



P.O. BOX AD, SPARKS, NV 89432

NSSS MEETS THE 2nd and 4th SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, IN ROOM 203 OF THE PHYSICS BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND.



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POST BOY

OFFICERS:

Pres: Bill Brew
Vice Pres: Ruthe Dreiling
Sect: Dorothy Johnson
Treas:

Our next meeting will be held at the Rock River park, in the form of our annual picnic. This will be Sat. Sept. 8, from 10:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The meats and drinks will be furnished by NSSS. Please contact Ruthe Dreiling for bringing the salads and desserts. We hope all of the members will be in attendance. It will be a good chance to relax and enjoy a fine afternoon. See you there.

Board Members: Gloria Greene
Jack Barriage
Bill Brew
Ruthe Dreiling
Al Greene
Gloria Greene
Dorothy Johnson
Jessie Rogers

The last program in Sept. will be a white elephant sale. Bring all your white elephants, in mint and complete sets. You might just find an item you have always been looking for.

The first meeting in Oct. will be given by Dick Dreiling, and the second by Jack Barriage. Dates are Oct. 13th and 27th.

Show Chairman: Jack Barriage
Program Chairman: Al Greene
Post-Boy Editor: Bill Brew
Representatives:

REMEMBER YOUR DUES ARE PAYABLE AT THIS TIME. PLEASE SEND THEM TO OUR P.O. BOX AD, SPARKS, NV. 89432.

The ATA has announced their meeting to be held in conjunction with NEVPEX '85 in June. This was listed in the latest issue of the Topical Journal. All you members who have topical collections, now is the time to start putting a nice award winning display for the show. Only topical exhibits will be allowed in the show that year.

APS: Ruthe Dreiling
CNCPS: Jessie Rogers
AFDCS: Dick Dreiling
COPO: Al Greene

NEW ISSUES:

UNITED STATES:

- Sept. 7 Dogs, block of four, 20¢ New York, N.Y. 10001
- Sept. 2 Frank Lauback, 30¢ Benton, PA 17814
- Sept. 26 Crime Prevention, Washington, D.C.
- Oct. 1 Family Unity, Shaker Heights, OH 44120
- Oct. 11 Eleanor Roosevelt, Hyde Park, N.Y. 12538
- Oct. 30 Christmas (traditional) Washington, D.C. 20066
- Oct. 30 Christmas (contemporary) Jamaica, N.Y. 11431

CANADA:

- Sept. 7 32¢ & 64¢ Papal Visit
- Sept. 21 Lighthouses blk of 4, 31¢
- Oct. 25 Steam Locomotives, Se-Tenant four
- Oct. 25 Canada '84 Souvenir Sheet Steam Locomotives.

The Reno International Air Races will be held on Sept. 13, 14, 15, and 16th. We are in need of help to man the cachet booth. Especially on Thurs, Sept 13, and Friday. Sept. 14. Please contact either Jack Barriage or Bill Brew.

I recently ran across an article which tried to answer the old, old question, "What is a mint copy?"

The word mint is a much abused one. A mint copy is one in the same condition in which it came from the mint (in reality the printers, the "mint" in most countries formerly producing and handling all government securities and valuables). A stamp with full gum but terribly centered is a mint copy; so is the finest unused specimen available. An unused copy without gum would not be "mint" or if badly noticeably hinged, also would not be mint, in the strictest sense of the term. Some stamps of certain countries were never issued with gum, and these too are properly termed "mint".

The point I wanted to bring out was the phrase in this article, "or if badly noticeably hinged would not be mint," Since this article appeared in Linn's Weekly Stamp News on April 27, 1940, the idea that hinging reduces the value cannot be something that just happened in the last ten years. It has been around a long time. It may be that it has only been emphasised in the last few years that made the collector aware of the problem.

Another question that was answered, "Do first day covers have to have a cachet to be of catalogue value?" The answer is "No." The cachet did not come into use in a general way on first day covers until about 1929, and on most first day covers of issues earlier than that, cachets are unusual, on some issues probably none exist. The cachet simply adds "color" to the cover, explains the purpose of the cover and is the reason why first day covers became so popular, as it made dull covers attractive.

Question three possibly answered. "Do First Flight and Dedications have to have a standard airmail envelope to receive catalogue value?" The answer is "No." The envelope, stamp used, cachet if any, are immaterial to many air covers. There are many air covers listed which probably do not exist either on airmail covers or with cachet. The average airmail collector prefers a special envelope for obvious reasons, so these are more saleable.

What's My Name?



I was born into one of the most noble Roman families 100 years before Christ, and became one of the greatest men of the ancient world, a general, statesman and author. Once when pirates held me for \$50,000 ransom I warned them I'd execute them all—and later did so. I captured Gaul and invaded Britain. I beat proud Pompey and put Cleopatra on her throne. I became sole ruler of the Roman Empire but met death on the daggers of conspirators led by Marcus Brutus. School boys for centuries have polished their latin in reading my commentaries on Gallic wars. What's my name?

