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## WALTER ALBERT LINDRUM, 1898-1960--

Australia's first special issue for 1981 featured four famous sporting personalities, reproduced in caricature. One of those honored was Walter Lindrum, a member of the Craft and the greatest billiard player the world has ever known.

Walter Albert Lindrum was born in Kalgoorlie, Western Australia, August 2, 1898, and was educated at St. Francis Boys' School in Darlinghurst, Sydney. He went to England in 1929 and in the following five years broke all billiard records for speed of scoring and size of breaks; he became the acknowledged world's champion in 1932 when he defeated Joe Davis. In a match that year he made a world record break of 437 points in just under three hours.



New rules were introduced in an effort to curb his superiority but none of the rules prevented his breaking records. The world championship lapsed after 1934 as it became more difficult for Lindrum to secure opponents. He retired undefeated in 1950 and spent the remainder of his career in exhibition games for charity. Until his death in 1960 he raised \$6 million for charity.

Bro. Lindrum was initiated in Crimea Lodge No. 432, Victorian Constitution, October 8, 1934, and was passed November 8, 1937, the delay probably due to his absence maintaining his title. He was raised March 25, 1938, in Felicity Lodge No. 431, Victorian Constitution, remaining a member until his death.

Others honored on this set of stamps are Darby Munro, jockey; Victor Trumper, cricket, and Sir Norman Brookes, tennis champion. Scott's has given the stamp, a 60¢ bi-color honoring Lindrum, No. 775.

-- Sidney W. Martin.

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SIR ARTHUR FADDEN, honored on Australia's Prime Ministers' Issue of 1974, only served 40 days in that capacity, but continued in other governmental offices and was later knighted.

NICCOLO UGO FOSCOLO (1773-1827)--

Foscolo; an Italian poet, novelist and critic, was one of the most important Italian romanticists. Born of Venetian and Greek parents, he early became versed in the Greek and Latin languages and literature, the Italian classics, and 18th century philosophy. In 1808 he secured the chair of eloquence at the University of Pavia, only to see the position abolished shortly after.



A long-time republican, Foscolo approved the Napoleonic impetus to civic reforms but later became disillusioned with Napoleon. His patriotism and resentment of Austrian domination in Italy caused him to flee to England in 1816; there he initiated modern Italian criticism of Dante and others. Foscolo never married, but had many love affairs and acknowledged a daughter who lived with him during his last years.

Foscolo is perhaps best known for his "I sepolcri" (Sepulchres), a patriotic blank-verse poem in which tombs are represented a link between the living and the dead. Other later works include "Le ultime lettere de Jacopo Ortis" (The last letters of Jacopo Ortis), an epistolary novel of romantic and patriotic despair, and "Le Grazie" (Graces), an unfinished series of hymns on such themes as youth and friendship, all lightly veiled in fable.

Niccolo Ugo Foscolo was a member of the Lodge "Reale Amalia Augusta" in Brescia, Northern Italy. He is pictured on Italy's No. 272 (1932) and on No. 1363 of 1979.

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JULIUS HOSTE (1848-1933)--

Julius Hoste was a journalist and writer who played an important part in the Flemish Movement. In 1869 he founded the weekly "De Zweep" (The Whip) and in 1883 the daily "Het Laatste Nieuws" (The Latest News). From 1875 to 1921 he was president of the Brussels department of the "Willemsfonds". He was a fighter for Flemish Liberalism in Brussels. Gradually, however, he reached the conviction that it would be better to disassociate the fight for the Flemish Movement from politics. As editor of "De Zweep" he tried to convince the Flemish of this. As a writer he acquired renown by his plays for the Flemish Theatre in Brussels.



Julius Hoste was initiated November 15, 1875, in the Lodge "Amis Philanthropes" in Brussels, passed on June 6, 1876, and raised on December 4, 1876.

He is pictured on a semi-postal stamp of 1957 (Scott's No. B601) along with Paul Pastur. (See Page 140, The Philatelic Freemason.)

