Masons-On-Stamps, General Henry H. Arnold (1886-1950)

Henry H. Arnold, better known as General "Hap" Arnold, was born June 25, 1886, at Cladwyne, Pennsylvania.

At the age of 21 he graduated from West Point Military Academy with the rank of 2nd lieutenant and began pioneering in military aviation. In 37 years he had become the 5-star commanding general of the Army Air Forces.

Brother Arnold was raised in Union Lodge No. 7, Junction City, Kansas, November 3, 1927. He received the 32nd degree A.A.S.R. at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, April 11, 1929, and the 33rd degree October 19, 1945.

He is said to be the pilot shown at the controls of the plane on the 24c airmail stamp of 1933 (U.S. #C8). The 50th anniversary of the air force which he helped develop and eventually headed, was commemorated philatelically in 1987 (U.S. #C49).


—Marshall S. Loke.
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2nd Meeting — October 6, 1961
Masonic Night

IN MEMORIAM

ANTON HYDEN

"May his soul rest in eternal peace."

Brothers Reggel and Pflh are rehearsing a degree team that will travel to Cleveland to put on the "Master of Philately" Degree for our Lake Erie Chapter on October 20th. Any Brother who can arrange to be in Cleveland that night will be welcomed.

Our Treasurer reports that there are still many of our Brothers who have not sent in their dues. You receive a six months' FREE carry-over, so that we could make the dues coincide with the Club year. Please act quickly — that we can continue our Philately, an 8-page magazine.

Your suggestions for the benefit of the Club will be gratefully received.

—S. Duffield Swan

PROGRAM 1961-1962

Sept. 9—Dr. George Cannitzer Night
Oct. 6—Masonic Night
Nov. 3—Past Presidents' Night
Dec. 1—Curator's Night
Jan. 5—Old Timers' Night
Feb. 2—Exchange Night (Club Competition)
Mar. 2—Novice Night
Other meetings to be announced later.
Swap nights to be arranged for October-November.

LAKE ERIE CHAPTER #2

The attendance at our meetings has been very gratifying to our officers, running about fifty percent of our membership, even throughout the summer months. This is above the average of most clubs, stamp or otherwise, and indicates a healthy interest in the Chapter's success by the members.

At our August meeting we were delightfully entertained by Alden Whitney as he related excerpts from his 55 years of stamping experience, covering the cycle of collector-dealer-collector. As a dealer, he was located in Washington, D.C., following in the foot-

BY THE SIGN OF THE GAVEL

Our September Meeting, the farewell to Dr. George Cannitzer, was attended by representatives from Bro. George's varied stamp interests. We are very appreciative of the talks and presentations made by John Britt, a past president of The Collectors Club, as well as by representatives of the Germany Philatelic Society. Full account will be found elsewhere in this issue. We all will miss George's counsel, cheery personality, philatelic "know-how" and his regular photographs of important Club events. Who will volunteer to try to fill his place?
steps of his father who preceded him in a similar capacity.

Last month we mentioned our efforts in the formation of a philatelic reference library. Our member Alan E. Natoam has recently been appointed Librarian of the Cleveland Masonic Library Museum, of which our reference library will become a part. Thus he will also become the Chapter's Librarian, and to make his labor of love a more enjoyable task, we again appeal for donations in the form of any type of literature of a philatelic nature.

Featured at our October 18th meeting will be Gordon J. Cole, our second vice president and ardent devotee of Masonic Philately. He will present the Chapter with a mounted collection of Masonic cacheted covers, donated to the club by John A. Mirt of Chicago. He will also show and discuss examples of Masonry on stamps.

In response to numerous inquiries, we list below the names and addresses of our Charter Members.

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HONORED MEMBER

BROTHER HARRY L. LINDQUIST

Harry L. Lindquist, editor and publisher of "Stamps," has been named 1961 recipient of the Leo and Samuel August First Day Cover Award. This award will be presented October 13, by the American First Day Cover Society at a banquet at the Advertising Club in New York City.

Mr. Lindquist was chosen for this year's award, AFDCS Award Chairman Bernard Ring stated, because of his many contributions to the first day cover field during more than half a century of philatelic activity. Particularly in the last five years, as a member of the first Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee and as president of the People-to-People Hobbies Committee, Inc., he had much to do with the rapid growth of interest in first day covers here in the United States and throughout the world.

As editor and publisher of "Stamps" since 1932, Mr. Lindquist has consistently publicized first day covers. A first day cover, usually from a foreign country, has been shown on the front of nearly every issue since 1947, and articles and news stories on first days are often featured.

