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BY OUR REGULAR ILLINOIS CORRESPONDENT,

The American Philatelic Association.

The fifteenth annual convention of the American Philatelic Association was called to order Tuesday morning August 23th at 11.00 o'clock with Pres. Toppau in the chair. The conventions were held in the art museum. Pres. Toppau responded to the mayor and then called Mr. William O. Stone of Springfield, Mass. to the chair while he read his annual report which was well received and heartily applauded. The committee on credentials then reported the following directors elected: Geo. L. Toppau, P. M. Wolsieffer, C. K. Severn, S. S. Leland, H. E. Deats, H. G. Smith, E. Doebelin, M. H. Lombard, and H. B. Phillips.

The President then appointed the various committees, after which Secy. Deats read the reports of the officers who were unable to be present. The session then adjourned at 12.30 to meet again the following morning at 10.30.

The second session was called to order by the President at 10.30 Wednesday morning. At this meeting a number of reports were made, and considerable discussion arose over some especially the library. Buffalo was chosen the convention seat for 1901. The date has not yet been set, but will probably be when the railway rates are the lowest.

The Weekly Philatelic Era was chosen official organ for another year. The society publishing its own official organ met with general favor, but the finances of the association would not permit it. A subscription was taken up to see if enough of the members could be gotten to each give a certain sum toward the fund for the society's publishing its own official organ, but for some reason or another the idea did not go through. This meeting adjourned at 11.45 to meet again on Thursday morning at 11.00 o'clock.