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#### Officers and Committees

The officers and committees were:

President E. N. Moore Vice-Pres. J.C. Sanderson
Secretary Vance Holden Treasurer M. J. Lloyd
Directors: W.H. Barnum, D.W. Martin, Chas. A. Stevens

Thad Stroup (after Oct. 5th)

Auction Mgr.Main - J.C.Sanderson "Baby" - D.W.Martin Sales Manager L.H.Copeland Librarian Fredk.W.Green Editor Club News C.A.Stevens Publicity Manager Don Grieve

Custodian of Club Exhibition Property A.S. Hill

Committees

Entertainment Stroup(Chmn), Lybarger, Stevens

Amendments to the Code of

Regulations Martin(Chmn), Stroup, Lybarger Membership in Nat.Fed.Stamp Clubs: Barnum, Stevens Service of the Philatelic Agcy.

Robison, Stroup, Green

Raising Funds for Special Entertainment:

Moore, Martin, Stroup

Philatelic Facilities at the Cleveland

Post Office: Lybarger, Green, Grieve, Lloyd

44th Anniversary Celebration:

Gen.Chairman Sanderson
Auction Sanderson
Bourse Holden
Card Room Stroup
Exhibition Hobbs

Banquet and

Floor Show Moore
Punch Board Hill
Printing Stevens
Reception Lybarger

Tickets Young and Langdon

Sunday Morning Shoemaker

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# Changes in Member ship

For the first year since 1929, there was a larger number of members on the Club roster at the end of the year than at the beginning. The net increase amounted to nine members; the total at the close of 1934 was 171 members.

The total gain was twelve new and reinstated members, which was about the same as in 1932 and 1933; but the total loss was only three, which was much less than the total losses in any of the four previous years.

Eleven new members were admitted, as follows:

Daniel A. Hill (35) Cleveland Jan 5 com'l engr. Ohio Public Service Co.: e. Holden: Hartley C. Parsons Chardon, O. publisher (Geauga Publishers, Inc.); e. Good; Hennen M. Sanford (42) Lakewood Feb 2 chf.clk. Equitable Life Assurance Soc.: e.W.D. Preston: Trustee and treas. 1935-36-37-38: vice-pres 1939-40: president 1941: awardee Hanford Cup 1939; custodian Swedish collection: trustee 1942: Ray M. Boling (33) Akron, O. #592 s salesman; e.E.N.Moore; n.1940; rea., as 1900. 1946. Willard M. Sawyer (34) Cleveland #593 a \*\* mfgr. (John C. Vinden Co.); e. Oettinger; n. 1936. John S. Whittlesey (29) East Cleveland #594 a Mar 2 architechtural draftsman; e.W.D. Preston; n.1936; rea., as #826, 1944. Wilbur C.Pepple (43) Cleveland #595 a May 4 mgr., ghain grovery store; e. Whittaker; n.1937; rea., as #822, 1944. M. W. Trowbridge Chesterland.O. #596 s Jul 6 e.C.J.Molnar; died 9.9.34 Oct 5 Chas. A. Gardner (39) xakewaadx Akron #597 s letter carrier; e. Poppenger;

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# Changes in Membership (continued)

New members admitted (continued)

Nov 2 Clayton W.Tyler (51) Lakewood #598 a lawyer; e.Shoemaker; trustee 1936;

" L. R. McAuley (33) Lakewood #599 a bookseller; e.M.J.Lloyd; n.1936.

One former member was reinstated, with his old membership number:

May 4 William C. Bole Cleveland #423 a

There were two deaths, as follows:

Sep 9 M. W. Trowbridge Chesterland, 0. #596 s

Oct 6 Philip M. Wolsieffer Philadelphia #193 h

Wolsieffer was one of the best-known stamp men in the country; a dealer since about 1872; one of the early members of the A.P.S., and President of that organization in 1924-25. He was 77 years of age.

