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1893 - THE HUMAN RIGHT - 1993

On April 3, 1993, France issued a postage stamp to honor "The Human Right" - an issue which can be considered a true Masonic stamp.



Within Universal French Masonry, the Mixed International Masonic Order "The Human Right" occupies a privileged place. Actually a cultural, philosophical and 'initiatory' society, the heir of traditions of some thousands of years, the Human Right groups within itself men and women who recognize equal rights and duties, who declare fraternal unity and the love of humanity and recognize the triple motto: Liberty, Equality and Fraternity.

Created in 1893 after the opposition of the existing Masonic allegiances to the initiation of women into Freemasonry, the Human Right extends its influence over 56 countries throughout the two hemispheres. The only French federation today comprises 12000 members and constitutes a powerful one-third of French Masonry.

The commemoration of its creation materialized through the issuance of a postage stamp permitting the Human Right to pay homage to its illustrious founders: Georges Martin and Maria Deraosmes. Just as all men and women during a century of fraternal unity without distinction of race or religion have contributed to the human perfection to work in the world, in order to bring harmony, a source of happiness and justice. The Human Right constitutes the second French Masonic philatelic issue. In 1973 a stamp was devoted to the Bicentenary of the Grand Orient of France.

-Stamp provided by Bro. Jean-Claude Vilesby of France and translated article by Bro. Grahame West of Gt. Britain

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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407. John C. Sander, 1405 W. Koenig, Apt. 303, Grand Island, NE 68801

CLOSED ALBUMS:

387. Donald Graf, late of No. Tonawanda, NY

MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES:

Bro. Leslie V. Johnston, Member No. 447 of No. Ireland, is Provincial Grand Secretary of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Armagh.

Bro. Tom Hargreaves, Member No. 119 of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, is Secretary-Treasurer of the Fiat Lux Lodge of Research there in Calgary. Bro. Hargreaves also collects Masonic Chapter Pennies and is interested in trades thereof.

Bro. Juan Sabater Pie wrote a very proud letter to us almost two months ago. He was very happy to announce that on May 10 he was installed Worshipful Master of his Lodge - Perseverance Lodge No. 3 for the next term of 1993-1994. This Lodge was founded in 1977 - only two years after the death of Franco and many of the Grand Lodge officers are affiliated with this Lodge. There are presently only 29 members of this Lodge but he hopes that the Lodge will grow under his term and prosper in the years to come. Bro. Sabater is quite proud of this great honor and well he should be. To help him and his Lodge grow in visibility and stature, it would be nice if each of us sent our personal congratulations to Bro. Sabater thereby showing the Universality of Freemasonry. His address is Ronda Guinardo, 28 30 1a, 08024 Barcelona, Spain.

Bro. Grahame West will be exhibiting a Masonic display at a Stamp Show in Evansville, Indiana, on Sept. 18-19, 1993. The show will be held at the Scottish Rite Building. He will be in attendance and would like to meet any members who might be in that area.

ANNUAL DUES:

North America - \$8.00 per year
All Other - \$14.00 per year

SECRETARY-TREASURER:

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MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES:

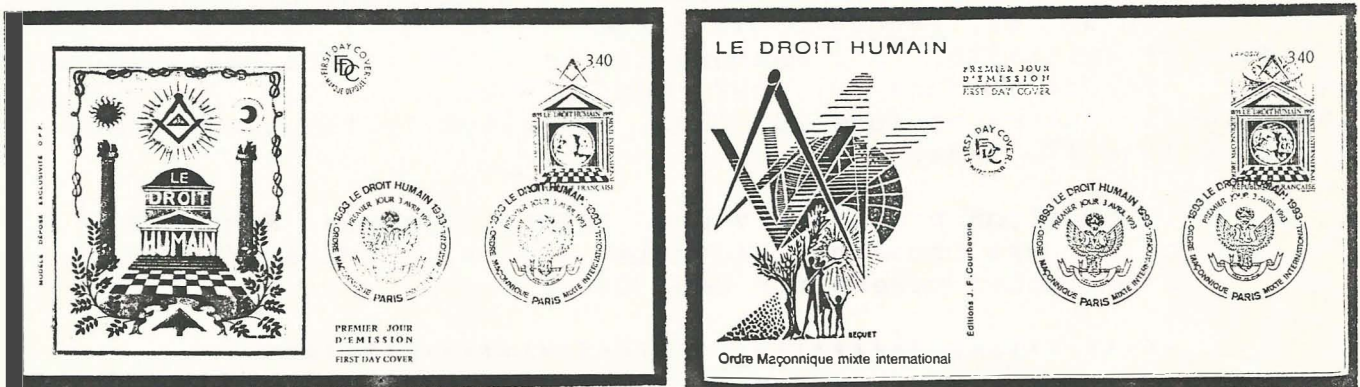
Bro. Willie Ross, 9 Third Part Crescent, Glasgow G13 4HP Scotland, Member No. 184, writes that he is looking for copies of the Maldives stamp featuring the Viennese Masonic Seal. If anyone could provide him with a lead on a source, it would sincerely be appreciated.

