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OOPS! The Editor is losing it. I dated the JUNE, 1998 issue of Post Boy as July, 1998. So, if you thought you did not receive the June issue, you did, but it was dated July, 1998. This issue IS the July issue of 1998. Any volunteers for the Editor's Job, please contact Tom and you have it.

The new U.S. postal issue of the copies of the 1898 Trans-Mississippi are at the Post Offices. Frank Fey passed around two First Day Covers for the members present to see, at the last meeting in June, and they were excellent.

The picnic at Bill Brew's home is still on and will be held on Saturday, July 25th. The picnic will begin at 2:00 p.m. The club will provide cold drinks, hamburgers and hot dogs. The members should bring a side dish. The side dish should be just large enough to feed 6 people. This amount will provide you with empty dishes to take back home with you. Also, bring folding chairs and, if you like, regular dishes and utensils, for your selves. Paper dishes and plastic utensils will be available.

There were 26 members and 1 guest at the June 13, meeting. Refreshments were provided by Jim Ringer. The Treasurer reported NSSS has 1603.10 in its checking account as of June 13, 1998.

The Fernley Junior Stamp program is getting a good response from the students and their parents. Also, The U.S.P.O had two representatives at the meeting. Monthly meetings may begin later this year. Dick Dreiling, George Costello and Tom Morrissey are doing a lot of the work promoting this program.

It has been brought to the NSSS board members attention about the noise and conversations that carry on during the presentation of a program. **This is discourteous to the speaker and to the other members present.**

"To promote and enhance the hobby of Stamp Collecting"

So give the speakers your full attention, after all they put time and effort into preparing the program. Also, you might not miss some very interesting information on collecting stamps.

At our meeting on June 27, there were 33 members present and 4 guests. This has got to be a record. NSSS is growing by leaps and bounds and new members, too.

The refreshments were provided by Kay Williams and door prizes donated by several members of NSSS.

Dan Forgues announced the up coming Santa Clara Stamp Show. It is a Megashow, with 150 dealers and many frames of exhibit. It will be start on August 27th and the Santa Clara Convention Center. 5001 Great American Parkway.

Jim Ringer, Jerri and Barbara Stanfield and others have set up frames in our meeting room. These frames are permanent and are to provide the visitors to the Sparks Museum views of the various subjects that are portrayed on stamps. It is a fine exhibit and will surely attract many visitors.

The Treasurer reported NSSS has \$1571.27 in its checking account as of June 27, 1998.

George Costello reported on the progress of the Junior Stamp Program. This summer the meetings of the juniors will be held at the Anderson School. This meetings have been set for Wednesdays from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. during the summer months and during the regular school season that will change to Thurs. Lots of interest from both the parents and students.

Al Shay provided a program on unusual covers that he has obtained over the years he has been in the entertainment field. He showed some very nice autographed covers that were obtained in unusual ways. He tied his hobby to his entertainment work. He explained how his contacts with various prominent personages helped him to obtain their autographs and collections. Very interesting program.

The silent auction followed the program.

I came across the stamp identifier issued by the American Philatelic Society. It is an exceptional booklet. It covers all the terminology used by collectors and all the identifying language or marks that are used by every country that issues stamps. At the back are the alphabets of Arabic, Chinese, Greek, Hebrew and Russian. These are the letters and numbers found on the countries that write in those languages. Little helps to identify those unusual stamps.

A Question, worth 100 Auction Bucks:

In what year did **PICTURE** post cards begin and where?

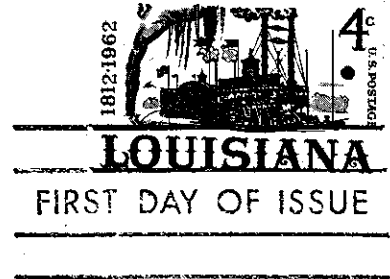
To help clarify the question, these were not the earliest postcards in the United States, but they were the earliest **COMMERCIALY** produced picture postcards. The early postcards, pieces of cardboard were as a advertising medium. The first private postal card was copyrighted on Dec. 17, 1861, by J. P Charlton and published by H. L Lipman, both of Philadelphia.

