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OUR NEXT MEETING

Our fall season of meetings will start off on the normal day of the month, the 4th Thursday. September 26th is the date to remember. Quad-City Stamp Club meetings are held in the Viking Club, 1514 - 4th Avenue, Moline, IL. The 16th Street entrance will take you right to the meeting room. The Club is open from 7 to 10 PM, with the business meeting, auction, and program starting at 8:00.

For this meeting, Program Director Dale Cady is arranging to have a discussion on another aspect of philately. Two QCSC members will talk about the method they use in soaking used stamps off paper so they can be mounted in their album. Then two other members will discuss the way they protect the original gum on the back of mint stamps. So if you collect mint or used stamps, something should be in store for you on the evening of the 26th.

The other features of QCSC meeting will be attendance. A bourse of three dealers, raffle of a philatelic prize, coffee and cookies as well as member's auction. Plan to attend.

The PHILA-QUAD's New Editor

At a Board of Directors meeting last spring, Charles Cratsenberg tendered his resignation as Editor of the PHILA-QUAD. Chuck has been editor of our bulletin, with a few brief interruptions, since 1944. As he and his wife wish to have more time to devote to themselves, he felt it would be in the best interests of the Club to have a member who could edit the PQ year round.

The Board has appointed Steve Bahnsen to be the Editor. I consider it to be no small honor to be chosen for this position. Your comments on the contents of the PHILA-QUAD are welcome. It will be my goal to keep you as informed as possible on what's new on the philatelic scene. The only change in content that is planned is to put a short item in every issue that tells where that issue was mailed from. I know many members are as amazed as I am at the towns the Gales obtain pre-cancels and mail the PHILA-QUAD from. So maybe a short geography lesson is in order each month.

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OUR SUMMER MEETINGS

Summertime used to be quite a dull period as far as stamp collecting was concerned. It was too hot to work on your album, the Postal Services of the world didn't issue many new items, and stamp club meetings were sparsely attended. Well, I don't know if you do any album work or not, but the last two items have certainly changed. Attendance at Quad-Stamp Club meetings continued at a winter clip this past summer.

June's meeting featured the annual White Elephant Auction. Financially, this year's auction was a success as Secretary Judy Linder reports \$100.75 was paid for by bidders of the donated material. So our rent at the Viking Club is paid for the next year. Don Dose was among the 61 persons in attendance, and he was the one that won the raffle drawing.

July and August are the two months that we have no PHILA-QUAD and no scheduled program at the meetings. None the less, Dale Cady, Program Chairman, still had something up his sleeve for each evening. In July, there was philatelic spelling quiz on stamp issuing countries, 49 people present, and I. W. McLaughlin had the correct raffle number. August 22nd found Judy Linder having the winner raffle number of about 46 people at the meeting. This month the baloptican was used to show names of different countries as they appear on their stamps. Then the audience said the name of the country as we know it. _ _ _ _ _

NEW STAMPS ARRIVING SHORTLY

United States

- Sep 23 10¢ Energy Conservation, Detroit, MI 48233
- Oct 10 10¢ Legend of Sleepy Hollow, North Tarrytown, NY 10591
- Oct 12 10¢ Retarded Children Can Be Helped, Arlington, TX 76010
- ? ? Christmas

United Nations

- Sep 16 13¢, 18¢ 26¢ Airmail Regular Stamps
- Oct 18 10¢ & 18¢ World Population Year

Canada

- Sep 23 4-8¢ Olympic Games
- Oct 9 8¢ & 15¢ Universal Postal Union Centennial
- Nov 1 6¢, 8¢, 10¢, 15¢, Christmas _ _ _ _ _

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REPORT FROM SAGBRAI
or what I did on my vacation.

This past August your Editor, along with about 2,000 other bicycle enthusiasts, sent on the Second Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa (SAGBRAI) sponsored by the Des Moines REGISTER. The trip took a full week to wind across Iowa starting at Council Bluffs and ending at Dubuque. Since I figured out that there were 58 Post Offices I could visit on or near the route, this seemed like a good way to increase the number of postmarks in my collection and have some fun at the same time. 100 postal cards had a cachet printed on them showing a map of Iowa. Then at every town we went through, I got the town's cancellation, the autograph of the Postmaster on the card, and put a dot on the map to show the location of the town. A picture was also taken of each Post Office. After I got back, all this was put together for display in the Quad-City Stamp Club's bulletin board at the Post Offices of Davenport and Rock Island. Below are some random comments on the ride, in no particular order.

- On the whole, co-operation was excellent from all concerned in the Postal Service. Postmasters and clerks took the time to be sure the hand canceller would make a clear impression. This was true of both large and small offices.
- There were some places I got to when the Post Office was closed. Still I was able to get the postmark and autograph using this method: About 20 little form letters were prepared before I left that said what I wanted. The postal cards, along with one of the letters, was placed in an envelope and addressed to the Postmaster. Then the envelope was mailed at the mail box in front of the Post Office. When I got back, the cancelled cards were waiting for me.
- "To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come: Greetings". These are the words that begin the commission of a Postmaster. But did you know this is the same wording that was used 105 years ago? Neither did I until I came to Casey, IA. They had their Centennial in 1969 and the local bank found a commission for the Postmaster of Casey in 1869 stuck away someplace. The present Postmaster put it in a frame and hung it on a wall along with his commission. The lettering is remarkably clear in fact the signature of Postmaster General J. Edward Day has faded more in 10 years than has the other lettering in 100 years.

