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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

As has been our custom for many years we must elect officers for the next two years (1970-1971) at this time. The Nominating Committee has produced a slate of which we are sure the members will approve. A ballot is enclosed on which you may vote either for those designated or for anyone else you wish. Please vote and return the ballot as promptly as possible.

NEW MEMBERS

- 833 Richard A. Saddler, 23 Stockton St., Metuchen, N.J. 08840-U.S. Stamps Mint & Used; U.S. Covers; U.S. Fancy Cancellations; U.S. & Foreign Flag Cancels, Doremus etc.
- 834 William H. Bauer, 112 Jeanne Drive, Westwego, La. 70094-Colorado, Germany, Japan, (Skinner)
- 835 Harwood David Schaffer, 17 Warwick St., Middletown, Conn. 06457-U.S. 20th Century Cancellations especially biplane slogans.
- 836 Frederick C. Huebner, 462 S. Midvale Blvd., Madison, Wis. 53711-Wisconsin Postmarks; USA; France; Canada; Australia; Japan; Switzerland; Philippines. (Stone)

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 242 Carl E. Lewis to 94 S. Hamilton St., Bldg. 1, Apt. 3, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12601 from Watertown, N.Y.
- 363 James R. Littleton to 106 Main St., Andover, Mass. 01810 from Arlington, Mass.
- 403 Otokar Cerny to 222 W. Adams St., Chicago, Ill. 60606 from 189 W. Madison.
- 473 James R. Kesterson to 336 Homestead Lane, Delaware, Ohio 43015 from 628 Pennsylvania.
- 641 Robert L. Markovits, to Box 891, Middletown, N.Y. 10940 from New York, N.Y.
- 807 Bill P. Modjeski to 1248 Marydale Drive, Jackson, Miss. 39212 from 2822 Fairhill.
- 828 Daniel Knowles to 5120 S. Hyde Park Blvd. Apt. 12, Chicago, Ill. 60615 from Shirley, N.Y.

EDWARD L. WILLARD (#125) (see Front Page)

At Baltimore, in early October, APS elected a new President, Daniel W. Vooyo of Canaioharie.

at the same time ending four years of activity and growth under the direction of Edward L. Willard as President. We believe that Mr. Willard can look back on his four years with considerable satisfaction. During this period he has found time also to complete his part of the work of preparing his two volumes on the 2¢ Brown (Scott #210) which was mentioned in the NEWS for January 1969. Announcement is expected soon that this is ready for distribution by the Lindquist Co. Also he has been able to add some very interesting items to his collection of this stamp. An example of this is the cover shown on the front page of this issue. This is the earliest Cover so far known with the "EX.STA." Postmark. Consulting newspaper filed of that period Mr. Willard learned that this fair was sort of a "hard-luck" undertaking. It was too far from the City so a hasty effort was made to build a rail road from Canal St & Basin Sts. to the fair grounds to carry visitors @ 15¢ apiece. The first issue of tickets was cancelled and holders crashed the gate on opening day, Feb. 10, 1885. Perhaps some member can shed further light on this fair.

LIBRARY

Much to your editor's regret the list of volumes in our Library which accompanied the Sept. issue of the NEWS did not contain the name and address of the Librarian. He is Elmer J. Binker Jr., P.O. Box 2534, White City, Oregon 97501 as mentioned in our July issue. Correspondence reg. the Library should be directed to him.

ADDITIONS TO LIBRARY

"New York Foreign Mail Cancellations" by Arthur VanVlissingen & Morrison Waud, a gift from the authors. Number not yet assigned. This is the first exhaustive study of these interesting cancellations since that made by Edwin Milliken (#15) in 1942, and it contains considerable new information, New Types, Earliest & latest known use, degree of rarity, destinations, Cancels sometimes mistaken for NYFM, Fakes, NYFM Postmarks, Supplementary Mail etc. etc.

MD-1 "Old Bay Line (Baltimore Steam Packet Co.) Mail." 1965 31 pp by Jesse G. Johnson, a gift from the author.

PE-5 A file of our own publications. 40 early #s of which are either missing or Xerox copies. We hope that this will be complete eventually even if we have to use more Xerox copies.

NEW PROJECT

Our Librarian suggests that members running across articles discussing Postal Markings or Postal History either clip them along with any illustrations and send them to him or send the periodicals in which they appear. In this way a fairly comprehensive accumulation of such information can be compiled.

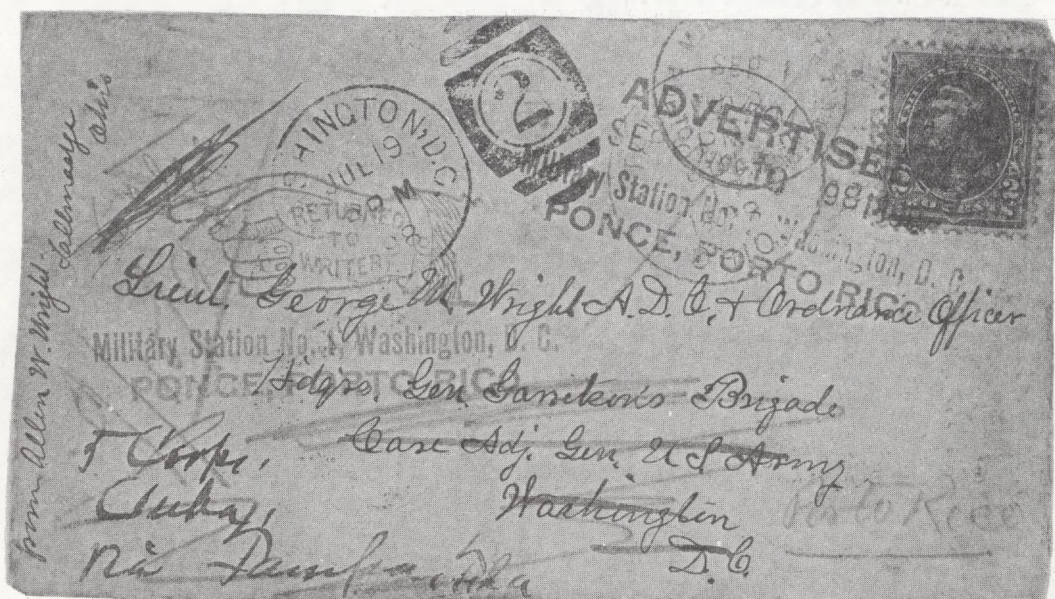
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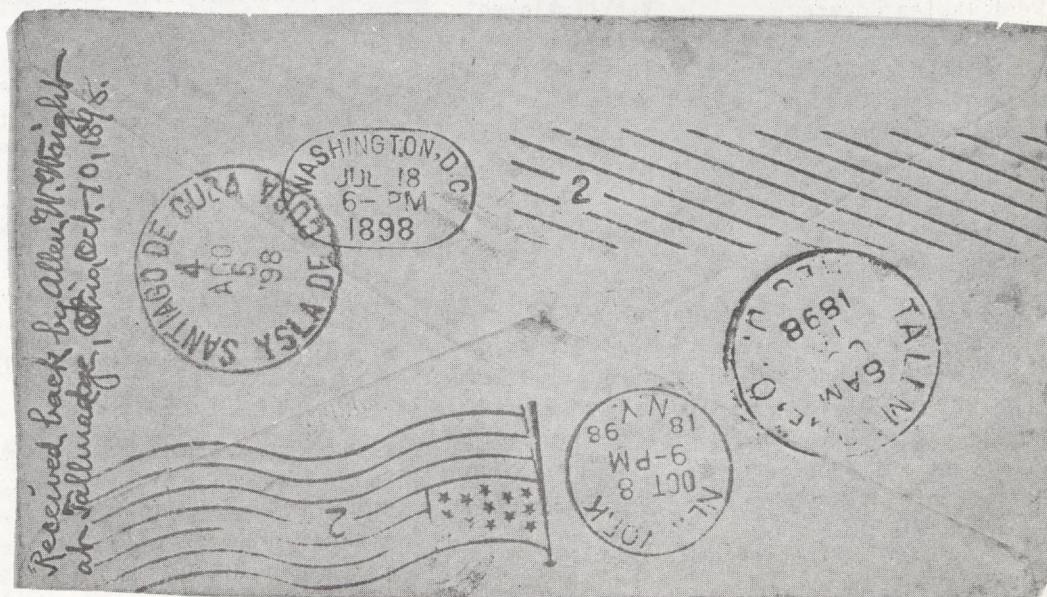
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NEW MEMBERS

