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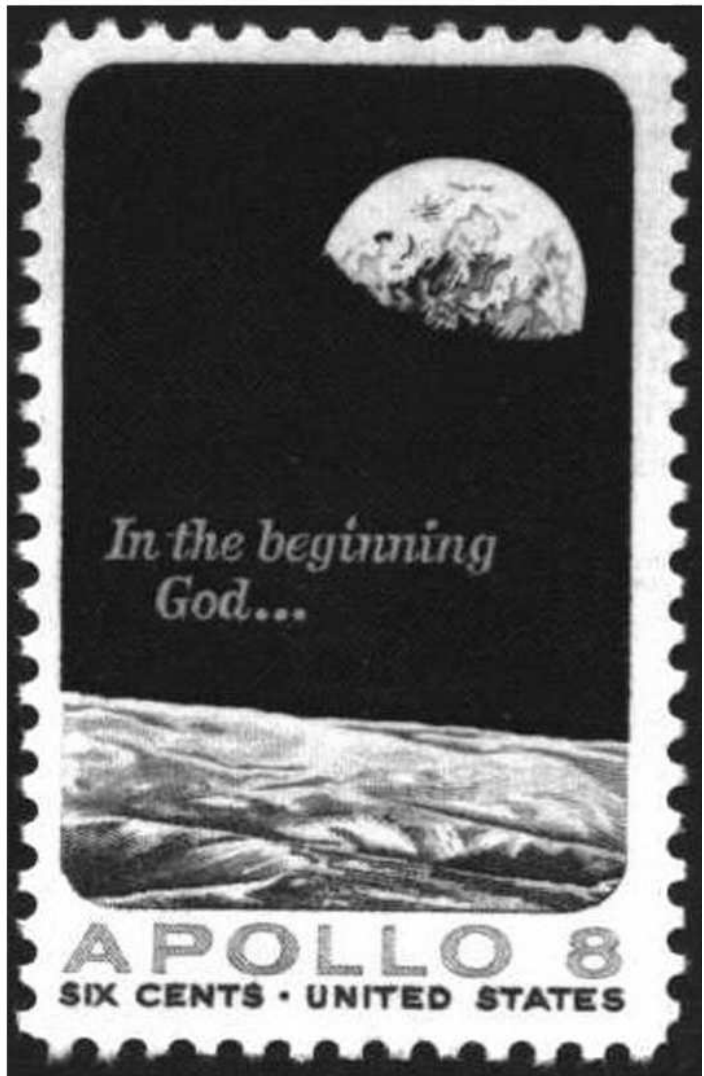
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The Apollo 8 stamp should be the first stamp in a Masonic Stamp Collection. The wording "In The Beginning God . . ." reminds all Masons of that famous quotation from the Book of Genesis.

—Manny Reggel



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The Masonic Stamp Club of New York was organized in 1934 for the purpose of encouraging research and study in Masonic Philately, and to establish bonds of good fellowship among Masons who are stamp collectors. The need for the organization has proved itself through the years with its ever increasing membership and the formation of other Masonic stamp clubs in the United States.

#### ★ MEETINGS ★

First Friday of Every Month  
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## By the Sign of the Gavel

Our club meets the first Friday of every month except in July and August. The first meeting of the fall of 1969 was held on Friday, September 5th, at the Collectors Club and I was truly gratified by the large attendance. Color slides of Masonic cancellations on stamps, both on and off covers were shown. These slides are the property of our club having been donated by our good friend, Milton E. Greenbaum, of Saginaw, Michigan.

Some of the members attending also displayed stamps that they acquired over the summer.

In the paragraph "By the Sound of the Gavel" in our September 1969 issue of the Masonic Philatelist, unfortunately a word was omitted. Five lines from the bottom after the words, "THIS IS," the word not was left out. (Editors Note: Our apology to our President for this omission). The sentence as written by me read "This is not to belittle the oldsters but simply to look forward to a growing Masonic Stamp Club." Some of our newly elected officers and directors are not in the oldster category and we are indeed proud of them.

