

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First, I'd like to thank the members at the Annual Meeting for electing me President, along with Art Fitzpatrick as Vice-President/Secretary, and Carl Baker as Treasurer. With Cal Hahn and Fred Rodriguez elected as Directors, we shall have a strong and active Board of Directors for the next two years. As you will note in the amendments to the By-laws reported elsewhere in this issue, elections in the future will be by the entire membership by mail ballot.

Our first Annual Meeting was very enjoyable and rewarding for all who came. Everyone brought prized selections from their Long Island collections. Some were mouth-watering! There was a good deal of swapping, and we all resented having to take time out for a business meeting. Cal Hahn has suggested having occasional membership meetings at major stamp shows in Manhattan, an idea I think we should pursue.

Brad Arch presented us with a magnificent logo he designed for the Society, which we plan to incorporate into the cover of our Journal and use on our Newsletter. Brad, thanks from all of us for this beautiful piece of work. Brad, who runs successful mail auctions for the New Jersey Postal History Society, has offered to do the same for our Society. Please note the article elsewhere in this issue about our forthcoming mail auction.

Cal Hahn has gotten our Journal off to a great start with his fine editorship, his splendid articles, and his boundless energy. He plans to put out three issues of the Journal this year. But he needs material! I thank those members who sent him articles this past year. But how about the rest of you? Many of you must have especially interesting covers or letters, or material for a nice article. Cal will help you write it. I urge every member to send in at least one story for our Journal this year.

Cal has also agreed to handle publicity for the Society. If anyone has any suggestions for publicity would you please get in touch with him?

You will notice that our dues have been increased to \$10 a year. In these times of steadily progressing inflation, this is a modest amount. It will barely cover our basic expenses. I urge you to show your support for the Society by becoming a Contributing or Sustaining Member, or Patron.

I want to thank Art Fitzpatrick for his long hours of work this past year as our Secretary, handling membership and getting out our Newsletter. He has developed an excellent newsletter for us. And thanks also to Carl Baker for his accurate handling of our accounts as Treasurer. Also thanks to Fred Rodriguez, Dan Knowles, and Arthur Pollinger for their special efforts.

We have several projects on the drawing board waiting for members to take them on --- such as forming a library, planning our membership and annual meetings, developing a color slide library of better Long Island covers for reference and exhibition, and copying information on L.I. post offices from microfilm. Would anyone willing to work on a special project please get in touch with me?

With every one's support we can look forward to a flourishing Society. Thank you.

John M. Price, Jr., President

*Newsletter No. 3*

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

## ANNUAL MEETING

### MINUTES

The first annual meeting of the Society was held Sunday, June 7, at the Annex of the Hicksville Post Office and Sectional Center.

Acting President John Price called the meeting to order and introduced Mr. Jerry Sohm of the U. S. Postal Service who welcomed us to the spacious facilities of the PEDC room which had been graciously offered by Mr. Anthony M. Murello, Manager for the Sectional Center.

Acting Secretary, Arthur Fitzpatrick, reported briefly on the growth of the Society's membership from 10 charter members last August to 49 members at meeting date.

Acting Treasurer, Carl Baker, reported receipts, since organization, of \$238.41 and disbursements of \$154.67 leaving a bank account balance of \$83.74.

John Price then read the proposed amendments as listed in his letter to the membership giving advance notice of the meeting.

Since a quorum was present, the amendments were discussed and voted upon as follows: (Changes or additions underlined)

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1 (Re Art. II, Constitution)

Second sentence to read; "No part of the income of the Society shall inure to the private benefit of any donor, member or officer of the Society other than as reasonable compensation for materials, postage, etc, used in work for the Society or for services rendered by an employee of the Society; or to the benefit of ....."

Voted upon and passed.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO.2 (Re Art. VI, Constitution)

First Sentence to read: "There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the President, Vice-President/Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors, one of whom shall be the immediate past-President, if available. The Executive Board ....."

