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WE have decided to issue a Special New Year's Number some time in January 1901. It will, in all respects, exceed any other number of this paper. **FIRST**, it will contain more pages than any other issue. **SECOND** the present circulation will be doubled. **THIRD**, the advertising rates will be lowered considerably. Dealers who wish to advertise their stamps and philatelic supplies would do well by advertising in our Special Number. Send ads in early and secure best space. **FORMS CLOSE** on Dec 1st. Price per copy 3c

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♦ ♦ THE CONVENTIONS. ♦ ♦

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.

The third session was called to order at 11.00 o'clock. The first thing to be done was to receive reports of some of the committees which had not yet reported. A vote of thanks was given to those who helped to make the convention a success, and then adjourned sine die to meet again in a year hence.

Philatelic Sons of America.

The eighth annual convention of the Philatelic Sons of America was called to order at 10.00 Tuesday morning by C. W. Kissinger, who nominated W. F. Schul of Milwaukee temporary chairman. Seconded. Carried. The President's address was read by the chairman. The committees were appointed and reports of various officers were approved. A nice poem from Roy Farrell Green was read by E. R. Adrich and was greatly applauded.

Vice president Barnum arrived in time to call the second session to order at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon. There being little business before the house the meeting adjourned.

The third session was called to order the next day. The committee on credentials reported the following elected: President, L. T. Brodton; V. President, W. F. Schul; Sec'y C. W. Kissinger; Treasurer, W. H. Barnum; International Sec'y, C. C. Guy. The Porforator was elected to serve as official organ for another year. The convention seat for 1901 will be Buffalo, N. Y.

Sons of Philatelia.

The first session was held in the Plankinton House with four members present. The most important business was to try to change the constitution so that the official organ would have to be elected every year, but there were not enough proxies to make the change. Another session was held the next day but nothing of importance was transacted. The following officers were elected: Pres. J. C. Miller, V. Pres. G. W. Davis, Sec'y J. F. Dodge, Treas. W. H. Emmert.

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Ad rates on front page

SHIRLEY ERWIN MOISANT.

The subject of our sketch was born November 10, 1882, in Manteno, Ill. Moved to Kankakee, Ill. in 1889 where he still resides. He is 17 years of age. He started collecting in 1893 and has been an ardent follower of his favorite

had over 3000 fine varieties. Started as a dealer in 1895, and now has the largest stamp business in Illinois out of Chicago. He was one of the organizers of the Stamp Dealers' Protective Association and was elected President, which office he now holds. Just been elected Secy of Junior Phil. Society.



hobby. At one time he had a collection of 5000 varieties but decided that the world was too big and sold it and started collecting United States and after getting together nearly 600 varieties he sold out and again started collecting foreign stamps and although before less than a year was over he

He is a member of almost every stamp society in America and an officer in many of them. Attends the conventions every year. Prominent in wheel circles. Member of many wheel organizations. Prominent in social circles and in society always a leader. He published the Illinois Philatelist

for several months, but having been refused second class rates three times he had to sell out. He started the Stamp Exchange and has the largest advertising patronage of any new stamp paper started lately. Probably he carries on the largest correspondence of any stamp collector in America and without doubt the best collector in the world for his age. He is our Illinois correspondent.

shortly. I collect new issues but I do not collect them to the exclusion of old issues and do not advise collectors to try speculating in the new issues if you must speculate, take the old issues they are safe as an investment.

TO BE CONTINUED.

STAMP TALK.

CONTINUED FROM LAST ISSUE.

The new issues which have appeared in the last twelve months have as a general thing had a good sale notwithstanding the speculative characters of many of the new issues. In my opinion pretty stamps will have a ready sale, always, whether they are speculative or not. Collectors all knew the "error" of the New Zealand set was speculative but the stamps sold well and this bears out my views does it not?

The Newfoundland Cabot issue sold well and the Canada Jubilee would have sold much better if it had it not been for the manner in which they were sold to the public. Collectors are not fools and I am far from blaming them when they refused to buy the 1/2, 6 and 8 cent Canada Jubilee.

The new Cuba surcharged stamps which recently appeared will no doubt have a ready sale as will the new pictorial set which it is stated will appear

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BY GEO. B. MUELLER.

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