-- Wessel M. Lans.

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PEOPLE LOVE HIGH IDEALS, but they got to be about 33-percent plausible.

-- Will Rogers.



JAN VAN RIJSWIJCK (1853-1906)--

Jan van Rijswijck was born in Antwerp, February 14, 1853, and died in Testelt, September 29, 1906. He set up as a lawyer in his birthplace, where he also achieved a reputation as a journalist, among other things as editor-in-chief of the weekly "De Kleine Gazet." He was a member of the municipal council of Antwerp for the Flemish Liberal Party. In 1892 he became Burgomaster of this important city. He remained in office until his death.



Jan van Rijswijck was a member of the Lodge "Les Eleves de Themis" in Antwerp, initiated February 8, 1877, passed and raised November 20, 1892.

In 1961 Belgium issued a stamp in honor of van Rijswijck and Xavier M. Nujean, Scott's No. B686. (see below.)

XAVIER MARIE NUJEAN (1865-1940)--

Nujean was born in Liege February 25, 1865, and died January 8, 1940. He was a lawyer in the city of his birth and won himself a name as a politician. He was a member of the municipal council of Liege and from 1912 to 1932 was a member of the Belgian Parliament for the Walloon Party. In 1936 he was appointed Burgomaster of Liege and remained in that office until his death. He was also Minister of Railroads and Minister of State.

Nujean was initiated in the Lodge "La Parfaite Intelligence et l'Etoile Reunies" in Liege in October 1889. The 4th, 9th, 14th and 15th degrees were successively conferred on him on April 2, 1896; February 4, 1902; January 6, 1903, and January 5, 1904. He was made a Knight of Rose Croix in the Chapter "Charles Magnette" in liege, April 20, 1905.

He is pictured with van Rijswijck on Scott's No. B686. (See above.)

-- Wessel M. Lans.

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LACHLAN MACQUARIE (1761-1824)--

Lachlan Macquarie, at the age of 15, volunteered for the army and was sent to Canada. He served throughout the American Revolution in Halifax, New York and Charleston. He went to India in 1778 where he participated in many battles, rising in rank.



In 1801 he was appointed chief of staff to Sir David Baird in his Egyptian campaign. Sir David was an initiate of Edinburgh's famous Canongate-Kilwinning Lodge and an extremely active Mason. At the end of 1809 Macquarie was sent to New South Wales as governor of the colony. He succeeded Capt. William Bligh and found the colony completely demoralized. His tenure of eleven years in what was then a penal colony was marked by a public works program and a humane policy toward the convicts. In 1821 he returned to England, where he died during a visit to London in 1824.

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It is thought Macquarie was initiated into Masonry in Bombay, but details are meager. However, records of early Freemasonry in Australia mention him in connection with Lodge of Social and Military Virtues No. 227 under Irish constitution.

His likeness is found on one of the Famous Australian issue of November 16, 1970, Scott's No. 455. This is a booklet stamp, straight-edged on one or more sides.

-- S. M. Martin.

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### BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG--

The 5¢ "Battle of Gettysburg" stamp, Scott's No. 1180, was issued as the third of a series of five to commemorate the Civil War Centennial. It was first placed on sale at Gettysburg, Pa., July 1, 1963.



The Confederate army advanced into Gettysburg on July 1, 1863, led by Gen. Henry Heth, last Senior Warden of Rocky Mountain Lodge No. 205, Camp Floyd, Utah, who later affiliated with Benjamin B. French Lodge No. 15, Washington, D. C. The first Federal troops to reach the scene were under the command of Col. Russel A. Alger, a member of Corinthian Lodge No. 241, Detroit, Michigan. Col. Alger was later promoted to Major General, and was Secretary of War under President McKinley.