Bro. Don Wilder, Member No. 366 of Peaks Island, Maine, has finally had enough of snowy winters. At the end of a four week vacation in January to Hawaii, the Wilders decided to make that their home and took the necessary steps. Consequently, before they vacate this part of the country, your Editor visited Don and Blanche at their home on Peaks Island - just a short ferry ride from Portland - through a thick bank of fog on June 19. They were gracious hosts and we had a great visit. They were quick to point out that if anyone is interested in island living, they have a house (two, in fact) that they would like to sell so they can move to a bigger island.

Don has managed to develop the Grand Lodge of Maine Library from a collection of boxes to a well organized facility. He was recently presented a Certificate of Appreciation at the May 4 Grand Lodge Communication for this effort and an inscribed clock from the Grand Secretary and office staff. Both momentos tell how he "took a room full of books and created a Grand Lodge Library". Congratulations, Bro. Don, and best of luck.

THE HUMAN RIGHT COVERS

These covers were prepared for the issuance of the Masonic stamp shown on the title page of this issue. They also came from Bros. Vilesby and West but no information on acquisition was provided.



COVERS FOR SALE

The various covers contained within the Robert Kreuger collection have been fed into my master cover price list which is constantly being updated. There are also a couple of special offers based upon these lots - the covers issued by Clarence Beltmann under the initial "life" of the MSU/ATA. The lot of all 23 covers is available for \$90.00 (one lot available). There are also two lots of the 23 covers less #5, 12 and 19. Contact the Editor if you are interested.

For \$ 76.00

SIR JOHN QUICK

Australia Post will be issuing a pre-stamped envelope on July 30, 1993, for the Centenary of the Corowa Conference. The design will include a Mason.

In August 1893 a conference important to the Federation movement was held in the New South Wales town of Corowa. The pre-stamped envelope will be issued in conjunction with Centenary celebrations in Corowa from July 31 to August 1.

As early as the 1850s people such as John Dunmore Lang and William C. Wentworth (a Freemason) had been suggesting that the Australian colonies federate. The movement gained momentum in the 1880s and at the 1880 Intercolonial Conference, Sir Henry Parkes moved to establish a Federal Council.

In August 1893, 72 delegates attended a conference at the town of Corowa on the New South Wales side of the Murray River. There was a symbolism in this location for the Murray was the border between the two most populous colonies. People such as John (later Sir John) Quick and Robert (later Sir Robert) Garren ensured that the conference was not just another opportunity for colonial politicians to air their disparate goals. Dr. Quick, a Bendigo solicitor and founding member of the Australians natives Association, in one of the motions, set the tone for further serious conferences which eventually led to Federation in 1901.

The envelope illustration shows a portrait of Sir John Quick painted in 1910 by Australian artist Portia Geach. An extract from the motion moved by John Quick links the two areas on the envelope. The stamp area shows the Corowa Court House based upon an 1890s photograph.

Sir John Quick, Barrister, affiliated with Lodge Zenith, Victorian Constitution No. 52, Bendigo. His former Lodge was Judah, S.C., 388. His date of initiation into Masonry is not known but he was invested as Junior Warden on June 30, 1897, Senior Warden on July 29, 1898 and installed as Master on June 28, 1899. He passed to the Grand Lodge above on June 17, 1932.

