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BRO. WALTER J. KIRBY
HUSBAND, FATHER, MASONIC PHILATELIST SUPREME
DEPARTED APRIL 1, 1984

Masonic Philately, as well as the Masonic Study Unit, suffered a major loss on April 1, 1984, when Bro. Walter J. Kirby was summoned to the Celestial Lodge above. He was born in 1901 and had led a very full Masonic life in his 82 plus years.

In 1923 Bro. Kirby received the degrees in Masonry in Coy Lodge No. 699, Coy, Arkansas, being raised on April 19 of that year. He demitted to Trinity Lodge No. 694, Little Rock, in 1962. He received the Scottish Rite degrees in March 1975 in Little Rock and on October 23, 1979, he was made Knight Commander of the Court of Honor (KCOH) in Scottish Rite Masonry. He never officially held a Lodge office but filled every chair except the East in various "emergency" situations.

Bro. Walter stated that he was a stamp collector as long as he was a Mason and that he enjoyed being able to combine the two avocations. He joined Bro. Clarence Beltmann's MSU during its first year of operation, 1960, as member No. 53. In June 1962 he suggested the inclusion of a question and answer column in the newsletter; he also tied for first place in the membership contest of that year and contributed several articles to the newsletter. He waited for six years before joining Bro. Nicholas Koutroulis' MSU of ATA group being assigned membership No. 366 in late 1973. Bro. Nick welcomed him to the group and again he contributed several articles over the following two years that the club was active.

His role in the Masonic Study Unit is well known. He was the original and only editor of The Philatelic Freemason with the first issue being prepared for May-June 1977. Since that time he has been responsible for 400 pages of news, information, checklists, questions and answers and general improvement of the knowledge in the Masonic Philately arena.

In the early part of this year, Bro. Walter suffered his third heart attack. He had been able to demonstrate excellent recovery on the two previous instances but he never fully recovered from this one being called by the Supreme Architect on April 1, 1984. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends and most especially by those who depended upon him as the source of their lore and knowledge in the combined avocations of Freemasonry and Stamp Collecting. Our sympathy goes to his widow, Camille Kirby, and other members of his family as well as our thanks for allowing him to serve us so unselfishly.

THE PHILATELIC FREEMASON WILL CONTINUE

Publication of The Philatelic Freemason will continue on a bi-monthly basis, picking up with Volume 8, No. 1; there will be no attempt to try to publish a Volume 7, No. 6, just to "fill out the record". The new editor is identified on the revised masthead at the top of the first page and my only hope is that I will be able to serve the membership as well as my predecessor. A few years back I had written to Bro. Kirby asking if he wanted an assistant; he replied that he wanted to maintain the editorship as a solo effort. When the recent chain of events was related there was no question but that I would volunteer for the role - especially as a tribute to him and to those who have helped him.

The task I face is enormous - I follow in the footsteps of several noted predecessors in the field of newsletter editorialship - Brothers John Mirt, Clarence Beltmann, Nicholas Koutroulis and Walter Kirby. Each had his style and fortés, perhaps I will also develop a style of my own. Several of the members know of me from my Masonic cacheted cover collecting and catalog publishing activities - those will continue in parallel to but separated from the activities of editor (or as much as they can be separated). I fully intend to provide equal time to all aspects of Masonic Philately - Masons on stamps, symbols on stamps, covers, post cards, cancellations, corner cards - dependent upon the wishes of the membership. These wishes will be measured by the contribution of articles, comments, suggestions, requests, etc. received from the members.

Volume 8 of The Philatelic Freemason represents several major challenges to the newsletter itself and to the Masonic Study Unit. The new slate of officers which is developing contains not only a new editor but also a new Secretary-Treasurer; Bro. Richard Needham has stepped down from that position after faithfully serving the unit since its organization in 1977. Our congratulations and words of support to Bro. Otto L. Steding as he assumes the role as our new Secretary-Treasurer. The trend of the ballots indicates that Bro. Thomas M. Gardner is our new President for the 1984-1986 term and Bro. Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., the Vice President. More later in the newsletter as the results are finalized.

