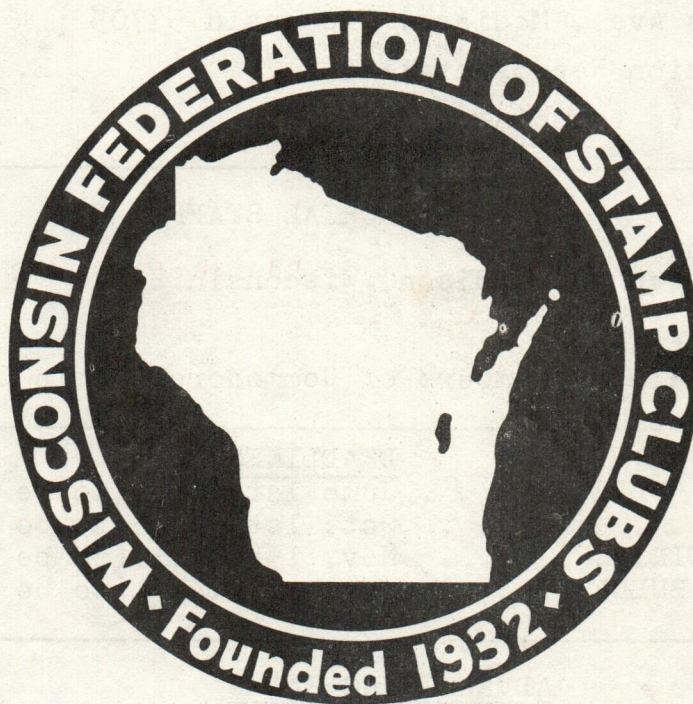


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is good news and there is bad news in Federation land. First to the bad. I received a letter from John Taddy of the Lakeshore Stamp Club at Two Rivers that they cannot find a suitable convention site in either Two Rivers or Manitowoc at this time. Possibilities may open up for another year, but this year is out.

So we do not have a convention site. We should meet next May and plans must be finalized shortly or we will be in trouble. How about some action from some of the clubs. We haven't been up to the Fox Valley or Marinette for quite awhile. Can't one of the six clubs come up with something? Or how about the eight or one of the eight in the Milwaukee area coming through with a bid. We need a site and need it soon! If we receive no firm commitment by the first of November, there will be no 1975 Convention. Please try to get us something to go on.

Now forward to the good news. I'm having a good time visiting some of the clubs and attending some of the shows in the state. Naturally, my first visit was to one of my own clubs, the Janesville Club. Preble meeting followed a week later. Then came the LAPEX Show at Two Rivers. This was a fine local show and the Club is to be congratulated for their fine effort, in spite of competition from the band festival. In July I managed to visit an informal meeting of the Northshore Philatelic Society of Milwaukee.

September saw your president in Germany and attending a meeting of the Preble Chapter. The USCS Annual Convention was in Germany and almost half (Three) of the Preble members went. By the time that this is published, we hope to have visited the Wausau Philatelic Exhibition, DANEPEX, and TOSAPEX. I am very sorry that a USCS Board Meeting in Connecticut interfered with WALCOPEX.

I shall try to visit other shows in the State, tentative plans for the La Crosse Stamp Club Exhibition in November. I will also try to visit a number of the clubs in the state. I may not be able to announce my visit in advance, but will try to catch many club meetings.

I have met with some success in three other projects and have filed separate stories on other pages of the Bulletin. These include the formation of a Revenue Collector Study Group, a Speaker's Bureau, and a good start with the group developing school materials.

A current project requires action from each and every club of the Federation. Secretary La Rita mailed out copies of the proposed constitutional amendments as presented by the Milwaukee Philatelic Society. These must be acted upon within 60 days (September & October). The Constitution says "An affirmative vote by two-thirds of all member clubs shall ratify the Amendment." That means we need twenty one 'yes' votes. If you fail to vote, you are voting NO. These proposals are also listed in the Post Convention Bulletin.

As your president, I would recommend the adoption of these proposals. First, they provide a slate of officers, with competition, will be presented to the delegates at the annual assembly. Second, they provide for some continuity with some officers serving for two years and one being elected on alternate years. If your club has not acted upon the

proposals, do so before October 24th. Send your vote to La Rita Longseth, 417 Wilson Street, Sun Prairie, WI 53590. Do it NOW.

Vice President Owen Davidson sent me the questionnaires received from you by him last spring. Nineteen of the 31 clubs responded. They represented a good cross section of the Federation. They did seem in part critical of our past regional vice presidents. Two-thirds reported not seeing their regional vice-president over the past year and one half. I hope that our present vice-presidents will improve this record. Several clubs indicated speakers available, but did not indicate that they had the approval of the speaker. The clubs also indicated that the programs on the club level were varied and interesting. Requests for help came in the areas of suggested programs, research, spring/fall meetings, training of judges, information on programs, procedure for getting exhibition frames, provide help in writing philatelic articles, and more work with APS. The most popular Federation aid was the Bulletin. (Phil take a bow.)

