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Officers and Committees

The officers and committees were:

President J. Roberts Wilson  
Vice Pres. C. Edward Kendel  
Secy and Treas. Alvin W. Weigel  
Directors W. H. Waterbury, W. H. Field (resigned  
 October 3d), Dr. W. H. Kinnicutt,  
 Alvin Good, W. Hamilton Barnum  
 (appointed October 24th)  
Exchange Supt. C. Edward Kendel  
Auction Manager W. H. Barnum  
Librarian Henry Clark Crowell  
Counterfeit Detector Warren H. Colson  
Publicity Committee (appointed October 3d):  
 Fred Bruce, W. H. Barnum, Alvin Good,  
 C. A. Jenkins

No other committees were recorded.

Changes in Membership

During the year, fourteen members were added to the rolls, including one former member, as follows:

Otto C. Reymann #131	John G. Erck #139
Dudley J. Hard #132	Reginald G. A. Phillips #140
Eustace B. Power #133	Charles L. Pack #141
Otto F. Moses #134	(Honorary)
W. A. Osborn #135	A. W. Batchelder #142
Eben S. Martin #136	Paul T. Skove #143
George Kieferle #137	Edward C. Schweizer #144
Jos. O. Prescott #138	(Mr. Pack was the
(former member #42)	ninth honorary member)

There was one resignation, Frank E. ...

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Changes in Membership (continued)

The new members were partly Cleveland residents and partly out of town, as follows:

Otto C. Reymann was a resident of Alliance, O., who later moved to Pittsburgh, Pa., He was a member until he resigned in 1912.

Dudley J. Hard was Secretary-Treasurer of the Cleveland Light and Power Company. He took no part in Club activities; resigned in 1909.

Eustace B. Power manager of the New York branch of Stanley Gibbons & Co. was a visitor on May 16, 1907, exhibited some choice stamps and made a talk; attended another meeting in 1909; resigned at the end of 1910.

Otto F. Moses, age about 22 in 1907, was a book-keeper, later an insurance man. He took a very active interest from the start; attended seven meetings in 1907; eleven in 1908, etc. He was the 22d President of the Club in 1922 and 1923, and served on many important committees. Resigned in 1929.

William A. Osborn was a chemist. He attended only one meeting -- in 1907 -- but continued his membership for over three years, until he resigned in 1910.

Eben S. Martin was a stamp dealer located in Chicago in 1907. He moved to Plano, Illinois in 1908; to Columbus, Ohio in 1910. At one time, he published a daily philatelic newspaper. A colorful character. He was dropped in 1916.

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Changes in Membership (continued)

George Kieferle was a commercial traveler.

There is no record of his having attended any meeting of the Club. He resigned in December, 1908.

Joseph O. Prescott was a bookkeeper for the Saginaw Bay Company when he first joined the Club in 1894. He took a leading part in the activities of the Club; was Vice President in 1897, and served as our eighth President in 1898 and 1899. Although the record is incomplete, it is likely that he was dropped from membership about the turn of the century. After his reinstatement, he attended two meetings; both in 1908; and resigned in 1910.

John G. ERCK was a department manager of the May Company. He attended two meetings in 1908; none thereafter - probably because he moved to New York City about the end of 1908. He was dropped from the rolls in September, 1910.

Reginald G.A. Phillips was assistant General Manager of the American Multigraph Company. There is no record of his having attended any meeting of the Club; but he continued his membership almost three years until he resigned in September, 1910.