- 837 Donald E. Makinen, Box 546, Bacliff, Texas
77518-Cancels on Cover; Canada, Canal Zone,
Finland. (Lowe)
- 838 Mrs. R. C. Corey Sr., 13207 Roswell Ave.,
Chino, Cal, 91710-Andrew Jackson Issues of
USA especially Black Jacks inc. Postal
History, Collateral etc. (Tinsley)
- 839 Dr. Gary A. McIntyre, 7 Fernald Road, Orono,
Me. 04473-US 19th Covers; Postal Hist.;
Cancels; Territorials. (Kesterson)
- 840 John I. Repa, 522 River St., Scranton, Pa.
18505-Covers with Flag, Slogan & early
Machine Cancellations (Barry, Doremus,
Barr-Fike etc.) (Saddler)
- 841 A. L. Tobias, 3909 W. Slauson Ave., Los
Angeles, Cal. 90043-US 19th Cent. Fancy
Cancels. (Prescott)
- 842 Charles Yuspeh, 214 Topaz St., New Orleans,
La. 70124-USA (Skinner)
- 843 James B. Hale, 5401 Raymond Road, Madison,
Wis. 53711-Wisconsin Postal History, Door
County especially; 19th Century British
West Indies Covers. (VanVlissingen)
- 844 William C. Coles Jr., 200 Colonial Ave.,
Moorestown, N.J. 08057- Stampless; RFD;
Machine Cancellations and US Notes of
Civil War Period. (Bond)
- 845 Edward J. White, 207 Stephen Drive, Cinna-
minson, N.J. 08077-USA & UN

REINSTATED

- 293 Ralzemond B. Parker, 1087 Parker Ave.,
Detroit, Mich. 48214-Fancy Cancellations on
USA Stampless and stamped Covers; Illustrated
Covers; Territorials; Patriotics; Machine
Cancels; Exposition Cancels; Odd Town Names
on Cover; WWI & WWII Covers; Off Cover, USA,
BNA, Scandinavia (Bond)

DECEASED

- 403 Otokar Cerny

Mrs. Root and your Secretary wish to thank
all of you who so thoughtfully remembered them
with Holiday Cards.

FRONT PAGE

Illustrated on the Front Page of this issue
is a cover sent in by David T. Skowland
(#645). He writes as follows:

Enclosed is what I consider a very interesting
envelope that philatelically covers the Spanish
American War. It is from my wife's family cor-
respondence and is not of philatelic origin which
makes it even more interesting.

Briefly, the Spanish American War was declared on
April 25. The first troops landed near Santiago,
Cuba on June 22, 1898. Santiago surrendered on
July 17 and Porto Rico was invaded on July 25
with little or no opposition. The Peace Treaty
with Spain was signed on December 10, 1898, a
very short war by today's standards.

This envelope bears the following chronological
marking -

1. Addressed to Lieutenant George M. Wright -
Headquarters General Garretson's Brigade -
Care Adj. Gen. U S Army - Washington, DC
Postmarked Tallmadge, Ohio July 17, 1898.
2. Backstamped on receipt with oval postmark -
Washington, DC - July 18, 1898 at 6 PM
3. Readdressed in red ink to 5 Corps, Cuba via
Tampa, Fla. and postmarked Washington, DC 9
PM July 19, 1898.
4. Backstamped on receipt in Santiago, Cuba
August 4, 1898, and readdressed to Porto Rico.
5. Ponce, Porto Rico hand stamped in Violet -
Advertised September - to - 1898, Military
Station No. 1., Washington, DC, Ponce, Porto
Rico.
6. Ponce, Porto Rico hand stamped in violet -
Returned to Sender, Military Station No. 1,
Washington, DC, Ponce, Porto Rico.
7. Postmarked - Military Station - Porto Rico on
September 1, 1898.
8. Backstamped New York, N.Y. 9 PM October 8, 1898.
9. Backstamped at point of origin after almost 4
months, Tallmadge, Ohio 8 AM October 10, 1898.

Lieutenant Wright received commendations for show-
ing bravery in action and was advanced to rank of
Captain before being honorably discharged in Nov-
ember of 1898. This letter, from his nine year
old son, Allen failed to catch up with him during
the short campaign. Lt. Wright was present when
General Miles took possession of Porto Rico for
the U.S.

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Would appreciate loan of information not for sale.

ROBERT K. WAITE, SR. (USCC #698)
10 BERKSHIRE PLAZA, NORTH ADAMS, MASS. 01247.

