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Last month, **Chuck Skittino** presented part II of his study of Canadian adjunct postal services "**Canadian Railway Post Office**" — again just skimming the top of what could become a lifetime study. The samples presented were very interesting showing the interconnections of the system based on the postmarks.

This month, Gary Olson will talk about "Various Railroad Post Office Cancels (Mainly) from the Midwest".





Local Stamp Shows November 18-20 CHICAGOPEX Westin Chicago Northwest 400 Park Blvd Itasca IL



The Annual Holiday Brunch has been booked for Monday, 05 Dec at the Gurnee Golden Corral starting at 11:30 am.

January 7-8 MSDA Milwaukee Area Stamp Show Waukesha Expo Center - Forum Building 1000 Northview Rd Waukesha WI

January 14-15 MSDA Chicagoland West Stamp Show College of DuPage - Student Resource Center 425 Fawell Blvd Glen Ellyn IL

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Treasures Report — \$2,951.39

Next Meeting: **7-PM Tuesday – 22 November** Grayslake Library Any Changes will be posted on: lcpshome.org



The American Philatelic Society (APS) / stamps.org — The organization, originally named the American Philatelic Association, was established on 1886 September 14 in New York

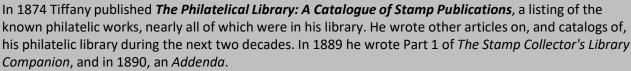
City, and the following day elected **John Kerr Tiffany** (1842-1897) as its first president. Voting membership was granted to 219 individuals who paid a prorated two bits for the privilege. The organization's name was changed to its present name for a few months in 1897, then back, then permanently in 1908.



Society membership reached over 4,000 in 1940, and included President **Franklin D. Roosevelt** and his Secretary of the Interior **Harold L. Ickes**.



Dave Schenkel/Tom Willer – Copresidents Ron Bruner – Vice President Dave Sadler – Secretary Ed Pieklo – Treasurer **Tiffany**, at the time, was America's most prominent philatelist of the 19th century. He began collecting as a student in France in the late 1850s, continuing for the rest of his life. In the 1860s he decided to begin collecting "every printed matter connected to the hobby of philately," and by the 1870s he had built an incomparable philatelic library - that on his death was bought by James L. Lindsay, the Earl of Crawford, and now in the British Museum's Philatelic Section of the British Library.





At the 1942 APS convention, board member **Donald Lybarger** (1896-1970) argued for the creation of a central office near the geographic center of the philatelic community, but not in a large city.

When he was elected APS President in 1943, he was able to turn his vision into reality. At the 1944 APS convention it was announced that the APS would accept applications for the position of Executive Secretary. H. Clay Musser of State College, Pennsylvania, was selected and the APS office was established there on 1945 April 01, 1945.

The APS continued to grow and offer more services to its members - reaching a height in membership in 1991 with 57,000 world wide.

By the mid-1990s, the expanded services, staff and the American Philatelic Research Library had outgrown the facility in State College. A study determined that because of high local real estate values, it was not cost effective to expand the existing building. A search of alternatives identified a property ten miles from State College that was basically sound and could be acquired for a reasonable amount. In 2002, after much discussion, debate and soul searching, the APS committed millions of dollars to purchasing and renovating what was known as the "**Match Factory**" in Bellefonte PA. The new home for the American Philatelic Society was dedicated in June 2004.

Services provide by the society include:

The American Philatelist – the monthly magazine - https://stamps.org/the-american-philatelist Stamp Store - online stamp buying - https://classic.stamps.org/StampStore Member sales circuits via mail - https://stamps.org/services/how-to-buy-thru-mail American Philatelic Research Library –

the largest public philatelic library in the United States - https://stamps.org/services/library. Insurance for stamp collections (Hugh Wood, Inc. - www.hughwood.com) American Philatelic Expertizing Service - https://stamps.org/services/stamp-authentication Accreditation of Judges and National Exhibitions Educational opportunities - https://stamps.org/learn

Member Code of Ethics and a Complaint Process

APS Stamp Talk on YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/user/AmericasStampClub





For even more about the APS - visit: <u>https://stamps.org/history</u>

or

Take a trip to 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte , PA a day-and-a-half or about 620 miles ...





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