Congratulations are in order. The Milwaukee Philatelic Society will celebrate their 75th Anniversary with a banquet at the Red Carpet Inn. This is a fine record. I hope that the Society will have another 75 prosperous years. I am looking forward to attending the banquet. Congratulations on 75 fine years of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society.

With the exception of a Convention site, we are off to a good start. We hope things will continue to improve.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard C. Koeppen, WFSC President

SHOW DATES

- October 19-20, 1974.....WALCOPEX '74, sponsored by Walworth County Stamp Club, Activity Building, Walworth County Fairgrounds, Elkhorn, Wi. Hours: 9 am to 9 pm
- November 9, 1974.....DANEPEX, sponsored by Madison and Badger Stamp Clubs, Thorstad Chevrolet, 1702 South Park St., Madison, Wi. Hours: Sat. 10 am to 8 pm. Sun 10 am to 5pm.
- November 9, 1974.....UWMPSEX '74, 3rd annual exhibition of U.W.M. Philatelic Society, Northridge Shopping Center's Community Room, 76th & Brown Deer Road, Milwaukee, Wi. Hrs: 9 am to 9 pm
- November 9-10, 1974.....LACROSSE STAMP CLUB EXHIBITION and bourse, Southside Senior Citizens Center, 12th & Denton Streets, La Crosse, Wi. Hrs: Sat. 9-8, Sun. 10-6 pm.
- November 15-16, 1974.....PHILATELIC "MINI-SHOW", sponsored by Waukesha County Philatelic Society, Waukesha Public Library (additional information in Club News in this issue of your BULLETIN)

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November 23 & 24, 1974.....S.U.P.E.X., 43rd annual Exhibition and Bourse of Suburban Collectors Club of Chicago, Illinois, Sokol Brookfield Hall 3909 Prairie, Brookfield, Ill., Hours: 10 am -10 pm on Sat; 10 am -5pm Sun.

March 7,8,& 9, 1975.....MILCOPEX '75, annual exhibition of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society, Plankinton House Hotel, downtown Milwaukee. (More details in Show News in this BULLETIN issue)

???????????????, 1975.....WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS EXHIBITION.....We need a host club or clubs! Won't your club come forward with a time and place soon?

REVENUE STUDY GROUP

At the suggestion of E. F. Vilter of the Northshore Philatelic Society, a meeting was held at the Vilter home in Milwaukee. Besides the host, E. F. Vilter; Dan Rhodes, John Benson, Bob Lackner, David Baerris, Ned Lawrence, Gene Bock, and your president attended. We had an interesting informal meeting at the Vilter home, then dinner at Pandl's Inn followed by a Northshore Philatelic Society meeting.

The group decided to continue sessions. The next one is scheduled for Madison WI on Wednesday, 6th November. It will start with a 6:30 dinner at the Cuba Club and then meet at Ned Lawrence's home, at 521 Eugenia Ave. In order to know how large a dining room we will need, please write to Ned before November 1. Anyone interested in Revenues is welcome to attend. The dinner is 'dutch treat'.

We hope to meet three times a year, once at the Convention, once in Milwaukee and once in Madison. If other areas would like to host a meeting, try an invitation to the group. Your president is acting as liason person for the group.

Plan to attend the November meeting if you are interested in Revenues. Send Ned your reservation NOW.

*Plan now to mail your clubs
Christmas ad! Prices are on the inside
cover of this Bulletin.*

ACCENT ON YOUTH

The latest "Kick", in the W.F.S.C., seems to be an accent on youth. This is all well and good. I would like to suggest, although I am not an expert, several other ways in which you or your club can approach this problem.

The postal service has provided us with a lot of expensive advertizing, in their offices and on television. We should get on this "bandwagon" right now and take advantage of the U.S.P.S. The U.S.P.S. has beginner stamp collecting kits at a moderate price. These are the kits they are "pushing" on TV.

Mount a few of the stamps from the kit, along with a simple "write-up", to show what can be done. Ask your local library if they would put this on display along with an invitation to come to one of your club meetings.

Contact your local Boy and Girl Scout leaders and suggest that you would be interested in presenting a short talk on stamp collecting. Both of these organizations offer a merit badge on "stamp collecting". In fact, offer your services to help these young people to attain and pass their test. These two groups also welcome someone more expert to give these tests.

The YMCA and YWCA often have hobby groups and may just be looking for a volunteer. The same display you used in the library may also be welcomed, for display, at one of the Y's.

Instead of approaching the head of the State's school system, try writing to a local Junior High School principal. Offer to give a talk to the seventh and eighth grade students. In every case, invite the youth to attend your local club's meeting.

If you are lucky enough to have some young people in your club, gear part of each program to the youths. Your "junk" stamps will keep the young people interested and happy. Conduct a little school, along with your other club activities. They will appreciate getting off on the right foot. I have heard so many stories from fellow club members how their first attempts were wasted efforts. I'll treat this subject to greater detail later on.