This may require some deep research, but all of you are capable of doing that.

It was an interesting bit of information I obtained while on the Isle of Man. Letters that are posted for overseas or to be flown should have a little blue sticker that reads "BY AIR MAIL, par avion and in the corner 'Royal Mail'. All the post offices have a stack of those by each mail clerks window.



The following cover is printed here for questions for and by the Junior Members of NSSS



Question:

1. What is the capital of this state and who named it?
2. What grain is one of this states major products?
3. What building is pictured in the cachet?
4. What kind of boat is pictured in the cachet and on the stamp?
5. Who's statue is pictured in the cachet?

20 Auction Bucks for each correct answer.

At this time the program for July meeting is open. refreshments will be furnished by the following volunteers:

- July 11, Michael McAuliffe,
- July 25, Carol McCabe.

For your information: Stamp King, Rich Drews, will be having a \$1,000,000 auction at the Santa Clara APS Stampshow 98. The show will be at the Santa Clara Convention Center located on the Great American Parkway, next to the Westin Hotel. It is about 60 minutes So. of San Francisco on HWY 101 or you can go to Stockton and take I880 to 237 then to Great American Parkway.

APS STAMPSHOW 98

Santa Clara Convention Center • Santa Clara, California • August 27-30, 1998

On August 27, APS STAMPSHOW 98 and the 112th convention of the American Philatelic Society gets under way in Santa Clara. Every collector, from beginner through expert, will find something of interest at STAMPSHOW. Opportunities to buy and sell will be almost limitless. Thousands of pages of the most outstanding collections in the country will be displayed and philatelic education will enhance everyone's collecting interests. From space fillers to the gems of philately, you'll find them at STAMPSHOW 98.

First and Last Day Ceremonies

United States FD
American Art
Thursday, August
27, 9:30 am

Marshall Islands FD
Legends of US Navy
Friday, August
28, 9:45 am

United States LD
Pacific 97 Triangles
Saturday, August 29
Time TBA



Each of the first three days of the show will include at least one special ceremony. Immediately prior to the show's opening the United States will release a pane of 20 stamps commemorating Four Centuries of American Art. Friday morning the Marshall Islands will salute the 200th Anniversary of the United States Navy with a pane of 25 different stamps. And Saturday will be your last chance to obtain the United States first triangle stamps issued to promote Pacific 97. All ceremonies are free and open to the public.

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For more up to date information on the show including a list of participating dealers, the schedule of meetings and seminars, and a list of the exhibits visit www.west.net/~stamps1/stampshow/ss98pro.html.

An International Bourse

Over 130 dealers will have booths including more than ten from outside the United States.

Just because many of the dealers are traveling thousands of miles does not mean that only expensive material will be for sale. At five special booths all stamps will sell for 10¢ or less! And at one booth a full bucket of stamps may be obtained for only \$3.00 (or \$1.00 for kids under 16).

Governments and agencies will be represented, including the U.S., United Nations, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, Pakistan and the Federal Duck Program.

At the technology booths you will be able to review the latest philatelic sites on the internet and review programs to inventory your collection and make album pages.

If you're looking to buy or sell, STAMPSHOW is the place to be.

And a \$1 Million Auction

Oh yes, the Stamp King, Rich Drews, will also have a two session auction right on the show floor Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

The auction will be particularly strong in U.S. and Germany. For a copy of the catalog return the enclosed reply card or call 773-775-2100 or 800-919-BIDS (2437).

Show Hours

Thursday, Aug. 27	10:00-6:00
Friday, Aug. 28	10:00-6:00
Saturday, Aug. 29	10:00-6:00
Sunday, Aug. 30	10:00-4:00

Educational Opportunities

Stamp Saturday

A Beginners' Area for Adults

This outstanding event is for beginning adult collectors (age 15 and up only!). Participants will learn the basics of the hobby and leave with enough knowledge and material to start them on the road to real enjoyment of stamp collecting.

