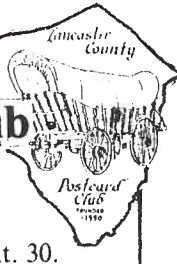


YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE Lancaster County Post Card Club

MEETINGS - THIRD MONDAY EACH MONTH

1821 Municipal Drive, Lancaster, PA

Manheim Twp. Municipal Bldg., Rt. 272 half mile north of Rt. 30.



LCPC NEWSLETTER

November 1991

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NEXT MEETING

Monday 7 pm

November 18, 1991

Member buy/sell 6 pm

PROGRAM

SELDOM SEEN LANCASTER CARDS SUBJECT OF NOVEMBER MEETING

From his collection of Lancaster City pc's, Jim Ward (with the help of his Millersville mentor, Charlie Griffiths) has chosen less common cards for his slide presentation.

Only 18 real photo pc's of the 60 to be shown belie the unusualness of the exhibit. The Maple Grove Skyrocket, Grandview Heights by air, Hamilton Electric Watches, college rings, an electric vaudeville palace, and a truck climbing the County court house steps are just a few.

The slides run 30 minutes. A short discussion period is invited afterwards.



Mohn, Photographer.

Southern Market Hotel

HARRY TODD, Prop.

South Queen & Vine Sts.

LANCASTER, PA.

Hotel accommodations up to date.

Stabling for 100 head of horses.

IN THE HOSPITAL

We are so sorry to hear Alma Althouse #53 is again hospitalized. Our prayers are with her. Cards may be sent to Ephrata Community Hospital, Rm. 222, 169 Martin Avenue, Ephrata, Pa. 17522

WHAT A NIGHT!

NOT ENOUGH ROOM - NOT ENOUGH TIME!
59 MEMBERS + 8 GUESTS = FULL HOUSE

Was it the program? Was it the auction? Was it the exhibits? Was it the end of vacations? Was it publicity?

At any rate the LCPC played to a capacity crowd with lots of visitors, more new members, a recordbreaking number of exhibits, a fine member participation program and a 101 lot auction.

We must be doing something right!

Extra chairs set up and a few members standing means we should consider a larger meeting room. Granted, the present location is central and ideal (especially with the ground-level entrance). But with hardly room for more than two tables we're cramped for auction display or member/dealer set ups.

If you have an idea, we should know about it!

Pres. Carver conducted the members thru a fine Question and Answer session with Daisy and Dede Schaeffer, Anne Steinberg, Jose Rodriguez and Charles Griffiths doing an excellent job in answering such questions as: How do you know what a 'set' is? How can you date unused real photo pc's? Are sets really more popular than single cards? What determines value? When did the 'first' US post card appear? and What part artist/photographer license plays in Main Street scenes.

The subject that brought the most discussion was Which are collected more-used or unused pc's? Conclusions reached by the panelists (most of whom are or have been dealers) were that beginning collectors tend to like used cards because they are an assurance of age (not repros); stamp collectors and those interested in history like the cancellations and human interest in the messages; dates on RP cards help authentication; advanced collectors tend towards quality (new) condition and can afford the accompanying higher value.

But in the end, Used or unused is a matter of personal preference. Our Club Library of over 30 books is a good source of info.

The short 25 minutes and many unanswered questions is an indication the club should repeat this type program again!

THANK YOU, PANELISTS!

The Nominating Committee will accept nominations from the floor for all offices at the November meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

- #152 **FRED W. KENDALL** 129 City Mill Rd., Lancaster, PA 17602, 394-6040. East End of Lancaster to Bridgeport, Conestoga, Rocky Springs, etc.
- #153 **ROBERT S. TREISCH** 112 Ringneck Dr., Ephrata, PA 17522, 733-3251. Ephrata, Lancaster County, depots and trains.
- #154 **JOHN HORNBERGER** 229 W. Main St., Ephrata, PA 17522, 738-2566. Ephrata.
- #155 **RICHARD RICE** 60 Vista Dr., Marietta, PA 17547, 426-3228. Marietta, Maytown, Mount Joy. Real photo: snow scenes, especially children in snow.
- #156 **LINDA RICE** Same address, phone and collecting interest (another team effort)
- #157 **RACHEL KOPEL** P.O. Box 371375, San Diego CA 92137, 619-226-3204. Beads, beadwork, angels, 18th Cent. Ital. nativity figures, mazes, labyrinths & feathers.
- #158 **DARVIN RODGERS JR.** 2426 Donegal Springs Rd., Marietta, PA 17547, 426-3769. Local views and general interest.
- #159 **VALERIA C. WOLFE** Rte. 1, Box 1910, Jones-town, PA, 17038, 865-4728. U.S. pictures especially Pa. views.

