



POST BOX AD • STAMPS NEVADA 89432

MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH IN THE PHYSICS BUILDING, UNR, RENO AT 2:15 PM MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO ANYONE WHO SHARES OUR LOVE OF STAMPS, CARDS, COVERS ETC.



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APRIL 28th MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING OFFICES AT 229 EAST PLUMB LANE, RENO. THIS OFFICE IS UPSTAIRS IN SHOPPERS SQUARE. THANKS TO DEE DREILING, FOR GETTING US A LOCATION THIS ONE TIME SINCE OUR REGULAR MEETING ROOM IS NOT AVAILABLE.

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APRIL 1990

HOPE EVERYONE IS GETTING THEIR AUCTION LOTS READY FOR OUR NEXT MEETING ON APRIL 14th AS OUR ENTIRE MEETING IS GOING TO BE THE AUCTION. REMEMBER, NSSS NO LONGER CLAIMS A PERCENTAGE OF AUCTION SALES, SO WHAT EVER YOUR LOTS SELL FOR GOES IN IT'S ENTIRETY TO YOU. TO MAKE IT A BIT EASIER FOR PUCHASERS, YOU MAY PAY FOR ALL PURCHASES, REGARDLESS OF THE OWNER IN ONE LUMP SUM, CASH OR CHECK. RUTHE WILL HAVE CHANGE AND WILL MAKE ALL COLLECTIONS, AND TURN THE PROPER AMOUNT OVER TO EACH OWNER, SO YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO HAVE CHANGE FOR THREE OR FOUR OWNERS, OR IF PAYING BY CHECK HAVE TO MAKE OUT NUMEROUS CHECKS. CHECKS WILL BE MADE OUT TO RUTHE HOWEVER, **NOT TO NEVADA STAMP STUDY SOCIETY**. EACH OWNER CAN SUBMIT UP TO EIGHT LOTS EACH. IF YOU HAVE ANY MATERIAL YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO NSSS, FINE, THERE IS NO LIMIT ON THEM, AS WE WILL SELL THEM AS TIME ALLOWS AND CARRY ANY LEFTOVERS OF CLUB MATERIAL TO FUTURE MEETINGS IF WE RUN OUT OF TIME.

APRIL 28th MEETING - SEE ABOVE FOR LOCATION - OUR PROGRAM WILL BE ON DUCK STAMPS BY JERRY FENWICK.

RAFFLE WINNERS AT OUR MARCH 10th MEETING WERE DOROTHY GEIGER, DICK DREILING, BOB NORRIS JACK BARRIAGE, WALT SOMMER, RON SCHULIZ, JERRY FENWICK, GUS GEIGER AND THE CASH AWARD TO KAY WILLIAMS. RAFFLE WINNERS AT OUR MARCH 24th MEETING WERE VIVIAN SCOTT, BOB NORRIS, GENE SMOOTS, RUTHE DREILING, AL SHAY, LAURA BREW AND THE CASH AWARD TO RUTHE DREILING.

WE NEED CLUB MEMBER EXHIBITORS FOR NEVPEX '90. DROP A POST CARD TO GUS GEIGER AND REQUEST A PROSPECTUS. IF YOU HAVE NEVER EXHIBITED BEFORE AND WOULD LIKE TO GIVE IT A TRY, DICK DREILING, SHOW CHAIRMAN HAS AUTHORIZED GUS TO ASSIGN TWENTY-FIVE FRAMES AT NO CHARGE TO ANY CLUB MEMBER WANTING TO TRY A **ONE** FRAME EXHIBIT. YOU WILL NEED TO COMPLETE A PROSPECTUS FOR THIS, ALSO, JUST MARK IT "ONE FRAME" NO CHARGE.

WE ALSO NEED IDEAS FOR THIS YEARS SHOW COVER. SEND YOUR IDEA OR DRAWING TO DICK, BUT **SOON** AS TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO MAKE THE SELECTION, GET THEM PRINTED ETC.

LARRY SCOTT GAVE A PROGRAM ON EXHIBITING, AND GREAT REFRESHMENTS WERE FURNISHED BY RAY ELY, ON THE 24th. ON THE 10th WE WERE TREATED TO A PROGRAM ON JAPANESE POSTAL

REGULATIONS BY DOUG WILLYCK, AND TASTY REFRESHMENTS FROM CATHERINE COLE.

WE ARE HAVING SOME GREAT PROGRAMS, SO IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO A MEETING LATELY, COME AGAIN, AND BRING A FRIEND.

GUESTS THIS PAST MEETING WERE LOIS WILLYCK'S SISTER IN LAW, PATRICIA SCHELLING AND OZ TOUEY.