I have one more suggestion, first, on another source or search for youth and that is through church youth organizations. You may be able to come with a few more, if you would give it some thought.

In Neenah, we have a youth group known as the Boys' Brigade, which has a portion of their program geared toward hobby activities. I have been a leader of the "Boys' Brigade Stamp Club" for eight years. I have found that the greatest interest, in stamp collecting, is for young people in the seventh and eighth grades. We meet every Monday evening from October through April. The first portion of each meeting is devoted to classroom teaching. This is followed by a question and answer period and the balance of the meeting is helping with their albums. Stamps are provided at a small cost or for free. I did not undertake this mission to make money, nor will I lose money. A person can more readily appreciate the worth of stamp collecting if it's conducted properly. Every fifth program is a ten question quiz. This will prove if you're getting your ideas across and, also, the amount of interest each person has in your program. At the end of the full term

program, an award is given to the outstanding stamp collector.

A program, similar to this, can be planned in your club to aid the youth in getting off on the right foot. The following is a list of suggested program ideas. They may seem simple minded to you, but I have found, that it must be done to get off on the right foot. Several of these ideas can be put together in one meeting night.

1. How to cut a stamp from the envelope.
2. How to soak a stamp off the paper.
3. How to dry the stamp.
4. How to hinge a stamp.

This may sound almost simple minded to you, but, I know that many beginners do not follow these simple practices.

5. What kind of album?
6. Catalogs and how to use them.
7. What should I collect?
8. Other kinds of mounting practices.
9. Try to purpose in your collecting habits.
10. Be alert - Use your eyes.
11. Tools of the trade.
12. Separation, Perforation
13. How to measure a stamp
14. Cut squares - Entires
15. First Day Covers
16. Approvals, Packets and Mixtures
17. Tour of the Post Office
18. Auctions
19. Writing up an exhibit
20. Stamp shows and exhibits

You can enlarge on this, or simplify it. It may surprise you to find that many of us old timers can still learn or may be able to teach us some old tricks.

Teaching sessions should not be a "drag", should not be too long and should be injected with a little humor.

Helen Haensgen, of the Cudahy Stamp Club, wrote a series of articles for the W.F.S.C. Bulletin which were really helpful in my program planning. I often wondered if any more than ten members really read her work.

John Taddy is now writing a series of articles and I commend him for it, I know that we have other good members who are really active with the youth. They are promoting our hobby so that one day your stamps may have additional value. If you will think about that you will come to realize that if no one else took an interest in our hobby, your stamps would be worthless bits of paper. I hope that I have planted the seed that will start us off on the youth crusade we have talked about at the last two W.F.S.C. Conventions.

Ralph O. Hoffmann
President, Outagamie Philatelic Soc.

WFSC CLUB ROSTER (1974-75)

Please send mail to the listed mailing address rather than c/o the meeting place as much of this mail often times gets misplaced! The following listing is as up-to-date as your BULLETIN Editor's correspondence with your club. Please check your club listing carefully and mail any changes or corrections to the Editor. The address is Philip Rose, 1706 Ellen Ave., Madison, Wisconsin 53716.

AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION, WISCONSIN CHAPTER #5

3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm (No July or August meeting). Citizens' Office of First National Bank, 37th St. & Villard Ave., Milwaukee.
Mail: c/o Art Petri, 4620 N. 41st St., Milwaukee, Wi 53209

BADGER STAMP CLUB

1st & 3rd Sat., 2pm, Bethany Methodist Church, 3910 Mineral Point Road, Madison.

BELLE CITY STAMP CLUB

1st Thurs., 7 pm, Wustum Museum, 2519 Northwestern Ave., Racine, Wi
Mail: c/o Bruce Nelson, 5826 Sunset Blvd., Racine, Wi 53406

COMMODORE PREBLE CHAPTER, USCS

2nd Saturday monthly at Member's homes.
Mail: La Rita Longseth, 417 Wilson St., Sun Prairie, Wi 53590

CUDAHY STAMP CLUB

1st Thur., 7 pm, First National Bank of Cudahy, 5656 S. Packard Ave., Cudahy, Wi. (downstairs meeting room).
Mail: 3707 E. Grange Ave, Cudahy, Wi 53110.

FOND DU LAC PHILATELIC COLLECTORS CLUB

1st Tues. & 3rd Thurs., Lincoln School, 338 Forest Ave., Fond du Lac, Wi
Mail: Ray Schmitz, 195 Marquette St., Fond du Lac, Wi 54935

GREEN BAY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm, YMCA, Pine & Jefferson Sts., Green Bay, Wi
Mail: 1641 Bruce Lane, Green Bay, Wi 54303

JANESVILLE STAMP CLUB

1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm, Janesville Chamber of Commerce.
Mail: 1930 E. Racine St., Janesville, Wi 53545

LA CROSSE STAMP CLUB

1st Mon. (monthly) & 3rd Tues. (Sept.-May), 7 pm, Southside Senior Citizens Center, 12th & Denton, La Crosse, Wi

