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Officers and Committees

The officers and committees were:

President Fred'k W.Green Vice-Pres. Wm.D.Preston
Secretary Vance Holden Treasurer Jas.H.Young
Directors M.J.Lloyd, W.S.Robison, Chas.A.Stevens
Auction Mgr. W.W.MacLaren Sales Mgr. C.A.Stevens
Librarian Wm.D.Preston(to May 2d); C.A.Stevens(from May 2d)

Counterfeit Detector Alvin Good Editor, Club News W.H.Barnum

Committees:

A.P.S. -- -- - Barnum, Lloyd and Preston Entertainment and

Anniversary Celeb. Grant(Chairman) (to April 3d)
Robison, Lybarger(apptd.Chmn.
Apr.3d); Grieve(apptd.Apr.3d)

Budget - - - - - - Lloyd, Robison, Young
Club History - - - - MacLaren, Hanford, Good, Barnum
House - - - - - - Robison, Finlayson, Oettinger
Publicity - - - - Moore, Stevens, Holden
Year Book - - - - Lloyd, Stevens.

On January 2, 1931, President Green, in a threepage letter, outlined the details of his recommendations as to the duties and personnel of certain
Club committees which had existed in previous years
and other committees which he felt should be
appounted for 1931. These were the Anniversary
Celebration Committee, the Membership Committee,
the Publicity Committee, the Entertainment Committee
all of which had been provided for in previous years
and a Year Book Committee and a Historical Committee
which were new.

A special Board meeting was held on January 9th, at which Mr. Green's suggestions were approved almost in toto. The Anniversary Celebration Committee and the Entertainment Committee were consolidated; the Membership Committee's name was changed to the "House Committee" (continued)

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Officers and Committees (continued)

In regard to the "Historical Committee, President Green called attention to the large and illustrious membership the Club had had during its existence of over forty years; he said that many of the older members were altogether unknown to a large part of the present members, and that the Club records did not seem to contain much definite information as to either present or former members. He advocated the compilation of data and the establishment of a permanent book of membership.

Changes in Membership

During the year, twenty-two new members were admitted, as follows:

			No.
Jan	2	Charles Wilk (27) Lakewood	a547
		newspaper photographer; e. E.N. Moore;	
11	**	n.1937; rea.(as #866) 1945;	
		David J. Kalstrom (38) East Cleveland	2548
		salesman; e. Vance Holden; n. 1933;	
	-	rea. (as #807) 1943;	
leb.	6	Russell V. Bleecker (45) Cleveland	a549
		lawyer; e.Alvin Good; n.Jun 4,1937;	
		rei. Jul.16,1937; res. 1938.	
**	11	Hayward E.Kelley (33) Shaker Heights	a550
		real estate; e.D.W.Martin: res. 1932.	
Mar	6	Wm. J.Raddatz (50) Shaker Heights	a551
		printing (W.J.Raddatz Co.); e. M.J.Lloyd;	
		n.1933; died 1940.	
**	11	Philip M. Weiss (55) Cincinnati, O.	s552
		Stamp dealer (Queen City Stamp Co.);	
		e.W.H.Barnum; died 1948.	
Apr	3	Erban A. Beck Cleveland	a553
		U.S. Internal Revenue Agent; e.R.J. Wagner;	

a - active n - dropped for rea - readmitted
e - endorser non-payment dues rei - reinstated
res - resigned

