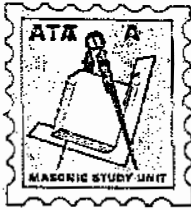


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WHOLE NO. 51

GONZALO DE QUESADA AROSTEOUI



Gonzalo de Quesada Arostegui was born in Havana, Cuba, on December 15, 1868. He was a convinced patriot and a favorite desciple and companion of the illustrious Cuban fighter for independence and Mason, José Martí. He was a well known author and is considered one of the most brilliant orators of his time. He stayed in the U.S.A. for a long time where he undertook the secretaryship of the "Partido Revolucionario Cubana". After the republic was established in Cuba in 1902, he became the first Ambassador to Washington and later to Berlin. He died in Berlin in 1915.

Gonzalo de Quesada was a member of the Lodge "La Fraternidad" No. 387 in New York City. This Lodge was founded in 1855 by Andres Cassard from Santiago, Cuba. Because of the numerous Cuban emigrants that were members of this Lodge, it soon became known as "The Cuban Lodge". The Lodge assembled periodically in the spacious and elegant Corinthian drawing-room of the German Masonic Temple building situated at Third Avenue and 15th Street in New York City.

Cuba dedicated a stamp to this great patriot in 1940, Scott No. 361. It commemorates the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Pan American Union.

Source: Francisco J. Ponte Dominguez: "La Masoneria en la Independencia de Cuba".

- Article and stamp contributed by Bro. Wessel M. Lans,
The Netherlands

ANOTHER AWARD WINNER

Our Vice President, Bro. Joseph Walkes, Jr., entered his collection of "Black Americans on Postage Stamps" in MIDAPHIL 85 and walked away with a bronze medal. This was his first entry into this exhibition. Congratulations, Bro. Walkes!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

- 451. Donald W. Brenke, ATA Director of Units, Box 179, Washington, D.C. 20044
- 452. King Wheeler, 1140 So. Dale St., Denver, Colo. 80219
- 453. James Tribble, 754 So. Emerson, Denver, Colo. 80209
- 454. Albert Knuckey, 410 So. High St., Denver, Colo. 80209
- 455. Arthur L. Reichert, 178 Lucas Rd., E. Greenwich, R.I. 02818
- 461. William Klemm, 10 Andrea Lane, Avon, Conn. 06001 (or Ct. as the P.O. prefers)
- 462. John H. Willard, 1025 Monroe St., Denver, Colo. 80206
- 463. LeRoy H. Curtis, 2117 Fisher Dr., Wooster, Ohio 44691
- 464. Carl F. Schauer, 177 Mohawk Dr., Cranford, N.J. 07016

It is rewarding to see all these new members. It appears that Bro. J. N. Adams is quite a bit ahead in the membership drive as he has recruited the four new members from Denver cited above - all are members of the Denver Masonic Stamp Club.

Richard Bergen, Member #247 of Park Hills, Ky, was coroneted 33^o (SJ-AASR) on Nov. 30, 1985. Congratulations, Bro Bergen! He also received the degrees of the Royal Order of Scotland in Washington, D.C., on Oct. 24, 1985.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

In conjunction with the upcoming election of officers, we should review the roles which are defined for these individuals within the Unit's By-Laws. It has been some time since these By-Laws were published (Oct/Nov 1982 newsletter) so they are cited below. The Unit officers - President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer - are elected for two year periods and are characterized as follows:

President - The president shall have general charge of the business and affairs of the Unit, shall preside at all meetings and shall appoint all committees authorized by the Board of Directors.

Vice-President - The Vice-President shall serve as an aide to the president and shall perform the duties of the president in his absence or inability to serve. He shall perform such additional duties as delegated to him by the president.

Secretary-Treasurer - The secretary-treasurer shall conduct correspondence relative to the welfare of the Unit and shall keep records of the membership and the Unit's activities and shall receive all monies in the name of the Unit and shall pay out monies authorized by proper voucher.

The appointed positions of the Unit are two Directors, Editor, Historian and Research Chairman; their functions are as follows:

Directors - Two Directors acting with the officers shall constitute the Board of Directors. Each Director has the responsibility to assume the duties given him by the president or vice-president. They will oversee the Historian and the Librarian (Research Chairman).

Editor - The Editor is appointed by the President and shall be designated on a bi-yearly basis.

Historian - The Historian is appointed by the president on a 2-year basis. He is responsible for the history of the Unit and its functions.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS (Cont'd)

Research Chairman - The Research Chairman is appointed by the president on a 2-year basis and functions to answer questions that are asked of the Unit pertaining to Masonic Philately. He will also keep, maintain and make available for other members the Unit's research library (if one is ever compiled).

