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The M. P. A. Convention

BY AUGUST MACK

The convention of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association at Boonton, N. J., on August 17th and 18th was a complete success. Just previous to the convention being called to order, President-elect Wm. H. Hollenbach was presented with a strong box, a gavel and stone for use during his term of office, by the Reading members.

The report of the credential committee showed the following officers elected:

Wm. H. Hollenbach, Pres.; Wm. C. Webb, Vice Pres.; Dr. H. A. Davis, Secretary; Victor V. Boyer, Treasurer; R. Bartleson, Inter. Secretary; A. W. Dunning, Director at Large; Dr. J. M. Holt, Director at Large; Leon V. Cass, Sales Supt.; A. E. Bartlett, Exchg. Supt.; J. M. Bartels, Counterfeit Detector; H. Wendt, Auction Mgr.; C. V. Webb, Librarian; Adv. Mgr., L. P. Miller; Fraud Investigator, A. R. Bodmer, and H. A. Fowler, Attorney.

Reports of all the officers were then read and accepted. On the evening of the first day August Mack, Mgr. of Mack Stamp Co., Scranton, held a very successful auction sale.

The most important matters transacted on the 18th were the different fraud cases that members had been accused of. The H. B. Clark-O. Kendall affair was settled to the satisfaction of the delegates. H. B. Clark was expelled for "Violation of Trust," and O. Kendall was expelled for "just cause being shown that he should be expelled."

After the banquet held at Denville at the Wayside Inn on Friday evening, Aug. 18th, the 15 who sat down walked to Boonton, a distance of six miles (farmers' miles). It was a fine moonlight night, after a storm, and all enjoyed the walk, even those who had to shine their shoes next morning. Harrisburg, Pa., was chosen for 1912 Convention seat. Mr. Carpenter suggested that Philadelphia members communicate with Harrisburg Branch 2, in an endeavor to hold 1912 Convention at Atlantic City.

Wm. C. Webb was a very active and happy delegate, but at times was not quick enough to call proxy vote on some questions which arose, for at times with Mr. De Hart, he was in control of proceedings. But all that this control by Mr. Webb only made the proceedings more lively.

NOTE.—Through a little misunderstanding in not getting the minutes of the convention, my paper (Mack's Monthly Philatelist, formerly the Post-Cardist, which is now the official organ) has been delayed for over two weeks. It will be my one endeavor to serve the M. P. A. with a paper worth while. Hope all members will appreciate our efforts, and help us out with suggestions, etc. Just received, too late for publication, Librarian's Report.

PRESS REVIEW.

Plans Upon Which This Department Is To Be Operated.

By BEN ZINE CUPP.

In thrusting himself upon the readers of this monthly as their Press Review editor, Ben desires first of all to recite his plans for conducting the Review. There are two reasons why he so desires. Firstly, he intends to spring something entirely new in the press reviewing line; hence his ideas will need illuminating explanation. Secondly, there is nothing else to write about anyway. Ben confesses that he has merely skimmed over his philatelic papers during the summer months, and is therefore unable at the present time to review any of them thoroughly. But keep your seats, gentlemen. The Department will be in working order next month.

Beginning with the next number every other issue of this paper will contain brief summaries of the best things appearing in the weeklies and semi-monthlies during the preceding two months, and in the alternating issues the leading monthlies will be accorded similar treatment. In other words, a bi-monthly digest of weeklies and semi-monthlies will appear one month and of leading monthlies the next.

Most press reviewers seem to have a tendency for overworking their literary talents, when reviewing a contemporary. Ben concedes that he has done this himself, quite often, and it looks real nice in print. But where does the ultimate consumer come in on the deal? Answer: He does not come in at all.

When a philatelist puts up good money for a stamp paper, he is entitled to articles of general interest and information. However, nothing of permanent value is gained from a perusal of flowery tributes to this or that stamp paper. Some journals reprint stuff from their contemporaries, but sufficient space of course prevents the reprinting of all the important articles. So the ultimate consumer is just about where he was before, on the press review question, narrowed down to flowery tributes and occasional reprints.

Ben has found it very easy, so far, to show the poor, oppressed, down-trodden subscriber what he has been getting for his money. But now it's up to your friend Cupp to show what improvements he intends to make on the other systems.

In the first place a journal will never be reviewed as a whole, but will be carefully dissected, and the most important portions summarized and commented upon. A good article will not be glorified to the heavens and let go at that, but the gist of it will be given in a business-like way, so that the main points may be easily grasped. Adverse comments will be made only when thought absolutely necessary, and will never be of an offensive nature. Ben is here to dispense knowledge and news from other papers, not to raise a rumpus.

Let it be further understood, please, that your brother Benjamin has not chosen an assumed name so that he will be at liberty to knock freely, nor does his incognito serve to cover an unknown or unpopular name. He is simply tired of seeing his real cognomen over his stuff, and wants to run this department without letting his friends know he is doing it.

Watch for the dope in next issue.

Shifted Dies, 1898, Revenue Issue

By WILLIAM C. WEBB.

In August, 1910, while at the Binghamton Convention of the M. P. A., August Mack, of Scranton, informed me that he had a $\frac{1}{4}$ cent proprietary showing a double impression; in other words, a shifted die variety.

He then promised to submit it to me for examination, but owing to press of other matters it was forgotten until this year at the Boonton Convention. He then showed me his copy, and I was about to buy it when I found I had a similar one in my collection.

The copy he owns shows the shift of double transfer variety as follows:

The left numeral $\frac{1}{4}$, the words "One quarter cent" and the word "State" of United States all show clearly doubled, as though the upper left part of the transfer roll had slipped a trifle, or had been reset in position after being misplaced.

The copy in my possession shows the letters "Pro" of Proprietary, the word "United" of United States, and the ornamental work in the lower left hand corner clearly doubled. Both these varieties, never before noted, as far as I can find, are clearly caused by either a slipping transfer roll or a resetting of a misplaced roll.

The next interesting variety is a similar copy of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ cent value. Of this value I now have two copies showing the variety, one a shade. The entire right half of each copy is clearly doubled. The words "One Half Cent" in the upper label, "Inter Revenue" and the letters "tary" of Proprietary, all show clearly the slip. In addition to this the words "Series of 1898" and the entire background, together with the bow of the ship, show clearly the shift. This is not a blurred impression but a strong, bright, sharp impression of the error.

It is probable that in the hasty plate making caused by the urgent need for stamps these plates were allowed to go through unnoticed, although under ordinary circumstances they would be rejected and destroyed.

I shall be pleased to hear from other collectors having similar specimens, of these or any other values.

Auctions and Auctioneers.

By AUGUST MACK.

Some months ago an article appeared in "Carters Messenger" under this heading, with some very interesting facts which were very true. The article I am about to write will simply be a personal talk on behalf of the Mack Stamp Company, who is going to make a specialty of Auctions. First of all let it be understood that we will sell no stamps at ridiculous prices, just to get the commission, or will we overbid our patrons in order to get something good and then advertise later for a small percentage over.

This article will be for the benefit of past and future bidders. If you think the auction houses have a snap you are greatly mistaken. If buyers were as prompt in settling, as they want the dealers to be, auctions would be sunshine. In past sales I have experienced great difficulties in getting settlements; in fact so great that it was impossible to meet obligations, and also in a position where I could not use patrons in a way they should be treated.

In my 13th Sale I took a determined stand to send no stamps only upon receipt of cash, no partiality being shown anyone. Taking this stand was done to protect myself and the owners, and considering the fact that we guarantee satisfaction or refund the money, our patrons had not ought to hesitate to bid or remit promptly. True, I have made mistakes in describing (we all do), but we have always adjusted same.

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WITH THE PUBLISHER.

Owing to other business matters, I much to my regret was compelled to give up the publishing of the Post-Cardist with the April number. Since that time we have been anything but idle. We will, by the time this issue reaches you, be in a new place of business with more room and better facilities for handling our different departments.

At the Boonton Convention of the M. P. A., after proxy vote being taken, the P. C. under a more stampic name, "Mack's Monthly Philatelist," was selected as the Official Organ of the M. P. A. for the coming year.

We have already received many new subscriptions and the services of some good writers, and it will be our one endeavor to serve the Society and our readers with a magazine worth while.

Personally I wish to thank the many for their hearty support at the recent convention.

Any suggestions to improve our paper will be appreciated.

Don't knock, but criticise if you must.

EDITORIAL.

By WILLIAM C. WEBB.

It is with some trepidation that I write this, my first message to the readers of the new M. P. A. Official Organ.

We are here in the service of the Philatelic public, and we promise to give you your money's worth in good stamp articles. We have under consideration the publication of a color dictionary compiled with much labor by a prominent New Jersey Philatelist (not the writer.) We also have some notes on unnoticed varieties of the current issues, which will appear soon. An Auction comment will be a regular department. All comment will be without fear or favor. We will also have a good press review, at least we hope so.

[See page in regard to Review.—Pub.]

All in all we hope to provide you with a magazine which will be read and filed away for future reference, not with an amateur sheet at which you will glance and then thrust into a handy waste basket.

This is our hope. When we do well write and tell us; if you like the paper, say so; if you don't like it tell us, not some one else. We will try to improve in future numbers.

But remember we must have your cooperation to know what you want. It is an impossible thing for us to read your minds, and will appreciate aid.

Have you a new variety? If so let us hear about it. We want good original articles—short or long. Has your pet specialty ever been written up? Why not do it now, and let us publish it for you?

Well, this is, I think enough for one issue. So here we are. Now what do you think of our first effort?

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Official Organ Post Cardist

The 12th meeting was held at the office of M. W. Lowry, May 18th.

There being only four members present there were no minutes read. Those present were Messrs. Lowry Mack, Dunham and Dyer.

Mr. John Dorton, of Alabama, was also present as a visitor.

Special meeting was called for later in the month but owing to a severe rain storm there was no meeting.

The 13th meeting was held at the residence of August Mack. Meeting called to order by Pres. Kjellstedt.

The usual routine of business being concluded, several interesting subjects were discussed.

Among those present were: Messrs. Kjellstedt, Mack, Dyer, Arnold and Singer from Clarks Summit.

Mr. Hammerle also was present as a visitor.

Mr. Swisher started for the meeting, but in some manner, it being dark, he got on the wrong track and returned home.

Another new member was added—Mr. R. D. Richards.

Secretary-Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$5.89 in the treasury after all expenses have been paid, there is quite a little item due in back dues.

After a very enjoyable evening the members adjourned till some time in September.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 3, '11.

September meeting will be called about the 15th, with many subjects to be discussed. Among them will be who will be our President. Mr. Kjellstedt, who was elected President of the S. P. A., sent in his resignation as President of the club.

Scranton landed 1912 Convention. We all hope to see the biggest crowd the S. P. A. ever had; it won't be no fault of ours if we don't get the crowd, as we have a whole year to plan.

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885 Jacob, Wm. P., Wellsburg, W. Va.
886 Klein, Eugene, Philadelphia, Pa.
887 Davenport, Leslie, Belleville, N. J.

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860 Nelson, John, from 14 Union St., to 304 Washington St., Cambridge, Mass.
559 August Mack, 1920 Boulevard, to 2245 Boulevard Ave., Scranton, Pa.
Leon V. Cass, Southern Pines, to Morganton, N. C.

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Membership Aug. 19th, 1911	485
New Members	7
Reinstated	1
	493
Dropped for N. P. D.	177
Total Membership Sept. 16, 1911	316

H. A. DAVIS, Sec'y.

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WHY SHOULD THE PHILATELIST BE A MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

By a Member.

First—It gives him a certain standing otherwise unattainable. No matter how ardent or studious a philatelist he may be or how successful or unsuccessful he may be in certain particulars, the addition of these mystic letters in each case confers on the holder a reputation for character naught else can supply; and that is now becoming anew a thing of value in the philatelic world.

Second—It imparts an esprit de corps to his entire being. No longer is he a mere accumulator or a lonely stamp collector; but, however humble the place to which fate has assigned him, associated with numberless other stamp-lovers, he is alive and is helping to upbuild and popularize philately.

His mind is broadened; his capacity for and the sources of happiness and the recreation derived from his hobby is greatly increased. Moreover his interest and zeal in philately is redoubled and his daily work greatly lightened and brightened. What does the philatelist gain by joining the Society?

If he is a man in the highest sense of the word and not a mere featherless bi-ped, the question has already been answered, but if he is a muck-raker ever digging for gold and thinking of his stamps only as an investment and utterly blind to the pleasures of philately, he can find a reply that should satisfy the most avaricious in the booklet issued by the Society, entitled, *The M. P. A. What it Is, and What It is Doing* which may be had for the asking.

What does the Philatelist lose if he neglects to join the Association?

All the gains above mentioned and referred to, and more. The greatest of teachers has said, "He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathered not with me scattered abroad." These words may be appropriated by the M. P. A. Every true Philatelist wishes certain things done. The only way to secure these things is through the might of the combined members of the society.

But if he prefers to be accounted indifferent, if not hostile to its purposes though he speak not, his action or inaction is more perfect than words. He cannot explain away his course, he continues to growl about the foolishness of belonging to a Philatelic Society.

For lastly if all, instead of one-tenth of the philatelists were banded together in societies, philately would be more popular and a philatelist would receive recognition everywhere as such.

When we say the philatelist in the foregoing we mean all classes of collectors but the M. P. A. is the society for the juniors. The junior philatelist should be a member of a philatelic society, for the same reason that the advanced collector should be a member of the A. P. S.

We have amended our bylaws and constitutions so we can accomplish more and have expelled those parties who have caused the Association so much harm; now let us all work together and make this a great year for the M. P. A.

Let the current year go down in philatelic history as the beginning of a new epoch for the M. P. A.

PRESS REVIEW.

Most Important Articles in Aug. and Sept. American Monthlies.
By Ben Zine Cupp.

The Stamp Journal:—"Official Stamps of U. S." Serial, by Armstrong. Use of the official stamps were discontinued July 5, 1884. Over fifteen million remainders were officially destroyed, Feb. 24, 1885, except sets held by some of the departments, which were given to collectors.

"A. P. S. Historical Notes." (Davis). First A. P. S. Pres. John K. Tiffany, served ten consecutive terms. First convention, and three later ones were held in N. Y. City. More members enrolled during 1907-08 than any other years.

The Southern Philatelist:—"U. S. 1894-95." (Poole). Triangles were placed in the upper corners of the original dies of the 1890 issue, by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, to distinguish its work from that of the American Bank Note Co. Original die (?) of the 2c later re-engraved, making shading of triangles and portrait thinner; again altered, removing shading of triangles entirely, between their lines. (Plate No. 170 made up of both second and third type, 30 impressions of second to 370 of the third). In this issue, the 50c and \$1 values were substituted for the 30c and 90c, and the \$2 and \$5 added. Later all denominations came out on water-marked paper.

American Philatelic Literature, by Ricketts. During 1885 to 1900, many smaller papers were badly printed and poorly edited. Bad features for any paper:—Mud slinging; publishing articles foreign to philately; numbering pages by issue instead of volume; and, changing, size, especially in the middle of a volume. English papers are better than ours, mainly because they are conducted by societies; their subscription rates are much higher, too. Fine U. S. Philatelic papers would pay, because of the many collectors interested in literature. The check list of the Best American Literature to be continued.

Everybody's Philatelist:—"U. S. 1890-98, 1c." (Poole). Was first placed on sale Feb. 22, 1890, printed by the Am. Bank Note Co., on soft porous paper. On June 30, 1894, all dies, etc., were transferred to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and triangles added to the upper corners. Issued on watermarked paper April 29th, 1895; and color changed to green Jan. 14th, 1898. In this dress the stamp remained in use until 1902. The Plates contained 400 stamps divided into panes of 100. Guide dots were used on the transfer rolls and plates. Shades of blue and green are numerous. Only expensive variety is the 1890 Imperforate.

Our next issue, will contain the Summaries of the most important articles in the Weeklies and Semi monthlies, for Sept., and Oct. By most important articles Ben means absolutely the best ones, for his space is limited, and only leading articles can be summarized. Of necessity, some points will have to be omitted occasionally in these summaries; but as long as Ben is able to convey to his readers the gist of the article, so that it can be understood at a glance, he will be perfectly satisfied.

The New Yorker:—Postage Stamps of Mauritius, by (Corbett). This little island has issued some of the rarest stamps known. The first issue of this island are the most famous of all rare stamps. They are known to collectors as the "Post Office Mauritius" on account of these two words appearing in the border, on left of stamp.

Mr. Corbett's article is very nicely illustrated. Among other news, Louisiana Purchase (concluded). Honor and Honesty in Stamp Collecting, England's Aerial Post and many other good articles.

President's Message.

Fellow Members:

For the past two years it has afforded me a great deal of pleasure to serve you as Vice-President.

To-day I have the honor and pleasure of serving you as President, and I wish to thank you one and all for the honor bestowed upon me. I fully realize the position to which I have been elected. At the Convention we expelled Mr. Clark for breach of trust and Mr. Kendall, for evidence read at the convention. We felt that the expulsion of these two men would be for the good of the M. P. A. The various cases of fraud have been accepted by the convention and referred to the new board of directors.

Under the Constitution and By-Laws it becomes necessary to elect a Treasurer. Mr. Victor V. Boyer, a trust-worthy member was nominated by the Convention, and I hope that the new Board of Directors will accept the nomination and approve his appointment. We want all to be active and want to make the M. P. A. better, and stronger than ever before.

All officials who fail to do their duty will be asked to resign, we want all active workers.

Thanking you again for the honor you have given me and trusting that you will also give me your support during my term as President. I remain Yours for a better M. P. A.

Wm. H. Hollenbach, Pres.

Philadelphia Branch No. 4.

The Philadelphia members of the M. P. A. have formed a branch, to be known as the Philadelphia Branch, No. 4.

The following officers were elected:

A. E. Carpenter, President.

Percy McGraw Mann, Vice-Pres.

Albert F. Mimick, Sec.-Treas.

STAMP COLLECTORS MEET.

The stamp collectors of Essex Co., N. J. met at the home of Leslie Davenport some time ago for the purpose of forming a local stamp club. It was decided to call themselves the Newark Stamp Club and to become a Branch of the M. P. A.

The following officers were elected:

Pres. Edgar Allen, 18 Cottage St., Newark.

V. Pres., A. C. Roessler, 10 Clay St., Newark.

Sec.-Treas., Leslie Davenport, 26 Union Ave., Belleville, N. J.

Directors at Large, J. William Hawkins, E. Orange, N. J. and LeRoy Davenport, Belleville

Wm. C. Webb, was a visitor and much should be given him for suggestions, &c.

Librarian's Message.

Dear Fellow Members:—

It is with pleasure that I can serve you another year as Librarian. I appreciate the honor and hope that this year the library may grow more than ever before. Will you help?

Since my last report the following publications have been received regularly:— Phila. Stamp News; Lynn Advertiser; Collector's Review; Stamp Journal; Phil. Gazette, and the Sou. Philatelist. Roessler's Stamp News also at irregular intervals. The following have donated philatelic Literature:— J. M. Bartels, Alfred Boyle, E. L. Clark, C. P. DeKay, L. G. Dorpat, A. W. Dunning, C. E. Fisher, L. C. Grosjean, H. Wendt, A. C. Roessler and we, also Percy McG. Mann.

Promises have been made by Messrs: Hollenbach, Bartlett and Mack. (Sorry, but since moving I have been very busy hardly able to keep up correspondence, not alone look for papers, if you want some fun move a 7-year accumulation of stamps, literature etc., and put it so you know just where it is, when you look for it you can look a while.—Mack).

I also wish to state that I have given my entire lot of over 1500 duplicates to the Library. Last year I tried to complete the files of both Meekles' and Redfields' Weekly. This has not quite been accomplished; so if you have any you do not need, send them along, I also want to complete the files of the Phil. Era, and the Phil. West.

There are very few of Scott's Cat. in the library not one for over ten years, if you have any you do not need may I ask a favor of you—that is send them to your Librarian.

Thanking you one and all for the cordial support given me I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. V. Webb, Perret, Ohio.

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WITH THE PUBLISHER.

Owing to many business matters, we are still a little late, but hope to get Nov. out much earlier. With the last issue on account of not hearing from former printer we were compelled to send our paper elsewhere, and there was all kinds of delays, even after it reached Scranton owing to my removal and the printers mistake in not sending it as directed it lay in the Express office three days, not only our little mag., but M. S. Co. Auction Catalogues as well, which meant a loss.

We have received all kinds of comments on our first issue, such as well edited, well printed etc., but not enough of it, well dear readers we will give you four pages more this time. We have enough reading matter for 20 pages but must save a little for next time.

We have received many good articles to be published and wish to thank the many for same.

Although we have received a great many new subscriptions we need a few more for second class rates. Hustle in your two bits, as after January we won't be able to supply you for 25c per.

EDITORIAL.

By William C. Webb.

Mack's Monthly Philatelist now comes to you for the second time. Have you liked it—or do you think it unworthy of your support?

We have succeeded in getting in charge of our Press Review—out of some dozens of candidates for the position—one who will give a thorough but readable review of contemporary literature.

Our first issue was held up unavoidably—by change in address of publisher and many other good reasons. This issue will be a little late—but we hope not as last as the other. By the first of Dec. we hope to be caught up with ourselves.

In spite of the fact that it looks like "tooting our own horn" we think our first issue eminently successful.

Now we want to boost. We are the O. O. of the M. P. A., one of the societies which has fearlessly removed from the membership lists those who are in arrears. The society has two active branches and two more in process of formation.

Why don't you, Mr. Collector in ———, call together your stamp collecting friends and start a local society? Local stamp clubs are the best thing that can happen to a town, philatelically. They do more good than all the conventions ever held. We desire to go on record as favoring local clubs.

But—unless there is something larger the local soon dies for lack of interest. It should, with other societies similar in nature, so that there is no loose federation. The M. P. A. stands ready to welcome many new branches. It is true that there is on foot a half formed project in which the writer is interested to form a federation of clubs. The M. P. A. stands ready to form the connecting link, between local societies.

So we advise for your benefit, form a local club in every town where four or five members can meet regularly.

A model constitution provides for dues of \$1 per year. This gives in a small society enough to pay expenses.

We will write more later on this subject. Address, Boonton, N. J.

Report of Advertising Manager.

Fellow Members:—

I wish to state that the Advertising and Subscription Agency of the M. P. A. is now ready for business.

Cards have been printed, quoting subscription prices of Philatelic papers handled by the Agency, and offering premiums to patrons of the Department.

Send for one if you are interested, and let the Agency place your subscription and give you premiums for the privilege of doing so. The Net proceeds will be used for the benefit of the Association Library. Watch for the Agency's next report and don't forget to do your share in making it a good one. Just say: "Send me a rate card."

L. P. MILLER,

Adv. & Sub. Mgr.

1622 Penn St., Harrisburg, Pa.

AUCTION PRICES REALIZED.

Some prices realized at the September 22nd and 23rd Auction Sale of the Eugene Klein, Inc.

Cape of Good Hope, 1s dark green, mint pair, \$25.50.

Cape of Good Hope, 1s emerald green, mint pair, \$25.50.

Mafeking, complete used set, \$51.50.

Lagos, 1874, 1s orange, mint, \$13.80.

Natal, 1857, 6d green, large copy used on piece, \$17.60.

Northern Nigeria, 1900, 10s green and brown, mint, \$10.10.

Rhodesia, 1896, 1d on 4s gray and vermilion, mint, \$10.60.

Zanzibar, 1895, 2½ green, Zanibar error in pair with normal \$20.20.

Zanzibar, 1895, 2½ green, pair, one with italic second z in Zanzibar, mint, \$20.10.

Zululand, 1894, £5 brown and black on red, mint \$35.50.

Great Britain, Offices in Turkey, 1893, 40pa vermilion, mint \$13.60.

Hamburg, 1859, 4s green, \$13.00.

Hamburg, 1859, 9s yellow, \$16.00.

Mexico, 1867, Gothic, ½r on buff, \$16.00.

Nova Scotia, 1s reddish violet, \$51.00.

Russia, Levant, 1866, vertical network, 20k deep blue and rose, mint \$11.50

Spain, 1852, 2r red, \$41.00.

Spain, 1865, 12c blue and rose, frame inverted, \$23.00.

ANNOUNCEMENT.**Again We Are With You.**

During the last six months we have been far from idle. We are now in our new place of business with more room, better facilities for taking care of our patrons' wants.

We also wish to announce that henceforth we send no approvals—only on want list—when accompanied by cash deposit or unquestionable reference.

Owing to being beaten in past dealings by fraudulent collectors we assume this position in order to deal justly by our patrons.

Auction Sales To Be A Specialty.

If you are an auction buyer or wish to sell, we both lose if you do not correspond with us.

We also wish to announce that we just completed negotiations for a 25,000 variety collection, containing many varieties and cataloging at least \$10,000, which we are now breaking up for our 15th sale and to fill want lists.

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We may mention a few stamps to be included in our coming sales.

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FILATELIC NONSENSE.

By

Asst. Keeper, State Lunatic Asylum.

Would Paraguay from Iceland if he felt Chile?

If Henry Wendt, would Chicago? (Apologies, Henry).

If Scranton is east of the Mississippi, is the 'Philatelic West?'

Altho Brazil, I'm glad to find H. S. Powell.

(Did you hear that, Dr. Holt?).

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is the pioneer publication of its kind, and you—Oh, what's the use? We've been advertising that way all summer. Now it's about time we let others have a say. Here are a few comments on "The Stamps of Mars," taken at random from among the large number received:—

"I have read it with pleasure; it is very refreshing."—C. H. Mekeel.

"I find it an interesting and comical little piece of work."—Leon Carter Grosjean.

"Pretty good for Miller."—Personal comment by A. R. Bodmer, accidentally overheard.

"It is far better than I had expected, and I looked for something good, having read "The Autobiography of an Ecuador Stamp." While my own writing runs to more serious lines, I thoroughly enjoyed this more than excellent production."—W. C. Webb.

Mekeel's Weekly, in discussing the booklet, says,—"There is enough cleverness in the little pamphlet to bespeak for it the attention of all who attend to the literature of philately in its diversified forms."

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COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Editor:—

Your article on Auctions and Auctioneers is to the point but there are other abuses to which you do not prefer. I have been an extensive auction buyer for ten years, but have been forced to abandon Western Sales. Some of these dealers have a clause in which they state that lots containing more than three stamps are not returnable for minor defects in one or more stamps. But what about wrong cataloguing? Wrong descriptions, prices, counterfeits, etc.?

I have received many such lots, containing stamps priced five to ten dollars worth 50c to \$1., lots consisting almost entirely of counterfeits, lots in which all the high priced stamps were torn or damaged. Lots marked are new but one the one being of course the only high priced one.

Stamps cut to shape, pen cancelled, etc., etc., for which I could get no redress.

Auction houses should know more about stamps than mere stamp collectors. Only the other day I saw four

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stamps offered in one lot, Cat., \$30 all of which were counterfeits of the rankest kinds. A 1c U. S. 1851, type 1 that would not have deceived a school boy, a lot of Hamburg every one being counterfeits or fake cancellations. Many others too numerous to mention.

I think the Auction business conducted on the present prodigious extent is ruining stamp collecting, hurting the dealers as well. Formerly dealers would offer a fair price for a collection, of any value, to-day they decline to bid. Not only this, it is hurting the stamp papers. What is the use of a dealer taking a page to offer stamps at one-third or half catalogue when one can buy them at Auction at one-fifth or less?!!

