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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF

THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY



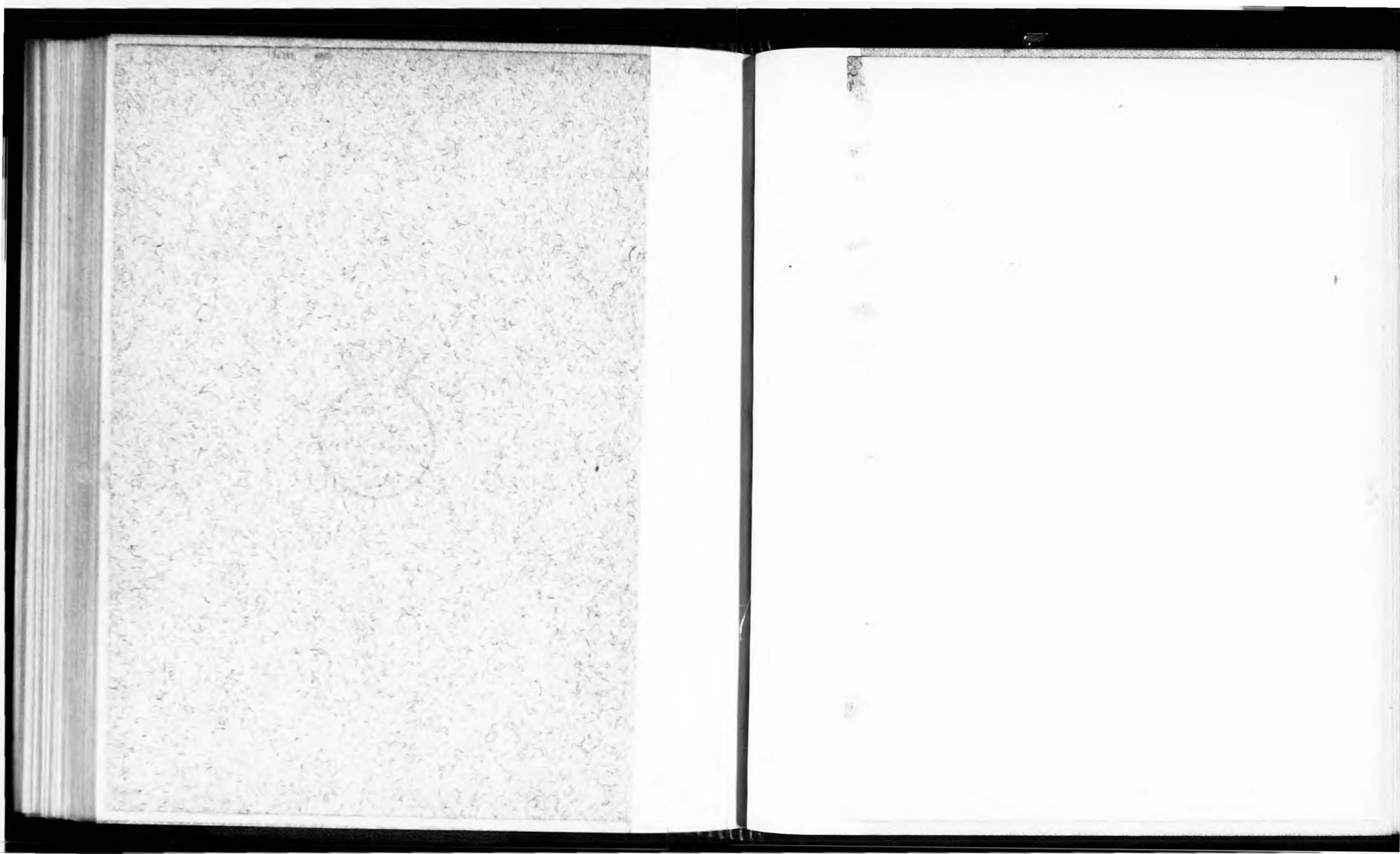
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THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

under the articles and conditions hereinafter set forth.

