

GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

1903

Officers and Committees

The officers and the only committee of which there is a record, were:

President: Wm.H.Schneider Exch. Supt: W.A.Langdon
Vice-Pres: LeGrand French Librarian: Henry C.Crowell
Secy-Treas: Alvin Good

Entertainment Committee:(appointed October 22):
Barnum, Crowell and Good

Changes in Membership

The year was not as prosperous as 1902; there was a net loss of three members during 1903.

Seven new members were admitted:

Jan 15 Alvin W. Weigel Cleveland Act #103

A mail carrier, attended a few meetings in 1903, 1904 and 1905; then commencing with 1906, took more interest in Club affairs; was Director in 1906; Secretary-Treasurer in 1907 and 1908. His record of attendance from 1907 to 1918 is an enviable one, especially in 1908, 1909 and 1911, when he attended every meeting. He discovered the only pane of part perf 2¢ Louisiana Purchase stamps. For several years, he was a partner of Edw.G.Hart#184 in the Cleveland Stamp Company. He finally dropped his membership in 1925; died 1948.

" " Alfred R. Horr Cleveland Act #104

Assistant Secretary of The Western Reserve Trust Company(later The Cleveland Trust Co.) There is no record of his attending any meeting. Resigned 1906.

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Changes in Membership (continued)

New members admitted (continued)

Feb 19	<u>Carl B. Harris</u>	Cleveland	Act	#106
	A mail carrier, attended one meeting; was dropped in 1906.			
Mar 26	<u>Elbert L. French</u>	Cleveland	Act	#107
	A lumber man, did not attend a meeting; was dropped in 1905.			
Apr 16	<u>Dr. Wm. H. Kinnicutt</u>	Cleveland	Act	#108
	A physician and physical director of the Y.M.C.A., was an active member: was Vice President in 1905 and 1906; Director in 1907 and 1908; dropped out of the Club in 1918.			
Apr 16	<u>Chas. Edward Kendel</u>	Cleveland	Act	#109
	A seed merchant, was Exchange Superintendent in 1906 and 1907 and Vice-President in 1907. He was a regular attendant from 1903 to 1911; resigned in 1919.			
Oct 22	<u>Frank B. Curtis</u>	Cleveland	Act	#110
	A collector, attended only one meeting and resigned in 1907.			

There were three resignations:

C. S. Bentley #95A H.O. Spalding #98A
Louis K. Moatz #105

Six members were suspended (and later dropped) for non-payment of dues:

N. P. Stockwell #21 Geo. W. Geuder #49
Jas. F. Colwell #37 Peter H. Neuhofs #78
W. P. DunLany #72 Wm. H. Waterbury #79

The Club lost, by death, one of its most important members: John V. Painter, Honorary Member

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Changes in Membership (continued)

The summary of changes during the year is:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total January 1, 1903	56	5	61
<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	7	-	7
<u>Losses</u>			
Death - - - - -	-	1	1
Resignations - - - -	3	-	3
Dropped for non-payment	6	-	6
Total - - - - -	9	1	10
Net loss - - - - - v	2	1	3
Total January 1, 1904 - -	54	4	58

The 58 members at the end of the year probably were:

1 Bailey	68 Jenkins	93 Hart
2 Schneider	69 Bill	94 Van Dusen
3 Kress	71 Wilson	95 Arter
4 MacLaren	73 T.O.Bailey	96 Colson
★ 8 Worthington	74 Beardslee	97 F.C.Bartels
9 Dodge	75 Hemstreet	98 Tolles
★ 10 Brown	76 Spear	★ 98A Luff
26 Brodie	77 Rhodes	99 Burr
27 Barnum	80 Langdon	100 Vorce
36 Tubman	82 Rust	101 Volk
★ 42 Prescottt	83 Landon	102 Hower
47 Buerger	84 Porter	103 Weigel
48 Humiston	85 Deane	104 Horr
★ 51 Mekeel	86 Mcdonough	106 C.B.Harris
52 Odell	87 Good	107 E.L.French
54 Pears	88 Nieding	108 Kinnicutt
58 W.J.Crawford	89 Wells	109 Kendel
65 L.G.French	90 Jacobs	110 Curtis
66 Henry Crowell	91 Anthony	
67 Cushing	92 Field	

