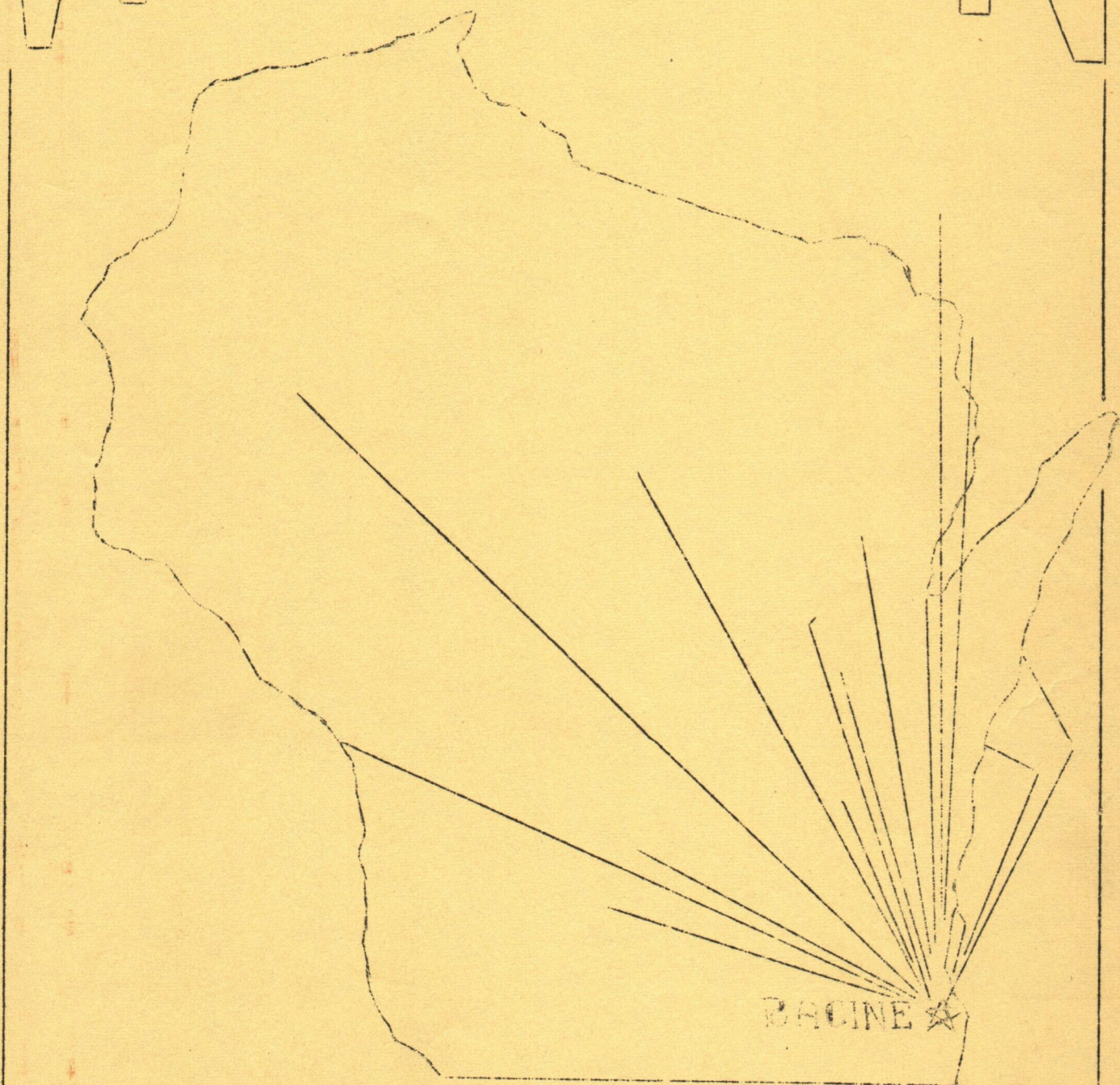


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National Representative; Edward D. Hamilton, 118 W. Lincoln Ave,
Oshkosh.

Our most sincere thanks to the Outagamie Philatelic Society
for all their efforts and hard work, in making the 23rd.
annual convention a great success, this convention and ex-
hibition will long be remembered as being outstanding,
certainly a good job, well done.