Representatives can also be appointed by the president to act as the Unit's personal touch in their immediate areas. They can give the Unit better exposure in local publications and can contact the secretaries of local Lodges and stamp clubs.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

In response to the request for suggestions for the positions of President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer published in the latest newsletters, some nominations have been received. Honestly, the offerings have been few and I hope that this final call for inputs will be heeded by more of the Unit members. The nominations received to date are:

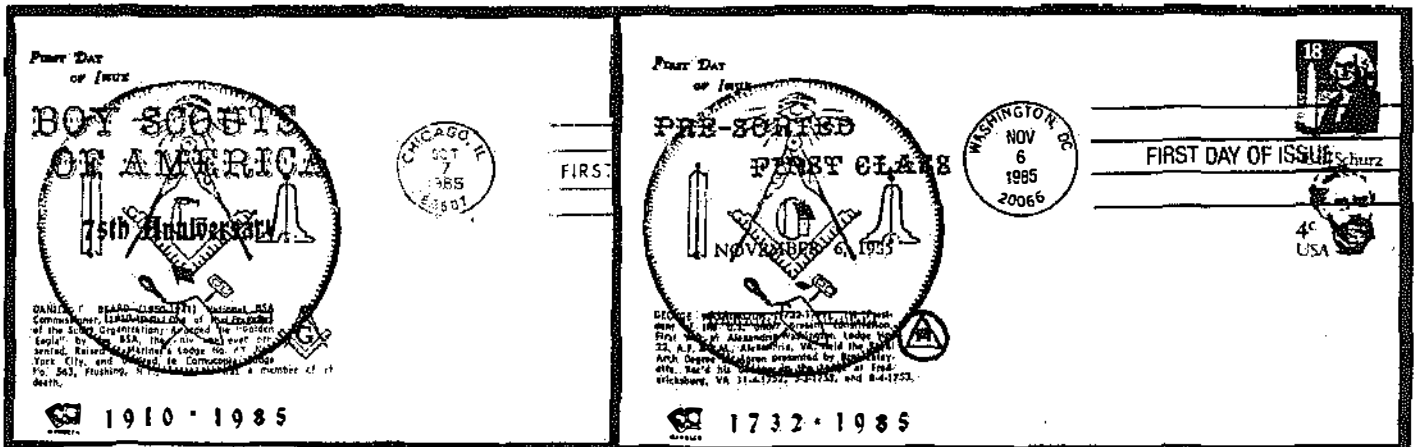
- President Thomas M. Gardner (incumbent)
 Robert A. Domingue
- Vice-President Joseph A. Walkes, Jr. (incumbent)
 Dorothy Walker
- Secretary-Treasurer Otto L. Steding (incumbent)

Although I am flattered by the nomination for President, I am much happier in the role of Editor and hope that the elected President will reappoint me to that position. I believe I can contribute more in that function and therefore remove myself from the election slate under that assumption.

If you have any other nominations which you would like to see on the ballot in the next newsletter, please send them in to the Editor.

MAHDEEN'S LATEST

Bro. Dick Needham's two latest Masonic FDC's in his series first started back in 1950 are shown below - those for Daniel F. Beard/Boy Scouts and George Washington.



NEW ISSUES

The following new issues of the world have Masonic significance:

- Rep. of Guinea 9/23 - Anniversaries and Events - several values including:
15 s Frederic Bartholdi & Statue of Liberty
- Paraguay 8/6 - 75th Death Anniversary of Henri Dunant - 2 values & sheetlet
H. Dunant pictured on sheetlet
- Haiti 8/30 - Birth Centenary of Simon Bolivar - 7 Values & S/S
S. Bolivar portrait on each
- Mexico 9/15 - 175th Anniversary of Independence - 5 Values & S/S
22p Miguel Hidalgo 36p Leon Vigario
35p Jose de Morelos 110p Vincente Guerreo
35p Ignacio Allende S/S Portraits of all five
- Guinea-Bissau 8/5 - International Music Year - 7 Values & S/S including:
5p Robert Schumann
12p Luigi Cherubini
- Guyana 10/15 - 20th Anniversary of Death of Sir Winston Churchill
"Sir Winston Churchill/1965-1985" overprinted on
\$2 Butterflies

1986 US ISSUES

The tentative slate of issues for 1986 has been announced by the USPS. There are several which are applicable to a Masonic topical collection.