Voted upon and passed.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO 3 (Re Art. II, By-Laws)

In second paragraph delete sentence starting: "New members....."

A new last paragraph added: "Members are required to pay their dues within the first three months of the fiscal year, after which they will be considered 'in arrears'. The Treasurer will send out a dues reminder on November 1st to all members in arrears. Any such member who does not pay his dues within three weeks of this reminder will be dropped from membership in the Society"

Voted upon and passed



PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4 (Re: Art. V, By-Laws)

This Article shall now read as follows:

The Nominating Committee shall present its recommended slate of Officers at the Annual Business Meeting. The President will accept further nominations, if any, from the floor. The Secretary will send a mail ballot thereafter to all voting members, the ballot containing all nominations.

The Tellers Committee will receive all returned ballots, tabulate the results, and report them to the membership. The candidate for each office receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected. The results of the election will be published in the next Newsletter.

Voted upon and passed.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5 (Re: Art. VII, By-Laws)

The first paragraph is changed to read:

The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President/Secretary, Treasurer and two Directors, one of whom shall be the immediate past-President, if available. The Directors shall be elected for a term of two years in the same manner as officers. The Board will be convened upon the call of the President when deemed necessary, or upon the request of three members of the Board, on at least two week's notice.

Voted upon and passed.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 6 (Re: Art. IX, By-Laws)

The second paragraph to read:

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President, a majority of the Board, or by 20% of the general membership on written request to the President. At least a month's written notice of such meeting shall be given to the membership and the notice shall contain a statement of the purpose for which said meeting is being called.

Voted upon and passed.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7 (Re: Art. X, By-Laws)

( A proposed change in method of adopting amendments)

Voted upon and NOT passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

On a recommendation by the Board, a suggested increase in the rate of annual dues to \$10.00 was voted upon and passed unanimously.

The Nominating Committee's slate of officers for a full first term consisted of:

John Price- for President  
 Arthur Fitzpatrick- Vice-President/Secretary  
 Carl Baker- Treasurer

With no further nominations from the floor this slate was voted upon and elected.

Two additional Executive Board Directors were nominated, voted upon and elected. They are:

Calvet M. Hahn  
 and Fred Rodriguez

The President asked Fred Rodriguez and Arthur Pollinger to explore alternative ways of publishing our Journal and Newsletter, and report back to the Board.

Brad Arch presented a stunning logo to the Society. This logo, which he designed, was accepted enthusiastically. Brad has also offered to run mail auctions for us.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned and members took up the much more enjoyable pursuit of swapping and studying Long Island covers.

Respectfully submitted

Arthur Fitzpatrick  
 Secretary

LONG ISLAND POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY  
 Organized August 1 1980

P. O. Box 1178, Southold, N. Y. 11971

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President- - - - - John M. Price Jr. M.D.  
 Vice-Pres./Sect'y- - - - - Arthur Fitzpatrick  
 Treasurer- - - - - Carl F. Eaker  
 Journal Editor- - - - - Calvet M. Hahn

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Annual Dues:

Regular Member- - - - - \$10.00  
 Contributing Member- - - - - \$25.00  
 Sustaining Member- - - - - \$50.00  
 Patron- - - - - \$100.00

New Members

The following are welcomed as new members of the Society:

Area(s) of interest

Mr. I. H. Cherrington  
39 Oak Drive,  
New Hyde Park, N. Y. 11040

Not given

Irving Choban  
P O Box N, Flatbush Sta.,  
2255 Church Ave.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11226

Postmarks, Postal History  
with reference to envelopes  
and advertising on envelopes,  
general interest.

Thomas Gaynor  
P O Box 81,  
Sound Beach, N. Y. 11789

Colonial postal system,  
L.I.R.R. postal history,  
early picture post cards,  
the teaching of philately  
to school students.