Brother Robert A. Smith, our newly elected secretary, is doing a conscientious and efficient job. One need only to look at the last Masonic Philatelist to realize the fine results of the work by Brother Roy T. Ketcham as our new editor, assisted by Manny Reggel and the other associate editors.

—Edwin Mayer

## KETCHAM'S KORNER

Recently I read where Representative Glenn M. Anderson (D. Calif.) introduced a joint resolution calling for the Postmaster General to issue three commemorative stamps to mark the First Flight to the Moon. Some collectors hope this will put an end to the requirement that a person has to be deceased in order to qualify to have his picture and appreciate the honor. amendment of this type has good points. An American hero will be able to see his picture and appreciate the honor. Personally I feel the present regulations should stand. It is not conceivable but possible that an American would be a hero today but a villain tomorrow or an egotistical person in power, could get himself so honored.

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# MASONIC CANCELLATIONS

In the 1955 Masonic Philatelist I published a series of articles on Masonic Cancellations on early US stamps. They were well-received at that time. Since then many new cancellations have been identified and much more information has been obtained on this subject at the suggestion of the Philatelist Publication committee, I will endeavor to correlate all of the old—out of print information, together with the new and publish a present day series of articles. These will include tracings from presently known Masonic Cancellations, their measurements, their rarity, and where possible the connecting link to Masonry.

In presenting these articles, I wish to thank all of the Brothers who have cooperated with me over the forty years that I have taken in accumulating both the collection and the information I hope to pass on to you.

Should any of you have any suggestions or questions—send them along. I thank you in advance, and to that

end attach my mail address below.

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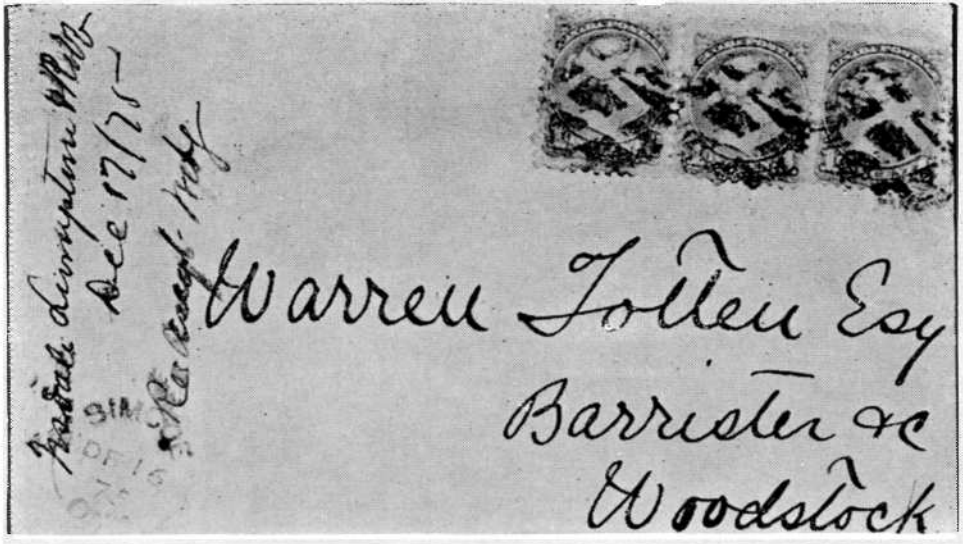
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Tracing	Town	Stamp	Date
1, 2	Beachville	#35	1875
3	Blythe	#35	1876
5	Brockville	1¢	1875
6	Embros	Postal Card	2/10/81
7, 8, 9	Simcoe	3¢	12/16/75
11	Woodstock	3¢	8/14/72 (Deputy)
12	Newfoundland	#28	

Postmaster	Service
Charles Mason	9/1/67 to 3/26/84
D. B. McKinnon	4/1/74 to 1909
John Crawford	2/1/58 to 11/8/82
Donald Matheson	6/1/58 to 6/23/84
Henry Mulkins	7/4/56 to 3/4/08
Hon. Geo. Alexander	11/1/69 to 7/15/73
Wm. Hargrave	



Masonic cancellation from the collection of Milton E. Greenbaum.