CHARLES L. PACK was a philatelist of world-wide renown when he was elected to honorary membership on November 7, 1907. There is no record that he attended any Club meeting; but his collections were frequently exhibited at the Club. (Canada, November 21, 1907; Spain, March 4, 1909; another collection, March, 1910; another March, 1911; another, March 20, 1915). He died in June, 1937. (For articles on his life, see "STAMPS" October 1 and 8, 1932; May 8, 1937; and June 26, 1937; and "The American Philatelist" for November, 1937)

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Changes in Membership (continued)

A.W. Batchelder, a stamp dealer of Boston, Mass., was elected to membership on December 19, 1907. He attended a Club meeting on February 20, 1908, and displayed a lot of rare stamps, and made a short talk on the Boston club. On September 16, 1909, he attended another meeting, and made a talk. In 1911, he (and E.M. Carpenter) donated a copy of C.A. Howe's book on Canada to the Club library. He did not attend any meeting after 1909; but retained his membership in the Club until 1917 when he resigned.

Paul T. Skove was a young stenographer, residing at 2195 Woodland Avenue, Cleveland, in 1907. He attended five meetings in 1908; but resigned before the end of that year, his resignation being accepted on November 15, 1908.

On November 5, 1937 -- almost twenty-nine years later -- his application for reinstatement was posted; and, on January 7, 1938, he was reinstated as member No. 662.

Edward C. Schweizer, a commercial traveler, (age about 27) residing at 572 East 103d Street, Cleveland, was elected to membership on December 19, 1907. In the following year, he attended six Club meetings; but there is no record of his attending any meeting thereafter. Some time later, he moved to White River Jct., Vermont; but he continued his membership for several years thereafter -- until 1922.

There were two resignations:

Jan 1	<u>W. J. Crawford, Sr.</u>	Act #58
" 10	<u>Frank B. Curtis</u>	" #110

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Changes in Membership (continued)

Two members were dropped for non-payment of dues, as follows:

Oct 3 Raynor Hubbell #118  
" " Thomas H. Farmer #120

These changes resulted in a net gain of ten members for the year.

The summary of changes for the year is:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total January 1, 1907	54	4	58
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<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	13	1	14
<u>Losses</u>			
Resignations - - - - -	2	-	2
Dropped for non-payment of dues	2	-	2
Total losses - - - - -	4	-	4
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Net gain - - - - -	9	1	10
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Total January 1, 1908	63	5	68

Meetings and Attendance

More meetings were held during the year than had been held in any year since the organization of the Club. The total attendance was also the largest it had ever been, and the average attendance per meeting was larger than it had been in any previous year. Sixteen regular meetings were held during the year. Two meetings each were

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Meetings(continued)

held in January, February, April, May, October, November and December; one each in March and June.

The total attendance was 195(including sixteen visitors)

Members who attended six or more of the sixteen meetings were:

15 J.R.Wilson	11 Alvin Good
14 Weigel	10 Wm.A.Langdon
12 Barnum, Bruce,	9 W.H.Waterbury
Kendel and Rhodes	6 Kinnicutt and Moses

Other veteran members attended as follows:

Bailey, none; Schneider, four; Kress, none; MacLaren, none; Hart, two; Brodie, none; Tubman, two.

The meeting of January 10th was held at 512 Caxton Building; the place of the January 24th, February and the March meetings is not shown in the records. At the March 21st meeting, however, the minutes show that "Mr.Bruce tendered the club the use of his rooms in the Williamson Building to their meeting should they so desire. It was agreed to accept the offer and hold the club's meetings at these rooms 731 Williamson Bldg. for the balance of the season." The April 4th meeting was held at 731 Williamson Building; but the next meeting - that of April 18th - was held at 1301 New England Building, as was the meeting of May 2d, at which meeting it was announced that the Club had secured the permanent use of rooms at 1301 New England Building for future meetings.

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Meetings (continued)

Apparently all the other 1907 meetings were held at 1301 New England Building, except the meeting of November 21st, which was held at the Colonial Hotel (on account of the exhibition of Mr. Pack's Canadian stamps) and the meeting of December 19th, which was held in 912 New England Building (the office of President J. Roberts Wilson).

All meetings were held on Thursdays.

