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WHOLE NO. 20

OVIDE DECROLY (1871-1932)--

Ovide Decroly, Belgian teacher, was born in Ronse on July 23, 1871. He studied medicine in Ghent, Berlin, Paris and Brussels. After finishing his studies, however, he dedicated his whole life to education. In 1901, in Uckel near Brussels,



he founded a school for backward and abnormal children. In 1907 he founded the "Ecole pour la vie par la vie" for ordinary children. In 1912 he became leader of a training course for teachers. In 1913 he was appointed teacher at the College "Ecole Buis-Tempels". In 1920 followed his appointment as professor of child psychology in Brussels and in the next year also as professor of educational hygiene. Decroly is the originator of the method which starts at the whole and then

arrives at the parts.

He died in Brussels September 12, 1932.

Ovide Decroly was initiated November 25, 1902, in the Lodge "Les Amis Philanthropes" No. 2 in Brussels. On March 29, 1930, he affiliated with the Lodge "Les Vrais Amis de l'Union et du Progres Reunis, als in Brussels.

Belgium honored this internationally famous pedagogue on a stamp June 1, 1931, Scott's No. B1005. In 1975 the Belgian post issued a stamp on the occasion of the centenary of the "Normaalschool Charles Buis". The stamp features a teacher leading a child on the path of life, Scott's No. 916. On the appearance of this stamp a First Day Cover was issued with the portrait of Alexis Sluys, director of the college from 1880 to 1909. Charles Buis and Alexis Sluys were both Masons. Buis was initiated in the Lodge "Les Vrais Amis de l'Union et du Progres Reunis" in Brussels. Sluys was a member of the Lodge "Les Amis Philanthropes", and was Grand Orator of the Grande Orient de Belgique".

— Wessel H. Lans.

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS—

To all the members of the Masonic Study Unit and their families, we would like to wish you a prosperous New Year. Also a special thanks to the various members who have sent in some very interesting articles for publication.

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The past year has been full of many surprises; our growth has far exceeded our expectations, and we are really becoming the best Masonic magazine of its kind in existence. We have inaugurated a "Questions and Answers" department, as well as checklists of Masons in the United States and foreign countries.

Thanking all of you for your splendid cooperation in the past, I remain,

— LEONARD A. KEMP, president,
Masonic Study Unit

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CHARLES HECTOR d'ESTAING (1729-1794)—

Count Jean Baptiste Charles Henri Hector d'Estaing was born at Auvergne, near Clermont-Ferrand, France. He served for a time in the French infantry fighting



the British in India. In 1763 he entered the French naval service, becoming vice-admiral in 1777. From 1778 to 1780 he was commander of a fleet assisting American colonists in the American Revolution. His fleet was damaged by a storm near Newport in 1778. He soon repaired his ships and sailed to the West Indies where he captured Granada, displaying great bravery in the attack. In September of 1779 he joined General Lincoln in an unsuccessful attack on the British at Savannah, after which he returned to France.

In 1783 when the Peace of Paris was signed, the combined French and Spanish fleets were under his command at Cadiz, Spain. He afterward devoted himself to politics and was elected to the Assembly of Notables in 1787, and was chosen admiral by the National Assembly. In the French Revolution he supported the king and queen with a zeal that finally cost him his life. For testifying in favor of Marie Antoinette at her trial in 1793 he was guillotined April 28, 1894 in Paris.

Charles Hector d'Estaing was a member of the Lodge Les Neuf Souers in Paris-- the lodge attended by Franklin while in France. While in America he once visited Williamsburg Lodge No. 6 at Williamsburg, Virginia.

Portraits of Brø. d'Estaing appear on at least three stamps marking the Bicentennial of the American Revolution. In a 1976 set by the Republic of Malagasy he is on the 100fr. value, while a larger portrait is on the 500fr. souvenir sheet. Another portrait is on the 150fr. of Ivory Coast, shown here.

— Marshall S. Loke.

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SINCE BEGINNING publication of the PHILATELIC FRANKMASON, we have carried stories on many Masons, but never a story on members of the Eastern star for the benefit of our lady members. We have a number of ladies on our membership list, and would like to be of service to them, too. Won't someone — lady of gentleman — send us some stories on the "distarf side"? Shall we hold a space for one or more in our next issue?

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EVERY MEMBER GET A MEMBER.

We need MORE members!!

MALONS IN PROBLE, THE LINCOLN'S CABINET--

The Republic of Honduras issued a series of airmail stamps in 1957, marking the sesquicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth, relating to various events in his life. One of the stamps, the 5 centavos, Scott's No. C292, depicts him meeting with his



Cabinet in a discussion of the Emancipation Proclamation, the official document released Jan. 1, 1863, declaring all "slaves within any state, or designated part of a state . . . then in rebellion . . . shall be then, thenceforward and forever free".

The scene includes all seven cabinet members together with the president and vice-president. Those seated are identified by Mark E. Neely, Jr., Director of the Louis A. Warren Lincoln Library and Museum at Ft. Wayne, Ind., as Hannibal Hamlin, vice-president; Abraham Lincoln, president; William H. Seward, Secretary of State; Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy, and Edward Bates, Attorney General. Standing in the rear are Caleb B. Smith, Secretary of the Interior; Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War; Montgomery Blair, Postmaster General, and Salmon P. Chase, Secretary of the Treasury.

Four of the gentlemen are known to have been Freemasons. They are EDWARD BATES (1793-1869), a member of Missouri Lodge No. 12, under Tennessee charter, at St. Louis. He was instrumental in the formation of the Missouri Grand Lodge and served four terms as Grand Master.

GIDEON WELLES (1802-1873) was a member of St. John's Lodge No. 2 and Pythagoras Chapter No. 17, both of Hartford, Conn. X

CALEB B. SMITH (1808-1864) received the degrees of Masonry in Warren Lodge No. 15, Connersville, Indiana, on April 18, 24 and 29, 1829. He served as Master in 1832, and dimitted in 1852 to affiliate with a lodge in Indianapolis.

EDWARD M. STANTON (1814-1869) was a member of Steubenville Lodge No. 45, Steubenville, Ohio. On March 25, 1851, he became a charter member of Washington Lodge No. 253, Pittsburgh, Pa. Stanton also appears on a 7¢ stamp of the issues of 1870-71.

Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865) was not a Mason, though he had a great respect for the institution. He stated that he had long cherished a desire to become a member, but never petitioned, one reason being that no one had asked him to join. During the time of his campaign for the presidency he refrained, lest his motives might be misconstrued. In all probability he would have applied for membership in a Springfield lodge after leaving public office if he had lived.