## BASEBALL STAMPS HAVE MASONIC SIGNIFICANCE



A stamp honoring our National Pastime was scheduled for release by the United States Post Office in late September. It will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Professional Baseball. It was in 1869 that the National League was organized. This stamp has a Masonic significance as many player and official over the last century have been members of the craft.

Brother Jerry Erikson, of California, has made a hobby of compiling the names and lodge affiliate of known Masons who were connected with the Major Leagues of Baseball. This list contains over 350 names. There are, no doubt, others that should be included but because they could not be confirmed they are omitted. A good percentage (35 out of 112) of the mem-

bers elected to the Hall of Fame belonged to our fraternity. The Hall of Fame is located at Cooperstown, N.Y.

This latest philatelic item joins a previous stamp (Scott No. 855) which was issued in 1939 commemorating the 100th anniversary of the invention of the game.

The following list contains the names and lodge numbers of those Brothers who are or were connected with baseball.

- Chas. B. "Babe" Adams \_\_\_\_\_ Mo. 97
- Chas. F. Adams (O) \_\_\_\_\_ K. T.
- J. W. "Joe" Adcock \_\_\_\_\_ La. 146
- David D. "Moose" Alexander \_\_\_\_\_ Tenn. 3
- Grover C. "Pete" Alexander\* \_\_\_\_\_ Neb. 82
- Ethan N. Allen \_\_\_\_\_ Ohio 162
- Nicholas "Nick" Altrock \_\_\_\_\_ D.C. 4
- Herbert Armstrong (O) \_\_\_\_\_ Md. 109
- Richie "Whitey" Ashburn \_\_\_\_\_ Neb. 166
- Eldon "Submarine" Auker \_\_\_\_\_ Kans. 317
- Gene Autry (O) \_\_\_\_\_ Okla. 185
- John F. "Home Run" Baker\* \_\_\_\_\_ Md. 102
- R. B. "Dick" Baker (A) \_\_\_\_\_ Ohio 133
- David J. "Beauty" Bancroft \_\_\_\_\_ Wis. 236
- Eros B. "Cy" Barger \_\_\_\_\_ Ky. 96
- Ernest S. Barnard (O) \_\_\_\_\_ Ohio ?
- Geo. A. Barnwell (O) \_\_\_\_\_ N.Y. 287
- Geo. G. "Farmer" Bell \_\_\_\_\_ Pa. 351

