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The 12¢ stamp of the June 19, 1911 Royal Family Issue of Newfoundland commemorating the Coronation of King George V (Scott No. 113) pictures Prince Arthur



Prince Arthur was born at Buckingham Palace on May 1, 1850, to Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. He entered the Royal Military academy, Woolwich, in 1866 and did well in the army, becoming full general in 1893 and field marshall in 1902. He served in Egypt in 1882, commanding the guards brigade at Tel el Kebir. He then went to India and held the Bombay command from 1886 to 1890. Returning to England, the duke held various military appointments, notably commander in chief in Ireland (1900-1904), inspector general to the forces (1904-1907) and commander in chief in the Mediterranean (1907-1909). As governor-general of Canada (1911-1916) he was very popular but his governship was not without controversy, largely resulting from his attempt to intervene in Canadian military affairs. He withdrew from public life in 1928 and died at Bagshot Park, Surrey, on Jan. 16, 1942.

Prince Arthur was initiated on March 29, 1874, in the Prince of Wales Lodge No. 259, and was passed on April 27, 1875. His initiation was performed by his brother the Prince of Wales (later King Edward VII). He became permanent Master of the Prince of Wales Lodge in 1903. He was a member of Royal Alpha Lodge No. 16 and Master 1881-82; London Irish Rifles Lodge No. 2312, Master 1889-1942; Aldershot Army & Navy Lodge No. 1971, Master 1897-1942; Household Brigade Lodge No. 2614, Master 1908-42; Jubilee Masters Lodge No. 2712, Master 1917-41; Old Wellingtonian Lodge No. 3404, Master 1909-42; Royal Colonial Institute Lodge No. 3556, Master 1911-42; Nil Sine Labore Lodge No. 2736, Master 1904-42. He was Senior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England in 1877, Provincial Grand Master for Sussex 1886-1901, District Grand Master of Bombay 1887-1901, Past Grand Master in 1891 and Grand Master of The United Grand Lodge of England from 1901 to 1939. He also served as First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter and Grand Master of Master of Mark Master Masons, both from 1901 to 1939. He was also Supreme Grand Master of the United Military Orders of the Temple of St. John from 1908 to 1939.

-Based on an article submitted by Bro. Roy Schwartz, Member No.67

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

NEW_MEMBERS

None - Why?

ADDRESS CHANGES

120. Floyd L. Bass, 118 Beech Mt. Rd., Mansfield Center, Conn. 06250.

REMINDER - This is the first newsletter of the new Unit year. Dues should be paid by now to our Treasurer, Bro. Otto Steding, 1033 Hollytree Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio 45231. Please make sure that your dues are paid up so this is not your last newsletter.

NEWS ABOUT MEMBERS

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Our Vice President, Bro. Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., is Editor of the "Philatelic Kansas", journal of the Leavenworth Stamp Club in Leavenworth, Kansas, in addition to being President of The Phylaxis Society - A Society for Prince Hall Freemasonry. He has had an exhibit on Black Americans in the Leavenworth, Kansas, Post Office during the month of March.

Frank Cochrane III has been working as the Florida Grand Master's Secretary since January 1968. This next year he has been appointed as vice-chairman of a Grand Lodge Committee, will be installed as District Deputy Grand High Priest on May 25 and as Illustrious Grand Steward of the Grand Council of Florida on May 26. He has also been appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Maryland near Florida. This is all in addition to his regular duties as Secretary/Recorder of his York Rite bodies.

Dorothy Walker has been elected as Conductress of Queen Esther Chapter No. 262, Order of the Eastern Star, for the ensuing year.

Richard M. Needham has been ill again - this time it was an adverse reaction to medication which almost did him in. It apparently was a very close call but he is now well on the road to recovery. Try to stay out of trouble please, Dick.

CORRECTION ON WILLIAM WENTWORTH

Bro. Sid Martin of South Australia wrote to point out an error which he noticed on Bro. Provan's album page shown in our last newsletter (page 616). It refers to William Wentworth and, in particular, his death. It is stated as being May 25, 1828. Actually, he died on March 20, 1872 - a difference of 44 years. Bro. Martin notes that Bro. Wentworth took part in the drafting of the Australian Constitution in 1842. According to Bro. Provan's date he would have been dead for 14 years on that occasion.

