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### CLOTHES LINE EXHIBIT MAY 13th

The next meeting of the Quad-City Stamp Club comes late in the month this time. Our meeting date of the Second Thursday is on May 13, 1976. The Moline Township Hall, located at 620 - 18th Street, is the site of our meetings. It is open from seven to ten o'clock in the evening. The business meeting, auction and program will begin at 8:00 PM, in Moline.

In addition to the regular monthly features of the meetings, the dealer bourse, coffee and refreshments, penny box, raffle and the "Odd, Strange and Different" frame, this month will be the election of officers for our next year. Those elected will take their office at the June meeting.

This month's program is a big Do-it-Yourself affair. Our annual Clothes Line Exhibit will be held. Anyone can exhibit. All the rules and categories are on Page 5. There will be a clothes line or something stretched across the Town Hall to put your display on. Since there are no posts in our new meeting place, Dale Cady is working on some way to rig up the line. This year, we ask all exhibitors to put their name on the back of each sheet, lightly in pencil is fine, so as to make getting them back easier. So bring whatever strikes your fancy - there is a category for everyone - let's have a real fine exhibit.

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### White Elephant Next Month

At our June meeting will be the White Elephant Auction. This is a donation auction. The Club solicits the support of the membership in two ways. First, please donate items to Auction Manager Tim Kargl for inclusion in the auction. Second, please bid generously at the June meeting. The proceeds from this auction goes towards payment of the rent of the hall.

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This month's PHILA-QUAD  
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JAPAN INFO COLUMN

by  
TIM KARGL

A STORY ABOUT THE PRESENT EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF JAPAN IS THIS MONTH'S OFFERING.

The emperor was 75 in April and celebrated his golden wedding anniversary in January of 1974. He is Japan's 124th emperor and he along with the empress have reigned longer than any others in Japanese history. (49 yrs.) They are also the first couple in 300 years to celebrate their golden anniversary while reigning as Emperor and Empress.

Hirohito was born April 29th 1901- 1st child of Crown Prince Yoshihito and Crown Princess Sadako. His future bride Nagako was born March 6th 1903- 2nd child of Imperial Prince Kuni Kuniyoshi and Princess Chikako. Both received early education in the Peers School (Gakushuin), he from age 7 to 13 and she from age 6 to 15. After this both were tutored at home.

Their engagement was approved by Emperor Taisho in 1918 and officially announced June 10th, 1919. Because of various political oppositions to the marriage plus the great earthquake of Sept. 1st, 1923, their marriage did not take place until Jan. 26th, 1924. Stamps and post cards were prepared for issuance for the event but the earthquake destroyed all copies except a few copies sent out to mandate islands ahead of the event. These were recalled and given out as wedding mementoes to distinguished guests.

Emperor Taisho died on Dec. 25th, 1925 and Hirohito and Nagako became Emperor and Empress of Japan. Their children were as follows:

- Shigeiko Princess Teru born 1926 died July 1961.
- Sachiko Princess Hisa born 1927 died March 1928.
- Kazuko Princess Taka born 1929
- Atsuko Princess Yori born 1931

Finally a son and apparent heir to the throne was born.

- Akihito Prince Tsugu born Dec. 23, 1933.
- Masahito Prince Yoshi born 1935.
- Takako Princess Suga born 1938.

Of the seven children born only two sons and two daughters survive. There are a number of grandchildren, the eldest being Prince Naruhito Hiro who was born Feb. 23, 1960.

To celebrate their golden anniversary, 53 guests and dignitaries were entertained in the palace's Bamboo Room in the afternoon. Later in the evening a private family dinner was enjoyed with the children and grandchildren.

Don't Miss Out on May's BoooooooooK!

