



OUR WACO CONVENTION

Through the kindness of our Librarian, Mr. J. K. Strecker and Mr. Frank H. Watt, Waco invited the Texas Philatelic Association to hold its thirty-sixth annual convention in that city and we collectors arranged our affairs so as to be on hand early on May 7 to do some "stamping."

The undersigned met early in the headquarters hotel, The Hilton, and we noticed quite a few collectors already busy getting acquainted. We noted, for instance, Mr. and Mrs. Brunner and Mr. Schumacher of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Lentz of Marshall; and Mr. Billings of Fort Worth. After exchanging greetings, we all went to our meeting place in the Chamber of Commerce Building, which by the way, gave us all the room and facilities we needed. We expected to be the first there, but were late, for many were already on hand, in fact a whole drove of collectors were already busy with stamps. Mr. Strecker and Mr. Watt's-the-name were there to welcome you. Looking around, we found many old friends. We noticed that Mr. Bartlett from El Paso was already, busy showing and talking stamps. A small crowd of boys and girls were exhibiting their collections for the several contests. We also noted the presence of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Guest, Mrs. Leo H. Booch, Mr. Herbert N. Sapp, Mr. E. M. Wood and Mr. Samuel A. Poe of Dallas; Mr. Fred Green and Mr. L. W. Beatty of San Antonio; Taylor Robinson, Horace Cowan, and Mr. A. L. Zieten of Corsicana; Mr. M. N. Cowan and Mr. H. W. Conard of Houston; Mr. Frank Caldwell of Austin; Mr. J. A. Bevers, Mr.

E. Lasker and Mr. Ernest Johnson of Fort Worth, and Mr. Benn Gleason of Hico.

We soon found out why so many were present that early, for you can see from the program that several children's contest were held. There was a contest for the neatest and most original display of stamps; another for the most interesting stamp on cover; another for the sheet showing "My favorite stamp and why;" and fourth, for the best essay on "Why I Collect Postage Stamps." After the contests, questions were asked and answers given pertaining to the hobby, after which lunch was had.

At 1:00 o'clock all assembled for the business Meeting of the Association, but before the meeting was turned over to the President, prizes were awarded to collectors. There was a prize for the one who came the farthest, which was won by Mr. Bartlett of El Paso, whose distance must have been close to 900 miles. Prizes were given for the tallest, the shortest, the fattest and the leanest. Mr. R. E. Cheek won the prize for looking most like a collector, and Mr. A. H. Schumacher for looking the least like a collector. They all said Mr. Schumacher looked more like a banker. Any man with so much money must be a banker, though his hobby is stamp collecting.

Immediately after the awarding of prizes, the President was introduced by the Chairman of the arrangement committee, Mr. John K. Strecker, and the business meeting of the Association was called to order. The important transactions were the adoption of an amendment to the by-laws whereby local clubs may be accepted as chapters of the T. P. A. Two applications were immediate-

iy presented and accepted, they being Houston, which was awarded Chapter No.1, and El Paso, which was awarded Chapter No. 2.

Resolution was adopted that the President may, in the event of the death of a member, appoint a committee to help the relatives of the deceased member to sell the collection, the committee to act without pay and without liability against the Association, they to act only in an advisory capacity, any work actually done to be between the owner of the collection and the one doing the work.

The election of officers resulted as follows: T. E. Flick, President; Fred Green, Vice President; R. E. Cheek, Secretary-Treasurer; J. K. Strecker, Librarian; H. E. Bailey, Sales Superintendent, Director.

A committee was appointed who are to accumulate information with reference to Texas Provisionals and Postal Markings, with the hope that this information may be printed in book form by the Association. All collectors having anything in this line, either items or articles, should immediately get in touch with the Chairman of the committee, Mr. Fred Green, or any of the members, who are A. H. Schumacher of Houston and Frank Caldwell of Austin.

Those accepted to membership were: Mr. Philip M. Nonne, Mr. Leland J. Mast. Mr. E. M. Wood, Mrs. Leo H. Booch, Mr. James A. Fitzgerald, Mr. Robert L. Kelly, Mr. J. E. McGinnis, Mr. Geo. W. Stege, Mr. Samuel A. Poe and Mr. Merrill B. Whitten.

In the morning Mr. Watt displayed imperforate sheets of the new cigaret stamps with the blue bonnet design. Mr. Watt was the engraver of these stamps, which is of interest to note.

