 28 to 30 for Jubilee Year Reunion of George Williams College.

Edwin H. Brennecke, publisher the recent first edition of *American Airpost Catalog*, writes a very interesting letter on his future requirements of covers to be listed in this remarkable volume. His requirements are worth quoting; First, all cachets must have some advance publicity. I think this is a step well taken, however some of the leading philatelic periodicals refuse to accept anything but official cachet news for their editorial columns, but of course, the sponsors may advertise the notice. THE NEW SOUTHERN reports *unofficial cachet news for the collectors*

benefit FREE OF CHARGE, therefore if you want all the news that is possible to give in time subscribe, and influence your friend to subscribe, to THE NEW SOUTHERN. Second: Only covers of National importance and of Current Date of every five years. Third: Only covers which are publicly cacheted without charge will be priced within one year. What a man, this Brennecke—and what a task he has tackled—and succeeded admirably!

Cliff Wells, 1506 Neilson St., Utica, New York, will apply cachet on June 10 to commemorate the anniversary of Lafayette's visit.

Don't forget the cachets to be applied on all covers if sent to the office of THE NEW SOUTHERN, 109 E. Cary St., Richmond, Va., as follows:

June 10, commemorating the completion of St. John's Church.

June 22, commemorating the Resolution for the famous Houdon Statue of Washington.

June 27, 125th Anniversary Ratification of the Constitution of the United States by Virginia.

June 28, The 135th Anniversary organi-

zation of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues.

July 19, Commemorating the Charter of Richmond.

August 18, Anniversary laying of corner stone of Virginia State Capitol.

Sept. 19, the 200th Anniversary of the Founding of Richmond by Wm. Byrd.

November 15, Commemorating Washington's visit to Richmond.

No postage dues accepted, so be sure your letter carries the correct postage.


Co-operators: I wish to thank all for their continued co-operation in sending me covers and news each month. An * before each name denotes a cover was sent:

R. L. Cook, *****W. G. Crosby, Cliff Wells, K. N. Woodward, ***H. A. Davis, D. C. Bartley, ****Lou Kreckler, E. H. Brennecke, R. Nelson, C. Robert Brown, Frank G. Ward, John Sens, Dr. Joseph F. Ulman, E. E. Bryan, *The Scranton Republican*, M. A. Gallimore, M. F. McCamley, Don Dickason, Richard A. Hardie, Wilmer Kipe, Jr., Dr. John A. Fritchey, Julius B. Bock, *C. Bichlmaier, *Otto Mueller, **J. W. Stoutzenberg, *J. Palmer, *Earl Bills, ***Edmund W. Etheridge, *****Charles F. Kaufelt, ***Marvin Arledge, *Indiana Stamp Club, *****D. W. Graveman, *O. R. Watts, *Fred Sanders, *Franklin Stamp Co., *William Henry Leckie, *Edward W. Parazin, *F. B. Tezar, *****W. G. Crosby, Longview Chamber of Commerce, ***Robert Thompson, Elmer Nelson.

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Greek Zep' Commemoratives

Greece has issued three airmail stamps to celebrate the flight of the Graf Zeppelin to Italy. The mail for the Zep will be carried from Greece to Rome by the Italian Air Lines where it will be put aboard the airship and carried to its destination. The values are 30 drachmae, 100 drachmae and 120 drachmae. The stamps are very crude in appearance but should be interesting to collectors.

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Poland's Zwirko Stamp

Poland has finally issued the Zwirko commemorative stamp to celebrate the victory of that airman in the round Europe race.

New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Antigua.—We are officially informed that the remainders of the Tercentenary issue which were unsold on January 26th, 1933, have been destroyed.

Australia.—It has now been stated officially that the stamps overprinted "O S" have been discontinued and therefore some of the recent issues will be quite scarce.

Chile.—A complete new set of Air Mail stamps is now in preparation and will be placed on sale before long. There are to be twenty-one denominations, ranging from 10 centavos to 50 pesos. The 10, 15 and 20 centavos show an aeroplane in flight over the City of Santiago, with a statue of Caupolican in the foreground (Caupolican was an Araucanian Indian Chief, and now a Chilian hero); 30, 40 and 50 centavos, aeroplane in flight over wind-swept plain; 60 centavos, a condor; 70 centavos, shadow of an aeroplane, with a five-pointed star; 80 centavos, condor in flight over mountain, statue of Caupolican in foreground; 1 and 2 pesos, two aeroplanes in flight over globe; 3, 4 and 5 pesos, hydroplane flying over lake, with snow-capped mountain in the background; 6, 8 and 10 pesos, aeroplane in flight, with rainbow in background; 20 and 30 pesos, sketch of aeroplane on dark background, with points of compass in foreground; 40 and 50 pesos, aeroplane on a background divided into four squares, each with ornamental designs.

China.—We are officially informed that the \$1 Tan Yuan Chang commemorative stamps are entirely exhausted and no more will be printed. We are also informed that Chinese stamps have been overprinted for use in Szechwan.



Dominican Republic.—The Merino stamps briefly referred to in our last issue have now

appeared. The set has been issued to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Don Fernando Arturo de Merino, Archbishop of Santo Domingo. The designs show portraits of the Archbishop in his robes and as a young priest, also views of his tomb and of Santo Domingo cathedral. We have just seen a 50 centavos stamp in the old redrawn Shield type of 1924. This stamp must have been issued some little time ago, but it has only just come to light.

France.—Another value of the new type has arrived—40c. violet.



Germany.—The following values of the Hindenburg set have come to hand: 3 Pf. sepia brown, 4 Pf. blue-black, 6 Pf. deep green; 8 Pf. vermilion, 10 Pf. dark brown, 12 Pf. red, 30 Pf. deep olive, 60 Pf. deep wine red, medallion gray-black.

Three striking stamps, in the Hindenburg type, but bearing the portrait of Frederick the Great were issued to commemorate "Potsdam Day"—6 Pf. deep green, 12 Pf. deep red, and 25 Pf. deep blue.

Gibraltar.—The current 3d. stamp is to be superseded by a new one in the pictorial type, showing the Rock of Gibraltar, and which we understand will be issued on June 1st.

Hungary.—The complete set of Hungary's Famous Men has been received. The stamps are unusually attractive. The commemoratives consist of the following values—1 filler, Madách, gray; 2 f., Arany, deep orange; 4 f., Semmelweis, blue; 6 f., Br. Eötvös, green; 10 f. Cr. Széchenyi, blue-green; 16 f., Deák, purple; 20 f. Liszt, rose-vermilion; 30 f., Kossuth, brown; 32 f. Gr. Tisza, violet-brown; 40 f., Munkácsy, blue; 50 f., Körösi Csoma, deep olive green, and 70 f., Bólyai, rose red.

Iceland.—A new value of the current type has appeared—7 aur pale green.



Italy.—On May 29th the airship Graf Zeppelin will make a special trip to Rome, leaving again with passengers and mail for Friedrichshafen, Barcelona, Pernambuco and Rio de Janeiro. On this occasion there will be a special set of Air



Mail stamps issued, 3 and 5 lire for mail to Europe, 10 and 12 lire to Brazil, and 15 and 20 lire for all destinations beyond Brazil. There will also be a special air connection from San Marino and from the Italian Colonies, passengers and mail will be taken to Rome to meet the Zeppelin by a special aeroplane, and four additional sets of stamps in different designs are to be issued for the Egean Islands, Cirenaiica, Tripolitania and San Marino.

Maldive Islands.—The 2, 3 and 10 cents stamps have been printed in altered colors and on paper watermarked "Harrison & Sons, London." The new colors are: 2c. gray, 3c. brown, and 10c. green.

Montserrat.—We have received official information that the remainders of the Tercentenary issue on hand on April 18th were to be destroyed.



Netherlands.—Commemorating the four hundredth anniversary of the birth of William the Silent, four stamps of attractive design have been issued: 1½ cent, arms, black; 5s., portrait of William I., dull green; 6c., portrait, purple; 12½c., portrait, blue.

New Guinea.—It is officially stated that all the remaining stocks of the Hut type and Bird of Paradise issue with date were destroyed on February 7th, 1933.

Nicaragua.—We have received advice that in future all stamps and overprints will be made by the American Bank Note Company, New York, so that we hope this will put a stop to all errors and varieties which have been so prevalent of late. We are informed that a complete new issue of postage stamps, air mail, interior air mail, official air mail, and official stamps will be placed on sale shortly, but we sincerely hope that they will not all come at the same time.

Persia.—Ever since postage stamps were issued in this country the currency has been in "Shahi" and "Krans," 20 shahi being equal to 1 kran. The currency has now been changed to "Dinars" and "Rials," 100 dinars equal 1 rial, the "Rial" being the same value as the "Kran." This of course necessitates a new issue of stamps and we have seen used specimens of the 10 dinars blue stamp, which shows the portrait of the Riza

Khan and the stamps are smaller in size than the issue which they have superseded.

Poland.—We are informed that in connection with the Philatelic Exhibition which is to be held in Torun this month a special stamp will be issued. The Torun 60 groszy commemorative stamp issued a short time ago is to be printed in a new color and surcharged "plus 40 groszy." The printing will be limited and the stamps will be on sale in Torun only during the Exhibition from May 21st to 28th.



Russia.—According to reports the Philatelic Exhibition recently held in Moscow was so successful that it was transferred to Leningrad for one month, and the 15 kopeks and 35 kopeks stamps issued in Moscow in connection with the Exhibition were re-issued for Leningrad, but with an additional overprint in red in Russian characters, "Leningrad 1933," 30 kopeks on the 15 kopeks sepia stamp and 70 kopeks on the 35 kopeks blue stamp, these being sold at 45 kopeks and 105 kopeks each respectively. The numbers printed were 10,000 of the 15 plus 30 kopeks and 7,500 of the 35 plus 70 kopeks.



Vatican State.—We are indebted to Dr. Emilio Diena, of Rome, for a first-day set of the Holy Year stamps—commemorating the nineteenth century of the Crucifixion. There are four values: 25 plus 10 centesimi green; 75 plus 15c. red, 80 plus 20c. red-brown, and 1 lira 25c. plus 25c. ultramarine. The two types are here illustrated. A complete new set of ordinary postage stamps is about to be issued.

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Cover Technique.

By ROBERT C. THOMPSON

"Think Only of Thy Covers" would probably be the title of the Cachet Director's theme song, if he had any! Recently, the Editor of the NEW SOUTHERN received a letter from a well-known collector on the Pacific Coast, encouraging the writing of an article on how to prepare covers for cachets. Myself, having handled a few thousand covers for cachets, think it a good idea. Now I don't claim to be an expert on the subject, but I have a little plan, which I believe if followed by all of us, would make things a lot easier for the Cachet Directors.

I often wonder why some of us insist on scrawling our name clear across the face of an envelope! Not enough room on the front for a cachet half an inch square so it must go on the back. And some of us still fold our covers so they'll fit a small envelope! Why? I can't explain!

Think how much easier it would be for the Cachet Director and how much more neater it would make our collections look if we all used a standard size $6\frac{3}{4}$ envelope for our covers? Easier on the Cachet Director because sometimes the cachet must be printed and to insure a clean job the pressman must separate the different sizes of covers and make press changes for each size! Not only that, but, sometimes the cachet is large and overruns a small envelope. A cachet, your address and the postage stamps will make a small envelope appear "cramped up."

The "Advanced" collector uses paper items like, or nearly like, the following. Let's all be "Advanced" collectors from now on. How about it?

Standard $6\frac{3}{4}$ envelopes (for covers).

Manila or White Wove envelopes size 7, 9 or 10 (for enclosing covers to receive cachets).

These envelopes are larger than your covers so you won't have to fold them.

A supply of 3-ply bristol cards size $3\frac{3}{8}$ by $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches (for fillers). These filler cards don't necessarily have to be 3-ply or Bristol either. Any card of substantial weight, like a post-card, will do to keep your covers from getting "banged-

up" in the mails and to insure a clear impression of the cachet.

This may seem to you like investing too much in the hobby but it will pay in the long run! Your covers will appear neat and clean and I'll bet you'll take a new interest in the hobby!

About addressing your covers. No matter whether you use a typewriter, pen and ink or printing press, always place your address well down in the lower right hand corner. If you write a large hand never use more than half the envelope—leave the other half for a cachet!

And about the postage stamps too! It is a good idea, and followed by most collectors, to leave a margin of about $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (not less than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch) between the stamps and the edge of the cover. Where covers with this margin are hand-stamped at the post office, the cancellation stamp will not run off the edge of the cover.

I think this includes about everything of importance in "Cover Technique" and in no connection with wives, sweethearts, mothers and friends, "Think Only of Thy Covers."



Orval Stamps Destroyed

The Belgian government has ordered destroyed nearly 20,000 of the 25,000 sets of the Orval Abbey stamps that were surcharged with a fancy L. This set has been on sale for over three years, but being of a speculative nature has failed in its appeal to collectors.



The Editors will be grateful for news items of philatelic events everywhere—new issues, special flights, discoveries, and whatever is of stampic interest. Full credit will be given in every instance.



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The Jamestown, Virginia Cachet.

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BY AUGUST A. DIETZ, JR.

Every State and section in the country may claim its shrines—most of them being of the Colonial, Revolutionary and Civil War Periods—but only Virginia can claim its Jamestown and the glories that surrounded the small island during the earliest Colonial era.

Here is the cradle of the Republic. Here was established the first permanent English settlement on this continent. Here was inaugurated representative government in America. Here romance and severe hardship played their parts in conquering a hostile wilderness and laying the foundations for a vast empire we know as the United States of America.

The visitor to Jamestown need only wander through the massive iron gates that enclose the historic part of the island to be carried back more than three centuries, when three small ships the *Susan Constant*, *Godspeed* and *Discovery* dropped anchor fifty miles up the James river and named the settlement for all time. It is true that it was a malarial peninsula and most of the one hundred and four settlers were ill-fitted for the task that lay ahead, however, after weeks of the most terrible viccitudes—heat, famine, fever and Indian attacks—the “man of the hour” arose to save the survivors who numbered about one-half of the original party.

Some historians would attempt to discredit the exploits of Captain John Smith, yet the story of his career for the two years after his ascendancy to power over the Colony forms one of the most romantic pages in American history. The first incident of consequence was his capture by the Indians while searching for the Pacific. The story of his release by the powerful chief Powhatan, at the intercession of his favorite daughter Pocahontas, is familiar to every American school-boy, and although this, too, may be doubted by eminent historians, it has, at least, added another chapter in legendary Americana which is well needed. Certain it is that Smith rendered invaluable aid

to the Colonists by keeping the peace with the Indians and by securing from them corn sufficient to preserve the lives of the thirty-eight settlers still surviving when Newport returned from England in January, 1608. He ruled like a military despot, but nothing else could have saved the colony. He set the “gentlemen” to work, declaring that “he who will not work, shall not eat.” Before leaving Virginia he had explored the Chesapeake Bay and made an excellent map of it. His enemies, from jealousy, at last gained control and he was practically driven out of the colony in the fall of 1609, never to return. Thus, passed from Virginia her first real hero and adventurer.

The years 1609-1610 brought what was known as the “awful starving time” for the colony. Men were so crazed by hunger that many were driven to dig up and eat the putrid remains of their own dead after all the hogs, horses and dogs had been consumed, not to mention rats, mice and adder. Some died while wandering about in the woods in search of food. Others in desperation threw themselves upon the mercy of the red men and were slain. Of the five hundred colonists, when Smith left, only sixty half-starved wretched souls were alive in the spring of 1610, and these, in despair, departed to return to England, but near the mouth of the James met Lord Delaware with recruits and supplies and returned to Jamestown.

Under Delaware's management conditions improved slightly, but he left in less than a year and was succeeded by Sir Thomas Dale who governed by martial law. His reign has been alluded to as “five years of slavery,” although during this period tobacco was first cultivated. It was through John Rolfe, later the husband of Pocahontas, that the settlers were taught how to properly cure the weed and as early as 1620 40,000 pounds were annually being shipped to England.

The year 1619 is remarkable in the history, not only of Jamestown, but also

of America, for the introduction of two systems diametrically opposed—slavery and democracy—and more than two hundred years later the former perished at the hands of the latter on the fields of the Old Dominion.

Another event of importance in the year 1619 was the coming to Virginia of ninety women "young, handsome and well recommended, to be wooed and won by the bachelor planters." The first ship-load did not supply the demand and soon other ship-loads arrived in the colony and were easily disposed of to the eager suitors who crowded the tiny wharf on such occasions. With wives, mothers and children in the colony, Jamestown became a happy settlement and no one any longer dreamed of returning to England.

Three years later the first great Indian massacre occurred. Opechancanough, the brother and successor of the friendly Powhatan, led an attack in which three hundred and forty-seven whites perished; but retaliation followed with even more deadly effect.

And so for more than a half century Jamestown suffered and prospered under various temperamental governors until 1676 when Nathaniel Bacon defied Governor Berkeley, defeated the Indians, then laid siege to Jamestown, captured and burned it, but died of fever soon after.

The history of Jamestown, its people and the courageous deeds which have been enacted on the small island since its founding, are too numerous to mention, but no patriot can tread its sacred soil without feeling that e'en the green grass is nature's way of spreading a blanket of protection over the most hallowed spot in America. The sound of the heavy tramp of Captain John Smith's boots; the frantic appeal of Pocahontas; the Indian war-whoop; and the stentorian voice of Bacon, the first champion of American freedom, may have long faded to nothingness in the ether of the years, but to the philatelist all this returns on sound-waves that perhaps only his own ear may catch. He hears the centuries return. He sees the panorama unfold before his eyes. He has the mystic power to go back himself and live along the banks of the James in the settlement when it was first founded. For hasn't he, and he only, the power to read the secret of the postage stamp—that Aladdin Lamp that only the Fraternity of Philatelia can rub with success.

On May 13, 1933—three hundred and twenty-six years after the founding—the Governor of Virginia issued for the second time only a Proclamation whereby this date was proclaimed "Jamestown Day."

It was a gala time. The celebration was attended by over 2,000 visitors from Virginia and other States. Memorial services, at noon, in the old church, with Dr. W. A. R. Goodwin of Bruton Parish Church, Williamsburg, officiating. Appropriate music by the Williamsburg Choral Association and addresses by prominent speakers marked the greatest celebration since the Jamestown Exposition in 1907.

A special colored cancellation and cachet had been announced for Jamestown on May 13, so the writer, anxious to witness the celebration, journeyed to the island.

All mail was cancelled in green and purple, yet only a total of 1,030 pieces were mailed. Seven letters were addressed to cities outside of Virginia, and 1,023 to Richmond. Those addressed to Richmond were received on the 15th and back-stamped. They were especially prepared of imitation parchment, similar to the letter-sheets of the time, and folded. The cachet was applied on the face; the back-stamp on the flap, and beneath the flap there is a beautiful tribute to Jamestown and the early settlers. The letter-sheets are sealed with a wafer similar to the old-style seals with the early Colonial coat-of-arms. Inside the folder is a reprint of the Governor's official Proclamation printed in the old-style type which makes a very interesting and historical document to any collector of historical souvenir covers. Philatelists who have seen these covers pronounce them among the finest of all historicals.

It is strange, but on this much publicized event in American history through the daily press, so few collectors responded with covers. In fact, the response was negligible, however it is now known that many covers were received the *day after* the celebration—which unfortunately was too late!

Thus appeared for the first time in collectanea a special cancellation and cachet for

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Latvian License Revoked

On the reading of the budget of the Post & Telegraph Department on March 17th, 1933, the following resolution was adopted by the Budget-Commission:

In consequence of the fact that concessions for the issue of charity stamps are very often abused by influential organizations or remaining stocks have even been sold under the face value, the issue of such stamps will be expressly prohibited in future. This resolution was accepted by common consent. The proposal of cancelling the already granted licenses had not the majority of votes. Consequently licenses already granted for next year (although restricted to the utmost) remain in force.

Accordingly it is foreseen that during this and the ensuing year the following charity issues alone will be created:

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Taking the above into consideration, there is no likelihood of further surprises in future, as the resolution of March 17th, 1933, is a definite one.

It is with sincere pleasure that I send you this information, having succeeded by means of persistent work and calls on competent authorities to get to the root of the matter.

Although I had many difficulties acting as counsel of the last issues, it was solely my intention to choose the lesser of the two evils and not to cease to fight, in spite of the vain clamor "speculation," and to let the stamps monopolized and go abroad, from where same should have been sold at fancy prices.—Helen Heerd in *Stamp Collecting*, London.

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Richmond to Have Series of Cachets in Few Months

A series of eight cachets for the city of Richmond during the next few months was announced today by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. The cachets will be in commemoration of eight outstanding dates in the history of the city.

The events to be commemorated are:

June 10, commemorating the completion of St. John's Church, in Richmond, Va., where Patrick Henry delivered his immortal address of "Give me liberty or give me death." This marks the 192nd year since the church's completion.

June 22, commemorating the resolution for the famous Houdon statue of Washington by the Virginia General Assembly.

June 27, commemorating the 125th anniversary of the ratification of the constitution of the United States by the Commonwealth of Virginia.

June 28, the 135th anniversary of the organization of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, one of the oldest and most famous military organizations in the country.

July 19, commemorating the charter of Richmond in 1782.

Aug. 18, commemorating the laying of the cornerstone of the Virginia State Capitol by the Richmond Lodge of Masons in 1785. The capitol building was planned by Thomas Jefferson.

September 19, the 200th anniversary of the founding of Richmond by William Byrd. On September 19, 1733, Colonel William Byrd said in his journal: "When we got home we laid the foundation of two large cities, one at Shacco's to be called Richmond and the other at the falls of the Appomattox river, to be named Petersburg," it was not until April, 1737, that Major William Mayo laid off the town.

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Publicity Director's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

Another month has rolled by and we saw two new pretty stamps to commemorate the World's Fair in Chicago. What will come next? Our club has decided to stop broadcasting over our local station WPHR, and will resume again in the fall. These talks were interesting and we are grateful to the owners of this station for their co-operation. We have also decided not to hold a local exhibit due to unsatisfactory arrangements. News seems to be scarce, as the hot weather must have gotten all the collectors to forsake their stamps and go fishing—or sumptin.

Let us not forget that the time for our Annual Exhibit and meeting, to be held in Lynchburg in October, is drawing near. Everybody should make plans now to be there, as the coming exhibit should be greater than the one held in Richmond, with great success. How about Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News and Danville? Will you be there?

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*,
Petersburg, Va.

Nat Horwitz Talks on Cacheted Covers

The Richmond Stamp Club at its meeting at Murphy's Hotel April 27th had as its speaker Mr. Nat Horwitz, of the Rare-Modern Book Co.; subject, Bicentennial and Air Mail Covers.

Mr. Horwitz, whose Bicentennial Covers took first prize at the stamp exhibition in Richmond last fall, and who is one of the best posted men on the subject in this section, had arranged the sheets from his cover album on tables and on the walls in the meeting room so that as the members

The host of the evening began his talk

with sheet one from his album, and went all the way through, explaining the various covers and sets of covers in detail—the occasion for them, their value, relative scarcity, and other detail. The speaker knows his subject, and warmed up to it in such a way that even those old-fashioned collectors, who wouldn't give a hang for any modern cover, were intensely interested, and the younger generation enthusiastic.

Since he became connected with the Richmond Club Mr. Horwitz has been a most active and faithful member—always willing to give time, toil and talent to anything connected with it, and on this, his first appearance before the club as its host those members who were fortunate enough to be present were glad to offer him a rising vote of thanks for a most enjoyable evening.—D. B. B.

Prof. Munkacsy Talks to Club

The Richmond Stamp Club enjoyed another intellectual treat at its meeting in Murphy's Hotel on Thursday night, May 11th. Prof. Jan Munkacsy, an esteemed member of the Club, chose for his subject "Collecting as a Science," and demonstrated that not alone is he able to make his Stradivarius talk, but with equal telling effect these little wafers, nempt "Stamps" when he draws across them the bow of sympathy and sentiment—takes us into the charmed land of our hobby and leads us to see the beauties thereof.

Said Mr. Munkacsy, "Every collector, at some time or another, is called upon to answer the question of those who do not indulge in collecting of any sort 'Why do you collect—and what for?—What's the sense of it? Why waste time and money?'" And then our friend goes on to answer these questions—and more—telling us that "from the psychological

point of view collecting is nothing more or less than a primitive, natural instinct in humans to hoard, gather, and store away, as our earliest ancestors have done, and as we see birds and animals do at this present day." And further on he told us that "life would be dull and drear did we not resort to the cultivation of some interest—some hobby—whereby the mind finds stimulation and the soul elevation from the monotony of the every-day." But why attempt to present a few notes from Munkacsy's "Hungarian Symphony of Stamps"? The entire membership of the Club was present, including a number of guests, and at the close of his talk Mr. Munkacsy received an enthusiastic and flattering applause.—REPORTER.



Birmingham Philatelic Society

Our Philatelic Society has grown amazingly and now numbers some very influential and outstanding men. The meetings are always well planned, largely attended, and profitable. The annual exhibit is set for October, and prizes will be offered for certain specialized exhibits in both Senior and Junior sections. A two days' convention, closing with a banquet, will be a feature of the exhibit.—H. E. WHEELER.



Colorful Lithuanian Airmail Set

We are indebted to M. S. Serebrakian, 8, Avenue Paul Deschanel, Brussels, Belgium, for a set of the colorful triangular airmail stamps on covers just issued for Lithuania, and postmarked "Kaunas, 12.V.33." Unfortunately the covers arrived too late for illustrating this month. The set consists of 5 cent olive and blue, 10c. violet-black and brown, 15c. blue and violet, 20c. brown and violet, 40c. blue and violet, 60c. blue and brown, 1 litva olive and blue, 2 l. gray-violet and green.




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A Constant Variety

The Hoyer & Ludwig Ten-Cent blue with six-pointed star to the right of "Postage" proves to be a constant variety, and specialists may list it as such. Dr. R. P. Miller of Atlanta, Ga., who submitted the first copy, has now supplemented this with an unused pair, the right-hand stamp showing the variety, while its mate is normal type. Up to this time the plate position has not been identified.



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BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

With the kind permission of the Naval Postmark Unit of the International Postal Marking Society we bring you the New System for listing the Postmarks of Modern U. S. Naval Vessels, Naval Shore Stations, Fleet Designations, etc., as compiled by Delf Norona. This new system has been adopted by the Naval Postmark Unit and it is their hope that it will receive wide publicity and encouragement.

Dr. Locy's system, as described in the March and April issues of THE NEW SOUTHERN has proved to be popular. However, it does not permit the listing of new types as they appear. The new system by Delf Norona allows plenty of room for expansion as new types are made. Comments, criticisms and suggestions should be sent to Mr. Norona, 1002 5th St., Moundsville, West Virginia.

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BY DELF NORONA

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(b) Labor on the part of the compiler in drawing illustrations. In doing this it is, equally important to group these arbitrary types in such a simple way that check-lists based on this system can be understood with a minimum amount of preliminary study.

Three general groups exist:

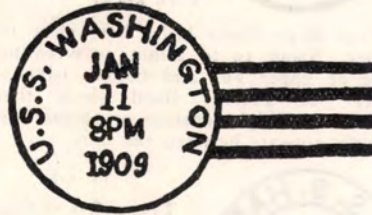
R—Rubber handstamps.

S—Steel handstamps.

M—Machine postmarks. (Steel)

Each of these groups are divided into several types, each given an arbitrary numeral designation. Types are based on the design (or physical characteristics) of the postmark and *not taking into consideration the wording of the postmark in any way whatever.*

RUBBER HANDSTAMPS



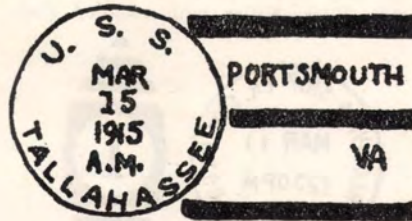
TYPE R-1

Type R-1—Four killer bars close together. About 14mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar.



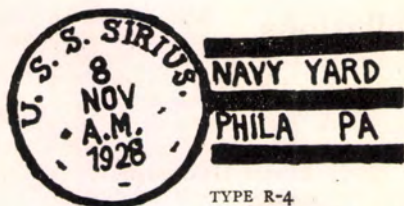
TYPE R-2

Type R-2—Four killer bars wide apart. About 19mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar.



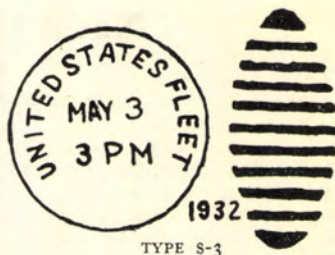
TYPE R-3

Type R-3—Three killer bars wide apart. About 25 to 28mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar. Ship's location or slogan frequently appears between the bars.



TYPE R-4

Type R-4—Three killer bars close together. About 19 to 21mm. between top edge of upper bar and bottom edge of lower bar. Thicker lined circle than Type R-3. Ship's location or slogan frequently appears between the bars.



TYPE S-3

Type S-3—Circle and 11 bar killer. Year date outside circle. Killer with rounded ends.



TYPE R-8

Type R-8—Concentric circles, with ship's name between the circles. No killer bars. Outer circle about 29mm. in diameter.

STEEL HANDSTAMPS



1927

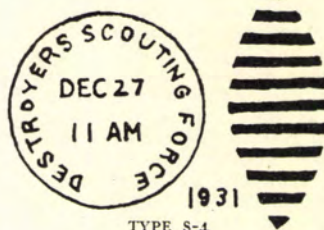
TYPE S-1

Type S-1—Circle and barrel killer. Year date outside circle and small circle inside killer. Killer with rounded ends.



TYPE S-2

Type S-2—Circle and barrel killer. Year date outside circle. No circle inside killer. Killer with pointed ends.



TYPE S-4

Type S-4—Circle and 11 bar killer. Year date outside circle. Killer with pointed ends.

We will illustrate and describe the five types of machine cancellations next month. Remember that the old Type 4 (Locy system) has been eliminated but is listed under the new Type R-3. Also that the old Type 5 (Locy) is now Type R-4. Don't get them mixed!

It is well to study the method described here as the Types will be listed in the future according to this system.



Above is illustrated one of the pictorial cancellations used on practically all the Japanese ships carrying mail. There

are only six or eight ships in the Trans-Pacific service. This one is from the *M/s Hiye Maru* and was mailed on January 1, 1933. Interesting, eh!

Mr. Ceder favors me with two types of cancellations from the Japanese Training Ship *Yakumo* which tied up at the Port of Tacoma piers for a three-day stay, April 1st. Both of these cancels are pictorial and in Japanese characters. One in particular, applied in maroon and neatly tying on a U. S. adhesive reads "Yakumo Special Training Cruise." The other is applied in purple and is the regular mail type cancel.

Other covers of interest received include one from the *S. S. Exeter*, American Export Lines, Posted on the High Seas, Type R-4 without bars. *S. S. President Jackson* with "Paquebot" cancel typing on the stamp. An odd type at hand from the *Cristobal Colon* with no bars and no date. Concentric circles similar to Type R-8 (larger) with "Vapor-Correo, Cristobal-Colon-Compania Transatlantica" between the circles. Also a very neat cover from the submarine *Argonaut A-1*, Type R-4 (double line outer circle and one bar missing) applied in black ink. Slogan is applied in blue between the bars and reads "5-th Anniversary Date of Ship's Commissioning. Comm. on 2 April, 1928 Monolulu, Hawaii."

Change of mail address:

At New York, N. Y.—*Pensacola, Raleigh, Claxton, Fairfax, Badger, Jacob Jones, Tattall and Nitro.*

At San Francisco, Calif.—*Chaumont.*

Mr. M. R. Roberts, Mail Clerk on the *U. S. S. Kittery* which was decommissioned March 28th has consented to autograph last day covers sent him with return postage. Mr. Roberts has been assigned to the *U. S. S. Mississippi*, now at the Navy Yard, Portsmouth, Va. He states that 4,768 covers received the Last Day Mail Service cancellation. Don't forget return postage and envelope.—*Linn's Weekly.*

New Washington stops of *Old Ironsides* now include Kalama, Aug. 14-16 and Friday Harbor, July 24-26. The Portland, Oregon stop is moved from May 10th to

Aug. 2nd due to high waters of the Columbia River. The Chambers of Commerce at Tacoma, Grays Harbor, Port Angeles and Olympia will handle covers. If you want all stops in Washington send 13 covers to D. C. Bartley, Green Lake Station, Seattle, Washington. Use commemoratives when sending your covers—they will be appreciated!

NAVAL ADDENDA

The *Preble, Noa, Hulbert* and *Wm. B. Preston* have entered Destroyer Division No. 12, Commander of the Division is on the *Preble*.

The *Borie* relieved the *Litchfield* as Squadron Leader of Destroyer Division No. 2.

The *Southard, Hovey, Chandler* and *Long* transferred from Destroyer Division No. 12 to Rotating Destroyer Squadron No. 20.

The French ship *Jeanne d'Arc* departed from Honolulu for Portland on April 26th.

NOTE: The *Raleigh* is being overhauled at the Boston Navy Yard.

Mr. W. G. Crosby sends me interesting information concerning a quick-event cachet made and applied on board the *U. S. S. Medusa*. He writes: "Upon reading that the Governors of some States, including that of California, had designated Sunday, April 30th, as 'President's Day,' I immediately got in touch with Lieutenant Commander Peterson, chaplain of the *U. S. S. Medusa*, and suggested to have an appropriate cachet sponsored for this event. Chaplain Peterson then designed the cachet and obtained the commanding officer's approval.

The *Medusa* is a repair ship and it is an acknowledged fact that she is the finest equipped "factory" afloat."

We are sorry that this news did not reach us until after the event had taken place. I believe, however, that covers can be obtained from Mr. Crosby, 104 E. Fifth St., San Pedro, Calif.

Try these ships in June for special cancellations.

June 14—Flag Day (*Brooks, Hopkins, Maryland, Dolphin* and *Medusa*).

June 15—Arkansas Statehood Day (*Arkansas*).

June 21—Birthday of the Maryland (*Maryland*).

Thanks to F. Whitney Davis, M. D. and Miss Vivian M. Green for covers received and to cooperators Delf Norona, C. E. Ceder, Bill Mersinger and Naval Postmarks.

FLASH—From Mr. W. G. Crosby comes the following information concerning the *U. S. S. Texas* Memorial Day cachet. The *Texas* will leave San Pedro, Calif., May 29, 1933 for the high seas. All covers will be cancelled in black with the slogans "At Sea" appearing between lower bars and "Memorial Day" between upper bars. This will be the first time that these two slogans have ever been used together. Mr. Crosby also submits an attractively designed blue envelope for Memorial Day covers mailed on board the *Texas*. Every collector should have one—write Mr. Crosby—his address appears elsewhere in this issue of *THE NEW SOUTHERN*.

NOTE: This information was not received until May 29th—thus too late for publicity.

Madrid-Manila Flight

As soon as possible after the arrival of Fernando Reiny Loring in Manila, the following stamps surcharged with an appropriate design to commemorate his flight from Madrid to Manila will be placed on sale at the windows of the Manila Post Office. The windows will be properly indicated by signs:

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These stamps can be had from the Bureau of Posts, Manila, or through our correspondent Mr. Ernest H. Oesch, Padada, Sta. Cruz, Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, U. S.

Send Us the News

The Editors will be grateful for news items of philatelic events everywhere—new issues, special flights, discoveries, and whatever is of stampic interest. Full credit will be given in every instance.

Stamps from the World's End



If you turn to page 195 of Part II of the current Gibbons Catalogue you will find, immediately following the issues of Chile, a subsection headed "Tierra del Fuego," under which is listed a solitary stamp.

Tierra del Fuego ("land of fire") is a large archipelago lying to the extreme south of the South American continent and separated from it by the Straits of Magellan. I do not know what the islands are famous for to-day, but in 1801, when the stamp was issued, there were settlements of gold-diggers at various places, and these naturally wanted to send letters to ports in Chile and Argentina.

A Roumanian named Julio Popper was the owner of several gold-washing plants and he decided to issue a special stamp to frank the correspondence of his men. The design, as will be seen from our illustration, shows the gold-miners' tools, a star, an envelope, and the initial of Popper in a central rosette.

Nothing much is known about the postal system which Popper presumably inaugurated. Probably he sent the letters by the ships which took off his gold and brought his supplies. At any rate, used stamps are known on envelopes.

Thus this gold-digger's stamp from the world's end is quite an interesting one.—*Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*.

N. Y. Woman's Club Organizes

A Woman's Stamp Club of New York was organized with about forty members. Mrs. Annie De Leseo is President.

Our greatest activity is the Stamp Exchange of which Miss E. Frye Barker, 15 West 107th Street, New York City, is Chairman, appointed by the President.

If you have any suggestions to offer or wish to place any plan, magazine, catalogue or advertisement, shall be glad to receive them and present before the Club.

Also wish to hear from all Woman Stamp Collectors. Address the Secretary.

Don't let your subscription expire.

South American Air Mail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

Today the Argentine Ministry of the Interior published a decree authorizing the postal authorities to prepare and issue an entirely new series of postage stamps. I believe this new set will be available for both branches of the postal service *i. e.*, airmail and ordinary so that in future there will be no airmail stamps.

The subjects will be national heroes and statesmen for internal postage and Argentine products and industries for foreign. The airmail envelopes of 5c. and 12c. will be obsolete ninety days from this date.

• The Government has issued orders to the Printing Office to send to the Postal Museum located in the General Post Office building samples of all postal values printed by them. The stamps will be overprinted "specimen" and will be undivided and imperforate.

Due to an urgent call from Montevideo the Pan-American Airways sent over one of their planes to transport four passengers. The round trip was made in two hours forty-five minutes, a remarkable performance.

The Argentine government has agreed to the distribution of 90,000 pesos amongst the eighteen aero clubs established in the country.

Yesterday the government concluded an agreement with the Aeroposta Argentina for the maintenance of the Potagonian Airway for a period of ten years. A monthly subsidy of 15,000 pesos and the supply of fuel gratis is granted to the Company.

I am able to supplement the information I gave you on my post card of yesterday's date. On the arrival of the Zeppelin at Pernambuco the mail for Buenos Aires and neighboring countries was transferred to one of the Condor hydroplanes which carried it to Porto Alegre where it was transhipped to the Tacuari and brought to this city. Pilot Otto Dreyer was in charge. Said pilot should have left Porto Alegre early in the morning of the 11th but on the evening of the 10th the weather

was very unpropitious and therefore he resolved to expedite his departure by several hours, and thus it was that at 5 o'clock yesterday morning he was already flying over the port of Buenos Aires but owing to the dense fog he could not land. Therefore he had to remain in the air and more than once he reached Colonia in Uruguay, the Tigre Delta and adjacent localities and at 8 o'clock when the fog had cleared somewhat he was enabled to land in the new Port, close to the Naval Arsenal. The Customs, the Postal authorities and the local agents were unaware of his early arrival as he was not expected until midday and there was some considerable delay before he was able to hand over the mail to the Argentine authorities. Pilot Dreyer has thus established a new record as on the previous occasion the mail from Europe arrived in four days and seventeen hours.

Early yesterday morning the population of Rio was awakened by the sound of the motors of the dirigible. The dense fog prevented her being seen. After describing several circles over the aero field the airship could not descend and Dr. Eckener resolved to manoeuvre over the cities of Santos and Sao Paulo where he arrived at 11 A. M. An hour later he reached Sao Paulo. The fog continued practically all day and it was only at 4:35 P. M. that he could land at Compo dos Affonsos near Rio. The mail for Europe was immediately taken on board, passengers were disembarked and embarked and at 5:25 P. M. the airship left for Pernambuco on her return voyage to Europe.

This afternoon the airon Tacuari belonging to the Condor Syndikat of Brazil arrived in this city from Rio de Janeiro with the mail brought from Europe by the Graf Zeppelin. All covers are back-stamped "May 33 1 P. M.

As the Airship left Friedrichshafen on 6th inst. at 10 P. M. a new record for the transport of correspondence has therefore been established. The Argentine postal authorities decline to accept mail for the airship as it has been impressed on them that in doing so on previous occasions they have infringed the Aeropostale concession to have the exclusive privilege of carrying mail to Europe from the Argentine.



THE NEW SOUTHERN only \$1 the year.

A Stamp Collector's Freak

A collector of stamps rejoiced at his luck the other day when, in a London suburban postoffice, he bought a half-penny stamp and discovered that it was a "freak" with the head of the King printed on both sides.

That an error like this should occur at all is a chance in a million. The printers of this particular sheet were astounded at the accident and, although they print at least 24,000,000 stamps a week, they have never made such a mistake before.

Apparently the reason for the double printing was that a corner of a sheet in passing through the machine turned over, with the result that the blanket took the ink and impression, and when the next sheet was passed through an impression was made on its gummed side. The first faulty sheet was detected and thrown out.

Unfortunately for the collector, six of the forty-five stamps on the freak sheet had already been sold, but he immediately bought the remaining ones. It is not known exactly how much these thirty-nine stamps are worth, but their value is estimated at at least £50. The other six stamps were apparently not detected as "freaks" and although they, too, are valuable, the chances of their turning up are rather remote.—*Clipping.*



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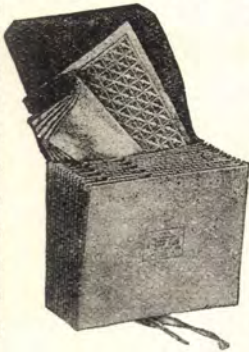
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Editorial.

The Announcement

Last month's cover of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST served notice of an important announcement regarding the future of this magazine which was to appear in this number. The message is this:

With the October number, which closes the ninth year of this publication, the name of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST will be changed to

"Stamp and Cover Collecting"

and in November the first number will make its bow to Philately as a modern collectors' magazine, in new format and dress, and catering to every branch of our pursuit indicated by its title. . .

It is with a feeling of keen regret that we shall place beside the yellowing volumes of our earliest ventures—*The Virginia Philatelist* and *The Southern Philatelist*—the closing number of THE NEW SOUTHERN, but we shall find ample compensation in the "New Deal" and increased enjoyment in the knowledge of greater service in a farther-flung sphere of philatelic activities.

During the nine years of its being THE NEW SOUTHERN has, we believe, gained a host of friends and an enviable position in Philately. Perhaps, too, it has contributed its fair share to the sum-total of America's achievement in the field of historical research. This fact, in turn, imposes obligations—foremost among which is the duty of keeping abreast of the times and constantly striving for greater and better things.

Beginning, then, with this change of name. While it is true that *The Southern Philatelist* was launched in 1924 with the expressed purpose of printing the story of the stamps of the Confederate States of America, and promoting Philately in the Southern section of our Union, it has long ago ceased to confine its mission to this restricted area. With the tasks it then set for itself completed it increased the compass of its field to one of world interest. But still the name "Southern" seemed to imply a sectional atmosphere which, unfortunately, may have militated against its wider spread in other parts of our country. The name "Philatelist," too, has ever appeared to us as one selected to cover a pursuit that shunned publicity. It is decidedly pedantic and ill-chosen, and the sooner we rid ourselves of this incubus the better. We collect stamps and covers of all kinds and we are interested in the study of everything that pertains to postal history—*ergo*, why not state it in good American language—"Stamp and Cover Collecting"? A name which requires no chart and raised letters to carry the message to collector and layman. So much for the new name of the successor to THE NEW SOUTHERN.

A publisher must always strive to improve his magazine. It is his merchandise. The phenomenal spread of stamp-collecting—especially in the rapidly developing branches of Postmarks, Airmails, Commemoratives, Bureau Prints, Precancels, Cachets and Naval Covers—places squarely before him the choice of catering to the popular trends or retiring from the field.

We have selected to "stay put." But in our purpose to meet the demands of these new and varied interests, we shall in no wise neglect the classic stamps and the distinctive features that characterized THE NEW SOUTHERN throughout the past years. The Nineteenth Century issues—U. S., Confederates and Foreign—will still be honor-guests at our board, and the student will find more than ever before to whet his appetite and satisfy his tastes.

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Fair and Convention in Chicago—and No Stamp Exhibition

Incredible as it may seem—and surely disappointing to the thousands of American and foreign collectors who will visit the Chicago Fair—Philately will have no official part in the Century of Progress Exposition.

The two leading American Philatelic bodies—organizations embracing practically every serious collector in our country—have failed to measure up to a wonderful opportunity: that of staging the greatest stamp show ever brought together in the United States. And one of these organizations is meeting in annual convention during this period.

The Association for Stamp Exhibitions, too, appears to have lost sight of its mission and is indulging in a spell of *dolce far niente*.

Perhaps it's too hot. Perhaps they overlooked the fact that something is going on in Chicago. Perhaps it's a case of coma. I don't know.

Apparently—and unfortunately—politics play a heavier rôle in the life of our organizations than does the planning for those events which tend to encourage the wider spread of stamp-collecting—for unquestionably a stamp exhibition produces this effect—not to mention the many advantages to both collector and dealer. With these facts in view, it certainly is a matter of regret that the powers who direct the destinies of Philately in this country could not see their way clear to plan for an exhibition in Chicago.

It may be advanced, in rebuttal, that similar exhibitions staged heretofore have not proven profitable. This will not be readily understood by the rank and file who pay their dues and “vote the straight ticket.” They would like, sometimes, to see “what it's all about”—especially when they trek across the country to the Big Fair.

It is said that, as a belated concession to popular clamor, some sort of an “exclusive show” is to be made up, whereat a chosen few will be selected to exhibit. One frame only is to be allocated for one country, and only one exhibitor per country. It will be interesting to learn the list of the “elect.”

To sum up, American Philately has missed a wonderful opportunity in not signing up for a front seat at the Century of Progress Exhibition in Chicago.



Death of Mr. Clayton W. Bedford

We learn with regret of the death of Mr. Clayton W. Bedford, one of the leading members of the Rubber City Stamp Club, which occurred on Monday, June 19th at his home, 319 Vaniman Street, Akron, Ohio.

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Few men are possessed of the qualities that make for leadership in greater measure than Roscoe B. Martin. He will be elected, and the Society will reach the zenith of its career under his administration. His Virginia lieutenants will likewise be elected and contribute the best that is in them to the society's welfare. Carter Glass will succeed Roscoe B. Martin and bring the next convention to Virginia.

Never was prophet more safe in his predictions.



The "WIPA" in Full Swing

When this number of THE NEW SOUTHERN reaches the hands of our readers the great International Philatelic Exhibition in Vienna will be in full swing and, we hope, with a large attendance from this country, despite the crack-brained rumors of confiscations of American exhibits.

And They Didn't Have "3.2%" Brew, Either

If there is any lurking doubt in the minds of our readers as to the good time had by the boys who attended the Twentieth Philatelic Congress of Great Britain in London last month, let them but turn to the chronicle of New Issues and Varieties in the May number of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* and read the following paragraph:

GERMANY.—A special set of stamps was issued on the 12th April to commemorate the opening of the Reichstag. The stamps are printed in photogravure and bear a striking portrait of Wagner from the celebrated painting by Adolf von Menzel. The head stands out sharply in a circle with white background, the rest of the design except the inscription, being in solid color. The set consists of three values, 6 pf. deep green, 12 pf. carmine, and 25 pf. ultramarine.

I've never known Mr. Pemberton to get his data tangled before—but maybe he was thinking of Old Fritz's flute-playing in Sans-Souci and got the characters and scenes mixed with Wagner and Bayreuth.



The Standard Index to Philatelic Literature

We have received the final instalment of *The Standard Index to Philatelic Literature—1879-1925*, published by Harris Publications, Ltd., 112 Strand, London W. C. 2. This most ambitious work is edited by Mr. Albert H. Harris and consists of a series of seven parts, covering a period of 47 years, and embracing every country. The arrangement is in alphabetical order, and there are over 20,000 references covering the contents of 607 volumes. The task of compiling and producing this work has taken six years.

As a source of reference the Index stands alone, and no philatelic student can afford to be without it. No price stated—inquire of the publishers.



Mr. Howard E. Jackson Opens Stamp Shop in Richmond

Mr. Howard E. Jackson, ex-President of the Richmond Stamp Club and a contributor to our columns, has opened shop in Richmond. Until downtown office space is secured his business will be conducted from his home 1207 Nottoway Avenue, under the management of his son-in-law Mr. John Raskey.

Mr. Jackson is a thorough student of stamps and understands knowingly the wants of the advanced collector as well as those of the beginner. He has acquired a well-selected stock of United States and foreign and will carry all the usual philatelic accessories. His chief attention will be devoted to the filling of want-lists and our readers are urged to give him a trial.

Equipped with personality, stamp-knowledge, and a wide range of stock, we predict success for Messrs. Jackson and Raskey in "The Friendly Shop."

Future Features

The Editor has been very much gratified by the many letters of appreciation from collectors and students of Confederates, who read the Greenville, Ala. study in the April number of *THE NEW SOUTHERN*, and the suggestion that other rare Provisionals be treated in similar manner holds a strong appeal.

If the material can be made available—through loan for a brief time—and if collectors and students will contribute whatever bits of informative data they possess, an effort will be made to comply with these wishes. Furthermore, later on, these separate studies may be revised and published in book-form as a supplementary volume to *The Postal Service of the Confederate States of America*.



Believe It or Not

Demands for subscription blanks to our forthcoming magazine, *Stamp and Cover Collecting*, have been so great from collectors and dealers that we are now printing *over one million* for general distribution. Just imagine *over a ton of paper* for future subscriptions!

If you can use any of these blanks judiciously in your correspondence we will be glad to send you any quantity from 50 to 5,000 free and postpaid. A space is provided for your imprint. Help yourself by helping the cause.



The Judge'll Discover 'Em!

I understand our good friend Judge Benners of Birmingham is locked in his *Sinctum Sanctum—non-communicado* for the time being—searching sheets of the Chicago stamps for errors, varieties and snigs. When he emerges—look out for a manifesto!



No Confederate Addenda This Month

Due to the fact that but a few Handstamped Pairs have been submitted during the month, no Addenda appears in this issue.



Well, we've come back to the old Confederate local drop-letter rate of two cents plus the right to seal 'em. Make it two all over the U. S. again and we'll help reduce the Post Office deficit.



Things have been so ominously quiet in Europe and so darned hot in this country during the past weeks that I can't find a single subject for a wise-crack. What about *your* snig-snapper, Judge Benners?

Hiram E. Deats Honored by British Philately

Achievements of an American Student Accorded Merited Recognition Abroad.

BY THE EDITOR

The name of an American—Mr. Hiram Edmund Deats of Flemington, New Jersey—has been selected by the Permanent Executive Committee of the British Philatelic Association, as one of three, to be placed upon its Roll of Distinguished Philatelists for 1933. The other two gentlemen are Englishmen—Messrs. Frank J. Peplow and Alexander J. Séfi. The ceremony took place on the afternoon of June 2nd during the Twentieth Annual Congress of that Association in London.

American Philately rejoices in this recognition of the services of one of its best-loved exponents, at the same time acclaiming the wise selection of the two other names of exceptional merit.

Hiram Deats has always been on outstanding figure in American Philately. Even long after he had withdrawn from active participation in its councils, the big house among the old trees near Flemington became the Mecca for those who sought knowledge of stamps—and received more; for to me Deats seemed to fit perfectly into the picture of an *ante-bellum* Virginia planter, with all of the finer attributes of that vanished type. . .

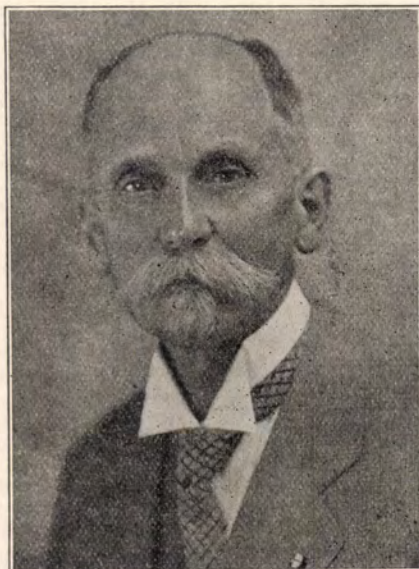
Nearly four decades ago, when most of us in the South were "collecting" Confederate stamps in a haphazard sort of way, Hiram Deats had sensed their historic value and devoted his time to their study. It was his marvelous array

of Provisionals and General Issues—unparalleled even by the Ferrari collection—exhibited in Richmond during the Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association in 1899, that awakened in us a realization of the wealth of history and romance and treasure that lay hidden, neglected and undeveloped within our reach. Then and there began the ascendancy of the Confederate stamp.

I may not venture to estimate the measure of his services in other fields of Philately, but I unhesitatingly pronounce Hiram Deats the apostle of the stamps of the Confederacy and the inspiration of my work treating on this subject. Without his generous assistance and advice—always freely given—the story may never have been written.

This signal honor conferred upon an American will find an echo of unqualified approval from Philately in the United States. As a remarkable coincident, it may be mentioned that Mr. Deats has just been selected one of the three Councillors-General for 1933-36 of The General Court of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, of which body Lt. Col. Ulysses Simpson Grant, III. is the Governor-General.

I am fortunate, too, in being able to reprint, from *The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* of June 10th, the Oration by his friend Mr. Fred. J. Melville, which, in



HIRAM EDMUND DEATS, F. R. P. S.

accordance with custom, is made at the time of the Roll Ceremony.

There are several slight discrepancies of data in Mr. Melville's Oration—due, I am sure, to the fact that limit of time did not permit of a verification.

We may as well get the record straight.

The Bill introduced in Congress seeking to purchase the Deats collection pertained only to the Revenue Proofs.

The eight-carloads lot of waste-paper, which Mr. Melville states was purchased from the Secretary of the Treasury, was, in fact, bought from Joseph R. Carpenter, surviving partner of Butler & Carpenter, who held the contract for printing Revenue stamps under the Act of 1862. This material included all the office records and correspondence covering the issues of 1862-1865, as well as a large quantity of proofs on cardboard and India, in full sheets, and these records, together with his collection, was the basis for the Historical Reference List of U. S. Internal Revenue Stamps issued in 1899 by the Boston Philatelic Society. Mr. Deats collaborated with George L. Toppan and Alexander Holland in the preparation of that book.

With these explanatory remarks we will enjoy Mr. Melville's fine oration:

HIRAM EDMUND DEATS

Mr. Hiram Edmund Deats is 100 per cent. American, 63 years old, and by vocation what we should call a gentleman farmer. I have met him but two or three times; it is not therefore on personal contact that I speak of him to-day. By his works you and I must be content to know him. For anyone who has delved deep into the printed word, the literature of Philately, there can be no question, no manner of a shadow of doubt, that Hiram E. Deats is worthy of the honor you do him in enrolling his name upon this scroll.

My difficulty is to tell of his work in a few words, when a mere list of his claims to our appreciation would take long to recite.

Born in 1870, at Brookville, N. J., for eight years he was innocent of things philatelic. As a child of nine he picked up a stamp from the floor of his local post office. It was a stamp of Brazil. Dom Pedro, looking like a benevolent Father Christmas, ushered Hiram Deats into the enchanted realm of stamps.

College days. At fourteen he discovered a hoard of Documentary stamps in his

father's office, and this launched him on the collecting of American fiscals. At eighteen he purchased the entire collection of proofs, stamps and coins formed by E. B. Sterling, which put him in the front rank among American collectors of that day.

While still at college, in August 1890 he purchased from the Secretary of the United States Treasury eight car-loads of Government papers, books, documents and stamps.

In the following June (1891) he graduated with honors at the Peddie Institute. His Graduate's Oration was on "The Development of the Postal System."

On leaving college Mr. Deats, whose father had died a few years earlier, devoted himself to the management of the considerable estate left to him in New Jersey. He found time to develop his interests in stamps, and numismatics. There is a portrait of him in *Mekeel's Weekly* in 1892, showing him in his den in his rural home, surrounded by philatelic literature. His library then was only second to that of Mr. John K. Tiffany which formed the basis for Lord Crawford's library now at the British Museum. Subsequently the Deats philatelic library became the finest in private ownership in the United States, and possibly in the world.

The Deats Library has been a clearing house for the information and assistance of literature collectors the world over. The vast stores of his duplicates have been accessible to all the great collectors of literature for information and exchange. He has privately printed title pages and indexes to important journals left unprovided with such accessories by their publishers. As librarian and indexer to the American Philatelic Society his annual reports on literature are of permanent reference value.

In organized Philately, although Mr. Deats rarely comes out of his rural seclusion now, he was a charter member of the American Philatelic Society, and has filled all the chief offices on it as Secretary, Librarian, Vice-President and President. He joined the London (now the Royal) Philatelic Society in 1893. He was Secretary of the Stamp Exhibition at the great World's Fair in Chicago in 1893. He was the first librarian of the Collectors' Club of New York, and one of the founders of its great library. He has supported many other societies as member and officer.

It is impossible to do more than hint at the strength of the stamp collections he formed, most of them now dispersed.

His United States postage stamps, proofs and essays formed an outstanding collection. No one in his time could show a finer lot of New Yorks. He found the first and only known copy of the Boscawen stamp in 1894. There were wonderful things, too, among the regular issues—such trifles as the pretty 90 cent stamp of 1869 in a mint block of sixteen, and a used block of six.

The collection of Confederate States was even more wonderful, and the richest in the rare Postmasters issues. He not only tracked these things on the original cover, but he was indefatigable in investigating every detail of their history and establishing their authenticity, and exposing "pretenders."

In the nineties he was the chief rival of Ferrari for the Confederate rarities. But while Ferrari kept his stamps to himself Deats was ever ready to help with the loan of stamps for examination and with the knowledge he had gathered.

Not less important to American Philately was the collection of fiscals, the finest of its kind ever brought together, and the basis of most of what is known of these stamps to-day. It was in every sense a personal collection, and deeply studied. One can only marvel at this out-of-door man spending his evenings patiently examining those eight car-loads of Government papers. Every little while his patience was rewarded. In fifteen books he found himself possessor of the complete printers' order books, signed approved die proofs, proof sheets covering the manufacture of these stamps by Messrs. Butler & Carpenter from 1862 to 1875.

A Bill was introduced in Congress on January 5th, 1906, seeking to purchase this collection for the American nation, for \$20,000, about half its commercial value at that time, but the Bill did not pass.

When it comes to considering honors, a man is judged not by his possession but by the use he makes of them. You will not find a long list of books under Mr. Deats' name in the Crawford Catalogue, nor can it be said that he has been a prolific writer. Somehow he has achieved his merit as a sharer of his worldly goods and his philatelic knowledge, by helping those who have written. You could trace his friendly aid in many stamp articles in the philatelic press and in books. In

Mr. John Luff's great work on the Stamps of the United States he is continually expressing his indebtedness to Mr. Deats. There is another "Mr. Dietz," Mr. August Dietz of Richmond, Virginia, who has written a big work on the Confederate Stamps. He, too, is frequently acknowledging Mr. Hiram Deats' friendly aid. Sir Edward Bacon has acknowledged his helpfulness in the compiling of the Crawford Catalogue.

I submit that there is inspiration in a character like that of Hiram Deats. Seeking no glory for himself, but freely affording knowledge to every seeker after information. A philatelic farmer who has sown good seed and welcomed all who cared to reap the rich harvest of his knowledge.



U.P.U Canada Congress Stamp

A notable addition to the many special issues of postage stamps associated with Postal Union Congresses in different parts of the world is announced by our Canadian correspondent, Mr. James D. K. Black, who informs us that—

The issue of a new postage stamp to commemorate the meeting of the world's postal executives of the Universal Postal Union in Ottawa during May and June, is announced by Hon. Arthur Sauve, Postmaster-General.

The new stamp will be placed on sale beginning May 18, the date on which the postal assembly will be convened in Ottawa.

It is of the face value of five cents, blue in color, and bears a view of the Ottawa skyline, featuring Parliament Hill and the Confederation building, from the north side of the Ottawa river.—*Stamp Collecting*.



