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June 2000

N.S.S.S. is enjoying the growth of its membership. Our most recent member, **Stanley E. Cronwell, Jr.**, joined us at our May 13th meeting. We welcome him to our group. He collects Third Reich, Occupation Territories, Postcards, Covers, Submarine covers, Field Post cancels, U.S. Patriotic Covers and W.W.II covers. There was a guest, **Morris Beld**, who dropped in to visit our club. He is from New Mexico and we hope he will be another new member.

Dick Dreiling provided in impromptu program on covers. That is Dick's specialty. It was a great informative discussion..

Jerri Hana provided the refreshments for this first meeting of the month. Elna and Bill Brew provided the refreshments for the second meeting of this month.

Also, at the second meeting, we had the good fortune to acquire another new member. **Karoly (Charles) Zahorau**, joined our ranks. He collects everything.

Cindy Scott has put together a small booklet on "Words for Stamps." She will print some extra copies for those that will contact her.

The Annual Picnic will be held on June 24th at San Raefal Park. We will be at the Far West picnic site. This was the only time that could be available from the City or County. Picnic starts at or around 10:00 a.m. Bring a side dish that will feed about 6 people. NSSS Will furnish drinks and meats.

Al Shay reported Boomtown wants a fee for using their room for the Hobby Show. The show at Boomtown was canceled for the time being. There is a possible site for at at a later date.

The monthly auction and consignment programs are great for selling and buying material. Also, members can sell directly to other members. In any case NSSS receives 10% of all sales.

Many of them members bring recent copies of their subscriptions to be picked up by other members to be taken home for reviewing. This is very appreciative of those donors

There should be a number of good programs coming up this year, so try to attend each and every one.

The annual NEVPEX has been deferred to the year 2001. We hope the response by that time will sufficient to organize a great show. There were only 6 dealers and zero exhibits available for the 2000 show. This is a response that would make the show a losing proposition.

We have a good active membership and we are sure that several of them will provide a great exhibit for next year's show. You can't be as bad as the first time I entered a philatelic show in Sacramento. There were small table frames which held just 6 pages. My exhibit was a sheet of cardboard with several stamps of St. Lucia placed in a nice, I thought, arrangement. There was a written explanation of each of the stamps and what each represented. The cardboard was bigger than the frames around it, and stuck out like a sore thumb, BUT, it was an exhibit. I felt rewarded by it even though it did not meet any possible criteria for stamp exhibits. It didn't win any prizes, for sure. The next time my exhibit was more organized and reflected the stamps of St. Luica, now in a more, shall we say, polite manner. It won a gold award.

So, you, can do the same thing. Just show you collections, or part of them, on sixteen pages to fill one frame. Try 2 or three frames. Don't try to compete, just do your own thing and chances are it will be great and will receive a fine response.

A former member of NSSS put together a great exhibit with stamps which had very little value, but, lots of interest. So expense is not the only factor in exhibiting.

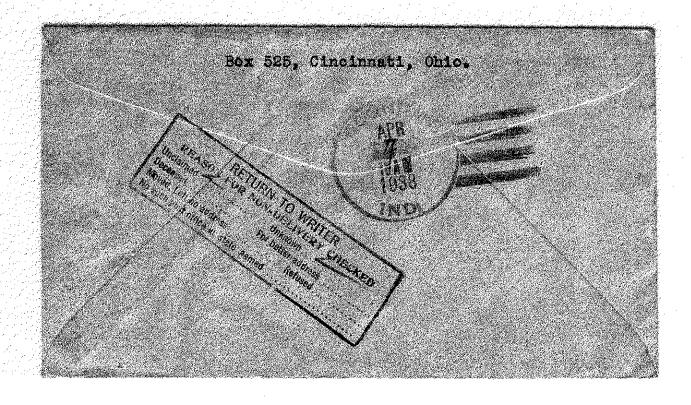
The trading at the meetings has increased and is receiving more attention, since **Ed Hartley** proposed the idea. The members are bringing in more material to trade with other members than in the past. It is simple ideas like this that increases interest in the meetings and to the enjoyment of stamp collecting.

