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Minutes of the 17th Annual Convention of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs held in Oshkosh, Wisconsin May 22nd at 2:00 P. M.

Charles E. Peirce, President
Lyle A. Hobbs, Vice President
Edward D. Hamilton, Secretary-Treasurer

The meeting was called to order by President Charles E. Peirce. Delegates were welcomed by the President.

Erwin Nielsen reported on the National Meeting to be held in Denver September 6th. He reported that a special train is being formed for all who wish to make reservations.

Minutes of the July 13th, 1947 meeting were read and approved as read.

A communication was read by the Secretary, Edward D. Hamilton, from the Belle City Stamp Club, Racine, inviting the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs to hold the next convention in Racine.

Mr. Peirce stated that he had enjoyed being president of the organization and reported the formation of four new clubs during the last year--Gateway City Stamp Club, La Crosse, Wisconsin--Neenah-Menasha Stamp Club, Neenah-Menasha, Wisconsin--Y.M.C.A. Boys' Stamp Club, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Blackhawk Philatelic Society, Rockford, Illinois, making a total of 40 clubs. He suggested that there should be a closer cooperation between publicity men and the Federation Secretary. He also recommended there should be a raise in the dues to 15¢ or 20¢ per member.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report was given and there is a balance on hand of \$19.28. A motion was made by Oscar H. Ochs of Fond du Lac and seconded by Shirley Robertson, Oshkosh that the Secretary's report be accepted. The motion was carried.

Reports were given by A. T. Wood, Frame Committee. There has been little progress in the standardization of frames.

After much discussion Wilber Symes of Manitowoc stated that Manitowoc would see that every club member in the Federation will get a copy of the constitution. A motion was made by Verne Kaub (Chief Hinge-Licker) and seconded by a delegate of the Outagamie Philatelic Society that the Federation accept Wilber Symes offer to mimeograph copies of the constitution and send them to the various clubs.. The motion was carried.

Under new business, Schmitz, Y.M.C.A., Milwaukee, reported on the Junior Clubs. He suggested that the clubs be divided in three groups--Cub group for boys and girls between 5th and 7th grades, Junior Junior's from 7th to 9th grades and then Juniors Senior group from 9th to 12th grades.

Predident Peirce then read the resolution on the redistricting. A vote by roll call ballot was taken with the following results:

Badger Precancel Club	-yes
Collectors Club	-yes
Fond du Lac Philatelic Society	-yes
Gateway City Stamp Club	-yes
Manitowoc Philatelic Society	-yes
Milwaukee Philatelic Society	-yes
Neenah-Menasha Stamp Club	-yes
Oshkosh Philatelic Society	-yes
Outagamie Stamp Club	-yes
Sheboygan Stamp Club	-yes
Temple Stamp Club	-yes
Waupaca Philatelic Society	-yes
Wauwatosa Philatelic Society	-yes
Y.M.C.A. Stamp Club	-yes
Kettle Moraine Stamp Club	-yes
Belle City Stamp Club	-yes
Four Lakes Postal Stamp Club	-yes

The motion was carried.

A report was given by the Northern Regional Vice President Wilber Symes of Manitowoc. He stated that last fall a regional meeting was held and he asked for another meeting but received no replies. He stated further that at the last regional meeting it was brought up that a Centennial Envelope be made up. He passed samples of these out to the delegates. He explained that permanent exhibits have been placed in the museum and also a Centennial Exhibit. He suggested clubs should find out when Wisconsin went into the Statehood and contact factories having them blow their whistles at that exact time.

A report was given by the Southern Regional Vice President W. L. Clunie. He stated that he was very glad that a division of the Southern Region was to be made. He also stated that the Kenosha Club had disbanded but that the Belle City Club of Racine had invited those that are interested into their society.