-information provided by Bro. Erhard Stermole, Member No. 258 of Hoppers Crossing, Victoria, Australia. He is preparing some cachet covers for Bro. Quick

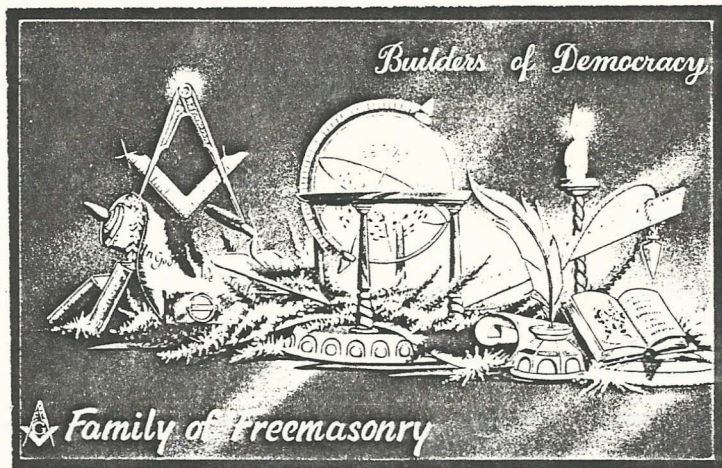
BOOKLET ON AUSTRALIAN MASONIC PHILATELY

Bro. Stermole, 12 Radford Court, Hoppers Crossing, Victoria 3029 Australia, has prepared a booklet on Masonic Philately in Australia for the members of the Masonic Philatelic Society of Victoria. The 56 page effort contains illustrations and data on Australian stamps, covers and post cards pertinent to a Masonic collection. He does have a few on hand at a cost of US \$5.00 posted surface mail.

Do you have a philatelic or Masonic friend who should be a member of our Unit? - Send for an application or enroll him and we will take care of the details.

MASONIC FLOAT POSTCARD

The post card shown here has been made up for the Jan. 1, 1994, Tournament of Roses Parade. Any member who desires a copy can send a S.A.S.E. to Bro. Richard O. Wright, 13675 N. Hartley Lane, Lodi, CA 95242 and he will provide one gratis. M. W. Nicholai Filip, Grand Master of Romania is scheduled to ride on the float this year along with other dignitaries.



Lapel pins (\$5.00) and other souvenirs are available from Bro. Gaylord V. Roten, Los Angeles Scottish Rite, 4357 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90010. Other contributions can be made to Rose Parade Masonic Float sent to Bro. Robert C. Coe, P.O. Box 3377, Arcadia, CA 91066. Bro. Wright hopes all our members will consider making at least a small donation to this beautiful and visual symbol of Freemasonry.

DENVER MSC COVER

The annual 1993 ROMPEX cover sponsored by the Denver Masonic Stamp Club is now available. Shown here, it can be obtained at a cost of \$1.25 each from J. N. Adams, 2685 So. Sherman St., Denver, CO 80210.



PRESIDENT CLINTON A MASON??

Bro. Vic Fabian, Member No. 189 of Auckland, New Zealand, writes that he has heard the Pres. William Clinton was not only a DeMolay in his youth but now is a member of the Craft. Can any member confirm this with appropriate details?

SPECIAL FRENCH COVER

A special cover has been prepared by members of the Grand Orient of France in conjunction with the 20th Anniversary of La Rose d'Opale. Shown here it is available at a cost of \$5.00 (US) each from Jean-Luc Joing; 46, rue E. Dolet; 59430 St-Pol/Mer; France.



ATA HANDBOOKS ON MASONIC PHILATELY

In a recent issue of the Newsletter, comments were made regarding the availability (or lack thereof) of ATA Masonic Handbooks. Since then, several of the members have sent in information or copies of the handbooks as proof they do exist. Most of them appear to be excerpts from Clarence Beltmann's two master handbooks #29 and #43. Should any member desire a copy, please contact the Editor. Thanks, Bros. Richard O. Wright, Norman Lincoln, Al Taylor and Don Wilder.

