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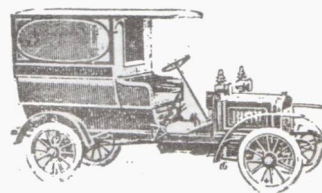
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We have done something a little out of the ordinary this time. Normally, as you long-time readers know, LA POSTA is composed of three geographic sections -- East, Central and West -- plus "The Second Section", which deals with matters of railway and related postal history. In this issue, the Central Section and the Second Section have been combined so that we might feature a major article by Robert G. Schultz, and publish it in its entirety in a single issue.

Robert Schultz is an authority on the postal history of Missouri. He is the author of MISSOURI POST OFFICES, 1804-1981, and we are fortunate to have had his byline appear in LA POSTA before, most recently with a listing of Missouri Doane cancellations. In his current article, Schultz draws from railway and postal records to tell the tale of a short-line railroad and the communities it served in Missouri. Maps, timetables and covers are combined with his research to illustrate the story which he unfolds for us. This is a masterful piece of work. It tells an interesting story. It shows us how railway and postal history can be used to understand the past. And it explains how this small portion of Missouri is different from other places. In my opinion, Schultz has produced a classic in local postal history writings, and his work deserves to be emulated.

Lest you readers conclude that our entire issue is devoted to one subject, let me hasten to add that we have some other very interesting articles by other fine authors. You will find information and features dealing with such states as New Jersey, Nevada, Oregon and South Carolina, as well as, articles of a non-

geographic nature concerning auxiliary markings and postmarks. I think you will find that this issue reaches the degree of balanced coverage which we attempt to maintain. We will return to our normal five-section format next time, and I can assure you that Bob Munshower and Alan Patera are already busy lining up some interesting features for the Second Section and the Central Section in our June-July issue.

A few words are in order concerning our Subscribers' Auction, which, as you can see, has gobbled-up an extra page of this number. We list over 600 lots this time, and, quite frankly, that represents a lot of work. We certainly do not wish to inconvenience readers who submit lots, but I feel that 600 is likely to be a maximum for any one sale, and 500 is a more reasonable number. It is delightful to see the increase in participation, both in the number of bidders and persons consigning material, and I believe we are filling a gap in the market by enabling the purchase and sale of low-cost covers among collectors.

The content of the Subscribers' Auction is pretty much dictated by what kind of material is submitted, and, to a considerable extent, the states which are heavily represented are that way because their material has shown that it sells. It's a bit of a "chicken and egg" situation. If we don't have good material from Kentucky, then Kentucky covers will not appear to sell well, and nobody will submit them. We will keep trying material from different states (besides those that are proven sellers) in an attempt to develop broader interests. It's unlikely that we'll ever reach the point where we



have 10 good lots from each of the 50 states, but, for those of you who have been unsuccessful in finding material in your particular state, please be aware that we are sympathetic and are trying.

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Ken Lerner, P.O. Box 1013, Suisun, CA 94585, who writes a column entitled "Computer Companion" for THE STAMP WHOLESALER sends us the following:

Bill Helbock, in the "Publisher's Page", Vol. 17, No. 6, notes the intriguing possibilities of transmitting data between computers via a modem. I'd like to suggest some other possibilities of marrying the computer to your vocation/avocation.

Sharing of data files (Bill uses the illustration of a listing of South Carolina post offices) can best be accomplished if participants are reading off the same sheet of music., i.e., using the same program. There is, for example, an excellent flat-file database program called File Express. This is a share-ware program that can easily be obtained from computer bulletin boards or through local computer clubs at no cost. If you like it, you're expected, under the honor system, to pay for it (\$15 without a printed manual, \$49 for a registered copy with a printed manual). Now you can simply mail data disks to fellow collectors (providing all use an IBM PC, XT, AT or compatibles) and they can easily rearrange the data to best fit their needs.

The possibilities of computer use becomes increasingly viable since, even if collectors don't own one, most have access to one at their place of work. Sharing of information not only expands individual knowledge, it eliminates the constant "reinvention of the wheel."

More mundane uses include creation of labels to identify material. The samples (shown below), used to mark retail stock, suggest such use and could easily be modified for collector use.