One of the more significant changes, however, is that which has been experienced in the support of the newsletter - one of the most faithful contributors of articles which appear in various issues also passed on this year - Bro. Marshall Loke. His absence will certainly be felt by your editor and a large void is sitting in front of all of us. This void must and will be filled by those of us who want to remain active members and can research and write; all members want to learn, we should all also want to teach. I request the help of each and every one of you - write up your favorite topic; stamp, cover or even a significant experience related to Masonic Philately. I count on your assistance, editing the newsletter should not be a one man effort - I would be very happy with a situation in which I could just edit and publish with some research and writing.







I look forward to your written contributions.

DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES

We have reached the end of our "fiscal" year and dues are now payable to our Secretary-Treasurer. Some of the members have already submitted their renewals but there are many who must be prodded. I trust that the forthcoming year's issues of The Philatelic Freemason will prove to be worth the remittance now. Please remit promptly - those who have not renewed by the time of the July-August newsletter will not receive their copy of that issue.

MSU FIRST DAY COVERS

In keeping with previous regimes of the Masonic Stamp/Study Units of the American Topical Association, I will try my hand at publishing Masonic First Day Covers for applicable U.S. releases. Bro. Kirby's last cover was that prepared for the Harry S. Truman stamp in January. On rather short notice, I have generated two cacheted covers which will serve as my introduction to that field - one for Bro. Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., and one for Bro. Sen. Richard B. Russell, Jr.. Copies of the cachets are shown below. The terms will remain the same: \$1.00 each plus SASE to be ordered from the editor.

<p>Richard Brevard Russell, Jr.</p>  <p>born Nov. 2, 1897 Winder, Ga. died Jan. 21, 1971 Washington, D.C.</p>  <p>Georgia House and Governor 1921 to 1933 United States Senator 1933 to 1971 Member of Winder Lodge No. 333 Initiated April 8, 1921 Passed May 2, 1921 Raised June 10, 1921</p> 	<p>DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, SR. (Douglas Elton Thomas Ullman)</p> <p>born May 23, 1883 - Denver, Colo. died Dec. 12, 1939 - Santa Monica, Cal.</p>  <p>Shakespearean Stage Actor 1900-1915</p> <p>Movie Actor 1915-1934 Producer</p>  <p>Received degrees in Beverly Hills Lodge No. 528</p> <p>Initiated August 11, 1925 Passed September 8, 1925 Raised September 23, 1925</p>  <p>Member of "233 Club" - Masons in Movie Colony</p>
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Future planned covers, as of this writing, include the St. Lawrence Seaway (Bros. Alexander Wiley and George Dondero) on June 26, Auguste Bartholdi in Aug. and Dr. Frank C. Laubach on September 2. All cover attempts will be for FDC's - special events will be avoided as they tend to be meaningful to only small groups and not to the membership as a whole. The FDC's will be prepared in limited quantities of 150 to 200 each.

MSC OF NY IS 50 YEARS OLD

We extend our sincere congratulations to Bro. George Wettach, President of the Masonic Stamp Club of New York, his officers and the members of that group for reaching their 50th anniversary this year. In today's dynamic lifestyle, it is commendable when a group of this nature manages to make it worthwhile enough for its members to exist for a fifty year period. Our best wishes for another 50. (I can remember well receiving the Master of Philately Degree at a meeting of this club at the Collector's Club building in New York City on April 7, 1967. I met many outstanding individuals that evening.)

TALKS - We note from Linn's (May 21) that Bro. George Wettach (MSU No. 153), President of the MSC of NY, spoke on Masonic Philately at the May 22 meeting of the Fair Lawn (N.J.) Stamp Club. Have any others done the same recently at their Lodge or Stamp Club functions? Let us know.

Have you ordered a copy of the new membership directory from Bro. Needham yet? It's definately a dollar well spent.

NEW ISSUES

The following new issues with Masonic significance have been identified in recent philatelic media.

