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President



Never worry...Spring is here



Never worry ....

The above card was sent by Gilbert Beaupre to his father in Grand Isle, Maine. Seems like just a good old post card if one likes trains but the note back to his father written Oct 14, 1937 says:  
*“ Hello Dear father and mother: Hit Boston, swellest ride I ever took without Pullman. These new cars are a piff. Had sandwiches mother give me for breakfast. I rode on from Bangor in same train as Jack Dempsey. I saw him twice on street and station. I saw gangster’s killing in Bangor. Now– 7:40 AM. Leaving for Addi’s place. Never worry. Love Gilbert.”*

Gilbert was referring to the Oct 12, 1937 killing of Public Enemy #1. Al Brady and his gang were killed by FBI Agents in a gunfight on Central Street in downtown Bangor. Jack Dempsey may have been on his way home from one his visits to a northern Maine sporting camp.

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The purpose of the Society is to promote philately in the Pine Tree State. Membership is open to everyone. Please send your name and address to the Secretary listed below along with \$5.00 dues for a year. Life memberships are not available at this time but you may prepay for as many years as you wish.

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**Maine Stamp Club Meetings**



**WATERVILLE STAMP CLUB**

The club meets on the first and third Friday from September to May and on the third Friday only during June, July and August. Meetings are from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Kennebec Valley Technical College (KVTC) on Western Avenue in Fair- field (Exit 35 of Interstate 95). For information, call 872- 5107. Non-members are invited to attend.

**YORK COUNTY STAMP CLUB**

The club meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Sanford Masonic Hall, Elm Street, Sanford. Usual events include raffle, auction, presentations, refreshments, and an occasional visit from a stamp dealer. Dues are \$5 per year. For information, contact Secretary Tracey Levasseur, 329 Ross Comer Rd., Shapleigh, ME 04076.

**UNION RIVER STAMP CLUB**

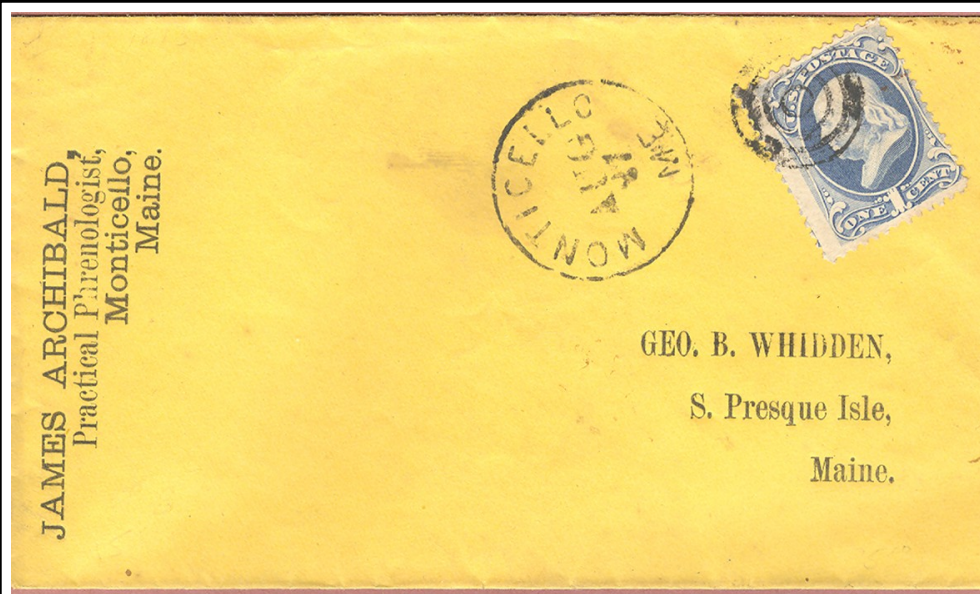
The club meets from April to November on the third Thursday of the month starting at 6:00 p.m. Typical events include an auction, a raffle, presentations and an opportunity to purchase from a member stamp dealer. Non-members are welcome. For further information on location contact Eric Beal, 827-2686, [Eric.Beal@umit.maine.edu](mailto:Eric.Beal@umit.maine.edu)

**KENNEBEC VALLEY STAMP AND COLLECTOR CLUB**

The Kennebec Valley Stamp and Collector Club meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of from September thru June at the Central Maine Power Co. main office in Augusta. The time of the meeting is 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Contact Rich Howard, 621-0882 or [richhoward@gwi.net](mailto:richhoward@gwi.net)

Please send your articles, scans, stories, comments, suggestions or questions to Max Lynds at the address listed on the left.