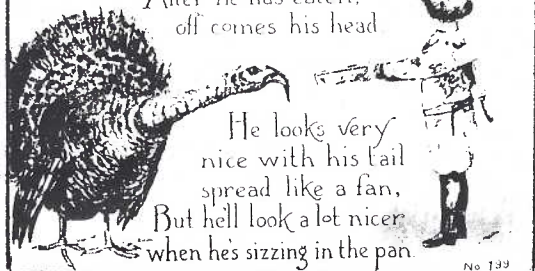
THANKS FOR JOINING US, FOLKS - and you are welcomed to the extra months membership in 1991 - included with your new 1992 dues! A reminder to members - when you sign up some-one **new** in OCT, NOV or DEC 1991, their dues are paid in full for 1992! Their benefits begin at once: newsletters, use of our library and meeting activities as well as attending our Annual Recognition Banquet /Christmas Party.

DUES



And don't forget your own 1992 dues. We're still holding at \$7 per member, \$10 per family membership (1 newsletter=1 address). Although the \$7 barely covers printing and postage, income from auction commissions, 50/50 raffles, tables sales rentals and donated gifts have helped to cover other club expenses. Send your dues NOW to P.O. Box 300, Lititz, PA, 17543-0300.

Behold Mr. Turkey, eager to be fed
After he has eaten,
off comes his head



He looks very
nice with his tail
spread like a fan,
But he'll look a lot nicer
when he's sizzling in the pan.

#799 in F.A. Owens Co. Thanksgiving series



Series by unknown publ. Winsch-type back
The earliest English colonists in New England gave thanks for their arrival near Phippsburg, Maine in August 1607, 14 years before the 'official Thanksgiving' by the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Thanks to our Auctioneer Darvin Rodgers and the Auction Team of Walt and Barb Mowrer, Sandy Shaub, Bud Heim and Jere Greider. Next scheduled auction is January. Contact Walt Mowrer, chairman.

A highlight of the auction was the \$30 realized for the book "250 Years in Paradise". Some of us are learning the value of this type book for local information.

OCT. AUCTION - Prices Realized (lot, price)

A 5	50 2	76 10
B 5	51 .50	77 13
1 3	26 1	52 .25
2 1	27 7	53 .25
3 1	28 8	54 2
4 1	29 12	55 15
5 1	30 .50	56 .25
6 1	31 .50	57 2
7 3.50	32 .50	58 18
8 5.50	33 .50	59 7
9 2.50	34 .50	60 20
10 1	35 .50	61 3.50
11 2	36 .75	62 8
12 1	37 .75	63 18
13 1.50	38 .50	64 22
14 1	39 .75	65 3.50
15 1.50	40 30	66 4.50
16 3.50	41 1	67 20
17 1.50	42 .25	68 50
18 4.50	43 .25	69 .25
19 2	44 .25	70 1.50
20 11	45 3	71 1
21 17	46 .50	72 1
22 2	47 .50	73 17
23 1	48 4	74 8.50
24 8	49 3.50	75 2.50
25 .50		

Lot #48 donated brought \$4

Total auction lots (less above) \$601.00

10% commission 60.10

Donated lot #48 4.00

Net receipts to LCPC Treasury 64.10

Name the Newsletter contest still open. Submit entry to: P.O. Box 300, Lititz, PA. 17543-0300.

CHRISTMAS PARTY COMMITTEE

These four great gals can answer questions you might have about the covered dish Christmas Party in December: **BARB HEIM #77, BARB MOWRER #69, DEDE SCHAEFFER #3 or ANNE STEINBERG #13(chairlady).**

More details forthcoming at November meeting.

**LARGER THAN LIFE**

The American Tall-Tale Postcard, 1905-1915

by Cynthia Elyce Rubin and Morgan William

New York: Abbeville Press

STAFF REVIEWER: Charles W. Griffiths

A specialty book: specifically, the real-photo exaggeration type postcard.

The book is notable for the extremely fine reproductions of these cards. The pictures of many of the cards, being enlarged, are even clearer than the cards themselves. 150 photographs depict such things as giant grasshoppers, other insects, animals, farm products and fish.