Items like this help stimulate active research - thanks again to Bro. Provan for use of his page and to Bro. Martin for the correcting information.

MARYLAND GRAND LODGE BICENTENNIAL - CACHET & COVERS

The Maryland Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons issued a set of three cacheted covers cancelled in Baltimore on April 17, 1987, in commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge's founding. A special cancellation "Two Hundred Years of Maryland Freemasonry" (shown below) was used. The printed cachets honor Past Grand Master John P. Coats (First Grand Master), Past Grand Master Thomas J. Shryock (Grand Master when the Centennial was observed) and the seal of the Grand Lodge.

The covers were franked with the 22¢ Flag stamp which also depicts the U.S. Capitol Dome. The significance of this franking is that the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol was laid in 1793 under the direction of the Grand Lodge of Maryland. President George Washington joined in the cornerstone laying ceremonies as a Mason.

The set of covers costs \$4.00 and orders, accompanied by a #10 SASE, should be sent to:

Dr. John P. Coats Memorial Lodge Grand Lodge of A.F.& A.M. of Maryland 225 North Charles Street Baltimore, MD. 21201



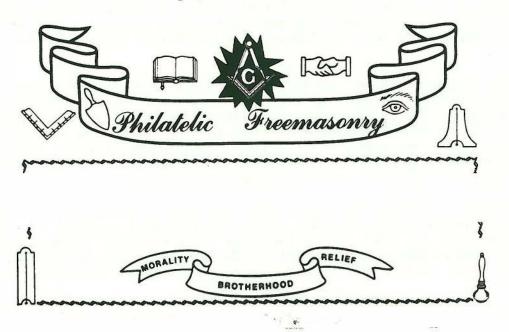
TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF MARYLAND FREEMASONRY 1787 - 1987

MASONIC STATION APRIL 17, 1987

-Item submitted by Bro. Charles A. Orlick, Member #328

MORE MASONIC PAGES

Bro. Donald R. McKinney of Acworth, Ga., has some album pages which he uses for his collection and is willing to provide them to any interested member at a cost of $10 \notin$ each plus postage. These pages are printed in black ink on light blue stock and can be ordered from him at 3462 Plantation Ridge, Acworth, Ga. 30101.



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EDUARD DOUWES DEKKER

(PSEUDONYM = MULTATULI)

The Netherlands issued a stamp on March 10, 1987, which pictures the Dutch author and moralist Eduard douwes Dekker - better known as Multatuli. This pseudonym translated from the Latin *Multa tuli* means I have suffered much.



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Eduard douwes Dekker was born on March 2, 1820, in Amsterdam, Holland. He attended a Latin school in Holland and then worked in a business office. He left Holland in 1838 at the age of 18 and travelled to Batavia (formerly the Dutch East Indies) by ship - his father was the captain of that ship. In Batavia he started working in the Audit Office - the beginning of a governmental career which spanned over several years. In 1842 he became controller at Natal (West Sumatra) but came into conflicts with the Governor. He was transferred to Padang and later suspended. In 1845 he served official functions on Java and became a clerk at Purworedjo in 1846 following his marriage. He became a secretary at Menado (Celebes) in 1848 and in 1851 was promoted to the position of assistant-resident at Amboyna.

Multatuli and his wife, Everdine Hubertine, baroness of Wijubergen, were in Gorkum, Holland, from 1852 to 1855 because of some inheritance problems in his wife's family. He went to Lebak (South Bantam) in 1856 where he was assistantresident and his actions against abuses there spelled the end of his governmental career. He returned to Europe in 1857 and started to write about the troubled times in his life leading to an autobiographical novel in 1860 entitled "Max Havelaar". He held out hope (in vain) for nearly ten years for a comeback in a new official position in the Dutch East Indies. In the meantime he lived off the profits of his books and speeches. He moved to Germany in 1866 and lived there until his death on 19 February 1887 in Nieder Ingelheim (West Germany).