UNITED STATES

- May 23, 1984 - 20¢ Performing Arts series - Douglas Fairbanks, Sr.
(Story in Volume 7, No. 4)
May 31, 1984 - 10¢ Great American series - Richard B. Russell, Jr.
(Story in Volume 7, No. 5)
June 26, 1984 - 20¢ Commemorative for St. Lawrence Seaway
(Story this issue)
August ?, 1984 - 20¢ Commemorative for Frederic Auguste Bartholdi
September 2, 1984 - 30¢ Great American series - Dr. Frank C. Laubach
(Story this issue)

OTHER

- March 30, 1984 - Cameroon - 500fr - "The Martyrdom of St. John the Evangelist"
by C. LeBrun (Masonic symbolism)
March 31, 1984 - Philippines - Famous Filipinos series - 60s - Teodoro M. Kalaw
May 11, 1984 - Wallis & Futuna - 100fr - 200th Death Anniversary - Denis Diderot
June 6, 1984 - Denmark - 2.70 Krone - 40th Anniversary of Invasion of Normandy -
pictures an Anchor (Masonic symbolism)
June 19, 1984 - Federal Republic of Germany - 19th UPU Congress at Hamburg - 120pf
value pictures Heinrich von Stephan

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

NEW MEMBERS

- 422 David Parrott, 551 Lebaum St., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20032
423 Dale E. Kinley, 1411 Rincon Villa Dr., Escondido, Cal. 92027

CHANGES IN ADDRESS

- 50 Grant L. Hagen, 16756 White Stone Rd., Boyds, Md. 20841
255 John J. Licastro, 1 North Dr., Plandome, N.Y. 11030

CLOSED ALBUMS

- 9ch Walter J. Kirby

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

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| 7ch Earl E. Dixon | 126 John O. Welch | 274 Edward Newman |
| 27ch Charles L. Bragaw | 181 Maurice A. Coker | 345 John S. Peddie |
| 80 Stevenson Stobbs | 208 Raymond C. Boystel, Jr. | 378 Vincent Pasceri |
| 88 David W. Power | 222 Albert Hanson | 416 David Gonzalez |
| 93 John R. Allen | 225 Eric Ahl | 419 Peter J. Westbere |
| 111 Thomas M. Gardner | 259 Mark H. Van Houten | |

John R. Allen was winner of the membership contest.

MASONIC COVERS




This cover to the left was just recently received from Bro. John M. Cunningham and from Ms. Dina Ricci, cover person for the Italian Masonic Stamp Club. Bro. John works quite closely with the members of this club and handles many of their covers for them. He is also responsible for many U.S. covers of his own and now that he has recently retired from the USPS he informs me that he is going to catch up on his cover producing activities. Those who are

interested in his covers should contact him directly.

The particular cover shown, as well as others issued by the Italian Masonic Stamp Club, can be obtained from Dina Ricci for \$1.50 (U.S.) plus postage (approx. \$1.25). She prefers U.S. banknotes because the conversion rate for bank drafts or International Money Orders in Italy is prohibitively high. Her mailing address for covers is: Club Filatelico Int. di T.M., Casalla Postale n. 39, 48022 Lugo, (Ravenna) Italy.

Bro. Peter Huntsman was involved in the preparation and release of this cover issued in conjunction with WACOPEX in May of this year. I'm not sure whether or not he has any left - his covers are normally in short supply and sell out very quickly.





Dear Brother Collector:

The Masonic Stamp Club of New York are sponsoring a special engraved cover for the 200th Anniversary of the founding of Alexandria, Va., THE HOME OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL.

The cover will be mailed from Alexandria on the First Day of issue for the coming special 6c airmail to be released on May 12th. This cover will be a pride and joy to you and your Masonic friends. Let's all make a few phone calls and tell our friends about this great cover, or better yet send a few to friends.

They are ONLY 25c each--\$ for \$1.00--\$20.00 per 100. PLEASE get your order in right away--TIME IS SHORT.

Cheerio and all the "VERY BEST."