Mr. Louis Lenz offered his accumulation of periodicals and magazines to the library of the T. P. A. which was received by a rising vote of thanks. Immediately after the close of business meeting, the auction took place and we noted that very few lots went begging. Prices were good throughout except on foreign and precancelled, where little demand was in evidence.

At 7 P.M. the banquet of the convention took place at the Elite Café, the President acting as toastmaster. Talks were made by Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Lenz, Mrs. Guest, Mr. Sapp, Mr. Billings, Mr. Green, Mr. Lenz, Mr. Watt and others. A very worthwhile suggestion was made by Mrs. Guest, asking that every collector who attends the next convention, bring part of his collection along, and it is hoped that all will follow this suggestion.

On Sunday auction number two took place. It was found that many were still anxious to buy, so another auction was arranged and again the prices were good. After the auction, settling of accounts was, in order and this took most of the time until past the noon hour. The list of those who registered is found below. Many were present who did not register.

Carl R. Billings
R. E. Cheek
T. Delano Bartlett
E. Lasker
Ernest Johnson
Aubrey Frazier, Jr.
Ernest Musslewhite
Kyle Vick, Jr.
Joe Thompson
Raymond Herring
Billy Banks
Chuckie Brazelton
Berry Brazelton, Jr.
Billy Jablonowski
Radford Calkins
Benn Gleason
Taylor Robinson
Horace Cowan
T. E. Flick
A. L. Zieten
Harriet Cunningham
J. E. Guest

Jack Seymour
M. N. Cowan
Lottie M. Walker
A. H. Schumacher
Carl H. Brunner
Mrs. Carl H. Brunner
Jack Cunningham
Jane Beville
Kathryn Wallace
Fred Green
L. W. Beatty
A. T. Beville
E. M. Wood
Harbert N. Sapp
Samuel A. Poe
Rev. J. B. Dobbins
K. H. Drake
Joe Fitzpartrick
Mrs. Leo H. Booch
Donna Booch Dawson
Mrs. F. W. Watt
Frank Caldwell

Mrs. J. E. Guest
Mrs. J. A. Fitzgerald
James A. Fitzgerald
Mrs. J. F. Lenz
Frank. H. Watt
John K. Strecker
Henry W. Conard
Mrs. H. W. Conard
A. F. Von Blon
Will Kendrick
Richard Brooks
Elmer Poe
J. E. Fee
J. L. Whitman
E. I. Brewster
L. A. Goodwin
R. L. Kelley
Louis Lenz
George W. Stege
J. E. McGinnie
Gloria Maude Kinchelore

R. E. Cheek and T. E. Flick

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Membership Dues... ..\$1.00 per year

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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No. 582 Mrs. Leo. H. Booch, 2906 Maple,
Dallas, Texas.

No. 583 Mr. James A. Fitzgerald, 835 N.
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No. 584 Mr. Robt. L. Kelly, 5934 Victor,
Dallas, Texas.

No. 585 Mr. J. E. McGinnis, 618 Petrol
eum Bldg., Houston, Texas.

586 Mr. Geo. W. Stege, 716 Mercantile
Bldg., Dallas, Texas.

No. 587 Mr. Samuel A. Poe. 5416 Miller
Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

No. 588 Mr. Merritt B. Whitten, 1510 S.
Hampton Road, Dallas, Texas.

RESIGNED

516 Major John A. Hoag.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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Charles, La.

Mr. S. L. Bierbauer to 425 East Colorado
Street, Pasadena, Calif.

Mr. Edwin B. Hill to Box 927, Ysleta,
Texas.

OUR AUCTIONS

Nothing seems to sell like commemora-
tives and old covers, at least such was
the case at Waco. If anyone thinks that
either went begging, it's a mistake, for
in most cases these stamps and covers
brought more than the price asked for

them by dealers. If you did not enter
anything it's your oversight and loss.
Remember this next year.

Present address of Dr. William F. Her-
ron and P. H. Cohn are desired. If known
to you, please write Secretary Cheek, 706
Plaza Hotel, Houston, immediately.

The death of Mr. Frank E. McCabe of
Denver, Colorado, was reported by Secre-
tary Cheek. Mr. McCabe held membership
278 in the T. P. A. He was city detective
and a member of the police department for
over twenty years, was a veteran of the
Spanish-American War and was well known
and influential in the City of Denver.