The advent of free-form, text-oriented, data base programs has tremendous application for voluminous postal history stocks or collections. Why? You don't need any structured data fields, and data entered can be variable in length and content. Furthermore, you can instantly recall an item by any word, phrase, or number that it contains. Feature and cost-wise, askSam (\$200) from Seaside Software is the best of these.



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 COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
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 ESTAB \_\_\_\_\_ DISCON \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONDITION \_\_\_\_\_ PRICE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DOANE STATE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 TOWN \_\_\_\_\_  
 COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
 TYPE \_\_\_\_\_ KILLER# \_\_\_\_\_ S/I \_\_\_\_\_  
 CONDITION \_\_\_\_\_ PRICE \_\_\_\_\_

There already exists a number of useful programs for stamps, and some of these also permit inclusion of First Days, Flights, or simply stamps on covers. One example is Super Cat (\$75) from Progressive Software, that will run on the IBM and compatibles and most CP/M systems (including Apple, Commodore-128, Epson, Kaypro, Morrow, TRS-80 Model 4, etc.)

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Richard Bard, Jr., of Colville, WA, notes a recent article in the philatelic press concerning the Postmark Collectors Club's museum in Ohio, and asks if it might be possible for LA POSTA to publish a summary listing of all such museums, the nature of their collections, and details concerning hours of operation, so that postal historians on vacation might be able to plan visits. This sounds like a great idea, and LA POSTA would be happy to publish such information. Can we hear from you PMCC folks, the Western Postal History Museum of Tucson, the Wells Fargo Museum in San Francisco, and anyone else with knowledge of worthwhile vacation attractions in postal history? Just tell us what, where, when, why & how; and we will pass it on to our readers.

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Alyce Evans of Bonsall, CA, reminds us that several western states will be celebrating their centennials next year, and sends along two illustrations which show what one Washington post office used for a while to postmark mail after the state came into the Union. Alyce notes that the postmarks and wheel-of-fortune killers are both struck in purple on the 2-cent green banknotes.





Richard Russell of Belleville, IL, writes to say that he would very much like to see a listing of Illinois Doane cancels. Is anyone working on such a project, or does anyone have knowledge of an Illinois Doane listing in print?


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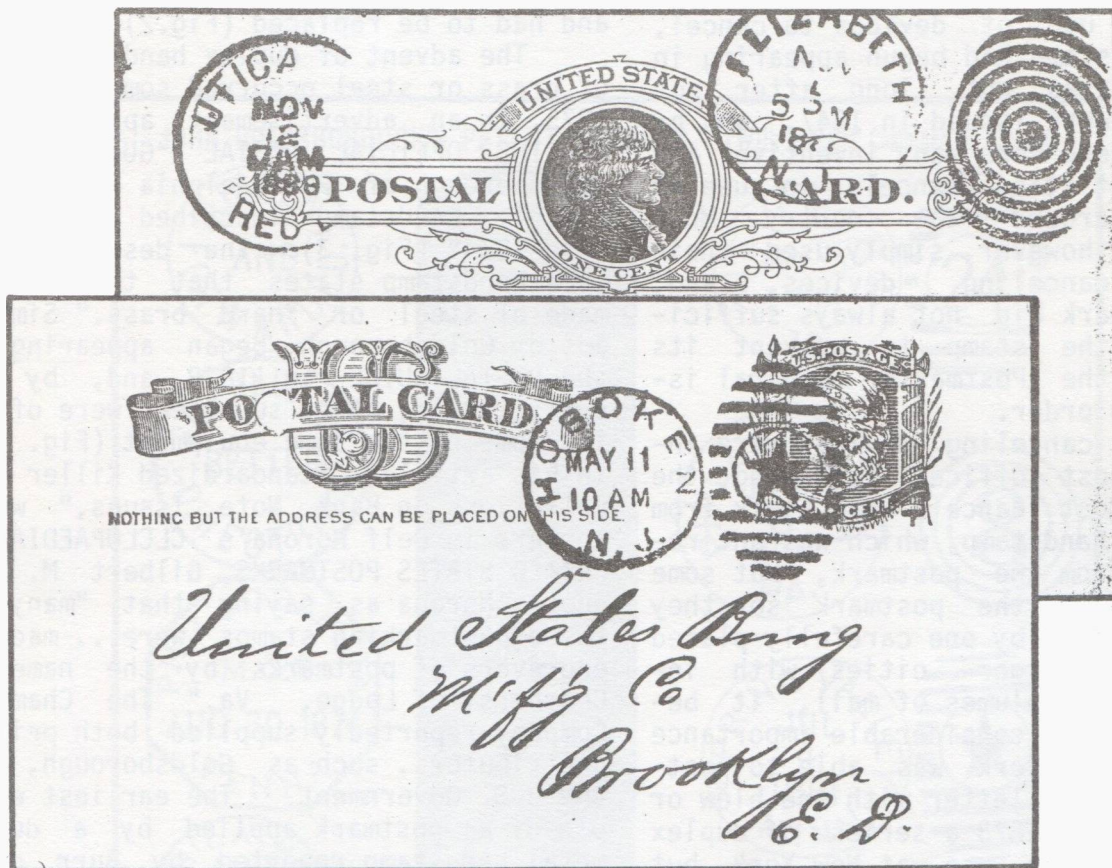
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## POSTMARKS AND CANCELLATIONS