L. R. "Les" Bell	Pa.	21	Geo. W. Cutshaw	Cal.	402
Chas. A. "Chief" Bender*	Pa.	487	Jacob E. "Jake" Daubert	N.Y.	776
Herschel E. Bennett	Mo.	422	Lloyd G. "Chick" Davies	Mass.	
Wm. E. Benswanger (O)	Pa.	45	Geo. W. "Kiddo" Davis	Conn.	124
W. A. "Wally" Berger	Cal.	587	Dr. John W. Davis (O)	Ill.	973
Albert C. "Bruno" Betzel	Ohio	241	Chas. A. Deal	Ill.	855
John A. "Josh" Billings	Kans.	90	A. R. "Art" Dede	N.Y.	430
Ellwell "Whip" Blackwell	Cal.	428	Ivan M. "Ike" Delock	Mass.	
Frances R. "Ray" Blades	Ill.	137	Jos. F. "Frank" Demaree	Cal.	529
Louis N. "Buddy" Blair	La.	24	Joshua "Josh" Devore	Ohio	426
John F. "Sheriff" Blake	Ill.	973	Chas. W. DeWitt (O)	Mo.	267
J. H. "Jim" Bloodworth	Fla.	1	Wm. O. DeWitt (O)	Mo.	443
O. L. "Ossie" Bluege	D.C.	11	Hal Dixon (O)	N.C.	675
Thomas H. Bond	Mass.		R. P. "Bobby" Doerr	Mass.	
J. L. "Sunny Jim" Bottomley	Ill.	456	Geo. L. "Moose" Earnshaw	Pa.	298
Frank E. "Mike" Bowerman	N.Y.	519	Chas. H. Ebbetts (O)	N.Y.	569
R. R. "Bobby" Bragan	Ala.	636	James "Little Joe" Edwards	Miss.	329
Wm. G. Brandt (W)	Pa.	384	Howard J. Ehmke (EA)	N.Y.	757
Wm. G. Bramham (O)	N.C.		R. I. "Bob" Elliott	Cal.	657
Leland V. "Lou" Brissie	S.C.	306	J. W. "Joe" Engel	Ky.	761
Carrol W. "Boardwalk" Brown	N.J.	79	Elwood G. "Woody" English	Ill.	978
Edward W. Brown	Neb.	149	Carl D. Erskine	Ind.	681
Mordecai P. C. "Three Finger" Brown*, Ill.		164	J. P. "Joe" Evans	Miss.	308
Wilbur L. "Bill" Brubaker	Cal.	529	R. W. "Bob" Feller (EA)*	Ia.	256
John T. Brush	N.Y.	577	John E. Fetzter (O)	Mich.	87
Morgan G. Bulkeley (O)*	Conn.	4	Chas. O. Finley (O)	Ind.	677
Wm. K. "Ken" Burkhardt	Ohio	601	Leo H. Fischer (W)	Ill.	1042
Geo. H. "Tioga" Burns	Pa.	271	Leslie F. "Bill" Fleming	Ill.	978
Guy T. "Miss. Mudcat" Bush	Ill.	973	A. "Art" Fletcher	Ill.	712
John S. "Trolley Line" Butler	Kans.	99	E. P. "Elbie" Fletcher	Mass.	
R. B. "Dick" Butler (A)	Ohio	133	James E. "Beast" Foxx*	Pa.	298
R. Harry Camnitz	Ky.	184	F. M. "Fred" Frankhouse	Pa.	32
S. Howard Camnitz	Ky.	184	Harry H. Frazee (O)	Ill.	382