The Battle of Gettysburg marked the high tide of the Confederacy. Its fortunes were downhill from this battle on. High mark of the three day battle was Gen. George E. Pickett's charge up Cemetery Ridge. Bro. Pickett was a member of Dove Lodge No. 51, Richmond, Virginia. Two of the three brigades under his command were led by Gen. James L. Kemper and Gen. Lewis A. Armistead. Kemper was Past Master Linn Banks Lodge No. 126 of Virginia. Armistead was a member of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, Virginia.

On top of the Ridge waiting Pickett's charge was Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock commanding two corps of the Federal forces. Bro. Hancock was a member of Charity Lodge No. 190, Norristown, Pa. Armistead was killed and Hancock severely wounded during the battle. The two had been cadets at West Point together. They were comrades-in-arms during the Mexican War and in fighting Indians on the plains.

These brothers in Masonry and countless other Masonic brothers fought and fell during this and other battles of the war. Here brother fought brother, and, in countless recorded and unrecorded instances helped and comforted their brothers whom they were fighting.

-- John O. Welch.

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BROTHER JAMES K. POLK, 11th president of the United States, assisted in laying with elaborate Masonic ceremonies the cornerstone of the Smithsonian Institution (U.S. #943) Washington, D.C. on May 1, 1847.



MASONS ON STAMPS OF ECUADOR -- A CHECKLIST--

Pedro Alcantara Herran*	(1957)	616
Eloy Alfaro	(1908)	176 (1948) 409, C98 (1958) 644 .C98-101
Salvador Allende*	(1971)	C481-C482
Jose Antepara	(1920)	231
Andres Bello*	(1948)	485-3, C172-4
Simon Bolivar*	(1920)	242 (1930) 315 (1972) C502
Jose Abel Castillo	(1955)	594-5, C282-6 .C218
Jose M. Cordova*	(1972)	859
Jorge Antonio Elizalde	(1920)	229
Juan Francisco Elizalde	(1896)	64 .18, 116-7, 127, 128
Gregorio Escobedo	(1920)	236
Luis Febres Cordero	(1920)	227 .850
Juan Jose Flores	(1892)	25-37, 011-17 (1894) 33 (1972) 856
Hubert H. Humphrey*	(1978)	C635
Juan Illingworth	(1920)	238
Francisco Lavayen	(1920)	228
Miguel Letamendi	(1920)	235
Francisco Marcos	(1957)	615
Jose Mejia	(1899)	140 (1909) 181
Santos Michelena*	(1957)	617
Carlos Montufar	(1909)	186
Juan Pio Montufar	(1909)	185
Antonio Neumane	(1965)	734-7
Bernardo O'Higgins*	(1978)	C632
Jose Joaquin Olmeo	(1896)	63 (1899) 143 (1920) 225 (1930) 313
Vincente Rocafuerte	(1894)	39-46, 020-26 (1920) 240 (1947) 575-7
Franklin D. Roosevelt*	(1948)	509-13, C193-4
Jose de San Martin*	(1978)	C624 .C618
Francisco de Paula Santander*	(1972)	858
Antonio Jose Sucre*	(1920)	237 (1930) 314 (1945) 447-51 (1972) 858, 864, C501
Harry S. Truman*	(1952)	C635
Luis Urdaneta	(1920)	233
Jose M. Urvina	(1907)	169 (1952) 563-5, C236-7
Jose Maria Villamil	(1920)	234
George Washington*	(1938)	C97-63 (1976) C589
Rafael Ximena	(1920)	224
Prince Phillip*	(1962)	C396-7



\*Note- Ecuador has honored many men who were not citizens of that country; we have marked these with an asterisk(\*).

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I SEE WHERE WE are starting to pay some attention to our neighbors to the south. We could never understand why Mexico wasn't just crazy about us; for we have always had their good will, and oil and minerals, at heart.

-- Will Rogers.

IT IS NOT LOVE we should have painted as blina, but self love.

-- Voltaire.

