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THE NEXT MEETING

WHEN. Thursday, March 9, 1967
WHERE Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Co. 2nd Floor Auditorium
2811 - 5th Avenue in Rock Island
TIME. Anytime after 7:00 P. M. until 10:00
SPECIAL FEATURES. Bill Giraldi will show and explain a portion of his
collection. The auction, Jack Pot Drawing, door
prize, and late announcements on the April Exhibition.

From the front page of the Florida Philatelist we repeat the timely words of Maryette B. Lane. Mrs. Lane is a nationally known philatelist and Chairman of the American Philatelic Society's "Stamp Theft Committee."

LET US NOT BE TOO FRIENDLY

"There is no assurance that all of the visitors who may avail themselves of the opportunity to visit a stamp club in Florida this winter will be the type of persons whom we should welcome with open arms. In view of the recent rash of stamp thefts in the North, we believe the Federation members should be alert to the possibility that some of the thieves may turn their attention to our part of the country in the next few months. One of the ways to find out who the good collectors are and where they live is to visit stamp clubs and talk with the members in attendance.

Regrettable as it is, we believe that collectors should be extra cautious this year about becoming too friendly with visitors at club meetings about discussing their collections and the extent of them, about inviting strangers to their homes to see their collections or to swap stamps, and about mentioning the names of other collectors who may have collecting interests similar to those mentioned by the visitors. Apparently such conversations in the past have supplied the exact information which thieves or their scouts have been looking for.

Most of us remember the advice widely publicized in World War II:

Button up your lip;

A careless word could sink a ship!

At this time a careless word could result in the loss of your stamp collection.

(Any comments - ? - Editor!)

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March 31 - 6¢ Air Postal Card at Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED. A Nominating Committee, composed of Mervin Gale, Chairman, Miss Eis, and Charles Pippert was announced at the February meeting. This committee will report their selections at the March Meeting. Additional nominations will be received from the floor at this meeting and at the April Meeting. Election will be held at the May meeting and the installation of the new officers will be held at the close of the June meeting.

AGAIN WE ARE SORRY, ILLINOIS! We have received many letters from our many friends in Illinois asking in effect - "How come all of the write up about the Iowa Clubs and none on the Illinois organizations?" We can only offer the following thoughts: 1. Illinois publishes an outstanding Federation bulletin, and any effort on our part would be duplicated to a much fuller degree by Les Winnick, the Editor. 2. Due to the hard working officers of the group, everything moves at a smooth, efficient pace - clubs are informed and contribute information and material - officers are on the ball and keep things rolling. 3. There is a very noticeable spirit of cooperation between the Clubs since the Federation by-laws and official staff were reorganized. With these thoughts in mind, we know that our Illinois friends will forgive this non-intended oversight and be with us on April 29th & 30th. We regret that all club members in the area cannot receive the Club bulletins we get. They further our contention that active leadership and dependable members can make any stamp club something well worth joining and attending its meetings.

EDITORIAL Your Editor wishes to thank the many good friends for the information received concerning the "what and whys" of the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs. Were it not for these friends, we would be very sore pressed to know what is expected, where it is, contacts, and general information. In a check of the "Constitution" of the Federation we learn that the Executive Secretary shall publish a quarterly bulletin for the member clubs. We ask - has anyone ever seen such a publication? There should be ample funds in the treasury, as we know of very little expenditures, except for engraving the Salstrom Trophy, so we ask, Why are some items of the Constitution ignored and others require rigid adherence? All of the troubles of the Federation seem to land on the lap of only one individual - the SILENT and INACTIVE man from Waterloo! His glib excuses for non-performance of duties down through the years is wearing a bit thin, and the Quad City Stamp Club, along with other Clubs feel that this man should be REPLACED and allowed to continue his silent and non-active role he has been so successful in portraying. Further, we feel a new, comprehensive, constitution be drafted, expanding the number of officers, outlining the duties of these officers, with their election arranged on a staggered basis to provide continuity and assistance for the incoming new officers. Let's publish a monthly, or quarterly bulletin, as all other Federations are doing. Were it not for our meagre efforts, and the fine reporting of T M P S Executive Secretary, Ruth Miller of Allison, we would never know what is going on across the State. As we see the picture, it is time to either forget the Federation, or get it on its feet, and take its place with the other, well managed organizations. This cannot be done by one man! Your Editor would be very pleased to have your reactions to these statements on receipt of this issue of the Phila-Quad. We will print those statements (minus name of sender, and club, if requested) in the April issue. We are sure that many of the statements expressed have been on your minds for some time!