Bruce D. Campbell	Ill.	765	L. H. "Larry" French	Pa.	735
A. R. "Andy" Carey	Cal.	403	Bernard A. "Barney" Friburg	Mass.	
James O. "Tex" Carleton	Ill.	973	R. B. "Bob" Friend	Pa.	736
H. G. "Hal" Carlson	Ill.	102	Frank "Fordham Flash" Frisch*	Mo.	3
Hiram C. Carlyle	Ga.	228	Emil E. "Judge" Fuchs (O)	N.Y.	853
Roy E. "Dizzy" Carlyle	Ga.	228	L. H. "Len" Gabrielson	Cal.	403
Alexander Joy Cartwright*	Cal.	21	John W. Galbreath (O)	Ohio	631
Clifford D. "Lefty" Chambers	Wash.	74	D. W. "Denny" Galehouse	Ohio	385
A. B. "Happy" Chandler (O)	Ky.	41	Chas. W. Ganzel	Mass.	
Wm. B. "Ben" Chapman	Ala.	864	Wm. L. "Larry" Gardner	Vt.	78
Kendall F. "Lefty" Chase	N.Y.	466	Chas. C. "Sheriff" Gassaway	Tenn.	414
L. R. "Larry" Cheney	Kans.	129	Loring L. Gelbach (O)	Ohio	33*
Chalmer W. "Bill" Cissell	Ill.	669	Chas. M. "Charlie" Gelbert	Pa.	143
Daniel C. Clark	Miss.	308	J. C. "Joe" Gephart (W)	Pa.	375
John E. Clark (O)	Conn.	124	R. E. "Dick" Gernert	Pa.	435
Royal E. "Pepper" Clark	Conn.	124	Geo. "Moon" Gibson	Ont.	378
Stephen C. Clark (O)	N.Y.	133	Albon "Albie" Glossop	Ill.	24
Wm. W. "Watty" Clark	Miss.	505	H. E. "Hal" Goldsmith	N.Y.	349
Herman E. "Flea" Clifton	Ohio	614	H. E. "Hal" Goodnough (O)	Mass.	
Tyrus R. "Ty" Cobb*	Ga.	52	Curtis E. "Curt" Gowdy (A)	Mass.	
Gordon S. "Mickey" Cochrane*	Mass.		Harry "Hank" Gowdy	Ohio	563
Henry P. "Phil" Collier (W)	Tex.	1192	Geo. A. Grant	Ala.	89
Edward T. "Cocky" Collins*	N.Y.	466	Eli Grba (EA)	Cal.	587
Harry W. "Rip" Collins	N.Y.	951	Calvin R. Griffith (O)	D.C.	17
R. W. "Ray" Collins	Vt.	61	Clark C. "Old Fox" Griffith*	D.C.	17
Tharon P. "Pat" Collins	Kans.	32*	Burleigh A. Grimes*	Mo.	111
Earl B. "Colonel" Combs	Ky.	25	C. J. "Jolly Cholly" Grimm	Mo.	267
Estel C. Crabtree	Ohio	157	Marvin E. "Marv" Grisson	Cal.	84
Hugh M. Crtiz	Miss.	23	R. M. "Dick" Groat	Pa.	253
Powell Crosley, Jr. (O)	Ohio	641	Henry K. "Heinie" Groh	Ohio	598
Montford M. "Monte" Cross	Pa.	271	Addison C. "Ad" Gumbert	Pa.	535
J. R. "Joe" Cunningham, Jr.	N.J.	212	Harry E. "Gunboat" Gumbert	Tex.	1037
			D. J. "Don" Gutteridge	Kans.	187

