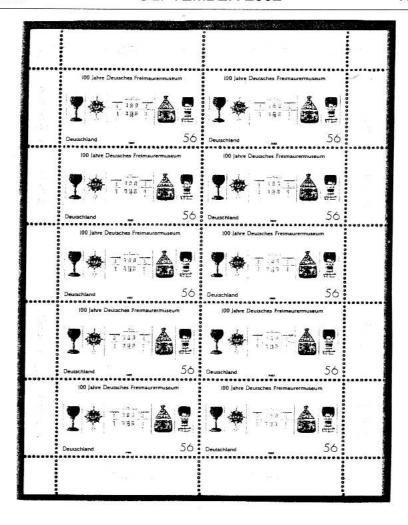


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The Masonic Stamp Club of New York was organized in 1934 for the purpose of encouraging research and study in Masonic Philately, and to establish bonds of good fellowship among Masons who are stamp collectors. The need for the organization has proved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

The Editor invites all members to submit items of information and articles on the subject of Masonic Philately. Typewritten copy and/or camera ready items will result in the best possible presentation of your material if it is selected for use.

GOVERNMENT ISSUE MASONIC STAMPS

PART II

Christopher L. Murphy, BF & Allan Boudreau, Ph.D., BF

In the June 2002 issue of *The Masonic Philatelist* we published Part I of a Club publication that has been underway for some time that will display and identify stamps issued expressly for a clearly apparent Masonic purpose. We are pleased to report that there is a great deal of interest in this subject and the response from our members has been very helpful

Our special thanks to Brother Gene Fricks, President of the Masonic Study Unit of the American Topical Association, for doing the research and bringing a correction to our attention. The stamp for Iceland illustrated in the June Issue commemorating the centenary of the International Order of Good Templars (IOGT) is not a Masonic stamp. The IOGT is not associated with the Masonic Order – it is just patterned after it.

When we first began to develop a collection in this subject area there were very few stamps available, worldwide! The 1935 Honduras issue identifying the Masonic Temple at Tegucigalpa was the first Masonic Government Issue! Over the next forty years there were only six; the Infamous Serbian Anti- Masonic issue in 1941, England offered the Peace issue in 1946, Cuba presented the Masonic Temple In Havana in 1956, the Dominican Republic recognized the Inter-American Masonic Conference in 1970, Honduras noted the 50th Anniversary of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Honduras in 1972, Brazil celebrated the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Orient of Brazil in 1973, and France honored the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Orient of France in 1973.

Numerous other Masonic Government Issues have followed in subsequent years. In 2003 Portugal recognized 200 Years of the Grand Lodge of Portugal (Brother Carlo Dias in Porto, Portugal sent in a First Day Cover) and Germany recognized 100 years of the Deutsches Freimaurer museum (Brother Hans Pohlmann in Florida sent in a sheet of these stamps which are illustrated on the cover of this issue of *The Masonic Philatelist*).

Thanks for all the help and input. We will have a good publication!

NEW CALEDONIA

Masons in New Caledonia, 125th Anniversary



(350fr)

(350fr) #C265, ISSUED 1994, Square & compass, beaming star, pillars, mosaic pavement

NEW ZEALAND

Art Deco Buildings



(\$1)

(\$1) #1570, ISSUED 1999, Masonic Hotel, Napier

NOTE: The Scott Catalogue shows the word "hotel." It is reasoned the word should be "hall." I have a work that states the building is a 'Temple' (i.e., Masonic Temple).

NIGER (REPUBLIC OF NIGER)

Trains and Locomotives



(3000f) (3000f) #(?), ISSUED 1998, Train, Jupiter, inset on scene showing a Masonic ceremony

PHILIPPINES

Grand Lodge of the Philippines, 75th Anniversary



(1p)

(1p) #1906, ISSUED 1987, Dr. José P. Rizal and Masonic Temple

Founding of Nilad Masonic Lodge Centennial







(2p)

(6p)

8p)

- (2p) #2175, ISSUED 1992, Masonic symbols arrangement including pillars and mosaic pavement
- (6p) #2176, ISSUED 1992, A. Luna, Masonic symbols arrangement including pillars and mosaic pavement
- (8p) #2177, ISSUED 1992, M. H. Del Pillar, Masonic symbols arrangement including pillars and mosaic pavement

Masonic Charities for Crippled Children, Inc., 75th Anniversary



(5p)

(5p) #2621, ISSUED 1999, Square and compass, Freemason wearing apron, handicapped children

ST. KITTS

Mt. Olive Masonic Lodge, 150th Anniversary









(15c)

(75c)

(\$1.20)

(\$3)

(15c) #169, ISSUED 1985, James Derrick Cardin (1871-1954) in Masonic regalia (75c) #170 (75c), ISSUED 1985, Lodge banner (\$1.20) #171 (\$1.20), ISSUED 1985, Square and Compass on Bible (\$3) #172 (\$3), ISSUED 1985, Lodge charter

ST. VINCENT GRENADINES - BEQUIA

French Revolution Bicentennial



(\$6)

(\$6) #275, ISSUED 1989, Grand Master Mason McDuck

SERBIA.