Loss on Commemoratives

The report of the Irish Free State Committee of Public Accounts for 1930-1, just published, shows that a loss of £69 was incurred on the O'Connell stamps. The last printing was not released until Sept. 24, 1929, only six days before the issue was withdrawn. A large remainder then on hand, valued for printing purposes at £69, had to be destroyed. The committee recommended that in future all special issues should remain on sale until exhausted.—*Philatelic Magazine*.

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Publicity Director's Report

On Thursday evening, June 8, a large number of the Petersburg Stamp Club paid a visit to the Richmond Club and as usual had a very nice time as those Richmond boys are always on the job and have a good attendance. Occasional visits to other clubs not only stimulate interest but also give one new ideas that will foster good fellowship amongst our fellow collectors. Members should visit other clubs as often as possible.

The writer also visited Norfolk on June 10, and saw a number of collectors from the Norfolk club, and urged them to take part in our coming Lynchburg Exhibit. Time did not permit much wandering, but the writer was grieved to learn that our old friend Doc' Evans is still confined to his bed. Here's hoping he is up again soon.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*,
Petersburg, Va.

Richmond Stamp Club Dinner

The Semi-Annual Dinner of the Richmond Stamp Club took place in Murphy's Hotel on the evening of Thursday, June 22nd. Despite the extreme heat during the day the affair was well attended, some twenty members being present. The menu was choice, and the committee of arrangements is to be commended for the thorough manner in which it carried out the program.

Monsignor Felix Kaup had been selected the speaker for the evening, but was unfortunately prevented from appearing by the stress of other duties. We certainly missed him.

After the cigars were lit, Hon. Berkeley Williams, our genial Postmaster and Honorary Member of the Club, was pressed for a talk. Whenever he digs down into that coat-pocket, something of

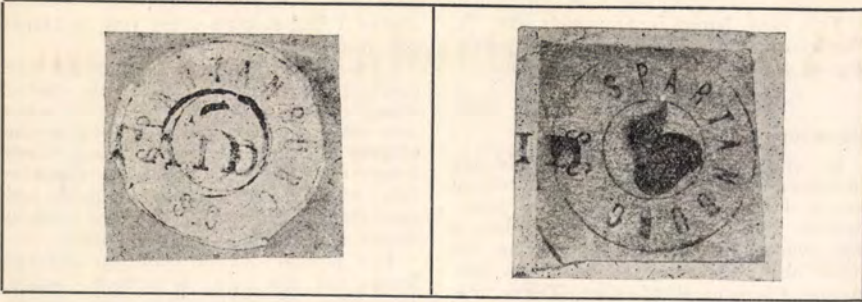
interest is coming out. On this occasion the "rabbit-in-the-hat" proved to be a number of cachet envelopes that had come to him with various requests—some to be posted on a certain day—others to be autographed—and one in particular, that carried a sort of historical description of Virginia, which Mr. Williams read to the amusement of his hearers. "I wasn't going to let him get away with that sort o' thing," said Mr. Williams, "and so I determined to enlighten him concerning Virginia's part in the making of the Nation." Whereupon he read the following "Ode to Virginia" which he had written and enclosed within the cachet envelope. It is worth preserving.

VIRGINIA

was named by Queen Elizabeth in honor of her unmarried state. The first permanent English settlement in America was made in Virginia at Jamestown in 1607. Virginia in 1619 assembled the first representative law-making body in America and was the first State to adopt a constitution in 1776. She has been the Mother of eight Presidents. She gave Washington his birth and civilization his services; her Jefferson drafted the Declaration of Independence; her Henry sounded the call to Liberty around the world; her Madison fathered the Constitution and her Marshall was its great interpreter; her Monroe laid down the doctrine forever protecting the Western World from foreign aggression; her Lewis and Clark carried the Stars and Stripes across the continent and planted it on the Pacific Coast; her McCormick gave the race its reaper; her Gibbs liberated womankind from the serfdom of the needle; her Reed released the world from the tyranny of yellow fever; her Maury mapped the Seven Seas.

"GREAT IN HISTORY, RICH IN CHARM—
VIRGINIA IS NO LESS GREAT IN
PRESENT ACHIEVEMENT."

President Charlie Hofmann then turned over the mantle of authority to the toastmaster, ex-President Howard Jackson, who, in happiest vein, called on several members for short talks. Each challenge was accepted. The boys were loaded for a talk-fest. Aw, naw, naw! There was no 3.2! Why always have evil thoughts?



The Spartanburg, S. C. Postmaster's Provisional.

BY THE EDITOR

One of the "freakiest" adhesive Provisionals of the Confederacy is the converted-canceller (square or circular cut-out) makeshift of a stamp that did postal service in Spartanburg, South Carolina. As far as I know, there are but two other provisionals in its class—that of Independence, Tex. and the more recently discovered Talladega, Ala. This trio bears out the old adage that "great minds run in the same channels"—though no particular depth of channel was necessary in these instances. . .

Many years ago, when I ventured into the Unknown to gather data for my story of Confederate stamps, my good friend Hiram E. Deats of Flemington, N. J., became my mentor, turning over to me a vast accumulation of letters and documents pertaining to postal matters of the Confederacy. While I attempted to weave into the fabric of my narrative all the important facts, it was impossible to include the minor details. But I have preserved copies of these documents which afford glimpses into the human side of those Provisionals, and I shall print a series of letters that tell the story of the Spartanburg Provisional.

Hiram Deats had the habit of going after information and not quitting until he got what he went after. Had he written the Story of the Confederate Stamps, it would have been complete. . .

Nearly forty years ago he determined, among others, to learn the history of the Spartanburg Provisional. He found the

name of the war-time postmaster and of his assistants. He addressed inquiries to each—and he got the facts, as the following correspondence will show. The letters make interesting reading.

Mr. Deats' first prospect was Mr. L. K. Anderson of the Merchants & Farmers Bank of Spartanburg, to whom he addressed a courteous letter of inquiry. The following response was received.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., *Sept. 25, 1864.*

DEAR SIR:

Replying to your favor of the 19th inst., would say that Maj. J. A. Lee, of the firm of J. A. Lee & Son, of this city, whose standing you can find in the Mercantile Reports, was postmaster at this place before and during the war.

The Major, in answer to my inquiries, replied: "Yes, I know who was the postmaster at the beginning of the war—a no-account sort of a rascal named John A. Lee." My next question was: "Did you issue, during the first months of the war, a handstamp which you placed upon the envelopes, marked 'Paid' instead of stamps?" He replied, "I did not. The only stamps of any kind I had were issued to me from Richmond, and if any others were used they were not furnished by me."

This is all the information I could obtain from him, as he is rather averse to being interrogated.

Yours very truly,

L. K. ANDERSON.

The next letter is from Mr. W. E. Fowler of Spartanburg, S. C., and proves a good lead to some real information.

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Dec. 3, 1894.

DEAR SIR:

In reply to your late favor would say in regard to the history of the Spartanburg locals, I can give you but little information. Mr. J. A. Lee, of J. A. Lee & Son, was postmaster during the war, but paid little attention to the office. Mr. Arthur Clark of Wolfe City, Texas, was the head clerk for two years, until he was old enough to go to war. There were two young men in the office, but Mr. Lee says he cannot recollect their names.

Mr. Lee says he does not remember the stamps for certain, but seems to have a faint idea of them. He says he is willing to bet that not over ten were ever made, and he thinks Mr. Clark made them for the accommodation of the same family that used them all. Mr. Clark was very much attached to one of the young ladies of this household. While this is surmised, Mr. Lee suggests writing Mr. Clark, of whom he thinks very highly, and who will give the information desired. I am,

Yours truly,

W. E. FOWLER.

The third letter is the response from Mr. Arthur Clark, and reveals the story of the Spartanburg Local.

WOLFE CITY, TEXAS, Dec. 21, 1894.

DEAR SIR:

The local stamp you write of was the regular office stamp, merely used as a convenience. When South Carolina seceded I was in the postoffice. Maj. John A. Lee was postmaster, and, if I am not mistaken, I think the office continued for a short while using United States stamps, but the Southern States seceded so near together that, of course, a Southern Confederacy was formed and the mail system was changed. I think for six months all mail matter was paid in money. I believe a contract for printing stamps was soon made after Congress was organized at Montgomery, Ala. The stamps you find there were used for the convenience of the public. Maj. Lee enlisted in the service among the first and was at the bombardment of Fort Sumter, and during that time I was in the office alone, and, of

course, I had to plan every way to facilitate work.

I fell on that plan myself. I would take common cap paper and stamp the rubber stamp on one side and paste the other side with mucilage, and would sell to the citizens the amounts wanted, and when letters came into the letter-box thuswise they would be recognized as paid, and then the letters would be marked paid in money and sent to their destination.

The postage was 3 cents on average letters, the law being 6 cents per ounce, and within the circle of the rubber-stamp which held the date of mailing, was printed a figure *3, and anyone having a letter over the average would place two of the stamps before putting it in the letter-box. If I am not mistaken, I think the first issue of Confederate stamps were 5-cent stamps. I believe that is all, if any, peculiarity about the stamps.

Your letter recalls the summer of 1860 when excitement ran very high. The train then stopped a mile from town and we had mail once a day. When the train whistle commenced to blow the crowd would get on the cars for news, and by the time the bus would arrive at the postoffice a crowd would be there waiting eagerly for the news, especially when the regular fighting began. The first mail I would open was the *Columbia Daily* and the *Charleston Mercury* (I think), and give them to Dr. Whiteford Smith, who would get up in a buggy or on a high step and read to the crowd, which served to keep off the rush until I could open and distribute the mail.

The country from all sides would send in for the mails every day by intercepting here—the postmasters throughout the country sending orders. That with other duties made the office at Spartanburg right burdensome for a while.

Pretty soon after the war opened there was a law passed allowing the soldier to place his name and command on the left-hand corner of the envelope and the party to whom addressed would pay the postage. Maj. Lee has sent out many such letters without pay.

Very respectfully,

J. ARTHUR CLARK.

*Mr. Clark appears to have been under the impression that he prepared his provisionals according to the U. S. 3-cent rate, while in fact, he stamped them "5" cents—the Confederate rate.
—EDITOR.

“Big Shanty” is Located

BY THE EDITOR

If proof was wanting that THE NEW SOUTHERN is “read from cover to cover” by its friends, it is but necessary to print a question in its columns, and watch the intelligent and interesting replies that come in immediately. Such an instance occurred last month. Our friend Mr. S. W. Richey of Cincinnati had submitted a cover handstamped “Paid 5” with a type-set postmark “Big Shanty, March 28,” but with no State. Mayor Brooks of Marshall, Mich. possesses a like copy, same dating, no State; and Dr. R. P. Miller of Atlanta possesses a fourth cover, flag patriotic, with the wave-line postmark and likewise dated March 28th. Mr. McD. Wellford of Richmond owns another “Big Shanty” handstamped cover but of a different design, dating illegible as well as State. We illustrated these handstampings and asked of our readers “Where Is ‘Big Shanty?’” Ordinarily we would confine ourselves to the statement that “Big Shanty” is in Georgia, near Marietta, and let it go at that. But there is a thrilling “war-story” connected with the place, which makes “Big Shanty” a name to be remembered. The following letters will make interesting reading to collectors of Confederate postmarks.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

Well, well here is a letter from the “forgotten man.” I have thought time and time again I would drop you a line but the final straw was your last number of THE NEW SOUTHERN in which you intimated—I say intimated but I think you know all about—where Big Shanty was located.

Big Shanty is in Georgia and given as another name for Kennesaw Mountain. Other names used were Lost Mountain, Noses Creek and the court house of Cobb County was Marietta—at present a sizable city. All these names seem to be used in histories of the war but because this was one of the major engagements of the war and the number of troops taking part in the general engagement on June 27, 1864 ran into tens of thousands I suppose they were camped all over the county.

Statistical records I have give the 4th, 14th, 20th Corps Army of the Cumberland, the 15th, 16th and 17th Corps Army of the Tennessee and the 23rd Corps Army of the Ohio as the Federal troops taking part. A grand total of the Federal loss was placed at 8,670 men of which 6,500 were wounded. The Confederate loss was estimated at 4,600 men.

A later assault—of a railway train—took place at Big Shanty, Ga. on September 2, 1864. This by the 9th Ohio Cavalry.

Of the names of the towns given only Lost Mountain and Marietta C. H. had post offices. G. M. Lewis was postmaster at Lost Mountain, Ga. and Wm. F. Groves at Marietta at the beginning of the war. As Big Shanty was not listed as a post office before or after the war every indication points to it being an army camp and the straight line cancellation between two wavy lines is well known. I have a splendid example on the 5c. Green and always had it listed as an army camp cancellation.

THOMAS H. PRATT.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

In May issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST I noticed a query concerning “Big Shanty.” It is located in Georgia near Kennesaw Mountain and is a place of some fame.

I attach a story concerning it that you may be able to use.

H. L. FELL.

BIG SHANTY, GA.

Big Shanty (now known as Kennesaw) was the scene of heavy skirmishing during the first four days of June, 1864, in which the Federal troops were driven back by Wheeler's cavalry. On the 9th, Gen. W. H. Jackson of Wheeler's cavalry corps, aided by the line of intrenchments between Lost Mountain and Gilgal Church, held Stoneman's Federal cavalry in check and Wheeler in person with another part of his command engaged in daily combats with Garrard's Federal troopers. On Oct. 4, 1864, as Hood was on his march into Tennessee, General Stewart's corps struck

the railroad at Acworth and Big Shanty, capturing 400 prisoners and some military stores.

A historic incident connected with Big Shanty occurred in the Spring of 1862, and is known as the Andrews raid. Twenty-four men, detailed from Ohio regiments, under the leadership of James J. Andrews, dressed in citizens' clothes, worked their way through the Confederate lines, the object being to steal an engine and burn the bridges on the Western & Atlantic railroad in order to destroy communication with Chattanooga so that Buell could capture that city.

They reached Marietta in small groups and there boarded the north-bound mail train early in the morning. When it stopped for breakfast at Big Shanty they detached the engine and three empty box cars from the rest of the train and pulled out before anyone suspected what was going on. Pursuit was at once commenced and after an exciting chase all of them were captured. Andrews and seven others were executed as spies, a few escaped and the rest were exchanged. The "General" the engine stolen on that occasion, has been carefully preserved in the Union Station at Chattanooga, where it is viewed by hundreds of people every year. It is at present on exhibition at Century of Progress Exposition, Chicago.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

Here's some dope on "Big Shanty."

"The proximity to the northern part of the State (Georgia) of the Federal forces in the spring of 1862 led to the celebrated raid of James J. Andrews, whose purpose was to break up railroad communication south of Chattanooga, so that Buell might the more readily capture that important point. Andrews and nineteen of his men, at an appointed time, were in Marietta, Ga., and, buying tickets to various points as regular passengers, boarded the northward-bound mail train. At Big Shanty, now called Kennesaw, while the train stopped for breakfast, Andrews and his men uncoupled a section of the train consisting of three box cars with the engine (called "The General") which they at once manned with two experienced engineers, who set this fraction of the train in rapid motion before the sentinels standing near suspected the movement. Wm. A. Fuller, conductor of the train, and Anthony Murphy, foreman of the Atlanta

machine shops, who happened to be on the train, comprehending what had happened, ran on foot until they found a hand car, with which they pushed on until they found an engine ("The Texas") and then pressed Andrews and his party so closely that they abandoned "The General" and took to the woods. They were all captured within a few days and Andrews, with seven of his men who had gone into the expedition with full knowledge of its character, were convicted and executed as spies. Some of the others finally escaped and some were exchanged."

The above from Vol. II "The South in the Building of the Nation," pages 187-188. Andrews' raid took place, I believe, in the spring of '62, and as I recall, one of the engines is still on exhibition in Atlanta. So you see "Big Shanty" is now Kennesaw, Georgia, though I am not certain when the names was changed. Kennesaw is a few miles north of Marietta, Ga.

THE TREASURE HOUSE.

MY DEAR SIR:

"WHERE IS BIG SHANTY?"

To a collector of Confederate covers, one from Big Shanty would have a peculiar fascination because of the stirring events that occurred in and around that historic place in the 60's.

Big Shanty is now known as Kennesaw, Ga., located on the W. & A. Railroad seven miles north of Marietta, near Kennesaw mountain, the scene of much bloody fighting in the War Between the States.

It was at Big Shanty that the passenger train from Atlanta to Chattanooga had stopped for breakfast a certain morning and while the passengers and train crew were eating, a body of men, afterwards known as "Andrews Raiders," appeared and stole the locomotive of the passenger train and endeavored to reach Chattanooga with it, destroying the railroad track in places to prevent pursuit. The pursuit of these raiders by the engineer of the train and others, on another engine running backward, and their capture before reaching Chattanooga, makes one of the most thrilling chapters of the war.

The locomotive captured at Big Shanty, which bore the name of "The General," has for years stood in the railroad station at Chattanooga, and is now on exhibition at the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition.

JNO. L. HUDSON.

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr., 109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

My outbursts in the last number created no small come-back from more than one hundred readers. The vast majority fortunately agreed with me; otherwise we might have gone "short" on subscribers for this number. A few shot some well-aimed arguments at my opinions.

Among those who commented verbally is Nathaniel Horwitz, the well-known cover and book dealer of Richmond. Horwitz thinks as Brennecke regarding the future classification of covers, but goes further. "What we need in cover collecting," he says, "is a committee of responsible cover collectors to formulate a definite standard for the eventual cataloguing and listing of all cacheted covers—and we need such a committee immediately."

I agree thoroughly with Mr. Horwitz and this column is open for further suggestions, arguments and discussions.

J. T. F. Allen writes in a similar manner and commends my stand against the Kollektor of Kampchatka issuing a cachet for the Battle of the Wilderness in Virginia. He also opposes the issuing of private cachets which are promoted overnight. He believes that every noteworthy cachet should have at least ten days of advance publicity and that no others should be catalogued.

This column and our Forum are open to discussions on all such points and we will welcome letters from readers pro and con.

I am always amused at a subscriber, after receiving 11 months' issues of this magazine, to write in and demand his dollar refunded because this column listed a single event that was too late to cover.

On July 17 American Airways will celebrate its Fifth Anniversary AM 27 from Bay City to Chicago. Covers to Martin Crowl, 204 Ottawa St., Bay City, Michigan.

A cachet will be applied to all covers about July 24 commemorating the famous Florida Over-Sea Key West Extension—the most Southern point in the U. S. Send covers to Arthur L. Marsh, P. O. Box 545, St. Augustine, Florida.

A memorial cachet will be applied to all envelopes in two colors for the late Capt. Emilio Carranza, Mexican good-will flyer by Mt. Holly, Post 11, N. J. Send covers to M. C. Rothblum, Beverly, N. J.

D. Laffal, 21-68 35th St., Long Island City, N. Y., will apply a cachet to all covers commemorating the 80th anniversary of the New York World's Fair on July 14, 1853.

In copying the news notices regarding the series of eight Richmond historical cachets several errors were made by contemporary publications and the daily press. One was that the first cachet was to be June 19 instead of the 10. Naturally, covers came in up to the 19 for our June 10 cachet. Another mistake in quoting the news stories was that the cachets were sponsored by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce instead of the *Virginia* State Chamber of Commerce. But errors will occur in the best of families and we are only grateful to those who assisted us in broadcasting the news.

The Longview, Wash., Chamber of Commerce writes that all covers which have been received since the fire of April 22, when quite a few covers were lost, will be cacheted at the proper time and mailed. Old *Ironsides* is expected at Longview August 16 to 21.

Collectors who are interested in securing autographs of pilots attending the Century of Progress should write to Lou W. Kreicker, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill., for complete information. Of course, mention THE NEW SOUTHERN.

D. W. Graveman, our special New York reporter for this column, sends a newspaper clipping in which Roger Q. Williams and two companions plan to attempt a round trip to Rome about July 24 and from 300 to 400 pounds of air mail covers may be carried. I do not know where Williams can be reached, but you may try your local newspaper information bureau of the A. P. for an address.

On August 4, the Chamber of Commerce and the St. Petersburg Stamp Club will sponsor a cachet commemorating the 143rd anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Coast Guard. Covers must be sent to Cachet Dept., Chamber of Commerce, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Several unusual covers will be issued for the Century of Progress by Lou W. Kreicker, 201 N. Wells St., Chicago, Ill. A postcard will bring you the list.

John J. Fitzgerald, 481 Ridgewood Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., and Paul Rodgers, 916 Ross Ave., Wilksburg, Pa., are compiling a check list of Century of Progress covers for the benefit of collectors. Collectors possessing these covers should drop one of these gentlemen a postcard giving the date, postmark, event, sponsor, and description of cachet, for future listing.

From August 24 to 26 a series of colored cachets will be applied to covers by Russell N. Worman, 978 N. 66th St., Philadelphia, Pa., for the State Convention of the American Legion.

Anything that Myron McCamley has something to do with on the West Coast is always 100%. Most of our readers can vouch for this statement. From August 2 to the 14 the Oregon Stamp Society will sponsor a series of very fine cachets on the visit of "Old Ironsides" to the city. Various colors of cachets will be used and from what I have seen they will add materially to any cover collection. Send covers ready to go, 3c. or airmail, to M. F. McCamley, 5526 N. Delaware Ave., Portland, Oregon.

On August 7, a cachet will be applied commemorating the 150th anniversary of the evacuation of New York by the British. Covers should be unsealed and sent to B. Arnold, 835 S. Oak Drive, New York City.

Hon. W. W. Howes, Second Assistant Postmaster General, sends us a special notice regarding the Return Flight of the Italian Air Cruise from the Century of Progress.

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Kenneth Tallmadge, from whom I was glad to hear after such a long absence, gives the following Airmail news:

July 17, Fifth Anniversary Lansing, Mich., first flight on CAM 27.

July 23, Lansing Air Circus.

July 14-16, Roscommon, Mich., dedication of airport.

Furthermore, Lansing, Mich., expects to be placed on AM 9 shortly.

Covers for all four of above events should be mailed, and properly marked, to Kenneth Tallmadge, 902 W. Saginaw St., Lansing, Michigan.

Co-operators, and many thanks to each: *****W. G. Crosby, W. W. Howe, M. F. McCamley, Joe Stoutzenberg, B. Arnold, Arthur I. Andrews, James A. Simiont, C. A. Phillips, K. C. Batchelder, Russell W. Worman, John J. Fitzgerald, H. E. Warner, ****D. W. Graveman, Charles E. Davis, Lou W. Kreicker, M. S. Petty, Don Dickason, Wayne Erwin, *Chas. H. Drake, *Theo. L. Graham, *A. P. Dorsey, *Cachet Committee Licking County Stamp Club, *S. M. Falconer, Jr., *D. C. Bartley, and several covers without names of senders.

Louis G. Fleutge, 1556 Thacker St., Des Plaines, Ill., will apply a private cachet on November 1 for the closing of the Century of Progress.

The Aiglon Stamp Club, Foot 5th Ave., Oakland, Calif., will hold covers for the dedication of Coast Guard Base 11 the latter part of July.

If J. F. Miskovsky, 4144 W. 21st St., will let me have his City and State ad-

dress I will forward him two covers which he sent in for the Richmond cachets and which were improperly addressed.


In regard to the above, several blank covers are usually returned by the P. O. No wonder some collectors never receive their covers.

July 26—Fernwood, N. Y.—A cachet to commemorate the establishment of the postal system in America. Send standard size envelopes, unstuffed, and unsealed for printed cachet, at once to Lewis A. Barnard, Fernwood, New York.

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Lost "Errors"

I often wonder how many "errors" never see the light of philatelic day. A slip in an overprint, quickly remedied, two or three specimens perhaps get through and into the hands of non-philatelists, and so another "error" is lost to our catalogues. And such things *do* occur, for I have seen them personally. There is the Natal error of 1895 in the "Half" on 1d. One stamp in the 4th row up only bore "Hal." A non-philatelist friend of the writer in Durban had bought several pounds worth of the provisional as a "spec," but I couldn't get him to part with the error, though it conveyed nothing to him. I met him again some years later. He hadn't been able to make on his spec. and the stamps had gradually been used up on his own business, error and all! Where is that error to-day? Is it forever lost, or is it buried in some forgotten collection to turn up in years to come and probably have its authenticity doubted?

In the Transvaal $\frac{1}{2}$ on 1/- of 1895, Gibbons refers to copies where the bars have failed to print, but I have seen a block of 10 with no trace of the bar on the whole of the top row. Unfortunately the envelope bearing them was an important "exhibit" in a law case, so I couldn't commandeer it! And in the 1d. on $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. of the same year I was shown where the overprint had been omitted from the left hand row entirely through shifting of the sheet in the press. This sheet was in the possession of a Dutch post office official.

But coming nearer home, there are some interesting errors in the Eastern Silesia plebiscite stamps, I refer to those overprinted on Czecho-Slovakian. Gibbons ignores them altogether. The 6 and 30 heller newspaper exist minus the date, while the 5, 10, 40 and 50h. postage due exist with inverted S. The writer actually purchased these over the counter at the post office in Teschen, Silesia. Some of the Continental catalogues include these. But there was another error I bought in similar manner, which is not listed, and that was the 5h. express, minus the "S".

Possibly other collectors have had similar experiences, if so, they would make interesting reading.—"Cynical" in *Stamp Collecting*, London.



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New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issue of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Canada.—A new Special Delivery stamp has been issued in the same design as the current issue, but instead of the words "Twenty Cents" in the lower tablet "Cents" has been substituted, and the value as before expressed in numerals in the left and right lower corners.

Greece.—A special set of stamps was issued for mail to be carried on the Zeppelin flight which started on May 29th. There are three values, 30, 100 and 120 drachmae, all three stamps are of the same design and show a Zeppelin in flight over the Acropolis. The stamps were withdrawn from sale immediately the flight commenced.

Hungary.—A special set of stamps to be issued in August next, in connection with the International Jamboree, which is to be held in Hungary. The denominations will be: 10, 16, 20, 32 and 40 filler.

Iceland.—A set of four Charity stamps has been issued, 10 plus 10 aur, 20 plus 20 aur, 35 plus 25 aur and 50 plus 25 aur. The 10 aur printed in reddish-brown, shows a shipwreck, with the breeches buoy in operation with the shore; the 20 aur scarlet, shows two children apparently gardening; the 35 aur is the same type as the 10 aur, but printed in blue; the 50 aur green shows an aged man standing on the seashore bare-headed, watching the setting sun.

Italian Colonies.—All the new Zeppelin stamps referred to last month have now appeared, in fact they are now obsolete, the flight having commenced on May 29th.

Monaco.—We have received a new value in the current pictorial set, 1 franc red-brown, the design being the same as that of the 30 centimes.

Newfoundland.—We are officially informed that the new Air Mail stamps were issued on May 31st, the following being a full description of them: 5 cents brown, aeroplane with landing wheel gear disturbing a flock of partridge; 10c. orange, trouting scene; 30c. turquoise, scene at the icefields; 60c. green, fishing scene on the Grand Banks, with seaplane taxing up to stationary banker; 75c. old gold, gold mining scene, with three aeroplanes in flight. The stamps are of large size, the same as the recently issued 15c. Air Mail stamp.

Papua.—We are officially informed that it is anticipated the remainders of the Lakatoi issue will be destroyed.

Philippines.—We have seen a set of ten stamps used on entire envelopes to commemorate the flight by Captain Loring, the Spanish airman, from Spain to Manila. These special stamps are overprinted on the current issue portrait type. The overprint shows the propeller of an aeroplane in motion and the inscription "F. Kell Madrid—Manila Flight 1933."

Portugal.—The last issue of the Geographical Society's green and red stamp has been overprinted "C.I.C.I. 1933" for the special use of the Members of the International Congress of the Colonial Institute. We are informed that only 4,000 stamps have received this overprint.

Saar.—A set of three Charity stamps is to appear on June 1st, in aid of the victims of the recent disastrous explosion at Neunkirchen, the values being: 60c. plus 60c., 3fr. plus 3fr. and 5fr. plus 5fr. Details of the colors and designs have not yet been received.

St. Lucia.—The crude looking Postage Due stamps issued in 1931 are now obsolete and have been superseded by new ones, 1d. and 2d., both printed in black and the same design as the Fiji Postage Due stamps. The locally produced stamps were never on sale to the general public, so that they are likely to be rather scarce.

South Africa.—A set of three stamps was issued on May 1st, to commemorate the Centenary of the Great Trek. The actual commemoration will be held in 1938, and in the meantime there will be issued annually a set of three Voortrekker Memorial Fund stamps. The denominations will be 1d. plus ½d., 2d. plus 1d., 3d. plus 1½d., the surtax being devoted to the funds for the erection of a suitable monument. The 1d. stamp will show a Voortrekker, the 2d., a Voortrekker's daughter, and the 3d., a trek-waggon. The design of each stamp will be changed annually, so that during the five years we shall have a set of fifteen of these commemorative-charity stamps. That there are only three low denominations in the set is surely something to be thankful for, even though they have to be bought in pairs showing the English and Afrikaans inscriptions.

South West Africa.—We are officially informed that the stock of the 10d. Air Mail stamps is exhausted at the Post Office and no more of this denomination will be printed.

Yugo-Slavia.—We are informed that for the session of the Pen-Clubs Congress, which was held at Dubrovnik on the 25th, 26th and 27th of May, a special set of stamps was issued, the values being: 50 plus 25 paras, 75 plus 25 paras, 1 dinar 50 paras plus 50 paras, 3 plus 1 dinar, 4 plus 1 dinar and 5 plus 1 dinar. 30,000 sets were printed and the stamps will be valid for postage until July 31st. These stamps are similar to those now in use, but printed in different colors and bearing the inscription "XI. Int. kongres Pen-klubova u Dubrovniku 1933." The additional charge on the stamps is for the benefit of the local Pen-Clubs Society at Dubrovnik.



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South American Airmail News

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

A Brazilian correspondent informed me on 5th inst. that the postal authorities would issue a new airmail stamp of the value of Rs. 3.500 and that it would probably appear in time for the first return flight of the Zeppelin to Europe this year.

Jean Mermoz of the Cie Gle Aero-postale since his arrival in the Arc-en-Ciel at Natal (Brazil) last January has been waiting for a favorable opportunity to make the return trip. As conditions were good he started with a crew of five and successfully landed at Dakar (Senegal) after a flight of 17 hours 10 minutes over the South Atlantic.

Jean Mermoz the Aeropostale pilot arrived at Le Bourget yesterday in the Arc-en-Ciel thus completing the round trip to South America. He intends to make another flight in the near future but on this occasion he will not utilize the same machine but another plane of gigantic proportions which is at present in the hands of Assolant; another well-known mail pilot who is conditioning it.

Captain Maillout who accompanied Mermoz on this last flight will act as navigating officer. It is also announced that again in November Mermoz will pilot the Arc-en-Ciel to South America.

From that date the *all-air* service with South America will probably be monthly.

In aeronautic circles it is expected that within a year three planes of the Arc-en-Ciel type will be ready to effect a regular service between the two continents.

The Argentine Chamber of Deputies has approved a reduction in the postal tariff for printed matter. A year or so ago the rate was doubled with the consequence that there has been a serious falling off in the postal receipts. Apart from this the former cheap rate kept printing presses, postal employes and workmen busy but the higher tariff has caused much unemployment in the printing trade and created dismissals amongst the postal clerks. It is strange that such a trifling

matter should have this effect and the postal authorities admit that a mistake has been made.

The new tariff is to be 3 centavos for every 100 grams or fraction. Scientific publications, reviews, bulletins, scholastic circulars, agricultural experimental stations, cultural institutions and similar entities will pay the minimum tariff of $\frac{1}{2}$ centavo for every 65 grams or fraction.

Today the Director of Civil Aviation left in a Panair plane for Miami. This functionary has been commissioned by the Argentine government to study the North American Airways, the organization of aero clubs, aerial tourist agencies, etc. for which purpose he will visit numerous centers. In addition he will attend the aviation meeting which will be held at the Chicago Exhibition which was inaugurated today.

With the object of complying with the strict neutrality of Argentina in the war between Paraguay and Bolivia the Civil Aviation authorities have sent to all civil pilots a circular reminding them of Art. 4 regulating flights out of the country. Said article enjoins that no foreign civil airplane belonging to private persons, sporting institutions and others or commercial companies, piloted by or manned exclusively by persons not belonging to any foreign State may land, descend on territorial waters, or fly over the national territory or jurisdictional waters without the express permission of the Executive Power. In case this is granted the stipulations must be complied with and their crews must have their papers in order.

The North American aviator, Louis Adels, has just arrived here en route for Paraguay where he is under contract to act as instructor in military aviation.

The Brazilian Minister of France announces that the government will grant a subsidy of 12,000 contos to the Zeppelin Company to assist them to build a base near Rio for dirigibles. In addition material for the construction of the hangar

will be allowed free entry. I believe the idea is to keep the Zeppelin there during the European winter.

On the next trip of the Zeppelin to Brazil, scheduled for 3rd inst. the German aviator Herman Koehl will travel as a passenger as far as Rio. After a short stay he will return to Germany to prepare for a trans-Atlantic flight which he has projected for 1934 in charge of an aerial squadron.

In connection with the third flight of the Airship the Condor Syndikat advise me that the new Brazilian \$3,500 air stamp will probably be available for use. Also that they are endeavoring to obtain authorization to issue special Zeppelin stamps which it is hoped will be available for the July trip.

ARGENTINE RAILWAY LAW

The claims of the Buenos Aires Central Railway in respect of payment for the carriage of parcel post and other correspondence will be settled by the Government according to a decree issued yesterday.

The rural Railway as it was then known was declared included under the Railway Law (No. 2873) of December 1897, and that law established that all railway companies were obliged to carry free of charge and in special carriages, the postal bags handed over by the postal department.

Nevertheless, the Supreme Court had not as yet given any decision with regard to that obligation, and the Government had recognized the claims of certain companies for a reduced freight for correspondence carried prior to 1929, and from that date onward special contracts were signed.

In view of these precedents and with a reservation to the effect that a refund would be demanded if the Supreme Court or Congress gave a contrary interpretation to the Railway Law and others relating to the matter, the Government undertook to settle the claims put forward and authorized the General Post Office to draw up an agreement with the Company.

U. S. AIR METHODS TO BE STUDIED BY ARGENTINA

The organization of civil aeronautics in the North American countries will be studied by the Director General of Aeronautics in a forthcoming visit to those nations.

Authorization for the voyage has been granted by the Ministry of the Interior the expenses of which will be borne by the Director General.

An airplane belonging to the Chilian National Airway (Linea Aerea Nacional) was totally destroyed on 24th inst. The accident was due to a dense fog near the foothills of the Andes. Owing to the forced landing the propeller became detached and the machine caught fire. The passengers and mails were saved.



Woman's Story of a Famous Find

THE KING'S BLUE MAURITIUS

An interesting story has been related to a *Daily Mail* reporter by Miss D. Thomas of Llandudno, who claims that she was instrumental in bringing to light the 2d. blue Mauritius which was sold at Messrs. Puttick and Simpson's in 1904 for £1,450, and is now in the Royal Collection.

We quote the story as given in the newspaper of March 21st:

"Thirty years ago," she said to a *Daily Mail* reporter yesterday, "I was staying with a friend in Kensington whose husband collected stamps. One day he showed me an old album. I thought some of the stamps were of real value, and obtained permission to show the album to a dealer.

"After keeping the album for two days, the dealer offered '£10 for a choice of a few stamps—not more than a dozen.' He was so interested that I was convinced there was something very valuable in the book, and insisted on having it returned."

Miss Thomas described how the dealer followed her to her friend's house in Kensington and tried in vain to buy the album.

"After the dealer had gone," continued Miss Thomas, "we examined the book again.

"It opened of its own accord at the place where the Blue Mauritius was. That gave us a clue, for it was clear that the book had been repeatedly opened at that place.

"We realized that we had found a treasure. My friend at once decided to sell it by auction. The sale took place at rooms in Leicester Square, and the bidder who eventually secured the stamp for the King's collection met with very strong competition from a German collector."—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*.

Forum

Red Hot Shots From Every Corner of Stampdom.

THE NEW SOUTHERN welcomes comments and opinions and as many as possible will be published each month on this page. These letters do not necessarily represent the policy of this magazine. They are simply published for their brevity and breeziness.

Ashley, Pa.

DEAR SIR: A friend of mine gets THE NEW SOUTHERN and we both go through it always—it's a dandy magazine. I read the article (May issue) about those cachet robbers. I think when one sends his own self-addressed and stamped envelope, and a commemorative stamp on the outer cover, he is doing his share to make cachet collecting a fine hobby. I have sent out covers stamped and addressed and still they charged 5c. to 25c. extra for one cover. I didn't know the difference then, but I do now.

I think it is highway robbery. Hereafter, I'll watch for just the right kind of cachets. Talking about different cachets in different States—you mentioned one (May issue) about Aaron Burr. I got it from New York, but it was an awful cover. I'm glad there is at least one magazine which is not afraid to give those guys a roasting and a write-up. I'm enclosing a few of these money-making cachet notices, and hope they give you more food for your column. —S. S. B.

Them's our sentiments, too. And we ain't done with 'em yet.—ED.

Buffalo, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: If you keep roasting 'em like you did in the May issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN you will pretty soon have the country safe for Philately and beer. I like the way your magazine is edited. I like your freedom of thought. In fact, I like THE NEW SOUTHERN so well I have quit buying many larger magazines and swear by it. Keep up the good work.

—W. W.

We swear "at it" sometimes. Your letter is an encouragement.—ED.

Los Angeles, Calif.

DEAR SIR: If all the stamp magazines showed the "guts" like THE NEW SOUTHERN displays in nearly every issue, and particularly in the May issue when your air mail editor "panned" the cachet racketeers, this philatelic world would be a better place to live in.

—C. H.

Thanks, old fellah. We write as we feel.—ED.

New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: If your darnded old magazine would only come out on time every month, you would have a million subscribers. What the devil is the matter down there in Richmond?

—M. C. J.

Darnded if we know. It just don't seem possible—but wait!—ED.

Detroit, Mich.

DEAR SIR: If your publication ever arrived at my address on time I would renew for 10 years. Isn't it possible for you to get one number out before the end of the month? I ask you.

—J. A.

Our office force has grown from one to three in answering just this one question. But, kind reader, we are surely going to surprise you shortly by demanding that ten-year sub.—ED.

Lansing, Mich.

DEAR SIR: * * * Quite agree with your contentions regarding the various "racketeer" type of cachets now appearing. There's a chap in Downers Grove, Ill. who seems bent on commemorating all Civil War events that occurred in every State *but his own* * * *.

—K. T.

There is much more to this interesting letter, but space does not permit printing in its entirety. It surely coincides with our ideas.—ED.

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Ye Old^e Main Post Road.

BY L. M. RELLIM

With the grant of the Neale's Patent in 1692 an attempt was made to establish an inter-colonial post in America, and no greater development was effected with the purchase of the patent and the passage by Parliament of the Act of 1711 in order to organize the Royal Post. But a real impetus was given when Alexander Spotswood became Postmaster General in 1730 and when he appointed Benjamin Franklin as deputy postmaster for Philadelphia in 1737. From that time until the Revolution Franklin was closely associated with the Post Office and was responsible for its improvement and the establishment of post roads.

William Douglas, writing in 1749, reported the length of post roads, as follows:

	miles	
Eastern Div. of Massachusetts Bay	143	
New Hampshire	20	
Western Div. of Massachusetts Bay	89	
Rhode Island	58	
Connecticut	126	
New York	57	
New Jersey	54	
Pennsylvania	78	
Maryland	144	
Virginia	215	
North Carolina	247	
South Carolina	310	1,541

The main post road in time became an important factor in inter-colonial travel and communication, and at the outbreak of the War for Independence, it was the backbone of the Constitutional Post, established by William Goddard, printer of Baltimore's first newspaper, and which post was the precursor of our present system. The courses of that road, over which the mail was carried long before the railroads took up the burden, interested the writer who only had a general idea of the large towns that it connected.

Such information has recently come to his attention in a perusal of the files of the *Niles Weekly Register*, an important chronicle of the events during the early decades of the last century. Published in Baltimore, it contained—to use the words of the editor—"political, historical, geographical, scientific, astronomical, statis-

tical and biographical *Documents, Essays, and Facts*; together with a record of the events of the times." A valuable source material for students of that formative period of our history. Preceded by the correspondence between Gouverneur Morris and Robert Fulton pertaining to the building of the Erie Canal, and followed by minutes of the council of war of Gen. Wilkinson and his staff, is tucked this detailed survey of the main post road, which is herewith copied.

The first column gives the distance to the next point, the second the total distance of either the northern or southern route from the beginning, and the last two sets of columnar figures give the north latitude and the longitude east and west from the general post office at Washington. Such data is important as many of the points mentioned cannot be located at the present, and the writer solicits the cooperation of the philatelists who can thus establish and chart on maps the present towns through which the old post road passed. Omissions have been filled by the writer where ink was not clear, but the total figure in the original for Watertown M. H. should be corrected to 455.46 miles.

Niles Weekly Register—

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 1814.

POST ROADS.

Result of the Survey of the main post road, from Robbinstown, in Maine, to St. Mary's in Georgia. Made between June, 1812, and January, 1813.

NORTHERN ROUTE.

Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist	Lat. N.	Long. E
			d. m. s.	d. m. s.
Washington city,				
Gen. P. O.			38 53 25	
The capitol	82	82	38 55 00	47
MARYLAND.				
Bladensburg,	5 27	6 09	38 56 08	4 40
Union Tavern	8 26	14 35	39 02 12	7 18
Vansville, P. O.				

Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist	Lat. N.	Long. E	Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist	Lat. N.	Long. E
			<i>d. m. s.</i>	<i>d. m. s.</i>				<i>d. m. s.</i>	<i>d. m. s.</i>
MARYLAND—Cont.					MASSACHUSETTS				
Baltimore, M. H.	25 15	39 50	39 17 09	24 14	Patucket bridge P.O.	3 77	422 76	41 53 15	5 37 42
Joppa, crossrds P. O.	18 68	58 18	39 25 51	39 01	Attleborough P. O.	8 61	431 37	42 00 15	5 40 57
Harford P. O.	6 16	64 34	39 28 18	44 46	Foxboro' P. O.	6 17	437 54	42 05 14	5 43 39
Havre de Grace, epis. church	11 28	75 6	39 32 44	55 00	Dedham pres. M.H.	13 34	450 88	42 15 38	5 50 18
North East P. O.	10 46	86 08	39 36 09	1 03 07	Boston old state house	9 94	460 82	42 22 10	5 57 56
Elkton C. H.	6 22	92 30	39 36 27	1 10 0	CONNECTICUT				
DELAWARE					MASSACHUSETTS				
Christiana crosskeys	10 13	102 43	39 40 05	1 20 21	New Haven C. H.		306 35	41 17 54	4 05 23
Newport, Zena Wells	5 50	107 93	39 42 40	1 23 56	Meriden M. H.	17 19	323 54	41 31 44	4 13 39
Wilmington townhall	4 00	111 93	39 44 21	1 27 31	Berlin M. H.	6 82	330 36	41 37 18	4 16 37
Naaman's creek P.O.	7 62	119 55	39 48 26	1 34 02	Hartford C. H.	10 56	340 92	41 46 02	4 20 56
PENNSYLVANIA					MASSACHUSETTS				
Chester C. H.	5 06	124 61	39 50 43	1 38 37	Windsor M. H.	6 95	347 87	41 51 33	4 23 00
Darbyvillage	7 52	132 13	39 55 07	1 44 28	Suffield M. H.	10 19	358 06	41 59 5	4 22 15
Philadelphia, center of Second and Market sts.	7 27	139 40	30 57 01	1 51 29	MASSACHUSETTS				
Frankfort M. H.	4 65	144 05	40 00 38	1 54 49	Springfield M. H.	11 62	369 08	42 06 27	4 26 05
Holmesburg P. O.	4 95	149 00	40 02 27	1 58 27	Palmer M. H.	16 36	385 44	42 11 23	4 42 39
Bristol village	10 40	159 40	40 05 33	2 08 48	Western M. H.	7 51	392 95	42 13 14	4 49 51
Morrisville P. O.	9 58	168 98	40 12 31	2 14 03	Brookfield M. H.	6 15	399 10	42 13 1	4 54 51
NEW JERSEY					MASSACHUSETTS				
Trenton-M. H. market-house	1 10	170 08	40 13 09	2 14 30	Spencer M. H.	7 02	406 12	42 15 02	5 01 29
Princeton college	10 83	180 91	40 20 52	2 20 55	Leicester M. H.	4 75	410 87	42 15 01	5 06 26
New Brunswick vil.	15 79	196 70	40 29 35	2 34 07	Worcester C. H.	6 86	417 73	42 16 36	5 13 01
Bridgetown, road forks nr brdge	11 98	208 68	40 36 07	2 44 26	Shrewsburg M. H.	5 58	423 31	42 18 34	5 18 09
Elizabethtown C. H.	4 91	213 59	40 39 15	2 48 06	Northboro' P. O.	4 61	427 92	42 19 37	5 22 3
Newark C. H.	6 35	219 92	40 44 11	2 51 16	Marlboro' M. H.	6 02	433 94	42 21 33	5 28 27
Jersey city, nr the ferry	9 14	229 06	40 43 01	2 59 44	Sudbury M. H.	11 25	445 19	42 22 31	5 39 41
NEW YORK					MASSACHUSETTS				
New-York city, St. Paul's	1 44	230 50	40 42 43	3 01 13	Weston M. H.	3 49	448 68	42 22 51	5 43 28
Harlem, Sign of the Line	7 66	238 16	40 48 0	3 05 35	Watertown M. H.	6 78	445 46	42 22 50	5 50 55
West Farms P. O.	4 01	242 17	40 50 18	3 08 46	Cambridge College	3 19	458 65	42 23 13	5 54 20
New Rochelle P. O.	7 18	249 35	40 54 17	3 14 34	Boston old C. H.	3 41	462 06	42 22 10	5 57 56
Rye P. O.	7 71	257 06	40 58 38	3 20 44	Charlestown M. H.	1 11	463 17	42 23 01	5 57 50
CONNECTICUT					MASSACHUSETTS				
Greenwich M. H.	5 03	262 09	41 01 55	3 24 31	Lynn hotel	7 94	471 11	42 28 16	6 03 34
Stamford pres. M. H.	4 90	266 99	41 03 00	3 29 27	Essex and Summer streets.				
Norwalk M. H.	9 00	275 99	41 06 47	3 37 28	Beverly M. H.	5 32	476 43	42 31 45	6 07 32
Saugatuck P. O.	3 06	279 05	41 08 27	3 40 22	Wenham, M. H.	2 55	478 98	42 33 23	6 08 34
Fairfield pres. M. H.	5 54	284 59	41 08 14	3 46 21	Hamilton M. H.	4 46	483 44	42 36 47	6 08 13
Bridgeport epis. church	3 96	288 55	41 10 14	3 49 51	Ipswich M. H. nr the C. H.	2 28	485 72	42 37 47	6 10 20
Stafford presbyterian M. H.	4 22	292 77	41 11 15	3 53 34	Rowley M. H.	4 52	490 24	42 41 27	6 11 38
Milford M. H.	3 75	296 52	41 13 07	3 58 07	Newburyport C. H.	4 03	494 27	42 43 45	6 09 01
New Haven C. H.	9 83	306 35	41 17 56	4 05 23	Salisbury village	6 86	501 13	42 49 03	6 09 34
Brantford M. H.	7 27	313 62	41 16 5	4 12 20	NEW-HAMPSHIRE				
Guilford M. H.	8 29	321 91	41 17 11	4 19 58	Hampton M. H.	8 62	513 30	42 56 42	6 12 07
Killingworth M. H.	9 22	331 13	41 17 06	4 29 31	Greeland M. H.	7 57	520 87	43 02 38	6 17 57
Saybrook M. H.	8 85	339 98	41 17 43	4 38 22	Portsmouth M. H.	5 45	526 32	43 05 04	6 16 27
Lyme P. O.	3 72	343 70	41 19 22	4 41 01	DIST. OF MAINE				
River Head P. O.	9 07	352 77	41 22 32	4 48 14	Kitty M. H.	3 69	530 01	43 07 39	6 17 39
New London, St. James' church	7 34	360 11	41 21 55	4 55 05	York C. H.	5 37	535 38	43 09 02	6 22 44
Chelsea epis. church	13 12	373 23	41 31 59	4 55 54	Wells M. H.	12 84	548 22	43 18 25	6 26 50
Jewetts city P. O.	8 18	381 41	41 36 49	5 01 28	Kenebunk M. H.	6 52	554 74	43 23 26	6 29 43
Plainfield M. H.	7 03	388 44	41 41 38	5 05 37	Saco M. H.	10 08	564 82	43 30 14	6 35 13
Sterling M. H.	4 03	392 47	41 42 00	5 09 44	Scarborough M. H.	5 46	570 28	43 34 14	6 38 21
RHODE-ISLAND					MASSACHUSETTS				
Providence C. H.	26 52	418 99	41 50 23	5 36 00	Portland C. H.	9 83	580 11	43 39 40	6 46 22
					North Yarmough village	12 03	592 14	43 47 58	6 51 02
					Freeport, corner Brunswick M. H.	8 94	607 42	43 54 49	7 04 32
					Bath north M. H.	7 32	614 74	43 54 57	7 1 55
					Woolwich M. H.	5 65	620 39	43 56 14	7 15 20
					Wiscassetch	8 86	629 25	43 00 16	7 22 12
					Alna village	4 75	634 00	44 03 03	7 25 36
					Newcastle P. O.	6 00	640 00	44 03 07	7 30 01
					Waldoboro' P. O.	12 16	652 16	44 05 37	7 39 50
					Warren C. H.	7 72	659 88	44 07 05	7 48 02
					Thomastown P. O.	5 63	665 51	44 04 50	7 51 29
					Camden M. H.	10 47	675 98	44 12 09	7 58 05
					Canaan, north school house	6 90	682 88	44 17 08	8 01 40
					Lincolnvill P. O.	69	683 57	44 17 49	8 02 10

Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist.	Lat. N.	Long. E
			<i>d. m. s.</i>	<i>d. m. s.</i>
N. HAMPSH.—Cont.				
Northport school hse.	4 76	688 33	44 20 46	8 05 01
Belfast P. O.	6 59	694 92	44 25 30	8 02 52
Prospect landing	5 91	700 83	44 27 25	8 07 53
Buckstown P. O.	12 17	713 00	44 34 16	8 14 51
Bluehills P. O.	17 38	730 38	44 24 38	8 28 51
Surry, Esq. Jarvis'	8 08	738 46	44 29 38	8 34 27
Ellsworth P. O.	6 19	744 65	44 32 22	8 38 57
Trenton P. O.	6 08	750 73	44 32 12	8 45 00
Sullivan M. H.	6 57	757 30	44 31 16	8 51 40
Goldsboro' P. O.	6 97	764 27	44 28 25	8 58 29
Steuben P. O.	8 91	773 18	44 30 38	9 06 52
Columbia P. O.	20 42	793 60	44 38 53	9 20 48
Jonesboro' or Shand-				
lersville brdge	9 15	802 75	44 39 18	9 30 05
Machias bridge	9 07	811 82	44 42 30	9 37 10
East falls of				
Machias M. H.	6 34	818 16	44 43 44	9 41 00
Dennysville, Judge				
Lincoln's	22 98	841 14	44 54 03	9 51 35
To the ferry of				
Eastport	13 73	854 87		
Eastport P. O.	4 55	859 42	44 54 03	10 06 14
From Eastport ferry				
to Robbinstown				
P. O.	13 26	868 13	45 04 57	9 59 09

SOUTHERN ROUTE

Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist.	Lat. N.	Long. W
			<i>d. m. s.</i>	<i>d. m. s.</i>
Wash. Gen. P. O.			38 53 25	
Alexandria M. H.	6 88	6 88	38 47 59	1 39
VIRGINIA				
Pohike church	11 33	18 21	38 41 51	10 24
Occoquan	5 25	23 46	38 40 10	14 27
Neabsco hotel	6 16	29 62	38 35 49	16 17
Dumfries	3 50	33 12	38 33 13	18 12
Acquia centre				
village	9 22	42 34	38 27 23	22 30
Stafford C. H.	4 55	46 89	38 24 20	24 04
Falmouth	9 04	55 93	38 18 13	28 03
Fredericksbg. M. H.	1 55	57 48	38 16 59	27 31
Villeboro'	13 56	71 04	38 06 23	24 05
Bowling Green	8 54	79 58	38 00 48	21 56
White Chimnies	13 83	93 41	37 50 31	23 35
Hanover C. H.	9 67	103 08	37 42 47	24 20
Richmond, opposite				
front of capitol	20 04	123 12	37 29 06	29 25
Manchester tobacco				
W. H.	1 39	124 51	37 28 05	29 48
Petersburg	22 46	146 97	37 10 04	29 10
Billups	9 01	155 98	37 02 44	31 13
Harrisville	23 54	179 52	36 50 12	47 40
Percivalle's	11 20	190 72	36 43 13	54 53
Gholson's	9 61	200 33	36 37 06	39 51
Boundary line be-				
tween Virginia				
and N. Carolina	13 79	214 12	36 30 03	1 08 24
N. CAROLINA				
Warrenton	16 76	230 88	36 21 49	1 15 28
Lewisburg	24 91	255 79	36 03 51	1 26 04
Adcocks	15 50	271 29	35 53 47	1 36 43
Raleigh centre mkt.	16 27	287 56	35 47 26	1 46 10
Banks	10 41	297 97	35 38 34	1 48 14
Averysboro'	24 49	322 46	35 18 20	1 52 37
Fayetteville	25 62	348 08	35 02 33	2 04 23

Name of places.	Dist.	Amt. dist.	Lat. N.	Long. W
			<i>d. m. s.</i>	<i>d. m. s.</i>
No. CAROL.—Cont.				
Counsels	15 23	363 31	34 50 29	2 10 13
Lumberton C. H.	17 53	380 84	34 36 25	2 11 49
Rowlands	13 80	396 64	34 26 17	2 17 46
Boundary line bet.				
N. & S. Carolina	6 70	401 34	34 20 48	2 19 33
Barfields, Newsum's				
storehouse	11 19	412 53	34 11 44	2 21 20
Stage house	13 81	426 34	34 02 44	2 29 56
Pee Dee, Snows				
ferry west side	14 51	440 85	33 52 17	2 34 36
Lynch's cr., John-				
son's ferry s. side	4 58	445 43	33 49 54	2 37 21
China Grove	15 49	460 92	33 37 15	2 34 37
Black riv., w. bank	7 46	468 38	33 31 59	2 33 54
Georgetown P. O.	14 01	482 39	33 21 58	2 27 34
S. Santee riv. e. bk.	15 79	498 18	33 12 00	2 35 22
Tidwin, Cotton's	10 27	508 45	33 05 22	2 41 22
Wapetaw church	17 35	525 80	32 55 69	2 53 07
Greenwich, Had-				
drell's pt. ferry hse	14 73	540 53	32 47 25	3 02 53
Charleston, St.				
Michael's church	3 72	544 25	32 46 29	3 06 07
Green's tavern	13 54	557 79	32 47 37	3 18 41
Hick's tavern	10 14	567 93	32 45 53	3 28 01
Jacksonboro' C. H.	9 55	577 48	32 46 05	3 37 05
Pompon P. O.	3 51	580 99	32 47 51	3 40 00
Pollack's stages put				
up all night	6 84	587 83	32 49 00	3 45 58
Thompson's tavern	4 81	592 64	32 46 20	3 49 15
Saltketcher church	8 72	601 36	32 43 20	3 57 04
Pocotaligo	6 66	608 02	32 38 25	4 00 25
Coosawhatchie C. H.	6 14	614 16	32 25 29	4 04 57
Euchaw Rd, Fitch's				
house	3 66	617 82	32 32 44	4 03 56
Savannah R. Beck's				
ferry west bank	19 82	637 64	32 20 54	4 16 57
Savannah C. H.	24 32	661 96	32 04 53	4 14 51
A NEW ROAD				
Euchaw. Fitch's		617 82		
Well's P. O.	14 74	634 56		
St. Luke's church	6 47	639 03		
GEORGIA				
Savannah	18 35	657 88	32 04 53	4 14 51
Ogechee riv. n. bank	14 59	672 47	31 58 57	4 26 31
Bryan C. H.	2 41	674 88	31 57 12	4 27 54
Medway church	12 59	687 47	31 48 03	4 34 52
Riceboro' C. H.	4 61	692 08	31 45 02	4 35 24
South Newport riv.,				
north side	8 93	701 01	31 39 02	4 32 40
M'Intoch C. H.	7 75	708 76	31 32 39	4 34 38
Darien	12 10	720 86	31 22 40	4 35 04
Mary's river	16 47	737 33	31 24 11	4 44 39
Widow Harris's	4 77	742 10	31 27 40	4 47 05
Buffaloe riv., middle	11 86	753 96	31 19 31	4 53 05
Little Satilla river				
north bank	10 52	764 48	31 11 00	4 56 59
Mozels	14 78	779 26	31 00 11	5 02 19
Jeffersonton	5 07	784 37	30 58 03	4 57 08
St. Mary's	24 13	808 46	30 43 33	4 41 44
Point Peter by this				
survey	3 00	811 46		4 39 34
Elliott			30 43 90	4 37 30

Mr. Elliott makes the longitude of Point Peter 81° 38' W. from Greenwich. The longitude of the General Post Office is called 77° or 'oo. Explanation.—P. O. for post office—M. H. for market house—C. H. for court house.

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M-1—Circle and seven line wave.

M-2—Circle and flag with thirteen stars.

M-3—Circle and flag with slogan or location in place of jack.

M-4—Circle and seven line cancel with box for station name, etc.

M-5—Circle and seven line cancel with station name, etc.

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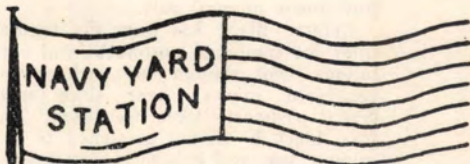
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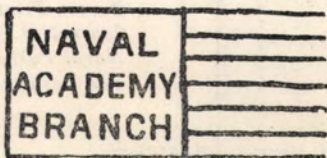
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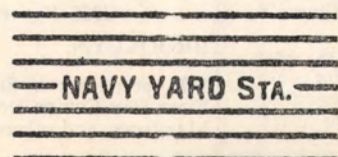
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M-4

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M-5

R. M. S. P. "ARAGUAYA"/POSTED ON THE HIGH SEAS.



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Colors: Black has been the regulation color for combined postmarks and cancellations (not though for such items as registered marks) ever since modern Naval postmarks have been used. Therefore, black is always presumed to be the color of use, and it is to be presumed that every item listed exists in black unless something is said to the contrary. Colored postmarks known to be used in the routine course of business are listed, abbreviated Blu., Red, Grn., Pur. No consideration is given to shades of these primary colors as there is so much overlapping in shades and no two persons have the same idea as to the correct name for some of these colors. However, where a bizarre, unusual shade exists, proper notation can be made, such as "Vivid Pink," "Emerald Grn," etc.

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many of the steel cancellations are noted under the heading *Slogan*. Dates of use of slogans are not given, except in unusual cases. This is for the reason that they are not a permanent part of the postmark and changes are made so frequently that it would be a hopeless task.

Remarks: Remarks of general interest are made under the column *Remarks*. For instance—"Whole design heavier, (lighter, smaller or larger) than Type"; "Circle badly distorted in 1927"; "At Sea in place of hour logos"; etc.

Scope of individual check-lists: Check-lists should always be arranged alphabetically and separate lists made for:

- (a) Check-list of ships' (floating vessels) postmarks; Ship names of the War time (U. S. Navy).
- (b) Check-list of ships' (floating vessels) registered postmarks.
- (c) Check-list of World War Censor marks.
- (d) Check-list of Cachets (official only).
- (e) Naval Shore Stations (in U. S. and abroad).

