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OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on November 11th at our regular meeting location - the 2nd floor Auditorium of the Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company at 2811 - 5th Avenue, in Rock Island. As in our past meetings, the time is anytime after 7:00 P. M. until 10:00. The very short business part of the evening will start at 8:00.

Dale Cady, Program Chairman has come up with something that is a complete new twist on Club programs. Essentially, it will be a panel program, but here all similarity to the accepted panel type of program ends. We will host several beginning collectors who are not members of our Club. In fact they will be quite young. They have a large list of questions that they would like to have answered and we believe we are in for a very complete surprise as to just what it is that the starting collector wants to know about the hobby. We enjoyed a program quite similar to this planned event and we found a whole new concept of an approach for helping the novices get a good, solid and sound start in our hobby.

The new fall stamp issues are gaining momentum again and will be on hand at the Bourse dealers. Our regular, Quickie Auction, the Club Raffle and other regular features will be scheduled to round out a different and enjoyable evening. We would like to urge that you bring any friends that are novice collectors - regardless of age.

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We were saddened by the news of the death of one of our loyal and very well known members - Mrs Chester (Alice) Burgeson of Geneseo. Our information stated she passed away after a relatively short illness of cancer. She will be long remembered as always being at our meetings, surrounded by her host of freidns and her intense interest in our Club auctions. Our sympathies go to Alice's family.

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From "Chatter" of the Bloomington, Corn Belt Philatelic Society we note: "Have you noted that some 40 philatelic items have been issued to date, with some 10 yet to come out before the end of the year. This is just about an item per week. The young collector might find mint collecting this year's issues a little expensive."

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P L O W C I T Y S T A M P S

WE WILL STOCK THE JAPAN NEW STAMP ISSUES, SEE US AND ADD YOUR NAME TO THE GROWING LIST. WE WILL ORDER YOUR SPECIAL REQUEST FOR ANY OF THE MANY JAPAN ALBUMS. APPROVAL BOOKS FOR U. S. AND MOST FOREIGN COUNTRIES (INCLUDING JAPAN) ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO TAKE HOME.

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AUCTION RULES:

Due to the length of time since our Auction Rules have been reviewed and published, and the questions that have been asked, this matter was discussed at some length at the October meeting of the Board. The following Rules will be in effect immediately:

1. Any member may submit lots for the auction.
2. They must be submitted to our Auction Manager, Al Cabooter, who will inform you as to the approximate date your lots will be offered for sale.
3. The Quickie-Auction will be limited to not more than 25 lots at any one meeting. (The White Elephant donation auction, always held at the June Meeting is the exception).
4. The Club will retain 10% of the sale price of the lots as commission.
5. Lots with items of "Minimum" or "Reserve Bids" WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
6. NO LOTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE MEETING FOR THAT NIGHT'S AUCTION other than donated lots, with all the proceeds of the lot going to the Club.
7. The description of the lots is guaranteed, but lots containing many stamps, other than recognized catalog sets, will be sold "as is" and no refunds will be made.
8. All lots purchased at any auction must be picked up and paid for at the close of each auction at each regular Club meeting.

NEW ISSUES OF JAPAN

In commemoration of Their Majesties' Tour of Europe, two 15 yen stamps will be released in October. One will portray the Emperor's flag with chrysanthemums to the left of the flag, which is the prominent feature and the phoenix to the right. The other stamp will reproduce a beautiful painting, "Beyond the Sea" by H. M. the Empress. A souvenir sheet will incorporate both stamps superimposed on an oval, outline map of Europe, Asia and Northern Africa. Both the stamps and the sheet will be printed in full color by photogravure.

International Letter Writing Week 1971 will be honored this year by a single, 50 yen stamp showing a reproduction of a wood-block print of a horse drawn tram car. The printing will be in full color.

Another 15 yen stamp was first released on October first. It marks the 50th Anniversary of the Conciliation System. Featured is the symbol of the conciliation. It is also printed by photogravure in multi-color.

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The Rest Of
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The national press made the prize goof of the year with the printing of the finding of the "one hundred thousand dollar error" of a complete sheet of stamps, or as is properly named, a post office pane.

The finder, an obvious poorly informed collector somehow got to an important non-collector reporter and the story was sent on the national news service wires. The story even caused a lot of quick phone calls in the Quad-City area, but it was not long before the whole story began to take on a true assessment of facts. It is a well known fact that a single pane of a bona-fide error of color or perforation is worth a tidy sum, but far from the quoted 100 thousand figure - closer to about 25 thousand.