Mrs Catherine Gifford  
184-51 Hovenden Road,  
Jamaica, N. Y. 11432

Post cards

Joseph W. Halpern  
1055 Logan St., Apt. 207,  
Denver, Co. 80203

Kings County

Gary R. Hammond  
31 Lowell Drive,  
Farmingdale, N. Y. 11735

All aspects L. I. Postal  
History

Morton R. Laby, M.D.  
19 Washington Ave.,  
Setauket, N. Y. 11733

Suffolk County, L.I.R.R.  
postal markings, L. I.  
Sound ship markings.

Mrs Gladys M. Mack  
15 Beaver Drive,  
Bayville, N. Y. 11709

Not given

Joseph O. Mortensen  
P O Drawer 1160,  
E. Quogue, N. Y. 11942

Early postal items-cancels  
etc., Pre-1920 picture  
post cards.

Jerome R. Osborn  
32 Pearsall Ave.,  
Glen Cove, N. Y. 11542

Not given

Kenneth A. Pitt  
P O Box M 418,  
Landing, N. J. 07850

'Farms' and 'Greenport'  
postal history, L.I.R.R.  
postal history.

William R. Porbyonski  
P O Box 393,  
Islip, N. Y. 11751

Not given

New Members (continued)

Area(s) of interest

Joseph M. Rhatigan, Jr.  
4519 Avenue M,  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11234

All facets of Brooklyn postal  
history; Long Beach

Miss Beulah Terry  
288 Gillette Ave.,  
Bayport, N. Y. 11705

Postal History for school  
curriculum.

Flatbush Historical Society  
P O Box N, Flatbush Sta.,  
2255 Church Ave.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11226

Long Island Historical Society  
128 Pierrepont St.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11201

Shelter Island Historical Society  
c/o Ms. Margaret S. Joyce,  
Box 1591,  
Shelter Island, N. Y. 11964

Southold Historical Society  
Main Road,  
Southold, N. Y. 11971

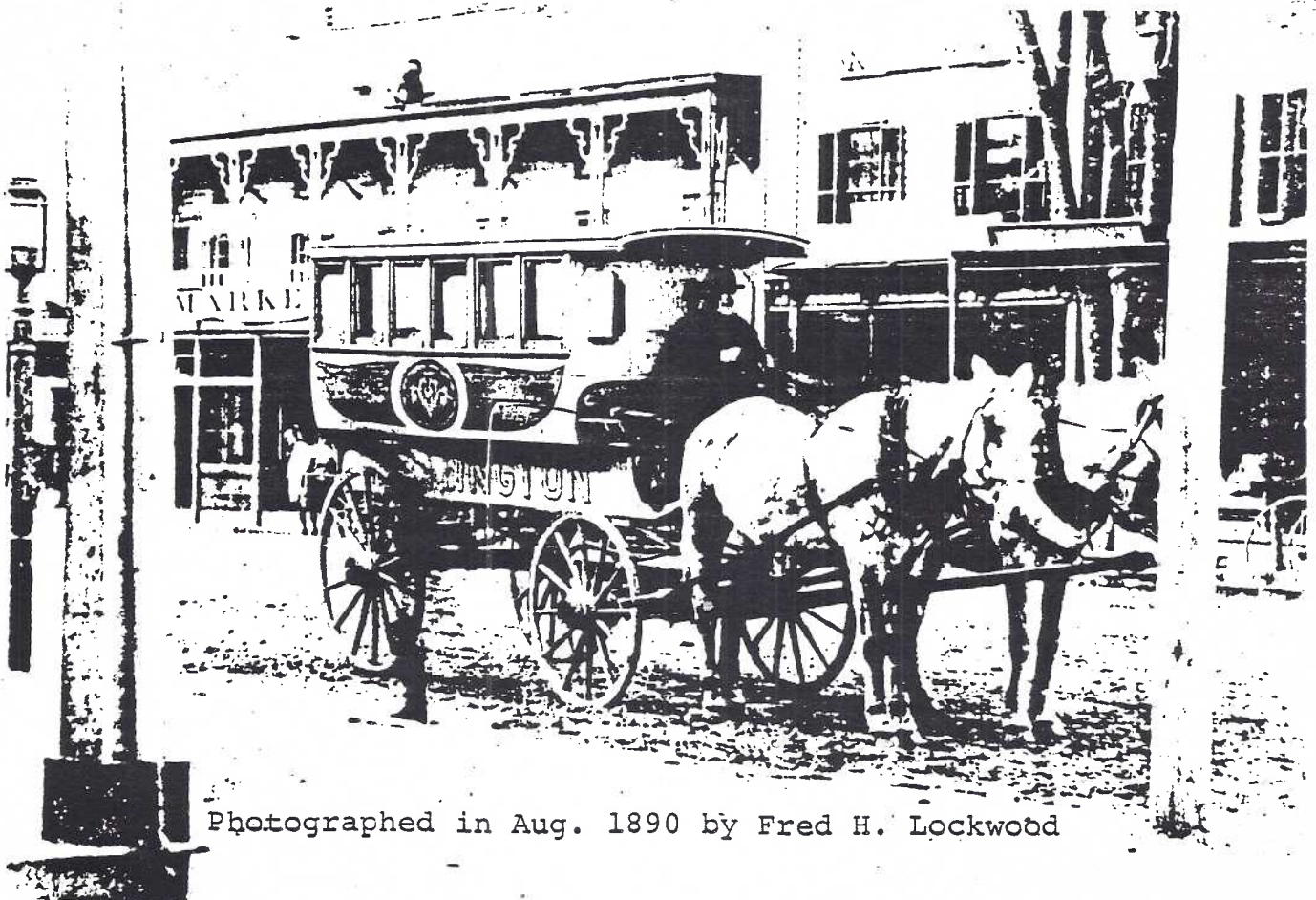
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## UNCLE JESSE'S DEPOT