A person undertaking the compilation of a check-list should *always* see an item before recording it. This is the only way to do the thing properly, as I know from long experience. However, in cases where this is not possible, the use of an asterisk (*) indicates that the item has not been seen by the compiler. I cannot too strongly emphasize the need for care in preparing lists and the necessity in checking and re-checking one's work at every stage. Nothing should be recorded unless there is no question as to its identity.

Any comments, suggestions or criticisms will be appreciated by the author, Mr. Delf Norona, 1002 Fifth St., Moundsville, W. Va. Taken from *Naval Postmarks*.

Your editor has been using a printed check-list form with ample space for the following information:

Ship .....	.....
Established .....	.....
Discontinued .....	.....
Date .....	.....
Slogan .....	.....
Type	Variety
Remarks .....	.....
Purser or Mail Clerk .....	.....
Cover No.	Postmark Color
Backstamped .....	.....
Misc., Cachets, etc. ....	.....
Backstamped .....	.....

I find these printed forms very helpful in keeping a complete description of each cover.

An interesting cover at hand from Miss Vivian M. Green mailed from the *U. S. S. Seagull*, March 10, 1925. Type R-3 cancellation reading "Submarine Force (Div. 14) Pearl Harbor, T. H." The slogan "*U. S. S. Seagull*" appears between the bars. The *Seagull*, at that time, was evidently listed as the "R-18" as the return address designates it as such.

Miss Green also sends me, for examination, a cover mailed at the exact hour of the launching of the *San Francisco* at Mare Island Navy Yard. The cover in question bears a two line cachet applied in red, reading "*U. S. S. San Francisco* Launched March 9, 1933, Mare Island, Calif."

Dr. F. Whitney Davis sends me a publication from the *Indianapolis* titled "Heading South." This little paper was printed on board the *Indianapolis* at sea, en route to the Canal Zone. The four pages are crammed with articles about the ship's baseball team and raceboat crews.

I have had several requests for a list of *Old Ironsides* cachets and covers of the present West Coast cruise. I am sure that there are a few covers besides those listed below so if you have 'em your editor would appreciate a postal describing them. Address: Glen Allen, Va.

Note that only one date from each city is given, except where the cachet used was different.

December 7, 1932—at Washington "Commemorating West Coast Cruise."

December 15, 1932—at Guantanamo, Cuba "Old Ironsides" cachet.

December 19, 1932—at Boqueron, Cuba "Old Ironsides" cachet but no ship cancellation. Postmarked at Boqueron P. O.

January 1, 1933—at Balboa, C. Z. "Greetings Old Ironsides."

January 5, 1933—at Balboa, C. Z. "U. S. Frigate Constitution."

January 26, 1933—at San Diego "Welcome to the Pacific."

February 12, 1933—at San Diego "Old Ironsides" cachet.

February 17, 1933—at San Pedro "Welcome to Old Ironsides."

February 22, 1933—at San Pedro “Commemorating George Washington’s Birthday, February 22, 1732, San Pedro, California.”

March 4, 1933—at San Pedro “Commemorating the Inauguration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt.”

March 9, 1933—at San Pedro “United States Fleet Review.”

March 13, 1933—at Long Beach “Long Beach Welcomes U. S. Frigate Constitution.”

March 24, 1933—at San Francisco “Greetings to U. S. Frigate Constitution.”

March 24, 1933—at San Francisco “Greetings Old Ironsides.” At this time *Old Ironsides* made a one hour stop at Santa Barbara and the C. of C. applied cachet on reverse of covers “Santa Barbara Welcomes U. S. Frigate Constitution.” Ship’s cancellation has San Francisco location between bars.

April 12, 1933—at Oakland “Old Ironsides Visited Oakland.”

April 26, 1933—at Vallejo “Welcome U. S. Frigate Constitution.”

April 30, 1933—at Vallejo “In Honor of Our President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.” This special two color envelope was printed on board the repair ship *Medusa*. Design approved by Chaplain Peterson.

May 6, 1933—at Astoria “Welcome to the Northwest.”

May 16, 1933—at Grays Harbor “Her Most Western Port of Call.”

May 27, 1933—at Port Angeles “Port Angeles, Washington Welcomes You.”

May 31, 1933—at Seattle “Welcome to Seattle, Old Ironsides.”

June 7, 1933—at Seattle. Same cachet with “Seattle Welcomes the United States Scouting Fleet” on reverse.

June 14, 1933—at Seattle “Old Ironsides at Seattle, Wash. Flag Day.”

June 15, 1933—at Tacoma “Old Ironsides Visits Tacoma, Wash.”

This completes the list up to the time of going to press. Don’t forget to send in any additional data.

Bill Mersinger reports the *Rochester* as going out of commission April 29th. Covers bear slogans “Cavite, P. I.” and “Last Day” in type R-3 cancel, applied

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in red. Bill also reports covers from the *Argonne* with type R-4 cancels applied in black on the postage stamp and in the left hand corner in red. Slogan reads "Aleutian Survey Exp." Backstamped Unalaska, Alaska. Also type R-3 from the *Gamble* applied in blue with slogan "French Frigate Shoals Plane Guard."

Type R-3 from the *Breeze*, slogan "Pearl Harbor, Hawaii." Large cachet in colors "2nd Anniversary of Reconmissioning." Dated June 1st. in purple ink.

Another type R-4 from the *Mallard*: one with slogan "Hello Miami" in green—the other "Good Bye Miami" in red with cachet "Sub. Squad. No. 3 Visits Miami."

Brooks used "Flag Day San Diego" in blue, June 14th.

Medusa prepared a special printed envelope in blue and black for Flag Day with slogan "San Pedro, California."

Mr. Davis sends me a cover from the *Fox* applied in a bright red with slogan "Seattle, Wash." Dated June 14th.

Mr. McCamley sends an interesting cover from the French Cruiser *Jeanne D'Arc* with the ship's hexagonal shaped cancellation on U. S. postage. Six line mimeographed cachet in purple reads "Welcome to Portland, Oregon "Jeanne D'Arc" the First French Cruiser to Pay a Visit to the Pacific Coast, Portland First American Port, May 5, 1933."

Be sure and read Ceder's article on Japanese ship cancellations, "What is Maru?" in this issue.

For *Old Ironsides* covers—

Everett, Wash., July 7-14. Send to Chamber of Commerce.

Bellingham, Wash., July 14-20. Send to Paul P. Walls, Secretary Chamber of Commerce.

Anacortes, Wash., July 20-24. To C. P. Stapp, Chamber of Commerce.

Friday Harbor, Wash., July 24-26. To Mail Clerk, *U. S. F. Constitution*.

Port Townsend, Wash., July 26-31. To Chamber of Commerce.

Portland, Oregon. Aug. 2-4. Cachet by Oregon Stamp Society. Covers to M. F. McCamley, 3528 N. Delaware Ave.

Kalama, Wash., Aug. 14-16. To Mail Clerk, *U. S. F. Constitution*.

Longview, Wash., Aug. 16-21. To Chamber of Commerce or F. H. Ohlfs, 207 Crawford St., Kelso, Wash.

San Francisco, Calif., Aug. 23-Sept. 1. To J. D. Long, 3326 Fulton St.

Always send your covers a few days in advance of the arrival date to be sure to get first day cancellations.

Independence Day will bring forth many beautiful cachets and postmarks from the Navy. Try the *Brooks, Pennsylvania, Medusa, Maryland, Broome, Texas* and *Crowninshield* for luck.

The *Brooks*, now at San Diego, has been using several cachets in the past few weeks. Hardly a day goes by that Mail Clerk R. H. Jones does not use some interesting slogan in his cancellation stamp. Send him a few covers now.

C'mon customers! We want more news! As you have been informed of the future of THE NEW SOUTHERN, more and better news in the interest of collectors, let's join hands in making "Naval Cancellations" the most up-to-date and interesting column of its kind! Collectors awaken! Let's Go!

Acknowledging with thanks covers from: *****W. G. Crosby, ***F. Whitney Davis, **Vivian M. Green, *M. F. McCamley, *J. B. Merritt, **Aug. Dietz, Jr. News from Bill Mersinger, Vivian M. Green and C. Edward Ceder. Thanks again!



Arthur Hind's Will Disputed

The widow of Arthur Hind, the well known American collector, whose death was reported in *The Philatelic Magazine* on March 10th last, has brought a suit contesting the will.

Mr. Hind left his large estate including his famous stamp collection to relatives in England. Mrs. Hind has sued the executors (one of whom is Mr. C. J. Phillips, the well known dealer) demanding one-third of the entire estate, even though the will stipulated that she would lose everything if she contested it.—*Philatelic Magazine*.

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Another Crop of Fake Confederate Postmarks.

BY THE EDITOR

Constantly called upon to examine Confederate material, I am impressed by the periodical "discovery" of batches of covers with fake postmarks. The general appearance and the similarity of these cancellations lead me to believe that all have a common origin, although they come to me from Maine to Texas, and from the East to the West.

The covers are generally of the coarse paper hand-made variety and the addresses in most cases to some person with a military title. The stamps are invariably two-cent red-browns and twenty-cent greens—remainders—and worth but a small fraction unused compared to their value when used.

The latest crop—a collection of six covers, all with fake postmarks here illustrated—consisted of the following:



Cover with twenty-cent green, postmarked "Richmond, Va" and addressed to Capt. J. A. R. Hanks, A. Q. M. St. of Ga. Macon, Ga.



Two covers, each with a pair two-cent red-brown, postmarked "Cartersville, Ga." addressed to Capt J. A. R. Hanks, Columbus, Ga.



Cover with pair two-cent red-brown, postmarked "Warrenton, N. C.," addressed to Mrs. D. M. Key, London, E. Tenn.



Cover with pair two-cent red-brown, postmarked "Cuthbert, Ga.," addressed to J. H. Garret, Cleveland, Tenn.

Cover with pair two-cent red-brown, postmarked "Cuthbert, Ga.," addressed to J. A. R. Hanks, Atlanta, Ga.

None of these places used cancellers of the types here illustrated during the war.

It will also be noted that every one of these fake postmarks originated with the same engraver though purporting to be from different towns. Note the letters "e" and "r" in the town names—the upper bar of the e is longer than the lower in nearly every instance. The tail of the "r" is in a wave, unlike the form of the usual design of this letter on postmarks; and finally *all* the date logos are in the same type—a letter never used in the sixties of last century. The cancellers are rubber stamps, the impressions in black.

Double 2-cent rate is improbable—if not impossible—on small covers. Likewise the single 2c. rate was the local drop-letter

charge—cover unsealed—therefore a letter from Cuthbert, Ga. to Atlanta, sealed, and franked with a pair of 2-cent stamps, would not have passed under the 10c. rate in 1863.

Collectors who are offered rare and unusual-rate covers, should have the material examined before purchasing. Do not be caught by "bargains" or the well-worn story that "these letters were found in an old family Bible." Even though Bible, Koran and the Vedas unfold it, a counterfeit cannot be converted and transformed and made pure and genuine.

The place for the Counterfeiter is Atlanta. Help to run him down and put him there.



Boycott May Prove a Boomerang

ANTI-HITLER SEALS BARRED

Postal Authorities Won't Allow Stickers on Envelopes.

Postal authorities will not allow the use of stickers bearing the label—"For Humanity's Sake—Don't Buy German Goods," on the outside of envelopes or other mailed matter, it was announced yesterday.

J. George Fredman, commander-in-chief of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, whose organization has been sponsoring the use of such seals, made public a letter from C. B. Eilenberger, Third Assistant Postmaster General, which advised him that the stickers "are not permissible on mail." Mr. Fredman, who said that "millions of these seals have been distributed in the metropolitan area" suggested that the stickers be placed on the letter itself.—*New York Times*.



Belgian Orval Reminders

The remainders of the Orval Abbey series on hand at the Malines Government Printing Works (20,000 sets) were destroyed on Jan. 5 last, following a protest from the Fed. Royale des Cercles Phil. de Belgique, when it was announced that these remainders would be issued with a new overprint.

The only other large stock (that held by Father Marie Albert of Orval Abbey) was destroyed as reported on June 2.—*Philatelic Magazine*.

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2c Liberty Bell.... 3c	2c Mass. Bay..... 3c
2c White Plains... 4c	2c So. Carolina... 4c
2c Saratoga	2c Braddock
2c Valley Forge... 3c	2c Von Steub..... 3c
2c Vermont	2c Pulaski
2c Harding	2c Yorktown
2c Air Congress... 3c	2c Lake Placid... 3c
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By C. EDWARD CEDER, 701 South 13th, Tacoma, Wash.

"Ship Postmarks and Postal Regulations" and "Aboard Ship."

This question has often been asked the writer by Merchant Marine collectors who have noted the name MARU in conjunction with their Japanese Seapost cancellations. Thru the courtesy of a Seapost Officer, and with the aid of a pamphlet printed by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha (Japan Mail Steamship Co.) I shall endeavor to give a brief explanation of this word which is used as a general suffix to the name of practically all Japanese merchant vessels, and as a recognized symbol of the Japanese Merchant Marine on the seven seas.

Maru has been associated with Japanese navigation history as far back as memory can recall, yet its true meaning has been lost thru generations of usage. According to an old Chinese legend, about 4,000 years ago a fair messenger from heaven named Hakudo-Maruo was sent down to one of the nobility and taught him the art of shipbuilding. Since then ships have been named with the suffix "MARU" in deference to the ship building instructor. A Japanese source associates the word with Akumogira-maruo who was supposed to have lived underneath the sea, and to whom the Shrine of Shiga in Japan is dedicated.

The literal dictionary translation of the suffix denotes circle or ring when used as a noun, and round, complete, perfect, when used as an adjective. Ancient Japanese boats were of a round shape, therefore the meaning of a "round" might have been taken originally from the shape of the ancient boat. Thus it will be seen that MARU does not denote boat or ship in actual translation as many collectors are wont to believe.

SHIP POSTMARKS AND POSTAL REGULATIONS

The three types of postal markings used by the Japanese Seapost service are here illustrated. They are (1) large Pictorial type, (2) small double circle name-dater, and (3) "PAQUEBOT" within a frame. Japanese postal regulations are very strict as regards time, place and method of

handling mail. Letters will not be accepted and cancelled while ship is docked at United States or Canadian ports.



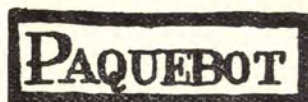
NO. 1

Neither will Japanese postage stamps be sold over the counter. The Pictorial postmark is invariably used on all tourist mail having Japanese stamps affixed, and re-



NO. 2

places the older and more common double circle name-dater, for that purpose. However, the smaller stamping device is much preferred by the mail clerks as it is not



NO. 3

so clumsy in operation, therefore is used on all unimportant matter such as parcel post, crew's letters, and so forth where little publicity can be gained by use of the

more attractive Pictorial stamp. United States stamps are not accepted as legal postage but are treated in much the same manner as United States ports handle uncancelled mail from foreign flag vessels. A box "PAQUEBOT" marking is applied to an envelope, and the small postmark used to cancel stamps. If the ship is bound for a United States or possessions port, this procedure is usually done away with, the stamp left uncancelled, and the postmark or other souvenir mark applied to the envelope only. Under no circumstances is the Pictorial postmark used to obliterate other than Japanese stamps. Red ink is invariably used for the Pictorial dater, and purple for the small stamp. Deviations from the above regulations are sometimes noted and such cases are traced to subordinates who work under the Chief Mail Officer.

ABOARD SHIP

Aboard ship the postoffice can be easily located by the customary "cage" window counter, such as we have in our land post-offices. A very neat green electric sign with the inscription in English and Japanese reads "Post Office." Inside one will find a large sorting rack across the entire length of the room. Mail is "cased" into various small compartments and on each of these is labeled the names of all ports of call. Various weighing devices and drawers containing necessary equipment, postage stamps, and postal stationery complete the list, all of which I was allowed to inspect on a very short voyage aboard one of the new Motorships. And in this respect I must add, out of courtesy to the N. Y. K. Line, that these MARU boats certainly do specialize in Comfort, Cuisine and Courtesy, to the traveler. I understand that there are in excess of 150 N. Y. K. ships that journey to every important port in the world.

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I look over the catalogue they discrip Harding on 1½ cent stamp but it does not discrip washington in the catalogue.

I like to know if there is value to 1½ cent stamp of washington or the same of Harding and where could sell the collection.

Yours very truly,

MR. MIKE NESSIF,
321 main St. niagara Falls. N. Y.

Who Can Spare a Jamestown Cover?

Our good friend Mr. Chas. H. Baldwin of 34 Willow Ave., Schenectady, N. Y. is an enthusiastic Exposition-Cover collector, and he lacks one from Jamestown, Va. dated anywhere from April 26 to November 30, 1907, either with the wavy-line Exposition cancellation, the straight-line Exposition Station postmark, or even a cover mailed from Hampton Roads at the time. We hope some of our readers will be able to fill that aching void.

Do-X Flight Delayed

One of our German contemporaries prints the information that the Do-X, sustained slight damages on making a landing in Passau. It is estimated that ten weeks will be required for repairs. The projected flights to Budapest and Zürich will be postponed, and the mail received for these flights will be held over in Passau for a later date, to be announced by the Reichs Post Ministry.

Bits of Texas History

In 1850 there were twenty-three towns in the State; only five had a population of over 1,000. These were Galveston, 4,177; San Antonio, 3,488; Houston, 2,396; New Braunfels, 1,298; Marshall, 1,189. Only 9.5 per cent of the State's 212,592 people lived in the towns.—*Stamp-Itis*.

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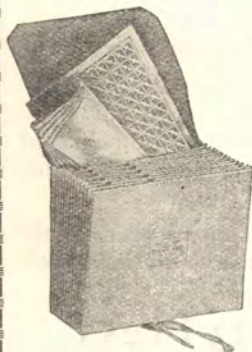
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Editorial.

More Anent "Stamp and Cover Collecting"

In response to the announcement in last month's issue concerning the coming of our new stamp magazine, which is to succeed THE NEW SOUTHERN at the close of this volume, letters of approval and subscriptions have come from all sections of the country. This tempts us to tell more of the story.

For two years we have been systematically building up a mailing-list of collectors in the United States, and it is amazing to realize the number of men and women, boys and girls who have taken up stamp and cover collecting. Not "advanced" collectors are they, but a vast and increasing army of enthusiasts, who have found the charm of it all irresistible. They have not yet delved into the mysteries of the millimeter gauge, the different perfs and watermarks and papers. Shifted dies, cracked plates and type varieties are still to them Sanscrit and Chaldaic.

These recruits to our ranks want a magazine that will keep them interested—guide them—advise them—and keep them posted on the events of the day as they pertain to their individual pursuits.

There are—on the front seats—our old friends of nearly a decade. What is in store for them? More than ever before! No feature of THE NEW SOUTHERN will be discarded. A series of Confederate articles is in preparation, likewise studies of United States stamps and the classics of the Old World. The "Addenda" will be continued, and a bigger and better magazine will be offered in the new publication *Stamp and Cover Collecting*.

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On the third of this month those who remain met again in the City of New York to celebrate the golden jubilee. And Willard O. Wylie, the veteran editor of *Mekeel's Weekly*, was present. What a wealth of experience must be encompassed within that half-century. Today he talks to ten thousand and more through *Mekeel's*. That is a goal worthy of any man's striving.

So, here's to the dean of our philatelic editors: *Vivat! crescat! floreat!*



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Hoover to Edit Precancel Department

It is with pleasure that we announce Mr. W. B. Hoover of the well-known firm of Hoover Brothers, New York, as editor of the Precancel Department of "Stamp and Cover Collecting," when this magazine makes its appearance on November 1. Mr. Hoover promises many unusual and interesting features in his department and those collecting Precancels should not miss a single issue of the forthcoming successor to *THE NEW SOUTHERN*.



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That Aguinaldo Story Draws Fire

Little did I think that my "Aguinaldo" reminiscence in the May number would come to the notice of old comrades of those earlier years, but several letters that have since been received lead me to believe the little story was not untimely. One in particular—from Mr. Charles F. Becker of Alameda, Calif.—is so full of the old spirit of comradeship, as well as philatelic information, that I am printing excerpts under the Aguinaldo story elsewhere in this issue. The cover which brought Mr. Becker's letter is an exquisite piece of hand-lettering, which is prized as highly as a real "Aggie" cover. Perhaps Mr. Becker will give us another Philippino Insurrection story.



The WIPA a Success

We have received several letters from friends attending the Great International Stamp Exhibition in Vienna—the WIPA—and all agree that it is the "biggest thing of its kind" they have ever seen. Greetings have likewise come from Dr. Emilio Diena, and from Mr. Thomas White, who enclosed one of the beautiful stamps issued for the occasion.

Thanks! thanks! Regret I couldn't be with you "an der schönen, blauen Donau."



The Editor is grateful for the flood of newspaper clippings sent anonymously in reply to some of his editorials. If it were not for the fact that the wrappers and stamps are "snatched" from Club funds and friends, I would say that a lot of money is being wasted by somebody.

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The activities of these progressive South American Republics are graphically brought to our attention in an excellent article in this number, contributed by our esteemed correspondent in Buenos Aires, Mr. A. H. Davis, Casilla Correo 1588. The story appeared in *La Nacion*, the leading daily in Buenos Aires, and Mr. Davis has secured permission to translate it for THE NEW SOUTHERN.



Leading Druggists Magazine Carries Stamp Story

Our friend Mr. William Jos. Korbonits of the D. H. Hills Drug Company, Asbury Park, N. J., sends us a copy of the *Druggists Circular*, one of the largest pharmacists' magazines in the country, which contains a well-written illustrated feature story "Stamps—of All Things—Made Him Famous," by Meyer Milgaten. It narrates the remarkable success achieved by Mr. Korbonits through his unique advertising ideas, culminating in his venture into the cachet field. Here he hit upon the popular fancy, and managed to successfully attract public attention to his drug store. Thereupon he added a stamp department to his merchandise—gave it proper publicity—and now commands the better part of Asbury Park's trade.



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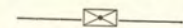
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The 1934 Scott

How time doth fly! Here we are in the midst of fly time with not one-half of the big 1933-Scott digested when the announcement comes that the 1934 Edition of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalog will be ready September 18th. The prices are as before—cloth cover \$2.50; cloth with thumb index \$3.00, plus postage (shipping weight 3 lbs.).

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Sales of Hind Collection This Fall

It is reported that the Hind collection is to be sold at auction in New York this fall—one sale is scheduled for October, another for November.

The Editor expects to bid on the adhesive tape with which the rare Confederate Postmasters were mounted across the face of the covers at the Memphis Show.



"Straight-Line Town Postmarks—1756-1856"

We have received a copy of a neat 24-page pamphlet under the above title, containing a reprint of Mr. Robert W. Chambers' article from the June *American Philatelist*. The author deserves the gratitude of all those who specialize in this line for making the results of his thorough study available to collectors who may not receive the *American Philatelist*.



Judge Benners Improving

Our readers—his friends—will be glad to learn that Judge Benners, after undergoing a serious operation, is slowly improving. May he soon completely recover.

The Italian Air Armada Arrives

Under the able leadership of Italy's intrepid aeronaut, General Italo Balbo, the squadron of twenty-four huge seaplanes, which left their home base at Orbetello at 11:40 p. m. on June 20th, landed safely on the placid waters of Lake Michigan, off the Exposition Grounds, shortly after 5:30 p. m., July 15th, having coursed 6,100 miles, with brief stop-overs in Holland, Ireland and Canada. It was a brilliant accomplishment in aviation, and collectors will treasure covers carried on this memorable cruise, which should rank with the Around-the-World Zeppelins and the DO-X flight.



The Dak Tikit

We have received a copy of the Calcutta Exchange Club's official organ *The Dak Tikit*, a quarterly stamp paper published in the English language by Mr. L. Bhattacharji. Mr. S. Chatterjee is the editor and Mr. N. C. Talukdar his associate. Its patron society lists a membership of 54 names. Specialists in the stamps of India should make contact.

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The Netherlands have issued a "Peace" stamp—geometric, deep blue and quite striking. But what I want to know is, where is it going to be used, and what sort of peace have they in mind? A bit previous, eh?



The Lord be praised and glorified—the United States again has an *American* President!

Jacob Poe, Confederate Stamp Printer.

Veteran Inmate of Soldiers' Home Recalls Stamp Printing in Richmond.

When Frank Baptist died in 1927 it was believed that the last Confederate stamp-printer had passed from the scene. Ludwig and Hendrick, Hayes and the Altschuh brothers, and all the rest who had worked with Hoyer & Ludwig and Archer & Daly, when these concerns printed stamps in Richmond, had preceded him on the long trek. Diligent search had failed to locate another veteran printer of that period. I believed the story closed. . .

But these old "Rebels" appear to be endowed with the proverbial "nine lives of a cat," for another Confederate stamp-printer has been discovered at the Soldiers' Home in Richmond!

Mr. Scott Hart, one of the feature writers on *The Richmond Times-Dispatch* must be credited with the story here reprinted, and the photograph of the veteran is taken from the columns of Virginia's leading morning daily. Needless to state that Mr. Hart's story sent me to the Soldiers' Home at once.

It was a bright Sunday morning in June. The scent of the magnolias in bloom in the adjoining park of the Battle Abbey—the Stars and Bars flung from the mast-head over the Executive Building where "Stonewall" Jackson's "Old Sorrel" survives by the taxidermist's skill—and amidst the quiet shade of the big trees—I found Veteran Poe, the Confederate stamp-printer, far beyond the biblical age of three-score-and-ten, but still physically and mentally "sound as a dollar."

We had a long, pleasant chat—his eyes lighting up as I recalled the names of his co-workers of long ago. "Yes, yes," he

said, as the recollection of some mischievous incident came to mind at the mention of a name and a chuckle marked its registering on memory's disc, "but how

do you come to know these things? You were not born then!" Whereupon I related that I had made a story of the Confederate stamps—that I had heard these tales a long time ago—preserved them and verified them through many years of research. I told him about the work at Hoyer & Ludwig's and called the names of those who were associated with him there. I desired chiefly that he verify the records, and it was gratifying to have him confirm the facts as I had gathered them from others.

There was one question I wanted answered. It concerned the number of stones used in the printing of the stamps—that is, how many different group-transferrings were made onto printing-stones. He thought for a moment and then replied: "You know, we did not have very many printing-stones, and whenever an order came in for stamps a stone was made up, and when the order was finished, if that stone was needed for some other work, it was "ground off" and the next job put on. I suppose, if you could find Hoyer & Ludwig's books, you could tell how many times stamps were ordered, and if you knew that, you would come pretty near telling how many times transfers were made."

Just then he recalled an incident that occurred in 1863: "Ever hear of the big theft of money and stamps from Hoyer & Ludwig's?" "No," said I. "What about



—*The Richmond Times-Dispatch.*

it?" "Well, it was in 1863. A printer named Elam and an Italian whose first name was Napoleon, broke into Hoyer & Ludwig's place one night—unscrewed the press in which the money was being dried—took the notes and sheets of stamps and escaped to Manchester. They poured acid on the printing stones and ruined them, but they were caught. The printer was sent into the army and Napoleon was hung."

My veteran friend further stated that no accurate account was kept of the stamps printed at Hoyer & Ludwig's; that there was considerable waste and misprints, and these "spoil sheets" were rescued from the "trash-box," smoothed out, and spent by the apprentice-boys in the near-by groceries for molasses cakes and candy—confirming the anecdotes told me by Baptist, Hendrick and others, and establishing the origin of these freaks.

I hope to have another visit with Veteran Poe and perhaps recover some more data pertaining to the activities at Hoyer & Ludwig's lithography when that concern printed postage stamps at Ninth and Broad streets.

And now we will enjoy the story printed in *The Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

VETERAN RECALLS CONFEDERATE MONEY PRINTING SHOPS IN CITY

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Early Hopes of the Lost Cause.*

BY HART SCOTT

It isn't the thundering months he spent in the Second South Carolina Heavy Artillery that move so much now through the fancy of Jacob Poe as he sits with his comrades in the late spring sun on the Soldiers' Home lawn here.

Those days come back, of course, in the recollections of Beauregard—"a fine soldier, and I talked with him once"—but rather Mr. Poe, 88 now and a man whose reminiscences unwind like a lanyard, speaks more of the two years he spent making Confederate money.

And well, this, perhaps, because he is the only person living now in Richmond, maybe in Virginia, who worked the Confederate money presses.

He is quick to settle any argument about where the paper was printed in Richmond

—this paper money folks had to haul out in wheelbarrows and wagons to buy a pair of shoes or a barrel of flour, when there were not any shoes or flour on hand to buy.

He recalls just as distinctly as his talk with Beauregard that Hoyer & Ludwig printed paper money on Twelfth Street between Main and Cary. He worked there as an apprentice. Later they moved to the Southwest corner of Ninth and Broad streets. There was one other firm, Keatinge & Ball, Mr. Poe remembers, but they were transferred soon to Columbia, South Carolina.

The veteran can tell many incidents of his life in the printing plants, of the stamps, bonds and notes, and declares that he can pick out now all the different kinds he helped print.

"I often think of the Negro leaving the place every morning with a wheelbarrow full of money and his rolling it into Capitol Square," he said.

But Mr. Poe was to stay in the printing service only until late 1862. Then he went off—ran away, he said—to the South Carolina artillery. After the war, he returned to Richmond, his native city, and worked for the Tidewater Iron Company.

His comrades sit with him much to talk of battles and rides and marches, and romantic talk, all this. But the last survivor of the Confederate printing shops feels more romance now in the squeeze of yellowing Southern bank notes that he helped turn out when a cause was young and hopeful.



Irish "Holy Year" Stamp

A Press message from Dublin states that a Selection Committee has been appointed by the Free State Government to consider designs for a special postage stamp to be issued shortly in commemoration of the Holy Year.

A preliminary meeting has already been held and it is hoped that the stamp, of the face value 2d., will be on sale in the course of the next few months.

The last Irish commemorative was in connection with the Eucharist Congress last year.—*Stamp Collecting*.



The Editor will be grateful for any information concerning new issues. Full credit will be given.

Trans-Oceanic Air-Mail.

By A. H. DAVIS, Buenos Aires, Authorized Translation from *La Nacion*.

From year to year the airmail and passenger service across the Atlantic is registering constant and decisive progress. In recent years we have seen how the Graf Zeppelin has made communication possible between Friedrichshafen and Pernambuco in scarcely two days and a half. The admirable service of radio-telegraphic information in reference to the meteorological conditions over the ocean, information given in 10,000 figures daily and from hour to hour to the airship, has made it possible for the Zeppelin to map its course with almost absolute precision and to avoid storms on its flight to the American coast. Nevertheless these dirigibles are costly, they necessitate a large crew and airports, the installation of which requires important sums of money. Notwithstanding this one must not forget the co-efficient of security in the navigation of the Zeppelin is extremely high and the number of passengers which it can transport is a multiple of the capacity of the airplanes.

AERO-ATLANTIC BASES

We all know that the journey over the Atlantic in an airship has until now been more or less of a sporting nature, however great its technical and scientific value, but to establish a regular aeroatlantic service, such as has been demonstrated by the Graf Zeppelin, it is necessary to have large oceanic bases of the nature of floating airdromes where the airships can alight, rise, refuel and find the necessary elements to repair any damage.

Various costly projects have been studied with the object of installing such bases. In a film recently exhibited in Germany "FP-1 Does Not Reply," there is a very large model of such an airdrome constructed for the cinematograph by an engineer who is the author of one of these projects. It is quite clear that the actual crisis does not permit of the expenditure of so much money. Nevertheless the Lufthansa has found a distinct and less costly solution of the problem. It has transformed a vessel for use as a floating base which will shortly take her station

in the middle of the Atlantic, to serve as an international bridge. Obviously in transoceanic aviation circles this is the sensational theme of the moment and therefore we give the following principal details of this very interesting innovation which will shortly be put in practice.

Desirous of extending its world-wide air service the Lufthansa has mapped out three routes: South America, North America and the Far East. One will say at once that to the north of the American continent it is not yet possible to establish a regular air service because hydroplanes do not exist which combine the necessary elements of security and autonomy of flight. The meteorological conditions in the North Atlantic are also unfavorable so that the aeroplane propelled by a catapult from the large transatlantic liners is the best solution of the problem because once it is launched it can cover 1,200 kilometers and the mail gains two days.

Distinct and more favorable are the conditions for the aerial service to South America. Although it is true that the hydroplanes of the Lufthansa will have to cover a distance of 3,000 kilometers over the sea, from coast to coast, they will meet with more stable meteorological conditions.

The possibilities for the South American route are the collaboration between the airships and the dirigibles as was done in 1931 and 1932 which could only be done fortnightly when in reality a weekly service is necessary for commercial and financial reasons. Hence the utilization of the hydroplane for the service, a unit smaller than the dirigible and therefore more likely to obtain the necessary useful cargo.

The combined service which the Lufthansa proposes to establish would therefore be the following: every fourteen days the dirigible would leave with passengers, mail and cargo and a day later a hydroplane would leave with mails and cargo (Translator's note: this arrangement seems to me to be confusing) that is to say, each week it would be possible to send aerial correspondence to South America which

would arrive in Rio in four days and in Buenos Aires in five.

THE ROUTE AND THE BRIDGE

The service would be carried out by terrestrial airships as far as Cadiz; thence to the Canary Islands and British Gambia along the West African Coast by hydroplanes. Between the British Colony and South America the distance is 3,000 kilometers but midway in the South Atlantic the *Westfalen* would be stationed as a refuge. This vessel has been chartered by the Lufthansa and equipped as an aeroatlantic base and has already undergone satisfactory trials for the purpose of instructing the crew to secure easily and promptly the hydroplanes, lift them on board by the crane and propel them by means of a very powerful catapult. For the present, Donier-Wal machines of the type used by Gronau on his recent inter-continental flight and which the Lufthansa tested on the trial trips from Cadiz to Bathurst in 1931 will be utilized. These hydroplanes have received a considerable strengthening in their construction in view of their propulsion by a powerful catapult. They are equipped with two B. M. W. VI motors, very modern instruments and radio-telegraphic installations for long and short waves and the determining of the route.

The Lufthansa states that already there are under construction the airships capable of covering the 3,000 kilometers over the South Atlantic in a single flight without it being necessary to use the *Westfalen* base. When these planes are placed in the service, the *Westfalen* will continue to render assistance if necessary, because to rise from the ocean will be a difficult problem, the solution of which, for the present, will be the propulsion by catapult.

Naturally this cargo vessel has been reconstructed to serve the ends in view. Her crew will comprise forty men supplied by the North German Lloyd and the Lufthansa. On board there will be installed a meteorological and oceanographic station of the Maritime Observatory of Germany.

Seeing that the reconstruction and installation of the vessel is a notable engineering feat we will give her characteristics, (interesting alike to the novice and the professional) especially those appertaining to the catapult and the disposition made to facilitate the descent of the hydroplane on the "landing sail" floating on the sea near the vessel.

The *Westfalen* is a vessel of 5,124 tons register, she has machines which develop 2,750 H. P. and a speed of 11½ knots per hour. Her length is 125 meters, her width 16 and her depth 8½.

INSTALLATIONS

The Becker crane is of cage-like construction with a special projection for the swinging on board of the hydroplanes from the ocean; it has a motor for lifting them and another for the turning movement. This crane is 13.50 meters high from the deck, it has a maximum lifting capacity of 15 tons and even at an inclination of 10 degrees from the vessel it can perform its function. At night it is lighted with a Siemens-Schuckert reflector of 120,000 candlepower.

It produces the compressed air for the catapult and the electric current for the powerful radio-telegraphic equipment, the crane, the reflector and the lighting of the vessel, an installation for two Diesel motors, each of which at discretion can be used either as a generator or a compressor. They consist of four cylinders at four H. P. each. Each Siemens electro-generator gives 72 kilowatts to 220 volts and the compressors Balcke give, in four grades, a maximum pressure of 180 atmospheres.

There is another electro motor of 6 H. P. and a compressor destined to complete the refrigerating equipment for keeping the provisions, because the vessel will remain stationed in mid-ocean for a long period.

THE "LANDING SAIL" AND THE CATAPULT

A curious part of the installation of this floating base is the "landing sail." It is something like a sail mattress on which the hydroplane is secured. In the act of securing it this sail fixed to the vessel is floating loosely on the water because the *Westfalen* is moving slowly at this moment. When the hydroplane in its descent has settled on the canvas the vessel accelerates speed and immediately the sail becomes rigid and this slightly raises the airship out of the water. This maneuver establishes a firmer communication between the vessel and the hydroplane, thus facilitating the transfer, without danger, of the latter on board by means of the crane, even when the sea is agitated.

In addition to such an interesting innovation it is necessary to refer to another very important one. The factories of the Heinkel aeroplanes constructed the cata-

pults of the *Europa* and *Bremen*, capable of propelling airships with a maximum weight of 35,000 kilogrammes. For the *Westfalen*, however, it is necessary to have a force five times greater because the total weight of these machines in flight will be 15 tons.

It was necessary to take steps to obtain a propelling force which up to the present did not exist so that this new Heinkel catapult is the largest in the world. The following details will fully illustrate this. The total length of the installation is 42 meters firmly fixed on board. On the *Europa* and *Bremen* the equipment was movable. The length of the acceleration obtains 31.50 meters and the maximum brake 5 meters. The Dornier-Wal hydroplane is placed on a platform 31.50 meters from the brake. On this slip and in accordance with its initial weight the machine should obtain a velocity of 150 kilometers per hour in order to gather speed with a full cargo on arrival at the propelling platform. This procedure implies an acceleration three and a half times that of the fall and the average time for the maneuver is $1\frac{3}{4}$ seconds. This is a performance which until now has not been obtained by mechanical engineering. The maximum tension to an acceleration in 1.52 seconds is 100 atmospheres.

The catapult consists of rails, the propelling platform, the installations for propulsion, the brake and the accelerator. For power compressed air is used. The working cylinder of the compressor has a diameter of 680 millimeters; the nominal pressure used by the piston is of 500,000 kilogrammes. Expressed in horse-power the force of this cylinder is 38,000. The volume of the deposit of compressed air is of 4,800 M³ and the air contained in it weighs more than a ton.

INAUGURATION OF THE SERVICE DURING THE SUMMER

For the technicians of the Lufthansa, the catapult is, for the present, the *sine qua non* of the project to place a floating base in the South Atlantic. Only from on board a vessel equipped with it is it possible to propel in a secure manner the hydroplanes with such a cargo, in bad weather and mountainous seas.

Thanks to the construction of a catapult of such dimensions and power it is possible to realize with safety and a fixed itinerary an air service over the South Atlantic. The Lufthansa signalizes espec-

ially the detail that even if the hydroplanes should cover the 3,000 kilometers from coast to coast in one flight the catapults will still be necessary on shore to lift the machines on account of their great weight.

This service, which in combination with the Graf Zeppelin will place Buenos Aires within five days of Europe for the purpose of the weekly despatch of airmail probably will be inaugurated this summer, that is to say, in July or August. It is not necessary to expatiate on the convenience of such postal progress and as regards the technical genius of Hein, the inventor of the "landing sail" and the engineers of the Heinkel establishments, the creators of the very powerful catapult, their merit will become evident when it is possible to send letters to Europe weekly and receive the replies within a fortnight.

BUENOS AIRES, June 6, 1933

Today the Dornier-Wal hydroplane *Monsun* was catapulted from the *Westfalen*, stationed in mid-Atlantic, thus inaugurating a series of experimental flights preparatory to the establishment of a German aeropostal line to South America. Capt. Fritz Hammer accompanied by Captain Studnitz piloted the machine and arrived at Natal at 12:45 p. m. after a flight of 8 hours 25 minutes. The distance from his base to the Brazilian coast is 1,480 k. Hammer, who is the commander of DO-X, will await the arrival of the *Westfalen* at Pernambuco where further trials with the catapult will be made from that port. The *Monsun*, when in flight, weighs 12 tons and carries a crew of five.



New Zealand Airmails

It is reported that New Zealand Airways propose shortly to establish a regular air mail service, linking up the principal centers as far south as Christchurch and perhaps extending to Timaru. According to present plans it is hoped to inaugurate the service in October next and probably Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and his co-pilot on the recent flight, Captain Taylor, who are both financially interested in the New Zealand venture, will assist in the inauguration of the service.—*New Zealand Stamp Collector*.

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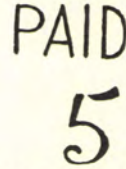


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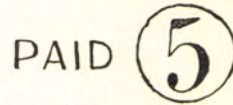
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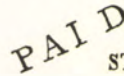
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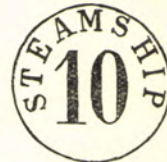
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Naval Cancellations

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Well, here it is the middle of the year and with it comes the tenth installment of this column. Your Ed. has gotten more kick out of writing "Naval Cancellations" than drinking 3.2! Although this is not an anniversary number or anything like that, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking my many readers for their cooperation in making this column enjoyable and beneficial. Many thanks!

As you know, in last month's issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST we brought the type illustrations to a climax and now, with a little study of those illustrations, you all should be able to classify any type you run across. In case you find it confusing to define any type of Naval Cancellation your Ed. will be glad to help you, either by direct reply or through this column. Your questions will be appreciated. Send them in!

I wonder how many of you took advantage of Independence Day to secure a nice bunch of cancellations? Which reminds me, what is the correct word in referring to these impressions placed upon mail matter—Postmarks, Postal Markings or Cancellations? No kiddin', I would really like to know!

A couple of beautifully printed cacheted covers of July 4th found their way to Glen Allen. One from the *Texas* depicting a cow-boy astride a buckin' bronco with type R-4 "Bremerton, Washington." The other from the *Medusa* with a two color, red and black cachet depicting an eagle holding a shield in its talons and the dates 1776-1933. This part is done in red ink while the ship's emblem, showing in the four corners, a pair of binoculars, a lathe, an anvil and an electric motor, is overprinted in black. A very beautiful cover. Type R-3 "Mare Island, California" cancel in black. It is also autographed by R. C. Grady, Capt. U. S. Navy.

Other July 4th covers came from: *Broome*, type R-3s "Independence Day S. D. Calif." in blue. "Independence Day" was applied with a pen and is very attractive looking. *Ortolan*, type R-8 in blue. *Crowninshield*, type R-3s "San Francisco, Calif." in blue. *Holland*, type

R-3 in red. *Aaron Ward*, type R-3 "San Francisco, California" in purple. Special printed envelope by Old Ironsides Chapter, U. S. C. S., Boston, Mass. mailed with "Receiving Ship Sta." type S-3 in blue. *Pennsylvania*, type R-3p "Independence Day" in black. *Constitution*, R-3, "Bremerton, Washington" with cachet by John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S. in blue. Cancel in black as usual. Another from the *Constitution* with cachet in red "Welcome Old Ironsides, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Home of the Battle Fleet, Bremerton, Washington."

Myron F. McCamley sends me a cover from the *Augusta*, type R-4 with three line printed cachet in black "U. S. S. Augusta—Largest flagship of the U. S. Navy graces Portland harbor in commemoration of Independence Day, 1933." 45 mailed. Slogan "Portland, Ore."

Miss Vivian M. Green favors me with a cover from the *Argonne*, type R-4 "Aleutian Survey Exp." Cancel applied twice, once in red and once in black and backstamped "Unalaska, Alaska."

Bill Mersinger sends one with special printed cachet by Old Ironsides Chapter No. 1, U. S. C. S. Receiving Ship Sta. type S-3 in blue.

A few weeks ago newspaper clippings stated that President Roosevelt spending a few days on board the *Amberjack II* would soon board the cruiser *Indianapolis* at Eastport, Me., for the trip to Annapolis. Your Ed. took a chance and sent a couple of letters. They came back, one with type R-3 "Roosevelt, Eastport, Me." the other same type, "Enroute Annapolis."

Dr. Davis also sends an attractively designed cover from the *Wyoming*, type R-4 "Gloucester, Mass." in black. Dated July 4th.

Mr. D. C. Bartley and his crew in the State of Washington are to be highly complimented for the manner in which they are handling covers. Mr. Bartley says;

"Over 40,000 covers were cancelled on board by Harry Moore, Navy Mail Clerk, with Seattle, Washington stamped between the killer bars. 33,615 official numbered covers passed through the Cachet Director's office and about 7,000 from other sources and with other cachets.

As to the disposition of late covers sent to Seattle, Mr. Bartley says; "All covers requesting Seattle cachet will be forwarded to Tacoma and all requests for Flag Day will be forwarded to Bremerton for the Special Fourth of July cachet. Our office was taxed to the utmost for the fourteen days *Old Ironsides* was in Seattle and at times we had ten assistants in order to get the covers cacheted and taken on board on time each day. I have several hundred letters to answer. They will all have my personal attention as soon as I can get to them. Please be patient." D. C. Bartley, Cachet Director.

Mr. Bartley submits the following list of Seattle covers:

No.	Date	Color	Cachet
10	6-10-33	Four Colored	Official
12	6-12-33	Brown	Official
13	6-13-33	Orange	Official
14	6-14-33	Blue and Red	Flag Day
15	6-14-33	Blue and Red	Harry Moore Banquet
16	6-14-33	Green	Official Civic Banquet
17	6-15-33	Gray	Goodbye "Old Ironsides"

Nos. 15 and 16 were special cachets for guests of the banquet only.

Kalama, Washington "Old Ironsides" covers will receive a cachet in red depicting a strawberry on the side of which the *Constitution* will be seen. Send covers to Cachet Director, Kalama, Washington.

A nice bunch of covers also coming through Mr. Bartley's office were those with the purple cachet "Seattle Welcomes The United States Scouting Fleet, June 1933, John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S." The following have come to the Ed's desk; *Vestal*, S-3; *Hopkins*, R-4; *Salt Lake City*, R-3s; *Greer*, R-4 "Seattle, Wash."; *Upshur*, R-3 "Seattle, Wash."; *Tarbell*, R-3s "Seattle, Wash."; *King*, R-4 "Seattle, Washington"; *Schenck*, R-3s; *Dickerson*, R-3 "Seattle, Wash."; *Leary*, R-3s "Seattle, Washington"; *Lawrence*, R-3 "Seattle, Washington"; *Humphreys*, R-3 "Seattle, Washington"; *Kane*, R-3 "Seattle, Washington"; *Chicago*, R-4; *Chester*, R-3 "Bellingham, Wash."; and on the 4th of July; *Destroyer Squadron*

Three, R-4; *Brooks*, R-3 "Tacoma, Wash."; *Herbert*, R-3s using three line stamp "Independence Day, Bellingham, Wash., July 4, 1933." as a killer in blue; *Sands*, R-4; *Fox*, R-3 "Tacoma, Wash." in red; *Hatfield*, R-3 "Tacoma, Wash." in red; *Gilmer*, R-4.

"OLD IRONSIDES" CACHETS Continued List

June 22, 1933—at Olympia "We Salute You Old Ironsides."

July 3, 1933—at Bremerton "Welcome Old Ironsides."

July 4, 1933—at Bremerton "Independence Day, July 4, 1933." Sponsored by John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S.

And the following which have not been seen by the Ed., but were reported:

June 3, 1933—at Seattle "Air Squadron."

June 3, 1933—at Seattle "American Legion."

June 14, 1933—at Seattle "Harry Moore Banquet."

June 14, 1933—at Seattle "Official Civic Banquet."

June 15, 1933—at Seattle "Goodbye Old Ironsides."

For an interesting Norweigan ship cancel try the *Sorlandet* now at the World's Fair in Chicago. Address to Norweigan Training Ship *Sorlandet* Care Postmaster, Chicago, Ill. You may get something!

Try the *Brooks* for special cancellations on the following dates:

August 13—"General Merritt Takes Manila."

August 19—"Constitution and *Guerriere*, 1812." Maybe "Old Ironsides" too!

August 23—"Commodore Perry Died, 1819."

Cachet Director, C. Edward Ceder, Tacoma, Washington, reports that he mailed out 10,000 cacheted covers while "Old Ironsides" was at Tacoma. Swede says that his helper took Mr. Moore up to that glorious mountain (Mt. Tacoma-Ranier as they call it in some places) that you see in the cachet.

Adios, friends, until next month!

Acknowledging with thanks covers from:
*****W. G. Crosby, ****F. Whitney Davis, ****Vivian M. Green, **M. F. McCamley, *J. B. Merritt, **Aug. Dietz, Jr., *Bill Mersinger, *C. E. Ceder.

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr., 109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

The publishers of this magazine certainly appreciate the co-operative spirit which has been shown by readers of this column. I have not counted them, but numerous letters are received every day requesting from 100 to 2,000 subscription blanks on our forthcoming magazine, *Stamp and Cover Collecting*. Such requests certainly make us feel good and everything indicates that the successor to THE NEW SOUTHERN will immediately take its place in the forefront of Philately.

For the enlightenment of a few collectors who were not subscribers to this magazine, but who may be now, the following facts may be of interest:

The Virginia Historical cachets (eight of them) which were sponsored by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce and applied by us caused some excitement among those who did not read this column. Many collectors addressed their covers to the Richmond Chamber of Commerce. For what reason I do not know. However these covers came to us entirely too late for the June 27 and 28 cachets, so they were placed on the August 18 and September events. Others failed to address their envelopes. Some only wrote the name on their envelopes and omitted the address. Others did not affix a stamp to them. Some sent them to the Mayor, and the Governor. Some actually addressed their envelopes to the City of Richmond. Yet, practically all of these news notices that I have seen gave the information rather accurately so that even a child could understand what to do.

Anyway, if you did not receive your envelopes you may feel assured that all that were received by us were mailed.

R. H. Snyder, Dreher Ave., Stroudsburg, Pa., has been appointed cachet manager for the dedication of the new

Stroudsburg Post Office on or about November 1. The sponsors are the Monroe County Chamber.

D. H. Jacobs will handle all covers for a cachet to be applied at San Jose, Calif., when the "Macon" arrives. His address is 108 N. 24th St., San Jose.

Peoria, Ill., dedicated its new airport on July 22, according to advices from George Grehner, 827 N. Saurland Ave., Peoria, Ill. You may write him if you want covers.

Attractively printed cacheted envelopes have been prepared for August 3 for the 10th Anniversary of Calvin Coolidge's taking the Oath of Office from his father. A fee of 3c. is charged just to cover postage. Send remittances to R. C. Harriott, Plymouth, Vermont.

Wm. Liberoff, P. O. Box 114, Miami Beach, Fla., sponsored a cachet on July 28 commemorating Miami's progress since its founding in 1896. I assume covers can be obtained from him.

A beautifully printed cachet will be applied to dedicate the new Coast Guard Base at Oakland about August 1. For 5c. the Aiglon Stamp Club, foot 5th Ave., Oakland, Calif., will mail you two cacheted envelopes including postage.

Washington State Philatelic Society sends the following information on "Old Ironside" covers: Seattle 33,617 covers mailed; other Washington ports 17,972, Scouting Fleet (31 ships) 4,532. A total of 56,121 covers.

Joe Stoutzenberg, editor *Cachet Bulletin Service*, says the "Cachet-racketeers will soon hang themselves." I know he is 100% with us in fighting the dime-a-throw cacheteers.

J. Edw. Vining is to be congratulated on the first issue of *Mid-West Cachet and Stamp News*. It is an attractive four-page

paper and well edited by this well-known collector. Published at 4079 Concordia Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

On August 10, Mr. Vining will apply a cachet on your envelopes commemorating the Anniversary of Missouri's Admission to the Union. Send unstuffed and unsealed.

When sending covers for cachet, please mention THE NEW SOUTHERN.

A cachet commemorating the Admission of California to the Union will be applied on September 9 if sent to Bill Martin, 610 41st St., Oakland, California. Some will be cacheted in green and others in purple, so send at least two covers.

In case you are not now reading the Forum in this magazine I suggest that you do so. Many of the letters received are not published, because of lack of space, however the majority of those received are very emphatic in their approval of our fight against the cachet racketeers. In fact, I am inclined to believe that this magazine has had some effect upon this type of racket as the number of such requests are much less than heretofore. Either this, or the boys have become "leery" of THE NEW SOUTHERN and quit sending notices for "dime-a-throw" cachets.

The Forum is open to you. Use it.

A few words about *Stamp and Cover Collecting*, which magazine will succeed THE NEW SOUTHERN about November 1, 1933:

The new magazine will have a popular name—one that is easily understood by the juvenile and layman in Philately. It will appeal to stamp and cover collectors alike, because the articles will be so diversified every collector will find much therein to interest him.

Eminent students of Philately are assisting in the task of compiling material for the new publication and as this work proceeds our mechanical department is making their plans for an exceedingly attractive piece of typography. All in all *Stamp and Cover Collecting* should whet the appetites of those who want the *finale* in Philately. If you can use any subscription blanks to advantage in your correspondence I suggest that you write in for a quantity. They will be mailed postpaid. Until next month—Adios!

"Stamp and Cover Collecting," the successor to THE NEW SOUTHERN—November 1. \$1 the year.

Stop Press News

Aerophilatelic Club of New York, 5059 40th St., Long Island City, N. Y., will hold air mail covers for the return flight of the Italian Air Fleet from Floyd Bennett Field. No postage dues.

The San Jose Chamber of Commerce will have a cachet when the "Macon" arrives at Moffett Field. Air mail covers to D. H. Jacobs, 108 N. 24th St., San Jose, Calif.

Don't forget the official return mail-carrying flight of the Italian Air Fleet. Letters, weighing not over one-half ounce, will be accepted from Chicago to New York, unregistered and addressed for delivery in this country at the rate of \$1.70 per letter. Put U. S. postage on your covers and send to Postmaster, Chicago, Ill. Mark diagonally across your envelope between the address and the return card as follows: "By Italian Air Cruise to New York." Better rush to Chicago. A special cachet will be used and all covers will be officially backstamped at New York and returned to senders.

Still More of Big Shanty

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

In regard to your inquiry on page 232 of the May NEW SOUTHERN, it may be that my old postal directories will help you just a little.

The 1859 Postal Directory lists no such office.

The 1862 Directory lists a *Big Shantee* as being located in Cobb County, Georgia. You should be clever enough to explain away this discrepancy in spelling and the solution will be complete. By the way, all Southern offices are listed as being suspended in the 1862 Guide, the only difference in the listing being that the space for the name of the postmaster is left vacant.

Fraternally,

H. C. COLEMAN.

German Olympic Games

An Olympic Games series will appear in 1936, when the meetings are to be held in Berlin.—*Philatelic Magazine*.

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New Issues and Varieties

The editor will be grateful for notices of new and impending issues of stamps. Full credit will be given all who help make this department a success.

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Brazil.—We are informed that the special stamps now in use for air mail purposes may be discontinued in the near future and that ordinary stamps will be used.



Canada.—On the 18th of May a special stamp was issued to commemorate the meeting at Ottawa of the Executive Committee of the Universal Postal Union. The denomination is 5 cents and the stamp is printed in blue, the design shows a view of Parliament Hill and the Confederation Building at Ottawa.

China.—The 4 cents olive stamp, has been overprinted "1 ct." with additional Chinese inscription. The type is similar to the other two 1c. provisionals.



Cuba.—An Independence Issue, commemorating the 1895 insurrection, which freed Cuba from Spanish rule, has appeared, consisting of the following values: 3c. chocolate, 5c. ultramarine, 10c. emerald, 13c. carmine, 20c. black.

Denmark.—Seven new stamps were issued on July 1st, they are the numeral type, but with alterations in the design. The values are: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 10 øre, all without watermark. The 1 øre is printed in black, the 7 øre in violet, the 10 øre in orange, and the other denominations remain the same colors as before.

Dominican Republic.—The current 10c. air mail stamp, has been printed in dark green and placed on sale for one week only in connection with the International Air Mail Week at Santo Domingo.



Estonia.—To commemorate the Singing Festivities which are to take place this month in Reval three stamps have been issued, 2 sents green, 5 sents red and 10 sents blue, the stamps being printed on a colored net-work background. The design is the same for each value, showing an old man playing a harp. The stamps are inscribed at the foot "X 1933" and the word "ULDLAULUPIDU," meaning "General Singing Festivity."

Germany.—Another value of the Hindenburg set has appeared—80 pfg. deep blue, portrait black.

Great Britain.—Although not a government issue, we think our subscribers may be interested to know that a special airmail stamp has been introduced by the Great Western Railway in

connection with its new Railway-Air Services. Most of the railways accept railway letters and the fee paid on these letters is generally shown by the usual railway label. The Post Office recently sanctioned the carrying of letters by rail and air and the Great Western Railway has issued a large 3d. stamp with an aeroplane in the design, the stamp is inscribed "G. W. R. Air Mail," and, although it can only be termed a local stamp, we are sure it will interest a number of collectors, more especially those who specialize in airmail stamps.

Greece.—With further reference to the Zeppelin stamps issued last month, we are informed that 25,000 sets were issued and only some 8,500 sets were sold, and that many orders for these stamps from foreign dealers arrived too late to be executed. The stamps were withdrawn from sale on the morning of May 27th, and the remainders either have been, or will be, destroyed. The unused stamps should prove to be a good investment.



Netherlands.—A set of four new Charity stamps has been issued for the benefit of the aged Dutch seamen, the values being 1½ plus 1½c., 5c. plus 3c., 6c. plus 4c., 12½c. plus 3½c. The 1½c. red stamp shows a picture of the monument erected in connection with the Lifeboat Society; the 5c. green and orange shows the Hospital Church Ship "de Hoop," with the rising sun in the background; the 6c. green shows a lifeboat in a rough sea, approaching a wrecked ship; the 12½c. blue shows a Dutch sailor wearing "oily" and sou'wester, with the Sailors' Home in the background.



In addition a Peace Propaganda stamp has appeared value 12½c. printed in ultramarine.



Honduras.—A set of four stamps has been issued on the occasion of the inauguration of President A. Carias and Vice-President Williams,

consisting of 2c. carmine, 6c. green, 10c. blue, and 15c. orange.



Iceland.—A new set of Charity stamps has made its appearance consisting of the following values: 10a. plus 10a. brown-red, 20a plus 20c. rose red, 35a. plus 25a. green, 50a. plus 25a. ultramarine.

Italy.—With further reference to the Trans-Atlantic flight, we are informed that the 25 lire stamp was for letters of 5 grammes and under, addressed to Iceland, the 50 lire being for letters of the same weight addressed to North America. The route traversed was via Ireland, Iceland, Canada, United States, Newfoundland, and return.

Maldiv Islands.—We are informed that five new values are to be added to the current set, 6, 15, 25, 50 cents and 1 rupee. We assume that the stamps will be printed, as before, by Messrs. Harrison & Sons, Ltd., and will bear their watermark.



Newfoundland.—We illustrate the new airmail stamps listed in last month's New Issues column. Not quite up to Newfoundland's stamp standard.

Panama.—The ½ cent orange, Centenary issue of 1921, has been overprinted "Habilitada" in black. We have been informed that these stamps have been withdrawn from the vaults and that the wax paper on the back of the stamps had to be removed before the stamps were overprinted, so that all these stamps are without gum.

Roumania.—A new set of stamps is to be issued shortly to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the town of Turnu-Severin, the denominations being 25 and 50 bani, 1 leu and 2 lei.

San Marino.—A Philatelic Exhibition was recently held in this Republic and for the occasion a set of four stamps was issued overprinted on the Post Office Commemorative stamps of 1932, the values being 25c. on 2 lire 75c. purple, 50c. on 1 lira 75c. brown, 75c. on 2 lire 75c. purple, 1 lira 25c. on 1 lira 75c. brown. The stamps were sold out on the day of issue.



South Africa.—We illustrate one of the "Voortrekker" stamps described in last month's New Issues column.