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ARTICLE II

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ARTICLE III

From time to time and as occasion shall require By-Laws shall be passed for the management and direction of the

affairs of the society and the good government thereof; for the establishment and appointment or election of such committees and officers as may be necessary, with such duration, powers and authorities as shall be deemed advisable, and for the election of new members.

ARTICLE IV

It shall require the concurrence of a majority of the members present to elect a new member or to decide any question except those herein expressly fixed otherwise.

ARTICLE V

This society shall make a collection of postage stamps, under conditions to be provided in the By-Laws. It shall be the duty of each active and corresponding member to contribute a certain stated value of stamps for this purpose.

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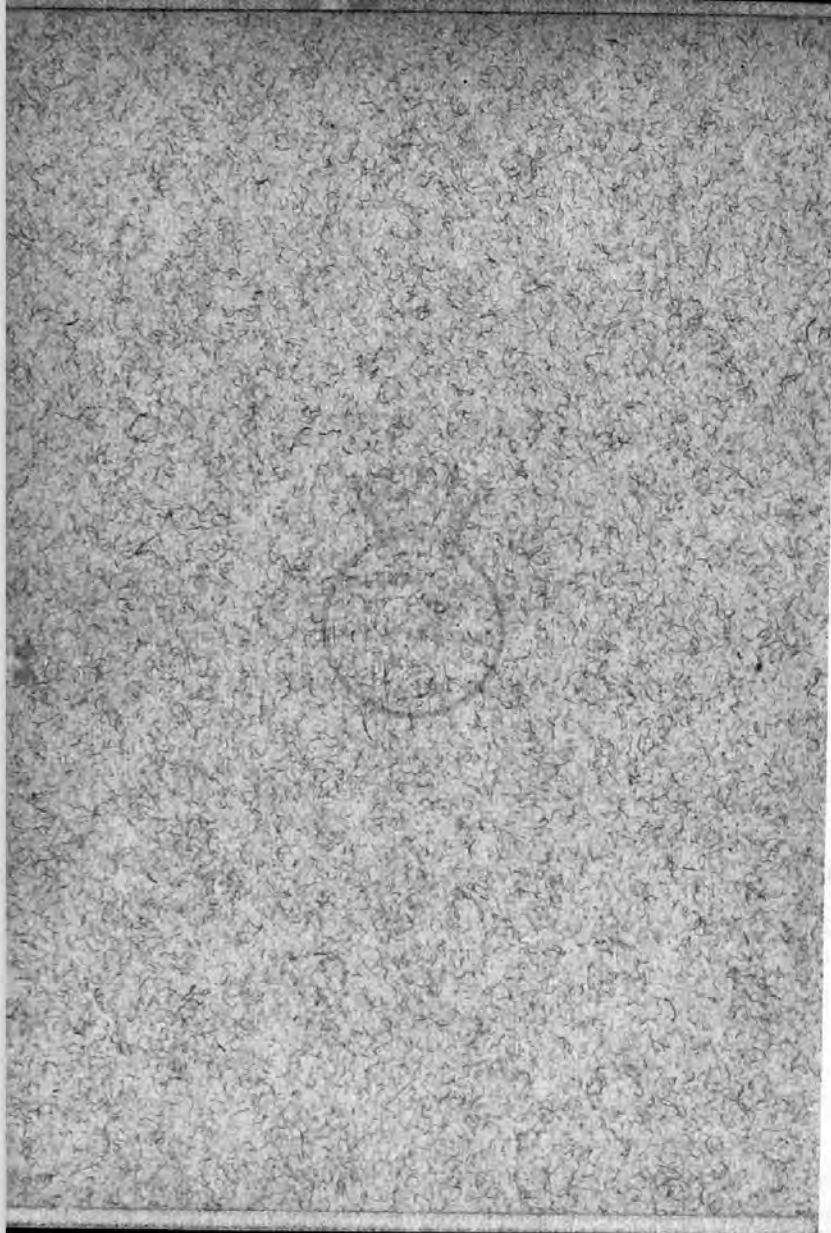
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In the absence of the President the duties of the office shall be performed by the Vice-President. In the absence of both a Temporary Chairman shall be elected.