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		Changes in Membership - new members	
		admitted (continued)	
		711	No.
May	2	H. O. Henneman Chicago, Ill e. Dr. Hennan; n. 1935.	S554
11	tı		s 555
		James A. Zalud Chicago, Ill e. pr. Hennan; n.1936.	5000
**	**	A. F. Boehm Chicago, Ill	s556
		e. Dr. Hennan; n. 1935.	
n	Ħ	Norman Picht Chicago, Ill	s 55 7
		e. Dr. Hennan; n. 1935.	
11	11	Chas. F. Mann Chicago, Ill.	s 558
11	11	e. Dr. Hennan; res.1939.	e550
		Paul Nuss Chicago, Ill. e.Dr. Hennan; n.1935.	s559
11	11		s560
		Harvey J. Lucas Akron, 0. contracting mason; e.Barnum; n.1940.	2000
n	**	E. E. Parker Columbus, O.	s561
		sec-treas., Justus & Parker Co.,	
		e. George W.Linn; n.1935.	
11	11	Walter N. Emerson (42) Chicago, Ill.	s562
		trade-paper editor and writer;	
		e. Holden; n. 1936.	
Jul	3	P. Sidney Rogerson (37) Cleveland	a563
		Remwind Fuel Co.: e.Good; n.1940.	~F.C.4
Aug	7	HELL DOILLIGHTON (CC)	\$ 564
		sign painter (Pres. State Sign Co.)	
		(later stamp dealer); e. W.G.Whittaker;	
-		m. 1941. Henry Lowenstein (60) Baltimore, Md.	s565
Sep	4	Fur salesman; e.W.D.Preston; n.1936.	5000
37.000	6	and the state of t	a566
Non	O	insurance; e.M.J.Lloyd; n. 1935.	
**	**		s567
		dentist; e.Molitor; res. 1947	
11	**		j568
		Student; e.Alvin Good; n.1937.	
	One	former member was reinstated with his fo	rmer
meml	er s	ship number, as follows:	s165
		Dr. Iver Johnson Chicago, Ill	
A -	act	tive j - junior res - resign	ate
e -	end	dorser n - dropped for n.p.d. s - associ	
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Changes in Membership (continued)

Four members resigned, as follows:

Feb 6 F. H. Miller #414 Jun 5 A.E.Kruse #342 May 8 A. H. Wilhelm #493 " " George Dodds#406

There was one death - Oliver S. Hart #6

The minutes show the following six members dropped for non-payment of dues:

Friedrich Janssen #338 Karl E. Wikstrom #482 Fritz Janssen #339 M. J. Rauschkolb #506 Wilton Schneider #378 Murray Smith #524

In addition, there were no doubt 41 others who were dropped for non-payment, as follows:

C. Fisher #429 ton H. Grant #437 cy C. Hall #473 . Jas. A. Harris #300 H. Jenkins #457 Lewis Johnson #501 . L. Kirkland #497 d L. Koepf #454 buard Locher #472 d Locher #522 de McIntyre #485 Millar #469 M. Morris #464 tor W. Rotnem #467 ph Sandbach #503 cher O. Staeb #477 meth Stillwell #488 ds. S. Thompson #460 ct C. Wear #333 d P. Wentz #350A
Roberts Wilson #122 ris G. Wilson #518

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Changes in Membership (continued)

The foregoing losses resulted in a net decrease of thirty-two members -- the largest loss the Club had ever had in a single year.

Probably a large part of this was due to the business depression. Some of it was due to the large number of Associate members who had joined the Club -- on the spur of the moment -- after the Midwestern Exhibition, and took little or not interest in the Club thereafter.

The summary of changes during the year is:

				Life 4			Tot 208
Gains	9						
New members #547-569	9	12	1	-	-	22	
Reinstated	-	1	-	-	-	1	
Total gains	9	13	I	=	=	23	
Losses							
Death	1	-	-	_	-	1	
Resignations	-	4	-	-	-	4	
Dropped for non-payment							
of dues	1	33		-	-	52	
Total losses	12	37	3	=	=	52	
Net losses	3	24	2			29	29
Total January 1,1932	77	80	5	4	13		179

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Meetings and Attendance

Fifty-one regular meetings were held -- one on each Friday, with the exception of July 4th.

All meetings were held in Hotel Winton.

Members who attended twenty or more meetings were:

- 49 Holden
- 47 Grieve, Molitor, Stevens
- 46 Whittaker
- 45 Grant, Lloyd
- 44 Preston
- 43 Dayton
- 41 Green
- 40 Martin, Young
- 38 Finlayson, Lybarger
- 34 Barnum, Copeland, Garibotti
- 32 Moore
- 31 Beckenbach
- 30 Strasser
- 28 Beck, Langdon
- 27 Kalstrom, Robinson
- 26 Robison
- 25 A.E.Griffin
- 22 Schildhouse
- 21 MacLaren
- 20 Achtschin, Oettinger

Christmas Party

A special meeting was held on December 29th, to take the place of the two meetings which would have gallen on Christmas Day and New Years Day.