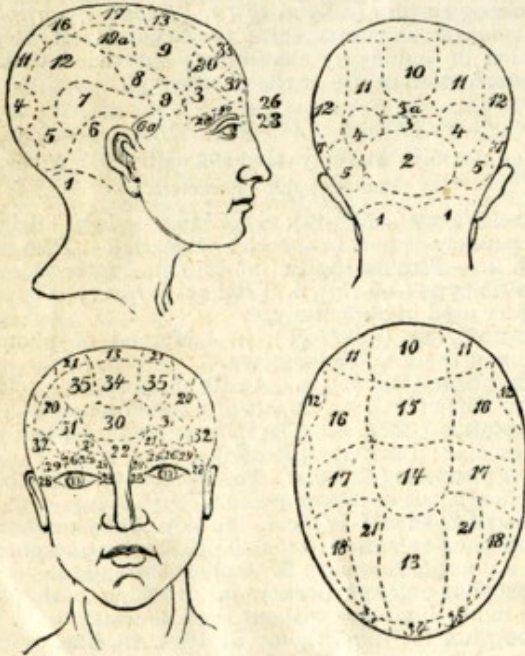


**James Archibald  
Practical Phrenologist  
Monticello, Maine**

**Archibald was a town official for Monticello as well as Littleton. His son, Bernard, was an attorney in Houlton.**

**His grandson, James P. Archibald was a judge in Houlton and became a Maine Supreme Court Justice.**

**Phre-nol'o-gy** (-nōl'ō-jī), *n.* [Gr. φρήν, φρενός + -logy.] **1.** Science of the special functions of the several parts of the brain, or of the supposed connection between the faculties of the mind and organs in the brain. **2.** Physiological hypothesis that mental faculties, and traits of character, are shown on the surface of the head or skull; craniology. — **Phre-nol'o-gist**, *n.* — **Phren'o-log'ic** (frēn'ō-lōj'ik), **Phren'o-log'ic-al**, *a.*



A Chart of Phrenology.

**1** Amativeness ; **2** Philoprogenitiveness ; **3** Concentrativeness ; **3 a** Inhabitiveness ; **4** Adhesiveness ; **5** Combativeness ; **6** Destructiveness ; **6 a** Alimentiveness ; **7** Secretiveness ; **8** Acquisitiveness ; **9** Constructiveness ; **10** Self-esteem ; **11** Love of Approbation ; **12** Cautiousness ; **13** Benevolence ; **14** Veneration ; **15** Firmness ; **16** Conscientiousness ; **17** Hope ; **18** Wonder ; **19** Ideality ; **19 a** (Not determined) ; **20** Wit ; **21** Imitation ; **22** Individuality ; **23** Form ; **24** Size ; **25** Weight ; **26** Coloring ; **27** Locality ; **28** Number ; **29** Order ; **30** Eventuality ; **31** Time ; **32** Tune ; **33** Language ; **34** Comparison ; **35** Causality. [Some raise the number of organs to forty-three.]



A definition of phrenology with chart from Webster's Academic Dictionary, circa 1895

1848 edition of American Phrenological Journal published by Fowlers & Wells, New York City.



Maine Cover of the Quarter



Last time we showed an advertised cover from the 1880's. Here is a more modern "Advertised" usage from 1905 again with 1 cent postage due assessed for that service. The postcard also has a 8/8/1905 Christmas, Maine (DPO 1896-1910) postmark. If you have an interesting, out of the ordinary, unusual, or scarce Maine cover candidate for Maine Cover of the Quarter, please send a photocopy against a black background to Rob Washburn, P.O. Box 840, Skowhegan, ME 04976.

On May 7, 2009, in Los Angeles, California, the Postal Service™ will issue a 44-cent *The Simpsons* stamp, in five designs in a pressure-sensitive adhesive (PSA) convertible, booklet of 20 stamps (Item 679000). Designed by Matt Groening, a native of Portland, Oregon, the stamps go on sale nationwide May 7, 2009. With these stamps, the U.S. Postal Service® recognizes *The Simpsons*, the longest running comedy in the history of American prime-time television, entering its 20th year, as a regularly scheduled half-hour series in 2009.