- Jan. 3 - Arkansas statehood
- Jan. 11 - Jack London, author - no Masonic information
- Jan. 23 - Stamp Collecting booklet
- Jan. TBD- Love
- Feb. 1 - AMERIPEX '86 postal card
- Feb. 4 - Sojourner Truth
- Feb. TBD- Hugo L. Black - Mason (see article in this newsletter)
- Mar. 2 - Republic of Texas
- Mar. 19 - William Jennings Bryan - Mason (see article in this newsletter)
- Mar. 21 - Fish booklet
- Apr. 4 - Public Hospitals
- Apr. 29 - Duke Ellington - Mason (see article in this newsletter)
- May 2 - Lace making
- May 22 - US Presidents - 4 miniature sheets - several Masons (Pix Elsewhere)
- May TBD - Stamp Collecting postal card
- May TBD - Francis Vigo postal card - no Masonic information on this Revolutionary War patriot
- May 30 - Settlement of Conn. postal card
- Jun. 3 - Margaret Mitchel, author of "Gone With the Wind"
- Jun. 4 - Polar Explorers - Robert E. Peary - Mason (Articles previously published)
Matthew A. Henson - Mason (article in this newsletter)
Elisha K. Kane - Mason " " " "
Adolphus W. Greely - Mason " " " "
- Jul. 3 - Wisconsin Territory postal card
- Jul. 4 - Statue of Liberty (joint issue with France) F. A. Bartholdi - Mason
- Jul. 14 - Father Edward J. Flanagan, founder of Boy's Town
- Aug. 25 - Bret Harte, author - no Masonic information



1986 US ISSUES (Cont'd)

- Sep. 4 - John Harvard - no Masonic information
- Sep. 15 - Dr. Paul Dudley White, cardiologist - no Masonic information
- Sep. 17 - Dr. Bernard Revel, founder of Yeshiva Univ. - no Masonic information
- Sep. 26 - T. S. Eliot, poet - no Masonic information
- Oct. 1 - Woodcarved figurines
- Oct. 24 - Christmas issues (2)

Any Masonic information on persons cited above other than those already identified as being Masons will be sincerely appreciated and will be published in the Newsletter for all to read.

Presidents of the United States - I



AMERIPEX 86 International Stamp Show Chicago, Illinois May 22-June 1, 1986

Presidents of the United States - II



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Presidents of the United States - III



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Presidents of the United States - IV



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Handwritten notes: "9-29-22" and "G446A-TH" with a checkmark.

NORVELL HARDY (aka OLIVER HARDY)

The USPS has indicated that it will issue a commemorative to honor the famed "Laurel and Hardy" comedy team. Bro. Frank Cochrane has been among a large group of people who have written to anyone and everyone to promote this stamp for a number of years. He has provided us with some Masonic data on Bro. Hardy. He can find no record of Stan Laurel ever being a Mason. Bro. Hardy was born in 1892 and died in 1957.

According to the Secretary of Solomon Lodge No. 20, F&AM, of Jacksonville, Fla., "Bro. Oliver Norvell Hardy made application for the degrees on March 20, 1916, he received his Entered Apprentice May 22, 1916, upon objection to be advanced, by a Past Master July 10, 1916, no reason given, Sept. 23, 1916, objection was withdrawn and he was passed to Fellowcraft Degree Sept. 25, 1916, and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason Oct. 26, 1916."

Up until a few years ago anyone connected with the liquor business (salesman, bartender, tavern owner) could not petition a Masonic Lodge in the State of Florida. Some Lodges still use petitions with this question on them although it is now null and void. Before teaming up with Stan Laurel, Oliver Hardy made a number of films in Florida and in one he played the part of a drunk. This was reported to his Masonic Lodge and he had to appear in open Lodge and explain that he had been making a movie and was not in fact a public drunk. (Bro. Hardy told this story when he and Stan Laurel were on "This is your Life".) This may have been the reason for the objection by the Past Master.

- Contributed by Frank Cochrane III

MASONS ON FORTHCOMING 1986 US STAMPS

✓ Hugo La Fayette Black - Born on Feb. 27, 1886 in Harlan, Ala. He received his LL.B. from the University of Alabama in 1906 and began practice in Birmingham the next year. He was elected U.S. Senator from Ala. for two terms 1927-1937, was nominated associate justice of the Supreme Court by F. D. Roosevelt on Aug. 12, 1937, confirmed on Aug. 17 and took his seat on Oct. 4.