GOOD THINGS TO DO FOR YOURSELF
GET AT LEAST 15 MINUTES OF BRISK EXERCISE A DAY
POLISH YOUR SHOES
WALK INSTEAD OF RIDE
SEARCH OUT A LONG LOST FRIEND
WASTE A LITTLE TIME
TRY A NEW HEALTHFUL FOOD
TELL SOMEONE YOU LOVE HIM OR HER
APPRECIATE TREES
LOOK AT THE STARS
EAT MORE FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES
POPCORN (IT IS JUST 25 CALORIES A CUP)
HUG SOMEONE
TURN OFF THE TV AND TALK
BREAK A BAD HABIT IF JUST FOR TODAY
BAKE BREAD
PICK UP SOME TRAVEL BROCHURES AND DREAM
SEND A CARD TO SOMEONE FOR NO REASON
TAKE AN EARLY MORNING WALK
VOLUNTEER SOME TIME TO A GOOD CAUSE
REREAD A FAVORITE BOOK
WATCH THE SUN SET
TAKE TIME TO TALK TO NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN
TRY SOME NEW HERB TEA
TELL SOMEONE HOW NICE HE OR SHE LOOKS
PRACTICE COURAGE IN ONE SMALL WAY
ENJOY SILENCE
LEARN SOMETHING NEW
READ A POEM ALOUD
DO SOMETHING YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO
FORGET AN OLD GRUDGE
HELP SOMEONE QUIT SMOKING
BE THANKFUL

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← AUCTION →

Saturday ~ April 14th ~ 2:30 pm

Exciting Program

Limit → 8 lots per person

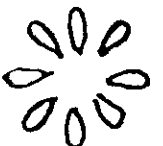
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PREXY FDCs -- NUMBERS THAT BOGGLE THE MIND

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For the last few years I've pretty much specialized and limited my collecting interests to First Day Covers of the 1938 Presidential Series (also called the "Prexy" series and/or the Fifth Bureau Issue).

This sounds simple and not too overwhelming until you start to crunch through the numbers. The set consists of 32 different face values, 1/2 cent through five dollars. One FDC with each stamp would make a collection of 32 covers worth maybe \$200 - \$300, with the top three values comprising 75% of the total worth.

A specialized collector searches for all possible varieties, however, and that's where the fun starts. The original 32 different grows to 78 after you add in the \$1 reprint of 1954, the three booklet pane varieties, the 13 horizontal and vertical coil varieties, and the 29 lower values issued in the experimental electric eye format. A group of FDCs with one of each of these varieties could have a value of maybe \$600 - \$700. Hang onto your calculator -- we've barely started!

Serious specialists in FDC collecting also look for as many different cachet varieties as possible. The Planty catalog identifies 104 different cachets designed for this series. I have found another 10 - 20 cachets not listed in the Planty catalog. By multiplying 78 stamp varieties times 120 different cachets designs, a total of 9,360 different FDC varieties could be possible to find (if every variety was used/mounted on a FDC).

Serious FDC collectors can also look for as many different cancel varieties as possible. The three most common cancel varieties for this issue are the FDOI machine cancel, the Washington DC circular hand cancel with killer bars, and the Benjamin Franklin station circular hand cancel with killer bars. If each of the 9,360 varieties of FDC mentioned above could be found in combination with these three different cancels, it would be possible to end up with 28,080 different FDC varieties.

What if the collector wants FDCs showing pairs of stamps, blocks, and plate number blocks, in addition to the singles already counted above? Four stamp layout formats times 28,080 equals 112,320 possible FDC varieties!

Ready to give up yet? Hang on to your seats -- we're still flying! To the 112,320 FDCs counted so far, you can add (or multiply) these possible variations:

1. Several different killer bar lengths are common on the hand cancels.
2. Unofficial cancels from other cities, and Washington DC cancels with different hourly times are not scarce.
3. Combination FDCs featuring other stamps on the same cover with the Prexy stamps are not common, but can be found for most values.
4. Plate number blocks with the numbers in different positions are not too hard to find for most values. (The \$5 plate block FDCs have been known to sell for \$300 - \$500 each.)

5. Many envelope sizes and varieties exist for most values. This can include regular and airmail size numbers 5, 6, 6 1/2, 9, and 10. The Linprint cachet can be found on envelopes with either a rounded or pointed flap. The Neare Buckey Stamp Co. cachet exists on seven different pastel envelope colors.

6. Uncacheted FDCs of this issue are easy to find, and cachets can be added on by modern artists. This makes the cachet varieties virtually limitless.

7. Rubber stamp cachets and printed general purpose cachets are not scarce for this issue, either.

8. Plate number strips, plate blocks of six and eight, plate number singles, etc. are very hard to find, but do exist.

You can see from this listing that there are well over ONE MILLION different FDC varieties for this one series of stamps. Issued more than 50 years ago, they have selling prices from \$1 to over \$300 each. I've been collecting seriously five or six years and still have fewer than 15,000 different samples.

I can look forward to a lifetime of searching, spending and FUN while collecting FDCs from just ONE set of U.S. stamps. ---Whew!

Just a line to say I'm living, that I'm not among the dead,
though I'm getting more forgetful, and mixed up in the head. I got used
to my arthritis, to my dentures I'm resigned. I can manage my bifocals,
----but GOD I miss my mind.

Sometimes I can't remember, when I stand below the stairs, if I must
go up for something, or I just came down from there.

And before the fridge so often, my poor mind is filled with doubt,
have I just put food away, or have I come to take some out?

And at times when it is dark and I've a nightcap on my head, I don't
know if I'm retiring, or I just got out of bed.

So if it's my time to write you, there's no need for getting sore, I
may think that I have written and don't want to be a bore.

So remember that I love you and wish that you were near, but now it's
nearly mail time, so I must say "Goodbye Dear".

Here I stand beside the mail box, with a face so very red - I didn't
mail this letter, I OPENED it instead.