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POST BOY

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Presents
The Post Boy

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George Costello is back in the VA hospital and will be there for the next 4 weeks. He will be in a private room and visitors are welcome. George, our prayers are with you. You're a great asset to this club.

NSSS welcomes our newest member, Laura Innis. There are several more guests that plan to join us in the near future.

The Auction Bucks Auction will take place at our first meeting in November. Plan to be there with you Bucks and bring some nice items to spark the bidding. This has been a very successful meeting and everyone generally can find some item to take home with them. It is a lot of fun and you may end up with something had not thought about buying in the past. Wines seem to be the best buys, but there will be some very nice philatelic items as well. Remember the first meeting in Nov. November 13th.

The board meeting produced some interesting decisions. One, all new members will received the badges free. However, if they lose them they will have to pay for a replacement badge. Also, it was discussed that \$2000 of our finances will be invested in a Money Market or something to bring in some interest.

On Nov. 14, Sunday, the day after our first meeting in November, there will be the Hobby show at Boomtown. Plan to attend this interesting show, as it will include many of the various hobby clubs in this area. You may find a good purchase in some stamps at the stamp dealers who will be attending it. It will be fine way to discover new hobbies.

In December there will be our annual Christmas party. Which is usually a blast. Lots of good food and great gifts. It will be held at the same place as the last two years, the Masonic Lodge on Peckham. This will be the first Saturday, Dec. 4th at 6:00 p.m. Come early and join the happy hour group.

"To promote and enhance the hobby of Stamp Collecting"

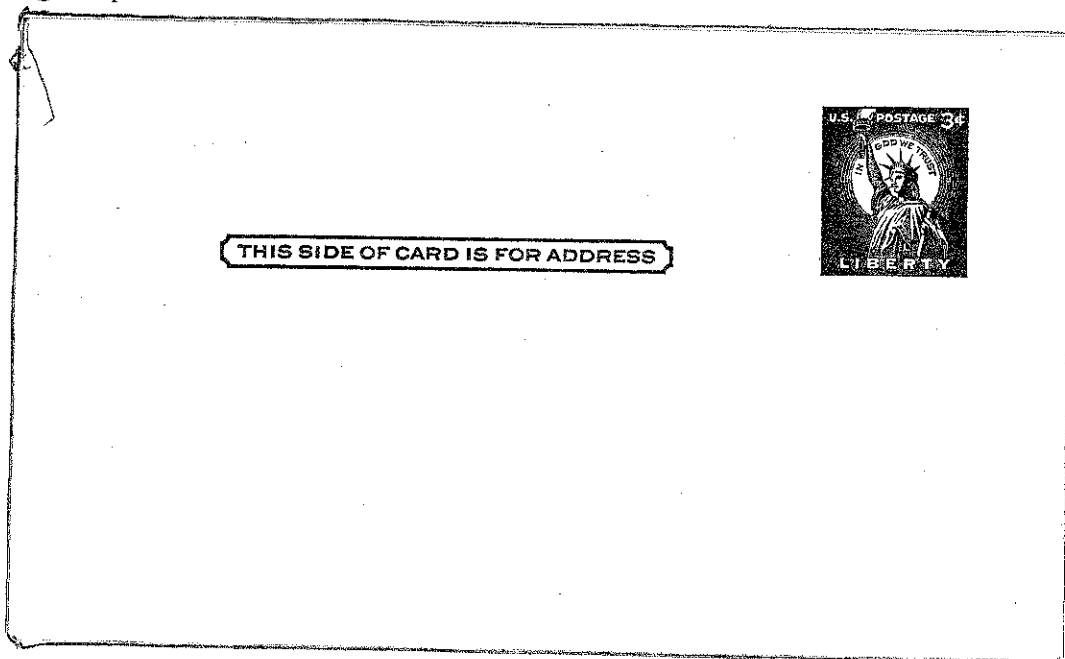
You may want to note this bit of info. "M" Bag is the cheaper way to send books to Nadiyah Bechun in Mauritius Island. Address is 61 DePerre, Quatre Bomes, Mauritius Island, Indian Ocean. If several of you want to combine your cache of books so as to make up one package, I'm sure that can be arranged.

This month's subject will be "Post Cards & Postal Cards." Shown below are several samples of postcards and postal cards. Sometimes it is hard to distinguish between the two.

The first sample is a "Post Card." The "Post Card" is distinguished by its lack of a printed postal value on the card. Usually, a picture or cartoon or some advertising message appears on the face, while a place for a written message and an address is printed on the opposite side.



Here is an example of Postal Card: It has a postal value printed on the face of the card where the address of the receiver is written. On the opposite side there is space to write a message or print an advertisement.



The following Postal Card is called a self addressed Reply Postal Card. The sender can fold the card over, write the address in front and a message on the back side. The receiver can tear the unused part of the card to reply. Since the card has the postage printed upon it the card can be mailed right back.