Anti-Masonic Exposition of October 22, 1941









(50p+50p)

(1d+1d)

(2d+2d)

(4d+4d)

(50p+50p) #2NB15, ISSUED 1941, Hooded human figure with Star of David on his tunic shielding himself from light

(1d+1d) #2NB16, ISSUED 1941, Hand crushing snake's head on square & compass on globe

(2d+2d) #2NB17, ISSUED 1941, Cross with binding of wheat shattering star on globe

(4d+4d) #2NB18, ISSUED 1941, Soldier figure pushing over pillars on globe with Star of David.

CHDINAM

Buildings



(20c)

(20c) #293, ISSUED 1961, Concordia Masonic Lodge building

NOTE: Although there are no references on the stamp, it is apparent the stamp was issued to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the lodge.

SWITZERLAND (HELVETIA)

Anniversary of the Masonic Initiation of Francois Marie Arouet deVoltarie, April 7, 1778



(90)c

(90c) #(?), ISSUED 1999, Globe encircled "2000," with Masonic anniversary presentation printed on two perforated tabs

TADJIKISTAN

Masonic Lodge



NOTE: Catalogue numbers have not been assigned as the government that issued the stamps is not recognized. ISSUED 2000, (Actual size 12.5cm x 17cm).

TANZANIA

Wolfgang Amades Mozart Death Bicentennial







(50sh)



(300sh)

(10sh) #840, ISSUED 1992, Marcella Sembrich as Zerlina in Don Giovanni, Mozart silhouette, square & compass

(50sh) #841, ISSUED 1992, Symphony Number 41, Jupiter, Mozart silhouette, square & compass

(300sh) #842, ISSUED 1992, Luciano Pavarotti as Idamente in Idomeneo, Mozart silhouette, square & compass

(500sh) #843, ISSUED 1992, Souvenir sheet; Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; contains one 38x50mm stamp (Not illustrated)

Lord Robert Baden-Powell, Founder of Boy Scouts, 50th Death Anniversary



(10sh)



(15sh)



(400sh)

(10sh) #844, ISSUED 1992, Boy Scout insignia, Baden Powell silhouette, square & compass

(15sh) #845, ISSUED 1992, Boy scouts in canoe - scouts experimental camp, Brownseal, 1907, Baden-Powell silhouette, square & compass

(400sh) #846, ISSUED 1992, Gemini space capsule - John Glen, first boy scout to orbit the earth - Baden-Powell silhouette, square & compass

(500sh) #847, ISSUED 1992, Souvenir sheet, Boy Scouts; contain one 38x50mm stamp (Not illustrated)

NOTE: Sir Robert Baden Powell was definitely NOT a Freemason.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

American Presidential Office, 200th Anniversary



(50c - Jackson)



(50c - Polk)



(50c - Garfield)



(50c - McKinley)



(50c - F. Roosevelt)



(50c - Truman)

(50c - Jackson) #776a, ISSUED 1989, Andrew Jackson, square & compass, early train

(50c - Polk) #776e, ISSUED 1989, James K. Polk, square & compass, miner (discovery of gold in California), U.S.A. #2 stamp (Washington)

(50c - Garfield) #777b, ISSUED 1989, James A. Garfield, square & compass, "Garfield leading Union soldiers in the Battle of Shiloh"

(50c - McKinley) #777f, ISSUED 1989, William McKinley, square & compass, Rough Riders monument (Spanish-American War)

(50c - F. Roosevelt) #778b, ISSUED 1989, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, square & compass, "Support of March of Dimes"

(50c - Truman) #778d, ISSUED 1989, Harry S Truman, square & compass, "Founding of the U.N., 1945"

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

IMPORTANT: The following stamps were not issued for a Masonic purpose. However, their close connection with the Masonic Order makes them fully appropriate to include in one's collection of government issue Masonic stamps. Appropriate notation is shown for each stamp.

Washington Bicentennial Issue



(9c)

(9c) #714, ISSUED 1932, George Washington; taken from a portrait by William J. Williams

NOTATION: The original portrait used for the stamp design shows Washington at age 62 wearing Masonic regalia (Masonic collar and sash). The regalia items were omitted in the stamp design.

