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NEW MEMBERS

- 515 H. B. Andreu, 9070 SW 48th St., Miami 55, Fla. - Fancy Cancellations 19th Century U.S. S.
- 516J James E. Vrba, St. Francis Seminary, 3257 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee 7, Wis. - Wisconsin Covers (stamped & stampless); Vatican & Hungarian stamps.
- 517 Ray L. Newburn, Jr., 4419 Lowell Ave., La Crescenta, Calif. - Postal History of Colo. & Nev. also of Mono, Inyo & San Bernardino Counties in Calif.; U.S. Postal Stationery (Mint Entires); U.S. First Day Covers (particularly pre- 1930); General U.S.
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- 521 Dr. Jesse S. Lubitz, 450 7th Ave., New York 1, N.Y. - 1. General U.S., 2. 19th Century Cancellations especially "PAID" & Fancy on 3¢ '61 on & off Cover.

RESIGNED

- 298 Rev. John F. Gruss
- 480 Hamilton Pitt
- 488 George H. Phillips

MISSOURI SPEECH & HEARING CENTER

W. L. Dodds (#216) some time ago underwent an accident which left the right side of his body paralyzed. He is recovering gradually, thanks to the services of the Springfield, Mo. Speech and hearing Center of which Mrs. Joyce Beach is Director. Recently the Center suffered water damage to a large part of its therapy equipment, none of which was insured. The Center will welcome contributions of cash, books, records, toys, games etc. The address is 1442 N. Roberson, Springfield, Mo.

IMPORTANT - IMPORTANT

We are enclosing a copy of regulations for the Wichita Exhibit in Oct.; also an application.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

The Mt. Nittany Philatelic Society of State College, Pa. is host to the 16th Annual Central Pennsylvania Stamp Collectors' Get Together at the Nittany Lion Inn on June 3 & 4, 1961. Members desiring to exhibit please write Edward L. Willard (#125), 225 Woodland Drive, State College PA. for prospectus. USCC Certificate has been made available to this show.

Mr. Willard has spent considerable time in the hospital recently following a series of heart attacks. All will be glad to know he is improving rapidly.

WICHITA

Although several members have availed themselves of the opportunity to get an autographed copy of "THE TALE OF THE KICKING MULE" by Lee Cornell, the amount so far realized from it is not as much as we will need to get a suitable trophy to award at Wichita in October.

As previously announced USCC is holding an exhibition in cooperation with the Wichita Stamp Club in Wichita, Kans. on October 13 - 15, 1961. Members wishing to exhibit or to attend should write Lee H. Cornell, 704 Orpheum Bldg., Wichita 2, Kans. without delay.

Members wishing to help toward the purchase of an award may send contributions to the Sec'y, C. D. Root, 855 Cove Way, Denver 9, Colo. or they may order from the Sec'y autographed copies of THE TALE OF THE KICKING MULE @ \$2.00 each. Since Mr. Cornell is donating the books all receipts can go toward the Trophy.

YANKTON, SO. DAKOTA

On March 2, 1861, President Buchanan having signed the "Organic Act", Dakota Territory was founded with Yankton as the first Capitol.

To commemorate this event the Sioux Falls Stamp Club has sponsored a cacheted cover, an attractive one it is too. These covers may be secured for 25¢ each from Dwight D. Deter (#359), Box 382, Mitchell, So. Dakota.

NEW YORK CITY POSTMARKS

Mr. Seymour Nussenbaum, 4 York St., P.O. Old Bridge, N.J. has a collection of some 1400 New York City Postmarks which he has written up carefully. Any member wishing to see this collection should communicate directly with Mr. Nussenbaum. We understand he is much more interested in putting it in appreciative hands than in any cash return he might get.

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PRICED AUCTION CATALOGUES

We appear to be acquiring quite a file of
these. From one of our members recently we have
the following: Robert A. Siegel Sales #s 183,
184, 186-194 inc., 196-201 inc., 204, 206, also
14 priced catalogues from other dealers. Mem-
bers may borrow these as all Library items are
available, shipping weight approximately 4 oz.
for each catalogue.

