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The Cover Story

Mailing Children



MAY MAIL BABIES BY PARCELS POST

-- Washington, January 16. — The mailing of babies by parcel post is a real infant industry which Postmaster General Hitchcock is asked to foster.

In view of his bachelorhood, Mr. Hitchcock has considered seriously the calling into consultation of experts in the transportation of babies, as a letter which he received to-day presents to him a problem with which he is quite unfamiliar. To add to his embarrassment, the letter contains a note of genuine pathos which appeals strongly to the Postmaster General. This is the letter identically as it was phrased and punctuated:

"Ft. McPherson, Ga.
"Postmaster General:
"Washington, D. C."

"Sir:—I have been corresponding with a party in Pa. about getting a baby to raise (Our home being without one). May I ask you what specifications to use in wrapping so it (Baby) would comply with regulations and be allowed shipment by parcel post as the express Co. are too rough in handling Yours—"

The name signed to the letter is withheld at the request of Mr. Hitchcock.

Program Schedule (Feb/Mar/Apr)

February — The first meeting on 02.05.15 will have A. Stephen Patrick presenting on “Civil War on Stamps”. The second meeting on 02.19.15 will have Larry Stiles talking on “Yangtze River Patrol — Part I”.

March — The first meeting on 03.05.15 will be the always popular and entertaining “Club Member’s Show and Tell”. The second meeting on 03.19.15 we will have a special presentation by Tom Lera entitled “Using the scientific equipment at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum”. You will not want to miss this!

April — The first meeting on 04.02 will be the Second Quarter Cried Auction — bring your stuff to sell and your money to buy things with. The second meeting will have Al Nagy presenting on “OHMS Perf Stamps of Canada”.

BoD meetings for 2015; 04.30, 07.30, 10.29

January Meeting Recaps

There was no meeting on 01.01 as it was New Years Day. The second meeting on 01.15 began with a crowd of 14 for dinner. The brief Annual Membership meeting was held to be in compliance with the By-Laws. The ever popular No Fee Cried Auction attracted 41 members. Everyone agreed the Ballroom was a great room to meet in — but alas it is not available every one of our meeting nights in the course of a year. The auction sold 41 of 53 lots for a total of \$674.50. Thank you to A. Stephen Patrick for performing the cried auction — and everyone else for helping.

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:00pm before each meeting. Located on the NW corner of Shine Ave & 50 at 1237 E. Colonial Dr. There is plenty of parking on the north side, behind the restaurant. Bring your appetite — and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Event Calendar 2015

CFSC - Spring	April 11
SUNPEX 2015	June 6-7
FSDA Orlando Fall Show	September 12-13
FLOREX 2015	December 4, 5 & 6
For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com	

New Members X2

We would like to welcome two new members. Carlos A. Guffain of Orlando, who collects: stamps, coins, intaglio prints, covers, old postcards, etc. and also Scott Blanchette of Ocoee who collects: U.S., Thailand, Syria & Vatican. We hope to see you both around a lot over the years. Welcome to the Club!

January 24th One Day Show Recap

It was a dark and stormy night....actually it was — and the morning was pretty wet to begin with. The dealer move-in was a little challenging as the rain was intermittent, but by 10:30 the sun was out. The show drew the highest attendance numbers seen at any of the one day shows with 104 folks registered. I would like to thank everyone who helped to make the show a success. These little shows continue to tick along and provide a great service to the local area while allowing the CFSC to put itself out there to be seen. Everyone wins!

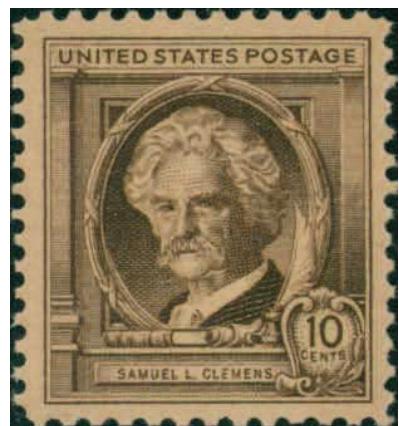
Exhibits for SUNPEX

It is time to make plans to be attending the June 6-7 show at the Bahia Shrine Center. This show has 14-16 dealers in attendance and generally marks the “end” of the stamp year. The show features up to 18 frames of material put together by club members, with prizes being awarded for the top finishers. You do not have to be an experienced exhibitor to partake of the fun — use this to gain experience and develop your skills for FLOREX. There are numerous folks in the club that will be very willing to assist new exhibitors — Just Ask! A. Stephen Patrick is filling in as the Exhibit Chairman this year. As an added bonus if you are working the show there is a BBQ on Saturday night at the Editor’s home to thank everyone for their efforts. SUNPEX is a long standing show sponsored and hosted by the CFSC.

Quotable

“It is easier to fool people than to convince them they have been fooled.”

Mark Twain
[1835 - 1910]



President's Message

I first would like to thank everyone who attended our Holiday party. It was a great success and I look forward to making next year's even better. Our January show was well attended even though we had to brave the few raindrops. I hope you had a chance to see the dealers.

At our next meeting, we will be having a ballot to select the best program presentations we had in 2014. The ballot will list each program and presenter and we ask you select a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice. We will present gift certificates to the top winners at our second meeting in February.

