

GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

1901

Officers and Committees

Henry Pears was President; W.H. Barnum, Secretary-Treasurer. The names of the Vice-President, the Exchange Superintendent and other officers are not in the records; nor are the members of the Executive or other committees.

Changes in Membership

Two new members were admitted, as follows:

- Sep 18 Ross V. Wells #89. Manager of the Fidelity Loan Company. He attended five meetings -- in 1901 and 1902; moved to Detroit, and dropped out in 1904.
- Oct 17 Henry Jacobs #90. A drug clerk. He attended a few meetings in 1901 and 1902; moved to Denver, Colo., and was dropped in 1904.

There is no record of any losses, and, as the Secretary's Annual Report shows that "there was an increase of two for the year", and that the total number of members at the end of the year was 47, it seems evident that there were no losses.

The probable summary of changes is:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total January 1, 1901	41	4	45
<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	2	-	2
<u>Losses</u> - - - - -			
Net gain - - - - -	2	-	2
Total January 1, 1902 - - -	43	4	47

(These totals check with those shown in the Secretary's Annual Report for 1901)

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Meetings and Attendance

Nine meetings were held -- one each month, except in June, July and August (same as in 1900). The exact dates of three meetings was not recorded; the others were held, two on Wednesday nights and four on Thursdays. The meeting held on Wednesday, September 18th, was the last meeting held on ~~ax~~ a Wednesday night for many years; Thursday was made the regular meeting night, commencing with October 17th.

It is likely that all meetings were held in the office of George Bailey, #446 The Arcade, although the minutes of the 1901 meetings after April, do not show where they were held.

As there are no minutes of the January meeting, ~~x~~ the total attendance is not ascertainable; but the other eight meetings were attended by 68. Strangely enough, there was, according to the records, but one visitor during the entire year.

Barnum, Cushing and Good each attended all eight meetings of which there is a record. Other members attended, as follows:

Pears	7 meetings	MacLaren, Porter,
Langdon	5 "	Prescott & Spear 2 meetgs.
French,		Beardslee, Buerger,
Kress &		Colwell, Crowell,
Schneider	4 "	Jacobs, Hemstreet,
Wells	3 "	Nieding and Waterbury 1 mtg.

For the first time since 1890, George Bailey was not shown as present at any Club meeting, although, as stated, the meetings were probably all held in Bailey's office. Neither did Warren J. Brodie attend any of the meetings.

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Anniversary Celebration

The eleventh anniversary was celebrated by a banquet, held at the Hollenden Hotel on Saturday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m.

Printed postal card invitations (with paid reply) were sent out by the Entertainment Committee, and, from one of these invitations, which was preserved, we know that the price of the banquet was \$1.50 per person; but unfortunately no menus are available to give us further details.

Entertainment

As the postal card invitations to the Anniversary Banquet were signed by the "Entertainment Committee", it is evident that there was such a committee; but possible it functioned for the Anniversary celebration only, as there is no record of any special entertainment at regular Club meetings, except at the April meeting, when Wm.H.Schneider exhibited his U.S.Oddities.

At the December meeting, however, the subject of holding exhibitions (on the order of those being held at that period by other philatelic societies) was informally discussed; but no definite action was decided upon.

Exchange Department

There was evidently little activity in the Exchange Department, although there is very meager mention of that department in the minutes. At the November meeting, the Secretary was instructed to request the Exchange Superintendent to start a circuit at once if he found it possible to do so.

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American Philatelic Association

So far as the records show, the Club took no part in A.P.A. activities during the year.

The total membership of the national society fell to an all-time low of 532; the number of A.P.A. members in Cleveland and vicinity was only six.

Minutes and other Club Records

The chaotic condition of the 1900 Club records continued for part of 1901. The minutes of the January 1901 meeting are missing; those of the March meeting consist merely of the list of those who attended.

At the April meeting, it was moved that "Sec'y write to the former Sec'y asking him to turn over all records before the May meeting"; and, at the September meeting, Secretary Barnum reported that "he had just received the books and other club property from his predecessor and that same did not include any financial report nor records of the Dec. 1900 and Jan. 1901 meetings."