Vatican City.—The new set of sixteen postage and two Express (special delivery) stamps has appeared. The designs are above criticism. We show several values of the series which will convey an idea of the fine workmanship. The issue consists of the following denominations: 5c. lake, 10c. black and sepia, 12½c. black and green, 20c. black and orange, 25c. black and black-green, 30c. chocolate and black, 50c. chocolate and purple, 75c. chocolate and lake, 80c. chocolate and carmine-rose, 1 lira black and violet, 11.25c. black and violet, 21. black and brown, 21.75c. black and purple, 51. green and sepia, 101. deep green and blue, 201. green and sepia. The "Express" stamps are 21. chocolate and carmine, 21.50c. chocolate and blue.



THE "ESPRESSO" STAMP

Planning Big Stamp Show

The St. Joseph Stamp Collectors Club is actively preparing for its second annual Philatelic Exhibition to be held September 18th to 24th, and has issued a circular giving full details, including classifications of exhibits for which blue ribbons will be awarded.

The club has recently been incorporated and will now enroll associate members living in other cities, instead of confining its activities locally.

Information regarding the exhibition or the club may be had by addressing G. J. Luhn, Secretary, 720½ Francis Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

Forum

Red Hot Shots From Every Corner of Stampdom.

THE NEW SOUTHERN welcomes comments and opinions and as many as possible will be published each month on this page. These letters do not necessarily represent the policy of this magazine. They are simply published for their brevity and breeziness.

Philadelphia, Pa.

DEAR SIR: Replying to your air mail editor's column in the past two issues of your magazine, permit me to make the following nominations for the National Cachet Committee: August Dietz, Jr., Donald Dickason, Brennecke, Tallmadge, Rex Copp and Kingdom. These gentlemen, editors all, are surely in tune with the times and they certainly will be better qualified to distinguish the good from the bad than any other parties I can think of at this writing. I congratulate THE NEW SOUTHERN on its forward step and trust that you will not "fall by the wayside" as so many other champions of the collector have done before. Furthermore, I pray that your fight against cover "racketeering" will never cease until the battle has been won by you and your followers. Forward men, into the fight!

—M. A.

Our air mail editor appreciates your confidence. The battle is roaring along the whole front now, General. What are your orders?—ED.

Los Angeles, Calif.

DEAR SIR: For nine years I have been a very patient (referring to both meanings of this word—use your Noah Webster if you don't know what I mean) subscriber to your magazine and in all this time I had believed that the lateness of the paper was due to the distance Los Angeles is from Richmond. However, the last number carried several letters in the Forum which told the truth, and that is, that you have not mailed it regularly on time. Can this be true? Advise please.

—H. S.

My goodness! You surely are a "pashunt" subscriber and a "payshunt" for a doctor. We consulted Noah. You are correct in your assumptions.—ED.

St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR: "Backward, turn backward, O, Time in your flight, Make me a boy again, just for tonight." How gracefully can I quote those lines with so much sentiment, because after more than thirty years I have strayed away from my boyhood collection, until tonight when a friend gave me a copy of your charming magazine. My heart is too filled to say more, except that I started collecting all over again. Thanks, to your magazine and the persuasive powers of your editor who literally "Lorelied" me back to my old and first hobby. Enclosed my subscription for two years.

—W. W. J.

A letter like yours does not strike our humorous side. It somehow twitches our heart-strings. We understand.—ED.

Atlanta, Ga.

DEAR SIR: Let your air mail editor continue to "burn 'em up" in his column on this cachet racket. Whyinthehell someone hasn't started telling the truth before this is beyond my sense of reason. I have heard that a damyankee is sponsoring cachets on Confederate victories. Let's give 'em the rebel yell, Johnny!

—J. F.

We sho' kin tell that yo' is from de South, brudder.—ED.

Richmond, Va.

DEAR EDITOR: YOUR NEW SOUTHERN this month is the best yet. The "Forum" adds greatly to your magazine, and I'm sure that all your readers enjoy the opinions of your subscribers.

—N. H.

Thanx, Nat—thanx!—Too modest to come around and tell us, so you write us a letter.—ED.

New York.

DEAR SIR: Please discontinue my subscription immediately. Your thoughts are too liberal to be found on my library table.

—I. S.

For a New Yorker, the neighbor of Jimmy Walker, to tell a Richmonder, a neighbor of Bishop Cannon, such things . . . well, there must be hope for us boys down in Virginia. Let there be more such light.—Ed.

Detroit, Mich.

DEAR SIR: I thoroly enjoy reading your magazine. I like your style of editorials and fully appreciate the great work you are doing for philately. Enclosed my renewal for five years.

—M. F.

Forever and ever will the three greatest words in any language be: "Enclosed find check."—Ed.

Richmond, Va.

DEAR SIR: Kindly stop sending your magazine to my address. It is too bold in thought. Do not send any more.

At last, we have pushed into the realm of Shakespeare, Voltaire and Goethe. For years we secretly prayed that someone would recognize our liberality of thought. And now we have become a prophet in our own land. Immortality! beyond the shadow of a doubt!—Ed.

Hollywood, Calif.

DEAR SIR: In editing a philatelic magazine you have out-Gabled Clark. I congratulate you on this splendid, high-calibre publication. It is the finest printed and most sensibly edited I have seen. More power to you.

—C. B.

Whatever you mean pleases us. We are not movie addicts.—Ed.

New York City.

DEAR SIR: I wholeheartedly agree with the sentiments of your air mail editor, but what clique in the present racket of cacheteers can be honest enough to sincerely pass upon *bona fide* covers?

—H. A.

We never thought of that.—Ed.

Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR: I congratulate you on the new "Forum" in the last number of THE NEW SOUTHERN. Your magazine grows better and better each month.

—J. T. W.

Thanx!—Ed.



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The Postmaster and the Stamp Collector.

An Address by The Rev. Floyd S. Leach, Ph. D., of Norton, Conn., Delivered at the Tenth Annual Convention, Connecticut State Branch of District Postmasters, at Waterbury, Conn., June 21, 1933.

"Every stamp collector ought to be taken out and shot." That is the reported verdict of a postmaster in a town near Darien. Well, I am not exactly ready to depart from this vale of tears with quite so much noise. I would prefer a brass band without the shots aimed at my breast. I will agree, however, that stamp collectors are a blamed nuisance. They are no end of trouble and annoyance. I am a stamp collector but have not come here for the purpose of pleading their cause or to defend them. I have one purpose, however, and that is to see whether I cannot smooth out some of the wrinkles and help you to look upon the stamp collector so that you may see his wings as well as his horns and hoofs. You know the stamp collector is a peculiar animal. He has horns and hoofs but he also has wings. The collector sometimes looks upon the postmaster as a grouchy old devil, a nitwit, and a fool. You see when we look upon human nature it all depends on our point of view.

You men and women are postmasters. You are proudly called public servants. You represent the greatest corporation in the world—the American people, and you have a noble work to perform and you do it well. You are conducting a great business for the American nation. "One-third of the world's mail is handled by the United States postal system, its total equalling all the pieces handled by Great Britain, Germany, France and Russia combined." That is a pretty big order. The postal system is a business which must produce revenue and service, and whereas you must see to the receiving, dispatching and delivering the mail, you do this as the service which is paid for by the purchase of that little piece of paper we call a postage stamp. I will have nothing to say about this phase of your business except that it is a matter of amazement how well it is done. Your other duty is to sell your goods, and your goods are postage stamps. The Post Office

Department rightly lays a strong emphasis on your sales. The rating of your office depends on your sales of stamps; your salaries are influenced by your sales; and your whole standing depends on how many stamps you sell just as in any other business. The more satisfied customers you have, and the better customers you have, the better your standing and your remuneration.

Now comes the question of where you can open up new or larger avenues of sales. The Department is intensely interested in this and every postmaster who does his duty ought to be interested in selling every stamp he can. In these United States it is estimated that there are about 10,000 stamp dealers and about a million collectors. That is quite a field, taken by and large, and has possibilities. England frowns on those who collect "philatelic curiosities" and refuses to be a party to the creation of these "philatelic curiosities." I have been officially informed of this fact both from London and Washington and so have good reason to believe it to be a fact. Uncle Sam, however, takes a different point of view. He sees here an opportunity to sell his goods, and it is good business. A stamp calls for a certain amount of service. The stamp is a receipt for the payment of service. Normally that service is carrying and delivering letters and packages; but there are a lot of fools in this country who will pay for that service and never ask that the service be rendered. It is almost a gift to the Department. These jackasses, however, ask a kind of service—that they may have their stamps in good condition, of a particular kind, etc. Well, a postmaster may sell a three-cent stamp, tumble the nickel into the till and give back two cents in change. Then he must collect, stamp and dispatch the letter and another postmaster must receive the letter after it has been carried perhaps three thousand miles, sort and deliver the letter. That is a good deal of service for three cents.

There is a pile of labor in it. Suppose, however, the customer is fussy. He wants his stamp perfect or imperfect, well-centered (you have heard that expression before) and perhaps with a plate number or a particular plate number. I ask you whether you are not doing your duty to the Department and to your own job in rendering this kind of service to sell the stamp just as truly as though it was service rendered in carrying a letter across the continent. Then, too, this fussy individual is quite likely to want a block of four and probably stamps of higher value and, before he leaves, you can sell him from a quarter to five or ten dollars worth of your goods, and he asks no further service than that of good salesmanship. Why, you are likely to stand at your window and tear off three cent stamps by the hour before you will fill as big an order as this collector brings you and that is all the service he requires.

If you will look at this pestiferous little fellow a little closer you will find that he is one of your best friends and one that ought to be cultivated. He, and he alone, has an appreciation for your goods. He sees their beauty, he prizes them in their perfection and in their imperfections. He wants the imperfect quite as much as the perfect. I don't know of any other business that can sell its imperfect goods as readily. It is not just as stamp to him. It is a work of art; it tells a story; it is a prize. I know postmasters who have no appreciation for their goods. They are just stamps and they don't know what they are except their color and monetary value. If you want to get a pal to appreciate your goods and to enthuse over them cultivate a good collector.

Uncle Sam has come to see a fine service of revenue in the collector. So he has established the Philatelic Agency in Washington and that brings in hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. In some of our principal post offices he has put a clerk behind a philatelic window and has done what he can to serve this large group of customers. I have been told of a postmaster of a little town in Vermont or New Hampshire who hung a sign on his window with an inscription something like this: "I am the representative of the United States government in the Post Office Department for this town. I will be glad to do what I can to serve those interested in philately." He made good on his advertisement and I am told raised

the rating of his office once or twice by this. It pays.

We collectors have great experiences. We find postmasters who are on their job, courteous and accommodating and then we find those who are mighty poor representatives for their employer. Last summer I was in Gloucester, Mass. I stood in the office watching a clerk at a window for some time. I wanted several things. He seemed to sell stamps and make change quickly. I wondered what kind of a kick I would get when I introduced myself. Finally, when the road was clear, I walked over to the window with grave misgivings and said, "I suppose you are pestered to death with stamp collectors?" "No," said he, "we cater to them." Well, it was like a tonic. I told him what I wanted. He didn't have it; but I bought something like a dollars' worth of stamps just the same, because he was a gentleman salesman.

Last autumn I was in Wallingford, I asked for some particular stamps I wanted. The clerk didn't have them. He called the postmaster who looked in his safe. He didn't have what I was after. Then he said "Would you be interested in some old three-cent coils?" He got them. I was interested, but I didn't have enough money. I got a check cashed and came back. I left over twenty dollars in that office before I left town and went back for more but was too late.

Last autumn I called at a nearby office and asked for what interested me. The postmaster said he had a lot of a variety that interested me. I took five dollars worth. It was all the money I had with me. A few days later I went back and took another five dollars worth. He seemed delighted and said, "We will have a new supply in after October first. Come in again." I accepted his invitation. He had something else that interested me, but the denominations were so high that I could not use up the extra stamps. I said "I would like that plate number block of four and will be glad to take just as many as you want to let me have. I will be glad to take one block or all that you have, just as may be convenient for you." The clerk gave me sixteen blocks for which I was grateful and expressed my gratitude. Then the whole office became nervous, then unhappy and finally very angry because they had made a sale of \$2.82 of which at least \$2.25 was pure velvet for Uncle Sam. Any

business man would compliment a clerk on making such a sale and either dock or discharge a clerk who would either refuse to make such a sale or show displeasure to the customer. As a matter of fact, if every postmaster in the United States would give every stamp collector what he wants with pains and some little inconvenience it would go a long way toward making up that 9½ millions which Mr. Farley intends to save by the nine-days furlough in the next three months for postal service employees. I have considered it the better part of valor not to go there again. The stamp collector is a good customer who pays well for the service he asks and he is a good-natured but fussy animal to please.

I could tell you more incidents which go to enliven the monotony of the life of a stamp collector; but I simply want to say that if you are "kind to the animals" very often you can sell enough of your goods in ten minutes to pay half of your day's salary; and after all you are employed by a big corporation which has goods to sell, and the more you sell, especially at a handsome profit the more valuable you are to your company.

I do wish postmasters knew their goods. They are the only corporation employees I know about who are not *required* to know their goods. Some of them do. Some save items that collectors want as the stamps are sold at the window; some will lay aside for collectors; some will go to great pains to furnish what is wanted; many are extremely courteous. It is only here and there that Uncle Sam has an unprofitable servant. To come down to the point of my talk I can boil it all down in a sentence—The postmaster and the stamp collector ought to be chums and working together help themselves and roll up a nice little sum for Uncle Sam.

I have brought a part of my collection along just to show you how the more recent stamps appeal to me; and collectors have an infinite number of specializations. Without doubt, however, serious collectors in the United States usually specialize in United States stamps. It is impossible for anyone except a person of means, really a millionaire, to strive for a satisfactory general collection. British Colonies are also popular. At the last meeting of our Stamp Club the Bridgeport Club were our guests. They showed us a precancelled collection, a Hawaiian, a postal meter, and a collection of postal markings, to-

gether with several other interesting items. Still United States is a wonderful challenge and the one where you and I and thousands of other postmasters and collectors can cooperate if you will to the benefit of all.

It may interest you to know that Ye Olde Kings Highway Stamp Club carries no blacklist of postmasters; but it does carry a white list and postmasters are discussed as to their helpfulness or otherwise. It is an interesting game and if you are not in it you are missing a great opportunity.

NOTE: At the close of this address one postmaster said that a dealer visited his city occasionally, usually on a week end. He would get a clerk and go over the entire stock usually leaving three or four hundred dollars when he left. A postmistress of a smaller office said that had it not been for collectors her office would have lost its rating this last year.



Wright Committee Making Refunds

Our activity in regard to the affairs of the so-called Wright Celebration Committee and Harry S. Price of Dayton, Ohio, has begun to produce results. We have solicited letters from all who had made remittances to this outfit and to these people we have mailed circular letters advising them of action they should take. In addition to this we have placed our own advertising account against Harry S. Price of Dayton, in the hands of attorneys for collection. Our lawyers have been instructed to file suit for our advertising account. These activities on our part have already resulted in some refunds being made to parties who made remittances. We have seen checks which were sent these people and we now learn from some sources that refunds have been sent. We wish to hear from everyone who receives a refund and in writing us please advise the name of the person who signs the check, tell us on what bank the check is drawn or if a money order remittance is made for refund due you, tell us name of remitter as shown on the Money Order.

By keeping after these people we hope to save the money for all who made remittances for the items which these people offered.—Editorial in *Linn's Weekly Stamp News*.

A. P. S. Sponsors First Day Cachet of Imperforates

The American Philatelic Society is officially sponsoring cacheted first-day covers of the new imperforate one-cent and three-cent Century of Progress stamps. The envelopes bearing the cachet will be standard $6\frac{3}{4}$ size of high grade bond, with bi-colored, printed cachets. Embodied in the design are the A. P. S. seal, and the old Chicago Penny Post, a local used in 1860. There will also be an additional design, extremely unusual, which is now awaiting governmental approval. The first-day covers will be mailed from the branch Philatelic Agency at the Convention.

Dr. C. W. Hennan, president of the American Philatelic Society, has appointed the Beverly Hills Philatelic Society (A.P.S. Chapter No. 104) to handle all official covers. Since the cachet is printed, no outside covers can be accepted, all being furnished by the society. Ten cents for each cacheted cover plus amount to cover postage desired may be sent to the Beverly Hills Philatelic Society, 10410 S. Maplewood Ave., Chicago, Ill. Arrangements are being made also for covers which will accommodate entire sheets of twenty-five stamps. Information regarding these will be released shortly.

A limited quantity will be handled due to the fact that the stamps are imperforate and un gummed. Therefore all orders must be in the hands of the cachet committee by August 19th, as none will be accepted after that date. All money received from the sale of this cachet will be used to defray the expenses of the exhibition.



Bolivian Stamps Counterfeited

The Bolivian postal authorities announce the withdrawal from circulation of the current 50-cent and 1 sucre stamps (1930 issue) following the discovery that these values were being counterfeited. The Bolivian philatelist Carlos Beltran has been found guilty of the crime.—*Die Ganzsache.*



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BY THE EDITOR

The little reminiscence of the Spanish-American war and the Aguinaldo stamps in the May number of THE NEW SOUTHERN has found an echo in a pleasant letter from my good friend Mr. Roscoe L. Wickes of Chicago, in which a *real* insurrecto cover is submitted. I am illustrating this historic souvenir, because of the fact that it passed through the mails unchallenged, received the Chicago backstamp and reached its destination without postage due penalizing.

I suggested in my little story that some of these stamps had been used in the territory controlled by Aguinaldo's forces, but I had not seen a cover thus franked that had come through to the United States. Here we have it.

I am permitted to quote from Mr. Wickes' letter as well as from a communication to Mr. Wickes from Col. George S. Goodale, U. S. Army retired, of Phoenix, Arizona, who saw service in the Philippines.

Mr. Wickes writes:

"I was very much interested in reading about your Aguinaldo cover in the May

NEW SOUTHERN, and thinking you might like to see one of these Aguinaldo 2-cent stamps used on a soldier's letter to Chicago in 1900, I am enclosing one for your inspection. * * *

"In 1930 I had some correspondence with Col. Goodale of Texas and I am enclosing his letter about my cover. * * *

Colonel Goodale's interesting letter referred to the cover illustrated from which the following excerpts are made.

"Thank you for sending me the cover for inspection. The Chicago backstamp certainly shows that the Aguinaldo stamp performed postal service, irrespective of whether or not the Philippine government was a member of the U. P. U. I consider this not only an interesting but a valuable cover.

"When we first went to the Islands soldiers could send letters with 'Soldier's Letter' countersigned by an officer without stamp, and the postage was supposed to be paid at the other end (due stamps being used).

"Strictly speaking, this should have been done in this case. However, this does

not effect greatly my interest in this cover.

"Thinking that you might be interested in seeing an Aguinaldo stamp used on cover, I am sending for inspection one used from Ormak to Hilongos, Island of Leyte.

"The blocks of Aguinaldo stamps I am sending you have quite an interesting history, being a part of those found in the baggage of 'Aggie' when being chased about Northern Luzon by my friend First Lieutenant Alexander J. Macnab. They didn't catch Aguinaldo but did get his headquarters desk, in which these stamps were found also some of the personal effects of the General."

Veteran Becker's Letter

ALAMEDA, CALIF., July 7, 1933.

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE:

I have just had the pleasure of reading your interesting article "Aguinaldo." Have read it over about five times, and each time it brought back memories and incidents of the Insurrection—on Luzon mostly. * * * I don't know how many varieties were really printed—all were not "Correos," or postage. I succeeded in getting most of what I have while with the 35th Volunteers, operating on Aguinaldo's trail, until his final capture by Funsten.

I secured a few at Malolos, after the battle there, also some at San Miguel de Myumo and at Arayat. These were probably some of the places where the stamps were in use, as they were occupied by Filipino troops. After driving out the insurgents everything fell into our hands. Some of these stamps were printed in 1898, but Aguinaldo was in Hong Kong at the time. One of the Filipino prisoners told me the stamps were actually used while Spain was still in control. Spanish troops did not penetrate far from the Walled City of Manila. All prisoners seemed to know of the stamps.

If our old friend Aguinaldo comes through this way my Camp may call a special meeting and a few signatures may possibly be forthcoming—if so, I will keep you in mind.

I intend reading that article again—then will pass it on to some one else who might be interested in Aguinaldo's Phantom Republic.

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SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

President Roosevelt today was invited to attend the meeting and banquet of the American Philatelic Society which is to be held at Chicago from August 21 to 26th, 1933. The invitation was extended by Dr. C. W. Hennan, president of the Society, who also asked President Roosevelt to become an Honorary Patron of the American Philatelic Society, of which he is a member. While the President will not be able to attend the meeting in Chicago, it is expected that he will have a personal representative present. Postmaster-General Farley has already accepted an invitation from president Hennan to become an honorary Patron of the American Philatelic Society and invitations have also been extended to Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes; and Third Assistant Postmaster-General C. B. Eilenberger to become honorary Patrons of the organization as well as to M. L. Eidsness, Superintendent, Division of Stamps. These officials as well as First Assistant Postmaster-General Joseph C. O'Mahoney, Second Assistant Postmaster-General W. W. Howes, Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Sillimen Evans, and Mr. A. W. Hall, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing have also been invited to attend the sessions of the Society at Chicago.

In honoring the forthcoming meeting of the American Philatelic Society, Postmaster-General Farley today authorized the printing of the Chicago Century of Progress commemorative stamps in small souvenir sheets, to be printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at its exhibit in the Federal Building at the Exposition. These special sheets will contain twenty-five stamps each, of both the one-cent green and the three-cent purple denominations and bear the following inscription around the border: "Printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, by Authority of James A. Farley, Postmaster-General, at the Century of Progress Exposition, in compliment to the American Philatelic Society, Chicago, August, 1933."

The printing of these stamps will en-

able visitors at the Century of Progress Exposition to view the actual printing of postage stamps as done at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing by the flat-bed process. A lecturer will be on hand to explain to the visitors every detail in connection with the printing of these stamps. The printing of these small sheets of stamps will begin within the next two weeks.

They will be first offered for sale at a special Convention Philatelic branch post office station to be established at the Medinah Michigan Club in Chicago at 8 a. m., on August 25, 1933. On Monday, August 28, they will be available for sale at the Century of Progress branch station of the Chicago post office located in the General Exhibits Building, No. 1, and at the Philatelic Agency, Division of Stamps, Washington, D. C. The Century of Progress branch station has no facilities for the handling of mail orders and collectors who are unable to obtain these sheets while in Chicago may obtain them in the usual manner by mail from the Philatelic Agency at Washington. Orders for these special sheets of the Century of Progress stamps should be drawn separately and not included with orders for other stamps for sale by the Philatelic Agency.

It is proposed to sell these stamps to collectors in imperforate form and un-gummed. Postmaster-General Farley has authorized the issuance of 250,000 sheets of 25 stamps each, of both the one-cent and three-cent denominations. These special sheets will not be issued to postmasters. However, the stamps will be valid for postage.

By reason of the fact that these sheets are approximately 5 by 6 inches in size, the Department cannot place at the disposal of collectors the usual free service for obtaining first-day covers from Chicago. The president of the American Philatelic Society, however, has expressed his willingness to cooperate with collectors in obtaining such covers, bearing full sheets of the stamps or parts of sheets, for a small service charge. Because of the fact that a large percentage of the membership

of the American Philatelic Society will be in attendance at the Convention in Chicago it is believed that collectors can arrange to obtain such quantities of these stamps and covers as they desire through fellow members. The Department asks the co-operation of all philatelic societies in assisting collectors to secure such first-day covers as desired.

Treasury Department's Display at the Chicago Fair

The U. S. Treasury Department has at the Century of Progress Exposition an exhibit of proofs of stamps right up to date, including the Century of Progress issue. There are, too, a few Revenue Proofs of the 1898 issue on display. Printing of the money and bonds is also shown, but only parts of the design are used in this demonstration of the process.

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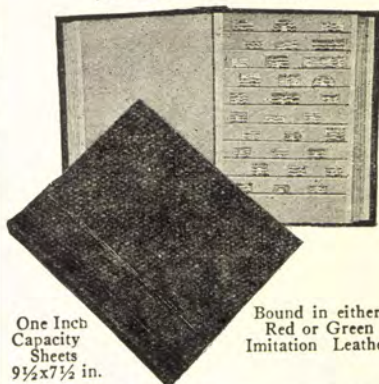
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Publicity Director's Report

Our local club is stimulating interest by having a program committee, which brings us a special feature each meeting. A number of visitors have been present the past two meetings and it looks as though past two meetings and it looks as though we will have some new members ere long.

This writer can also agree with Brenecke and the other collectors who are now actively waging a war on "Non-essential" cachets as well as those that are not previously announced, and from the way collectors are giving these men their support, it looks as though something definite will be done in the near future.

How about the other clubs? What are they doing? News seems to be getting scarce but the next thing in store for the collectors are the imperforated sheets of World's Fair stamps that will be placed on sale in Chicago at the time of the A. P. S. Convention which meets there in August. These should prove another valuable addition to any collection, and it also shows that the new administration is giving some consideration not only to the collector but also taking advantage of the fact that these imperforate sheets will be good revenue producers. Don't forget our Fall Exhibit, which will be held in Lynchburg in October. All clubs should make plans now to be there. All clubs should also put forth their best efforts to make this exhibit larger than the one held in Richmond. We can do it. Let's go!

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*,
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Members of the various clubs affiliated with the Virginia Philatelic Federation are requested to send in communications and news items concerning the activities of their local bodies. Publicity will be given such letters in this, their official organ.

Mr. Walker Speaks on Newfoundland

Almost every older stamp collector who, as a boy, collected everything in the way of a stamp that came in sight (and that was before the present fad of cachets, first flights, anniversaries of the births of long forgotten worthies, or what have you) will easily recall the longing with which he looked at the dog's head, the seal and the cod (he didn't know whether it was a cod or a herring) on the stamps of Newfoundland as pictured in his old fashioned album, and the absolute thrill that came over him when through some twist of fortune he became the proud possessor of one or all of these hoped-for bits of paper. Later he acquired probably the ship, and the beautiful 24c. blue with the kindly face of a young woman, and the 1c. with a young man in a Scotch bonnet, and some of the others, all works of art, and joy was in his heart. However, that was about all he, and some of the older ones, too, knew about that country, beyond what some hard-hearted teacher had pounded into him, and as for the meaning of the subjects on the stamps he didn't bother himself a bit, but simply gloated over them and let it go at that. As he grew older, and found to his sorrow that he could not get one of every stamp ever issued he naturally became partial to certain countries, and, older still, more or less of a specialist, and as a specialist he studied up on the reason for the various stamps in which he was interested and the meaning of the pictures or symbols on them.

Most of the members of the Richmond Stamp Club, including the faddists, seem to confine their activities to the stamps of our own country, and have to depend on the study and research of a vast minority for facts about the issues of any other, but when one of that minority gets up on

his hind legs and tells something about his own pet country, oh boy! what a treat!

And it was a treat that the members of the Club got on Thursday night, July 6th. Mr. R. R. Walker was the speaker, and in one of the best talks it has been the privilege of the Club to hear for many a day he gave us the low-down on all the regular issues of Newfoundland of 1928, 1931 and 1932. Nos. A-84 to A-111 inclusive. The 1c. map stamp called for the geography and history of that island, and we got it all. The 30c. showing Grand Falls in Labrador brought us all the dope on that picturesque, though chilly, land. The 5c. with a picture of the alleged express train told us all about the establishment and tribulations of Newfoundland's narrow-gauge railway. The pictures of King George, Queen Mary and the Prince of Wales brought us the biographies of these heads of the largest empire on earth. So with the seal, the dog, the salmon, the fishing fleets, the monuments, buildings, and so on, as shown on these stamps, all of which came in for full description. The amount of preparation and study, historical, geographical, biographical and several other "cals," necessary to the preparation of such a paper as Mr. Walker read is enormous, especially for a busy man, but to a real honest-to-goodness collector it is always a labor of love, all the more so when the fruits of that labor can be shared with fellow collectors.

At the conclusion of his talk Mr. Walker was given a rising vote of thanks by the members of the club, and the hope was expressed that the paper he had prepared could later be put in printed form so that the data so intelligently set out might be available to others.

D. B. B.



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A man named Fitzgibbons was arrested yesterday at Arica (Chile) under the accusation of having forged Bolivian stamps to the value of one million bolivianos. In order to give the impression that he had committed suicide he left an open letter to his wife and then hid in a lifeboat aboard the vessel on which he was travelling. The vessel was searched at Antofagasta and Iquique, and finally at Arica when he was discovered hiding. All he had had to eat was eight apples. He is now en route for Bolivia to answer the charge against him.

The French Minister of Aviation has decided on the fusion of all the French aerial lines for the purpose of developing them. This has given rise to rumors that the Cie Generale Aeropostale was bankrupt and the company has had to issue an official denial.

It is reported from Rio de Janeiro that the current 200 reis has been extensively forged. This value has therefore been withdrawn from circulation and ten millions of the 300 reis red have been surcharged "200 reis."

The Polish aviator Captain Skarzynski who is making a solo flight from Europe to South America is expected in this city on 10th inst.



The Model for New Zealand's "Hygeia"



Our esteemed contemporary, the *New Zealand Stamp Collector*, prints the above illustration of the canvas from which the artist drew his inspiration for the much-discussed "Health Stamp" recently issued by the New Zealand postal authorities.

This beautiful painting may have served for the engraver's model, but he surely got far away from the graceful poise of the original. Up to the time of his treatment Hygeia was the personification of purity and loveliness and grace and beauty. Then that doggoned Cupid flutters around and persuades her to try some "three-dot-two," whereupon the nymph in the foreground covers her eyes to the certain results—depicted on the stamp.

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The WIPA Exhibition Stamp

Austria has issued a semi-postal stamp on the occasion of the recent International Philatelic Exhibition held in Vienna. The design, an exquisite little genre idyll, depicts a post-chaise of grandfather's day with mounted postilion. The sole passenger, a young girl, has arisen from her seat as two "Wanderburschen" pass by. The bar of music below the scene is the well-known fanfare of the old postriders. They carried the "Waldhorn," similar to that of the master of the hounds, and which had become the symbol of the Post on many earlier European stamps.

The steel-plate is another masterpiece by Austria's famous artists and engravers, R. Junk and F. Lorber. The value is 50 groschen, printed in deep ultramarine on both white and granite papers.



Soviets' Anti-God Stamps

The intention of the Soviet government to issue a series of Anti-God stamps as a snub to the Vatican's Holy Year Issue, is raising trouble. The *Catholic Herald* reports that a protest meeting was held in Brussels at which King Albert was represented and several other governments have notified Berne that they would not recognize such an issue.—*Philatelic Magazine*.



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Melbourne Centenary Exhibition.

Australasian Philately is Busy Planning for the "VICVI" Show in 1934.

We are pleased to report that it has been unanimously decided by all Victorian philatelic societies to hold a Philatelic Exhibition in Melbourne during the course of the Victorian Centenary celebrations in 1934-1935. As this Exhibition is intended to form an integral part of the whole celebration scheme, the exact time or venue cannot yet be announced, as these are matters for arrangement with the Victorian Centenary Committee, the semi-official body in charge.

Moreover, on account of this uncertainty, there is as yet no indication of the scope or magnitude of the proposed show, although it is certain that this will be as comprehensive as circumstances permit. At the moment, the question of whether an international exhibition, open to the whole world, or a purely Australasian exhibition, will be held, remains open. We believe, however, that we are voicing the opinion of the vast majority of collectors in stating that there is an overwhelming desire to make this proposed exhibition worthy of the occasion, and conduct it on the biggest possible scale. The opportunity is exceptional for a function on a scale capable of placing Australian philately on the map, as we are given to understand that the whole publicity and other resources of the Centenary Committee, which practically means of the Victorian Government, will be made available to the Exhibition Committee free of charge. What this means, perhaps only we can realize to the full, but the advantages offered are obvious. With such a backing, the exhibition should receive sufficient assistance to compensate entirely for our distance from other countries, and the result in overseas entries and interest should be considerable.

There may be some difficulty in the early stages of arrangements in obtaining sufficient able personnel to inaugurate the scheme—this is one fear expressed by opponents of an international affair—but we have sufficient faith in Victorian philatelists to be sure that all the necessary workers will soon be found, and that the danger will rather lie in the risk of there

being too many than too few of them. The experience of those who assisted at past exhibitions will be readily available, while greater Australian participation in overseas exhibitions in past years should show in the more modern methods which will be adopted.

We are pleased to learn that arrangements have already been made for the exhibition to conduct the competition for the design of the proposed Victorian Centenary stamp (incidentally the present intention is to confine this issue to one, or, at most, two values). The conduct of this competition which will be world-wide, should in itself prove a tremendous advertisement for the Exhibition, and, properly organized, should do much to enhance the reputation of philately in this country.

At this stage, we cannot predict what financial arrangements will prove necessary, but it is certain that very considerable expenditure will have to be met. We therefore have no hesitation in opening a subscription list in these columns. No contribution will be too small—and, certainly, none too large—and we appeal to our readers to assist right away in providing the necessary funds. Money for a commencement is urgently needed, and early donations will be the more welcome on that account. All donations sent to us will be acknowledged in this paper.—*The Australian Stamp Monthly.*

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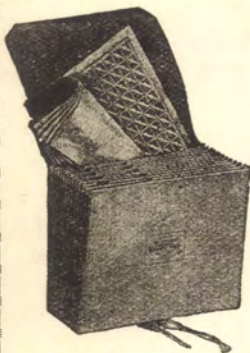
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Editorial.

What Will "Stamp and Cover Collecting" Spell to the Dealer?

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"THE NEW SOUTHERN" had become a household word and a cheering influence during the late "Depression." We shall make "Stamp and Cover Collecting" a national slogan that will carry us on to "Recovery."

The President's Reconstruction Program indicates that you advertise in "Stamp and Cover Collecting."

Introducing Other Members of the S. and C. C. Staff

HOFMANN AND JACKSON TO HANDLE U. S. DEPARTMENT

Charles Hofmann and Howard Jackson, two well-known Richmond collectors, will conduct the United States Stamps Department in "Stamp and Cover Collecting." Messrs. Hofmann and Jackson have contributed articles on this subject to THE NEW SOUTHERN at intervals during the past nine years. Mr. Hofmann is President of the Richmond Stamp Club and for years has specialized in 19th Century U. S. His collection won first award at the First Virginia Philatelic Exhibition. Mr. Jackson has specialized in 19th and 20th Century U. S. and is now engaged in the stamp business in Richmond with his son-in-law. Contributors should send any articles pertaining to the stamps of the United States to these gentlemen, in care of this magazine.

HORWITZ TO BE OFFICIAL CARTOONIST

Nathaniel Horwitz, well-known Bicentennial Cover and Stamp dealer of Richmond, has been appointed cartoonist for "Stamp and Cover Collecting." Mr. Horwitz has gained an enviable reputation among cover collectors because of his own envelopes which have been so attractively designed with representations of the various events. A striking cartoon by Horwitz will appear in each issue, starting with the first number.

BEATTIE TO EDIT 19TH CENTURY FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Douglas Beattie, well-known for his extensive travels and studies of Foreign Classics, and for his entertaining lectures on "Bomba Heads," Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and South American countries, will conduct the department on 19th Century Foreigns. Mr. Beattie will be ably assisted by several outstanding writers on this subject.

THOMPSON TO CONTINUE NAVAL DEPARTMENT

Our Naval Department will be continued in "Stamp and Cover Collecting" under its present able editor, Mr. Robert Thompson of Glen Allen, Va. Mr. Thompson will also be in charge of several outstanding features which will add materially to the new publication. His versatile pen has gained for him an enviable reputation among our present readers.

PAUL SAUNIER WILL TELL US A MONTHLY STORY

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Lee and Jackson Stamps Again

Back in 1931 we printed a strong letter from Mr. Oscar W. Brehmer of Philadelphia suggesting a portrait stamp to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee. At the time there were many letters of approval from collectors in the North as well as in the South, and although the movement received the endorsement of several civic and patriotic organizations, the time was too short to permit of the necessary negotiations with the Department in Washington, and the plan was reluctantly abandoned.

Again—and more insistently—the suggestion of a Lee stamp—and a “Stonewall” Jackson, too—is revived; and again by friends in the North. We are printing these letters. Philately in the South will be grateful for the fine spirit that prompted the writers.

We trust that this movement will be widely supported—actively followed up by letters to the Postmaster-General—so that this Roosevelt Era may be marked—not alone by a returned prosperity, but by a more united country, evidenced by the great leaders of the North and the South—Americans after all—depicted on the new set of stamps now under consideration by the Department.

THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST,
GENTLEMEN:

NEW YORK, *July 23, 1933.*

Knowing your love for anything Southern I am writing to ask that you stir up interest in your paper to have some Southern hero's picture placed on the new issue of U. S. stamps which are now in preparation.

I have written the Postmaster General on this subject and he stated that it would receive due attention.

I suggested that at least we have a picture of Lee. I think that if some interest is shown in the matter that the Department will comply with our request.

Let's get behind this!


Yours very truly, SCOTT NIXON.

DEAR SIR:

MUNCIE, IND., *July 24, 1933.*

The writer is heartily in favor of two noted Southerners being on our postage stamps—Robert E. Lee and “Stonewall” Jackson. No one can object to having two such Americans adorning anything issued by our government, along with Washington, Franklin and Lincoln.

Very truly yours, JAMES MACFATRIDGE.

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Kosciusko Commemorative

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News states that Postmaster-General Farley has authorized the issuance of a special 5-cent stamp to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the admission to citizenship of General Thaddeus Kosciusko, the Polish hero in our Revolutionary War. The stamps will be placed on sale October 18th at Chicago, Detroit and Boston, and at other postoffices on the 19th.

Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention of the S. P. A.

The Society of Philatelic Americans will meet for its Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention in the city of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, on August 17th, 18th and 19th. An attractive program has been issued by Branch 11, host of the Convention, and the collectors of the good old Badger State will see to it that the boys are made to feel at home—and then some. The following excerpt from the program will be of interest to collectors visiting the Chicago Fair.

ALL COLLECTORS INVITED

Branch 11, host for the thirty-ninth annual convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans, invites all collectors of philatelic material to attend all sessions and participate in all activities and entertainments on an equal basis with members of the society, save only that non-members may not vote in the business session. The registration fee will be smaller than usual and will include the three evening meals.

Collectors may bring their wives and families, or arrange to meet their philatelic friends here in advance of attending the Century of Progress Exposition, or make the trip to Fond du Lac a side trip from Chicago. Provision will be made for entertainment of the non-collectors, men, women or children, during the times when the convention is in session or the collectors are occupied at auction or bourse.

Visitors from the Eastern, Southern and Western States who are coming by rail are advised that in most instances Century of Progress excursion rates are lower than convention rates and that money can be saved by buying tickets to Chicago, exposition rates and taking the convention rates from that city. Those coming from the Northwest States should arrange to make at least the last part of their journey by Soo line. Come from Chicago by North Western or Soo line or Greyhound Bus Lines.

To those coming by auto the suggestion is made that they consider the plan of leaving their cars in Fond du Lac at low dead storage rates and going to Chicago by train, bus or airplane. Return trip tickets with 10-day limit as low as \$3 for coach travel.

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITION

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All other inquiries should be sent to Russell J. Broderick, 294 E. Johnson St., Fond du Lac, Wis., who recently was elected vice-president of the S. P. A. to fill the unexpired term of Dr. F. M. Coppock, Jr., Cincinnati, who succeeds Col. W. N. McKelvy, resigned.



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The Stamps of Afghanistan

The average collector's knowledge of the stamps of Afghanistan can probably be summed up in the statement that "cancellation was effected by tearing out a plug of paper, and that the center of the circled design seems to show the face of a sentimental feline surrounded by an illegible cabalistic inscription." Beyond this the extent of his information approaches the dignity of a vast vacuum. Difficult to obtain, and helpless as before if he does get a few—for there is but meager data in the catalogs to afford him guidance—he decides to pass up this country in his collecting.

True, the first issues of Afghanistan, beginning back in 1870 and extending over the thirty years following, are rather expensive—as are most countries' earlier stamps—but with the beginning of the present century and the coming of several interesting issues, all at moderate prices, the collecting of Afghanistan should gain more followers.

A short time ago a communication from Mr. Eugen Bonatz, Royal Counsellor of Posts, reached the Editor from Kabul in Afghanistan. The letter contained so much of interesting information, both historical and philatelic, that a translation from the German was undertaken, so that our readers might share in the pleasure afforded and lead them to an appreciation of these neglected stamps.

Mr. Bonatz, a German-trained expert, was called to Afghanistan to organize the Post, Telegraph and Telephone systems of that country. He is located in Kabul. After successfully completing many difficult tasks, he has turned his attention to the postage stamps of Afghanistan. He is preparing to give us a new issue, and he plans to have something unusual and attractive. Dealers and collectors are invited to communicate with him.

The story of Afghanistan appears elsewhere in this number.



Maryland's Tercentenary

Maryland is to celebrate her tercentenary in 1934. It is inconceivable that the Post-Office Department will let this event pass without the proper recognition in the way of a commemorative stamp—or several of them. Events of far less significance have been thus marked within the past decade, and Maryland is entitled to an especially distinctive stamp.

The Maryland Tercentenary Commission has started a vigorous campaign to this end, and we urge collectors to read the communication from the Recording Secretary, Mr. George R. Callis, Jr., printed elsewhere in this number.

Let's all help Maryland this time!

A New United States Commemorative Album

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A New Branch of Philately (?)—Beer Labels!

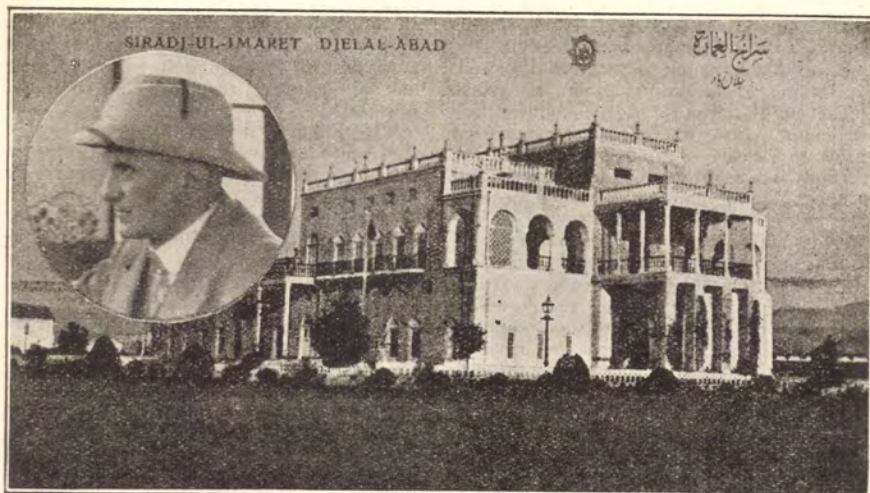
As a consequence of his exuberant joy at being unyoked and again permitted to quaff diluted beer with his foot on the brass rail, Mister Liberated Citizen has gone in for beer label collecting! The mania is spreading so widely that stamp-collecting is seriously endangered. They go in for "unused" and "used," too, and instead of millimeter-gauge and watermark detector, dependence is placed on scent. Presence of gum, as well as stains, have considerable bearing on value—likewise the signed affidavit that the contents actually took the gullet-route. I envisage special albums and catalogs and the forming of exchange clubs, likewise mammoth hinges. And lo! what a field for brewers' publicity and the label artist!



The Status of the Hind Collection

Quoting from an English contemporary, last month, we stated that the Hind collection would be disposed of in two auctions this fall.

Mr. Charles J. Phillips now advises us—and we pass the official news to our English *confreres*—that this information is incorrect. The estate is tied up because Mrs. Hind has entered a claim for one-third, as her name was omitted from her husband's will, and no arrangement whatever can be made for sale by private treaty or by auction or by any other method until that case is decided.



SIRADJ-UL-IMARET, DJELAL-ABAD—INSERT: MR. EUGEN BONATZ

Afghanistan

The Legendary Locality of the Biblical Paradise and the Landing of the Ark.

By EUGEN BONATZ, Royal Afghan Counsellor-of-Posts, Kabul.

Afghanistan—in the tongue of the natives "The Land Favored by God"—first awakened from its enchanted sleep in the year 1919 and established contact with the outside world . . .

Up to that time the Afghans were contented in their isolation, for every man had his work and his bread. There were other advantages in this living to themselves: it preserved for them their natural resources. No "culture-mole" burrowed into their soil, pregnant with minerals, to exploit its wealth, or sought to come in possession of their gold and silver trinkets of wonderful artistry—and of their beautiful, priceless rugs.

The people of Afghanistan lived—and still live—in an enviable state of simplicity and piety, guided in all their undertakings by that fine trust "Inshah-Allah,"



which means "As God Wills." And, strange though it seems, their every venture seems to prosper.

In 1919 the government of Afghanistan determined to open up the country and join in with the other cultural nations by an exchange of diplomatic representatives.

Strangers came into the country and introduced their "culture." They proceeded to substitute aniline colors for the wonderful natural pigments, with which the Afghans had dyed their famous rugs for centuries, in an attempt to cheapen the product and impair the fame of their ancient handicraft. British engineers discovered gold and forthwith proceeded to exploit the mines, but the Afghan government soon put a stop to this scheme and preserved for its own people the mineral wealth of their soil, for the mountains of

Afghanistan are rich in gold and silver and copper, precious and semi-precious stones, coal, and many other treasures of nature, that have not as yet been disclosed.

But not alone do its mineral products make up the wealth of the country, for delicious wines, made from grapes that grow to the size of plums, come from the sections of Kandahar and Kodman and Kuhistan, and many other tribal centers. Her pomgrenades, too, are famed in the world's marts far beyond her borders.

The southern part of the country produces the most delicious tropical fruits, while the mulberry, called "tuht," which thrives throughout Afghanistan, supplies the dried fruit that forms the favorite and nutritious food of the people through the winter. The skin of the "karakulis" (unborn lamb), known in Europe as "Persian," is marketed in beautiful specimens. The natives are known to be its best breeders and curriers.

In manners and customs the Afghan has remained Oriental. Numerous caravans still traverse his country, bearing the freighted traffic of his inland trade as well as his exports to India, Russia and Persia.

His women in the cities—and in a lesser degree along the countryside—still go about heavily veiled—a measure enjoined by Moslem law. The privilege of having many wives is now rarely claimed by the men of Afghanistan. . .

The present King, Nadir Khan, a wise and just ruler, is striving to preserve peace among the native clans and, by aiming to increase contentment and concord, is fostering the welfare of his subjects. It is remarkable to note how well the King and his brother, the Prime-Minister Mohamed-Haschin-Khan, have succeeded, in a very short time, in organizing a well-equipped and effective army and bringing about orderly conditions in the country. The royal brothers are particularly concerned about the improvement of the roads and the traffic conditions, with the end in view of inducing the nomadic tribes to make permanent settlements and turn to the cultivation of the soil which is admirably adapted to the growing of clover and wheat.

As a further measure to force these nomads to settle in villages and engage in agriculture and cattle-raising, the government is introducing numerous motor-trucks to compete with the caravans.

Experiments in irrigation, by means of wind-mill created electric power, in the

arid districts, has proven very successful. In an agricultural country, the possession of a vast wealth of wheat and cattle has ever proved the strongest factor in promoting political economy and national prosperity.

The King is deeply interested, too, in the improvement of health conditions in Afghanistan. Out of his private purse he defrays the cost of introducing modern sanitary equipment. At Aliabad, in the vicinity of Kabul, he has erected a sanatorium for consumptives, planned on the best principles of a European hospital.

Truly, not without cause does Afghanistan bear the name of a land favored by God, for according to the best of tradition the biblical Paradise was located in the vicinity of Balgh (Turkestan). Even today the locality of Chawa-Awhat is a region of paradisaical beauty. Strange, rare and delicious fruits ripen here and the stranger is astounded at the marvelous natural wonders of the country. Here, too, they tell you, Noah's Ark landed after the Deluge.

The traveler in all parts of Afghanistan encounters undreamed-of scenic beauty on every hand: wild-romantic mountain ranges, peaceful valleys and wide savannahs pass in bewildering variety before his gaze. No artist could catch the richness of color and fasten it upon his canvas.

Between Sabsowar and Herat lies a mountain range which, in the splendor of its metallic sheen, baffles description. Here, too, is found a kind of sand-stone of which, a thousand years ago, was built a castle at Islam-Kala, hard by the Persian border, whose façades and inscriptions have resisted the disintegrating hand of Time and appear without a flaw today.

There are naphta springs between Herat and Islam-Kala from which the crude oil is being sent to Persia for refining.

The inhabitants of Afghanistan belong to the following major tribes who are zealously intent upon preserving their racial purity—Afghans, Tadjiks, Hasahrs (Mongols), Uesbeks, Hindus and Jews. The Afghans, Tadjiks and Hasahrs form the greater group, the Uesbeks and Hindus the lesser tribes, while the Jews, to the number of 1,000, are settled in the section of Herat. The greater number of inhabitants are engaged in trading among themselves as well as abroad.

The capital city, Kabul, situated on the river of the same name, is spread out upon a plateau 1,800 meters above sea-

level. The temperature is that of Central Europe. Sporadic earthquakes occur in this region.

The government center is Kandahar near the Argandab river. Kandahar is an ancient caravan city, through which passes most of the tropical fruit trade with India.

In the north-west, at the Russian-Persian frontier, lies the important trading center of Herat, formerly a strong fortress. During the reign of the earlier king Ammanullah-Khan the new city of Balla Hissa, adjoining the fort, was built. It has remained uninhabited up to this time.

The old city of Herat has many large bazaars where, aside from native products, the wares of Russia and Persia are displayed.

In the north, near the mighty river Amur-Darja, lies the government capital Massar-i-Cherrif, an ancient city with many beautiful mosques.

At the present time the Afghan government has under construction a highway from Kabul, via Tscharikar, to Massar-i-Cherrif. In this undertaking it was necessary to penetrate the Hindukusch mountains for a distance of 80 kilometers. It is amazing to note how rapidly these roads, which lead over high mountain passes, were constructed with very primitive mediums.

At the branching-off of this new road toward Massar-i-Cherrif, near Darre-Schikari, lies the famed Bamian, the Mecca of all antiquarians, for here are found, in a remarkable state of preservation, many of the ancient idol-monuments. These are of gigantic dimensions and partially sculptured into the mountain.

Many more interesting things are to be found in Afghanistan, notably her wonderful carpets and other handiwork which bear witness to her high achievements in oriental skill and art.

The philatelic story of the Afghan stamps is yet to be written—of the various issues under its successive feudal lords; the unusual method of obliteration; the significance of the Arabic inscriptions; the many varieties encountered in its lithographs; the color shades, errors and prohibited illustrations—for be it known that the Moslem law provides that "no graven image" be made of annointed ruler or sacred shrine—even an Afghan woman may not face the camera—they are sacrosanct—and this inhibition extends to the pictures on their postage stamps! But errors and transgressions will occur—even

in Afghanistan. Here, for example, are one color error, two wrong scenes and one breach of the sacred interdiction.



Interior House of Parliament—Throne Hall. 60 Pul, purple—should be violet.



Interior House of Parliament—Throne Hall. 1 Afg, black—should show the Ruins of Balgh.



The Famous Seven Pillars at Herat. 2 Afg., lilac—should show different scene.



The Famous Monuments of Idols at Bamian. The illustrating of which is forbidden by Moslem law. 3 Afg., claret.

These stamps were on sale but four weeks when they were withdrawn from circulation. Small stocks of remainders are still in hands of the Postal Department in Kabul.



The Sven Hedin Expedition Stamps.

Through the courtesy of Mr. E. K. Viator of the Richmond Stamp

Club we are enabled to show the full set of Sven Hedin stamps issued by the Chinese government on the occasion of the famous Swedish scientist's expedition to the North-western Province of China. The inscription reads: EXPED. SCIENT. SEPT. OCCID. PROVINC. SINÆ—MCMXXVII-MCMXXXIII. The values are 1c. deep orange, 4c. deep olive, 5c. red-lilac, and 10c. deep blue.

Mr. Viator received these stamps from Sven Hedin direct in a letter addressed to

Sven Hedin

the scientist's sister, Miss Alma Hedin, in Stockholm.

The cover carries the complete set cancelled Peiping and backstamped Shanghai. Sven Hedin's bold signature runs across the flap on the back. Miss Hedin advises Mr. Viator that 25,000 sets were issued, 4,500 of which have been sold at different post offices in China, 5,500 sets belong to the government and various scientific bodies, while the remainder belong to the explorer, and will be sold to defray, in part, the expenses of the expedition.

Universal Stamp Association Meets in Syracuse.

The third annual convention of the Universal Stamp Association whose membership is made up of residents of fifteen States will be held at Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 24, 25 and 26. Dr. Albert Salathe, well-known British Colonies collector and a faculty member at Syracuse University, has been appointed by Camille Lacombe, national president, to act as general chairman.

The first day of the convention will be taken up by old and unfinished business, the second with the election of officers for the coming year and new business and the third day will be spent socially with a banquet and an auction taking place. D. Cady Fulmer will act as auctioneer. A galaxy of famous stamp collectors are slated to speak. Stamps will be on exhibit

in the grand ball room of the hotel for three days. Unlike in other years cash awards will be made for the best exhibits.

As customary a beautiful cachet in various colors will be applied to all covers. For cachet and information write to Universal Stamp Association, Box 935, Syracuse, N. Y. Collectors are requested to limit themselves to three covers as there is a charge on additional covers.

Other committeemen and committeewomen include: A. C. Husak, Stanley M. Goodman, A. D. Theobald, Max Elliott, H. E. Potter, L. R. Morey, Dr. O. E. Brambeck, C. F. Jewett, A. J. Trythall, L. C. Lewis, F. W. Challinor, D. W. Olney, R. L. Skidmore, T. M. Miller, Arthur W. Barrus, Miss Elenora F. Litty and Mrs. Jenny Dewey.

St. Helena

*An Interesting Letter from Our Correspondent, Dr. L. L. Burton, F. R. C. S.
Stationed on the Historic Island of St. Helena.*

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

It is 2:20 p. m., and I have just finished tapping off a "little bit" on St. Helena and, very much of an aside, its stamps.

You can see the result for yourself as it accompanies this.

But what has called it forth?

"Something"—that elusive something—which stamps the writer, reached out and called to me, from Richmond, Virginia, and it was *not* the letter, but the mind of the man behind that letter which touched a chord in me—the chord so rarely touched in this busy life of feverish endeavor and endless unrest.

It might have been an old friend "calling," and I "listened in" with as much eagerness as ever listener with the ear pieces over his head and laid down the "receiver" with a sigh, when the "wireless" message came to an end.

How rarely we hear it. *Not* simply the letter of an appreciation of my little effort; not merely a letter of interest, but just that *something* more. For it *I thank you*. * * *

I am delighted to hear that THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST is touching an ever-increasing number of readers.

I find that Philately has opened up a new world to me in this tiny pin-prick on the Atlantic.

A school boy in Norway, a canner in Frisco, a Judge in Southern India, a citron grower in New South Wales, a doctor in Cairns, a manager of a rubber estate in the Philippines, and an engineer in Baku, Russia, among many others.

May I tell you a little story? My six months in the Cook Islands first brought me that delight of a refreshing change, and ended with very hard work, beginning at 8 a. m., and often going right through the day till evening, for the native soon grasps the difference between the real desire to help, and the spurious, and evidently I satisfied him with the former.

So, when the time came for our departure (of my wife and self), we were

invited to have tea with one of the Arikis, a direct descendant of Queen Makea Takau, of stamp fame!

They gave us a Ti-Vi-Vi (which is a bed spread made by stitching innumerable small squares and triangles of blue, white and red colored bits together.)

After tea I was asked if I would adopt (!) Takau Karika—in other words, would I give her a second name.

I suppose this is considered one of the greatest honors it is possible to give a stranger. She was a tiny little thing of seven, whom I had treated for rheumatic fever on several occasions.

We called her "Eilleen" Takau Karika.

Alltogether we were the recipients of four Ti-Vi-Vi bed spreads together with hundreds of bead necklaces, and a bead costume which had won a first prize in Tahiti.

But you may be more interested in this little spot—in fact you have said so.

Our Island is six by ten miles; shape, horse-chestnut; rising to nearly 2,800 feet. All the roads, have steep gradients, which necessitate driving a low-powered car, like my little Austin, in third gear.

With all good wishes from my wife and myself, for she joins me heartily in spirit, I know. Recently, a couple of weeks ago we played chess on board Mr. Harvey Bissell's Yacht, "The Ariadne" and had a most delightful evening afterward with his wife and family. They came from Los Angeles.

Yours very sincerely,

L. L. BURTON.

ISLAND OF ST. HELENA

Two doors away the mournful strains of a trombone pouring out heart-rending ancient airs, evidently with the motto "to be glad be as miserable as you can." This the morning.

Two buglers. "Skilly me boys, skilly me boys" re-echoing from the hills on the evening air, night after night just before sundown.

And opposite, on the Shipping Agent's doorway, I have just seen a notice board which announces that the incoming north-bound steamer arrives on Sunday afternoon.

And throughout this little "Speck on the Atlantic" the message is wonderfully transmitted over mountain, hill and valley by a wireless not made by man.

And this is the home of the St. Helena stamps.

Ten-by-six, with one town, Jamestown, and outlying districts, which though only seven miles away, take four or five hours to reach on foot!

Three years ago we only had horse transport, and donkeys as burden carriers. Now the Island boasts of over forty motor cars!

In the old days it took $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours to reach Longwood, where Napoleon died, with a horse-drawn vehicle, because you rise from sea level at Jamestown to 1,700 feet at Longwood Gate.

How many letters come to me addressed "St. Helena" only. Some of them have been to St. Helens, Lancashire; others to St. Helena, Tasmania, and one was addressed "St. Helena, Channel Islands," and yet another, "St. Helena, West Coast of Africa."

I receive orders for all denominations up to one pound; and others that read: "You can send me up to fifty of any of the lower values," for blocks, pairs, in fact, for quantities that could only be turned out of a slot machine, on a day when delivery was *Free!!!*

Many imagine we have an internal post, and that the collection of used specimens is a pastime so frivolous that all one has to do is to catch them, like a conjurer, as they float in their millions through the air.

Nothing up my sleeve, ladies and gentlemen.

"But," you cry, "where do the stamps come in?"

Here! Have you the Eagle's Beak on the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. black? on the 1d. green? on the $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. rose red?

Have you the "Torn Flag"? on the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. black? on the $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. rose red?

Have you the "Broken Mast" on the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. black? on the $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. rose red? on the 1 d. green?

These "freaks" are to be found in the present issue, as also the "Ring in the Nose of King George" on certain of the 2d. stamps.

This is just to make your mouth water—those of you who haven't got 'em.

Now as to the design. Where on earth, heaven, or the other place, the two rocks shown on the present issue, are, "beats me." I've been here three and a half years and haven't discovered them yet!

The design showing Wharf. This spot, where Napoleon landed, goes by the local name of "Seaside." Notes of exclamation wanted from those of you to whom seaside means golden sands. In St. Helena we have no golden sands.

Look back at your 1912-1916 issues, and you see "Government House" except that you see the spot engirt by trees which gives no idea of its beauty. Without exaggeration it is one of the most lovely places it is possible to imagine. The tennis court down the grassy slope in front of Plantation (Government) House, the grassy slopes beyond, and the tortoise, now over 150 years old. Its mate died some years ago.

Or it may be you come here in the late afternoon, when the sun throws her rays aslant the trees, and you are in Elysium.

Of wonders? Yes, we have lot. A huge monolithic remains, with a base of 100 feet, and a height of 290 feet. Two daredevils climbed it in the last century. Then "Lot's Wife," who is thinner, as you can believe, nearer the sea. Also "Lot's Daughters," three slender slips of girls—but they, too, are rocks.

