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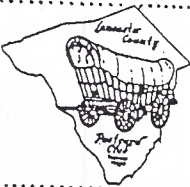
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NEXT MEETING

December 20, 1993 6:30pm

Christmas Party/Program

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PROGRAM

Two experts in a row are more than one 4-year old club deserves, but on the tail of a superb program by Dede Schaeffer comes an equally fine presentation by Jim Morrison. It will be Jim's first time at an LCPC meeting but you will recognize him as the gruff bear who occupies the center ring at the Morlatton Shows.

Jim's expertise on the subject of Christmas - whether on postcards or early tin, glass or wooden Christmas ornaments is unsurpassed in the eastern U.S. In 1992 he hosted the annual Golden Glow Convention attended by Christmas connoisseurs from



*grandma
w/ord.*

A Merry Christmas



THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY



On Christmas Eve
your stockings
leave
Where they
can soon be found,
And Santa will with
presents fill
Them both when he
comes round.

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STOCKINGS - A CHRISTMAS HANG-UP (see pgs. 6, 7, 8)

This stocking card shows a 1912 copyright by Gibson Art Co. which continued into the greeting card business. An embossed white tree (on right) would not reproduce in print.

across the USA and around the world.

Slides of postcards showing the unusual are the heart of Jim's presentation and you'll treat yourself royally if you attend in December if only for the program. Trees, cookies, old ads, Kris Kingle and European customs abound on his early postcards.

You'll see real photo postcards of Christmas gardens/yards, early angels and nativities; from putzes to playthings. Jim began collecting in 1962 "when I paid as much as 25¢ for nice St. Nicholas postcards - 35¢ was too much".

The nucleus of 30 years of intense looking will be shared in a colorful 40 minute show. Albums of cards will be there, too!

Oh, yes. He's made a casserole (Nov. 11) which should be Christmas green in time for the party.

Our holiday greeting at the top of the page is from the message side of a postcard by D.A. Irr, Engraving and Publishing Co., Buffalo, NY. Printed in green, it's a fine example of a 'fancy' postcard trademark. If you collect fancy trademarks, your input is requested now so it can be included in a future issue of THE CARD.

German made PC w/multi-lingual back shows the Christmas angel in a sidewalk toy booth

REAL PHOTO OSAGE INDIANS

Member **Harry Lines'** exhibit board of **Osage Indians** took first place in OLD POSTCARDS at our August Expo. The attention it drew deserves this follow-up article.

The group of real photo PCs(16 in all) are on AZO stock (A.Brown #17).The majority are photographs by Wm.J.Boag, Pawhuska,Okla-homa.Copyright dates are 10/4/1909,1910 and 11/1/1911.

Only one (#6= Osage squaw and papoose) bears a cancellation: Ft.Smith & Ark.City RPO,11/1/1911. The message reads"I am among the richest nation in the world & one of these blankets feel good for it is cold. Will try & leave here today but...." It is addressed to Mrs.Frances Howard,239 Oak St. Chattanooga,Tn.(a relative of Harry's).

The named Indians are Peter Big Heart (a chief),Wah-shah-she-me-sa-he,John Stink, George Blackbird and See-Haw. An equal number of the real photos are exterior poses and four of the interiors have an identical studio backdrop.



The same fir tree on studio prop can be identified on several RPs by Boag.He clearly dated this **photo postcard** of the chief.



