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### Next Meeting is April 8th

The Quad-City Stamp Club's meeting for the fourth month of this year will be held on Thursday, April 8th. Location of the meeting is the Moline Township Hall, 620 - 18th Street, in downtown Moline. From seven to ten o'clock in the evening is when the hall is open with our dealer/members in attendance. The business meeting, program and also the auction will start right at 8:00 PM. Don't forget the other features of our meetings, a raffle for 39 Mint Stamps, coffee and cookies and the always interesting "Odd, Strange and Different" display will be there.

Our Program Director, Dale Cady, has lined up another member to give a program on what he (or she) collects. This time it's our man in Long Grove, Cy Dhooge, whose collection we will learn about. Again this will be a visual presentation, as Cy's collection will be shown on the baloptican so we all can see it.

Remember it's so easy to get to the Moline Township Hall, just 2 blocks west of the 7th Avenue Exit of Interstate 74. There's plenty of parking available next to the building. So if you get this PHILA-QUAD before the meeting this month, come on out to the April 8th show.

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### Nominating Committee Named

Yes, it's that time of year again. Time to nominate and elect new officers and board members for another year. George Frantz and Ken Buel have been chosen as the 1975 nominating committee so if you would like to run for office, please either one of them know. This year, because of resignations, we must elect 3 members of the Board of Directors in addition to electing a President, Secretary-Treasurer and Vice President who also is the Program Chairman.

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Japan - Info - Column

For all you railroad buffs, I have some philatelic information on Japanese railroading and stamps pertaining to their different locomotives. The first train in Japan was a gift from the U.S. presented by Commodore Matt C Perry in 1854. It was only a model, although big enough to carry people and give them a ride. The first true railroad was formally opened in Japan on Oct. 14th, 1872. Trial runs had begun in June of that year between Tokyo and Yokohama.

Anniversaries of this event have been postally celebrated since then with commemorative stamps and commemorative date stamps, which are similar to U.S. special postmarks.

The 50th anniversary (1922) showed a large datestamp containing the railway insigna with two large locomotive wheels and a laurel wreath.

The 70th anniversary (1942)- a commemorative stamp showing locomotive #C-5928 ( latest model for this year), along with a date-stamp showing the first engine of 1872. A presentation folder with stamp and date-stamp was also issued.

The 75th anniversary (1947)- a souvenir sheet picturing the locomotive "Benkei". This engine was used to open the first railroad on the island of Hokhaido on November 28th, 1880. This locomotive was imported from the U.S. and is now in the Transport Museum in Tokyo. It bears a name plate reading " H.K.Porter & Co. Locomotive Works. H.N.Sprague Supt. Pittsburg, Penna. 1880."

Numerous other date-stamps were issued from 1906 through 1933.

In 1972 a 20 yen domestic rate commemorative stamp was issued to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Japanese railroading. It shows a streamliner on the new San'yo line. The cancellation was a huge date-stamp showing the locomotive wheel insigna of the Japan National Railways, the Keep of Okayama Castle and Plum Blossoms.

Recent issues of Japanese stamps, from 1972 thru 1975 have depicted various locomotive series. These included locomotives, railroad tunnels, early horse-drawn railroad cars and recent electrification of different rail lines.

The author has some of the above mentioned stamps in his collection and will show them to all interested parties.

—Tim Kargl

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Trading Night-April 26th

Some members of the Quad-City Stamp Club have wondered why we can't have more trading of stamps within our Club. Usually programs that are aimed primarily at trading, held during our regular monthly meetings, have been somewhat less than completely successful. With that thought in mind, some of our members have suggested that the Club have a special day or night where trading would be the sole activity of those present. The Board of Directors has endorsed such an action.

Those members behind the idea have recommended an evening time over that of a weekend date. The evening of April 26th has been chosen as the first all trade night for any and all interested collectors. The location of the trade-fest will be the same of that of the regular QCSC meetings, the Moline Township Hall, 620 - 18th Street in downtown Moline, IL. Time is from 7 to 10 PM. There will be a small charge, everyone coming, to help pay for the janitor fee. Bring whatever philatelic material you have to trade. Stay as long as you like. Everyone of all ages is welcome to attend so traders, here is your night.