SVENN BJORNSSON (1881-1952)--

Bjornsson, Icelandic statesman, was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, and educated at Reykjavik College and the University of Copenhagen. He began the practice of law in Iceland in 1907. He served as special envoy to the United States in 1914. From 1920 to 1924 and from 1926 to 1941 he was Icelandic minister to Denmark. Bjornsson became regent of Iceland in 1941, and when the country was proclaimed a republic in 1944 he was elected its first president, serving until his death.



Bjornsson was made a Mason in Denmark, and was one of the founders of Edda Lodge in Reykjavik 1919. When the Grand Lodge of Iceland was constituted in 1951 he was chosen Grand Master and served until his death.

His likeness is found on a set of four issued Sept. 1, 1952, Scott's Nos. 274-277. These stamps are of identical design.

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GREGORIO AGLIPAY (1860-1940)--

Aglipay was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in 1888 — ten years before the end of Spanish rule in the Philippines, and was excommunicated in the early days of U.S. occupation. Bitterly opposing the occupation, he joined the Filipino insurgent forces under Aguinaldo. Having organized the Independent Catholic Church, he became Chaplain General and assumed for himself the ecclesiastical powers of a Roman Catholic Bishop. His objective was a national church separated from the authority of Rome. He surrendered to the United States forces in 1901 after the capture of Aguinaldo.



As Supreme Bishop Aglipay nationalized the church's rituals and liturgies, permitted priests to marry, and canonized Filipino national heroes. At one time his church claimed 1,500,000 followers. His only political venture was in 1935, when he was soundly defeated for the presidency.

Aglipay was a lifetime member of Ibarra Lodge No. 31 in Kawit, across the bay from Manila. This was Emilio Aguinaldo's lodge. After his death its name was changed to Aguinaldo Lodge No. 31.

The Philippines honored Aglipay with a set of two stamps issued Oct. 1, 1977.

-- Marshall S. Loke.

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KING FREDERICK VIII (Denmark #72, (8), while Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Denmark, initiated his three sons: Christian X (of Denmark), Haakon VII (of Norway) and Prince Harold.

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HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?



JOHN McDOWALL STUART, (1815-1866)--

John McDouall Stuart was a tiny Scot, a braggart when in town, but a daring genius when in the bush. He was the first to lead an exploring party across Australia from south to north, establishing a route for the Overland Telegraph Line. It took three attempts to break through to the north coast, but he finally made it in July, 1862. When his party finally reached Chambers Bay on the north coast he nailed the Union Jack to a tree and carved his initials on it. Years later the gavels used by the wardens of Public Service Lodge were carved from this tree, which was burned down in 1900.



He returned to Adelaide in December, 1862, unable to walk and almost blind from the 2,000 mile homeward journey over some of the harshest country on earth. He had traveled with incredible speed and had made highly accurate maps. With the exception of minor deviations his path is still the main artery of communication and travel through the heart of the continent.

Stuart was initiated in Lodge of Truth No. 933, English Constitution, North Adelaide, Aug. 1, 1859, and raised Aug. 16 through special dispensation. This lodge is now No. 8 under the South Australia Constitution. His Grand Lodge certificate, issued by the Grand Lodge of England April 5, 1860, hangs in the library of Freemasons' Hall, North Terrace, Adelaide.

Bro. Stuart's likeness appears on 5p carmine stamp of Australia, issued July 25, 1962, Scott's No. 345.

-- S. M. Martin.

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JOSEPH JACQUES CESAIRE JOFFRE (1852-1931)--

Joffre, the commander of all French armies in World War I, was educated at the Ecole Polytechnique, Paris. He joined the French army in 1870 at the beginning of the Franco-German War and remained in the army, serving part of the time in the French colonies overseas.



As a major general in 1911 he became chief of staff of the French army, and in 1914, when the German armies had almost reached Paris, Joffre's victory in the first Battle of the Marne caused the Germans to fall back and made Joffre a national hero. Altho he was succeeded as actual commander in December, 1916, he still retained his title and was named Marshal of France. In 1918 he was elected a member of the French Academy.