Are there any members of your club, that would be willing
to attend a meeting of a neighbouring club and appear on
their program? if so, will you be so good and advise your
Federation Secretary of this, giving him the information
of the subject matter which you would like to present, etc.

Attention Federation Members; we wish to make every attempt
to present reader interest in the bulletins which we edit
and present to you. To do this we must seek your cooper-
ation, that you send us your club news, and if you issue
a club publication, be sure and let us have a copy.

NATIONAL STAMP COLLECTORS WEEK* Nov. 15 to 21st,
theme "the life and times of Abraham Lincoln" the 16th
President of our country. This is in keeping with the
fact that on Nov. 19th the Post Office Department will
issue a new Lincoln four cent stamp. Know that your club
members have suitable material that could be used to make
up frames, exhibit the frames at your local library, bank
lobby etc. Bring the hobby before the public, as well
as your club.

STAMPS FOR THE WOUNDED.

It costs so little, and means so much
to this unfortunate group., so please
do not let them down.

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Minutes of the meeting of the 23rd Annual Convention and Exhibition of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, held at the Knights of Pythias Hall at Appleton, Wis. May 15th, 1954.

Presiding Officers:

President - Stanley Kresal, Vice President - Fred W. Noske,
Secretary-Treasurer - Lyle Hobbs.

President Kresal called the meeting to order at 2:50 P. M. with a message of welcome to all delegates and visitors. Roll call was taken and showed the following Clubs represented:

Temple Stamp Club	Outagamie Philatelic Soc.
Manitowoc Philatelic Soc.	Green Bay Philatelic Soc.
Sheboygan Stamp Club	Lindquist Stamp Club
Wis. Postal History Soc.	Wauwatosa Philatelic Soc.
Collectors Club of Fond Du Lac	Collectors' Club of West Bend
Belle City Stamp Club	Oshkosh Philatelic Soc.
Madison Stamp Club	Rex Philatelic Soc.
Waupaca Philatelic Soc.	Badger Precancel Soc.
Fond Du Lac Philatelic Soc.	American Topical Assn.
Milwaukee Philatelic Soc.	Wood Veterans' Hospital Club

The minutes of the 1953 annual meeting held at Big Cedar Lake, Wis. were read. Corrections -- the words A. P. S. Charter Chapter should be changed to read A. P. S. Chapter. Also officers reports were not included. (These reports principally concerned club visits and promotion) The election of officers was also left out. The 1953 meeting showed the following officers elected: President Stanley Kresal, Vice President Fred Noske, Secretary Treasurer Lyle Hobbs, Arthur Schmitz Northern Regional Vice President, Lorelle Wolf, S. W. Regional Vice President, Carl Light, S. E. Regional Vice President and Edward D. Hamilton National Representative to the Nat. Fed. of Stamp Clubs. The Treasurer's report was read and approved. Balance on hand \$51.24.

A letter of Congratulations was read from Clarence Cary who was unable to be present. Mr. Horace Poole read a letter inviting the members to attend the meeting of the Trans-Mississippi Society.

President Kresal reported on his Federation activities and club visits. His report was highlighted with information concerning the Executive meeting held in Appleton at the request of the Outagamie Philatelic Society to discuss arrangements for the 23rd annual Exhibition and Convention. A short discussion followed. Vice President Fred Noske reported on his visits to seven neighboring clubs.

S. E. Reg. Vice Pres. Carl Light reported on his promotional activities in bringing Lake County Philatelic Soc. into the Fed.

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National Rep. to the National Federation of Stamp Clubs Edward Hamilton reported that he had some correspondence with the Postmaster General regarding future U. S. stamps. He proposed stamps as follows: George Eastman, Religion on Stamps: and Religion Fights Communism.

Your Secretary reported one new member club -- Lake County Philatelic Society and the deletion of the Milwaukee Airmail Society. The following clubs were arrears in dues as of the start of the business meetings: Wisconsin Chapter - American Topical Society, Eau Claire Phil. Soc., Escanaba Phil. Soc., So. Milwaukee Phil. Soc., Y. M. C. A. Boys' Club.