Section 2.- The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all moneys belonging to the society, expending them only upon bills or orders approved by the President and attested by the Recording Secretary. He shall keep an account in writing of all moneys so received and paid and shall produce the books whenever called upon by the society. At the first meeting in February he shall furnish a statement of the receipts and payments for the year, duly audited by the Executive committee.

Section 3.- The Recording Secretary shall attend all meetings of the society and keep its minutes in a proper book.

Section 4.- The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct all the correspondence of the society, keeping copies thereof in a book provided for that purpose; notify members of special meetings whenever such may be called. All letters received by him in his official capacity shall be filed among the archives of the society.

Section 5.- The Librarian shall take charge of all books and papers belonging to or loaned the society, and keep the same in good order.

Section 6.- The Executive Committee shall inquire into the merits of all who apply for membership, and report thereon to the society. It shall also audit the accounts of the Treasurer before the first meeting in February, and receive nominations and prepare tickets for the annual election.

Section 7.- The President shall have power, with the con-

sent of the society, to appoint a special committee to act in reference to any important question or matter that may arise.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS

Section 1.- The regular meetings of the society shall be held twice in each month, on the first Friday and third Wednesday.

Section 2.- Special meetings may be called by the President at the written request of at least three members, due notice of which must be given by the Corresponding Secretary, naming the object for which the meeting was called.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS

Section 1.- The membership of this society shall be divided into three classes: first, active members; second, corresponding members; third, honorary members. The first class shall constitute the governing body of the society, from which all officers and committees must be chosen. Corresponding members are those who by reason of residence abroad, or at a distance from the place of meeting, can not become active members. They are expected to aid the society by contributions of information, etc. Any person of acknowledged philatelic reputation or ability, or who has rendered valuable services in the cause of philately, may be elected an honorary member, as a mark of respect by this society.

Section 2.- Proposals for membership in either class must be made in writing by an active member of the society, at a regular meeting, and shall be referred to the Executive

committee, who shall report thereon to the society not later than the next regular meeting after such application has been made.

Section 3.- No candidate shall be balloted for, upon whom the Executive Committee shall have made an adverse report. A rejected candidate cannot be again proposed for one year.

Section 4.- No candidate shall be balloted for unless he or she has attained the age of seventeen years.

ARTICLE VI

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Section 1.- The annual subscription, for active members, shall be \$2.00 per year, one fourth of which is payable in advance, at the first meetings in February, May, August and November.

Section 2.- The admission fee shall be fifty cents.

Section 3.- The President shall have power, upon motion, to levy a special tax, to be applied as the society may direct.

Section 4.- The President may, at his discretion, fine any member or officer for disorder or neglect of duty.

Section 5.- Any member in arrears for three months' dues shall be notified by the Treasurer, and if the same be not paid within one month after notification, he shall, upon motion, cease to be a member of the society, and his name shall be stricken from the books.

Section 6.- Any member in good standing may become a life member upon the payment of five years' dues.

ARTICLE VII

LIBRARY

The Librarian shall receive on behalf of the society all loans of books or papers relating to stamps or stamp collecting, giving a receipt therefor, as well as take charge of all books and papers belonging to the society, which he shall loan to such members as are desirous of borrowing them. He is to see that they are returned in good condition within three weeks.

ARTICLE VIII

SOCIETY COLLECTION

Section 1. This society shall as soon as practicable start a collection of postage stamps.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of each active and corresponding member to contribute fifty cents worth of postage stamps, by Durbin's catalogue, for this purpose per year; Provided, that no stamp, which is a duplicate of one already owned by the society, shall be received.

Section 3. Anyone ceasing to be a member forfeits all rights in the society collection.

Section 4. Should the society dissolve, the collection shall be sold, and the proceeds distributed equally among the active members.

ARTICLE IX

SALES OF STAMPS

No stamps shall be bought or sold for money, in the meeting room of the society, during or after the meetings. The

President shall have power to fine any member for violation or evasion of this article.