Old covers from Brockton, North Bridgewater, and Campello, Massachusetts. Brockton Fair covers and post cards. Old scenic post cards from Brockton. Trade cards from Brockton and Trade cards dealing with SHOES. Old maps of Plymouth County and State of Massachusetts, etc. Old books with photos from Brockton shaving buildings and Shoe industries, etc. Herst-Sampson #1463 - Campello, Massachusetts "Elephant" cancel.

Above items wanted by a collector of same.

DAVID LAWSON, 41 Carleton Ave.,
Brockton, Mass. 02401

WANTED: Confederate States Covers with Petersburg, Virginia Cancellations. Buy or Exchange.

A. L. TOBIAS, 3909 W. Slauson Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif. 90043.

ADDRESS CHANGES

657 Ted Conway to Box 420, Lynbrook, N.Y.
11563 from Elmont, N.Y.

820 Sgt. Forrest L. Cooper Jr. to Rt. #1, Box 383, Florence, Miss. 39073 from New York APO.

825 H. Cullen Dunstanto, 2338 Bernard St., Raleigh, N.Car. 27608 from Windsor, N.C.

371 Stephen M. Farndell to P.O. Box 2066, Seal Beach, Cal. 90740 from Long Beach.

512 H. H. McVeigh to 2227 S. Garfield Road, Spokane, Wash. 99203 from 125 Stevens St.

342 Mrs. Emily Moorefield to P.O. Box 2066, Seal Beach, Cal. 90740 from Long Beach.

173 Rev. Frederick K. Smythe to P.O. Box 76, International Falls, Minn. 56649 from Lander, Wyo.

739 Lt. Duane P. Ulrich to 108B Lawton, Fort Huachuca, Ariz. 85613 from Pittsburg, Cal.

756 Rev. Kenneth Wheeling, Box 1120, Port Jervis, N.Y. 12771 from Plattsburgh.

REGISTERED

Who can recommend a good book on the subject of Registered Letters and Covers? Please inform the Editor.

FRONT PAGE NOV., 1969

Further information on this interesting cover. The following sent in by William J. Bomar (#483).

In reading the November 1969 issue of the U.S.C.C. news, I noticed your inquiry of Page 98 regarding the cover shown on the front page of this issue. from Mr. Willard's collection. This is a very scarce exposition station postmark. However, the April(15)? date is by no means the earliest known date of this exposition station postmark.

According to information available to me, this was the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition held in New Orleans, Louisiana. The official opening date of the exposition was December 1, 1884 to run through May 31, 1885. A hold over of this exposition under new management reopened later on November 10, 1885 with a closing date on the hold over exposition of April 1, 1886. The hold over exposition was known as the North, Central and South American Exposition. The exposition grounds contained 247 acres, the exposition drew an estimated attendance of ten million people (which wasn't at all bad when compared to other expositions of that period) and the total cost of the exposition has been estimated at approximately \$2,000,000. A tidy sum in 1885.

I have examples of this exposition station postmark dated February 10, March 21 and May 9. I have seen photographs of other examples of this exposition station postmark dated in February 1885. I have never seen an example dated in December 1884 although I have no doubt that they do exist.

All in all, I have either owned or seen at least half a dozen examples of this very scarce exposition postmark. In addition, from this exposition, there existed many different ornate and/or illustrated advertising covers. These apparently are unused remainders, frequently seen by those of us seeking exposition items, and without the special exposition marking they sell for approximately \$2.00 and up.

Incidentally, illustrated covers from the hold over (1886-86, North, Central and South American Exposition, are considerably scarcer than those of the Industrial & Cotton Centennial Exposition.

There is also known a "Rec'd" marking for this Exposition. It is extremely rare.

I am sure that U.S.C.C. member Bob Payne in Long Beach, California could shed considerable additional light on this little known exposition for you.

INDEX

Joseph D. Hahn (#734)

"We are progressing with the Index to the Cancellation Club News. Some personal problems (illness and vacations) and some technical problems (reprogramming computer) have contributed to our delay, but we hope to be able to complete matters in a few weeks.

We have also devised a system whereby we can add or correct any information in the index which is found to be incorrect by a member. We will explain this further when the index is ready.

To give you some idea of the magnitude of the index, it currently is contained on about 70 pages 11" x 14". There are 60 entries per page. We have purged from this list almost 4000 duplicate entries, and have checked each entry against the page number in the "News" itself. We had about 1000 punching errors which we are in the process of correcting. (Perhaps not excessive when you consider the fact that there were $\frac{1}{4}$ million punches made.)

We think that you will be pleased with the Index when it is finished, and bid that you bear with us a bit longer.

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

Theodore O. Mills (#795) received a first award for "Selected Pages of Fancy Cancellations on the 3¢ Green of 1870-1882" at SUNPEX in Sunnyvale, California early in October and a week later received the grand award for the same exhibit at CUY-LORPEX at Rocky River, Ohio.

Donald F. Garrett (#481) showed "U.S. Packet Boat Covers" at JAPEX, the first exhibition of the Jackson (Miss.) Philatelic Society and was awarded "Most Popular Exhibit" by vote of the public.

Warren R. Bower (#751) won a First Place Award at METROPEX in Milwaukee late in November for his exhibit of "1879 DUES ON COVER".

Walton E. Tinsley (#376) is a member of the Governing Council of the American Philatelic Congress.

Ruth Grissman (#667) conducted the Program at the November meeting of the IOWA WOMEN'S PHILATELIC SOCIETY. She also received two awards at the TMPS 1969 Convention at Lincoln, Nebr.

J. Stanley Thompson (#439) ran the Xmas Party for the TWIN CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

Mary A. Phillips (#729) was awarded a first for her "U.S. NUMERAL CANCELS FROM 1903-1910. At the TMPS Convention in Lincoln she also got a Silver Medal for her "19th Century Covers.

Einer Swenson (#805) also received a Silver Medal there for his "Corner Cards & Cancellations."