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These postal cards bear impressions made by duplex metal handstamps. During the developmental period, 1875–1890, duplex metal handstamps appeared in many different designs, but most had ovate cancels. Both of these New Jersey examples are of the Type C classification described in this article.

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### DUPLEX METAL HANDSTAMPS

Of all the many and various classes of postmarks used in United States post offices, perhaps the most neglected by modern students of postal history are the duplex metal handstamps. These markings, used initially at only the most busy post offices, fall between the long-popular field of small-town handstamps and the emerging interest area of machine cancellations. Unlike small-town handstamps and machine cancellations, which have generated considerable interest and a growing body of research, the duplex metal handstamps have been largely ignored, except in the context of research concerned with all postmarks of a particular place, e.g., Boston, Baltimore, Cincinnati, etc.

The reasons for this lack of interest are unclear. Perhaps the fact that these duplexes were first used only at large cities, all of which continue as familiar place-names today, renders them less interesting to the postal historian than similar markings used at small offices, many of which have long since disappeared. And perhaps the fact that these were simple handstamp devices gives them less appeal to researchers fascinated with the experimental technology of machine cancellations, which was evolving at roughly the same time and in the same cities. Whatever the reasons, our knowledge of the postal use of duplex metal handstamps lags far behind other fields of postmarks, and it is our purpose herein to illustrate that the potential of these markings as a subject for collection and study has been badly underrated.



In 1860 the U.S. Postmaster General issued orders prohibiting the use of town marks, or postmarks, as a canceling instrument. The use of devices to cancel, or "kill", a stamp had begun appearing in the United States not long after our first stamps were issued in 1847, and by the 1850's there were many inventive, and some quite artistic, cancels in use at post offices around the country. Most post offices, however, simply used their postmarks as canceling devices, and, since a postmark did not always sufficiently deface the stamp to prevent its further use, the Postmaster General issued his 1860 order.

Numerous canceling devices were introduced at post offices following the 1860 order. Most cancels were stuck from a hammer, or handstamp, which was entirely separate from the postmark, but some were attached to the postmark so they could be applied by one carefully placed impression. In larger cities with increasingly high volumes of mail, it became a matter of considerable importance as to whether a clerk was able to postmark and cancel a letter with one blow or two. As early as 1873 a series of duplex handstamps were in use at New York, but

these handstamps were made from wood, cork, or other soft material, and, given their high level of use, wore out quickly and had to be replaced (Fig. 2).

The advent of duplex handstamps made of brass or steel occurred sometime about 1875. In an advertisement appearing in the 1883 OFFICIAL POSTAL GUIDE, John Goldsborough of Philadelphia illustrated a duplex handstamp inscribed "PAT. MAY 12th 1874" (Fig. 3). The description of this handstamp states that the die is made of steel or "hard brass." Similar ads by Goldsborough began appearing in the POSTAL GUIDE in 1878, and, by the early 1880's, other suppliers were offering some of the same equipment (Fig. 4). In his article, "Standardized Killer Cancellations on Bank Note Issues," which appears in Delf Norona's CLCLOPAEDIA OF UNITED STATES POSTMARKS, Gilbert M. Burr quotes Norona as saying that "many of these postmarking stamps were... made by engravers of postmarks by the name of Chambers, of Lodge, Va." The Chambers Company reportedly supplied both private distributors, such as Goldsborough, and the U.S. Government. The earliest example of a postmark applied by a duplex metal handstamp reported by Burr dates from New York City in 1876.

