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### THE NEXT MEETING

WHEN. . . . . Thursday, October 9, 1969  
 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. . . . . The first session of a new "Beginners" course, and a Postal Inspector from the Quad City area who will give some of his experiences as an Inspector with the Post Office Department.

#### OUR NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting should prove to be one that will be well worth attending. First, our speaker will recount some of his experiences in his occupation as Postal Inspector. There are many unbelievable stories that can be told, as these inspectors experience some quite humorous and hard to believe events. The purposes and work of the Postal Inspector system will be explained.

A new feature of our meetings will have its first showing. We refer to the half-hour session with the junior and starting collectors. This part of the meeting will make it easy for those attending to ask questions and obtain solid and valuable information that will benefit them in their future years of collecting.

All of the regular features of our meeting will be there - the Quickie Auction - the Bourse Dealers with their new catalogs for 1970 and the new supplements and new issues that have been received during the slack summer season. We strongly urge that you give thought to being with us.

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The Fall issue of the Illinois Federation news bulletin, so ably edited by Les Winnick has been distributed and again we have received an excellent piece of work - both in the editing and the printing by Earl Wellman. We extend our congratulations to these hard working officers of the Federation.

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SPECIAL COUNTRY CLUB PROJECT. Due to the summer vacation period and the fact the Board does not meet during the summer, this subject has been in a somewhat dormant stage. With the new season on us, it will again be worked on and progress will be published in the Phila-Quad and announced at the meetings.

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Is this the way you feel sometimes when you look at your stamps? Maybe, if you can help us, we can help you. Beginners and Juniors, and anyone having a question is more than welcome to come early at our next meeting and help with the new program -- to learn about stamps and have your questions answered. We also need some of our more advanced collectors to help supply some of the answers to the questions.

On a trial basis, there will be someone to help the juniors and beginners from 7:30 until 8:00. This group will meet in the front corner of the room and it is not considered a part of the regular meeting. There will be no restriction on activities for the other collectors - they can swap, visit, check with the Bourse Dealers, until the start of the regular meeting at 8:00.

Myrtle Sheets, Chairman of this new committee, joining with the officers, feels there are many questions the starting collector would like answered, but who is a bit timid to ask. The older collectors, on the other hand (should) have known the answers for so many years they forget that one day in the past they were starting collectors with the same type of questions. If interest is shown, the fundamentals of collecting will be discussed. Hinging, watermarks, tongs, philatelic terms, and many other such subjects will be covered. Time will be allowed for questions and answers. We feel this is a most worthwhile project and we urge your help.

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T. M. P. S. Annual Convention at Lincoln will be past history when this issue reaches its readers. Our information at the time of this writing indicates that several from the Quad Cities will attend and we would guess that a report on the event will be made at the next meeting. George Wolters will attend in his capacity of Director and your Editor plans on being there as a judge of the Exhibition.

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WE THANK YOU!! We wish to take this means to thank all of you for the many cards, letters and calls during our five week's hospitalization during which we again experienced our second "pleasure" of spinal surgery. After viewing our last issue, many of you will agree with me that George Wolters deserves our thanks for a fine job on his take-over as Editor. We are progressing nicely and in a very short time we will again be on the trail of the nation's and the area's stamp shows.

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OCTOBER & NOVEMBER STAMP SHOWS:

Oct. 11-12 Annual exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Cedar Rapids Stamp Club. Hotel Montrose, Cedar Rapids - also Regional Meeting & Auction Iowa Postal History Society.

Oct. 18-19 The Belleville Stamp Club will host the Illinois Federation of Stamp Clubs for its annual convention. This event will be a full exhibition and convention, with a full bourse, awards banquet on Saturday evening. The show will be held in the Vesta Room at Fischer's Restaurant at 2100 West Main Street, adjacent to the Hyatt Lodge Motel. Reservations can be made through Mr. Joe Hopper, 420 South High Street, Belleville, Illinois 62221.

Oct. 19. Waterloo will hold a one day Exhibition from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. at the Waterloo Recreation Center. They will have a full bourse, exhibition, displays, and door prizes.

Nov. 1-2 CORNPEX - The annual exhibition and bourse of the Corn Belt Philatelic Society will be staged in Bloomington. These events are always well worth the slight effort required to attend them and this year's event sounds like the best yet.

Nov. 7-8-9 The Annual Exhibition, Bourse and Awards Banquet of the Chicago Philatelic Society will be again staged in the Hotel Sherman. This event, long considered to be the largest of the midwest fall shows, is noted for its large bourse, interesting events, and its outstanding showing of the rare stamps of the world - seldom seen in even the better collections. This is a "must" for all of the advanced collectors, and the beginning collectors will find much to their interest.

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STAMP PRICES STILL SOARING! The press release copy on the new 1970 Scott's Vol. II clearly points out that again there have been over 44 thousand price changes - the vast majority being UP. For the first time Israeli Tabs will be listed and priced. Scandinavian countries are affected by a huge number of higher price changes - especially Iceland. Most of the European countries are listed with sizeable lists of increased values. Listings of Italy, Vatican City and San Marino show further weakening of the market, although some of the Italian commemoratives show marked increases. The national philatelic press will devote long articles in full detail on the entire contents of the new Volume II.

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OUR LAST MEETING: 23 members and 3 guests attended the September meeting - late vacations and the start of new fall activities kept many of the regular attending members from the meeting.

Mrs. Taube won a very fine sheet of 3¢ commemoratives on the raffle.

A film, "Native Guatemala" was shown as a replacement for the announced program and from comment received, those present found it very interesting.