S. C. "Stan" Hack	Ill.	973	C. "Christy" Mathewson*	N.Y.	519
Irving D. "Bump" Hadley	Mass.		Wm. B. "Deacon" McKechnie*	Pa.	590
H. Roy Harney	Ill.	4	Wm. B. McKechnie, Jr.	Pa.	590
Milo Hamilton (A)	Ia.	15	Henry W. "Heinie" Meine	Mo.	636
Fred G. "Pudge" Haney	Cal.	415	Samuel B. "Sandow" Mertes	N.Y.	519
Edward H. "Ned" Hanlon	N.Y.	330	Colonel B. "Bus" Mills	Tex.	92
James H. "Truck" Hannah	Cal.	451	Clarence E. Mitchell	Neb.	204
Eugene "Bubbles" Hargrave	Minn.	190	Willis A. Mitchell	Miss.	307
Stanley R. "Bucky" Harris	Pa.	233	Wm. A. "Cy" Moore	Ga.	25
Clyde M. Hatter	Ky.	594	Chas. M. "Mal" Moss	Ill.	973
Al Helfer (A)	N.Y.	225	Edward T. Murphy (W)	N.Y.	56
Ralston B. "Rollie" Hemsley	Ohio	732	Chas. S. "Buddy" Myer	D.C.	11
Claude R. Hendrix	Kans.	19	Henry H. "Hi" Myers	Ohio	406
John P. Henry	Mass.		Wm. H. "Billy" Myers	Pa.	681
W. J. B. "Billy" Herman	Ill.	973	Alfred E. "Greasy" Neale	W.Va.	3
James Herron (O)	Pa.	45	A. N. "Art" Nehf	Ind.	19
A. A. "Handy Andy" High	Mo.	40	Glenn R. "Rocky" Nelson	Ohio	48
Frank W. "Dutch" Hilier	N.J.	10	John N. Neun	Md.	210
Wm. L. "Chuck" Hoffer	Ia.	25	H. "Hal" Newhouser	Mich.	417
Fred Hofmann	Mo.	330	Wm. B. "Swish" Nicholson	Ill.	973
Roscoe A. "Watty" Holm	Ia.	537	John A. "Bert" Niehoff	Ga.	641
Donald W. Hornbeck (O)	Ohio	138	R. J. "Ron" Northey	Pa.	737
Rogers "Rajah" Hornsby*	Mo.	3	John M. Ogden	N.J.	162
Chas. C. Hostetler	Mich.	417	Warren H. "Curly" Ogden	Pa.	625
Waite C. "Schoolboy" Hoyt	N.Y.	511	John B. Old (W)	Okla.	472
C. C. "Cal" Hubbard (U)	Mo.	774	Frank R. "Bob" Osborn	Tex.	1262
Carl O. "King" Hubbell*	Okla.	479	LeRoy E. "Tarzan" Parmelee	Mich.	348
Thomas Hussey, Jr. (A)	Mass.		J. W. "Jim" Pattison	N.Y.	1047
M. J. W. "Jake" Jacobson	Conn.	118	H. A. "Hal" Peck	Wis.	247
Chas. D. "Cuckoo" Jamieson	N.J.	212	Roger T. Peckinpaugh	Ohio	499
J. D. "Joe" Jenkins	Ill.	126	H. J. "Herb" Pennock*	Pa.	475
Wm. R. "Pete" Johns	Wash.	282	Jack T. Peterson (O)	Cal.	506
Earl D. "Lefty" Johnson	Wash.	282	Ernest G. "Blimp" Phelps	Md.	209
Raymond Johnson (W)	Tenn.	414	R. L. "Ray" Pierce	Kans.	51
Russell C. "Jing" Johnson	Pa.	75	J. A. "Jake" Pitler	N.Y.	1023
Thomas P. Johnson (O)	Pa.	680	E. S. "Eddie" Plank*	Pa.	336
Gordon L. Jones, Sr. (O)	Cal.	265	Erwin C. "Bob" Porterfield	W.Va.	134
Samuel P. "Sad Sam" Jones	Ohio	189	Nelson A. Pott	Ohio	253
Adrian "Addie" Joss	Ohio	396	Robert Prince (A)	Pa.	253
Wm. F. "Billy" Jurgas	Ill.	973	A. J. "Andy" Reese	Miss.	318
Geo. R. "Krum" Kahler	Ohio	25	A. C. "Art" Reinhart	Ia.	219
Chas. A. Keith	Ky.	25	D. W. "Del" Rice	Mo.	267
Lloyd V. "Vern" Kennedy	Mo.	628	R. T. "Bob" Rice (O)	Pa.	121
John M. "Mel" Kerr	N.Y.	913	Edgar C. "Sam" Rice*	Ill.	446
Paul S. Kerr (O)	N.Y.	5	W. Branch Rickey, Sr.*	N.Y.	286
Edward F. "Specs" Klieman	Ohio	727	W. Branch Rickey, Jr. (O)	N.Y.	1070
R. L. "Ronnie" Kline	Pa.	729	Elmer R. "Ray" Riddle	Ga.	304
Wm. L. "Larry" Kopf	Conn.	118	Eppa "Jeptha" Rixey*	Ohio	356
A. Barry Latman	Cal.	506	Douglas "Scotti" Robb (O)	N.J.	275
Louis A. "Doc" Leggett	La.	413	Wm. E. "Eddie" Robinson	Ohio	600
Hubert B. "Dutch" Leonard	Cal.	366	C. H. "Charley" Root	Ill.	973
Sam Levy (W)	Wis.	142	Albert K. "Rosey" Roswell (A)	Pa.	508
F. G. "Fred" Lieb (W)	N.Y.	882	Edd J. Roush*	Ind.	467
D. W. "Danny" Litwhiler	Pa.	511	Geo. N. "Nap" Rucker	Ga.	235
Harry D. Lord	Me.	180	John J. Rucker	Ga.	235
Andy Lotshaw (O)	Ill.	973	Richard "Baldy" Rudolph	Mass.	
Chas. F. "Red" Lucas	Tenn.	711	Chas. H. "Red" Ruffing	Ill.	456
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 George M. Trautman (O) \_\_\_\_ Ohio 631  
 Harold J. "Pie" Traynor\* \_\_\_\_ Mass.  
 Paul H. "Dizzy" Trout \_\_\_\_ Mich. 417  
 Joe Tucker (A) \_\_\_\_ Pa. 762  
 Geo. E. "Bull" Uhle \_\_\_\_ Ohio 662  
 C. A. "Daddy" Vance\* \_\_\_\_ Fla. 127  
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### KETCHAM'S KORNER