Wilber Symes of Manitowoc informed the Federation that he knew of a mimeograph machine which could be purchased for the sum of \$45.00. He offered to purchase the machine himself and have the Federation pay him back during the course of time. Erwin Fenzel, Kettle Moraine, offered to do the mimeographing for the Federation for one year. Mr. Schoeble made a motion that each group be assessed for \$1.00 to purchase the machine, there was no second to that motion and he further stated that if the increase in dues will defray the expense of the machine he would withdraw his motion.

After much discussion regarding the dues Carl H. Steinhardt of Milwaukee made a motion that dues be raised to 20¢ per member with the minimum of \$1.00 and maximum of \$10.00. The motion was seconded by Ray Van Handel, Sr. of Sheboygan. Motion was made by Mr. Darling for calling of hands on this motion, seconded by Lyle Hobbs. Result of vote showed 31 delegates for this motion, it was carried.

The discussion then went back to the purchase of the mimeograph. A motion was made by delegate Darling of Appleton that we accept delegate Franzel's offer to do the mimeographing for one year until such time as we can purchase the machine or some similar machine. The motion was seconded by Delegate Schnell and carried.

Verne Kaub of Madison made a motion that a suitable resolution be drawn up and presented to the families of members who have passed on, seconded by several and carried.

The Secretary then read the slate of officers, that the Oshkosh Philatelic Society had sent in. The slate consisted of:

President--Lyle Hobbs

Vice President--Edward D. Hamilton

Secretary-Treasurer--Wilber Symes

Charles Peirce was nominated for president but declined. A motion was made by Ray Van Handel, Sr., that nominations be closed, seconded by several delegates and carried. A motion was made by Mr. Darling of Appleton that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Lyle Hobbs as president, motion was seconded and the ballot was so cast.

Vice President Edward D. Hamilton was nominated and the motion was made by Verne Kaub that nominations be closed and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Edward D. Hamilton for the office of Vice President. The motion was seconded and carried and the ballot was so cast.

Wilber Symes of Manitowoc was nominated for Secretary-Treasurer. Motion was made by Delegate Ochs of Fond du Lac that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Symes for the office of Secretary-Treasurer. The motion was seconded and the ballot was so cast.

Nominations were opened for Northern Regional Vice President. Those nominated were Doctor E. B. Smith of Fond du Lac and Leo Martin of Waupaca. Result of balloting showed eleven(11) ballots for Doc Smith and six (6) for Leo Martin.

Nominations were then opened for Southeastern Regional Vice President. W. L. Clunie was nominated. Motion was made that nominations be closed, seconded by several and carried. Motion was then made by Delegate Wood that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Clunie. Motion was seconded and the ballot was so cast.

Nominations were then opened for Southwestern Regional Vice President. Frank Dennehy of Rockford, Illinois was nominated. Motion was made that the nominations be closed, seconded and carried. Motion was then made and seconded that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Dennehy. The ballot was so cast.

Burleigh E. Jacobs was then nominated for the office of National Federation Representative. The motion was made that the nominations be closed, seconded and carried. A motion was then made that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Jacobs. The motion was seconded and the ballot was so cast.

A discussion was held with regard to the place of the next convention in 1949. Motion was made by Darling of Appleton that the Federation accept the offer of Belle City Racine, to have the convention there in May of 1949, seconded by Steinhardt of Milwaukee and carried.

Wilber Symes of Manitowoc then asked that the Federation consider the invitation of Manitowoc to hold the convention there in 1950. Mr. Franzel of Kettle Moraine then asked that they be considered for the convention in 1966.

Delegate Darling of Appleton then made a motion that the delegates extend their thanks to Oshkosh for putting on the convention and the fine way they had been treated so far, seconded by Delegate Clunie and carried.

Motion was made by Delegate Hobbs that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by several and carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

Respectfully Submitted

Signed

Edward D. Hamilton

Secretary-Treasurer

THE WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

MANITOWOC, WISCONSIN

SEPTEMBER, 1948

Now that the seventeenth annual convention of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs at Oshkosh is history, and those who attended agree that this was one of the best conventions that they have ever been at, many thanks have to be given to the host club, The Oshkosh Philatelic Society.