By J. Fred Rodriguez

This is the first of a regular one or two page column that will appear in the LIPHS Newsletter. I have named it "Uncle Jesse's Depot" in honor of Huntington's beloved and colorful stage coach driver - Uncle Jesse Conklin. In 1839, Uncle Jesse began a stage route from Huntington to Hicksville meeting the LIRR trains there. Later, in 1867, he would meet those at Huntington Station. He drove the stage for over 50 years. When the horse-drawn trolley was started in 1890, his stage route was eliminated, but because of his many years of faithful service to the town, the trolley company gave him a job as conductor and later as a trolley driver. "The company also gave him one corner of one of the cars for handling the mails, though he was accustomed to carrying as many letters in his hat as in the mail bag." (The Cross-Island line: The Story of the Huntington Railroad by Vincent F. Seyfried). He continued until his death in 1895 at the ripe old age of 80.



Photographed in Aug. 1890 by Fred H. Lockwood

(Courtesy of the Huntington Historical Society)

This column will consist of a mixed bag of tid-bits related to the hobby. I will cover topics such as postcards depicting interesting cancellations and views of L.I. post offices, clippings from the Huntington Long Islander about postal news, unusual items from my Huntington Township collection, and any topic of interest that any of our members would want to read about. I would like to hear from members who may have interesting postcards showing old L.I. post offices

For starters, here is a 1905 photo postcard of a Huntington postal clerk with a full bag of mail waiting for the trolley to deliver the mail to the LIRR mail car. The village P.O. was then located at the Masonic Temple building on New York Avenue near Main Street. (This fine building is still standing).

Postcards can be a great source of collateral material for a local postal history collection. I would enthusiastically recommend our members to consider collecting them as cards are plentiful, relatively inexpensive, and true paper antiques of great beauty and of historical value.

Till the next time, happy collecting.