He was a member of Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield's Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee. During the tenure of this group, many advances were made in the first day cover field, such as the introduction of pictorial first day postmarks with the 1958 Gardening stamp and "international" first days with the 1959 St. Lawrence Seaway issue.
In September 1956, Mr. Lindquist was one of 42 chairmen appointed by President Eisenhower to head the People-to-People Program, designed to promote friendship and understanding between Americans and citizens of other lands at the grass roots level. The Hobbies Committee, under his direction, has sent many thousands of first day covers to people all over the world, an activity that has brought a greater response and has been more successful than any other aspect of the committee’s extensive program.

Mr. Lindquist’s stamp collecting interests have included Norway, Guatemala, booklets and duck stamps. He also has been interested in many other hobby fields. As a boy he collected minerals, fossils, and other natural history specimens that abound in his home area of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. He was elected secretary of the American Society of Curio Collectors and became editor of its magazine before he was seventeen.

In the early 1900’s he published community newspapers and other publications, including the Collectors Journal, from his own printing plant in Chicago. During these years he was active in the Chicago Philatelic Society. Mr. Lindquist served in the First World War, and on his return was connected with several trade publications in Chicago and later in New York.

Early in the 1920’s he inaugurated the Collectors Club Philatelist and edited the publication for several years. In September 1932, he started his own publishing firm again, this time in New York City, publishing “Stamps” and philatelic books, as well as books in other hobby fields.

Also in 1932, he founded the National Federation of Stamp Clubs. He still serves as president of that organization. He was president of CIPEX in 1947 and was elected to the British Roll of Distinguished Philatelists the same year. In 1956 he was honorary president of FIPEX and chairman of foreign participation. He was awarded the Alfred B. Lichtenstein Memorial Award by the Collectors Club of New York in 1957. He is a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society of London and holds a life membership in the Collectors Club of New York. He is an active member of The Masonic Stamp Club of New York, and an honorary member of many philatelic societies, including the American Philatelic Society and the Society of Philatelic Americans.

MEET BROTHER ALCIABIADES
LAPPAS, B.A., LL.B.
OF BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Bro. Lappas was born in 1919 in Janina, Greece. He is a graduate of the Law School of the University of Paris and the School of Higher Commercial Studies of the same city. He is an executive for various societies in Argentina, as well as a journalist. Member of numerous organizations, Author of various books, especially about Religion and Masonry.

He was initiated in 1942 in Pindos Lodge No. 388, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Argentina. He was its Worshipful Master from 1946-51. Past Master in 1956-61 in Panamerica Lodge, Honorary member of many Lodges and Grand Lodges. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Argentina in 1951-60.

Presently Grand Secretary of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Argentina, since 1957, and 32nd degree member of the A. & A. S. Rite.

During the period 1950-58 he served as Editor of the Argentine Masonic Magazine “Simbolo.” He has written many articles about Masonry on Stamps. Collects stamps from Argentina, United States, England, German, France and Greece, as well as any stamp identified with Freemasonry.

It is with much pride that we now publish the following article which Brother Lappas has just completed for us, and which is undoubtedly the most comprehensive and exhaustive study on the subject.

MASONRY ON ARGENTINE STAMPS

Through various decades the issues of Argentine stamps had three motifs:

(1) The coat-of-arms of the Republic (two clasped hands upholding a Phrygian cap) on a background of sky-blue and white, the symbolical Masonic colors, as also those of the Argentine standard, created by a Freemason, General Manuel Belgrano.

(2) The image of San Martin.

(3) The image of Rivadavia.

General Jose de San Martin was a distinguished Argentine military leader; trained in Europe, where he was initiated in “Integrity” Lodge in Cadiz, Spain. He fought successfully for the independence of his country, and with his epic crossing of the Andes, liberated the countries of Chile and Peru. He founded Lodges in the capitals of both these Republics, as he had already done at Buenos Aires in 1812, Cordoba in 1814 and Mendoza in 1816. In 1859 the United States of America issued
two stamps in his honor in the series "Champion of Liberty." Bernardo de Rivadavia was a distinguished jurist, who, from the beginning, strove for the independence of his country. In 1826 he became the first institutional President of Argentina. He was initiated into Freemasonry in Europe, and on his return to Buenos Aires, he joined Southern Star Lodge No. 205, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. All of his sons were Freemasons: two of them being outstanding members of the Grand Lodge of Argentina, as was also his grandson, Admiral Martin Rivadavia.

Other distinguished personalities in Argentine history who have appeared on issues of Argentine stamps and who were Masons, are:

Vicente Lopez y Planes, author of the Argentine National Anthem—successor to Rivadavia in the Presidency. His son, Vicente Fidel Lopez, was Grand Master of Argentina in 1879-80.

Mariana Moreno, the inspiration, strength and nerve center of the Revolution of 1810.