ST. ALBANS RESEARCH SOCIETY

Bro. Pete Normand, member No. 237 of College Station, Texas, organized the St. Albans Research Society about a year and a half ago and publishes the American Masonic Review as the organ for that group. This Review is a national journal of cultural, sociological and general interest concerning Masonic and other fraternal societies, their history and effect upon contemporary society. Published quarterly, it contains a wealth of information on many subjects. In many instances the topics are the controversial issues of the day which have an impact upon Freemasonry. The title story of the Summer 1993 issue is "A History of Anti-Masonry". Information on the Society and the "Review" can be obtained from Bro. Normand at P.O. Box 10361, College Station, TX 77842.

The New Zealand Masonic Philatelic Study Unit has also started a newsletter of its own. Under the editorship of Bro. Phil Reddock, the first edition has just been received. It contains Masonic philatelic information pertinent to the New Zealand area which may be of interest to other collectors. Information on this publication is available from Bro. Reddock at 93 Hazelwood Ave., Karori, Wellington, New Zealand.

OCTAVE CHANUTE

On March 29, 1979, the USPS issued a pair of stamps to honor Octave Chanute. He was born in Paris, France, on February 18, 1832. When he was 6 years old his father accepted a position as vice-president of Jefferson College, Louisiana, and brought the family to the U.S. In 1844 the family moved to New York. Chanute went to work for the Hudson River Railroad at the age of 17 and in 1863 became chief engineer of the Chicago and Alton RR. His design for the Union Stock Yards in Chicago was accepted as the best in a competition in 1867 supervised the construction of this project. He successfully completed the first bridge over the Missouri River at Kansas City in July 1869. From 1870 to 1883 he was chief engineer of the Erie Railroad. In the meantime he studied the need for a rapid transit system in New York City and wrote a report recommending four elevated lines which was substantially carried out later. He resigned from the railroad in 1883 and opened his own office as a consulting engineer in Kansas City; he moved to Chicago in 1889.



Bro. Chanute had been interested in aeronautics as early as 1874 but he did not have the time to pursue these interests until he moved to Chicago. He began gliding experiments with a multiplane glider and then progressed to a biplane. He could not fly actively because of his advanced age but he and his assistants experimented with five gliders making about 1000 flights with the primary purpose being to achieve stability. He published articles and a book on the science in the 1890s. He also conducted active correspondence with aeronautical figures all over the world. Of his many contributions to aeronautics, one of the most important was his encouragement of the Wrights. He visited them first in Dayton and then in Kitty Hawk. He served as president of the Western Society of Engineers and encouraged the Wright Brothers to report upon their results in the early 1900s. He died in Chicago on Nov. 23, 1910.

Octave Chanute was a Charter Member of Lodge No. 263 of Peoria, Ill.

-article based upon information provided by Bro. Edsel Hatfield and De Verlichte Loep, Newsletter from the Netherlands.

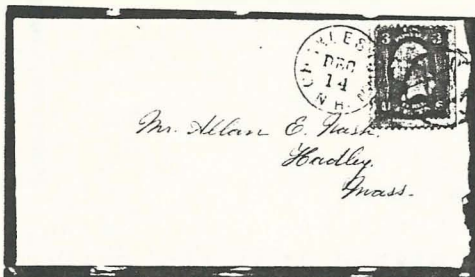
Several members have written asking to see some of the pages in the exhibit I prepared for the 1989 UPU Congress Exhibition in Washington, DC, and which I recently entered in TOPEX 93. Four of the 16 pages are shown on the following two pages. Unfortunately, the judges did not understand the reason I entered this exhibit into TOPEX - to serve as an introduction to Masonic Philately and fill a void that has been present for several years. Their comments on the judging sheet were: "A good start, some nice philatelic items already acquired. However, one frame is hard to compete at the National level. I've seen multi-frame Masonic exhibits. Look for more items (#R0166 for example) and expand the exhibit." That was exactly my motive for entering the exhibit - but to get others to do that; I already have a collection I am proud of. The bottom line is that this exhibit will be retired and I will cease and desist in that type activity. The judges are too interested in magnitude and rarity.