Five years after joining the army, Joffre, then only a captain, was made a Mason in the Lodge "Alsace Lorrain" in Paris. He received the degrees on November 25, 1875, December 28, 1876, and December 26, 1877. He later served as orator of the lodge and was made an honorary member in 1893. He was a 33d Degree Mason.

Portraits of Joffre are on stamps of France (1940) #B97 and Madagascar (1946) #283-285.

Marshall S. Loke.

ASGEIR ASGEIRSSON (1894-1972)--

In the first popular election for president of Iceland on June 29, 1952, Asgeirsson became president of the Republic. He was the son of a merchant and had received his education in the Reykjavik high school, graduating in 1912. He received a degree in theology in 1915 and worked a year as secretary to the Bishop of Iceland. The daughter of Bishop Bjarnason became his wife. He then worked for a year in the National Bank of Iceland and in 1918 became a teacher in the Teachers' College of Iceland, a post he held until 1926.



Asgeirsson had been prominent in the affairs of his country for many years having been a member of the Althing (parliament) since 1923, Prime Minister from 1932 to 1934 and a delegate to the United Nations General Assembly in 1947-48. Svein Bjornsson had been appointed president by the Althing when Iceland became a republic in 1944 and had been reelected three times by acclamation. On his death it became necessary to hold this election, and Asgeirsson was elected over three opponents. He was later reelected, serving four terms, retiring in 1968. He received numerous decorations for his services, including the Grand Cross of the Icelandic Order of the Falcon, the Grand Cross of the Orange Nassau Order of the Netherlands and the Grand Cross of Finland's Order of the White Rose.

Asgeirsson was initiated in Odda Lodge, Reykjavik, the lodge of President Bjornsson, on January 6, 1920, passed January 25, 1921, and raised May 11, 1921. He filled several offices in his lodge and became the third Grand Master of the National Grand Lodge of Iceland March 10, 1961, serving until his death in 1972. He received the 11th degree (the highest) in the Swedish Rite on March 21, 1957.

Iceland honored him with two stamps issued August 1, 1973, Scott's Nos. 456-7.

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ELECTION RESULTS —

Secy. Needham reports the following results from our election of officers:

President — Leonard W. Kemp, 43 (Re-elected); Robert C. Krueger, 2; M. L. Nafzinger, 1.

Vice-President— Robert C. Krueger, 42 (Re-elected); Leonard W. Kemp, 1; Thomas Gardner, 1; M. L. Nafzinger, 1; R. M. Needham, 1.

Secretary-Treasurer — R. M. Needham, 45 (Re-elected); Leonard W. Kemp, 1.

According to the by-laws of the Unit, directors (who were included on the ballot in error) are appointed by the president. It is presumed that Mr. Kemp will make these appointments in time for our next issue.

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AN INDEX OF Volume 4 is being prepared for inclusion in our next issue

WARREN G. HARDING was the first president of the United States to become a Shriner.