ARTICLE X
ORDER OF BUSINESS

The following shall be the order of business at all stated meetings of the society: —

- 1.- Roll call
- 2.- Reading of minutes of last meeting
- 3.- Applications for membership
- 4.- Signing the constitution
- 5.- Election of officers
- 6.- Collection of dues
- 7.- Unfinished business
- 8.- Communications, bills to be approved, etc.
- 9.- Reports of committees
- 10.- New business
- 11.- Reading of essays
- 12.- Election of new members
- 13.- Recess for the exhibition of collections, stamps, etc.,
and exchange of same
- 14.- Adjournment.

ARTICLE XI
ESSAYS

Two Essayists shall be appointed by the President at each meeting, to deliver essays at the meeting next following, beginning at the head of the roll. None shall be excused from this duty (having had notice of appointment) except on account of sickness, or unavoidable absence, and in such case shall

be reappointed. The choice of subjects shall be made by the essayist.

ARTICLE XII

RULES OF ORDER

All questions of order and parliamentary law arising in debate shall be decided according to "Cushing's Manual."

ARTICLE XIII

PUBLICATIONS

The minutes and official reports of papers or essays read at the meetings of the society shall be published in the official organ, and the Corresponding Secretary shall send copies of the minutes to such philatelic papers as will publish them.

ARTICLE XIV

EXPULSIONS

Any member may be expelled from the society, upon a two-thirds vote, for either non-payment of dues, dishonorable conduct or conduct that would bring the society into disrepute, or for repeated violations of the articles of the constitution or by-laws. After expulsion, no person shall be re-admitted into the society, except by a unanimous vote. No active member may be expelled without one months' personal notice by one of the officers of the society.

ARTICLE VX

SUSPENSION OF BY-LAWS

Any of these By-Laws may be temporarily suspended at a stated meeting by a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE XVI

AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any stated meeting, by a vote of two thirds of the members voting, such alteration or amendment having been proposed at a previous meeting.

OFFICERS - 1885

President

E. R. DURBOROW

Vice President

H. MC ALLISTER

Treasurer

GEORGE HENDERSON

Recording Secretary

THEODORE SIDDALL

Corresponding Secretary

F. E. P. LYNDE

Librarian

HENRY S. JEANES

Executive Committee

WILLIAM H. CORFIELD

LEWIS H. ADLER, JR.

HENRY S. JEANES

MEMBERS

ACTIVE

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- * L. H. ADLER, JR. 41 North 12th Street, "
- * ROBERT BARRIE - 1430 Girard Avenue, "
- * W. C. CHILES - - 2135 Arch Street, "
- * WM. H. CORFIELD 3609 Locust Street, West Philadelphia
- * E. R. DURBOROW 25 North 10th Street, Philadelphia
- * SIGMUND M. GANS 512 North 4th Street, "
- JAY GOOD - 753 North 20th Street, "
- * GEORGE HENDERSON 1221 Arch Street, "
- A. F. HENKELS - 1744 North 15th Street, "
- * HENRY S. JEANES - - 521 Arch Street, "
- F. E. P. LYNDE 247 South 18th Street, "
- H. McALLISTER - 1226 Chestnut Street, "
- * WILLARD A. MACCALLA - - - Wallingford, Pa.
- JOHN A. POWELL 3517 Hamilton St., West Philadelphia
- A. W. ROBINSON - 1926 Race Street, Philadelphia
- WM. SCARLETT - 1012 South 4th Street, "
- * THEODORE SIDDALL 213 South 5th Street, "

Those marked * were the original members of the society.

CORRESPONDING

- R. R. BOGERT Room 38, *Tribune* Building, New York City
 GEO. M. CALDWELL - - - Newburyport, Mass.
 C. F. GRETH - - - 34 Public Square, Nashville, Tenn.
 JOHN KELLETT - - - Whitby, Ontario, Canada
 GEO. A. LOWE - - - - - Toronto, Canada
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 J. WALTER SCOTT - - - - - New York City
 THOMAS SEMMES - - - - - Alexandria, Virginia
 H. S. STANFORTH - - - - - London, England
 JUAN WEBER, JR. - care of P. Milmo, Monterey, Mexico
 W. G. WHILDEN, JR. - - - - Pelzer, South Carolina

HONORARY

- L. W. DURBIN - - - 5th & Library Streets, Philadelphia
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