There was one resignation, as follows:

Jan 6 Dr. Harold H. Biggs Wadsworth. 0. #584 s

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a - active; e - endorser; h - honorary; n - dropped for non-payment of dues; s - associate

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# Changes in Membership (continued)

on May 4th, Mr. Lewis A. Hanford #167 was made an honorary life member of the Club. The resolution adopted declared that "Mr. Hanford is hereby declared entitled to the privilges of this organization for the remainder of his life, with all dues remitted", and stated that this was being done on account of his donation of the Hanford Cup, through which gift G-P"had attained national prominence and derived permanent benefit" -- also on account of Mr. Hanford's deep interest in the club in many other ways.

The summary of changes during the year is:

	Act	Asc	Jr	Life	Hon		Total
Total January 1,1934	61	85	1	2	13	==	162
Gains							
New members #589-599 Reinstatement Total gains	7 1 8	4 - 4	=	- 1	=	11 1 12	
Losses							
Deaths Resignation Total losses	-	1 1 2		:	i T	1 3	
Netgains or losses	+8	+2	-	-	-1	+9	+9
Transfer							
Active to Hon.Life -	-1	-	-	+1			
Net changes	+2	+2	-	+1	-1		+9
Total January 1,1935	68	87	I	3	12		171

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# Meetings and Attendance

52 meetings were held, one each Friday night, with an average attendance of about 33. There were 232 visitors and associate members who were at the meetings, compared with 152 for 1933.

Of the 52 meetings held, the records shows the number of members attending at only 50 meetings. Of these fifty, the number attended by the various active members was as follows:

48	Holden	24	Beck	6	Hanford, Jacobs,
47	Grieve		Langdon		McAuley
45	Copeland	23	Achtschin	4	Beckenbach,
44	Martin	22	Grant		D. A. Hill,
	Whittaker	21	Oettinger		MacLaren
43	Young	20	A.E. Griffin		Wagner
40	Moore,		Shoemaker	3	Hudson,
	Stroup	18	W.S.Robison,		McGay
38	Lloyd		Schildhouse	2	Brown, Loesser,
36	Lybarger	17	Pepple		Nuss
35	Sanderson,	16	Hobbs	1	Bleecker, Havens,
	Sanford	14	Finlayson		Preston, Rogerson,
34	Molitor	13	A.S.Hill,		Rust, Sawyer,
33	Bar num		Bruce, Hahn,		Waugh
31	Lehman		Whittlesey	No	ne Brodie,
30	Stevens	12	Arthur, Bole	_	H.H.Griffin,
29	Molnar,	10	Dorer, Good,		Johnston,
	Thomson		Tyler, Wilk		Judge,
26	Green	7	Blank,		Riehl,
25	Dayton,		Peppenger,		Strong,
	B.C.Robinson	1	Whitmore		Upson, Wolff.

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## Changes in Regulations

The Committee on Amendments to the Code of Regulations, appointed late in 1933, made its report at the meeting of February 2d. There was a great deal of discussion as to the amendments suggested by the Committee; and it was finally decided to submit them by mail to the members for a vote at a later date. The emendments were voted on at the first meeting in April, with the following results:

Approved: the amendment permitting junior membership to any person between fifteen and twenty-five years of age, or attending school or college as a pupil. (The age limits for junior members had previously been fifteen-eighteen years).

Defeated the amendment which would have eliminated the requirement that all officers of the Club be A.P.S. members, and would have instead required that only a majority of the candidates for Directors be A.P.S. members.

Defeated the amendment which would have provided for the mandatory (instead of permissive) reinstatement of suspended members upon payment of their delinquent dues.

Befeated an amendment which would have authorized the Board of Trustees to fix the rate of dues annually.

Later in the year, an amendment was adopted, which rescinded the rule which had required seven A.P.S. members on the Board of Trustees. The adopted amendment required only one A.P.S. member on the Board.