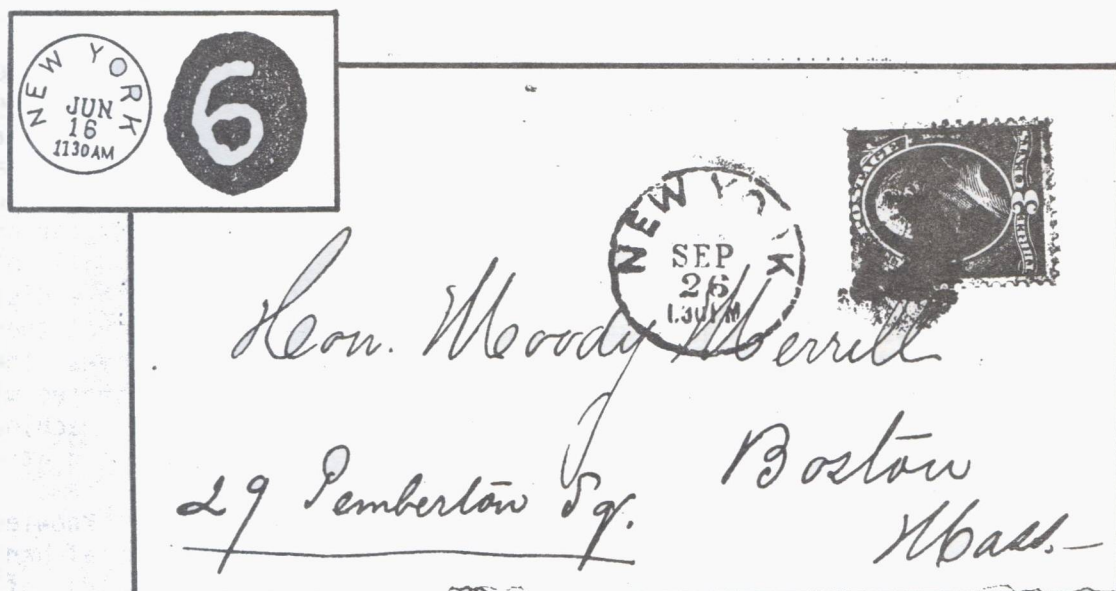


Figure 2. New York City post office used a duplex handstamp as early as 1873, but since it was made from soft material it wore out quickly and had to be replaced often.

JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH'S PATENT "MARKER," (With Canceler Combined or Separate.)

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**JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH, 720 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.**

See other advertisement, page 39.

Figure 3. John Goldsborough advertisement which appeared in the 1883 *OFFICIAL POSTAL GUIDE*.



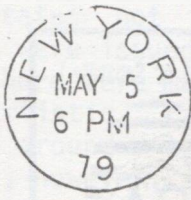
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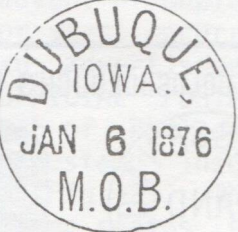
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Figure 4. In the 1882 *OFFICIAL POSTAL GUIDE* F.P. Hammond advertised the same type of metal duplex handstamp sold by Goldsborough.

#### CLASSIFICATION

It is possible to classify the duplex metal handstamps into eight major types based upon design differences. These eight types, as well as two subtypes, are displayed in chronological order of their appearance in Figure 5.

