

THE P. A. of I. BULLETIN.

GRINNEL, IOWA, NOV. 1, 1889.

Constitution of the Philatelic Association of Iowa.

PREAMBLE.

The objects of this Association are: To assist its members in gaining a better knowledge in regard to Philately; to cultivate a feeling of friendship among Philatelists; and to obtain for its members other benefits secured only by organization.

-NAME.-

ART. I.—This organization shall be known as the "Philatelic Association of Iowa."

SECTION I.

-MEMBERSHIP.-

ART. II.—Any stamp-collector may become a member of this association by submitting his application to the secretary, such application to be signed by two references and to be accompanied by the initiation fee of \$25 (twenty-five cents) which will be returned in case admission is refused. The applicant's name and address with references shall then be published in the next number of the Official Journal or in an official circular and if no objections are entered within the period of 30 days the applicant shall be entitled to the membership card of the association upon payment of at least six months' dues in advance.

If any objection is received against an applicant, such objection containing specific charges together with the application shall be submitted to the official board, who shall thoroughly investigate the charges and decide upon application whether or not such applicant be admitted.

SEC. II.

All members of this association are entitled to vote at any election or upon any question submitted to the general vote of this society.

SEC. III.

Any member against whom charges have been preferred shall be tried by a court consisting of the official board, and two members; one to be selected by the board and one by the accused, (provided he makes such appointment within ten days after notice thereof) otherwise the board shall act in the matter. The court may suspend or expel such member and their action shall be final and binding upon all parties.

-CONVENTION.-

ART. III.—The association shall meet in convention each year at such date and place as may be designated by the board, if they find, through proper inquiry that a sufficient number will be present to warrant such a call.

SEC. II.

A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of one half of the membership represented either in person or by proxy.

SEC. I.

-OFFICERS.-

ART. IV.—The officers of this association shall consist of:—a President, a Vice-president, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Chairman of the Official Board, an Exchange Superintendent, and a Librarian and Supt. of the Literary Exchange.

No member of the association shall be eligible to any office, except that of Librarian and Supt. of the Literary Exchange, who has not attained the age of sixteen years.

SEC. II.

The official board shall be composed of the Chairman, and the Vice-president and secretary of this association as ex-officio members.

SEC. III.

The officers of this association shall be elected from the resident Iowa members; no two of whom shall be chosen from the same city, with the exception that the Chairman of the Official Board may be a resident of the same city in which either the Vice-president or Secretary resides.

SEC. IV.

The term of office shall be one year commencing with January first, but every officer shall serve until his successor has qualified.

Unless a convention be held, at which time the election of officers shall occur, the regular election of officers shall be held from November 15 to December 1st. The members voting shall send signed ballots to the secretary so that they shall reach him between those dates, containing their choice for the offices to be filled. At any election a plurality of votes cast shall elect.

The remainder of the constitution will be published in a future number.

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Grinnell, Iowa, Nov. 1, 1889.

Directory of Officers.

- President.*—W. A. ACKERMANN, Marengo.
Vice Pres.—
Secretary.—E. R. MARSHALL, Wyoming.
Treasurer.—A. L. LAWRENCE, Box 635, Grinnell.
Exchange Supt.—E. L. RAISH, Vermillion, S. Dakota.
Librarian and Supt. Literary Exchange.—E. G. CLAY, Box 1199, LeMars.
Official Board.—
 H. C. KENDALL, Emmetsburg.
 W. J. STUDLEY, Dallas Centre.
Secy. ex-officio.—E. R. MARSHALL, Wyoming.

Treasurer's Report.

With this I am compelled to resign my office on account of other duties. The members have not been prompt in settling accounts due and the secretary will drop all members for non payment of dues whose accounts are not settled by Nov. 5. New members' dues commence with quarter in which they join. The report of funds is as follows:—

Bal. previously reported	\$2.45
Dues and fees since collected	6.50
	8.95
Printing and postage	1.45
Balance to date	7.50

Des Moines, Iowa.

W. P. CHASE,
 Treas.

Secretary's Report.

Though the association during the year almost past has not made the progress which we, its founders, had doubtless hoped for, it is by no means upon the decline. The association's unfortunate choices of official journals have more than anything else retarded its growth and advancement, and this is a problem which the association must, hereafter, solve with care. The *Bulletin* may be continued if necessary, but the secretary believes more good must result from a regularly appearing philatelic paper acting as such organ.

As will be seen by reference to list of officers, quite a number of changes and new appointments have been made. These officers will serve until the end of the year.

Your secretary has the resignations of W. P. Chase as treasurer and member of the association and A. L. Lawrence as secretary, to report: also the appointments as below:

- Secretary, E. R. Marshall,
 Wyoming.
 Treasurer, A. L. Lawrence,
 Grinnell.
 Librarian and Supt Lit. Exch.,
 Ed. G. Clay, LeMars.

Members of official board:—
 H. C. Kendall, Emmetsburg.
 W. J. Studley, Dallas Centre.

Both resignations were caused by press of other duties.

Since last report a constitution has been circulated and adopted

by the association, a portion of which is herewith printed.

