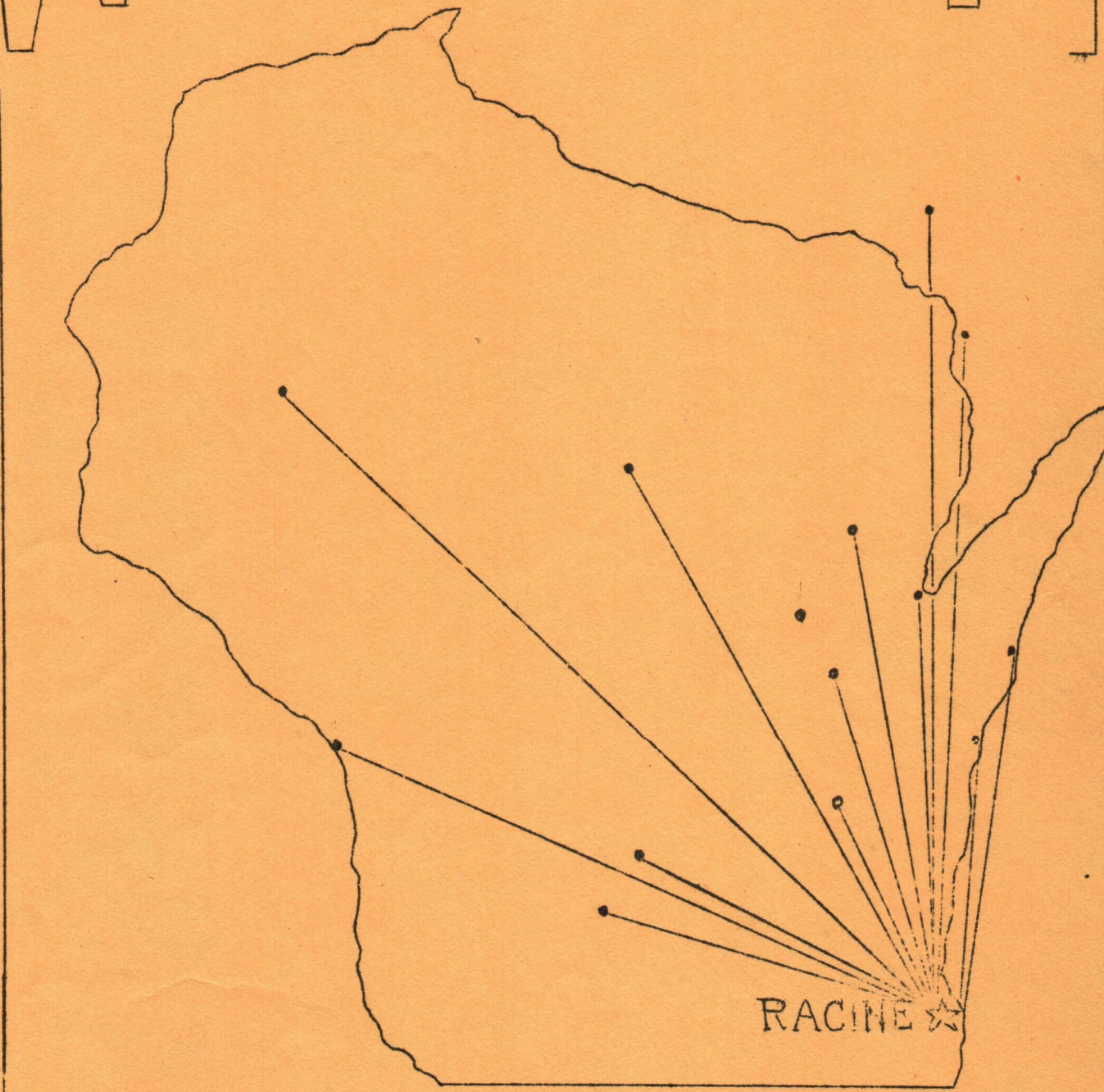


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FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS



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DOINGS OF THE CLUBS

COLLECTORS CLUB OF FOND DU LAC. An election of officers was held recently and the following officers were elected: President, Ray T. Atchison R. F. D. 3, Box 223-A, Fond du Lac. Vice President Ray W. Friess, 530 West Second St., Fond du Lac. Secretary and Treasurer William J. Kaiser, 500 South Marr Street, Fond du Lac.