★ *Honorary member*

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Meetings and Attendance

Eleven meetings were held, including one special meeting in December (two each in March and December; none in June, July and August). The special meeting held December 3 was for the sole purpose of holding an auction to dispose of the remainder of the Aiken-head collection. All meetings but one were held on Thursday nights (the meeting of March 4th was held on Wednesday night). The meeting of April 16 was held at the University Club; the others at #301 Rose Building.

The total attendance was 121. The members who attended meetings more or less regularly were:

Good - - - - -	11 meetings
Field and Langdon - - - -	9 " each
Schneider - - - - -	7 " "
Barnum, Crowell and Rhodes	6 " "
French, Kress, and Spear	5 " "
Cushing, Humiston,	
Kendel and Pears - - -	4 " "
Porter and Weigel - - - -	3 " "

George Bailey did not attend a meeting. Neither did MacLaren or Tubman. O.S.Hart and Brodie each attended two meetings.

Anniversary Celebration

At the meeting of February 19, the question of holding an "Annual Banquet" was discussed; but no action was taken. It was, however, decided to hold an extra meeting on Wednesday, March 4.

Instead of the customary banquet, a special meeting and exhibition was held in April.

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Special Meeting and Exhibition

On or before March 4, Professor Cushing invited the Club to hold a special meeting at the University Club. This invitation was accepted and a committee (Cushing, Crowell and Barnum) made arrangements for a stamp exhibit to be held at the meeting.

Fourteen members were present at the meeting, which was held on April 16. The exhibition consisted of five separate exhibits, each of twenty United States stamps. Crowell, Cushing and Langdon were the judges of the exhibits. The prizes were awarded as follows:

- Wm. H. Schneider - first prize. A fine copy of the 90¢ Continental Bank Note unused (presented by the Club)
- Alvin Good - second prize. An unused block-of-four of the one-shilling Newfoundland (presented by the New England Stamp Company)

Entertainment at Regular Meetings

Special entertainment was provided at three regular meetings, as follows:

- September 24 A stamp talk, by Warren H. Colson
- October 22 An exhibit and talk on "Leeward Islands" by Warren J. Brodie
- November 19 A stamp talk and exhibit of rarities, by Warren H. Colson

Change in Dues

At the January meeting, Crowell's motion (which had been laid on the table at the December meeting) was again discussed, and it was finally decided that there would be no initiation fee, but that dues would

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Changes in Dues (continued)

be one dollar per year, payable in advance; and that dues for the first year must accompany application for membership. (Although the records are not specific as to prior practice, it is most probable that prior to 1903, applicants did not have to pay the first years dues until after they had been elected to membership).

Revision of the Constitution

Possibly on account of the changes in dues, it was decided to revise the constitution, and, at the May meeting, President Schneider appointed a committee (Crowell, Langdon and Good) to draw up a revised constitution. Barnum was added to the committee in October. In December, the committee finished its work, and Crowell read the revised form at the meeting of December 17. The minutes state, "After considerable discussion and a few slight changes the Constitution was adopted as read"; but unfortunately do not specify just what changes were made. The new constitution was printed early in 1904, with a roster of Club members.

American Philatelic Association

The Club took no part in A.P.A. affairs during the year. The number of A.P.A. members in Cleveland according to the A.P.A. Year Book for 1903 was only four*, the smallest number since the Club had been established. Only three of the four were members of Garfield-Perry.

*They were W.H.Barnum, T.H.Bierman, Henry C.Crowell and George H. Worthington.