

THE THREE CENT 1851-57 UNIT
Associated with APS---Unit No. 11

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Lexington 73, Mass.
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C H A I R M A N ' S C H A T T E R
(C.C. No. 10)

Dear Fellow Route Agent:-

It is a happy privilege to inform our Route Agents of the very healthy growth of the Unit and welcome fourteen new members who have joined since our last Chatter. To them we extend our heartiest greetings and the hope that they will make full use of the Unit and the good fellowship and desire to help each other with which it abounds.

To the fourteen,

RA 161	Frank A. Hollowbush	17 Spier Ave., Allenhurst, New Jersey
162	Ward S. Parker	4027 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis 10, Missouri
163	George C. Hahn	1306 Williamson Bldg., Cleveland 14, Ohio
164	John W. Stine	821 Kingshighway, Edwardsville, Illinois
165	Robert H. Golden	4610 Sheridan Rd., Chicago 40, Illinois
166	Dr. Edward A. Goll	3413 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis 22, Ind.
167	Ross B. Hooker	417 Georgia Court, Towson 4, Maryland
168	Harry A. Dunsmoor	841 O.C.S.B. Bldg., Syracuse 2, N. Y.
169	Morris Fortgang	114 East 84th St., New York 28, N. Y.
170	Eugene N. Costales	99 Nassau St., New York 38, N. Y.
171	Daniel F. Kelleher	7 Water St., Boston 9, Mass.
172	Percy C. Smith	38 Robbins Rd., Lexington 73, Mass.
173	Maj. Clare V. Turner	2621 East Manoa Rd., Honolulu, Hawaii
174	Harry M. Buten	246 N. Bowman Ave., Merion, Penna.

a long and happy association with mutual benefit not only to our new members but our older ones also. Our Unit now stretches westward from France and Belgium half way around the world to Hawaii.

Dr. Polland of our Sales Department reports that business has been brisk with over 30 members taking the circuits, a considerable number working up books from their spare material to enter in the circuits and in all about \$1500 worth of material has been sent out. A fine start. Dr. Polland has arranged with Tracy Simpson to inspect all material sent out in the circuits to avoid as far as possible any unintentionable errors in description. The greatest need of the Sales Department is very fine material, with covers and cancellations selling best, but any and all very fine material sells rapidly. Again, Dr. Polland urges all members having duplicates to enter them in the circuits. He will also be glad to fill as best he can any want lists the members may care to send him.

With this Chatter there are enclosed about ten cachets like that on the cover which Bernard M. Davis of the National Philatelic Museum, at Broad and Diamond Streets, Philadelphia 22, has supplied. Please use them on your correspondence and if you need more they can be obtained by writing Mr. Davis at the above address. This will be one means of bringing the Exhibition to the attention of the public, a purpose which from now on should be stressed as much as possible.

Dr. Carroll Chase and Mr. Richard McP. Cabeen have now published in book form the series of articles on the postal markings and history of the earlier U. S. Territories which, while it is not quite as complete as they wish, proves to be a great help to those whose interests lie in this direction.

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Another of our members, E. N. Sampson of Itasca, Illinois, has put out a stampless cover section for a U. S. Territorial Postmark Catalog which is quite useful in connection with the above book.

Dr. Chase has been further active in the writing field as he has just published a book on French Postal Markings. A word to the wise though. The book is written in French, so unless your French is good it may be of little use to you. However, Dr. Chase gave yours truly long desired answers to a couple of French markings.

Favorable notices have appeared here and there concerning the following Route Agents:-

Ezra D. Cole had an excellent report in Stamps on the result of the Kelleher Sale of the Brigham Collection.

Henry A. Meyer has a series of articles in the S. P. A. Journal about Steam, Steamboat, Way, Ship and the Contract Route Markings which he hopes later to consolidate into book form, - also he would appreciate hearing from those who may have covers bearing these markings.

Paul C. Rohloff won the L. H. Barkhausen Trophy for his U. S. Postal Markings of the 19th Century and also a Gold Award at the Chicago Philatelic Society Exhibition. A Silver Award winner was one of our new members, Robert H. Golden, while a Bronze Award winner was George A. Hall for his showing of the Three Cent 1851.

Adolf G. Meyer was Chairman of the Michigan Stamp Clubs' very successful fall show.

Two of our members had papers in the 16th American Philatelic Congress Book, Philip H. Ward, Jr. and Dr. Carroll Chase.

Willard W. Davis showed a number of U. S. Proofs and Essays at the Fort Orange Stamp Club at Albany, N. Y.

Donald M. Steele was Chairman of Sepad, held in Philadelphia, and he also won the Grand Award in March of the South Jersey Stamp Clubs for a nearly complete showing of U. S. 19th Century, while Bernard M. Davis took a blue ribbon there for his postage dues of France.