LONG BEACH STAMP COLLECTORS' CLUB

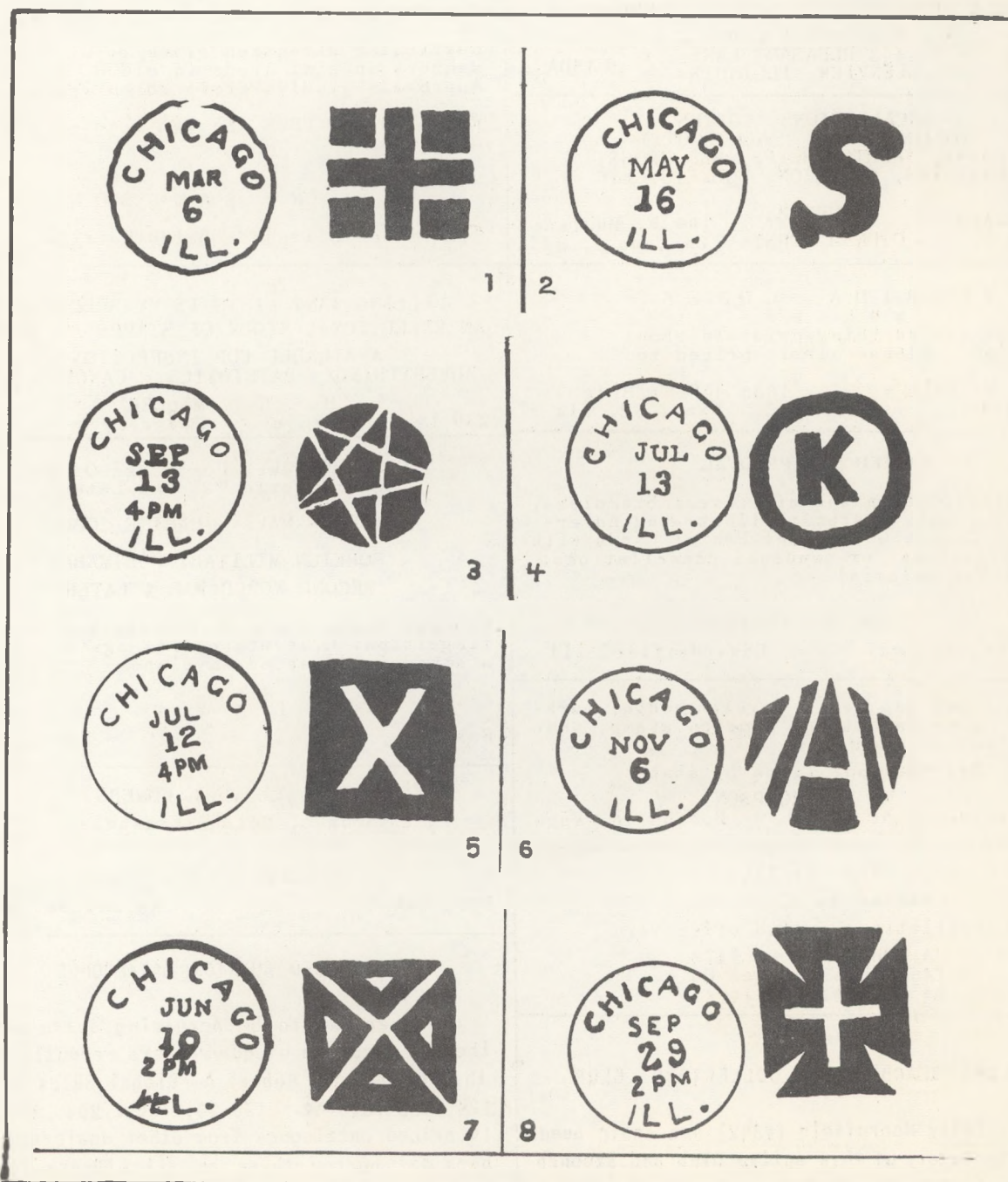
Mrs. Emily Moorefield (#342) has again been
elected Secretary of this active Club and Stephen
Farndell (#371) is Chairman of its Reception
Committee, both for the calendar year 1961.

ILLINOIS STATE 19th CENTURY POSTAL CANCELS

On the front page and also on this one and page 65 are illustrated 17 of the fancy cancels used in Chicago during the '60s & '70s. These are from the collection of Mr. Richard Russell (#444). We hope to show more 19th Century Cancels from Illinois in future issues.