J. Fred Rodriguez

*J Fred*





CLASSIFIED ADS

(BUY, SELL AND/OR TRADE)

WANTED = Cover = Port Washington & New York RPO  
William J. Duncan, 26 Moody Ave., Freeport, N. Y. 11520

WANTED = The US 1869 Pictorial Issue used on cover with local Town  
Cancels from anywhere in the country, especially from New  
Jersey & Arizona. Correspondence invited.  
Brad Arch, 144 Hamilton Ave., Clifton, N. J. 07011

WANTED = Newspaper stamp on ledger page. Exists from Brooklyn,  
possibly elsewhere.  
Frederick S. Lightfoot, P.O. Box A-F, Greenport, N.Y. 11944

WANTED = Postal History covers from Woodbury and Syosset. Also wish  
to purchase or trade L.I. pictorial corner cards on covers  
thru early 1900s.  
Carl F. Baker, 140 Lewis Road, Northport, N. Y. 11768

WANTED = Buy or Trade - Covers, postcards and photographs of Hunting-  
ton, Northport, Centerport, Cold Spring Harbor, Greenlawn,  
Halesite, Fort Salonga, Melville, Dix Hills, Commack, Lloyd  
Harbor, Sweet Hollow, Cow Harbor and Half Hollow Hills.  
J. Fred Rodriguez, Box 49, Greenlawn, N. Y. 11740

WANTED = Suffolk County covers from Riverhead and Southold Townships.  
Send for my 'Want List' of 32 Postoffices. will buy or trade.  
A. Fitzpatrick, South Harbor Road, Southold, N. Y. 11971

Send in your Classified Ad!

Limit it to one inch single-space.

NO CHARGE!

THE 3c 1869 ISSUE  
USED FROM LONG ISLAND

by Brad Arch



*Miss Ruth Lathin -  
Long Beach*

*William H. White Esq.  
Care of Mr. Allen Dilllee  
a. c.  
San Francisco,  
California*

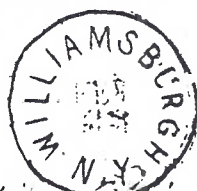


*Miss E. C. Page  
Southold*



*Mrs. Chap Hartung Esq.  
578 Broadway  
New York*

*Levison  
577. Cambridge  
Mass.*



*Miss E. C. Page  
Southold Long Island*



THE DISCONTINUED POST OFFICES OF KINGS COUNTY, N. Y.  
Prepared by DAVID E. BUXBAUM

Barren Island  
Bath Beach  
Bath Beach Junction  
Bay Ridge  
Bedford  
Bensonhurst  
Blythebourne  
Brevoort  
Brighton Beach

