

GARFIELD*PERRY STAMP CLUB

1914

Officers and Committees

The officers and committees were:

President: W. H. Barnum Exch.Supt: W.W.MacLaren
Vice-Pres: Otto F. Moses Auction Mgr: O. F. Moses
Secretary: W.A.Chamberlin Librarian: F. E. Bruce
Treasurer: Alvin Good
Directors: Taite (to Jan.22); Oettinger; Beatty;
and Weigel (from Jan.22)

Committees:

Entertainment: Beatty (Chairman), Roby
Library: Bruce, Wunderly.

Changes in Membership

1914 was another year in which there was a small loss in membership.

Seven members were admitted, none of whom had previously been members:

Jan 8 James H. Young (age 32) Cleveland #251
An architect; attended frequently in 1914 and 1915; began to be one of the "regulars" in 1916; Treasurer 1917, 1918 and 1919; Vice President 1920; Director 1921; Custodian of the Club Collection 1919, etc.; Treasurer 1931; Chairman, the Anniversary Celebration Registration Committee 1934 to 1937; moved to Massillon, Ohio 1942.

Mar 5 Edwin T. Runge (age 45?) Cleveland #252
Auditor, Ferro Machine & Fdy. Company; attended more than half the 1914 meetings; few thereafter; was dropped 1917. Father of Thornton R. Runge #326.

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Changes in Membership (continued)

New members admitted (continued)

- Apr 16 D. A. Washburn ("Silas Weatherby") Medina, O #252A
Attended a few meetings in 1914 and 1915; resigned 1916. Through error, no separate membership number was assigned to him.
- Sep 3 George Ward Linn (age 30) Columbus #253
Philatelic printer and publisher;
has attended many Club meetings, including nearly all the anniversary banquets since 1914. An active member (paid active dues) 1920, 1921, 1922.
- " " Carl W. Mader (age 31) Cleveland #254
A clerk; took an active part; was
Secretary 1917 and 1918; but lost interest and was dropped 1925.
- Oct 1 Kenneth R. Corner (age 29?) Cleveland #255
Suretyship; attended a few meetings
in 1914, 1915 and 1916; resigned 1917.
- Dec 17 Ralph F. Henn (age 26?) Cleveland #256
A salesman, National Acme Company;
took an active part; Secretary 1916; member Club Quarters Committee 1917; was dropped 1918; reinstated 1920; a Sustaining Member 1920; was again dropped about 1923.

There were six resignations:

Fred E. Farnham #205
Robert Haynes #234
Sol E. Heineman #216

Chas. J. Viets #224
H. S. Williams #160
Roy A. Wood #159

Four were dropped for non-payment of dues:

LeGrand French # 65
W. H. Laisy #155

Harry L. Lindquist #211
Harry Taité #162

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Changes in Membership (continued)

The changes mentioned resulted in a net loss of three, and a total of 89 at the end of the year.

The summary of changes made during the year is:

	<u>Active</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total January 1, 1914	85	7	92
<u>Gains</u>			
New members - - - - -	7	-	7
<u>Losses</u>			
Resignations - - - - -	6	-	6
Dropped for non-payment	4	-	4
Total - - - - -	<u>10</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10</u>
Net loss - - - - -	3	-	3
Total January 1, 1915	82	7	89

Meetings and Attendance

Twenty meetings (including the anniversary celebration meeting) were held, all at Room 202, The Arcade, except that of March 21, held at Weber's.

The total attendance was 408 (which included 46 visitors). This was 42 more than in 1913.

The average attendance per meeting was 20.4, an increase over 1913. The best-attended meeting was that of February 19, when 28 were present; the smallest attendance was on October 1, when there were only 14. Only 16 attended the annual meeting of December 17.

Larsen and Whittaker attended every one of the 20 meetings. Other frequent attendants were:

Chamberlin	18	Tubman, Weigel	16	Lutzeier and	
MacIaren and		Beatty - - -	15	Oettinger	13
Wunderly	17	Barnum, Hanford		Runge - - -	11
Good, Moses	16	Langdon, Lewis	14		

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The Twenty-fourth Anniversary Celebration

In January, the Club decided to celebrate the 24th anniversary in the same manner as the 23d had been celebrated; that is, by an informal dinner at Weber's, followed by a regular meeting, then by entertainment.

The meeting was held on March 21 (Saturday). 18 members attended the informal dinner; 27 members and one visitor were present at the regular meeting which followed. Chairman Beatty of the Entertainment Committee presented to each one at the meeting a souvenir pocket stock book inscribed in gold:

SOUVENIR
TWENTY FOURTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB
MARCH 21, 1914

An auction sale of 101 lots was then held. The proceeds were \$78.15.