High Knoll, where some of the refractory Boer prisoners were kept—1,903 feet above sea level. A most imposing landmark.

"The Waterfall," a drop of 300 feet. "The Ladder," 699 steps. This last starts at the back of the goal in Jamestown, connecting with the Barracks at the top of Ladder Hill.

"Friar's Ridge." The sharp division between two ravines. Of Napoleon, and his Tomb, a mile from Longwood beneath weeping willows, you all know. Let us revert to the Friar. Where it now stands was supposed once to have been the site of a Roman Catholic Chapel. This was the residence of the priest, a monk of the Franciscan order. He was considered an example of Christian piety and good works.

One day he met a mountain nymph who lived in a lonely cottage not far from the Friar's secluded habitation. She attended her father's mountain goats on the adjacent hill, "Goat Pound Ridge." They had strayed, and she had vainly tried to

collect them. When, meeting the monk, she told her tale, and asked his assistance. It was accorded, for who could resist such beauty? The scattered flock reunited. It was but the beginning of numerous meetings. Came the day when he poured into her ear his tale of love, and after long pleading with her, she promised to marry him, if he would renounce his creed and become of her faith. At length he agreed. Now they stand before the altar, her hand clasped in his, when a crash came! The rock was rent asunder, and every vestige of the chapel, and those it contained, disappeared forever.

If you approach the Island from the sea, perhaps you should say as I did, on my first arrival. "What a splendid spot to commit suicide!" Such are the forbidding rocks, which rise, almost perpendicularly from the sea.

But come with me. Let us leave Half Tree Hollow Ladder Hill behind, where grows the cactus, and everything is depressing with its overwhelming hideousness. We pass Princes Lodge, at the foot of High Knoll. The scenery changes. Here you look down upon Francis Plain, a grassy slope, with its cricket pavilion. Now on your right the road runs along to White Gate, the entrance to Plantation. A lovely road, with pine trees gone and fern. "White Gate!" Here, by turning to your left, you pass along a road bounded by thorn trees, with their bright scarlet flowers, and pass beneath an archway of trees, with fern covered rocks on either side.

Or, you continue your way along the Ridges, which wind in and out around what must have been the ridge of an old crater.

Beneath you appears rolling green sward, pine trees, and loveliness.

Now you come to a gate, and the road leads down by twists and turns to Sandy Bay, and you see "Lot," and "Lot's Wife" in the distance, and—yes, I'll go on collecting St. Helena stamps, if only for the sake of that *one* day, when I saw St. Helena *as it is*.



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What's Going On in Chicago

Every one wants news, as to what is going on in Chicago, so Jim Zalud, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee was asked for the latest information. First there will be an Exhibition of 100 frames and being non-competitive will be an invitation affair only. Among other important showings will be four frames by the U. S. Post Office Department.

The A. P. S. is sponsoring only one official cachet which I believe has already been described, however I repeat have your covers at Robert J. Campbell's, 10410 South Maplewood Ave., Chicago by August 19th at the latest. The small charge of 10c. per cover, plus postage, will be used to help defray the expense of the Exhibition.

July 17th Jim Zalud and Uncle Tom Hunter made a test trip on the Steamer Theodore Roosevelt and believe us a great night awaits all of you. The loud speaker on this boat is in perfect order and no matter where you go you will hear what we have to say, to you. By the way, Mr. Hunter is in charge of the information bureau if you want to know about hotels, etc. phone him, or drop him a line care Breevort Hotel, Chicago.

For those desiring information on Airplane, Boat, Railroad or auto travel write to Fred W. Peters, 216 North Michigan Ave., Chicago.

While we are of course interested in the A. P. S. Convention and what a golden opportunity this will be to see our Convention in action. You should plan to come to Chicago, if for no other reason than the Century of Progress. Bring your family. There is something doing here in Chicago every minute. The air is full of airplanes, blimps, and Zepps, all day and all night the sky is criss-crossed by powerful searchlights of all colors. The effect cannot be described, it must be seen. As General Balbo said on the eve of his departure "You Chicagoans have given us everything but rest." You can spend a month here and never see the same thing twice. Your A. P. S. badge will even admit you free to the new Chicago Historical Society Building in Lincoln Park wherein is housed a wonderful coin collection, George Washington's desk, souvenirs of the Chicago Fire, Dr. Clarence Hennen's Chicago Cancellations, and the very coat Abraham Lincoln wore when assassinated.—JIM ZALUD.

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Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Letters are pouring in so fast from readers of this column regarding our past comments on cachet racketeering that it will be impossible to publish all in our Forum, however if you enjoy spicy reading turn to the Forum page for a few minutes of delightful reading.

Several of the other philatelic papers have commented on our stand in the matter and though opinions are divided it is our intention to adhere to our former statements until some convincing racketeer changes our notions. Several unusual and very interesting letters are published in this issue and every cover collector is advised to read them.

Ken Tallmadge reports that 411 air-mail and 75 non-aero covers were mailed at the Fifth Anniversary Celebration at Lansing, Mich., on July 17, and 2,400 covers with purple cachet and 25 large specially printed envelopes with red cachet mailed at the Roscommon Dedication on July 16. It all shows that air mail covers are still most desirable items.

"Old Ironsides" will visit Santa Cruz, Calif., sometime in September and a cachet will be applied by the Santa Cruz Chamber of Commerce.

The Ramsay Stamp Club (Attention: Mr. Cayce), 1015 Elm St., Birmingham, Ala., will apply a Labor Day cachet.

The Philadelphia Record Stamp Club, Broad and Wood Sts., Philadelphia, Pa., will issue a cachet on November 11 commemorating the Signing of the Armistice. Interested collectors should write beforehand for special information on printed covers.

J. J. Mattes, 1113 Cornelia Ave., Chicago, Ill., will sponsor cachets for the following events from his city: August, Picard Stratosphere Flight; Sept., 1-4, International Air Races; October 2-5,

American Legion Convention. Several other events are in the offing.

East Hartford will celebrate its 150th Birthday on the 12th of October and a Historical Committee is planning a suitable cachet. Send covers to George B. West, 35 Elmer St., East Hartford, Conn.

The number of complimentary and even flattering letters regarding our series of historical Virginia cachets is surprising. Fathers and mothers, ministers and school teachers have been exceedingly loud in their praises. The following excerpts from a letter by Mrs. M. K. Kendrick is ample evidence that these particular kind of cachets are welcomed in homes where youngsters find joy in stamp and cover collecting: "I think the June cachets were quite interesting and a good idea for teaching history to our young stamp collectors."

"Old Ironsides" will visit Portland, Oregon, August 2 to 22, and a very attractive cachet will be applied to all covers sent M. F. McCamley, 5526 S. Delaware Ave., Portland, Oregon. Different colored cachets will be used each day, so send an ample quantity of covers to cover this outstanding event.

A cachet, in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of The New York Sun will be applied on September 2 to all standard "634" size envelopes, properly stamped and addressed. A reproduction of the first copy of *The Sun* will be inserted in all covers sent unsealed and unstuffed to F. R. Bruns, Cachet Director, *The Sun*, 280 Broadway, New York City.

I have several stamped envelopes from our last two cachets which were received with no names or addresses. If the owners will make proper claim for them I shall be glad to return same. *Always please see*

that your envelopes are properly stamped and addressed when sending for cachets.

Remember, there are still three more Virginia Historical cachets: August 18, Laying of Corner Stone by Masons of Virginia State Capitol; September 19, 200th Anniversary Founding of Richmond; November 15, Washington's Visit to Richmond. Covers should be sent unstuffed and unsealed to THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST, Richmond, Va.

The following figures regarding our past historical cachets may prove of interest: June 10, St. John's Church, 9,400 covers; June 22, Houdon's Statue, 6,000 covers; June 27, Ratification of Constitution by Virginia, 3,200 covers; June 28, Richmond Light Infantry Blues, 3,000 covers; July 19, Charter of Richmond, 4,900 covers. These figures are within one hundred of the exact number of covers mailed.

The following notice is by courtesy of Donald Dickason, the noted air mail authority and one of the pioneers in this interesting branch:

I have just received a letter from Dr. Arthur H. Compton, famous physicist of the University of Chicago, who is associated with Dr. Piccard in the arrangements for the stratosphere flight to be made from Chicago about July 25th. Dr. Compton writes that due to space limitations they have had to decide against carrying any philatelic covers on this flight. However, in order to satisfy the philatelists who wish to have letters associated with the flight, Dr. Piccard and Dr. Compton have agreed to sign and mail on the date of the flight from Chicago, such letters as are received by them before that time. In order to control in some measure what would undoubtedly be an impossible flood of covers, they are asking a 15c. remittance for each one so handled, funds received to go towards the expenses of the flight. Dr. Compton may be addressed Care of The University of Chicago; but may be out of town a good deal so letters should be marked on the outside, "For Piccard Stratosphere Mail," or some such wording. Covers may also be sent direct to Dr. Jean Piccard, whose local address I do not know, but who would doubtless receive mail sent to him care of The Century of Progress Exposition. All letters should bear full postage, either 3c. or 8c. rate.

Don't forget that we have plenty of subscription blanks ready for your imprint to our new magazine *Stamp and Cover*

Collecting. The announcement of this new publication has elicited many favorable comments from collectors everywhere. Subscription blanks will be mailed anyone postfree and we appreciate your co-operation by using them.

The Maryland Commemorative Association, Baltimore, Md., will issue a cachet of singular beauty and unusual merit on September 1 and will commemorate the famous Maryland Clipper Ships of Colonial Days. Covers must be 6¾ size, unstuffed and unsealed, no postage dues and only two per collector. Covers must be in by August 25.

A properly sponsored cachet will be applied on October 1 by the Aerophilatelic Club of New York, 5059 40th St., Long Island City, N. Y., for the Dedication of the Flushing, N. Y., Post Office. Only First Class and Air Mail covers to receive cachet.

Our fight against the cachet racketeers must be having some weight as no ridiculous "5c. per two-line rubber stamp cachets" have been received this month. The boys must be laying low.

The following notice is worthy of publicity:

The President of the American Philatelic Society has announced that there will be only one officially sponsored first day cover of the new imperforate Century of Progress stamps.

These covers will be cacheted with reproductions of the American Philatelic Society seal and a replica of Fort Dearborn.

Robert J. Campbell, 10410 South Maplewood Ave., Chicago, Illinois is chairman of the American Philatelic Society committee to handle the printing of the cachet and mailing of the first day covers.

The club A. P. S. cachet booth will be located next to the postoffice at the convention.

There will be a charge of 10c. per cover plus postage, the proceeds to be used to defray expense of the exhibition. Two sizes of covers will be provided—one will be large enough to take the pane of 25 special stamps.

Mail your remittance to chairman Robert J. Campbell, 10410 So. Maplewood Avenue, Chicago by August 19th, 1933 at the very latest.

Plate numbers or special positions cannot be guaranteed.

JAMES A. ZALUD,
Chairman Arrangements Committee.

Kilgore, Texas, Mr. E. Hay, Secretary of C. of C. writes, "Kilgore has a small improved landing field. Under auspices of the C. of C. It is expected that one-day dedication services will be held some time this summer. The date has not been set.

There will be a dedication of Flushing, N. Y. Post Office on Oct. 1. A properly sponsored cachet. Mail covers to Aero-philatelic Club of New York, 5059 Fortieth Street, Long Island City, N. Y. Only first class and air mails. No postage dues accepted.

King Hostick of Y. M. C. A., Springfield, Illinois will hold covers for any events in and around Springfield. A series of seven Lincoln Douglas Debate cachets is forthcoming soon. Rush your covers but weigh them before mailing.

The first plane for the 16-hour coast-to-coast airmail has been built and tested. Further tests are to be made, so it looks like the coming fall before the first flight will be made.

H. York, the well-known air mail dealer of Cummington, Mass., is disposing of much fine air mail material in a Summer and Winter sale. If interested, write him for his catalog.



South American Notes

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

The Cie Generale Aeropostale has under construction a gigantic hydroplane weighing 22 tons which is destined for the Paris-Buenos Aires airmail route. It is the Company's opinion that hydroplanes are more suitable for this service than airships because they can be more economically run and are much faster.

The recent fusion of the French services will have as an immediate result a general speeding up on all the routes. The Paris-Pekin service will function weekly and the journey will be made in four days. That of Paris-Buenos Aires will have immediate attention.

Pilot Boussoutrot has recently been appointed Chief of the "Aeropostale" system and he, in collaboration with Rossi, will attempt in the near future, a flight round the world, the route being Paris-Pekin-Tokio-Canada-Newfoundland-Europe.



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Let's All Help Maryland!

A public sentiment campaign is being conducted in Maryland to induce the U. S. Post Office Department to issue a series of stamps in commemoration of the Three Hundredth Anniversary of The Founding of Maryland in 1794. The Memorials Committee of the Maryland Tercentenary Commission is actively engaged in calling upon the citizens of Maryland to express their demands for these stamps, and every stamp collector and philatelist throughout the United States to support Maryland's request by writing their individual endorsement to Mr. George R. Callis, Chairman of the Memorials Committee of the Maryland Tercentenary Commission, 1602 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Md., *at once*.

The impression made upon the U. S. postal authorities will depend largely upon the public demand for these stamps, which demand it is believed exists outside as well as within the State of Maryland, and which can only be made known by public and private expression in the proper direction. Senator Tydings of Maryland has already given forceful expression to be postmaster and this may be augmented by a personal expression from you, as well as the organizations and individuals allied with the stamp world. This may seem a rather simple request for the Post-Office Department to grant to a State that is celebrating its Tercentenary, as there are very few States who can take their place with Maryland in age and history, but nevertheless the Post Office Department is reluctant to depart from established standards unless the public demand is sufficiently convincing. There have been many State anniversaries of recent years and there have been many special commemorative historic postal stamps issued most of which have very meager historic value, as compared to what a Maryland Stamp would be. We should therefore demand that Maryland be given its rightful place along with Virginia and Massachusetts and impress upon the public mind its historic and ancestral heritage.

In the spirit of cooperation therefore, may we count on you to request your readers to write Mr. Callis at once in support of Maryland's demand to have the history of this State spread broadcast before the world on all mail bearing U. S. postage from March 1st to July 31st, 1934, and if possible have all affiliated organizations and individuals do likewise.



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American Stamp Dealers Association, Inc.

The American Stamp Dealers Association, "The A. S. D. A." has become so firmly established and so well known to our readers, that we suppose there is little need of a long recital of its purpose. It aims to be a trade organization of stamp merchants, and as such its principal concern is in seeing to it that the business of selling and buying stamps is kept on a dignified, orderly plane. Its membership

is composed chiefly of full-time stamp dealers. Membership is by invitation only.

The organization became a much more vital one during the assumption of the Presidency by Hugh M. Clark some years ago. For the past two years it has been equally well captained by the popular and efficient Mr. J. J. Klemann, Jr. The Secretary's address is 20 Exchange Place, New York City.



The attention of dealers and auctioneers is directed to the forthcoming national magazine "Stamp and Cover Collecting," which will succeed THE NEW SOUTHERN in November, as an unexcelled medium of publicity. Its nation-wide circulation is already assured. It is the direct route to the collector.

World's Rarest Stamp Lost and Found Again

Anxious enquiries were being made during June as to the whereabouts of the world's rarest and most expensive stamp.

This is the 1 cent magenta stamp of British Guiana issued in 1856, which for nearly 50 years was in Ferrari's possession, and for which the late Mr. Arthur Hind paid £7,343 in 1922.

It was for a time reported missing and enquiries were afoot both in America and in Britain on behalf of the executors who were anxious to locate it.

Last month the experts, Charles J. Phillips and William Kennett started upon a detailed appraisal of the Hind stamp collections, a task likely to keep them occupied at Utica for three months.

The famous 1 cent Guiana was nowhere to be found. It had been loaned on several occasions by Mr. Hind for exhibition purposes and had crossed and re-crossed the Atlantic several times. Sometimes Mr. Hind sent it across the Atlantic in an envelope by post and just registered in the ordinary way.

Apparently on one of these occasions when he lent the stamp, Mr. Hind had not returned it to his albums, and had placed it elsewhere. After a few days of anxious enquiries, we learn that the stamp has been found by Mrs. Hind in one of the safes at the late Mr. Hind's Utica home.

So all's well that ends well.—*The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*.

Creed's S. P. A. Convention Sale

Mr. Georges Creed, 5827 Hoffman Ave., Philadelphia will conduct the S. P. A. Convention Sale of U. S. and Foreign on Saturday, August 19th at the Retlaw Hotel, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. This will mark the closing event of the S. P. A. Convention. Many fine items are offered and collectors are urged to get in their bids to Mr. Creed's Philadelphia address up to August 12th, after that date, care of Retlaw Hotel, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

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Government of India Collection

The Government of India possesses two very interesting stamp collections. One belongs to the Postal Department and is at Delhi and the other is housed at the Victoria Memorial Hall, Calcutta.

The collection at Delhi, it is understood, is not easily accessible to the public, but the one at Calcutta can be visited by any one interested enough. A small fee has to be paid for entry to the room where the collection is kept and also previous intimation must be given to the Curator, as the collection remains under lock and key.

There is another small collection of War stamps nicely displayed at the War Museum at the Delhi Fort, but it contains mostly common stamps of the war period and is interesting from its association with the war only.

In the year 1930-31, the rearrangement of the collection belonging to the Postal Department was undertaken. The task was entrusted to Mr. Smythies a Conservator of Forests in the United Provinces and a well known and authoritative Philatelist. The estimated expenses for the work during the years 1930-31 and 1931-32, was Rs. 8,000, but by the end of the first year Mr. Smythies was able, out of the superfluous stock of the Department, to market over Rs. 12,000 worth of stamps and the work therefore more than paid for itself.—S. C. in *The Dak Tiki*.

For "Technical Reasons" (?)

It is said the German Post-Office Department, which had entered several exhibits in the WIPA, withdrew in the "twelfth hour" on account of "technical reasons." Those Europeans certainly have a knack of camouflaging the truth! The unvarnished facts are that Hitler and the Austrian government are not on the best of terms.

Acme Stamp Co. Price-List

We have received a copy of the Acme Stamp Co. (1480 Broadway, New York) Price-List of "Everything the Stamp Collector Needs." Its 136 pages cover a big field. Write for a copy.

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Forum

Red Hot Shots From Every Corner of Stampdom.

THE NEW SOUTHERN welcomes comments and opinions and as many as possible will be published each month on this page. These letters do not necessarily represent the policy of this magazine. They are simply published for their brevity and breeziness.

Chester, Pa, July 25, 1933.

DEAR SIR:

Just finished reading the different opinions in this month's Forum, so while I'm in the mood I might as well jump aboard for one trip myself. No doubt I am one of the so-called racketeers, since out of the 22 cachets I sponsored, only one was free. The rest all had a charge of 8c. attending them, *but* cover, stamp, etc. was supplied.

However if you were to offer 8c. to the collector for any one of them, I doubt if he would take you up, since everyone seemed satisfied, the best proof being in repeat orders.

Out of the lot there was only one rubber cachet (the free one). Certainly it was for advertising purposes. (What one isn't?)

I admire your stand if you get after such nonsencical cachets as Champion Steer Thrower, 39th Anniversary of this, or 166th Anniversary of that. They should at least run in cycles of five.

In a previous issue you made a holler about a fellow in New York sponsoring a cachet in Virginia. J. F. this month, hears that a damyankee is sponsoring cachets on Confederate victories. All right, what about it. Is there still ill feeling between the North and the South? We're all Americans aren't we?

Did you ever hear about the Rabbi who told the Priest he'd eat pork, when the Priest ate meat on Friday. What's the moral? There is none.

But, if the C. of C.'s, or Stamp Clubs are too slow (or tight) to sponsor these events, let some one up in Canada do it if he feels that way.

I just finished one group of Georgia-Bicentennials and am now on my second group. Since I am no philanthropist I must make a charge to pay for cut, mailing, printing, etc.

This is the cacheteer's (or racketeer's) side. What's your answer. Hope, I'm not

ordering my sub. stopped. I subscribe for the cover news in it, not for other peoples' opinions.

O. R. WATTS.

It is with pleasure that we present Mr. Watts' letter to readers of our Forum. Truly, there are always two sides to every case.—ED.

Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR: It appears to me that you should give some real mention of our fine City and particularly the Century of Progress Exposition in your paper, which had sadly neglected Chicago in the recent issues. Other magazines have done so—why not THE NEW SOUTHERN? Is it this backward? I have often heard that the South was retarded. Answer, please!

A. A. C.

We have made mention of the Century of Progress Commemoratives on numerous occasions and the City of Chicago also found its way into our columns. It is admitted that ours is not the greatest magazine in the world, nor do we think that the South is retarded. We drink a legalized mug of beer every day.—ED.

Atlanta, Ga.

DEAR SIR: If the new magazine that you propose publishing to succeed THE NEW SOUTHERN is just one-half as good as the present monthly, just continue my subscription for ten years and send me a bill.

J. F.

We trust it will be twice as good.—ED.

Baltimore, Md.

DEAR SIR: Enclosed is the last pin-money dollar I have to my name. Keep my name on your mailing list. I would not miss THE NEW SOUTHERN for anything.

I. S. M.

What a booster!—ED.

Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I am in full accord with your fight against the cachet racketeers, although I notice that you have not printed their side of the case. There are always two sides to every case. Why not call upon them for a statement.

J. H.

Everyone has a right to voice his opinion in our Forum. We are pleased, however, to publish a very fine letter stating the "other side's" case.—ED.

New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: What an opus you have in your magazine, and what an octopus the new magazine will be, no one knows. I can hardly await my copies of THE NEW SOUTHERN and I enjoy every issue to the fullest extent.

J. H.

No comment.—ED.

Detroit, Mich.

DEAR SIR: If so many others had not discontinued their subscriptions to your magazine, I surely should. Instead of getting better and better, it is getting worse and "worse." But keep my name on your subscription list. I enjoy "rotten" things with a twangy taste.

M. F.

We appreciate your thoughtfulness.—ED.

The Site of Paradise



The above illustration—one of the current set of Afghanistan—shows the ruins of ancient Balgh, legendary site of Paradise or the Garden of Eden.

Everything Else But—

"Has your husband any hobbies?" asked the neighbor who was calling.

"No," said Mrs. Smith, "he has rheumatiz a good deal, and hives now and then, but he ain't never had no hobbies."
—*Australian Stamp Monthly.*

Seattle, Wash. Collectors Organize Latin-America Unit

Mr. Rasmus Bartleson of 1918 N. 47th Street, Seattle, Wash., writes of plans being made for the organizing of a "Latin-America Unit" of the A. P. S. among the local collectors of Seattle and vicinity. The movement deserves every encouragement, and the secretaries of similar units are invited to communicate with Mr. Bartleson and offer suggestions that may be of assistance in their planning.

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Reprinted from *Philatelic Magazine*, London.**"The Voortrekkers"***The Story of the Great Trek.*

BY L. A. B. SHARPE



On May 1st, 1933, as already reported in our *New Issue* columns, South Africa issued a set of three stamps commemorating one of the most momentous events in South African history, known as "The Great Trek." The stamps are sold at a premium of 50% over face value, and it is intended to issue a fresh set of three annually up to and including 1938, the centenary of the year in which the "Voortrekkers" (or pioneers) broke the Zulu power at the battle of Blood River in Natal. The premium on the stamps will be devoted to the erection of a Voortrekkers memorial in that year. Collectors will therefore welcome the following interesting account of the "Voortrekkers," by one of the leading students of modern South African stamps.—Editor, *Philatelic Magazine*, London.

Among numerous grievances nurtured by the South African Colonists in the year 1835, two in particular were of outstanding importance, viz.—(a) The Emancipation of Slaves. (b) The Kaffir—phil policy of the British Government at home.

Founded in 1652, the population of the Colony at the period of the final British Occupation in 1806 amounted only to some 26,000 Europeans, with 30,000 slaves and 20,000 Hottentots. The object of the Netherlands East India Company, in their Settlement at the Cape, was from first to last the replenishment and repairs of the Company's ships trading with the East Indies. Colonization was never a primary object. Nevertheless, there had risen a number of "free burghers" as distinct from the Company's servants. Partly from land-hunger, partly, if not largely, from discontent at the monopolies exercised by the Company, a considerable amount of "trekking" took place during the 17th and 18th centuries, principally along the coastal regions. These "treks" are distinguished from the "Great Trek" by being unorganized and individualistic. Thus, in the last quarter of the 18th century, these "trek-Boers" began to approach the south-eastern corner of Africa. Here they met for the first time with the vanguard of the war-like Bantu tribes which, driving all before them, were advancing down the east coast. Themselves invaders, they are reputed to have set out from Equatorial Africa at a period variously stated as from 500 to 800 years previously.

In 1778 an agreement was made with

some Kaffir chiefs whereby the Great Fish River, which falls into the sea one hundred miles east of the present site of Port Elizabeth, should be the dividing line between the two races. Natural causes, however, combined to render the agreement of little effect, and in 1779 began the first of a long series of Kaffir Wars, two more of which occurred (1789, 1799) before the Cape passed finally to Britain in 1806. At this period, the Lower Fish River still remained a section of the Eastern Frontier, although Kaffir clans had established themselves well within the colony itself.

In 1811-12, operations were undertaken to clear the colony of the invader, and as a result of the fourth Kaffir War, some 20,000 Kaffirs were pushed back beyond the Fish River. A line of frontier forts were established, Grahamstown being established as the military headquarters. A fifth Kaffir War broke out in 1818 and Grahamstown was hotly besieged. The Kaffirs were eventually repulsed and the frontier advanced to the Keiskamma River.

A notable event occurred in 1820, when 4,000 immigrants arrived from England at Algoa Bay, and settling in the districts known as Albany and Bathurst, formed not only a valuable addition to the defence against Kaffir inroads, but, for the first time, a distinct and increasing British element within the colony.

*N. B.—Kaffir (Arabic, Kafir: Unbeliever); a generic term properly restricted to the Bantu tribes found in the South East Coastal regions.

Passing over a not uneventful period of twelve years, in 1833 was passed the Act for the Abolition of Slavery, followed in 1834 by the Emancipation of Slaves within the Empire. Slavery had been introduced into South Africa as early as 1658, the slaves at first being obtained from Angola and Guinea, but later from Mauritius and the East. Compared with practices in other slave-countries, South African slavery was of a mild nature. At this date—1834—the number of slaves in the colony was about 38,000, of an estimated value of £3,000,000. Compensation offered, however, was only £1,280,000, payable only in London and liable to deduction of expenses incurred over the Emancipation! Moreover, the Act took effect in the middle of harvest time (December 1st).

Three weeks later, on December 21st, 1834, 12,000 armed Kaffirs crossed the frontier and for nearly a fortnight laid waste the eastern districts of the Colony. In one week forty farmers were murdered, 450 farm houses burnt, 4,000 horses, 100,000 head of cattle and 150,000 sheep were carried off! After four months fighting, the enemy was expelled and the frontier advanced to the Kei River and from its source in a northeasterly direction to that of the Kraai River. The new territory was named Queen Adelaide Province. Forts were built, among them King William's Town on the Buffalo River; friendly tribes were settled in the old ceded territory, or were permitted to remain in their old homes as British subjects. European officers were placed with chiefs as advisers, and missionary efforts were encouraged. *And yet*, by the efforts of the London Missionary Society and especially of an enthusiast, Dr. Philip, the Colonial Secretary in London, repudiated the annexation on the ground that the Kaffirs were "more sinned against than sinning"! Not only was Queen Adelaide Province relinquished, but *European Settlement was forbidden even in the old ceded territory between the Keiskamma and Fish Rivers!*

Infuriated by this treatment, some 10,000 Boers with all they possessed quitted the eastern districts of the colony and crossed the Orange River in an attempt to be rid of everything British and to attain independence. Thus arose the Voortrekkers or Pioneers.

The first parties of emigrants set out in October of 1835—one under Louis Trichardt, and another under Van Rens-

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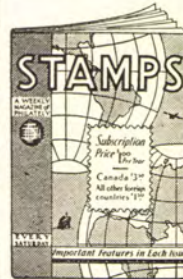
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burg, whose wagon is said to be represented on the 1d. Commemorative stamp. The two parties reached the northern Transvaal where they separated, the Van Rensburgs to be slain by the Matabele, the remains of Trichardt's party, wrecked by fever, to stagger to Delagoa Bay. Further parties left the colony in February, 1636, under the leadership of Potgieter and others, and with them went the boy Paul Kruger, eventually to become the last President of the Transvaal Republic. Potgieter reached the northern Transvaal, only to be beaten back with heavy loss by the Matabele. In April of 1837, Potgieter was joined by Piet Retief, one of the ablest of the Boer leaders, but while the former insisted on again trekking northwards, the latter determined to advance into Natal. In August, therefore, Potgieter, who had been joined by Gerrit Maritz, pushed forward into the Transvaal, and inflicting a severe reverse on the Matabele, who had been weakened by a defeat at the hands of the Zulus, drove them across the Limpopo River and claimed the Transvaal, Bechuanaland and the northern Free State, theirs by right of conquest. The town of Winburg was founded in honor of this victory and was the earlier capital of the Free State. Retief, on the other hand, crossed the Drakensberg into Natal and early in 1828 obtained a concession of territory from Dingaan, chief of the Zulus. Hardly, however, had the concession been gained when Retief and his entire party were massacred by Dingaan, who followed up this treachery by the massacre at Weehen, when 300 men, women and children perished.

In 1824 British traders had obtained a grant of territory at Port Natal from Chaka, the Zulu chief at that period. Durban was founded in 1834. This settlement was now overrun and broken up. The Boers, however, continued to offer indomitable resistance to the Zulus until at the end of the year (1838) Andries Pretorius arrived from the Cape and took command. On December 16th, a force of 10,000 Zulus was defeated by 700 Boers at the Battle of the Blood River, 3,000 of the enemy being slain. Dingaan's kraal was burnt, and shortly afterwards he himself was murdered by his brother Panda, who, becoming reconciled to the Boers, was by them recognized as Prince of the Zulus north of the Tugela. The Republic of Natal was proclaimed and Pietermaritzburg, so named after Piet

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In 1843 Natal was officially proclaimed British, while in 1844 the majority of Boers began to trek back over the Drakensberg. The following year Natal was annexed to Cape Colony.

The ten years, 1845-1854, are a story of strife and confusion between the Boers, the Griquas, the Basutos and the British. Bloemfontein was founded in 1846. In 1848 the British proclaimed their sovereignty over the territory between the Orange and Vaal Rivers. In 1852 the independence of the Transvaal Boers was recognized, and in 1854 the claim to the Orange River Sovereignty was abandoned and the independence of the Orange Free State acknowledged.

The Voortrekkers had achieved their object!

New Philippine Stamps

By R. C. MCGREGOR, Manila, P. I.

Most of the designs have been selected and the paintings completed for a new series of Philippine stamps to replace the designs that have been in use since 1904. The services of eminent Filipino artists have been secured to make the original paintings for some of the pictures, which include historical, allegorical, and scenic subjects.

The stamps are expected to be the same size as those of the pictorial issue. The low values will be 2c., 4c., 6c., 8c., 10c., 12c., 16c., 20c., 26c., 30c., and special delivery. The higher values will probably be 1p, 2p, 3p and 5p. These stamps will be issued January 1, 1934, or sooner or later, as various factors may necessitate.—*Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.*

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The Big Show in Vienna.

BY THE EDITOR

Unable to go over in person, the Editor delegated his daughter—then touring Germany—to attend the WIPA and report on the Big Show.

Taking a plane from the Tempelhofer Feld in Berlin—which, she writes, is probably the largest and best equipped airport in Europe—the trip to Vienna was made in three hours. Under the guidance of an old Heidelberg acquaintance—a well-known dealer—she was enabled to be present at the opening ceremonies and inspect the exhibits on the following day.

The WIPA was a complete success. The displays were arranged with a view to the best lighting effects, and there were apparently no preferred positions—every one shared alike. Europeans place great stress on ceremony and the official cutting of the ribbon by the President of the Austrian Republic, which marked the opening of the Exhibition, was performed with the dignity of an Act of State. The addresses of welcome, and the speeches that followed, were typically Austrian—warm-hearted and sincere. The entire event, extending over a fortnight, was marked by the same spirit of good will.

The exhibits were remarkable—some of the choicest gems being shown. The British Government's as well as English private collections were outstanding. The former included the original die of the One Penny black, as well as the copy made therefrom and retouched by William Humphreys. The Austrian Government exhibit was likewise complete and instructive, and the fine showing made by the artists of her postage stamps, which included such well-known masters as Alfred Cossman, Ludwig Hesshaimer, Herm. Cl. Kosel, Ferdinand Lober, Franz Renner



and Arthur Schuricht, all of Vienna, and Karl Seizinger of Prague, was equivalent to visiting the Louvre. There was, too, an outstanding exhibit commemorating one of Austria's greatest stamp engravers, the late Prof. Schirnböck. Proofs of his earlier work in South America, as well as personal souvenirs, were loaned by his widow, Madame Schirnböck.

But the American visitor, quite naturally, wants to see what the "home folks" contri-

buted to the Big Show in Vienna, and how they fared in the running.

While it is to be regretted that there were not a larger number of exhibits from the United States, the collections that were shown needed no apologies. In fact, the judges seemed to feel that way about it, for quite a number received high awards.

Checking our catalog, which is studied like a Baedeker, the following exhibits by the home folks are noted—ladies first, always:

Miss Louise Boyd Lichtenstein, New York: *British Colonies in Europe*, (silver-gold medal); *in Africa*; *in America* (oil painting donated by Alexander Turoczi).

Now in alphabetical order:

Hon. Harold C. Brooks, Marshall: *Confederate States* (silver plaque, best exhibit in Group IX; gold medal); *U. S. Patriotics* (silver medal).

Mr. L. Gerald Firth, McKeesport: *Canada*.

Dr. Clarence W. Hennan, Chicago: *Brazil, Dom Pedro Issues 1866-1879*.

Mr. B. H. Homan, Jr., New York: *St. Lucia* (gold plaque).

Mr. Beverly S. King, New York: *U. S. Commemoratives, 20th Century* (silver-gold medal; silver-gold medal on Literature).

Mr. Eugene Klein, Philadelphia (*hors concours*): *Danube Steam Navigation Company* (plaque, and several honor awards).

Mr. Hans Lagerloef, New York: *Austria, Lombardy-Venice; Schleswig-Holstein* (silver medal); *Norway; Finland* (silver medal); *Monaco; France; Great Britain*, specialized collection (silver medal); *Transvaal* (silver-gold medal); *Venezuela* (silver-gold medal); on *hors concours* exhibits an aquarell, gold plaques, silver and bronze medals, and numerous awards of honor.

Mr. Alfred Lichtenstein, New York (*hors concours*): *Canada, Pence Issues; Mauritius, Local Pence Issues; Newfoundland, Pence Issues; New Brunswick, Pence Issues; Nova Scotia, Pence Issues; Buenos Aires* (numerous honor awards, plaques and medals).

Mr. Harry Lindquist, New York: *Publications* (silver medal).

Mr. Sture Ljungdahl, San Francisco: *Sweden, 1 Krona Issues 1878-1886* (silver medal).

Mr. Laurence B. Mason, Cranford: *United States and Confederate States Covers* (silver plaque; honor prize; best exhibit in Class D, Section 2; gold plaque; silver plaque).

Mr. Emil Paulson, New York: *United States*.

Mr. Henry Erdman Radasch, Gladwyne: *Whole World Airmails* (silver-gilt plaque).

Mr. James Starr, Philadelphia: *Chinese Treaty Ports* (gold medal); *China Local Posts* (silver medal; golden signet ring; bronze plaque).

Mr. Theodore E. Steinway, New York: *New South Wales, Issues of 1850-1856* (silver-gold medal).

Scott Stamp and Coin Co., New York: *Publications* (silver medal).

Mr. Valdemar Weiergang, Washington, D. C.: *Iceland* (silver medal; bronze medal).

Mr. A. W. Whitten, Berwyn: *Great Britain*.

Mr. K. N. Woodward, New York: *Salvador*.

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The International Grand Prize—gold plaque, donated by the President of the Austrian Republic, showing his portrait—was awarded to Mr. James B. Seymour of London.

"The Postal Service of The Confederate States of America," De Luxe edition, do-

nated by THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST, was awarded to Mr. Jean O. Kadian, Alexandria, Egypt, on his exhibit of the stamps of Sicily.

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Vienna is no longer even the shadow of its former self. Gayety and light-hearted laughter have vanished—the enchanting life of her cafés is no more—the music is stilled—and in its place dire poverty stalks, and heart-rending misery and want is encountered on every hand. Wealthy refugees from Hitler's Germany, crowd out the impoverished natives. They are met with everywhere in what is left of the Dual Monarchy of the Hapsburgs.

Truly, Austria is the "suicide victim of the Versailles Treaty."

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Contrary to the rumors started in this country, the American exhibits were not confiscated by the Austrian government.



WIPA 1933 Exhibition at Collectors Club

Through the courtesy of Mr. Eugene Klein, the American Representative of the WIPA 1933 International Philatelic Exhibition held at Vienna last month, all the American exhibits which he took with him will be exhibited at the Collectors Club, 30 E. 42nd Street, New York City, on Wednesday evening, August 9th, at 8 p. m.

Mr. Klein will at that time announce the various awards that have been received by American exhibits and it is expected that a very large number of interested philatelists will come out to this most exceptional opportunity to see the foremost stamp collections of America.

Eugene Klein and Alfred F. Lichtenstein, being on the International Jury, of course exhibited "not in competition."—*The American Philatelist*.



Wisconsin Wants a Commem.

Senator La Follette has offered a memorial to the Postmaster-General for a series of stamps to be issued next year, commemorating the discovery of Wisconsin by white men. These stamps are being urged by the philatelic societies of Wisconsin.—*Marconi's Monthly Stamp News*.

Naval Cancellations

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Well, the first letter in regards to the check-list of "Old Ironsides" cachets, comes from Mr. W. G. Crosby, San Pedro, Calif., and also four beautifully cacheted covers which are more than appreciated, and which will find a prominent place in my Crosby Improved Cover Album.

The first one, which I failed to include in the list, is dated March 10, 1933, slogan "Long Beach, California." The cachet is printed in two colors, red and blue, and is the same center design as Feb. 17th San Pedro and March 9th "Fleet Review." The wording is changed to read; "Long Beach Welcomes U. S. Frigate Constitution 'Old Ironsides' to Long Beach Harbor." A very pretty cachet.

The second, and most interesting cover of this series that I have seen, is dated March 10th, slogan "San Pedro, California." This cover I term "the earthquake cover." It is also a printed cachet in blue with wording in brief; "On Board U. S. Frigate Constitution, Admiral Richard H. Leigh, U. S. Navy, Commander-in-Chief, United States Fleet." It is back-stamped at Long Beach, March 10th at 4 P. M., one hour and fifty-four minutes before the earthquake! But here's Mr. Crosby's story of the cover.

Admiral Leigh Covers: I had obtained Commander Gulliver's approval for the cachet, but later on I added "On Board," and the stars in the corners denoting the stars on the Admiral's flag. These additions should make the cover of more philatelic value.

At 7:30 on the morning of March 10th I phoned my printer. The type was set up, covers printed and addressed between 8 and 9. By this time "Old Ironsides" was already under way. When I got alongside, Admiral Leigh had just boarded the Frigate and the ceremonies were going on.

It was indeed a relief when I was immediately able to get Harry Moore's attention and turned the cacheted covers over to him. As no lights are available on the *Constitution* while she is at sea, Moore was greatly handicapped. He cancelled the covers in almost complete dark-

ness (and he did a good job too!), the only light coming through a gun port. Of course it was our intention to obtain Admiral Leigh's and Admiral Gulliver's autographs. By the time Moore completed the cancellations and went on the topside to obtain these autographs, he was unable to do so as Admiral Leigh was surrounded by newspaper men, cameramen and many civic and naval dignitaries. He was able, however, to send, via air mail, a cover to our President, as well as covers to many notables and some of the leading philatelists of the country.

Later on in the day Harry Moore helped two post office clerks backstamp these covers in the Long Beach post office at 4 P. M. At 5:54 P. M., the earthquake occurred and killed outright, the two post office clerks while they were at their duties, Harry Moore having left but a few minutes previously.

Most of these covers were franked with blocks of the 1c. and 2c. Bicentennials, envelopes of the standard size (plain). In addition to some of these covers I have left, I also have a few official size covers. All of them were autographed by Harry Moore.

This cover is undoubtedly the scarcest of the lot and no collection is complete without it. Write Mr. Crosby, P. O. Box 602, San Pedro, Calif., today! They won't last long and the price is right considering the scarcity of the cover.

As usual, my friend Swede Ceder writes me an interesting letter, but this time it comes in a cover franked with a 3c. Canadian Confederation stamp and posted on board the Union Steamship *S. S. Catala*. The postmark is applied in red and dated July 15, 1933 and is backstamped Stewart, B. C. The envelope is one of Union Steamships' special design and very attractive. Thanks Swede!

Sunday afternoon, July 30th, I spent a most enjoyable and profitable period with Dr. C. L. Albright, University of Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Albright is especially interested in "Old Ironsides" covers and is now busily engaged in digging up all the information he can possibly find

concerning any and all covers which were mailed on board the *Frigate*, or those mailed in commemoration of the ship prior to the establishment of her post office, September 10, 1931. Doc has an idea (not all of which is up his own sleeve—'cause I know) and would appreciate any information readers of "Naval Cancellations" can supply. I am sure those who send in such "Old Ironsides" cover information will receive "Honorable Mention." Anyway, I'll give you all "Honorable Mention!"

It don't make any difference what day the covers were mailed or whether they bear a cachet or not, Doc wants the info! By the way, we would especially like to see some mailed with commemorative cachet on the day "Old Ironsides" was launched!

Remember, August 23rd will probably see the beginning of the last official cachets on the West Coast Cruise. From August 23rd to September 1st, "Old Ironsides" will be at San Francisco and the Junior Chamber of Commerce will apply a special cachet. From then on, until she gets back to Washington, D. C., and unless she stops somewhere along the East Coast before she gets to Washington, D. C., the cachets will all be those used by Harry Moore, of which he has a wide variety, so I understand.

If we could only get our Canal Zone and Cuban friends to sponsor a cachet or two!

Lest you've forgot your check-list of the *Brooks*, here are a few good dates to go after for the month of September:

- Sept. 3—Shenandoah Wrecked 1925.
 " 6—Battle of the Marne 1914.
 " 10—Death of Lieut. Brooks.
 " 17—Constitution Adopted 1787.
 " 19—Unknown Soldier 1931.
 " 22—Nathan Hale Hanged 1776.
 " 25—U. S. S. S-51 Lost 1925.
 " 27—Lancaster Capitol U. S. '77.

"OLD IRONSIDES" CACHETS

Continued List

July 7, 1933—at Everett "Greetings From Everett, Washington."

July 14, 1933—at Bellingham "Bellingham Greets Old Ironsides." Both in sticker and rubber stamp form.

July 20, 1933—at Anacortes "Welcome Old Ironsides."

July 24, 1933—at Anacortes (Friday Harbor) "Friday Harbor Greets Old Ironsides at Anacortes." On reverse side, cachet like Anacortes, July 20th.

Additions to Previous Listings:

March 10, 1933—at San Pedro "On Board U. S. Frigate 'Constitution' Admiral Richard H. Leigh." Earthquake cover.

March 10, 1933—at Long Beach "Long Beach Welcomes U. S. Frigate Constitution 'Old Ironsides' to Long Beach Harbor." Also an earthquake cover if back-stamped Long Beach, March 10th at 4 P. M.

Acknowledging with thanks covers from:
 *****W. G. Crosby, ****F. Whitney Davis, ****Vivian M. Green, **M. F. McCamley, **Aug. Dietz, Jr., **Bill Mersinger, **C. Ed. Ceder, *J. B. Merritt.



Former Stamp Printer Passes

It is with great regret that we announce the death, early in March, of Mr. T. S. Harrison, former Australian Stamp Printer.

It will be remembered that Mr. Harrison, who was Note Engraver to the Treasury, was responsible for Australia's first engraved stamps, the 1d. George and 6d. Kookaburra, of 1913-14.

He was appointed Stamp Printer in addition in 1918, and served in these dual capacities until 1926, when he retired. During this time, he was responsible not only for all Australian stamps and currency, but also for the first engraved issues of New Guinea and Nauru.

Mr. Harrison's name is therefore very closely associated with Australian philatelic history, and his name will always be remembered as long as these stamps are collected.

Mr. Harrison leaves a widow and two sons, one of whom, Mr. R. A. Harrison, is well known as Technical Adviser to the Commonwealth Bank, Note Printing Branch, and as the designer of the Canberra and other stamps.

To Mr. Harrison's relatives we tender the sympathy of ourselves and our readers. —*The Australian Stamp Monthly*.



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Three Interesting Letters

(EDITOR'S NOTE: These letters were received during the past month from readers of THE NEW SOUTHERN. As it would have detracted from them to have used the proverbial "blue pencil" for brevity they are published as written in this space instead of in our Forum. The names are omitted, but will be gladly furnished upon request.)

CHICAGO, ILL., July 15, 1933.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

I wish to compliment you upon the excellent stand you took in the May issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN. I agree fully with your ideas upon this subject. The rules and regulations that I formed for the 1934 issue of the catalog had all of this in mind. Yet I didn't desire to come out as forcefully as you have. It was my idea of slowly approaching a climax—a slow strangulation of the racketeers.

Regarding the racketeers, the hobby has plenty.

I believe the following can be placed in this class.

Stamp collectors who sponsor covers to procure a large supply of commemorative stamps on wrappers for covers cacheted with a five-and-dime-store rubber stamp.

Individuals who decide to prey upon the hobby and charge ten cents for a cover (sometimes properly made up) but with 1½ cent postage.

Dealers who wish to give their wares publicity at the collectors' expense. Loading the covers with ads, etc.

About the lowest type, though, is the party who mails himself twenty to fifty covers for an event and then tries to peddle them to the collector while that collector had no opportunity to get covers in on the event.

Personally I cannot even sanction the individual's handling cachets merely for a livelihood at the collectors' expense.

I believe I have given you the full line-up of what I will include in the 1934 catalog. Nevertheless I shall repeat it here and as I do not have Mr. Nathaniel Horwitz's address may I ask that you present him with this letter for his perusal. I would be more than pleased to hear from Mr. Horwitz with the hope that all in all we can accomplish something in line with his suggestion. I am for it fully.

The 1934 edition of the catalog will not include Dedication of Airport Covers: First of all, these covers are being chroni-

cles by Don Dickason of Wooster, Ohio in the Standard. That, to my estimation, is sufficient. Last year's catalog was the outgrowth of my desire to see the historical covers catalogued with the sound hope that they will be continued. (Though, of course not as haphazardly as the Bicentennials of 1932.) Ken Tallmadge of Lansing, Michigan felt that the dedications were not being properly covered in the Standard and because he was willing to step in financially and handle half of the responsibility I agreed to go along with him. He now feels that the historicals took up too much room in the catalog for remuneration in the form of profit so I am publishing 1934 myself. This leaves the catalog without competition and I hope to keep it that way.

The rules I have set forth for the historicals are as follows:

Only historical covers of National interest will be chronicled.

These must be of current date, 5th, 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th, 100th, 150th, 200th, 250th, 300th, 400th, et-cetera commemorations only.

In this maner I felt that the collectors would get away from the idea of sponsoring covers for 124th anniversary of Lincoln's birth, 201st anniversary of Washington's birth, 36th anniversary of Suskatown, Oklahoma township, Ground Hog Day, St. Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Corn Huskers' Day and so on.

Every cover must be given some publicity prior to date of mailing.

If the cachet is to be applied free, the sponsor can procure publicity gratis through the various cover columns and newspaper stamp columns. When a charge is made that publicity can be procured through the classified ads or any other ad in a philatelic paper or magazine.

This beyond a doubt should be compulsory above everything else. It will not help the hobby or the collectors interested in the hobby to catalogue the shady variety of this sort. They are mailed purely for financial gain and the collector be-

comes the goat. He becomes the goat just so long, then he wakes up and abandons what good will he has had toward the hobby.

Covers for which no charge has been made will be listed and rated in the issue following the date the cover is mailed. The cover for which any charge has been made will not receive a valuation for one year from the date of mailing.

This last item permits of a more fair method of valuing the cover with a charge. I have found that some people who mail these covers for a profit are not desirous of giving the accurate number mailed. They figure that the fewer known covers of the type they are interested in means the increased value for those that most of them are holding. In one year I believe that it can be determined just how scarce these covers really are and if they are actually in demand.

Naturally I am forced to adhere to these rulings for the covers of 1933 and to be published in 1934. Yet, the hobby does not end with the end of this year. It is my hope that by the first of the year we can go farther with our ideas in cleaning up the bad spots of the hobby. I am agreeable with any movement of this sort. May I ask that Mr. Horwitz write me and give me his opinions on the matter. His suggestions are more than welcome. They may be the foundation for a real live organization.

I do not know whether you have seen the bulletins that I issue gratis to the collector. Yet in a recent copy I mentioned that a Mr. Leve of Syracuse desired to start a club similar to Mr. Horwitz's idea. I immediately received considerable comment upon this. Horwitz has been classed by many as the "bad example of cachet director," in the hobby. Therefore it caused an upheaval when I brought forth his idea. Yet, my idea was merely to stimulate interest.

In a later issue I spoke of Mr. Horwitz' idea and also that a club had been started along the same lines by others. (I believe this club has fallen through for lack of proper leadership. I can get no further details on it.)

This brought forth a protest from Leve. Leve stated that it seemed useless to start a half dozen organizations of this kind. My reply to him read as follows. "I have given publicity to your idea. If there are three or four or more clubs of this type they can readily be merged into one. This

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will eliminate the possible squabbling that you refer to. It is the thoughts of the hobby and its improvement that I have in mind and not the leadership of any one individual. I do not care who will lead the parade providing the parade goes along smoothly and receives the proper ovation due it."


That is my stand. I will back any or all who are interested enough to work along these lines. I am willing to do my share of the work but as far as looking for honors—that is beyond me. My hope is that the hobby, which I believe is one of the most interesting, entertaining, educational, branches of philately that we have will be purged of its miscreants.

I might also state here that you can feel sure that the bulletins I issued are for this purpose alone. They were at no time issued to compete with the philatelic press. It is my hope that they can be used to improve the hobby, educate the collector and bring the hobby up to the standard of its true worth. It will not contain any advertisement. Like the catalog it will be purely for and by the collector without thoughts of remuneration. I have nothing to sell so I shall not use it for a purpose of this type. I do not sponsor covers nor do I sell them. I hope to be able to give the right kind of publicity to the magazines that are interested in the hobby. At present this eliminates a few magazines almost in their entirety. . . I shall mention these and show why very little will ever appear in the bulletin for which they will be given credit. *Mekeels*. . . They continually harp upon the collection of covers other than Official Airmail variety. Naturally they have no column for covers of another type. . . Yet they do accept ads for any type cover. . . *Linn's*. . . In a late issue of *Linn's* one notes that H. B. Kingdom of the cover column states that no covers sponsored by individuals will be listed in his column . . . right alongside of his column Geo. Linn carries a full column ad reading, "Historical Cover series; eight covers mailed each month. These eight covers will be mailed for one dollar."

Figure it out. Neither of these magazines carry much of interest to the cover collector and naturally very little credit can be given them for items in the bulletins as they will not have items of this type. *Mekeel's Weekly* is probably sincere in its desire while I cannot say as much for *Linn's* after reading the ad alongside

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of a statement of this type. Yet, even they can procure a little publicity through the bulletin when they see fit to give news of interest to the collector. I hope that it is agreeable with you that I use items from THE NEW SOUTHERN when full credit is given. You can feel sure that upon several occasions I have had the pleasure of giving collectors the address of the NEW SOUTHERN. It is my hope that I can do this quite frequently.

DEAR SIR AND EDITOR:

It seems quite a few of the readers of your outstanding magazine are roasting you because of the late arrival of their copy; this should make you happy and should be an incentive for advertisers to use the medium that is looked for and fussed about, the writer, one of your advertisers, is satisfied with results obtained, and is delighted to learn your paper is interesting enough to make subscribers want it *on time*.

This over, I comment constructively on the material information to collectors included in your magazine. For instance you cover correctly and adequately all items pertaining to the period known as the Confederacy, 1861-1865, you visit the foreign field and discuss stamps and events correctly and fluently. Your Air Mail page brings valuable information to those who have chosen this field. Mr. Robt. C. Thompson a contributor on Naval Covers is considered by me, an authority on his subject and in addition to the information contained in his articles, I have always found it to be not a bore but exceedingly easy and interesting to read his contributions. May his future in this line be as good as his past.

In addition to the informative data and romance of the stamps, naval and air mail; one glance over the advertisers using your mediums to increase sales, shows a list of outstanding dealers in whom confidence may be placed with safety to the purchaser.

But time brings changes, the automobile has replaced the horse and mule, the radio has cut deeply into the newspaper as a medium for instant news, aeroplanes traverse the world in less than one hundred and eighty seven hours, while a squadron of sea planes has come from Italy to visit the World's Fair at Chicago.

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using this method of diversion, in the face of the changes in time hold on with such dogged determination, searching out with magnifying glass and measuring rod the oddness or some peculiarity of a little stamp, which, after purchase, may prove to be a counterfeit? Your magazine is continuously telling its collector subscribers to beware of certain stamps and certain postmarks. I would not leave the impression that I think it correct to abandon Stamp Collecting—far from it—entirely too much enjoyment is derived therefrom to even criticize it. But on the other hand—Time

Yesterday—Stamp Collecting

Today—Cover Collecting

Tomorrow—?

In the stress of an occasion, the Hon. Abraham Lincoln said "Be Prepared."—, on the occasion of stamp and cover collecting the writer would suggest to the collector friends—"Be Prepared," in the Philatelic Field, Time—Oct. 19, 1931 at Yorktown, Va., Jan. 1, 1932—Washington, D. C.—Alexandria, Va.—Jan. 22, 1932, everywhere, Time stepped out and left in its wake, hundreds of thousands of—*new collectors*—and from that day to this they are still collecting—What?

Now Mr. Editor: It is noted in advertisements received that the NEW SOUTHERN and its up to the minute editor has already recognized the fact that "Time Marches On," experience has, no doubt, proven to you—sometimes destruction or loss is left in Time's wake—you have undoubtedly noticed the number of cover collectors; you have gone to much expense to favor this great horde (free of any charge) with the most beautiful and descriptive cachets, your experience in days to come will prove to you that your judgment and forward step, in offering your new magazine "Cover and Stamp Collecting," was Keeping Step with Time—therefore wise.

It is the opinion of the writer that the day is indeed far off when correctly made official first day covers, commemorative covers artistically executed and postmarks and cachets of outstanding events, will be selling, unpicked for a few cents a pound.

Since space in the NEW SOUTHERN has prevented a full or comprehensive explanation of many historical events that would bring to the maker a basis of value determining, I am sure many of your readers will join me in asking that covers of

every description receive the space of which they are worthy in your new magazine.

If you conduct a query and answer column in "Stamp and Cover Collecting," I should like to have the honor of poking the first quiz, namely:

In your opinion, based on accurate information gained thru the arduous task of cacheting,

1. Approximately how many collectors were ushered in by the new method Cover Collector?

2. Based on past experience, What proportion of the new collectors are sticking?

In conclusion I wish to thank you personally for the many favors I have received from you thru the beautiful historic and other cachets, and vote for you as "Prince of Happiness Bestower to Cover Collectors." "Free of Charge Service." I am sure thousands feel the same way about it. As Time Marches On—May the Stamp and Cover Collector keep step rather than "Mock Time."

STOP THIS COVER RACKET!

That should be the Battle Hymn of the Cover Collector! What this "Cover Racketeering" means to the future of the hobby can be easily seen, therefore, we should attempt to "nip it in the bud."

In last months' issue of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST Mr. Horwitz said: "What we need in cover collecting is a committee of responsible cover collectors to formulate a definite standard for the eventual cataloguing and listing of all cacheted covers—and we need such a committee immediately."

That we need such a committee immediately is true! And it is necessary to outline the plans for such a committee before steps can be taken to eliminate the "Racketeers."

I therefore submit the following plan for such a committee, and will welcome all comments, criticisms, etc., for the good of the hobby.

NAME OF COMMITTEE:

The National Cachet Committee.(?)

ORGANIZATION:

To be comprised of responsible cover collectors, one member from each State, preferably the Cachet Director, or Editor of some philatelic publication, elected by the votes of the cover collectors throughout the United States.

It is suggested that a list of these responsible cover collectors be made and a copy sent to every philatelic paper in the United States for publication, and a copy to every Club or Society Bulletin Manager, or any publication pertaining to the collection of covers. And that a Ballot Headquarters be located permanently and managed by a responsible person or persons until the choice of forty-eight members for places on the Committee is made.

That every voter be given the choice of only one name as his or her choice for Committeeman and that name be written legibly on a postal card or by letter, addressed to the Ballot Headquarters.

PROGRAM OF THE COMMITTEE:

After the election has been decided by a majority of votes and each committeeman advised of his election and announces his acceptance to the Committee, it will then be the object of the Committee to formulate a definite standard for the eventual cataloguing of all cacheted covers. That this standard be such that there can be no doubt as to the authenticity of a cover before it is listed in the catalogues, and that these covers to be considered be only those commemorating an Historical event of importance, either on land, in the air or at sea; First Flight air mail covers bearing official markings applied by authorized government employees; Airport Dedications, either official or unofficial; Rate Change Covers; Ship-to-Shore and Shore-to-Ship Covers; Accident Covers; First Day of Issue Covers; and other covers of historical importance where the date commemorates an even anniversary such as the 25th, 50th, 75th, 100th, 125th, etc., and any other covers bearing official cachets applied by the various Chambers of Commerce, Philatelic Clubs and Societies, the American Legion, Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis Clubs, or similar associations.

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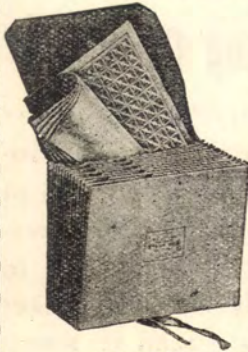
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N R A and Stamp Collecting

It is quite possible that stamp dealing will eventually have a Code of its own, for it is rumored that several leaders in the trade are already at work on a Code of Fair Business Practices.

In considering the purposes of the N R A one realizes that it holds out many advantages to stamp collecting in the fact that men will have more leisure time than before. These hours will naturally be occupied in some way. Golf, of course, will benefit, yet golf offers no material investment other than its invigorating amusement and sport. It is natural, then, that a hobby like stamp-collecting, which provides mental relaxation and rest from physical strain, plus an opportunity for sound investment, will thrive under the N R A. It is predicted that thousands, who have never thought of stamp-collecting, will fall into line. They will spend the added hours of freedom with their albums. They will find that their "pocket change" can be spent profitably in buying stamps. They will find that stamp-collecting supplies that "something" to take up the hours that were formerly spent in unprofitable pursuits—or *ennui*.

They will find that the N R A has been a blessing, not only to their work-day lives, but a delightful force in turning their "off-hours" into the rosy, sunlit lanes of Hobbydom, adown which they will stroll to every nook and corner of the world in pleasant quest of contentment by the side of—a Postage Stamp.

Advance News on "Stamp and Cover Collecting"

When "Stamp and Cover Collecting" was announced to succeed THE NEW SOUTHERN on November 1st, letters began to come in concerning the change in name, format and scope of the new publication. No less than three hundred letters on one subject seemed to predominate. Considering the hundreds of cachet and cover enthusiasts who subscribe to THE NEW SOUTHERN for just their choice of news, all indications point to the fact that more than a thousand of our present readers are still dyed-in-the-wool collectors of Nineteenth Century stamps—United States, Confederates and Foreign.

