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## Helvetia Calendar

- May 19 -- Monthly meeting, Fair Lawn Arts Center, 12-56 River Road, Fair Lawn, N. J. Program: swap and sale, A.P.S. sales circuit. Guests welcome.
- Nov. 12-14 -- Helvetia co-sponsorship of NOJEX.

## 16 Members Exhibit at Collectors Club

When the program chairman of the Collectors Club of New York opened its May 6 program on Swiss philately, he noted that for the first time in many meetings all 20 display cases were filled. That word of praise summed up the remarkable cooperation among members of the Helvetia Philatelic Society which insured the success of the program. Vice President Ronald Lowden, Helvetia program chairman, reported later that members turned in a total of 480 pages even though there was room in the display cases for only 320.

President Harlan Stone opened the program by presenting a paper describing Swiss stamps as listed in Scott's Catalog. Sophie Buser followed with an informal discussion of the Standing Helvetia issue. Ronald Lowden completed the program by pointing out all the specialty material in the display but not listed in Scott's. He also acted as master of ceremonies. A total of 16 society members were in the audience of about 50 club members and guests.

Helvetia members who took part in the exhibit were Albert Adams, Herbert Biederman, Caroline and Henry Blum, Sophie Buser, Justin Fuelleman, Henry Gieffers, Edward Hochuli, Otto Hug, Ronald Lowden, Walter Reimann, Aaron Rosenberg, Harlan Stone, Werner Vogel, Ludwig Weinhofer and George Wettach.

## Helvetia Chapter in New York to be Organized

A total of 16 collectors indicated on a sign-up sheet at the Collectors Club that they intend to join a New York chapter of the Helvetia Society when it is organized. President Harlan Stone has already written a letter to the Board of Directors of the Collectors Club asking it to grant the new Helvetia chapter status as a study group which can hold monthly meetings at the club. After determining the evenings when meeting rooms are still available, he requested the use of one on the second Tuesday of each month as first choice and on the third Thursday as second choice. A total of 14 study groups already use the club's facilities on other evenings.

1970-71 Nominations Are Due

Nominations for the society's 1970-71 officers will be presented at the May 19 meeting by the three-member nominating committee. Appointed to the committee last month by President Harlan Stone were Werner Vogel, George Wettach and Benjamin Wood. They will also recommend whether to increase the number of elected offices. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The names of all candidates will be published in the June newsletter. Elections will be held at the June meeting. The new officers and appointed chairmen will assume their duties in September.

News Briefs

Henry Blum won a silver award for his exhibition of Pro Juventute blocks of four at SOJEX held in Atlantic City, N. J., in March.

Harlan Stone and George Wettach are both missing some of the pages they displayed at the Collectors Club. When the pages were taken out of the display cases, they apparently became mixed in with those of other members.

Johannes de Kruyf of Bergenfield has donated a variety of Swiss literature to the society. Walter Reimann brought it from Mr. de Kruyf's home to the April meeting.

The Helvetia membership voted at the April meeting to hold a society meeting in conjunction with the next NOJEX on Saturday, November 13, at 2 p.m. at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark.

Members who plan to exhibit at NOJEX can obtain entry blanks from Mr. Bradley Arch, entries chairman, of 144 Hamilton Ave., Clifton, N. J. 07011.