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THE NEXT MEETING

WHEN Thursday, November 14, 1968
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 "WHYS OF EXHIBITING AT A SHOW" and "MECHANICS
OF PUTTING ON AN EXHIBIT". A double-subject,
panel and audience participation meeting on the
work back of a Stamp Exhibit. Quickie Auction,
Raffle-News of area shows & our Regular Bourse.

THE NEXT MEETING. Due to the lengthy floor discussion prior to the voting on the Club's special project of a single country for all member participation, the subject matter of last month's meeting was moved to this meeting.

A panel and floor discussion will cover the important subjects of "Whys of Exhibiting at a Show" and "The Mechanics of Putting On a Show." These subjects and others to follow at future meetings are designed to acquaint our members of the facts of stamp exhibitions and how to prepare a winning entry. A poll taken some months ago brought to light that there was little actual knowledge on this subject, and most members had the very strong feeling that such activity was not for them.

The meeting will be rounded out by the regular Quickie Auction, a roundup of the stamp shows within our traveling area during the coming weeks, and the well-stocked dealer's bourse tables.

NOVEMBER NEW ISSUES:

United States

- Nov. 1 - 6¢ Christmas at Washington, D. C.
- 4 - 6¢ Chief Joseph - American Indian, at Washington, D.C.
- 22 - 20¢ Regular Air Mail at New York City
- Dec. 3 - 13¢ Human Rights Aerogramme at Washington, D. C.

Canada

- Nov. 1 - Christmas Issue - two values.

United Nations

- Nov. 22 - 6¢ & 13¢ Human Rights Issue.

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IF YOU HAVE BEEN LAX IN
ATTENDING YOUR CLUB'S MEETINGS
OF LATE - YOU ARE NOT THE ONLY
LOSER - YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS
MISS YOU AND YOUR SUPPORT OF
OUR MUTUAL HOBBY - THINK ABOUT IT!

The 1969 Scott's Catalogs are now in the hands of the dealers. A new feature appears for the first time in Vol. II - the total value of the sets is now listed following the individual items making up the sets. The totals are not complete, but the majority of the sets are so priced. This volume lists Afars and Issas for the first time assuming the lead-off position. Afghanistan has enjoyed since 1964 when Scott began listing Ethiopia's stamps under that name, dropping Abyssinia as a country title. Afars and Issas is the new name of the French Overseas Territory which has been known as the Somali Coast (Djibouti). In all, the new 1969 catalog has 46,386 new prices.

The U. S. Specialized Catalog makes its appearance with 21,659 price changes. The new book contains 14 more pages than the 1968 edition, and throughout the work there can be only one comment on the new posted values - - "UP".

EDITOR'S COMMENT

It is most evident that the voting on the Club Special Country at the October meeting caused many members to go to their catalogs for the first time. It is regretful that this was not done prior to the meeting.

Following the October Meeting, your Editor has been taken to task by a good majority of the members that were present at the meeting, and some that did not care to attend. For the latter, we feel that at this stage they have no right to dissent, as in most cases, it was a matter of a good T V program, or just 'too tired' to make the effort to attend.

Your Editor and the Committee have been working on this project for over seven months and each members has been most careful to keep his personal preferences out of any discussion. Now it would seem that the Committee was at fault for not recommending a Special Country - and making a full report on the winner - Australia. Following the floor discussion, led by Dudley Priester, members have stated, had they known the scope of this country, they would never have voted for it. In self defense, we are giving the full story on Australia elsewhere in this issue, and after the voting is over, we do not hesitate to state that it would be our LAST choice. It would appear from the consensus of the statements made during the weeks after the last meeting that the matter should be presented to the membership one more time after all of the facts are given. This is a matter for action of the Board of Directors and the membership at the next meeting.