In his books, Multatuli shocks the conscience of his readers in an attempt to liberate them from the prejudice of the 19th century and tried to educate them to a free research from/to all things. He tried to point out to his readers their moral duties: "The vocation of humanity is being human". He sought attention for the needs of the workers and laborers, the neglect of women, the hypocritical wedding morality and the then-prevailing narrowminded thinking. Undoubtedly his works had influence and effected many improvements.

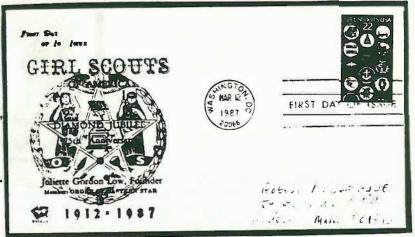
While in Europe in 1852-55, Multatuli joined the Masonic fraternity. His candidacy was confirmed on April 15, 1853, and he was initiated on April 24, passed and raised on April 25, 1853, all in the Lodge "Orde en Vlijt" (Order and Diligence) in St. Gorkum (Gorinchem) in Holland. He became a Knight of the Rose Croix on March 23, 1854, in the "Concordia Vincet Animos" Chapter, Amsterdam, Holland.

> Article and illustrations contributed by Bro. Henk Godthelp, Holland, Member No. 165

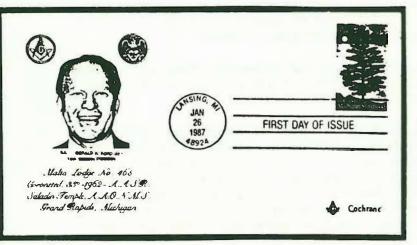
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MAHDEEN TRADITION CONTINUED

Bro. Richard M. Needham has continued the legacy of the Mahdeen covers into 1987 - the 38th year of their existence. The cover shown to the right was issued for the Girl Scout issue and honors Juliette Gordon Low, Founder, who was a member of the Order of Eastern Star. They are available from him at 708 N. Mt. Pleasant Ave., Lancaster, Ohio 43130.



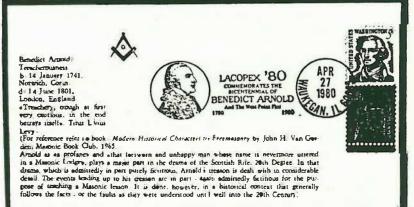




Bro. Frank Cochrane III is at it again in 1987. Shown to the left is his first cover of the year to honor Pres. Gerald B. Ford on the First Day of Issue of the Michigan Statehood stamp of Jan. 26, 1987. These covers cost 80¢ plus postage (or a #10 SASE) and can be ordered from him at P.O. Box 360025, Melbourne, Fla. 32936

ANOTHER CUNNINGHAM COVER

Bro. John M. Cunningham has produced another Special Event cover. This one, printed in Italy, honors Bro. Benedict Arnold and is coupled with a special cancel used by LACOPEX'80 to note the Bicentennial of Benedict Arnold and the West Point Plot. It is shown to the right and my be ordered from Bro. John at Grant 205, 3700 No. Capitol St. N.W., Wash., D.C. 20317



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MASONIC MISINFORMATION - JEAN BAPTISTE POINTE DE SABLE



In the March 1986 issue of the <u>Phylaxis Magazine</u> (Vol.XII, No.1, 1st Qtr,1986) under the title of "John G. Jones: Father of Black Clandestinism" by Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., our Vice President, there is found the following concerning Jean Baptiste Pointe De Sable. It discusses an erroneous link with Freemasonry as written by followers of Jones and a reply from Prince Hall Freemasonry through the pen of the famed Masonic scholar Harry A. Williamson.

A souvenir journal issued with the 79th Biennial Session of the Jones "United Supreme Council" held at Boston, Mass., July 25th to 30th, 1948, contains the remarks of St. Clair Kirton, Deputy Grand Master of some Alpha Lodge A.F.& A.M. of Massachusetts. The following is extracted from that journal:

"The Supreme Council of France, authorized and empowered Inspector Stephen Morin, a white Mason to establish Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Freemasonry in all parts of the world.