	Closes after May Meeting	BIRDS	DOGS	TRAINS	
U.S. used Airmails Harris \$27.02	Lot #17 M.B. \$10.00				
U.S. Mint Never Hinged Sterling precancel on #649	Lot #7 M.B. \$1.00	CATS	PAINTINGS		All in June's Book
U.N. Mint Never Hinged Insc. Bl. of 6 #150 face 6.00	Lot #25 M.B. \$7.50	SPACE	CARS		#2
U.N. Mint Never Hinged #188-189 Harris \$7.00 face \$1.04 Blks.	Lot #30 M.B. \$1.50	U.S. Stamps in June Book #1			
U.N. Mint Never Hinged G15-G18 Insc. Blocks of six	Lot #32 M.B. \$4.75	Don't forget to pick up a complete list for June books and July books at my table			
Total of 39 lots	Sterling Stamps				

Some Notes from and about the Postal Service in the "Quads"

First, there will be, in essence, no change in the hours of the Bi-State Stamp Dock, Rock Island's philatelic window. The clerk/hours will be adjusted around internally so the expense shows up someplace else. Full Saturday morning service will continue. We compliment postal management for keeping this fine service for their philatelic customers.

Second, how many \$2.00 bills did you get postmarked April 13th when they made their debut? Big crowds were at all area Post Offices to get proof they got one of the deuces on opening day. An estimate was made that in the entire Rock Island Sectional Center there were over 15,000 \$2's cancelled - all of these were hand cancelled. Moline even threw away their roller cancel and used the 4 Bar Hand Cancel on this job. Hooray!

Third, it appears that no Post Office will be getting the new 7.9¢ stamp in precancelled form. (The Stamp Dock has it in un-precancelled form). This is to meet the new Bulk Rate fee just as the 6.3¢ stamps were issued. Two area Post Offices had the 6.3¢ precancelled, Rock Island and Moline, but neither are planning on any 7.9¢ precancels. Rock Island's 6.3's were sold at the Stamp Dock but there were still thousands left when the rate changed so they are not going to get any 7.9's.

Moline did not plan on getting any 6.3's when they first came out. However a printer in town wanted to do a big mailing for a certain agricultural implement manufacturer prominently associated with the growth of Moline (no names, please). The plan was to use the 6.3¢ stamp precancelled "Moline, IL" on the mailing instead of the usual printed message about Bulk Rate postage being paid. There was a delay at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington where the stamps are made so it was decided to forego the stamps and do the mailing with the usual printed message. Eventually the 6.3's came to the Plow City and went straight to the Post Office vault, never to be used on mail. Because they were in coils of 3,000, no coil was broken to sell a few to collectors. It is known that at least one dealer bought a complete coil, at \$180.00, so the Moline 6.3¢ precancel is available.

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WE WILL SEE YOU AT THE MEETING May 13th

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TRADING NIGHT

The Quad-City Stamp Club's trading night was held, as advertised, on Monday, April 26th. Those members in attendance seemed to enjoy themselves, the emphasis being on trading without much regard as to who got the better deal. The plan is to have another such session, however as we go to press, an exact date cannot be given. A problem has arisen in that the Moline Township Hall is not now available Monday nights only because of a shift in the janitor's schedule. A new date will be selected before the May 13th regular meeting and announced there.

Come to Deer Grove June 6th

Why come to Deer Grove on June 6th? It's as good a day as any. Besides, that's when the open house will be held at their new Post Office. The Quad-City Stamp Club will again issue a cacheted envelope to mark the occasion, this being done at the invitation of Postmaster Bernice Spears. The time is from 2 to 5 on Sunday afternoon.

Your next question might be: "Where is Deer Grove?" It's in Whiteside County, Illinois, south of Rock Falls, on Illinois 88. The town is incorporated and the population on the sign at the city limits says "50". Take a drive in the country and see a Post Office inside and out.

Hello George - Goodbye Chuck.

The PHILA-QUAD would be remiss if we did not mention that George Wolters is now writing the stamp column in the Sunday Moline DISPATCH. Chuck Cratensberg has retired from his column of many years and George was good enough to carry on the column. This is the only locally written stamp column in any Quad-City newspaper.

