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CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER  
C.C. #14

48 Hancock St.  
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July 10, 1952

Dear Fellow Route Agent:-

It is hard to realize that only a year has passed since that great showing of our 51-57 issues at Philadelphia and while it is much too early for another, yet many of us have hopes of such a get together when it is feasible. The memories and friendships made have been wonderful and the growth of the Unit in this intervening year has been most impressive, at that time our highest RA number being 181 while today it is 217.

Dan Kelleher had a remarkable sale in Boston on June 28, and Bill Hicks, who flew over from Philadelphia and back that day to attend, has kindly given his impressions of the sale as follows:-

At the suggestion of our Chatter Editor, Lester Downing, I am pleased to give the Unit Members a quick report on the quite remarkable sale of 312 Lots of railroad cancellations held by Daniel F. Kelleher in Boston on June 28th. I am told this was the largest sale of railroad material ever to be offered at auction, or at least none to equal it in many a year.

I was able to attend, fortunately, and can personally vouch for the fact that the trend of prices for this kind of very fine material definitely continues UP.

Probably 80% of the lots sold to floor bidders, which included Ezra Cole and Bruce Daniels from NYC; Sam Paige, Jack Molesworth, John Ayer, Lester Downing, John Wixen, Russell Wood and others from the Boston area, and Harry Keffer from New Haven.

Space prevents my reporting all the prices realized, but the following are typical on covers with either 3¢ 5ls or 57s:- Lot #1, Ala. & Tenn. Riv. RR \$10.50; Lot #9, Atlantic & St. L. RR \$36; Lots 12, 13, & 14, \$31, \$22.50 and \$31 respectively; Lot #18, a green Augusta & Atlanta, \$70; Lot #27, Balt. & Ohio Railroad \$31; Lot 36, a rare Belvidere, Delae RR NJ. \$33; Lot #40 \$7.75; #41 \$19; #54 \$15.50; Lot #63, a rare Buffalo & Erie, \$30; same on 3¢ 57 \$20; #68 \$21; Lot #69, a rare Canal Railroad, \$48; #72, another rare one, \$38; Lot #90 \$12; #92 \$33; Lot #93 \$12.50; the Eastern Railroads sold from \$3 to \$17, depending on condition; a rare Hudson River RR \$32; Lot #152 \$36; Lot #154 \$32; #160 \$31; the Morris & Essex's \$18 and \$20; Lot #302, Northern R.R. \$19.50; Lot #212, a rare Ohio & Miss. \$44 and #213, Ohio & Pa R.R. \$24; #230 Phila & Columbia \$23; #233, Phil & Pottsville \$17; the rare Raleigh & Gaston \$23; #268 \$36; #270 \$31; #271 \$18; #275 \$15.50; Lot #276 \$26; #293 \$30; #298 \$70; #300 \$43; and #305 \$14.

Mr. Kelleher advised he had mailed a catalogue of the sale to each Unit Member, so hope you can refer to your catalogue and follow the prices realized as shown above. If you wish to have any prices not given above, the writer will supply same on request.

W. W. Hicks

Nice reporting, Bill. And while we are on this subject, would not a report on any of the auctions having a few of our stamps, be of interest to all our members, giving a good idea of the material being offered and the prices realized for same? The help of some of our members attending the auctions in their localities who would give us such a report, would be appreciated by a great number of our members. Will you help?

The following activities of our members have been noted. At the Rutland County Stamp Club Exhibition in Rutland, Vermont, Heyliger de Windt won a first prize ribbon for his showing of 20th century cancellations. Alec Dumas had a pretty showing of the 3¢ 57 on and off cover, with strips and multiple pieces at the 2nd A.S.D.A. New England Show at Boston. Alec's collection of this stamp is nearly the last word as far as information on the 3¢ 57 is available at this time.

Philip E. Baker is serving on the 1952 Committee planning the 58th Annual Convention & Exhibition of the S P A to be held in New York this August.