William H. Seward (1801-1872) was Anti-Mason. In 1830 he was named as the anti-Masonic candidate for the New York state senate.

-- Marshall S. Loke.

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WE HAVE LEARNED that we cannot live alone, in peace; that our own well-being is dependent on the well-being of other nations, far away.... We have learned to be citizens of the world, members of the human community.

-- Franklin D. Roosevelt.

CAPT. EDDIE RICKENBACKER (1890-1973)--

Edward Vernon Rickenbacker was born October 3, 1890, in Columbus, Ohio, son of a German-Swiss father and a French-Swiss mother. He was a well-known automobile racer for a number of years, winning a large number of championships. He served in the U.S. Air Service during World War I in France as Commanding Officer of the 94th Aero Pursuit Squadron. He shot down 22 enemy planes and four observation balloons becoming the leading American combat pilot, one of the most acclaimed heroes, the "Ace of aces". He received the Distinguished Service Cross with nine oak leaves, the French Croix de Guerre with four palms, the Congressional Medal of Honor and other decorations.



After the war he organized and was president of the Rickenbacker Motor Co., until 1928. He became president of Eastern Air Lines in 1933, and board chairman from 1954 until his retirement in 1963. He died July 23, 1973, in Zurich, Switzerland.

Capt. Rickenbacker was a member of Kilwinning Lodge No. 297, Detroit, receiving his degrees April 17, June 12 and June 26, 1922. He was a member of Palestine Chapter No. 159, Royal Arch Masons, Detroit Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, and Moslem Shrine Temple, all of Detroit. In 1942 he was awarded the Distinguished Achievement Award of the Grand Lodge of New York. He became a 33° Scottish Rite Mason in 1949.

Liberia issued a set of six stamps and a souvenir sheet on January 6, 1973, in tribute to 50 years of aviation progress. The 5¢ stamp, Scott's No. 796, bears a portrait of Capt. Rickenbacker and his Douglas DC3.

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JOSEPH WAUTERS (1875-1929)--

Joseph Wauters, Belgian politician, was born in Rosoux-Crenwick, Belgium, on November 3, 1875. He studied physics and chemistry in Liege. Early in life he felt attracted toward socialism. From 1911 to 1929 he was director of the socialist daily "le Peuple" (The People). From 1908 to 1912 and from 1914 to 1929 he was a member of the House of Representatives for the District of Hoei-Forgworm. He played an important part in the extension of the Belgian Labour Party. From 1918 to 1921 he was Minister of Industry and Labour; from 1925 to 1927 was Minister of Labour and Welfare. In that period laws came about for the eight-hour working-day and the 48-hour week, as well as the pension act and the law on industrial accidents. Wauters died in Brussels June 30, 1929.



Joseph Wauters was initiated March 14, 1902, in the Lodge "La Parfaite Intelligence et l'Etoile Reunis" in Liege.

Belgium honored this Walloon politician with a stamp in 1977, Scott's No. B960.

Wessel M. Lans.

JOSE ANTONIO PAEZ (1790-1873)--

General Jose Antonio Paez, born at Acarigua in the province of Barinas, Venezuela, was a soldier and politician. As commander of the Venezuelan armies during the war for independence, 1810-1822, he inflicted a series of defeats on the Spanish, capped the decisive victory at Carabobo, breaking their power and forcing them to leave, and making him a national hero.



When Venezuela seceded from Colombia in 1830, General Paez became the first president of the new republic, serving from 1831 to 1835 and from 1839 to 1843. In the intervening four years he commanded the army and put down two rebellions. He was engaged in a civil war in the 1840s but was defeated in 1848 and banished for several years. He lived in exile in the United States from 1850 to 1858 and was minister to the United States in 1860.

He returned to Venezuela and reestablished himself as dictator in 1861 but was involved in a civil war. He finally resigned in 1863 because of popular pressure for a constitutional government, and again became an exile, at first in Argentina and then in New York where he died May 6, 1873, at the age of 83. He was later reinterred in the Pantheon de los Proceres in 1888.

Paez was initiated into Masonry when very young in a lodge in Barinas and thereafter took an active part in the Craft. His Masonic career was a brilliant one. He received the 14th degree in the Lodge "Concordia" at Valencia and the 18th degree in the Chapter Rosa Cruz "La Independencia" at Puerto Cabello. He became the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Venezuela when it was established at Caracas in 1824, and on the establishment of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite in 1840 in Caracas, he became the first Sovereign Grand Commander 33° serving until 1843. He visited the Lodge "Union y Concordia" at Kingston, Jamaica, on June 26, 1847. In 1869, the Logia "Constancia" No. 7 in Buenos Aires received him as an honorary member during his stay in Argentina. He was made an honorary member of the Supreme Council 33° in New York.

Venezuela honored Paez by using different portraits on the series of 1973, Scott's Nos. 1032-1036. He is also honored by the 1940 issue of the Battle of Carabobo, Scott's No. 367, and on No. 1049 of 1973, which pictures a hydroelectric dam named for him.

— Marshall S. Loke.

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OUR CONSTITUTION is in actual operation; everything appears to promise that it will last; but in this world nothing is certain but death and taxes.

— Benjamin Franklin (1759).

LAFAYETTE'S FULL NAME was Marie Paul Jean Roch Yves Motier Lafayette.

FREEDOM IS the right to be wrong, not the right to do wrong.

— John Diefenbaker.

WHEN I WAS younger, I could remember anything, whether it had happened or not.

— Mark Twain.

MOTILAL NEHRU (1861-1931)--

Pandit Motilal Nehru was a leader in the Indian independence movement and the father of India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. He early established a lucrative law practice and was admitted to the Allahabad High Court in 1896. In 1907 he presided over a provincial conference of the Indian National Congress, a political organization striving for dominion status for India. He was considered a moderate until 1919, when he made his radicalized views known by means of a daily newspaper he founded, "The Independent".



In 1921 both he and his son, Jawaharlal, were arrested by the British and jailed for six months. In 1923 he helped found the Swaraj Party, the policy of which was to win election to the Central Legislative Assembly and obstruct its proceedings from within. In 1928 he wrote a future constitution for independent India based on the granting of dominion status. After the British rejected these proposals, he participated in the civil disobedience movement of 1930, for which he was imprisoned. He died soon after his release in 1931.

