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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Rise of Transatlantic Airmail Services Set as Topic for Postal History Presentation

Denton, Neb. — August 4, 2015 — “Development of Transatlantic Airmail Services, 1928–1945” will take center stage in a free presentation by David Crotty. He will speak 1:00 p.m. local time, Saturday, August 22, 2015, at APS StampShow 2015, to be held at the DeVos Place Convention Center, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The presentation highlights the Postal History Society’s General Membership Meeting, which is open to the public. Crotty’s work on this topic garnered him the Postal History Society’s Best Article Award in 2014.

The society will staff a booth at the show, which is open to the public 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday through Saturday, August 20–22, and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 23. At the table, show-goers may learn more about membership in the Postal History Society, connect with others interested in postal history, enjoy a place to sit and rest for a few minutes, and sign up for the society’s Friday evening Dutch-treat dinner.

The Postal History Society members at the table will offer information about the benefits of membership in the society, applications for membership, the opportunities to talk about postal history topics, and sample issues of the *Postal History Journal*. The journal’s most recent issue, dated June 2015, includes research feature articles on several topics: “How the Postal Network Shaped Western Canada”; “Postage Due—Not Just for Insufficient Postage”; and “Postal Offices & Survival: A Case Study of the Pincher Creek District, Alberta, Canada”. The journal received a Gold Medal at 2014’s CHICAGOPEX. Judges noted how well the editors integrated intriguing articles of various lengths, styles, and subjects. They praised the technical qualities of the journal and expressed particular appreciation for the regularly featured essays that describe the journal’s cover images.

The society’s Board of Directors will hold its meeting on Friday, August 21, 9:00 a.m.

The Postal History Society extends an open invitation to anyone interested in postal history to join the organization. U.S. memberships are \$35 annually. Included in the members’ benefits is admission to all of the society’s membership meetings as well as a subscription to the *Postal History Journal*. The journal, published in February, June, and October, is an award-winning, full-color exploration of U.S. and global postal history that offers original research articles on all periods of postal history, reviews of literature in the field, and surveys of postal history offerings in other journals.

The Postal History Society offers medals that exhibitions may use to recognize the best postal history exhibits in their competitive class of exhibits. Exhibits coordinators may obtain details and request medals by contacting Alan Barasch, Awards Chairman, at alan@mophil.org.

The Postal History Society, founded in 1951, encourages the study of postal history—broadly understood—among more than 300 members around the world. More information about the society is available on its Web site, www.postalhistorysociety.org.

StampShow 2015 will be held at the DeVos Place Convention Center, 303 Monroe Avenue NW, Grand Rapids, Michigan. More information on StampShow 2015 is on the Web at stamps.org/Stampshow-SS.

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