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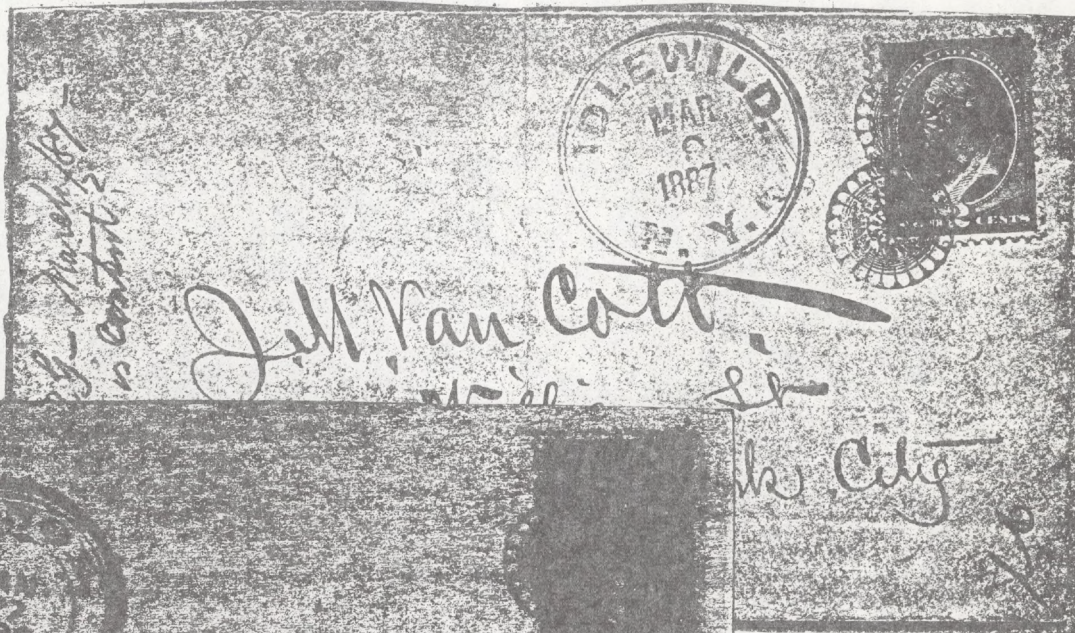
Mrs. Rose Zwickel, widow of our deceased member Ernest M. Zwickel has set up a fund under his estate to supply a Memorial Award to be presented each year at the annual banquet to the member of TWIN CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY who appears most deserving.



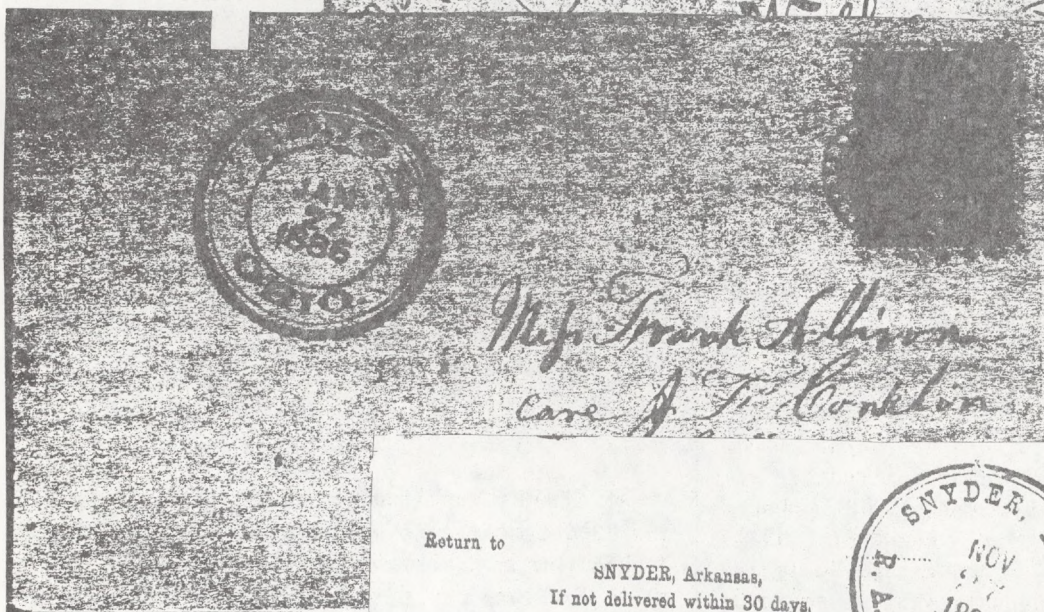
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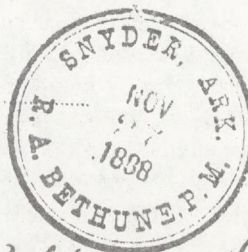
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Miss Alice J. Bryan
Raymond Heind
Co. Miss

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" SEE PAGE 6 "

DETAILS WANTEDPAGE 5 #1

The cover illustrated here is from the "EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CHEROKEE NATION, I. T. (Indian Territory)" and is postmarked TAHLEQUAH, IND.T., JAN 15, 1892. Also in box is: NIGHT MAIL/JAN 17, 1892/ P. ANDERSON.

Can anyone supply some detailed information, for write-up purposes, about the box marking?

This boxed marking seems to have been applied after the letter left the Indian Territory, and since it is dated two days after the date in the Tahlequah postmark, it was probably applied in or near Chicago which is the letters destination. Information as to the years this box marking was in use will also be appreciated.

Please send information to Gaspare Signorelli, 1173 East 51st Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11234.

#s 2 & 3

These are additions to the list of "Wheel of Fortune" Cancels. Also we have to list the following further additions:

California	Nelson		
Idaho	Aetna		
Illinois	Norris City		
Iowa	Saint Ansgar	Spencer	
Kansas	Irving		
Michigan	Mancelona		
Missouri	Deloge	Gallatin	
Montana	Nelson		
New Mexico	Liberty		
New York	Almond	Stittville	Idlewild
Ohio	Lenox		
Pennsylvania	Cloud	Gap	
Texas	Clifton	Brownwood	Granbury
West Virginia	Maywood		

This information is from Richard Russell (#444), Warren R. Bower (#751), J. B. Devo (#537), Richard H. Schwinn (#658), and Arthur Beane Jr. (#527). Mr. Beane also suggests that we endeavor to find the earliest and the latest use of this particular cancel. His earliest is Britt, Iowa, Dec. 6, 1880 and his latest Desloge, Missouri Aug. 9, 1909. Members having earlier or later uses may send in the dates and locations for publication in later issues of the NEWS.

#4

This was sent in by Forrest L. Cooper (#820). This particular cover has never been in anyone else's collection since he got it from Belongings of his Grandmother. Also it is not listed in Billig's handbook so may be new to many of you.