Type A, which was one of the two earliest types, has a cancel consisting of some circular pattern which features a

number or letter as part of the design. Typically, the circular pattern takes the form of concentric rings with a number or letter in the center, but, as shown in Figure 6, the pattern was sometimes more elaborate. Significance of the number or letter appearing in the center has not been verified, but the most popular theory is that different numbers or letters were assigned to different clerks or canceling stations at the post office. Type

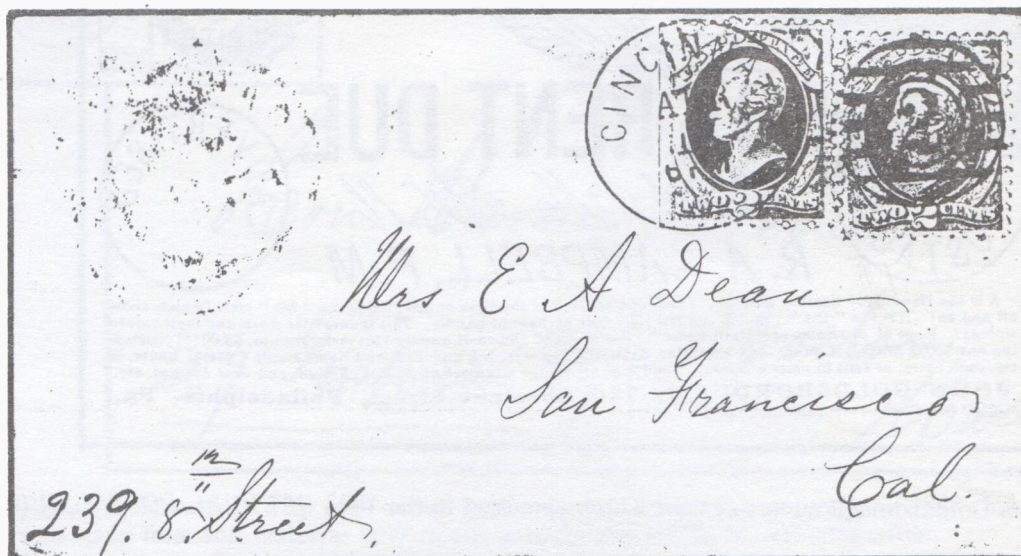
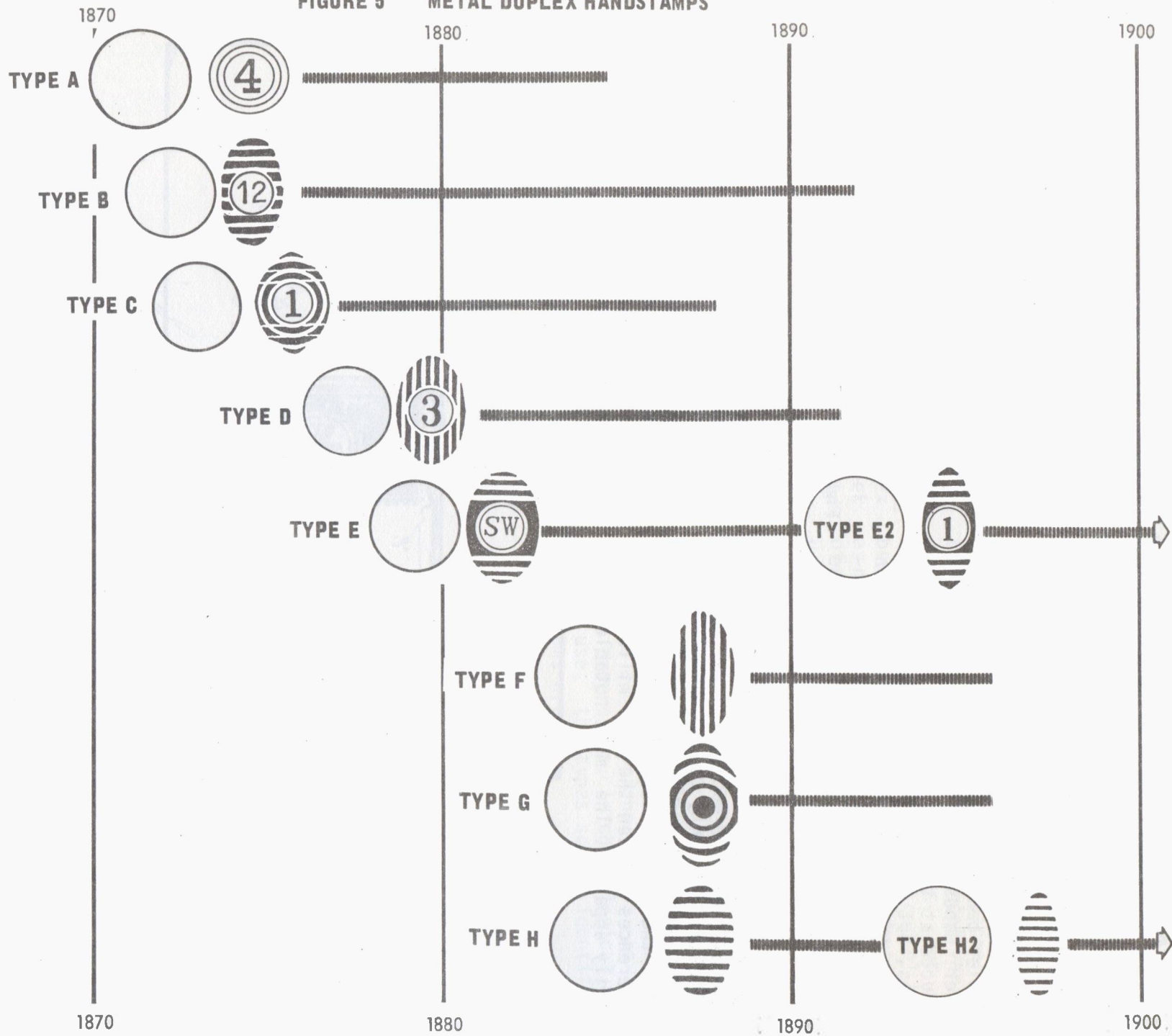