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APS CONVENTION CLOSE TO HOME

The 88th Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society will be held in Chicago next month. The Quad-City Stamp Club is Chapter 249 of the A.P.S. Dates to remember are October 11, 12 and 13 and the place is the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, 505 North Michigan Avenue. The A.P.S. meeting will be held during the Chicago Philatelic Society's annual exhibition, however there is a special exhibition this year. The "Champion of Champions" competition will be held at the show featuring Grand Award Winners from many national exhibitions. A truly extraordinary display is assured. You don't have to belong to the A.P.S. to attend the show so here is a chance to see the top stamp displays of the year within close range of the Quad-Cities.

Along with the A.P.S., the United Postal Stationery Society is holding their annual meeting at the Chicago get-together. The "Marcus White Postal Stationery Showcase" will feature an outstanding display of material. Postal Stationery is a facinating and enjoyable facet of philately. If you've thought of collecting something new, give it your consideration. You'll be pleasantly surprised.

SAGBRAI Notes

- Interestingly enough, none of the Post Offices along the route were 4th Class. I thought two of them were going to be, but Morrison and Center Junction were both advanced to 3rd Class on July 1st. Also only two Post Offices were located in the general store altho some of the buildings the small offices are in aren't very big. We did go through one town, Prairieburg, who Post Office is a Rural Branch of Monticello. In the DIRECTORY OF POST OFFICES, Prairieburg is listed as being a Rural Branch of Coggon, but a change in Rural Routes in the area has given Prairieburg a new parent office.

- At the 2 largest cities I visited, service was very good at the Post Office. In Omaha they looked 30 minutes to find the hadn cancel I wanted. During that time I was given a tour of their new Post Office.

At Des Moines, the Customer Services Unit was getting the hand canceller ready for that "guy on the bike". After getting several excellent strikes I had a very nice chat with Des Moines Postmaster Earl Curtis who also autographed my cards. Again, a personal tour of their new facility was offered and, of course, accepted.

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In keeping in line with the name of our Club, the Quad-City Stamp Club has expanded our program of providing a philatelic display in the United States Post Office at Davenport, IA. Postmaster John Cogan has obtained and made available to our Club a free-standing, glass-enclosed bulletin board to fill as we see fit. This display is to be in the service lobby of the Main Post Office, 933 West Second Street, of Iowa's Third largest city. The case is similar in size to the one in the Post Office in Rock Island we have been using all summer.

Some pertinent information on this Club project includes:

- This bulletin board is also in an area that is open to the public from 8 to 5 Monday - Friday and 8 to 12 on Saturday. The rest of the time the public is not allowed access to this lobby.
- Keys to the display case are kept under USPS Security.
- Anything philatelic can be displayed; it does not have to be United States Stamps.
- As with the Rock Island display, publicity will be given to our Davenport efforts. We can all be proud of the nice write-up both LYNN'S and WESTERN STAMP COLLECTOR gave us. It might as well be the Quad-City Stamp Club in the news as some other group.
- Displays will probably be changed once a month. Your name does not display in any way. What do you have to offer the yes of both Davenport and Rock Island?

aring about a new Post Office for Waterloo a year
leased to report that deal has fallen through. The
Postal Service to buy an old Arlan's Department Store
and turn it into a Post Office. This building was falling
out in the middle of nowhere. Someone finally
project and plans are now underway for a new
al area owned by the city near the downtown

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S E P T E M B E R A U C T I O N

Lot #			Cat.
1.	U.S. 406,444 on 1914 Covers wy Auto Co. returns	VF	?
2.	" 6 Covers wy advertising corner cards (1899-1912)	VG-F	?
3.	" 4 Illinois flag cancel covers	U F-VF	?
4.	Canada 619 Scottish Settlers on brochure	M VF	.16 +
5.	U.S. 976,1371,C69 Space stamps on Souv. Cd.	M F-VF	1.45 ±
6.	U.S. 1173,1331-2,1434-5,C76 Space stps on Souv Cd	M F-VF	4.80 +
7.	" 1440-3 P1 Blks Historic Preservation On Broch.	M VF	
		Harris	1.25
8.	" 1460-2,C85 Olympic set on Souv. Cd.	M F-VF	.80 +
9.	" 1460-2,C85 " " on Brochure	M VF	.80 +
10.	" 1469 P1 Blk (6) Osteopathic on brochure	M VF Harris	1.25
11.	" C84 P1 Blk Nat'l Park Airmail on broch.	M VF "	1.95
12.	Argentina 45 12¢ definitive (gum disturbed)	M VG	15.00
13.	Brazil 670 Block of 4 Armed Forces	U VF	.80
14.	Finland 239-40 High value Pictorials	M F	2.30
15.	Gr. Britain 287-8,309-12 High Values	U G-VF	10.90
16.	Honduras 1-2 block of 6	M F	1.80
17.	Israel 111a-112a Booklet panes	M F-VF	1.95
18.	Japan 849,858 2 covers wy pict cancel (FDC's?)	U VF	?
19.	Jugoslavia 38,49 King Alexander	M F-VF	3.35
20.	Venezuela 137-41 1896 issue (reprints?)	M G-VF	8.35 (or 25¢)
21.	Algeria, Cameroons Various Pictorials	M & U VG-VF	.93
22.	Armenia 278-94 Cpl. Pictorials	M VG-VF	3.83
23.	Foreign Angola, Andorra, Burma, Laos etc	M&U VG-VF	.77
24.	Rocky Mountain Stamp Mag. 3 1895 issues	F	?
25.	" " " " 3 1895 issues	F	?

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