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M. M. P.

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Latin-American Notes

—VEDA—

Some ten years ago Hon. John W. Foster contributed an interesting series of letters upon Mexico to the New York Tribune, contrasting the country then with when he first visited it in 1873, at which date he was appointed United States Minister of the "Land of the Pueblos," where he remained seven years. He compared the means of conveyance thus: That by steamer it took twelve days from New York, sailing occurring about three weeks apart. In 1873 a railroad had been completed from the port of the Mexican capital whose total length (264 miles) had been under construction for nineteen years. Two days were required to make this journey. Today a person can make the journey from New York City to Mexico City, on a pullman with but one change of car, in five days.

In 1904 there were 1878 postoffices in Argentine, being a gain of 68 over the preceding year. The report of the postmaster general showed that 390,950,810 pieces of mail was handled, being an increase of seven per cent. for the year. There were 6,870 employees, including the telegraph department. The receipts amounted to \$7,642,476 and the expenditure \$6,569,403. The average number of pieces received by each inhabitant was forty pieces, and the average sending out thirty-five.

The total amount of business transacted by the postal money order service in Mexico in 1899 was \$15,112,288.37, while the next year it went to \$28,624,201.77, an increase of 89½ per cent. On this the department netted a revenue of \$77,283.03.

There are fourteen departments in Salvador, in order of population they Sonate, Cuscatlan, La Paz, Chalatenango, Aluachapan, San Vicente, Morazan, San Salvador, Santa Ana, Usulután, San Miguel, La Libertad, Sonazán, La Unión and Cabanas. The capital of the first two, each bearing the same name as the states, are the largest cities, each being over 50,000. There are twenty eight cities, sixty-three towns and one hundred and fifty-four villages.

From the message of President Diaz to the Mexican Congress on September 16, 1899, we learn the postal receipts for the year ending June 30, 1899, were \$1,595,000, an increase over the preceding year of \$181,000. Postal orders for \$3,300,000 were issued as against \$1,200,000 the preceding year.

Mr. C. Renoz, Consul of Belgium at Lima under date October 27, 1898, wrote: "There are two kinds of stamps employed (in the revenue department) stamped paper, (paper Sellado) and adhesive stamps. These are issued every two years and may be used only during the two years for which they are printed. Stamped paper is used solely for official or judicial acts, and adhesive stamps are for commercial transactions. Of the latter, there are five denominations, 5 sol, 1 sol, 25 centaves, 10 centavos and 2 centavos. The stamp tax law decrees that each copy of a shipping manifest, whether of steam or sailing vessel, coming from abroad and without fixed itinerary, shall bear a 5 sol stamp. For vessels having a fixed itinerary and making schedules with several Peruvian ports this tax is reduced to 2 sols, and for ships in ballast but 1 sol. Letters of exchange drawn on foreign banks must bear the necessary stamps, which may be affixed, either on acceptance, first indorsement in the country or when paid. Letters of credit are exempt from stamp tax. Bank checks bear only a 2c stamp, no matter what sum is represented. Every infraction of the law is punishable by a fine four times the value of the emission, and is applicable both to the giver and the receiver of the document, the state thus receiving the ordinary tax eight-fold.

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Summarized Impartially by Ben Zine Cupp.

Philatelic Journal of America:—"Stamps of Tonga" Serial, by Poole. First stamps, 1d., 2d., 6d., and 1s. values (issued 1886), depicted reigning monarch, George I. Portrait engraved but once, and rest of design separately engraved for die of each value, by Alfred E. Cousins. Printed on paper employed for stamps of New Zealand, having N. Z. watermark. Perforated 12½ at first; later 12 by 11½. The 1d. and 2d. overprinted (Nov. 10, 1891), for use as 4d. and 8d. respectively. Specimens on hand not thus overprinted, were surcharged with stars thirteen days later, to prevent forged overprints. Color of 6d. changed from blue to orange, August, 1892. New issue, 1d., 2d., 8d., and 1s. values, out November, 1892:—1d. and 4d. showing national coat of arms, and others, portrait of George I. Watermark and perforation same as the preceding issue; also same engraver employed. Bisepts of the 1d. in us 1893-95.

New values needed (1893), owing to adoption of Postal Union rates: hence current 1d., 2d., 4d. and 8d. reissued, new colors, Perf. 12 and overprinted ½d., 2½d., 5d., and 1½d., respectively, in carmine. Three months later, 1d. and 2d. (same colors but perforated 12 by 11½) received black overprints. About ten months thereafter, this supply was also exhausted, and the current 8d. and 1s., were overprinted 2½ and 1d., respectively, in black, and only lasted a few months. The current 4d. then overprinted ½d. in blue, and 1886 1s., 2½d. in black.

A few of the latter Perforated 12½. Next, current 2d., reissued, pale blue, unwatermarked paper and overprinted 1d., 1½d., 2½d. in black. blue, unwatermarked paper and overprinted 1d., 1½d., 2½d. and 7½d. (May, 1895), pending arrival of new issue. The 1d. and 2½d. are known Perforated 12, 7½d., Perforated 12x11, and the 1½d. both ways. August 16, 1895, new issue out,—1d., 2½d., 5d. and 7½d. values, unwatermarked; 5d. is known Perforated 12 and 12x11, and the rest Perforated 12 only. Design for all values—poor portrait of George II, successor to George I. Demand for ½d. value met by 1d., bisepts Die of current 2½d., then retouched, new stone made, and vermilion stamps printed therefrom, which were surcharged ½d., 1d. and 7½d. in black (September, 1895).

A few months later, supply of ½d. became exhausted as usual, and sheets of the 2d. by accident (To be continued).

Philatelic Gazette.—"Postal Issues of the Philippines." Serial (Palmer). Deluge of surcharges between 1880 and 1890 theoretically due to following causes: Low value postage stamps extensively used on telegrams, thus causing shortages which had to be met by surcharging other values, such charges sometimes increased face value of stamps, thus inviting counterfeiting; but to prevent this, type color and expression of value on surcharges were frequently changed by the officials.

Nearly all overprinting done by hand, and inevitable errors thus added to number of varieties produced. Unauthorized types of these surcharges exist, as well as counterfeits of authorized types, most of which can be detected by experts (Lists of such charges, from 1881-85, follow). November, 1885, Alfonsa XII died, and Queen Maria Christiana became Regent, remaining so during the minority of Alfonso XIII. The latter's effigy did not appear on stamps of Spain and Colonies until 1889, Manila only receiving the issue January, 1890. Meanwhile, current issues of Philippines continued to receive surcharges as various values became exhausted (Lists of surcharges from 1886 to 1887 follow). To be continued.

"U. S. Government Collection" (Bartels). For some time, the Post Office Department Museum had no stamp collection. Curator finally took up the matter, however, and after receiving appropriations from Congress, started a creditable collection, which now consists of unused United Stamps from 1847 to date, Colonies and Confederates, and many Foreign, mounted in sliding frames enclosed in a large case. Open to inspection on the third floor of main Post Office Building at Washington.



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Philatelic Journal of America:—"Stamps of Tonga" Serial, by Poole. First stamps, 1d., 2d., 6d., and 1s. values (issued 1886), depicted reigning monarch, George I. Portrait engraved but once, and rest of design separately engraved for die of each value, by Alfred E. Cousins. Printed on paper employed for stamps of New Zealand, having N. Z. watermark. Perforated 12½ at first; later 12 by 11½. The 1d. and 2d. overprinted (Nov. 10, 1891), for use as 4d. and 8d. respectively. Specimens on hand not thus overprinted, were surcharged with stars thirteen days later, to prevent forged overprints. Color of 6d. changed from blue to orange, August, 1892. New issue, 1d., 2d., 8d., and 1s. values, out November, 1892:—1d. and 4d. showing national coat of arms, and others, portrait of George I. Watermark and perforation same as the preceding issue; also same engraver employed. Bisects of the 1d. in us 1893-95.

New values needed (1893), owing to adoption of Postal Union rates: hence current 1d., 2d., 4d. and 8d. reissued, new colors, Perf. 12 and overprinted ½d., 2½d., 5d., and 1½d., respectively, in carmine. Three months later, 1d. and 2d. (same colors but perforated 12 by 11½) received black overprints. About ten months thereafter, this supply was also exhausted, and the current 8d. and 1s., were overprinted 2½ and 1d., respectively, in black, and only lasted a few months. The current 4d. then overprinted ½d. in blue, and 1886 1s., 2½d. in black.

A few of the latter Perforated 12½. Next, current 2d., reissued, pale blue, unwatermarked paper and overprinted 1d., 1½d., 2½d. in black. blue, unwatermarked paper and overprinted 1d., 1½d., 2½d. and 7½d. (May, 1895), pending arrival of new issue. The 1d. and 2½d. are known Perforated 12, 7½d., Perforated 12x11, and the 1½d. both ways. August 16, 1895, new issue out,—1d., 2½d., 5d. and 7½d. values, unwatermarked; 5d. is known Perforated 12 and 12x11, and the rest Perforated 12 only. Design for all values—poor portrait of George II, successor to George I. Demand for ½d. value met by 1d., bisects Die of current 2½d., then re-touched, new stone made, and vermillien stamps printed therefrom, which were surcharged ½d., 1d. and 7½d. in black (September, 1895).

A few months later, supply of ½d. became exhausted as usual, and sheets of the 2d. by acidnet (To be continued).

Philatelic Gazette.—"Postal Issues of the Philippines." Serial (Palmer). Deluge of surcharges between 1880 and 1890 theoretically due to following causes: Low value postage stamps extensively used on telegrams, thus causing shortages which had to be met by surcharging other values, surcharges sometimes increased face value of stamps, thus inviting counterfeiting; but to prevent this, type color and expression of value on surcharges were frequently changed by the officials.

Nearly all overprinting done by hand, and inevitable errors thus added to number of varieties produced. Unauthorized types of these surcharges exist, as well as counterfeits of authorized types, most of which can be detected by experts (Lists of sucharges, from 1881-85, follow). November, 1885, Alfonso XII died, and Queen Maria Christiana became Regent, remaining so during the minority of Alfonso XIII. The latter's effigy did not appear on stamps of Spain and Colonies until 1889, Manila only receiving the issue January, 1890. Meanwhile, current issues of Philippines continued to receive surcharges as various values became exhausted (Lists of surcharges from 1886 to 1887 follow). To be continued.

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We note in a contemporary paper—namely, the Philadelphia Stamp News,—a publication by the editor for his part in expelling from the M. P. A. the notorious publisher of the Hobbyist, Mr. "Original" Kendall of Winnepeg, Canada.

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Barnett, Maurice, 26 S. 18th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Age 46; Art Dealer. Reference: Phila. Stamp News. Proposed by A. E. Carpenter, 2nd.
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However, new application blanks are now being printed and will soon be ready for distribution.

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Respectfully submitted.

WILLAM C. WEBB, Secretary M. P. A.

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Fellow Members:—

It is with regret that I must announce the resignation of our worthy Secretary, Dr. H. A. Davis, of Denver, Colorado. Dr. Davis has served the M. P. A. as no other men could have served it during trials and difficulties when it looked black for us. Dr. Davis was always at his post, ever ready to assist until the M. P. A. was again brought back to life.

Dr. Davis' resignation has been tendered owing to the office interfering with his business.

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I hereby wish to notify all members to send all correspondence for the Secretary's office to Mr. William C. Webb, the newly appointed Secretary, whose address is R. F. D. No. 1, Boonton, N. J. Mr. Webb has been our newly elected Vice-President, but I feel that we have more use and work for Mr. Webb as Secretary than as Vice-President, of the M. P. A.

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Fraternally,
W. H. HOLLENBACH, President.

M. P. A. Members, Attention!

When I received from Dr. Davis the supplies for the Secretary's office there was included in them the report dated October 15th, 1911, or rather a copy of it. I supposed that this would appear in the Oct. number of the M. M. P. and made my first report, published herewith, admitting to membership the applicants therein reported. Owing to this report being published simultaneously with mine admitting these four, namely, No. 905-910, the usual month's publication has not been made. I will not, however, mail membership cards to these four until fifteen days after the publication of this report. If there are any complaints to be made against any of these men, the members making the complaint must communicate with me within fifteen days.

Wm. C. WEBB, Secretary.

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A DISCOURSE ON UNITY

By L. HAROLD KJELLSTEDT, F. R. P. S.

Contemplating the great power for the good of British philately which has become centered in that remarkable organization, the Junior Philatelic Society of London, every friend of American philately is forced to regret the absence of a similar society in our own United States. There was a time, not long ago, when the average adult, serious collector, took little stock and less interest in the organized efforts of the younger element. His attitude was one of dignified reserve. He failed to consider that his young brother collector was just as serious and twice as enthusiastic, but lacked the mature judgment, foresight, and business acumen which are born from experience with the affairs of life, and must enter as the vital elements into the successful upbuilding of a serious and permanent organization.

If credit is to be given where the credit is due, it must be stated, that the Junior Philatelic Society of London belongs the honor of having dispelled the doubt with which the average organization of juniors was viewed. This society has demonstrated with remarkable enthusiasm, activity and loyalty, that it not only holds its own, but does far more for philately than a majority of the more pretentious societies. Its publication, "The Stamp Lover," is second to none, and the papers written by some of those juniors offer a useful study to any advanced philatelist. With such a training school for young collectors as that offered at small cost by the J. P. S., no one can wonder at the stability and activity of British philately.

Who will deny that our country has just as good material for a Junior Philatelic Society of America as that which goes to the makeup of the English society. Our young collectors are just as enthusiastic, just as intelligent and just as eager to be up and do, but they lack the powerful backing of unity and organization. Efforts there have been, but they have been widely scattered and comparatively feeble. High sounding names with meagre membership lists, benefits that look splendid on paper, dues and treasuries inadequate to meet even current running expenses, these are the features most characteristic of the numerous Junior societies which have been born, and have lingered and died, and survived in the United States. Personal interests and jealousy of preference have heretofore balked all efforts to bring about a country-wide amalgamation of scattered societies.

The "New England Philatelist" announces the consolidation of the American Junior Philatelic Society, the Empire Philatelic Society, the Imperial Philatelic Society and the Central Philatelic Society under the name of the "The United Philatelic Societies." This is a step in the right direction, but falls far short of what could and should be done. Here we have the Southern Philatelic Association and the Metropolitan Philatelic Association with their divided efforts to cater to the younger element. If these societies would join hands, a great number of their members would be saved the trouble of remitting dues in two directions, and a united body could be placed on a paying basis as far as results to be accomplished are concerned. I know that there are personal interests conflicting with these views, but for the future good of American philately, they should be discounted and eliminated.

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PRESS REVIEW

Most Important Articles in American Monthlies for October and November Summarized Impartially by Ben Zine Cupp.

Philatelic Journal of America: "Stamps of Tonga," serial. (Poole). New issue, made by DeLaRue Co. (London), placed on sale June 1, 1897. Values as follows: ½d. deep blue, Arms of Tonga. 1d. red and black—bread fruit tree, which furnishes staple food of Tongans, 2d. bistre and sepia,—portrait of Geo. II. 2½d. blue and black, ditto, 2d., 3d., yellow and black,—prehistoric coraltrilith, weighing not less than 150 tons. 4d. dull violet and green—bunch of bread fruit. 5d. orange and black—ditto 2d. 10d. carmine and black—ditto 2d. 1s. brown and black—ditto 2d. 2s. ultra. and black—seascape, with Haabai 1s., in background. 2s 6d. violet,—parrot. 5s. brown, red and black—view of Varau harbor. All stamps printed in sheets of 60 on white wove paper, watermarked with turtles upright and sideways. First supply on fairly thick paper; thinner paper used in 1902. Perforations gauge 14; were applied by two single line machines, the product of one differing slightly from other. Three errors in this issue: 7½d. with inverted center, 2½d. lacking fraction of bar of "½" and 1s. with second hyphen of "Silini-E-Taha" missing. Of first but one sheet is known; positions on sheet of last two unknown. Doubtful bisects of 3d. exist. All values available for fiscal use. June 1, 1899. King Geo. II married and 1d. stamps were overprinted "J. L." (initials of names of bride-groom and bride respectively), and June, 1899. Type set to overprint 30 stamps, hence sheets had to go to press twice. On 22. stamp in setting, year is 1889 instead of 1899. Despite all the fuss, the Queen lived but three years after her marriage. First official stamps used February 13, 1893, consisting of then current 1d., 2d., 4d., 5d., and 1s., were printed in blue, and surcharged "G. P. B." for "Gae Faka Buleaga," meaning "work pertaining to the Gov't." 1d. known bisected. Owing to adoption of Postal Union rates, all denominations were overprinted with new values, August, 1893 (Types of Tonga postmarks listed). The End.

Seebecks (Translated from German by Dorpat). Collectors first shied at Seebecks because manufacturers not only received remainders of each issue, but also had the right to reprint any obsolete stamp. After some skirmishes, N. F. Seebeck offered to discontinue all contracts with the small republics. Simultaneously, the Society for the suppression of Speculative Stamps (London), petitioned the republics to cancel contracts. Arguments for and against the collecting of Seebecks appeared, one of former that collections must contain all real postage stamps, even the not used for postal purposes; and one of latter, that speculative stamps lack the right to exist, hence distribution of same should be discouraged. Dominican Republic got its 1881 issue from Seebeck, and from 1890 to '99, inclusive, Seebeck drew its supply from that source. In 1890, Honduras and Nicaragua entered into the game. Honduras first withdrawing, and destroying all plates, to prevent reprinting. Nicaragua, however, held to its contract nearly as long as Salvador.

Reprints can hardly be distinguished from unused originals; a number of them are on thick paper (first used by the printers in 1899), but they do not all have this peculiarity; some of them were undoubtedly made after Seebeck's death. Some Seebeck stamps were printed while they were current, sent to Governments, and either used postally, or returned later to Seebeck, as remainders; some were printed while current and held by Seebeck as reserves; and others were printed some years after they had been current, either by Seebeck, or others, into whose hands plates had fallen.—To be continued.

Stamp Journal:—"U. S. Used Abroad" Serial (Armstrong). These stamps are rare, because their only distinctive features are their cancellations, and hence they are not readily detected; also because of the small populations of the possessions.

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Earliest use of U. S. stamps outside of the country was in Hawaii. First Hawaiian stamps, '51, had local franking power only, and on mail to U. S., were supplimented by U. S. stamps which were kept on hand at principal post-offices. Postmarks on those stamps are,—“Honolulu—U. S. Postage Paid” and date in large circle, and “Hawaiian Stamp Service,” in elongated oval; both impressed in red. Owing to shortages of Hawaiian stamps, foreign correspondence was sometimes franked exclusively with U. S. stamps. Jan. 1, 1882, Hawaii was admitted to the Postal Union, and its stamps became valid for international use, making those of U. S. unnecessary until July 7, 1898, when it was annexed to U. S. Since then, contemporary issues of U. S. have been used in the Islands, post marked somewhat the same as in U. S. Stamps used in Alaska are similarly postmarked to those used in small U. S. post-offices. A U. S. postal agency was established in Shanghai, probably in the seventies, and employs postmarks similar to those mostly used in U. S.—To be continued.

Everybody's Philatelist:—“Stamp Margins” (Coolidge). Early collectors accumulated mostly used stamps, and seldom more than one unused specimen of a variety, if any; specialism was in its infancy, and spaces in printed albums dominated entirely. When the Bureau of Engraving and Printing started to print U. S. stamps in 1894, some philatelists began to collect strips showing plate No. and imprint; others started to collect blocks of four, about this time, but omitted to retain marginal edges. On margins are found: imprints of contracting manufacturer, plate numbers and guide dots; also watermarks are readily detected on margins, thus valuable data is often obtained from them. Early dies of 1894 series are distinguished by frame of imprint having square ends, fancy flourishes having been added in later issues. Advantages of margins:—distinguish '09 Special Delivery stamp from previous issue, “09” appearing on margins of former; show “arrow” variety; shows errors, such as plate No. A55561 having an inverted 9 in place of a 6; show experimental paper plainly; and finally, may be used to make notes upon.

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Membership Summary.

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Total	341
Resignation accepted	1

Membership, December 1st, 1911 340
In the report dated October 15, 1911, the name Walton P. Lyons, No. 897, should be MILTON P. LYONS.

Members will note by the above report that the Junior Philatelic Society of London has elevated the M. P. A. to the rank of a corresponding society. The M. P. A. and the J. P. S. have interchanged memberships, each becoming a member of the other. This is one step towards the world-wide union of societies. It is hoped that eventually all the collectors societies of the world will form a mutual union for the interchange of ideas and literature.

MACK'S MONTHLY PHILATELIST

Members are especially urged to look up their membership cards and to remit the amount necessary to pay their dues to the end of the current fiscal year, which ends August 31st, 1912, at the new rate of three cents per month. By doing this you will assist me in that I will not be obliged to notify you of the expiration of your dues at the time of expiration, and you will thus save much work in this office. My assistants, who are members of the Boonton Branch, have other work and their time, like my own, is very limited.

The year-book for 1911-12 will go to press, if all goes well, during the month of January next. All members who are in arrears will then be left out of the published membership list.

We desire to sell a few more pages of advertising space. The rates are \$5.00 per page, no less space than a quarter page sold at this rate. One-eighth page spaces will be sold, however, at 75c. each.

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By this we do not mean that all who don't take space are dead ones—but we do mean that they are no so apt to be numbered among the "quick" as those who do advertise in the society year-book.

Trot along your advertisements—we want to have ten pages of advertising.

The book will probably contain a valuable article by some well-known authority—and if sufficient advertisements are secured, will be continued from the front of the book to the rear, where it will be alternated, page to page, with the advertising. Plans are not yet complete—but the first ones to send us copy will have the choicest positions. This will insure the advertisements being read.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any and all objectionable advertising.

Yours for the M. P. A. and a greater American Junior Society.

With the regards appropriate to the season.

WILLIAM C. WEBB, Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Dear Fellow Members:—

Several members have requested me to make a monthly report, and hereafter I shall, providing there is anything to report.

During the past month the following publications have been received: Philadelphia Stamp News, Collectors Review, Hobbyist, New England Philatelist Stamp Journal, Vest Pocket Philatelist, and the Southern Philatelist.

Cleveland Bundle, W. H. Hollenbach, W. R. King and A. C. Paimann have all contributed papers to the library since my last report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. V. WEBB, Librarian.

ADVERTISING AND SUBSCRIPTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

Fellow Members:—

Frankly speaking, I am much disappointed in the interest shown by M. P. A. members, in the Advertising and Subscription Agency, which I have worked so hard to firmly establish. Besides my trouble it is needless to add that considerable postage was necessary to start things. I never expect to get it back again, but I do expect some evidence of interest on the part of members and Officers of the Association.

The M. P. A. is composed of active stamp collectors, who subscribe to serial stamp papers regularly. (If they don't they ought to.) Now, why not place all subscriptions in the hands of the Agency established for your convenience, fellow-members, and while getting premiums for so doing, help create funds for the use of the Library, besides? Simply ask for a rate-card, and watch for our smiles.

Yours fraternally,

L. P. MILLER, Adv. and Sub. Mgr.,

1622 Penn Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

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Suppose that the S. P. A., the M. P. A., and the newly organized U. P. S., threw personal ambitions and differences to the winds and formed one solid union. There is no reason why they should not accomplish what the J. P. S. of London has. With a Constitution and By-Laws like those of the A. P. S., and with dues that furnish the officers with means to do something instead of a legitimate excuse for doing nothing, with a live and regular official journal, and with a set of officers willing to work, the united body would prove an element of strength and pride to American philately and a power for the good of its interests. The question of dues is one of greatest importance, and perhaps especially so in connection with a society of juniors. The J. P. S. of London is thriving on an entrance fee of 60 cents and yearly dues of the same amount. In the case of ladies and applicants under legal age, the entrance fee is waived. For this small amount the J. P. S. is furnishing its members with a publication of its own that would be cheap at \$1.00 per year. But the J. P. S. is a philatelic society and its members devote themselves to philatelic study and research, the results of which help to make their publication, "The Stamp Lover," what it is. The American junior societies are exclusively engaged in the selling and exchanging of stamps and give no evidence of philatelic life. England has a number of similar societies, but they go by their proper name—exchange clubs.

It may be argued that we are lacking a leader and an organizer of the caliber of Fred. J. Melville, who has made philatelic publicity his life's work. This is undoubtedly true, and in literary productivity an American junior society would probably fall far short of its British contemporary. This should not discourage us, however, because conditions in England and here are not the same. The average American boy is busily engaged in trying to support himself at an early stage of his life and the time he can give to his hobby is limited. As this also applies to the average American man, we always find a scarcity of good philatelic "copy." But even if the proposed American junior society should accomplish only a little along literary lines, anything would be a great step in advance over the nothing of former days. As members of an organization worth the while, our desires to do and accomplish something would be stimulated and appreciated and would find their expression in a journal of philatelic standing even if it should not be a publication of our own. A well organized, strong and active society of juniors will never fail to secure the support of older collectors. The J. P. S. has

amongst its members several Fellows of the Royal Philatelic Society and a number of men whose names are known throughout the philatelic world. The number of serious American philatelists are members of this society is astonishing. A few years ago I became a member of one of the American junior societies, but its loose and unbusinesslike methods and transactions caused my early withdrawal. A so-called philatelic society which solicits members without provisions for adequate returns is obtaining money under false pretense, and discredits philately instead of spreading its gospel.

Give us an American junior philatelic society worthy of its name. Stop the competition which accomplishes nothing and leads nowhere. Sacrifice personal ambitions and private interests on the altar of Unity and create one, undivided, and loyal body of American juniors. No move could be made, no scheme could be broached of more importance to the future of American philately.

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After this we wish to announce that all Advertisements, etc., must be in by first of each month promptly to insure its insertion.

We extend the compliments of the season and a prosperous New Year.

EDITORIAL.

By William C. Webb.

Of the many themes I have in mind to comment upon here, amalgamation of the two premier junior societies comes first, but rather than tire your minds with a long discussion of the pros and cons, I will simply state that if a strong and vigorous society would result, as it would if the plan as it has been outlined by the leaders of the movement were carried, then I favor it. But at the same time, I favor a constitution modeled on that of the M. P. A., rather than the S. P. A. The advantages of the Directorate system are so marked that it would be poor policy, to say the least, to revert to the old system where every one can place the blame on someone else. Under the new system of a Directorate, the blame rests with the Directors. But of this more later.

Personal troubles prevent a longer editorial on this subject at present. By the way, I am probably the only person holding the same membership number in both societies—570.

I note in Refields the statement that the only stamp paper published in N. Y. is the Philatelic Gazette. If the editor will stop to investigate he will find that the METROPOLITAN PHILATELIST, one of the oldest stamp papers, is still published, and has never suspended publication. It contains some of the finest editorials matter of any published, from the pen of America's foremost professional, Mr. J. W. Scott.

The new issue news are almost without an equal, and among its recent articles was one concerning the 1873, 30c with secret mark, by the well-known student, Mr. A. E. Owen, East Orange, N. J.

Book-plates are selling at top notch prices, and seem to be very scarce. The writer has inspected every package in two towns of 1500 inhabitants, and this season has not found one book in a 1000 with the Plate number.

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The 14th meeting was held at residence of Homer Peabody, Nov. 22.