Motion made by E. Franzel that current copies of the W.F.S.C. Constitution with all up-to-date revisions be mimeographed and a supply sent to each paid-up member clubs. Motion seconded. Vote unanimous.

A proposed slate of officers was sent to your secretary by the Oshkosh Philatelic Society. The slate was read to the delegates assembled. A separate vote for each office was taken, and in each case the rules were suspended and the proposed officers were given a unanimous vote.

The following slate of officers was elected:

President Odin Christenson Oshkosh
Vice President Fred W. Noske Milwaukee
Secretary-Treasurer Charles J. Peirce Oshkosh
Northern Reg. V. P. Art Schmitz Eau Claire
Southwestern Reg. V. P. Lorelle A. Wolf Madison
Southeastern Reg. V. P. Carl Light Milwaukee
National Federation Rep. Edward Hamilton Oshkosh

Motion made by E. J. Franzel and seconded by Burleigh Jacobs that the new secretary purchase a W.F.S.C. minute book of suitable grade and make-up as a permanent record of annual business meeting minutes -- past, present and future. Minutes of previous meetings to be redorded from the Bulletins in the Federation files. Motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by E. Franzel and seconded by E. Hamilton that future stationery of the Federation carry the notation that the Federation is a member of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs and a life member of the American Philatelic Society. Motion carried.

A motion was made that a unanimous vote of THANKS be extended the Outagamie Philatelic Society for the efforts expended in making possible a most successful convention. Motion carried. The Belle City Stamp Club extended an invitation to the W.F.S.C. to hold its 24th convention at Racine. No further invitations were presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Belle City invitation. Motion carried. There being no further business motion made and seconded for adjournment. Carried. Respectfully submitted, Lyle A. Hobbs, Sec.

RIBBONS, not cards; we would like to have the opinion of the member clubs in regard to awarding ribbons, instead of cards, the ribbons to be of conventional color, which would designate the prize winning frames. This will enable the visitors, as well as the members to more readily identify the frames. A blue ribbon winner is a happy person, be it for an exhibit of a cake, cow, or stamps. Let us hear from you on this.

Oshkosh Philatelic Society news etc.

The new elected officers;
President- Edward D. Hamilton,
Vice Pres- Herbert Burgett,
Sec'y.- Harold Meetz,
Treas.- Joseph Damon.

1955 will be the 25th Anniversary of this club, many plans are being made for suitable programs etc. to celebrate the occasion. Visitors are always welcome to all meetings, at a recent meeting there were visitors from the Sheboygan club and the Fond du Lac club, this indicates a good neighbor gesture.

All meetings, except when food is served, is held at the club room of the First National Bank. Meetings on the first Tuesday and third Monday of each month.

Oshkosh Philatelic Society Ladies Auxiliary.

President - Mrs. Charles Peirce,
Vice Pres. - Mrs. Herbert Burgett,
Sec'y. Treas. - Mrs. Ray Pfeiffer.

Charles Peirce recently gave an interesting talk before the Winnebago County Historical & Archaeology Society. He spoke on the subject "The trials and tribulations of the early mail carriers". Mr. Peirce has devoted a great deal of time and effort to gain authentic knowledge and material on this interesting matter,

Waupaca Philatelic Society.

Mr. & Mrs. Alton Hanson attended the A.P.S. convention at San Francisco, Mr. Hanson is the Regional Governor of this national organization.

Ronald Terrell the president of the W.P.S. also attended this convention, he is also making an extended tour of the western states.

Money making business;-;-; we call to the attention of all the club presidents to bring up under new business, that your club advertise in the next bulletin in the form of Christmas greetings. COST- one whole page, send along \$5.00 and proof of adv, we did this before and will do it again. For individuals one-half page for \$2.50, combine your greetings, with advs. of what you have to sell, or wish to buy.
Dead line on this is December 1st.

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HISTORY OF THE BELLE CITY STAMP CLUB RACINE, WISCONSIN

The Belle City Stamp Club as it now is known was organized in 1932 by a small group of stamp collectors principally from the downtown area of Racine and was then known as the Racine Stamp Club, with John E. Christensen as temporary President.