From the thoughts here expressed, we would say that the project will not get far off the ground if the country selected is allowed to stand. It is possible that

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W E A R E I N T H E Y E L L O W P A G E S

THE LAST MEETING: An attendance of 48 members and guests were present at the October meeting to take part in the final vote on the 'Club Special Country Project.' Comment on this subject will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Following a lengthy floor discussion on the subject of the Special Country and the three remaining choices after the voting at the September meeting, a secret vote was taken with the following results:

Australia - 11; Haiti - 9; Brazil - 9; None - 1.

From the number of ballots cast, it was obvious that some of the members present did not choose to cast a ballot.

Mike Diederick of Silvis was unanimously elected to membership and we congratulate Mike and hope that we will see him at our future meetings.

George Wolters presented a one-frame exhibit on types of collecting and discussed the different types of exhibits shown.

A 27 item auction brought in very good bids and most of the items were in demand. The Bourse tables were busy distributing the new supplements, catalogs and the new issues. In all, it was a fine meeting. The subject of this meeting will be carried over to the November Meeting.

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THE SUBURBAN COLLECTOR'S CLUB will stage their annual exhibition at the Hinsdale Community House, in Hinsdale, Illinois on November 30 and December 1st. This show has been unique in this area. There is no admission fee - the club offers a FREE COFFEE BAR (Cookies, cakes, etc.,) - the material exhibited is always of very fine quality, and the event offers a fine day of looking, browsing and visiting the large number of bourse tables. There will be no banquet.

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Our very dedicated PHILA-QUAD mailer indicates that arrangements have been made for several good precancel towns this winter. This month's mailing is from WHEATLAND in southwest Clinton County, Iowa. Wheatland is located on the Chicago & Northwestern railway and at the junction of the long defunct Davenport & St. Paul Railroad. Its postoffice was established on 19 June 1858 with Martin L. Rogers as postmaster.

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A U S T R A L I A

(The following information is given by request of over twenty members that failed to check their catalogs, or feel that the Committee failed to give the full picture in our last edition.)

The Commonwealth of Australia was formed in 1901 and was made up of six former British Colonies - New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania. The first stamps for the Commonwealth appeared January 1, 1913.

Australia has issued 512 Scott major number items listed in the 1969 Scott catalog at \$4378.83. There are 74 minor numbered items listed at \$3780.08. This represents a total value of \$8,158.91 or an average value per stamp - both major and minor numbers at \$13.94.

New South Wales first issued stamps in 1850. A count was made and totals run off on this colony. This study shows that 127 mint stamps were issued for postage with a total catalog value for the Major numbers only is \$11,038.17. 234 Minor postage numbers total \$39,075.30 or a total of \$50,113.47 for the Postage Issues. 5 major and 6 minor postage dues total \$108.85. 40 major number and 23 minor number officials total \$3,298.99. All of this adds up to 172 major numbers totaling \$13,528.99 and 264 minor numbers totaling \$41,021.60 for a grand total of this colony at \$54,549.59 or an average value per stamp (both major and minor Numbers) at \$125.14.

Victoria also first issued stamps in 1850 and finished in 1912. Scott lists 232 catalog numbers for the postage issues; 21 for the Postal-fiscal issues; 4 semi-postals; 2 Registration; 1 Late fee; and 28 Postage dues. The same relative values seem to prevail in the values for this colony.

Queensland stamps did not appear until 1860 and range far below the other colonies in catalog value. 144 postage issues, 2 Semi-postals and 3 Registration stamps make up the colony's issues.

South Australia inaugurated the postal program in 1855 and has issued 158 postage issues and 85 listed Officials. However, the initialed Department Officials(not priced by Scott) make completion of this section a project of enormous scope. The first 50 stamps range in the very high catalog values.

Western Australia started in 1854 and issued only 103 postage stamps. Scott lists only ten stamps with a catalog value of \$100.00 or over in mint condition in the major numbers.

Tasmanian stamps appeared in 1853. About fifteen mint stamps run in the high catalog values for mint copies, but the used copies are rare and command very high prices. 127 postage items have been issued by this colony.

