

# GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

1904

## Officers and Committees

At the annual meeting in December 1903, George Bailey and LeGrand French were nominated for President for 1904. Bailey was elected on the first ballot. French was then nominated for Vice-President and was unanimously elected to that office. The complete list of officers and the one committee for 1904:

President: Geo. J. Bailey      Secy-Treas: Wm. C. Rhodes  
Vice Pres: LeGrand French      Exch. Supt: H. C. Crowell  
Auc. Mngr: W. J. Brodie      Librarian: H. C. Crowell  
Board of Directors: Good, Spear, Barnum and Field  
Counterfeit Detector: Warren H. Colson  
Entertainment Committee: Schneider, Barnum, Langdon

The directors and the counterfeit detector were new Club officials, provided for by the revised constitution.

## Changes in Membership

There was a small gain in membership during 1904.

Eleven new members were admitted, as follows:

Jan 21	<u>Dr. George F. Glass, a physician</u>	Act #111
	He attended only one meeting; was dropped in 1906.	
" "	<u>Aaron Goldsmith, a private detective</u>	Act #112
	He attended eleven meetings in 1904, 1905 and 1906; continued his membership until 1909.	
Feb 18	<u>John Crowell, Secy Crowell Stamp Co.</u>	Act #113
	A brother of Henry C. Crowell #66; attended only one meeting; resigned in 1905.	
Jan 21	<u>Wm. C. Stahle, Jr. A young student</u>	Act #114
	He attended a few meetings; was dropped about 1908.	

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Changes in Membership (continued)

New members admitted (continued)

- Apr 21 Algernon C. Bagnall a school teacher Act #115  
He took no part in Club affairs; was dropped in 1908. (His application for membership was the first one presented to the Club on a printed application form).
- " " A. Conrad, a manager Act #116  
He did not attend a single meeting; resigned in 1908.
- Jun 16 Edward L. Howe, a bank officer; attended " #117  
a few meetings; but remained a member until 1917.
- " " Raynor J. Hubbell, a stamp dealer, of Act #118  
Buffalo, N.Y.; attended one meeting; was dropped in 1907.
- " " Charles J. Phillips, the managing Hon #119  
director of Stanley Gibbons, the London stamp dealers, made a talk at the Club on May 19; at the next meeting, was elected to honorary membership. He did not attend any other meeting; died in June 1940.
- Oct 20 Thomas H. Farmer, a mechanical engineer " #120  
He attended one meeting, at which he exhibited his British North America; was a Director in 1905; but was dropped in 1907.
- Dec 15 William Lash, a druggist, attended Act #121  
only one meeting; was dropped 1908.

There was one reinstatement: Dr. W. P. Dunlany #72

There was one resignation:

Feb 18 Frank R. Bill #69

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Changes in Membership (continued)

Although there is no specific record in the Club minutes, or elsewhere, it is probable that the following eight delinquent members were dropped for non-payment of dues:

Jos. O. Prescott	#42	Geo. H. Macdonough	#86
Theo. O. Bailey	#73	Ross V. Wells	#89
C. M. Landon	#83	Henry Jacobs	#90
Monroe E. Deane	#85	Willard R. Hower	#102

It is also very likely that two of the Club's honorary members were dropped from the roster:

Irving A. Brown #10  
Charles H. Mekeel #51

The dropping of these two honorary members is not mentioned in any of the Club records. Their names are included in the first list of Club members in the front of the Minute Book of 1898-1907; but have been crossed out with ink -- in exactly the same manner as the names of those who resigned or were dropped -- but without notation of any kind to indicate why their names had been crossed off. Their names are not in the list of members in the printed "Constitution" of 1904; nor are they in the second list of members, in the front of the same Minute Book (that for 1898-1907), which list was written up about 1905 by Secretary Henry Crowell. Their names are missing from the printed "Constitution" of 1908, as well as that of 1910. This strongly suggests that the decision to drop them from the rolls was made early in 1904 -- perhaps at the very beginning of the year, but in any event not later than the time at which the printed "Constitution" was sent to the printer. The Secretary's Annual

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Changes in Membership (continued)

Report to the Club for 1904 shows that there were five honorary members at the end of the year, and it may well be that he considered Brown and Mekeel two of the five (the others being Worthington, Luff, and Phillips); but, in view of Brown and Mekeel not being shown in the "Constitution" of April, 1904, nor in the Secretary's list of members of 1905, it seems more probable that the Secretary, in the absence of specific record in the Minutes of these two members being dropped, overlooked that they had been dropped, and included them in error in arriving at the total number of members at the end of 1904.

The reason for their being dropped is not known; but it is presumed that they had shown no interest in the Club; possibly had said or done something to indicate that they did not consider it an honor to be an honorary member of Garfield-Perry.