Instructors will explain how to use a catalog, basic tools of the hobby, identification of worldwide stamps, how to mount and store material, and other topics. Hands-on stations will allow practice of techniques, with experienced collectors standing by to demonstrate and advise.

Each participant will receive a bag of materials that includes a stamp packet valued at \$25 catalog, a stock page, some hobby tools, and more.

Two 3-hour sessions will be held: 10:30 am to 1:30 pm, and 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Participants must preregister for this program. (Walk-ins will be accepted *only* if space is available.)

Cost is \$5 per person for an APS member or his/her spouse and \$10 for non-members. For complete information, contact the APS Education Dept. at PO Box 8000, State College, PA 16803-8000; phone: 814-237-3803; or e-mail: esstuter@stamps.org.

Society Meetings and Seminars

STAMPSHOW provides a fantastic opportunity to meet with and learn from other collectors with whom you share a common collecting interest. Information will be available on over 150 APS affiliates, but there will be a special opportunity to meet with fellow members or learn more about the following societies each of whom are participating by having a board or general meeting, sponsoring a seminar, or staffing their own table. Many are also supporting the show by providing an exhibit award or door prize.

Societies Participating in APS STAMPSHOW 98

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors
American First Day Cover Society
American Philatelic Congress
American Philatelic Research Library
American Philatelic Society
American Revenue Association
American Society for Netherlands Philately
American Topical Association
APS Writers Unit #30
Boys Town
British North American Philatelic Society
Bureau Issues Association
Canal Zone Study Group
Christmas Seal and Charity Stamp Society
Errors, Freaks and Oddities Collectors Club
Europa Study Unit

Friends of the Western Philatelic Library
German Philatelic Society
International Philippine Philatelic Society
International Society for Portuguese Philately
Iran Philately Study Circle
Liberian Philatelic Society
Luxembourg Collectors Club
Nepal/Tibet Philatelic Society
Philatelic Computing Study Group
Pitcairn Islands Study Group
Plate Number Coil Collectors Club
Rossica Society of Russian Philately
Scandinavian Collectors Club
Scouts on Stamps Society International
St. Helena, Ascension, and Tristan da Cunha
United States Possessions Philatelic Society

Exhibits

APS STAMPSHOW 98 will host three outstanding philatelic exhibitions with a combined total of about 10,000 pages and 50 literature entries on display!

The World Series of Philately is the culmination of the national exhibiting year, featuring grand award winning exhibits from over 30 national-level shows across the U.S. Among these exhibits will be highlights from some of the best collections ever assembled, including French Forces Abroad, Ireland Postal History, Victoria Postal Stationery, Apiary, U.S. Airmail, Danzig, Wrapper Bands, Confederate States, Hawaiian Revenues, and Patent Medicine Companies.

Exhibitors from six countries will participate in the Open Competition showing collections ranging from classic U.S. to postal history, thematics to airmail, junior exhibits to international gold medalists. The open exhibition will also include a selection of single frame and display class exhibits.



American Philatelic Society

APS STAMPSHOW 98 Sta.

Santa Clara, CA 95054

STAMPSHOW also hosts the nation's largest annual philatelic literature exhibition, showcasing the most recent publications in philately. Books, catalogs, monographs, articles, society journals, and anthologies will be displayed, and will be available for collectors to browse through.

Ordering information will be on hand for those who wish to add some of these fine works to their libraries.