MILWAUKEE PHILATELIC SOCIETY. On March 1st a Quiz Night was held with some interesting questions and answers being given. Carl Light, Southeastern Regional Vice president was the speaker at the meeting on March 15th. April 5th will be traders night so be sure to bring along some good duplicates.

COLLECTOR'S CLUB OF WEST BEND. Meetings are held in the East Room of the West Bend Public Library, 724 Elm Street, West Bend, Wisconsin on the second and fourth Monday of each month with the exception of July and August (second Monday ONLY). Topical Collecting featured the meeting of March 14th and the speaker was Elden Hunter, president of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society. March 28th was devoted to Traders' Night and was also featured by New Members Night. On April 13th the club will have its annual Spring Banquet at Timmer's Resort Hotel. There will be an auction and the speaker will be Dr. Russel K. Bowman of Carroll College. For further details contact the secretary Mrs. Hy O. Schowalter, 510 Soth 6th Ave., West Bend.

WAUWATOSA PHILATELIC SOCIETY. This society meets at the YMCA 7525 Milwaukee Ave. On March 23rd Mr. Edward D. Hamilton, president of the Oshkosh Philatelic Society showed colored slides of many points of interest and his topic was "20,000 Miles on Two Continents". The secretary of this Society is Gertrude Newton.

SHEBOYGAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY. New officers elected at the Annual Banquet held in February include, Richard Zimmermann President, Duane Elmore, 1st vice president Robert Van Handel and Secretary Treasurer Ray Van Handel.

OUTAGAMIE PHILATELIC SOCIETY. On March 9th President Odin Christenson and Charles J. Peirce, Secretary visited this club. Mr. Christenson spoke on activities in the Federation and told about the approaching convention in Racine. Mr. Peirce presented a talk on the Commemorative stamps of western United States and showed a colored movie of many points of interest in the west. Guests from Oshkosh included Robert Roblee, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith and National Representative Edward D. Hamilton.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION AT RACINE APRIL 30TH, MAY 1ST.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER, AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION. On March 27th this club met at the home of Mrs. Clarence Smith in Racine. A trading session was in order and there was a nomination of officers for the May vote.

KENOSHA COVER CLUB. We welcome this new club into the Federation and hope that it will be a very active organization. The Kenosha Cover Club is affiliated with the Cover Collectors Circuit Club with headquarters in Waterloo, Iowa. They are chapter 4. This club was organized by John Tapley. Mrs. Sandholm and Maurice Schoepke three years ago. Their CCCC Charter was presented May 23rd, 1953 when they had ten members. To become a member one must become a member of the CCCC. The CCCC is made up of over 20,000 members through out the world. Circuits are mailed much as a chain letter to four persons in four different countries. Exchange of stamps, FDC and decorated covers is carried on among members. No dues and no admission charge to belong to the CCCC. Membership is for life. Some of the results can be shown by the fact that one member increased his collection by 14,000 covers in three years. No cost other than postage and a lot of time writing. The Kenosha Cover Club has the COURIER, a monthly paper of six or seven pages edited by John Tapley for the members. The members are sponsoring a Junior club and Schoepke, Sexton and Sandholm are the chaperons.

WEST ALLIS STAMP CLUB. Another new club to welcome into the Federation. Credit for this goes to our hard working southeastern Vice President. The officers of this club include President Elmer Sponholz, 2190 South 92nd St., West Allis, vice President Carl Skupski, 4839 South 96th St., West Allis. The office of secretary treasurer is open at the present time. The members of this club collect Netherlands, British Colonies, Hungary, Sweden, 1st day covers, airmails, Poland and Italy.

OSHKOSH PHILATELIC SOCIETY. The attendance at the meetings are getting bigger all the time during the 25th anniversary year of this active club. An auction was held at the meeting on March 1st with a very good attendance. Thirty two members and guests were on hand on March 21st to hear the Reverend Joseph Jansen of West DePere. Reverend Jansen spoke on, "Why I collect the Stamps of Netherlands and Colonies" He showed a large part of his extensive collection and the talk was enjoyed by all. The weather man was with us on this one BUT the next day WOW!!!