The usual routine of business being concluded officers were elected, stamps exchanged, etc.

This meeting was held for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. After much discussion and balloting the following were nominated and elected: Homer W. Peabody, president; J. Selden Swisher, vice-president; August Mack, secretary-treasurer, and Wm. E. Dyer, librarian.

Mr. Kjellstedt being elected president of the main society resigned as president of the branch.

It was through the efforts of Messrs. Dyer and Mack that his branch was organized June 29, 1911, when the first meeting was held, with a membership of eight. Today there are thirteen members in the club.

The following are members: Wm. E. Dyer, 618 N. Washington Ave.; Homer W. Peabody, 1001 Clay ave.; M. W. Lowery, Clay ave.; August W. Mack, dealer, 2245 Boulevard ave.; Frank Livingston, Penn ave.; Alex. McKee, 1627 Dickson ave.; J. H. Dunham, Electric ave.; Oliver Arnold, Jr., 1627 Madison ave.; Francis Sando, Quincy ave.; J. Selden Swisher, 304 S. Main ave.; R. D. Richards, Box 454; J. Harold Kjellstedt, 1026 Woodlawn ave., and Sterling Singer, of Clark's Summit, Pa. nyone wishing to join can write to any of the above. A

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25c Belgium	219	.08	.03	*1 on 2c Urug'y	137	.08	.03
70c	228	.05	.02	*6p Turks Is.	48	.40	.18
3fr	244	.15	.06	*1s Turks Is.	49	.75	.32
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H. F. Colman, the well known Washington dealer says our paper per paid so well that we could run his Ad. for six months.

We have also secured a six month contract from the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., for a quarter page, see back cover.

L. P. Miller the popular editor of Harrisburg has also contracted for half page on inside front cover, don't fail to get the Feb. number.

The H. S. Powell Co., will also be with us the next few months, look up their Ad. on back cover. Packet 14 is O. K. as we heard from a party getting one.

You will note that we have with us this month the well known Japanese Postcard dealers: Jas. Eades and Co. note their ad. on back cover. Their cards are certainly all they claim from the sample we received.

We cannot give all our advertisers a review, but we can readily stand back of them all as very few that we have not had dealings with.

N. F. Thompson, Elliot Hunt and J. F. Sikora new advertisers for this month. Look up their ads. on page three.

Our readers will greatly help us when in answering ads. just say "Saw your Ad. in M. M. P."

—ADVERTISERS—

You can see that we have with us some good firms. We also wish to call your attention to the fact that the Feb. number will be an extra large edition and a very large circulation as the whole M. P. A. and all Send in a trial copy at once. sample requests will receive a copy.



Mack's Monthly Philatelist

Vol. I.

SCRANTON, PA., JANUARY, 1912.

No. 5.

M. P. A. President's Message.

Fellow Members:—

Another year has passed and a new year begun. As your President, I wish you all a "Happy and Prosperous New Year" and many of them.

The year 1912 should have a great deal in store for each and every member of our Association and we can make it one grand year by working together. Those of you who are making use of the Sales Dep't can help by sending in the best class of stamps, also the same can be said of the Exchange Department.

From the letters of our Exchange Supt., it seems to me that a number of members are sending in stamps for exchange valued at almost nothing, and expect in exchange stamps of real good value.

Remember that you should always try and give as good value as you expect in return.

The question of a union between several societies in America into a Junior American Society has been spoken of and to my mind it is a very good idea. I will issue in next month's Official Journal my views of this question and will ask each and every member to write me personally his opinion of the Union.

We have again found a Secretary in our worthy Vice-President, William C. Webb, of Boonton, N. J. That Mr. Webb, is a worker has been shown by his past records. Kindly save the Association postage by sending Mr. Webb, your dues for 1912.

We also find in Dr. Davis, as Vice-President, a man worthy of a great deal of honors as he has worked hard for the M. P. A. during his term as Secretary. In the Southern Philatelist, I note the following from E. R. A. regarding Dr. Davis:—"There is nothing the society could grant too good for the Doctor and it could well honor itself by electing him President in 1912. Dr. Davis, rightly deserves the Presidency, he would not only deserve the honors but he would continue to make the M. P. A. an ideal society."

I wish to urge all members to nominate Dr. Davis, for the Presidency even if the Union be accomplished as each society would nominate its own officials and then put them together on one ballot.

As the time for nominations is still a few months off it will do no harm to at least say that I will not accept another term as President. I have had all the honors a many may wish for and therefore will step down. Now then we need a number of recruiting men, our committee can not do all the work and we ask each and every member of the Association to help get new members.

Let 1912 be the banner year for the M. P. A. and the work which you will do will help cheer your President, and his fellow Officers. The Year Book will be published as near to Feb. 1st., as is possible.

Wishing you all again a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I remain

Your's for Service,

WM. H. HOLLENBACH, Pres.

**COMMENTS ON THE MOST IMPORTANT SUBJECT BEFORE
PRESENT-DAY AMERICAN PHILATELISTS.**

By Ben Zine Cupp.

Current U. S. stamp papers contain a number of good articles, but none of them will Ben summarize this month. A subject has been brought in the papers which has strictly monopolized his attention, and he must come out with his ideas before he can resume the ordinary affairs of life. This subject is unity in organized American philately, and it is very fortunate in having Ben to help support it. (Well, well.)

There is a very remarkable thing about this unity boom. By a strange coincidence a number of different plans for bringing U. S. philatelic societies closer together, have been in process of formation at one time, and all of them readily lend themselves to a consolidation into one, good proposition.

The original plans were of varying nature, consisting of proposals to unite local and state societies into a national body, to unite existing national societies, to establish a congress of all U. S. societies and to publish an inter-club paper. Not one of these suggestions could well be carried out under existing conditions, without the aid of one or more of the others. But it has been found possible, and feasible, to combine all the plans, making a most attractive suggestion for the welfare of American philately.

The well-known philatelic editors, L. G. Dorpat, Wm. C. Webb, and L. P. Miller of Philatelic West, Mack's Monthly Philatelist, and Weekly Philatelic Review, respectively, have produced the ideas, and are now for unity where suggestions merely, and no definite plans were outlined nor was any attempt made to bring the proposals directly before existing societies. Now however, the right spirit is being shown, and it looks very much as if something good will be accomplished.

The duties of secretary pro-tem have apparently been assigned to L. P. Miller, and all matter pertaining to the proposed National Philatelic Union should be sent to him. Ben has scribbled some enthusiastic stuff to head-quarters, and wishes to suggest that all other interested parties do likewise. Reports of the progress of the movement will appear in the Weekly Philatelic Review, which is acting as temporary Official Organ.

Now for goodness' sake, bestir yourselves, everybody. A good thing is in your way, and wants your attention. Don't go around it. Take it up, make a fuss, and get that Union on its feet. A membership of thousands is possible, but it all depends on the thousands themselves. This is no time to let the other fellow do it. Get interested personally, and tell head-quarters about it.

Boost a fine thing when you've got the chance.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT.

A very serious accusation has been brought against the publisher of this paper, which I hasten to disprove. He informs me that he has been charged with running the Press Review, and in order to clear him of all suspicion, I hereby state that Mack is not we, nor am I Mack. I am inflicting some very severe stuff on readers of the Monthly and should not like to see an innocent person bear the blame. (The worst is yet to come, too. See next issue).

I shall at all times be pleased to state who I am not, for the further enlightenment of interested parties. Benjamin Z. Cupp.

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WITH THE PUBLISHER.

Owing to many other business matters, much as we regret it we will again be a little late.

We also wish to state that our main troubles were getting the paper printed, our last issue was promised us Dec. 13th, after many delays we managed to get an apology of a magazine around the 20th. Many errors were allowed to go through after we had corrected them twice. The most serious occurring in the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. ad. It should have read 3500 spaces instead of 35003, this we called the printer's attention to twice and still he allowed it to go through.

We are now sending our paper back to the original printer of the Post-Cardist and think that we will in the future get a great deal better satisfaction.

If you have not already subscribed you had better now, at once! Because we need your subscription. If you do not like it well enough to subscribe write us anyway and tell us where we can improve. There are many improvements we intended to make this month, but there are reasons why we want to see this issue first. Feb. will be a **HUMMER**.

EDITORIAL.

By **William C. Webb.**

Once again we are about to enter upon a year which will, judging from what we have heard, be productive of many new United States stamps. And while we think of United States as booming, why do not more collectors go in for the M. & M., stamped paper, state revenues, etc.? I know collector after collector who are after the paid permits and precancels but hardly any who are enthusiastic over the fiscal issues.

In the opinion of the writer — who accumulates everything (except money) which has the mystic words United States of America anywhere about — this lack of interest will some day be superseded by active interest in the side lines — so-called, and then those who invest in these now will reap rich returns on their money. Buy sidelines as an investment.

And, like T. W. Lawson, I have none to sell — am buying with you. I believe, as I once said in the old Post Cardist, that U. S. stamps offer the finest field for the investment of money in the entire run of countries — and I am backing my belief by buying all the time. Better come along and help preserve the rare old stuff for the next generation.

By the way — have you noticed that the only twenty-five cent paper which doesn't devote any space — or rather devotes practically none — to clipped articles is the one you are now reading? The Discourse on Unity of last month was syndicated to a number of papers and hence was not copied.

Well, the holiday season has passed — and left the author of these lines practically busted — so hurry along that quarter of yours so the publisher can pay my salary quicker. We both need money — Mack and I.

Trusting that you will forgive the editor for the shortness of this, and thanking you one and all for your support — we close — promising you something longer and better (except as to advice) next month.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

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Bookkeeper. References: M. B. Clark, 27 N. Franklin St., Lynn, Mass.
Co-Operative Exchange, Brooklyn, N. Y. Proposed by William C. Webb,
#570.

Dye, John W., American Consulate General, Boma, Kongo. Age 33. Occupation:
In American Consular Service. References: A. E. Carpenter, P. O.
Box 5103, Philadelphia, Pa. H. A. Whipple, Omaha, Nebraska. Proposed
by A. Everly Carpenter, 2nd, #809.

Clark, Herbert, Malta House, Angmering Worthing, England. Age: Not given.
References: Charles A. Nast, Box 14, Denver, Colo. Rasmus Bartleson,
St. Paul, Minn. Proposed by Rasmus Bartleson.

Henkel, Henry A., 3 Summit Ave., Newark, N. J. Age 52. Occupation, Manufacturer.
References: Leslie Davenport, Belleville, N. J. A. C. Roessler,
Newark, N. J. Proposed by Leslie Davenport.

Rice, S. S., 1522 Magnolia Ave., Los Angeles, Cal. Age 26. Occupation, Cigar
broker. References: Walter Artmann, Los Angeles, Cal., R. G. Dunn &
Co., G. M. Harris, Denver, Col. Proposed by W. M. Artmann, #781.

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914 Junior Philatelic Society of London, R. W. Wedmore, Secretary, 44 Park
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285 Hermansador, John T., Reading, Pa.

554 Fair, Charles R. F., 822 Madison Ave., Reading, Pa.

692 Forstall, Theo., 156 Midland Ave., Montclair, N. J.

Reinstated by Payment of Back Dues.

340 E. R. Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

Changes of Address.

792 Gilmore, W. A., from 1421 25th St., to 1308 34th St., Des Moines, Ia.
 622 Bender, Edward J., from 2615 Norwood Ave., to 2642 Norwood Ave., North-
 side, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 In last month's report the new address for Karl Koslowski should read
 329 CASS Ave., instead of Gass Ave.

Membership Summary.

Total membership at last report	340
New Member	1
Reinstated	1
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Total December 30, 1911	342

Attention of M. P. A. Members is especially directed to this:—

On January Second a large number of dues become due. Members will be notified but once, and then dropped if payment is not made at once. The amount due will be twenty-four (24 cents, which will pay up to the end of the fiscal year. Look up your card and if delinquent kindly remit as soon as possible. The new Year Book will go to press during the latter part of the month — in all probability the list of members will be made up about the 30th, and all who are not paid up at that time will be dropped. We will carry no dead wood. If not desired to send money order for so small an amount, where possible kindly send the greater part of the remittance in the postal savings stamps, which are easier to cash than ordinary postage stamps.

Send along your remittance and keep in the LIVE society.

William C. Webb, Sec'y.

Sales Superintendent's Report.

Received since last report, 73 books, net value	\$ 410.56
Retired since last report, 77 books, net value	418.98
In circulation last report, 762 books, net value.....	4,910.15
Now in circulation, 858 books, net value	4,901.73

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Leon V. Cass, Sales Sup't.

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Exchange Manager's Report.

Number of books entered since Jan. 1, 1911, 485, average 44 per mo.

Amount taken from books since Nov. 1, 1910, about \$2400.00.

No. of circuits sent out since Jan. 1, 1910, 120.

Decrease of circuits last two months, account shortage of books.

Members should remember that they are supposed to have books in, of sufficient value, to make good all indebtedness. If there are any that see this, that have not enough books in, I hope that they will take the above as a hint for their future guidance.

To those who kick about the number of circuits they do not get, and the poor quality of the stamps in the ones they do get, I wish to remark, be sure you are ahead of the game before you complain.

Have had a lot of very flattering letters, and am very much obliged to those members who have done all they could to make the exchange a success. But this way of running an exchange does not suit me, a few do all the doing, and there are a lot of delinquents that promise but do not perform. You must excuse my kicking but every debit has a corresponding credit, which has to be met. I expect those who take the stamps to meet the bill

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1902—1c Green03		
2c Flag Type13		
3c Purple06		
4c Brown07		
5c Blue09		
6c Lake12		
8c Violet14		
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St. Louis Exposition.			
1904—1c Green03		
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3c Purple10		
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Jamestown Exposition.			
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		Old Watermarks.	
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		13c Green18
		15c Sky Blue20
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		Same, fine	1.20
		Same, Str. Edge	1.10
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		1c Pair04 Block .08
		2c Pair08 Block .14
		3c Pair10 Block .18
		4c Pair12 Block .22
		5c Pair15 Block .28
		Horizontal or Vertical Lines.	
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All stamps are used and in perfect condition, unless otherwise stated.

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Superb, means well centered and lightly cancelled. Fine, means that the perfs. are a little close, not cutting design. Good, means perfs. cut or a little too heavily cancelled. The initials N. S. E. W. stand for top, bottom, right and left respectively.

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1.	1857—10c, No. 50, Type I. (Scott's 1912), small pen cancel. Fine	\$ 1.25
2.	1861—3c, No. 64, Str. Edge W., otherwise Superb	7.50
3.	1861—10c, No. 68a, O. G. Str. Edge E. (Creased), otherwise fine	2.50
4.	1861—12c, No. 69 O. G. close, S. and W. Fine	2.50
5.	1862—2c, No 73 O. G. Perfs. cut in N. and E. Good	.75
6.	1861—5c, No. 67, No. gum; perfs. clipped N. E. W. Fine at that	50.00
7.	1869—2c, No. 113, part gum, perfs. touch W. Fine	1.00
8.	1869—Same, perfs. cut in S. Good	1.00
9.	1869—2c, 3c, Nos. 113, 114, both Fine	.25
10.	1869—15c, No. 119, 3 Str. Edges perfs. touch N. Good	1.50
11.	1873—7c, No. 160, cor. perf. gone, tiny tear W. Good	.75
12.	1870—24c, No. 153, close at E. Fine	1.50
13.	1873—7c, No. 160, Perfs. cut in W. Fine	.75
14.	1898—Trans-Mississippi, 1c to 10c O. G. Fine	1.20
15.	1898—Trans-Mississippi, 50c, No. 291 O. G. Superb	1.00
16.	1902—1c to 50c, Nos. 300 to 312, inc. O. G. Fine	264
17.	1902—\$2.00, No. 312, O. G. close at N. Fine	3.50
18.	1902—\$500, No 313, O G. Str. Edge E. mint. Superb	8.50
19.	1901—Pan-American, complete O. G. Fine	.82
20.	1904—St. Louis, complete, O. G. Fine	.80
21.	1893—\$2.00, No. 242 (Columbian) O. G. Superb	3.00
22.	1909—50c and \$1.00, both Fine	.60
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39.	1902—Br. Somaliland, 4a No. 6, O. G. pair, one raised D. Sup...	?
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Let Us Consolidate.

By Cleveland Bundlie.

All should note with great pleasure that another movement is on foot to consolidate our two premier junior philatelic societies, viz.; the "Metropolitan Philatelic Association."

I say *another movement* because the fact is, that such a movement was also on foot in 1909. Then it was proposed to consolidate the M. P. A. the S. P. A. and the defunct "National Philatelic Association" into one large and powerful organization. However, this was not to be, for at the annual convention of the M. P. A. held at Scranton, Pa. on Aug. 19, 20 and 21, 1909, the Plan was Killed by a Proxy Vote of 133 to 24.

But why was this excellent idea for the Advancement of American Philately "Knocked in the Head?" It was because a couple ex-officials of the M. P. A. worked very hard against the measure. Their chief argument was that the name of the Association should not be changed. Their excuse was that after having encountered so many hardships and obstacles, they could see no reason why they should end their "Glorious" history.

Very selfish of them, wasn't it?

Think of it! Hinder the advancement of American Philately because they found it necessary to "be fair" with the other two Societies. Those that approved the Proposition did not attempt to conceal their thoughts, as can be seen by Consulting the Pages of "Redfield's Stamp Weekly" for the summer months of 1909.

Don't believe for a moment that *ALL* the officers were against it, for such was not the case. Among those strongly in favor of consolidation then, and who are just as strongly in favor of it now, I might mention the names of Wm. H. Hollenbach, A. W. Dunning, Dr. J. M. Holt, and Clarence V. Webb.

It was not my intention to "dig up the dead," but I just mention this with the sincere hope that we will not repeat the blunder. Let's throw Personal Ambition to the winds and "do something."

A great deal of good certainly could be attained by consolidating these two societies. Why, most everyone of the things enumerated in Mr. L. Harold Kjellstedt's fine article "A Discourse On Unity," could be accomplished.

All rivalry would then be eliminated, and in Place we would have ONE Powerful body—everything moving in Perfect harmony. Wouldn't it be great?

Of course we would have our regular departments such as we have at the present time, but furthermore, others could be inaugurated.

One of the new benefits possible would be a magazine published by the Association — the reading matter to consist of articles contributed to it by the members. This is no "Wild Dream" or impossibility, because the "Junior Philatelic Society of London, England," publishes such a magazine in the "Stamp Lover" and a fine magazine it is too.

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Membership Summary.

Total membership at last report	342
New members	5
Reinstated	1
Dropped January 25th, 1912, for N. P. D.	54
Resignations Accepted	3
Total membership February first, 1912	291

From the above report members will see that the order of the Board of Directors to drop all members not paying their dues was carried out when making up the list for the yearbook.

By the time this is in the hand of the readers the yearbook will have gone to press. Our present plan is that it will go to press on the 15th of February, and it is doubtful if this is in the hands of the members before the 20th.

The project of uniting this society with the S. P. A. will be, I understand, put to a mail vote in the near future. I hope that the vote will be in favor of the union — as it will be for the advantage of both the societies and not least — for the advancement of Philately in America. A similar mail vote will be taken in the S. P. A., or so I understand.

Now if every member will get out and root for new members — and boost the society — we will soon make up for the loss of members and have the satisfaction of being the only society of the kind not carrying a lot of members on the rolls who are from six months to two years in arrears with their dues.

It is but little less work for me to have no applications to post at the end of a month than for me to have the pleasure of posting ten or twenty. Let everybody pull for new members and try to make this a banner year. We want to post fifteen new members next month — will YOU help to do YOUR share? Ask the collectors next door to join — or the one you write to every little while. And keep everlastingly at it till they know you're a LIVE one. You will soon receive your year book — if your dues have not expired.

Note:— Most of the ones dropped in the 54 were in arrears from July 1, 1911.

Make your moto BOOST the M. P. A.,

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Librarian's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—

It is my pleasure to report to you many contributions of papers during the past two months. The following publications have been sent gratis to the library by their publishers:— Philadelphia Stamp News; Southern Philatelist; New England Philatelist; Collectors Review; Vest Pocket Philatelist and the Stamp Journal. Thanks! It is my wish that more publications will be received during the coming two months.

Mr. Dunning has given his entire library of Philatelic papers to the M. P. A.. The library of the disbanded P. P. A. has been received from their Pre. Wm. H. Hollenbach. Donations also received from Messers Bundlie, Erickson and Hollenbach. We are in need of many of the current papers, besides those of later dates.

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Again I crave the indulgence of my readers for being brief, disappointed and far from anything but tired. Busy with M. P. A. book.

The new series of stamps is now under way, having been put on sale Feb. 1, 1912. The 10c, the only value I have seen, is a deep red yellow (not an orange) color. I think this color will not last long, and that it will be wise to get this first shade. In addition to this it is printed on the soft semi-transparent paper recently noted in Philadelphia Stamp News. Like the new Register it is printed on A. Plates.

I also advise to now buy the Washington head set and other varieties before it is too late. Remember what happened when the 1902 set was discontinued, many are sorry to this day. You cannot lose by buying U. S. mints. I mean the price will increase, therefore, don't say no one told you to buy in after years. Another thing the authorities are less strict now about giving away the used Official Savings bank stamps. So get in touch with your clerk and try to get the used stamps.

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pies we mailed never reached destination, and those who have not good copies for filing should write us.

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Now fellow members after the first number of the M. M. P. Mr. Mack took a great deal of pains to see that the M. P. A. received enough space. He has not done as our last O. O. Redfield's, who refused to print several reports claiming they needed the space. Mr. Mack has always given us space and plenty of it. Now as your President, I want to call your attention to a few things.

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The various cases of fraud which were handed the Board of Directors, for final settlement have been satisfactorily settled with one exception, and this is still in the hands of the Company, for investigation.

The new Y. B. which you will have by this time is the untiring work of our worthy Secretary Wm. C. Webb, who has worked hard to get the annual publication into shape and as he was finished with a portion of same he submitted it to me for approval.

Stand by us as you have in the past and the M. P. A. will not only be the stronger, but we will all be happier. I wish to ask all the Officials of all the Department to send me a report of their office as soon as possible. I would also be pleased to receive any suggestions any member may like to make regarding the Association. We Officials want to do all we can to make the Association an ideal society, and any suggestions offered to me or to our Secretary will be promptly placed before the Board of Directors. Remember this is your Association and we Officials are your humble servants. Waiting to obey your commands, I remain,

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Wm. H. Hollenbach, President.

WITH THE PUBLISHER.

Owing to lack of space we cannot say much this month, but we can be brief. We already have several who have sent for subscription blanks; they are all ready, with stubs to be sent the subscribers as receipts. Mr. Webb's Editorial just arrived too late to receive proper attention, so we just give him a short space on page 12. Sorry, but it meant a whole new layout, which meant delay.

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The Surcharged Stamps of Sweden.

By L. Harold Kjellstedt, F. R. P. S.



The only surcharges on postage issues of Sweden are four in number and were caused by a change to a decimal currency system and a desire to use up old stock on hand. Thus we see that these surcharges are of a perfectly legitimate character. On the ordinary postage stamps the surcharges occur on the 12 and 24 ore of the issue of 1877 and in connection with the official stamps on the 12 and 24 ore values of the issue of 1881-85. Both issues are perforated 13. Listing the surcharges in regular order we first have:

Ordinary postage. 10 on 12 ore. Blue.

This stamp was issued Oct. 1, 1889 and discontinued Dec. 8, 1889. It is thus seen that its life was only a little over two months, and when it is taken into consideration that only 1,957,000 stamps were surcharged, the latest price quotation from Sweden, eight cents for unused and six cents for used copies, seems very moderate.

Ordinary postage. 10 on 24 ore. Yellow orange.

Issued Oct. 1, 1889 and discontinued Nov. 25, 1889, the life of this stamp was still shorter and the number printed amounted to only 204,400 copies. The stamp is found in yellow, yellow orange, orange and red orange shades. The orange shade is the scarcest and copies of this are priced at 54 cents for either used or unused, while the yellow orange shade is quoted at 20 cents, used or unused. The yellow and red orange shades are valued at 40 cents, used or unused. The quotations given are those furnished by the expert committee of the Philatelic Society of Sweden in the Society's latest edition of its specialized catalogue.

Official stamps. 10 on 12 ore. Blue.

This stamp was in use from Oct. 1, to Dec. 1, 1889 with a total printing of 201,000 copies. It occurs in two rare varieties which are worth searching for. One has perforation 14 instead of 13. So far only one unused and 15 used copies have been found and the used have brought around \$80 a piece. 200 copies were printed with the surcharge inverted and these are valued at \$20 unused. The quotation for ordinary specimens is 20 cents unused and 27 cents used.

Official stamps. 10 on 24 ore. Orange.

In use from Oct. 1, 1889 to Dec. 1, 1889 this surcharge has the smallest edition of the four, numbering only 144,250 copies. Still the orange shade is only quoted at 27 cents for unused and 28 cents for used copies. The olive yellow is somewhat scarcer, and the red orange is three times more valuable than the orange. With the surcharge inverted this stamp offers one of the greatest varieties amongst the stamps of Sweden. Only 100 were printed thus and are valued at \$95 used or unused.

PRESS REVIEW.

By William C. Webb.

The request for a press review from my pen came rather late, hence I am obliged to be more brief than I would like.

Among the papers that have come to me during the past month which I deem worthy of review are the few following.

The Newark Stamp News, published by the Newark Stamp Club is a clever little four page society organ which shows that our local society down in Essex County is a live one. Subscription price is 25c per year, and it's worth the price. The last is No. 2 of Volume one. Only 35 copies of No. 1 were printed — so the literature collectors ought to howl.

The New England Stamp Monthly is an illustrated house organ of high class. It is full of good reading matter and worth far more than many other papers of several times the price, which is, as usual, 12c per year.

No. 4 of the **Wichecheoke Philatelist** is up to the high standard of the previous numbers. The only objection to it is the frontispiece and that won't be apt to appear again. An interesting feature of the paper is "Philatelists of Twenty Years ago." The press review is better than the usual run of such departments — being worthy of being read on account of its literary style. What the style is you must find out for yourself by reading.

The Philatelic Gazette. Need I say that it is right there with the goods? An article on the Hopedale Carrier, the Washington news, Palmer's article on the stamps of the Philippines, an article on the Nicaragua stamps or rather surcharges, and Auction Notes make a paper worth the price, and more.

The Southern Philatelist is, as usual, good. An article by B. W. H. Poole on the Stamps of the Confederate States promises to be good. If you don't subscribe to it — do it now and get this good stuff.

The Philatelic West. Ever the

same enjoyable paper. How many departments it has I could not say — off hand — but all are interesting and well conducted. Errors creep into here and there, but all men are mortal and I have yet to see the perfect paper or the perfect printer. Like good Indians, all the perfect printers are dead.

The well edited **Everybody's Philatelist** is here again. An article by Poole on the Stamps of Gilbert and Ellice is good reading. A proposition by the editor made for the benefit of schoolboy collectors is good. At the same time we note the addition of another editor to the already long list. This paper, if any, should be the exception to the maxim "Too many cooks spoil the broth" for it surely does not prove the rule.

The International Stamp Company's daily bargain sheets are worth more than a hasty glance. If your name is not on their mailing list your ownself is the only person you can blame.