MASONIC CACHET - PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK

ordered 5-11/19/68

It's Engraved - It's Beautiful
It's Really Unique

This postal card sent out by the MSC of NY must bring back memories to anyone who was collecting covers in the late 1940's. The card indicates a FDOI of May 12 for the Alexandria 6c airmail stamp (Scott #40) - the actual first day was May 11. Also, whoever ordered the five covers on 1/19/68 as annotated on the bottom of the card missed the boat - by 19 years. I doubt they were still available on that date - at that low price.

DR. FRANK CHARLES LAUBACH

On September 2, 1984, the USPS will issue a 30¢ denomination stamp in their Great American series for Dr. Frank C. Laubach, a Congregationalist Minister who campaigned against illiteracy throughout the world. The first day city will be Benton, Pa., his birthplace.

Frank C. Laubach was born on September 2, 1884, in Benton, Pa. He graduated from Princeton in 1909 and received his doctorate from Columbia University in 1915. He spent many years in the Philippines as a missionary and as a college dean (Union College) and as director of Maranaw Folks Schools. He conducted literacy tours throughout the world and was co-author of more than 200 primers for illiterate adults in over 165 languages embracing 51 countries. Dr. Laubach died in Syracuse, N.Y., on June 11, 1970, at the age of 85.

Brother Frank C. Laubach was a member of Benton Lodge No. 667, Benton, Pa., and was a 32° ASSR (NJ).

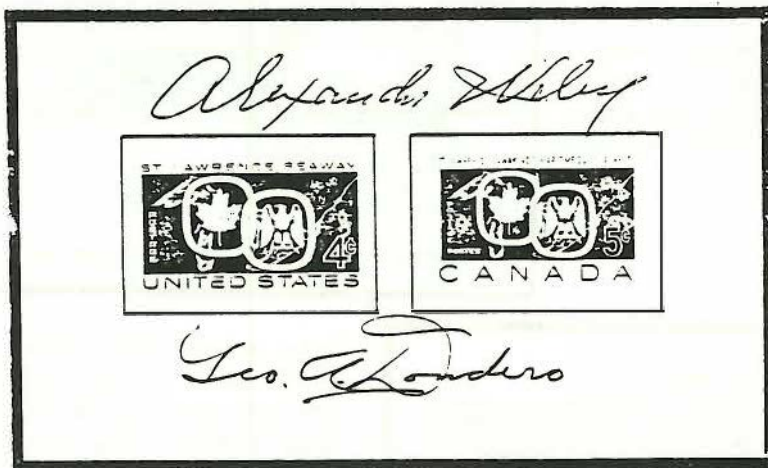
- Source - Denslow's "10,000 Famous Freemasons"

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

ALEXANDER WILEY & GEORGE A DONDERO

The USPS and the Canadian Postal Department will unite on June 26, 1984, in issuing 20¢ commemoratives for the 25th anniversary of the St. Lawrence Seaway. This event is similar to that conducted on June 26, 1959, when the two countries also issued matching stamps to commemorate the opening of the Seaway.

This Seaway was created as a result of legislation introduced in 1953 by Senator Alexander Wiley and Congressman George A. Dondero, both of whom were Freemasons.



Alexander Wiley

Bro. Wiley was born on May 26, 1884, in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. He was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin in 1907, was admitted to the bar and started a practice there in Chippewa Falls. He was elected to the U.S. Senate from Wisc. in 1938 and served in that capacity until 1962. During his career he served as chairman of the Senate judiciary and foreign relations committees. It was during the latter role that he co-authored and introduced the Seaway Bill which led to the creation of the St. Lawrence Seaway. He died on October 26, 1967 in Philadelphia, Pa.

Alexander Wiley (Cont'd)

Bro. Wiley started his Masonic career in 1908 in Chippewa Falls Lodge No. 176 being initiated on January 21, passed on February 18 and raised on March 17. He became a member of Chippewa Falls Chapter, RAM, No. 46 and was exalted on June 18, 1915. The Chippewa Falls Council No. 25, R&SM, greeted him on May 22, 1916, and he was Knighted in the Tanced Commandery No. 27, Order of the Temple, on July 12, 1922. He received the 32° in the Scottish Rite Valley of Eau Claire on May 20-21, 1929. In 1956 he received the Gourgas Medal from the Northern Jurisdiction, AASR, and he was received as an Honorary Member 33°, the Supreme Council, Boston, on September 25, 1957.

