



## KINGDOM PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

Fulton, Missouri 65251

*Kingdom of Callaway County—Mule Capitol of the World*

### The Bulletin October 2015

#### Meeting

The next meeting of the Kingdom Philatelic Association will be 7:00 p.m. Thursday, November 19, 2015 at the **Callaway Electric Coop Energy Center**.

This month's circuits include 2 books of British North America, 1 book of France, 1 of Liechtenstein, 1 book of Austria, 1 book of Danzig, 1 Great Britain and 1 book of Vatican stamps. The rest are an assortment of U.S. stamps, including one with fancy cancels and on postal stationary.

Last month Jon provided a program on the evolution of Canadian stamps. The first stamps listed in Scott's catalogue for Canada from 1851 through 1867 were issued by the United Province of Canada, which split into the provinces of Quebec and Ontario at the formation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867. Later several provinces also issued their own stamps. Newfoundland was the last province to issue its own stamps in 1947, just prior to joining the Canadian Confederation.



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#### Private Die Proprietary Stamps



The huge financial demands on the Federal Treasury due to the Civil War resulted in Congress passing the Revenue Act of 1862. In part, the Act provided that revenue stamps were to be affixed to perfumery, playing cards, documents, canned goods and matches. Manufacturers were permitted to create their own stamp designs. After approval by the Internal Revenue Service, the company would have appropriate plates prepared at their own expense. Creating and printing their own Private Die Proprietary stamps provided the company with advertising. Also, in addition to the advertising the private die revenue stamps avoided the trouble and cost of canceling general issue revenue stamps and the manufacturer received 5 to 10% discounts on stamp printed from their private dies.

One company that created their own Private Die Proprietary stamp (Scott # RO58) was the Cardinal Match Company out of St. Louis. The company had 13,530,000 copies of the stamp printed on watermarked paper by the American Bank Note Company. The matches, though, were actually manufactured in Hull, Canada to reduce costs (outsourcing in the 1860's?). The company arranged to have a U.S. Internal Revenue agent on site at the Canadian match factory to insure that the revenue stamps were properly affixed to the match packages. This avoided having the match boxes opened and stamped at the port of entry into the U.S. The imported matches lowered prices all over the country causing the giant U.S. conglomerate Diamond Match Company to buyout the Canadian operations of the Cardinal Match Company.

Private Die Proprietary stamps would make a nice specially area for your stamp collection, especially if you collect revenues.

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## French Tidbit

The first recorded use of the word "philately" occurred in the November 3, 1864 issue of *Collectionneur de Timbre-Poste*, a French periodical. George Heprin used the term.

Supposedly Herpin was attempting to oust an earlier word for stamp collecting: timbromania. Of course, Timbre is French for stamp and Timbromania means "stamp madness."

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## Stamp/Coin Shows and Auctions

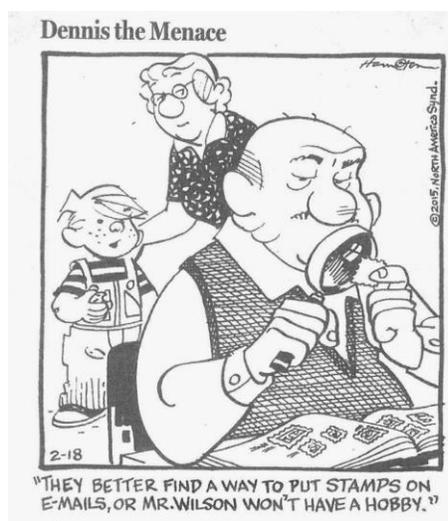
CHICAGOPEX & Regency Auction  
Fenton Stamp Bourse

Nov 20-22, 2015  
Dec 12, 2015

Chicago  
Fenton, MO

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### No New U.S. stamps scheduled For issue in November 2015



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### Philatelic Dates

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| November 1, 1864  | U.S. Post Office Department introduced money order service                |
| November 2, 1917  | U. S. postage rate increased to 3c for WWI. It was restored to 2c in 1919 |
| November 3, 1864  | The first recorded use of the word "philately" occurred                   |
| November 19, 1997 | Kingdom Philatelic Association meeting, Fulton, MO                        |

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