He was raised in Ashland Lodge No. 356, Ashland, Ala., in 1909. He later became a life member of Birmingham Temple Lodge No. 636. He was 32° AASR (SJ), K.T. and Shriner.

William Jennings Bryan - born March 18, 1860, in Salem, Ill. He was admitted to the bar in 1883 and began practice at Jacksonville, Ill., moving to Lincoln Nebr., in 1887. He was a member of the 52nd and 53rd Congresses, 1891-1895, from the first Nebr. District. He edited the Omaha World-Herald from 1894 to 1896. In 1896 he was nominated for President but was defeated by McKinley. This was repeated in 1900 and then by Taft in 1908. He was Colonel of the 3rd Nebr. regiment in the Spanish-American War. As Secretary of State in Wilson's Cabinet 1913 to 1915, he negotiated thirty treaties. He died on July 26, 1925, in Miami, Fla.

He was raised in Lincoln Lodge No. 19, Lincoln, Nebr., on April 15, 1902, and later affiliated with Temple Lodge No. 247, Miami, Fla.

✓ Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington - Born in 1899, he moved to New York from his native Washington in 1923 and there continued to refine and present his music in a big band format. Radio broadcasts during his orchestra's 1927-1932 engagement at New York's fashionable Cotton Club brought the "Duke" and his orchestra international fame. His instrument was the piano, yet Ellington considered his incomparable orchestra to be the truest expression of his creative vision. He died in New York City in 1974.

He was a member of Social Lodge No. 1, Prince Hall Grand Lodge F.& A.M., of the District of Columbia.

✓ Matthew A. Henson - Born Aug. 8, 1866, in Charles County, Md. He was associated with Robert Peary for 20 years and was with him when he reached the North Pole in 1909. Being the last survivor of this expedition, he died in 1955.

He was a member of Celestial Lodge No. 3, Prince Hall jurisdiction in New York City.

✓ Elisha Kent Kane - Born Feb. 20, 1820, in Philadelphia, Pa., he was graduated from the University of Penna. in 1842 with a medical degree and entered the U.S. Navy on June 21, 1843, as assistant surgeon. He served in China, Africa and the Mediterranean and requested to be relieved of duty to accompany the DeHaven (Henry Grinnell) expedition to the Arctic as surgeon. He commanded the second such expedition in 1853-54. He died in Havana, Cuba, on Feb. 16, 1857.

He received all three degrees in Franklin Lodge No. 134, Philadelphia, Pa.. He was entertained at a reception by Saint John's Lodge, Newfoundland on June 17, 1853, and was presented a Masonic Flag. Kane Lodge No. 454 of New York City, the famous "explorers' lodge" is named for him.

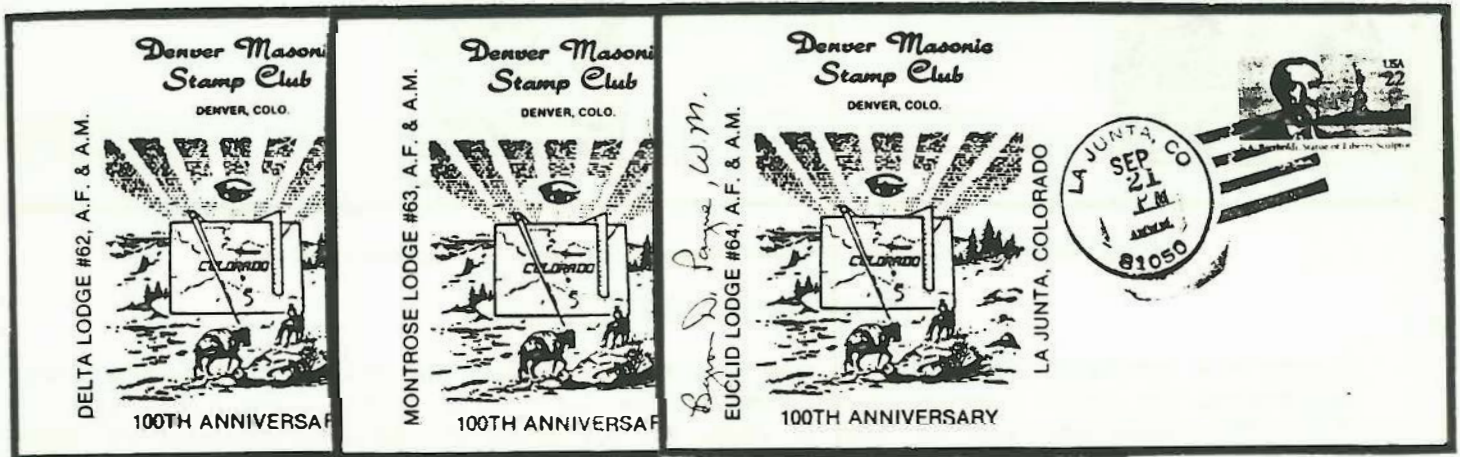
MASONS ON FORTHCOMING 1986 US STAMPS (Cont'd)

