

ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 7, 1972

Meeting called to order at 2:00 P.M. by President DeGraff. There were 15 members and 5 guests present at Rizzo's Restaurant, outside Utica, N.Y.

Minutes of the meeting of April 9, 1972 were approved as published in the April Bulletin. No new correspondence was brought before the meeting.

Under Committee Reports, DeGraff asked Ralph Reynolds, Chairman of the Election Committee to give the results of balloting. Reynolds announced as follows:

Ballots received: 46. Votes on proposed amendments to By-Laws - 46 Ayes. The change requested was on raising the limitation on payments by the Treasurer, without further approval, from \$25.00 to \$50.00. A companion addition to the section on finances asked for creation of a Finance Committee, which Committee would approve payments by the Treasurer when the amount exceeded \$50.00. The Finance Committee, consisting of the President, Treasurer and one other member of the Executive Board, would be generally responsible for the fiscal policies of the Society.

Reynolds further announced the vote on new Directors to be: Rau - 43; Taber - 42; Todaro - 42. DeGraff called for a vote on the Committee's report, which was un-animously approved.

Treasurer de Lisle did not read the Treasurer's 11-month statement, submitted earlier at the Executive Board meeting. A full 12-month annual report will be mailed to all members in the Bulletin mailing after June 1. de Lisle explained that action is pending on a change in the fiscal year to overcome the difficulty in having a fiscal year end after the annual meeting as at present.

The Convention Committee reported on arrangements for UNIPEX III-ROPEX '72, to be held in Rochester June 16 - 18, 1972. It is planned to have a seminar type meeting at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday. All members are urged to attend the show and participate in the competitive exhibit. Register at our lounge, meet your fellow members, bring your friends. Those attending should make some time available to the Society so that the lounge is adequately manned.

It was agreed to place our latest publication Manuscript Cancellations of New York State Post Offices on sale at the show for the list price of \$5.00. Current and back copies of Postal History will be sold at \$2.00 per copy.

Postal History, Vol. I, No. 2 was shown. A copy is enclosed with this mailing. All members are urged to submit articles of NYS postal history, no matter how short. We will take care of pertinent illustrations if you submit the original copy. Send to Cal Hahn or write him for more information. This is YOUR Journal and can only be of value if new, original articles pile up on the editor's desk.

As a part of our participation in the Rochester show, it was unanimously approved to sponsor a trophy of the best exhibit of New York State postal history. A cost not to exceed \$15.00 was approved, the cost to include engraving. Warren Stevens and the show committee will arrange for the trophy and be reimbursed by ESPHS. Cliff Tuttle volunteered to act as our contact with other clubs holding shows in New York State, with the object of offering our Award Certificate.

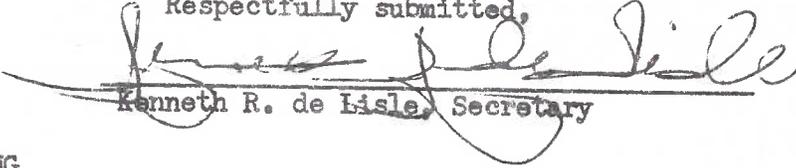
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It was moved that member Bill Bauer be thanked for taking time from a busy schedule to draw the map shown on Page 12 of the current issue of Postal History. Bill was chairman of the very successful A.P.S. Spring Meeting, NOPEX '72 in New Orleans.

There being no other business to come before the meeting, President DeGraff called for the adjournment motion at 2:45 P.M.

As a closing bonus, Cal Hahn showed a portion of his magnificent Colonial era collection, replete with rare items from our past under the British postal system. It was a treat not often experienced, viewing items from which the catalogues are written.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kenneth R. de Lisle, Secretary

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Prior to the adjournment of the Annual Meeting there was some discussion as to the locale and date of our next gathering. It seemed to be the general opinion that June, July and August were not suitable. Therefore the next regular meeting is set for Lee DeGraff's camp on Sacandaga Reservoir, Sunday, September 17, 1972. Our fall season has usually opened with a good turnout and a good time. Details will be sent at a later date.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

The following applications are on file:

PROSSER, DAVID W. 6 Florence Street, Auburn, N.Y. 13021

References: None required (A.P.S. #64293)

Interests: Auburn City and Cayuga County postal history; U.S. mint; Flag Cancels; Postal Cards and Stationery.

TOLY, MARTIN H. Jr., 5072 Briarledge Road, No. Syracuse, N.Y. 13212

References: None required (A.P.S. #61185)

Interests: Onondaga County postal history; Flag Cancels; machine and patent cancels.

JONES, MRS. HELEN B. Main Street, PO Box 2, Copenhagen, N.Y. 13626

References: Two individuals from Copenhagen and Lowville, N.Y.

Interests: Lewis County postal history; Flag Cancels; Post Cards.

We welcome to membership Raymond G. Woodman, Bangor, Maine (March Bulletin).

Changes in Address: Mrs. Chris Bunkoff, now 5 Chris Drive, Schenectady, N.Y. 12309;  
Frank S. Landers, now 10510 So. Oakley Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60643

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