At the convention banquet 140 people attended, overflowing the banquet room so that some had to be served in the coffee shop. Judge S. L. Spengler of Menasha was the toastmaster and The Reverend Father C. Luke Leiterman gave the invocation. A very interesting talk on "How Wisconsin became a state" was given by Professor E. A. Clemans, chairman of the Winnebago County Centennial Committee.

The prizes were given as follows:

First Grand Award	John Hamin, Milwaukee
Second Grand Award	Kenneth Olson, Milwaukee
Third Grand Award	Allison M. Severe, Milwaukee
Postal History Award	R. L. Hustis, Milwaukee
The Chicago Philatelic Society Award	Charles Peirce, Oshkosh

Club Awards were as follows:

1st	Milwaukee Philatelic Society	172 points
2nd	Oshkosh Philatelic Society	167
3rd	Badger Precancel Society	103
4th	Rex Philatelic Society	103
5th	Green Bay Philatelic Society	96
6th	Manitowoc Philatelic Society	75
7th	Temple Stamp Club	64
8th	Sheboygan Philatelic Society	42
9th	Kettle Moraine Philatelic Society	31
10th	Neenah-Menasha Stamp Club	13
11th	Outagamie Philatelic Society	13
12th	Fond du Lac Philatelic Society	13
13th	Belle City Philatelic Society	12
14th	Collectors Club of Fond du Lac	6
15th	Federation Members-at-Large	11

The judges were:

Benjamin Reeves, Chicago
Walter Strait, Chicago
Anthony Russo, Chicago

Mr. Edward D. Hamilton, Vice-President of The Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs was a guest August 5th at the meeting of the Madison Stamp Club. Mr. Hamilton gave a talk on "Stamps In the New World". About 45 Stamp collectors of Madison attended the meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings:

Who said--what this country needs is more commemoratives? ? ?
If that party is present, please stop around and fill your pockets, your market baskets--yes, even your bath tubs. Just in case you have a pet pig or a lonesome alley cat that you would like immortalized, just tell your troubles to the Bureau of Printing and Engraving. I'm sure that your humblest aspirations will be graciously received and considered for future rank in the Philatelic Hall of Fame. Of course the fair sex might object to licking the adhesive set that honors the brass cuspidor--but cheer up. Who knows; maybe the profile of Franky Boy will appear on the next one.

The local postmaster informs me that someone laid a big egg when the Poultry Stamp was issued. Maybe so, but look at the price of eggs these days. I've heard much about these rare philatelic gems called invert. Upon investigation and (very little) research I find that these printings are only partially inverted. With this knowledge in mind the other day my heart did eight triple flip-flops and six back flips as I feasted my eyes upon a total invert. Then I turned the album page right side up and trudged off to slumber with heavy heart.

Yours for the biggest philatelic
season ever,

Lyle A. Hobbs, President

ATTENTION--CLUB SECRETARIES

For the next bulletin we want to be able to have some news from every club in the Federation.

If your club sends out a meeting notice be sure that the Federation Secretary is on your mailing list or else send newspaper clippings from your local paper.

If your club is planning a party or convention this information should be given to the Federation Secretary in ample time so that it may be placed in the next bulletin. This may be very beneficial to your club.

In other words--IT'S UP TO YOU! Send in the news--names of your officers!--meeting dates or place of meetings.

Plans have been formulated to draw up a directory of all the member clubs--with mention of date, meeting place and time. It has been suggested that this directory should appear on the inside cover of each Federation Bulletin.

