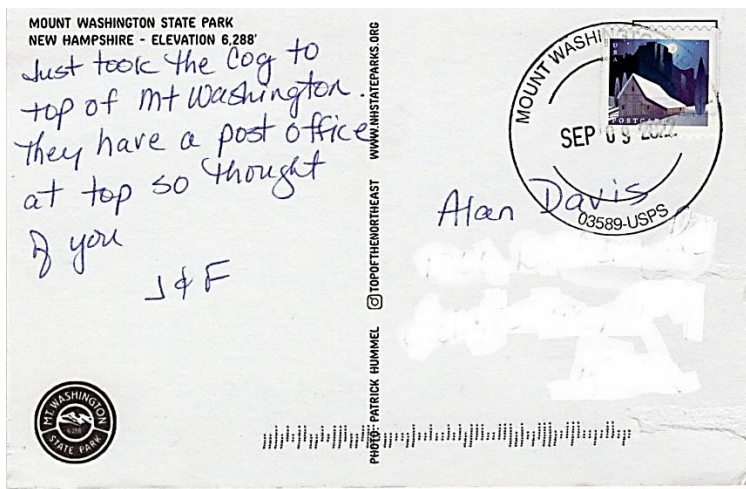


## SURPRISE POSTCARD FROM FRIENDS

Many of my friends know that I'm a stamp collector. Some wonder why. Some are intrigued to know why. A few others are interested in what I collect. But other than through the Buffalo Stamp Club, I don't know of any of my friends that collect stamps. A couple of my friends have interests in hobbies, crafts, history, or such, like cars or airplanes. I've shared interesting philatelic items with them that relate to their pursuits and that often sparks some interest. Otherwise, I have not had any success in generating any interest in stamp collecting. But at least they respect my interest.

Every once in a while, I receive a surprise like this. So, at least my friends think of me, and that's worth something!



## PICTURES FROM OCTOBER AUCTION

OCTOBER 6, 2022 at The Knights Hall



Getting ready for the auction to start – 196 Lots!



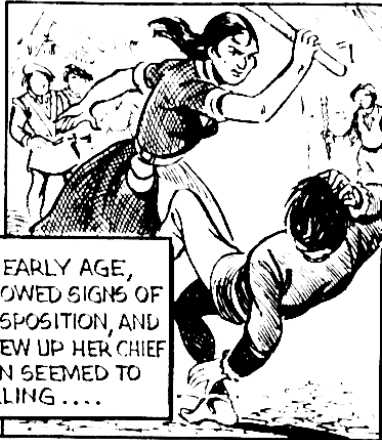
Good attendance! Let's keep it going!

P.S. We'll have pictures of Irv Tesmer's presentation in the next newsletter!

# THE WOMAN WARRIOR

NARRATED AND ILLUSTRATED BY *Monty Wedd*

Brites de Almeida, Portugal's famous woman warrior was featured on a stamp of an independence commemorative series issued by that country in 1927.

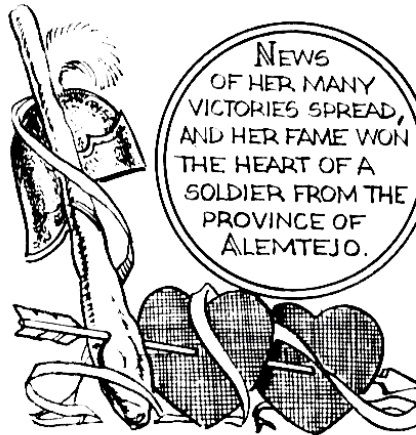


FROM AN EARLY AGE, BRITES SHOWED SIGNS OF A FIERY DISPOSITION, AND AS SHE GREW UP HER CHIEF OCCUPATION SEEMED TO BE CUDGELLING....

AN INHERITANCE SET HER UP IN THE LIVESTOCK TRADE AND ALWAYS ARMED WITH A CUDGEL SHE TRAVELLED FROM FAIR TO FAIR.

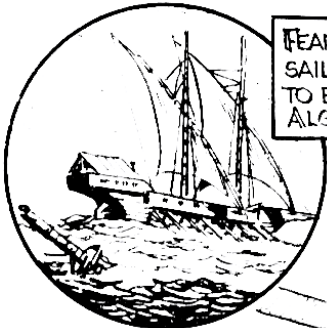


SHE NEVER HESITATED TO END ANY ARGUMENTS BY CRACKING SKULLS WITH HER TRUSTY CLUB.



NEWS OF HER MANY VICTORIES SPREAD, AND HER FAME WON THE HEART OF A SOLDIER FROM THE PROVINCE OF ALEMTEJO.

BRITES PROMISED TO MARRY THE SOLDIER IF HE COULD BEAT HER IN COMBAT. THE SOLDIER AGREED AND WAS CLUBBED TO DEATH BY HIS PROSPECTIVE SPOUSE...



FEARING ARREST BRITES SAILED FOR SPAIN ONLY TO BE CAPTURED BY ALGERIAN PIRATES....



THE PIRATES SOLD HER TO A WEALTHY MOOR, BUT BRITES AIDED BY TWO SLAVES SOON DISPOSED OF THEIR MASTER AND ESCAPED....

UPON RETURNING TO HER NATIVE PORTUGAL, BRITES WENT INTO THE BAKERY BUSINESS.



BUT IN 1385, THE RIVAL ARMIES OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL MET AT THE TOWN OF ALJUBAPROTA WHERE BRITES' BAKERY WAS ESTABLISHED. THE HOT-TEMPERED GIRL WENT WITH THE TOWNSFOLK TO OBSERVE THE BATTLE...



THE SPANISH ARMY WAS SOON Routed AND BRITES WITH MANY OF THE LOCALS JOINED THEIR SOLDIERS AND HELPED DISPATCH THE BEATEN SPANIARDS.



THIS WOMAN OF VIOLENCE KILLED SEVEN SPANISH SOLDIERS WITH HER BAKER'S SHOVEL THAT DAY, A DEED WHICH MADE HER A HEROINE AND SYMBOL OF PORTUGAL'S NEW AND VICTORIOUS INDEPENDENCE...