Figure 6. Most duplex metal handstamps appear in black ink, but Cincinnati favored blue ink, and some examples of their Type A handstamps are quite attractive.

FIGURE 5 METAL DUPLEX HANDSTAMPS





A duplexes are known to have been used at Philadelphia, Cincinnati, and Washington, D.C. Use at other cities is anticipated, but the distribution of this type was not widespread in comparison to other duplex types.

Type B duplex handstamps feature a killer composed of an ellipse formed by a number of horizontal bars with a clear circular center containing a number or letter. Handstamps of this type were introduced at the same time as Type A duplexes, but they were given a much wider distribution and were commonly used in many large post offices across the country throughout the 1880's and into the early 1890's. Confusion in identifying Type A duplexes may sometimes be encountered due to their similarity to certain early machine cancels, notably those produced by Leavitt Group B machines. Figure 7 illustrates both a Type B duplex and a Leavitt Group B machine cancel, and, although the overall designs are similar, differences between the two killers are readily apparent. The most notable being



LEAVITT  
GROUP B  
MACHINE  
CANCEL



TYPE B  
DUPLEX  
METAL  
HANDSTAMP

Figure 7.

that the killers of handstamp markings are usually taller and narrower than those of the machines.

In some cases the numbers and letters in the center of the killer are believed to have corresponded to the station at which they were used (Fig. 8), but in other cases this does not seem to have been the case (Fig. 9)

Figure 8.