FLOREX '69

Robert Abelson (#624) exhibited "Rare Florida Manuscript Postal Markings" and received a Gold Medal, Arthur H. Bond (#505) showed "US Domestic Postage Rates 1789-1900 on Cover" and was awarded a Silver Medal. William H. Bauer (#834) also received a Silver Medal. Clark H. Stevens (#685) got a Silver and a Bronze Medal for his two Exhibits of USA Postal Stationery at Miami, Fla. in November. Kenneth R. Lawrence (#671) and Larry Resnick (#806) were co-chairmen of this show.

NOPEX '69

On Oct. 24-26 the Crescent City Stamp Club of New Orleans was host for NOPEX '69, the annual Convention of the CONFEDERATE STAMP ALLIANCE, the SOUTHERN PHILATELIC FEDERATION and the TEXAS PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION. The Show contained over 200 frames. William H. Bauer (#834) was Co-Chairman. The USCC Certificate went to Hubert C. Skinner (#632) the "The 1869 issue-the First Pictorial Designs" who also received awards for "New Orleans Local Posts" and for "New Orleans United States City Posts". Thomas E. Elnen (#578) got a Silver Medal for his "Roman States". Very attractive souvenir sheets were issued in sets of five each one picturing the 3¢ 1869 with a different classic Waterbury, Conn. Cancellation in Green, Red or Black. If you would like a set send \$1.00 and your address to Crescent City Stamp Club, P.O. Box 2363, New Orleans, La. 70116. Be sure to specify the color you want.

SEPAD

At SEPAD in Philadelphia, Pa. Oct. 31-Nov. 2 the USCC Certificate was awarded to Mr. Glenn E. Jackson for an Exhibit of Watertown, Conn. Covers. Wylie A. Flack Jr. (#603) got a Bronze Medal for his "World's First Commemorative Stamp". Gilbert L. Peakes (#608) also had two very interesting and unusual exhibits there. "History of the Postal Notes 1883-1894" Specimens and Samples, also First Days and Last Days, and "The 384 subject Coils, explanation for and Plate Markings with full Plate #s shown.

At Germantown Stamp Club Exhibition in Philadelphia in November the USCC Certificate went to Miss Margaret M. Wurtz for a 4 frame showing of "Flag Cancellations And Advertising Covers". Wylie Flack's "World's First Commemorative Stamp" and another for a "Study of the 2¢ Columbian Envelope".

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1970 DUES

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The March NEWS will be sent to those members only whose 1970 dues are paid. Please do it now before you forget. Make checks payable to U.S. CANCELLATION CLUB and send to 855 Cove Way, Denver, Colo. 80209.

SALES DEPARTMENT

With the ever-increasing inefficiency of the USA P.O. Dept. it is more important than ever that we make every effort to forward promptly and to wrap securely. DO NOT DESTROY YOUR P.O. RECEIPT FOR INSURED MAIL UNTIL YOU KNOW THAT THE PACKAGE HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE ADDRESSEE. The receipt given the shipper is the only record in existence of this insured package. If a package disappears and the P.O. Dept. intracing can not show delivery, it will pay for the loss up to the limit of the ins. paid for. Then whatever more is lost

Sales Department, Cont.

must be collected from the Ins. Co. Neither the P.O. nor our Ins. will settle without evidence that Package was insured. In such a case all we can do is hold the shipper responsible.

Without trying to quote exact figures we can state that 1969 was a good year for the Dept. Our policy of retiring all material in the Dept. stock 18 months or more makes it necessary that we get continual replacements. Attractive material, reasonably priced, sells readily. Please send it in.

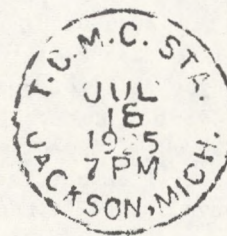
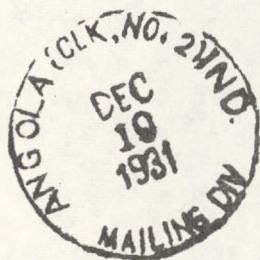
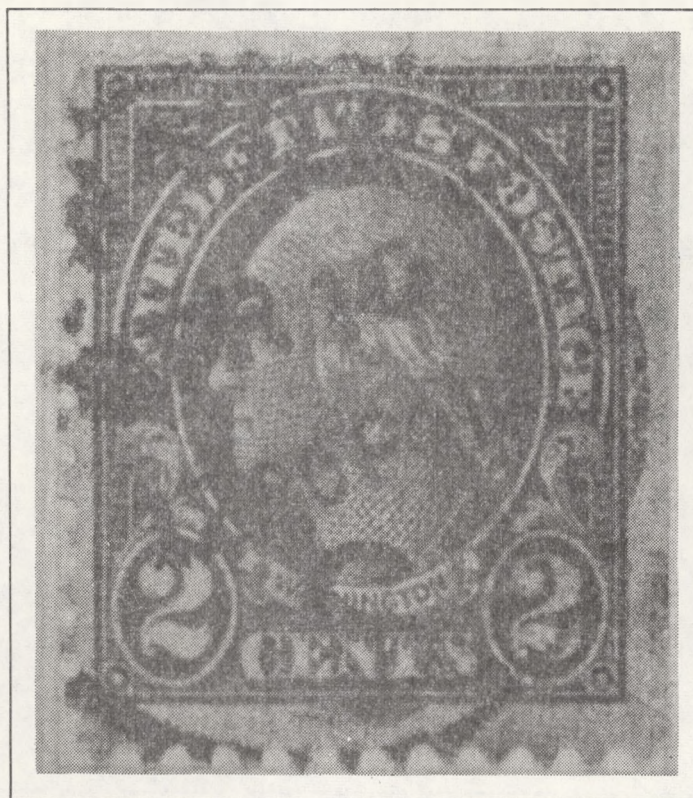
RE: ST PAUL CCC POSTMARK (Page 100, Nov. '69).

Mr. Warren R. Bower (#751) wrote that it probably was a (College Post Card) for students of a Commercial College to practice mailing procedures. He sent a copy of the letter to Mr. Stratton (#487) and appears to have received a reply giving the names of sender and addressee, prompting a search for information in the Ramsey Co. Library in St. Paul.

Curtiss & Chapman College (Commercial) was located at 309 Wabasha, St. Paul. (This would be downtown near the Mississippi River.)

Neither the addressee nor the sender were listed in any directory. The sender probably was a student at the College. This seems to make fairly positive that the card must have been as he suggests. Do any disagree?

20th CENTURY



Robert Waite sends a cover franked with the 2¢ Washington 1922 hand cancelled with the Angola (CLK No. 2) illustrated above. Traces of a machine cancellation that almost completely missed the envelope are visible at its top edge. Town of origin is therefore unknown. It seems likely that this fault was noticed en route and corrected at Angola.