Pandit Motilal Nehru was a member of "Unity Lodge" No. 29 in Allahabad, India, and was at one time its Worshipful Master.

India marked the centenary of his birth with the issue of a stamp, Scott's No. 340, on May 6, 1961.

EDITOR'S NOTE - It seems that "Pandit" is an honorary title, much the same as "Honorable" is used in the United States.

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CLAUDE-JOSEPH ROUGET DE LISLE (1760-1836)--

"The Marseillaise" is the well-known and stirring national anthem of France. Its words and music are the work of a Freemason, Claude-Joseph Rouget de Lisle, who was born at Lons-le-Saunier May 10, 1760. He entered the military service and was a captain of engineers at Strasbourg in 1792 where he wrote "Chant de Guerre pour l'Armée du Rhin". Its six stanzas soon reached Paris and became very popular.



He was wounded at Quiberon in 1795 and retired from the army. During the Reign of Terror he was arrested, but was saved from the guillotine by Robespierre. In 1796 he published "Essais en vers et en prose" and in 1826 "Fifty French Songs, Words of Various Authors, Set to Music by Rouget de Lisle". He died June 26, 1836, at Choisy-le-Roi.

He was a member of the Lodge "les Freres Discrets" in Charleville, France.

In 1936 France issued two stamps in his honor, Scott's No. 309 bearing his portrait, while No. 310 is allegorical of "The Marseillaise".

-- Norman G. Lincoln.

GERHARD JOHANN VON SCHARNHORST (1755-1813)--

von Scharnhorst, originator of the German military system and father of the Prussian general staff, joined the army at the age of 23, and served as an artillery officer in Belgium. In 1801 he entered the Prussian service, demanding the right to reorganize the training system, as well as a knighthood. His ability was recognized and his request was granted. Among his first students was Karl von Clausewitz, the military theorist. von Scharnhorst eliminated mercenaries, basing the Prussian army on conscription. He also ended corporal punishment and built up a system whereby civilians were trained and put into reserve units until they would be needed during wartime.



During the Napoleonic wars he was defeated at Jena and Auerstaedt in 1806, but fought the French to a standoff at Eylau in 1807. Mortally wounded at Lutzen May 2, 1813, he died at Prague June 28, 1813.

He was initiated in the Lodge "Le Compass d'Or" in 1779, a lodge later re-named "Zum Goldenen Zirkel", in Göttingen, Germany, a lodge working under a charter from the "Grosse Landesloge der Freimaurer von Deutschland" in Berlin. He later affiliated with the Berlin lodge "Zum Goldenen Schirm". He subsequently appears to have received higher Masonic honors, as minutes of the lodge refer to him as "der Hochwürdigste Br. von Scharnhorst", which, literally translated, means "the Most Worshipful Bro. von Scharnhorst".

von Scharnhorst appears with Prince Mikhail L. Kutuzov on the 40pf. of 1963, Scott's No. 672.

-- Norman G. Lincoln.

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FRIEDRICH GILLY (1772-1800)--

Friedrich Gilly, gifted young German Architect, in 1790 helped supervise the building of the waterworks in Westphalia, and in 1791 assisted in the construction of the Berlin city hall. Later he designed the monument of Frederick the Great (for which he was proclaimed an architectural genius) and the Prussian National Theater. Among his other works are the Light Opera House in Königsberg and the Villa Kolbe in Tiergarten. In 1797 he became state architectural inspector and in 1798 was professor for Optic and Perspective at the new Architectural Academy. He died at Carlsbad at the age of 28.



Gilly was a member of the Lodge "Zu den drei Goldenen Schlüsseln" (Lodge of the Three Golden Keys) in Berlin, having been initiated on May 19, 1798.

Germany honored him on a stamp of Berlin in 1972, Scott's No. 9N327. A marble bust of Gilly, done by the German sculptor, Johann Gottfried Schadow, which is prominently displayed at the Academy of Arts in Berlin, is depicted.

RECENT ISSUES OF MA. OMIC INTEREST--

U. S. A.	1/04/81	1874	✓ Everett Dirksen
	5/05/81	UX89	✓ Isaiah Thomas postal card
	9/08/81	UX90	✓ E. Greene (Dutaw Springs, postal card)
	9/23/81	UX91	✓ Lewis & Clark postal card
	10/13/81	C98	Philip Mazzei
Australia	2/18/81	775	Walter A. Lindrum
	2/25/81	776/777	Kingsford-Smith World Flights
Belgium	3/18/81	1067	Baron de Stassart
	3/16/81	1068	King Leopold
Costa Rica	5/06/81	C830/32	Heinrich von Stephan
Djibouti	7/06/81	531/2	Lord Horatio Nelson
France	9/26/81	1770	Jules Ferry
Gabon	3/26/81	C247	Alan Shepard
Ger. Dem. Rep.	5/05/81	2133	Adelbert von Chamisso
Israel	3/17/81	777	Sir Moses H. Montefiore
Italy	10/16/81	1439	Philip Mazzei
Liberia	7/04/81	904	James Monroe
	7/04/81	908	Andrew Jackson
	7/04/81	910	George Washington
	7/04/81	911	Washington Crossing the Delaware
Mali	4/21/81	C421	Alan Shepard
Mexico	12/10/80	1223	Simon Bolivar
	1/14/81	1224	Vincente Guerrero
	3/21/81	1229	Benito Juarez
	8/01/81	1741	✓ Alexander Fleming
Peru	1/18/81	729	Simon Bolivar
Philippines	6/30/81	1331/2	Pres. Ferdinand Marcos
Samoa	4/29/81	547/52	F. D. Roosevelt, Events in the life of
Uganda	3/-/81	310/13	Henrich von Stephan
Upper Volta	5/04/81	565	Henrich von Stephan
Wallis & Futunia	5/11/81	C106	Alan Shepard



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A MEMBERSHIP CONTEST--

Beginning with this issue, we will have membership contest, the member who gets the largest number of new members to be declared the winner. The contest will run from Jan. 1, 1982 to Dec. 31, 1982. Winner of the contest, which we hope to repeat will receive his dues for the year 1983-84. Ask Secretary Needham, 708 North Mt. Pleasant Ave., Lancaster, Ohio 43130, for a supply of membership application blanks and get started TODAY. A delay may mean that someone else may "beat you out". Secretary Needham has declared himself ineligible, in this contest, so everyone has an equal chance. Let's get busy TODAY!