George A. Dondero

Bro. Dondero was born on December 16, 1883, in Detroit, Michigan. He was a graduate of Detroit College of Law in 1910 and entered law practice immediately. He was elected to the U.S. Congress from the 17th Michigan District and served in that role in the 73rd to the 81st Congresses. He presented the Wiley-Dondero Seaway Act to Congress while Bro. Wiley was presenting it to the Senate. He died in 1983.

Bro. Dondero received his degrees in Royal Oak Lodge No. 464, Royal Oak, Mich., being initiated on September 12, passed on October 24 and raised on November 21, all in 1916. He received his 32° AASR (NJ) at Detroit, Michigan. He was a member of the High Twelve Club of Royal Oak, Michigan, and honorary member of the same at Pontiac, Michigan.

TEODORO M. KALAW



The Philippines just recently issued a stamp which pictures Teodoro M. Kalaw. He had been previously shown as the person on the right of the semi-postal issue of April 1, 1949, (Scott No. B1).

Bro. Teodoro M. Kalaw was born at Lipa, Batangas, on March 31, 1884. He was a lawyer and statesman and served as the Secretary of the Interior. He died on December 4, 1940.

Bro. Kalaw was initiated on April 8, 1907, in Nilad Lodge No. 12, Manila, and passed to the Fellowcraft degree on March 7, 1911. He later served as Master of this Lodge. He assisted in the unification of the various constitutions to form a new Grand Lodge of the Philippines in 1917 and served the organization as Junior Grand Warden, Grand Orator, Grand Master and Grand Secretary. He wrote the first book of Freemasonry to be printed in the Philippines, published in 1920, and provided much of the information known today of that formation period.

ELECTION RESULTS

As the election period draws to a close, it is very apparent that the new officers for the 1984-1986 term are:

President	Thomas M. Gardner, #111
Vice-President	Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., #109
Secretary-Treasurer	Otto L. Steding, #45ch

The final vote count will be cited in the next newsletter. Actual balloting provided a higher count for Bro. Richard M. Needham for President but he has chosen not to serve in that position as explained in the letter on the next page.



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Office of the
Sec'y-Treas.

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No. 3

TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MASONIC STUDY UNIT

Election results for the 1984-86 term are as follows:

PRESIDENT: #3ch Dick Needham
V. PRES.: #105 Joe Walkes, Jr.
Sec'y-Treas.: #45ch Otto Steding.

Inasmuch as the president-elect has no desire or inclination to serve as the president of the Unit, and so stated thus, indirectly, on page #382 in the Vol. VII, #4 issue. Evidently the membership didn't read this page very good. The first paragraph in this article headed: ELECTION TIME NEARS, reads as follows (and I quote): "Terms of our elective officers end May 1, and we must elect others, it seems. President Kemp desires to retire, and Sec'y-Treas. Needham asks to be relieved of his duties, but is willing to serve as vice president." Unquote!

Therefore, in the light of the results of the recent election, the president-elect immediately withdraws or resigns, whichever is appropriate, from the office which leaves the runner-up in the contest, as the elected president--#111 Thomas M. Gardner--in control of that position. He is therefore the new elected president of this Unit.

As mentioned to various members since the first of this year, or maybe even earlier the outgoing Sec'y has stated that (similar to the words of Pres. Calvin Coolidge in 1928): "If nominated, I won't accept; if elected I will not serve." I did not choose to run in 1984. However, the nomination was sent in in spite of my words to the contrary.

I stepped down from the sec'y-treas. office after 7+ years on the job and because of time & effort conducting that job (plus personal reasons), and has no desire to be back into any capacity where time & effort are again involved. He gave up the sec'y-treas. to get out and surely has no desire to get back into activity in the top job. This is my "swan song" to the membership. Good luck to all the new officers for the next two years (until May 1, 1986). MAHALO!!!

If the new prexy sees fit to appoint me to one of the 'official family' positions, so be it; I'll be active in the Unit in a minor role, anyway. So Note it Be!!!