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB

3rd Sat., Sept-June; 3rd Mon 7 pm, June-Aug., Joseph Mann Library, 1516 16th St., Two Rivers, Wisconsin
Mail: P.O. Box 265, Two Rivers, Wi 54241

MADISON STAMP CLUB

1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm, Employees' Cafeteria, Methodist Hospital, 309 W. Washington Ave., Madison, Wi
Mail: Dr. Walter Urben, M.D., 1219 Wellesley Rd., Madison, Wi 53705

MANITOWOC PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Tues., Cabin #1, Lincoln Park, Manitowoc, Wi

Mail: Mrs. William Wagner, Sec., Rte 1, Box 79A, Cato, Wi 54206

MILWAUKEE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Sat., & 4th Tues., Hotel Plankinton, North Plankinton & West

Mail: P.O. Box 1980, Milwaukee, Wi 53201

NORTHSHORE PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF MILWAUKEE

2nd Monday monthly, Whitefish Bay Village Hall, 5300 N. Marlboro. Ave.

Mail: E.W. Bock, 4150 N. Newhall St., Milwaukee, Wi 53211

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL STAMP CLUB

3rd Wed., Members' homes.

Mail: Mrs. Gloria J. Vollbrecht, Sec. NMSC, 720 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

OSHKOSH PHILATELIC SOCIETY

1st Tues., & 3rd Mon., Social Services Building, 448 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh (Enter at Northeast door)

Mail: Herbert Burgett, 615 Amherst Ave., Oshkosh, Wi 54901

OUTAGAMIE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Thurs., (Sept.-May); First National Bank, 204 W. College Ave., Appleton (Community Room, lower level).

Mail: 608 Superior St., Appleton, Wi 54911

PLYMOUTH STAMP CLUB

1st Tues., 7:30 pm, Dairy State Bank (Board Room), Plymouth, Wi

Mail: Mrs. J. Freiderichs, 5 Forest Ave., Plymouth, Wi 53073

PORTAGE COUNTY STAMP CLUB

2nd Mon., 7:00 pm, Holiday Inn, Stevens Point, Wi

Mail Mrs. Deanna Juhnke, 3701 Jordan Lane, Stevens Point, Wi 54481

QUEENS CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

3rd Tues., Recreation Building, 2916 Parkridge Ave., Marinette, Wi

Mail: 618 Hosmer St. Marinette, Wi 54143

REXNORD PHILATELIC SOCIETY

4th Thurs., 7 pm., Rex Chainbelt Inc., West Mitchell St. plant.

If you plan to attend meeting contact: Walter Jaglowski, Evergreen

4-3000, Ext. 348

SHEBOYGAN STAMP CLUB

Every other Wed., 7:30 pm, YMCA, Broughton Drive, Sheboygan, Wi

Mail: P.O. Box 907, Sheboygan, Wi 53081

SHEBOYGAN JUNIOR STAMP CLUB

Every other Mon., 6:30 pm, Mead Public Library, No. 7th & New York Aves, Sheboygan, Wi.

Mail: Vern Witt, 2422 No., 9th St., Sheboygan, Wi 53081

VATICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER #8

1st Sunday except July & Aug. 7 pm, 557 North 108th Street, Wauwatosa

Mail: 5854 North 35th St., Milwaukee, Wi 53209

WALWORTH COUNTY STAMP CLUB

2nd Wed., 7:30 pm, Matheson Library, Elkhorn, Wi
Mail: c/o Powell's Antique Shop, Elkhorn, Wi 53121

WAUWATOSA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:45 pm, Lions Club, 7336 St. James, Wauwatosa, Wi

WAUKESHA COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd & 4th Thurs., 7:30 pm, Waukesha Room, Wisconsin Building & Loan,
100 East Sunset Dr., Waukesha, Wi
Mail: Mr. James Maher, 150 Terrace Lane, Hartland, Wi 53029

WISCONSIN BLUE AND GRAY SOCIETY

Meets yearly at the WFSC Convention.
Mail: Ron Tate, P.O. Box 14, Manitowoc, Wi 54220

WISCONSIN CHRISTMAS SEAL AND CHARITY STAMP SOCIETY

Meets yearly at the WFSC Convention.

WISCONSIN POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Meets yearly at the WFSC Convention.
Mail: Harry A. Thayer, 243 Russell St., Hartford, Wi 53027

WISCONSIN VALLEY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd & 4th Wed., Marathon County Extension Center, 517 S. 7th Ave.,
Wausau, Wi
Mail: Madge Ball, Sec-Treas., 19 Wilson Ave., Rothschild, Wi 54474

WALCOPTEX '74

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SCHOOL STAMP GROUPS

In the last issue of the BULLETIN, I asked for volunteers to form a group to prepare some materials for publication and use by school groups. The results were both discouraging and encouraging. Only two people volunteered to help. But the two seem to be go-getters! We held two informal meetings and attracted two more people. Work is progressing and a third meeting is planned.