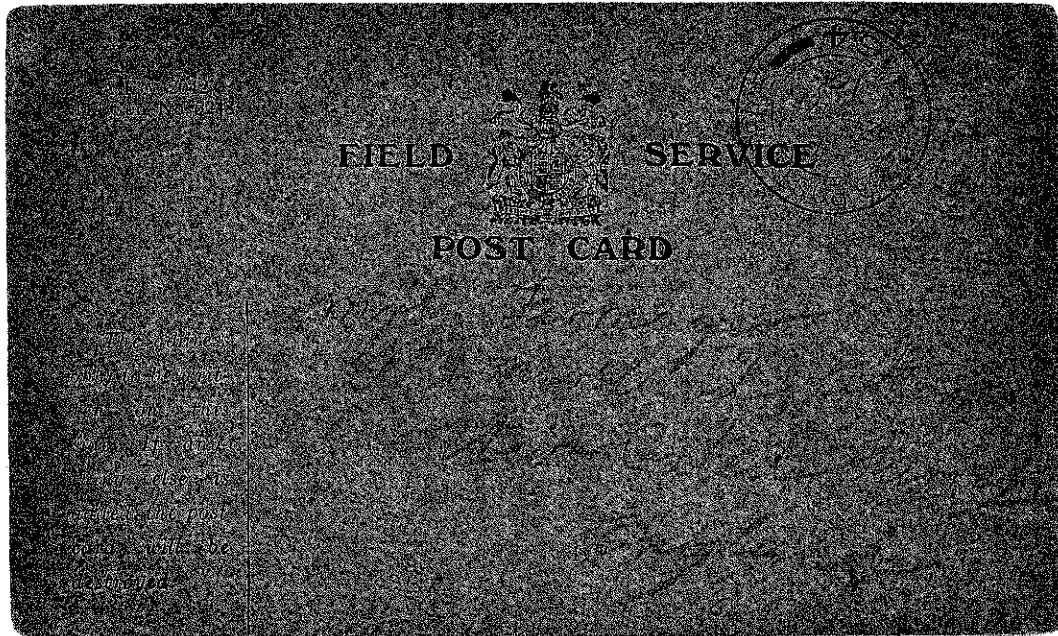
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Reply Postal Card • Carte Postale Réponse

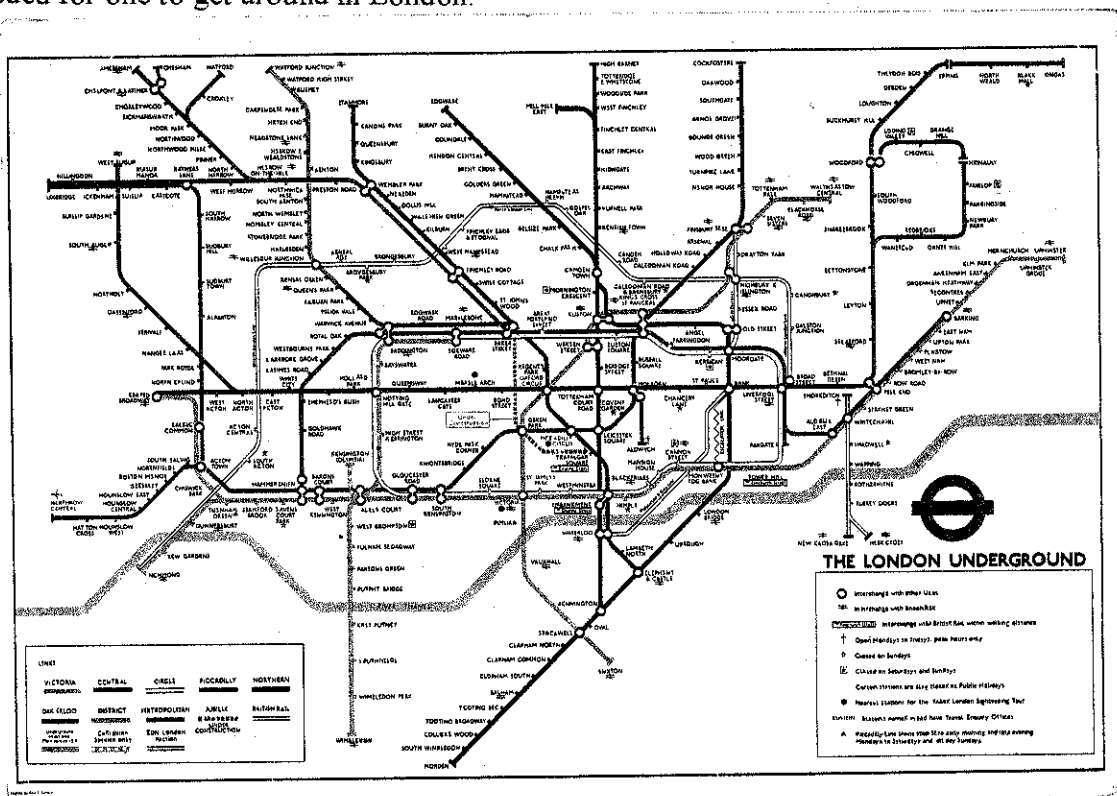
THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Here is an example the use of a Post Card as a preset message: A Field Service Post Card. The back side has preset messages which must be selected with an X. The front side is for a written address. No other writing is permitted. Used during WWI.



Another example of the use of a Postal Card is one showing the London Underground railsystem. It can be carried in your pocket and provided all the information needed for one to get around in London.



The following questions for Auction Bucks. 25 auction bucks for each correct answer.

1. What is the difference between a Postal Card and a Post Card.
2. When was the first use of picture postcards, not the post card, in the U.S.A.? (hint) (at some Exposition.)
3. In what year was the first Postal Card issued?
4. Who or what was the subject of the first Postal Card?
5. In what year was the first Paid Reply Postal Card issued?

The following post card is from Germany. It was mailed from Munich in June of 1955. Presumably it must be a comic card, but German is not my language.



Remember the Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 4th at 6:00 p.m at the Masonic Lodge located on Peckham Lane. It is on the North side of the street half way between Old Town Mall, (where Raleys is located) and Lakeside Drive.

Sat. Nov. 27th will be the final meeting for 1999. The Christmas Party is the last get-to-gether for 1999. There will not be an official meeting in December.

The year 2000 will have many great events coming up and more fine programs. Suggestions for meetings will be received with great enthusiasm.

Answers to the Auction Bucks Quiz:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Enjoy the Auction Bucks Auction. It seems to get better every year. Lots of fun and lots of great bargains. Even if you have a few bucks or are really loaded, there will be something for everyone.