The summary of changes for the year is probably as follows:

	Active	Honorary	Total
Total January 1, 1904	54	4	58
<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	10	1	11
Reinstatement - - - - -	1	-	1
Total gains - - - - -	11	1	12
<u>Losses</u>			
Resignation - - - - -	1	-	1
Dropped for			
Non-payment of dues -	8	-	8
Dropped - - - - -	-	2	2
Total losses - - - - -	9	2	11
Net gain or loss - - -	+2	-1	+1
Total January 1, 1905 - -	56	3	59

The total of 56 active members is the same as shown in the Secretary's Annual Report for 1904.



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The ~~59~~ members at the end of the year were:

1 Geo. Bailey	65 LeGrand	91 Anthony	107 E L French
2 Schneider	French	92 Field	108 Kinnicutt
3 Kress	66 H.C.Crowell	93 O S Hart	109 Kendel
4 MacLaren	67 Cushing	94 Van Dusen	110 Curtis
8 Worthington	68 Jenkins	95 Arter	111 Glass
9 Dodge	71 Wilson	96 Colson	112 Goldsmith
<del>10 Brown</del>	72 DanLany	97 Bartels	113 J.Crowell
26 Brodie	74 Beardslee	98 Tolles	114 Stahle
27 Barnum	75 Hemstreet	98A Luff	115 Bagnall
36 Tubman	76 Spear	99 Burr	116 Conrad
47 Buerger	77 Rhodes	100 Vorce	117 Howe
48 Humiston	80 Langdon	101 Volk	118 Hubbell
<del>51 McKee</del>	82 Rust	103 Weigel	119 Phillips
52 A.Odell	84 Porter	104 Horr	120 Farmer
54 Pears	87 Good	106 C.Harris	121 Lash
58 WJ Crawford	88 Nieding		

The ~~five~~<sup>three</sup> honorary members were: Worthington, Brown, ~~McKee~~, Luff and Phillips.

Meetings and Attendance

There were probably ten meetings held, although there are no records of any in March. All meetings were held on Thursday evenings (except possibly the March meeting) and at 301 Rose Building.

The total attendance was 97 (including 5 visitors) W.C.Rhodes was the leader in attendance, being present at eight meetings. Others attended as follows:

6 meetings each: Barnum and Good  
5 " " H.C.Crowell, Cushing, Langdon  
4 " " Bailey, LeGrand French, Kendel  
3 " " Field, Goldsmith, Kinnicutt, Stahle,  
Kress, VanDusen, Vorce and Weigel  
Schneider and Hart attended two meetings each;  
Worthington, one; MacLaren, none.

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### Entertainment

There were two outstanding items of entertainment. On February 18, Good exhibited Worthington's collections of Cuba, Hawaii, Porto Rico, Danish West Indies and Philippines.

On May 19, Charles J. Phillips gave a talk on the celebrated collections in Europe.

### Fourteenth Anniversary Celebration

At the January meeting, the question of holding a banquet on or about March 17 was discussed; the matter was left in the hands of George Bailey to make a later report. At the next meeting, it was reported that nothing definite had been arranged, but that the banquet would be held on or about March 31. There is no further record, except an item in the Treasurer's record showing a banquet expenditure of \$6.18.

### Official Club Organ

At the meeting of December 15, the "Ohio Philatelist" was adopted as the official Club organ. (If there had been an official Club organ before this date, no mention of it is included in the Club records. Propositions of the "New York Stamp" and "The Performer" had been considered, but not accepted, in 1892 and 1902, respectively)

### American Philatelic Association

Although the Club did not participate in A.P.A. affairs, the number of A.P.A. members in the Club increased to four. There were seven A.P.A. members in Cleveland: Barnum, Bierman, H.C. Crowell, H.A. Davis, Jenkins, Kiefer and Worthington. Bierman, Davis and Kiefer were not members of Garfield-Perry.



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## Library

During the year, Librarian Crowell had the catalogue of U.S. Revenues and the "Journal of Philately" bound. A copy of Luff's "History of United States Stamps" was purchased at a cost of \$6.18.

## Printed Constitution and Roster

In April, the Club issued a printed "Constitution" which contained a roster, showing the members as of April 21. This, of course, was issued principally on account of the revision of the constitution. The roster is not altogether accurate; honorary members Brown and Mekeel are omitted in error; and Frank R. Bill #69 is listed as an active member, although his resignation had been accepted on February 18, 1904.

## Finances

The Treasurer's records show that there was a slight deficit for the year, as follows:

Cash on hand January 1, 1904 - - - - - \$42.30

### Receipts

Dues - - - - -	\$53.60	
Auction commissions - - - - -	5.53	
Total - - - - -	59.03	59.03

### Disbursements

Application blanks - - - - -	1.50	
Other stationery - and postage	23.61	
Constitution - - - - -	14.00	
Janitor service - - - - -	2.25	
Banquet expense - - - - -	6.50	
Luff's United States book - - -	6.18	
Binding books for library - - -	8.50	
Other library expense - - - - -	.50	
Total - - - - -	63.04	63.04

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Cash on hand January 1, 1905 - - - - - 38.29