Following is a list of new members and renewals since our last issue:

- 209 Hughson F.C. Hawley, Box 1051 (34 Woodland Dr.), West Dennis, Mass. 02670
 210 Marvin L. Keller, 12320 Bellamy Road, Berlin Heights, Ohio 44814
 211 Arthur L. Crego, R.F.D. #6 (Fowler Road), Oswego, N.Y. 13126
 212 James A. Janes, (P.M.), R.F.D. 1, Box 145, Philadelphia, Mo. 63463
 213 Miss Dorothy S. Walker, 1169 Hancock Dr., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. 30306
 214 Thomas H. Finlayson, R.F.D. 3, Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, B9C 1R8.
 (CANADA.)
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- 215 William D. Stump, 158 West Indiana, Nappanee, Ind. 46550
- 216 Roger M. Coltey, 122 Lynn Knolls, Scott Depot, W. Va. 25560
- 217 Dr. Roger Sanchez, 1 rue d'Alesia #3000, Bobigny #276,278, FRANCE
- 218 Paul Butler, 7 South Close, Boxleyheath, Kent DA6 8HH, ENGLAND
- 219 Rev. Edward H. Hayes, 611 First Street, Orange City, Fla. 32763
- 220 C. V. Hampton, P.O. Box 43, Megargel, Texas 76370
- 221 Chester L. Somers, 43 Surrey Lane, Lowell, Mass. 01852
- 222 Albert Hanson, 561 Lyman Avenue, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
- 223 William G. Mayer, 52 North Parade Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y. 14211
- 224 Rev. Harry D. Collier, Jr., 52743 N. Cypress Circle, South Bend, Ind. 46637
- 225 Eric Ahl, 10550 S.R. #84, Lot #173, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 33324
- 226 John R. Poole, P.O. Box 1631, Terre Haute, Ind. 47808
- 227 Rev. Wm. M. Bowling, 9539 Wessex Place, Louisville, Ky. 40222
- 228 Walter M. Reeves, 2873 Madison Ave., Yuma, Ariz. 85364
- 229 James A. Faulkner, 5850 Vermont St., Merrillville, Ind. 46410
- 230 Donald L. McClenahan, 105 Acorn Drive, Scotia, N.Y. 12302
- 231 James W. Hogg, 6672 Estero Blvd., Apt A-907, Ft. Myers Beach, Fla. 33931
- 232 Richard V. Travis, 15 Greenridge Dr., Brookfield Center, Ct. 06805
- 233 Tarik Guner, P. M. #217, Kucuk Esat, Ankara, TURKEY
- 234 Alfred A. Richardson, 827 Third Street, Orland, Calif. 95963

REINSTATEMENTS and CHANGE OF ADDRESS--

- 23 Mrs. Gladys M. Vogel, 1961 S.E. Ranier Road, Port St. Lucie, Fla. 33452
- 48 Marvin Green, 201 Laurel St., Beverly, N.J. 08010
- 49 Albert L. El, 4311 Westminster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104
- 50 Grant L. Hagen, 13000 Brandon Way Road, Gaithersburg, Md. 20878
- 133 Alexander B. Weir, P. O. Box 30728, Lower Hutt, NEW ZEALAND
- 150 Harold E. Robles, 8 Buttonball Lane, Glastonbury, Conn. 06033

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CACHETS ARE BEING COMPLETED--

Our artist has completed his drawings for the Masonic cachet of the First Day Cover of the Roosevelt stamp to be issued January 30, marking the 100th Anniversary of his birth. Franklin D. Roosevelt is too well known for us to repeat his biography. He has previously been honored on stamps of 36 countries, and expect that many may honor him at this time.

Drawing for the cachet on the Washington First Day Cover is progressing and will be completed in ample time for its issuance on February 22, the 250th Anniversary of his birth. His biography, too, is too well known for repetition here.

Your editor is accepting orders for these Unit-sponsored covers, and they would be welcomed now -- far in advance of the date of issue. If a cover of both stamps is wanted, be sure to include SASE for each. We are holding our price at \$1.00 each, despite the increase in postage rates and the cost of art and printing.

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SEE OUR LIST of new members above. How many of these did YOU get?

would seem that the cancel on this cover is rather unusual, as the Belgian government usually frowns on things Masonic. Bro. Frankignoul gives quite a complete story of Rops and his career on his album page.

The cover illustrated here is 9x4½ inches in size. He says he has a limited number of these which he will sell to our members at \$4.00, postpaid. This gives you an opportunity to secure an unusual cover for your collection, and the price seems quite reasonable.

Bro. Frankignoul asks that nothing emblematic of Freemasonry appear on the outside of letters addressed to him, nor, as stated above, Masonry is not looked upon with favor in his country.

We greatly appreciate his letting us see this reproduction of his album page, and would like to see them from other albums from time to time.



HARRY S. TRUMAN, when kiddied about his "Give 'em Hell" speeches, is said to have retorted "I never give them hell; I just tell the truth and they think it is hell."