NEW MEMBERS--

- 73 Roy G. Singley, 1785 Maryland St., Redwood City, Calif. 94061  
 78 Arthur B. Besnecker, 400 Cornell Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15229  
 83 Alfred R. Warner, 1305 Blucher Ave., Scranton, Pa. 18505  
 87 Thomas L. Jones, 1015 Second Street, Morgan City, La. 70380  
 98 John W. Pinkerton, P. O. Box 642, Wilmington, Ohio 45177  
 103 John E. Slade, 14 Old Grove Lane, Altamonte Springs, Fla. 32701  
 106 Eddie J. Howie, 2 Glenlorne, 31 Vause Road, Durban 4001, REP. OF SOUTH AFRICA  
 109 William C. Eurich, P.O. Box 108, Rockwood, Maine 04478  
 113 Patrick G. Palmer, 3700 N.W. 62nd Ave., #106, Virginia Gardens, Fla. 33166  
 202 G. Blaarslag, Kon. Wilhelminalaan 13, 5583 AK Nearle, NETHERLANDS  
 203 W.A.C. Beekman, Waalstraat 101, 1079 DS Amsterdam, NETHERLANDS  
 204 V. Benjamins, Burg. Amersfoordtlaan 67, 1171 DM, Badhoevedorp, NETHERLANDS  
 205 Bibliotheek Orde.v.Vrijm, Fluwelenv. Burgwal 22, 2511 JC, 's-Gravenhage, NETHERLANDS  
 206 J. H. Dietz, Kolginzstraat 10, 5845 EX St. Anthonis, NETHERLANDS  
 207 Dr. F. J. Doornink, Laan van Arenstein 11, 2341 LS Oegstgeest, NETHERLANDS  
 208 J. J. van Dijk, Blaeustraat 5, 1817 EE Alkmaar, NETHERLANDS  
 209 F. van Geleuken, Margrietstraat 14, 255 PW 's-Gravenhage, NETHERLANDS  
 210 Ing. H.J. Godthelp, Postbus 110, 7100 AC Winterswijk, NETHERLANDS  
 211 H. F. Huizings, van Oldenborghweg 22, 1949 GJ Wijk Aan Zee, NETHERLANDS  
 212 G. H. Huijsman, Marchandstraat 3, 5223 TX Den Bosch, NETHERLANDS  
 213 A.J.J. van der Kemp, Paterwoldseweg 436, 9728 BB Groningen, NETHERLANDS  
 214 A. Kokos, Postbus 16, 7630 AA Ootmarsum, NETHERLANDS  
 215 J. A. de Rooy, POB 168, 3360 AD Sliedrecht, NETHERLANDS  
 216 M. de Schepeleire, Camille Huysmanslaan 93, 2020 Antwerpen, BELGIUM  
 217 P. Ch. Schljf, van Goghstraat 7, 6813 HD Arnhem, NETHERLANDS  
 218 W. J. Vanhoek, Kellendonkstraat 9, 6825 CM Arnhem, NETHERLANDS  
 219 J. K. ter Voorde, Sophialaan 31, 3708 HC Zeist, NETHERLANDS  
 220 J. Vroegindewij, Dunantstraat 887, 2713 TH Zoetermeer, NETHERLANDS  
 221 C. van Wetter, Ter Rivierenlaan 71, 2100 Deurne, BELGIUM

CHANGE OF ADDRESS--

- 160 Robert M. Grimes, 22 Pleasant St., Nantucket Island, Mass. 02554

WE ARE INDEBTED to W. F. Smit, MU#68, for the list of 20 members from #202 to #221. All are members of his Masonic Study Group. Good work, Bro. Smit!

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS--

- Q. 9 — Can someone give us Masonic data on Argentina's Guillermo Brown?  
 Q. 10 — Was Philip Mazzei a Mason? Who can give us Masonic data?