The following puzzle has little to do with stamp collecting except by topical. It is based on the Olympic games. Read instructions closely.

Puzzle

GRANDSTAND PLAY

The Olympics are on in Los Angeles. Find the 92 listed words relating to the games in this puzzle, reading forward, backward, up, down or diagonally. Leftover letters (from left to right) spell something athletes hope to win.*

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| 1. ALL-AROUND | 25. FLY(weight) | 49. MIDDLE(weight) | 73. SOLING |
| 2. ARCHERY | 26. FOILS | 50. OPEN | 74. SPRINGBOARD(diving) |
| 3. BACKSTROKE | 27. FOURS | 51. PAIRS(rowing) | 75. STAR |
| 4. BALANCE BEAM | 28. FREESTYLE | 52. PARALLEL BARS | 76. STEEPLECHASE |
| 5. BANTAM(weight) | 29. GRAND PRIX(jumping) | 53. PENTATHLON | 77. SWIMMING |
| 6. BASKETBALL | 30. GRECO-ROMAN | 54. PISTOL, FREE | 78. TANDEM |
| 7. BOARDSAILING | 31. GYMNASTICS | 55. PLATFORM(diving) | 79. TEAM PURSUITE |
| 8. BOXING | 32. HAMMER(throw) | 56. POLE VAULT | 80. TEAM PURSUIT |
| 9. BREASTSTROKE | 33. HANDBALL | 57. POMMELED HORSE | 81. TENNIS |
| 10. BUTTERFLY(stroke) | 34. HEATS | 58. PURSUIT(individual) | 82. THREE-DAY EVENT |
| 11. CANOEING | 35. HEAVY(weight) | 59. RAPID-FIRE(pistol) | 83. TIME TRIAL |
| 12. CYCLING | 36. HIGH(jump) | 60. RELAY | 84. TORNADO |
| 13. DECATHLON | 37. HORIZONTAL BAR | 61. RINGS(flying) | 85. TRACK AND FIELD |
| 14. DISCUS(throw) | 38. HURDLES | 62. ROAD RACE | 86. TRAP SHOOTING |
| 15. DOUBLE(sculls) | 39. JAVELIN(throw) | 63. ROUND ROBIN | 87. TRIPLE JUMP |
| 16. DUTCHMAN(flying) | 40. JUDO | 64. ROWING | 88. VOLLEYBALL |
| 17. EIGHTS | 41. KAYAKING | 65. SABRE | 89. WATER POLO |
| 18. EPEE | 42. KILOMETER WALK | 66. SCRATCH SPRINT | 90. WEIGHT LIFTING |
| 19. EQUESTRIAN | 43. LIGHT(weight) | 67. SHOT-PUT | 91. WRESTLING |
| 20. FEATHER(weight) | 44. LONG HORSE | 68. SINGLE SCULLS | 92. YACHTING |
| 21. FENCING | 45. LONG JUMP | 69. SKEET SHOOTING | |
| 22. FIELD HOCKEY | 46. MARATHON | 70. SLALOM | |
| 23. FINN(dinghy) | 47. MEDLEY(relay) | 71. SMALL BORE RIFLE | |
| 24. FLOOR EXERCISES | 48. METER RACE | 72. SOCCER | |

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Oceanside, New York

G N I L C Y C G N I T H C A Y G Y L F R E T T U B K
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 S S B O A R D S A I L I N G T E A M D R E S S A G E

*Gold, silver and bronze medals

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Ans. to the jumble words from the last issue.

1. Beauty is only skin deep.
2. Twinkle, twinkle little star.
3. Birds of a feather flock together.
4. Look before you leap.

Maggie Fujii, has a very nice selection of stamps, mint, some hinged and many not hinged, that she would like to sell. The countries listed are the Cocas Islands. Includes 1-34 mint, lh. 40,47,48 missing. 35-106, mint NH, with gutter pairs and FDC cover. Total Cat. \$326.37. Niue: 3-26 mint, lh. 35-6,38,41-2,48,53-8,63,65,67-9,73-5,76,77-80,84-5,90-3, 94-221a,232-4,235-359a. plus new issues and FDC, and many semi-postals. Total cat. \$681.74; Norfolk Is. 240-1,237-9,*,NH,4 covers. Christmas Is; New issue, \$1.89; Tuvalu; 96-113, * nh Cat. \$29.19; Isle of Man; 1-59,62-108,almost complete from 113 to 223. few numbers missing, several dups, and several used sets, several sheets, Postage due: J17-24 * nh. Total cat. \$338.32 Please contact Maggie at 359-5941, if you are interested.