APS STAMPSHOW 98 Dealers

A & D Stamps & Coins
 A & H Stamps of Minnesota
 A & R Worldwide
 aGatherin'
 Albany Stamp Co.
 Michael E. Aldrich/Black Diamond
 Ameen Stamps
 Argyll Etkin Limited
 Armstrong Philatelics
 Ashley's World of Stamps
 Asia Philatelics
 Asia Stamps Center
 Ausdenmoore-McFarlane
 Austin Stamp & Coin
 B. and C. Stamp Company
 B.J.'s Stamps
 Bardo Stamps
 J. Barefoot, Ltd.-H&B Philat.
 Ritchie Bodily
 Britannia Enterprises
 Gordon Brooks Philatelics
 Butterfield/Johnson/Gillio
 CarDan Company
 Richard A. Champagne Ltd.
 Classic Collector/Victor Krievins
 Classic Philatelics
 Coast Philatelics
 Colonial Stamp Company
 Connoisseur Collector Co.
 Coughlin's
 Crown Colony Stamps
 H.J.W. Daugherty
 Roy E. DeLafosse, Ltd.
 Empire Collection Stamp Co.
 Empire Philatelics
 Euro-Yu Stamp Collecting
 Kemp C. Fairbanks
 Fairwinds
 Tom Ferrara/ Bill Stein
 The Folded Letter
 Franke Stamps
 Richard Friedberg/Columbian Stamp
 Douglas Gary
 George & Paul Stamps
 Stanley Gibbons, Ltd.
 Global Philatelic Associates
 David Grossblat
 Gutter Pairs, Etc.
 Harmer-Schau Auctions
 Labron Harris/Rockville Stamp
 Robert Hart Stamp Company
 Edward Hines
 Gary Hoecker
 House of Stamps
 Sam Houston Duck Co.
 Image Marketing Corporation

Interstamp/Hontos
 Eric Jackson
 Michael Jaffe Stamps/Brookman
 Larry Joseph/MCXI
 John L. Kimbrough
 Kirk's Stamp Company
 Andrew Levitt Philatelic Consultant
 Linn's Stamp News
 William Little / Quality Philatelics
 Wu H. Liu
 Markest Stamp Co., Inc.
 Maryland Stamps & Coins
 James T. McCusker, Inc.
 Mill Creek Limited
 Miller's Stamp Shop
 Mills Philatelics
 Brian Moorhouse
 Nick Moravec Stamps
 Mountainside Stamps
 Lawrence Muller
 Gregg Nelson
 Newport Harbor Stamp Co.
 Oklahoma Stamps
 Omega International
 Erik Paaskesen Philatelists
 Pacific Midwest Co.
 Park Avenue Associates
 Livio V. Penco
 Peninsula Covers
 Pepper Stamp Company
 Peshawar Stamps Society
 PhilaGallery
 Philatelic Consultants
 Philatelic Mart International
 Robert S. and Stephen W. Pichta
 Stanley M. Piller
 Gary Posner, Inc.
 Princeton Philatelics
 Purser Associates
 Quality Investors, Ltd.
 R.G. Stamps
 The Rail Philatelist
 Chris Rainey
 Raritan Stamps
 Raymond International
 Rigastamps
 Rising Sun Stamps
 RKA Covers
 Michael Rogers Inc./Winter Park
 Edward Roth
 Rustco, Inc.
 Jacques C. Schiff Jr. Inc.
 Thomas Singer and Peter Sargent
 Jay Smith & Associates
 The Stamp Act
 Stamp Center of Texas

Stamp Collector Newspaper
 The Stamp Den
 Stamp King/Richard E. Drews
 Steve and Dick - PST Assoc.
 Webster Stickney/20th Century
 Subway Stamp Shows
 James H. Taff
 David Tomeraasen
 David R. Torre
 Antonio M. Torres
 Triple "S" Postal History
 Universal Stamps
 John Van Alstyne Stamps & Supplies
 Ventura Galleries
 Victoria Stamp Co.
 Vogt Stamps/Mr. Z's
 Irwin Weinberg Rarities/Miner Stamp
 Larry Weinstock Stamps & Covers
 West Coast Private Treaty/Butterfield
 Wulff's Stamps

Dime Tables

A & R Worldwide
 Edward G. Rosen/Peninsula Covers
 Robert Picha
 Stamp Den
 Stamps by the Bucket

Governments/Post Offices

Canada (Interpost)
 Fish & Wildlife Service (US)
 Great Britain (Interpost)
 Ireland (Interpost)
 Pakistan
 United Nations

Technology

Changing Seasons Software
 Philatelic Computing Study Group
 Stamp Finder