Answers to Previour Questions—

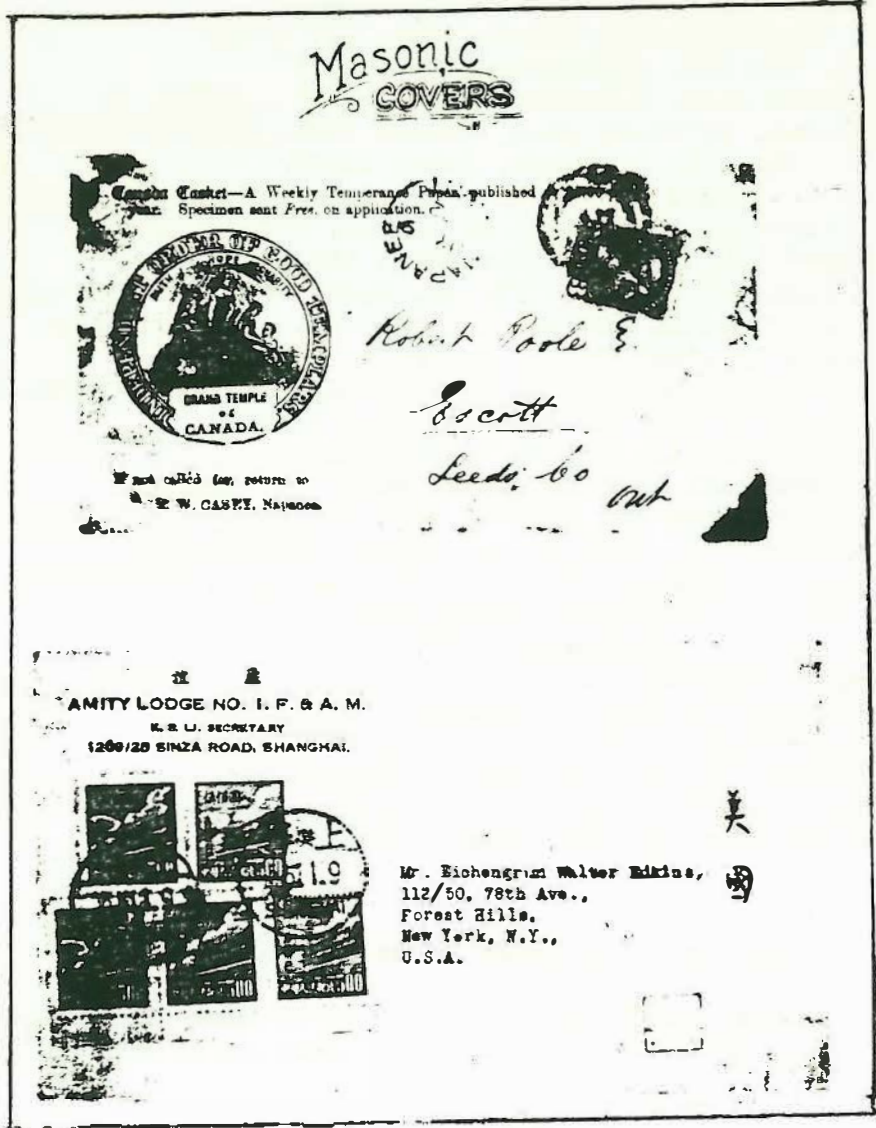
- Q. 6 — See article in this issue regarding Ugo Foscolo of Italy, Page 232.  
 Q. 8 — John Mirt issued a Masonic cover for the Rough Rider stamp, but not a first day cover. It was postmarked at Chicago on December 9, 1948.

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YOUR EDITOR has a number of the Unit-sponsored First Day Covers of the Will Rogers stamp and the Everett M. Dirksen stamp. These are priced at \$1.00 plus SASE.

FROM ONE MAN'S ALBUM--

Bro. Barry L. Richards sends a replica of one of his album pages of Masonic covers. He says he is not positive that the Canadian cover is from a Knights Templar affiliate, but is checking on it at present.



The Chinese cover, he says is postmarked 1951, which is quite unusual. The cover is framed with Peoples' Republic of China stamps, when they had been conquered by the Communist party in 1949. It is unusual that Amity Lodge No. 1 had been allowed to function this late as communism and Masonry are diametrically opposed in philosophy. Can any reader tell us what the position of this lodge is today?

We would like to have more xerox copies (mailed flat) of members' album pages, and will reproduce them as our space will permit. In this manner we will be able to see how others write-up and mount their collections, possibly get new ideas for our own albums.

Who will be next to "exhibit"?

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BRO. SID W. MARTIN, M.U. #77, is Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of South Australia.

MACQUARIE ISLANDS, a group of small islands 850 miles southeast of Tasmania, were named for Gov. Lachlan Macquarie, governor of New South Wales, and a Mason.

I DON'T CARE how poor and inefficient a little country is, they like to run their own business. I know men who would make my wife a better husband than I am, but, darn it, I'm not going to give her to 'em.

— Will Rogers.

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