1 is on Scott's # 158 in Black
 2 " 158 in Blue
 3 " UX3 "
 4 " 158 "

5 is on Scott's # 158 in Blue
 6 " UX3 "
 7 " 147 "
 8 " 147 "



9 is on Scott's # 65 in Black

10 " 158 in Blue

11 " 65 "

12 " 158 in Black

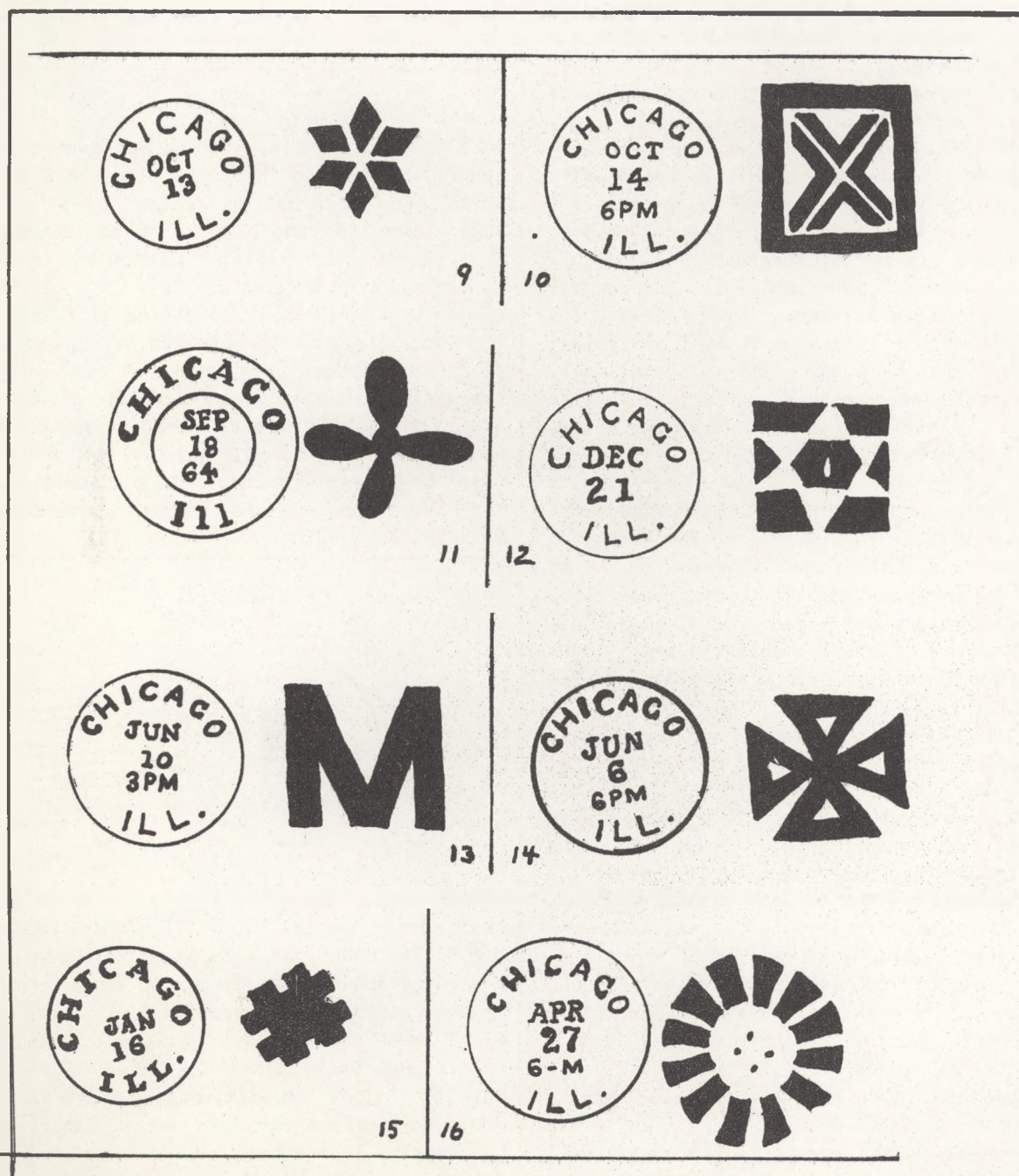
#13 is on Scott's # 158 in Blue

14 " UX3 "