"The first place that Bro. Stephen Morin stopped at after leaving Paris, France, was the island of Santo Domingo. There he established a body of A.A.S.R. and conferred its degrees upon Ill. Bro. Jean Baptiste P. De Sable, then at Santo Domingo, with authority from the Supreme Council of France. He then recommended and requested that body to then authorize and empower Ill. Bro. J.B.P.De Sable to establish the order in the U.S.A. with thr rights to confer the A.A.S.R. degrees. Ill. J.B.P.De Sable soon after left the island of Santo Domingo and emigrated to the U.S.

"He landed in the city of Chicago on July 4, 1779. Bro. De Sable was a man of considerable wealth. This colored man was the first colored Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the U.S.A....He was also the first colored man to settle in the city of Chicago. (Read the Masonic History of Illinois by J. Blaney.)

"The patent of authority that was in the posession of Ill. Jean Baptiste P. De Sable received from the Supreme Council of France has been placed in the posession of the Ill. John G. Jones, 33rd of Chicago, Ill...who was Sovereign Grand Commander of the United Supreme Council of the A.A.S.R. Masons in the U.S.A. Through that authority, Ill. John G. Jones is recognized to be the Masonic head of the legitimate and lawful Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Masons in this country."

The famed Prince Hall Masonic historian and scholar, Harry A. Williamson, in his reply to the above, wrote, under the title of "Concocting Masonic History":

"Whoever wrote those records, Masonic and secular, apparently has little knowledge concerning American history. First of all, the city of Chicago

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as we know it, was merely a town about the year 1833 and was not an incorporated area until the year 1837. Second, was not the early English name of the outpost "Fort Dearborn"?

"According to a recent volume about De Sable (Jean Baptiste Pointe De Sable: Founder of Chicago, by Shirley Graham), he was born at St. Marc, Haiti, about 1745, that, upon his arrival on the North American Continent, he engaged in fur trading at various places along the Mississippi River. In due course he fell in love with an Indian Maiden, but, before he could wed her, he had to be adopted by the tribe, which was done.

In 1774 De Sable and his family removed to an Indian village called "Eschhikagou" (which appears to have been the Indian name for what is now Chicago) where he established a trading post. There is a high school on the block bounded by 49th and 50th Streets and State Street and Wabash Avenue in Chicago which bears the name of "Desable" and it is claimed that it is the very location where he established the trading post upon his arrival in that area.

"No record has come to light to indicate the Scottish Rite connection of this gentleman as stated in the narrative quoted. The alleged facts concerning any documents which came into the possession of John G. Jones would have to undergo a microscopic examination to determine whether or not they were genuine or forgeries."

> -Article contributed by Bro. Joseph A. Walkes, Member No. 105 and Unit Vice President, Ft. Leavenworth, Kans.

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MATTHEW HENSON (1866-1955)

Bro. Joseph A. Walkes, Jr., also has provided the following anecdote regarding Bro. Matthew Henson, a Mason who has been discussed in previous articles:

A skilled navigator with a fluent command of the Eskimo language, Matthew Henson accompanied Admiral Robert E. Peary on all of his polar expeditions. Henson was the first man to reach the North Pole in 1909 and he recounted his exploits in A Negro Explorer at the North Pole (1912).

We were crossing a lane of moving ice. Commander Peary was in the lead setting the pace, and a half hour later the four boys and myself followed single file. They had all gone before, and I was standing and pushing at the upstanders of my sledge, when the block of ice I was using as a support slipped from underneath my feet, and before I knew it the sledge was out of my grasp, and I was floundering in the water of the lead. I did the best I could. I tore my hood from off my head and struggled frantically. My hands were gloved and I could not take hold of the ice, but before I could give the "Grand Hailing Sign of Distress",...Ootah had grabbed me by the nape of the neck, the same as he would have grabbed a dog, and with one hand, he pulled me out of the water, and with the other hurried the team across."