This was a Christmas Party. Secretary Holden's minutes state, "with gifts by every one to every one. Each turned in to the Committee (Lybarger) who distributed them with some fixing of his own."

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Anniversary Celebration

The 41st anniversary was celebrated on March 20-21-22 at Hotel Winton.

The banquet on the 21st was attended by over seventy. Mr. Fred Jarrett of Toronto made the principal address, and the doners were entertained by The Alice Clark Entertainers and by songs by Mr. Raoul Bonnano.

The following detailed account of the celebration appeared in The American Philatelist for May, 1931:

"Cleveland, Ohio - Garfield-Perry Stamp Club celebrated its forty-first anniversary on March 20th and 21st in a manner enjoyed by its own members and by several visitors from other clubs.

On Friday evening, following the regular weekly meat meeting, an auction was conducted by W.W.MacLaren and W.G.Whittaker. Mr. MacLaren, the Stamp Hunter, in offering one item, described it as a 'solder's ballot' letter of the Civil War period, and expatiated at length on the practice followed at that time of permitting soldiers in service to vote as compared with no-vote practice during the World War. Then, looking at the postmark on the item, he discovered that it was 'May 15, 1859'. That brought a laugh.

On Saturday bafternoon, Hayward Kendall Kelley, of G-P, and W.T.Poppenger, Rubber City Stamp Club, Akron, exhibited respectively, British Colonials and United States stamps. For a collection built up in less than two years, Mr. Poppenger's is remarkable both for size and arrangement.

Saturday evening was marked by a dinner in which 75 members and gusts participated, a most enjoyable affair.

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Anniversary Celebration (continued)

Excerpt from "The American Philatelist" (continued)

Frederick W.Green, President of G-P, presided, while the entertainment features were arranged by F.W.Grant, Donald Lybarger and Jules Oettinger. One of the most interesting features of the dinner was the presentation of the Hanford Cup 'in regegnition of his services to Garfield-Perry and to philately' to Clayton W.Bedford of Akron, who has performed a notable work in the plating of the 5-cent Inland Exchange stamp. The presentation was made by the donor, Lewis A.Hanford.

Mr. Bedford is the fifteenth holder of the cup.

Brief addresses were made by Dr. C.W.Hennan, Chicago; Adolph Steeg, Buffalo; O.S.Hart, Akron; M.J.Lloyd and W.W.MacLaren, Cleveland.

Following the dinner, Fred Jarrett of Toronto delivered an illustrated and extremely instructive lecture on the stamps of British North America as the closing formality of the ammiversary celebration. In an informal way, the party lasted for some hours after that."

A register, signed by those who attended the banquet, has been preserved in the Club archives, and it shows a total of seventy-one names.

Secretary Holden's minutes of the meeting of March 20th contain the following as to the attendance at the banquet on the 21st, "seventy one plus Mr. Mayor of New York who attended the Banquet" which would indicate a total of seventy-two, unless the "Mr. Mayor of New York" was one of the entertain ers.

The total of 71 included 39 active members; 15 associate members and 17 visitors.

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Anniversary Celebration (continued)

The list of those who signed the register at the banquet is as follows:

Active Members

W. H. Barnum H. E. Beckenbach Clayton W. Bedford E.S. Brown Chas.E. Bruce Wm. H. Buerger E.J. Dayton P.A.Finlayson H.C.Frolking A. Garibotti Frank W. Grant Fred'k W. Green Donald K.Grieve

A.E.Griffin Lewis A. Hanford N. B. Harris Oliver S. Hart Albert S. Hill Fritz Janssen Michael J.Lloyd Donald Lybarger W.W.MacLaren Donald W.Martin Dr. N.P. McGay Robt.F. Molitor Edward N. Moore

J.A. Oettinger Wm.D.Preston Karl Rauschkolb B.C. Robinson Warner S.Robison J.C. Sanderson F.T.Shippen Erwin Strasser Thad F. Stroup Robert J. Wagner W.G. Whittaker Charles Wilk James H. Young

Associate Members

Donald E.Dickason Dr.Clarence Hennan B. Vincent Imbrie George W. Linn Lawrence C. Lovejoy Roscoe B. Martin James C. Munn F. N. Newton, Jr.