The first duly elected President was Edward Gertz with meetings being held in the physical examination room of the Y. M. C. A., a very small room on the second floor of the Y, generally cluttered up with any and all sorts of things, including old boxes and crates and a decrepit piano bench, these served as seats for those gathering. Later the club graduated to larger quarters in the Y and have met there ever since except for some of the summer meetings.

Two years later the official name "Belle City Stamp Club" was adopted, and a Constitution and By-Laws drawn up to govern the club. In a period of two years the club grew from 12 members to 36. During this year the club joined the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, attending annual conventions and exhibitions. In 1938 Racine was the host to Crown Prince Frederick and Princess Ingrid of Denmark and the Belle City Club sponsored a special Cachet in honor of their visit here. In 1939 the Racine club was awarded the 1940 State Convention and was held on May 3-4-5, 1940. The convention proved a complete success from all points. From 1941 to 1946 (war years) the club continued to carry on with curtailed activity. The club continued to grow to a membership of 63. In 1948 the club again gave consideration for holding another state convention in Racine. At the State Convention held in Oshkosh, 1948, Racine was awarded the 1949 State Convention and immediately started preparations for the 1949 Convention. A special cacheted cover of Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln monument was issued by the club as a special feature. The statue is located in East Park in Racine, donated to the City of Racine by Lena Rosewall and the sculptor was Frederick C. Hibbard.

The present membership is 49 senior members and 4 Juniors. The club meets on the first and third Fridays of every month at the YMCA. The club also has local exhibits every year and at present has some exhibits at the annual Hobby Show at Wustum Museum in Racine. The Club has had projects during National Stamp Collectors Week to help promote the hobby. The present officers are: Don Latshaw, President, Ray Wuerker, Vice-President and Secretary Raymond Wood.

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It is of interest to note that this year marks the 58th anniversary of the establishment of the P. O. Dep't. rural delivery service, today more than 32,000 R.F.D. routes serve about 32 million patrons. A large number of the small post offices are being discontinued, as a measure of economy. Why not collect the last day post marks from some of these post offices? they will be items that will become valuable for future Postal History.

 Program material for members of National Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inc.

35 MM. slides. (Prepared by Pierrepont E. Sperry)

Title	No. slides	Notes by
Washington-Franklin Issues 1908-22	95	Gene Higgin
U.S. Comm. stamps of 1901-32.	100	Stephen G. Rich
Penny Black of 1840	60	Major H.S. Burrell
Story of the Christmas Seal	41	Elmer R. Long

16 MM. Silent Films.

Courtesy of Direction Generale Des Postes Telegraphs et Telephones - Berne, Switzerland.

Photogravure process of printing Swiss stamps, Reel 1.
 1300 feet.

Steel engraved process of printing Swiss stamps Reel 11.
 1300 feet.

16 MM. Sound films.

Stagecoach of the Stars. 590 ft. reel. Made available through courtesy of Canadian Post Office Dep't. Traces history of posts from early days of transport of mail by plane.

United Nations. 500 ft. reel. Made available through courtesy of United Nations Postal Administration. Deals with designing and manufacture of its postage stamps.

16 MM. Sound Non-Philatelic Films.

(Courtesy of pictorial branch of the O. P. L. Department of defense. Although non-philatelic, deal with subject of interest to stamp collectors.)

Japan Logistical command. 700 ft. reel. Showing main operations of this command.

Fighting lady speaks. 350 ft. reel. Aircraft carrier and her complement off shores of Korea.

33 1/3 RPM Phonograph record.

Side 1, Meditations in miniature--Cardinal Spellman.

Side 11. Therapeutic value of stamp collecting--

Charles H. Lowman, M. D.

Above discussions were prepared for broadcasting purposes during N.T.S.C. Convention in Washington, 1950. So much interest has been shown in the talks that they have been combined on a phonograph disc for use at stamp club meetings. For reserving the use of this recording 50¢ should accompany request to cover postage and wrapping charges.

Postman of the skies: 500ft. reel, 16 mm. sound-color. Courtesy Bell Aircraft Corp. The helicopter serving as an aerial postman. as it delivers mail from the airport to the Chicago post office and thence to suburban points for further distribution.