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ISHMAIL PASHA & THE OBELISKS OF HELIPOLIS

Ismail Pasha, the son of Ibrahim Pasha, was the ruler of Egypt from 1863 to 1879. He used the Egyptian cotton crop to obtain credits for irrigation projects, schools, palaces and the construction of the Suez Canal. Much money was wasted and as a result he was forced to sell his shares in the canal to Great Britain. The Ottoman Sultan awarded him the title of Khedive in 1866.

Brother Ishmail Pasha became the Grand Master of Egypt in 1876.

Thothmose III, about four thousand years ago, erected two obelisks at Helipolis, the Temple of the Sun. Each was 69 feet tall and 8 feet wide and carved from a single piece of red granite. They guarded the Temple for two thousand years.Caeser Augustus then moved them to Alexandria where they were re-erected in front of the Temple Caesereum. They remained there for another nineteen hundred years. In 1875 Khedive Ishmail Pasha offered these obelisks, one each, to England and the United States.

Arrangements to transport the obelisk were made by Lt. Commander H. H. Corringe of the U.S.Navy. He was a member of Anglo Saxon Lodge No. 137. In the process of removing the obelisk from its foundation, many Masonic emblems and symbols were found. The U.S. obelisk arrived in New York Harbor on July 20, 1880. The Cornerstone Laying ceremony of the obelisk, also known as "Cleopatra's Needle" was performed by Bro. Jesse B. Anthony, Grand Master of New York. It was witnessed by 8,000 Masons and 30,000 other spectators. The ceremony took place in CEntral Park, New York City, on October 9, 1880. Masonic jewels and emblems were placed in the Cornerstone. The British twin obelisk stands today on the Thames Embankment, London.

Egypt issued a commemorative (Scott No. 253) on March 2, 1945, for the 50th anniversary of the death of Khedive Ishmail Pasha (1830-1895). The Masonic Stamp Club of New York sponsored a special cacheted cover on October 5, 1980, for the 100th anniversary of the cornerstone laying.

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-Article and illustrations contributed by Bro. Roy Schwartz, Member No. 67

MASONIC BACKGROUND

There is a town in Iowa which was originally known as *SHIBBOLETH*. The name was changed to *MASONIC GROVE* and later to *MASON CITY*. Quite obviously, it was formed and founded by Masons.

NEW ISSUES

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The following new issues of interest to a Masonic Philatelist have been reported in the philatelic media: AVE ARS ESZ

Nov. 6 - Mexico - Reburial of Jose Mario Pino Suarez in the Rotunda of Illustrious Persons, 50 peso value, portrait. 99293

Dec. 31 - Dominican Republic - 150th Birth Anniversary of Maximo Gomez, 2 Values.

Jan. 22 - Djibouti - Famous Flights, 3 values -80fr value - Lindbergh's Atlantic Flight 1927.

Feb. 16 - Mali - 40th Death Anniversary of Henry Ford, 4 values picturing cars.

March 10 - Netherlands - Eduard Douwes Dekker & Constantijn Huygens, 2 val. -55¢ portrait of Dekker, the Harmony Club, Batavia -75¢ portrait of Huygens, Schweningseweg in the Hague

March 12 - Marshall Islands - Famous Pilots & Historic Aircraft, 3 se-tenant prs. -33¢ pair C.A.Lindbergh & Spirit of St. Louis; Lindbergh in the battle

of the Marshalls in 1944

-44¢ pair John H.Glenn, Jr. in Battle of the Marshalls; Glenn in Friendship 7 Spacecraft.

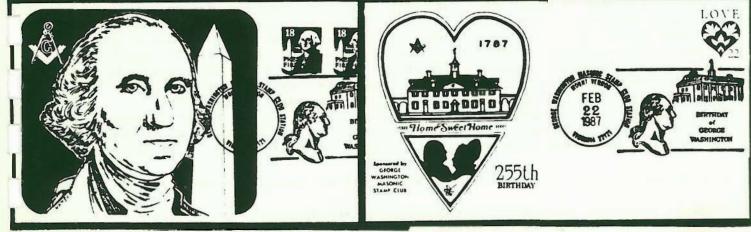
May 25 - United States - Post Card for Convening of the Constitutional ٢ Convention.

August 28 - United States - Booklet Pane (5 values) honoring the preamble to the U.S. Constitution.

