

GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

1905

Officers and Committees

The officers for 1905 were:

President: Wm. C. Rhodes Sec-Treas: H. C. Crowell
Vice-Pres: Dr. W. H. Kinnicutt
Directors: Farmer, Good, Langdon and Vorce

There is no record of the names of the other Club officers (Exchange Superintendent, Auction Manager, etc.) nor of the personnel of any committee.

Changes in Membership

The year was not a successful one, so far as growth in membership was concerned; as there was a net loss of two members.

Four new members were admitted, as follows:

Feb 16	<u>J. Roberts Wilson</u> ^(age about 18) , sales agent of electrical supplies; was President of the Club in 1907 and 1908; Director and Exchange Superintendent in 1909; later ^(about 1910) moved to Baltimore; dropped out in 1931.	<u>Act #122</u>
Mar 2	<u>Dwight Comstock</u> A Director from January to March, 1906; was dropped in 1909.	<u>Act #123</u>
" "	<u>Harry Wesley Legg</u> , a young stamp dealer in Pepperell, Mass. He resigned in 1911.	<u>Act #124</u>
Sep 21	<u>Fred E. Bruce</u> , manager, Provident Life Assurance Society; Director in 1906; vice President in 1908; President in 1909; Director, Librarian, etc. in later years; resigned 1919; died 1934. <i>(about 33 yrs old in 1905)</i>	<u>Act #125</u>

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Changes in Membership (continued)

There is no doubt that there were some losses, but, as was the case in so many of the early years, no record was made in the minutes of any members who were dropped for non-payment of dues. The Secretary's Annual Report to the Club for 1905 shows a total membership of 60 at the end of the year, and as the total at the beginning of the year was very likely 59, it is evident that there was a loss of at least three members. More likely it was four.

It seems very probable that the following delinquent members who owed for at least two years dues (according to the Treasurer's "Cash Book") were dropped for non-payment of dues:

<u>James A. Humiston</u>	#48
<u>Earl A. Burr</u>	#99
<u>Elbert L. French</u>	#107
<u>John Crowell</u>	#113

The foregoing changes result in no net loss and no net gain; which would leave a total of 59 members at the end of 1905, the same as at the beginning of the year. The Secretary's Annual Report for 1905 shows that the total was 60 at the end of the year; but it is extremely probable that he overlooked the dropping of one of the four members.

The probable summary of changes is:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total January 1, 1905	56	3	59
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<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	4	-	4
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<u>Losses</u>			
Dropped for non-payment	4	-	4
Net gain or loss - - - - -	-	-	-
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Total January 1, 1906 - -	56	3	59

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Meetings and Attendance

There were ten meetings -- one each in January, February, March, April, May, September, October and November; two in December -- all on Thursday nights, as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Held at</u>
Jan. 19	301 Rose Bldg. (Cleveland Art Museum Rooms)
Feb. 16	" " " " " "
Mar. 2	?
Apr. 2	?
May 18	303 Rose Building
Sep. 21	" " "
Oct. 19	207 American Trust Bldg. (F.E. Bruce's office)
Nov. 16	512 Caxton Bldg. (H.C. Crowell's office)
Dec. 7	" " " " " "
Dec 21	?

The total attendance was 100 (including 4 visitors); the average attendance per meeting, 10.

Members who attended four or more meetings were:

10 meetings	- Rhodes
8 "	- Crowell and Langdon
7 "	- Good, Kendel and Kinnicutt
6 "	- Barnum
5 "	- Comstock and Goldsmith
4 "	- LeGrand French, Schneider, Stahle, Vorce

Of the old-time members, George Bailey did not attend a single meeting; Kress attended one; MacLaren, none; O.S. Hart, one; Cushing, none; Brodie, one.

Fifteenth Anniversary Celebration

In December 1904, Good and Henry Crowell were appointed to make the preliminary arrangements for the fifteenth anniversary celebration; and after they had made their report at the January meeting in

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Fifteenth Anniversary Celebration(cont'd)

1905, it was decided to hold a banquet at the Colonial Hotel on March 17, at cost of \$1.00 per plate.

A printed menu was provided, embellished with several uncanceled stamps on the front.

The menu was:

Blue points	Roast turkey cranberry sauce
Olives Radishes	Bermuda potatoes
Bouillon in Cup	Green peas
Celery	Cream de mint punch
Kennebec salmon	Lettuce and tomato
Potatoes Hollandaise	Neapolitan ice cream
Assorted cakes	Coffee Cheese

A copy of the souvenir menu card, preserved by Dr. Tubman, and turned over to the Historain in 1942, for the Club Archives, shows the signatures of the following twelve members and two guests:

Members

Henry Clark Crowell	W. H. Kinnicutt
Alvin Good	C. E. Kendel
W. A. Langdon	W. H. Barnum
Alvin W. Weigel	Wm. C. Rhodes
Loren R. Vorce	T. Henry Tubman
Edward L. Howe	Wm. H. Schneider

Guests

Dudley J. Hard	Chas. Langdon
(Later GPSC#132)	(brother of W.A.Langdon)

The Treasurer's "Cash Book" shows that the expense of the banquet (including "wine" and "cigs") was \$36.75 for "20", while \$17.00 was collected from members. It seems probable that there were seventeen members and three guests present, but there is no record of the other five members and the other guest.

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Entertainment

The following exhibits were provided at the regular meetings during the year:

Feb 16	Collection of ?	W. A. Langdon
Sep 21	20th Century stamps	O. S. Hart
Oct 19	Collection of ?	C. E. Kendel
Nov 16	Oddity collection	W. H. Schneider
Dec 7	(United States	Alvin Good
	(Precancels	W. H. Schneider

Contribution for Publicity

The minutes of the meeting of November 16, show that:

"It was moved and seconded and carried to contribute \$10 to Nat'l Stamp Committee for publicity purposes."