Adolphus W. Greely - Born on March 27, 1844, at Newburyport, Mass. he served in the Civil War from private to major. After the war he rose to brigadier general and chief signal officer in 1887 and major general in 1906. He constructed telegraph lines in Texas, Dakotas and Montana and conducted expeditions to the Polar sea. He died in 1935.

He was a member of St. Marks Lodge of Newburyport, Mass., and was knighted in Newburyport Commandery, K.T., on June 17, 1867. He was made an honorary member of Kane Lodge No. 454, New York City

DENVER MSC COVERS

Bro. J. N. Adams, member #440 of Denver, informs us that the Denver Masonic Stamp Club is very active and continues to issue Masonic covers. The latest of these is a series of three covers honoring the 100th Anniversary of three Colorado Lodges: Delta Lodge No. 62, Montrose Lodge No. 63 and Euclid Lodge No. 64. Shown below, these covers are available from him at 2685 So. Sherman St., Denver, Colo., 80210. for a cost of \$5.00 for the set of three.



Some of the covers issued over the years by the Denver MSC for various events/shows are still available from Bro. Adams at a cost of \$1.25 each. The cachet for each is the same as shown above; the commemorated events available are: ROMPEX 78, 82, 83, 84, 85 and the Grand Master Annual Visitation at Doric Lodge No. 25 on Aug. 14, 1982.

A NEW FIRST FOR MIRT

Back in the Jan/Feb 1985 Newsletter I mentioned that Bro. John A. Mirt might have issued a FDC for the Clara Barton stamp of Sept. 7, 1948. This would precede the Indian Centennial stamp FDC of Oct. 15, 1948, which I had thought to be his first. Bro. Adams of Denver has come to the forefront with a true copy of a FDC for that issue which proves it does exist. We are both still perplexed at the 1949 copyright date but perhaps he waited until that year to have the cachet printed.

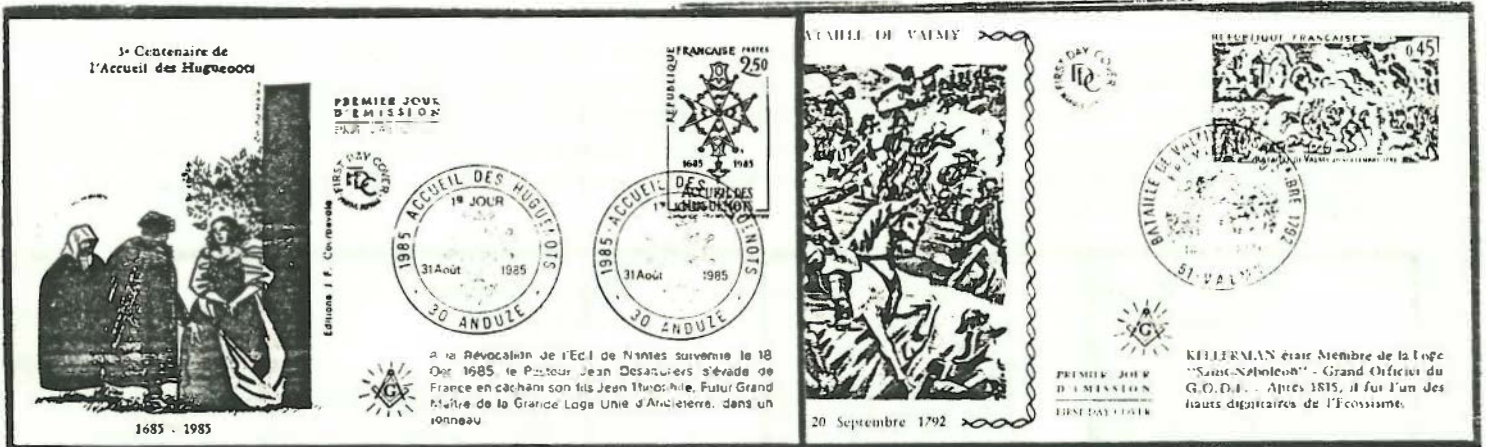
Thank you for the confirmation, Bro. Adams.