The text, with the exception of 25 pgs, is superfluous, containing ramblings about early hoaxes, folklore, tall tales, invention of the camera and beginnings of photography, the postcard, the R.F.D. mail system, postal regulations concerning postcards and so on.

This is more than made up for in the 25 "meaty" pages. These cover the early photographers who made these cards, a short biography of each and **the manner in which the cards were made.** It is an excellent 25 pages. One marvels at the imagination these men must have had as well as the ingenuity required to make these cards.

Even if this might not be your specialty you will certainly enjoy this book.

THANK YOU CHARLIE for your book review. If you like this Newsletter addition, let Charlie know. And THANK YOU JOSE RODRIGUEZ for donating the book to our Library!

**LADY OF 75 YRS. WITH 250,000 POSTCARDS**

Audrey Malone retired from nursing in 1984 and began collecting nurses and hospitals on pc's. She 'took the plunge' on a large collection for under \$10,000.

A former class-mate of Lucille Ball, she runs a postcard mail order business from a home in Boynton Beach, Fla. She advises: attend a pc show, choose a specific topic and expand your interest as you please.

Ed. note-THANK YOU Bill Seigford for this article from a Club 50 Newsletter.



#803 in F.A.Owens Co. Thanksgiving series

AUCTIONEER BECOMES MEMBER

By consent of the Directors and nod of membership approval the LCPC thanked Darwin Rodgers, our gratis auctioneer this year with a paid membership for 1992. You will see him listed as #158. THANKS & WELCOME!

You can advertise FREE in this spot. Send copy before end of month to: P.O.Box 300, Lititz, PA, 17543-0300.

POLLY STOPPED SMOKING. THANKS, POLLY!

The drawing for Polly Curtis's afghan at the Oct. meeting brought in \$54 for the club's treasury. Charlie "Bud" Heim was the lucky winner. The Club thanks all who bought tickets, from Oregon to Maryland.

And most of all we thank Polly. Keeping her hands busy on an afghan a week has helped stop an old habit of chain smoking. We're so glad we know you, Polly. God bless you!

HAVE YOU DONE YOUR PART?

Only a small percentage of members have supported the LCPC with the purchase of the 1992 POSTCARD CALENDAR. Just \$5 (\$6 by mail) Contact John Long (397-1663) or Jim Ward (626-4660) or pick them up at the meetings. Remember, they make great gifts. especially for those who've moved from Lanc. County.

NEWSLETTER STAFF

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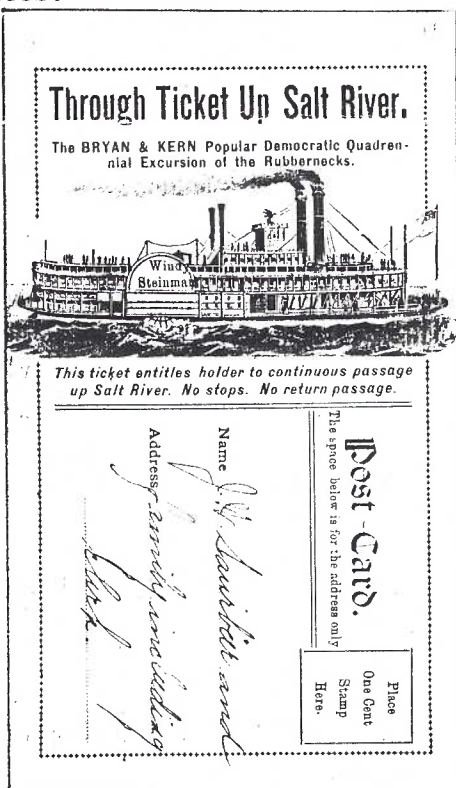
Artist Jim Rudisill **Correspondence to** P.O. Box 300, Lititz, PA. 17543-0300. Phone 626-4660. Letters, postcard stories, pictures and related articles are encouraged.

LOCAL "SALT RIVER" POSTCARDS UNCOMMONLY GOOD - NEARLY UNIQUE

Webster's dictionary: **Salt River** - in U.S. politics, the imaginary river up which defeated candidates are sent.

Purely American, this idea appears to be nearly unique to our own area on printed postcards. Very few dealers (with national contacts) have heard of or seen these often crudely made postcards which refer to defeated political candidates by name. And what's more, local research to date has not revealed a single publisher with the exception of one printed by Harpel of Lebanon, and that referred only to national candidates.

Most postcards this issue reduced 20-30%.