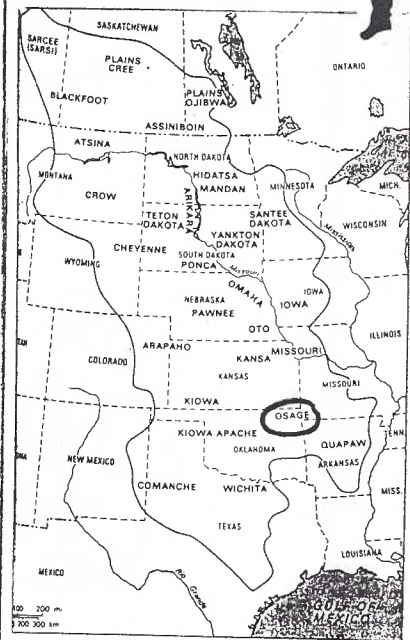
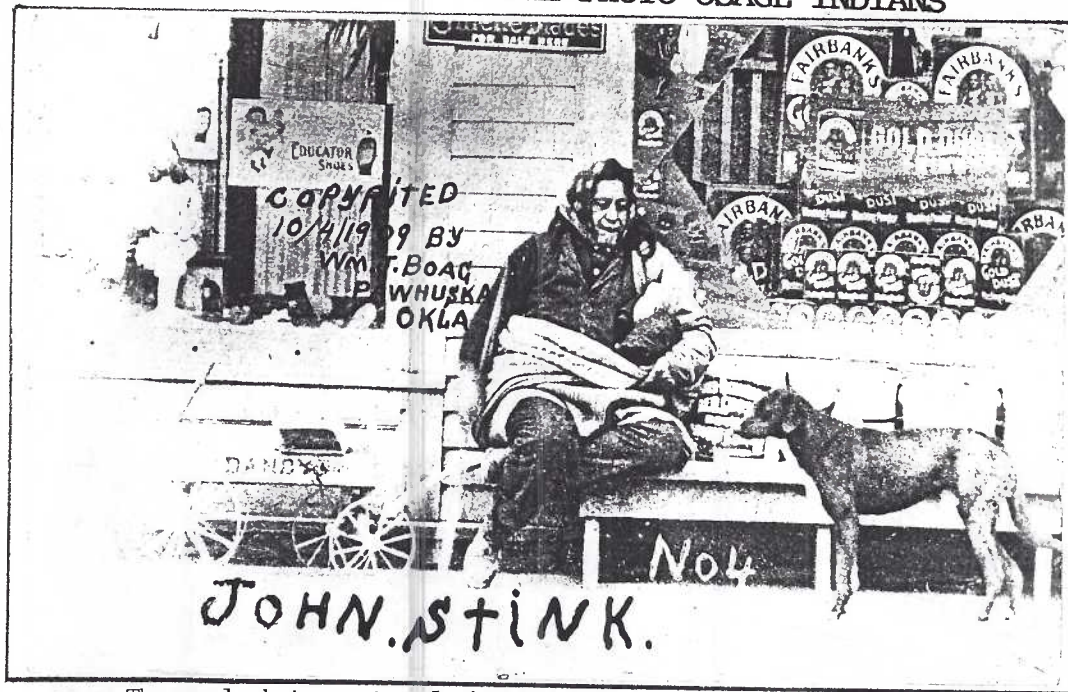
1910 copyright appears to the right of **SEE-HAW**(#13 in this real photo series by Boag).

The subjects range from a papoose and small children to the elderly, and equally between the sexes. Boag's images are above average in clarity and exposure.A general store front with Osage on bench beside his dog has the most appeal. Probably the only lacking feature of the collection is the absence of information thru cancellations and messages,the assumption being these are all reservation scenes.

All in all,Harry was fortunate to have salvaged them.

The **Osage** origin is believed to have been on the Atlantic coast.They migrated to the Piedmont Plateau,then the Ozark Plateau and then western Missouri where Jacques Marquette recorded their location near the Osage River in 1673.

They ceded their Missouri land to the US in the early 1800's and moved to Kansas. Noted for rejecting the white culture, they dressed in skins and discouraged the use of whiskey.



Distribution of North American Plains Indians.

The real photo postcard with the 'most personality' in Harry's collection is this general store front. John and the dog both look very cold. Note the great Gold Dust Twins display!

Following the Civil War, the government opened the state to white settlers and the Osage, with the moneys paid them, settled in Indian Territory (Oklahoma).

When oil was discovered on their reservation in the late 1800's they became one of the most prosperous tribes in N.America! And so it is easy to understand the comment on

the Nov.11,1911 postcard mentioned above.

Osage orange (bowwood) was used by these Indians and neighboring tribes for bows and clubs because of its strength. The hardness also serves well for fence posts. The Osage River and the tree derive their names from the Indians who, in turn, are named for a local geological formation.

CHRISTMAS PARTY - 20th of DECEMBER

The LCPC Annual Christmas Party will commence the evening of December 20, same place with Dot Fry's delicious turkey barbecue at 6:30 p.m., surrounded with other members' covered dishes in the following manner:

Last names beginning with letters A thru H bring a dessert. Letters I thru P bring salad or a relish tray. Letters Q thru Z bring a vegetable dish. (If you have a hyphenated last name bring alphabet soup.)

There will be no member/dealer setup; a



The 'mate' to our Christmas animal PC was used for our 1992 Christmas Party article.

very brief meeting to shoo-in the nominated slate of officers for 1994. Bring your place settings (utensils) and serving utensils.

We will have a postcard exchange. Which means if you bring one, you get one. You may sign it if you wish. It need not be a Christmas postcard.