September 17 - United States - Signing of the U.S. Constitution. ***************

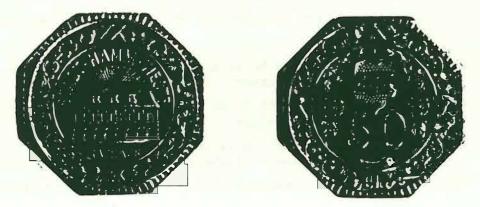
GWMSC COVERS FOR WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

In keeping with the annual tradition dating back to 1957, the George Washington Masonic Stamp Club has issued a Masonic Cacheted Cover for Bro. George Washington's Birthday. This cover, shown below to the left, can be obtained through the Club's President, Bro. Stan Longenecker, P.O.Box 7244, Lancaster, Pa. 17604. Other cachets of the NATSCO design were cancelled on the same day as well as a cover commemorating the Annual Dinner which was held on that date.



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THE ONLY COIN EVER MINTED WHICH DISPLAYS MASONIC SYMBOLISM



What is the difference between a coin and a medal? The generally accepted difference is that a medal is minted to commemorate a great person or a special event in history and it has no monetary value. A coin, however, may also commemorate a person or event but the coin will always be minted by some legal authority, for use as a medium of exchange, and has a monetary value imprinted on it for use in purchasing various services or commodities. With that definition, it has been my pleasure to research the only known coin that has several Masonic symbols reflected on its obverse and reverse. The coin was minted by the municipal authority in the city of Hamm, West Germany.

Following the first World War there was an acute shortage of coins in Germany. The condition continued to worsen until on 2 April 1919, the national government in Berlin authorized each city in Germany to mint their own coins, provided the face value of the coin did not exceed fifty pfennings. These emergency coins were known as "Notgeld". The city of Hamm had anticipated this emergency action and had previously had the coins designed in 1917. The trial run of the 50 pfenning coin was made in 1917 by the firm of Heinrich Kissing who resided in the city of Menden. Therefore, by mid-December of 1919 the coinage was delivered to the city of Hamm and placed into use. There were 307,058 coins minted: 89,197
S0 pfenning, 165,681 @ 10 pfenning, 20,398 @ 5 pfenning and 10,413 @ 2 pfenning. Although there were five different minor coins minted, it was only the 50 pfenning coin that displayed Masonic symbolism.

The coins were designed by Christian Kreutzfeld and Gustav Lubcke, the later being a member of the Masonic Fraternity and the individual responsible for having the Masonic emblems placed on the coin. Bro. Lubcke's initials (GL) can be seen on the coin reverse just below the numbers 50. Bro. Lubcke was an avid coin collector and upon his death on 29 Aug. 1925, his collection was donated to the city museum in Hamm. The 50 pfenning coin is octagonal in design and 25.5 mm in diameter. Its metallic content is plated iron and was struck in two different mints. Some of the coins were struck by the firm "Lauer" in Nurnberg, Germany, and the others by the firm of Heinrich Kissing in Menden. Consequently, there are two different versions of the coin. One version bears the monogram HK for Heinrich Kissing, the other does not. This difference was first noticed by Herr Lubcke on 12 Feb 1920 and after considerable research was determined to have resulted from die replacement because the original die had broken several times and had to be remade - the replacement did not have the monogram. At least 100 of these coins were struck from the original die before it had to be replaced.

A brief description of the coin's obverse (front) and reverse follows:

OBVERSE: Displayed prominently in the center is the Hamm city hall within a circle, and the rising sun can be seen coming up from behind city hall. Above

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this are the words STADT HAMM WESTF. The designer's monogram, CK, can be seen below the city hall. Displayed at the top of the coin, in the twelve o'clock position, are the Masonic Square and Compasses. The rising sun, also being a Masonic symbol, represents light and good leadership behind city hall as it represents the W.M. in the East in a Lodge to open and govern his Lodge. The location of the Square and Compasses, being in the high noon position is likewise representative to Freemasonry. The ancient "Operative Masons" and "Free and Accepted Masons" always call the craft from labor to refreshment at high twelve.