The center photograph shows a New York hand stamp with a large "S" at the bottom center. The "S" suggests that this may have been a type of Supplementary Mail marking. I venture to say it is far from common.

Initials are always puzzling and no one has been able to supply information on the Jackson, Michigan. Can anyone help set the record straight on these three?

C. P. Kuhn

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"BANK NOTE ERA SOCIETY"?

The following letter was received late in 1969. It was written to Mr. Edward L. Willard (#125) and a copy sent to your editor. We do not know what response Mr. Norona has had from the APS but suggest that any member interested in such an organization write him with any suggestions you may have. His address is 315 7th St., Moundsville, West Va. 26041.

RE: FORMATION OF THE BANK NOTE ERA SOCIETY
(or some similar title)
by Delf Norona (#62)

April, 1970, will be the centennary of the Bank Note issues of Stamps.

The Classics Society takes in the period through 1869, and the Bureau Issues Assn. the period from 1894. No organization is devoted to the general period 1870-1894. I prefer that we think not of the BNES group devote their attention to the study of unusual stamps as issued, plating, essays, shifts, and the like; but also being concerned with all aspects of philately from 1870-94 (such as postal history, postal rates, the U.P.U., new services which were adopted during the era, such as machine cancels, Free and penalty envelopes, hand cancels, makers of cancels, and a host of subsidiary markings which appear in connection with the Bank Note issues.

To get the thing started, I suggest a small committee of three be appointed jointly by the USCC and the APS (preferably members of both societies). That an announcement be made in the March USCC News and the AMPhil (as well as all other philatelic journals and societies, SPA, Collectors Club), that any person interested send in \$2.00, in a letter postmarked on or before April 30, 1970, that they would like to join as a charter member. At the beginning there might be just a mimeographed quarterly bulletin dealing with business matters, then possibly about the end of 1970 a formal organization might be created!

Then, and of great importance, regardless of what happens: A section be run occasionally in the Amer. Philatelist and the Cancel Club News dealing with the philatelic aspects of the subject: Items in the AP due to the fine quality of the paper be concerned with such things as shifts, plate varieties, and so on; that items in the Cancel Club News be chiefly black and white illustrations of postal markings. The respective editors of both publications of course controlling the space allotted from time to time.

To start things off, I am writing just to you two. If you consider the idea has merit, then take the matter up with your respective presidents and start things rolling with a temporary board (possibly just three at first). I most positively am not wanting any job--just my good will, cheering from the sideline.

Will promise however to be a contributor: I have a moderately specialized collection of the 5¢ Garfield and 5¢ Grant stamps in connection with my study of the UP 5¢ rates; I have unquestionably a good library of U.S.P.O.D. source materials; all editions of PL&R, Reports PMG, Postal Guides, etc. I could start off in one of the journals with a preliminary general bibliography of publications. I have my West Va. collection of covers from 1870 to 1910; recently started playing with N.H. covers and pmks 1870-1900, etc., so am not actually starting from scratch.

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- 848 Eric C. Sharpless, 30 Deepdale Road, Wayne, Pa. 19087-Forwarding Agents, Transatlantic Mail. (Horwitz)
- 849 William R. Gibson, 1036 Broadway Ave., Holbrook, N.Y. 11741-19th & 20th Century USA Covers; Fancy Cancels off-cover (Horwitz)
- 850 Walter J. Kirby, 2106 N. VanBuren St., Little Rock, Ark. 72207-Flag Cancels; Little Rock Corner Cards; Waterfalls on Stamps; Masons on Stamps.
- 851 Miss Margaret M. Wurtz, 5055 Copley Road, Philadelphia, Pa. 19144-U.S. Flag Cancels, Flowers on Stamps, Canada. (Flack)
- 852 J. Michael Poellot, 3431 Covenant Road, Apt. T-8, Columbia, So. Car. 29204-US Classics particularly multiples; US Postal History. (Horwitz)
- 853 Charles T. Maison, 232 Elsmere Place, Fort Lee, N.J. 07024-USA & Foreign; 19th Century Fancies inc. Masonic (Horwitz)
- 854 Mr. Ferracani, 132 Avenue Gambetta, Paris 20e France-
- 855 George H. Phillips, 103 16th Ave., Brookings, S. Dak. 57006-Covers; Obsolete Machine Cancels; S. Dak. & Dak. Territory Material.
- 856 David W. Gjerde, 10523 Gateridge Road, Cockeysville, Md. 21030- 19th Century Covers & Cancels.
- 857 James M. Mundis, 6601 Lybrook Court, Bethesda, Md. 20034-Flags, 19th Century, RPOs, Slogans, Street Cars, Collection Wagons, RFDs, D.C.s. 28 Towns, 19th Cent. Military Posts, some RPOs, some Stampless; in stamps USA pre-1937, Australia.
- 858 Arthur J. Warmesley, 33 Riverview St., Portland, Conn. 06480-Conn. Fancy Cancels & Postmarks from discontinued Post Offices; USA & U.N. Stamps.

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HAMPDEN MACHINE CANCELS

by Arthur H. Bond (#505)

Most collectors of postal covers have a few examples of machine markings tucked away that appear unusual but are not readily identifiable. As information becomes available some collectors will realize that herein lies a field of collecting that offers an interesting challenge and a venture into a comparatively new phase of postal history. In 1969 the News published a series of articles classifying the markings produced by the Barr-Fyke machines. We now present a similar classification of the Hampden Machine Cancels.

On December 6, 1892 U.S. Patents 487, 278, and 487, 626 were granted to William R. Landfear, Brooklyn, N. Y. for a mail canceling and postmarking machine. These patents show that a 2/3 interest was assigned to Thomas Merrick and George N. Tyner, of Holyoke, Hampden County, Mass. Later Landfear patents in 1900 and 1901 were assigned to the Hampden Cancelling Machine Co., Holyoke, Mass. Presumably Mr. Tyner was the guiding spirit of the Company in its active period, since Mr. Merrick died in 1894. George N. Tyner had been Postal Card Agent for the Post Office Department in 1878-80, when James N. Tyner was First Asst. Postmaster-General. By 1893 he was Treasurer of the Holyoke Envelope Co. He became a director of the United States Envelope Co. in 1899 when the organization absorbed the Holyoke and other envelope companies, several of which had contracts with the Post Office Department. These circumstances indicate that the Hampden machines were probably produced in the shops of the U.S. Envelope Co.