An article in Stamps by Dr. W. Scott Pollard tells of research by Stanley B. Ashbrook and himself into the Pioneer Express, Spears Express, and Dorsey & Swift Express covers which they found to be spurious.

Philip E. Baker won a 3rd Award at Stampex 1950 for his showing of commemoratives postally used.

We will greatly appreciate receiving news of the doings and interests of any and all of our members.

The A.P.S. Year Book lists the following Route Agents as Officers serving in various positions:-

Ezra D. Cole as one of the Sales Book Examiners.

John L. Norbeck as Regional Governor for Minnesota, Harry A. Dunsmoor for Central New York, Donald M. Steele for Eastern Pennsylvania, Stephen C. Lyon for Rhode Island and C. S. Ernst for Western Washington.

Earl P. L. Apfelbaum as a member of the New Issues Committee.

Hunter M. Thomas, Jr., as Chairman of Committee on Obituaries.

David Lidman on the Publicity Committee.

Philip H. Ward, Jr., Stanley B. Ashbrook, Dr. Carroll Chase and Fritz Billig are listed among the Specialist Experts.

Due to the desire of many of our members to complete their showings for the Philadelphia Exhibition, we are not keeping want lists down to the usual limits for this issue. If any of our members can supply a superb copy to fill a want, it will be greatly appreciated.

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John Ayer, 11 Beacon Street, Boston 8, Mass., needs 84Lle; 34 R2e; 47LO; 57LO.

Abe Rubel, Jr., 120 East 79th Street, New York 21, N. Y. 7, 14, 19, 22, 23, 26, 28, 31, 32, 34, 35, 45, 49, 53, 59, 66, 72, 75, and 78 L7. Also the following Calendar Dates, January 6, 8, 14, 22, 23, 29, February 1, 15, 16, 23, 27, 28, 29 (tough), March 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, April 22, 23, 24, 30, May 2, 12, 13, June 28, 29, July 5, 14, 26, 27, 29, 31, August 11, 12, 13, 28, September 24, 30, October 7, 11, November 12, 25, 28 and December 5, 10, 12, 26, and 31.

Ward S. Parker, 4027 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis 10, Missouri, 26, 60, 77L2 late; 31, 36, 37, 43, 45, 46, 77, 93 R2 late; 57 L3; 43, 55, 56, 57 R3.

Dr. Carroll Chase, R.F.D. 1, Milford, N. H., 61L4; 20, 41, 82, 83, L6; 40, 70, 85, 90 R6; 66, 85 L7; 4, 57, 59 R7; 68 L8; 35, 40, 45, 61, 88 R8.

Clarence Warne Wilson, 3370 Cambridge Rd., Detroit 21, Mich., the following but only on cover 1, 48, 54, 60, 64, 89 L1 late; 18, 29, 35, 51, 58, 74, 79 R1 late; 58, 77 R2 late.

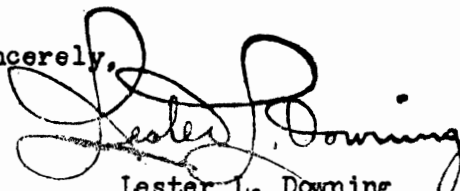
Dr. Gerald B. Smith, Woodburn, Oregon, wants 66R0 to complete from 2599 to 2600 positions, also New York, N. Y. cancellations in 1853 for July 17, 23, 24, and 27 showing the year date.

Again, if you can help any of the above out on any of these wanted positions, we know they will be very grateful.

Bill Hicks is keeping you informed about the Exhibition at Philadelphia, GENEX, and we therefor will touch on this subject lightly. Several very active meetings have been held in both New York and Philadelphia and we understand that these two cities will have banner exhibits next July. Meetings in Philadelphia are being held almost constantly now arranging for accommodations, entertainment and the banquet next July. The Boston members are a little further away from Philadelphia but we have had a couple of nice get togethers. The last, on March 29th, was attended by Dr. Chase who came down from Amherst, Alex Dumas, John Ayer, Maurice Blake, Willard Phippen, Russell Wood, Dr. Rockwell, Sam Paige, Percy Smith and the writer, and several questions were ironed out. Present indications are that a fine percentage of our local members will exhibit and attend the Exhibition where we will enjoy meeting at last our fellow members from all over the country.

From all reports, the Unit's Convention at Philadelphia from July 5th through the 7th sure looks like a gala and successful event. See you there.

Sincerely,



Lester L. Downing
Vice Chairman

"MEET ME AT OLD PHILLY, R A
MEET ME AT THE FAIR,
DON'T TELL ME THAT STAMPS ARE SHOWING,
ANY PLACE BUT THERE."