15 " 94 in Black

16 " UX3 in Blue

17 The CHICAGO "POOL TABLE" CANCEL on 3¢ Green, TOWNMARK & CANCEL BLUE "Pool Table" Corner Card, 3¢ Green, Townmark & Cancel Black. Could this Corner Card have inspired the Clerk responsible for this Cancel? (see front cover)



TERRITORIAL COVER COLLECTING

Arthur VanVlissingen

When collectors say "Cancellations", we seldom are referring solely to the obliterations that render stamps unfit for reuse in franking mail. Rather, we generally mean "Postal markings," which are all of the notations officially applied to a piece of mail as it passes through postal channels. Cover collectors are particularly given to using the word in this broader sense.

Everything else being equal, a stampless cover is likely to carry more markings because notations were used in place of a stamp. Accordingly there is likely to be more postal history to be deciphered from the markings on a stampless cover. It is this aspect of cover collecting that attracts many an enthusiast to some particular field of stampless.

Territorial covers are those used in a United States Territory prior to its admission to the Union as a full-fledged state. From most territories these are not plentiful, since a territory typically was created by Congress in a sparsely settled wilderness. When this area was granted statehood a few years later, this generally occurred before the region contained sufficient population to produce any great volume of mail. Some territories which became states in the first two decades of the 1800's produced so few covers that those which have been found are truly museum pieces.

One of several territories that yielded enough covers to be rewarding, and few enough to be interesting to collectors, is Wisconsin. In the strict sense its postal history began when Wisconsin Territory was formed from Michigan Territory on July 4th, 1836 and ended 12 years later when the State of Wisconsin was admitted to the Union on May 29, 1848.

Any such legalistic definition would rule out many of the most interesting and significant items available to the Wisconsin Territory Collector and Postal Historian. Mail moved with reasonable regularity in this region more than 300 years ago, long before the first Post Office was established on Dec. 6, 1821 at Green Bay, then in Michigan Territory and the last Wisconsin Territory Town Mark was not discarded by many a Post Office in the original 280,000 square miles of the original Wisconsin Territory of 1836 until years after these offices were in other political jurisdictions.

Modern man with his ideas geared to the speed and ease with which he and his mail move across continents and oceans in the second half of the 20th Century finds it hard to believe there ever was any considerable traffic or mail service on the Great Lakes and the rivers of the middle West before these regions were settled

150 years ago or less. The fact is by the year 1700 the French Explorers and Missionaries had paddled their birch bark craft across all of the region North of the Ohio River. They traveled by canoe, they shipped furs and maple sugar eastward, trade goods and supplies westward, in Mackinaw boats 50 feet long and 10 feet wide propelled by the paddles of a dozen squat swarthy halfbreeds who could work from daybreak to dark on a diet of lard and parched corn.

Editor's note: This article was prepared for the special issue of LINN'S but, because of mechanical difficulties, was not used. We believe it to be of sufficient interest to start in this issue of the NEWS and to continue in later issues until finished.

CENTEX

Deane C. Bartley (#119) has been appointed General Manager of the Convention and Exposition which the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs will stage in connection with the "Century 21 Exposition" of the State of Washington to be held at Seattle from April 21 to Oct. 21, 1962. CENTEX as the Convention will be called will be held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel on May 28, 29, & 30, 1962. Cachets are being prepared for many of the events of the Century 21 Exposition, the first of which was the ground breaking ceremonies of the Coliseum on May 12, 1960. Mr. Bartley is also the Cachet Director of the Exposition. He may be addressed c/o Century 21 Exposition, Seattle, Washington.

ZYLONITE



Frank B. Stratton (#487) who wrote our recent series on EARLY LEAVITT MACHINE CANCELS ON U S POSTAL CARDS has submitted the postmark illustrated above. He is unable to find any town of that name in Massachusetts. The cancel is in black on a cover franked with the 2¢ Green Adhesive and backstamped Rochester, N.Y. Rec'd Nov. 22, 1887. Mr. Stratton and your editor would appreciate any information other members can supply. The Cancel appears to be a handstamp.