Manuel Belgrano, a general in the War of Independence, was Wor. Master Lodge in Tucuman, and was the originator of the Argentine National Banner.

Carlos Maria Alvear, a general in the War of Independence; Wor. Master of Lautaro Lodge in Buenos Aires and first representative of Argentina to the United States. President and Brother James Monroe presented him with a Masonic jewel.

Dalmacio Velez Sarsfield, eminent jurist, writer, politician and author of the Argentine Civil Code.

During the decade 1888 to 1898 various series of stamps picturing Masons were issued:

General Justo Jose de Urquiza, President from 1852 to 1858; Wor. Master of to 1860; 33rd degree.

George Washington Lodge No. 44, under the Grand Lodge of Argentina; 33rd degree.

Santiago Derqui; President from 1858 Bartolome Mitre; President from 1862 to 1863; Grand Master of Argentina in 94; 33rd degree.

Domingo Faustino Sarmiento; President from 1863 to 1874; Ambassador to the United States; Grand Master of Argentina in 1852-83; 33rd degree.

Jarigues Celman; President from 1886 to 1890; Wor. Master of Piedad y Union Lodge No. 34 in the City of Cordoba.

During the same period there were issues of a series of 15 values dedicated exclusively to three Freemasons, Rivadavia, Belgrano and San Martin. The centenary of the Revolution of 1810 was commemorated in 1910 and on that occasion a series was issued, where all of the notable personalities represented were Freemasons. Other motifs bore reference to Freemasonry, such as, for example, the National Congress which was inaugurated by President Jose Figueroa Alcorta, an eminent Mason.

In 1911 on the occasion of the centenary of Sarmiento a Past Grand Master, a stamp was issued. He was also honored on further issues in 1935, 1938 and 1961.

In the year 1916 the centenary of the Declaration of Independence in the City of Tucuman—inspired by Masons such as Belgrano, San Martin and Laprida—was commemorated.

Between 1917 and 1926 several series were issued picturing San Martin; others were dedicated to Urquiza, Mitre, Belgrano, etc. (to be continued)

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OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING

Dr. Camnitzer Night

We were pleased to greet visitors—Mr. John Brit, Past President of the Collectors Club and Messrs. Frank Berger, Alfred Heinz, Edwin Certel and Harry Meier of the Germany Philatelic Society.

Bro. Reggel to Pres. Swan, for his use, the gavel which had been handmade and presented in 1950 to the Club by Bro. Bowman.


Bro. Pihl discussed the arrangements for our forthcoming trip on Oct. 20th to Lake Erie Chapter for the purpose of conferring the Master of Philately Degree. Bro. Reggel was appointed Chairman of the Ritual Committee and organized a degree team.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to honoring our hard working Past President, Bro. and Dr. George Camnitzer, who has just retired from active practice as a dentist, and now plans to make his permanent home in Florida.

"Uncle" Jake Glaser presented Bro. George with a water color which he had painted for this occasion. Bro. Osterlund read a telegram from Dr. Yarry who was unable to attend the farewell, due to urgent business. Bro. Pelander then presented George with an attache case in appreciation for his work and devotion to the Club over a period of many years. Brother Cam-
nitzer replied, expressing his regrets at the prospect of no longer being locally active, and thanking all present for their good wishes.

Frank Berger announced that Dr. Camnitzer had been given a silver medal by the German Philatelic Society, the first of its kind. Alfred Heinz spoke about and then exhibited a group of covers and courier mail used and sent from East to West Berlin.

Bro. Osterlund then introduced John Britt who spoke about and showed his award winning collection of Essays and Proofs of World Airmails. This collection, which had just been returned after winning the gold medal at the Curiosa ’61 Exhibition at the Hague, Holland, was exhibited in five frames and contained many unique items.

—Stanley A. Salomon.

While the minutes of these early meetings were void of detail, the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1820 contain this interesting paragraph: Quote: “A petition was presented from Brother Stephen R. Grover and thirteen others, Master Masons, praying that a warrant may be granted to them to form a new Lodge in the Township of Caldwell, in the County of Essex, to be called Essex-Lodge No. 44, which petition was read, whereupon, on due consideration, it was ordered that a warrant be issued and that Brother James Orton, be the first Master, Stephen R. Grover first Senior Warden, and Peter Speer, first Junior Warden of said Lodge.”

It is interesting to note that the Stephen R. Grover mentioned here was a close friend of Grover Cleveland's father, Rev. Richard Cleveland, who was an early pastor of the Caldwell Presbyterian Church, and the man after whom Grover Cleveland was named.

—S. J. Bensen, Secretary
National Masonic Hobby Club.