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ONE MAN'S ALBUM PAGE--

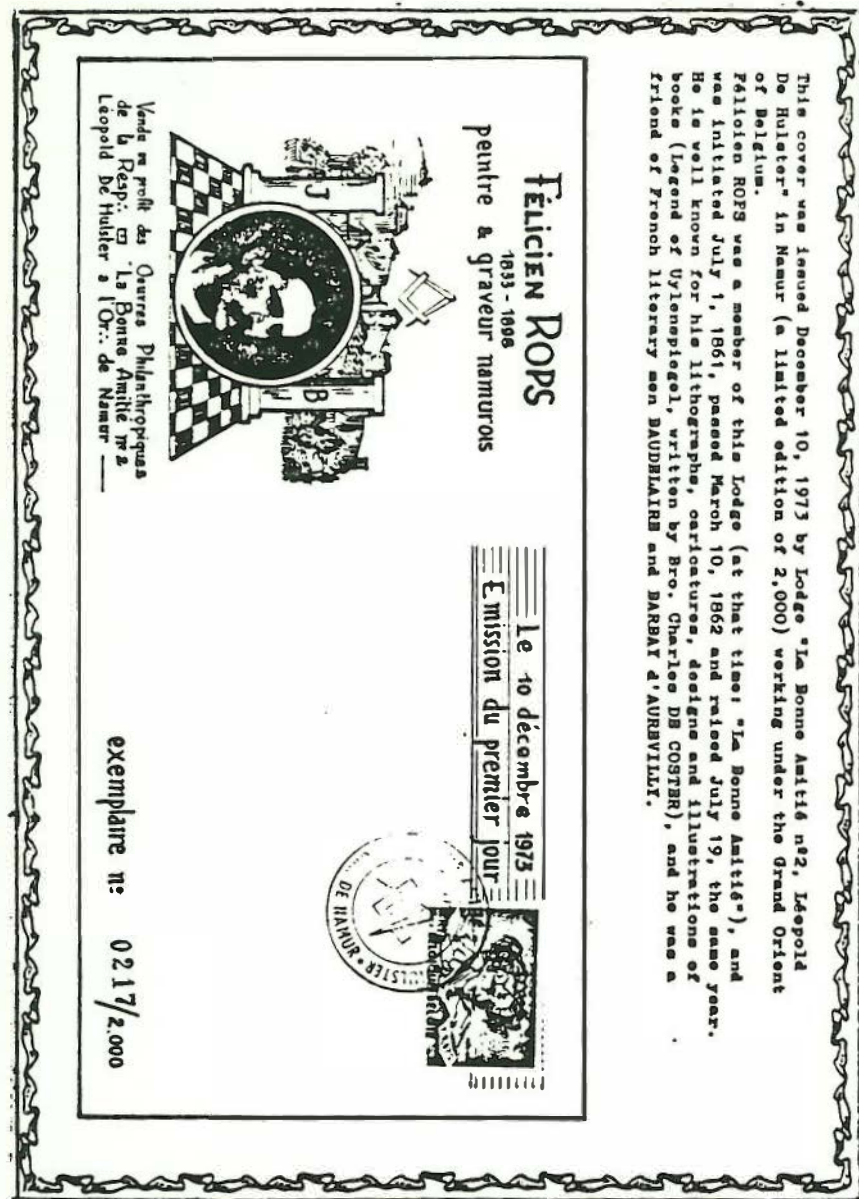
Bro. Daniel J. Frankignoul, Clos des Peupliers 64, 1200 Brussels, Belgium, sends us a xerox of his album page honoring Felicien Rops, Belgian artist. It

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TWO MASONS ON A FRENCH STAMP—

On November 2, 1981, France issued a bi-color (Scott's No. 1779) honoring famous Frenchmen buried in the "Parthenon", one of the great monuments of Paris. Of the three men pictured on the stamp, two were Masons — Jean Moulin (back figure) and Victor Schoelcher (front).



JEAN MOULIN (1899-1943) was the first president of the National Resistance Council of World War II. Commissioned by General Charles de Gaulle to organize the resistance movement in London, he was later dropped by parachute in northern France and was captured by the Nazis. Tortured, he was being transported to Germany in June of 1943 when he died aboard the train.

Masonic records of the 1939-1944 period have been destroyed but Moulin is known to have been a member of the Grand Orient de France. His likeness is also found on Scott's No. 826 (1957).

VICTOR SCHOELCHER (1804-1893), legislator and philanthropist, began early to take an active part in politics as a republican. Beginning at the age of 25, he spent many years traveling in the United States, Mexico, Africa and the Indies, devoting his efforts to exposing conditions of slavery, writing many books on the subject. He was a member of the Legislative and Constituent Assemblies from 1848 to 1851, where he championed the cause of emancipation. During the days of the Empire he lived in London where he published violent arguments against it. After the death of Napoleon III he returned to Paris and represented Martinique in the Legislative Assembly. In 1875 he was chosen a senator for life.

Schoelcher was a member of the Lodge "La Clemente Amitie" in Paris. He has previously appeared on Scott's No. 819 (1957) and on Martinique's Nos. 177-178, issued in 1935.

Other famous Masons buried in the "Parthenon" include J. B. Bouain, Felix Eboue, Leon Gambetta, Marechal Linnes, J. E. M. Portalis, G. Gabonis and Voltaire, many of whom have appeared on stamps of France and its colonies.

— Jean Prouteau.

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS—

More than four years have elapsed since the first copy of the PHILATELIC FREEMASON was mailed out to the members of the re-organized Masonic Study Unit. We have continued to grow and our mission to make our publication the best of its kind in circulation is fast becoming a reality.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for the splendid cooperation you have given us in the past, but please bear in mind that this is your Journal and its continued success depends on YOU. Write and tell us about your collecting interests, send us a short article that would be of interest to your fellow members. These contributions do not have to be long; we can always use short articles, too.

I have found that the greatest thrill of having a Stamp Collection is in the sharing of your hobby with others, and we are always on the look-out for new ideas and suggestions. If you have any questions, why not try our "Questions and Answers" department? You will find us always ready to help in any way we can.

We are a Unit of the American Philatelic Society with members in many foreign countries and the articles they have sent us have been very interesting. Please keep them coming! "You will find out that once you get involved others will follow."

Thanks!

Leonard W. Kemp
Unit President

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LOUIS BLANC (1813-1882)—

Jean Joseph Charles Louis Blanc, French historian and radical socialist leader, was born in Madrid, Spain, and educated in Paris. He contributed to various political journals and in 1839 established the magazine "Revue du Progress" as an organ for his doctrine of social and political reforms.



As a member of the provisional government, he was popular with the workmen of Paris who revolted in June of 1848. After the suppression of the uprising, he was forced to flee and lived for 22 years in England, where he wrote a 12-volume "Histoire de la Revolution Francaise".

Following the fall of the Second Empire in 1870, Blanc returned to France and was elected to the National Assembly. He was a member of the Chamber of Deputies from 1876 until his death in 1882.

According to Lennhoff, Blanc was a member of the Lodge "L'Humanite de la Drome" in Valence, France, under the Grand Orient de France. During his exile in 1855, he was Orator of the Supreme Grand Conseil General of the Order of Memphis, then an exile in London.

Louis Blanc is pictured on a 1948 stamp of France, Scott's No. B226.

— Marshall S. Loke.

Bruno Carranza (1822-1891)--

Bruno Carranza, a native of Costa Rica, first studied law in the University of Guatemala, later becoming a journalist and active in politics. He became a member of the house of representatives and was a member of the government of President Juan Rafael More. After a coup in which several Masons had a part and which overthrew President Jesus Jimenez, he became provisional president, and was succeeded in the same year by Tomas Guardia. Bruno Carranza was Rector of the University of Santo Tomas.