Washington Inauguration Issue



(3c) #854, ISSUED 1939, Washington taking the oath of office, Federal Building, New York City

NOTATION: Washington is taking his oath on a Masonic Bible that belongs to St. John's Lodge, No. 1, New York City. Further, this stamp was petitioned by the Masonic Stamp Club of New York. At that time, Brother Franklin D. Roosevelt, a club member, was President of the United States.

UNITED STATES PRIVATE DIE PROPRIETARY STAMPS

Under the Revenue Act of 1862, manufacturers were permitted to print their own revenue stamps. Stamps depicting Masonic symbols are as follows:









(1c - Arnold)

(1c - Brock) (1c - Clark)

(1c - Hale

- (1c Arnold) #RO14, ISSUED 1864, Arnold & Co., All Seeing Eye in triangle with five-pointed star
- (1c Brock) #RO31, ISSUED 1864, Brock, Schneider & Co., All Seeing Eye in triangle with five-pointed star
- (1c Clark) #RO61, ISSUED 1864, Henry A. Clark, square & compass
- (1c Hale) #RO106, ISSUED 1864, Charles S. Hale, square & compass

UNITED STATES LOTTERY STAMPS

The state of Louisiana imposed taxes on cotton and on lottery tickets in 1866. The cotton tax was ruled unconstitutional before stamps were issued. However, the lottery stamps in the denominations and colors shown here were issued













(5c Bl.)

(6.25c Bl.)

(7.50c Bl.)

(7.50c Gr.)

(12.50c Bl.) (12.50c Gr.)

(5c) #(?), ISSUED 1866 (Blue)

(6.25c) #(?), ISSUED 1866 (Blue)

(7.50c) #(?), ISSUED 1866 (Blue)

(7.50c) #(?), ISSUED 1867 (Green)

(12.50c) #(?), ISSUED 1866 (Blue)

(12.50c) #(?), ISSUED 1867 (Green)

WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS

Grand Lodge of France Centennial



(250 fr)

(250fr) #463, ISSUED 1994, Pillars, square & compass, mosaic pavement

COSTA RICA MASONIC CINDERELLA



This "cinderella" was issued by the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica in 1965 to celebrate the centenary of Freemasonry in that country. The stamp depicts Dr. Francisco Calvo (1820-1890), a Roman Catholic priest of the Jesuit Order and a Freemason, who established the first Masonic lodge in Costa Rica. Also seen is the Masonic Temple at San Jose.



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John A Gonzalez P.O.Box 24 Gibraltar

10th July 2002

Dear Bro. Secretary,

I refer to your article of the June issue on Government Issue Masonic Stamps, of which I must congratulate Brothers Christopher L, Murphy BF, Allan Boudreau, Phd, BF and Steve Kapp for an excellent presentation.

I have in my possession a stamp, which we could <u>classify</u> as a stamp on the "borderline" with an implied Masonic purpose.

On the 6th march 1972 Bro, Alfred George Ryman M.B.E. who during those years was the official designer for the Gibraltar Government designed a set of three stamps to commemorate the Bi-Centenary of the Royal Engineers, who had a very close connection with Gibraltar.

The stamp, Stanley Gibbons No.237 depicts a Royal Artificer in the uniform of 1772, Gibraltarians being predominantly Roman Catholics, Bro. Ryman knowing that the majority of Gibraltarians were not acquainted with Masonic symbols decided to incorporate a number of artefacts which are part of our Masonic traditions.

I herewith enclose the stamp and an enlarge photo for your records and perusal.

I should also like to thank you, for the inclusion in the June edition of the Masonic Magazine of the Cover produced for the meeting of the Spanish Lodges in Madrid.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours Fraternally,

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1953: George Marshall (USA.), 1994: Yitzhak Rabin (Israel).

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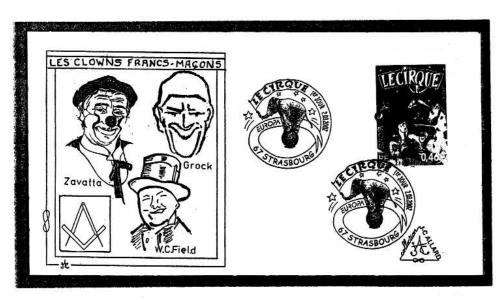
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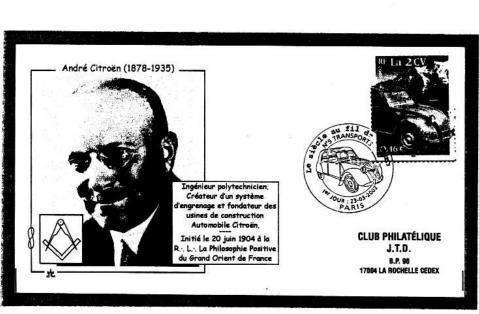


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