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

FRED BAROVICE, a former president of the S.P.A., and dedicated worker for that society, was given the 1961 Lagerloef Award, the S.P.A.’s highest honor for service to the organization, at the recent convention.

E. MILNOR PECK'S Fleetwood Cover Service has again been honored in having one of their beautiful engraved cacheted envelopes selected as an official first day cover. This time it is sponsored by the Remington Art Memorial, Ogdensburg, New York, for the issuance on October 4th of a multicolor 4¢ stamp, honoring the 100th anniversary of Frederic Remington, world famous artist of dramatic and colorful scenes of our “Old West.”

Rev. Dr. FLOYD S. LEACH, founder of Ye Olde King's Highway Stamp Club of Darien, Conn., was in charge of the annual “club album” showing on August 2, 1961. The club album is made up of pages voluntarily contributed during the club’s nearly thirty years of existence. These include a wide variety of philatelic interests, as many of the members have responded to the invitation to contribute to the album, an invitation which is immediately extended also to their new members. (This item was submitted by Bro. Osterlund, our Curator of Archives, with the suggestion that it might be a good idea to develop something further along these lines in our own group.)

HERMAN HERST, JR., was desig-
nated as one of the three winners of the 1961 John Luff Awards at the recent 75th Anniversary Convention of the American Philatelic Society. The Luff Awards, named for one of this country's most distinguished philatelists, are made at intervals by the APS to honor living philatelists for outstanding service to philately and the society. Bro. Herman was chosen because of his popular book "Nassau Street," which was published last year, his many articles in the stamp papers and his constant crusade to keep philately ethical and sound. (If you contemplate buying the book, don't forget that "Pat" will be glad to autograph it if you inform him that you are a member of the MSC.)

JOHN A. MIRT, exhibited jointly with Clara M. Rutherford their display "Medical Trail Blazers" at the National Chemical Exposition held in September in Chicago, Illinois. This exhibit was part of a specially invited section open to the public during the period of the exposition.

FRANKLIN R. BRUNS, JR., Director of the Division of Philately, Washington, D.C., delivered one of the principal addresses at the 67th annual convention banquet of the Society of Philatelic Americans early in September at Topeka, Kansas. He stressed the fact that philatelic critics of the U.S. Postal Service seldom appreciate the many problems which the Post Office Department faces in the planning and production of commemoratives. He discussed the current policy which is to issue not more than 15 commemorative stamps during a year. He announced that the Postal Service hopes to be able to make increased use of its multicolor processes, using the Giori presses whenever possible for production of commemoratives. He anticipated that collectors will like the new Remington stamp since its production will be by new techniques developed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

At the 75th Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society, held August 16 to 20 in Chicago, Illinois, Bro. HARRY L. LINDQUIST presided at the installation ceremonies for the new officers. HERMAN HERST, JR., was appointed head of The Trade Relations Committee; which is composed of stamp dealers and will be charged with the responsibility for working out a basis for good relations between collectors and stamp dealers, setting up standards for philatelic trade practices and formulating a species of a code of ethics for philatelic transactions.

At this same Convention, a presen-

tation showing postal use of U.S. Revenue stamps by Bro. WILLIAM C. AICHELE, received a special award from the American Revenue Association, plus a silver medal. He was also recipient of a bronze medal for "Both sides of the question by Al K. Hall," a presentation of liquor industry and temperance corner cards.

Rt. Wor. ALEXANDER R. HESSE was installed as District Deputy Grand Master for the Second Kings District (New York), at ceremonies held on September 21st at Merchants Lodge No. 709, Floral Park Masonic Temple. (Best wishes, Bro. Hesse for a successful administration and, as in the case of your neighbor D.D.G.M. Thomas Cesta, we shall understand why you won't be able to find time this year to attend our regular meetings.)

THE LIBERTY BELL
(U.S. #627)

It was rung July 4, 1776 by Andrew McNair, a Mason, to proclaim the birth of a new nation.

It tolled for the death of George Washington on December 20, 1799.

It was rung on the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1826.

It cracked while tolling for the death of John Marshall on July 3, 1835.

—M. S. L.

There are three friendships which are advantageous, and three which are injurious. Friendship with the upright, friendship with the sincere, and friendship with one of much observation—these are advantageous. Friendship with the man of specious airs, friendship with the insinuatingly soft, and friendship with the glib-tongued—these are injurious.—Confucius.

It is impossible to calculate the moral mischief, if I may so express it, that mental lying has produced in society. When a man has so corrupted and prostituted the chastity of his mind as to subscribe his professional belief to things he does not believe, he has prepared himself for the commission of every other crime.—Thomas Paine.

There is a kind of good angel waiting upon Diligence that ever carries a laurel in his hand to crown her.—Albert Pike.

Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous.—Confucius.
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