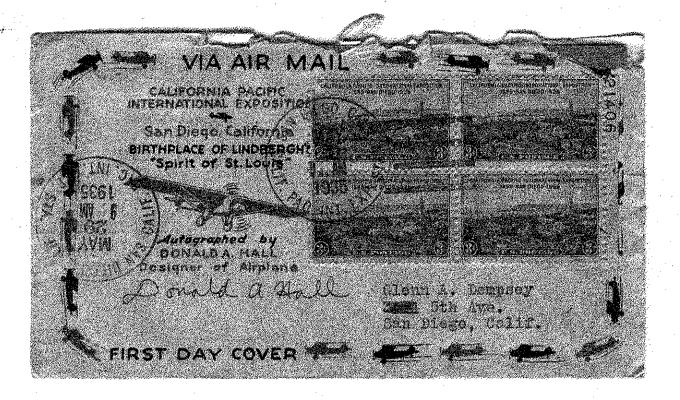
Any ideas would be appreciated by the board members and they will try to install them into our meetings.

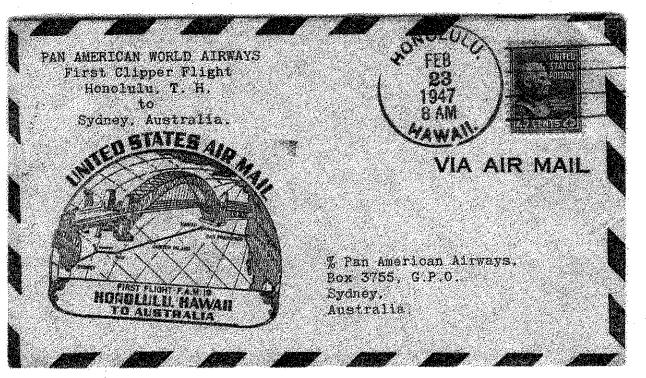
Every once in a while there is an opportunity to pull out the old covers and paw through them. Some times you find some covers you had forgotten about or ones that had struck your fancy and sometimes you find some very unique one. Recently, I took some time to check over my stock of covers and came up with a few that produced some laughs and some with interesting historical information. One cover proved to be a classic, maybe. It was addressed to Ed Horwitz, Gen. Del. Economy, Indiana. It was first canceled on Mar. 31, 1938 in Cheap, KY. It was backstamped on Apr. 4th 10a.m. 1936 in Economy, IND. It was canceled again on Apr. 21. 1938. It was finally returned to sender as unclaimed and address unknown. Why I do I get the impression that Ed Harwitz, in care of, Gen. Del., Economy, Ind. was known not to be there and the sender received two related cancels on the same cover. This seemed to be what the sender has intended, since

his return address on the back of the cover is Box 525, Cincinnati, Ohio. Note the following covers and their distinct designs and error cancels.













Since several members now have e-mail addresses, maybe a list of those addresses could be provided so members could communicate with each other. Just a suggestion.

Well, here is something for the Quiz section for the month of June. These are tough assignments. So each correct answer will receive 40 auction bucks. Try to arrange the letters so as to make a word used in Stamp Collecting. Some are single words and some are two or more words.

- DCIVY FSR STEAOR
- 2. TSPRRFEEAP
- 3. KTAAWRMRE.
- TCGAOAL
- CTODRPSA.

After some consideration, the above words are the final result of selecting philatelic terms for this quiz. They should be easy, with just a little effort. Good Luck.

The results of the May quiz are as follows:

- 1. Yosemite Cal.
 Grand Canyon, AZ
 Longmire. Wash.
 Mesa Verde, Colo.
 Yellowstone, Wy.
- Crater Lake, Or Bar Harbor. Maine Zion, Utah Glacier Park, Mont. Sevierville, Tenn.
- 3. No. 756 to 765.
- 4. No. 778. Third International Philatelic Exhibition.

 Connecticut Terc.: Calif Pacific Exp.: Michigan State,: Texas Cent.
- 5. New York, City.