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Dues can now be sent using **PAYPAL**.
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The Editor welcomes picture cards from readers, especially those with commentary. Uzeyir Tugun's card is from a 36 (perhaps) card series issued during World War I as a fund-raising medium.

Message from the President

NINTH ANNUAL MEETING - June 6, 2009
 NAPEX - McLean, Va.

Nine members attended the meeting: C. Catherman, J. Geraci, D. Heller, M. Malouf, E. Michnick, D. Newton, M. Nusair, R. Stuchell and D. Voaden. In addition Mr. Steve Kaplan joined as a new member.

Marwan Nusair's treasurer's report shows a balance of \$10,427.87 on May 25, 2009. Finances are sound and in good order. Paypal dues payments have gone smoothly and 27 members have used it so far. It is quite useful for overseas members. Gratitude was expressed for the help we receive from Mahmut Emir-mahmutoglu (Turkey) and Mike Fulford (UK) in collecting dues in their respective countries.

Marwan Nusair will look into incorporating ONEPS in Ohio and receiving 501C3 tax status so officers can get a tax deduction for going to annual meetings, etc. This would not provide tax free status for dues payments.

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