The time for meetings of the Board was definitely set for 7:15 p.m. on the first Friday of each month (commencing February 2, 1934)

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# The 44th Anniversary Celebration

The 44th anniversary was celebrated on March 23, 24, and 25, at Hotel Carter. The celebration opened Friday, March 23rd, with a regular meeting of the Club, at which Mr. Leo J. Shaughnessy exhibited part of his famous collection of 3¢ 1851 U.S. stamps.

The exhibition and bourse was open from 1 p.m. Saturday the 24th to late Sunday afternoon. Dr. W.L.Babcock was present and told of having made a 1500 mile trip from Florida to attend.

On Saturday afternoon, Mr. Don Dickason conducted an auction. The banquet was held on Saturday evening. President Moore was Toastmaster, Wayne Mack, Master of Ceremonies and Harlowe Hoyt, Master of Magic. Entertainment included singing by Raoul Spoleti-Bonanno, a a miniature parade of the nations. The Hanford Cup was presented by Mr. Hanford to President Franklin D.Roosevelt. The principal speaker was the humorist, David Gibson.

The exhibit included six frames from the prizewinning collection of Charles Curie of New York. Unofficial prize honors went to a U.S.collection, which included some inverted air mails, shown by Myron Wilson.

There were 35 dealers in the bourse.

A Cleveland branch of the Visiting Firemen was formed by the national officers (R.R.Dickson, Walter Poppenger and B.R.McIntyre).

## Entertainment at Regular Meetings

Special entertainment was provided at practically every meeting. Among outstanding exhibits and talks were:

L.J. Shaughnessy 3¢ 1851 U.S.
Elliott Perry Mint U.S.
Adolph Steeg: Talk, "Cover Collecting"
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Entertainment at Regular Meetings (continued)

Dr. Daniel A. Huebsch's talk, "Psychology"
John F. Rust United States
A. H. Anthony United States

Mr. Perry's two volumes of U.S., which were lent for exhibit through Mr. Russell Bleecker, attracted special attention. The probable sale price (according to the Secretary) was named as \$30,000.00, insurance being based on that amount. Mr. Bleecker came to the meeting, armed and accompanied by two plainclothes men. The collection started with a mint pair of 10 1947s and included practically everything through the Bank Note issues (even the 1869 inverts).

Mr. Steeg's exhibit and talk on "The Lure of Cover Collecting" was also very interesting. The Secretary's report of this is as follows:
"The mounted material indicated how attractive stamps are when the whole history of their use is evident and how satisfying commercial covers are as compared with specially-made covers; also indicated how interesting a collection becomes when various postal rates are considered, showing why combinations of values were used for foreign and domestic mailing."

Dr. Huebsh's talk, "The Philosophy of Collecting - Philately psychoanalyzed" was a novelty which gave the club an insight into the impressions of a psychologist as to stamp collecting and collectors.

Mr. Rust's U.S. exhibit consisted of over 100 5¢ '47s on cover; about twice that number off cover - singles, pairs and blocks; and nearly as many 10¢ 47s.

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# Entertainment at Regular Meetings (continued)

Mr. Anthony's exhibit attracted an attendance of over 53. The three volumes included, according to Mr. Holden's account, "not only a very complete set of 19th Century stamps, mixed as to mint and used, and in blocks, strips and singles; but covers, pages of rare cancellations, comment on plate varieties, dates of issue, odd uses. Condition Grade A."

A junior night was attended by 99. There was a competitive exhibit by juniors for prizes and a "grabfest".

"Counterfeit Night" was an unusual event. Mr. George Linn of Columbus was present and exhibited his extensive counterfeit collection, representing almost every country, and with a number of examples from most countries -- except none from the United States. However, Messrs. Whittaker and Hoit exhibited the Toledo 2¢ U.S.forgeries. Mr. Jos. Lehman had several sheets of forgeries and other members brought scattering specimens of foreign issues.

On June 22d, the Berea Stamp Club was the guest. Its President, the Rev. Meisenbach, furnished the main entertainment with a talk on Aeronautice.