Canarsie  
Coney Island  
Cresco  
Cypress Hills

East New York

Flatbush  
Flatlands  
Fort Hamilton

Gravesend  
Gravesend Beach  
Greenpoint

Lawnwood

New Lots  
New Utrecht

Parkville

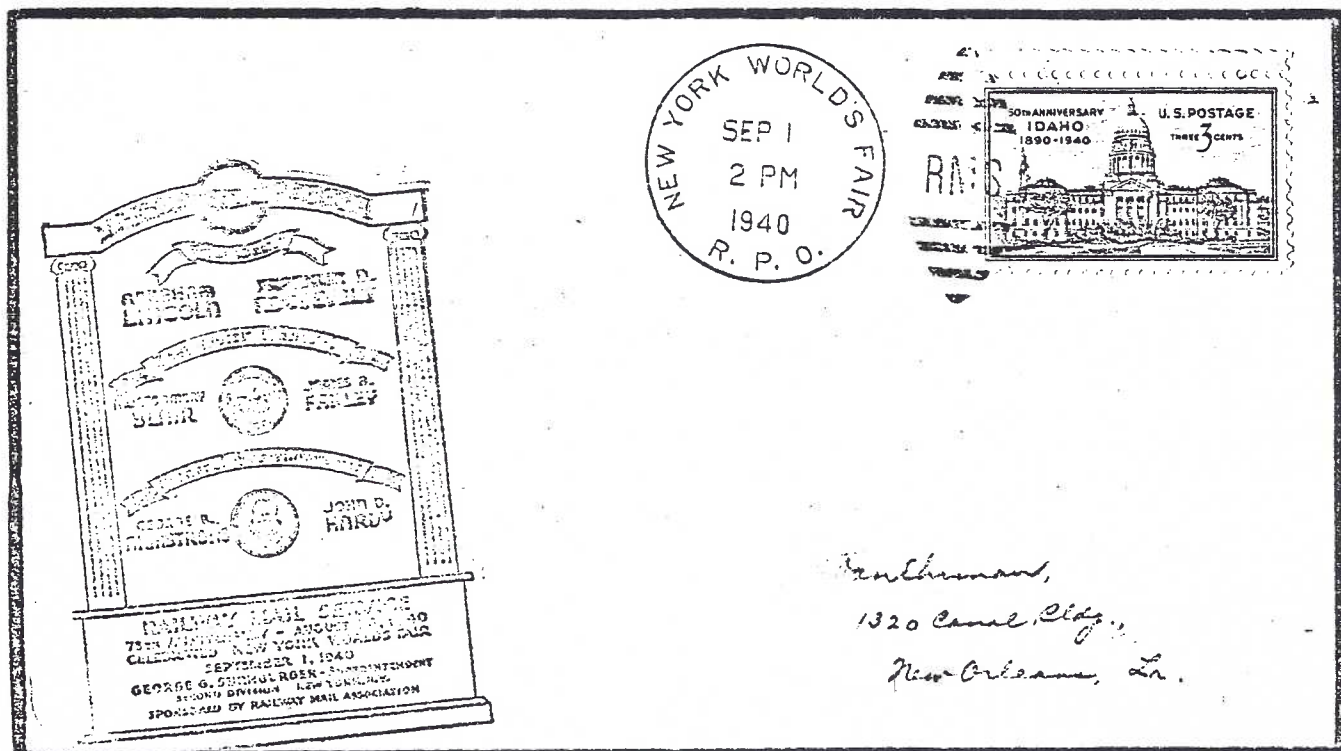
Sheepshead Bay  
South Brooklyn

Unionville  
Van Brunt  
Van Pelt Manor

West Brooklyn  
Williamsburgh  
Windsor Terrace  
Woodlawn


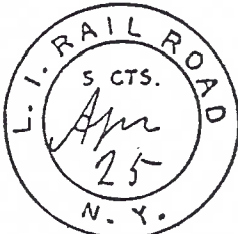
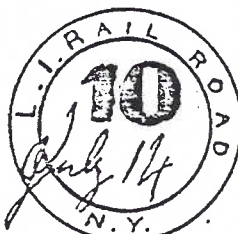
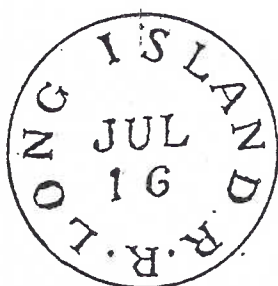
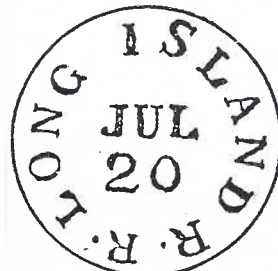
An addition to the list of Long Island Discontinued RPOs:

New York World's Fair R.P.O.=Est. 1939, Disc. 1940





For those members who don't have a copy of Remele's book on railroad markings\* the following are the earliest markings applied by Long Island Rail Road Postal Route Agents:

<u>MARKING</u>	<u>REMELE NO.</u>	<u>COLOR</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
RAIL R. 5	R3	Red	Earliest known marking. Short period of use-Feb. to May 1846. Remele rates it "Rather scarce"
	L7-a	Red	"Scarce" 1847-1851
	L7-b	Red Black	"Probably rare" 1847-1851
	L7-c	Red Black	"Probably very rare" 1847-1851
	L7-d	Red Black Ultramarine	1847-1861
	L7-e	Black	Note greater distance between R. and R. 1851-1857 and probably later.