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CLOTHES LINE EXHIBITION RULES

1. Only ONE Album Page in any category, page size 10 x 11½" or smaller.
2. A member may enter as many different categories as desired.
3. Judging will be by POPULAR VOTE or a JUDGING PANEL as appropriate.
4. An AWARD will be given in each category.
5. Please put your name on the back of each sheet to help in their return.
6. If you have plastic page protectors, please use them. If not, the Club has some and may be used to protect your material.
7. Bring your exhibit the evening of May 13th up to 7:55 PM.

CATEGORIES

Rated by 3 JUDGES

- A. United States Stamps - Postal issues.
- B. Japan Stamps - Postal Issues.
- C. Other Foreign Stamps - Postal Issues.
- D. Best coverage of any one stamp or set of stamps.
- E. Best presentation of any country of NON-POSTAGE Items.

Rated by POPULAR VOTE:

- AA. Most attractive commercial page and contents.
- BB. Most attractive non-commercial page and contents.
- CC. Best presentation on any ONE topical subject.
- DD. JUNIORS ONLY - Any country on a commercial page.
- EE. JUNIORS ONLY - Any country on a non-commercial page.
- FF. JUNIORS ONLY - Japanese material.
- GG. JUNIORS ONLY - ONE Topical subject, any type of page.
- HH. JUNIORS ONLY - Postal History presentation - appearance & coverage.

REMEMBER, the winners in each category, as well as all other participants, are invited to have his or her page be put on display in the exhibit cases maintained by the Quad-City Stamp Club in U.S. Post Office and Rock Island. We as a Club are entering a continuous display before the public. It is of the membership that this can continue.

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3.	U.S. & For'gn	1969 Scott's Catalogues- Vols. 1 & 2	Fine	New \$17.00
4.	U.S.	#UC-18 & #1066 F.D.C.'s No catches	V.Fine	Har. \$1.25
5.	Canal Zone	#136 & 147 F.D.C.'s (1) Blk. & (1) Sing	Fine	Est. \$2.00
6.	South Africa	Env'lope w/ 1948 Silver Ann'vy. Stamps(2)	Fine	" \$1.30
7.	Canada	#277 Blk. of 4- Responsible Gov't. Issue	V.F.	Har. \$.60
8.	"	#282 " " "-Annex. of New Fou'ld	V.Fine	" \$.60
9.	"	#283 " " "- Halifax Anniv'ry Issue	"	" \$.60
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12.	U.S.	#1319 U.L. Plt # Blk. of 4 Gr. River Road Is'ue	Excel.	" \$1.20
13.	U.S.	#1320 L.Rt. " # " of 4 Saving Bonds Issue	Excell.	Har. \$.75
14.	U.S.	#117 1869 S.S. Adriatic Issue Used good copy	Good	C.V. \$22.50
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16.	U.S.	#968 FDC. w/ Plt. Blk of 4 Cat'hd. & Adres'd	V.Fine	" \$1.25
17.	U.S.	#954 Same as above	V.Fine	" \$1.25
18.	U.S.	#716 FDC. before Catchets 1932 Olymoics	Fine	" \$.75
19.	U.S.	#732 " " " 1933 N.R.A. Issue	V.Fine	" \$.85
20.	U.S.	#736 " " " 1934 Maryland 300 yrs.	V.Fine	" \$.75
21.	U.S.	#1274 F.D.C. 1965 Telecommunication Union	V.Fine	Har. \$.80
22.	Denmark	#13 Hvy. crease in center, Clipped perfs.	Poor	C.V. \$2.50
23.	Paraguay	#565-568, C264-271 Cpt. mint set 1960 Issue	V.F.	C.V. \$4.23
24.	Paraguay	#491-497, C225-232 " " " 1955 Issue	V.F.	C.V. \$3.56
25.	Serbia	#2NB15-18 Cpt. used set 1942 Occ'pton Semi Po'sls	V.F.	C.V. \$1.26
26.	France & French Colonies	456 Mint & Used Duplicates	Good to Fine	Est. \$4.56

MAY RAFFLE - Sheet of #986 - Edgar Allen Poe

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