At the Congress of the 12th Annual Convention of the Tri State Area Philatelic Clubs held in Decatur, at which Dr. Charles L. Roser presided, Hugh J. Baker read an exceptional paper on the fancy cancellations of the 1847 and the 51-57 US stamps.

Henry A. Meyer was active on the committee for arrangements. The Grand Award of the exhibition and also the APS medal was won by Dave Baker for his showing of Postmaster Provisionals. Hugh J. Baker took a first with his 3¢ 51-57s and Dr. Roser for his showing of 5 and 10¢ 1847s on cover. Also present at the convention were Dr. E. A. Goll, Dr. Chas. D. Sneller and Richard K. Meyer.

R. M. Carey took the first award at the Springfield (Illinois) Philatelic Exhibition for his varieties of the 1851 issue.

At Pipex, Dr. Gerald B. Smith won the Special US Cup and also a gold medal. At Sojex, Mortimer L. Neinken won the Grand Award for his US 1847 to 1869 showing and Milton Edelman took a blue ribbon while Dr. Roser won a trophy for his exhibit of covers. Also Mort Neinken won the John A. Fox trophy at Stampex in April for his showing of the 10¢ US 51 issue while Dr. A. Jay Hertz won a first for his Western Covers and Horace S. Poole a first for his early Iowa Covers.

Frederick L. Scholl was actively interested in the annual banquet and exhibition of the Federation of Central New York Philatelic Societies where Sylvester Colby was the guest speaker.

Tracy W. Simpson got a well deserved notice in Stamps from Harry M. Konwiser for the great work he is doing with the Unit's Chronicle. I hope our members in a small measure, appreciate the involved work he is doing for us.

Willard Davis exhibited his Confederate collection in the spring to the Sir William Johnson Stamp Club of Johnstown, N.Y.

Paul C. Rohloff has shown his early US Specialized collection featuring the earliest known uses of the 5¢ 1847 and 1856 and the 10¢ 1847 bisect.

Gilbert M. Burr has a fondness for pen cancellations as may be gathered from a recent article of his.

Blake Battles and Mrs. Battles made a trip to the West Coast a short time ago and in July Mortimer Neinken and Mrs. Neinken are expected there.

Dr. Carroll Chase returned from his trip to France early in June and while he now reports himself in good health, his visit to France was dampened by illness.

With pleasure we welcome the following new members and hope that they will make full use of the advantages of membership:

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206	Herr, A. W.	804 Houston St., Fort Worth, Tex.	CPM51
207	Schmid, Fred C.	311 Bedford Park Blvd., New York 58, N.Y.	CPM51-57
208	Walden, Dave	1111 Ward Ave., New York 72, N.Y.	CPM51-57
209	Damm, James D.	6927 38th Ave., SW, Seattle 6, Wash.	CPM-PV51-57
210	Christopher, Paul D.	9 Columbia Rd., Wakefield, Mass.	ED
211	Hathaway, Randal F.	167 N. Main St., Thomaston, Conn.	CPM-P51-57
212	Filbert, David H.	2326 Davue Circle, Dayton 6, Ohio	CPM51-57
213	Jacobs, Burleigh E.	2236 Menomonee River Parkway, Wauwatosa 13, Wis.	
214	Guilford, Elmer R.	2513 13th St., N.W., Washington, D.C.	Co51-57
215	Murphy, Lt. Col. Edward B.	3836 Hill Top Rd., Fort Worth 9, Tex.	CPM51-57 & Shades
216	Rawlins, Mrs. Albert W.	156-06 Northern Blvd., Flushing 54, N.Y.	
217	Petri, Pitt	378 Delaware Ave., Buffalo 2, N.Y.	CPM51-57

John L. Norbeck, RA #99, advises of a change of address to  
311 E. 24th St., Minneapolis 4, Minn.

Remember, those of you who plan to attend the APS Convention in Philadelphia next September, be sure and notify Earl Apfelbaum and attend the Unit luncheon.

Also, in case you have overlooked it, DUES ARE DUE, as of July 1st. Chuck Remele will appreciate your aid in this.

Sincerely,

Lester L. Downing.

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