White Elephant Auction is in June

Here is a reminder that the annual White Elephant Auction will be held at the June 10th meeting. This is a benefit auction where all the proceeds go into the QCSC's treasury. The past few years have found the proceeds going towards payment of the Club's meeting place. This year will be no exception - in fact, it's more important now as our rent is higher at the Township Hall than the Viking Club, \$10 vs. \$8 per night. There will be just one donation auction, all in June.

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Our March Meeting

A funny thing happened to the March PHILA-QUADs after we mailed them from Ely on Saturday. They didn't get here until next Saturday. The meeting was on Thursday. Oh for the days when the Rock Island Lines carried the mail! At any rate about 50 members and visitors came to the meeting. The winner of the raffle was Bill Mc Nulty of Clinton, his prize was a plate block of U.S. 1032.

Those present saw another excellent color slide/tape program put out by the American Philatelic Society. This one was on Canada's Maple Leaf Issues of 1897-98. It probably safe to say that Dale Cady will line up some more APS programs for future programs as the two we've seen this year were very well received. The auction brought some higher than usual returns, with the final totals coming out to 57.14 % of catalog value.

Attendance Secretary Myrtle Sheets has compiled a list of those with perfect attendance at the 1975 meetings: Al Cabooter, Carl Has- selberg, Bob Trial, Ray Wilden and Steve Bahnsen. Those here for all but one of the meetings include: Gordon Bagg, Dale Cady, George Frantz, Vera Griffin, Don & Sue Hayes, Ruth Ofner and Myrtle Sheets.

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Clothes Line Exhibit Next Month

Our annual Clothes Line Exhibit of 1 Page of material will be at the May meeting. The catagories will be published in the May PHILA- QUAD. This year we ask that if you have clear plastic page covers to please put one over your page for added protection to your stamps. Also, please put your name on the back of your page to aid their return.

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Postal Service Considers Reduction  
of Philatelic Service

Incredible as it may seem, the United States Postal Service is considering cutting back on what certainly is one of it's most profitable operations. While nothing has been officially decided as of this writing, thought has been given to reducing the amount of time the philatelic window in this area, the Bi-State Stamp Dock at the Rock Island Post Office, is open.

In the bureaucrats relentless efforts to cut costs, and eventually service (bureaucrats who, by the way, do not work in a Post Office) they have ordered the Rock Island Sectional Center to cut so many thousands of clerk-hours. One area where there are clerk-hours is window service. One phase of window service in the Rock Island SCF is the Stamp Dock. This excellent service, with a very capable clerk in the person of Bob Lindstrand, is now open all day (except for lunch) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday as well as all Saturday morning. Granted, at all times there may not be customers in line but the key thing is that Bob is still there to wait on a customer as the need arises. It has been suggested by Postal Management that he be assigned to the Dock only a couple of days of the week and perhaps for only a few hours a day.

The Officers and Board of Directors of the Quad-City Stamp Club have gone on record as opposing even the consideration of this service collectors in this area long enough to get a net it be pulled apart in the quest for cost any other places where costs can be trimmed profitable operation. You- the collector, , taxpayer- will be informed of the decision.

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2.00			
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2.	U.N.	#83-85 1960 Issue, mint (2) singles 1 S/S	V.F.	C.V. \$4.80
3.	Australia	Mixed Mint 15 Hi-Value, Lt. H.	V.F.	C.V. \$13.30
4.	Br. Col.	1953 Coronation Issue 8 Mint	V.F.	C.V. \$6.38
5.	U.S.	1971 Mini-Album #1440 & 1441 damaged	G. to V.F.	C.V. \$4.38
6.	U.S.	Scott's pages for Plt. Blk. Alb. Airs & Reg.	Good	???
7.	Laos	#B 8a Mini Sheet of 3 1967 Issue	V.F.	C.V. \$2.50++
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9.	U.S.	#943, 1190, 1424 (3) F.D.C.'s No Cach.	V.Good	" \$1.65
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17.	(2) 1962	Scott's Cat'lg's U.S. & For'gn	Fine	???
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19.	U.S.	#325 Used 3¢ Louisiana Purch. Issue	Fine	C.V. \$11.00
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22.	Canada	1975 Issues (5) Mint/w Folder	V.Fine	Retail \$0.40
23.	"	" (7) " Stamps	V.Fine	" \$0.61
24.	U.S.	#1254-1257 L.R. Plt.# Blk. of 4 1964 Xmas	V.Fine	Harris \$2.25
25.	U.S.	#1321 U.R. Plt. Blk of 4 1966 Xmas	V.Fine	" .75
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