A CLEAN SLATE

The Association decided to give all a
new start by charging all dues in arrears
to profit and loss, and consider all mem-
bers who pay 1932 dues as being in good
standing. Therefore those few who have
not already remitted dues for this year
should do so immediately. Send your
dollar to R. E. Cheek, 706 Plaza Hotel,
Houston, who will send you member-
ship card promptly.

R. E. CHEEK, SECRETARY.

A. P. S. CONVENTION

The A. P. S. convention will take place in
Los Angeles, Calif., August 15th to
20th, inclusive. Big exhibitions will take
place and we have already received the
official prospectus of this stamp show.
No doubt quite a few from Texas will
go, in fact, we strongly advise all those
who are able to go to by all means make
the trip. I understand the railroad fare
will be enormously reduced.

The T. P. A. has officially recognized
the need of a committee for the disposal
of collections made by T. P. A. members
in event of the death of said member,
therefore the President has been empow-
ered to offer such help to the relatives
and appoint a committee of suitable mem-
bers who are to act, without pay and
without liability on the part of the As
sociation. With the appointment of such
a committee, who have proper knowledge
of the collection, a material better re-
turn should be secured, for your and
my collection, This is one definite step in
the right direction.

Our new scribe, R. E. Cheek, specializing in Cape of Good Hope Triangles, is anxious to trade for any items which he can use. Condition in every instance must be as fine as the collection is intended for exhibition purposes. If you have any thing of interest write him direct.

VISITOR TO GALVESTON

Mr. E. D. Dorchester of Velasco was a welcome visitor to Galveston, and fortunately he brought along several albums of his collection, which is quite extensive. We enjoyed looking through them and as this was our first meeting, we must say we were impressed with his pleasant personality. Mr. Dorchester has been a member of the T. P. A. for the Lord knows, how many years. He holds membership No. 5. Come again.

HOUSTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETING

The Houston Philatelic Society continues very actively and is holding its regular bi-monthly meetings on the tenth floor of the M. & M. Building, Main Street Viaduct, on the first and third Mondays of each month. They extend an invitation to all collectors and those who are fortunate to visit Houston should arrange to participate in one of their meetings.

During their last several meetings, they have had talks and exhibitions by several collectors from out of town, one being given by Edwin L. Alexander, who gave a talk on Yorktown, with full information on all points, such as plate varieties, number of issues, peculiarities, etc. Mr. M. M. Cowan gave a talk on New Zealand.

ILLUSTRATING U. S. STAMPS

The Stamp Collectors Club of Hartford, Connecticut, is again bringing up the question of being permitted to illustrate stamps the same as is done in other countries. You know, for years we were not permitted to illustrate any part of U. S. stamps, but in 1923 a change was made, which permitted printers to copy frames of U. S. stamps, conditioned that they be four times the natural size, and the stamps of other countries had to be defaced. Naturally, the Treasury Department of the U. S. government is against any extension of authority, but you readily realize that stamp collectors and deal-

ers in this country are seriously hampered by not being able to properly illustrate their catalogues, circulars, and most important of all, books on U. S. stamps. It is planned to have everything ready by the latter part of this year and it would be advisable if every stamp collector in the country would voice his or her sentiment to the Senator and Congressman of his or her respective State so that they may realize that a change is actually desired by stamp collectors and that it is not the whim of a few in Connecticut. We will do our part. Will you do yours?

JOIN THE T. P. A.

Every stamp collector in Texas should be able to afford \$1.00 per year, the amount required for membership in the Texas Philatelic Association. If you have not attended any of the yearly conventions, you have missed the best part of your hobby. If you have attended these conventions, you will have noticed that every year these conventions are getting better and the attendance is growing steadily. In a few years we should be able to guarantee an attendance of considerably over 100 Texas collectors alone for any A. P. S. convention in Texas.

Again we say, join the T. P. A., and be guaranteed that every year you will enjoy your hobby more than the last and collector friends over the State will increase, and after all it is friendship that makes life worth living.

Write to Secretary R. E. Cheek, 706 Plaza Hotel, Houston, Texas, for an application blank today.

A WORTHY SUGGESTION

Mrs. J. E. Guest made a suggestion which we hope will be followed by all collectors who attend future Texas Philatelic Association conventions. The suggestion is that each collector bring part or all of his collection along, as this should materially help to make the conventions a greater success. We heartily agree with Mrs. Guest, and are ready to even guarantee that those bringing collections will enjoy the convention, for I have yet to see a collector who does not enjoy showing his or her collection. Over half of those who attended the last convention brought little or nothing. Let's change this, and start with the Dallas convention. F.