Address correspondence to:

Wilber Symes
606 Jay Street
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

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FLASH (NOT GORDON) FLASH (NOT LIGHT) FLASH (YES, BULLETIN)

The Secretary of the Manitowoc Philatelic Society comments that if the Poultry Stamp were in commemoration of the chicken dinners given at Riefs' Mills he would defend its issue against all comers. That's just his way of extolling the Manitowoc Philatelic Societies' annual chicken supper to be enjoyed at Riefs' Mills on Sunday, October Third at 6:30 p.m. He says "Come one, Come all, and Come with an Appetite." Cost is \$1.75 per person.

A regional meeting of the Northern Region of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs has been called by North Regional Vice-President Ernest V. Smith at 2:30 p.m. at Riefs' Mills on that day. Important topics are pending.

Reservations for the supper should be sent before September 30th to--

Robert B. Bellmer, sec'y
1009 Washington Street
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

---MANITOWOC---

The Manitowoc Philatelic Society held a full schedule of meetings during the summer months, all of which were "outings" at Lincoln Park cabin. Lunch, refreshments and entertainment followed each business session.

Attendance was outstanding considering the fact that these meetings were held during the vacation season.

---MILWAUKEE---

The Milwaukee Philatelic Society elected the following officers for the 1948-49 period:

A. T. Wood	President
C. R. Martin	Vice President
A. W. Draves	Hon. Vice President
C. W. Degler	Secretary-Treasurer
C. C. Benson	Charge of Library
R. A. Arndt	Governor
F. A. Lauper	Governor
C. R. Oestreich	Governor

The installation of these officers will be at the annual banquet on September 25th, which any member of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs is cordially invited to attend.

---OSHKOSH---

The Oshkosh Philatelic Society held their first meeting of the new season at the home of their President and W.F.S.C. Vice President Edward D. Hamilton. The program was of an informal nature, and each collector was given a chance to report on the progress of his collection during the summer months.

A printed program of the events for the coming year has been sent to each member. Any collector desiring a copy of this program may have one for the asking.

---RACINE---

The Belle City Stamp Club has been holding its regular meetings at the homes of their members during the summer months. The regular meeting place (YMCA) has been remodeled and will be ready for their fall meetings.

Their August meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Florence Williams. The meeting developed into a farewell meeting for the corresponding secretary, Alvin E. Anderson, Past President of the W.F.S.C. who is leaving soon to take up residence in Southern California. A gift was presented to Mr. Anderson and a message to Mrs. Anderson. A social hour followed.

--ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS--

The Blackhawk Philatelic Society elected the following officers for the coming year:

Mr. J. D. Bennett	President
Mr. Karl Rosinquist	1st Vice President
Mr. Verne Leibforth	2nd Vice President
Mr. F. C. Dennehy	3rd Vice President
Mr. Ed. J. Flath	Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Alice Leibforth	Recording Secretary
Mr. Floyd Smith	Treasurer

The meetings are held in the Colonial Room of the Hotel Nelson and are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

At the present time they have approximately seventy members and were a year old June 26th.

--CONVENTION NEWS--

--RACINE--

The Belle City Stamp Club is working on early arrangements for the 1949 State Convention. The convention will be held in the spacious Hotel Racine with its fine accommodations, located in downtown Racine, overlooking Lake Michigan and in the busiest section of the city. The date reserved is the first week-end in May.

for the coming year:

President	Mr. J. J. Bennett
1st Vice President	Mr. Karl Schmitt
2nd Vice President	Mr. T. J. Schmitt
3rd Vice President	Mr. F. J. Schmitt
4th Vice President	Mr. J. J. Schmitt
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Alice Schmitt
Recording Secretary	Mr. J. J. Schmitt
Treasurer	Mr. J. J. Schmitt

The meeting was held in the Colonial Room at the Hotel Nelson and was held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. At the present time they have a membership of seventy members and are a real old time club.

CONVENTION NEWS

---the life---

The Belle City Stamp Club is working on early arrangements for the 1934 State Convention. The convention will be held in the Associated Hotel facing with the line and connected to the downtown section of the city. The date reserved is the first weekend in May.