Thanks to Mr. Stratton the issues of the USCC NEWS containing his articles have been added to the Library of the UNITED POSTAL STATIONERY SOCIETY.

LIBRARY

We are indebted to Lee Cornell (#27) for the following additions to our Library:

- #39 MAINE POSTAL HISTORY AND POSTMARKS by Sterling T. Dow. Shipping weight 3 lb.
- 40 U.S. STAMPLESS COVER CATALOGUE, Shipping weight 2 pounds
- 41 PONY EXPRESS by EDWARD S. KNAPP. Shipping weight 3 oz.
- 42 CONFEDERATE PATRIOTIC COVERS by VAN DYK MACBRIDE. Shipping weight 7 oz.
- 43 POSTAL LEGISLATION OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA by STANLEY B. ASHBROOK. Shipping weight 5 oz.
- 44 THE MAIL OF THE A.E.F. by HENNER M. SANFORD. Shipping weight 7 oz.

These may be borrowed by members in the usual manner.

COLLECTION FOR SALE

One of our members has left a collection with us for sale. It consists of 96 different numbers and letters on the 2¢ Vermilion, both hard & soft papers. They are mounted on 7 #1462 Elbe Pages for standard size 3 ring binder, properly arranged. Stamps are unusually good for such a collection and strikes are clear. This collection represents much more than an excellent start toward completion for these numbers & letters. The Collection will be sent on approval to any interested member.

deWASSERMAN

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These have recently been added to his 19th Century USA Cancellation by Dr. deWasserman.

- South Union, Ky. on #11
- Conesus Center, N.Y. on #26 (ex Emerson)
- Lyons, N.Y. in red on 3¢ green & 2¢ Vermilion to Germany
- Guilford on #114
- Auburn, Me. on #210
- Bedford, Ind. on 3¢ green
- Traverse des Sioux, Min. Ter. with "PAID" tying 30¢ 57 to Patriotic Cover to Germany
- Commack, N.Y. in red on #11
- PAID from Dedham, Mass. on 24¢ 61 to England
- STAGE, W.F. & CO. EXPRESS, Wells Fargo hand stamp, may have been used by the PIONEER STAGE COMPANY which existed from 1861 to 1866 as a subsidiary of Wells Fargo. on #26
- North Evans, N.Y. on #26
- Shield on 2¢ Vermilion
- OK on 3¢ Green

PAID 6

Regarding the oval with PAID 6 illustration on the front page of the Jan. 1961 NEWS Mr. Richard E. Longacre (#409) informs us it surely is from Harrisburg, Pa. He has the same oval cancel with "PAID 3", "PAID 6" & "PAID 12", also a similar "PAID 6" without the oval and an oval with "PAID 6" from Wilkesbarre, Pa.

POSTAGE STAMP AESTHETICS

Miss Barbara Mueller (#360) has started a new series in Western Stamp Collector on "Postage Stamp Aesthetics". In her first article she discusses recent emissions of Brazil, Portugal, Czechoslovakia, Libya and others.

MARGIN EDGE

Bob Pritchard (#454) has sent us a sample copy of MARGIN EDGE, house organ of Peerless Philatelic Co., Box 691, Aurora, Ill. They are promoting the forming of miniature sheets of U.S. stamps as a new venture in addition to their activities regarding "Perfins", "20th Century Cancels", "Cigarette Tax Stamps", etc. and are designing an album page for the miniature sheets. Anyone wishing a sample copy of MARGIN EDGE may send a large size stamped and addressed envelope to Peerless Philatelic Co.










AUCTIONS COMING

Robert Siegel (#355) is selling a large number of Covers and Cancellations on Monday, March 27. If you do not have his catalogue you may still be able to get one. We hope to be able to report prices realized in the May issue of the NEWS.

Mr. John H. Smith (#265) informs us that his collection of Cancellations will be sold on May 19 through Samuel C. Paige, 45 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.

A P S NOMINATIONS

We wish to call your attention to the nomination for President of APS of Mr. Kenneth L. Rice (#339). At present Mr. Rice is Secretary of that Society. Best of luck, Ken.

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