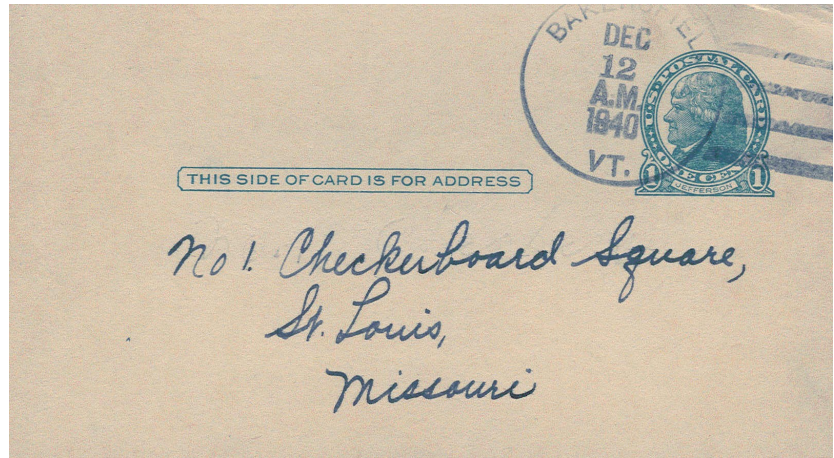


MPS Show Treasure

Rick Stambaugh

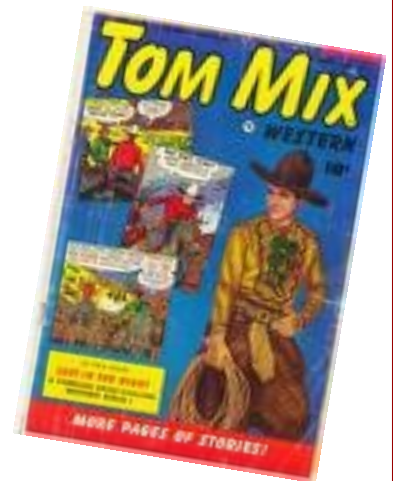
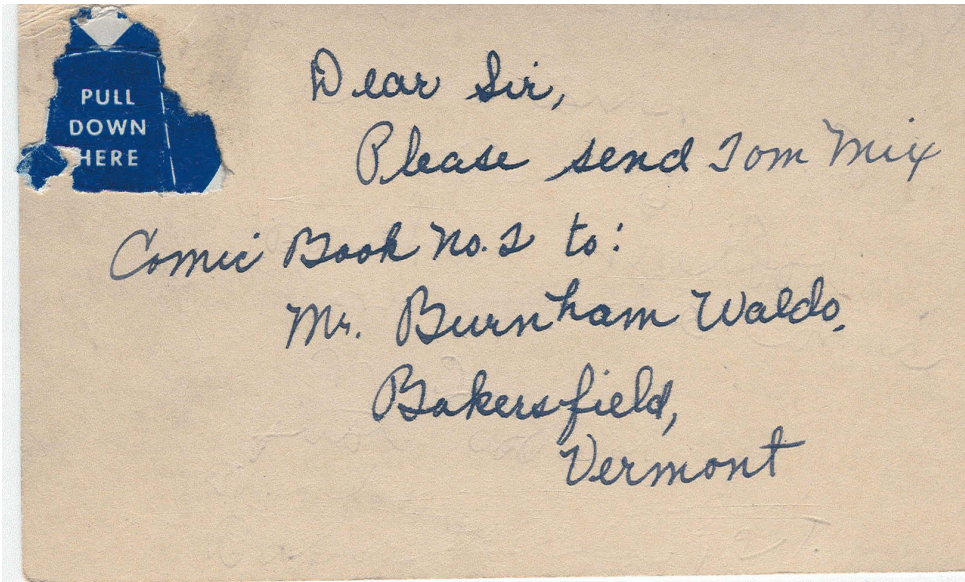
At MAINEPEX 2008, I spent quite a bit of time going through Bob Hazelton's 50¢ Covers box, until I found this treasure. It is just a common 1¢ Postal Card ( Fig 1) with no special marking or rare cancel,

Fig 1



But, the reverse side ( Fig 2) caught my attention. It was the nostalgia of a kid sending for a free Tom Mix Comic Book that was so appealing that I had to spring for the 50¢.