"You don't want to miss this one" says Pres. Don Davis. "Start your holiday season at the LCPC Extravaganza".

NOVEMBER - A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

It was a record-breaking night. 83 members and 3 guests listened to and watched a most-absorbing presentation by Deirdre/Dede Schaeffer. It was a treat few collectors can boast - seeing over 100 gorgeous Prang cards and Dede's carefully tuned biography of the noted lithographer.

We were most appreciative of her effort to also bring three boards and a case full of examples. An encore program is scheduled for the York PC Club January 10, 1994.

Our monthly exhibits also topped out the record with 17 boards (see story). And the room was surrounded with member/dealers including Diane Allmen from Indiana as well as Gordon McKenzie who recently purchased the entire stock of Elaine Buck Levin.

John Klein Postcards



BARR'S AUCTION
2152 N. READING ROAD
DENVER, PA 17517
& ANTIQUE WORLD

"John always has a great variety of reasonably priced cards and I look forward to his weekly new arrivals." Jim Ward(unsolicited)

Exit 21
Pa. Turnpike

Saturday 10-5
Sunday 8-5



We luf one anoder. NOT!

NOTHIN'S NEW!

Remind your grandchildren that the added expression "NOT!" to deny a statement is as old 'as the hills'. Or at least as old as golden age postcards.

This divided back Danziger & Berman, New Haven, CT. comic card #250 of a family spat reads: "We luf one anoder. **NOT!**"

Your 1994 dues should be sent at once to avoid missing **THE CARD**;\$7 for 1 yr.,\$10 for 2 persons,same address.See masthead for info. on mailing.Thanks, Bob Lieberher for your cash donation!



EXHIBIT WINNERS



November's topic **SUBJECTS WITH THE LETTER "P"** produced a record number of **seventeen (17) boards!** And what a great variety!

JIM WARD	FIRST	Full Tanks*
SANDRA SHAUB	SECOND	Pilgrims' Pride
SANDRA SHAUB	THIRD	Poinsettia Profusion

HONORABLE MENTIONS

DREW CURTIS	Playful Pandas
POLLY CURTIS	Presidents
MARY DARRENKAMP	Post Offices
DON DAVIS	PFBs
JERE GREIDER	(Reading PA) Pagodas
BILL HEADLEY	Pleasure Piers of Old Atlantic City
RUTH LINES	Pa. (Covered) Bridges
HAROLD MOYER	Pa. Places

RUTH MOYER
DAISY SCHAEFFER
SANDRA SHAUB
CARL SINGER
KATE STEHMAN
NORM ZIMMERMAN

Paul Revere
"P" is for Pets
Pretty Ponies
Post Office, USA
Perfect Little Puppies
Privy

Congratulations to **Sandra Shaub** for blowing away tough competition and taking both **second** and **third** prizes!
It's good to see more 'first-timers',too!
*If you don't understand Full Tanks, these subjects should have been in **Norm's** privies.
Dec.topic: none
Jan.topic: **COMICS** - in chromes,linens,white borders or the 'oldies';foreign or domestic just so they're **COMICAL!**



A Happy Christmas
to you!

For the Prince of Peace
is come, * *

And His reign is full of
* * * blessings,
Their very crown and sun.

No earthly calm can ever last,
'Tis but the lull before *
* * the blast:

But His great peace

Shall still increase *

In mighty, all-rejoicing sway:

His kingdom in thy heart shall
never pass away. *

F. R. Havergal.

Your friend, Maggie B.

This beautiful postcard in warm sepias and browns shows a familiar Christmas scene. It is double-size and folds for mailing. The address and "cover" side (prtd. in red and gold) is shown below, 70% actual size. Cancellation is Dec. 22, 1909. It is copyrighted 1908 by Berger, Buffalo, NY. The card is in excellent condition considering the mailing instructions: **PUT RUBBER-BAND AROUND FOLDED CARD.** Can you imagine the mutilation by today's PO machines?

THE CARD STAFF

Artist Jim Rudisill. Proofreaders Dot Fry and Charlie Griffiths. Columnist C. Griffiths. Editor Jim Ward. Correspondence to THE CARD: 1795 Kleinfeltersville Rd., Stevens, PA 17578 (Note: P.O. Box 300, Lititz, PA now inactive).



MAIL CARD

WRITE ON BACK OF THIS CARD ONLY YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS. PUT RUBBER-BAND AROUND FOLDED CARD.

*Mrs. Lily Brown
Thiessenburg, Pa.*

A Happy Christmas

Copyright, 1908, by Berger Publishing Company

THIS SIDE IS EXCLUSIVELY
FOR THE ADDRESS.