All films and slides are available free, except for transportation charges. To reserve any a club;

Must Be a currently paid-up member of the N.F.S.C.
Must Be certain that it has the proper projection material at its disposal for they are responsible for any damage to material while in their possession.

If any of the Federation member clubs are interested, to become a member of the NFSC, also in obtaining the use of any of the aforesaid films etc. we wish that you contact our National representative; Mr. Edward D. Hamilton, who can give you full details regarding these matters.

WISCONSIN POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Directors elected at the May 16th meeting of the society;

Clarence Cary, Milwaukee, 4 years.
Lorelle Wolf, Madison, 3 years
Burleigh Jacobs, Wauwatosa, 2 years.
George Crowell, 1 year.

Officers;

President, Roland Hustis, Milwaukee,
Vice Pres; Ray Wood, Racine,
Sec'y. Treas; Ray Van Handel, Sheboygan.

Your Stamp Club Can Help.

The Lake County Philatelic Society of Florida at its regular meeting on September 14 adopted the following Resolution.

"WHEREAS the sale and distribution of labels issued in simulation of Postage Stamps is deemed detrimental to the welfare of both the hobbyist and the professional philatelist, be it therefor,

"RESOLVED, THAT THE Lake County Philatelic Society does hereby condemn the production and distribution of any and all labels issued in simulation of postage stamps which are at present being offered, or may be offered and sold as postage stamps by many dealers.

"WE FURTHER PETITION that the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs adopt a similar resolution and publicize all such issues of alleged postage stamps".

Your stamp club can help. Ask your club to adopt the above resolution, after adoption, if your club is a branch of any of the National societies send it in and ask your parent organization to adopt the resolution. We shall be glad to hear from every society which adopts this resolution.

For further information on this resolution, contact our National representative, Mr. Edw. D. Hamilton.

ATTENTION all clubs; will you be so good and mail at once to your secretary Mr. Charles Peirce, a list of the officers of your club, also include the dates of club meetings, and where the meetings are held. We must have this information in order that we may know to send the bulletins to, and any correspondence that we may have with your club,

Green Bay Philatelic Society.

President; Rev. Jos. W. Jansen, 406 W. Grant St, West De Pere.
Vice Pres; H. J. Robitshek, 1415 Emilie St, Green Bay.
Sec. Treas; Fred A. Stimpson, 431 George St, Green Bay
Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Meet in the homes of the different members.

Belle City Stamp Club.

The above club of Racine host club for the 1955 Convention and Exhibition of the WFSC.
The dates for this event will be April 29-30 and May 1, 1955.
Mr. Raymond Wood, Secy. 1011 Yout St., Racine, Wis.

It has been suggested by one of the Federation member clubs, that the Federation purchase a projector, which could be loaned to the clubs, to be used at club meetings for showing films, slides etc. Would your club be favorable to this? would like to hear from you.

Your stamp club can help. Ask your club to accept the above
resolution, after adoption, if your club is a member of
any of the National societies send it to and ask your parent
organization to adopt the resolution. It shall be given to
them from every society which accepts this resolution.

For further information on this resolution, contact our
National representative, Mr. J. D. Harrison.

RESOLUTION All clubs; will you be so good and mail at once
to your secretary Mr. Charles Porter, a list of the officers
of your club, also include the dates of club meetings, and
more the meetings are held. We must have this information
in order that we may know to send the bulletins to, and any
correspondence that we may have with your club.

Thank you for this letter Society.

President: Rev. J. W. Tanner, 405 W. Grand St., West De Pere.
Vice Pres: Mr. J. Robinson, 1415 Main St., Green Bay.
Sec. Treas: Fred A. Simpson, 411 George St., Green Bay.
Let on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Let in the names of
the different members.

Helio City Stamp Club.

The above club of Helio host club for the 1935 Convention
and Exhibition of the U.S.S.
The dates for this event will be April 29-30 and May 1, 1935.
Mr. Raymond Cook, Secy. 1011 York St., Racine, Wis.

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that the Federation purchase a protector, this could be loaned
to the club, to be used at club meetings for showing films,
slides etc. Would your club be favorable to this? Would like
to hear from you.