The Weekly Philatelic Review, exponent of unity in society life, is still with us, better than ever before. When I say the editor is L. P. Miller you will all know that it is a good mixture of Philately and Humor.

The Philadelphia Stamp News is always the same — better than most of them. Bodmer's Hand-book on the Stamps of Madagascar is still running and is of interest to all who care for good stamp literature. The announcement that a monumental work on Holland is soon to appear in this paper is of great interest and if not already on the subscription list I would advise my readers to get there.

Mekeel's is as always — the best stamp weekly in the country for the boy collector or the specialist, although it is not so good as in the days of old — when it had less competition and hence first call on all the writers.

The United Stamp Co. Herald is a house organ — and is valuable to any collector of U. S. Locals on account of the reprint of Coster's work on U. S.

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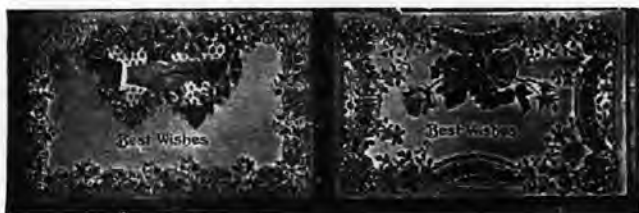
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The entire set of the new issue of U. S. has been put on sale — although I have seen only 1, 2, 8, 10, 15 and 50c and the \$1.00 so far. The one cent — with its change in design, is a striking stamp. At first glance under electric light it looks like the old thirteen cent green. The two — in spite of the addition of the numerals is not much different to look upon and scarcely any non-philatelist can detect the difference. The color of the new eight cent is much better than the washed out hue of the Washington head stamp. The ten cent I commented on last month. The fifteen is gray in color and is decidedly unlike anything in the last issue.

The fifty cent and dollar are in the new design, but on the old colors. All that I have seen are on the double lined watermark paper and hence I am led to believe that the highest values to be found on the single lined watermark of the old issue is the fifteen cent.

I advise all collectors to buy this issue now — the color varieties will come later and the first printing is the one that will be scarcest. Then too, there are many rumors that the designs will undergo radical changes — perhaps back to a series where each design is different. The postal clerks favor an issue with totally different designs for each denomination and if they agitate strongly enough there will doubtless be some changes made.

The project for the union of the S. P. A. and M. P. A. has progressed to such a point that the Board of Directors of the M. P. A. have called a mail election on the question. The editor some time since came out in favor of the scheme of uniting the various local societies — later the project of a union of the national so-

cieties was brought up. In a recent editorial in the Southern Philatelist Mr. Grosjean makes the statement that the union idea was subsequent to the amalgamation idea. The editor respectfully suggests to the editor of the Southern Philatelist that he look in his files of the old Post Cardist and see an article entitled "An Ideal Society." That article started the union movement and that movement was in the hands of a committee (self-appointed) of three, Messrs. Dorpat, Miller and the writer fully three months before the amalgamation of the S. P. A. and the M. P. A. was even suggested, if not before the election of officers in the S. P. A. for this term.

The writer honestly favors both movements—because there are points of difference in the plans. As for some of the objection raised to the amalgamation, with particular reference to a recent article by a person holding office in both societies who tries to riddle the argument that only office seeking persons oppose the union by referring to himself — it is the *personal* opinion that the said writer could not be elected to his office in the M. P. A. again if there were to be an election for the office, which is, under the new constitution, appointive. His argument is a boomerang also when he argues for two sets of officers as better than one because he admits that the officers of the two societies and the active working members of the two societies are largely the same. In 1909 the writer was opposed to amalgamation — for two reasons — (1) he did not want a union that looked as though it would benefit only one society, the National Philatelic Association, now no more. (2) he wanted the name of M. P. A. kept. But now — after serving as an officer for some time I appreciate the work and see how the same results could be accomplished with much less work by uniting the two societies.

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I advise all collectors to buy this issue now — the color varieties will come later and the first printing is the one that will be scarcest. Then too, there are many rumors that the designs will undergo radical changes — perhaps back to a series where each design is different. The postal clerks favor an issue with totally different designs for each denomination and if they agitate strongly enough there will doubtless be some changes made.

The project for the union of the S. P. A. and M. P. A. has progressed to such a point that the Board of Directors of the M. P. A. have called a mail election on the question. The editor some time since came out in favor of the scheme of uniting the various local societies — later the project of a union of the national so-

cieties was brought up. In a recent editorial in the Southern Philatelist Mr. Grosjean makes the statement that the union idea was subsequent to the amalgamation idea. The editor respectfully suggests to the editor of the Southern Philatelist that he look in his files of the old Post Cardist and see an article entitled "An Ideal Society." That article started the union movement and that movement was in the hands of a committee (self-appointed) of three, Messrs. Dorpat, Miller and the writer fully three months before the amalgamation of the S. P. A. and the M. P. A. was even suggested, if not before the election of officers in the S. P. A. for this term.

The writer honestly favors both movements—because there are points of difference in the plans. As for some of the objection raised to the amalgamation, with particular reference to a recent article by a person holding office in both societies who tries to riddle the argument that only office seeking persons oppose the union by referring to himself — it is the *personal* opinion that the said writer could not be elected to his office in the M. P. A. again if there were to be an election for the office, which is, under the new constitution, appointive. His argument is a boomerang also when he argues for two sets of officers as better than one because he admits that the officers of the two societies and the active working members of the two societies are largely the same. In 1909 the writer was opposed to amalgamation — for two reasons — (1) he did not want a union that looked as though it would benefit only one society, the National Philatelic Association, now no more. (2) he wanted the name of M. P. A. kept. But now — after serving as an officer for some time I appreciate the work and see how the same results could be accomplished with much less work by uniting the two societies.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

- Slusser, Walter F., age 34. Fort H. G. Wright, N. Y. Occupation:—Electrical Engineer. References:— J. A. Slusser, Fort H. G. Wright, N. Y., J. N. S. Brewster, Proposed by J. N. S. Brewster, #697
Beam, William E., age 32. Bedford, Pa. Occupation:— P. O. Clerk. References:— William H. Hollenbach, Victor V. Boyer, and C. C. Heffner, all of Reading, Pa. Proposed by William H. Hollenbach.
Bowen, Harold K., age. 15. 1435 4th Ave., S. Fort Dodge, Iowa. Student. Reference:— D. C. Meloy & Co., Iowa Stamp Society, Fort Dodge Savings Bank. Proposed by August Mack.

NEW MEMBERS.

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921 Katzin, Morris, Newark, N. J.
922 Saxton, Charles E., 123 Michigan St., Pueblo, Col.
923 Gress, Philip, 142 Henry St., New Haven, Conn.
924 Swisher, J. Selden, 304 So. Main Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Resignations Accepted.

- 428 Redfield, Scott, F., Smethport, Pa.
722 Hawley, Edwin H., 201 Richmond St., Painesville, Ohio.

Membership Summary.

Total membership at last report	291
New Members	5
Resignations accepted	2
Total membership March first, 1912	294

This report is going to be brief. The year book is expected any day — is in press and will be out — the Secretary hopes — not later than the 15th.

BOOST the M. P. A. and the amalgamation scheme. Here's to a united American society — powerful and active.

Fraternally yours, WILLIAM C. WEBB, Sec'y.

Sales Superintendent's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—

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114 Books Total Net Value of	\$652.35
125 Books have been retired, Net Value	685.97

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The postage of an investigation, will in all cases, be paid by the party making the complaint.

Yours for a better, bigger, M. P. A.

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International Secretary's Report.

Fellow Members:—

I am glad to state the plans of my Office are progressing satisfactorily. I have secured a foreign representative in England and France and hope to secure one in Germany soon. Our society has been honored by being elected a corresponding society of the Junior Philatelic Society of London.

I would like to hear from any foreign members who would like to act as representative for their country and I shall also be glad to send application blanks and other information they may desire to any foreign collectors who wish to become members.

Fellow members do not hesitate about asking me questions in regard to foreign journals, societies, etc. I will gladly give you all the information I can. I have a supply of application blanks of the J. P. S. and will send one to any collector interested.

The J. P. S. will hold an International Philatelic Exhibition in the Royal Horticultural Hall, London in October.

Fraternally yours, RASMUS BARTLESON, Int. Sec.

WITH THE PUBLISHER.

Dear Fellow Members:—

I wish to thank the many who have given their support to the M. M. P. I also wish to state that we are not getting the support that we deserve considering the space we are giving the M. P. A. We have still the first time to refuse anything sent in, although one month I had to print four more pages than we really wished, which meant a big expense over what we figured on.

Unity, I regret to say that I am getting many letters stating they were against it, mostly Office holders too. I am in for it as I really think it would be a benefit. As I now hold the office as Exchange Mgr. of the S. P. A. and the Publisher of the M. P. A. O. O. why don't I object?

Recently I had an occasion to visit a neighboring town and just as I was leaving I received the Southern Philatelist and I read it through otherwise as I only hastily glance over Philatelic papers, Mr. C. V. Webb's article would have escaped my notice. In his article he states that the M. M. P. is not up to the Philatelic West. (He is right). But just stop to consider the West has been published for years. Watch the M. M. P. GROW. In his article he states that one society covers the Philatelic West's subscribers while the other the M. M. P.'s subscribers. We must disagree on this, if either the West or the M. M. P. got no other subscribers except from the societies they represent, their subscription list would be small indeed. Also should the M. M. P. be elected as the O. O. of the combine the Philatelic West would lose very few subscribers. If I had more space I would say a little more but this month we are crowded.

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Redfield's is always a welcome guest on my reading table. It was the first paper to which I subscribed, and its able editorials have done much for me in encouraging my interest in stamp collecting. But I am sincerely sorry to see it opposing the amalgamation of the M. P. A. and S. P. A.

Any publishers who feel that they are neglected are requested to accept my apologies for the neglect and to also accept the assurance that any papers sent for review will be reviewed, impartially and with justice and fairness to all.

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EDITORIAL.

Lack of space we were unable to publish all we wished. Mr. Wm. C. Webb will now handle The Press Review and all papers that wish a Review will kindly send Mr. Webb a copy, he will take care of the rest.

We also thank our many contemporaries for their compliments and only regret not having the space to reciprocate. In fact, the editor has been too busy to even give this issue the attention it should have had. There are many who have sent for contest blanks and hope to hear from many more in the course of a couple of weeks. Remember you get 15c cash on all subscriptions received besides the prizes. Get busy and don't let the other fellow get ahead of you.

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If you want good printing don't forget T. O. Young, note his ad. on page 6.

Also a new HOBBY. Postmarks, look up McKee, page six, he has some good ones, stamps and all.

Elliot Hunt's ad. came too late for last month so they will now be March Bargains.

M. Ohlman's ad. last month should have read "any wholesale or retail list" instead of "my." Also his special leader should have been \$2.25 instead of \$2.89. Hope the mistake caused no inconvenience. Give him a trial.

L. V. Cass, you all know him, not need of any comment, give him an order, he will use you right.

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M. Bartels Co. has also favored us with a trial ad. They are surely prompt and have the goods.

H. A. Benner the Reading dealer is again with us on page four. Harry is a hustler. Try him.

A. B. Frantz of Lebanon another unsolicited ad. page 4. Write him if you have U. S. blocks, pairs, etc.

Our back pages are the same as last month except error in Thompson ad. should have read "40c" instead of "75c" we got his change of ad. too late.

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*1861 New Brunswick 2c	11	.12	.05	1899 Cuba 10c	304	.30	.15				
*1860 New Brunswick 5c	7	.06	.02	*1902 Cuba 1c	232	.10	.04				
*1883 India 9p	40	.10	.05	1907 Cuba 50c	238	.40	.12				
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RE-CONSOLIDATION.

Reply to H. Bowen, By Cleveland Bundlie.

In the April No. of the "Philatelic West," under the caption "Another S. P. A. Idea of No Combine," Mr. H. K. Bowen of Fort Dodge, Iowa, takes issue with my article "Let us Consolidate" which appeared in Feb. No. of Mack's Monthly Philatelist.

To use Mr. Bowen's own words I quote "I entirely disagree with Cleveland Bundlie's Article in Feb. No. of Mack's Monthly Philatelist," which states that the same question arose in 1909 and ended in a vote of 133 against 24 for making one organization."

That certainly is a strange statement to make when we all know that this issue was up in 1909 and was defeated. Why a person may just as well say that William J. Bryan was not defeated in the Presidential election 1908.

However for the benefit of those who cannot remember as far back as 1909 or who have taken up collecting stamps since that time, they can find the report of the Scranton Convention in most any stamp paper. Redfield's Weekly of Sept. 4, 1909 has a lengthy report. Sept. number of the Stamp Journal has another excellent report written by C. P. DeKay, one who was there. In this report on page 238, appears the following—The proposition to amalgamate with the Southern and the National was given a good vote, when the fact is considered that only instructed proxies were voted in its favor, all the un-instructed proxies were voted against the motion which was defeated by the vote 133 to 24.

So much for that part of it! Again Mr. Bowen disagrees with my assertion that a few ex-officials were the cause of the result of the vote because their chief objection was that the name of the Association should not be changed. He proves (?) it with just one sentence: I don't believe that such an objection would make the members of the M. P. A. quit using their heads.

Seems strange, all right, Mr. Bowen, but evidently they did quit using their heads. They must have quit using their heads, or they never would have defeated such a splendid measure. That there was ill feeling towards the M. P. A. for wishing to retain their name cannot be disputed. However if you are from "Missouri," refer to the "Stamp Journal" Vol. II, No. 7 (July) pages 167 and 173; Vol. II, No. 8 (Aug.) pages 204, 205 and 207

Mr. Bowen's next sentence: Well if they're selfish they are not generous are they Mr. Bundlie? I do not quite interpret the meaning, so shall make no comments regarding it. However, where I was mistaken was where I included C. V. Webb's name with those that were in favor of Unity and are now. I am sorry I included Mr. Webb's name and in explanation will say that this article "Let Us Consolidate" was written before I was aware that Mr. Webb's attitude towards consolidation had changed.

I used the word changed because where he is quoted in the Stamp Journal August, No. 1909, page 205 lead me to believe that he favored it. In referring to the quotation I wish to congratulate Mr. Webb on his honorable stand regarding the name of the proposed organization. He was one of those willing to have the M. P. A. give up its name also. In other words he wanted to be fair.

Yes I am quite convinced that Mr. Webb is now Anti-Unity, after reading his article in March West. I also wish to take issue with Mr.

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Webb in a number of places. He endeavors to illustrate that this consolidation would not necessarily make a large and powerful society. He takes as an example the combining of two great monthlies in N. Y. City.

PRESS REVIEW.

By William C. Webb.

First—A New Jersey paper claims my attention The **Wichechoke Philatelist** of Trenton, N. J. The frontispiece and first article are not what one might expect. To the writer's knowledge—the Newark dealer about whom this article is, is not Newark's leading dealer. In other respects the paper is up to our good Jersey standard and it deserves the support of all Jerseymen.

The **American Collector** of Beaver Springs, Pa. The contents are good. The editorial staff includes our Harrisburg friends—Aurand, Bodmer and Miller and when this trio get together a lot of good things are sure to result. We note the paper has been admitted to second class rates—curiously enough the number before us is January, 1912 while the date of admission is Feb. 6th. The paper is a quarterly and well worth the price, 20c per year. We predict a great future for it.

A new one on my table **Filatelia** from Puerto Plata, Dominion Republic. This little paper is printed in parallel columns of English and Spanish, and is very interesting. An article on "Specializing" by Jose Perotta, and one entitled "Caprices" by Dr. Francisco Penichet are the main features of the issue of Feb. 29th. The subscription price is \$1 per year and if the present standard is kept up it is worth it. Address: Filatelia, Puerto Plata, Dom. Republic.

The **Stamp Lover** of London is up to its usual high mark. W. H. Tarrant with an article on "Postage Stamps of India" R. E. R. Dalwign on "Philatelic Experts" the continuation of Crouch's "Honduras" plans and announcements of the exhibition; J. P. S. News; and A. J. Warrens article on "Dutch Indies" combine to make an issue with one hour's good philatelic reading. American collectors should read the S. L. — that is if they desire to pick up valuable information at little cost.

Fowler's Stamp and Coin Age. Prominent among the good things in the March issue of this our new paper from Chicago are "The Postage Stamps of Crete." by Bertram W. H. Poole. "In the Sixties" by Chas. E. Severn and not least, "The Rise of Modern Specialism" by Louis G. Quackenbush. This last is — I believe the first writing of Mr. Quackenbush to be publish-

ed in any paper other than Redfield's for some time past. Mr. Fowler can count himself fortunate to have so able a body on his staff. A portrait of Eugene Doeblin of Pittsburg, editorials, and the Chicago Stamp Society news fill the remainder of this paper. A paper worth reading.

The Philatelic Gazette. One gets tired of receiving month after month—a paper with which one is unable to find fault with. Carroll Chase, M. D. continues his article on plating the U. S. 3c, 1851. Palmers "Philippines" and a check list of Western Express Franks, used on U. S. envelopes by, V. M. Berthold and W. W. Randall are the leading articles. The paper is up to the high mark which it has set in previous numbers.

The New England Stamp Monthly, is up to the standard set by previous numbers and far better than most house organs.

E. S. Allens, **Stamp Salesman,** is worth the 15c he asks for a year. It is more of a house organ and full of bargains.

The Collectors' Journal for January, just to hand, is full of good stuff. A particularly good article is one by Wm. L. Stevenson on early U. S. "Cancellations." The worst criticism the writer can make is the irregularity of appearance of this paper. Typographically it is excellent.

The Southern Philatelist is up to its usual standard, and is well worth the perusal of all collectors.

The Philadelphia Stamp News. No comment is necessary for this weekly is always good. I congratulate the publisher on completing his second volume.

The Stamp Journal is not reviewed because, owing to some unknown reason the writer never receives it until it is from four to six weeks overdue.

The Metropolitan Philatelist, continues on its way as good as any and better than most.

Redfield's and Mekeel's. I am going to lump — both are good and both have been interesting to the writer during the past month.

The last number of the **New Yorker** was good in every respect.

Many papers for lack of space have not been reviewed. Some time it seems the big ones get too much attention — but one of these days I am going to review everything that comes along, even if we have to build an addition on the printing plant.

AMERICAN STAMP PAPERS.

(I)—Weeklies. (a)—Phila. Stamp News.

Criticised Gently but Firmly, by Ben Zine Cupp.

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PRESS REVIEW.

By William C. Webb.

First—A New Jersey paper claims my attention The **Wichechoke Philatelist** of Trenton, N. J. The frontispiece and first article are not what one might expect. To the writer's knowledge—the Newark dealer about whom this article is, is not Newark's leading dealer. In other respects the paper is up to our good Jersey standard and it deserves the support of all Jerseymen.

The **American Collector** of Beaver Springs, Pa. The contents are good. The editorial staff includes our Harrisburg friends—Aurand, Bodmer and Miller and when this trio get together a lot of good things are sure to result. We note the paper has been admitted to second class rates—curiously enough the number before us is January, 1912 while the date of admission is Feb. 6th. The paper is a quarterly and well worth the price, 20c per year. We predict a great future for it.

A new one on my table **Filatelia** from Puerto Plata, Dominion Republic. This little paper is printed in parallel columns of English and Spanish, and is very interesting. An article on "Specializing" by Jose Perotta, and one entitled "Caprices" by Dr. Francisco Penichet are the main features of the issue of Feb. 29th. The subscription price is \$1 per year and if the present standard is kept up it is worth it. Address: Filatelia, Puerto Plata, Dom. Republic.

The **Stamp Lover** of London is up to its usual high mark. W. H. Tarrant with an article on "Postage Stamps of India" R. E. R. Dalwigg on "Philatelic Experts" the continuation of Crouch's "Honduras" plans and announcements of the exhibition; J. P. S. News; and A. J. Warrens article on "Dutch Indies" combine to make an issue with one hour's good philatelic reading. American collectors should read the S. L. — that is if they desire to pick up valuable information at little cost.

Fowler's Stamp and Coin Age. Prominent among the good things in the March issue of this our new paper from Chicago are "The Postage Stamps of Crete," by Bertram W. H. Poole. "In the Sixties" by Chas. E. Severn and not least. "The Rise of Modern Specialism" by Louis G. Quackenbush. This last is — I believe the first writing of Mr. Quackenbush to be publish-

ed in any paper other than Redfield's for some time past. Mr. Fowler can count himself fortunate to have so able a body on his staff. A portrait of Eugene Doebelin of Pittsburg, editorials, and the Chicago Stamp Society news fill the remainder of this paper. A paper worth reading.

The Philatelic Gazette. One gets tired of receiving month after month—a paper with which one is unable to find fault with. Carroll Chase, M. D. continues his article on plating the U. S. 3c, 1851. Palmers "Philippines" and a check list of Western Express Franks, used on U. S. envelopes by, V. M. Berthold and W. W. Randall are the leading articles. The paper is up to the high mark which it has set in previous numbers.

The New England Stamp Monthly, is up to the standard set by previous numbers and far better than most house organs.

E. S. Allens, **Stamp Salesman.** is worth the 15c he asks for a year. It is more of a house organ and full of bargains.

The Collectors' Journal for January, just to hand, is full of good stuff. A particularly good article is one by Wm. L. Stevenson on early U. S. "Cancellations." The worst criticism the writer can make is the irregularity of appearance of this paper. Typographically it is excellent.

The Southern Philatelist is up to its usual standard, and is well worth the perusal of all collectors.

The Philadelphia Stamp News. No comment is necessary for this weekly is always good. I congratulate the publisher on completing his second volume.

The Stamp Journal is not reviewed because, owing to some unknown reason the writer never receives it until it is from four to six weeks overdue.

The Metropolitan Philatelist, continues on its way as good as any and better than most.

Redfield's and Mekeel's. I am going to lump — both are good and both have been interesting to the writer during the past month.

The last number of the **New Yorker** was good in every respect.

Many papers for lack of space have not been reviewed. Some time it seems the big ones get too much attention — but one of these days I am going to review everything that comes along, even if we have to build an addition on the printing plant.

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(I)—Weeklies. (a)—Phila. Stamp News.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Mager, (Mrs.) Milly, San Salvador, Rep. El Salvador. Age 28. Reference—A. W. Dunning. Proposed by A. W. Dunning.
Lycett, William, 323 Clinton St., Brooklyn, New York. Proof-reader, with Methodist Book Concern. Age 49. References—A. C. Paimann, 76 Nassau St., New York City. E. S. Lewis, Editor of The Classmate, New York, N. Y. Proposed by A. C. Paimann.

NEW MEMBERS.

925. Slusser, Walter F., Fort H. G. Wright, N. Y.
926. Beam, William E., Bedford, Pa.
928. Bowen, Harold K., 1435 4th Ave., S., Ft. Dodge, Iowa.

Dropped by Request: Mey, Hugo, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Membership Summary.

Total membership at last report	294
New members	3
Dropped by request	1
Total membership March 30, 1912	296

The Secretary has only one thing to put in his message this month. The printer has just called me up by wire and informs me that I can announce the Year Book to be out by the 15th of April. But remember he promised it by the 25th of March—and fell down. However you can expect your year book during the month of May. Fraternaly yours, WILLIAM C. WEBB, Sec'y.

Librarian's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—The following papers have been sent the Librarian by their publishers: (THANKS) MACK'S MONTHLY PHILATELIST, STAMP JOURNAL, NEW ENGLAND PHILATELIST, HOBBYIST, VEST POCKET PHILATELIST.

Since my last report, Messers Dunning, Hollenbach, Bundlie and F. L. Clark have made donations of papers to the library. Same are hereby acknowledged with thanks. Hope I may have more to report next time.

Respectfully submitted, CLARENCE V. WEBB, Librarian.

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Sale's Superintendent's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—Since my last report I have received:

19 Books Total Net Value of	\$ 58.75
38 Books have been retired, Net Value	194.39
In circulation last report 730 Books Value.....	4928.51
Now in circulation 711 Books Net Value.....	4792.87

The Sales are good as many bargains are being offered. If you are buying stamps write for a trial circuit to-day. If you have stamps to sell remit 3c each for as many Sale's Books as you wish to fill.

Write the Sales Supt. NOW.

Fraternally yours, LEON V. CASS, Morgantown, N. C.

Treasurer's Report from Nov. 1, 1911 to March 9, 1912.**Credits.**

Nov. 3, 1911. Balance received from Dr. H. A. Davis.....	\$ 6.26
November Receipts	1.60
December Receipts	19.00
Dec. 30, 1911. Contribution Penna. Phil. Assoc.	14.00
Jan. 30, 1912. January Receipts	32.26
Feb. 26, 1912. Bal. received from Dr. Davis Acct., error.....	7.62
February receipts	9.82
Total Receipts to date	\$90.56

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Dec. 1, 1911. Difference in dues, J. P. S. London	\$.70
Dec. 11, 1911. Printing of 1000 application blanks.....	5.50
Dec. 30, 1911. Printing bill of Int. Sec'y office.....	6.50
Dec. 30, 1911. Secretary's expense for November.....	5.16
Jan. 6, 1912. A. W. Dunning, freight on Library papers.....	1.06
A. W. Dunning acct. amount awarded R. Goerke.....	2.41
R. Goerke claim allowed plus amt. paid by Dunning....	4.82
Secretary's expense for December.....	2.76
Feb. 9, 1912. A. W. Dunning acct. awarded R. Goerke.....	2.41
A. W. Dunning, acct. frg't and drayage (Library).....	1.01
Secretary's expense for January.....	6.52
Feb. 17, 1912. A. W. Dunning acct., expressage69
C. V. Webbs, postage as Librarian.....	.48
Feb. 24, 1912. Printing and supplies for Secretary.....	13.25
Mar. 9, 1912. Secretary's expenses for February.....	1.90
Total	\$55.17

Summary of Balance on hand.....\$35.39

Respectfully submitted, VICTOR V. BOYER, Treas.

Exchange Manager's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—I wish to say a few words that may help us to better our Department. It is almost useless to put in stamps that are torn or otherwise damaged, straight edged, revenue cancelled or very heavily cancelled. I note that you do not take these stamps, so why put them in? The Exchange has been running so long now that every one has the commoner stamps of the old issues. Common U. S. will not go at all, neither will cheap Continentals or the common So. American. Cheap Cubans are a drug on the market. If we all try to better our entries a little, we shall have a better chance to secure stamps we really need. In the future I am going to charge 10% for all books that do not catalogue over \$5.00 mutilated or heavily cancelled stamps not counted. The more books you put in, the more circuits I can send out. There has been some substituting, but I can hardly believe our members have been guilty of such a trick. Be careful no outsiders get access to the circuits. The Exchange is run on a cheaper basis than any other of its kind in the world, you can therefore afford to patronize it. Get all the other members you can to do likewise.

Thanking you for your assistance and general kindness during the past year. I am,

Fraternally yours, A. E. BARTLETT, Ex. Mgr.

Metropolitan Philatelic Association

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Applications for Membership.

- Foulke, Roy A., 33½ Fisher Ave., White Plains, N. Y. Age 15. Student. References Clarence V. Webb, Perry, Ohio; Dr. D. A. Cant, 164 Railroad Ave., White Plains, N. Y. Proposed by Clarence V. Webb.
- Hammett, R. T., Jr., 212 N. Stricker St., Baltimore, Md. Age 15. References, Leon V. Cass, Morganton, N. C.; Charles E. Falconer, Pres. the Falconer Co., Baltimore, Md. Proposed by Leon V. Cass.
- Belden, Herbert T., 129 Thompson St., Springfield, Mass. Age 26. Occupation, Bookkeeper, with Chapin National Bank. References, Webb Stamp Co., Boonton, N. J. Chapin National Bank, Springfield, Mass. Proposed by William C. Webb, #570.