James Ronnerud of Darlington, teaching science at Gratiot, came to the Koeppen home and we worked out some ideas. These are being refined. Then on the 23rd of August your president met with Mrs. Mary Ann Bowman, President of the Waukesha Philatelic Society; James Maher, a teacher from Milwaukee; and Willard Menzel, Principal of the Hawthorne School in Waukesha. After sharing many ideas, steps were taken to get some organized writing accomplished.

Hopefully the group will meet again on 10 October in Waukesha. We will go over the work accomplished to date and continue plans to follow through on our efforts. There is still room for additional help. We need ideas in two areas. First, how do you keep juniors interested at stamp club meetings? Second, do you have any practical ideas on the use of stamp collecting in the classroom? We do have some ideas in both areas, but are open to other ideas and suggestions. Let me hear from you.

Howard C. Koeppen, President WFSC
Post Office Box 397
Rio, Wisconsin 53960

AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION RELEASE

The 50 colored stamp slide shows, an American Topical Association non-profit, educational service, are meeting with wide acceptance from civic groups, luncheon groups, church groups, youth clubs and fraternal organizations as well as from stamp clubs. With 4,5000 slides available, there is a show to appeal to any organization. Stamp collectors will find this an easy way to present a special program before non-philatelic groups.

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Full details can be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Sam Wilkinson, III, ATA Slide Librarian, P.O. Box 9914, Dallas, Texas 75214

SPEAKER BUREAU

A few years ago the suggestion of a speakers bureau for the stamp clubs of the state was investigated, but I heard only two people volunteered. This year in Vice President Owen Davidson's Report, the subject was again proposed. After a little checking, I came up with nine names. This is a start. Hope some of you experts or at least quite knowledgeable in a field will send your names and subjects to H.C.Koeppen, P.O. Box 397, Rio, Wisconsin 53960.

These people volunteered as free speakers. I'm sure they will come to almost any club in the state, but if they have to travel a considerable distance (over 25 miles) the club should consider offering expense money to the speaker.

SPEAKERS LIST

Green, Jack, Box 5157, Madison 53705, 608-238-6268

1. Space Covers
2. Judging

Jenich, Frank, 1118 S. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53215

1. Steamboat Mail
2. Mail Rates

Koeppen, Howard C, Box 397, Rio, WI 53960, 414-992-3431

1. Naval Covers
2. Getting interested in Postal History
3. Stamp Collecting (For PTA or Service Group)

Lawrence, E. G. (Ned), 521 Eugenia, Madison, WI 53705 608-233-4688

1. 24¢ stamp of 1861
2. Commems
3. Almost anything about stamps

Longseth, Martin, W., 417 Wilson St, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

1. Paquebot Markings
2. Merchant Ship Markings

Owens, Mrs. Mary Ann, P.O. Box 191, Waukesha, 414-542-1667 evenings only

1. Elephants
2. Topical Collecting & Exhibiting
3. Wisconsin Postal History
4. Blu Danube
5. Masonic Stamps

(Mary Ann also has slides on her trips to India, Germany, Belgium, Iceland, Switzerland, Sweden, and Austria. She can give any interesting informative talk on these travels.)

Rose, Philip G., 1706 Ellen, Madison, WI 53716, 608-222-9002

1. Postal History
2. Naval Covers
3. Philately of the USS Constitution
4. Judging

Vilter, E.F., 5145 N. Palisades, Milwaukee 53217, 414-962-3292

1. Revenues
2. Early Precancals

This is a start. You now have nine different speakers and twenty-four subjects. I hope that the clubs of the Federation will make some use

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of them. Also hope that some more will volunteer so that we can add to this list in the next issue.

Saw several names on the Questionnaires submitted last spring. I was afraid to include them as I was not sure that these names had been cleared for publication. I would be more than happy to include them.

FROM OUR MAIL BOX

Mr. Philip G. Rose, Editor and Friend,

Phil, it is with a very heavy heart that I write this note to you.

Our mutual friend Wilfred H. Kaufman passed away at Appleton Memorial Hospital at about 5 P.M. Monday, September 23rd. I was with his widow, Ruby and a few other members of the family the hours preceeding. My room being next to the Intensive Care unit made it possible for me to keep a close check on his progress since at that time I had already been in the hospital over two weeks and all the nurses knew of our close friendship. Unfortunately he was not able to communicate during this time.

Wilfred (Bill) will be missed by all of us in the Federation as well as at both the Oshkosh and Outagamie Chapters where he was so active. I think Ruby will continue her interests but time must play its role. I am still too weak to be allowed to attend the services today but I have been informed that several members of the Oshkosh Club will be going to Kimberly for the services.

Sincerely,
Bob Sparks

(The above letter was written on the 26th of September 1974 by Robert Sparks elected Secretary of the Oshkosh Philatelic Society. Mr. Sparks underwent open heart surgery at the Appleton Memorial Hospital on the 10th of September. At last word from the O.P.S. appointed Secretary Herbert Burgett we hear that Bob is doing very well. He will however be unable to attend the regular meetings for a few months. On behalf of the Editorial Staff and the WFSC we say, "Glad to hear that you are getting stronger each day. Our prayers are and have been with you.)