MASONIC FANCY CANCELS

Since there were no cancelling machines available in most of the early post offices, 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. This handstamp was then used until it wore out or was replaced by a new design. Those cancellers which had the designs cut into the material resulted in "negative" or "intaglio" cancels.

Many Postmasters had an artistic interest in their work and produced a variety of fancy cancels, including Masonic symbols. The Masonic Square and Compasses (with or without the "G") was the most popular design, however, others such as the trowel, square and Fez have been found. Although considerable research has been done on identification of the date and origin of many designs, many others have been found only off cover and have eluded any positive identification.



This particular cancel was used in Charlestown, N.H., during the second half of the nineteenth century. The letter inside is dated December 19, 1868.

The practice of handstamping letters with fancy cancels was quite prevalent during the nineteenth century and continued through the turn of the century. The Post Office Department attempted, with little success, to prohibit the use of fancy cancels early in the twentieth century. A P.O.D. Directive issued on Aug. 27, 1934, however, succeeded in this goal and fancy cancels disappeared from the post offices after this date.



STAMPS FOR MASONIC ANNIVERSARIES

Over the past two decades, more and more Masonic organizations - Grand Lodges, Grand Orients and individual Lodges - have had their anniversaries commemorated by the issuance of postage stamps. A few of the many examples are shown here:



Brazil - 1973



Belgium - 1983



Philippines - 1987



Netherlands Antilles - 1985

150th ANNIVERSARY THE MASONIC LODGE MOUNT OLIVE SC



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MASONIC PHILATELY



U.S. MASONS - PRESIDENTS

GEORGE WASHINGTON

*born Feb. 22, 1732, Westmoreland County, Va.
died Dec. 14, 1799, Mt. Vernon, Va.*



The history of our first President and the "Father of Our Country" is well known and need not be repeated here.

Bro. Washington was the first candidate of Fredericksburg Lodge, Va. being initiated on Nov. 4, 1752, passed on Mar. 3, 1753, and raised on Aug. 4, 1753. He was proposed as the Grand Master of Virginia in 1777 but he declined. He was proposed in 1779 as the General Grand Master of the U.S., a position which never materialized. He was an honorary member and Charter Master of Alexandria Lodge No. 39 and an Honorary Member of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City.

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT

*born Jan. 30, 1882, Hyde Park, N.Y.
died Apr. 12, 1945, Warm Springs, Ga.*



Educated at Harvard and Columbia, he was a New York Senator in 1910. He later served as Secretary of the Navy and Governor of New York prior to becoming the 31st President of the United States.

Bro. Roosevelt was a member of Holland Lodge of New York City being initiated on Oct. 10, passed on Nov. 14 and raised on Nov. 28, all in 1911. He was an Honorary Member of Architect Lodge No. 519, New York City, and participated in the raising there of his three sons. He was an Honorary Member of Washington Centennial Lodge No. 14 and Stansbury Lodge No. 24, of Washington, D.C.



MASONIC PHILATELY



UNITED STATES MASONS

WILLIAM FREDERICK CODY

*born Feb. 26, 1846, Scott County, Iowa
died Jan. 10, 1917, Colorado*



At age 14 he became one of the youngest Pony Express riders when he signed up with Bros. Russell, Majors and Waddell. After the Civil War he was hired by the Kansas Pacific Railroad in 1867 to hunt buffalo to supply meat to the workers. It is estimated that he killed more than 4200 buffalo, thus earning him the name of "Buffalo Bill". In 1872 he began his career as a showman, appearing in several Wild West shows and forming his own Circus in 1883 which traveled throughout the country and abroad.

Bro. Cody was a member of Platte Valley Lodge No. 32, No. Platte, Nebr., being initiated on Mar. 5, 1870, passed on Apr. 2, 1870, and raised on Jan. 10, 1871. He was buried with Masonic honors on Lookout Mountain by Golden City Lodge No. 1.