Change of Address.

Rev. Jasper L. Van Avery, from Newcomb to Greenfield Center, N. Y.

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But I have an announcement to make. I have for some time past desired to make to several collecting friends a distinctly individual gift — and have decided to have a limited edition of the year book printed on special paper. There will be only 75 copies, special paper and binding. As I do not need so many for my use, I have decided to do as follows:—

I will personally pay the expenses of the De Luxe edition — to the printer — and will sell any copies I may have left over at either \$1.50 or \$2.00, the profits after printing costs and advertising expenses, if any, I will turn over to the Treasurer of the M. P. A. If not enough copies are sold to pay expenses of advertising and printing, I will personally stand the loss.

I wrote concerning my idea to several of the other officers and they all approved of it. One or two each ordered copies of the edition.

I am making this announcement, therefore to call to your attention that such an edition will be made, and request you, if you desire to order a copy of the limited edition, to send your order to me as soon as possible so that you will be in time to have one reserved for you.

Remember that I will not profit any by the edition — but if enough copies are sold the society will — and send your order along as soon as you can.

The nominations for elective officers of the Association for the year 1912-1913 are now open. Officers to be elected in August are a President, Vice-President, Secretary, International Secretary, Treasurer, and two Directors-at-Large. These seven officers constitute the Board of Directors, who appoint all other officers.

Nominations should be sent in as soon as possible so that the ballots can be made up without undue delay.

The nominations will be closed on June 28, 1912. Nominations received after that date will not be considered or given place on the official ballot.

The Convention call will be issued later.

The mail vote regarding the unions of the S. P. A., M. P. A. and U. P. A. has been recalled by the directors owing to the fact that, after an express promise by the officers of the S. P. A. to call such a vote, the acting President refuses to carry out the intentions of his predecessor and will not call the vote for the present.

A vote will be taken in the M. P. A. on the matter at the annual election in August. Kindly instruct your proxies as to how to vote on this and the official organ question this year.

And last, but not least, get out and hustle for the M. P. A., and believe me, as ever, sincerely and fraternally yours for the M. P. A.,

WILLIAM C. WEBB, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Fellow Members:—

During the past few months our Association has steadily increased in membership and finance, and we can all be proud of the M. P. A. The question of a Union between the M. P. A. and S. P. A. has caused a great deal of talk in the philatelic circles.

As your President, I wish to state I am heartily in favor of the Union, and have asked the Board of Directors to call a mail vote on the question. The Board has granted my call and ballots were to be printed and mailed each member with our annual Year Book.

Upon the resignation of L. Harold Kjellstadt, Pres. of S. P. A., the Rev. H. Wendt, Vice-Pres. entered the S. P. A. President's chair, and will not ask for a mail vote unless directed to do so by the board of trustees.

Upon the suggestion of Sec'y Wm. C. Webb the M. P. A. Directors have decided to wait with its mail vote until the S. P. A. is willing to have a like vote taken in its Association. Mr. C. V. Webb, in an article in the West, states there are all kinds of disagreements regarding this Union. Let me state that Mr. Webb is entirely in the wrong at least so far there has been none except that the S. P. A. has made provisions for a mail vote on the question.

Regarding the Y. B. am sorry to say that owing to a small strike in type setters, it has been delayed, however, I trust you may all have it by this time. I now wish to call your attention to the very important question — that of the nomination of Officers for the year 1912-1913. I suppose our Sec'y will have his call for nominations in this issue and all members should take advantage and send in their nominations to the Secretary. There will be but seven Officers to nominate, President, Vice-Pres., Secretary, Treasurer, Int. Secretary and two Directors at Large.

During the past four months I have received several requests to again become a candidate for the Presidency of the M. P. A.

Let me state that I fully appreciate the honors you have already bestowed upon me, and I feel that I have labored hard and long and need a rest. I will therefore ask you to kindly nominate Dr. H. A. Davis, for the Presidency, as I do not wish re-election in other words I do not wish the nomination. While I do not wish to tell the members who to nominate I wish to state that the following Officers have served very faithful and deserve re-election.

Dr. Davis, for two terms our Secretary and one term as Vice-Pres. fully deserves the honors of President. As Vice-Pres. I would like to name as my choice and the candidate of Reading, Pa., members Dr. J. M. Holt, one of the Directors; Secretary, our worthy Secretary Wm. C. Webb, there could be none better; Treas., that royal and able Reading member and present Treas. Victor V. Boyer; Int. Secretary, Mr. Rasmus Bartleson should be re-elected in order that he may continue the good work that he has started.

As Director at Large our worthy Ex-Pres., A. W. Dunning cannot be beat he has been loyal and true and ready to do his work of the work that was placed before the President and the Board of Directors. There is however, still one Director to name and as we have a number of faithful members who could and would fill this place with credit, I will not name one but will ask you to make a good selection.

The Annual Convention will be held in Harrisburg, some time in August, possibly the 15-16-17, however this is uncertain. Convention call will be made in the June issue of the M. M. P. Thanking you for past support and favors and trusting you to nominate real live men to serve you 1912-1913, I am, Yours for Service,

Wm. H. Hollenbach, Pres.

NEW ISSUES.

Bermuda—We learn there are three new ones of this island: Namely,

- ¼d Brown
- 6d Lilac
- 1s Green

All the ship design.

Denmark—Are surcharging some of their stamps 35 ore, in blue.

- 35 ore on 16 Brown and blue
- 35 ore on 20 grey and red
- 35 ore on 32 Green, official

Servia—Portrait of King Peter.

- 50 para Brown
- 1 dinar Orange
- 3 dinar Maroon
- 5 dinar Violet

Lichtenstein—Portrait of Prince John. Design similar to Austria Jubilee.

- 5 heller Green
- 10 heller Carmine
- 25 heller Blue

Portugal—Figure of a reaper. Republica Portuguesa at top, Correo at bottom.

- 1 centimo, deep green
- 5 centimos, deep blue

Iceland—Portrait of Jon Sigurdson on the 1, 3, 6, 15 and 25 aur; King Frederick VIII on the other values.

- 1 eyr Yellow Green
- 3 aur Deep Buff
- 5 aur Green
- 6 aur Slate
- 10 aur Red
- 15 aur Violet
- 20 aur Blue
- 25 aur Orange
- 50 aur Maroon
- 1 kr. Yellow
- 2 kr. Magneta
- 5 kr. Brown

New Zealand—The current 4 pence is now printed in a new color.

- 4p, Yellow

Antigua—Three values of the current type have been issued on Multiple CA paper.

- 2p, brown and purple
- 3p, orange brown and grey green
- 3s, violet and green.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Under this heading we will insert any questions and answers forwarded to us. Exclusive rights to our subscribers only. Any of our readers will be at liberty to send in their answers.

United States issued the first postage stamps in 1847. Why do we find the PAID envelopes late in the fifties? B.

Have any of our readers ever seen the 1875 Newspaper set complete with the words "Fac Simile" overprinted on them, if so do any of our readers know where they originated from? N. C.

Can any of our readers tell this party when picture postcards were first introduced? P. C.

Do any of our readers know the present whereabouts of Albert Hoffman, formerly of England? Dealer.

Is there any place and where can I put the original stamps of the Seebek issuing countries?

Ans. J. E. Handshaw, Smithtown Branch, N. Y., also L. W. Charlat, Nassau St., N. Y. City. no doubt can supply these.

When will Scott's 1912 catalogue be out? Impatient.

Ans. We have been informed it would be out the middle of May or first part of June. MAYBE.

A NEW VARIETY.

The Editor in looking over his stock recently has found some very interesting varieties. Caps over the figure 4 on the 4c Columbia, extra dashes and foliage in circles containing the figures one in the 1890-94 issue, and many others too numerous to mention.

This interested me more than any other:—The 2c shield of 1903, dark carmine. It is fairly centered block straight edge at top. The lower right hand stamp has a certain dash about 5mm in length extending from the corner of left eye, across the tip of nose to center of chin. Have any others seen this freak? The line is well defined plainly seen at a distance.

COLLECTORS' COLUMN.

Single insertion one cent per word. Three insertions for price of two. No advertisement taken for less than twenty cents.

Wanted: 1908—13c green in good used condition for cash or exchange. Send with lowest cash price or write. Mack Stamp Co., 2245 Boulevard Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Postmark Collectors, Notice! I have had great opportunities to get interesting postmarks, I sell stamps and all 50 different for 10c. Alex McKee, 1627 Dickson Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Stamps: We are in the market for good U. S. unused or used. Write us stating what you have and price. Penn Stamp Co., Box 267c, Moosic, Pa.

Blank approval books, 60 space just to clean them up. Ten for 15c postfree. Ten beautiful colored post cards of the ELECTRIC CITY, 10c. August Mack, 2245 Boulevard Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Stamps: Selections of desirable stamps sent on approval at 70% dis. from Cat. Reference please. J. Emory Renoll, Dept. 3, Hanover, Pa.

If you want any job lots of good stamps at wholesale prices, send for my list. R. Stiles, 306 Summit Ave., Schenectady, N. Y.

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WITH OUR ADVERTISERS.

This month we have several new ones and not one solicited, in fact we have only three solicited ads. we are depending on our own merits.

Look up H. A. Benner's Ad he must be doing business. Well Harry's all right.

M. Ohlman is still with us only on a larger space than usual. Look up his Ad. and see if you cannot help him to give us a page for next issue.

We have received from Mr. Walter F. Slusser a sample of the post cards he is offering in this issue. The cards are certainly fine and interesting.

W. Harwood of Salem, Ohio has favored us with an ad. look it up.

You will also find on one of our pages an ad. of Edwin Fuss. Suriname officials. If you need any look up his Ad. and send your order and help us both.

Most surprised of all an Ad. from Chas. G. Brown, of Troy, N. Y. We had the pleasure of Mr. Brown's acquaintance in 1909. But had almost forgotten him. He now wants the M. M. P. to sell his collection look up his Ad. and see what we can do.

Elliot Hunt writes: My Ad. in Jan. paid me far better than I expected. I also note the many new ads. and think if more would try your paper they would not regret it.

An Open Letter.

Macks Monthly Philatelist,

August Mack, Ed.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will find my five year subscription, also run the enclosed advertisement until further notice.

Wishing you success I am,

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In order to catch up with ourselves we have decided to combine the April and May issue, don't be alarmed you will get your twelve numbers per year.

There have been several unfortunate circumstances to hold us back. One was sickness.

It has been suggested that we run less M. P. A. matter, and to be candid unless we get better support we will. At the Convention I was asked how many pages I would give and I promised one or two, except convention time. Owing to the Secretary's report taking up one page we have been more liberal. I have not refused to publish anything sent in so far. Look at this month's there was a whole lot of work and time spent to make this a good issue.

You will note that we have made a few changes. Also we wish to state

if there are any kicks, they should be registered with the Editor, not outsiders as he is the one to rectify.

We have tried to figure out why so many of our papers go astray each month, but so far have been unsuccessful. We also wish to state for the benefit of some readers that Ben-Zine Cupp was neither discharged or quit, he was a little slow with his March article is all. He is not Wm. C. Webb you have another guess coming, Mr.—

Some of our Advertisers seem to think we can furnish them with complimentaries.

Unless those who have been sent statements fail to reply by next issue, we will gladly give you a display Adv. FREE of charge. We got to pay our way, why not you? Hustle up, don't make it any harder for us.

Readers will also do us a great favor by mentioning the M. M. P. in answering advertisements.

We also wish to call your attention to the standing of the contestants in the subscription contest. Many having come in this last week. We will gladly send the address of any of the contestants upon application.

Hereafter all advertisements must be in our office not later than the 25th of month preceding issue to insure insertion, same must be said of all other manuscript.

The Secretary's report it is understood between Mr. Webb and myself that the first of the month is time enough so as to get each month's report in full in each issue. The others must get here so as to give us time to prepare our pages for the printer.

Remember we are always glad to receive suggestions or comments on the betterment of our magazine.

In closing we wish to state that we have tried to get out a good issue to make up for lost time, and hope our readers will appreciate it enough to send in their subscription giving some of the contestants their Sub. to make it more interesting. You will note that owing to many circumstances we have postponed the contest to August 1st.

EDITORIAL.

By William C. Webb.

This month I am going to discuss the need for more local societies. There are now published in the English language a large number of papers devoted to our hobby, each of which is different from the others.

To keep well informed the collector particularly the younger collector should have some place where he could have access to the best philatelic literature. Hence I favor a club room in each town where the collectors can gather and read. By town I mean any village where three or more collectors live. The combined funds of three or more collectors joining in subscribing to the leading stamp papers would result in each being better informed and the expense of the getting the information would be lessened.

To subscribe to the best stamp literature would cost for each separately about \$10 per year. This the average young collector cannot afford. But if five collectors club together for the purpose it would only cost each one \$2.00 or about 4c per week. Thus the Local Club can and should provide its members with good reading matter.

In small places where one of the members has a workshop or small room that can be used as a meeting place and hence the local clubs have not rent to pay, this is the logical way for local clubs to keep well informed.

Larger clubs can do more, they can subscribe to more foreign papers and to all of the smaller American papers.

Many of our younger collectors do not know the latest news — for the

simple reason that dealers on whose lists their names appear do not want their younger customers to be well informed or even to read stamp papers, for the selfish reason that they may see the other fellow's adv., and go where they can get better prices.

Not one dealer in ten boosts the subscription lists of all the important stamp papers. If the dealers who cater to the young collectors' trade would boost the entire line of stamp papers then not so many of our publishers would get discouraged and quit.

(Right you are Webb).

The American collector wants information, but many of them who are on the lists of the large dealers in low priced stamps have never even heard of Mekeels.

But I am wandering from my text. An ideal condition of affairs would be where the big dealer would — if requested, take the trouble to find out how many collectors from any certain town were on his lists and would aid in bringing them together for the formation of a local club. In this way many collectors who live within a few miles of each other could be brought together, and this comradeship would result in increased interest — for often the solitary collector quits because although the good seed is sown it is choked by thorns.

Let us therefore see many local clubs organized — with the object in view of getting together a good library for reference and of increasing interest in our hobby.

The writer stands ready to assist at all times in so much as possible in this work for the advancement of Philately.

RECONSOLIDATION. (Continued from Page 7).

He says they issued one number under the combine and failed. This may be true, but as Mr. Webb takes an example of consolidation proving a failure. I can show where it is a success — a marked success. Right here in my home city there was published two daily newspapers by two separate establishments. Much rivalry existing between them. One boasted of more subscribers, etc., than the other. Just like the M. P. A. and the S. P. A.

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*1860 New Brunswick 5c..	7	.06	.02	*1902 Cuba 1c	232	.10	.04
*1883 India 9p.....	40	.10	.05	1907 Cuba 50c	238	.40	.12
*1892 Shanghai 2c.....	129	.10	.04	1910 Cuba 8c	243	.06	.03
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1894 Brazil, 1000r.....	122	.10	.04	*1867 Newfoundland 6c... 34	.25	.12	
1894 Brazil 700r.....	121	.15	.06	*1887 Newfoundland 1/2c.. 44	.06	.02	
1908 Brazil 100r.....	187	.08	.04	*1896 Newfoundland 2c.. 58	.25	.12	
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1911 Chile Large 15c, new			.05	1904 Transvaal 3p	240	.06	.03
1906 Soudan 5m.....	817	.03	.01	*1902 Guatemala 50c..... 120	.15	.07	
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1882 W. Australia 2p.... 52	.04	.01		1906 Tunis 1 fr..... 208	.06	.03	
*1884 Bermuda 1/2p..... 19	.05	.02		1902 U. S. 50c	310	.18	.07
1811 Portugal 100r..... 40	.05	.02		1909 U. S. 50c	333	.25	.12
*1907 Cayman 6p..... 26	.25	.15		1909 U. S. mint \$1.00 ... 334		1.15	
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No. 9.

THE VALUE OF THE PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS.

By Cleveland Bundlie, A. P. S. 3965.

Have you ever stopped to think where our hobby—Stamp Collecting would be were there no publications devoted to it? What would we do were they all to discontinue publication to-day?

Why we could not do anything. Even if we were to continue collecting by ourselves, we could not do it intelligently. Not only would new issues come out which we would know nothing about, but we must exchange views, and experiences, make known our finds and guard against counterfeits and dishonest collectors and dealers.

Organized philately would be impossible. Take away our philatelic societies and the greatest pleasure of stamp collecting is gone. We are scattered and distantly removed from one another, that we can only keep in friendly relation with each other through these societies, and if we had no stamp papers it would not be possible for organized philately to exist. Thus the greatest pleasure as well as the greatest benefit would be eliminated.

What would dealers do in order to place his wares before the collectors? He would simply have to have some publication to advertise in. It would be out of the question to call upon them personally, and it would not pay for him to write each individual.

And still another question:—

How would we know who collected stamps?

There is no use talking, we *must* and *will* have the philatelic publications so, let us make it as easy for the publishers of these magazines as possible.

Let us support them in every manner within our power — financially, and by contributing to their respective papers and magazines, notes and manuscript.

Advertisers ought to give them a trial, and buyers when answering will help greatly by mentioning where they saw the advertisement, as there is not a dealer but what would like to know where you saw their Ad.

Nominations for Officers of the American Philatelic Association.

The following ticket was nominated subject to the acceptance of certain nominees thereon previous communication with whom was prevented by want of time, by Branch No. 1 of Chicago, Ill.

For President, F. R. Cornwall, St. Louis, Mo., Vice-Presidents, C. A. Coolidge; Chm., C. F. Heyerman; Clerk, H. Bower, Detroit, Mich.; Secretary, Wm. E. Ault, Jeffersonville, Ind.; Treasurer, L. C. Hassler, Louisville, Ky., Int. Secretary, L. C. Kjellstedt, Scranton Pa.; Directors at Large, E. M. Carpenter, Boston, Mass., H. J. Croker, San Francisco Cal.

Branch No. 1 heartily endorses the present incumbent Mr. P. M. Wolfieffer for re-appointment as Sales' Superintendent.

E. S. Scheffler, Secy., Branch No. 1, 3760 Rokely St.

American Stamp Papers.

Being a sudden wind up of this series.

By Ben Zine Cupp.

It's no go, this series isn't. Ben wishes he hadn't begun it, and is glad he is going to stop it. If anyone present has learned anything from the stuff, he will please step forward and be cross-examined. The publisher of this invaluable vehicle for the transmission of Ben's effusions, is authority for the fact that readers want the old Press Review Department, continued under Ben's wonderful system. Also somebody said something about Ben conducting a Boys' Page. Well, Well! But let's compromise. This the last installment of "American Stamp Papers," will partake somewhat of a Press Review Dept's nature, and the boys can read it if they want to. How's that? But now, to the work! The two leading weeklies have been disposed of previously, and the story will be taken up at that point.

Redfield's Weekly:—Last and least, of the weeklies. It has no good excuse for existing, at all. Editor Quackenbush wouldn't have to hunt around long for another paper to spread out in. But it exists just the same, beginning every issue with Quackenbush, and quitting the same way, with reprinted articles sandwiched in between. Reminds Ben of one of those musical comedies hinging on one thing, and some girls. Mr. Quackenbush is the one thing, and the reprints do the chorus work.

Weekly Philatelic Review:—Er — it's probably best not to say things about the deceased, but,—er,—well, Miller's intentions were good, anyway.

Philatelic Gazette:—A cross between a weekly and a monthly. Just right for collectors of Uruguay, all U. S. lines, and a few more. Others keep out. Beginners wishing to get the Gazette should first take a course in Philately in Mekeel's Weekly, under Prof. Poole.

Philatelic Journal of America:—The pride of the nation. Fine smelling slippery paper, multitudes of cuts, boosts for the publisher's business, and even the L. P. Miller jocosity.

Collector's Journal:—For general excellence, the Journal is perhaps superior to even the great P. J. of A., heretofore abused. Really, Ben can't help find anything to knock at, and being thus on very dangerous grounds he begs to drop the matter. "If you can't knock, don't boost."

Southern Philatelist:—Not quite 6x9, but every bit as courageous. The printing varies from good to bad, as do also the articles. But you don't need what you don't like—there's always so much to pick from. That Union press that the S. P. is printed on is going to break down one of these days. It has too many responsibilities for one machine.

Everybody's Philatelist:—Fair to middlin'. Not so worse and not so best. Dr. Holt has the right spirit, but he ought to wake up that staff of associate editors, and impart some of it to them.

New Yorker:—Second to none,—only about seventh. But its faults are few, and not serious ones.

Mack's Monthly Philatelist:—Mr. Mack may finish this. Ben QUILTS. Happy Fourth July everybody.

Well:—All Mack wants is the "West" to take back that we are a house organ. We have applied for second class rates, that's what a house organ cannot enjoy. We also wish to state that we will get a paper out worth while and on time if we have to buy out a printing establishment.

PRESS REVIEW.

By William C. Webb.

My press review this issue is going to be brief and of a slightly different sort this month. All the standard issues are up to their mark — and only one deserves especial mark. This is our Trenton, N. J. friend with the queer Indian name. It suspended — but true to his promise the editor made good the subscription price not earned to his subscribers. All honor to Theodore G. Kitchin.

The **Philatelic Gazette** is about the same as usual, thank you, but the editor and publisher are devoting too much space to the New York exhibition and to extra fine articles. These are all right, but occasionally one likes to read a stamp paper with less of the deadly scientific matter and more news. Many of my younger friends say that they do not like it because of the space devoted to these high class articles.

The **Philadelphia Stamp News** is as always, readable. Seems to me that Editor Mann has gotten rid of his Associate editors. That was a good move. The names took up too much space at the head of the editorial column and were mostly ornamental anyway.

The report is that our friend **Clarence V. Webb** is about to issue the **Perry Collector**. Good enough. But, *verba sapiens*, etc. — go slow. It takes time and a stamp paper, even a monthly, is not a one man affair. What will do up one man will succeed with two or more.

Cleveland Bundlie announces the **Philatelic Dispatch**, a quarterly, not A. P. S. style. We wish him luck and hope that he will make a go of it.

Last among the announcements but

not, in the writer's opinion least, is the *rumor* that the **Boonton Collectors' Association** is about to establish a monthly. If the Association does not do it, I understand that two or three of the members will. It will be twelve pages, on first class paper, well printed and well financed. (I speak from personal knowledge of the project). The name is not yet chosen, but will likely be the **Philatelic Forum**. Negotiations have been opened for the purchase of the subscription lists of several of the smaller papers and in all probability the new Boonton paper will take the place of the deceased Trenton paper. The paper will probably be placed in nomination for the organship of one or two of the smaller societies.

The edition DeLuxe of the M. P. A. year book, now in press, is something fine. Many orders have been booked and the writer feels confident that he will give to the reading public something for their money.

As usual, the **Stamp Journal** has been exasperatingly late recently. And after it comes it contains so little of interest that one is tempted to ask the publisher to send back the subscription price. The advertisements, however, are the salvation of the paper and are worth reading.

The announcements of new papers are quite interesting, in view of the fact that all of them are from sources which lead one to expect something good. The one announcement by the **Boonton Club** is of particular interest because the little association has a quite energetic lot of members and a good sized treasury. The Secretary of the Club, Mr. DeHart, one of the prime movers of the project, and the Vice President, Mr. Williams, will probably be on the business staff. The editorial staff is not yet picked.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Dawson, Samuel C., 37 Calle Mejicanos, San Salvador, C. A. Age 40. Printer.
References, John Nelson, 304 Washington St., Cambridge, Mass. Proposed by John Nelson, #860.
Emmons, Laurence B., 106 Wendell Ave., Schenectady, N. Y. Age 16. Student.
References, S. L. Whitestone, Douglas Road, Schenectady, N. Y. Webb Stamp Co. Proposed by William C. Webb, #570. Guaranteed by Geo. E. Emmons, Mgr. Genl. Electric Co.
England, Thomas M., Box 68, Vancouver, Washington. Age 39. Pharmacist.
Reference:—Vancouver National Bank, Vancouver, Wash. Proposed by Marshall S. Howard, #358.
Frantz, Georhart, 27 Carey Ave., Wilkes Barre, Pa. Age 19. M. O. Dealer.
Reference: M. H. Frantz, Real Estate; August Mack, M. P. A. #559. Proposed by August Mack.

NEW MEMBERS.

927. Mager, Mrs. Milly, San Salvador, Rep. El Salvador.
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930. Foulke, Roy A., 33½ Fisher Ave., White Plains, N. Y.
931. Hammett, R. T. Jr., 212 N. Stricker St., Baltimore, Md.
932. Belden, Herbert T., 129 Thompson St., Springfield, Mass.

Membership Summary.

Total membership at last report	298
New Members	3
Dropped for non-payment of dues when revising membership list for yr. bk. 48	48
Total membership June 7, 1912, PAID UP	253

Members will please note that in accordance with my promise I have eliminated all the dead heads in the society by cutting them off the lists. The list

of members in the year book, which should reach you before this does, is of members who were paid up to the date of issue.

A number of members' dues come due on the first of July. Will you kindly look up **your** card and remit for the remainder of this fiscal year and for the year ending August 31, 1913, the sum of 41 cents. This will save mailing you two notices, as 6 cents will pay you to the end of this current year. The fiscal year was, as you know, changed so that I am obliged to make all memberships expire on the 31st of Aug. of each year. The pro rata amount necessary to pay the dues of those members whose cards expire July 1, to the end of the current year, is 6c, but to avoid having to send another notice Sept. 1, of dues for 35c I will send each a bill for the two months and year together, or 41c.

The year book envelopes are now all addressed, and will mail the books next week.

Fraternally yours, WILLIAM WEBB, Secretary.

Sale's Superintendent's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—Since my last report I have received:

15 Books Total Net Value of	\$ 111.17
56 Books have been retired, Net Value	236.45
In circulation last report, 704 Books Value	4804.03
Now in circulation, 663 Books Net Value	4678.75

The Sales are good as many bargains are being offered. If you are buying stamps write for a trial circuit to-day. If you have stamps to sell remit 3c each for as many Sale's Books as you wish to fill.

Write the Sale's Supt. NOW.

Fraternally yours, LEON V. CASS, Morgantown, N. C.

Reading, Penn., May 15, 1912.

President's Call for Convention

To the Members of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association. The ninth annual convention of this Association, for the election of officers and the transaction of such business as may legally be brought before it, will be convened at Harrisburg, Penn., upon Thursday, August 15, 1912, at 3 P. M. and upon succeeding days, until all business shall have been disposed of.

Members will kindly send the Sec'y their nomination for officers. The Official Headquarters of the Convention will be the Hotel Russ, 423-425 Market St., Harrisburg. Rates \$1.50 per day European plan. I hereby appoint the following committee on Credentials:

Mr. I. M. Weills, 1220 N. 6th St., Harrisburg, Pa. Ch'm and the following Harrisburg members: D. F. Lybarger, E. L. Wise, E. J. Miller and Geo. Orendorf.

Members desiring to attend the convention will notify Mr. L. P. Miller, 262 Broad St., Harrisburg, who will make the necessary arrangements at Hotel Russ.