The Hampden machine was described by the Department as "automatic hand-power", i.e. not electrically driven, but with automatic feed. It was the first such machine adopted by the Department since the early Leavitt machines of the 1870's, which were successful only on postal cards. The Hampden machines were purchased outright, instead of being rented like the 500 or more electric and belt-driven machines that were in service in 1898. They were located in post offices where the volume of mail would not justify the rental of faster machines or where electric power was not available.

With the exception of an experimental usage at New York in 1896, the earliest recorded Hampden cancel is April 13, 1898 from Woonsocket, R. I. Markings in 1898 are known from only nine offices. The Postmaster-General Report for year ending June 30, 1899 stated that 92 Hampden machines had been purchased. These may not have gone into active service promptly, for we have been able to identify only 24 post offices as Hampden users in 1899. In succeeding years we have located covers from 50 offices in 1900, 37 in 1901 and 55 in 1902. Between 1900 and 1902 sixty nine Hampden machines were replaced by American electric machines using the Flag dies, with the results that we can locate only 10 Hampdens in 1903 and

4 in 1904. Terrell, Texas, seems to have used the last Hampden machine in 1906. Our records show at least 120 different post offices as Hampden users. The PMG Reports of 1899-1900 and 1900-1901 list offices to which Hampden machines were supposed to have been assigned. These lists, however, are generally considered unreliable.

This record has been compiled over a period of several years with the invaluable assistance of a number of collectors, starting with the preliminary lists that appeared in 1949 and 1951 in "XX Killers", the journal of the U.S. XX Century Cancellation Society. In regular usage the Hampden cancels consisted of a postmark showing the name of post office and dating in straight line arrangements followed by a canceller marking of diagonal bars, sloping at various angles between 8° and 15° from the horizontal.

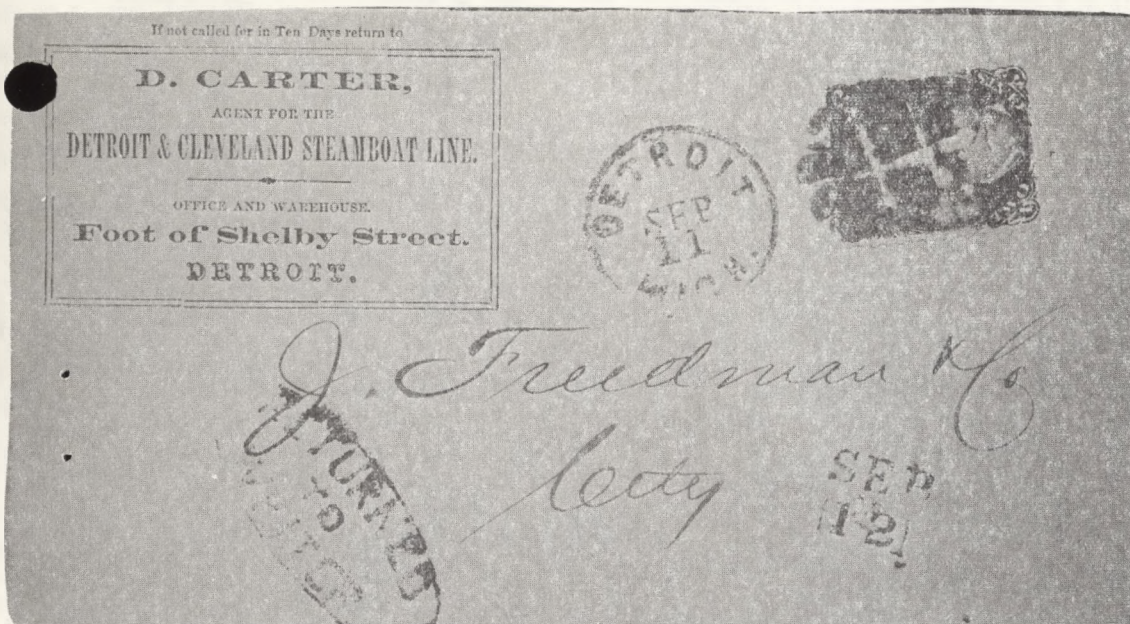
To avoid confusion with the more commonly found Barry straight-line markings one should remember that the Barry diagonals slope more steeply, at about 20°, and usually show horizontal lines at top and bottom of the postmark. Markings of the Pneumatic make of machine show lettering that is very similar to the Hampden in style and arrangement, but these have horizontal lines at top and bottom of the postmark and the canceller always consists of eight horizontal lines in four distinct pairs. The Columbia straight-line postmarks did not appear until a later period.

The accompanying Plates 1 and 2 show the various types into which the Hampden markings have been classified, starting with X-1 and X-2, which appear to be from experimental or trial installations. Types 2 and 3 have been subdivided to show differences in slope angle of the diagonal cancellations. Occasional covers are found showing apparent curvature in the diagonals. In general, these may be ascribed to defects in the feeding mechanism, but a few covers from Natick, Mass. and Muskegon, Mich. show a double reverse curvature, which may indicate a different die form.

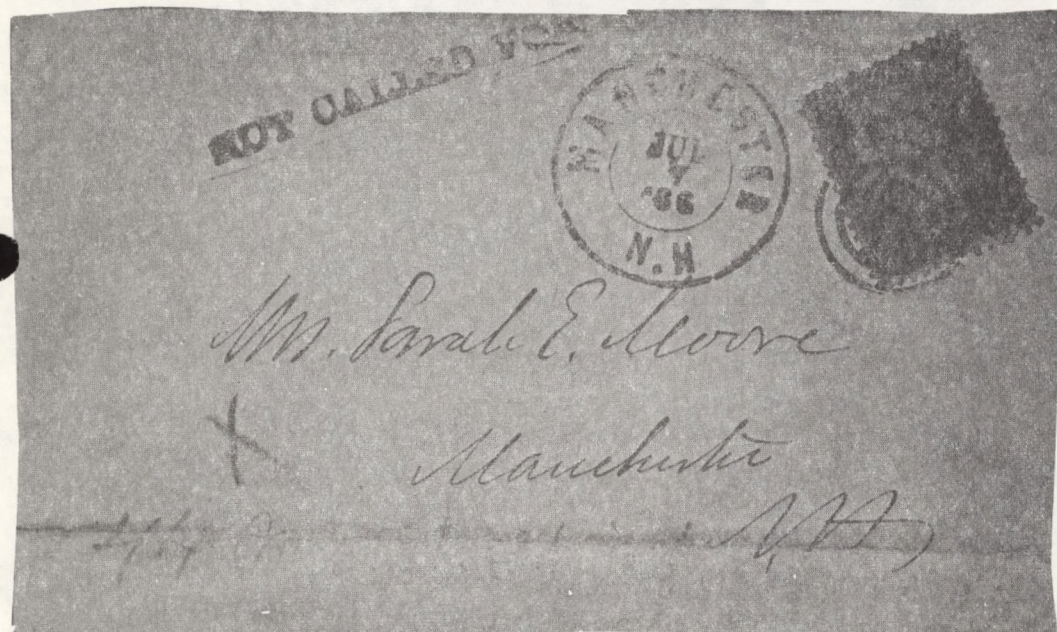
Several different sizes of lettering were used in the town names. In our lists of post offices the letter height in millimeters is shown under the appropriate year of usage. Where this is unknown, usage is indicated by an "x". The lettering in post office names was more or less condensed to fit into a standard length of postmark die. At several offices examples have been found of two or more distinctly different postmarks dies. Such differences have been noted by a number of parentheses following the town name.