P.S.--I'd like to thank all you members who voted for me for prexy, but sorry you will lose your vote, this time. You should have voted for me as V.P. and everybody would have gained.

Fraternally yours,

Sec'y-Treas. outgoing

RMN

GENERAL MARK WAYNE CLARK

On April 17, 1984, Mark Wayne Clark, the last of the World War II Generals, died at the Medical University of South Carolina. The four-star general led the Allied invasion of Italy at the head of the Fifth Army. Of the other four U.S. commanders in the war - Generals Dwight Eisenhower, Omar Bradley, George Patton and Douglas MacArthur - two more (Bradley and MacArthur) were Freemasons.



Mark Wayne Clark was born on May 1, 1896, at Madison Barracks, N.Y. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1917. He later received honorary degrees from many colleges and universities both here and abroad. His progression up the military chain of command was steady from his commissioning as a 2nd lieutenant in April 1917 to achievement of the rank of full general in 1945.

During World War I he saw service as a battalion commander participating in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. At the start of World War II he became the deputy chief of staff and then the chief of staff of the Army Ground Forces in 1942. Also in 1942 Gen. Clark was one of the officers who landed in Africa by submarine to confer with representatives of General Giraud on the forthcoming invasion by Allied forces. From the submarine to land and back, he paddled a canoe. On the return trip this canoe capsized and the general lost his trousers in the rescue. He was known by many as the general who lost his pants in a daring submarine expedition. The entire mission, including the invasion, was a success and Mark Clark was promoted to three-star general at age 46 - the youngest man to hold the rank up until that time.

In January 1943, Gen. Clark was designated commanding general of the Fifth Army, which he led from Salerno up the Italian Peninsula. The September 8, 1943, landing was the first time American troops set foot on the European continent during the conflict, but it was a very costly victory. He commanded the 15th Army group in Italy in the 1944-45 time period. Following the war he served as commander-in-chief of the U.S. occupation forces in Austria and was given the nickname, or title, of "Savior of Austria" by those under his surveillance. In 1952 he was the commander-in-chief of the United Nations Command in Korea and commanding general of all U.S. forces in the Far East. He retired on October 31, 1953, to accept the presidency of The Citadel, a military college in Charleston, S.C., and served as such until 1965. He died in that city at the age of 87 from cancer and liver and heart complications.

MARK WAYNE CLARK (Cont'd)

Bro. Mark Wayne Clark was initiated on November 18, passed on December 2 and raised on December 30, 1929, in Mystic Tie Lodge No. 398 at Indianapolis, Ind. He later affiliated with Hancock Lodge No. 11 at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

He received the 32^o AASR in Indianapolis in 1930 and affiliated with the Scottish Rite in Fort Leavenworth in 1934. He later received the 33^o when he returned to Indianapolis in 1946. In 1954 the Supreme Council AASR (NJ) presented him the Gourgas Medal, their highest decoration. It is in recognition of notably distinguished service in the cause of Freemasonry, humanity or country.

The patch of the 5th Army which Gen. Clark led in the advance through Italy is pictured on a Brazilian stamp issued in 1945 (Scott No. 635). This release can be used to head a page for Gen. Clark until the United States or some other country honors him with a stamp bearing his likeness.

RECENT FRENCH ISSUES

Bro. John M. Cunningham has provided a copy of two 1984 semi-postal issues of France which picture Freemasons as well as the following information on each brother pictured. Maximilien Paul Emile Littre is pictured on the stamp to the left while Jean Elie Paul Zay is shown on the one to the right.



Maximilien Paul Emile Littre

He was born in Paris on February 1, 1801, and died there on June 2, 1881. He was a French philosopher, writer and philosopher. He worked 40 years on the great dictionary of the French language, "Dictionnaire de la Langue Francaise". He became a follower of Auguste Comte, the "positivist" and was recognized as the head of this school of philosophy after the latter's death in 1857. He was elected to the French Academy in 1871 and became a life senator in 1875.