Walter T. Poppenger J.Fred Shartle Adolph Steeg John Thomas Dr. L. H. Trufant Dr. T. H. Tubman QOiver H. Wolcott

Visitors

E.A. Beck W.W. Betts Howard C. Buttermore Harvey Lucas Arthur W. Carpenter Ed C.Forbes Garrett Heckhert

Fred Jarrett H.K.Jones Chas . F . Mann Eben S.Martin H.B. Thompson L.M.Merritt

E.E. Parker Karl Rauschkolb, Jr. J.T. Schweier Franck Shute

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Mid-week Club Luncheons

In May, the custom of mid-week club luncheons was inaugurated. The minutes of the meeting of May 22d contain the following:

"The City Club was designated as a good place for noon-time meetings Tuesday of each week, and a special table set out by the Captain for G-P members -- regardless of membership in the City Club."

The American Philatelist for July, 1931 contains the following, as to the luncheon meetings:
"In this vicinity, the most important recent event in stamp circles was the starting, on Tuesday, May 26th, of a series of weekly luncheon meetings for Garfield-Perry Stamp Club members at the City Club. E.N.Moore, member of both organizations, secured for G-P the privilege of using the City Club dining room. Attendance at the luncheons, which are entirely informal, is growing and the plan looks like a great success."

Entertainment

At over twenty regular meetings, special talks, exhibits, etc., were provided. Out-of-town speakers and exhibitors were Mr. John Thomas of Sharon, Mr. Howard Buttermore of Youngston, Mr. Bedford of Akron and Dr. W.L.Bebcock of Detroit.

The outstanding features of the entertainment provided were the following:

Mr. Bedford's exhibit and talk on the reproduction of stamps for printing; Mr. Moore's exhibit and talk on Cleveland Santtany Fair covers; and Dr. Babcock's talk on Supplementary Mail cancellations.

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Entertainment (continued)

The complete list of special entertainment is as follows:

Jan. 9 Young and Green Spelling Bee 16 John Thomas Air Mail collection Feb. 13 A. Garibotti Italian States 20 H.C. Buttermore United States Mar 13 J.A. Oettinger Contast Apr. 17 N.B. Harris United States May 8 Bedford and DeLong Reperoduction of stemps for Printing " 22 E.N.Moore Clev'd Sanitary Fair Jun-12 D.W. Martin Foseign Jul.10 19 members Competitive exhibit 24 P.A.Finlayson British North America Aug. 14 Rubber City S.C. "Akron Night" "Monte Carlo Night" 21 L.A. Hanford Boat ride to Cedar Point 23 Sep. 11 Jas. H. Young United States 18 Beckenbach & Lehman General collections 25 Dr.W.L. Babcock Supp.Mail Cancellations Oct. 9 Frank W. Grant Commemoratives " 16 M.J.Lloyd Leeward Islands Nov. 13 D. W. Martin U.S. Blocks Dec.11 Arthur Loesser Air Mail Don. Lybarger Contest Christmas Party Dec_29

The American Philatelist for August, 1931 has the following account of the members' competitive exhibit on July 10th:

"Garfield-Perry enjoyed hugely on July 10th, a novel program arranged by Chairman Lybarger and his entertainment committee in the form of exhibits by members in these three classes:

I. A single page; II a single country; III a single specialty. Kax

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Entertainment(continued)

Excerpt from "The American Philatelist" (continued)

"In Class I, E.N.Moore's page of U.S.1869 took first; Vance Holden's Poland No. 1 on cover, second; and J.C.Sanderson's British Consulars, third.

Amerigo Garibotti's Collection of Roman States took first in Class II, with Mr. Sanderson's Switzerland second; and C.J.Dorer's Soudan, third. Among the specialized collections, F.W.Green took first with a collection of U.S.stamps bearing Lincoln's portrait; Dr. N.P.McGay's private perforations, second; and Mr. Sanderson's Saxony, third. The exhibits were much admired and the plan of having parts of a collection on show proved so popular it probably will be repeated next fall."

August 14th was "Akron Night". 19 members of the Rubber City Stamp Club attended and furnished the entertainment -- three frames of United States stamps and three volumes of Akron historical material -- general and Zeppelin covers. There were 51 in attendance at the meeting. The key to the Club was ceremonicusly presented to Rubber City and accepted for that club by Mr. Lovejoy.