The West Volusia Stamp Club is having their annual show on February 21st. Many of your members will be having booths at the show. If you want more information, see Newt.

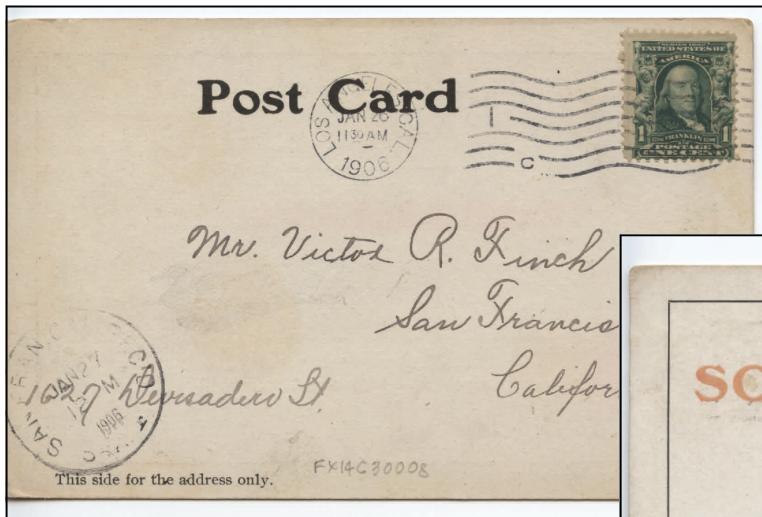
CFSC Dues Missing for 2015

The following individuals will be dropped from the roster of the Central Florida Stamp Club as of February 13th for non payment of 2015 dues. If a name appears on this list in error — we apologize for the paperwork goof — please get with our Treasurer James Archbold and our Secretary Forest Smith to make your payment and be reinstated. *We are sorry to see you go!*

Burdick, John	Caborn, Rod
Campbell, Garrett	Campbell, Timothy
Carroll, Richard	Freund, Tom
Murdoch, Floyd	Petterson, Richard
Sokolitsky, Ashley	Sokolitsky, Gary
Townsend, David	Wright, Clifford W.

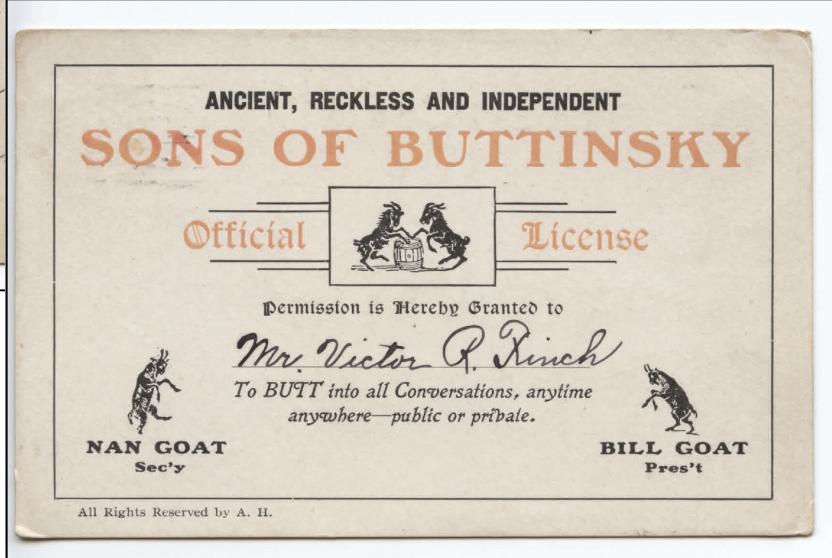
Serendipity — Part V by the Editor

This interesting little piece showed up at FLOREX 2014 compliments of one of the dealers (Island Cliffs Collectables) who know that odd pieces of postal history interested me. When I first looked at the front of the post card, my first thought was — “Common stamp and cancel — what is so special about this?”and then I turned it over and had a good laugh. I would love to know the origins, but nothing has been dis-



covered on the web. I did manage to find about a half dozen folks selling the same type of card — for anywhere from \$2 to \$12.

You never know what turns up when you least expect it!



The Central Florida Stamp Club

is a 70+ year old organization governed by a Board of Directors elected by the general membership every two years and dedicated to the enjoyment of the hobby of stamp collecting.

- Membership is a reasonable \$18 per year, \$6 for youth.
- Meetings are twice a month on the first and third Thursdays.
- The Membership of the CFSC includes many diverse interests that cover the range from A-Z.
- The meeting is centrally located to downtown Orlando and can be easily accessed from SR 50 (Colonial Drive) and I-4.
- The Marks Street Senior Center has been our host for the last 15+ years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 6:00-6:45. The business side of things from 6:45-7:10. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:15 until 7:50. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions until to 8:25. We must be out of the building by 8:30 without exception.
- The Membership of the CFSC participates as the host and sponsor of the SUNPEX show in June of each year. In addition, we are the resident hosting club for FLOREX, and many of the smaller local shows held in the Orlando area.
- The CFSC maintains a website: CentralFloridaStampClub.org
- Benefits of membership include; monthly newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

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