\* United States Railroad Postmarks=1837 to 1861  
C. W. Remele, Publ. by Unit No 11. A.P.S.

## HELP WANTED:

The United States Transit Markings Catalog of Railway Post Office Markings, 1887-1974 is being published under the direction of Mr. Charles L. Towle.

This is the first comprehensive catalog published to date of postal markings employed by Railway Postal Clerks, and Terminal or Transfer Clerks, for the years of maximum growth, maturity and decline of the United States Postal Service operated over the railways, waterways, street cars and electric lines of this land. All markings listed are illustrated, where possible, by actual size tracings, with descriptive data and estimated scarcity listed for each marking.

No sample postmark has been located for the following railway post office, which operated on Long Island;

Thomaston & Long Island City RPO

This route was in existence from 1889 to 1898. If any Long Island Postal History Society member has a cover with this postmark they are requested to contact the editor, Mr. Charles L. Towle at 4621 E. Don Jose Drive, Tucson, AZ 85918.

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ALSO-J. Fred Rodriguez, Box 49, Greenlawn, N. Y. 11740, has requested that the following be inserted in the Newsletter:

Seek R F D cancellations of Suffolk County and any information pertaining to the Rural Free Delivery system in Suffolk County. I am currently researching this topic for a future article for our Journal.

ODDS AND ENDS

By Art Fitzpatrick

A pleasant luncheon meeting of the new Executive Committee was held on August 25 at the home of President John Price. Among the subjects discussed were printing costs, additional types of memberships (listed elsewhere) and an Auction in the Spring which Brad Arch has volunteered to manage.

In connection with this auction there is enclosed with this issue a return addressed post card on which members are requested to list, briefly, those items which they will submit to be auctioned. The purpose of this is to learn whether there will be sufficient material for an auction.

If there is, a memo will be sent to the vendors detailing write-up, valueing and mailing instructions. The Society's treasury will receive the 10% selling commission with the remainder to the vendors. Any member who wishes may contribute one item, the full sale proceeds of which can be a donation to the Society.

Since time is of the essence, will you please return the cards as soon as possible with either a positive or negative reply.

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Bill Duncan has recommended that excellent reading and lots of fine pictures of old times on Long Island can be found in the following books:

Long Island Heritage, The G-5-1924-1955, by Ron Ziel  
Railroad Heritage Press, 7th Floor, 424 W. 33rd St. N.Y.C.10001

Long Island Rail Road, by Frederick A. Kramer, Carstens Publ.Inc.  
Fredon-Springfield Road, Fredon Township, Box 700, Newton, N.J.07860

Steel Rails to the Sunrise, by Ron Ziel and George Foster,  
Hawthorne Books Inc., New York, N. Y.



WANTED

L.I.R.R. covers and  
postal history items.

Suffolk County stampless  
covers.

Suffolk Co. 'County Cancels'.

I HAVE FOR TRADE

County Cancels

Hempstead, Queens; Richmond  
Hill, Queens; Garden City, Queens  
Glen Cove, Queens;  
Roslyn, Queens(2)

Stampless

Hempstead, CDS, "PAID 3" in  
circle.

Hempstead, Mss.

Jamaica, CDS, (1845), P.M.  
Free Frank.

3c 1861

Greenpoint, Mott Haven (Str.  
line), Huntington, Queens,  
Williamsburg, Oyster Bay.

3c Bank Note

Springfield, L. I. (in oval)  
Oyster Bay, L. I., Riverhead,  
Port Jefferson.

Other items available.

Also, I will buy or sell  
outright.

Daniel Knowles

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New York, N. Y. 10013

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