REVERSE: Very noticeable in the center of the coin's reverse is the city crest below which is a large 50 with the date 1919 on each side. The initials GL, for Gustav Lubcke, are at the bottom of the coin within the circle. Around the ornate border can be seen three of the principal symbols of Masonry. The border is divided at the top by the triangular level. It is likewise divided on the left by a hammer or gavel and on the right by a square.

In summation, we in Freemasonry can be proud of Bro. Lubcke's efforts to have the emblems of Masonry displayed on the city coins for Hamm, West Germany. They were placed there to represent a sign of Germany's rebuilding after WWI - a rebuilding of a new nation.

Although not strictly philatelic in nature, Bro. John Provan thought some of our readers might be interested in this article. It has been condensed from a more complete description of the symbology which Bro. Provan has researched. For further information contact Bro. John (Past Grand Master of the American Canadian Grand Lodge) at:

> Box 1529 APO New York, N.Y. 09057

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GEORGE WASHINGTON CAMPBELL



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George W. Campbell was born in Southerland, Scotland, in 1769. He was brought to the United States as a child. He graduated from Princeton in 1794 and started a law practice. From 1803 to 1809 he was representative from Tennessee to the U.S.Congress; he was elected to the Senate in 1811. Pres. Madison appointed him Secretary of the Treasury on Feb. 9, 1814, but he only served until Oct. 14, 1814. From 1815 to 1818 he was a Tenn. Senator and from 1818 to 1821 served as U.S. Minister to Russia again being appointed by Pres. Madison. He retired from this position in 1820 and died on Feb. 17, 1848, in Nashville, Tenn.

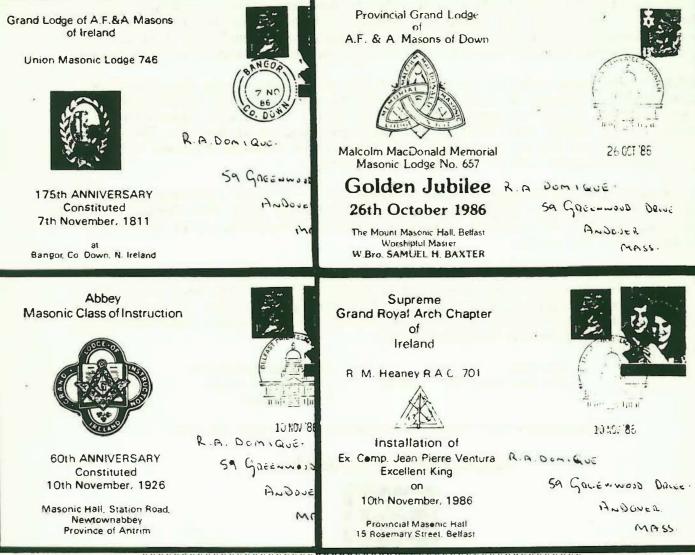
Bro. Campbell was Master of Greenville Lodge No. 43 of Greenville, Tenn., in 1801. He held offices in three other Tennessee Lodges: Knoxville Lodge No. 2, Mount Libanus No. 59 and Tennessee No. 41, all of Knoxville.

-Article submitted by Bro. Roy Schwartz

COVERS FROM IRELAND

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Bro. Frank Elliott has produced some more Masonic cacheted covers in his native land of Ireland during October and November 1986. Copies are shown here - information on their acquisition can be obtained from him at 11 Wood End, Holywood, Belfast BT18 9PN, Northern Ireland.



EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

Please allow me to finish off this newsletter with a few of my rambling comments. I wish to thank those of you who have contributed items and articles - you make my job so much easier. To those who have not yet contributed - let's get with it. I have promised an article on how to conduct research - it will be forthcoming. Also my promised research on the Masonic Insurance Industry. I am now back into the swing of things and expect that my interest level will increase. I wish to thank all of you for your apparent indulgence in what may be several errors in typing or presentation over the last year or so. I just received my latest prescription glasses after my second cataract operation and am very pleasantly surprised at the drastic improvement in my vision now that I am operating on six eyes that combine to provide good eyesight in both eyes. I didn't realize all that I was missing.

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