Bruno Carranza became a Mason abroad. In 1865 he joined the Lodge "Caraid" No. 26, founded in San Jose that year. After political differences which had a reaction on the lodge he founded in 1867 the Lodge "Union Fraternal" No. 19 in San Jose on a patent from Cuba. He became the first Worshipful Master of this lodge, and was already a 32° Mason. In 1867 he was co-founder of the Chapter Rose Croix "Porvenir de Costa Rica" and functioned as Master of Ceremonies.

Carranza is pictured on a 1945 issue of Costa Rica, Scott's No. 225, and on an airmail issue of the same year, Scott's No. C90.

-- Nessel M. Lenz.

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Conti Vittorio Alfieri (1749-1803)--

Conti Vittorio Alfieri, Italian dramatist and poet, was one of the leading literary and patriotic figures in Italian history. He was the author of an autobiography, many satires, sonnets, odes, lyric poems, comedies, and especially many tragedies. He was born at Asti, in Piedmont, Italy, and inherited a large fortune. He was sent to the Academy of Turin in which he learned little, resented the tyranny of the teachers, and at the age of 17 set out on travels throughout Europe.



In 1772 he returned to Turin and began his literary career by writing a tragic drama, "Cleopatra", which was enthusiastically received. He then devoted himself to writing tragic dramas and patriotic poems. Alfieri moved to Florence in 1776 to study the purer Italian spoken in the province. There he fell in love with Louisa de Stolberg, the Countess of Albany. She encouraged his his writing and became a stabilizing influence on his hitherto erratic life.

While living in Turin Alfieri became a Mason and a member of the Lodge "Saint Jean de Mystereuse" in that city.

Portraits of Alfieri are found on stamps of 1932, Scott's No. 271, and on one of 1949, No. 520 -- some of the most attractive of Italy's stamps.

-- Marshall S. Loke.

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HE IS ILL CLOTHED who is bare of virtue.

-- Benjamin Franklin.

SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL — A CHECKLIST—

United States	5/13/65	#1764
Great Britain	7/8/65	420/421
" "	10/9/74	728/729
Anguilla	6/24/74	193/194
Antigua	1/24/66	157/160 *
Ascension	1/24/66	96/99 *
Australia	5/24/65	389
Bahamas	1/24/64	224/227 *
Barbados	1/24/66	281/284 *
Basutoland	1/24/66	105/108 *
Bechuanaland Protectorate	1/24/66	206/209 *
Bermuda	1/24/66	201/204 *
Brit. Antarctic Territory	1/24/66	16/19 *
" " "	11/20/74	62/63
British Guiana	1/24/66	297/298
British Honduras	1/24/66	191/194 *
Brunei	1/24/66	120/123 *
"	11/30/74	220/221
Canada	8/12/65	440
Cayman Islands	1/24/66	176/179 *
Cook Islands	11/20/74	417/421
Dominica	1/24/66	189/192 *
Falkland Islands	1/24/66	158/161 *
" "	11/30/74	255/256
Fiji Islands	1/24/66	215/218 *
Gambia	1/24/66	212/214
"	9/3/70	375
Gibraltar	1/24/66	171/174 *
Gilbert & Ellice Islands	1/24/66	106/109 *
Grenada	1/24/66	209/213 *
"	9/3/70	375
Hong Kong	1/24/66	225/229 *
Jamaica	4/18/66	252/253
Maldives Islands	11/30/74	524/527
Malta	1/24/66	344/346
Mauritius	1/24/66	295/298 *
Montserrat	1/24/66	178/181 *
"	11/30/74	312/313
New Hebrides	1/24/66	112/115 *
Penrhyn Islands	11/30/74	70/71
Pitcairn Islands	11/30/74	144/145
Rhodesia	8/16/65	206
St. Helena	1/24/66	184/187 *
" "	11/3/74	285/286
St. Kitts - Nevis	1/24/66	167/170 *
" " "	11/30/74	290/293
St. Lucia	1/24/66	201/204 *
" "	11/30/74	367/368
St. Vincent	1/24/66	241/244 *
" "	11/30/74	389/392
Seychelles	1/24/66	222/225 *
"	11/30/74	321/322



Sierra Leone	5/19/65	302-305 (Surcharged)
Solomon Islands	1/24/66	145/148 *
South Arabia	1/24/66	19/22 *
Swaziland	1/24/66	119/122
Tristan da Cunha	1/24/66	89/92 *
Turks & Caicos Islands	1/24/66	146/149 *
" " "	11/30/74	197/198
Virgin Islands	1/24/66	163/166 *
" " "	11/20/74	278/279
Chad	11/23/65	C24
Congo Republic	10/4/74	C192
Gabon	9/28/65	C38
Haiti	12/23/68	602/608, C319/C322
Liberia	1/18/66	432/433, C170/C171
"	1/17/75	691/696, C205
Mali	10/11/65	C31
"	3/18/74	C114
Mauritania	12/6/65	C43
"	6/2/74	C147
Monaco	5/8/74	912
Netherlands	8/23/80	600
Nicaragua	6/15/46	698, C272-275
"	2/7/66	C584/C590
Niger	9/3/65	C51
Salvador	4/12/48	609, C115
Togo	8/7/65	529/532, C47
"	2/20/71	767
"	11/1/74	892/893, C240/C241
Uruguay	4/29/66	728, C284
Venezuela	12/29/65	C912



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THANKS —

Your editor and wife would like to thank the many members who sent greetings during the recent Holiday season. We would like to thank each of you personally, but since this is impossible, we can only say "Thank you". Several sent First Day Covers, and these have received a place of honor in our collection. Again, we can only say "Thank you".

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HARVARD COLLEGE, on April 3, 1776, conferred on George Washington the degree of Doctor of Laws — the second time in 140 years that the College had conferred this honor.

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WILL ROGERS' "Letters of a Self-made Diplomat to His President", published in the "Saturday Evening Post" in 1926, almost split the nation's sides with laughter.

ANDRES SAENZ LLORENTE (1827-1911)

Dr. Andres Saenz Llorente was born in 1827 and died in 1911. He studied medicine in Guatamala and began the practice of medicine about 1850. He later ~~became~~ became an army surgeon during the National Campaign against the Filibusters. He served some time as dean of the faculty of medicine at the state university. Politically, he was chairman of the Costa Rican Constitutional Congress. He was a director of the Costa Rican National Bank.