The Berkshire Philatelic Club of Chardon was entertained on November 2d by exhibits by Messrs. Moore, Sanford, Sanderson, Martin and Holden of United States from Postmasters' Provisionals to National Parks.

A large number of short "5-minute talks" were made by various members through the year.

Postmaster O'Donnell was present at one meeting.

# The Hanford Cup

The Hanford Cup for the year was presented to President Franklin Roosevelt.

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# The Club Library

The record of library activities during the year is rather meager. However, it is recorded that it was decided to procure bookplates to be put in each donated volume to indicate the donor. Also that Mr. MacLaren presented a second volume (1907-08) of Mr. W.H.Schneider's scrapbooks, and Dr. C.W.Hennan donated a box of books. Mr. Foster Rice donated a complete file of "Mekeel's" for 1930, 1931 and 1932.

## Roster of Members

At Mr. Shoemaker's suggestion, consideration was given to issuing a printed roster. It was found, however, that the expense would be much larger than the members felt would be justified, and the matter was therefore dropped.

# Nat'l Federation of Stamp Clubs

In February, a circular letter was received from Secretary Davis of the A.P.S., suggesting that if there were any real need for the proposed National Federation, there must be something radically wrong with the A.P.S., and asking what, in that event, could be done to make the A.P.S. more whoth-while to its members. Messrs. Barnum and Stevens were appointed to look into the matter; and reported in March, recommending that Garfield-Perry become a member of the Federation -- with various reservations.

The Club voted on this recommendation, as follows:

For: 18 Against 9 Not

voting 5

Accordingly, the Club joined the Federation.

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## Participation in American Philatelic Society affairs

Mr. Green was appointed the official Club delegate to the 1934 A.P.S. convention at Atlantic City, in line with the custom established in 1931; but some opposition developed to an official Club delegate being appointed (although there was no personal objection to Mr. Green). As a result, the appointment was rescanded at a later meeting. Mr. Green was, however, given the Club's proxy.

# Philatelic activities of Members outside the Club

Messrs, Grant and Lybarger were exhibitors at the National Stamp Exhibition held in Rockefeller Center, New York, in February, 1934. Mr. Grant exhibited Southwest Africa -- Mr. Lybarger, U.S.Offset issues. Mr. Hans Lagerloef, as a member of Garfield-erry, exhibited Venezuela, for which he was awarded a gold medal and blue ribbon. Mr. Lagerloef's exhibit of Brazil -- again as a member of Garfield-Perry -- at Melbourne, Australia, won him a silver-gilt medal.

The W.H.K.Stamp Club of the Air was inaugurated on Saturday, September 29th, at 5 p.m. with a program under the direction of Mr. Vance Holden.

# Philatelic Fabilities at the Cleveland Post Office

In July, President Moore suggested that the Club endeavor to have a "Philatelic Room" set aside in the new Cleveland Post Office, which was to be opened in the fall. A special Committee (Messrs.Lybarger, Green, Grieve and Lloyd) was appointed to interview Postmaster O'Donnell. They succeeded in securing his favorable consideration of the suggestion; but when the new office was opened, a window (instead of a room) was provided for collectors.

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# Philatelic Facilities at the Cleveland P.O. (cont'd)

Before the new Post Office was opened, however, Postmaster O'Donnell provided a room for collectors at the old Post Office, Mr. Joseph Frantz being put in charge, succeeding Mr. Gedeon, who had been in charge of the window at the old office.

# Election of Tunstees for 1935

The election of Trustees for 1935 was held on December 21, 1934, resulting in the following:

Sanderson	33	votes
Holden	32	11
Martin	27	**
Barnum	24	11
Lybarger	21	11
Stroup	20	
Shoemaker	18	11
Hobbs	17	**
B.C.Robinson	14	***
Jos. Lehman	13	11
A.E.Griffin	6	**
E.J. Dayton	5	n

The newly-elected Trusteesx chose the following officers:

President J.C.Sanderson
Vice Pres. Vance Holden
Secretary Thad Stroup
Treasurer Donald W.Martin