Collectors finding covers with Hampden cancels not completely described or assigned in this report are urged to communicate the information to Arthur H. Bond, P. O. Box 625, Casselberry, Fla., 32707 in order that the record of this interesting phase of postal history may be extended.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a series on this subject by Mr. Bond. The others will appear later.

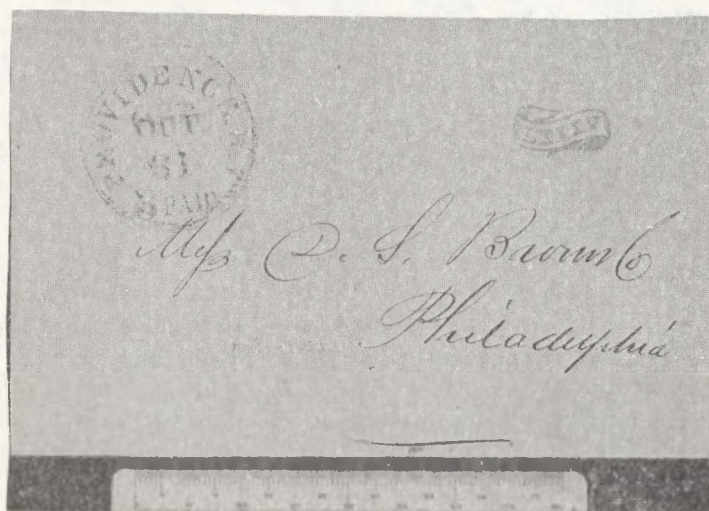


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LIBRARY

Our Librarian, Mr. Elmer J. Binker (#541) P. O. Box 2534, White City, Oreg. 97501 has assigned # NY-2 to the VanVlissingen-Waud book on NEW YORK FOREIGN MAIL CANCELLATIONS, gift to the Club from the authors, acknowledged in an earlier issue of the NEWS.

NY-2 New York Foreign Mail Cancellations, 1870-1876-1968-105pp

Also the Bound Volume of STAMPS articles on Cancellations has been returned, listed thus:

PM-9 U.S. CANCELLATIONS (Bound volume of STAMPS articles, 1933-1939), 327 PP

Also the Library now has the Publications with which we have been exchanging for several years past:

PE-6 Collectors CLUB Philatelist, January 1964 to December 1969

PE-7 Bureau Specialist, June 1958 to Dec. 1965

PE-8 United States Specialist, Jan. 1966 to Dec. 1969.

Again may we call your attention to our Librarian's project of forming scrap books of articles of interest to Collectors of Postal Markings and Postal History. If you have any such you wish to donate please send them to him.

REGISTERED

In reply to our inquiry in the Jan. NEWS we have two replies, one from Robert L. Markovits (#641) states that he knows of no book on the subject but that he recently completed an elaborate article on the 10¢ Register issue (#F1) in which he prepared an extensive Bibliography which he will be pleased to send a Copy to any member requesting it and enclosing stamped and addressed envelope for reply. Also he suggests that members report any unusual covers they may have using the F1.

The other reply came from Mr. Arthur H. Bond (#505) and lists articles on the subject as follows:

American Philatelic Congress Book-1947 D. MacGregor

" -1957 Barbara Mueller

" -1962 Delf Norona

American Philatelist, Oct. '54 Barbara Mueller

Postal History Journal, Apr. '58 "

U.S. 1851-60 Chronicle Feb. '69 R. B. Graham

" Oct. '66 & Feb. '67 "

He also states that Barbara Mueller (#369) is the recognized authority on this subject.

INFORMATION WANTED

(See illustration #3 on page 15)

Can anyone identify the fancy scroll with the Roman number LXXXV (85) in it? Has anyone another example of it or has one been sold at auction?

People familiar with Providence Postal Markings say it is new to them. One guess is that it is an instruction to the Postmaster to charge the postage to Box 85.

Postmark is Black and scroll is red.

Please notify the Editor or Henry M. Spelman III (#762) P. O. Box 488, Lexington, Mass. 02173.

WHEEL OF FORTUNE

Illinois: Aledo, Dallas City, Plano, Vera from Arthur E. Beane (#527)

Illinois: Annawan, Brimfield, Hettick, Kickapoo, Milan, Shabonna, River Forest and

Iowa: Dow City from Einer Swenson (#805)

Indiana: Pierceton from Herman Herst Jr. (#452)

Arthur E. Beane (#527) has been reelected to a third term as President of the "Philatelic Group of Boston".

Milton Mitchell (#279) was elected President of the "Associated Stamp Clubs of the Chesapeake Area at a recent luncheon meeting held at Annapolis, Md.

Arthur J. Warmesley (#858) has been elected Vice-President of the "Connecticut Philatelic Society.

Delf Norona (#62) had an article on the Zevelys, an old time Postmark Manufacturing Firm in the Sept. 1969 issue Postal History Journal.

William F. Rapp (#688) has authored the only available listing of Nebraska "Ghost" Post offices. It is available for \$1.00 from the J-B Publishing Co., Crete, Nebr. 68333.

FINPEX 70

R. H. Schwinn (#658) has notified us that the Fort Findlay Stamp Club is sponsoring FINPEX 70 at Findlay, Ohio April 4 & 5. Cacheted Covers with the Fort Findlay Local Post Stamp and the Exhibition Cancel will be available @ 25¢ each, from Hartley Smith, 1314 Summit St., Findlay, Ohio 45840. Write R. H. Schwinn, Tiffin Road, RR 2 Findlay, Ohio 45840 for further information.