MORE FRENCH MASONIC FDC's AVAILABLE

Bro. Jean Prouteau, President of the J. T. Desagulier Club, has announced that he has five more Masonic covers available for sale:

FDC	-Kellerman	1971	\$2.00
	Huguenots	1985	2.00
	M. Jones (Monaco)	1967	3.00
Special	-Pilatre de Rozier	1985	2.00
	Exelmans	1985	2.00

The cost of the entire lot, including postage, is \$12.00, and is available from Bro. Prouteau at 1, rue Paul Verlaine, 1700 La Rochelle, France. A couple of these covers are illustrated below.



INFORMATION ON UNKNOWN COVER

A note was received from Humberto Lenciani Gullo, Member No. 381, regarding the newly discovered but still unknown cover shown in the last issue of the newsletter (page 519). This cover was used on July 6, 1974, to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of "Amor e Concordia" (Love and Concord) Lodge in Jundiai city, Sao Paulo, Brazil. This city is 60 miles from Limeira where Bro. Gullo lives. Thank you for the information.

MSU NO. 12 COVER - MARK TWAIN

Your Editor has acquired a limited quantity of Mark Twain/Halley's Comet Aerogramme FDC's and will be adding a Masonic cachet to make them MSU #12 covers. The limited quantity and higher face value will increase the price to \$1.50 each plus a #10 SASE per order. As before, orders should be placed with the Editor.

Copies of all previous Unit covers are still available at \$1.00 each (plus a #10 SASE) except Nos. 3 and 3A which are sold out.

JOHANN REINHOLD FORSTER

Bro. Wessel M. Lans informs us that the Falkland Islands issued a series of stamps which not only pictures Johann Georg Adam Forster but also his father, Johann Reinhold Forster, 1729-1798. He was a member of the Lodge "Zu den drei Degen" in Halle, Germany. He was W. M. of this Lodge in 1781.

MASONIC NEWS OF LIBERIA

Our Unit Vice-President, Bro. Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., has a letter from the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Liberia dated April 20, 1985, which states that the Liberian Leader Doe, in his Redemption Day speech made over nation-wide radio, lifted the ban which his military government imposed against Craft Masonry on April 12, 1980. He gave assurances that orders would be given to have all of the Masonic properties throughout the country returned back to the Freemasons. The squatters which were occupying the Grand Masonic Temple in Monrovia were moved out by the military government and contact has been reestablished with Prince Hall Masonry in the United States.

The following excerpts have been taken from Bro. Walkes new book about the Republic of Liberia and its Masonry before the coup. The stamps illustrated are pertinent to this history.



Tubman



Tolbert



363
SC 488-90 138-34
688-90 770
74-26 817-19
611-615

Unexpectedly on July 23, 1971, Prince Hall Masonry was to learn of the death of Pres. William V. S. Tubman of Liberia at a London Clinic. Vice-President William R. Tolbert was sworn in by Richard A. Henries, Speaker of the Liberia House and Grand Master of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the Republic of Liberia. In response to a telegram from Jno. G. Lewis, the new President responded by telegram:

"I acknowledge with thanks your expression of condolences on behalf of 260,000 Masonic Brothers sent to Mrs. Tubman and family, the people and Government of Liberia for the death of President Tubman. Please convey to your several jurisdictions our appreciation of their thoughtfulness which made the burden of our painful loss more bearable by the comfort and courage. Your message of sympathy brought from so many Masonic brothers. We shall strive to continue to strengthen the world brotherhood which our fallen hero strove to achieve."

W. R. Tolbert

The inauguration of Pres. Tolbert drew representatives from 52 nations; also, 300 organizations from around the world sent delegates to the West African Republic. Mrs. Pat Nixon headed the official U. S. delegation and Pres. Nixon provided transportation for the 12,000 mile trip in two Air Force C-141 transport planes. Through the assistance of Jno. G. Lewis, the famed Grambling College Marching Band was invited to perform as part of the U. S. delegation and for that reason, the second C-141 was added.