Anniversary Celebration

The seventeenth anniversary was celebrated by a banquet at the Colonial Hotel on March 15th. This was attended by a slightly larger number of members than attended the 16th anniversary banquet. The following twenty were present:

Barnum	French	Langdon	Tubman
Brodie	Good	MacLaren	Waterbury
Bruce	Howe	Prescott	Weigel
Crowell	Kendel	Reymann	Wilson
Field	Kinnicutt	Schneider	Rhodes

Unfortunately, no details of the menu, the entertainment or other items have been preserved.

Entertainment at Regular Meetings

At two meetings, Mr Good furnished outstanding entertainment by exhibiting (on March 21st) part of Mr. Worthington's collection of U.S. proofs and (on April 4th), Mr. Worthington's Hawaiians. The most noteworthy entertainment of the year was, however, the exhibition of Mr. Chas. L. Pack's Canadian collection on the

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Entertainment at Regular Meetings(continued)

21st of November. At the same meeting, Mr. Myron H. Wilson exhibited his United States revenues, making this a night long to be remembered. The meeting was held at the Colonial Hotel, and was attended by about sixty members and visitors.

There were several other exhibits at other meetings during the year, as follows:

February 7th	by Hart and Langdon
May 2d	" W.H.Schneider
May 16th	" Eustace B.Power
June 20th	" Fred E.Bruce
November 7th	" William A.Langdon
December 5th	" Alvin Good (U.S.)

Changes in the Club Rules and Regulations

At the meeting of November 7th, it was proposed that the Constitution be amended to provide for a "Standing and Special Committee". The motion was ordered laid on the table for one month. At the meeting of December 5th, the proposed amendment was approved. There is nothing in the records to indicate why this change was made, by whom proposed, nor what the functions of the "Standing and Special Committee" were.

Publicity

In order to "further the interest in stamps of Cleveland collectors through the press or otherwise with a view of obtaining new members for the club", a special committee, consisting of

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Bruce, Barnum, Good and Jenkins, was appointed at the meeting of October 3d.

At the December 5th meeting, the Committee reported, and, on motion of Mr. Bruce, duly seconded, Secretary Weigel was ordered to purchase fifty copies of the December 1907 issue of the Chicago Collectors' Monthly (containing a sketch of Garfield-Perry) to be used for distribution in interest of the Club.

Official Club Organ

In March, the question of securing an official organ was discussed at the Club meeting; and the Secretary was instructed to ascertain the rates of the Chicago Collectors' Monthly for that service.

At the meeting of April 18th, the Chicago Collectors' Monthly was adopted as the official journal of the Club "subject to terms as offered by the publishers" (The rate required was sixteen cents per year for each member of the Club).

The Club Library

The question of properly housing the club library was evidently under consideration in 1907, and apparently no satisfactory solution was found at that time. The records contain little information as to this, but the minutes of the meeting of December 19th state that, "Mr. Crowell was appointed a Committee of One to confer with

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Vol 2 of "Album News" was  
purchased in October for  
\$2.44

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Case Library relative to placing the Garfield-Perry Library at that institution".

At the same meeting, a communication was read from Mr. Theodore O. Bailey (GPSC#73), relative to disposing of his philatelic library to the Club; and the Secretary was appointed to confer with Mr. Bailey.

Participation in American Philatelic Assn.

The Club continued to take no part in A.P.A. activities. The number of A.P.A. members, however, increased to seventeen

CLEVELAND BOYS INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

In the spring of 1907 the different social settlement organizations in Cleveland, in conjunction with the Cleveland Public Library, put on an exhibition in Cleveland Grays Armory, of collections and work of various kinds done by school boys. Alvin Good was chairman of the "collection department", which included stamps, coins, butterfiles, shells, etc. LeGrand French assisted him. An admission fee of 10¢ was charged. The show was a great success, and did much to stimulate interest in stamp collecting. (For Alvin Good's account of this exhibition, see page 85 of his "The Life and Adventures of a Philatelist")

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