During our weekend at the T.M.P.S. - U. P. L. L. Convention and Exhibition at Bloomington the weekend of the 23rd of October we had the opportunity to examine a photo of the so called error, and it turned out to be an off-register of color, somewhat more than the quite common color misalignments we have come to accept from our high-speed, multi-color stamp presses. Then to make the matter ever more ridiculous, the perforations were all there but very badly off of the stamp center. It was just a plain worthless sheet, as far as collecting is concerned and of no value to anyone, EXCEPT the few that find specialization in "FREAKS" their prime interest. This could be given no other name and the value, expressed by one of the nation's leading collectors and authorities of these freaks, was placed at a "possible seventy-five to one hundred dollars, IF a buyer could be found for it."

It is obvious that the national philatelic press did not become too excited with the wire news as they gave it very short space, if any and no figure of estimated value was mentioned. When we consider the true "Errors" such as a missing color or colors, or complete lack of any evidence of perforation either in one direction or the other, or completely missing, this FREAK got a lot of yardage in the national press and a lot of city editors sat around with very red faces when the true facts of the case were made known.

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RESIGNATIONS:

The following resignations have been received and accepted by the Board:

- #824 Mikki Gale of Moline
- 865 Mike Middlemiss of Davenport.

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We doff our hats to Phil Edwards, the General Chairman, Jack Jenkins, the Exhibition Chairman and all the Committees and members of the Bloomington, Corn Belt Philatelic Society's huge exhibition and completely filled, three-day program for the T.M.P.S. - U.P.S. Convention over the weekend of October 23rd.

The 542 frame exhibition was of exceptional, fine material and provided a challenge to the panel of Judges. It is of local interest that the Judges were unanimous in their selection of Lois Evans' "Japan 1871-1880 as the Grand Award winner of the huge show. It was a fabulous presentation.

Besides the T.M.P.S., the U.P.S.S. meetings, the three days were filled with slide lectures, seminars, film presentations, panel discussions, and the First Day of Issue ceremonies for the 8-cent definitive and the 60¢ special delivery stamps, right on through the awards-banquet on Saturday evening provided something of interest to just about every collector. The huge crowds found many hard-to-find items at the well-stocked 30 table Bourse. Registered guests came from California, Washington, Colorado, Utah, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, New York, Connecticut, Vermont, Maine, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona, plus the states between these points.

NEW ISSUES:

UNITED STATES

Nov 10th - Christmas issues - two, 8-cent values
embossed envelope honoring the Aging Conference.
Family Planning - date not announced

Winter Maple Leaf - 4th in the series of Maple
Leaves in 7¢ value.

& 21¢ (U.S.) and 1.10FR (Swiss) for the Inter-
national School in New York and Geneva, Switzer-
land.

It is getting close to that time to think about the Christmas presents for that novice, or experienced collector. The younger, novice collector will appreciate a new album, or some stamps, but do not put off too long. When you think about ordering. With today's quick service, orders for albums should be placed as early as possible for delivery by Christmas. Check with your Bourse Dealer for suggestions - they will have a lot of good suggestions for you!

NOVEMBER AUCTION

Lot No.	Description	Grade	Cat. Value
1.	Afghanistan C10 1951 Plane over Palace (corner off)	U-F	\$1.75
2.	Persia B36 Cpl. 1953 Kazvin Earthquake	U-VF	.75
3.	Sharjah C31-2 1965 Birds - Airs	U-VF	1.30
4.	Russia 1956-9 Cpl. 1952 Subway Stations	M-VF	2.00
5.	U.N.. 161-2 Cpl. 1966 Unicef Issue	U F-VF	.43
6.	Viet Nam 54 1956 Refugees on Raft	U VF	1.50
7.	Germany 210 different Mint	M F-VF	?
8.	" 6 different FDC (Stamps Cat, \$4.27 Used)	F-VF	2-
9.	30 Diff. complete sets (20 countries)	M & U F-VF	7.29
10.	9 Eleanor Roosevelt Issues from 5 countries (All Cpl Sets)	M F-VF	??
11.	U.S. 15 diff. (Several slight faults)	U G-VF	?
12.	" 100 Different	U VG-VF	?
13.	" 100 "	U VG-VF	?
14.	" 93 Covers		?
15.	" 97 "		?
16.	Romania 36 different Pictorials	U F-VF	2.90
17.	Spain 10 different Pictorials	U F-VF	.71
18.	Sweden 9 different	U F-VF	.74
19.	1970 Scotts Catalog -- Combined Vol I & II	Cost new	15.00
20.	Japan 9 different	U VG-VF	.65
21.	" 95 different pictorials	U F-VF	Est. Cat. 5.00
22.	" 75 " "	U F-VF	" " 4.00
23.	" 941-2 Cpl. 1967 Park Issue	M VF	.24
24.	" 1056 Cpl. 1971 Philatelic Week	M VF	.25
25.	" B36-7 Cpl. Winter Olympics	M VF	.30

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