T H E C O N V E N T I O N B O U R S E

The following dealers will be on hand with good stocks of stamps and material to serve you at the April 29th and 30th Convention:

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Todd Stamps	Des Plaines, Illinois
Edward Miller	Chicago, Illinois
Roy Spiller	Minneapolis, Minnesota
Bill Swanson and Stan Urban	Chicago, Illinois

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT. This convention of the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs has many important items of business on the agenda. It is most desirable and necessary for the continued existence of the Federation, and for the promotion of its growth that EACH MEMBER CLUB TAKE POSITIVE STEPS TO INSURE THAT ONE OR MORE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THEIR CLUB BE IN ATTENDANCE AND EMPOWERED TO REPRESENT THE CLUB AT THIS MEETING! As a member of the host Chapter, I extend a cordial invitation to all members of all Chapters, and I can assure you of a very fine philatelic week-end. Your host Club is going all out to stage one of the best conventions and exhibitions in the area this spring.

SEE YOU AT THE SHERATON.

George W. Wolters, President
Fed. of Iowa Stamp Clubs

THE LAST MEETING. After months and months of drawing membership numbers from the hat, a winner was present to claim the huge Jack Pot prize and Patricia Kable walked off with the desirable items worth over \$40.00. Congratulations, Patricia!

Bob Ekelin won the U.N. Folder and complete set of 1966 stamps in the Club Raffle.

The showing of the types of material used by the master counterfeiter, de Thuin, was received with interest as evidenced by the number of questions following the presentation by Cratsenberg and Wolters.

The membership unanimously voted the following to membership and we welcome the following new members:

- # 808 - Michael Heggen, Rock Island, collects U. S.
- # 809 - Earnest Pohl, Davenport, Collects U.S. and Austria and General.

IOWA POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY AUCTION. Word has been received from Iowa Postal History Society President, Art Rogers, that any attempt to combine their auction with the Convention auction, scheduled for Saturday evening after the Banquet, would be a bit difficult, as the demand for postal history items is somewhat limited and confined mainly to those interested in this phase of the hobby.

A mid-winter meeting and auction of the I P H S was held in Cedar Rapids on Saturday, February 25. George Wolters and your editor were a part of the group of 30 in attendance. At this meeting it was decided that a postal history auction would be held on Sunday morning, April 30 immediately after the business meeting of the Iowa Postal History Society. Everyone is invited.

This month's bulletin is being mailed from NEPONSET, ILLINOIS located east of the Quad-Cities in Bureau County. Neponset was one of many towns in the mid-west that sprang up as a result of the railroads pushing westward. Neponset's postoffice was established on June 15, 1855 with Joseph Lyford as the first postmaster.

I O W A & I L L I N O I S F E D E R A T I O N S

C O N V E N T I O N N E W S

BANQUET TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE: Only capacity can be sold - send your reservations to Lois Gale, Chairman of Banquet Committee, 1502 - 17th Street, Moline, Illinois 61265.

SPECIAL CONVENTION CANCELLATION FOR CACHETS. Approval of our request for a special Convention Cancellation has been received. This will be applied to all Convention Cachets. Further - the Rock Island Postoffice will set up a Convention Post Office and have all of the material available at the Washington D.C. Postoffice, Philatelic Section, on hand. It has been a real pleasure to work with Postmaster Wessel and his staff at Rock Island.

BOURSE TABLES. Requests for Bourse tables continue altho the tables have been sold out for many weeks. There is an excellent selection of stamps of about every category to be available. A list of the Bourse is given elsewhere in this issue.

F L A S H !!!! EDWARD L. WILLARD, President of the American Philatelic Society, and JAMES T. DE VOSS, Executive Secretary of the Society will be with us for the Banquet. They will have actual stamps, tools, dies, cliches, and printings of the de Thuin counterfeit stock purchased by the A.P.S. in December. Their presentation of the largest philatelic news-release in the history of the hobby on January 8th, and background material of the purchase by Mr. De Voss and James Beal will be of interest to every guest present at the banquet - collectors and non-collectors alike.

THANK YOU ! For the many letters we have received expressing your approval and thanks for the articles and statements in the Phila-Quads you have received. We are obtaining a cross section on the type of material that is most popular and this will be used as a guide line in the future. Due to the three-fold purpose of the Phila-Quad at this time (bulletin for Quad City Stamp Club members, a stop-gap information center for the Iowa Federation til such time as we have an Executive Secretary in reality, and Convention news and information) we are limited on space for our normal, planned issues. As soon as the Convention is history, we will resume our main purpose - a club bulletin for Quad-City club.

WHERE ARE OUR FRAMES? We are still many frames short of the number owned by the club and are most anxious to locate them prior to the show in April. Please contact Chas. Pippert on receipt of this issue and inform him of the number you have on hand, their condition, and that they will be returned to him or delivered to the Convention site Friday evening in time for the Exhibition set-up.

REGISTRATION OF ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS AT MEETINGS. All members will be required to sign the Membership attendance sheet and all guests will be required to sign guest cards at all future meetings. This action was taken by the Club's Board of Governors at their February meeting. The obvious exceptions are: husband (or wife) attending with a member, or a junior attending with either parent. These will not be required to individually sign the registers.