Postcards from local collectors generally are undated, but a list of successful City mayors supplied by J.W.W. Loose of the Lancaster County Historical Society helps to date many other cards.

HO! HO! FOR SALT RIVER

The BOSS, W. W., with his Lieutenants, will leave the Woolworth building, at Office Holders time, Nov. 10, 1921, for a trip up Salt River. They will go by way of the Raub-Musser Chamber of Commerce route, headed by a Rubber-neck band, and proceed up North Queen Street to Trout's cigar store, where they will pick up a few sore heads and then up to Cabbage Hill, where they will meet the Stump's, Herchelrider, H. Kopp and Renegade Patty Gill. From there they will go to the Gas Run and proceed up to Rocky Springs, where the Steamer W. W. will leave the dock.

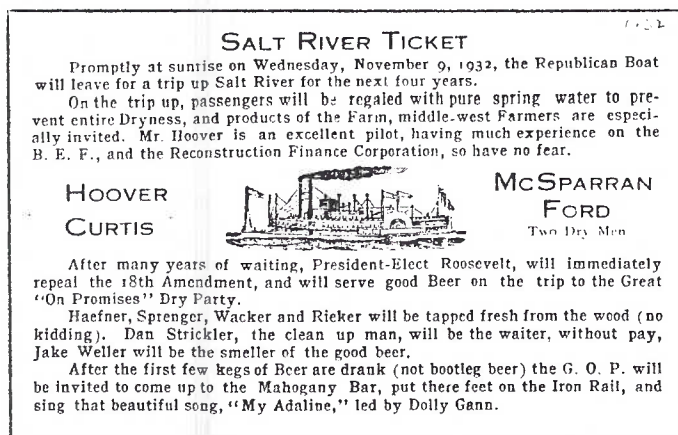


There will be various forms of amusements and songs during their four-year trip for the entertainment of all their guests. They will also see that the poor workingman's taxes are raised and the big Corporation's lowered.

Every sore head who goes on the trip will be assured a safe return. The following gentlemen have signified their consent to go: The Imperial Wizard, Sammy Diller; Ed. Smeltz, Elmer Stoner, Geo. Eckert, Ches. Cummings, John Leinbach, The Deens, Stony Hoover, Capt. Fiero, Walter Buckius and his street sweepers; Sargt. Negley Lew Weiler, the Bushong's, Dave Daily, Red Dorwart, Chas. Wills and Cossy Shaum. Gust Forrest, Peck Hebbel, Jonny Able, Trappell, Resh, Bowers, Smith, F. Bowman. B. C. Atleo, Frank S. Groff, Isadore Rosenthal and Oliver S. Schaeffer will be the speakers - Charles Strickler, Porter. Send a Salt River Card to Your Friend

1921 postcard shows 'Steamer W.W.' and lists 38 local politicians. (Group II type)

'Windy Steinman' (paddle wheel) referred to Intell editor in 1908. TYPE A "Post Card"

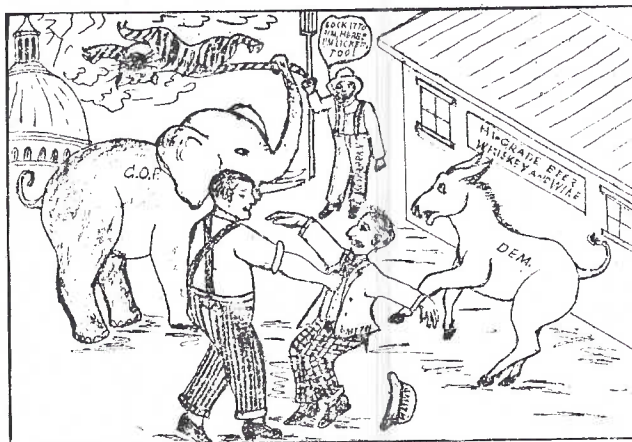


1932 campaign pc predicted repeal of Prohibition amendment with Hoover's defeat.

"But few little men have ever been elected to the Presidency."—Grove Patterson. AL. DIDN'T MEASURE UP.