One new member, Vera Nissen of Geneseo, who collects United States, was unanimously elected to membership. We hope that vera will be with us at all of our future meetings.

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The Federation of Iowa Stamp Club's news bulletin continues to grow and news of all of the Chapters is well presented. This bulletin, edited by Ruth Grissman, is a much needed contact between the Iowa clubs, and we are most happy that it has been continued and is constantly increasing in size and the contents are more detailed concerning the events of the many clubs. This idea of such a publication has long been something we have strongly favored and we are proud that our efforts to get it off the ground prior to the meeting of the Federation with us two years ago, has grown into something beyond our dreams. We are sure that all involved organizations in Iowa find this a most worthwhile publication.

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OCTOBER NEW ISSUES:

UNITED STATES

Oct. 14th - 6¢ General Eisenhower at Abilene, Kansas

Nov. 3rd - 6¢ Christmas Issue at Christmas, Florida

UNITED NATIONS

Oct. 4th - Complete new regular postage issue in Swiss Currency.

CANADA

Oct. 8th - 5¢ & 6¢ Christmas issue.

Nov. 12th - 6¢ Stephan Leacock birth centenary.

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Last month's PHILA-QUAD was mailed from OSCO in Henry County, Illinois. The postoffice was established under the name of MORRISTOWN at a location nearly a mile north of the present OSCO site on 26 November 1840, with Charles W. Davenport as P.M. The name was changed to Osco on 1 December 1871. One unusual fact of the postoffice history is that David L. Purviance was postmaster of MORRISTOWN on two different occasions and P.M. of OSCO at four different times between 1868 and 1895.

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MOON LANDING FIRST DAY COVERS may be late, according to a P. O. Department news release: "The Post Office announces that due to the unprecedented number of requests for first day covers of the Moon Landing stamp, there will be a delay in delivery.

As the universal interest created by the Apollo 11 flight aroused such a response from people all over the world, the City Post Office in Washington, D. C., has a processing crew of 100 - - more than twice the number normally employed, working in longer shifts and with more special canceling equipment than ever before, it will be several weeks before the last of the covers will be mailed."

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According to Norman Olson, stamp columnist for the Tampa Tribune-Times "Somebody goofed on the tree representing the Southeast". Today, it is a bit difficult to issue a stamp that does not bring out cries of error, goofed-up design, or printing flaws ranging from "fly specks" to bonafide errors. After consultation with some of the nation's authorities, Mr. Olson points out there were never many of the Franklinia trees in the Southeast, and is almost never seen there today, with the exception of a small, carefully cultivated group. In fact, it is so rare that all the trees known in the eastern half of the nation are on record and it is a pretty small list. Mr. Olson asks how anyone could have picked out such a rare tree to represent a section of the United States when there are other trees that grow in abundance in that area. As far as we are concerned, we feel he has an excellent question and it is possible there may be a forthcoming statement on this subject.

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lookout for new topics they can collect with  
: been informed that "mousetraps" would be a  
: stamps issued to date on this subject. There  
: are known and they are rather easy to obtain. The  
: ." They are the 30¢ value of the 1963 Red Cross  
: The other is the 5¢ / 5¢ Child Welfare issue of  
: rushing her teeth - Scott No. B272. Topicalists  
: will be able to state that you have a complete

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usually means that both parties are wrong.

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OCTOBER AUCTION

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1. U. S.	Truman Inauguration Cover	VF		?
2. U. S.	Five Different Souvenir Covers	F-VF		?
3. U. S.	947,949,950,951 Plate Blocks 1947 Comems.	M F-VF	Harris	1.40
4. U. S.	C40 Plate Block Alexandria Air LL24084	M VF	"	.55
5. U. S.	947 First Day Cover Stamp Centenary	VF	"	.25
6. U. S.	957 " " " Wisconsin	VF	"	.25
7. U. S.	959 " " " (2) Block & Single - Women	VF	"	.75
8. U. S.	985 " " " G.A.R. Issue	VF	"	.25
9. U. S.	UC16 " " " 10¢ Air Letter	VF	"	.30
10. Canada	383-88 Complete 1959 Comems Block & Single	M F-VF		3.50
11. Canada	389-95 Complete 1960-61 Comems Block & Single	M F-VF		3.50
12. U. S.	FA 1 Certified Mail Block & Single	M VF		1.50
13. Scott	1969 Scott Catalog Volume I	Used Like New	Cost New	7.50
14. Scott	1969 Scott Catalog Volume II	Used Like New	Cost New	9.50
15. Cook Islands	131-33 First Day Cover Pictorials	VF	Stamps Cat.	.23
16. France	B46 Complete First Day Cover-Aid for Children	VF	" "	1.75
17. Grt. Britain	290-91 Complete F.D.C. Festival of Britain	F	" "	.48
18. Greece	524 Complete First Day Cover U.P.U.	VF	" "	.25
19. Israel	15 First Day Cover 1949 Flag	VF	" "	.75
20. Japan	375-78 Complete F.D.C. Postal Anniversary	VF	" "	2.10
21. Trieste 'A'	74-75 Complete F.D.C. Holy Year	VF	" "	3.25
22. U. S.	773 Plate Block Calif-Pacific LL21405	M F	Harris	.50
23. U. S.	948 Stamp Centenary Sheet 3 Copies	M F		1.80
24. U. S.	989-92 Plate Blocks National Capital Issue	M F-VF	Harris	1.35
25. U. S.	C38 New York Airmail Block	M VG		.88
26. U. S.	RW11 1944 Duck Stamp Straight Edge	Used F		2.00
27. U. S.	RW15 1948 Duck Stamp	Used G		1.50

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