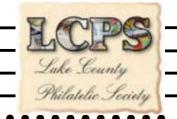
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Last month Bill Schultz presented on Britain's longest running stamp series — the Machin's, in keeping with the Platinum Jubilee of Elizabeth II, Britain's longest reigning monarch.



This month, bring your glasses as we may be seeing double with Jerry Nylander's presentation "Two for the Price of One."



August 13 & 14 **TOSAPEX 2022** St. Francis Lions Club Community Center **3476 East Howard AVE** St. Francis WI

> September 16-18 **MILCOPEX Brookfield Convention Center** 325 South Moorland Rd **Brookfield WI**

> > September 24 **SUPEX 2022 American Legion Hall** 900 S. La Grange Rd La Grange IL

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October 01 **Quad City Stamp Club Stamp Fair Faith Lutheran Church Moline 1611 41st Street Moline IL** 

November 18-20 CHICAGOPEX **Westin Chicago Northwest** 400 Park Blvd Itasca IL



2023 January 07 **Midwest Stamp Dealers Association** Waukesha Expo Center - Forum Building 1000 Northview Rd Waukesha WI

> Treasures' Report: Total: \$2,960.21

First Bureau issues — In 1893, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) competed for the postage stamp printing contract and winning against the giant printing companies National Bank Note Company and the current supplier, the American/Continental Bank Note Company on the first try — something that has been debated about to the present day.

For the postage issues of the 1894 series, the Bureau took over the plates of the 1890 small banknote series but modified them by adding triangles to the upper corners of the designs. In addition, three new designs were added because the Post Office elected to add \$1.00, \$2.00, and \$5.00 stamps to the series — breaking the tradition of the 90¢ being the high value stamp.

**Next Meeting:** 

7-PM on Wednesday 29 June 2022 **Grayslake Library and Via ZOOM** Any Changes will be posted on: Icpshome.org



Dave Schenkel/Tom Willer - Copresidents **Ron Bruner - Vice President** Officers: **Dave Sadler – Secretary** Ed Pieklo - Treasurer

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In 1895 counterfeits of the 2c value were discovered, which prompted the BEP to begin printing stamps on watermarked paper for the first time in U.S. postal history. The watermarks imbedded the **logo U S P S** into the paper in double-lined letters.

In all, the Bureau's definitive issues of the 1890s consisted of 13 different denominations ranging from 1 cent to 5 dollars and may be differentiated by the presence or absence of this watermark, which would appear on all U. S. Postage stamps of this series. Series 1894 (Scott 246 - 263) shown below — unwatermarked.

In the final issue of 1898, the colors of many denominations were changed to bring the series into conformity with the recommendations of the Universal Postal Union. The aim was to ensure that in all its member nations, stamps for given classes of mail would appear in the same colors. Accordingly, 1c stamps (postcards) were now green and 5¢ stamps (international mail) were now blue, while 2c stamps remained red. This further cascaded in that was necessary to replace the blue and green on higher values with other colors (10c Orange-brown, 15c Olive). U.S. postage continued to reflect this color-coding quite strictly until the mid-1930s, continuing also in the invariable use of purple for 3¢ stamps. Scott numbers for this subseries are #279 – 284.



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