The boat ride to Cedar Point on Sunday,
August 23rd is mentioned briefly in the minutes
for August 28th, it being stated that Mr. Lybarger
reported it as "nicely attended and an evident
success".

The attendance at Club meeting of January 16th was exceptionally large, there being seventy-one members and visitors present to see Mr. John Thomas' air mail collection.

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Changes in Rules and Regulations

Mr. Lloyd, with the assistance of Mr. Green, prepared a revised set of "rules and regulations" which was submitted to the Club, and posted on November 20th for vote at a later date. On December 18th, the new rules were adopted. The club records do not contain details of the changes.

On November 6th, a motion was passed requiring the Secretary to "obtain a commercial rating on each applicant for active membership or otherwise ascertain the type of man under consideration. Read each name at each meeting while the name is posted."

Special action was taken in regard to delinquent members on March 6th, the minutes showing the following:

"On formal motion properly seconded and voted upon affirmatively the Board of Directors authorized the acceptance of dues from members who are delinquent from the year 1930, with the issuaing of a special receipt franking them thru the year 1931, which was a suggestion of the Budget Committee."

There was evidently some complaint as to trading during club meetings, as this subject was dealt with by the Board at the meeting of January 9th, the following motion being passed, according to the minutes:

"That no trading shall be done in the club room between the formal opening and the formal closing of the meeting by the presiding officer."

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Changes in Rules and Regulations (continued)

On March 17,1931, President Green wrote to the Secretary, stating that protest had been made to him about the attendance at club meetings of "non-resident parties who are in no wise affiliated with the Club and who attendbsolely for the purpose of selling stamps"; and asked that the matter be placed before the Board to determine the policy of the Club in such matters.

Mr. Green's letter was discussed at a special meeting of the Board held on March 20th, and the minutes show the following action taken:

"Special, brief, meeting of the Board called with Mr. Young absent, altho he attended the meeting later. Complaints regarding Irving Gordon, a New York dealer, caused this. And because of a commercial rating submitted -- in confidence -- a Committee of one was appointed to inform Mr. Gordon that he was not invited to G.P. meetings and was not welcome -- if he appeared. He did not."

The Hanford Cup

The Hanford Cup Committee, appointed March 6th, consisted of Messrs. Holden (Chairman), Finlayson and Martin.

On March 13th, the Club decided that, "The Hanford Cup is to be awarded in appreciation of efforts in behalf of the Club and for Philavely" and that, "The Award be made for the calendar year preceding the Anniversary itself --rather than for the actual year ending on the anniversary date."

It was also decided, at the same meeting, to arrange for a supply of certificates of award. As calificates

The Cup was awarded for year 1931 to Clayton W. Bedford for his work in 1930, in plating the 5-cent Inland Exchange U.S.Revenue stamp.

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The Club Library

In January, Mr. Molitor made a request on the Club for compensation in connection with the moving of the Club's bookcases to Mr. Green's office in 1930. This request was given consideration by the Board at a special meeting held on January 30th, and the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Molitor "that there is no law on the subject and no authority -- and no precedent -- and no action, other than a vote of thanks, which had earlier been tendered."

Mr. Preston resigned as Librarian, his resignation being accepted on May 2d; and Mr. Chas.A. Stevens was appointed to succeed him.

"The American Philatelist" for July, 1931 has the following as to G-P Library:

"Garfield-Perry has a library of considerable excellence. Chairman Lybarger of the Entertainment Committee, plans to try to sell to members the idea that the library can be of great benefit to them. On May 25th, Messrs. Lloyd, Lybarger and Martin presented interesting reviews of works which are in the library and available to all members."

The Club Collection

At the meeting of F bruary 6th, the minutes state that, "Mr. Good suggested that the club collection be kept for reference to show variety, and there was much discussion with final authority issued."

At the meeting of March 6th, Mr. Good's offer to sponsor and house a "reference collection" of United States stamps was accepted.