On Thursday, Nov. 15, 3 p. m., the Steamer "Tammany Rye" will arrive at Graeff's Landing, from whence Frank Musser with his bull will tow the leaky hulk to vantage points along Gas Run to take aboard the misguided but disillusioned local adherents of Democrat profligacy for their usual trip up Salt River. Chairman Bard, the "Guy" from Denver, will take charge of the the unhappy bunch, and perhaps make a bid for the next Congressional nomination, which wont mean anything. Chiefs Eckman and Keckel, with their ears, will scour Cabbage Hill and other places to bring in the poor saps and pick up all the "home brew" by the way to put some pep in the bunch. Bill Coulter will nosey around and squint his eye for the weather outlook, which is not very promising for future elections. Jimmy Simpson thinks, "I should worry; I'm sittin' pretty." McSparran is tickled because Smiddy lost out. Watch out for Keckel if he drives his car. The least he'll do is drive over a black cat.

Now, listen. Don't you feel silly?



Graeff's Landing (Engleside) was popular 'boarding spot' on Con - estoga River at South Prince St. (Note Gas Run and Cabbage Hill.)

Salt River Postcards contd.

The earliest seen is 1908, the most recent 1964. Amazingly, early printer's cuts (a paddle-wheel steamer and two pugilists) are repeatedly used from 1908 to 1952! Who was this (or these) local printers who did business with both sides of the political arena? Who was bold enough to print biting and often vile descriptions of their neighbors, yet prudently hide behind the mask of anonymity?

Answers to these questions are eagerly

Similarities in printers' cuts, type and format account for the groups listed below. However, these are arbitrary and suggested changes and additions are welcomed by the authors, Charles Griffiths and Jim Ward.

Group I Address side of postcard is equally divided between address space and 3" cut of a river steamer (facing right) and card title "Through Ticket Up Salt River". "Post Card" Type A from 1908-1924, Type B from 1925-1952.

DATE	PARTY	STEAMER NAME	DESCRIPTION OF OPPOSITE SIDE
1908	D	Windy Steinman	Poem "Billy Boy" Up-to-Date
1916	R	Lady Gay	P: Woodrow (Wilson), Charley (Hughes)
1920	D	Woodrow	Man (Jas. Cox) riding goat
1922	R	Billy Griest	P: Bill (Griest), Frankie (Musser)
1922	D	Windy Steinman	Musser on bull (donkey?) after Griest on trolley
1924	D-P	Dismal Dell	Elephant leading donkey, goat to Wash., D.C. *
1925	R	Applesauce	P: Teddy (Appel), Frankie (Musser)
1928	D	Tammany Rye	Hoover/Smith, elephant has tiger (Tammany) by tail
1932	R	G.O.P. Depression	Donkey kicking Hoover
1936	R	Sunflower	P: (FD) Roosevelt, (Alf) Landon
1940	R	Buschknippel (bush wacker)	Donkey kicking Wilkie
1944	R	Tommy Rot	P: Franklin D. Roosevelt, Thomas E. Dewey
1952	D	Ananias (liar) Truman	Elephant with political streamer

Group II First four have 2" cut of river steamer facing left. Next two have 4" cut of same steamer.

1921	R	Card titled "Ho! Ho! For Salt River (Steamer to left)"
1928	D	Al. Smith/Robinson (Steamer in center) J. Raskob/Gov. Ritchie *
1932	R	Hoover/Curtis (Steamer in center) McSparren/Ford
1934	R	(Steamer to left) Reed/DeHaven, Schnader/McSparren **
1940	R	(Steamer w/overprint) Wilkie-Cooke-Diehm "Mailing Card" rev.
1952	D	Steamer "Mud-Sling-Scow" with copy overprint
1960	R	"Mud-Sling-Scow"/similar copy to 1952 (no steamer) **

Group III

1964	R	Goldwater-Miller (small steamer each side)
1964	R	Goldwater-Miller (elephant stands with Salt River sign)

Group IV

1960	R	Hand drawn "China Clipper" on large 4"x6" postcard
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P = fighting pugilists D-P = Dem. and Progressive parties

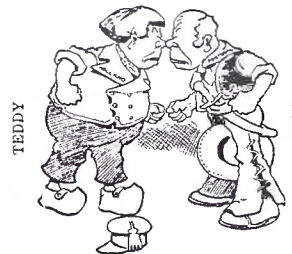
* = no local names ** = blank back

sought and will be published in a future issue.

Members contributing postcards for this article are: Nancy Gambler, Bob Kramer, Ruth and Harold Moyer, Nevin Myer, Howard Steinberg and Jim Ward.

Of the 23 different actual postcards listed, nine were addressed and mailed. Nine additional non-postcards were submitted, including reference to Strasburg, Denver House Wharf and Ephrata area. Copies are available for research. Contact editor.