It is unknown where he was initiated into Masonry. In 1865 he joined the Lodge "Caridad" No. 26, which had been founded in San Jose during that year. In 1870-71 he was Chaplain of this lodge, and in 1871-73 he served as Orator. In 1870 he participated in the founding of the Lodges "Esperanza" and "Fe" in San Jose, which made it possible to organize the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica. In the Lodge "Fe" he was Orator. In 1883 he was a charter member of the Lodge "Union" No. 19 in San Jose. In 1867 he was co-founder of the Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix "Porvenir de Costa Rica" in San Jose. In September, 1871, he represented this Chapter at the founding of the "Grand Oriente y Supremo Consejo Centro Americano" in San Jose. In 1883 he accepted the function of Grand Secretary General.

His likeness appears on an airmail stamp of Costa Rica issued in 1961, Scott's No. C332, commemorating the 9th Congress of Physicians of Central America and Panama.

— Wessel M. Lans.

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JULES FERRY (1832-1893)—

On September 26, last, France issued a stamp to commemorate the centenary of Primary Education and picturing Jules Ferry. Born at Saint Die in the Vosges, he was admitted to the bar in 1881 at the age of 19. He took an immediate interest in politics as an active opponent to Louis Napoleon. As Central Prefect of Paris, he performed an outstanding service to France during the siege of Paris in 1870-71. He gained fame while serving as Minister of Public Education. He was very instrumental in securing passage of a bill which made primary education free, compulsory and non-clerical. He was also an empire builder while Prime Minister in 1883-85.



Jules Ferry was initiated in 1885 in "La Clemente Amitie" Lodge in Paris under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of France. He later affiliated with "Alsace Lorriane" Lodge, also in Paris.

In addition to the new stamp, Jules Ferry also appears on a stamp of 1951, Scott's No. 644.

— Jean Prouteau.

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ALBERT PIKE was secretary-general of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Southern Jurisdiction, for 32 years.

LORD CARRINGTON (1843-1928)

Bro. S. W. Martin asked his Grand Lodge for information on Lord Carrington. He has kindly sent us a photocopy of their reply. Thinking our members would be interested in seeing it, we reproduce it here instead of copying. We thank Sid for his kindness in sending this to us.

FREEMASON.

Lord Carrington. £1. Blue stamp of New South Wales, 1888.

He was Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency the Right Honorable Charles Robert Wynn-Carrington, Baron Carrington, KG, PC, GCMG, who was born on 16th May, 1843, at Whitehall, London, Middlesex, the eldest son of Robert John Smith, 2nd Baron Carrington, Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire, by his second wife the Honorable Augusta Annabella, who died in 1879, younger daughter of Peter Robert, 21st Lord Willoughby de Eresby. Baron Carrington (that is Charles Robert) succeeded to the title on the death of his father in 1868. He married the Honorable Cecilia Margaret (a Lady of the Bedchamber to Her Majesty Queen Alexandra from 1911). She was the eldest daughter of Charles, 5th Lord Suffield and they had issue of five surviving daughters.

Lord Carrington was the Governor of the Colony of New South Wales from 12th December, 1885 to 3rd November, 1890.

He became the first Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales in 1888.

After his return to England from New South Wales he was created Earl Carrington and Viscount Wendover of Chipping Wycombe, Buckinghamshire on 16th July, 1895, and on 26th February, 1912, he was created Marquess of Lincolnshire.

He died on 11th June, 1928. As he had no surviving sons the title of Marquess of Lincolnshire died with him. His title Lord Carrington passed to one of his brothers who died shortly afterwards and then to the present Lord Carrington.

Although he was initiated into Freemasonry in Sir Isaac Newton Lodge he took his second degree in Cairo, Egypt. He was educated at Eton College and Trinity College, Cambridge where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1863. He assumed the surname of Wynn-Carrington (two "r"s") in lieu of Carington (one "r") by Royal licence in 1896.

(Lord Carrington's likeness appears on New South Wales, Scott's No.86.)

CLARA BARTON — ORDER OF EASTERN STAR—

Clara Barton (1821-1912), American humanitarian and organizer of the American Red Cross, was born in North Oxford, Mass., and taught school there from 1839 through 1854.



She became a clerk in the United States Patent office before the Civil War. She then established a service of supplies for soldiers and nursed in the army camps and battlefields. In 1865 President Lincoln appointed her to search for missing persons. The records she compiled also served to identify thousands of the dead at Andersonville prison.

In 1870 at the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War, she worked behind the German lines for the International Red Cross. She returned to the United States in 1873, and in 1881 organized the American National Red Cross, which she headed until 1904. She worked for the president's signature to the Geneva Treaty for the care of the wounded and emphasized Red Cross work in catastrophes other than war.

Clara Barton was initiated into the Order of the Eastern Star by Robert Morris, founder of the order, in the parlor of her home in Oxford, Mass., in 1898. In June of 1906 she joined the Clara Barton Chapter of Oxford, taking the degrees in the regular fashion.

Her appearance is found on a 3¢ rose pink of the United States issued September 7, 1948, Scott's No. 967.

— Roy Schwartz.

Editor's Note — In our last issue we asked for stories on members of the Eastern Star. Thanks, Bro. Schwartz.

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NEW MEMBERS—

From the number of new members sent us by Secretary Needham, our membership contest must have "started off with a bang." Frankly, we have never seen this many new members in a short period of time. Remember the person getting the greatest number of new members in the calendar year 1982, will have his or her dues paid for the 1983-84 fiscal year. Get a new member TODAY!

- 235 Henry Murray, P.O. Box 143, Palmers Green, London N13 4XN, ENGLAND.
- 236 James D. Carpenter, 107 Ardmore Drive, Oxford, Ohio 45056
- 237 Raymond E. Durham, Jr., 400 Colonial Avenue, Vestal, N.Y. 13850
- 238 Col. Chas. E. Hoakins III, Apdo. Postal #5-226, Guadalajara #5, Jalisco, MEXICO
- 239 Anastas Lascarides, 7 Riga Ferrou St., Agii Anagari Attikis, Athens, GREECE
- 240 Jack G. Peterson, R.F.D. 1, Box 12C, Battle Lake, Minn. 56515
- 241 Jack B. Donham, Grand Secy., 700 Scott St., Little Rock, Ark. 72201
- 242 Harry R. Brahmstadt, 111 West 41st St., Riverdale, Ill. 60627
- 243 Alan Eadie, 70 Northdown Rd., Longfield, Dartford, Kent DA3 7QW, ENGLAND
- 244 Grahame A. West, 62 Bifield Rd., Bristol BS14 8TW, ENGLAND
- 245 Arthur Judson, 4 Alhambra Drive, Oceanside, Long Island, N.Y. 11572
- European Address: Postfach #250, 7000 Stuttgart, F.R.G. of GERMANY
- 246 Frank R. Martin, 633 Channing Drive, N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30318
- 247 Richard W. Bergen, 505 Scenic Avenue, Parr Hills, Ky. 41011
- 248 Roger W. Maconi, 14 Ward Road, Southborough, Mass. 01772