The fact that the word "Cover" appears in the title of the new publication has led many to believe that "Stamp and Cover Collecting" will appeal principally to the collector of modern-day covers. This idea must be dispelled. The "Classics" of the Nineteenth Century will have their honored place in each issue—they are the vestal fires of Philately—besides "Covers" include the most cherished material of the yesteryears. This is the true sense in which the word is to be accepted.

A propos of the Staff. It is amazing to note the deep and enthusiastic interest shown by those who have volunteered to contribute their time and knowledge to "Stamp and Cover Collecting." Not a day passes in which we do not enjoy their visits for consultation, or the letters of those who reside in other parts of our country. Each Department Editor seems to have hit upon a new idea, and each will have full rein to make his section the most interesting. The point of the proverbial blue pencil is broken.

But while we have an exceptional *corps* of writers at present, provender will run low at times, and manuscripts will always be welcome. One of the greatest contributions one can make to Philately today is an authoritative paper on a subject in which the writer is well versed. If you have specialized in the stamps of Azerbaijan or Zanzibar, and if you feel the urge of the Cadmian game, go to your Remington, fill your Waterman, or sharpen your penny pencil and "go to it" to your heart's content! The publishers of "Stamp and Cover Collecting" will be delighted to consider your manuscript. The slogan of the Craftsmen is: "Share Your Knowledge."

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The four figures depicted represent the sustaining forces of the Nation—its brain and brawn. We have been led by false prophets and exploiters long enough—let's now “in a common determination” recover our heritage under the leadership of Roosevelt. Use the N R A stamp exclusively on your mail.



Richmond Becoming Philatelic Center in South

Richmond seems to be only two steps behind New York. “Main Street” may soon become a rival of Nassau, because Philately is thriving in the erstwhile Capital of the Confederacy. It is estimated that there are nearly one thousand active, interested collectors who are spending from a dime to several dollars a week in the “Gateway to the South,” besides about an equal number of juvenile enthusiasts who may be classed as “beginners.” Anyway, every neighborhood, school, Y. M. C. A., and boys' organization has its club and collectors. Stamp and cover collecting has passed the “craze” stage—it has become a serious hobby with the old and young alike. Everywhere one meets a stamp collector.

A well-known Richmond firm, realizing the importance and advertising value of stamp collecting, has just placed an order for *two thousand* junior stamp albums to be given any collector who calls at their office after September 10th. There will be no charge. And, we are sure that if they did not think there were two thousand collectors in Richmond they would not have ordered this quantity.



Roscoe B. Martin and Virginians Win Out

Mr. Roscoe B. Martin of Forrestville, N. Y., was elected President of the American Philatelic Society at the Annual Convention in Chicago. Mr. Carter Glass, Jr., President of the Virginia Philatelic Federation, was elected Vice-President. Atlantic City was chosen for the 1934 Convention.



A Popular Exhibition in the Offing

Mr. Fred. J. Melville, Editor of *The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly*, and Organizing Director of the London Air Post Exhibition, which is to be held in that city in May of next year, sends us the following circular, which serves as a forerunner to the campaign now well afoot. It is a foregone conclusion that American collectors will patronize this Exhibition in great numbers, because this branch of Philately has swept over our country with irresistible force, and some of the finest collections in the world are in the United States.

We shall have more to write of the "APEX" in the future.

As you are probably aware, an International Exhibition of the Air Post is being organized for London in May 1934. It will be held in the Royal Horticultural Hall, Vincent Square, Westminster.

The Exhibition, initiated by the Aero-Philatelic Club of London, has the approval and support of the Royal Philatelic Society, the Junior Philatelic Society and other philatelic and aero-philatelic organizations. Although based upon the great and increasing popularity of airmail stamps, the cordial co-operation and support of all philatelists is sought in making it a successful manifestation of the world-wide interest in stamp collecting. This is all the more desirable in view of the fact that no international philatelic exhibition on general lines is likely to be held in London before the Centenary year, 1940. The Air Post Exhibition, already christened the "Apex", will thus usefully serve to bridge the long interval until 1940.



The WIPA Exhibits at the Collectors Club

Accepting the invitation of Mayor Harold C. Brooks—in the mounting of whose Confederate collection he assisted—the Editor journeyed to New York to attend the show, at the Collectors Club, of the American prize-winning collections exhibited in the WIPA. He enjoyed to the fullest this meeting with old friends among them Messrs. Deats, Needham, Klein, Lichtenstein, Steinway, Mason, Lindquist, Doane, Hyde, Rotnem, and many others.

A full report of this inspiring meeting has been written for THE NEW SOUTHERN by my good friend Clarence W. Brazier.



Percy Doane's 259th Sale

Mr. Percy G. Doane, 154 Nassau St., New York, will hold his 259th Sale of U. S. and Foreign on Wednesday and Thursday, September 6th and 7th. There are a number of choice pieces in this Sale. Write for catalog.



Due to the lack of new material submitted during the past month, no Addenda to the Confederate Catalog appears in this number.

Original Text of the Neale Patent

Coming as a climax to his numerous studies of the postal affairs of the Colonies—contributed from time to time to *THE NEW SOUTHERN*—R. E. Rellim has succeeded in finding the original text of the historical Neale Patent—that grant by William and Mary to Thomas Neale, in 1691-92, which established the first organized postal service in England's American Colonies and Possessions.

It is a document of the greatest importance to the student of our earliest posts, and *THE NEW SOUTHERN* is honored in giving it first place in this issue. American Philately becomes the debtor of R. E. Rellim for this discovery.



New Stamps for Great Britain

It will seem strange, indeed, when the New Year's greetings come from our friends in England, to find them franked with a different design and produced by a new method of printing. And that is just what is going to happen in 1934. Staid old England held on to typography and recess-plate for nearly a century, but finally succumbed the more modern methods long practiced on the Continent. Harrison & Sons, Ltd. will displace the present printers, Messrs. Waterloo, who have held the contract for supplying stamps since 1924. It is understood that the rotogravure process will be employed, and the designs are to undergo some change.



A Million More If Necessary

Two months ago we printed over one million subscription blanks for *Stamp and Cover Collecting*. These are being shipped to all parts of the country from our office at the rate of more than 5,000 every day. They are carrying the imprints of those who are co-operating to make the new magazine a success. If you can use any to advantage in your correspondence write our business manager for a supply. If we run short, we'll print another *milyun*.



Rare Opportunity for Collectors of Mexico

The 85th Sale of Mr. Eugene Klein, 200 South 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa., which takes place on September 15th, offers a rare opportunity to collectors and specialists in the stamps of Mexico. This sale disposes of the remarkable collection of the late Henry A. Diamant, and items rarely appearing on the market are found among the lots. In addition, there are many rare U. S. and Foreign in this sale. Send for catalog now.

Raymond H. Weill Co., First on List

Aside from our old advertisers, the Raymond H. Weill Co., New Orleans, La., will head the list of our advertisers in *Stamp and Cover Collecting*. This firm, one of the best known in the South begins its contract in this issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN and will continue in the future issues of the new magazine. Your attention is called to the items they advertise this month.



Thanks to Herr Riedel of Nürnberg

The Editor desires to express gratitude to his old friend Herrn I. L. Riedel, stamp-dealer in Nürnberg, Germany, for his many courtesies in guiding and explaining the exhibits at the WIPA in Vienna to his daughter, Miss Norma Dietz during her visit to the show.



A Correction

In last month's editorial pertaining to a Lee and Jackson stamp, in which we quoted two letters from our friends Messrs. Scott Nixon and James MacFatrige, the address of Mr. Nixon was given as New York. This was an error. Mr. Nixon resides in Augusta, Georgia.



The Sunday Star (Washington, D. C.) Falls Into Line

The Washington Star—the Capital City's leading daily—thoroughly alive to the advantages of catering to stamp-collectors, prints one of the "meatiest" Stamp Pages in the Country in its Sunday edition. This feature is edited by James Waldo Fawcett—and *some* news-gatherer he is! Subscribe for the *Star!*



D. A. R. Magazine Prints Confederate Stamp Story

The August number of the *Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine* prints a Confederate stamp story by Stanley King, illustrated with numerous interesting covers and a frontispiece in colors of the entire General Issues of the Confederacy, the plates for which were loaned by the Editor.



Lou W. Kreicker With Us

So impressed with the story of the Sven Hedin stamps, which appeared in our last issue, Lou W. Kreicker, official cachet director of the Century of Progress, is with us again in our advertising columns. If you are interested in the Sven Hedins note his advertisement.

The Neale Patent.

BY L. M. RELLIM

Many philatelic writers have treated the subject of our Colonial Post in various ways as a result of their historic research. All, nevertheless, agree that while previously what slight development had taken place was due to the independent action of the various colonies, the real beginning of an official colonial post starts with the grant to Thomas Neale by William and Mary in 1692, whereby he was given a monopoly of the post-office business in the colonies for a period of twenty-one years. Yet, none of them give more than pertinent excerpts, even in the erudite books by W. E. Rich, W. Smith, N. B. Williams, or in the study by M. E. Wooley appearing in the reports of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Resorting to the latest book, "Colonial and Revolutionary Posts," by H. M. Konwiser, I find that what he designates as the Neale Patent, is obviously not the patent itself, but a recital of the grant of the letters patent in an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, no doubt passed in pursuance thereof.

In the course of my researches on the subject I was determined, if possible, to secure a copy of the entire patent as granted to Thomas Neale, having access to the famous Peabody Library at Baltimore and the Library of Congress at Washington. Careful reading was made covering the reign of William and Mary in the Calendar of State Papers, Calendar of Treasury Papers and Treasury Books, and the Calendar of State Papers, Colonial Series; America and West Indies. Altho much was found to indicate the versatile activities of Neale, holding various offices, including that of groom porter and master of the mint, or patentee of various things including that of dice, the original text of the patent was not located. The Patent Rolls, in which it would have been included, had not advanced in its serial publications to the reign of William and Mary. After much correspondence my efforts were rewarded through the courtesy of Mr. Howard M. Chapin, Librarian of the Rhode Island Historical Society, who furnished a copy.

This original copy was certified by the Assistant Keeper of Public Records at the time when it was secured from the Master of Rolls Office in London, in 1894, and its filing reference at that time was "Patent Roll (Chancery) 4 William and Mary, Part 1, No. 3, dated February 17, 1691/2." Inasmuch as many of the first postal laws of the various colonies were enacted as a result of the patent granted to Thomas Neale, it is deemed to be of sufficient importance that the whole text be recorded in the philatelic journals. And following its constant purpose—to aid the readers in their philatelic studies—THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST makes it available to them by its publication.

THE NEALE PATENT

D con Neale Ar Grant 3	WILLIAM AND MARY by the Grace of God &c To all to whome these presents shall come GREETINGS whereas our Trusty and welbeloved servant Thomas Neale Esquire hath lately humbly represented unto us that there never yet hath bin any post established for the conveying of letters within or between Virginia Maryland Delaware New Yorke New England East and West Jersey Pensilvania and Northward as far as our Dominions reach in America And that the want thereof hath bin a great hindrance to the Trade of those parts And he the said Thomas Neale haveing humbly desired us to grant to him Letters Patents for the settling of such a post at his owne charge and Wee being fully satisfied that the same may be of service to Trade and correspondence and alsoe willing to encourage such an undertaking know yee therefore that wee of our especiall grace certaine knowledge and meer mocon and with and under the condicons and agreements herein after mentioned on the part and behalfe of the said Thomas Neale his executors and assignes to be performed have given and granted and by these presents for us our heires and successors doe give and grant unto the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes full power and authority to erect
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settle and establish and from time to time during the Terme herein after mentioned shall and may continue and enjoy within every or any the chiefe Ports of the severall Iselands Plantacons or Colonies belonging or to belong unto us our heires or successors in America an Office or Offices for the receiving and dispatching away of letters and packquets with full power and authority and free liberty leave and lycence to and for him the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes and to and for such person or persons as he or they shall from time to time in this behalfe nominate to receive at the respective Offices aforesaid of and from any Masters of Ships Passengers or others any letters or Pacquets whatsoever which shall be brought into the said Colonies and Iselands or any of them from England or from any other parts whatsoever or which shall be sent from any parts or places of such respective Colony or Iseland to any other parts or places of the same and to dispatch send away carry and deliver the same to the respective persons and places to whome or which they shall be directed or sent within the said Colonys and Iselands or any of them and to take or receive to the onely use and behoofe of him the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes for the postage or conveyance of all such letters and Packquets as shall be soe dispatcht sent away carried and delivered such rates and sumes of money as shall be proportionable to the rates for the post or carriage of letters sett downe and ascertained in and by an Act of Parliament made in the Twelfth yeare of the reigne of our late Royall Uncle King Charles the Second of Blessed memory entituled (an act for erecting and establishing a Post Office) or such other rates or sumes of money as the Planters and others will freely agree to give for their letters or Pacquets upon the first settlement of such Office or Offices And further Wee have given and granted and by these presents for us our heires and successors doe give and grant unto the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes and to such person and persons as he or they shall from time to time nominate as aforesaid full power and authority and free liberty leave and lycence at the said Office or offices so to be settled as aforesaid to collect and receive such letters or pacquets as the Planters or any others will send or bring to the same and to dispatch such of

them away for England and shall be directed thither by the first ship that from time to time shall be bound for any Port Towne of England to be there delivered to the Deputy or Deputies of our Postmaster or Postmasters Generall for the time being by him or them appointed or to be appointed for the said Port Towne To the end such Deputy or Deputys may from time to time send the same away to the Generall Post Office in England to be delivered according to the severall and respective direcons of the same as by the said Act of Parliament is prescribed and to dispatch away such of the said letters or Pacquets as shall be directed or are to be carried from any of the said Islands Colonys or Plantacons from time to time To have hold use exercise and enjoy the said Office and Offices with the powers authorities priviledges leave and lycence herein before mentioned and intended to be hereby granted and to take perceive and receive the rates and sumes aforesaid unto him the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes To the onely use and behoofe of him the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes from the date of these our Letters Patents for and during the Terme of twenty one yeares from thence next ensuing and fully to be compleate and ended without any account or other matter or thing to be therefore rendered or paid to us our heires or successors other then the rent covenants and agreements herein after mentioned rendring to us our heires and successors during the said Terme the yearly rent of six shillings and eight pence to be paid into our Exchequer in England at the Feast of St. Michaell the Archangell yearly And Wee doe hereby for us our heirs and successors authorize and comand the Postmaster and Postmasters Generall now and for the time being of us our heires and successors from time to time to issue such Deputacons as may better enable the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes and such person or persons as he or they shall from time to time nominate to exercise and execute the powers and authorities to him or them hereby given and granted or menconed or intended to be given and granted in and about the premisses during the said Terme of Twenty one yeares and Wee doe hereby also for us our heires and successors strictly prohibit and forbid all and every person and persons whatsoever (other

then the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes and such person or persons as he or they shall nominate as aforesaid) to sett up exercise or execute the like Office or Offices within the Iselands Colonys and Plantations aforesaid or any of them at any time or times within or during the continuance of the said Terme of one and Twenty yeares hereby granted provided alwaies that nothing in these p'sents contained shall extend or be construed to extend to restreyn any merchants masters or others from sending any letters or paquetts to or from the said Plantations or Colonys any of them by any masters of Ships or other vessells or by any other person or persons which such merchants masters or others will specially employ or intrust for the carriage of the same according to their respective direcons And the said Thomas Neale Doth for himselfe his executors administrators and assignes covenant promise and grant to and with us our heires and successors by these presents that he the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators or assignes or such person or persons as he or they shall nominate as aforesaid shall and will from time to time upon his or their receipt or receipts of any letters or Paquetts which shall be directed into the said Iselands Colonies and Plantations or any of them from England or any other parts or from any parts or places within the same cause the said letters or Paquetts to be forthwith dispersed carried and delivered in the severall parts of the said Iselands Colonies and Plantations as they shall be directed and from time to time as he they or any of them shall collect or receive any letters or Paquetts to be sent from the said Plantations Islands or Colonies or any of them for England shall dispatch and send away the same by the first Ship that shall be bound for any Port of England to be there delivered to the next Deputy Postmaster as aforesaid and where any letters or Paquetts shall be directed from any of the said Colonies Islands or Plantations to some other of them that he or they shall dispatch and send away the same according to the respective direcons by the first conveniency of carriage or conveyance thereof and that these services shall be performed with care and without any neglect or delay at the rates before mentioned And the said Thomas Neale doth further for himselfe his executors administrators and assignes covenant promise and grant to and with

us our heires and successors by these presents That he the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators or assignes shall and will at his and their own costs and charges keep accounts in bookes fairely written of all the sumes of money and profitts whatsoever arising in every yeare by the Office employment or business aforesaid and of all charges thereupon and shall suffer the said Bookes to be inspected from time to time and coppies thereof or notes out of the same to be taken by such person or persons as the Comissioners of the Treasury or High Treasurer of England for the time being shall appoint and shall and will within the Twentieth yeare of the said Terme of twenty one yeares hereby granted produce the said Bookes themselves or soe many of them as shall be then made to the Comissioners of the Treasury or High Treasurer of England then being To the end he or they may have certaine knowledge of the yearly value of the said Office or Offices for the future benefit of us our heires and successors And further that such publike orders as the Governors of the said respective Plantacons Islands or Colonies from time to time shall issue out for the immediate service of us our heires and successors shall be dispatcht and distributed by the said respective Offices without any charge Provided that noe person or persons whatsoever shall be capable of exercising the said Office or Offices or any of them or any Deputacon relating thereunto untill he or they doe first take the oathes appointed by the Act of Parliament made in the first yeare of our reigne Entituled (An Act for the abrogating the Oathes of Supremacy and allegiance and appointing other oathes) Provided alsoe that if it shall at any time hereafter be made appeare to us our heires or successors that this our grant is inconvenient to our subjects in generall or that the powers hereby granted or mentioned to be granted or any of them is or are abused. That then it shall and may be lawfull to and for us our heires and successors by any order or make in our Privy Council to revoake determine and make void these our Letters Patents and every clause power and thing therein contained any thing to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding Provided further that if the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators or assignes shall not within the space of two yeares next after the date of these our Letters Patents establish the Post or Office thereby in-

tended within the Colonys Islands and Plantations aforesaid according to the true intent and meaning of these Presents Then this our grant and every power matter and thing therein contained shall cease and be void any thing to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding And the said Thomas Neale doth for himselfe his executors administrators and assignes covenant promise and grant to and with us our heires and successors that all letters or Pacquetts collected or received in any of the Plantations Iselands or Colonys aforesaid to be sent for England shall from time to time be carefully put up and dispatched away by the first Ship bound for any Port of England to be delivered by the next Deputy Postmaster in England without any charge to the Post Office here excepting and reserveing unto us our heires and successors the English Inland Postage of all such letters and Pacquetts last mentioned to be sent for England It being hereby intended and declared that the same shall not be accounted for to the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators or assignes but that he and they shall and is and are hereby obliged to satisfie and pay the masters of such vessells for such conveyance and delivery of such letters and pacquetts as shall be sent for England as aforesaid and alsoe that he the said Thomas Neale his executors administrator or assignes shall and will at his and their owne proper costs and charges nominate and appoint a sufficient Officer in our City of London to receive and collect from time to time all letters and Pacquetts for any of our Colonys or Plantations aforesaid and to take care to send them duely away from time to time by the first vessell bound for any of those Parts And further that all letters comonly called State letters which are usually carried Postage free here in England shall pass free thorow all our Plantations and Iselands aforesaid And further alsoe that he the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators or assignes shall and will at the end of the first three yeares next ensuing after the date of these Presents transmitt or cause to be transmitted to the Comissioners of the Treasury or High Treasurer of England for the time being a true and faithful account in writeing upon oath of the whole profitts and advantage arising or accruing by and the charge of settling and managing the said Office or Offices herein before granted or mentioned to be

granted and established and shall and will alsoe keep true and faithful accounts in writeing of all the receipts and charges aforesaid relating to the said Office or Employment and that from and after the expiracon of the said Three yeares next ensuing after the date of this our Grant the like account shall be yearly transmitted as aforesaid if thereunto required And for the better execution of the powers and direcons herein contained Wee have given and granted and by these Presents for us our heires and successors doe give and grant unto the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes full power and authority from time to time dureing the said Terme of twenty one yeares to sett up make use and have Ferrys over any River or Lake in our said Colonies Iselands or Plantations where noe Ferrys are yet made nor any grant thereof made or given to any other person or persons by us or any of our predecessors for the better conveyance of Postage and Passengers as need shall require and to receive and take the Profitts and advantage coming or arising by such Ferrys to the use and benefit of him the said Thomas Neale his executors administrators and assignes provided always and our will and pleasure is and Wee do here for us our heires and successors Declare that in all cases where such Ferry or Ferrys are to be sett up and made over other Persons land or water the Proprietor or Proprietors thereof shall be first agreed with and his and their consent gained therein according to Law and Justice In Witnesse &c Witnesse ourselves at Westminster the seaventeenth day of February

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I certify that the foregoing is a true and authentic copy:

R. DOUGLAS TRIMMER
Assistant Keeper of the Public Records
1 February 1894.

NOTE.—Copies of the Neale Patent—a reprint of these four pages—may be had of the author, or of the publishers of THE NEW SOUTHERN, by remitting 10 cents.

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Mention the NEW SOUTHERN when answering an advertisement.

The Hind Collection and Its Disposal.

BY CHARLES J. PHILLIPS

Arthur Hind died at Miami Beach, Florida, on March 1st, 1933.

Long before the Will was proved I began to receive cables and letters, not only from philatelists at home, but from others in England, France, Germany, Austria, etc.

All wanted to know what was to become of his famous collection.

Naturally the only thing to do was to wait until the Will was probated. When this was done it was found that the clauses relating to the collection were as follows:

"Article Nine. I direct that my entire Stamp Collection be sold by said Executor at public auction, or in such other manner as it may deem advisable, and, in connection therewith and for the purpose of effecting such sale, in the manner and upon the terms most advantageous to my Estate, I further direct

1. That my said Executor employ or retain the services of William C. Kennett, Jr., now or formerly of Hazlewood, in the State of Ohio, and Charles J. Phillips, now or formerly of London, England, and now or formerly of New York City, in the State of New York.

2. That my said Executor, in its discretion, permit said person or persons, so far as may be allowed by law, to arrange for and supervise such sale and that my said Executor follow the advice of such person or persons in connection therewith to such extent as my said Executor in its discretion may deem advisable."

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Some years ago Arthur Hind had informed me of his intention to appoint Kennett and myself to look after the sale of his collection if we should survive him. This decision on his part was a very natural one as since 1922 or 1923 I have been on very close terms, both of friendship and of business, with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hind and have stayed at their home on very many occasions and when they came to New York they always visited me. Arthur Hind used to seek my advice on very many of his purchases during the past ten years, and he recognized that my knowledge of 19th century

stamps and of the international market was second to none.

As regards Mr. W. C. Kennett, he had been Mr. Hind's personal friend for many years and had been engaged for some ten years in helping him arrange the major portion of his collection, and in particular had had charge of the buying of Mr. Hind's 20th century stamps, and is a noted collector of the stamps of this group himself.

Mr. Hind rightly thought that Mr. Kennett and I would form an ideal team and in this I think he was quite right and his judgment has, so far, proved quite correct.

After the Will was proved The Executor—The First Citizens Bank & Trust Co. of Utica, N. Y.—called a meeting in Utica, which was held on May 15, 1933.

At this meeting it was decided to prepare a detailed list of the stamps and that this list should be turned over to Mr. Kennett and myself for us to fix the market value of the stamps as at the day of Mr. Hind's death.

This proved a long and laborous work as each stamp had to be listed, both as a check against loss for the Executor and as a correct basis for the Federal and State taxes.

The preparation of this appraisalment will occupy us until about the end of September.

At the same meeting it was decided that the whole collection should be sold at public auction—grouped as follows, at intervals of three to four months.

It was decided that the first sale should consist of the United States and Confederate States stamps.

The second sale the more valuable portions of Great Britain and the British Colonies, and Dependencies.

The third sale the more important European groups, and then such other sales as should be found necessary when these great groups had been dispersed.

It will be noticed that I adopted a different principle in arranging these sales to that adopted in the fourteen sales of the Ferrari collection.

In the Ferrari sales the buyers never

knew what quantities of rare stamps were coming up for auction in the future.

In the sales we have arranged, every single stamp of the Hind collection of any one country will be found in one session, a great advantage to the collectors as well as to the dealers.

It will also be noticed that we have grouped the stamps in the manner most suitable to the different groups of buyers.

The valuable United States stamps come first, and can be inspected personally by all local buyers or their agents.

Then some months later on I have arranged for a great sale of British stamps and the bulk of the rarer British Colonials, including Mauritius (I think the finest and most valuable lot in the world), Cape of Good Hope, British Guiana, New South Wales, etc., etc.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for British collectors and dealers to buy the finest material at their own prices, and I fully anticipate that at this great sale Great Britain will be represented in person by a large number of buyers.

In the same manner the third great sale has been planned to attract the great buyers of Europe, as in this sale will be included the finest collection of Spanish stamps in the whole world—the magnificent collection of unused French stamps, the German States, Italian States, Roumania, etc., etc.

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The Executor authorized Mr. Kennett and myself to produce catalogues worthy of this great collection. My own endeavor has been to describe the stamps faithfully and correctly, and above all to photograph in correct size every important item as far as I was legally able to do so.

Philatelists can judge the results. The catalogues are sold at One Dollar each and this fee entitles the buyer to a printed list of the prices attained at each sale. These catalogues should prove of real value to all who are interested in fine stamps. They will show, not the fancy catalogue prices, but the actual prices at which stamps of the whole world from 1840 to 1928 have been sold in the open market.

It is impossible to say when the first sale will be held. Due notice will be given.

I have kept the most important fact for my last paragraph in this article:

The Executor has instructed me that every stamp must be sold, nothing must be returned to them. Therefore these sales are *absolutely without reserve. Verb. sap.*

Cancellation of Stamps On Philatelic Mail

At last some definite action is taken by the Postoffice Department to check the unnecessary and wanton practice of cancelling philatelic covers with heavy daubers or worn rubber stamps. The Third Assistant Postmaster General has issued the following circular to Postmasters. The Roosevelt administration is surely bent on a thorough clean-up!

THIRD ASST. POSTMASTER GENERAL,
WASHINGTON, August 1, 1933.

The Department has received many complaints from philatelists in regard to the defacing by postal employees of stamps on letters and parcels which are mailed in order to obtain distinct cancellations and add to their philatelic value. The Department recognizes that the activities of the thousands of stamp collectors or philatelists provide a profitable source of revenue and since the number of persons becoming interested in collecting stamps is constantly increasing this business is of proportions worth seeking. Considering its financial importance, postal employees should appreciate the advantages of co-operating as far as consistent with the protection of the postal revenues to encourage the growth of this business.

All postal employees engaged in defacing mail must be constantly on the alert for letters and parcels appearing to have a philatelic value. Such letters and parcels are often indicated by some exceptional arrangement of the stamps on the cover, by stamps that differ in design from the stamps in current use, by special endorsements, or other peculiar distinguishing marks. Mail of this character particularly should be given clear and distinct cancellations, with black canceling ink furnished by the Department, that are so much desired by collectors. Heavy daubers or rubber cancelers that obliterate the stamp and render the stamp unfit for collection purposes should never be used on recognized philatelic mail.

Supervisors and foremen should give this business their personal and particular attention.

C. B. EILENBERGER,

Third Asst. Postmaster General.



Read THE NEW SOUTHERN for uplift.

Little Postoffice on Old Frigate One of Busiest.

More Than Four Thousand Pieces of Mail Posted Aboard Ancient Warship Since Cruise Began About Two Years Ago.

One of the busiest sub-postoffices in the United States is the U. S. frigate *Constitution*, now in Portland harbor.

On her cruise of the country, which now has lasted just a few weeks over two years, 4,075,873 pieces of mail have been posted aboard.

The postoffice is a tiny room not more than four feet square and barely six feet high, directly amidships on the third deck. Here on the peak day of the cruise, last March in San Pedro, 36,400 pieces of mail were canceled by Harry Moore, storeroom-keeper, first class, who acts as post master for the old frigate.

Until then the city of Houston, Tex., had had the largest cachet day, with a total of 31,005. Navy day, 1932, in Washington, D. C., was the next highest single day until the frigate reached San Pedro, where for three days in one week the mail ran over 31,000.

The cruise of the *Constitution* officially started July 2, 1931, but it was not until the following September that the sub-postoffice aboard was established. Norfolk, Va., has the distinction of being the first port to have a special cachet for the arrival of the historic old ship in port.

The Pacific coast has shown an especial interest in cachets, and the frigate has been greeted with a special cachet in nearly every port since her arrival in the Pacific.



ROBERT CRAIG

Boatswain mate, first class, U. S. N., acting mail clerk aboard the U. S. frigate *Constitution*, with a batch of mail, part of the 4,075,873 pieces canceled aboard the ship in the two years she has been visiting ports throughout the country.

Chief Boatswain Mate Stowe has kept a complete log of the cruise with the especially canceled envelopes he has collected. A number of interesting covers are among them. One is a cover commemorating the brief quarter of an hour in San Pedro last spring, when Admiral Richard H. Leigh came aboard and hoisted his flag, which made the *Constitution* for that time the flagship of the entire United States fleet.

A very enterprising cover dealer in San Pedro arranged a special envelope for the occasion, hired a launch to take him out to the ship, where Moore canceled his packet of envelopes while the *Constitution* was the Admiral's flagship. An-

other is an envelope mailed from the ship just before the earthquake in Long Beach; postmarked Long Beach, just half an hour before the quake and returned to Stowe the next day.

Incidentally, the period the *Constitution* was in Long Beach was the smallest for mail of the entire trip, due to the fact that the streets were so rigidly policed that few dared brave the guards to reach the ship. The lowest day was that following the quake, when only 1,529 envelopes were canceled.

The frigate's third rubber cancellation stamp will probably have to be replaced while the *Constitution* is in Portland, according to Robert Craig, boatswain mate,

first class, who is acting postmaster while Moore is on leave.

"We've canceled about 10,000 pieces of mail since we've been here," he said yesterday, "and another lot goes out tomorrow. We've brought mail all the way from Washington, had it aboard two years, to be mailed at certain specified ports," he went on. "Some we've been asked to cancel at exact degrees of latitude and longitude. And nearly all the mail goes to the same people. We've almost memorized most of the names by this time."

The official *Constitution* cachet for Portland was arranged by the Oregon Stamp society in co-operation with the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Myron F. McCamley is cachet director for the Portland club.

In addition, the Lewis and Clark Stamp society of Albany, Ore., arranged a special *Constitution* cachet to commemorate the visit of the frigate in Portland.—*The Morning Oregonian* (Portland, Ore.).



"Ten Best Letter Contest"

The Record Stamp Club is holding a "Ten Best Letter Contest" for the month of August and is open to all stamp and cover collectors. The rules of the contest are very simple and follow, First: Why I Collect Stamps, Second: What I Have Learned from Them and the Pleasure Derived from Stamp Collecting, Third: Educational Value from Stamp Collecting. Send all letters to "10 Best Letter Contest," Philadelphia Record Stamp Club, R-206, Record Building, Philadelphia, Pa. Suitable awards will be given for best letters received.



Clever Stunt

Collier's says: "Secret service offices in several countries now use a method of opening suspicious mail that surpasses steaming the flap or removing the letter through a hole under the stamp. They slice off one edge of the envelope and then mend it so perfectly with paper pulp and a special press that it defies detection."



NRA Plate Numbers

Plate numbers for the new NRA stamp are 21151-21154 and 21156-21157.

South American Notes

Our correspondent, Mr. A. H. Davis, Calle Conde 2104, Buenos Aires, sends the following:

On 16th inst. the Peruvian aviator, Capt. Carlos Martinez de Pinillos flew from San Ramon to Lima crossing the Andes at one of the highest points and covering a distance of 240 km. in ninety minutes which constitutes a record for Peru. To make the crossing he had to fly at a height of over 20,000 feet. Some years ago he, in company with Carlos Zegarra, attempted a goodwill flight from Lima to New York via Chile, Argentina and Brazil but the machine was badly damaged at Para and they had to return home by steamer as far as the Iquitos airway on the Amazon.

On this flight they carried 18 signed covers from Santiago to Buenos Aires and 12 from Montevideo to Rio de Janeiro. These covers are much sought after and command high prices.

Subsequently Pinillos made a solo flight from New York to Lima in a Bellanca machine.

San Ramon is a small locality on the edge of the Amazon forest and is used as a base for the airway to Iquitos.

The Panair Co. of Brazil, a subsidiary of the Pan American Airways is negotiating with the Brazilian Department of Civil Aviation for the establishment within two months of a combined passenger and airmail service between Para and Manaus in the Amazon valley. The distance between the two cities is 1,600 kilometers. The service will be weekly and will connect with the Panair international service between Argentina and U. S. A.

The Polish aviator, Capt. Skarzynski who recently crossed the South Atlantic alone in a small machine embarked in Rio de Janeiro yesterday for Europe. On leaving Buenos Aires it was his intention to fly to the United States if he could obtain permission from his chiefs.

The all-air *Lufthansa* service between Cadiz and Brazil will be inaugurated at the beginning of next year, I am officially informed.



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Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Nothing pleases a publisher more than a warm reception accorded his publication. In this respect, we are more than pleased. The monthly reception given THE NEW SOUTHERN has been wonderful. Every day your editor of this department receives numerous letters which clearly indicate that his efforts and those of his co-operators are not in vain. Furthermore, the reception given the announcement of the successor to THE NEW SOUTHERN has been equally encouraging. In fact, so much so, that we believe *Stamp and Cover Collecting* will immediately jump into the 25,000 circulation class within 60 days after the first issue appears, and probably earlier. Such co-operation and friendliness is worthy of all that we can say at this time.

Air mail and cover collectors will surely welcome the new magazine as this ever-growing branch of Philately will be well covered by those in charge of the various departments. But *Stamp and Cover Collecting* will give you much more than just "news" of coming events and cachets. It will guide many along the right paths to proper collecting, and we hope to glorify the Postage Stamp before the layman and non-collector each month through its columns.

Everett F. Blair, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, wrote, immediately after our August issue went to press, that the Chagrin Falls Stamp Club would sponsor a cachet for the City's Centennial Celebration on August 18-19. As the news arrived too late I am sure that Mr. Blair will be able to furnish late-copies of these interesting covers to those who wish one.

Arthur L. Marsh, Box 545, St. Augustine, Fla., will hold covers for a cachet commemorating Knights Key Bridge on August 30.

As we are "catching up" in time with the present issues of THE NEW SOUTHERN cachet and cover news is slightly light this month, however the early fall should bring about other deluges similar to those occurring in the past three months when this column was packed with paragraphs of coming events.

For those interested in air stamps I am pleased to reprint from Donald Dickson's column in *Mekeel's* the following list of forgeries known to exist:

Alaouites 201-4; Albania 622-8; Argentine 529; Austria 675-7; Bolivia—all 1930, including the Zeppelins; Chile 610-11; Columbia 481; Costa Rica 147; Czecho-Slovakia—the errors and varieties of the 1920 and 1922 issues; Cuba 702; Curacao 201-3; Danzig 401a, 402a; Dominican Rep.—Hurricane relief quartet; Estonia 201-6; France 353-4; Fr. Morocco—various imperfs.; Lebanon 201-8; Honduras 401-11; Hungary 951-5, and the inverted; Italy 601-2; Japan 451-2; Memel 301-19; Nicaragua—provisionals, both in regular and official issues; Panama 1929 errors; Paraguay—various errors; Persia 1101-16; Peru 801; Russia—Consular issue of 1922; Sweden 501-3 and varieties; Switzerland 275-6; Syria 301-21; Tunis 201-2; Uruguay 601-3; 604-6; 610-13.

J. Edw. Vining, editor of *Mid-West Cachet and Stamp News*, a breezy philatelic monthly published in St. Louis, Mo., writes a very fine article in "The Cachet Racket" in a recent number of his paper. Brother Vining does not agree with what we have said *in toto*, but generally speaking, he has the same opinions that we do, and which are, and have been, as follow:

1. All cachet news from responsible parties gladly published in this magazine.
2. We make no charge, nor require you

to pay for publication in our advertising space for such notices.

3. An individual or an organization sponsoring a cachet is welcomed to send us any news of such event.

4. We do *not* publish news items of cachets where a charge is made over the cost of the stamp and envelope.

5. We believe that every State and City has sufficient anniversary dates for cachet-promoters to stick within their own confines and not encroach on the other fellow's rights.

Other than the above, we are wide open. You may sock us on the chin, but just be careful that you hit hard enough for a K. O. Otherwise, we might come back.

An exceptionally interesting pictorial cachet (3x3) will be applied to covers when "Old Ironsides" visits Santa Cruz, California, Sept. 30.

This is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and depicts the grand old frigate at rest in our harbor, with the famous Casino and beach visible in the background. Santa Cruz is often referred to as the "Atlantic City of the West," and is located on historic Monterey Bay. Because of our world-renowned giant redwoods, huge trees frame the cachet scene.

Get covers in early as this is only a *one day* stop. All mail, except post cards, goes. No postage dues, please. Commemoratives on wrappers will be appreciated. A limited number of autographs for those especially requesting same, if covers are at hand early enough.

Send ready to go, to Preston Sawyer, 29 Campbell St., Santa Cruz, Calif.

The L. A. Engle Post of the American Legion of Bisbee, will sponsor Army Air Maneuvers of the Pacific Coast Division for the 2nd Award of the Frank Luke Fr. Memorial Trophy, August 24, 1933.

There will be a special cachet. Send covers *unsealed* to the Bisbee Chamber of Commerce.

The Petersburg Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a cachet on Sept. 18, commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the laying off of Petersburg, by Col. Wm. Henry Bird III. Send covers 3c. and air mail (no post cards) to Petersburg Stamp Club, care Chamber of Commerce. Commemoratives on wrappers. Send envelopes ready to go.

B. S. Walton, 2605 Ruffin Way, Norfolk, Va., will handle covers for the dedication of the new Norfolk Post Office on September 8. Covers must be in by the 6th. He also states that the Navy Mail Clerk on U. S. S. *Mississippi* assured him that a cachet for its maiden voyage is planned and that covers will be turned over to the ship.

The Richmond (Va.) Stamp Club will sponsor a cachet for the 50th Anniversary of 2c. postage in the U. S. on October 10. It will be a good one. Covers should be sent to Robert C. Thompson, Aero Print, Glen Allen, Va.

Harry Gordon, 780 Garden St., Bronx, N. Y., requests that all collectors who possess *Akron* and *Macon* covers to please send him a list of same. He is the editor of this section in the 1934 edition *American Airpost Catalog*.

Father Cox, who has done much in the cachet and humanitarian lines, is planning another cachet for September 4. The price is 10c. per cover and celebrates the launching of NIRA. All monies derived from these cachets will be used to buy bread for the poor. Write Father Cox, Old St. Patricks Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

C. Robert Brown, 4 Thompson St., Morristown, N. J., will hold and finely cachet covers on September 3, commemorating the final Peace Treaty of the Revolution in Paris. It will be a two-color printed cachet and very handsome. A copy has been filed with this office. It commemorates the 150th Anniversary.

The Scranton, Pa., airport will be dedicated about the middle of September. Dr. Whitney Davis advises that covers should be sent to Mr. Raymond Gibbs, Secretary Chamber of Commerce, Scranton, Pa.

Thomas Thornton, 1410 W. 4th St., Waterloo, Iowa, is sponsoring a cachet October 2 and 8 for the 24th Annual Dairy Congress. Covers must be standard size, sealed, stamped and addressed. Only two to each person.

Egges A. Das, 17 Clinton Ave., Clifton, N. J., is sponsoring a very attractive cachet on November 25 commemorating the 150th Anniversary British Evacuation of New York. Closing date for your covers will be November 23. Send now.

Remember, to use commemoratives on your outside wrappers when sending covers for cachets. They are always appreciated.

Nat Arnold of New York sends a very interesting mimeographed sheet as an en-

closure regarding the cachet racket and I am glad to quote therefrom as follows:

AN APPEAL FOR A NEW DEAL—AND
A SQUARE DEAL

Do you collect cacheted covers or do you collect pictorial envelopes?

For some time we have been scanning cachet announcements also collecting covers and watching the hobby gaining popularity. Lately we have noticed abuse seeping into the hobby; and this moves us to indignation.

We collectors, in our enthusiasm, go for anything and everything. But, is it sensible; is it not diverting money and time from cachets of permanent interest and value? Are we not, in our unguided collecting, encouraging racketeers in cachets?

Our quarrel is with sponsors who commemorate such nonsensical events as a "ground hog debut"; a local food show; the annual convention of a fraternal organization; ad infinitum et ad nauseam. Profusion of unimportant events cause loss of interest in the hobby.

Unimportant dates load albums and steal interest from events that round out a collection and increase in value and interest. Therefore, why should we collectors encourage cachets for events on their odd anniversaries?

We are against deliberate creation of varieties, colors, errors, and special features in *any one day event*. These man-made variations must be outlawed by united action, for our own protection.

When a cachet originates with an individual, a stamp club, cachet commission, patriotic society, woman's club or whatnot, for which a charge is made—we are against it! Let the sponsors call it what they will, we call it a racket! This must be stopped before it kills the hobby!

We cannot understand why cachets emanate from cities 1,000 miles removed from the site commemorated. It is illogical and of no historical importance or value. The battleship *Maine* was not sunk in Indiana nor was that real estate deal with France put-over at Ford Hamstrung, Michigan. Help us to discourage this practice.

We understand fully that the creation of cachets depends upon public spirited individuals or groups. But, they should act with intelligence, discretion and good taste.

Sponsors: You are destroying a wonderful hobby for the sake of a few dollars.

It is ethical suicide Mr. Sponsor-for-profit, we warn you.

Collectors: We must act in common if we hope to continue our hobby on an intelligent basis. Let's act together to wipe out the abuses and encourage a healthy growth for our hobby.

To those who read our Forum in the last issue an apparent reference was made to Mr. Horwitz regarding cachets and in quotes said that "Mr. Horwitz was classed by many as a 'bad example of cachet director.'" Let it be known that this statement did not refer to Nat Horwitz of Richmond, Va. Our Richmond Horwitz is a cover and book dealer, held in high esteem by the collectors of Richmond and elsewhere, and who has never sponsored a cachet. We are glad to correct any such reference, however ambiguous.

A bi-colored cachet commemorating Navy Day and the 75th Anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt will be applied to covers sent William Hager, 5240 N. 20th St., St. Louis, Mo.

The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor an attractive cachet on September 30 for the visit of "Old Ironsides" to Santa Cruz, Calif. Send covers to Preston Sawyer, 29 Campbell St., Santa Cruz, Calif.

H. S. Groat, 6123 Arcade Bldg., Seattle, Wash., will accept and apply cachet sponsored by John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S., on September 14 commemorating "Old Ironsides" Day.

Sometime later there will be a cachet by the Washington Cachet Club for "Last stop—first day" on "Old Ironsides" return to home port. Covers unsealed to John Dunlop, 815 N. Capitol, Washington, D. C.

Under date of August 19, the Associated Press carried a story regarding a cachet commemorating the visit of the *H. M. S. Norfolk* to the port of Hampton Roads late in September. The British warship does not carry its own Postoffice so postmarks aboard cannot be obtained. Fortress Monroe, Hampton, Newport News and Norfolk have been designated as distribution points for the cachet. I have not learned who to send covers to at these points, however you might try the Chambers of Commerce unless newspaper stories to the contrary are published.

Dedication of Stroudsburg, Pa., Postoffice about November 1. Covers to Postmaster.

The famous Naval Victory of Com.

Perry will be commemorated on Sept. 10 with a cachet. Send covers to D. Dietzel, 2546 W. Lanvale, Baltimore, Md.

September 11—Cachet for dedication of monument on the 153rd anniversary of the Sugarloaf Massacre, Luzerne Co., Pa. Send covers ready to go to Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, 69 South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. First class and airmail only.

Owing to lack of space in the last two issues of THE NEW SOUTHERN I was forced to omit the names of those collectors who have so kindly and generously sent me news and covers in order that this column amount to something. I have not forgotten them, and though space is still at a premium I cannot refrain from listing their names. My sincerest thanks to each. An * denotes a cover:

*****D. W. Graveman, *H. S. Groat, *Norfolk Association of Commerce, **J. W. Stoutzenberg, Donald Dickason, **William A. Chamberlain, Jr., **P. Augustine, **E. O. Tauer, *Marvin A. Gallimore, Rex O. Copp, ***Dr. S. E. Hutnick, ***Charles Kaufelt, *J. J. Mack, *Guy D. Gowan, Everett F. Blair, *Lewis A. Barnard, ***Fred Sanders, ****Bob of the Northland, ***H. S. Groat, George D. Kingdom, *****W. G. Crosby, **F. P. Anders, ****M. F. McCamley, **S. M. Falconer, Jr., *Licking County Stamp Club, *A. P. Dorsey, *Brooklyn and Long Island Stamp Exhibit Association, *Chas. H. Drake, *Leonard Shoud, *Chas. E. Davis, *Ken Tallmadge, *D. C. Bartley, *Rev. August Aden, **William Earle Doan, ****H. S. Groat, M. S. Petty, Preston Sawyer, Joe Kobey, *Ed. Brennecke, and many others who failed to place their names in the covers which were received. But thanks, all.



Rare Stamp Exhibit Valued at Million

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—A collection of rare stamps valued at nearly \$1,000,000 is on display here in connection with the convention of the American Philatelic Society, but one important stamp is missing. It is a British Guiana issue of 1851, only one copy of which is known to exist. It is owned by the Arthur Hind's estate, Utica, N. Y., and is valued at \$42,000.—*The Richmond News Leader.*

New Issues and Varieties

The following news and notes are taken from Whitfield King & Co.'s *Bulletin*, Ipswich; *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*, London, and *Sieger Post*, Lorch (Württemberg, Germany). New issues were submitted by the Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St., New York.

Canada.—The current 20c. brown-red pictorial "Harvesting Wheat" has been issued on July 24, overprinted in blue, in three lines, "WORLD'S—GRAIN EXHIBITION &—CONFERENCE," at the top and "REGINA 1933" at the bottom.

China.—As indicated in our March notes, the Tan Yuan Chang commemorative stamps were withdrawn from circulation on June 30th. The Martyr stamps overprinted for Yunnan and Chinese Turkestan have now been received.

Cuba.—A very curious variety occurs once on every sheet of the 3 centavos Soldier Invader issue. This stamp shows two large mango trees and between these two trees are seen in the background four smaller ones, the variety we refer to shows only two small trees in the background.

Czecho-Slovakia.—To commemorate the founding of the first Christian church in Slovakia in A. D. 833 by Prince Pribina, two new stamps have been issued, each with a different view of the church at Nitra seen through the archway. The values are 50 heller, green, and 1 koruny, red. The stamps will be on sale until the end of the year.

Dominica.—We are informed that the 1d. stamp of the current issue is to be changed in color from violet and black to red and black, and the 1½d. from red and black to brown and black.

Dominican Republic.—The 1 centavo denomination of the Merino commemorative issue is exhausted and the 1932, Fortress type, 1 centavo, has been re-issued with the word "Correos" inserted vertically in small letters on the left-hand side.

Falkland Islands.—We are officially informed that the Centenary issue will be withdrawn from sale on December 31st next, when all remainders will be destroyed.

French Indo-China.—The 15 cents denomination of the current set has been issued in a new color, blue.

Germany.—The 4 pf. Hindenburg medallion type has now been issued in slate blue, the 15 pf. in maroon and the 40 pf. in red-violet. These values in the original set were light blue, dark red and violet respectively.



Guatemala.—A series of five attractive commemoratives have been issued as a contribution to

this Republic's celebration of the Spanish-American countries on the occasion of the 441st anniversary of the departure of Columbus on his voyage of discovery. The values of this pictorial set, lithographed locally, are ½c. de q. deep green, 1c. de q. pale brown, 2c. de p. ultramarine, 3c. de q. dull violet, 5c. de q. rose-lilac.



Hungary.—The Boy Scouts World Jamboree, which took place at Godollo, in Hungary, last month, brought forth a commemorative set of five values in the attractive design here illustrated. The denominations are 10, 16, 20, 32 and 40 filler.

Iceland.—We are officially informed that the following were the numbers of the 1, 5 and 10 kroner stamps overprinted for the Italian Trans-Atlantic Flight: 5,900 of 1 krona, 4,600 of 5 kroner and 4,000 of 10 kroner. The seaplanes carried 298 letters from Iceland to America.

Lithuania.—In connection with the Trans-Atlantic Flight from New York to Kaunas 500 each of five values of the current triangular Air Mail stamps were overprinted "Darius—Girenas—New York—1933—Kaunas," and authority for the issue of these stamps was given by the Consul-General of Lithuania in New York. The values are: 20, 40, 60 centai, 1 and 2 litai. We understand that approximately 1,300 letters were carried, so that unused copies will be very scarce. The crossing of the Atlantic by these two aviators was accomplished, but the flight came to a tragic end when the aeroplane crashed into some trees in Pomerania and both the aviators were killed.

Luxembourg.—Two new values have been added to the Air Mail set, 50 centimes green and 3 francs slate, both of the same design as the other denominations of the set.

Mauritius.—The current issue 4 cents has been printed in green and the 20 cents in blue, both are from die I, plate 23.

New Caledonia.—Three new values have been added to the current set, 35 centimes black and mauve, 70 centimes lake and sepia and 85 centimes green and sepia, all are of the same design as the existing 30c. denomination.

Newfoundland.—An attractive set of fourteen values has been issued to commemorate the landing of Sir Humphrey Gilbert with his fleet of

four small vessels on the coast of Newfoundland, on August 3, 1583. The denominations are 1c., 2c., 3c., 4c., 5c., 7c., 8c., 9c., 10c., 14c., 15c., 20c., 24c. and 32c.



A grouping of some of the outstanding designs is here shown.

We have received information that General Balbo's seaplane fleet will call at Shoal Harbour, Newfoundland, after leaving Chicago and that mail will be picked up at the place. The rate of postage for a half ounce letter will be \$4.50, and the 75 cents Air Mail stamps of the current issue have been overprinted for this special mail.

Palestine.—A new 6 mils Postage Due stamp is to be issued shortly.

Persia.—Three additional values have been received in the new type, 90 dinars red, 1 rial 50 dinars olive-yellow and blue, and 2 rials blue-green and chocolate.

Sierra Leone.—A complete new set of thirteen stamps is to be issued for this Colony shortly to commemorate the centenary of the death of William Wilberforce and the Abolition of Slavery. The full set will run from ½d. to £1 and will show views of local interest.

South West Africa.—In a recent number we announced that the 10d. Air Mail stamp was to be discontinued, we now have official information that the 3d. value will also be discontinued when the existing stock is exhausted.

Tonga.—A change of colors is announced for the ½d. and 2½d. denominations, in future the ½d. will be printed in green and the 2½d. in blue.

Turkey.—A new value in the current set has been added, 250 kuruş brown, this now completes the set of nineteen denominations.

Venezuela.—A special 25 centimos stamp was issued on July 5th to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Simon Bolivar.

Yugo-Slavia.—Two new stamps have been issued in connection with the Sokol, or Sports Association, the values are: 75 plus 25 paras green and 1½ plus ½ dinar red, both stamps are of the same design showing a portrait of Prince Peter in national costume.



Forum

Red Hot Shots From Every Corner of Stampdom.

THE NEW SOUTHERN welcomes comments and opinions and as many as possible will be published each month on this page. These letters do not necessarily represent the policy of this magazine. They are simply published for their brevity and breeziness.

New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: For nine years I have faithfully subscribed and diligently read your magazine every month. It has been a great blessing to me I have felt that I knew your editor personally. Now, there is only one request that I wish to make, and it is, that when THE NEW SOUTHERN disappears with the advent of its successor "Stamp and Cover Collecting," that you do not omit publishing those interesting articles on Confeds. and U. S. as have appeared during the past nine years. I feel that you will devote much space to the newer forms of collecting, but please do not forget those who still love their 19th Century stamps. You have my wholehearted support in the new venture.

J. R. W.

We will not overlook your cherished branch of philately. It has a big place in our forthcoming magazine.—Ed.

Cleveland, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: In the July issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN you published an address by the Rev. Floyd S. Leach, Ph. D., on "The Postmaster and the Stamp Collector." Permit me to state that this is one of the finest articles I have read for many years and it should be read by every Postmaster and stamp collector in the world. You not only have an able editor, but one who is well qualified to select good material from skilled writers (or lecturers).

O. M. S.

We agree with you in regard to our able contributors. Many letters like yours on this article have been received. Permission has been granted other publications for its reprinting. We hope to have further manuscripts from Dr. Leach.—Ed.

New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: Recently I requested that you cancel my subscription to your magazine. I now offer my apologies and demand that you reinstate my subscription. I need your magazine each month to tone me up mentally. It is an elixir to the brain. Never again will I quit reading THE NEW SOUTHERN. Enclosed is One Dollar.

J. M. M.

You're a man, my boy, you're a man.—Ed.

Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I have just received a copy of your fine magazine and as a beginner in stamp collecting suggest that you write, or publish, in your columns a series of articles on "What a collector should collect." As an example, I do not know if it is wise for me to invest in 19th or 20th Century stamps and if they should be United States or Foreign. Can you advise me?

Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR: The last two issues of THE NEW SOUTHERN have made a mark in Philately that will remain as a monument to the hobby. Your articles on Confederates are intensely interesting. Your news department is unquestionably "newsy." Your magazine is exceptionally well printed. My congratulations.

H. E. A.

We thank you.—Ed.

LER. H.

When "Stamp and Cover Collecting" appears you will find therein a very diversified number of articles on the above subjects written by eminent philatelists. We cannot advise you. You must make your own choice.—Ed.

Philadelphia, Pa.

DEAR SIR: It was once that "nothing good comes out of the South," however I can assure your readers that two things of exceptionally goodness have. The first is corn "likker," and the other is THE NEW SOUTHERN. Publish this if you will.

H. D.

No comment is necessary.—Ed.

Atlanta, Ga.

DEAR SIR: Enclosed my check for \$5.00 for a five years' subscription. If you only print the Forum each month I'll be satisfied that this five bucks has been well spent.

M. H.

If there were five thousand more like you this old world would be a bed of roses.—Ed.

St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR: Unlike some of your former subscribers I am not cancelling my subscription—just renewing it for two years with the hope that your new magazine "Stamp and Cover Collecting" will be equally as delightful reading as THE NEW SOUTHERN.

M. S.

Berkeley, Calif.

DEAR SIR: You have issued some splendid cachets and I want to thank you very much for such a nice addition to my historical collection.

(Miss) D. S.

Racine, Wisconsin.

DEAR SIR: Your previous cachets are beautiful and a credit to any collection. I certainly appreciate receiving them.

A. H. A.

Boston, Mass.

DEAR SIR: Of all the stamp-dumbs you take first prize. If I could not publish a better magazine than yours I would not publish anything.

L. E.

You must be right. We have not received a sample copy of your production.—Ed.

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WIPA American Exhibits at the Collectors Club.

BY CLARENCE W. BRAZER

An exceptionally large summer audience of more than 125 prominent philatelists from as far away as Boston, Richmond and Chicago, crowded the rooms of the Collectors Club and viewed the selected pages from the American Exhibitors, which were shown by Eugene Klein the American representative in whose personal care most of these exhibits were sent to and from the International Exhibition at Vienna. President Beverly King presided. Among the old time prominent collectors who came out to this exceptional meeting were:

Hiram E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J.—member No. 5—who spoke of his memories of early meetings of the Club.

Fred Bruner—of New York—also spoke of the early days of this Club.

August Dietz, of Richmond, Va.—called attention to the honors recently awarded to Mr. Hiram Deats.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clafin of Providence.

Mr. Klein explained the exhibition features in detail and exhibited the souvenir special stamps.

The Mauritius Post Office stamps on covers contained in Mr. Alfred Lichtenstein's collection were said to have been the most attractive and popular items at the Vienna Exhibition.

The Austrian Government exposition of the complete manufacture of their stamps, as made with the greatest care even to tearing off all sheets margins, was one of the features that stood out in Mr. Klein's memory of the show.

Expressage on highly valued shipments of stamps in Europe was explained to be about 100 times as much as in America for equal distances.

The Placques presented to the Judges were exhibited and Judge Alfred F. Lichtenstein told of the outstanding features of the exhibition and then presented the gold and silver gilt medals awarded to the American Exhibitors as follows:

To Beverly King, President of the Collectors Club: a silver gilt medal for his collection and also one for his book.

To Harry Lindquist and The Collectors

Club for the Club's publication *The Collectors Club Philatelist*.

To Theodore Steinway: a silver-gilt medal for New South Wales.

To Hans Lagerloef: 1. Silver-gilt medal for Venezuela. 2. Silver medal for Schleswig-Holstein. 3. Silver medal for Finland. 4. Silver-gilt medal for Transvaal.

James Starr: Gold Medal for his China Collection and an additional special prize gold ring.

Harold Brooks: Gold Medal for his Confederate Collection, Silver for his U. S. Patriotics and also a special prize award.

Lawrence Mason: One of the ten special honor awards of a grand gold medal for his collection of early U. S. Postmasters and Locals.

Valdemar Weirgang: Bronze Medal for collection of Iceland.

Among the outstanding items noticed were the following:

ALFRED F. LICHTENSTEIN (One of the Judges—Not in Competition).

Mauritius—21 pages were shown in two wall frames—Rare 1p. and 2p. Post Office Reprints from the original plate by a French engraver in both red and blue. There were only 500 original stamp impressions of each value printed.

Of the 1848 issue a 2p. blue post office famous classic of standard rarity tied to original cover. These were printed one at a time.

Also two of the 1p. red tied on an original cover—a marvelous rarity by which all other stamps are rated.

A 1p. red Post Paid on thick yellow paper tied to portion of original cover—and also a magnificent unused copy from the lower right corner of the sheet as well as 6 superb used copies.

Both the early and intermediate states of the 1p. red plate of 12 covers bearing fine strips of 1, 2, 4 and 5 of the 1p. red and pairs and a strip of 3 of the 2p. blue.

Of the 1859 issue: both an unused and a used block of four of the 2p. blue; and a block of four of the 1p. red on a piece of cover.

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—40 pages shown in 3 wall frames:

1851—3p. blue unused blocks of 15, 12 and 6 and a block of 6 of the 2p. dark blue unused and block of 8 used while the 2p. greenish blue was represented by a sheet margin block of 12.

Of the 6p. yellow green there were 2 unused strips of 4, a used strip of 5, a used block of 4 and 4 used pairs.

The shilling red violet is represented by 2 used pairs and 20 fine singles while there is also a pair of the cold violet and 13 singles.

Of the 6p. orange yellow there is a page unused including a pair and a page of used copies including 6 singles a pair and a strip of 3.

1853—1p. red on bluish paper both a vertical and horizontal block of 6 and 2 pairs all unused—while the used copies comprise a block of 4, three strips of 3 and a pair.

This collection includes many superb covers with beautiful strips and various combinations. The bisects all tied to original covers include practically all the varieties in the catalogue, both singly and in combination. There are also several covers with U. S. stamps used in Nova Scotia such as the 1847 10 cent used April 8, 1851 before stamps were issued by the Colony; and one cancelled in July 1858 on which there are 2 pairs of the 1857 five cent with Paid cancellation and one 3 cent and 1 one cent making the 19 cent rate to Scotland.

EUGENE KLEIN (One of the Judges—Not in Competition).

Heligoland—1 frame of 12 pages of original printings (not reprints) Hamburg 3 s strip of four on cover used in Heligoland.