The auction was followed by a lunch and talks were made by A.C. Stewart, Whittaker, Runge, Hanford, Koslowski, MacLaren, Larsen, Bryant, Oettinger, Wunderly and Tubman. It was reported that Moses was a very efficient and entertaining toastmaster.

During the evening, a telegram was received from Eben S. Martin (who was then operating the International Stamp Company at DeGraff, Ohio) offering the Club his congratulations.

The Treasurer's Cash Book shows that the deficit for the lunch was \$8.00, which was paid by the Club. The souvenirs cost the Club \$9.75, part of which was recaptured by the sale of one of them for 50¢ to Barnum, probably for presentation to a friend.

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A Permanent Clubroom Suggested

At the meeting of September 17, Eben S. Martin suggested that the Club arrange for its own clubroom and related the experience of another Club in that respect. This is the first mention in the Club records of a permanent clubroom having been suggested.

Entertainment

A number of fine exhibits were arranged for during the year. There were also talks, contests and auction sales.

The exhibits included Mr. Worthington's Canada, British Columbia, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick (on February 19) and his Confederates (on November 5); and the following:

Early United States - - - - -	Oettinger
Sonora, Mexico and Romanoff Centenary Russia - - -	Wunderly
1¢ and 10¢ 1851-57 United States	Beatty
British Colonies - - - - -	Langdon
"Rare and interesting stamps" - -	Warren Colson
Sonoras on cover - - - - -	Langdon
Competitive exhibits - - - - -	Various members

The members' competitive exhibition was won by Ralph Henn, whose exhibit consisted of about thirty rarities, including the \$5.00 Proprietary -- all cataloguing about \$2500.00.

Mr. Norman E. Hills, a visitor at the meeting of January 8, made a very interesting talk on the early days of the Cleveland Post Office. His great-grandfather and grandfather had been Postmasters of Cleveland from 1816 to 1821.

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Co-operation with the Cleveland Public Library

Early in the year, Chairman Bruce of the Library Committee asked for suggestions from the members of the Club as to new philatelic publications which might be added to those already in the Cleveland Public Library, and promised to request Librarian Brett to secure any which were suggested.

Later in the year, Wunderly reported, for the Library Committee, that a talk had been had with the Librarian, and that the Library frequently received requests for philatelic literature and information about stamp clubs; and that Barnum and Good's names were left on record with the Library as sources of information about Garfield-Perry. Also that the philatelic publications which had been turned over to the Library by Garfield-Perry (in 1912) had been catalogued and were easy of access.

New Auction Rules

At the first meeting in 1914, Auction Manager Moses announced some changes in the Auction Department rules, as follows:

An auction of 20 lots to be a feature of each regular meeting -- not more than four lots to each memberx ---- with a minimum value of 50¢ for each single stamp and \$1.00 for lots of two or three stamps.

At the next meeting, it was announced that all lots were required to be in the hands of the Auction Manager on Monday before the next meeting.

Later in the year -- on April 16 -- it was decided that "all single lots be catalogued at 25¢ or more; 2 stamps or more, 50¢; and that bids in multiples of 1¢ be accepted on 25¢ lots and 5¢ on lots catalogued at \$1.00 or more.

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Participation in American Philatelic Society Affairs

At the annual convention of 1914, the American Philatelic Society rescinded its rule which provided that branches of the Society could accept only A.P.S members as members of the branch.

This change was hailed by Garfield-Perry with much satisfaction, and, at the September 3d meeting Secretary Chamberlin was instructed to apply to the national organization for a branch charter in the name of Garfield-Perry. Treasurer Good's Cash Book shows that he made payment on October 3, 1914 of "A.P.S.Branch dues \$1.80".

Finances

The Club managed to live within its income; but the balance was small, being only \$1.15.

The summary of financial transactions is:

Cash on hand January 1, 1914 - - - - - \$25.47

Receipts

Dues - - - - -	\$114.00
Auction commissions and donations	17.09
Sale of a souvenir stock book --	.50
Total - - - - -	<u>131.69</u>

Disbursements

Rent - - - - -	60.00
Stationery, printing and postage	46.39
Entertainment - - - - -	4.50
Deficit for lunch, March 21 - - -	8.00
Stockbooks - souvenirs March 21	6.75
Lettering of stockbook souvenirs	3.00
A. P. S. Annual dues - - - - -	1.80
Total - - - - -	<u>130.44</u>

Balance - - - - - 1.15 1.15

Cash on hand January 1, 1915 - - - - - 26.62