LAPEX 74 ANNOUNCES WINNERS

The winners in the Lakeshore Philatelic Exhibition on July 13 & 14 were:

GRAND AWARD: L.G. Parrish, "Fancy Canceled On US Postal Cards"

PRESIDENTS AWARD: T.W. Tomasewski "Confederate States of America, a Study of the General Issues"

BEST JUNIOR EXHIBIT: Randy Witt "British Omnibus Issues"

FIRST AWARDS: Open--Larry Swogger "Tristan Da Cunha"
Youth--John Taddy "Postrider"

Second, third and numerous honorable mention awards were presented.

"Although hot weather in "the coolest spot in Wisconsin" kept attendance low, the Lakeshore Stamp Club Hosted a very competitive exhibition" writes John Taddy in the Lakeshore Stamp Club Newsletter.

OBITUARIES:

WILFRED CARL KAUFMAN

Age 66, died Monday, September 23, 1974 at Appleton Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He was born on March 1, 1908 in Oconto Falls and was employed with Kimberly-Clark Corp. for 43 years retiring as a coating foreman. He lived most of his life in the Appleton-Kimberly area. He attended the Fox Valley Extension & was a Junior this year at the University of Wisconsin in Oshkosh.

Mr. Kaufman was a member of the Oshkosh and Appleton Philatelic Societies. He was also active with the Boy Scouts for 25 years.

Mr. Kaufman is survived by his wife and two married daughters, many friends and fellow collectors in the Oshkosh and Appleton Clubs, and by the many Federation members who read and enjoyed his fine articles in the WFSC BULLETIN.

Word was also received by your BULLETIN Staff of the deaths this past summer of two members of the Manitowoc Philatelic Society. LEE LYONS died June 21, 1974 and JACOB VLASIC died August 15, 1974. Both men were charter members of the Manitowoc Society and Mr. Lyons was the first president of the club.

The WFSC BULLETIN Editorial Staff in behalf of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, its member clubs, and members of those clubs extends a heartfelt note of sympathy to families and close friends of these men.

SHOW NEWS

The 500th anniversary of the birth of Michelangelo will be the theme for MILCOPEX 75, the annual exhibition of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society, which will be held March 7th through 9th, 1975 at the Plankinton House Hotel in downtown Milwaukee.

The Exhibition will be an open show. Exhibitors need not be members of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society to enter. Interested persons may write to MPS Exhibit, Box 1980, Milwaukee, WI 53201, for a free copy of the exhibition rules and entry blank. Art related prizes will be awarded to winning exhibits in keeping with the Michelangelo theme. A special award of Swedish glass will be presented to the best Scandinavian exhibit. The deadline for entries is January 12, 1975.

THIS ARTICLE WILL BE THE LAST OF THE FINE ARTICLES BY OUR FEDERATION MEMBER AND FELLOW COLLECTOR. BILL WAS ONE OF THE WFSC BULLETIN'S STAUNCHIST SUPPORTERS. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF US ON THE STAFF AS BY THE REST OF THE FEDERATION AND READERS OF OUR BULLETIN.

WHAT DO YOU COLLECT?

The collecting aims of different stamp collectors have always interested me. I like to know what they collect, why they collect as they do, and if their collecting interests have changed since they started the hobby.

It seems that most collectors to whom I have talked, began in one of two ways, either by collecting stamps of the whole world, or by collecting plate number blocks of the U.S. Stamps. As far as I'm concerned, I feel rather disappointed when I see a teen-ager start collecting by asking for plate blocks at the post office and storing them in an album. I say "storing" on purpose, because it seems that that is all many of them are doing, just piling them up with the intent of making money from them, and without any idea of what stamp collecting is all about.

Generally, I believe that the person who starts as a general collector gets a lot more fun out of it. The resale value of the stamps may be much more than the amount which was paid for them, but there has been a lot of fun gained along the way. I never could understand why some stamp collectors feel that they must make a profit as well as have fun from their hobby. I've never met a hunter or fisherman who felt that he needed to get enough game so that the value of it would be greater than the money he spent on his hunting and fishing trips and for his equipment. His pleasure comes from the sport, not from any hope of profit.

Now that we have a new collector, where have you found his collecting road to lead? Of those who have started as general collectors, I've found that some stay with general collecting and that others decrease the scope of their collections. Of those I have known, one cut back to U.S., one to U.S. and British Empire, one to U.S. and Canada, and one to U.S., Canada, United Nations, and Vatican. Most of those whom I have known who got a good start in general collecting have stayed with the hobby. Quite often I have seen the collections neglected during the "courting years", but they've come back after the marriage.

I have known perhaps a dozen young fellows who started out with plate block. I can only recall two of them who stayed, one as a serious U.S. collector, and one who expanded into general collecting.