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- 249 Manton C. Martin, 107 No. Broadway, Apt. #I-3-A, White Plains, N.Y. 10603
 250 Kenneth M. Nicholson, Sr., 3535 37th Ave., N.E., Minneapolis, Minn. 55421
 251 Ralph Staley, 1063 Queen Ann St., Burlington, N.C. 27215
 252 Arthur J. Walsh, Jr., 55 Pleasant St., North Andover, Mass. 01845
 253 William S. Patterson, 101 W. Sahuaro Vista, Dr., Tucson, Ariz. 85704
 254 Barnett Connors, 57 Kimball Ave., Revere, Mass. 02151
 255 John J. Licastro, 14 Cinder Lane, Hicksville, N.Y. 11801
 256 Walter W. Ballard, 4231 34th Ave. Place, Moline, Ill. 61265
 257 Fred Weberpals, 8035 Springfield, Blvd., Queens Village, New Yrk, N.Y. 11427
 258 Eugene F. Williams, 19 Somerset Rd., Bay Ridge, East Greenwich, R.I. 02818
 259 Mark H. Van Houten, 14 Yates Ave., South River, N.J. 08882
 260 Edwin H. Shane, 5514 Leone Court, Indianapolis, Ind., 46226
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 262 Robert J. Berkley, 4403 192nd Place, S.E., Issaquah, Wash. 98027
 263 Kenneth Demers, R.F.D. 3, Box 180E, Leander, Texas 70641

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 Santa Catalina, BRAZIL

(Editor's Note — #241, Jack B. Donham is Grand Secretary of the F. & A.M., in Arkansas. Welcome to our number, Bro. Donham.)

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JULIAN VOLIO LLORENTE (1827-1889—)

Julian Volio was a scion of a distinguished family. He read law in Guatemala and in Nicaragua. In Costa Rica he played an important part in political life.



He was Minister of Foreign Affairs during the administration of President Jose Maria Castro (1866-68). In 1868 he was sent on a diplomatic mission to the U.S. and Europe. In Europe he secured a loan to build the Atlantic Coast Railroad, but the loan was canceled with the overthrow of the government in that year. During the dictatorship of Tomas Guardia he remained abroad (1870-1881).

When Julian Volio was initiated into Masonry is unknown. In 1865 he joined the Lodge "Caridad" No. 26, founded that year in San Jose, and later served as its Worshipful Master. In 1867 he was one of the founders of the Chapter Rose Croix "Porvenir de Costa Rica" and served as Senior Warden. In 1870 he became a member of the "Grand Oriente y Supremo Consejo Centro Americano", founded that year with its seat in San Jose. In 1883 he joined the Lodge "Union" No. 19, which had been founded that year.

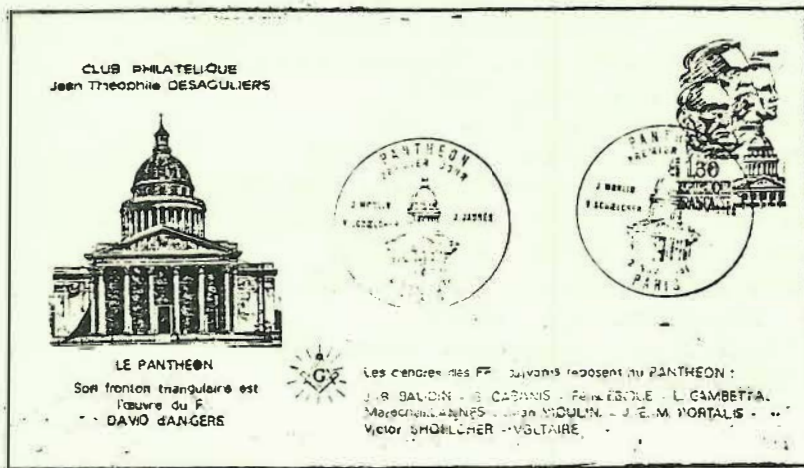
His likeness appears on Costa Rica's stamps, Scott's No. 56 (1903), No. 64, (1907) and No. 74 (1910).

— Wessel M. Lans.

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DON'T OVERLOOK the ballot on the cover sheet of this issue.

DID YOU get a new member this month? DO IT TODAY!

FOR SALE OR TRADE — WANTED—

Bro. Jean Prouteau, 1 Rue Verlaine, 17 La Rochelle, France, can supply the First Day Cover at \$1.50 each, and the First Day Cover of the Jules Ferry stamp (page 284) at the same price. Remittance by International Money Order, or by currency at your risk. No checks accepted. These covers are standard size, but are shown here greatly reduced.

Bro. Trevor J. Fray, 76 Merrivale Road, Beacon Park, Plymouth PL2 2RP, England, wishes to buy First Day Cover #12 of the Beltman series. He

is also interested in buying First Day Covers of the Koutroulis series. Write him about these, giving prices, before sending.

Thomas Gardner, 92 Pearl St., Essex Junction, Vt. 05452 wants to buy card #5 of Irvin M. Kline's series of "oomio" Masonic Postcards. He also has numerous Masonic cachets for sale or trade; write him if interested.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—

- Q. 15— Was Edward Herriott of France a Mason?
- Q. 16— Was Great Britain's musician, Sir John Barbirolli, a Mason?
- Q. 17— Will someone give us Masonic data on
- (a) Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines?
 - (b) Charles de Gaulle of France?
 - (c) Gustav Eiffel of France?

(Editor's Note: In answering questions, please give as complete Masonic data as possible. Thanks.)

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ELECTION TIME IS HERE—

Our three elective officers are elected for a one-year term, and may succeed themselves. In addition, every member is eligible to hold an office, so may be elected by a vote of the members. Elective officers at present are:

President, Leonard W. Kemp.
Vice-President, Robert C. Krueger.
Secretary-Treasurer, Richard M. Needham.

Inside the cover sheet of this issue is a ballot. Please fill in the names of those you wish to vote for and return to Sec. Needham at 708 N. Mt. Pleasant Ave., Lancaster, Ohio 43130 TODAY in order that votes may counted and results published in our next issue.