Griest Tendered Lancaster an Appel.
Musser Smashed It Before It Had
a Chance to Get Rotten.



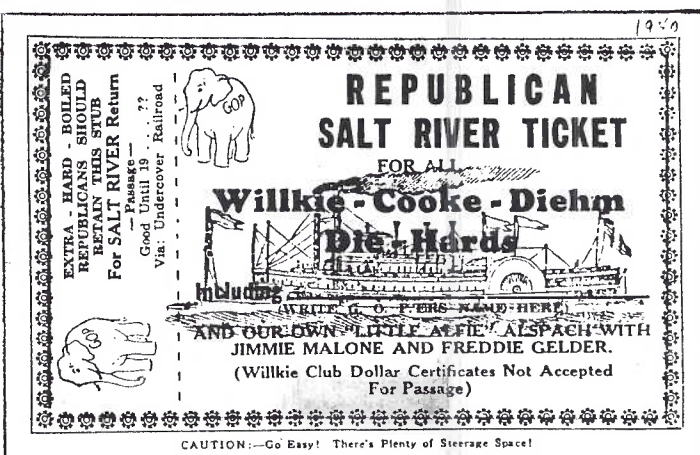
"Oh, Boy! It was a bully fight."

Program of the Rubbernecks.

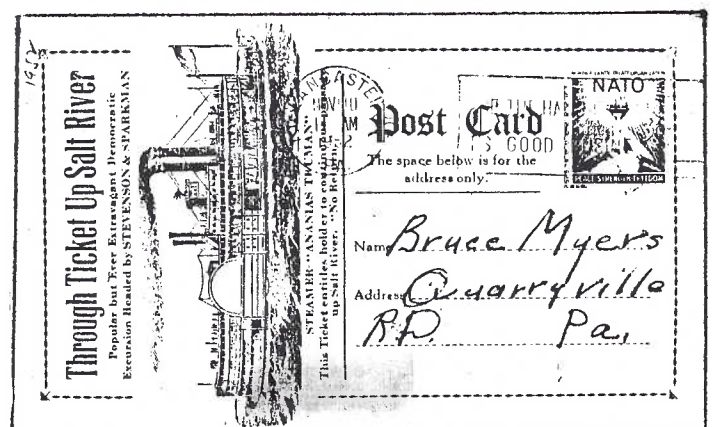
The Steamer "Appelsauce," with its cargo of rotten gangsters, under the leadership of Boss Griest, the Czar of Lancaster County, will sail from Sorehead Dock, Nov. 11, for the realms of the disgruntled, up Salt River. Perhaps you will be at home amongst the rotten company you will have, for "birds of a feather flock together," and your hungry office seekers and gangsters—Bushong, Skeen, Sayres, and other creatures of the Czar, will be there. That fake menagerie will be there, too, to amuse you. No doubt some of the ladies will shed "alligator" tears. You will have salt water to drink. Lancaster water is too good for you.

How Do You Like to Be a Rubberneck?

TEDDY (APPEL) vs. FRANKIE (MUSSER). Rep. Party 'boss' was W.W. Griest in 1920's.



'40 pc overprints 4" steamer with space to chide political opponent. "Mailing Card" rev.



Used 1952 Salt River card with same river steamer cut as 1908. TYPE B "Post Card"

EARL CARVER - Materials and Kinds
 POLLY CURTIS - Know Me? (Mark Twain)
 DON DAVIS - Tom Browne
 BILL SEIGFORD - Is Two-Over-One Railroad
 Fare?
 BILL SEIGFORD - Pennsylvania Stations
 ANNE STEINBERG - Boo!
 JIM WARD - Goat Carts For Work and Play

November's exhibit themes also offer some latitude - either Thanksgiving or Veterans Day (Armed Forces). So whether you're an 'old hand' at showing cards or want to try something new, it's all in fun. Join us!

FUTURE SHOWS



NEARBY POSTCARD SHOWS

YORK, PA. NOV. 22,23 Horticulture Hall, York Fairgrounds, Fri 9-7, Sat 9-5. 50+ dealers. \$2. (\$3 for 2 days)

LANCASTER, PA. NOV. 29-30 Morlatton PC Club Farm & Home Ctr.. Arcadia Rd. (Rt. 72 turn at Jones Pontiac) Fri 10-7. Sat 10-5. 25+ dlrs. \$1

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Thanksgiving Weekend Show

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Saturday, Nov. 30, 1991

10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

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