He received his Entered Apprentice degree along with Jules Ferry on July 8, 1875, in the presence of 2000 Brethren in Lodge "La Clemente Amitie" at Paris.

Jean Elie Paul Zay

He was born on August 6, 1904, at Orleans (Loiret) and died on June 22, 1944, at Cusset (Allier). He was a French lawyer, publisher and politician being a member of the National Assembly since 1932. He was Minister of Education from 1936 to 1939. He was an uncompromising enemy of Nazism and during the regime of Petain he was arrested and murdered. His memoirs, "Souvenirs et Solitude", written during his imprisonment were published in 1946.

He received the Entered Apprentice degree on January 24, 1926, in Lodge "Etienne Dolet" at Orleans. He held several offices in this Lodge.

MASONIC FANCY CANCELS

Symbols of Masonry

on stamps



Masonic Square on the 1863 Issue



Square and Compasses on the 1867 Regular Issue
"F" Grill

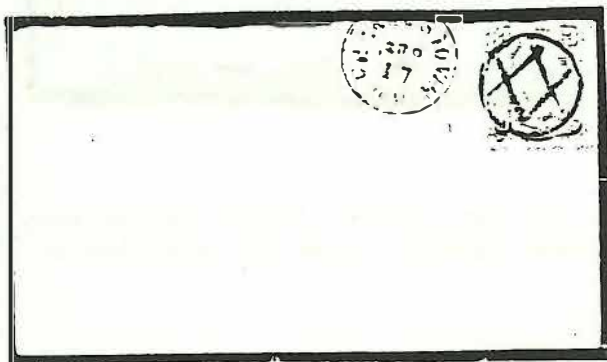


Negative Square and Compasses
on the 1869 Pictorial Issue



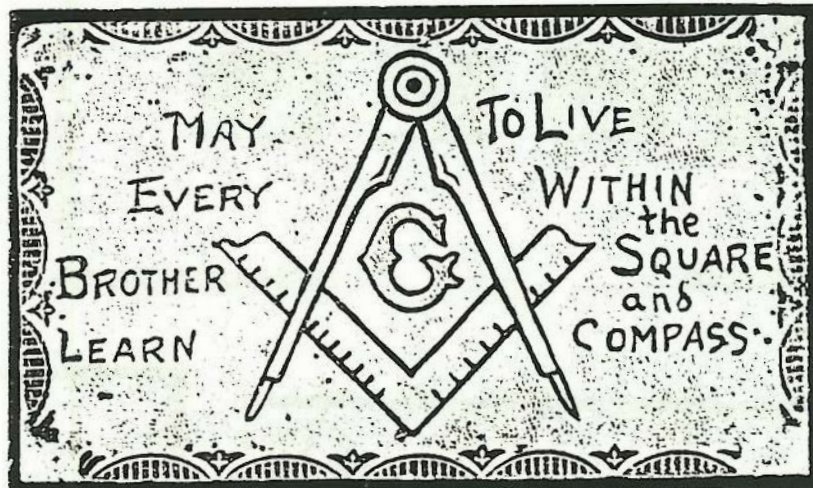
Before the availability of cancelling machines, postmasters were called upon to devise their own method of cancellation. One popular method was to carve designs out of cork, wood or hard rubber. Many postmasters had an artistic interest in their work and produced a variety of fancy cancels, some of which were Masonic symbols. The Masonic Square and Compasses was the most popular design; however, others such as the square, trowel and Fez have been found.

The album page to the left shows some of the types of cancels which do exist on 19th Century stamps. The covers below show that the practice was not limited to U.S. Postmasters but also extended to our Canadian neighbors. Some application of fancy cancels in the 20th Century can be found.



MASONIC POST CARDS

There have been some examples of Masonic Post Cards shown in previous issues of The Philatelic Freemason. Some more examples from the editor's collection are shown for your enjoyment. The "I'm One, too" is from the 1909 Ullman series while the "He's a Mason" was copyrighted in 1906 by W.H.Gallagher. The remaining card is done on leather.



Well, there it is - the first issue by the new editor. Please let me know what you think of it. But, more specifically, please provide items and articles of the type which you would like to see.

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