Fraternally, WM. H. HOLLENBACH, Pres. "Metropolitan Phil. Ass'n.

President's Message.

Fellow members:—Convention time has again made its appearance and the ninth annual convention of the M. P. A. will be called to order Aug. 15, at 3 P. M. in Harrisburg, Pa.

Are you going to be with the members who have been enjoying these conventions from time to time? If so get busy and write Mr. Miller to make the necessary arrangements for you at Official headquarters. You have possibly noted the call made by the Sec'y for nomination of officers. I wish to say that I am not a candidate for re-nomination and will also say that I will not accept any official position to which I may be nominated. I have given the Sec'y notice to cross my name off any office for which I may have received the nomination. I want to thank you for your support to me during my administration and trust that my successor may continue to place the M. P. A. on a higher standard than ever.

Don't forget the Harrisburg convention, as the Harrisburg branch of the M. P. A. has arranged a splendid program and wants to make this the banner convention of our Association. Are you with us? Make up your mind that you are coming there. I want to have the pleasure of meeting more of the men whose humble servant I have been for the past four years.

I remain fraternally, WM. H. HOLLENBACH, President.

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We gave our readers a little surprise with last issue, while this number is not quite as large owing to last number being delayed we hope it will meet with approval. There were several items we intended publishing but for lack of space we were obliged to leave them out.

The Scranton Branch of the S. P. A. has nominated two of their members as candidates for offices.

August Mack, for President.

J. Selden Swisher, Ex. Mgr.

Wm. C. Webb, Vice President.

It was with reluctance that Mack, gives up the Exchange, but we feel that the change will be of great benefit to the Association, as Hr. Swisher is a reliable man and has all the time that should be devoted to the

Department to make it a success, and Mack can devote more time to the M. M. P. and our Hobby in general. By the way Mack is going to all Conventions and will gladly execute the proxies sent him. We also want the M. P. A. O. for next year, as we feel we have done our duty and deserve another chance.

EDITORIAL.

By William C. Webb.

The stamp publishing field, already somewhat overcrowded, is, judging by the announcements made in another column, soon to have some more enthusiasts trying their hand at running a paper of their own. We wish them all luck and lots of subscribers.

The New York exhibition, to take place in October, 1912, is taking up a lot of space in the current magazines. It is a good project and every collector who can afford it should contribute at least \$1.00 to the committee in charge. The expenses are estimated at \$30,000. Some very liberal pledges have been received.

If you can, help this movement along. Write to the Treasurer, Mr. John W. Scott, the dean of the American Stamp Mv., for further information. I am sure he will be glad to give it to you. And we will appreciate it if you will mention the M. M. P.

The ever brisk trade in plate numbers is increasing, and the writer is of the opinion that even they who paid \$2 for early book plates will soon be wishing they had bought more than they did. Which only goes to show that the stamp trade is not appreciably affected by the hard times. That is, the business of those who deal with collectors whose purchases average about the two to three dollar at a time level. The man who spends thousands at a time feels the strain of hard times quicker than the middle class — and hence the dealers who cater to the middle class are not going into bankruptcy. In the times when millionaires realize on their holdings the wise collector buys at

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This ad. was received unsolicited and he also states that he will be with us, but it is up to our readers to help him, and that will help us. From the correspondence, and promptness of this gentleman we can assure our readers that they will receive a square deal. His cards are excellent work.

Elliot Hunt is again with us, and writes that he is well pleased with results.

Scott Stamp and Coin Co., have now gotten out the 1912 Catalogue look up their new Ad. back cover.

The Eagle Stamp Co., have renewed their Ad. look up the Eagle on one of our front pages.

The Penn Stamp Co., are still with us with a page, must be paying or they could not stay.

For lack of space we can boast no more this month. Enuf Sed.

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH.

B.—Mr. Wainwright of Morganton, N. C. writes:

Paid envelopes were used in the U. S. after 1847, because at first only the larger offices were supplied with stamps, and their use were never obligatory.

N. C.—I have never seen a complete set of newspaper surcharged Fac-Simile, but I have seen several singles, also with the letters "FALSCH," they were made in Germany. The editor has been informed that they were also in Switzerland.

P. C. Picture postcards were first made in Chicago in 1893, with different pictures of the Fair Buildings on the large "Grant" postcards. Wainwright.

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REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMALGAMATION.

A Statement of my Views and an Attempted Refutation of Some Arguments Advanced Against The Project.

By William C. Webb.

In the May number of the New England Philatelist, just to hand, Mr. C. V. Webb discusses amalgamation for two pages and a trifle over. He opposes the scheme throughout.

I favor the union of the TWO SOCIETIES. But rather than give reasons for favoring it — I will discuss part by part his article, giving my views on the same points.

He says that two years ago the plan was voted down in Convention. INCORRECT. The last convention at which the matter was voted upon was 1909, three years ago by my calendars.

He neglects to add that it was a vote at convention — not a ballot vote — and that the order of the President presiding to the Credentials Committee was (ALTHO' the aforesaid officer favored the CONSOLIDATION) to vote against it all proxies not instructed FOR it. Where the member did not specifically say — "I FAVOR CONSOLIDATION," the ballot in convention was cast against it. Nine-tenths of the vote cast was uninstructed — hence the Credentials Committee — altho' favoring the UNION almost to a man, voted the victory to their rivals. SURELY NOT SUCH A DECISION BY BALLOT AS TO JUSTIFY BOASTING ON THE PART OF THOSE WHO OPPOSED THE ACTION. For my authority in making this statement I refer my well informed (?) friend to the OFFICIAL minutes of the convention of 1909 and to the press reports of the Convention.

He says that the efforts of the opposition blocked the ballot this time. As far as the M. P. A. is concerned I believe him misinformed when he says this. We, the Directors of the M. P. A. called a mail vote, on the understanding with the well known President of the S. P. A., Mr. Kjellstedt, called a mail vote. Before calling a Mail Vote, Mr. Kjellstedt, owing to pressure of other work, resigned as President of the S. P. A. When he resigned he requested the S. P. A. Trustees to Appoint me President to fill his unexpired term. This is a matter of record and I have his letters showing this. I raised the question that they had no authority to do this and that under the Constitution Mr. Wendt succeeded to office.

The main reason Mr. Kjellstedt had for desiring that I succeed him was that I would carry out his policies and CALL the mail vote. Mr. Wendt, knowing fully, I believe, Mr. Kjellstedt's intentions, refused to call for the vote.

Thereupon I recommended to the M. P. A. Board of Directors that we *postpone* calling for a vote on the question until such a time as the S. P. A. should call such a vote. On my recommendation only, and not because of the opposition of any person or group of persons, was the M. P. A. vote *postponed*. I believe that every member of the M. P. A. Board of Directors favors the UNION. At least, none voted against the call for a mail vote on the question.

In this connection the statement that the "men who are for the proposition are almost entirely the younger men who have lately come into power in both societies," is quite interesting. Dr. Davis, Dr. Holt, Mr. Dunning, Mr. Hollenbach, Mr. Kjellstedt, Mr. Powell are all on record as favoring the UNION. I venture that three-fifths of the active members are in favor of the UNION in both societies. At least two of the Branches of the M. P. A. are in favor of it — and the Scranton Chapter of the S. P. A. is in favor of it. I also might add that the wisdom of age is not always the wisest wisdom. See the Epistle to Timothy and read the fol-

lowing:—"Let no man despise thy youth." I had the pleasure of listening to a baccalaureate sermon on that as a text just a day or so ago and some things the minister said were quite interesting. Among other things he said that youthful enthusiasm could accomplish more than conservative deliberation. The young men of America are the coming men — so the young men in the Philatelic societies are the coming rulers. No person can gain any sort of following in a society like ours unless there is a reason — and if we who favor amalgamation, union, or what you choose to call it, have any following it must be because we have worked long and well for the society — so that our opinions carry some weight with the members. Then too, the statement that "LATELY COME INTO POWER" is unfair. Mr. Hollenbach has been an officer for five years, I think, Dr. Davis for three, and before that time was Secretary of the A. P. S., Mr. Dunning has been an officer for three years, Dr. Holt has been prominent in Philatelic circles for years. The writer has been connected with the society in an official capacity since the latter part of 1910.

I think we have done fully as much for the M. P. A. in the last year or two as any opponent of UNION, at any rate.

The two societies as two societies are not as efficient as would be one covering the combined territory — for the one would have less expense in postage alone — no small item in a society the size of ours. The saving in postage would amount to over \$25.00 per year at the very lowest figure. Mr. C. V. Webb concedes 100 new members, or \$35.00 per year. That is, the new society would be richer than the old two by at the least calculation \$60.00 per year, and this would give leeway for many things — for attractive circulars, booklets, etc., and leave a good working balance in the treasury so that the year book could have in it something beside convention reports and mere routine matter. WOULD NOT THAT ALONE BE AN IMPROVEMENT ALMOST IN ITSELF SUFFICIENT TO JUSTIFY UNITING?????

As for lessening the working force — surely Mr. Webb does not want us to believe that only the officers do any work, for believe me, the members of the M. P. A. loyally uphold their officers. And experience has shown that a small efficient committee or Governing Board can do better work than a large unweildy one. To cite an instance in point — I am a member of a small social order — THE SOCIAL ORDER of Crescents. We once had a Governing Board of fifteen members — well scattered over the territory we covered — five elected from each of three Chapters. The Order went to pieces. We re-organized with a Governing Board of Seven members, elected from the membership at large — and stand to-day a strong and powerful organization in our territory. Under the old regime dues and assessments averaged \$35.00 per year — now it is about \$15.00. And our active membership has doubled — with less officers. Which shows that in many officers there is weakness and not strength — expense and not economy. On the score of economy alone, then, if for no other, I should favor amalgamation.

I, too, can hazard a close guess as to who would be the men at the head of a new society were the S. P. A. and M. P. A. to combine. But I can also hazard a guess that the said society would soon pass away:—for it would meet with the competition of a LIVE GROWN organization with plenty of money to supply benefits to the members.

I believe that L. T. Brodstone would be BROAD MINDED enough to submit to the will of the majority and help the UNITED societies along. For one, I would like to see him on the first Board of Directors of the UNITED SOCIETY.

Leon V. Cass is a good fellow — he helped me when I wanted his proxy vote to bring the convention to Boonton — but I think he would realize that it would be to his interest to favor UNION. The Sales Superintendency of the UNITED Society would be well worth having and he would have

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I understand that the S. P. A. convention will be in Harrisburg at the same time as ours — if so, the question of UNION will undoubtedly be well threshed out. Kindly instruct your proxies how to vote on this question — on the question of raising the dues to the old mark of fifty cents per year — and on the next convention seat. I understand the Atlantic City, N. J. and Buffalo, N. Y. are offered.

I will be at the conventions and will be more than pleased to execute your proxies. I will faithfully fulfill all instructions and will endeavor to use all proxies for the good of the whole society and not for my own or for the good of any clique.

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WILLIAM C. WEBB, Secretary.

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at least as good a chance to get it as any one else.

Henry Wendt's opinion regarding salary may be put in the waste basket. No one can tell me that the UNITED SOCIETY can afford to pay a salary. If it should pay one it would be so small as not to begin to pay for the time used in working for the society. Personally — if I were to be elected as Secretary for the first term — I would neither want nor accept a salary. As Mr. Wendt is, I believe, Candidate for Secretary of the S. P. A., I wonder if he would, if offered a salary, refuse it????

Mr. Miller is not, so far as my rather large correspondence with him shows, opposed to UNION, as Mr. Webb would have us all believe. Miller is a PROGRESSIVE from the word go. And he believes in a Union of all the local and other societies in the country in one grand union, like the states in the UNITED STATES, with national officers to govern the union, and local officers for each local club or society.

He does NOT OPPOSE THE UNION OF THE S. P. A. AND M. P. A. unless he has changed his mind since the early part of this MONTH (JUNE)

In my mind the fellow who says — DOUBLE the NUMBER of Officers and double the expense and you do more efficient work is **little short of a FOOL**. Why do not these men who cry that more officers makes more workers, etc., cry out — split the M. P. A. in two and have two sets of officers and you will have more workers and more members and more money. Because they realize that that is ROT.

Let Clarence V. Webb have the office of Secretary for one term, and in addition run a stamp business, a real estate office, act as Secretary to two or three other organizations, attend a college or law school, and do them all — and maybe at the end of that time he would root for UNION. Let some of these fellows who oppose the present Administration of the M. P. A. come in and run the society. I notice a scarceness of nominees for any of the offices where there is real work. Let the ones who howl against PROGRESS take over the work of running the SOCIETY as it is at present. The detail work in the office of the Secretary of any society like unto ours is immense, and only those who have handled it are in any sort of position to judge what effect UNION would have. UNION would

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I therefore respectfully ask the members of the S. P. A. and M. P. A. to support my candidacy — and assure them that in all things for the society I will consult the greatest good of the greatest number — and will submit my official acts to the will of the majority.

I will be at **both CONVENTIONS** and will be pleased to execute all proxies sent to me. I will pledge myself to vote all proxies according to instructions — even though the instructions may be against my better judgment. I do not believe a **PROXY** vote will be taken on the question of **UNION** at the M. P. A. convention, since I believe that a ballot vote on this question will be taken at the time of the annual election. I do hereby pledge to the members of the M. P. A. and S. P. A. who shall send me their proxies that I will vote them in accordance with their instructions, or, if they are uninstructed, that I will vote them in accordance with the majority of instructed proxies.

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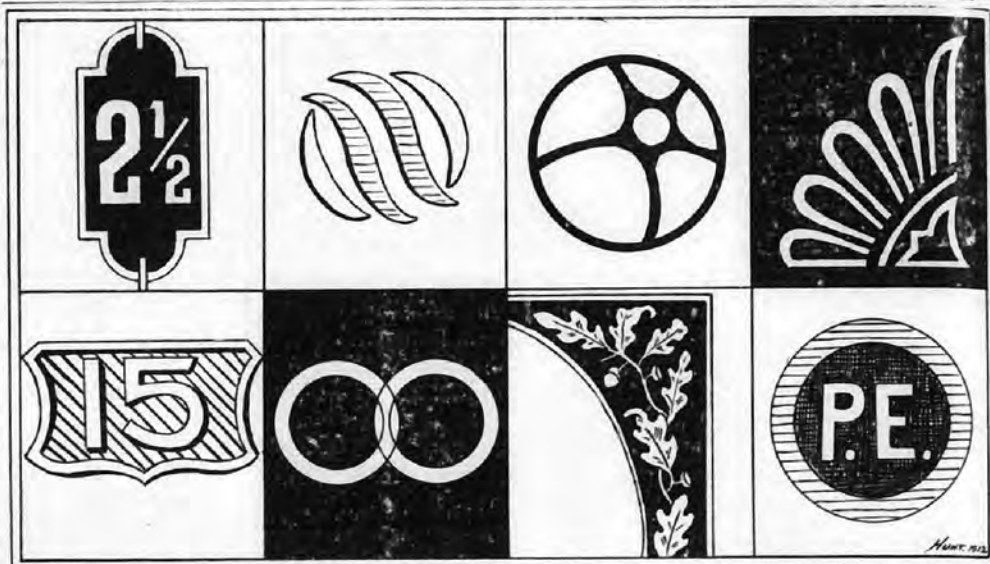
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BEN ZINE CUPP CN CONSOLIDATION.

Oh goodness yes, Ben knows very well that the consolidation question has been thoroughly killed, but, with all due respect to the deceased, he begs to murmur a few words concerning it — sort of a postmortem examination into conditions as they existed immediately preceding the funeral, at Harrisburg.

Ben was never strongly in favor of direct consolidation, and never radically opposed to it. If the M. P. A. and the S. P. A. had both voted to consolidate, at Harrisburg, Ben would have propelled his lid vertically into the atmosphere, and would of ejaculated, "Bravo, me for the One Grand United Society, doggone ut." Also if the S. P. A. and the M. P. A. members had risen up spontaneously together and said as follows: "Nix on the consolidate," why Ben would have been entirely contented, and would have declaimed, "I'm with you fellers, to the last millimeter."

But alas and alack, what did they go and do at Harrisburg? They stabbed the consolidation? in cold blood, and it was premeditated murder, too.

Previous to the M. P. A. and S. P. A. conventions, much has been said in the stamp papers for and against consolidation, and about as many articles had appeared for one side as the other. The arguments pro and con were mostly good ones, and it is Ben's honest opinion that of the M. P. A. and S. P. A. membership, one-third favored it, one-third opposed to it, one-third did not care a darn one way or the other. It is immaterial, of course, whether these are the true proportions or not, but Ben is convinced beyond a doubt, that even at this time, the majority of the M. P. A. and S. P. A. members do not radically oppose consolidation.

It would hardly be wise for anyone to start agitating for amalgamation again, and in case anyone does, no attention need be paid to him, and he will soon dry up. But the point is this:—Was Amalgamation defeated at Harrisburg by the members of the Societies, collectively, or merely by the 20 or 30 delegates in convntion there assembled? You can decide for yourself, if you care to exert your mental faculties a little.

S. P. A. members voted on their ballots, and a few M. P. A. on their proxies, for and against it. The S. P. A. members voted on their ballots, 73 for, and 43 against the steps. It will never be definitely known how many M. P. A. members favored either side, since no ballot was taken. The S. P. A. election was illegal, the ballots not having been mailed as required by the constitution, but the convention accepted on second consideration. Thus it was decided that the members who had not been given time to send in their ballots would have to be contented with a disenfranchisement, under the circumstances.

(Nevertheless one party in Cuba voted, U. S. members ought to have had time if they cared to—Mack).

Now then how about the M. P. A.? No vote on amalgamation, and two men in absolute control of the convention. Well, with wonderful ingenuity, the M. P. A. bosses reasoned that if the S. P. A. voted against, no efforts should be made to effect unity, by the M. P. A. and they voted against likewise. Incidentally, there are more officers to go 'round that way, too, and but never mind. The fact remains that, because 30 more S. P. A. members voted against than for it, in a constitutionally illegal election, the measure was lost.

Maybe things are best as they are, anyway. That is what they all say, you know when a progressive movement is defeated. Ben has no desire to start any arguments, and hopes that he will be permitted to gasp forth

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THE WORLD-WIDE EMBLEM OF PHILATELY.



The illustration shows our readers what "The World-Wide Emblem of Philately is." As a distinctive mark of the cult of stamp collecting the emblem excels. The illustration hardly does justice to the beautiful emblem which we have received as a sample. As a charm for a watch-chain or fob the emblem can be adopted by all without a thought that the emblem is conspicuous. The button of the A. P. S., while handsome in its conception and execution, is not distinctive — except that long detailed explanations are told to the person enquiring what it is.

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It is our sad duty to record the death of one of our fellow stamp collectors—Mr. Frank Bescher, of Kansas City, Mo., who was with us in all health and happiness but a few days ago. To us it has been a severe shock and to those who attended the convention of the American Philatelic Society at Springfield, Mass., who there met and knew Frank Bescher, who, as usual, was part of the life of such gatherings, will share our shock in learning of the death by heat prostration, in Chicago, on September 4, of our friend.

Minnesota Philatelic Association

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

NEW MEMBERS:—#22 G. A. Gumarson, Hallock, Minn.
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Fellow Members:—As we are now starting out on our second year we all should work as hard as possible to enlarge our society, and make this far more successful than the previous year. If each member would only secure one new member that will double our membership. This ought not be hard to do — I have a number of application blanks and will be pleased to send a supply to each member, and if you know of any collector who is not a member, do not fail to get him interested in our society.

I would also ask that each member remit promptly for his dues when the time to which paid has expired. Fraternaly submitted,

Ira C. Holt, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Fellow Members:—

This publication, has been selected by the Officers to serve us as the Official Organ for the coming year. I would ask each and every member of the M. P. S. to send in their subscription to Mr. Mack, or if you wish, you can send it to me. In either case you will not only show your appreciation of Mr. Mack's liberality, but will in turn receive a magazine highly worthy of your support — since Mr. Mack secured second class rates he has set about to improve the paper, and also promises to get out a magazine that will be well worth the price now asked. The subscription now is not so dear that you cannot afford to try it for a year.

Next month I shall make a few Committee appointments. Mr. Wm. Mackie, our Exchange Supt. is now ready to receive books for the Department. Send in some books priced according to Scott's 1912 and see if we cannot make the Dept. hum this year. If your dues are due, kindly send them to our Secretary and save him the trouble of writing you, and keeping the expense of postage in the Treasury.

Thanking you one and all for electing me to the highest office-President, I remain,

Fraternaly yours,

F. I. Cleveland Bundlie, Pres.

To The M. P. S. Members:—

I wish to thank you for electing the M. M. P. to serve as your O. O. for the coming year, and it will be my one endeavor to serve you faithfully.

All I will ask that you do what you can to help us. Editor.

HARRISBURG, PA., Aug. 16, 1912.



“THE THREE.”

The above cut is a kodak photo taken by our friend L. P. Miller on top of the Harrisburg Capitol Bldg., during the big M. P. A. & S. P. A. convention, Aug. 16, 1912.

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- Boucher, Gustave, rue d'Isly 43, Alger, Algeria. Age 50. Occupation:— Ne-gociant. Reference:— C. C. C. 1822. Proposed by A. W. Dunning, No. 486.
- Mills, Harbeck, Jr., 72 Fenimore Road, Mamaroneck, N. Y. Age 33. Salesman. Reference:— First National Bank, Mamaroneck, N. Y. Proposed by August Mack, #559.
- Pullen, Jos. H., % Bank of Houma, La. Age 48. Bank cashier. References:— John M. Holt, M. D., Astoria, Oregon; Stanley Gibbons, New York; B. W. H. Poole, Altadena, Calif. Proposed by J. M. Holt.
- Back, George, Box 1072, Valparaiso, Chili. S. A. Age 40. Senior Calle Operator. References:— Toledo Stamp Co.; Rasmus Bartleson. Proposed by Rasmus Bartleson.
- Goodwin, Walter E. Dover, New Hampshire. Age 25. Post office Clerk. References:— J. Emory Renoll, Hanover, Pa.; H. Wendt, Manilla, Iowa; New England Stamp Co., Boston, Mass. Proposed by Stanley A. Heatley, #920.
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New members	6
Total membership September 30, 1912	268

Resignations received:

- 621. Brown, Chas. G. Jr., Huntington, Pa.
- 398. Davis, Dr. H. A., Denver, Colo.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Webb, Secretary.

Your President, Mr. Mann, has appointed me Exchange Manager only after Mr. Bartlett refused to take it again. I can never hope to do what Mr. Bartlett did for the department in the way of the time, money, stamps and commission that he gave to the Society nor do I think any department manager should be so compelled.

I will do my best, however, and the new rules adopted at this year's convention are a help to start with. On and after this date a cash fee — payable in unused stamps, current, at face value, if desired — of 1% of the total net value of all books submitted must accompany the books or be paid before the books will be circulated.

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A. E. Carpenter, 2nd.

Sales Superintendent's Report.

Fellow Members:—

I hereby enclose my report:—

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Respectfully submitted,

Leon V. Cass, Supt.

Fellow Members:—

I wish to thank you one and all for re-electing me to the office of Int. Sec. I hope that I may prove worthy of your confidence.

Don't be afraid to ask me for any information you may wish to secure about Foreign societies, journals, etc., remembering to enclose return postage.

I have plenty of time to devote to your wishes, and will answer every inquiry to the best of my ability. Again thanking you, and hoping that you will make this office a successful one, I remain,

Fraternally, yours

Rasmus Bartleson, Int. Sec'y.

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the last word on this sad consolidation question. His only object in talking this way about the departed, is to show that consolidation was not disastrously defeated, but that the question was handled in a very irregular manner on all sides, and was not given an absolutely fair chance by any means.

Now, don't get anxious, Ben is the last one who would urge a reconsideration of the matter, and although he is far from satisfied with the way in which it was treated, he earnestly hopes that nobody will say consolidate again, for ten or twenty years, which will give him time to get out of this vale of tears, and escape a repetition of the awful proceedings recently endured.

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Why must so much space be given when there is so much matter which could be written about stamps? Does philately consist more in society affairs than in the study of stamps? If you think so you're welcome to your think, but Ben thinks otherwise. Furthermore, everything Ben writes hereafter will be about Stamps,, Stamps, Stamps. Watch for the next issue and see.

Benjamin Z. Cupp.

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NEW ISSUES.

Ceylon—We have just learned there are four new Georgian, as follows:—

- 5 cents green.
- 10 cents sage green.
- 6 cents red.
- 15 cents, blue.

Denmark—Current numeral type.

- 5 ore green.
- Falkland Islands—King George.
- ½p green.
- 2p, purple.
- 6p, orange.
- 3s, green.
- 1p, vermilion.
- 2½p blue.
- 1s, brown.
- 5s, dark lake.

French Guinea—On 1892 series.

- 5 centimes on 2c, brown on yellow.
- 5 centimes on 4c, brown on bluish.
- 5 centimes on 15c, blue.
- 5 centimes on 20c, red on green.
- 5 centimes on 30c, brown.
- 10 centimes on 40c, vermilion.
- 10 centimes on 75c, orange violet.

Gambia—We learn the following King Georgian have appeared and the remainders of Edwardian stamps destroyed.

- ½p green.
- 1p carmine.
- ½p olive and green.
- 2p grey.
- 2½p, ultramarine.
- 3p brown on yellow.
- 4p, black and red on yellow.
- 5p, orange and violet.
- 6p, violet and blue.
- 7½p, brown and blue.
- 10p, olive and carmine.
- 1s, black on green.
- 1s, 6d, violet and green.
- 2s, violet and blue on blue.
- 2s, 6d, black and red on blue.
- 3s, yellow and green.

Gibraltar—Has issued a set of Georgian on July 17th, and all remainders ordered destroyed.

Leeward Is.—Have now four new King George.

- ¼p, brown.
- 1p, scarlet.
- ½p, green.
- 2½p, ultramarine.

Sierra Leone—1d, King George re-

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EDITORIAL.

With this issue we complete Vol. No. 1. Our trials have been numerous and we feel proud that we have weathered the storm for a whole year.

When an amateur paper launches forth with great expectations, the publisher has the least idea of what he is going up against. The expectations of subscriptions, etc., do not come in as fast as he thought they would. Well they ought to begin to take notice he thinks after three or four issues any-

way — Well we have issued 12 numbers, and we are still waiting for next mail to bring that pile of subscriptions. Oh boys publishing is not all sunshine, far from it. It may be all right if you got lots of ready capital and time to devote to it. But when you lack both, and have to send your manuscript way out West, because you cannot afford high city prices, and let the paper talk for itself, because you have not the time to write dealers asking them for a trial — like us it is pretty up hill work. Has our paper paid for itself—far from it, but we still have the courage to keep at it.

There is an old saying "Stick to it and Success will come." Another expression a "Sticker will always be a Success." Now there are several kinds of stickers, two of which we may mention. One sticker is sort of a rogue, who generally have success quick, but it doesn't last long. The other is one who sticks to it until success comes his way, he is a long time getting there but, his success will last longer as a rule.

If that stick-to-itiveness is any sign of success it ought to be showing up. Scranton has a motto—"Watch us Grow," so we say the same. We were glad when we received second-class rates, and we have started in by improving our paper, and we hope you will agree with us. Now there is plenty more room for improvement, and we will thank any of our readers for any suggestion they might send. Criticize if you will, but don't knock, you might try it yourself some day. If you wish to make any kicks, make them to us, don't kick us in the back.