A CHRISTMAS HANG-UP

Hanging stockings for Christmas gifts is an American custom. But even more prevalent in early America was the use of hats, plates or straw bread baskets.

18th century Pennsylvania children expected the Christ Kindel (Christ child) to come through the keyhole and fill their baskets which were lined with little white cloths. Because they were encouraged not to believe untruths, Amish, Dunkard and Mennonite children placed plates on the kitchen table on Christmas eve. They knew they'd be filled by their parents by Christmas morn.

Children in most European countries today place their shoes (wooden or otherwise) so they'll not be missed by Saint Nicholas, Sinterklaas and the like. The British Isles, Australia and New Zealand use stockings.



This P.Sander, New York card, printed by Illustrated PC Co. is found in many varieties. Red silk is applied here to the girl's bow and the boy's robe. Some varieties are embossed.



Decorate the place with holly,
For a Christmas bright and jolly,
Hope that Santa Claus will be
Very liberal to thee.

R. F.

Ellen Clapsaddle's art is easily recognized with or without her signature. #1950 by International Art Publ.Co., NY and Phila.

An 1821 children's book printed in NYC has the first Am. depiction of Christmas stockings. The first Pennsylvania reference to Christmas stockings is in Phila. in 1830.

However, you'll look long and hard to find Christmas stockings on PCs made for European consumption. In fact, in preparing this article 1400 Christmas PCs were examined. **Only 19 showed Christmas stockings!** All were American publications except for a 1907 Grace Harlow with a multilingual reverse. All 19 had divided backs.

So look over your Christmas postcards. Then hang your stocking and hope you find in it a diamond ring, a \$50 bill or an orange - not a lump of coal or a switch!

Our sympathy once again to Bill and Becky Buckwalter. It is Bill's father this time who passed away. Becky lost her father in October.

We hope Fran Hamilton recovers from a recent heart attack and that Charlie Griffiths is able to overcome his bout with advanced arthritis and join us once more.



I wish the best to come your way
And make you gay on Christmas day.

9054

A black stocking is striking with these colorful toys and blue-striped pj's. #9054 by S.Bergman, NY, NY. Cancelled Dec.24, 1915.

NEW MEMBERS

- #301 GEORGE BRIGHTBILL 639 W.Elkins Ave. Phila.PA 19120. Holidays.
- #302 JESSICA ANDERSON 4959 Blendon Pond Dr. Westerville, OH 43081. 614-890-9007. Holidays.
- #303 NATHAN BUCKWALTER 2817 Brookfield Rd. Lanc., PA 17601. 560-9091. Auto racing and Australia.
- #304 DAWN FRY 1099 Williamsburg Rd., Lanc., PA 17603. 872-9476. Various state cards and Afro-American PCs.

These collectors have chosen what most of us feel is 'the best deal for the buck' in postcard collecting today. Where can you get more for \$7 a year?

#304 - 60 (attrition) = 244 actual members!

AUCTION ACTION



Don't forget to bring Jan. Auction Lots to the December meeting along with a completed auction form.



© H.L.W

H.L.Woehler, NY, copyrighted the art on this 'handembossed' PC. "A MERRY CHRISTMAS" has been deleted from the left half of the card



"What if he should forget."

The blue stocking eyed by this youngster in pink is from series 315 (F) by Stecher Lithograph Co., Rochester, NY.



May all your Christmas
Dreams come true
And each one hold
much joy for you

A bold red border frames
our scene on this American
Colortype Co. PC (#W/83).



A Geo. Whitney, Worcester,
MA. card was sent to Ruth
Brenneman, Washington Boro,
PA. from Clyde (no date). It
is considered a 'fantasy'
PC because of the animated
(and scary!) packages.



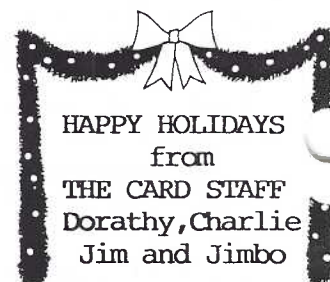
Hello Dearie
A Merry Christmas



"The stockings
were hung by
the chimney
with care
In hopes
that Saint
Nicholas soon
would be there."

Merry Christmas

Cancelled Dec. 24, 1913, this
early Whitney card went
to Mrs. J. K. Mann, Denver, PA.
Colored stockings hang at
a red unlighted fireplace
awaiting an expected visi-
tor.



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