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STAMPS - WINE - CHEESE and "WHERE HAVE ALL THE NIXIES GONE?"

Our December 10, 1980 meeting at Fort Calgary will be something of a departure from the usual December meeting. In addition to the usual Circuit books, Wall Auction, Private Treaty books, and Speaker, we hope to impart a bit of Christmas Spirit into the proceedings with a Wine and Cheese Party. (See attached invitation). Guest Speaker Perry Holinshead will tell us about Alberta Ghost Post Offices in his talk "Where Have All The Nixies Gone?". Other activities include a display of colorful Christmas Post Cards by Al Munro, a display of Canada's Christmas May Stamp by Sam Nickle, and a Raffle. This should be lots of fun so don't miss it.

AUCTION DECEMBER 16, 1980, CUPE HALL

"STAMPS AND THE CRIMINAL MIND"

This is the title of Tom Moore's talk to be given at our January 14th, 1980 meeting, our first of the New Year. Tom has pulled together some interesting examples of skulduggery to escape payment of postage.

AUCTIONS

The Calgary Philatelic Society's auctions have been growing in popularity among Calgary collectors as a source of fine stamps - so much so that the auction committee decided to continue the schedule of two sales per month. In November the committee hit the jackpot at the first auction in CUPE HALL with a sale of more than \$1,000 and the trend continued Nov. 26 at Fort Calgary. The wide variety of stamps on offer appears to appeal to collectors. There has been brisk bidding for the valuable mint and used Canadian stamps where reserves have generally been in the neighborhood of half catalogue, and both small collections and mixtures also seem to get plenty of action. At the November auctions, Club President, Keith Brown handled the hammer alone and consumed four glasses of water each sale as he kept his tonsils well lubricated for the marathon. With more than 100 lots each time, he maintained a brisk pace that should rouse the envy of some of the professional auctioneers at Calgary's famous cattle sales.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Dec. 10, 1980	Wine and Cheese	Fort Calgary
Dec. 16, 1980	Auction	CUPE Hall
Jan. 14, 1981	First of the Year	Fort Calgary
Jan. 20, 1981	Auction	CUPE Hall
Jan. 28, 1981	Auction	Fort Calgary