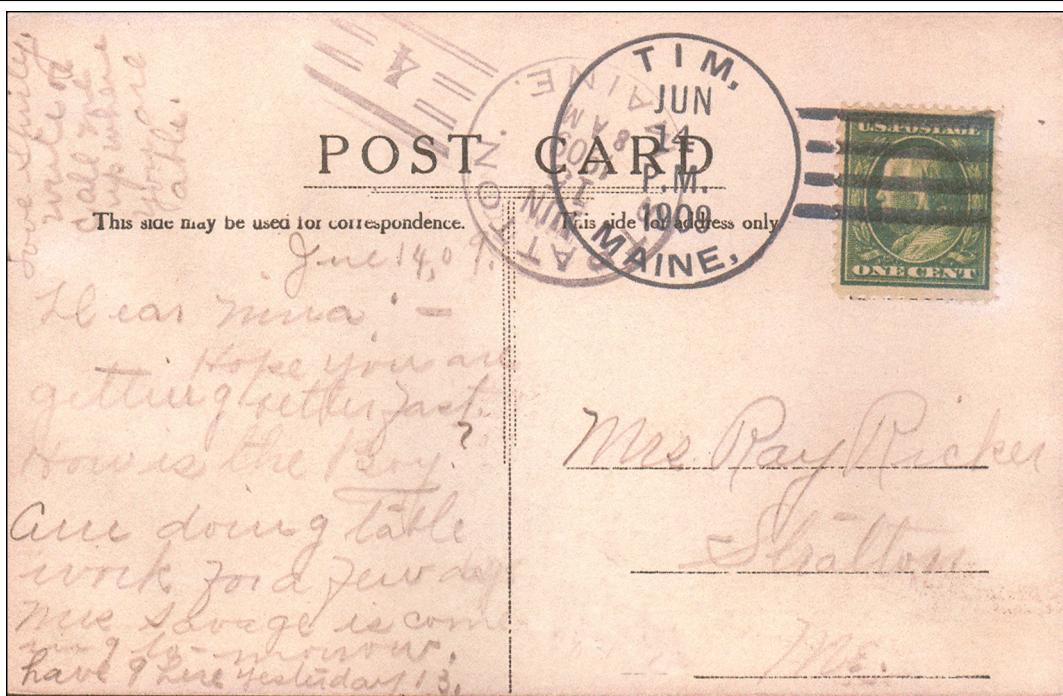
Fig 2



So, of course I flaunted my rare find to another collector pawing through Bob's El Cheapo box. He was sorry he hadn't found it first. Later, he tapped me on the shoulder to show that he had also found a similar postal card. What was interesting was that his postal card was addressed and written in the same handwriting and ink, but the cancel was a different VT town, and the return address and name was different. A mystery.



**Some favorites.....**



TIM, MAINE

This postcard is a favorite of George Bostwick. The picture postcard shows a scene of a rustic cabin with trees. TIM, MAINE was an office open only in the summer located in Franklin County. George's first father-in-law, who was born and raised in Wilton (also in Franklin County) used to take a couple of weeks off every spring to rent a cabin and go fishing in Tim Pond. The card was sent to a women in Stratton and was received there the next day according to the receiving cancel. Information in the Rarity Guide to the Post Offices of Maine indicates that this office was open from 02-Jun-1898 to 15-Apr-1935.



I always look for covers with my name on them. The closest to Max that Maine has to offer is "MAXFIELD" shown here on a forwarded post card. North Dakota and Missouri have had Post Offices with a "MAX" cancel.



**SHOW SCHEDULE**

**Waterville Stamp Club  
Show and Auction**

MacCrillis-Rousseau VFW Hall  
175 Veterans Drive  
Winslow, ME

**April 18, 2009**

9:00 AM—3:30 PM

**Dealers Bourse**  
Stamps  
Covers  
Postcards  
Supplies  
Auction

**Future Shows**  
October 17, 2009

**Information:**  
[Ddogherty@yahoo.com](mailto:Ddogherty@yahoo.com)

**Fredericton District Stamp Club**

April 25, 2009  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m

Forest Hill United Church  
45 Kimble Ct  
Fredericton, NB  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m

Free parking, free admission, dealers from Eastern Canada, exhibits (non-competitive), youth table, Canada Post, door prizes, free stamps for youth

Ron Smith, Telephone, (506) 453-1792; email, [rsmith0225@rogers.com](mailto:rsmith0225@rogers.com)

**Brunswick Coin & Stamp Club**

May 3, 2009  
9:00 AM—2:30 PM

Knights of Columbus Hall  
Columbus Drive  
Brunswick, ME

Contact: Bob Caouette, 207-721-7872, [brunswickcoinclub@fairpoint.net](mailto:brunswickcoinclub@fairpoint.net)

**Greater Nashua Stamp Show**

April 19, 2009

9:00 AM— 3:00 PM

*Holiday Inn  
Rt 3, Exit 4  
Nashua, NH*

**Portsmouth Area Stamp Show**

April 26, 2009

9:00 AM— 3:00 PM

*Holiday Inn  
300 Woodbury Ave  
Portsmouth, NH*

**Information:**  
[Ptstamps@megalink.net](mailto:Ptstamps@megalink.net)  
207-966-2744

**Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs**

**Philatelic Show 2009**

May 1 11:00 AM-6:00 PM  
May 2 10:00 AM-5:00 PM  
May 3 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

70 dealers, exhibits, door prizes, show cancel, youth activities, Auction Saturday 2:00 PM

**Holiday Inn**  
I-495 and MA 111 (Exit 28)  
Boxborough , Massachusetts

[dirtyoldcovers@aol.com](mailto:dirtyoldcovers@aol.com)  
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**MAINEPEX 2009**  
**November 14, 2009**



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Membership Application

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