Next issue we are going to surprise you still more, it may be more pages too — hard to say. Our Press Review editor disappointed us the last minute in this issue, which delayed us four days, also the M. P. A. officers have neglected to send in new heading, so they will have to be content with it this month as it is.

One thing we wish to urge or impress upon your minds is:— All reading matter advertisements, etc., must be in our hands the 28th, of the month preceding issue or it will not be inserted, to get our paper out promptly on the 15th we must mail our manuscripts to the printer no later than the 1st.

One of our P. C. members has had a complaint made against him by Walter F. Slusser. The charge is substitution. Mr. Guilty, if you don't want your name published, straighten this up before our November issue.

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At the last moment we received an ad. from M. Ohlman, for 3 mos. Look up his bargains and give him an order.

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A. M. Wright, just sent in a new copy, look it up it may interest you.

Yes, there's an ad. on page 5, we cannot tell who this is, you will have to study that out.

An error crept in the Penn Stamp Co., ad last month. Should have read 1 and 2c New Wmk, instead of New York.

Elliot Hunt writes "I am still getting replies from ad. in June No., enclosed find new copy. Your paper is paying as well as some older ones."

Many new small ads. which are too numerous to mention. Don't forget to mention the M. M. P. when answering ads., it helps us greatly.

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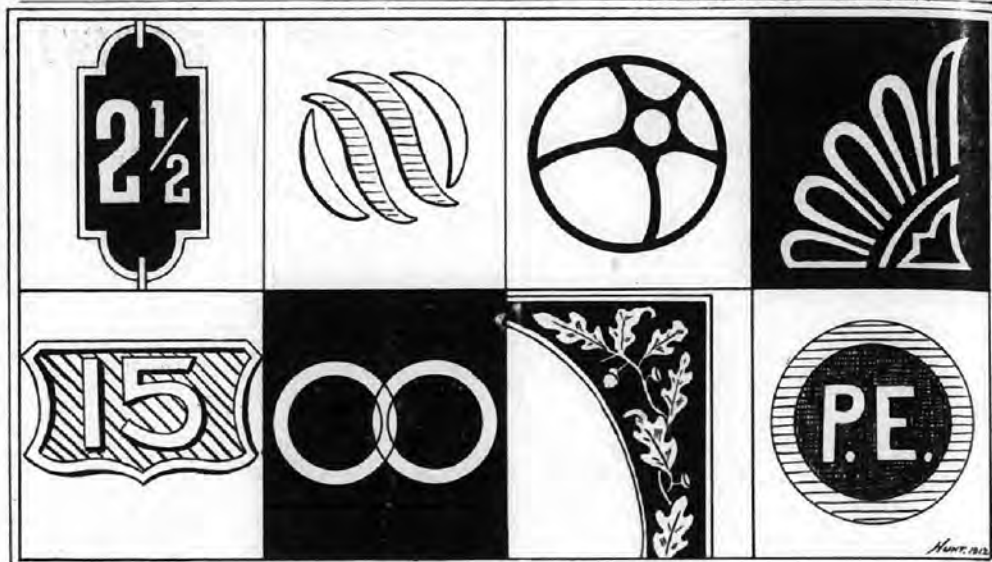
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The writer having a library of Minnesota philatelic literature which is very near complete, feels that it is his duty to compile this check list, not only to popularize and make easier the collecting of philatelic literature, but to encourage the compilation of similar lists in other states.

Before taking up the check list I wish to thank the following gentlemen for valuable information concerning the publications not in my library:— Messrs. W. R. Ricketts (Forty Fort, Pa.), E. R. Aldrich (Benson, Minn.) and E. B. Jones (Sioux City, Iowa).

Collector. Ebin S. Martin, Minneapolis. 1 Vol., 3 Nos. Sept. to Nov., 1895. Note:— Each No. 18 pp. and cover. Size of page $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

Curio. E. R. Aldrich, Benson. VII Vols. 43 Nos. Feb., 1889 to Aug., 1892. Vol. I, 3 Nos.; II, 3 Nos.; III, 3 Nos.; IV, 3 Nos.; V, 3 Nos.; VI, 8 Nos. and 16 pp. Christmas Special bearing no number; VII, 12 Nos.; VIII, 7 Nos. Note: Number of pages range from 4 to 16 pp. Standard size.

Era's Monthly. (1st Series). E. R. Aldrich, Benson. I Vol. 3 Nos., Sept. 15, 1888 to Nov.-Dec., 1888. Note: Each number consists of 4 pp. 6×9 inches.

Era's Monthly. (2nd Series). E. R. Aldrich, Benson. I Vol. 1 No. Sept., 1895. Note: 4 pp., $4\frac{1}{2} \times 6$ inches. Very rare.

Flour City Philatelist. Bell Pub. Co., Minneapolis. Vol. I, 3 Nos., January to May, 1889. Note: Nos. 1, 2 and 3 consist of 16, 32 and 32 pp. respectively. Each number has cover. Standard size page.

Gopher State Philatelist. Lawrence E. Borin Minneapolis. Vol. I, 1 No., Nov., 1900. Note: 4 pp. and cover, 6×9 inches.

Inland Stamp Collector. . Floyd Reid, Renville. Sept., 1906 to? Vol. I, 6 (? Nos.); Vol. I, (Sept. ?), II, (Dec. 3, III (?), V (?), V (?) VI (?). Note: Am greatly indebted to Mr. W. R. Ricketts for all information regarding this rare publication. It is not mentioned in Lord Crawford's Catalogue.

Inland Stamp Monthly. Wm. Bakerville St. Paul. Aug., 1912 to (Current). Vol. I, No. 1. Note: 8 pp. $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7$ inches. Current.

International Stamp. .E. S. Martin and Leon G. Lambert St. Paul; and E. S. Martin, Minneapolis. III Vols. 25 Nos., Jan., 1896 to Jan., 1898. Vol. I, 12 Nos. (semi-monthly), II, 12 Nos. (monthly); III 1 No. Note: With Vol. I E. S. Martin becomes sole owner and moves paper to Minneapolis. Size of page 6×9 inches.

Lodge Record. E. R. Aldrich, Benson. IX Vols. 89 Nos. Dec., 1904 to June, 1911. Vol. I, 12 Nos.; II, 6 Nos. III, 6 Nos.; IV, 12 Nos.; V, 12 Nos.; VI, 12 Nos.; VII, 12 Nos.; VIII, 12 Nos.; IX, 5 Nos. Note: Partly Philatelic. Standard size pp.

Mankato Philatelist. .Carl Sudermann Mankato. III Vols. ? Nos. Note: From various sources I learn that it was published in three different years, 1894, 1895 and 1896, and is divided into series, first, second and third, respectively. The only copy I have (which is the only one I have ever seen) is dated January, 1896 and is numbered as Vol. I, No 1. It therefore belongs to the "Third Series," and it is as far as I have been able to learn the only number published in that year. It consists of 8 pp. size $4\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Minnesota Philatelist. (1st of that name). Fred Stahl, St. Paul. I Vol. 2 Nos., January to April, 1886. Note: Was a quarterly. Size 8 pp., 6×9 in.

(To be continued.)

Editorial and Press Review.

By William C. Webb.

The past few months I have been very busy and have had no time to write for this paper, but I hope in the future to be able to write regularly and — I hope — better than in the past.

I have on the desk here by me a copy of the Collectors' Journal, received last night (October 29th) dated August 1912. The two leading articles are "Blank Album Arrangement" by the editor, Mr. Lindquist, and "The Harrisburg Conventions" by Vice-President Miller of the M. P. A.

The latter is open to this severe criticism — the writer quite evidently let his personal opinions influence the tone of his article and it is full of personalities.

As the article reflects somewhat on the writer of this comment — I will make a few statements in regard to it — Mr. Miller says that the election of Dr. Holt was brought about by a situation similar to that which brought about the election of Mr. Mann — I do not agree with him and do not feel that Dr. Holt is legally elected — the action of the convention to the contrary notwithstanding.

Regarding the question of consolidation the honorable Vice-President states that Mr. Carpenter and I were opposed to union. I, at least, was not, but I was opposed to having the M. P. A. on record as in favor of it if the S. P. A. were on record as against it, and so voted my proxies as instructed. As regards the steam roller — Mr. Carpenter and I were so little in accord with one another on most questions that several of my plans were defeated. Regarding the question of my canvassing for proxies — brought up on the Convention floor and there disposed of — I feel that I have saved the society enough in the past year to feel that I am not nor have been guilty of any punishable act — altho' I confess my

I suggested in that letter several measures which could not have been legally acted upon had I not given the members at least one month's notice by means of it — and it is interesting to note that all of the measures so suggested were acted upon — most of them favorably by the convention.

Further—I now publicly charge that certain of the Harrisburg members present at the convention violated the action was not well considered. It should be remembered, however, that trust reposed in them by other members in voting proxies contrary to instructions. I also assert that I voted in all cases and on all questions as instructed and pledged to vote.

Regarding the STEAM ROLLER — if I may make the assertion — Mr. Miller knows that neither Mr. Carpenter nor myself voted other than as we believed to be for the best interests of the M. P. A., nor did we violate our instructions to carry our points.

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Mekeels is another that is regular and pleasing. There is always something in that paper worth perusal — altho' the writer prefers the P. S. N.

Redfield's is no longer a newspaper. It is a collection of clippings from other papers, nine-tenths of the time.

The Philatelic Gazette is not a weekly, as announced, but is the highest priced house organ in the Country. Why did not the Philatelic Publishing Co. make good — the answer in a nutshell is that the paper was of too high a grade to appeal to the average collect-

or in the U. S. Good luck to the firm of Bartels — we hope that the Gazette will be even better in such good hands.

The Vest Pocket Philatelist came to us in a new form the other day — but we are now informed that the name is to be the Perry Collector — but the paper is still worth getting. Mr. Webb (not a relative of the writer) is a hustler and it is hoped that he will keep his paper up to the mark and make a go of it. For further information address the publisher C. V. Webb of Perry, Ohio.

The paper started a short time ago by Mr. F. I. Cleveland Bundlie has been sold out to Mr. Mack, so I have heard.

The fall crop of new papers does not seem to be quite so large as usual this year — or is it that the writer hasn't been watching for them quite so much.

The stamp season is here with us — October is over and 1912 is nearly gone — but we have before us four or five months during which we can get together and swap stamps and stamp stories and in general get acquainted.

During the next few months the United States is going to issue a good many new varieties — so that a collector will have to keep watching for the new things — plate numbers and so forth. Whether there will be any paper varieties remains to be seen.

There was to have been published by the Boonton Collectors' Association, of Boonton, N. J. a stamp paper this coming January — but the Board of Directors have decided that the time is not yet ripe for such a paper as planned. I am of the opinion that it will come within the next few months at any rate.

We are going to see an increase in the number of collectors this coming winter that will be surprising — although just now many are quiet on account of the Presidential election coming on.

It seems to the writer that there is in this country a demand for exchange clubs such as are found in nearly every other country, run by private individuals, and it would not surprise the

writer greatly if some one of the smaller but prosperous dealers started such a thing before the winter is over.

But — believe me — Therese — the grand old hobby is holding its own and it is adding new recruits to the ranks. It is far better for the young men of the country to squander (?) their money for stamps than for tobacco or beer.

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JUST AS WE GO TO PRESS.

Everything was in an uproar. Excited human being rushed thither and hither and loose paper flew in all directions. The December number of Mack's Monthly Philatelist was going to press. The world was awaiting its appearance with anxious expectation. Post Office officials spurred the printers on, in an effort to get copies of the paper in the mails at the earliest possible moment, and transmit them to subscribers without further delay.

The type was set for all the pages except one, as our story opens. That particular page, Ladies and Gentlemen, was reserved for Mr. Ben Zine Cupp. But where oh where, was Ben's "Copy?" Something would have to be done at once, immediately.

In great excitement of mind the publisher wired Ben on a post card, to quick send something, no matter what. It was impossible for Ben to prepare anything for this number on such short notice, since he was busily engaged in completing an article for the November number, and did not wish to be interrupted. Hence he replied, at once, to the effect that perhaps if the January number would not go to press before February, he might be able to work up something by then, which would be suitable for the Springtime, such as poetry, etc.

Did that satisfy the insatiable publisher? Not much. Says he, — if Ben does not do his duty, I'll have to write something to fill that page

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Total membership September 30, 1912	268
New members	7
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Total membership October 30, 1912	273

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Webb, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT.

Quarter ending Sept. 30, 1912.

Books in the Dept. Aug. 27 (when I took charge)	45	
Retired		16
New Books entered since Aug. 27th	51	
	<u>96</u>	16
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Books in the Department Oct. 1, 1912	80	
Value of books in Department Aug. 27th	\$595.62	
Value of books added since Aug. 27th	779.85	
		<u>\$1,375.47</u>
Less value of books retired	141.90	
Value of books now in the department	\$1,233.57	
Net value of stamps removed from books retired	\$146.69	

There have been some very fine books received in the last few weeks and most of the members in debt to the Department have made an earnest effort to enter books to balance their debits but there have been one or two delinquents whom, I trust, will make good their deficits in a short time.

If you have never entered a book in the Exchange, do so now and you will be placed on the next circuit going out. You may use your own books — any ones will do, marking catalog price or the price at which you are willing to exchange, under each stamp.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Everly Carpenter II, Exchange Manager.

Sales Superintendent's Report.

Fellow Members:—

I hereby enclose my report:—

In circulation last report, 583 books, value	\$4,389.86
Received since last report, 27 books, value	70.64
Retired since last report, 49 books, value	149.38
Now in circulation, 561 books, value	4,310.12

The Sales are good as many bargains are being offered. If you are buying stamps write for a trial circuit to-day. If you have stamps to sell remit 3c each for as many Sale's Books as you wish to fill.

Write the Sales Supt. NOW.

Fraternally yours,

LEON V. CASS, Dalton, Pa.

JUST AS WE GO TO PRESS.

(Continued from page 11).

myself. Now of two evils, the worst is always to be preferred, so Ben hurriedly grabbed his suffering pen and jabbed some paper with great vehemence.

Ben's message is to U. S. specialists, in particular. Others may look on, if they behave themselves, and ask no questions. This is the U. S. collector's day. No day in particular, of course, but his day just the same. Ben is a U. S. Specialist. First he specialized in all U. S. stamps whatsoever. Now he is down to 20th Century almost exclusively. Pretty soon he'll be specializing in the current issue only, and even that, the field would not be limited to any great extent.

To-day we have in our midst, we U. S. Collectors, — plate numbers, precancels, imperforates, goodness knows — how many unofficial part perforates, book leaves shades, etc. etc. That's the regular postage stamp issue. Besides those little items, we have a registry stamp, postal savings Bank set, Special Deliveries, postage Dues stamped envelopes, and domestic foreign. This leads Ben up to Paid permits, congressman's franks, and the like, which is a good place to stop.

You U. S. specialists, how many of you have up-to-date collections in every respect, and how many expect to ever have? Why we poor fellows have hardly had time to lay in our winter's supply of the new Franklin high values, before we hear of numerous other emissions which are liable to go off any minute, and hit us square in the pocket book, before we know what struck us. Let's see, a new process in the printing of the 1c and 2c stamps at the Bureau; a Panama Exposition set for advertising labels; and a little assortment of Parcels Post stamps, with special emphasis on high values. Guess that's about all. Twenty or thirty Dollars ought to bring a U. S. collection up to the dot, at a conservative estimate. And look here you fellows that specialize in other quarters quit your snickering, or you will have to leave the room. This matter is very, very serious.

One consolation we U. S. special-

ists have however, is that we can get the forthcoming bunch of stamps direct from Uncle Sam, at face value; and if we ever sell out, the selling price will hardly be less than the cost. Then too, there is no great hurry about the matter. The Parcels Posts Stamps may be with us ten years hence and all the denominations need not necessarily be gotten at one time. Ben is going to get a specimen of the 1c value as soon as the stamps come out, and lead up to the high values gradually. The new process of printing current 1c and 2c stamps hardly create new varieties of the stamp, strictly speaking, but it will be possible to show in our albums specimens printed the old way and the new way. By the new process there will be no vertical guide lines, or top and bottom margins on the sheets. There will be horizontal lines however, on one sheet out of every three (according to the Philadelphia Stamp News). Accordingly, specimens showing top or bottom margins, or vertical guide lines, are manifestly products of the flat plate process, while pairs and blocks showing horizontal guide lines between the stamps will be sure proof that the cylindrical process is in use, operating as announced. All this applies to perforated stamps only. As to imperforates, large blocks can easily be cut from the sheets as arranged at present, which could not be duplicated under the new arrangement of guide lines, and, on the other hand, a block of six more or across, by two or more deep, from sheets printed by the new process, and showing a horizontal line would fail to reveal a vertical guide line as well, thus proving its identity.

All that may perhaps be a little too much for conservative collectors, but if there are any such in our midst, Ben begs to suggest that they get the Panama set when it comes out, hurry stick some in their albums, and then fold their hands and let the rest of us enjoy ourselves without interruption, U. S. specialists now have a chance to spread themselves. Some will, and some won't. Ben's going to go the limit. Are you going to go along.

—Benjamin Z. Cupp.

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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

Applications For Membership.

Norton, Henry M., Real Estate, Age Legal:— Reference E. H. Gifford; G. M. Brack. Proposed by Ira C. Holt.
 Brack, George M., 953 Hague Ave., St. Paul, Minn. Ass't Cashier Capital Nat'l Bank. Age 32:— Reference Capital Nat'l Bank; J. Whit Timmons. Proposed by Ira C. Holt.
 Gifford, E. J., 1510 W. Minnehaha St., St. Paul, Minn. Bank Clerk, Age 30:— Reference J. W. Timmons; G. M. Brack, Proposed by Burt McCann.
 Olson, O. C., 1611 N. Irving Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Age 31, Credit, Man Kettle River Co.:— Reference C. Staub, United Stamp Co., Chicago Phil. Society. Proposed by Ira C. Holt.

Treasurer's Report:

Sept. 1, 1912, Balance received from Mr. Bundlie	\$1.70
Oct. 12, 1912, Dues, etc., received since Sept. 1st	2.65
	4.35
Total Receipts	4.35
Sept. and Oct. Secretary's Expense, Postage60
	\$3.75
Oct. 20. Balance now on hand	

Respectfully submitted,

Ira C. Holt, Sec.-Treas.

Dear Fellow Members:—

Another month has passed and I have received four applications and I trust that we can keep up the good work, as at that rate by the end of the year we will have quite a Society. I must again ask that those members whose membership has expired to kindly remit 25c for their dues for the coming year.

Mr. W. H. Mackie has asked me to request members to send in books for the Sales and Exchange Dept., and I trust that each member will do so at once so that this important branch of the society will be of great benefit to the members.

Fraternally yours,

IRA C. HOLT, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Fellow Members:—

I wish to call your attention to the fact that their dues are due and kindly ask you to send them in soon as possible, to Mr. Ira C. Holt.

I also hereby appoint the following members to act as our Recruiting and Publicity Committee:—

Rasmus Bartleson, Chairman.

Wm. Baskerville, Frank Wagner and F. Ralph Gellerman.

Fraternally yours,

F. I. CLEVELAND BUNDLIE, Pres.

JUST a RAMBLE.

In behalf of myself as Mgr. of the Mack Stamp Co., etc.

You might call this article what you wish, I am going to state some facts. Auctions are naturally on my mind just being disappointed on a Sale to be mailed this Saturday. I get the Cat. Tuesday Maybe? Being disappointed so often we have decided to run all our Sales multigraph and wait for no printer, in this way we can take a collection, and have it billed in a week, and get even better satisfaction, than on regular printed Catalogues.

Now for the Knocks, if it fits you, take it and say nothing, some delight in running me, now here goes. First, Mr New York City man, be a little careful what you circulate, or you might have a chance to prove it. A? I would ask who is dishonest the man who is willing to pay when he can or the man who can pay, but delights in making his creditors wait, thinking perhaps everybody is comfortable because he is. How many men have failed at the point of success for the want of a helping hand? Mr. Cheap Man, do you think you help us when you bid way below face on them 1902 Dollar values, why! we just as soon draw \$7.00 from the bank and send it to you as to send the stamps, at \$5.20. They are at our command any time we want them.

There is one thing I never understood why will prosperous men, when they see another fellow down and out, keep him down instead of lending him a helping hand? But, never mind we are here to stay and will conduct our Sales "Honest" if we never see a Day of "Success." We are systemizing our stock soon as possible with the intentions of opening a place of business in the heart of the city, and devote sixteen hours per day to the business if necessary, and if necessary to put in our printing establishment. Raymond Stiles Schenectady N. Y. writes: "Enclosed find check for lots received, they were O. K. and up to your description to the dot." In the same sale a lot containing two superb, was turned down. We have been at fault at times, but have we not always adjusted matters satisfactorily? We also know that

were these same bidders to give us a collection for sale, would kick to beat the band were we to sell their stamps at such bids as they send in here. Gentlemen it is hard to please everybody, but we do our best. One of our Auction rules, states that bids under face will not be accepted, why send them in, 1893 Col. you get some time but others not.

Just for the kicker who does not want to be charged his limit, just as an example we take four lots of our Sale Nov. 23, and a portion of the bids, just to show that chance to sell below your bid. These are first four bidders: Lot 35 Cat. \$1.25; No. 1, bid 35; No. 3, 25; Lot. 37, Cat. \$2.00; No. 1, 50c; No. 2, 40c; No. 3, 50c; No. 4, 50c; Lot. No. 38 Cat. \$2.00; Bidders 1, 3, 4 all bid 40c; Lot 39, Cat. 75c; Bidder 3 and 4, bid 20c. We have many bids in since, but those are just the four first bids to come in, not much of a chance to sell below bid there are they? We have had sales with as high as ten tie bids on one lot, naturally the first bidder gets it, we number our bid sheets as the bids come in. Just a word more, when you do receive lots in advance don't keep us waiting three weeks, we cannot settle with owner in 15 days as we agree at this rate. One party owed us an amount for over six months, we in turn got a chance to owe him, the tables turned, in three months we got several demands, and a threat of suit, we wrote back go head, you forget how long we waited for you, when you could have PAID. That's Different. We could sit here all day and knock, but need the space. In closing we will state that our prospects were never better.

Wishing you one and all a Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year, we remain

Yours respectfully,

August Mack

Mgr.

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EDITORIAL.

With this issue we start on another Volume, and it is our intentions to have our copies in the mail the first of each month.

How good we keep our intentions is up to the printer. Our Oct. No. was in his hands Oct. 5th, we got our papers for mailing Oct. 29th. This month we have not much space for an editorial, but we wish to make one remark.

Any matter of a squabbling nature will not be inserted in our magazine,

M. P. A. boys "Let By Gones be By-Gones." Get down to business and get out those Booklets and mail them to parties who can mail them to prospective members. Mr. Miller in an article in a contemporary stated the machine or steam roller selected the official organ, regardless of offers. Partly right, but those at the Convention concluded as we gave the M. P. A. good service, and considering the support given us last year to not change. A suggestion to relieve me of the bonus, was also made to which I objected. If any contemporary thinks it will help him to be the official organ, he is welcome to it any time. In the last two months our list has more than doubled. More A. P. S. and others than M. P. A. It is very strange so few M. P. A. take an interest in what's going on. While we cannot thank each individual for their support, we hereby announce our appreciation.

Complying with a request from the Postoffice Department for a "Statement of the ownership, management, circulation, etc." of Mack's Monthly Philatelist we have filed our affidavit in duplicate on Form 3526, to the effect that this paper is published monthly by August Mack, who is also editor, managing editor, business manager and sole owner, and no other person or persons are in any way connected financially with said publication. Furthermore, there are at this time no bondholders, mortgagees, or other security holders.

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ANNOUNCEMENT!

We wish to announce that we have purchased the

Philatelic Dispatch

Formerly published by F. I. Cleveland Bundlie of E. Grand Forks, Minn. Owing to the pressure of other business matters Mr. Bundlie was forced to give up his publication and upon receiving a satisfactory from us, turned over his entire subscription list and good will. We will fulfill all subscriptions until expired, and trust you will all renew.

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First we wish to call your attention to the quarter page Ad. of the Strathmore Press on page 23. Samples sent us indicate fine work. They have contracted for this space for one year.

You will also note that **W. F. Slusser** is again with us on page three having renewed his contract for three months. We can assure you of a square deal.

Gellerman & Adams also took advantage of our contract rates by taking space for some time, look them up on page seven.

Wm. H. Hush the wholesale dealer is also with us this month. He carries a fine line of stamps at right prices, you will find his Ad. on page seven.

J. Emory Renoll, of Hanover, Pa., surprised us with an Ad. he offers stamps at 70%. Look him up and give him a trial.

J. Curtis of New England is with us twice this month look up his Ad. possibly it may be an advantage to you.

A. M. Aurand, Jr., the Pub. of the American Collector, sent us a new copy in which he states. A trial Ad. in your paper has convinced us that it pays, keep up the good work.

L. M. Austin, of Walton, N. Y. after receiving a copy of our magazine sends in his Ad. at contract rates for three months, look up his Ad. on page seven.

Thos. Baldwin of N. Y. C. the coin man is with us on page seven with a fine inducement of coins. If you are a collector don't fail to give him a try.

Elliot Hunt, who has been with us continually, sent in a new copy and writes your paper is doing fine keep it up. Look up his Ad.

L. P. Miller, writes, "My Ad. is doing very nicely run it again this month, I am perfectly satisfied with results, has kept me busy sending out clips, it will pay you to investigate." You will find it on page six.

C. F. Clarke, gives us a little sur-

prise by sending in a new Ad. with the one that was in last issue, must be paying. at any rate give him a trial.

The Columbia has favored us with a contract for six months.

The World Esperanto Collectors' Club, after receiving a sample copy write, "Your paper is a most excellent one, run the enclosed until further notice." Look them up on page five.

The Penn Stamp Co., writes enclosed find check for balance of our account, you will find enclosed a page Ad. for your next issue, to be run along with our usual Ad. on back cover, as long as it pays we won't change."

We just had a call from **Gearhardt Frantz**, as we are finishing this our last page of matter to be finished, he says he has been kept very busy, and the answers received from my Ads. have been fine, would use more space but have not enough of each kind to advertise them.

Raymond Stiles, writes enclose find check for the enclosed for which please run until further notice. We can assure you of square dealing.

Our classified Ads. on page twenty-two are worth your careful perusal, and in writing our advertisers you can help us no more than by mentioning that you saw their Ad. in the M. M. P.

We also stand back of our advertisers and will not insert any advertising that has a suspicion of fake. We expect to build this paper up very rapidly in the future, and we must know whether our advertisers are reliable or not. We can vouch for any who are at present using our space. We also thank those who have been sending in compliments and their support.

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So far we are glad to note that we have not received but one complaint and that was from member 96, stating she ought to get more cards. Boys what's the matter? Here's your chance get busy.