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AUSTRALIA (cont'd. from page 4)

In summary, the six original colonies and Australian Commonwealth will run well in excess of \$75,000.00 catalog value. Only six of the make-up colonies are considered at this time, but there are other areas that many collectors connect with Australia. The question at this time is "WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?" - Where do we start and where do we stop? It would be interesting if the advocates of this "country" were to step forward with good concrete suggestions, and an outline of recommended procedure. The November Meeting should prove to be of considerable interest to all members and guests!!!!

EDITORIAL COMMENT (cont'd. from page 2)

enough interest has been created that the apathy of the membership has changed to interest in the subject and something will come out that will result in full membership approval.

We find it very hard to accept the very late appeals made at the last meeting, considering this subject matter has covered the pages of the Phila-Quad during the last six months. Pleas were made to write comments and suggestions to the Secretary - check the catalogs - and a comparison was made in the October issue to show the stamps of the countries in the running. The next meeting is to attend and make your wishes known - or - accept that attend and take an active part in the Club's

UB will host a two day Exhibition at Cedar Rapids Quad City members always include this event in their days genuine hospitality, a fine show, plenty of good time after a short ride over good highways to towns are being taken and can be made with Pat Ryan. Quad City will hold an auction of postal history material 10 A.M. - all activities at the Montrose Hotel.

NOVEMBER AUCTION

Lot #			Condition		Cat. Value
1	Germany	BL35-6 Special Cancellations	U VF		3.00 /
2	Ghana	41A Lincoln Souvenir Sheet	M VF		4.00
3	Monaco	506 FDC(Card Insert signed by Princess Grace)	F	(Stamp cat. 20¢)	?
4	Vatican	416-19 Cpl. Pope's Visit to New York City	M VF		1.75
5	U. N.	81-2 Cpl. FDC No cachet - World Forestry Cong.	VF	Harris	.60
6	U. N.	83-4 Cpl. " " " 15th Anniv.	VF	"	.60
7	U. N.	156-7 Cpl. " " " W. H. O.	VF	"	.70
8	U. S.	1133 Plt. Blk. Soil Conservation LL26415	M VF	"	.40
9	U. S.	1205 " " 1962 Christmas UR27301	M VF	"	.40
10	U. S.	1206 " " Education LL27289Blk-27290Grn.	M F	"	.40
11	U. S.	1230 " " Carolina Charter LR27433	M F	"	.45
12	France	378, 380 Birds	M VF		1.05
13	Israel	219 Rosh Pinna	M VF		.35
14	Liechtenstein	368 1961 Europa	M VF		.30
15	Luxembourg	386-7 complete 1962 Europa	M VF		.55
16	Monaco	198-202 Roosevelt	M F-VF		1.35
17	Ireland	184-5 Complete 1962 Europa	M VF		1.50
18	Ger. Dem. Rep.	552-3 Complete Zebra & Monkeys	M F-VF		.93
19	Netherlands	304-5 complete Queen Juliana	M F-VF		.37
20	Netherlands	387-8 complete 1961 Europa	M F-VF		.35
21	Philippines	644-5 complete 12th Anniversary	M VF		.45
22	U. S.	867 FDC Walt Whitman	VF	Harris	.50
23	U. S.	941 FDC Tennessee Block & Single	VF	"	.85
24	U. S.	948 FDC Stamp Centenary Sheet	VF	"	.75
25	U. S.	985 FDC GAR Block and Single	VF	"	.70
26	U. S.	986 FDC Edgar Allen Poe	VF	"	.25
27	U. S.	992 FDC U. S. Capitol Plt. Blk. of 4	VF	"	.55
28	U. S.	UC17 FDC Cipex Envelope	VF	"	.20
29	U. S.	Scott Volume I Catalog 1968 - Like New (now \$7.50 new)	VF		???

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