JEROME DAVID KERN

*born Jan. 27, 1885, New York City
died Nov. 11, 1945, New York City*

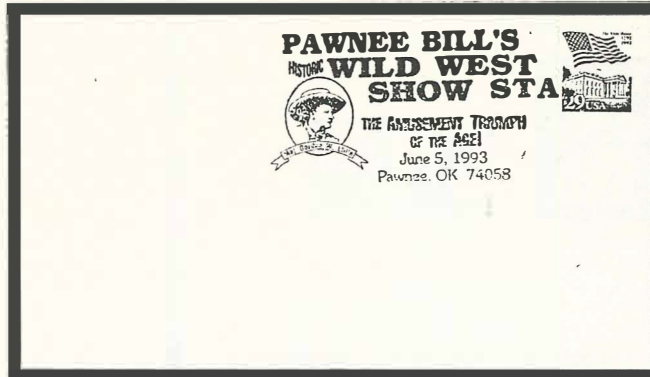


A noted composer, he demonstrated a musical talent early in life directing a musical show at his high school in Newark, N.J., and later attending the New York College of Music. At the age of 18 he started his professional career in London and during the last 35 years of his life he wrote over 50 stage and film musicals. Some consider his finest work to be "Show Boat" done in 1927. He won two Oscars - for "The Way You Look Tonight" and "The Last Time I Saw Paris".

Bro. Kern received his degrees in Gramatan Lodge No. 927, Bronxville, N.Y.. He was initiated on May 12, passed on June 9 and raised on June 23, 1919.

PAWNEE BILL - GORDON W. LILLIE

A special cancel used in Pawnee, Oklahoma, on June 5, 1993, notes Pawnee Bill, also known as Gordon W. Lillie, ranchman, partner of Buffalo Bill and showman.



Gordon W. Lillie was born on Feb. 14, 1860, in Bloomington, Illinois. He began his career as a hunter and trapper in 1878 and became the interpreter for the Pawnee Indian tribe. He became a rancher near Medicine Lodge, Kansas. He joined the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show in 1883 as interpreter and manager of the Pawnee Indians with that show. He was a professional showman for many years in the United States and Europe and from 1908 to 1913 was a partner with Buffalo Bill. (William F. Cody who was also a Mason). In 1909 he became owner of Pawnee Bill's Buffalo Ranch, Oldtown, and Indian Trading Post. He was very active in work among the Pawnee Indians and in the perpetuation of the buffalo. He authored "Thirty Years Among the Pawnee Indians" (1928) and co-authored several other books. He died on Feb. 3, 1942.

Bro. Lillie was a Mason - his original Lodge and degree dates are not known to this author. He received his 32nd degree AASR(SJ) at Guthrie, Oklahoma, on Jan. 24, 1901. A Shriner, he was an honorary member of the Temples at Philadelphia, Little Rock and Oklahoma City.

-cover provided by Bro. Norm Lincoln, our research Chairman from Eaton, OH

Stamps issued by San Marino on June 4, 1991, to commemorate the Centenary of basketball are shown here (thanks to De Verlichte Loep). They picture Bro. James A. Naismith credited with being the inventor of this game.



Bro. Norm Lincoln informs us that several individuals associated with motion picture cartoons were Freemasons. Friz Freling, the creator of Bugs Bunny and The Pink Panther was a Mason - are either pictured on stamps? Paul Terry (Terry Toons) and Leon Schlesinger (Looney Toons and Merry Melodies) were also Masons.

JOHN GOFFAGE CHIPS RAFFERTY

A stamp issued by Australia in 1989 as part of a set paying tribute to the entertainment industry depicts John Goffage (1909-1974), better known as Chips Rafferty.