Jno. G. Lewis headed a delegation of thirty third degree Prince Hall Freemasons to Monrovia to attend the inauguration. The Masonic delegation, the guests of Pres. Tolbert, attended all of the official affairs that were held in conjunction with the ceremonies. Lewis further advised that while there, he would review plans and facilities that would be used when the Supreme Council would hold its annual convocation in Liberia in October. We have been and we gladly accepted the invitation of the Illustrious Deputy of the

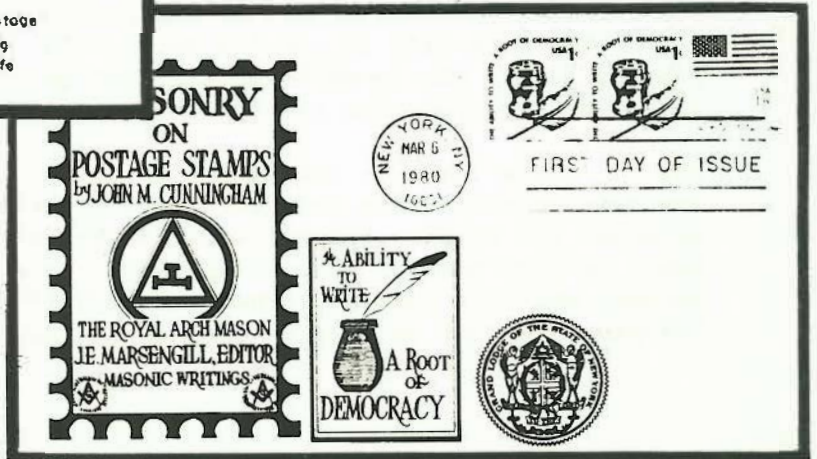
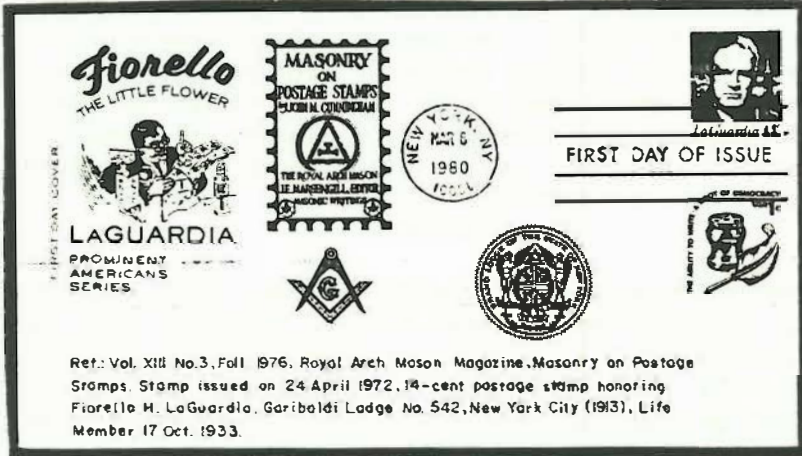
MASONIC NEWS OF LIBERIA (Cont'd)

Republic of Liberia, his Excellency, President William R. Tolbert, Jr., Mesurado Consistory No. 237, and other Masonic Fraters of the Republic of Liberia, to hold our 86th Annual Session in Monrovia, Liberia. It will be a great, monumental and historic event", exclaimed Lewis.

From "Jno. G. Lewis, Jr.: End of an Era: History of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Louisiana 1842-1979" by Joseph A. Walkes, Jr. (Chicago, Adams Press, 1986)

NEW COVERS FROM JOHN CUMMINGHAM

Some of Bro. John's latest cover efforts are shown below.



NEW EDSSEL MASONIC COVERS

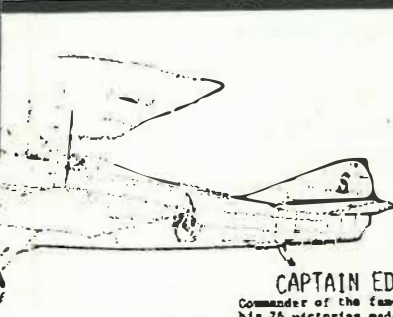
These covers are among those just recently offered by Edsel Hatfield, Member No. 21.



Veterans World War I
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 22

CAPTAIN HARVEY DUNN
"The Gentle Giant"


Chosen by Bro. JOHN J. PERSHING to be one of the official artists to accompany the AEF to France, his battle sketches gained such acclaim that the Smithsonian eventually acquired most of them. One was the subject of this stamp commemorating WWI. An active Mason, he hung most of his postwar work in the Masonic Hall near his birth place, Desmet, SD where he was also a welcome guest at their regular lodge meetings. EPSEL



Veterans World War I
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CAPTAIN EDDIE RICKENBACKER