FROM AROUND THE HAWKEYE CIRCUIT. Our requests in past issues for information on the programs and events of the Iowa Clubs has been bearing fruit. We are now aware why we have not been receiving club bulletins from some of the clubs. The answer is simple - they do not publish one. We sincerely thank those clubs that have favored us with the club publications and those that have sent letters giving us details of what their club is doing.

From Ruth Miller, the hard working and efficient Executive Secretary of the TMPS, and Secretary of the Allison Stamp Club, we received their Club membership list and program for the year. We note that member #73 has been signed up, and we further note that the active John and Margaret Cooper are listed on the roll - any club profits by the membership of these two from Waterloo. We were impressed by the well diversified, published program for the year. Lee Baldwin will show and discuss his Duck Stamps at the March 11th meeting - an Exhibition is listed for April 8th with John Cooper as coordinator, and the balance of the year features a stamp auction, a special program by a family of stamp collectors, a topical showing and listing of the Nubian Monument stamps, again by the Coopers, an August picnic, a special Junior night, a film on "Medical History on Stamps" from the Rochester, Minnesota Stamp Club, a November Auction, and a "Show and Tell" program by all members, in December, to round out a good year.

Allison has a different type of a program item that is "one of the high points" at each meeting. They hold a quiz at each meeting, whereby the winner prepares the one for the following month, and also receives a prize (cash) for his efforts. Clubs might take note of this and give it a try as a change from the routine.

The Cedar Rapids Stamp Club came up with a novel idea that proved to be popular, and a boon to the Club treasury thru the sale of its stamp mixtures. We note that Wilbur Field won the Brookman Trophy competition in January with 15 pages of "Buildings on Stamps" topical collection taken entirely from the club stamp mixtures. As a sidelight, Wilbur Field also edits the club's publication, THE PASTE UP. Gil Borschel, Charter Member #2 was awarded a Life Membership and trophy in appreciation of the outstanding contributions he has made to the Club and to philately in general. Gil is well known throughout our mid-west area and our congratulations go to him for a well deserved honor.

Those gals from Des Moines, The Iowa Women's Philatelic Society, are off and running for another active and well planned year. Their very capable editor, Ruth Grissmann continues to round up all of the news about most of the members and presents a club bulletin that is most interesting and valuable to the members. The new 1967 officers were installed at the January meeting and outgoing president, Beryl Rehlander was presented a silver gavel pin as a token of appreciation by the club for her fine work as president, and the added burden of the extra activities of the most successful T M P S convention last fall. Blanche Owens will head this organization for the year. We note that Carl and Ruth Grissmann presented a program on "How to prepare and display stamps for exhibitions." This is a most timely topic and knowing the Grissmann's we are sure everyone present is now well versed in the subject of exhibit presentation. (Ruth is an expert in this field - just note the winners at any of the midwest exhibitions.) By coincidence, the topic for the February meeting was "Nubian Monuments". This seems to be quite a popular subject these days.

FROM AROUND THE HAWKEYE CIRCUIT (cont'd.)

The Des Moines men continue to roll at The Des Moines Philatelic Society. Here again, the Grissmanns presented the feature of the January meeting on "Phases of Cover Collecting" with color slides. Door prizes seem to be a feature as we note that Kenneth Klein and George Gersib were the winners, and Charles Delk was present to claim the accumulative Attendance Prize. Their February meeting was presented by their Past Present, Ralph Pixley. This group seems to have the same trouble all clubs find themselves in - dues are a bit slow. We note that, as of the February bulletin time, it was "fifty-two down - 41 to go". This would indicate that their membership stands at 93 at this time.

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OUR NEXT MEETING Our March Meeting will be an evening of considerable information. The latest word on the coming Federations show - the "What - Where - When - Who - How" of the whole exhibition will be announced. As our huge Jack Pot was claimed last month, a new Jack Pot will be started with the initial prize of a \$3.00 gift certificate, good at any Quad City Stamp Club member-dealer. Each month the Jack Pot is not claimed by the member being present, an additional prize will be added as before.

Bill Giraldi, one of the metropolitan Quad City's leading collectors, will bring a segment of his collection for illustration and comment. Bill's collecting goes back for many, many years, and we can expect something of a novel nature for the entertainment of the members and guests.

To round out the evening, the customary raffle and the auction (listed on page 8) will make a fine evening. We hope that you will make a special effort to bring your friends - it might surprise you to know that many collectors in this area unaware that we have a stamp club. Strange from the press releases in the daily papers and the comments, but it is too true!

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Exhibition is less than two months away - so don't delay. Get set up for your exhibit and get started arranging and mounting early so hard if you start early and mount a page or two early if you wait until two weeks before show time and try to do it or two. Besides, those philatelic treasures look much more orderly manner than they do stored in glassine envelopes
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