I see a write-up occasionally on the results of polls of the collecting interests of topical collectors. I find them interesting. I would like to see a poll taken of interests of all stamp collectors, but then, that really would be a difficult job, because of the crossing over of interests in all directions.

I started collecting more than 40 years ago, and in that time I've seen a lot of shifting of interests. U.S. Stamps of course, has always been #1. Vatican had a great growth in popularity, then eased off. Plate block collecting increased over the years. Bureau print popularity sagged. Canada seems to have always been very popular, ranking 2nd with American collectors or close to second.

--BILL KAUFMAN

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following write up was received from the Manitowoc Philatelic Society to be used as Club News. We have taken the liberty of using the write up as an excellent example of what type articles we would hope to receive from other member clubs for use in a new series in the WFSC BULLETIN. This particular article was written because of the death of two of the charter members of the Manitowoc Club. It does however illustrate very nicely the type articles we would like to receive for a future series, "PHILATELIC HISTORY". Won't you help us get our new series off the ground by mailing us a short article on your club's beginnings and a brief history? We will be watching our mailbox, so don't let us

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MANITOWOC PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The Manitowoc Philatelic Society members mourn the recent deaths of two of its charter members. Lee Lyons, the first president, and Jacob Vlasic. Mr. Lyons died June 21, 1974 and Mr. Vlasic on August 15, 1974.

Vlasic operated a barbershop next to the 8th Street bridge and several times each month a few local stamp collectors would gather at his shop and swap stamps. Several other collectors became interested and a meeting was called on January 18th, 1932 at the Johnson Electric supply store to see if enough collectors would attend to organize a permanent stamp club.

Twenty collectors attended and they immediately decided to form the Manitowoc Philatelic Society, and elected officers. These were Lee Lyons, President; Arnold Croll, Secretary; and John Olson Treasurer.

The other charter members were Chester Anderson, Ned Brown, Percy Brandt, Walter Bahr, William Dramm, Joseph Eder, Felix Evard, George Emme, Harold Frick, Emil Hettich, Paul Danielson, Thomas Johnson, Reuben Koch, George Murphy, John Nieman, George Olson, and Jacob Vlasic.

Monthly meetings continued to be held at the Vlasic barbershop until he moved to Jay Street where the facilities soon became too small and meetings were held at various homes or at the Vocational School, public library, Wisconsin Fuel & Light Company and Manitowoc Savings Bank on 8th Street. For the past years regular meetings were held every second Tuesday of each month at cabin #1 at Lincoln Park. Here there are plenty of tables to display our collections and also kitchen facilities for special social meetings.

We have always been active participants of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs and sponsored three state conventions. One or two Manitowoc members are elected almost every year as state officers.

In order to make attendance more convenient for Two Rivers Members the Lakeshore Club at Two Rivers was organized and under the leadership of John Taddy is becoming very successful. We cooperate fully with each group.

At the annual stamp show sponsored by the Lakeshore Club on July 14th, Arnold Croll, the only surviving charter member of the Manitowoc Club, was awarded a special plaque and a booklet containing letters from area collectors and from others like the County Board chairman, City of Manitowoc Mayor, and postmasters from Manitowoc and Two Rivers in appreciation for his dedication to philately and philatelists in the greater Lakeshore area for over 42 years.

CLUB NEWS

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB.....Due to the resignation of John Taddy as President on August 19, there has been a change in several club officers. The new officers are:

President--Randall W. Ericson V. President--L. G. Parrish
Secretary--James Lukes Treasurer, Historian, & Newsletter Editor--John Taddy Librarian--Mary Taddy Auctions: D. Schwartz

PORTAGE COUNTY STAMP CLUB.....New officers elected in April following the banquet were:

President Roy Northwood V. President Carl Farnsworth
Secretary-Treasurer Deanna Juhnke Historian Fern Horn
Member-at-Large Larry Glenzer

Two successful auctions were held by the club last year with Larry Glenzer as auctioneer. A fall and spring auction are planned for this year, so please watch for the dates.

An interesting feature that the club has added to its programs is the attempted identification of a member's "unknown" stamps. We are pooling our knowledge after a person has exhausted his catalogue, etc., references.

Deanna Juhnke, Sec.-Treas.

WAUKESHA COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.....The Waukesha County Philatelic Society began its new year with an original slide Presentation "Stamp Oddities and Curiosities" by club member Gene Bowman. The USPS film "Stamps: A Nation's Calling Card" was also seen by the club members.

In the future the club plans an exhibition at the Waukesha Public Library on November 15 and 16. The purpose of this mini-show is to give people in the Waukesha area an introduction to stamp collecting. While most of the material will be provided by club members, others are invited to send exhibitions they feel may be of interest.

In conjunction with this show, the club is sponsoring a poster contest for young people in the area. Posters depicting topics using stamps will be judged and prizes awarded. We hope to stimulate the young peoples' interest in stamp collecting and to promote our junior organization.