(Continued)

It has happened before in other na-  
 tions.

Have you ever heard of Charles  
 Connell? He was an advisor to the  
 Governor, member of the Provincial  
 Assembly, and Postmaster-General of  
 the Province of New Brunswick.

In 1859 the Provincial Legislature is-  
 sued a directive to discontinue the  
 pound, shilling, pence monetary system  
 and substitute the decimal system. The  
 post office was ordered to issue a 1¢,  
 5¢, 10¢ and a 12½¢ stamp. To these,  
 Connell added a 17¢ stamp. The 1¢  
 depicted a locomotive honoring the  
 railroad development program of the  
 Province. The 10¢ showed the Queen  
 of England. A picture of a steamship  
 was on the 12½¢ stamp which was ap-  
 propriate because of New Brunswicks  
 maritime activities. The Prince of  
 Wales, as a boy was on the 17¢ stamp.  
 On the 5¢ stamp, which would be the  
 most widely used stamp Connell had  
 a picture of himself. The stamps were  
 ordered from the American Bank Note  
 company rather than from the usual  
 source in England. A few days before  
 they were to be released, a sheet of  
 each denomination was sent to the  
 council for final approval. Upon seeing  
 the 5¢ postage stamp the council be-  
 came outraged. They immediately sent  
 a telegram to the Postmaster-General  
 instructing him to release all except the  
 5¢ stamp. Connell, being a smart poli-  
 tician, realized that he would have to  
 forego his ego, as this was not worth  
 an end to his career. He destroyed the  
 stamps and plates as ordered and  
 reimbursed the Provincial Treasury  
 for the costs involved.

All the stamps, however, were not  
 destroyed. The story goes that after  
 receiving the stamps and prior to the  
 destruction order from the Governor,  
 Charles Connell held a party at his  
 home. Each guest was given one of the  
 stamps. In addition Connell's daughter,

Alice, is known to have written a letter to her sister Ella. The letter read as follows: "My Dear Ella, I have been asked many times if I had any of the stamps, and if I had, would I sell one of them. As you know, I had a whole sheet as you have. But I do not think we should make money out of something that caused our dear father so much mental anguish. I have burned mine. I pray that you will burn yours."

Though there is no proof one way or the other it is logical that if Connell gave two of his children a sheet of

the stamps he would have also given the same to his other daughter and three sons. We do not know how many of the stamps are in existence today.

In 1963 a pair of the stamps valued at \$2,100, which were found in the home of Connell's son-in-law after his death in 1933 showed up in a London Auction. This stamp is listed in the Scott Catalogue as New Brunswick No. 5.

Due to this and other unforeseen circumstances is my reason for wanting the qualifications for United States stamps to remain status.



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