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American Philatelic Society Matters

Early in the year, the Club decided to favor the candidacy of Dr. C.W.Hennan for President of the A.P.S., and Mr. Guest as Sales Manager. A little later (on February 13th), the balance of the "Chicago Chapter Ticket" was endorsed by the Club, the complete slate of candidates being:

President Clarence W. Hennan
Board (Frank W. Grant
of (Wm. D. Preston
Vice-Pres. (M. J. Lloyd
Secretary Dr. H. A. Davis
Treasurer Howard H. Elliott
Int'l Secy. Eugene Klein
(A. H. Wilhelm
at Large (Adolph Steeg

Mr. W.H.Barnum, the Editor of Garfield-Perry Club News was one of the most ardent A.P.S. politicians in the country, and, in the March, 1931 issue of the G-P Club News, he commented on Mr. Wilhelm's candidacy in rather caustic terms, as follows:

"Please note the change in the above, so-called Hennan ticket. Mr. Gray of Oakland has replaced A.H.Wilhelm. This, we believe, strengthens the ticket because we are strongly opposed to any member being a chronic candidate for any office aside from the secretaryship. Mr. Wilhelm is completing six consecutive years, four as president and two as director, or more than fifty per cent. of the length of his membership. Had we been consulted when the original ticket was selected, his name would not have appeared on it at all for this vefy reason."

As could have been expected, Mr. Wilhelm took offense at Mr. Barnum's characterization of him as a chronic cendidate. Mr. Stehn, Secretary of the

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American Philatelic Society Matters(continued)

San Francisco Stamp Club wrote Mr. Green a letter on April 7th, making a vigorous protest on account of the article in the G-P Club News. Mr. Green replied to Mr. Stehn on April 15th, stating that he believed that Mr. Stehn had entirely misconstrued both the spirit and the purport of the article; that Mr. Barnum had not in any sense criticized or impugned Nr. Wilhelm's personal qualities or his entire fitness and qualifications for the offices which he had held or for which he had last been a candidate; but that his sole objection was based on his objection to a long-period continuity of office in the A.P.S., and that he was satisfied that the membership of Garfield-Perry was generally in accord with Mr. Barnum upon this point.

Mr. Wilhelm's resignation from Garfield-Perry dated April 18th, was received a few days later; and was accepted with regret at the meeting of May 8th. Mr. Wilhelm remained out of the Club only a little over two years, being reinstated, with his former membership number, on September 1,1933.

In August, the Board recommended to the Club that a delegate be sent to the annual A.P.S.convention at Memphis. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Stevens, Lyberger and Martin, was appointed to arrange funds for the expenses of the delegate, Mr. Wm. D.Preston.

A Monte Carlo Night, under the direction of Mr. Hanford, was held on August 21st, which netted \$27.50; and a donation auction was held on August 28th, at which \$140.00 was realized. Mr. Lloyd held a bridge party, which resulted in \$14.00 more for the fund.

Mr. Preston drove to Memphis with Messrs. Grant and Barnum. On the return from Memphis, Mr.Barnum suffered a fractured kneecap in an auto collision in Kentucky.

The "Hennan ticket" was elected at the convention.

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Year Book

President's Green's recommendation that a Year Book -- containing the Constitution and By-Laws, Roster of Members, Library Index, etc -be issued, was approved by the Club; and Messrs. Lloyd and Stevens appointed as a Committee to arrange for its publication.

For some unrecorded reason, however, the Year Book was not published.

Monthly Treasurer's Reports

On January 31st, President Green wrote to Treasurer Young, asking that he submit, at each business meeting, a financial report, showing the details of transactions during the preceding month, the amount of funds on hand and other details of interest. This was the beginning of the beneficial practice of monthly Treasurer's reports.

Club History

On January 2d, Mr. Green recommended the appointment of a Historical Committee to compile the history of the Club. This recommendation was approved; and Messrs. MacLaren, Good, Barnum and Hanford were appointed as the Committee.

There is no record of a report to the Club by the Committee; nor of any of the data compiled.

Election of Officers for 1932

The entire list of candidates for 1932 Directors nominated by the Nominating Committee (Messrs.Grant, Finlayson and MacLaren) is not available. There were 52 ballots cast with the following results:

Green 40 votes Lybarger 34 votes Stevens 32 votes Holden 36 " Preston 33 " Moore 27 " Lloyd 26 "