Jim Maher

MILWAUKEE PHILATELIC SOCIETY.....The club membership has approved holding a banquet to commemorate the Club's 75th anniversary. Menu will feature a full prime rib dinner. Milwaukee Philatelic Society Club Members may attend by paying a \$3.00 reservation fee which will be applied towards their 1975 membership dues if the member attends the banquet; guests of members may attend by paying a \$6.00 fee. The banquet will be held on Friday, November 8, at the Red Carpet Inn across from Mitchell field. Philatelic guest speakers, philatelic souvenirs & dancing will be provided.

COMMODORE PREBLE CHAPTER, USCS.....Three of the seven members of the smallest USCS Chapter traveled by plane to Europe and train to Berlin, Germany for the September Preble meeting and the 1974 Convention & Exhibition. It was the first USCS Convention to be hosted outside the continental United States.

The fine convention, hosted by our fellow German Collectors-the Graf von Spee Chapter, will be a long remembered event for all those attending. It certainly could never be easily forgotten by the Longseth family.

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Having spent a few days in England and the Netherlands earlier in the week, Martin & La Rita and their two children, Tina and David boarded the international train at Den Haag late Friday afternoon for Berlin. Our intention was to sleep on the train and arrive early Saturday for the Convention. Arrival time in Berlin was 5:30 am and everyone was tired. Numerous passport checks by East German soldiers made sleeping impossible. To add to the total frustration of the matter our pre-arranged pick-up did not show, the children as well as we needed to use the restrooms, and we had no German currency as yet. (In Europe as the well known saying goes--No Dough, No Can Go--as all toilets are pay and are staffed by an attendant to see that everyone pays!) Imagine borrowing money to visit the restroom because the bank exchanges don't open until eight o'clock!

To make an even longer story very short, we waited until after eight, returned the borrowed money, took a taxi to our hotel across the city quite a distance and later that day ventured by taxi back to the Convention location only to learn that the Exhibition & Convention was directly across a side street of the railroad station we had earlier arrived at!! What a memory!

La Rita Longseth, Secretary

WISCONSIN CHRISTMAS SEAL & CHARITY STAMP SOCIETY, CHAPTER IV.....The Wisconsin Christmas Seal & Charity Stamp Society had their annual meeting in Madison, Wisconsin on May 18, 1974. New Officers of the club are: President Mrs. Patricia Felter, Vice President Mrs. G.R. Danielson, and Secretary-Treasurer Herbert E. Burgett.

Our Society had 14 paid members last year. There were over 20 people at the meeting of seal collecting. We will be revising our list by noting just what seals each member collects and the list will then go to each member so members can do more trading even through the mail as our members are scattered throughout the state.

Herbert E. Burgett, Secretary

OSHKOSH PHILATELIC SOCIETY opened its 45th season on September 3 with the new President, Douglas H. Henkle, in charge. As our secretary, Mr. Sparks is soon to have open heart surgery, Herbert Burgett was appointed by President Henkle to carry out the duties of the Secretary for this season.

There were 34 active members in the O.P.S. last year. Average attendance was 18 members per meeting. George A. Weitenbeck was presented with a special packet of stamps for a perfect attendance record at the last season's meetings.

After the September 10th meeting, we welcomed into the society our 250th member since the club was organized on February 24, 1930.

Our October meeting included a silent prayer for Wilfred C. Kaufman. Mr. Kaufman was a member of the O.P.S. for over 11 years. He will not only be missed by our club but by the Federation for the fine articles he had written for the Federation BULLETINS.

Officers of the O.P.S. for the new season are; President Douglas H. Henkle, V. President Ralph O. Hoffman, Secretary Herbert E. Burgett, Treasurer Bernard V. Kelly, Historian George Weitenbeck, and David Zuern as Corresponding Secretary.

Herbert E. Burgett, Secretary

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GREEN BAY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.....Officers for the up-coming season in philately for the Green Bay Club are:

President Pat O'Malley
Vice President Ruth Nellen
Sec-Treas. Jack Woodhouse

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October 23, 1974.....Set of three 10¢ Christmas Stamps.
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October 26, 1974.....EXFILMEX 74 (USPS). Souvenir Card.

UN/NEW YORK

October 18, 1974.....10¢, 18¢, World Population Year

October 18, 1974.....World Population Year Souvenir Card

UN/GENEVA

October 18, 1974.....F.s.O,60 and F.s.O,80 World Population Year.

CANADA

November 1, 1974.....6¢, 8¢, 10¢, 15¢ Christmas.

November 15, 1974.....8¢ Multicultural stamp (Marconi).

November 29, 1974.....8¢ William Hamilton Merritt commemorative

Is my face red!



In the Post-Convention issue of the BULLETIN the inside front cover lists the incorrect rates for Christmas greetings and ads. If you will remember, Editor Phil Rose announced the new price rates at the WFSC Business Meeting last May 18th. Page 2 of the Post-Convention Bulletin + the inside front cover this issue list the correct prices - Full Page \$8.00; 1/2 page \$4.00.
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