1867—The 2 schilling in an unused block of 4.

The ½, 1 and 2 schilling all with early and difficult to find cancellations, and the 1872 issue also used on covers.

1869—Unused blocks of 4 of all values unused and beautifully tied to covers.

Mr. Klein explained the difference in colors of the different printings as distinguished from the many later reprints from the original plates which still exist in Hamburg.

CLARENCE W. HENNAN.

Brazil—Dom Pedros Issues—1 frame of 16 pages. This collection begins with beautiful artist's trial die proofs and plate proofs in pairs of each value—as well as sheets of all values from the dies printed on one page. There is a page devoted to

each denomination with various beautiful cancellations and other pages of beautiful covers both singly and in combination.

PRESIDENT BEVERLY KING:

U. S. 20th Century—Exhibited and described photographs of the six frames as exhibited in place at Vienna which clearly showed the beautiful original sketches, essays and proofs of his U. S. 20th Century stamps.

HAROLD C. BROOKS:

Confederate Covers—A grand frame full of the rarest Confederate stamps tied to original covers, including:

A beautiful Postmasters Provisional from Pittsylvania; both 5c. greenish from Macon, Ga.; Nashville 5 and 10 cents, 5c. Baton Rouge large frame, a 5 cent red Athens, Ga., a *lête-bêche* pair of 5 cent purple Athens, Ga., 5c. blue from Emory, Va., 10 cent pink from Beaumont, Tex. and a cover with 3 pairs of 5c. brown New Orleans. Also a 2 cent red and a 2 cent blue New Orleans. A pair of 5 cent red Memphis, and a 10 cent blue Nashville tied with an Adams Express Co. cancellation to a 3 cent 1861 U. S. envelope, a 5 cent black Marion, Va. All tied to original covers.

U. S. Patriotic Covers—1 frame of 16 pages of beautiful Civil War Covers with 1857 and 1861 issue stamps—collected from original sources. Many of these were interesting caricature drawings of prominent political and military personages of the time.

THEODORE STEINWAY:

New South Wales—Sidney Views—1 frame of 16 pages.

1850—1p. red Plate I of 25 reconstructed as well several other plates; Sidney Views and Laureated almost completely plated.

EUGENE KLEIN:

Danube Steam Navigation Co. stamps on original covers used in Bulgaria, Servia and Roumania. Not for competition.

DR. HENRY A. RADASCH:

Mint Air Mails. Silver medal.

Pilot signed covers. Silver medal.

LAWRENCE MASON:

Early U. S. Postmasters Stamps and Locals on Covers.

A 5 cent white Baltimore tied with blue PAID.

A pair of 10 cent St. Louis on greenish paper.

Two covers each with a pair of 10 cent New York.

A pair of New York local black Letter

Express on white paper and another pair on greenish paper.

A Franklin Carrier cancelled with a red Phila. star, all on fine original covers.

2 covers with Berford & Co. California Letter Express.

2 pairs of 10 cent brown and another with two 6 cent green, a 25 cent red and a 3 cent black.

VALDEMAR WEIRGANG:

Iceland—1 frame of 16 pages. Exhibited Mint singles, blocks of 4 and Mint sheets of each denomination.

JAMES STARR:

Chinese Treaty Ports—1 frame 16 pages beautiful mounted and illustrated with drawings and translations of the Chinese characters used on the stamps, many of which were shown in blocks of 4 unused.



Washington N R A Notes

The new N R A 3-cent stamps, as scheduled, went on sale Tuesday morning. But because of a change in time, from 8 o'clock to 10, the crowd attending the ceremonies was not exceptionally large. The Post Office personnel did its part without delay, but Recovery Administrator Hugh S. Johnson did not appear until 10:15.

Postmaster General James A. Farley then took his place behind a sales window grill, and while flashlights flared and cameras clicked sold to Gen. Johnson the first full sheet of the new issue. Each of the principals made a brief speech for the movie-tone gallery.

Miss Robbie Robinson, Gen. Johnson's secretary, purchased the second sheet.

But the unofficial sale had been in progress for hours at that time, and the real honors of the occasion go to Robert W. Weaver, 16, 37 Franklin Street Northeast, a schoolboy who arrived at the city post office at 3:15 a. m., via bicycle. A junior at McKinley High School, he is a member of the stamp club there. His collection was begun four years ago, and now runs to approximately 3,000 specimens. His purchases Tuesday totalled 134 stamps, and he secured the autographs of Mr. Farley and Gen. Johnson for the asking. He has been a reader of *The Star* stamp department ever since it began, and has preserved each issue for future reference.

James A. Howard, 2915 Connecticut Avenue, was second in line. The ninth early-riser was a woman philatelist.—*The Sunday Star*.

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Publicity Director's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

Another month rolls by and the "New Deal" brings us two more items to our collection. The "N.R.A." stamp with only 400,000,000 copies, and the new Kosciuszko stamp in October.

Even though this writer thought he had copy for August issue in hand of *Ye Editor* in ample time, it seems that I was too late or lack of space did not permit publishing same.

Early in August this writer visited the officers and members of the Norfolk Club, and gave them some pointers for their fall exhibit they plan to hold there. There is also some hope that they may join our State Federation in time to be with us at our Lynchburg meeting in October.

The time is drawing near, and we should all have our plans completed for one Big Show. News of the Clubs seems to be scarce and the heat must have gotten the best of them. Cool days and nights are not far off.

President Carter Glass, Jr., of Lynchburg, will no doubt soon have some very interesting news for us regarding our fall exhibit.

Let's have some more news.

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director*.
Petersburg, Va.

Richmond Club Activities

This reporter has been a slacker these past few weeks. He has left undone those things he ought to have done, and probably done some things he ought not to have done, but in these tropic days the *dolce far niente* got him, and like our friends in *mañana* lands he fain would put off until the morrow what ought to have been done yesterday. Now that the editor of this magazine has very forcibly

reminded him that *tempus* does *fugit*, he promises to stay awake in future and get these reports of Richmond Stamp Club affairs in on time.

Recently Messrs. August Dietz, Chas. L. Hofmann and R. N. Wall have on three different occasions given us talks on philatelic matters, each on a subject different from the others, but all intensely interesting, reminding us how very many and varied angles there are to this delightful hobby.

Mr. Dietz told of some of his early experiences in stamp collecting, mostly pleasant, but sometimes otherwise. While it would be a slight exaggeration to say that he remembers when the Penny Black and the Mulready envelope were issued, his memory does go back to the time when serious collecting was still in embryo and stamp collectors were looked on by the great majority of *hoi polloi* as dinged cranks, to put it mildly. "Them was the days" when the 1847 5c. and 10c. could almost be had for the asking, Confederate "tens" and framelines adorned practically every collection in the South, and similar to-be "classics" were just "stamps" and treated accordingly. Fortunate was the youth who put away or misplaced his boyhood collection, to have it come to light in later years, for some of these scraps of paper are now worth their weight in fine gold, aye diamonds, and great was the joy in his heart!

Mr. Hofmann took as his subject "Why Collect Stamps?", and we wish some of our present day scoffers could have heard him. Those who came to scoff would have remained to collect. Many of his audience who had started in as boys could look back on their own conversion to the pastime, each remembering how he had his first insight on seeing some other boy's collection (and probably setting that boy down as a sissy for staying in and looking at these bits of paper when he ought to

have been out playing marbles, mumble-peg or some other game dear to the average boy); then feeling a hankering to himself possess an item that had come from some far country—the farther the better—and finally the fall-in-line with the other kids who already had the craze, with the resultant joy of swapping for duplicates and the purchase from penny approval sheets of pieces the other fellow didn't have. And what a proud day it was when he could show some stamps the other boys in his school or gang itched to possess! That boyhood enthusiasm waxed and waned, but mostly it came back in riper years, for the "Why" was always there, and that same "Why" will continue to bring in the youthful and adult converts in increasing numbers—if the "Why" once gets a firm hold, the victim is hitched up for life, but what a pleasant harness!

Mr. Wall's talk was on Colored Cancellations. To illustrate it he displayed beautiful copies of earlier U. S. cancelled with inks of every major color known. And did he plant the seed of envy in the hearts of some of those who looked at his treasures? He did. In fact, he opened up to some of the younger members a possible new field of effort and a new enthusiasm for hunting for the unusual.

The remarkably good attendance of members and visitors at the Club meetings for these talks leaves no doubt of their being appreciated, and the manuscripts prepared by the speakers will some day form a very valuable part of the Club's library.—D. B. B.




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In connection with the projected flight of the Graf Zeppelin from Germany to Chicago, via South America, announced last evening, arrangements have been made by the Post Office Department for the giant airship to carry mail from Miami and Akron for delivery within the United States, and from Miami, Akron and Chicago for dispatch to Europe on the return trip.

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Naval Cancellations

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

This month's column is dedicated to the Universal Ship Cancellation Society and the boys on the Pacific Coast. An A-1 Society and an A-1 bunch of fellows—those Westerners!

I have just received my first bulletin as a member of the U. S. C. S., and regret that I did not become a member sooner than I did! Six pages of "hot news"! A neatly mimeographed paper worth ten times the membership fee! Write Mr. D. C. Bartley, 6035 8th Ave., Seattle, Washington for your membership application blank!

Mr. Bartley has favored me with a number of beautifully cacheted covers which I neglected to mention in last month's issue so will take time out to describe them now.

1. *Constitution*: Beautiful photo - engraving printed in blue of the *Constitution* on the high seas. Appropriately titled "Floating Shrine of American Freedom." The interesting part of this cover lies in the location between the bars of the cancellation which reads "Lat. 47-08N. Long. 124-36W."

2. *Constitution*: An historical photo card, one of the series by Dr. H. H. Kretzler, Pres. John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S., depicting Charles Stewart, Rear-Admiral, U. S. N., at the height of his career. Stewart was born in Philadelphia on July 28, 1778. Took part in the naval wars with France and Tripoli and commanded the *Constitution* from 1813 to 1815, capturing the *Pictou*, *Cyane* and *Levant*. The cover is dated, July 28, 1933; slogan "Port Townsend, Wash." On the reverse side of the card is applied the official cachet by the Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce.

3. *Constitution*: Special cachet in green and bright-yellow by John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S., commemorating the "Mount Constitution Orcas Island, Washington. Auto Road to Summit Dedicated Sunday, July 30, 1933." Cancel dated July 30, 1933; slogan "Port Townsend, Wash."

Bartley tells me—"That this is the only

physical monument in America named after *Old Ironsides*. Orcas Island was originally named "Hull Island," after Commodore Hull."

4. *U. S. S. Pennsylvania*: July 20, 1933, slogan "Seattle Time Cup Race." Type R-3p in bicolors magenta and violet. Tricolored cachet printed in red, blue and green reads "Seattle Welcomes The U. S. S. Pennsylvania, Flagship of the U. S. Fleet, Fleet Week, July 17-22, 1933."

5. *U. S. S. Decatur*: July ?, 1933, slogan "Juneau, Alaska," is printed with pen and ink. Type R-3 in black. Tricolored cachet printed in red, blue and green reads "U. S. Navy Good Will Tour of Alaska, July-August, 1933."

6. *U. S. S. Perry*: July 21, 1933, tricolored cachet same as Decatur. Also cancelled at Ketchikan, Alaska.

7. *H. M. S. "Dragon"*: July 19, 1933. Regulating Office/H. M. S. "Dragon." Cancel in dull red. Tricolored cachet printed in red, blue and green reads "Seattle Welcomes H. M. S. Dragon, Fleet Week, July 17-22, 1933, Canada Day, July 19, 1933." Backstamped Seattle, Wash.

8. *U. S. S. Decatur*: July 23, 1933, slogan "Wrangell, Alaska" is printed with pen and ink. Type R-3 in black. Printed cachet in slate colored reads "Welcome to Seattle, Fleet Week, July 17-22, 1933."

9. *U. S. S. Mac Leish*: July 24, 1933. Double line outer circle with 5 bars which might be classed as Type R-8dps, or fancy cancellation. Fleet Week cachet same as *Decatur*.

10. *U. S. S. Relief*: July 18, 1933, slogan "Fleet Wk. Seattle, Wash." Type R-4 in magenta. Fleet Week cachet same as *Decatur*.

11. *U. S. S. Fleet Flagship*: July 20, 1933, slogan "U. S. S. Pennsy." Type R-3F in bicolors violet and magenta. Like ordinary Type R-3 except that small outline star is inserted at bottom of the circle.

12. *U. S. S. Pennsylvania*: July 20, 1933. Type S-4 in black. Same cachet as *Decatur* with additional printed cachet in

green reading "Testimonial Banquet To Navy Mail Clerks, Wash., July 20, 1933."

All of the Fleet Week and Tricolored cachets were sponsored by the John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2, U. S. C. S. A very beautiful series and my many thanks to Bartley!

Bartley also included the following information which I think will be of interest to most Naval Cover collectors.

The guests at the Testimonial Banquet to Navy Mail Clerks, were as follows:

Geo. N. Stiverson, *Pennsylvania*, Fleet Mail Clerk; F. De Witt, *Pennsylvania*, Navy Mail Clerk; G. R. Mitchell, *Northampton*, Navy Mail Clerk; W. P. D. Armour, *Relief*, Navy Mail Clerk; L. L. Miller, *Northampton*, Navy Mail Clerk; O. F. Richter, *Buchanan*, Navy Mail Clerk; A. H. G. Voss, *Relief*, Asst. Mail Clerk; F. S. Brnyousky, *Vega*, Navy Mail Clerk; V. M. Herbert, *Portland*, Asst. Mail Clerk; J. K. Delano, *Portland*, Navy Mail Clerk; E. Cullen, *Marblehead*, Navy Mail Clerk; J. P. Treadwell, *Memphis*, Navy Mail Clerk; Paul G. Mills, *Hale*, Navy Mail Clerk; Edwin A. Johnson, *Altair*, Navy Mail Clerk; J. C. Kane, *Texas*, Navy Mail Clerk; W. J. Wirth, *Simpson*, Navy Mail Clerk; P. A. Street, *McCormick*, Navy Mail Clerk; H. P. Tucker, *Truxton*, Navy Mail Clerk; A. H. Perkins, *Texas*, Asst. Mail Clerk; James E. Day, *Maryland*, Navy Mail Clerk; J. O. Smathers, *Borie*, Navy Mail Clerk; A. De Lurch, *Borie*, Relief Mail Clerk; A. W. Breverton, *Pennsylvania*, Asst. Mail Clerk; H. H. Smith, *New York*, Navy Mail Clerk; N. G. Dyer, *Omaha*, Navy Mail Clerk; C. M. Lanford, *Crowninshield*, Navy Mail Clerk; J. C. Webb, Sgt. Royal Marines, *H. M. S. Dragon*, Mail Orderly; A. J. Sullivan, Lodg. Sea., *H. M. S. Skeena*, Mail Orderly.

The Vessels participating in Seattle Fleet Week are as follows:

BATTLESHIPS

Pennsylvania, Flagship: Admiral David Foote Sellers, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Fleet, Rear Admiral C. P. Snyder, Chief of Staff and Captain W. J. Giles, Commanding. July 13-27.

California, Flagship: Admiral J. M. Reeves, Commander Battle Force, Captain Adolphus Andrews, Chief of Staff and Captain Wilson Brown, Commanding.

Captain S. C. Rowan (Ordered). July 13-24.

Maryland, Flagship: Vice-Admiral W. B. Sexton, Commander Battleships, Battle Force, Captain B. B. Wygant, Chief of Staff and Captain L. B. Porterfield, Commanding. July 13-24.

New York: Rear Admiral T. T. Craven, Commander Battleship Div. No. 1, Captain H. E. Kimmel, Commanding. July 13-19 and 24-27.

Arizona, Flagship: Rear Admiral Ridley LcLean, Commander Battleship Div. No. 3, Captain C. S. Kerrick, Commanding and Captain M. Milne (Ordered). July 13-24.

Tennessee: Captain W. W. Smyth, Commanding. July 13-27.

West Virginia: Captain W. S. Anderson, Commanding and Captain H. R. Stark (Ordered). At Navy Yard.

Texas: Captain L. R. Leahy, Commanding. At Navy Yard.

Oklahoma: Captain H. D. Cooke, Commanding. July 13-14 at Navy Yard.

CRUISERS

Memphis, Flagship: Rear Admiral E. B. Fenner, Commander Cruisers, Battle Force, and Captain H. L. Pence, Commanding. July 13-27.

Marblehead: Captain E. D. Washburn, Commanding. July 13-27.

Concord, Flagship: Rear Admiral C. R. Train, Commander Cruiser Div. No. 3 and Captain M. M. Frucht, Commanding. July 24-27.

Cincinnati: Captain A. S. Wadsworth, Commanding. July 13-19. (19-24 at Navy Yard).

Detroit, Flagship: Rear Admiral E. C. Kaldfus, Commander Destroyers, Battle Force, Captain R. A. Theobald, Chief of Staff and Captain R. M. Bainard, Commanding. July 13-26.

Northampton: Captain T. H. Taylor, Commanding. At Navy Yard.

Omaha: Captain J. S. Dowell, Commanding. At Navy Yard.

Relief: (Hospital Ship) Captain C. C. Hartigan, Commanding. July 13-27.

Altair: (Destroyer Tender) Captain J. H. Collins, Commanding. July 13-27.

DESTROYERS

Borie, Flagship: Captain W. H. Allen, Commander Destroyers Squadron No. 2

and Lieut. Commander K. R. Shears, Commanding. July 13-27.

Aaron Ward: Commander H. V. McCabe, Commanding. July 18-24.

Buchanan: Lieut. Commander. D. D. Dupre, Commanding. July 18-24.

Hale: Lieut. Commander D. Browne, Commanding. July 18-24.

Crowinshield: Lieut. Commander R. Burhen, Commanding. July 18-24.

Decatur, Flagship: Captain G. J. Rowcliff, Commander Squadron No. 4 and Commander R. A. Hall, Commanding. July 13-17.

Perry: Commander G. L. Weyler, Commander Destroyer Div. No. 10 and Lieut. Commander J. H. Lewis, Commanding. July 13-17.

Trever: Lieut. Commander M. B. Byington, Commanding. July 13-17.

Wasmuth: Lieut. Commander O. Nimitz, Commanding. July 13-17.

Zane: Lieut. Commander R. S. Riggs, Commanding. July 13-17.

McCormick: Commander G. C. Barnes, Commander Destroyer Div. No. 11 and Lieut. Commander W. V. Shown, Commanding. July 17-27.

MacLeish: Lieut. Commander M. R. Derr, Commanding. July 17-27.

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FOREIGN NAVY VESSELS

H. M. S. Dragon: Captain W. F. Wake-Walker, OBE. R. N. Commanding. July 17-24.

H. M. C. S. Vancouver: Lieut. Commander L. J. M. Gauvreau, R. C. N. Commanding. July 17-24.

H. M. C. S. Skeena: Commander G. C. Jones, R. C. N. Commanding. July 17-24.

Bartley reports that five ships made the Good-Will Tour of Alaska. The *Decatur*, *Perry*, *Trever*, *Wasmuth* and *Zane*, stopping at six ports. No time for advance announcement. Also there were 38 different ship cancellations for Fleet Week.

Mr. W. G. Crosby, San Pedro, reports that "Old Ironsides" may stop at Richmond, California on her return trip. However, this is not definite and we will endeavor to give you the news when we get it.

The Fleet will return to San Pedro, probably by the time you read this, and there may be some nice cachets.

Mr. Crosby is also trying to get the Chamber of Commerce to sponsor a cachet for the return of "Old Ironsides" to San Pedro. More about this.

The *U. S. S. Swan* is to be decommissioned shortly at San Diego.

The *Constitution* will be at Portland, Oregon from August 2 to 22. At Oakland, Calif., September 12 to 28; At Longview, Wash., August 24 to 28; San Francisco, September 2 to 15; Long Beach, October 5 to 19.

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"	19—Cornwallis Surrenders.
"	27—Navy Day—Roosevelt Day.
"	28—Battle of White Plains.
"	28—Statue of Liberty 1886.

"OLD IRONSIDES" CACHETS

Continued List

July 28, 1933—at Port Townsend. Special photo card of Charles Stewart, Rear Admiral, U. S. N. Official cachet on reverse.

July 30, 1933—at Port Townsend. "Mount Constitution, Orcas Island, Washington. Dedicating Auto Road to Summit." Cachet by John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2-U. S. C. S.

August 2, 1933—at Portland "Welcome Old Ironsides—The Rose City."

July 31, 1933—Lat. 47-08N. Long. 124-36W. No other location. Photoengraving in blue depicting *Constitution* on the high seas.

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Open Letter to the Stamp Issuing Authorities of the World.

BY STANLEY PHILLIPS, Editor *Gibbons' Stamp Monthly*.

GENTLEMEN:—As you have probably formed your opinion of stamp collectors by what you read about them in the daily press—possibly even from the jokes in the comic press—you may share the popular belief that the one aim of stamp collectors is to secure the issue of more and more new stamps. May I say at the outset that this is not the case.

It is true that our hobby would lack much of its interest if there were *no* new stamps, but sufficient new issues appear each year for definitely necessary postal purposes to satisfy our wishes in that respect and, apart from an occasional and quite indefensible request to one or other of you for the issue of a special stamp or series to commemorate an important philatelic exhibition, we have no desire to stimulate the issue of new stamps.

Though this is the case, many of you must certainly hold the opposite view, for you pour from your printing presses new issue after new issue, some of them, it is true, for ordinary postal purposes, but many of them of a special nature, commemorating some anniversary or event, or raising funds for charity.

We must admit that we collectors have no right to criticize the action of any nation which issues new stamps *for its own legitimate national purposes*—for the prepayment of ordinary postal fees, for the commemoration of an event of national or international importance, for the education of its nationals through the propaganda effect of the pictures and inscriptions or these widely circulated labels, or for the raising of funds *from its own nationals* for charitable objects.

What we do object to is the issue of new stamps ostensibly for one or other of the above objects, but really with the intention of drawing money from our pockets into your coffers.

If you issue too many stamps, you render it impossible for us to keep our favorite countries complete in our albums, or, if we attempt to collect the stamps of the whole world in a modest degree, you cause the proportion of blank spaces in our volumes to get larger and larger in com-

parison with those which we are able to fill with stamps.

We must accuse many of you, therefore, of prostituting the legitimate needs of your postal services to the interests of your national exchequers, and in a number of cases your own actions provide the evidence. You maintain special offices to provide collectors with stamps; you are careful to advise the stamp dealers of the world of your forthcoming issues; you make a cunning choice of designs for your stamps with a view to giving them a world-wide appeal; and you select the subjects of your commemorative or charity series with a similar aim in view.

In such cases we have the right to criticize your actions, for they are directed at us. You sell your stamps at prices varying with the amount of postal service they represent, but every stamp sold to a collector carries with it practically no liability for postal service, and the net contribution of stamp collectors to the postal budgets of the world is therefore very great, probably not less than several million pounds sterling per annum.

At the present time, criticism is necessary in your own interests as well as ours. You have no doubt heard of the English saying, "Don't kill the goose that lays the golden egg." Well, that is what some of you have already done, and what others are in danger of doing. In other words, some of you have issued, or are issuing, so many new stamps that collectors are getting tired of your emissions and are ceasing to buy them, and the more new stamps you issue, the less they will buy, in fact it is the law of diminishing returns in a new field, where you have not perhaps expected to find it.

THE STAMP WORLD

I would ask you, therefore, Gentlemen, to look for a moment at this stamp-collecting world, with its many millions of enthusiasts, and to try to understand its point of view, for only by such understanding can you avoid estranging that world. If you are interested in the contributions made by stamp collectors to your

postal revenues, then there is a business reason for attempting to understand. If you plead indifference to the financial aspect, remember that collectors who see you issuing a large number of new stamps will be apt to confuse you with those who are *not* indifferent to monetary considerations, with the result that the same slur will attach in their minds to the honor of your nation as is attached to that of the nations which obviously and more or less brazenly attempt to cajole money out of their pockets.

Collectors who buy new stamps in unused condition while they are still current may be divided roughly into the following groups:

(a) Those who take the new stamps of the whole world, or of a group of countries, or of a single country.

(b) Those who take stamps of a particular kind, e.g. Air stamps.

(c) Those who have no rigid system of collecting, but who buy the stamps which attract them most, either because of the beauty of their designs, or by reason of some particular interest associated with their issue.

NOTE.—In all these groups there are of course those who are unable to buy every stamp of a country, group or class and who limit themselves to the purchase of the less expensive denominations.

(d) Collectors, or those who do not collect, who buy quantities of certain stamps in the hope that they may rise in value—speculators.

(e) Members of the public who buy certain stamps because of their topical, religious, or other interest, though they do not in the ordinary way, collect stamps.

The nationals of a country will usually buy the new stamps it issues either at a post office, or, if such an institution exists, at the Government Philatelic Bureau. For collectors in countries other than the country of issue, the source of supply is the stamp dealer.

As the larger firms of stamp dealers, in addition to catering for a great number of collectors, also issue magazines and catalogues which give them information, their influence on the sale of new stamps is far from negligible.

In the matter of the issue of too many new stamps, the interests of the stamp-issuing authorities, of the collectors and of the dealers are identical. If the collector becomes tired or disheartened by reason of the plethora of new stamps, he gives up

collecting and both the dealers and the stamp-issuing governments suffer. The remarks that follow may therefore be taken as applying to both collectors and dealers.

What is a postage stamp? For the purposes of the collector a postage stamp is a stamp issued by authority of a recognized government and available on issue for postal use.

ABUSES OF ISSUE

(i) Issue at one, or only a few post offices, or in very limited quantity, or for a very short period, followed by the handing over of the surplus stock of stamps to either a government bureau, a syndicate, an individual, or a charitable body, which sells the stamps either at a premium, or below the nominal postal value.

The collector wants to be able to get his first supply of a stamp on the basis of its postal value, and to feel assured that, so far as the stamp-issuing authority is concerned, nothing will be done to depreciate the value of the stamp below that point.

(ii) Issue to all post offices in a country, but in such limited quantity that supplies are absorbed by speculators in that country, so that collectors abroad have to pay a heavy premium for the stamps by the time they reach them.

(iii) Too frequent issues of stamps of any kind, which are obviously not required for postal purposes.

(iv) Issue of commemorative stamps where the commemoration is obviously only an excuse to make a new series for sale to collectors, or where, though the commemoration may be of national importance, the stamps are not on general sale throughout the country of issue, proving that the financial and not the commemorative reason is uppermost.

(v) Issue of stamps sold at a premium over and above their postal value, for charitable objects, where the general public of the country issuing them does not buy, or has not the opportunity to buy them.

Where the charity premium is very much higher than the postal value, as in some flagrant recent instances, the collector very rightly refuses to buy such stamps. In any case charity stamps are disliked by many collectors.

(vi) Issue of stamps of a high postal value when there are no postal charges requiring the use of such stamps.

(vii) Slack control on the part of the postal authorities, which permits of the leakage of defectively printed stamps, trial

printings and even clandestinely printed "errors" on to the stamp market, through the hands of postal employees, or corrupt members of the printing staff.

(viii) The sale of stamps in complete series only, where the postal value of the series is a high one, thus preventing the less wealthy collector from having any representative stamp of the series in his album. (This is a very short-sighted policy, for the number of stamps purchased by collectors dwindles very rapidly as the higher denominations of the series are reached and the biggest sums are realized by the very large sales of the lower values.)

(ix) The creation of temporary or "provisional" issues by overprinting existing stocks of stamps, not to meet a postal emergency, but to create new varieties for collectors.

THE COLLECTOR'S POINT OF VIEW

In discussing the points which follow, it must be remembered that many collectors who buy new stamps in unused condition do so because they believe that, in acquiring stamps of this class, they will always be worth at least their postal value should they wish to sell them, while they also hope that many of the stamps they buy will eventually, by the operation of the law of supply and demand among collectors, rise in value, so that their pleasure in collecting may be supplemented by a monetary profit, or at least many not result in material loss.

As this is one of the two strongest factors operating to keep stamp collecting alive as a popular hobby, thus ensuring the continued flow of money to your coffers, you will agree, Gentlemen, that it is unwise to do anything that may make collectors doubtful of the realization of their hopes, even though such action may bring you a temporary profit.

The collector who has paid for his stamps on the basis of their postal value finds certain objectionable practices in vogue in some countries.

(a) The sale of stocks of stamps which remain available after an issue has been withdrawn from postal use, at less than their postal value, whether the sale is made by the postal authorities themselves through a philatelic bureau, or stocks are handed over to a charitable organization for disposal, or sold outright to a stamp dealer or speculator.

The collector feels that in buying a

stamp during its period of currency, at its postal value, he is investing in a government security and while he realizes that it may be necessary eventually to cancel the postal validity of the stamp, he contends that any government which attempts, when issuing its stamps, to cater particularly for collectors, is *cheating* him when, at a later date, it sells those stamps at less than their original postal value and so reduces the value of the stamps he has already bought.

A government which adopts the practice of selling surplus stocks in this way finds that collectors soon refuse to buy any of its stamps, either while they are in current use, or when "remainder" stocks come on the market.

(b) The retention of large surplus stocks which *may*, at some future time, be disposed of to the detriment of the value of stamps already in collections, has nearly as serious an effect.

(c) The retention of large surplus stocks of stamps no longer in postal use, for sale at or above their postal value, through a government philatelic bureau or other channel, thus hindering the normal operation on values of the law of supply and demand, is also to be deprecated.

(d) The practice of giving souvenir books of stamps to the delegates to each Congress of the Universal Postal Union is another action detrimental to the interests of collectors. Most of the delegates sell these souvenirs at less than the postal value of the stamps with the result that, for a time, the effect, at least in the country where the Congress is held, is nearly as bad as if each country had disposed of surplus stocks of its stamps at less than their postal value.

GOOD BUSINESS

There is no doubt, Gentlemen, that the country which really considers the interests and feelings of stamp collectors will, in the long run, be the one which sells most stamps to them.

To study their wishes it is only necessary to ensure that all your stamps shall be freely obtainable at their postal value for a reasonable period after issue, and freely used for postal purposes; that the number of different new stamps issued, whether postal, commemorative or charity, shall not suggest to the mind of the collector that his pocket, rather than your postal needs or national celebrations, is the object of your emissions; that your stamp series

shall not include stamps of unnecessarily high denominations; and that, when an issue of stamps is finally withdrawn from your post offices, the remaining stock shall be immediately destroyed together with the plates from which it was printed, so that the possibility of the sale of "remainders," or the reprinting, authorized or unauthorized, of further supplies, no longer exists.

If you will do this, you can rest assured that collectors will buy your stamps. If some of you consider your immediate profit of more importance than the permanent goodwill of collectors, the time will quickly come when your stamps, do what you may, will no longer be in demand. The reputation of a country, among collectors, is quickly lost. It takes many weary years to regain their affection. In the hope that what I have written may serve to make clear to you the stamp collector's point of view, I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

THE EDITOR.



Interesting Find in Afghanistan

In a letter just received from Mr. Eugen Bonatz, Royal Counsellor of Posts, Kabul, Afghanistan, we are informed that during a recent overhauling of the Postoffice a large sack of old letters, dating back to the reign of the "Robber King" Sakau, was brought to light. These missives were apparently undeliverable at the time, because of the fact that the addressees—dignitaries and partisans of Sakau—had in the meantime been beheaded by King Nadir-Khan after his conquest of Afghanistan.

These uncanny covers bear a peculiar, strange cancellation across the stamps issued during the reign of the ex-king Ammanullah-Khan, and they will be offered for sale by the Afghan Post-Office Department in Kabul.



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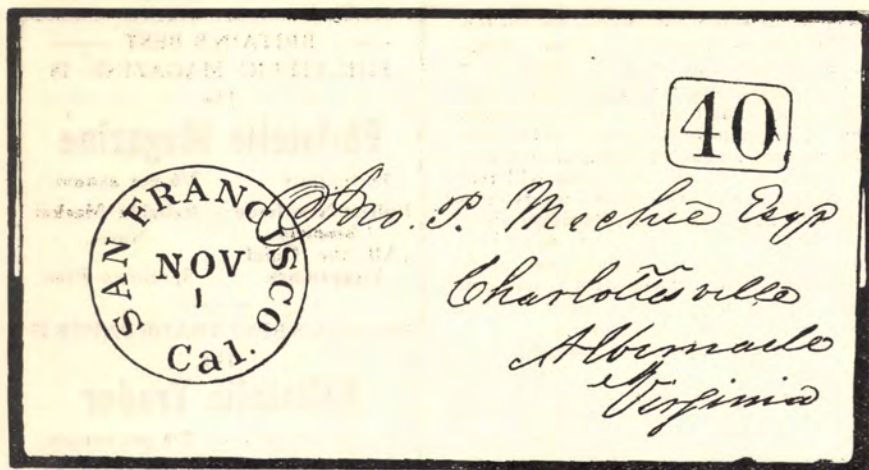
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*A Letter Written During the California Gold Rush of 1849, by C. J. Michie
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To the collector of Postmarks the rates on the old covers of pre-stamp times are the subject of interest and study. To the collector at large the letters they enclose hold still more of human interest and history. One of these faded and folded letters, postmarked San Francisco, tells a thrilling story. It was loaned by our old friend Mr. Louis Lenz of Lake Charles, La., with the permission to reprint.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24th, 1849.

DEAR JOHN:

We arrived here near three weeks ago and will leave for the Sacramento diggings the latter part of the week or next.

All accounts received before I left have been more than realized. In the town a carpenter, bricklayer or any kind of mechanic can get \$12 per day, a common hand of any kind gets \$6. Board is \$10 or more a week according to the house. Goods, except heavy woolens, ready-made clothing, is not worth the freight.

You may have heard and read of money, but you can't see it in profusion unless you are in San Francisco.

Our trip from Rio, around Cape Horn, was quite rough, stormy and cold, so cold that most of us had our toes frosted. But at last we all got well and safe to Talcahuano, a port of Southern Chile, within 6 miles of Concepcion, which you may see on any ordinary chart. Talcahuano is a poor town of about 6,000 inhabitants, situated on a fine and beautiful bay.

The surrounding country is exceedingly fertile, producing 125 bushels of wheat to the acre. 'Tis destined at some future day, I doubt not, to be a large and flourishing city as 'tis fast filling up with Americans. The common name for the town is "the Sailors' Paradise," given it I suppose because every house with few exceptions, is a grog shop and a brothel. 'Tis one of the places where the girls are "some punkins."

We staid there five days to take in water and then had a delightful run to this place. To give you a correct idea of

this place is almost impossible, tho' I'll try.

The City is supposed to contain about 20,000 persons and one half or nearly so is built of canvass, the balance frame, except about a half dozen brick buildings. One house in town rents as a tavern for \$160,000 per annum besides a ground rent of \$450 a month. A small room will rent for \$500 a month. Onions sell for 75 cents a pound. Eggs \$6 a dozen, Patridges about \$6 a dozen. Ducks \$1.50 and \$2.00 a piece. Bread 25 cts. a loaf, weighing say 1/2-lb. to the loaf, & etc. If you wish to buy, you have to pay an enormous price, if you sell you can get little or nothing.

I hear from various sources that any person may make from one to two ounces of gold a day, tho' some are so fortunate as to make their hundreds. Should I be one of the lucky, I shall be back pretty tolerably damned soon. If not, I will remain for a year and then return if I have only enough to pay my passage.

Our company has split and we have divided off into smaller ones which 'tis said can work to much better advantage. I am going with a Mr. W. I. (or J. ?) Willis of Lynchburg, a Mr. Bell from the same place and a Mr. Bryant of Powhatan.

The Glenmore came in a few days after us. All were well and are still so. A Mr. Heiskell, son of Porterfield Heiskell, died on board a few days since of disentery. You may have seen this Heiskell as I understand he had lived in the Heiskell store near the University. You may tell anyone wishing to know the true state of affairs in this country that everyone can do well and that a more peaceable community does not exist.

Weapons of all kinds are useless and you are safe in person and purse. If mother and Bettie should be with you, give them my very best love. To Uncle Billy, the *Lorywood* folks, Aunt Nancy and her set, the Belleaid and any one who may wish it. Give Nannie & the baby a large lot and when she N., writes to Mrs. Nelson, send her my respects or love, as she may think proper. You must say a few sweet things to Cousin K., if she is not engaged or married. If she is either, look out for some sweet one to share my fortune when I return.

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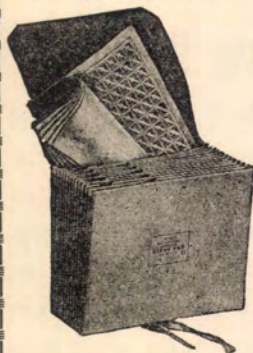
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Editorial.

“Saida!”

This is the closing number of the last volume of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST. . .

There is an ancient, beautiful legend told in the Arab tents of a fabulous bird which was feigned to live for centuries in the desert, when she built for herself a funeral pyre of wood and aromatic gums, to which she set fire by the fanning of her wings, and so consumed herself; but from the ashes she sprang up again in renewed youth and freshness and beauty . . . It is a symbol of immortality—of living on and on through successive existences—fulfilling some eternal Purpose, we know not what.

The Phoenix of Eastern mythology serves for my simile. Up from the flames that close around this last number will arise a better, finer effort and live again the cycle of its usefulness. . .

In penning this last editorial for THE NEW SOUTHERN you will grant me the privilege of pausing to look back once more along the trail that leads to the yesteryears—back to my first modest monthly, edited in the cause of Philately, thirty-six years ago. The old *Virginia Philatelist* of 1897 appears to me now as the *avant courier* of *The Southern Philatelist* of 1924—a herald to announce the coming of the Philatelic Saga of the Confederacy. With that story completed the cycle was closed—the time of its immolation had come—and from the ashes arose THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST. And now this, in turn, is to ascend the pyre. . .

Someone has said that we carry with us into the next existence nought else but the spiritual treasures acquired in this—the love and the friendship we gave and received from our fellowmen. I believe this to be truth. And I would emerge from the flames with no lesser possession. During the years in which I guided the editorial policy of this publication—and it has never been a profitable venture as the world measures success—I have found princely reward in the friendships formed—for they *are* Princes—big and fine and generous—these men, contacted through these columns, whom I thus came to know and love and respect. These friendships I want to take with me into the new cycle, which begins with the next month in the successor to this publication.

The editorial pages of this paper have been our Round Table—yours and mine. In spirit we gathered here every month, discussing stamps and swapping anecdotes; just a lot of good fellows—no “high-hatters” and “untouchables”—who found a common ground in their common pursuit, enjoyed to the fullest the fine *camaraderie*, and never took themselves very serious. And now we are just adjourning to a larger room and a larger Round Table, with chair-space for more good fellows, and things will be even livelier than before when we start on “Stamp and Cover Collecting.”

With this number THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST passes on to the realm of memories—to be laid away with its predecessors among the “lavender and old lace” of our treasured things, where, perhaps in some far-off year, our grandchildren, “hunting for old stamps,” may discover these musty leaves with traces of bordered sheen and read of the Golden Age of Philately when granddad lived in fabled Atlantis.

And now, as THE NEW SOUTHERN vanishes forever into the haze of Indian Summer—from whence it came—I shall select another phrase of the East for my adieu—a word that serves the trifold purpose of salutation, farewell, and *auf Wiedersehen*: “Saida!”

—AUGUST DIETZ.

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L'envoi

When THE SOUTHERN'S last form is printed and the hum of the presses is stilled,

When some thoughts, unexpressed, have faded, and the "Forum's" last critic is killed—

Shall we rest? Lord knows we may need it!—and stop for an hour or two, Till the forms—Stamp and Cover Collecting—shall call us to work anew.

—A. D., JR.—with Apologies to Kipling.

* * *

We will meet again, in “Stamp and Cover Collecting,” next month.

Cyclopedia of United States Postmarks and Postal History—Vol. I.

When the Convention of the American Philatelic Society met in Memphis, two years ago, appointed a Handbook Committee and voted an appropriation so that Delf Norona might be enabled to carry out his long-cherished plan of compiling a Cyclopedia of United States Postmarks and Postal History, I dare say there were not a half-dozen delegates who thought the work would ever appear between book covers. But there was that cold glint of determination in Norona's eye—an enthusiasm that sweeps aside all obstacles, and forces on to the goal—and he "got it across."

And this year, on the eve of the A. P. S. Convention in Chicago, he was able to justify the trust placed in him and lay before that body the first volume of his labors—a task completed of which he may justly feel proud.

An inscribed copy of this volume lies before me. It is an unusual book—in many ways. The printing is by the planographic process—text as well as illustrations—and most pleasing to the eye. It is restful. Compared to the publications on stampic subjects that have appeared in recent years, Norona's book is far superior in its technical make-up to the amateurish typography that makes us rebel at the decadence of craftsmanship.

But to the text. Each chapter deals in a general or specialized way with some phase of the following topics: Postage Rates; Railroad Postmarks; Civil War; Spanish-American War; World War; Naval; Possessions; Private Expresses; Precancels; Makers of Postmarks; Machine Cancellations; Demonetization of Stamps; Check Lists of Cancellations and Postmarks; Foreign Mails, etc. It is fully illustrated with postmarks and maps.

Among the direct contributors to Volume I are: Messrs. Warren L. Babcock, Allan R. Brown, Gilbert M. Burr, Robt. F. Chambers, Carroll Chase, Geo. S. Goodale, Edwin J. Milliken, Elliott Perry, V. W. Rotnem, Fred R. Schmalzriedt, K. H. Smith, H. K. Thompson, and Ernest Wiltsee.

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Sidney Barrett to Chronicle New Issues

It was with considerable apprehension that we asked Sidney Barrett if he would edit our New Issues Department in "Stamp and Cover Collecting."

It is a great pleasure to announce that Mr. Barrett *will* conduct this interesting column in each number.

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Proessel to Conduct Auction Department

Frederick P. Proessel, well-known auction enthusiast and writer, will conduct the auction department in "Stamp and Cover Collecting." Those dealers holding auctions are requested to place Mr. Proessel's name on their mailing lists for catalogs, and also priced catalogs so mention can be made in each issue of market conditions. Your co-operation is invited. Address Frederick P. Proessel, 51 East Woodale Road, Philadelphia, Pa.



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A Fun Colyum

As "a little fun now and then is relished by the best of men," Herb Shatz, well-known to thousands of readers for his funny philatelic remarks, will conduct a somewhat spasmodic colyum in "Stamp and Cover Collecting." Poke any fun at Herb you wish and he will see that others enjoy it.



The Big Game at Geneva

The eyes of Philately are turning from the little one-cent limit game being played by Andorra and France to the stiff game of stud-poker in Geneva. Somewhat nervously the old Plunderbund is shuffling the new deck. They know the show-down must come. . .

There may be some new stamps from Europe—perhaps some overprints.

Mr. Ward Evidently Not Well Posted



In writing his report of the exhibits at the recent A. P. S. Convention for *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News*, Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jr. makes the following statement: "Among the general issues, we particularly noted a beautiful mint block of the 10c. rose, the rarest of the Confederate mint blocks, as an outer line block does not exist." Had Mr. Ward kept up with events Confederate by reading *THE NEW SOUTHERN* he would have noted—in our April number—the illustrated story of a magnificent block-of-four Frame-Lines, found in Pennsylvania and acquired by Mr. Charles J. Phillips of New York. That the record may be kept correct, we again illustrate this block of Frame-Lines.



Back Numbers Becoming Scarce

Back numbers of *THE NEW SOUTHERN* are demanding a heavy premium. Reports from various stamp dealers, and especially from several book firms, indicate that there are not enough complete volumes to "go 'round." Our office has received a deluge of inquiries within the past sixty days for complete back volumes. One dealer reports the sale of three complete files of the past nine years at \$50.00 per set and his last remaining set will not be sold for less than \$75.00.

We cannot supply back volumes at any price. It is gratifying—even to those of us who have struggled along faithfully on the red side of this uplift journal during the past decade—to know that the "old rag" isn't exactly worthless.



Poor Management Somewhere

Judging from the numerous reports of collectors who attended the A. P. S. Convention in Chicago the sale of the souvenir sheets of the Century of Progress stamps proved to be poorly managed and extremely unsatisfactory to the philatelic public. Thousands are said to have been unable to reach the stamp windows and the police had to be called to prevent the multitude from storming the post-office—all of which is no compliment to the Chicago management of the Convention.

And my two sheets haven't come to hand yet.

Club Secretaries' Contest

No expense is being spared by the publishers to gain for "Stamp and Cover Collecting" a circulation equal to any. A subscription contest is now offered to all Stamp Club Secretaries.

Any secretary of any stamp club is eligible to participate. Just write our business manager for a book of handy subscription blanks and proceed to get busy. Let him know that you desire to enter this particular contest so your name may be published and a strict record kept.

Each new annual subscription will count as One Point, and each five-year subscription will count as Ten Points. The winner may select \$25.00 worth of Elbe merchandise. The secretary gaining second place may select \$15.00 of Elbe merchandise.

Go to it—the field is wide open!



Now's the Time, Brother Hustler

The subscription contest for dealers to "Stamp and Cover Collecting" has elicited no small amount of interest among the trade. A few dealers who were shipped one thousand subscription blanks imprinted (free) to the forthcoming publication have requested *two and five thousand quantities* additional. Others have come back for smaller lots. All in all, we are having a swell time shipping out subscription blanks. Remember, the dealer who is responsible for the largest number of new annual subscriptions by December 15th, 1933, will receive a fine stock of stamps catalogued at more than \$500.00. If you need blanks write for them *now*. It is still time to enter the race.



Yes, We Were Forced to Do It

In the September issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN we stated that more than one million subscription blanks had been printed for "Stamp and Cover Collecting," and that if necessary we would print a million more for distribution. The first supply was exhausted on September 2. A quarter of a million more were printed immediately, although requests for about 15,000 were delayed shipment for a few days.

And so it came to pass that our hope and prophesy was fulfilled.



Byrd Stamp Probable

The daily press of September 18 stated that a Byrd South Pole commemorative was probable on short notice. Watch your newspapers on this.

"Charity Is Twice Blest"

We are indebted to E. H. Brennecke and Henry Eisman for the names of two shut-ins who are enthusiastic stamp and cover collectors: Jimmy Morrison, care Crippled Children's Hospital, 2924 Brook Road, Richmond, Va., and Loyd R. Jensen, 7 Alden Road, Marblehead, Mass. Both of these youngsters are confined to their beds, out of the fresh air and sunshine and away from the battle of life, yet fighting for life's most precious gift—Health! And how much closer to Health and Happiness a few covers or a few of your duplicates will bring them! Persuasion is unnecessary in an appeal for those less fortunate than ourselves.



Subscription Expired?

As the first issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN appeared November 1, 1924, and a large number of subsequent subscriptions were received on this date in other years, it is natural that many of them will expire with this issue. Roughly estimating about 3,000 will not receive the first issue of "Stamp and Cover Collecting" (out November 1, 1933) unless their renewal subscription are received in time. Be sure that you renew yours now.



Another U. S. Zeppelin Stamp in October

Postmaster-General James A. Farley has announced that a special 50-cent commemorative stamp will be issued on the occasion of the special flight of the *Graf Zeppelin* from Friedrichshafen, Germany, to the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago. The event will take place in the latter part of October. Watch the further announcements of details as they are released to the philatelic press.



Important Announcement to Be Made

It is probable that before January 1, one of the greatest announcements ever made in philatelic publishing will appear in "Stamp and Cover Collecting." If you are interested in the advancement of Philately don't fail to watch for it.



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Section 31—Kohl's Briefmarken-Handbuch

Continuing the treatment of the stamps of Hawaii—1864 to 1900—Section 31 of Kohl's Great Handbook of Postage Stamps, just to hand, concludes with the preface to the stamps of Helgoland and the first Schilling values. As much as we have enjoyed and benefited by the study of Hawaii, thousands will eagerly look forward to the coming of Section 32, for the bicolored stamps of that historic island in the North Sea with their bilingual inscriptions have long been favorites among collectors of both continents.

Under the able editorship of Dr. Herbert Munk the series is progressing in its wonted thoroughness. The specialists of Hawaii and Helgoland are now revelling in their "Kohl"—but think of us poor fellows who must wait until the learned Doctor reaches the letter "V," before we can read all about the stamps of the "Vereinigte Staaten von Nord-Amerika" and the facts about the "August Issue." If you're specializing in any country, brother,

or words to that effect. Without the "Kohl"
You're in a hole—



O! Mister Scott—Mister Scott! We're Shocked!

Linn's Weekly calls attention to the inscription under North Borneo A61, page 653, in Scott's 1933 Catalog, and we are shocked beyond expression that the editor of that great tome of austere morality should lapse into such a vein of unpardonable levity. Why, we might as readily expect to find a note of jubilant jazz in the Lamentations of Jeremiah! O! Hughey! Hughey! How could you do it?

But that isn't all. Turn to page 983 of the Addenda and note the inscription under Afghanistan A56. The famous Seven Pillars at Herat are labeled "Wireless Station"! Surely the printer's devil is cavorting in your shop, Hughey! Well, full atonement is made in the 1934 volume.



Go Easy With It, Linn

The editor of *Linn's Weekly Stamp News* modestly admits that his picture was used on the N.R.A. stamp to depict the man with the mustache—having recently himself coaxed "one of them things" to sprout. Better be careful not to erase it, Linn, for in these times of uncertainty you can't be sure whether the second crop will be hair or feathers.



Some wag has said that since the new Postmaster-General has assumed his duties we may look forward to some Farley good stamps. O, yea!



Col. Goodale Tells More of the Aguinaldo Stamps

Veteran Officer of the Philippine Campaign Tells the Story of the K. K. K.

The brief story of the Aguinaldo covers in a recent number of THE NEW SOUTHERN is still having its repercussions. Numerous letters of comment have come from comrades far and near, each with some reminiscence of the Spanish-American War. Several writers have sent additional values and types of the Correos, Recibos, Certificado and Impresos stamps—all of which are again shown above.

One of the most interesting echoes of the Aguinaldo story, however, has been a correspondence with Colonel George S. Goodale, U. S. Army, Retired, 62 West Culver Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Colonel Goodale took an active and prominent part in the Philippine campaign and, being a stamp-collector, became interested in these quaint revolutionary issues of a native patriotic organization—made a study of the subject—and now permits the printing of his letters, which disclose all we may ever know of these souvenirs of another "Lost Cause."

We are deeply indebted to the Colonel for this most interesting information—especially his disclosures concerning the meaning of the three Ks which appear in the designs of the stamps.

But let's turn to Colonel Goodale's letters.

August 8th, 1933.

MY DEAR MR. DIETZ:

Our mutual friend, Mr. Roscoe L. Wickes of Chicago was good enough to send me the July number of the NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST so that I might see the article on "And Now a Real Aguinaldo Cover" knowing that I am particularly interested in Military Postal Markings and also the Aguinaldo stamps.

About a year and a little more ago there appeared in *Mekeel's* an article by a Mr. Theodore Siddell on these Aguinaldo stamps and at the time of issue I sent a letter to the writer in care of Mr. Wylie but it appeared that this article was a reprint of a former article and that the present address of Mr. Siddell was not known.

In this letter I called attention to several varieties of these stamps, postal, telegraph, fiscal, etc. not mentioned in his article and gave some information as well as asking

for some in case he could give it to me.

I went to the Philippines first in November, 1898. For several months was stationed in Manila, later going to Cebu, Leyte and Jolo. Being a stamp collector as far back as that, and then some, I was naturally on the look-out for anything in the stamp line.

The demonetized Spanish stamps of the 1898 issue (Nos. 192-211) were found in many of the stores in Manila and, with the exception of two values, 4m. and 4c., could be purchased easily and for little or nothing.

It is my recollection that there for the first time I also saw the 2c. Aguinaldo stamp.

Later in different parts of the southern Islands I saw many of them in unused condition.

The Aguinaldo Insurrecto Government was well organized in Luzon at the time

we first occupied the Philippines, in fact when we captured Manila on August 13, 1898, the Filipinos were our allies.

In the other Islands the Aguinaldo government was not so well established but in the more important Islands like Panay, Cebu, Leyte and Samar they were in complete control when our forces were sent to occupy them.

As I now recall it, Spanish garrisons occupied only Manila, a small station on the east coast of Luzon and the Island of Jolo. The Filipinos were in complete control at Iloilo and Cebu when our troops were sent there.

In all of these places they maintained a postal system, such as it was, and the Aguinaldo stamps were as much of a postal or fiscal issue as those of the Confederate States during the Civil War (1861-65).

I found the 2c CORREOS Aguinaldo stamp in Cebu when I arrived there in March, 1899.

It was there that I first found them on covers. In the majority of cases there was no cancellations on such stamps. In other cases, however, as in the case of this stamp used on cover from Bohol (an island adjacent to the Island of Cebu), there was a "killer." I found this same "killer" on the Provisional Insurrecto stamp of Bohol.

When I went to the west coast of Leyte in April, 1900, I was in command with my company at Hilongas for more than a month. This town, at the time we arrived there, May 6, 1900, had been abandoned by all the inhabitants except about 300 who had taken up a defense of the walled church. After we had taken this church, by the combined forces of the army assisted by a Navy gunboat, both the town and the church were ours—also about 250 Filipino prisoners.

An examination of the town the next day showed that, before leaving for the hills, all the stores, almost entirely run by Chinamen, had been looted. In one small store I saw the floor strewn with all kinds of papers, records, correspondence, etc.

In this store I found some fifty covers with the Aguinaldo stamps on them. Some came from other towns on the Island of Leyte and others from places in other islands.

Here again the majority of the stamps on these covers had no cancellation, but some were cancelled.

In the Junta Popular I went through

every thing in the hope that I would find unused stamps as we had done in February when my command drove the Insurgents out of the town of MARIQUINA (Feb. 7, '99).

I failed to find any unused stamps and those in used condition were all of one variety—2c. "Correos."

Unfortunately, of the fifty or more covers I gathered at that time only four are with me now, the rest having been mislaid or lost.

This is as far as my personal experience goes. It is generally known that large quantities of these Aguinaldo stamps were acquired by members of the 8th Army Corps while operating in the Islands. I am mentioning my own personal experiences simply to show that the use of these stamps was not confined to Luzon but they were apparently used in all the Islands where the "Republica Filipina" was functioning.

In some places these stamps, in unused condition, were found in large numbers and many were sent home as souvenirs. As I say, personally I found only this one variety, but the following are found in my collection, all except one obtained by me when I was in the Islands.

- a—Una Miliesima Impresos, black, imperforate.
- b—Una Miliesima Impresos, black, perforate.
- c—2 centavos, Correos, red, horizontal lines below triangle, perforated.
- d—2 centavos, Correos, red, without lines below triangle, perforated.
- e—2 centavos Correos y Telegrafos, red, with lines below triangle, perforated.
- f—2 centavos, Telegrafos, purple, perforated.
- g—50 centavos Telegrafos, purple, perforated.
- h—10 centavos, Recibos, brown, perforated.
- i—8 centavos, Certificado, green, perforated.

The history in connection with my copies of *b*, *d*, *f*, *g*, *h*, and *i* is interesting to me at least.

Just prior to the capture of Aguinaldo, an army friend of mine was hot on the trail of the General in Northern Luzon. On one occasion his command came within an ace of capturing him.

So near did he come that in the hurried escape they did not have time to remove a part of his headquarters equipment. Among the captured material were a large number of these stamps in sheets and, remembering that I was a stamp collector, and incidentally desiring to tell about his capture, he wrote to me on a 20-peso stamped sheet and enclosed a sheet of each of the denominations indicated above.

Following the custom of the Spaniards,

the Filipinos adopted not only adhesives but also stamped paper for fiscal use.

I have somewhere at least three denominations of this stamped paper all in the peso class.

It is probable that collectors who are limited to those stamps for which spaces are found in albums and which have been dignified by inclusion in the Standard Catalog, will, find little interest in these stamps of Aguinaldo's government. But for one who has a great admiration for the Filipinos and knows how patriotic they were in their attempt to gain independence these stamps are of particular interest.

It would be interesting to know when these stamps were first used. Mr. Becker in his letter informs us that Filipino prisoners told him that they were in use before we went to the Islands—that is during their last insurrection against Spain. It is certain that they were in use before they rebelled from our control and occupation of the Islands, for one of my covers sent from Ormok to Hilongas (both towns on the Island of Leyte) contains a letter dated December 20, 1898.

The letter was quite unintelligible to me but when I sent it to Mr. Wickes for inspection he had it translated for me and in this way I found out for the first time that these stamps were in use prior to the date of the uprising against the United States (February 4, 1899).

You might be interested to know what was said in this letter as translated.

MR. ENG SAI MON,

DEAR SIR:

The total number of shirts you sent me are $1\frac{1}{2}$ dozen No. 1090 shirts. Each box contains $\frac{1}{2}$ doz., whereas your bill states 1 dozen in each box.

Kindly send me the remainder by Mr. Tsing Yin without fail. Yours truly,

KEE SUEY.

December 20, 1898.

I might add one more point in regard to how such letters were transported from place to place. They might be sent by native boats or by the inter-island vessels which were visiting ports in the islands to pick up cargoes of hemp and copra. My used cover from Bohol to Cebu came by native sailing boat and I was fortunate in being at the landing at the time it came in and delivered this letter to my friend Señor Vano.

Under the Spanish *regime* all boats were required to carry the mail. The small Spanish inter-island steamers continued to ply between ports occasionally

in the interim between control by Filipinos and when the United States opened the ports.

Sincerely yours,

G. S. GOODALE,
Colonel, U. S. Army, Retired.

August 20th, 1933.

MY DEAR MR. DIETZ:

Am very glad that you found anything of interest in my letter about the Aguinaldo stamps.

My information in reference to the significance of the "K K K" on these stamps is very incomplete. I do know however that it has reference to the Katipunan society and with the triangle appears not only on all of these stamps, but also on the Filipino flag, and I have one cover with a postal marking from the "Admon. de Cebu" in which the triangle with Rising Sun (?) and three stars appears but without the three Ks.

As you state, this Katipunan society was a secret patriotic society. While I never attended a meeting I have heard that some of the officers who went over in the early days were able to work their way because they were members of the Masonic Order. I understood at the time I received this information that the society was Masonic in character.

Whether it was originally a Masonic organization and so was *tabu* with the Spaniards, who were opposed to this secret order, and afterwards became patriotic in nature, I am unable to state.

I do know however that the Spanish government prohibited the use of anything carrying this design and I have understood that they used secret agents to try and get knowledge of the Order and destroyed anything carrying any part of the insignia of the Order.

Sorry I am unable to say just what the three Ks stand for. While "Klu Klux Klan" fits very well indeed, of course, that society has no connection with the Katipunan society.

It has just occurred to me that my friend Newton C. Comfort of Manila, who has been in the Islands since the "Days of the Empire" may be able to throw some light on the subject and I am writing him today to find out. Will let you know if I hear from him.

Sincerely yours,

G. S. GOODALE.

August 28, 1933.

DEAR MR. DIETZ:

At the time that I wrote to you last I said that if I could get any information in reference to the meaning of the three Ks on the Aguinaldo stamps that I would send you word.

I wrote to Mr. Becker in Alameda and have also written to Mr. Newton C. Comfort in Manila. Of course I have not had time to receive word from Comfort but have had a letter this morning from Becker in which he sends me a clipping from his scrap book which is as follows:

THE THREE K. K. K.

These letters, placed on the Philippine insurgent stamps, were the initials of the first three words of the famous (or infamous) "Katipunan" Society, a secret organization formed on Masonic usage for patriotic purposes.

It was the instigator of the various rebellions against the Spaniards and the power behind the so-called "Aguinaldo Government," its symbolism—a triangle enclosing a sun and three stars—appearing on the stamps as well.

Its full name was Kataas-Taasang Kalagayan Katipunan Nang Manga Anac Nang Bayan or "Sovereign Worshipful Association of the Sons of the Country."