The big event of the season will be the TWENTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET TO BE HELD ON APRIL 17TH at the Town Grill in Oshkosh. Reservations are coming in fast and we urge all those who plan on attending to send in their reservations as soon as possible.

Sixty five frames were on display all during the month of March at the Public Museum and attendance was unusually high. Many out of town visitors were able to come and see the stamps and covers. Many of these frames will be shown at Racine.

THE CONVENTION AT RACINE WILL BE HELD AT THE YWCA. COME EARLY.

LAKE COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS. We received a very nice letter from Mrs. Eva Herod, the treasurer who tells us that they will have an Exhibition at the Masonic Temple on April 22-23-and 24th. A banquet will be held on the next day at the Elks Club.

BELLE CITY STAMP CLUB. News from Don Latshaw: Mr. Carl Light. Southeastern Regional Vice President of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, was the guest speaker at the Belle City Stamp Club meeting of March 4th. His subject was "Washington on Stamps". Altho he did not mention it Carl and his good wife have travelled over a good part of the country so that he could view the source material personally. His talk was enjoyed by all present and a fine period of stamping followed with an occasional interruption for some of Harold Gressing's famous coffee.

Convention plans are beginning to bear fruit and things are shaping up fine. Already we have had to turn down enough reservations for bourse tables to supply another convention. We feel that at a convention the bourse should be big enough to allow the public a good choice but should also be small enough to allow the dealers to do a fair business for the time that they spend at their tables.

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Be sure to elect delegates and alternates for the business session of the convention. We would also like to urge that your club bring along a slate of names for new officers of the Federation.

There are a very few clubs that have not sent in their dues and we would like to have them take care of this soon. We hope that you will cooperate so that the secretary treasurer can have a complete report made before the convention session. We wish to thank all of the clubs that have sent in their dues to date.

Your present officers wish to extend a great big THANK YOU to all of the club members who contributed to the well being of the Federation during the past year. For the future good of the Federation we would like to suggest that each club appoint one member to keep in touch with the new Federation officers. Be sure to send a program if your club publishes one. We think that every club will make more progress if a program is laid out for the entire year and a program printed. The cost is small and the benefits are well known by all of the clubs that follow this plan. Thanks again and we will look for you at the Convention in Racine.

REMEMBER THE DATES OF THE CONVENTION ARE APRIL 30TH AND MAY 1ST. HEADQUARTERS WILL BE AT THE YWCA AND THE HOTEL RACINE. HOTEL IS LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF SIXTH AND MAIN STREETS.

TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION

WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

1955 Exhibition Awards

No classification or point system will be used and the decision of the three Judges will be final.

LIMIT CLASS

First Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Second Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Third Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon

OPEN CLASS

Best in the Show President's Award Trophy and Ribbon
(First Grand Award winner in the Limit class to compete with entrants in the Open class for Best in the Show)

SPECIAL AWARDS

Bureau Issues Association Award for the best entry of 20th Century United States.

The American Philatelic Society Medal for the best display showing the greatest amount of research by an APS member.

The H. E. Harris \$10.00 Merchandise Award for the best single frame entry.

JUNIOR AWARDS

In each of the three Junior divisions the following awards:

First Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Second Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Third Award	Ribbon
Fourth Award	Ribbon

JUNIOR SPECIAL AWARDS

Next five best entries regardless of age group will receive Ribbon and \$2.00 H. E. Harris Merchandise certificate.

LIMIT CLASS FOR SENIORS.

In addition to the three Grand Awards mentioned above there will also be the following awards:

Next nine best	First Award Ribbons
Next nine best	Second Award Ribbons
Next nine best	Third Award Ribbons
Next nine best	Fourth Award Ribbons

TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION

WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

1966 Exhibition Awards

No classification or point system will be used and the decision of the three judges will be final.

LIMIT CLASS

First Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Second Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon
Third Grand Award	Trophy and Ribbon

OPEN CLASS

Best in the Show
(First Grand Award) Winner in the Limit class to compete with
entrance in the Open class for Best in the Show

SPECIAL AWARDS

Bureau of Census Association Award for the best entry of 20th Century
United States
The American Philatelic Society Medal for the best display
showing the greatest amount of research by an A.S. member
The H. E. Leland \$10.00 Merchandise Award for the best single
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