By a recent ruling, no member can resign in good standing from the association, until his dues have been paid up to date of such resignation.

Applications for Membership.

List No. 4.

L. A. Rhomberg, Jr., Dubuque.
References: F. N. Massoth, Jr.;
L. A. Rhomberg.

Attention is called to the fact that those in arrears for dues, will be dropped for non payment of same, Nov. 5. Please settle up promptly.

A. L. LAWRENCE.

Grinnell, Ia., Oct. 19.

Exchange Supt's. Report.

The Exchange Department has been in operation about four months, and is making satisfactory progress, although some of the members are not taking the interest I would like to see, but this is undoubtedly owing to the time of year. I trust that from now on, all members will take a more active part in the exchange business and make it more interesting and profitable.

There have been circulated, up to date, 26 sheets (2600 stamps) valued at \$107.30. Of these, twenty-two sheets, from which \$16.42 worth of stamps were sold, have completed the circuit and been returned to the owners. The remaining four have not yet come in and I cannot state the amount of sales.

Members will please be particular when forwarding sheets to next on circuit, to inform the Supt. by postal card of the date of forwarding, and also amount of stamps taken. It is very essential that I should know how the sheets are progressing, and if they be delayed, to know where and by whom the delay is caused.

There is some difference of opinion among the members as to whether the stamps should be marked at catalogue rates and a discount allowed on amounts paid for stamps in cash, or whether they be marked at net cash prices in all cases. The latter is the plan we have been trying to follow and will continue to be the rule until a majority of the members express a desire to have a change.

As soon as possible, statements will be sent to members who have bought stamps, and prompt settlement is requested. *A penalty of 10 per cent is added to all balances not paid within 10 days after notification.*

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Raish,

Supt of Exchange.

Notice!

Members are requested to send all their surplus stamp papers to the P. A. of I. library, where they will be appreciated. This department will prove a valuable one, if proper attention is given it.

Ed. G. Clay, Librarian,

Box 1199, LeMars.

List of Members of P. A. of I.
with Official Numbers.

2. Ackermann, W. A., Marengo.
17. Chadwick, W. A.,
Cor. 1st and Market Sts.
Des Moines.
7. Clay, E. G.,
Le Mars, Box 1199
5. Cornell, E.,
Marshalltown, Box 409.
14. Elvidge, Henry. Decorah.
11. Garret, J. K.,
521 Columbia St., Burlington.
15. Johnson, E. R., Lenox.
12. Kendall, H. C.,
Emmetsburg.
3. Lawrence, A. L.,
Le Mars, Box 1334.
Address at Grinnel, Ia., Box 635.
1. Marshall, E. R., Wyoming.
9. Newcomer, E. P., Ida Grove.
6. Raish, E. L., Akron.
Address at Vermillion, S. D.
10. Schiller, J. A., Ida Grove.
16. Scott, S. C., Calmar.
8. Studley, W. J., Dallas Centre.
13. Fourtellot, P. W.,
Wyoming, Ia.

The following have qualified,
and are entitled to membership
upon payment of dues.

Besore, C. F., Ida Grove.
Loring, F. L., Dallas Centre.
Schumacher, Dr. H., Durant.

Attention of members is called
to the fact that the librarian is
also supt. of the literary ex-
change, which is to be conducted
upon the same plan as the one of
the A. P. A. This, as the rest
of the association's departments,
is for use, and it is hoped mem-
bers will take hold of it.

An Appeal.

To the Philatelists of Iowa and the
Northwest:—The P. A. of I. has been with
you now for a year, and there are numbers
of you not upon its rolls. Why not? Had-
n't heard of it? Well, *now* there is no ex-
cuse. Afraid it would collapse? But you
see it hasn't. In fact, we have a very suc-
cessful stamp exchange department, also a
library and philatelic paper exchange, and
a purchasing bureau in sight.

By the use of these you will be more
than repaid for the small amount of dues.
But perhaps you don't exactly understand
how it is about joining? Here it is in a
nutshell.

Obtain one of the application blanks
from any of the officers, and fill it out, get-
ting the signatures of two references.
This you enclose with the initiation fee of
\$.25 and forward to the secretary. He will
then cause your name to be printed with
references in the next issue of the official
organ. Providing no objection be received
one month after date of such publication,
you will be entitled to obtain membership
card, upon payment of at least six months
dues in advance. The dues are \$1.00 per
year, which may be paid in semi-annual
amounts, if desired. All members of the
association are entitled to vote, and we
have no age restriction. All members will
also receive the association's publications
and official organ free. Now, what are
you waiting for? Send *at once* and get an
application blank, and see that it is filled
out.

Stamps for Sale or Exchange!

JACKSON KEMPER GARRET,
A. P. A. 247, - - - P. A. of I. 11.
521 COLUMBIA STREET,
BURLINGTON, IOWA.

APPROVAL BOOKS.

All stamps circulated through the Ex-
change Department must be in the official
books of the P. A. of I., to be procured of
the superintendent, at the following rates:

Single book, \$.04
Three books, 10
Seven books, 20
One doz. books, 30

E. L. Raish,
Vermillion, S. D.