

Menasha, Wisconsin
May 28, 1936

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To Wisconsin Philatelists:

Your President and Secretary have decided to release only one Bulletin before the summer vacation, and then to have a big issue to start out September. The reason is that our secretary is to be married June sixth to Miss BERNADETTE GRAF of Green Bay. (Blocks of four Columbians or Trans-Mississippi will be accepted in lieu of salt and pepper sets.)

First of all-----the Convention. Wish you could all have been there. Sheboygan did herself proud and the convention was decidedly a success. The Exhibit was a large one with a great variety of frames and some extremely interesting and rare frames and groups of frames. The Banquet was marvelous. Food and service were perfect as usual under the guidance of Mr. Benedict of the Heidelberg Cafe. Then the Program was a wow. Rudolph Hoffman presided as toastmaster and made a big hit. The entertainment was excellent. Speakers at the banquet included Mayor Sonnenberg of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Mr. Ibrig, representing the Chamber of Commerce, and the Hon. Chas. Broughton, Wisconsin's Big-shot Democrat, and your past president, Charley Achtenberg. Then the auction was in line with the rest. The usual good prices in U. S. were realized and foreign material only fair. Ray Van Handel is to be congratulated on his handling of things and the entire club and its officers also.

Present at the auction among dealers were Olaf Nagle of Chicago; Oscar Kuehn and brother of Northwestern Stamp Co., Milwaukee and Fred W. Koske of the Arcade Stamp Co., Milwaukee.

The convention for 1937 was awarded to Milwaukee. Let's all get behind them and keep boosting to make this the biggest and best State Convention ever held in the U.S.A.

The Tri-County Stamp Club of Dane, Rock, and Jefferson counties had a large and enthusiastic meeting on May eighth. Your president was invited and started for the meeting but got such a late start that he failed to make it. I am informed that the meeting was a big success. Captain A.C. Townsend of Chicago was the principal speaker. He is often a contributor to stamp Magazines and gives an excellent account of himself.

The Waupaca Auction was the next Philatelic event of importance and was a fine affair. There were some forty or more collectors present from Wausau, Stevens Point, Menasha, Neenah, and elsewhere in central Wisconsin. The date was Wednesday May 13. Leo Martin acted

as auctioneer. Prices were very low on foreign stamps but as usual high on U.S. As I remember there were several hundred items auctioned. Refreshments were served before, during and after the auction.

I am requested to announce a meeting of the Belle City Stamp Club, Racine, scheduled for Friday, June twelfth at 6:30 P.M. at Nelson's Hotel. Plans include a limited exhibition, entertainment and the auction of a few choice stamps. Your president plans to attend and to address the meeting.

Rudolph H. Valin of Fond Du Lac writes proposing a "suggestion Box" and answers. His suggestion is that a list of Frames and Awards be sent clubs and members after each State exhibit. This will be referred to the exhibition committee.

We will be glad to receive suggestions at any time and particularly a report of club activities during the year, such as auctions, picnics, special meetings, etc., so that they may be included in future Bulletins. I should like to see a Booster Club formed to promote Philately and the Wisconsin Federation. I am informed that Manitowoc is forming a new club. They are hereby extended an invitation to join the Wisconsin Federation. Also that Columbus would like to form a club. And if there are any other clubs in the making let's all make it our duty to help get them into the Federation.

Your president's plans for the year include the promotion of at least ten new member clubs. I need your help, please give it to me. Also I believe Philately should now be made a special subject in all state schools, or at least in any that can promote it properly. That seems to be the trend throughout the country to-day. Let's get Philately in Wisconsin schools.

The Sheboygan Stamp Club wishes to thank each and everyone who helped to make their convention a success.

A complete report of the activities and business meeting of the Federation will be published in the next bulletin.

An invitation is extended to anyone going through Menasha to call at 154 Main Street, or 338 Park Street, to pay a visit to your humble servant.

Yours sincerely,

SILAS L. SPENGLER

as suggested. There were very few on the stage but as usual
high on U.S. As I remember there were several hundred people
present. The meeting was very successful, during and after the session.

I am requested to announce a meeting of the Delta City Group
at 7:30 P.M. on Saturday, November 1st, at the Delta City Hotel.
Plans include a social exhibition, entertainment and
the meeting of a few other groups. Your presence is requested
and to address the meeting.

Michael E. Kelly of Iowa City writes proposing a "university
club" and suggests. His suggestion is that a list of names and initials
be sent clubs and members after each time exhibit. This will be
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and has now under other. I hope your club, please give it to me.
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get Philately in Wisconsin started.
The Wisconsin Federation has written to each club and everyone
and asked to make every contribution a success.

A complete report of the year's work and progress of
the Federation will be published in the next bulletin.
An invitation is extended to anyone who is interested in
to call at the Delta City Hotel, on the Delta City, to see a view
of the Delta City building.

Yours sincerely,
E. J. KELLY