Mr. Becker could not remember where he obtained this clipping which he has had in his possession for some time.

But it sounds right to me and the words have a true Tagalog indication (the native language of the Filipinos of Luzon and the northern Islands).

Mr. Becker also sends me a copy of an extract from a General Order of the United Indian War Veterans, which is interesting enough so that I will take the time to send you a copy as I wish to keep the copy I have just received.

Extract from General Orders, No. 1, United Indian War Veterans, U. S. A., January 1, 1930.

5.—During a tour of duty in the Philippines in the early days of the American Occupation of those islands, our National Adjutant-General acquired a quantity of the Aguinaldo Insurrecto Government postage stamps which he has donated to the United Indian War Veterans.

This with a view of aiding in the expenses which have grown very large by reason of the large amount of postage necessary to carrying on correspondence incident to the campaign for pensions for our comrades and widows and the very small income of the organization.

He will distribute these stamps among the comrades of the War who may donate a few two-cent stamps in return therefor.

These stamps are not quoted in the stamp catalogs, possibly for the reason that none are in the stamp market.

They were captured by our troops at the battle of Mololos—Aguinaldos capital—and ordered burned with other supplies. They bear the emblems of the notorious Katipunan Society, mem-

bership in which, under Spanish rule, meant imprisonment—even death.

In 1906 the Philippine Assembly enacted the "Flag Law" which required the destruction of any or all articles bearing these emblems wherever found, possession being punishable under the law.

The small supply (stamps) mentioned escaped by reason of having been sent to the States prior to the enactment of the law.

They are not for sale, but for distribution to comrades under the conditions named.

(Sgd) ALBERT FENSCH,
National Adjutant General,
United Indian War Veterans, U. S. A.,
629 Valencia Street,
Los Angeles, California."

So it would appear that the Katipunan Society was not only under the ban of the Spaniards but also our own Government in the Philippines.

Such information makes these stamps all the more interesting.

In case I hear anything from Comfort will inform you.

Sincerely yours,

G. S. GOODALE.



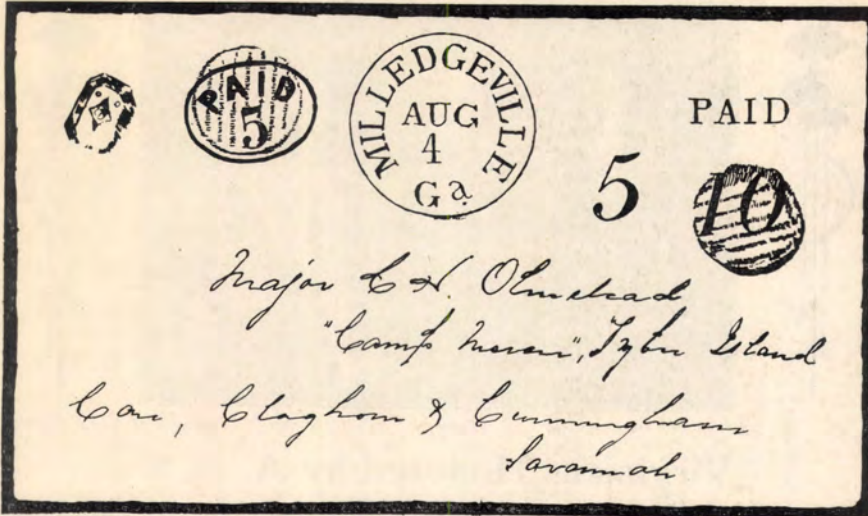
Live-Wire Dealers Wanted

The publishers of THE NEW SOUTHERN have just issued and had copyrighted a rather remarkable and unusual philatelic item entitled *The A B C Pocket Junior Stamp Album*. It is profusely illustrated, self-explanatory and contains a sufficient number of spaces of the most popular stamps of the world and most of the countries. As an advertising medium we believe it is unexcelled. Prices in quantity are exceptionally reasonable. A live, wide-awake dealer in each city may realize a neat profit by obtaining quantity orders from large firms that wish to reach the home-buyers through the juniors. Thousands have already been sold and as an advertising medium their worth has been proven. Interested dealers should write THE NEW SOUTHERN immediately for sample, sales rights and detailed information.



Club Secretaries Wanted

The publishers of "Stamp and Cover Collecting" wish to obtain the name and address of every stamp club secretary in the United States. If you know of any please send us this information immediately. It will be highly appreciated. Thanks!



A Two-Cities Handstamped "Paid."

BY THE EDITOR

The most remarkable handstamped "Paid" cover that has ever come to my notice was submitted by Mr. Thomas White of Savannah, Ga., and is illustrated above. It carries upon its face the "Pays" of two well-known cities—Savannah, Ga. and Milledgeville, Ga. and there are three rates—the 5-cent of the former city with its well-known "rosette" ornament, and both the 5-cent and 10-cent handstampings of the latter town.

The letter was posted at Milledgeville and directed to Major Olmstead in Savannah.

The cover is intriguing—challenging us to explain this unusual combination. I frankly admit that I am baffled. But here is a suggestion. The addressing is in a woman's handwriting.

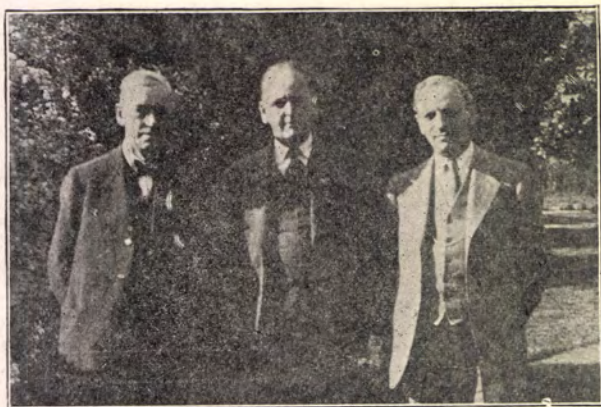
Assuming the writer to have been in Savannah during the summer of '61 and there acquiring a quantity of handstamped 5-cent envelopes for her correspondence, she may have come to Milledgeville, bringing the unused envelope with her. Writing to Major Olmstead from Milledgeville, she may have used this Savan-

nah "Paid" to enclose her letter. Presenting it at the Milledgeville postoffice she was informed that Savannah's "Pays" were not valid in Milledgeville and that an additional payment of postage would be necessary. Thereupon the Milledgeville postmaster handstamped her envelope "Paid 10," "killing" the Savannah frank with a grid. The frugal matron then informed the postmaster that her letter required only 5 cents postage. With true Southern courtesy he agreed that any lady's letter, regardless of weight, should never be charged with more than 5 cents, whereupon he "killed" the "10" with the same grid, and substituted the "5."

True, it requires quite an elastic imagination to build up this hypothesis, but so many strange things in the way of Confederate handstampings come to light, that we must find some explanation for them. And this one seems to me as good as any other.

That's my story. What's yours?

The cover—size $3\frac{1}{8} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ —amber laid, is in absolutely perfect condition. All handstampings are in black and very clear.



HALEY

GLASS

MOSES

—Courtesy *Mekeel's Weekly*.

Virginians Honored by A. P. S.

Virginia Philately has been signally honored at the recent Convention of the American Philatelic Society by the election of three Vice-Presidents from Lynchburg.

It is an exceptional tribute—not alone to Lynchburg's Club, but to our State and to the entire South—for this is perhaps the first time in the history of that National society that three Southerners, from the same community, have thus been selected to high office. We are proud of this fact. We believe the choice of our fellow-citizens was wise and that it will result in swinging Southern Philately into a closer affiliation with that National body.

The men thus honored are prominent in the Virginia Philatelic Federation.

While most of us know of their activities and have admired their collections at the first Virginia Stamp Show last year, a word concerning their particular pursuits may not be out of place.

Mr. Carter Glass, Jr. specializes in Air-mails and U. S. His Lindbergh covers, personally autographed by the famous flier are, of course, collectively, the *pièce de résistance* of his exhibit; but they are supported by an array of flight covers scarcely less important. He has been a stamp collector since early boyhood and his many friends look forward to placing the checkmark of approval against the name of Carter Glass, Jr. on the 1934 ballot for President of the A. P. S.

Mr. E. F. Haley is a general collector, with a strong leaning toward U. S. and Confederates of which he has made quite a number of interesting finds during his extensive travels through the South. Mr. Haley is active in the councils of our Federation and the A. P. S. is to be congratulated on the selection of this man to one of its most important offices. His influence among collectors of the South will redound to the good of the Society and his council will always lead in the fight for better things and higher aims.

Mr. Milton M. Moses is pronouncedly a collector of Confederates, with U. S. as a strong second. Covers are his specialty—particularly Southern Patriotics. He possesses one of the finest collections of these souvenirs in the South. The unique Steinmetz "Republic of Texas" cover is but one of his choice pieces. Mr. Moses is Vice-President of the Lynchburg Club and Chairman of the Committee which will have charge of the Federation Exhibition in his city this fall. A man of high character and sympathetic personality, his activities among junior collectors have endeared him to young and old alike. He is a prominent merchant of Lynchburg.

And thus Virginia has loaned the National Society three of her best. They will not fail in the trust placed in them. But at the end of their term we want 'em back!

—DIETZ.

Airmail News



of the Month

Conducted by AUGUST DIETZ, JR., and Coöperators.

All news pertaining to this department should be addressed to August Dietz, Jr.,
109 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia.

I have repeatedly stated that editing any department, and particularly an air mail department, of a stamp magazine is one of the most fascinating pastimes a fellow may have. This is proven to me every day from the numerous letters received. From Maine to California and from the Philippines, far-away Hawaii, New Zealand, the Cape of South Africa, and elsewhere they come bearing messages from friends I shall never see, but whom I get to know and understand. No wonder stamp and cover collecting have reached the apex of all hobbies.

Furthermore, the friendships gained after a good fight are those that are more lasting. It's fun to wade into another fellow and exchange fisticuffs. It's sport to be a winner and a loser. In those boyish fights that I participated in while a youth I never lost a friend. Temporarily, we could have chewed each other's ears off, but in those days following a scrap I tied the strongest bonds of friendship with my former enemies. Somehow I admired his ability and courage to fight it out; likewise his reaction to me.

And so it is with editing any publication. If a fellow steps on our toes we fight it out, as they used to say, "on the cloth of honour,"—that is with adjectives and expletives. In time, we find that we have both been right and wrong, although sometimes neither side admitted it.

A similar situation has arisen in fighting the cachet racketeers. I am still fighting for what I believe is right. Seldom a day passes but that I receive several astonishing letters from those who think I am wrong. They tell me where to step off, and the best plan for cachets is to "mind my own business." But, be this as it may, I haven't quit. A few of the more "mild" letters from the racket boys have been

published in our Forum. If the more erratic and boisterous ones had me by the nape of my neck I am sure they would delight in tearing my frame from limb to limb, but Richmond is well protected by an efficient police department and train fare still rather expensive for such trips.

I still say: "Don't patronize the cachet racketeers." Any collector who wastes a dime for a poorly applied cheaply made five-and-ten-cent store rubber stamp line cachet should throw his money down the rat hole first. If you spend money for cachets, patronize the dealers who sell good *bona fide* ones.

Furthermore, don't waste your money for hog-pen events. If you must have these, do a little cacheting yourself.

I hold no grudge against the fellow who wishes to wax rich from dimes. Woolworth did it honestly and successfully. But when you are not given a dime's worth it is just too bad for all concerned and especially cover collecting.

If cover racketeering continues to survive it will sound the death-knell to legitimate cover collecting. If you wish to see this happen continue to patronize the racketeer; if not, quit it!

We are indebted to the *Rainbo Booster*, the snappy paper published by the International Exchange Club and edited by Michael Fleischhacker, 2338 Altgeld St., Chicago, Ill., for a first-page announcement regarding "Stamp and Cover Collecting."

Old Ironsides visits San Pedro October 19-November 2. Covers to W. G. Crosby, P. O. Box 602, San Pedro, Calif. You should cover this, by all means, as Crosby never fails to surprise.

The *Graf Zeppelin* will fly to Chicago

the latter part of October after leaving South America on its Century of Progress flight from Germany. Covers are 50c. each and a special U. S. Zepp stamp will be available. A word to the wise is sufficient.

E. H. Brennecke, well-known publisher and air mail enthusiast, issues the *Two City Bulletin* for all collectors who are willing to send a supply of self-addressed envelopes. Address: 422 N. LeClaire, Chicago, Ill.

If you are interested in securing Century of Progress cachets write Lou Kreicker, General Exhibits Bldg., Box 9161, Chicago, Ill., for a list.

Madera, California, historic lumber and mining center of early California, will observe "Old Timers Day" on October 28th. An early stage-coach will be depicted on the cachet issued. Send covers to David Warburton, P. O. Box 907, Madera, Calif.

William Epps, Sr., Somerville, N. J., announces that the Historical Cover Society will publish a catalog listing all covers of historic nature and wishes information on events, dates, colors of cachets, number mailed, sponsors, etc. Write him if you want your covers listed.

Eugene L. Mueller, 8012 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Ill., has two more World Fair cachets in the offing. Send covers to him.

Myron F. McCamley, 5526 N. Delaware Ave., Portland, Oregon, will hold covers for any short-notice events that may take place in his territory.

D. L. Suit, Box 321, Benjamin Franklin Station, Washington, D. C., will receive covers for the 50th Anniversary "The Forgotten Man" discovered by William Graham Sumner, on October 30. This is a new one on me, but I trust it will appeal to some.

William J. Hager, 5240 N. 20th St., St. Louis, Mo., will issue a joint cachet for Navy Day and the 75th Anniversary birthday of Theodore Roosevelt to be applied in two colors on October 27. Navy ship cancels will be provided to those who enclose only 1c. for each cover to take care of forwarding expenses to the ships. Get your covers to Hager before October 10 for the Navy cancellations.

During the past four years, after pursuing the fascinating branch of philately—Air Mail Collecting—I thought that I had seen many fine and extensive collections. And so I have, but on August 29, 1933, I

had the rare pleasure of turning the pages on probably the greatest private collection of autographed photographs and covers of aviation's peers. And the funny part of it all, the seven bulging albums which I saw contain only a part of this massive and complete collection.

The owner is none other than Ralph R. Rugh, aerial photographer, newspaper man, pilot, traveler—and friend of Joe Stoutzenberg—of St. Louis, Missouri.

To adequately describe the collection is impossible, however several albums contain extraordinary large photos of Lingbergh, Anne Morrow, Orville Wright, Eckener, Stimson, Byrd, Balchen, Chamberlayne, Jackson, Hinton, Doolittle, and about 1200 others *all autographed* personally and to Ralph Rugh himself, *plus* personal letters from Lindbergh, his mother, Kingsford Smith and a host of others, *plus* autographed covers galore, *plus* newspaper clippings of every important flight ever made.

There are covers in the collection from every round-the-world flight and nearly every cross-ocean and cross-continent flight—all autographed and all properly postmarked and backstamped, *plus* a signed statement from the pilots. From the early round-the-world flight of the NC planes to the Wiley Post epical flight there are covers—and more covers. Covers of which only one is in existence.

Even one of the albums is made from the wood and fabrics of crashed ships. Every page holds a thrill for the air mail collector; every photograph is par excellence. One immediately recognizes even the artistry in photography, let alone the gems that appeal to the collector of covers and autographs.

It is obvious that a collection of this magnitude did not just assemble itself. Ralph Rugh worked diligently on it for three years, but he had lots of fun in accumulating the various photos and covers. It is natural that having flown from Maine to Florida and from New York to California making "shots" that he is recognized as one of the outstanding photographers of the air. Ralph knows the Lindberghs, Stimsons, Wrights, Byrds and all others on friendly terms. They like him. You can tell that from the personal letters that he receives. He is extremely modest about his own work and collection. You would know this if you met him. That is the secret behind probably the

finest collection of its kind in the world.

Ralph dropped into the office of THE NEW SOUTHERN on his way back out West. He has been travelling by auto for the past six weeks and now wants to go back to work. He longs to be back with the boys "on the field" and get a kick out of "shooting" some more celebrities.

Well, we're wishing you more luck, Ralph, and even a greater collection. Our suggestion at this time is, let your collection go to the important philatelic centers on exhibition. Such an array of material will either give us more zest to collect, or just quit ever trying any more, because you've got 'em all.

Thanks, Joe Stoutzenberg, for suggesting to Ralph that he drop in at our office. All we need now is a visit from you. Virginia offers its guests history, romance, good roads, beautiful scenery, lovely ladies, hunting, salt and fresh water fishing, "mountain dew" (corn likker),—and beer.

A cachet will be applied to all regular size covers on October 5th, 6th and 7th commemorating the Fourth Annual Mountain State Forest Festival by Charles F. Harper, 1516 Lavalette Ave., Elkins, West Virginia.

It is with both a sigh of regret and a breath of high hope that the name of THE NEW SOUTHERN PHILATELIST will be deleted after this issue and give way to "Stamp and Cover Collecting." THE NEW SOUTHERN has, I believe, served its purpose well; yet the trend of the times calls for a more popular and larger publication. I trust that the new monthly will be cordially received by the many readers of this column. And for those who may be in doubt, let me say that more news on covers, cachets and air mails, will appear in "Stamp and Cover Collecting" than ever before.

October 27th.—Cachet sponsored by Farragut Chapter No. 3, U. S. C. S. It will be printed in navy blue and will be mailed from ships in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Only three covers accepted from each person. Send same, unsealed and unstuffed by October 15, to Herman C. Burkhart, Secretary, 3231 Fish Ave., Bronx, N. Y. Post cards will not be cacheted. Postage dues refused.

Covers to Ken Tallmadge, 902 Saginaw St., Lansing, Mich., for following events: a. Dedication near future Lansing's \$850,-

000 Post Office; b. Possible Airport Dedication near Lansing; c. Will hold covers for quick events in and near Lansing; d. Cachet for visit in late October of Amelia Earhart.

On November 28, 1933, a specially printed cachet for the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the first U. S. Post Office at New York City. No postage dues will be accepted. Address covers, ready-to-go, to Elliott S. Ruben, 10717 112 Street, Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Elmer Nelson, 610 F. St., N. W., Washington, D. C., will handle and cachet covers on November 11 at 11 a. m., for the 15th Anniversary Armistice.

Two covers for each collector will be mailed and cacheted free by sending the correct amount of postage to the National Cachet Publishing Service, 44 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y., before October 26, for the 75th Anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt.

Charles A. Bredin, P. O. Box 23, Flushing, N. Y., will handle covers when the Flushing Post Office is dedicated on October 30. Send unstuffed and unsealed.

I am indebted to Ernest H. Oesch of the Philippines for three very fine registered covers containing the von Gronau stamps of 1932 and also the new Philippine over-printed airmails. Some time ago I stated in this column that Mr. Oesch would be glad to fill orders for collectors in the States. This, however, is impossible as Mr. Oesch writes that he lives many miles in the interior of the island of Davao and it is difficult for him to obtain the various new issues. Those who sent him money orders and checks have had same returned. Accompanying the covers sent me were several interesting newspaper clippings which will be used advantageously in a forthcoming article on our Pacific Isles.

Co-operators in this issue: the names of those who sent "news" may be found mentioned in each paragraph, and the following are those who sent covers: ***Ernest H. Oesch, *Frederick Gribish, *Skinner, ****Dr. William Moseley Brown, *Hawkeye Stamp Co., *The Sun, *****W. G. Crosby, *Dr. W. P. Taylor, ***J. W. Stoutzenberg, *****D. W. Graveman, *Everette F. Blair, *Charles Kaufelt, *Dr. F. Whitney Davis, *Robert C. Thompson, *Linprint Cover Service, *J. E. Vining, ****H. S. Groat, *J. J. Mattes, *C. W. Johnson, *L. E. Knight, ***Fred Sanders, and many, many thanks to all

Forum

Red Hot Shots From Every Corner of Stampdom.

THE NEW SOUTHERN welcomes comments and opinions and as many as possible will be published each month on this page. These letters do not necessarily represent the policy of this magazine. They are simply published for their brevity and breeziness.

Cohoes, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: Well everyone seems to be all upset about the poor cacheteer that charges a small fee for his service but how many of these same collectors who welcome a free cover would go to the expense of putting out a cacheted item. Having sponsored eight events myself and having never placed a charge on any cover I feel as if my views are disinterested.

In regard to the cost of these covers they average almost 7c. each. Is every collector who is out against a charge willing to go behind the \$5.00 to \$8.00 a hundred cover cost for the purpose of adding a little enjoyment to the other fellow's life? Personally, I don't think so.

Have just read Mr. Watts' version in your August 1933 issue and I'm with Mr. Watts. I sent along a dollar for his Oglethorpe series and if he is making 10c. an hour for his efforts he ought to take Santa Claus in partnership with him.

I know he has made good on a couple of my covers that didn't come thru just right and with no extra charge and I know that ate into the overhead.

Isn't the SOUTHERN PHILATELIST a bit out of order in riding the ten-cent boys when on page 332 of the August issue they advertise a Jeff Davis Cover at \$1.00 and a Robert E. Lee at \$1.50. Would like to know how many of these covers exist?

May I know by what legerdemain these above mentioned covers command such high price. Your Post-rider cover of July 26, 1932 at \$1.50 is another example. I have that cover and I can't see where it commands that price by comparison with over 700 Bicentennial covers in my collection. When you criticize the so-called sponsor who advertises his services for 10c. and term him a racketeer, aren't you a sort of king-pin at racketeering with the charge of \$1.00 and upwards per cover?

Let's get together and lend our energies

to a system of standards that will drive out the fly-by-night aspirants. Along that line, may I make the following suggestions?

First: A central committee to handle and pass on cachets that are worthy of being catalogued and put out a bulletin like Ed. Brennecke's—the charge to be fixed by the Committee.

Second: If the expenses of the cachet warrants a charge, put a limit of 10c. with the rule that the cacheteer furnishes everything; if the collector sends in the cover to be hand-stamped, a maximum charge of 3c.; if the sponsor donates his time free then make it an obligation on the sender to donate a cover or at least frank the letter with a commemorative stamp.

Third: Get out a black list for the protection of collectors. Along this line may I add that a few to whom I sent covers in trade have never replied. And, too, the cover exchanges that ask for your covers and say they will send you something as valuable with the Exchange figuring the value. I got a couple of 10c. covers for a pair of \$3.00 covers and I sent them back. Well, maybe, the fellow is dead; I don't know—wrote him about it May 8th, last.

Fourth: Limit the number of covers to five (5) per person.

Fifth: Give enough publicity to the event so that everything will be reported in to curtail any back dating.

Sixth: Regulating the catalogue value of covers by putting a 10c. catalogue value on the covers with the maximum number issued; and a \$3.00 catalogue value on covers with the minimum number issued and the catalogue value being pro-rated from 10c. to \$3.00 based on the number issued.

Seventh: Cut out entirely all 1½ or fourth-class postage and make everything first-class.

Eighth: Cut out the "Specials." After

a cover is reported in black or red, stop the hold-up game on the pink and blue colors or the "Reina Mercedes" or "Old Ironsides" cancellations that crop out after a while. Have every variation reported in the first instance.

Ninth: Make official only anniversaries like the 10th, 25th, 50th, 75th and 100th, etc. with a few exceptions. If a worthy event occurred five years ago then make a 5th anniversary an appropriate one; likewise for the 35th anniversary this year on the Spanish-American War; and the 15th on the World War. These odd anniversaries; however, could be passed upon by the Committee.

Tenth: Make the hand-stamped or printed cover a standard to the exclusion of any typewritten data covering the event. One phase of cover collecting that could be taken care of by a general note is the value of the air mail postage over the regular postage for a certain event that does not require an airmail stamp. Think possibly a 10c. arbitrary advance in the designated catalogue price would cover this feature.

Now, Mr. Dietz, you probably won't publish this letter after expressing my views on your high-priced covers but let's hope you do. I would like to get my 10-point program up for discussion among collectors with the idea of standardizing the cover collecting part of the game.

There is nothing in my mind that would give the racketeer the necessary rope to hang himself as a set of hard-and-fast standards.

Am still enjoying your magazine and you can't lose me as a subscriber.

With the most friendly spirit, I am
Cordially,

WILLIAM G. CRANDALL.

Our best friends are those who honestly tell us of our faults.—ED.

Findlay, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: I too, feel like one of your other correspondents that your new magazine ought to cater to all classes of cover collectors. I know of two stamp magazines that are razzing certain covers and then get out a series of covers exorbitant in price that only interest a certain class. It is just a matter of opinion and most collectors don't like to be told what to collect. Let us do our own choosing. It

isn't the price that is always the racket. For some of these odd covers I would be glad to pay more. Then these magazines that razz the "cover racketeers" as they call them always accept their advertisements. Is this consistent? Not long ago I paid 75c. for a so-called "historical cover" and I think it was okay as I needed it to go with a collection I was forming, but a few days later another dealer offered it for 20c. There is where the racket comes in. How much is a fair profit?

WONDERLAND BILL.

Opinions are what we want. Our opinion as to a fair profit is any sum a man can make on which to live decently, however we will consult General Hugh Johnson on this point and report more correctly later.—ED.

St. Louis, Mo.

DEAR SIR: For nine years have I subscribed and read each and every issue of THE NEW SOUTHERN and now am informed by you that it will cease with the October issue. Can this be true? My faithful, trusty friend and companion gone! My surcease in sorrow to pass on to the Great Beyond! The mental balm to forever be calmed! The new magazine might be greater and bigger and larger and more pretentious, but will it reach out that friendly hand and grasp mine as the old has done every month. I hope so. I pray that it will. No one knows how I loved THE NEW SOUTHERN.

J. S.

Nothing within our abilities will be spared to make it so.—ED.

Los Angeles, Calif.

DEAR SIR: According to the yardstick whereby brains is measured against matter, THE NEW SOUTHERN and its successor "Stamp and Cover Collecting" should be the leaders in the field of collecting without even a contestant in second or third place. Your magazine takes all three prizes. Renew my sub. for two years and here's two bucks which I am willing to pay in advance for the World's Most Interesting Uplift Sheet.

R. C.

A kind word from a friend makes the weary road much shorter.—ED.

Pleasantville, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: Enclosed find my check for one dollar for a renewal of my subscription to your magazine. THE NEW SOUTHERN, soon to change its name, I hope will not change too much its style and contents, for it has an atmosphere and literary finish all of its own among stamp collectors' periodicals. Typographically, too, it is top-notch, and although dollars are even scarcer than ever with me, I do not feel that I can be without it.

GEORGE H. CORNELL.

And again, we thank you.—Ed.

Arlington, Mass.

DEAR SIR: It is with great pleasure that I notice the proposed change in the name of your fine magazine, and will be glad to further the interest by using a few of the new subscription blanks, if you care to send me a few. As a collector primarily interested in covers, have long hoped for a magazine that would cater to those lines. Advise if my subscription has expired?

DONALD W. TUCKER.

Many thanks.—Ed.

Chicago, Ill.

DEAR SIR: I mean you have "roasted" the cachet racket enough to make everybody quit cover collecting. And now what I want to know, is, have my covers *any* value or have I been just another sucker?

O. H. B.

We cannot find anything in THE NEW SOUTHERN to discourage anyone in the collecting of covers. We have boosted this branch of Philately. We should not be called upon to pass judgement on you, however you might read Barnum. They tell us "one is born every minute."—Ed.

New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR: We take this occasion to call your attention to an error on page 300 of the July issue in the article "Bolivian Stamps Counterfeited." The currency unit in Bolivia is not sucre but boliviano.

M. HERBERT & Co.

Many thanks and we stand corrected. Plus the fact that we thank you public! for the advertising contract you sent in for "Stamp and Cover Collecting."—Ed.

Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: What are you trying to do, surpass *Liberty's* "Vox Pop" with your Forum? It is good, even if I have to say so.

H. W. E.

Yes.—Ed.



Stop Press News

October 4 has been designated as "Collinsville Day" at the Century of Progress. A fine cachet will be sponsored. No limit to number of covers. Send to J. W. Stoutzenberg, Collinsville, Ill., before October 2.

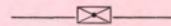
Maryland Commemorative cachets will be as follow: October 4, 250th Anniversary Presbyterian Church in America; October 14, "the Annapolis Tea Party"; October 27, Navy Day in Maryland History. Write Maryland Commemorative Association, Arundel Hotel, Baltimore, Md., for information.

October 6, commemorating the sesquicentennial of the establishment of the Society of Cincinnati in the State of Virginia by the Chamber of Commerce, Fredericksburg, Va.

Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Post Office dedication will take place about end of October. Send covers to Chamber of Commerce.

November 15 at Kansas City a cachet will be applied to all covers for completion of Dr. Brock's 4th year of consecutive daily flights. Send to Rex O. Copp, 1433 No. 14th St., Kansas City, Kansas.

A very fine pictorial cachet commemorating the 250th anniversary of the Signing of the Bill of Liberties by Thomas Dongon, Governor of the Province of the Duke of York, on October 31. Send covers unsealed and unstuffed to Historic Events Cover Club, 24 West 20th St., New York, New York.



New Management for Hussman Stamp Co.

The latest List No. 180 issued by the Hussman Stamp Co., St. Louis, Mo., announces the new management of this firm to be Messrs. R. H. Eilers, C. W. Lounsberry, Pierce G. Hangege and T. C. Schaeffer. A complete list of their offerings will be sent upon request.

Oregon Stamp Society Plans Exhibition

The Oregon Stamp Society will hold an exhibition in the Art Exhibition Rooms of the Meier & Frank Co. store October 23rd to 28th.

The exhibit will consist of over one hundred frames, and will undoubtedly be the largest ever held in the Pacific Northwest.

The exhibits will be classed as follows and awards, in the form of ribbons will be made.

Section I. United States stamps.

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Section V. Air Mail Covers.

Section VI. Educational or historical.

Additional information concerning the rules and regulations, fees, frames and other data may be had of Mr. John C. Adams, 512 South West Broadway, Portland, Oregon.



A 2-Cent "Black Jack" Involved in a Memorable Incident

Mr. James Batterson of Hartford, Conn., when traveling in England during 1863, noted a form of accident insurance being introduced there. After returning to his home that same year he chanced to meet an acquaintance in the postoffice, a Hartford banker, Mr. James Bolter, and mentioned to him the English accident insurance idea. He offered to insure Mr. Bolter against accident during his walk to his home, a few blocks distant, the premium to be a two-cent stamp and the amount of insurance \$5,000.00. His offer was accepted and this was the first accident insurance issued in America.

The only two-cent stamp that could have been used in this memorable transaction was the 2c. black (Jackson), the first two-cent stamp issued by the United States, *i.e.*, on July 6, 1863.

How would you like to own this famous Black Jack? Perhaps Mr. Atherton has it.



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Statistics

We are informed by the Third Assistant Postmaster-General that the Chicago imperfs show first day sales as follows:

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Chicago, 3c. panes (Aug. 25).....105,000
Chicago, covers (Aug. 25)..... 65,218

Washington, D. C., (Aug. 28)....\$34,000


Shows about half of lot sent to Chicago was sold (sending was 250,000 panes). The covers were gratifyingly high—considering the necessity for a glue pot and scissors which cut down the enthusiasm of usual large mailers. A face value of \$250,000 with \$139,000 sold in three days.

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The Arthur Hind Collection of Confederates

NOTES BY CHARLES J. PHILLIPS

The late Mr. Arthur Hind was very much interested in the rare provisional stamps issued by local postmasters in the Southern States during the period from May to the middle of October, 1861, the earliest date at which the Confederacy was able to issue stamps of its own for general use.

In these five months over seventy Southern postmasters issued stamps for use in their own districts. Many of these stamps are of great rarity, only two or three copies having been preserved from the Civil War period.

Mr. Hind recognized the real historical interest of these issues and was very keen to secure all that he could obtain.

The following are a few of the rarer and more valuable items in this fine collection:

Athens, Ga.

5c. Purple on cover.

5c. Purple, pair on cover, addressed to Col. Howell Cobb, President of the Congress.

5c. Red. Type II. Only 9 or 10 other copies are known.

Baton Rouge, La.

2c. Green, superb used copy of this rarity. Only about 10 others are known.

10c. Blue. Dated Oct. 3, 1861. This is one of the rarest Confederate Provisionals, only one other copy being known.

Baumont, Texas.

10c. Yellow, on cover. A very rare provisional, only three others known.

10c. Pale Pink, on cover. Only about 10 other copies known.

Danville, Va.

5c. Red on laid paper. Only 10 or 11 others are known.

Emory, Va.

5c. Blue, on cover.

Goliad, Texas.

The collection contains six of these scarce stamps, including the exceedingly rare 5c. and 10c. on very dark blue. The 5c. is the only copy of which I have a

record, and of the 10c. I only know of one other example. These are two of the great rarities of the Civil War period.

Greenwood, Va.

10c. Grey-blue, on cover. Only about five others are known.

Grove Hill, Ala.

5c. Black, on cover, a superb example of this rarity, tied on by circular cancellation. Only two others are known.

Independence, Texas.

10c. Black on buff, on cover. Only 4 or 5 others are known.

Livingston, Ala.

5c. Blue, town cancellation. The best "looker" of the rare postmaster issues. Only nine others known.

Macon, Ga.

5c. Yellow, a *tête-bêche* pair on cover. This is unique.

2c. Black on green, on cover. Very rare, only 4 others being known.

Marion, Va.

5c. Black, a superb example, tied on.

Nashville, Tenn.

5c. Brown, a strip of three containing a *tête-bêche* pair.

10c. Green, on cover, tied on by "Adams Express" cancellation.

New Orleans, La.

5c. Red on white, unused. Only 2 others known.

5c. Red on blue, used. Only one other known. These are two of the rarest Confederate Postmasters.

5c. Brown on blue, printed on both sides. Only 3 or 4 others known.

There is an interesting story in connection with this stamp. Some years ago I was spending a week-end with Mr. Hind in Utica and in looking through one of my books he bought this for \$8.00, and turned it over to William Kennett to put in his collection. William then discovered

it was printed on both sides, and Arthur Hind said that for once he had got square with me, and surely he had, for his \$8.00 purchase was worth some \$500.00.

Pittsylvania C. H., Va.

5c. Red, on cover, tied on. One of the largest and finest copies known of this rarity.

Pleasant Shade, Va.

5c. Blue, superb, used pair on cover, tied on. This is one of the finest and most valuable of all the covers in this portion of the collection.

Salem, Va.

5c. Black, on cover. Only two others known.

Uniontown, Ala.

10c. Red on blue, on cover, tied on. Only two others of this rarity are known.



Rare Confederate Paper Variety

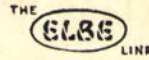
Our good friend Mr. P. V. Hogan of Laurel, Miss., an enthusiastic collector of Confederates, has submitted an unusual—and surely scarce—paper variety. It is the Hoyer & Ludwig Five-Cent *green* on *thin hard* paper. While we know this variety in the *blue* stamp, I have no record of the green being on other than soft paper. Mr. Hogan's specimen is in a deep rich color, wide margined, early state of stone, and postmarked Richmond, Va. There's the crisp snap to the material with that peculiar "metallic note" when bent and released—the test so familiar to specialists.

Let's see how many more will turn up.

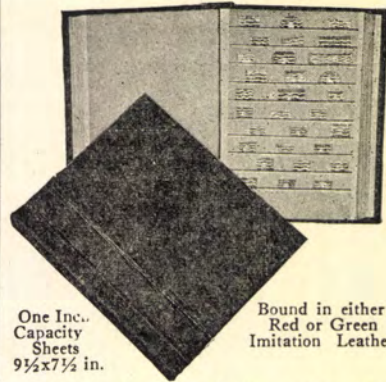


Old Stamp Dealer Finds Aguinaldo Sets

Our good friend Mr. C. A. Paige, 102 Fitzhugh Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich., writes that an old stamp dealer of his city has "resurrected" a small stock of the Aguinaldo stamps, which had been laid aside and forgotten many years. Those of our readers desiring a set of these interesting stamps should write Mr. Paige. They are quite inexpensive. Get them now—just for Spanish-American war souvenirs.



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Publicity Director's Report

FELLOW MEMBERS:

Our Second Annual State Exhibit and meeting will be held in Lynchburg, the latter part of October, and although this writer did not receive any specific information of what the Lynchburg boys, under the leadership of President Glass, have in store for us, he is of the opinion that things will be highly interesting and also entertaining.

All clubs who have not as yet made plans to have their exhibits in shape, should do so now, as this show must be better than our first one held in Richmond. So let's all put our shoulders to the wheel and put this over big as the Lynchburg boys are working hard to make it a big success. All collectors having any covers or other material to trade are requested to bring it with them, as President Glass has assured this writer that this feature will be permitted openly at Lynchburg. A banquet will also be held on the last night of the meeting and good speakers have been secured for this occasion, so let us all be there without fail. Secretary Hofmann will send all affiliated clubs full details in the near future. The Petersburg Club, with the co-operation of our Chamber of Commerce, sponsored a cachet on September 19th to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the laying off of Petersburg by Col. Wm. Henry Byrd III. The design, which is attractive and appropriate, was submitted by our worthy President J. Arthur Wood. He has striven hard to give all collectors a neat cachet. The Petersburg Club also hereby serves notice on all other clubs that we want the 1934 meeting. This writer expects to be in Lynchburg and expects to meet all old friends and new there. "Let's Go."

ALFRED HAASE, *Publicity Director.*,
Petersburg, Va.

Dennis and Semmes Address Club

How many of you knew that the Graf Zeppelin was in the United States during the Civil War, and was of some service to the Federal army? I didn't until John Dennis gave his talk at the club meeting on August 31st, but it was the man, not the airship, who graced America with his presence, and it was here, too, that the dream of the present day Graf Zeppelin, this time the airship, was born. Count Zeppelin was a German well educated in the art of ballooning as developed up to that time, and in his fertile imaginative brain germinated the idea for a ship that would not only float in the air but by the aid of power be propelled in whatever direction the operator wished to go and not, as theretofore, be at the mercy of every wind that blew. Unfortunately there was no internal combustion engine at the time, and none of the clumsy machinery then in use could be adapted for flying, but that his conception of such a ship was sound is proven by the fact that the Zeppelin as finally constructed a few years ago, and which has turned out to be a great success, was based on his carefully preserved plans and theories. Mr. Dennis had made a study of the Count and his various aeronautical inventions, and his informative talk was interesting and much enjoyed.

On September 7th Mr. Thos. Semmes, Jr., exhibited and spoke on the Playing Card Internal Revenue Stamps of this country, and again most of us learned things about our hobby that we never knew before, further proof that in every branch of stamp collecting, no matter how small, there is a wonderfully absorbing field for research. Mr. Semmes knows his subject, and his neatly arranged and mounted collection of these revenues was a joy to behold.—D. B. B.

Scott Catalogue Out

The latest edition of *Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue* has been received and a casual glance at a few items may be of interest to those who watch prices.

Mint U. S. Zepps dropped from \$17.50 to \$15.00. Mint 5c. Hawaiian dropped from 75c. to 50c. Sesqui-Centennial jumped from 8c. to 12c.; 2c. Huguenot from 15c. to 18c.; Kansas-Nebraska issues dropped slightly; Charleston, Pilgrim and Harding imperf. took increases, while the Harding flat press decreased. A few of the \$2.00 and \$5.00 U. S. issues used came down with a bang. The Panama-Pacific and Jamestown issues in mint took a slight increase, also the 10c. Louisiana Purchase. The 1923 airmail and Yorktown issues increased.

Confederates held their own against the onslaught of the cataloguers.

United States 1847 issue still stands still.



Meisel to Form Indicia Club

Every philatelist who is interested in the collecting of postage meter indicia should communicate with Henry O. Meisel relative to the founding of a society with very nominal dues and full exchange and information bulletins. The suggested name of the proposed organization is American Postage Indicia Society. Ideas and suggestions are welcome. Address Mr. Meisel at Clintonville, Wisconsin.



S. & S. Auction

The S. & S. Stamp Company, 819 Geary St., San Francisco, Calif., will hold an auction on September 28 at 7:30 p. m., at the Cliff Hotel, of a choice collection of United States stamps, including postage, departments, locals, airmails, envelopes and revenues. A catalog will be sent free upon request.



Virginia Club News Wanted

Members of the various clubs affiliated with the Virginia Philatelic Federation are requested to send in communications and news items concerning the activities of their local bodies. Publicity will be given such letters in this, their official organ.

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Naval Cancellations

BY ROBERT C. THOMPSON

Another month—another column! As you have been reminded from time to time, "Naval Cancellations" will appear next month in the new magazine, "Stamp and Cover Collecting," a bigger and better magazine that we promise will be full of interesting articles and stories for the junior as well as the advanced collectors. It will make no difference what branch of Philately is your pet, you will find it in "Stamp and Cover Collecting."

The Navy has been doing quite a bit of moving around lately. Here is the latest movements of the vessels:

Claxton, Charleston, S. C., *Taylor*, Charleston, S. C., *Hamilton*, Baltimore, Md., *Fairfax*, Philadelphia, Pa., *Ellis*, New York, *Cole*, New York, *Bernadou*, New York, *Dupont*, Boston, Mass., *Narwhal*, San Francisco, *Ortolan*, San Francisco, *Rail*, San Diego, *Sirius*, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., *Wright*, Coco Solo, C. Z., *Louisville*, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., *Nitro*, Port au Prince, Haiti, *Wyoming*, Newport News, Va., *Henderson*, Norfolk, Va., *Eagle 58*, Canal Zone, *Salinas*, Pearl Harbor, T. H., *Relief*, San Pedro, Calif., *Barracuda*, San Francisco, *Holland*, San Diego, *Nautilus*, San Diego, *Cuyama*, Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., *Contocook*, Navy Yard, Mare Island, Calif., *Texas*, San Pedro.

It is reported that the *U. S. S. Cuttlefish* will be launched at New London, Conn., about October 5th.

Mr. Harry Moore, Navy Mail Clerk, *U. S. F. Constitution*, has taken a well-deserved vacation which he will spend on his ranch in Montana. At present, and until Mr. Moore again boards the *Constitution* to resume his duties, the mail will be handled by Robert Craig. Mr. Craig is also a cover collector and has assisted Moore at various times.

From Bulletin No. 21 of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society I take the following summary of cacheted covers as

produced by the John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2—U. S. C. S.

	COVERS
<i>Constitution</i> at Seattle.....	33,617
<i>Constitution</i> at various Wash. ports.....	19,010
Scouting Fleet.....	4,532
July 4th, various ships.....	289
Junior Fleet Week cachet.....	2,651
Special printed cachets.....	673
Aleutian Island Survey.....	274
Alaska Good Will Tour.....	665
Fleet Week John Paul Jones Chapter No. 2.....	9,119
Other covers for ships not included in the above.....	1,762

Grand Total.....72,592

Bill Mersinger reports the following:

U. S. S. Kittery was turned over to the Shipping Board on June 26th.

Change of Address:

U. S. S. Barry, *Childs*, and *Williamson* to care Postmaster, San Diego. *Pensacola* changed to San Pedro.

The *H. M. S. Norfolk* will be at the ports of Hampton Roads, Norfolk and Newport News, Virginia sometime in September (latter part) for a short visit. The Chamber of Commerce at each of the ports will sponsor a special cachet for the visit of this British cruiser.

Mr. Bartley tells me that he is writing a book "Constitution Cachets of the Pacific Cruise" which will be out about Jan. 1934. I know you'll all want a copy of this book and I suggest you get in touch with Mr. Bartley, Green Lake Station, Seattle, Washington and reserve a copy.

The following news item taken from the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* will prove of interest to followers of the "Old Ironsides" cruise.

"OLD IRONSIDES" TO END 2-YEAR
CRUISE TODAY

*Historical Vessel Covers Every Port
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August 26, Longview, Wash.—The United States Frigate *Constitution*, the oldest ship still riding the seas, will bring her memorable two years' cruise officially to a close tomorrow night at this, one of the youngest cities in the United States.

It was a century and a quarter ago that "Old Ironsides" was teaching the nations a new respect for rights on the high seas. It was a decade ago that Longview, carefully planned, was created a full-fledged city on land along the Columbia River that heretofore had been virtually uninhabited.

The historic old frigate that astonished the world when she defeated the British frigate *Guerriere* in the War of 1812 and later forever stopped the payment of tribute to the Barbary pirates, left Boston Harbor in July 1931. Since then she visited practically every port in the United States that had water deep enough to admit her, under tow of the mine sweeper *Grebe*.

Bound on a mission of bringing to the people of widely separated sections a first-hand glimpse of her early history and the significant events of the development of this nation, the *Constitution*, after leaving Boston, sailed up the New England coast as far as Bar Harbor, Maine.

Heading south, the frigate cruised the length of the Atlantic coast, touching frequently at ports, then sailed into the Gulf of Mexico. She went up the Mississippi River to Baton Rouge and made several ports in Texas before returning to Washington, D. C., where she remained, from April to December, 1932, for the George Washington Bicentennial.

Then "Old Ironsides" turned south again, stopping at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, cut through the Panama Canal, and went up the Pacific coast.

Here officially her cruise will end tomorrow. Then she will sail down river, bound for California.

But from now on she will visit no ports where she has not already been.

The *Hamilton* will carry the Fifth Naval District Officers on their annual

training cruise from September 16 to 29. They will embark and disembark at Washington, D. C.—*Richmond News Leader*.

The following vessels will be decommissioned:

U. S. S. Antares—Navy Yard, Phila., Dec. 1933 or Jan. 1934.

U. S. S. Chewink—Pearl Harbor, T. H., Sept. 1933.

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U. S. S. Sapelo—Navy Yard Phila., Sept. 1933.

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Nov. 1—Stamp Act Becomes Law '65.

" 5—1st U. S. Ship Sunk 1917.

" 11—In Flanders Field 1918 (cachet).

" 14—Chas. Carroll of Carrollton (cachet).

" 17—1st Session of Congress.

" 19—Gettysburg Address 1863.

" 24—Thanksgiving Day (cachet).

Acknowledging with thanks covers from:
*****W. G. Crosby, *****F. Whitney Davis, ****Vivian M. Green, ***Myron F. McCamley, ***Aug. Dietz, Jr., **Bill Mersinger, **C. Ed. Ceder, *J. B. Merritt, *****D. C. Bartley.
Many thanks!

Remember! "Naval Cancellations" will appear in the new "Stamp and Cover Collecting" magazine next month! Don't miss it!

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**Philatelic Adviser Popular
British Periodical**

The Summer Number of the *Philatelic Adviser*, published and edited by R. Alcock, 11 Regent Street, Cheltenham Spa, England, is chock full of "meaty" articles. Each issue carries something of interest to every collector. The leading article in the last number is the story of the "Post and Censor Marks Found on Correspondence from German Naval Ships and Crews Interned in Neutral Countries." Subscription is 2/6 per year.

ADDENDA

A SPECIALIZED CATALOG
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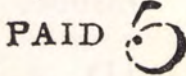
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Hamburg, S. C.

5c. handstamps, *bright vermilion*..... 7.50

Collectors of Confederates are urged to submit new finds in "Pays" for listing in this Catalog. Register and enclose return postage and registration fee. There is no charge for illustrating and listing.



Hoover Bi-Centennial Precancel Catalog Ready

Anyone interested, and that means nearly 100% of the American collectors, in Precancels or the Washington Bi-Centennial Issue should not fail to secure a copy of *Hoover Brothers Official Precancel Catalog of the Washington Bi-Centennial Issue, 1933 Edition*. It not only lists, prices and describes every number of this outstanding commemorative issue, but illustrates the various styles of handstamps and electros. Every city and State from which precancels of this issue have emanated are listed. We again say, get *your* copy now. Price \$1.00 and may be had from the publishers, Hoover Brothers, 1261 Broadway, New York City.



Air Mail, U. S. and Confed. Sale

The 8th auction sale of Nicolas Sanabria, Inc., will take place on September 28-29 at 2 p. m. at Room 1102, National City Building, 17 East 42nd Street, New York City. There are many attractive and unusual items listed in the catalog which will be furnished postpaid upon request to the above firm.

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New Issues and Varieties



Austria.—Commemorating Vienna's deliverance from the besieging Turkish armies in 1683, a set of six pictorials have been issued. The stamps carry a surtax which is set aside for the benefit of the Universal German Catholics' Day taking place in Vienna from the 7th to the 12th of September. The engravings are from designs by the Countess M. V. Attems, and are said to be in imitation of copperplate engraving of that earlier epoch. *Die Postmarke* illustrates the set and supplies the following data.

12 plus 12 Groschen green. View of Vienna with St. Stephen's Church at the time of the siege.

24 plus 24 Groschen violet. Likeness of the papal legate P. Marco d'Aviano; to the left view of the charitable foundation on Leopold's Mountain, and above a bright cross appearing in the storm clouds.

30 plus 30 Groschen bright red. Likeness of Count Ernst Rüdiger von Starhemberg; background suburb of Vienna fired by the Turkish bombardment.

40 plus 40 Groschen black. Likeness of the Polish king Johann Sobieski; left background tented camp; to the right royal tent.

50 plus 50 Groschen blue. Likeness of Karl V., Duke of Lorraine, surrounded by warlike emblems.

64 plus 64 Groschen sepia-brown. Likeness of the Burgomaster Johann Andreas von Liebenberg; background view of part of the city of Vienna.



Brazil.—We are indebted to our correspondent in Rio de Janeiro, Señor Bernardino Souza, for the "Bandera de la Raza" stamp commemorating Columbus' departure from Palos, August 3rd, 1492. The value submitted is 200 Reís, bright red. The design is here illustrated.



Denmark.—The current lower values have appeared recess-plate printed instead of typography. There are slight changes in the design, as will be noted from the comparative illustrations above. The small colorless shield-shape ornaments under the lions and to each side of the figure oval have been omitted, and an inner line has been added to the oval frame surrounding the figure. The new set is very attractive. The values and colors are: 16 deep gray, 26 red, 46 blue, 56 green, 76 deep purple, 86 light gray and 106 deep yellow.—*Economist Stamp Co.*



Guatemala.—The Economist Stamp Co. submits the "Bandera de la Raza" set consisting of five values—½c. deep green, 1c. brown, 2c. blue, 3c. violet and 5c. dull rose. Lithographed by the local house of B. Zadik & Co., these stamps are by far the most pleasing and artistic of any "Flag of the Race" issues we have seen.



Italy.—Commemorating the International High School Athletic Games taking place in Turin from the 1st to the 9th of September, a special set of four stamps have been issued in the following values:

10 Cent. brown 50 Cent. violet
20 Cent. carmine 1.25 Lire blue.

All values are of the same design, in rotogravure, and quite attractive.



Poland.—The Economist Stamp Co. submits the new commemorative marking the 250th anniversary of the deliverance of Vienna from the Turks by whom it was besieged. It shows a reproduction of Matejko's famous painting, now in the Vatican, "Sobieski at Vienna." And another commemorative, marking the 400th anniversary of the great sculptor Vit Stwos, has appeared. It depicts his most notable work, a portion of the high altar in the church of St. Marie at Cracow. Accustomed as we have grown to excellent work on the later Polish stamps, these two commemoratives are superior pieces of engraving and printing.



Paraguay.—Our correspondent in Uruguay, Mr. Hermann R. Stoeckle, has been advised that a "Bandera de la Raza" set has been issued commemorating Columbus' departure from Palos. Details are not yet available.



Russia.—From the Soviet Philatelic Association, Nastasjinskij per 3, Moskow, 50, U. S. S. R., we have the new Ethnographical set of 19 values, showing the various racial types of that vast country—the Lesghians, Crimean Tartars, Byro-Bidjans (Soviet Jewish Colony), Abkhasians,

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI ISSUE

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286—2c. copper-red	.10	.02
287—4c. orange	.75	.45
288—5c. blue	1.10	.45
289—8c. violet-brown	1.50	.65
290—10c. gray-violet	1.40	.30
291—50c. sage-green	4.90	2.50
292—\$1 black	9.00	6.10
293—\$2 orange-brown	14.50	11.75

PAN-AMERICAN ISSUE

294—1c. green and black	\$.10	\$.05
295—2c. carmine and black	.10	.02
296—4c. chocolate and black	.75	.15
297—5c. blue and black	.75	.35
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Uruguay.—Our correspondent in Montevideo, Mr. Hermann R. Stoekle, Casilla Correo 24, sends the following information concerning three sets of new issues, accompanied by specimens of each type.



A new printing of the small Artigas stamps has been made with the following color changes:

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| 5c. olive | 50c. gray. |
| 8c. brown | 1 Peso brown |
| 20c. red | 10 Pesos blue |

The printing has again been done by Waterloo & Sons and the stamps are the same type as the previous issue, the high values of 1 and 10 Pesos likewise show the head of Artigas.

In addition a 15 milésimos value, bearing the head of the national hero, General Lavalleja, in the small Artigas type, has been issued—color, maroon.

In connection with the above, we are advised that the local philatelic club has voiced a strenuous protest against the unnecessary 10-Peso stamp, as there is no need for this value. No one is buying this stamp, of which only 2,000 were printed.



Another new issue, in commemoration of the 441st anniversary of the sailing of Columbus from Palos, was placed on first-day sale August 3rd. There are eleven values in the set, which shows the "Bandera de la Raza" (flag of the race), and it is about the worst design ever issued by Uru-

guay, having been printed locally by the Imprenta Nacional. The denominations and quantities printed (all in the same type) are as follows:

- 3c. pale green (500,000)
- 5c. rose (40,000)
- 7c. light blue (600,000)
- 8c. red (40,000)
- 12c. dark blue (100,000)
- 17c. dull purple (20,000)
- 20c. orange-brown (15,000)
- 24c. yellow (15,000)
- 36c. dull orange (15,000)
- 50c. dull olive-brown (15,000)
- 1 Peso ochre (10,000)



A third set, commemorating the opening of the National Assembly, which will frame a new constitution for the Republic, was placed on sale August 25th. They are the work of a local concern, Messrs. Barreiro & Ramos, and, while superior to the Bandera de la Raza set, are far below Uruguay's standard. All values are of the same type, and the following quantities were issued:

- 3c. green (100,000)
- 5c. terra cotta (50,000)
- 7c. pale blue (200,000)
- 8c. red (50,000)
- 12c. dark blue (100,000)

Death of King Faisal

King Faisal of Iraq has been called to his fathers and his son has succeeded to the throne as King Ghali I. This will spell a new issue of stamps for Old Mesopotamia.

Club News Wanted

Secretaries of philatelic clubs are urged to send any news pertaining to their organization to "Club News Editor," *Stamp and Cover Collecting*, Richmond, Va.

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Good news to hear you are coming out with something new! I hope it will come up to THE NEW SOUTHERN. It can't be beat. It is the only first-class Southern news we boys get around here.—CLARENCE BOHLING, Crown Point, Indiana.

Philatelic Agency Asked for New York

To the *New York Herald Tribune*:

Stamp collectors are anxious to have a branch of the philatelic agency in New York City. There is only one office now, and that is in Washington, where it requires thirty-three days to fill an order—whether it is for 10 cents or \$10.

The New York postoffice has clerks who understand the wants of collectors, and it would not be difficult to assign a certain window at which a fairly complete stock—borrowed from the Washington agency—could be on hand. There would be practically no overhead, and only a small space would be needed.

The facts that Mr. Farley comes from New York City and that President Roosevelt is a great stamp collector give us hope that such a window may be opened.

A. C. ROESSLER,

East Orange, N. J., Sept. 5, 1933.



Richmond's 200th Anniversary Cachets

September 19 witnessed the 200th Anniversary of Richmond, Virginia, and was celebrated by a general cachet day in the city. Four different cachets are known to have been issued by different individuals, however only one of these were official, and this cachet was mailed from the office of THE NEW SOUTHERN under the direction and sponsorship of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. Exactly 1,677 covers were cacheted in purple with the officially sponsored cachet and postmarked on the 19th. Being one of the series of historical cachets sponsored during 1933 by the Chamber of Commerce it brought fewer covers from collectors. It is predicted that it will be the rarest of them.



A. A. M. S. Convention Success

The annual Convention of the American Air Mail Society in New York proved to be the most notable and successful of the organization. Over 200 frames were valued at more than \$200,000 and covered every phase of air mail collecting. The auction was one of the highlights of the meeting and bidding was stiff, especially on balloon and crash covers. L. B. Gatchell was elected president.

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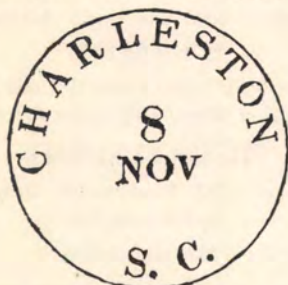
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More Fake Postmarks on Confederates

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this deception when offered them.



The other fake is a cover nicely post-marked Charleston, S. C., set in printers' type surrounded by a brass rule circle. This likewise ties a 2c. red-brown. Charleston never employed this type canceller.

It will be noted that all faked postmarks are found on 2c. red-browns, 20c. greens and bisected 20s. I have naïvely wondered why they did not use some 2c. greens, 10c. rose-carmines or Frame-Line 10s in their interesting work. . .



New Cachet for Old Richmond

The North Avenue Stamp Club will issue a very attractive cachet within the next thirty days commemorating the completion of the restoration of the famous Old Bell Tower. Send covers unsealed to Miss Mary B. Blayney, 3215 North Ave., Richmond, Va.

Argentinians Support Dr. Eckener

Translated from *La Nacion* by A. H. Davis,
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The Graf Zeppelin continues to make regular transatlantic trips. In this manner Dr. Eckener fulfills the first of his projects enunciated four years ago, when, on the termination of the experimental flights, he considered that the airship fulfilled the technical exigencies taken into account during her construction and he expressed a wish to fly to Buenos Aires. In order to carry this out he asked for the erection of a mooring mast in one of the large air-fields. In reality his wish merely resolved itself into the fulfilment of the promises repeatedly made by the Argentine Government when he visited this country with Commander Emilio Herrera in connection with the organization of an airline from Seville to Buenos Aires. In this request he was supported by the local aeronautic entities which endeavored to obtain official assistance but they were unsuccessful and the project was abandoned.

Nevertheless he did not lose heart and he persevered in his efforts. He now announces that in the month of November he will fulfill his promise and will arrive in this city on board his famous airship.

He does not state how he will overcome the obstacles presented by lack of official assistance but everything tends to show that the expenses will be met by private persons.

This however is not a desirable solution. Our Government cannot prolong their indifference. The outlay necessary to provide a mooring mast in one of the large air-fields is small in proportion to the scientific and commercial benefits to be obtained by the extension of the trips of the dirigible to this city.



Philatelic Events in the Offing

As a result of a "misunderstanding" between Andorra and France, that diminutive republic has been invaded and occupied by French police troops. Beat the big indignation tam-tam until Uncle Sam comes to save the little sister republic from the rapacity of the Frogs. In the meantime watch out for a new issue of occupation stamp.

Thanks for First-Days!

I am indebted to Dr. S. E. Hutnick, Washington, D. C., for a first-day cover illustrated in color with the N.R.A. insignia by his own hand, and to Dr. Wm. Moseley Brown, Atlantic University, Virginia Beach, Va. for a like specimen post-marked Washington, D. C. August 15th.

Richmond Dealers Progressive

The Richmond stamp dealers are not asleep to the fact that they have saleable material in stock and that local collectors make purchases occasionally. Among our leading dealers are Harry Harris, 15-A East Franklin St., Howard K. Jackson, 1207 Nottoway Ave., and Nat Horwitz, 213 N. First St.

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CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The postoffice department realized \$50,000 in a four-hour sale of special Century of Progress stamps conducted on the tenth floor of a Michigan avenue building under auspices of the American Philatelic Society.

The stamps, in denominations of one and three cents, were offered in unperforated sheets of 25 each yesterday at individual sales ranged from 25 cents to \$1,000 as stamp collectors formed long lines leading to the improvised postoffice. —*The Richmond News Leader.*

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