Dear Members you must not wait till you get a card just sit down and write a few, I am sure they will all answer. We would like you one and all to sit down and write to a few if not all and make things lively. The publisher has received some very pretty cards from we are sure some pretty girls. Do I owe any one a card? You know I am a pretty busy kid, and overlook cards, etc., once in a while, but not because I want to. Wish you one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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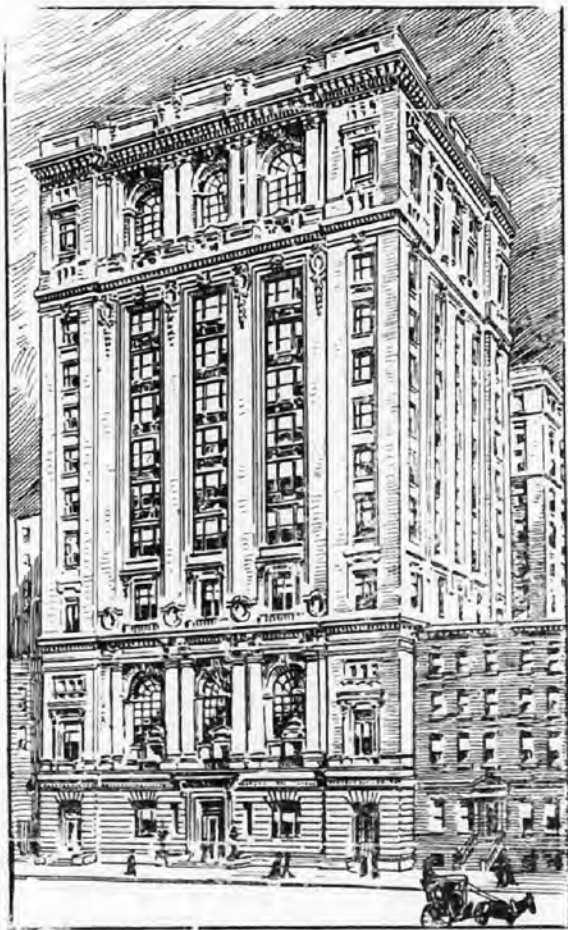
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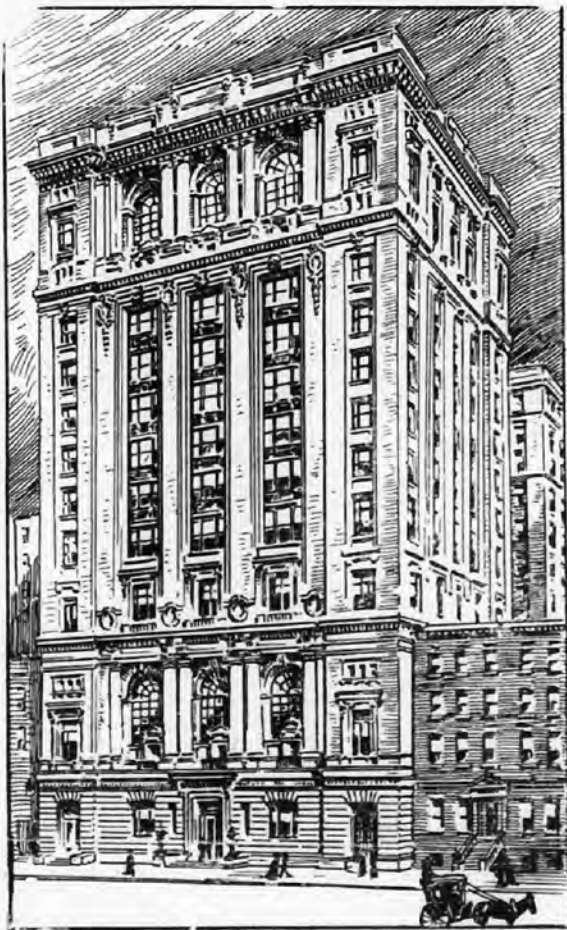
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Owing to the fact that our paper is undergoing a complete change, we wish to announce that we will again be with you with a full issue about the middle of June. We are just getting out this small issue to let you know what is doing.

There will be many new changes in our next issue which we hope will more than make up for past discrepancies, and in the meantime ask you to be patient.

Our reasons for not getting out our April issue has been many. The editor has been out of town considerable of late, and pressing business matters simply made it impossible to go ahead, we even thought we would have to give up entirely, but now we are starting out to make this the leading paper in "America". One of our new features is going to be a Boys Department. This will be devoted entirely to articles of interest to the boy collector, and our first issue will contain a very interesting competition, with some handsome prizes for the winners. Of course only actual subscribers are entitled to enter this competition. The questions will not be hard and any intelligent person can win one of the valuable prizes.

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The **Phila. Stamp News** a weekly that is highly appreciated by us, also occupies a small portion of our space.

The **Strathmore Press** who occupy a page in this issue, is worth your attention. They put out good work, and we know some of their agents that are making good money, spare time.

J. Selden Swisher, is also with us with a half page of attractive bargains. Look up his Ad. and write him. Mr. Swisher, is a man who believes in square dealing. Write him.

The **Calif. Travel Club** magazine and the **Stamp Journal**, both occupy a quarter page this month. We can speak well of either of these.

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There are many others with us this month, for the first time, and we urge our readers to patronize any that they can, in this way you will help us and also the advertiser. Patronize **Murdock**, if possible, it will be appreciated.

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Philately as an Aid to Teaching

By F. Ralph Gellerman.

A year or so ago Dr. J. M. Holt, editor of *Everybody's Philatelist*, wrote a very excellent article for a medical journal entitled "Philately for Physicians." In that article many good points were brought out showing why physicians should collect stamps. That article was the inspiration, if any was needed, for this short treatise on stamp collecting, as an aid to teaching. I believe that Philately is an aid to a man in any profession, but I do think that the school teacher can make the most practical use of the hobby than of any profession. The very stamp and its history itself enter into the work of the schoolroom.

Nearly all of the studies taught in the grades can be made interesting, and more instructive through the agency of a stamp collection. It is a well known fact that the studies in which the teacher takes the most interest, are the ones that are of the most interest to the scholars, so doesn't it seem natural that the lessons which have the closest connection with the teachers' stamp collections, will be the most interesting to the pupils? Geography and history are considered hard subjects to teach by some teachers, but I have always found them the least difficult of any, and this I owe to the fact that these subjects have been my "hobbies" because of their close association with Philately.

Take Geography for instance, what a wealth of material the teacher can find for a new and attractive way in which to present this study, to an always appreciative class. Geography is one of the most interesting studies there is when presented to the class in an interesting way, and I am sure that every teacher has recognized the fact, that the pupil takes an increased interest in a lesson when something out of the ordinary has been shown them, having a direct bearing on that lesson. When studying China, a collection of stamps from that country is very helpful by increasing the child's curiosity about this country. When an American boy or girl has developed a curiosity to know something about a particular thing, you can safely wager a large sum that they are going to find out about it.

History, undoubtedly has as much connection with Philately, as Geography, if not more. In some History text books, postage stamps are illustrated, while all advanced histories deal with the Post-office and postal history of America. All United States stamps are of great value to a teacher, if used in the right way. When studying about the great men who have been portrayed on our postage stamps, a collection of them will be very instructive, and of great value, to any advanced, and most primary classes in history. The various commemorative series of stamps will also be very helpful when studying the various events, which they commemorate. Ancient history also has a close connection with stamp collecting, and certain foreign stamps, such as Grecian, Cretan, etc., can be brought into the lesson very affectively by the teacher.

I might go on for pages, telling of the advantages of Philately to a wide-awake school teacher, but I don't want to take up too much of the valuable space reserved for other articles.

Before dropping the subject entirely, however, I want to state that Philately is the best tonic I know of, to develop a trait that every teacher must have in order to be successful, viz:—patience. In looking over mixtures, packets, etc., and in studying and scrutinizing your stamps, as well as in searching for minor varieties, this trait is developed to a high state of efficiency.

WITH THE BOY PHILATELIST.

Edited by August Mack.

It is our desire to become better acquainted with the younger collectors, henceforth we will devote each month, a page or more for their benefit. Also through our columns we will endeavor to answer all questions sent in. We want you all to take an interest, and send in your answers and questions. To quickly interest you, this month we are listing some questions, and will give some fine prizes to those who send in the best answers.

LIST OF QUESTIONS.

- What is a Seebeck?
- What have you learned about stamp collecting?
- What country issued the largest postage stamp?
- What country issued the smallest postage stamp?
- What Foreign country issues a stamp reminding you of our 1893 issue?
- What country has four horses pictured on one of its stamps?
- What country issued the first postage stamp?
- What country has in its design the picture of an Angel?
- What country has its own flag on one of its stamps?
- Is stamp collecting a pleasure, pastime or study?

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- 3rd—To one sending in seven answers, a 20th Century Album.
- 4th—To one sending in six answers, an Imperial Album with 200 var. of stamps.
- 5th—To the next five answering five questions, an Illus. Album, 100 diff. stamps and 1000 hinges.
- 6th—To the next five answering four questions, an Illus. album and 50 var.
- 7th—To every one answering at least three, we will extend your subscription for one year.

The above questions with a little study can be easily answered, and you can become one of the prize winners. We will also endeavor to publish all of the best answers sent in, besides the answers of the prize winners. All prize winners' names will be published.

CONTEST CLOSES July 30, 1913.

Any one who is a subscriber can join in the contest. This is for the boys, advanced collectors will please not take advantage. Remember all answers must reach the publisher before July 30th.

F. P. The numbers on the back of the Spanish stamps are control numbers. Every stamp on the sheet is numbered alike, but each sheet bears a different number.

G. R. Some collectors make distinctions between upright and inverted watermarks. Some even collect them in strips forming the letters U. S. P. S. Some Specialists even collect the stamps showing the horizontal lines, and vertical lines, showing the center lines crossed, etc., same as though they had the full sheet, this is a very interesting way of collecting, as sometimes it has been hard to complete.

Make this page interesting by sending in short notes on interesting news, and notes that will help aid the boys or specialists.

STAMP NOTES.

By F. Ralph Gellerman.

A great many collectors are puzzled in telling the difference between the 50c 1881 Brazil, Scotts, No. 79, and the same value of the 1883 issue. Scotts No. 88.

The Catalogue distinguishes them by saying that No. 88 has a "larger head." To those who only have one copy, they may tell which one it is by measuring the beard. In No. 88 it almost touches the curved line that forms part of the frame around the head. In No. 79, the beard just drops a trifle below the projection of the frame, under "50," or to make it clearer, in No. 88, the distance between the beard, and the curved line is 1 mm, while in No. 79, it is about 4 mm.

The Canada "Christmas" stamp can be found in five shades, viz:—lavender, blue, light blue, blue green, and dark blue. There may be others.

Precancel, Parcel Post stamps are getting quite common, but I would advise owners to hold on to them, on account of the new series being put into use soon. Some of them may become rare. I have noticed Minneapolis, Chicago, Cleveland and a few others.

Mr. John J. Warns, Sec. of the Dakota Philatelic Association informs me that he is to shortly put out a year book, for the Society. Every Dakota Philatelist should join the state society, and help boost. Write me for an application blank. My address is Buxton, N. D.

WOULDN'T IT JAR YOU.

Recently we received a communication, from the Penn Stamp Co., who has been a constant patron of ours. In this letter, they ask the question. What kind of subscribers have you? Please read the enclosed, they used our key number to your paper. We sent them a book of stamps upon request.

Canada, 4/8/13.

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My Dear Sir:—I am sending back

the book which you sent me. I will buy when I will be millionare, then you shall write me, I thought that you would give me them free. Give a chance to a poor fellow who is on his way to become rich, with the stamps trade. Ha! Ha! Hi! Hi! Ha! Maud. Good Noon. One of my friends is bringing my supper I haven't had breakfast, dinner and supper from three months.

Yours truly,

Flourishes.

Impossible to read the name.

Note:—Glad to state that we have no subscriber on our list, living at the address given—Editor.

DEALERS BEWARE!

The above communication speaks very plainly that dealers should be very careful to whom they send stamps on approval.

Especially so to collectors living in N. Y. City. We are speaking in regard to requests written in boyish hands, or those signing their name with fancy flourishes, and giving their father or guardian as reference. You might write the father, and get this reply, my son is O. K. send him anything he wants. Sounds good, but, kindly note the signatures, nine out of ten, you will find them the same hand-writing. The only way to save yourself loss, and having the P. O. inspector to look up this party, is Be Careful. If all dealers would do this, and not be so anxious to send out approvals, there would be less Stamp Rogues.

There are honest stamp collectors in N. Y. City, who do not seem to realize why dealers, sometimes refuse to send them stamps, without cash first, especially when the order consists of a valuable lot of stamps.

At last the 3c Parcel Post has arrived. The copies that we received the other day came in a very bright dark earmine, a shade we have not noticed in other values.

Have we your subscription? Don't forget, after July 15th, the subscription will be 50c a year,

PHILATELIC NEWSYGRAPHS.

By F. I. Cleveland Bundlie.

Commemorative stamps continue in vogue. China only recently put out two sets at the same time. United States has issued a set of four values to advertise the Panama-Pacific Exposition, and Russia is out with a pictorial set, that appears to be of a commemorative nature. But this is not all. Commemorative stamps are announced from Germany, Holland, and one or two other countries.

Mr. F. Ralph Gellerman, of Cloquet, Minn., informs me that he has purchased the PERRY COLLECTOR from Mr. C. V. Webb, of Perry, Ohio. Although Mr. Gellerman does not say it will, without a doubt, be published under the name, "The Stamp Book," which Mr. Gellerman has announced, will appear this Spring. Being personally acquainted with Mr. Gellerman, and knowing him to be very enthusiastic over affairs philatelic, I can say we all can look for something good and worth while.

Philately in Minneapolis and St. Paul, is advancing with great strides and bounds. On Feb. 15th, about forty collectors got together at the Minneapolis Y. M. C. A., and organized the "Twin City Philatelic Society." The society starts with twenty-four Charter Members, a good constitution and a live set of officers. The officers elected to serve for the first year are as follows:

Pres.—E. J. Gifford, St. Paul.

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Monthly meetings will be held, alternating between the two cities. We wish this new, but progressive society, the very best of success and a long and useful life.

It has been proposed in a number of the stamp papers of late that the A. P. S. should hold an annual convention, in the Twin Cities. Why not? Surely the A. P. S. can do worse in selecting its site for their annual conclaves. We should like to

see the new "Twin City Philatelic Society," consider this proposal.

South Africa is to demonstrate to the Philatelic World, that stamps and stamp collecting are not unknown to the people of that part of the world. A South African Stamp Exhibition will be held under the auspices of "Philatelic Society of Natal," in Durban, about the first of July, 1913. It will, we take it, be of some importance, for the literature in reference to the affair, received by us, has a business-like tone throughout. We wish it success, as we wish success to every instrument for the advancement of stamp collecting as a hobby, and Philately as a science.

A TALK WITH THE ADVERTISER.

By H. A. Benner.

The Stamp Business for the greater part, is a Mail-Order business, and to the M. O. business advertising is as necessary as are sales-people to the department store. In fact, advertising has rightfully been defined as "Salesmanship on paper."

To advertise judiciously, it is necessary for the advertiser to use, to some extent, the same care in selecting his "salesmen" that the employer does in hiring his.

The employer does not expect of the young and unexperienced salesman, the results that he does of the first-class, experienced employee, drawing double the salary. The same conditions hold true of the advertiser and the medium.

With few exceptions, the advertising rates of any periodical is based on the circulation, the class of its readers, and the quality of the magazine in general. The magazine charging \$2.50 per inch for space has as much reason for doing so, as the one whose rates are but 25c per inch.

Generally speaking, every magazine has its own class of subscribers, and this fact should be taken into consideration when selecting your mediums.

There is no better way to reach these collectors, than thru the columns of M. M. P. A trial will convince you.

OUR SUBSCRIPTION LIST.



Recently just as we were about to mail our magazines, we concluded to bunch them in states, and counted up each state with the following results. This was just part of a mailing.

New York	95	Pennsylvania	85
New Jersey	30	Massachusetts	35
California	30	Ohio	32
Illinois	23	Michigan	24
Minnesota	16	Connecticut	12
Indiana	16	Nebraska	8
Kansas	6	Virginia	9
Idaho	3	Georgia	6
Iowa	12	Washington	8
Colo.	6	Montana	6
Louisiana	5	D. C.	4
N. Carolina	3	Texas	6
W. Virginia	3	N. Dakota	5
Tennessee	5	S. Dakota	2
Alabama	3	Rhode Island	4
Kentucky	5	Vermont	5
Missouri	10	N. Hampshire	6
Maine	5	Maryland	5
Wisconsin	8	Oklahoma	5
Mississippi	4	Oregon	6
Utah	3	Arizona	2
Delaware	2	Florida	4
Africa	1	Ceylon	1
Mexico	1	Hawaii	4
France	2	Cuba	2
England	8	Canada	8
Canal Zone	3	Panama	2
Shanghai	2	Porto Rico	2
		Japan	1
Total	313	Total	299

Aside from the above list we mailed many more to subscribers and our Exchange list, also members who belong to the Post-Cardist Club, and samples.

In our little booklet of last month we guaranteed a circulation of 1000 copies, possibly more, of this issue. We are glad to state that since last month we have received many new subscriptions, several life, two year, and one year subscriptions, and will exceed the 1000 mark.

New York and Pennsylvania, according to our list, contains more Philatelists than any other state. We want every subscriber to try and send in a new subscription, for which we will pay you a commission of 15c. Remember we are out to win. Can you Help Boost?

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

By F. I. Cleveland Bundlie.

UNITED STATES: "The Philatelic Gazette" reports that the 3c and 50c postage due stamps have been issued on paper with the single line watermark.

AUSTRALIA: At last the long coming Commonwealth stamps are here. There are fifteen denominations in the set, ranging from 1/2d to L2. The stamps are typographed, and the perforation is 12. The design is simple, symbolic and not at all bad to look at. Upon a background of fine lines, running horizontally across the stamp, is an out-line map of Australia. Within the out-line of the map is a picture of a Kangaroo, which is quite appropriate. Just below the map, in a small colorless sphere is the numeral of value. At the top, in two lines, the words: "Australia Postage." At the bottom, in one line, the words: "One Penny."

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE: "The Stamp Journal" reports two values over printed on stamps of Great Britain:—1d. Georgian and 1S Edwardian.

BOLIVIA: The "Philadelphia Stamp News" reports that the designs of the 1901-04 issue have been printed in new colors, viz: 1 C. carmine, 2 C. vermilion 3 C. green, 8 C. yellow, 10 C. gray-violet, 50 C violet, 1 Bolivar, blue-gray, and 2 Bolivar, black.

CHINA: This young Republic has put out two commemorative sets. One to commemorate the Revolution, and the other to commemorate the Republic. Each set consists of twelve denomination ranging from 1 cent to \$5 inclusive. The portrait of Dr. Sun Yat-sen is shown on the Revolutionary set, and Yuan Shih-kai on the Republic set.

CYPRUS: A 10 paras stamp reported from this colony.

GREAT BRITAIN: To date the following Georgian stamps, head in profile, have been issued: 1/2, 1, 1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3, and 4d.

RUSSIA: This country recently issued an artistic series of portrait stamps, of 17 diff. denominations, from 1 Kopeck to 5 Ruble inclusive. The perf. is 13 1/2. This issue will be popular as it is the first pictorial series for Russia.

SOMALILAND PROTECTORATE: Five values of the Georgian type have been issued: 1, 2, 4, 6 annas and 1 rupee.

The above was sent in for our April issue—Ed.

Minnesota Philatelic Society.

ORGANIZED AUG. 15, 1911.

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 OFFICIAL ORGAN:—Mack's Monthly Philatelist.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

Through some fault we have no Secretary's report for this month. Probably through Mr. Holt, moving to Detroit, Mich., it may have been neglected. We did not notice it missing until too late to get in another report. Editor.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Dear Fellow Members:—

It is with regret that I must inform you, that I have tendered my resignation as President of the MINNESOTA PHILATELIC SOCIETY, same to take effect on the 15th of April.

Wish to explain that my reason for resigning is that I shall move to another state the latter part of the month (April).

Although I have worked hard for the M. P. S. ever since it's organization, being one of its organizers, it has been pleasant to think that I was probably doing some good to the collectors of this State.

I resign with the VERY BEST wishes of SUCCESS for the M. P. S. and its officer. Thanking you one and all for your kind support, I remain
 Fraternally yours.

F. I. CLEVELAND BUNDLE.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

We wish to call your special attention to the full page ad. of Leon V. Cass, in this issue.

While there is nothing rare, in his list of bargains, still the price cannot be beat, and it will pay you to look up his Ad.

Mr. Cass has devoted his whole

time to stamps, for many years past, and as we have had several deals together, we can vouch for him, as to fairness, and square dealing. We are now within a stone's throw of each other. He also states he will take a page monthly if it pays. Now dear readers, it's up to you to help boost the M. M. P.

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All ads. may be sent to above or to us.

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An X in this square, signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.



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EDITORIAL.

We wish to call your attention to the fact that this is the largest issue ever published by us. Per our little folders of last month, we are going to make this one of "America's" leading stamp papers.

Our advertising campaign of May, has already brought in many new subscriptions, many being life subscribers. We also intend to give you a magazine that you will appreciate, and not confine to the waste-basket.

You will also note our fine list of Advertisers, which has been built up on the merits of our paper, which alone speaks well. With the time that we now have to devote to this magazine, and a little support, we can and are going to grow rapidly.

From a list of less than six hundred a month ago, we will go over

the one thousand mark with this issue. In another part of this paper, you will note the states we reached in one mailing.

Our above subscription rates go in effect July, 15th. Up to that time renewals and new subscriptions will be taken at the old rate. Better send it now, Lest You Forget.

EDITORIAL.

By Wm. C. Webb.

I presume that my readers have been wondering what kind Providence has spared them the infliction of reading my poor efforts, for the past few months. Unfortunately (for the readers), my absence from these columns was not due to being discharged.

Pressure of other business has prevented me from doing any writing. However, I am now able to steal a little time to talk stamps to my readers.

The past few months have been eventful ones for the collecting world. The Parcel Post in its uniform color, is a handsome and pleasing addition to our albums, but in all probability the color, if not the designs will be changed before many months. But even if this is so, the quantity printed should be supply enough for many years, so that speculation will not be very remunerative in this issue. Used copies appear to be in great demand, judging from the advertisements offering to buy them in good condition.

The higher values seem to be scarcer than they should be, however, perhaps those who stock up now will make a good profit.

Then too, our next issue for the San Francisco Exposition, is carrying our mails. This is a handsome issue, although there is universal criticism of the 10 cent being in a poor color. The stamps do not appear to be common, but at present there is not a great demand on account of the many months during which they will be issued. I have found several shades of the various values, some which I believe will be good property. Used copies are as yet, by no means common and likely the high values used will be as good as the Pan-American issue, from the

investment view point.

The plates gotten up to advertise the coming exhibition at New York, were destroyed, together with the stamps printed, by the Federal authorities on the ground that they resembled postage stamps. Never did the U. S. print a postage stamp which in the least resembled the exhibition labels. However, since they have been destroyed we will have to grin and bear it.

FOR THE DEALER WHO DOESN'T ADVERTISE

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We are basing our subscription on new rate, and also to confirm with P. O. regulation on second class rates.

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*1907	Benadir, 5c, #11.....	.08	.03
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*1900	Fernando Poo, 20c, #80	.75	.28
1908	Madagascar, 35, #87...	.12	.05
*1890	Newfoundland, 6c, #53	.35	.13
*1897	Newfoundland, 2c, #62	.12	.05
*1897	Newfoundland, 2c, #79	.15	.05
1906	Philippine, 6c, #243...	.08	.02
*1906	Philippine, 20c, #243...	.08	.03
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The past year has been one of unrivaled success, and one of the best conventions in years is sure to be among the results. Already a number of prominent officers and collectors have signified their intention of being present.

Every collector that can possibly do so, should be present. As Wichita has a live branch, you will be sure to receive a hearty welcome and also meet some of America's leading philatelists. Every collector is cordially invited to attend. Don't forget the date and place.

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H. R.

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Some Prices Realized At Our 36th Sale, April 28, 1913.

UNITED STATES.

Lot No.		Catalogue.	Brought.
1—1847	5c dark, red cancel, very fine	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.25
2—1847	5c, pair, red cancel, cut in N. W., very good.....	3.00	1.90
3—1847	5c, on cover, red cancel, simply superb.....	1.50	1.60
4—1847	5c, on cover, blue cancel, very fine.....	1.50	1.10
5—1847	10c, on cover, red cancel, nicked S. well centered....	5.00	2.00
33—1869	10c, 12c, Nos. 116, 117, fine.....	1.75	.80
34—1869	15c, No. 119, very fine copy	1.50	.80
35—1869	24c, No. 120, very fine copy.....	5.00	2.50
36—1869	Same, small tear S., otherwise fine	5.00	.85
37—1869	30c, No. 121, very fine for this.....	3.50	1.10
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This party placed a limited bid, and was the highest bidder on 15 lots, over his limit, after some figuring we sent him about six lots over his limit, with hoping it would be satisfactory, and we received the following:

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115—Theo. L. D. Smith, 30 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, Conn.

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128—Melvin Wick, Metaline Falls, waii, Wash.

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To make it a little more interesting we are going to give away \$10.00 in CASH, October 1st, 1913.

First:—You must be a member.

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To the members securing the largest number of members up to Oct. 1st, we will give the following prizes:—

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3rd Prize, Cash.....	1.50
4th Prize, Cash.....	1.00
5th Prize, to the next five.....	.50

Remember we will pay your commission besides the above, so that should you not win, you will not be working for nothing. In order to win first prize it will be necessary to obtain at least twenty-five new members, or 300 points. Life Membership will count 75 points. Two Years' Membership will count 50 points.

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Now get busy and see who will get the best. Girls we mean you too.

1861—24c BRINGS \$77.

Sets High Mark in Auction Sale. Recently held by Eugene Klein.

Because Uncle Sam, back in civil war times decided that 24-cent stamps looked nobbier with square corners than with round corners, a tiny bit of engraving brought \$77 recently, at an auction of rare postage stamps in the salesrooms of Samuel T. Freeman, 1519 Chestnut Street.

The stamp which was retired after it had been issued for the month of August, 1861, because of its unsightly round corners, is very rare, and is listed by the experts who compile stamp catalogs, at \$150. However, Eugene Klein, the auctioneer, was pleased with the price. It set the high mark in the collection of Victor du Pont, which he had been delegated to sell.

About 3000 stamps in all were disposed of for an aggregate sum of nearly \$3000.

One stamp in the lot attracted considerable attention because of the very low price it brought. It was an uncancelled copy of the six pence 1907 issue, for the island of Dominica, and was knocked down at \$2.10. Klein declared this stamp was so rare that it had never been appraised in catalogs and had been sold in Europe for prices ranging between \$100 and \$200. This stamp, together with the rare United States stamp, were bought by an unknown bidder trading under the name of "Mr. C." Another pair of very rare stamps which are said to have often brought more than \$100 went to Francis Engel of Elizabeth, N. J. for \$4.30. The pair were uncancelled and unsevered and belonged to the 1870 issue for the island of St. Christopher. The face value of each was about one cent.

Among the other high-priced stamps was a 24-cent uncancelled United States of 1880, which brought \$40.75. A 2-real stamp of Spain, of the 1852 issue, was sold for \$17.75.

The sale as a whole brought high prices. Many agents of big collectors who came with instructions to bid no higher than a fixed sum, left the auction without buying.

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