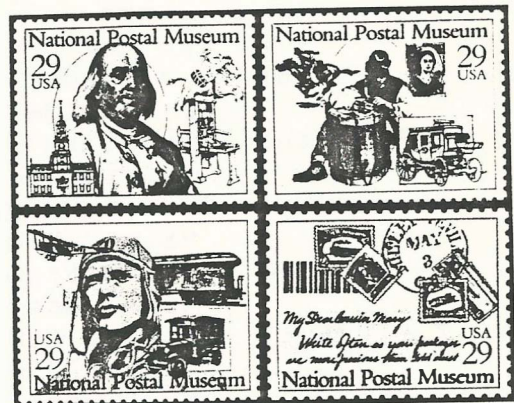
John Goffage was a sheepshearer, big game hunter and gold digger until he got a job as an actor in 1939 with a part in "Come Up Smiling". He became quite popular through his roles as an heroic soldier in "Forty Thousand Horsemen" in 1940 and "Rats of Tobruk" in 1944. He later starred as a rough cattle-dealer in "The Overlanders", a part well suited to his lazy way of speaking and his stubborn, taciturn attitude and "Gary Cooper" face. In the 1940s he played many parts in Australia and Europe and in the 1960s he went to the United States for his parts in "Mutiny on the Bounty" (1962) and "The Sundowners" (1960).

Bro. John Goffage was initiated on Dec. 5, 1957, passed on Feb. 6, 1958, and raised on June 5, 1958, in Literature Lodge No. 500 on the register of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales. He remained a member there until March 3, 1971. When he applied for membership in the Craft, he gave his occupation as "film producer".

-information gathered from "De Verlichte Loep" and the magazine of The Masonic Philatelic Club (of Great Britain)

POSTAL ARTIFACTS ISSUE

The forthcoming USPS issues to commemorate U.S. Postal Artifacts are shown here. They depict two great Masons - Bros. Benjamin Franklin and Charles A. Lindbergh and include a stamp showing another Mason - George Washington. They will be released on July 30 to note the opening of the new National Postal Museum in Washington, D.C.



NEW ISSUES

The following new issues with some Masonic association have been reported in the philatelic media.

1992

- Apr. 7 - Qatar - World Health Day - 2 values, both with hearts included in the design.
- June 16 - Guyana - Geneva 92 World Thematic Exhibition - nine stamps with designs that include Winston Churchill, F. D. Roosevelt, Albrecht Durer and Mozart.
- Sept 18 - Honduras - 200th Birth Anniversary of Gen. Francisco Morazan - 4 values plus S/S.
- Oct. 30 - Aruba - 100th Anniversary of Postal Services - 3 values, one pictures a heart.
- Nov. 18 - St. Vincent-Grenadines - Scout Jamboree/50th Death Anniversaries of Lord Baden Powell and Daniel C. Beard - 2 values.
- Nov. 30 - Senegal - 30th Anniversary of John Glenn's Orbit of Earth - 4 values.
- December - Mozart's Operatic Legacy - issues from several nations each consisting of one stamp and a souvenir sheet:
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|--------------------|------------------------|
| Dominica | The Gambia |
| Ghana | St. Vincent-Grenadines |
| Grenada | Tanzania |
| Grenada-Grenadines | |
- Dec. 15 - Grenada - 75th Anniversary of Lions Club International - one value showing Adm. Richard Byrd.
- Dec. 15 - Grenada-Grenadines - 75th Anniversary of Lions Club International - one value showing Adm. Richard Byrd's Plane crossing North Pole.

1993

- Jan. 7 - Maldives - 75th Anniversary of Lions Club International - one value showing Melvin Jones.
- Jan. 8 - Sierre Leone - Great Boxing Movies - sheetlet of eight stamps with many movie stars depicted - I am sure at least one is a Mason.
- Masters of the Ring - sheetlet of eight stamps - Undoubtedly at least one is a Mason.
- Jan. 14 - Nevis - Mozart's Operatic Legacy - one value plus S/S.
- Jan. 26 - Ireland - Love - 2 values, 1 includes hearts in the design.
- Feb. 8 - Estonia - Friendship - 1 value, includes heart in the design
- Feb. 14 - Poland - Greetings - 2 values, both include hearts in the design.
- Mar. 5 - Italy - Campaign against heart disease - one value which includes heart in design.
- Apr. 5 - France - Human Rights/International Order of Mixed Masons. - see title page!
- Apr. 7 - Brazil - Health and the preservation of life - 3 stamps - one dedicated to blood donation.
- Apr. 12 - Micronesia - Pioneers of Flight - eight stamps which include depictions of Edward V. Rickenbacker and Charles E. Kingsford-Smith.