Commander of the famous "Hat in the Ring" Squadron, his 26 victories made him top U.S. ace. Returning to his base from a short stay in the hospital, he saw a new Spad sitting in a supply area. It captured his fancy so he flew it away, No. 1, with RICKENBACKER piloting it, captured immediate fame in serial combat. Awarded Medal of Honor. Became a Mason in 1922, Kill-winning Lodge No. 297 Detroit. EAM, Knight Templar, Shriner, 33 AASR (M). EPSEL




Veterans World War I
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 22

LT. ERWIN BLECKLEY

Became the first Congressional Medal winner in the U.S. Air Service (posthumous). Shot down while flying relief supplies to the famous Argonne Lost Battalion during WWI. A member of Albert Pike Lodge #303 Wichita, KS. Kansas veterans had a portrait of BLECKLEY painted which they presented to John J. Pershing Hall, Paris. All that remains in Wichita is Bleckley Drive and a picture of the lieutenant with his Medal of Honor and Distinguished Flying Cross recently discovered behind a safe in a closet in Albert Pike Lodge. EPSEL

USA 204
Medal of Honor



Veterans World War I
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 22

JOHN J. "BLACK JACK" PERSHING
General of the Armies

Before photography there was only the skill of the artist to record war. Bro. PERSHING personally chose HARVEY DUNN as one of the AEF artists who would accompany him to France. This stamp is taken from one of DUNN'S portraits of that war. PERSHING'S Masonic affiliations were almost as extensive as those of Brother BARRY TRUMAN, who, on Feb. 24, 1942 presented him with a Certificate of Honorary Membership in the Grand Lodge of MO. EPSEL



WISCONSIN
1934
FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

CAPTAIN HARRY S. TRUMAN

A Lieutenant in the National Guard, he was promoted to Captain upon arriving in France with PERSHING'S A.E.F. He attended artillery school before being committed to combat. Later was to enjoy Masonic Brotherhood with fellow officers, JOHN C. MARSHALL & JOHN J. PERSHING'S LOUPE

MASONIC CACHETED COVER PRODUCERS

I have received several comments over the past year on my inclusion of cover illustrations without ordering instructions. In several instances, these covers were acquired as part of my own collection and not as part of an advertising campaign so ordering information was not applicable. Nevertheless, I do believe it appropriate to provide a listing of the current regular producers of Masonic cacheted covers so that those interested may pursue their own interests.

Domestic

Becher Covers
Edward E. Becher
58 Springfield St.
Belmont, Mass. 02178

Denver Masonic Stamp Club
James N. Adams
2685 So. Sherman St.
Denver, Colo. 80210

Mahdeen Covers
Richard M. Needham
708 No. Mt. Pleasant Ave.
Lancaster, Ohio 43130

Cochrane Covers
Frank Cochrane III
P. O. Box 360025
Melbourne, Fla. 32936

Edsel Masonic Covers
Edsel Hatfield
P. O. Box 36
Hazelwood, Mo. 63042

Masonic Stamp Club of N. Y.
Nick Batalias
27-05 Urban Place
Fair Lawn, N.J. 07410

John M. Cunningham
Grant 205
3700 No. Capitol St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20316

George Washington M.S.C.
Stanley Longenecker
P. O. Box 7244
Lancaster, Pa. 17604

Natsco Covers
Stanley Longenecker
P. O. Box 7244
Lancaster, Pa. 17604

David "C" Cachets
David C. Pritchard, Jr.
927 S. Ft. Thomas Ave.
Ft. Thomas, Ky. 41075

La. Lodge No. 102
John R. Allen
P. O. Box 26135
Richmond, Va. 23260

Temple Stamp Club
Wayne Claflin
4273 W. 85th St.
Milwaukee, Wisc. 53222

Foreign

de Getande Rand
W. F. Smit
Utrechtseweg 33-6
6866 CH Heelsum
The Netherlands

J. T. Desagulier Club
Jean Prouteau
1, rue Verlaine
1700 La Rochelle
France

Club Filatelico Internazionale
D. T. M.
Mrs. Dina Ricci
Casalla Postale 39
Lugo, 48022 Italy

Dealers/Producers

Ross Wetreich
P. O. Box 1300
Valley Stream, L. I.
New York 11582

Henry Murray
Arlington Supplies, Ltd.
P. O. Box 143
Palmers Green
London N13 4XN
Great Britain

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

I don't have too much more to say after preparing all this copy except please help a bit by submitting items of interest, articles, leads, etc. This should be a news-letter for all, to all and by all.

I hope you all had a joyous Holiday season and I wish all of you a Happy, prosperous New Year.