



The Cover Story



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October, 1918.

Dear Friend:—
 We urge you to vote for THEODORE A. BELL, independent candidate for GOVERNOR; and JO V. SNYDER, Democratic nominee for LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. Both of their opponents are pledged to a bone-dry policy that will destroy our valuable vineyards.
 Vote "NO" on Proposition No. 22 (Bone-Dry Prohibition).

22	PROHIBITION. Initiative Act. Declares that every person, firm or corporation, which manufactures, imports or sells intoxicating liquors after December 31, 1918, except denatured alcohol, shall be guilty of misdemeanor punishable by twenty-five dollars' fine and twenty-five days' imprisonment for first offense, and by fifty dollars' fine and fifty days' imprisonment for second offense, and by one hundred dollars' fine and one hundred days' imprisonment for each subsequent offense.	Yes	
		No	X

Stamp "X" here

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Program Schedule (June/July/August)

June meetings — The first meeting on 06/02 has Francis Ferguson speaking on “Shows — Making it Happen”. The second meeting on 06/15 is Member’s Show & Tell Night — it is also Birthday night for the end of the second quarter.

July meetings — The first meeting on 07/07 will have Jim Pullin taking about a topic that still is to be determined. The second meeting on 07/21 will have Stephen Patrick talking about “Castro’s Cuba”.

August meetings — The first meeting on 08/04 has no assigned topic. The second meeting on 08/18 is \$5 Super auction. Come prepared with your wallet and stuff to sell!

The BoD meeting for 2011 are scheduled as follows; June 30 and September 30. Please mark your calendars.

May meeting recap

The pre-meeting dinner was well attended with 11 hungry folks — 25 signed in for the meeting. Stephen Patrick was highly educational on the subject of the “America’s Cup” The auction sold 22 lots totaling \$97.50! The quiz was won by Bill Bomar Jr, with a perfect score, in second place with another perfect score was David Zambon.

The pre-meeting dinner had 10 hungry souls — with 27 signed in for Auction Night. We are happy to see the return of Al Nagy to our club roster. Many thanks to David Allen, A. Stephen Patrick, Robert Fisher, Robert Dowrick and Jim Archbold for the smoothly run cried auction. A total of 37 lots sold out of 47 available — for \$411.75! Nice work folks!

Event Calendar 2011

SUNPEX June 18-19
CFSS-Fall September 17-18
FLOREX 2011 Dec 2, 3 & 4

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:30pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Monthly Quizzes

- Jun Batter Up
- Jul 5¢ Flags WWII (2nd meeting)
- Aug Butterfly
- Sep “Stoned Men”

The Editor’s Ramblings.....

I have been handling this newsletter for a little over 5 years, during that time I have only missed two issues due to surgery. While I do enjoy doing this monthly exercise in word manipulation, someday I will resign from this post. If there is anyone who has even a remote interest in serving the club as the Editor of this unnamed rag, please speak up! It would be much better for the club, if a co-editor could be found to make the transition more smooth....just a thought!

Challenge 2011

Clue #1, The Pemberton Medicine Company was incorporated with a new name in the year that the famous philatelic individual was born. A famous “Chap” was also born that year.

Clue #2, My home town was little comfort, but we had cookies and shoes.

Clue #3, All together they were in 1963, on that special “Day”; Mable provided the substance, J. Edward spoke and James A. attended.

Clue #4, Uncle Franks best bud ‘Larry’ from The Puritan City, was of great influence.

Clue #5, Something is a foot (two of them) in the commonwealth.

Clue #6, Wanna see the collection? Go west(on) young man!

SUNPEX 2011

The show is set for June 18-19 at the Bahia Shrine Center (hours Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-3). All of the dealer booths are sold. The list of dealers can be found at www.FloridaStampShows.com. There will be 20 frames of exhibits by the membership of the CFSC — trophies and ribbons will be given out to those that place 1st, 2nd or 3rd. In addition the Alvin Hintz Award for British North America, and Favorite Exhibit will be given. Folks that give of their time to run the show are invited to the BBQ on Saturday evening at 6:00pm. This show is important to the financial health of the club and allows a club member to exhibit in an informal and friendly environment. Mark your calendar — See you there!

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Anti-Prohibition Electioneering By Mel Borofsky

Most stamp collectors have a “git around to it” box of stuff. I have often purchased an item just because it looks interesting and quite often I throw it in my “git to” box and “git to it” at a future date. I was recently poking around in a box of postal cards I purchased over the years and came across a UX29a in pristine mint condition. Checking Scott the value listed in at \$45.00, and my heart did a pitter patter until I looked at the sub-column value for a preprinted copy and the value dropped to \$7.00.

Anyway, on closer look, I realized why I bought that postal card in the first place. On the reverse was a bit of circa 1918 ANTI-PROHIBITION electioneering. The text urged the recipient to vote for Theodore Bell for Governor and to vote “No” to Proposition No. 22, the “Bone Dry Prohibition.” The text even spelled out the punishment for breaking the law if enacted.

I “googled” Mr. Bell and discovered that he represented Marin County in California, the heart of wine country. It instantly became obvious why Mr. Bell was urging the “No” vote. His constituents were mainly vineyard owners and workers (he might have had some interests of his own) and he was appealing to them for a vote for Governor. Bottom line, he lost that election as he had lost the previous two elections for Governor. As we all know now, prohibition became the law of the land and opened up a new market, namely “rum-running.” Mr. Bell met an untimely end; he died in a car crash in 1921.

Elections 2012-2014

The next election cycle for the Board of Directors of the CFSC will take place at the annual meeting on Thursday January 19, 2012. At this meeting the membership present, who are in good standing with the club, (**dues paid in full**) will vote from a roster of pre-determined individuals to makeup the BoD.

In recent elections there have been more candidates running than seats available. The upcoming election should be no different. The upcoming election will allow for 9 positions to be filled instead of the previous 7. If you are of the mind to participate in the governing process of the club, please consider giving of your time and talents as a board member. The commitment of time, involves 3 or 4 board meetings a year, and other activities if you hold one of the 5 executive posts.

There will be 4 positions At-Large, which do not have specific predefined duties. This is often a good way for a new individual to become acquainted with the workings of the club and BoD.

The club membership only elects the seated 9 member of the BoD. The 9 seated BoD members will meet privately to elect a President, VP-Operations, VP-Programs, Treasurer & Secretary.

The list of those that would like to run, will be started in September when a Election Master is announced. Should you desire more information please contact any of the current BoD members.

Calling all writers!

The editor of this rag is in need of articles for the coming monthly issues. Of special concern is the need for articles for the July newsletter that will be produced about a week earlier than normal to accommodate some out of town travel. (Your Editor will be out of town and not at the first meeting of July) If you have any written words to send along — with or without pictures — please get them to the editor by June 25 so that newsletter for July can be prepared and printed in time to be handed to Jim Archbold for delivery.

Name this Newsletter

It is time we named this newsletter — please communicate any suggestions to the EDITOR and we will put the suggested names to a vote at a club meeting, with the winning name netting a \$10 door prize to the person responsible.

Quotable

"Always stand on principle, even if you stand alone."
POTUS #6, John Quincy Adams [B 1767—D 1848]

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 10 years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 6:30-7:00. The business side of things from 7:00-7:20. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:25 until 8:00. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions from 8:00 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 SUN-PEX 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 & quizzes, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

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