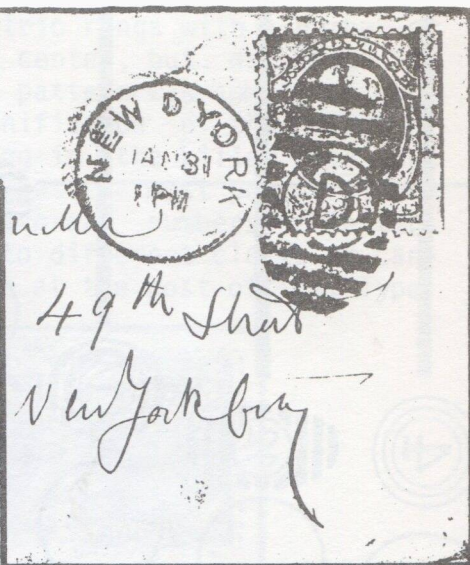
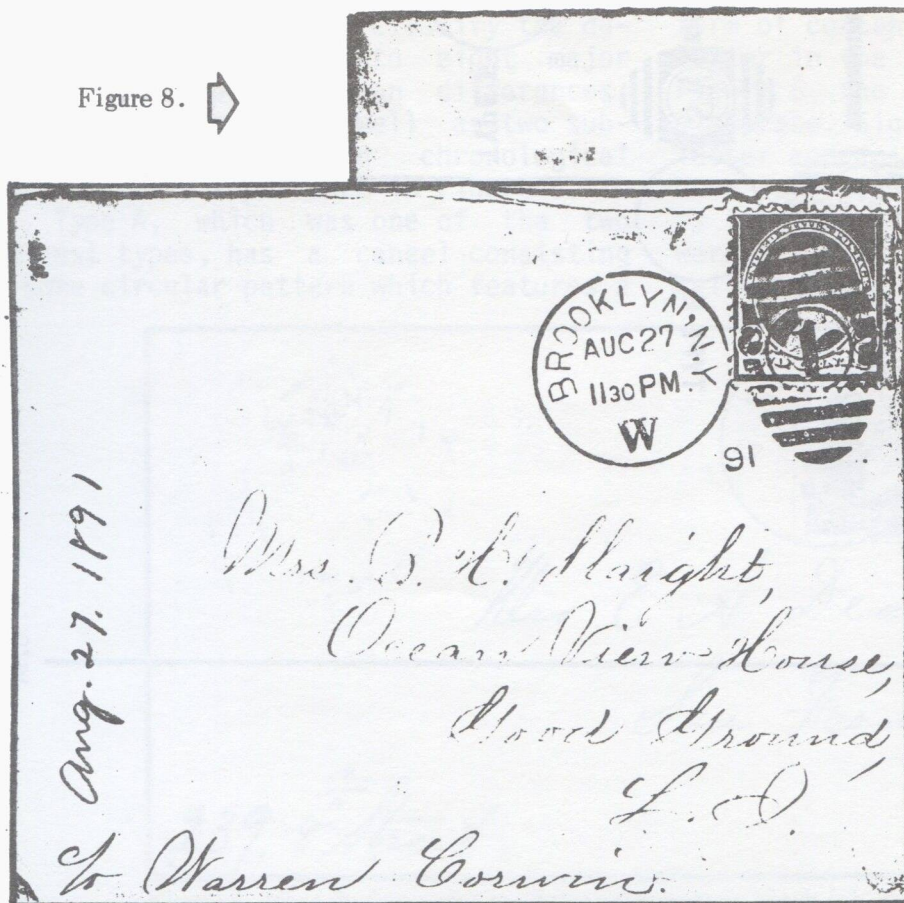


Figure 9.

Type C duplex handstamps consist of a variety of unusual designs united only by the fact that they all have elliptical forms. These designs appear to have been experiments, for their distribution was nowhere near as broad as the other types and in some cases may have been limited to a single post office. Some Type C designs feature a number or letter in the center, but many are simply elliptical patterns or contain a geometric figure in the center. While additional research is needed to gain an understanding of the use and distribution of all the duplex types, there is a particular need to seek an expanded knowledge of these interesting Type C handstamps.

Introduction of the Type D duplex handstamps was made in the early 1880's. Handstamps of this type feature a cancel composed of a series of vertical bars arranged in an ellipse. Once again the ellipse has a clear circular area in the center, and a number or letter in the circle. Type D handstamps apparently received a fairly wide distribution, and are fairly common into the 1890's. Many of New York's lettered stations used devices of this design in which the letter in the center of the cancel corresponded to the letter of the station (Fig. 10).

The first Type E duplex handstamps appear to have come into use about 1884, and in some cases they replaced duplex handstamps of Type A or Type B design. These duplexes, sometimes called "barrel cancels" because of the shape of the center portion of the ellipse, eventually became one of the two major standardized types to emerge from this developmental period. The exact shape of the barrel and the number of bars in the cancel varied considerably in the early years, but by about 1895 the pattern of the cancel had become standardized into that identified as Type E2 in Figure 5. Duplex handstamps of this design became common in all large U.S. post offices by the early 20th century, and may be found in use in some circumstances to this day.

John Williams, author of an ongoing study of California postmarks, has recently identified six different Type E2 markings in use by California post offices prior to 1935. John reports that he expects to add additional types as his research progresses. In chronological order of use, the types so far identified by Williams are:

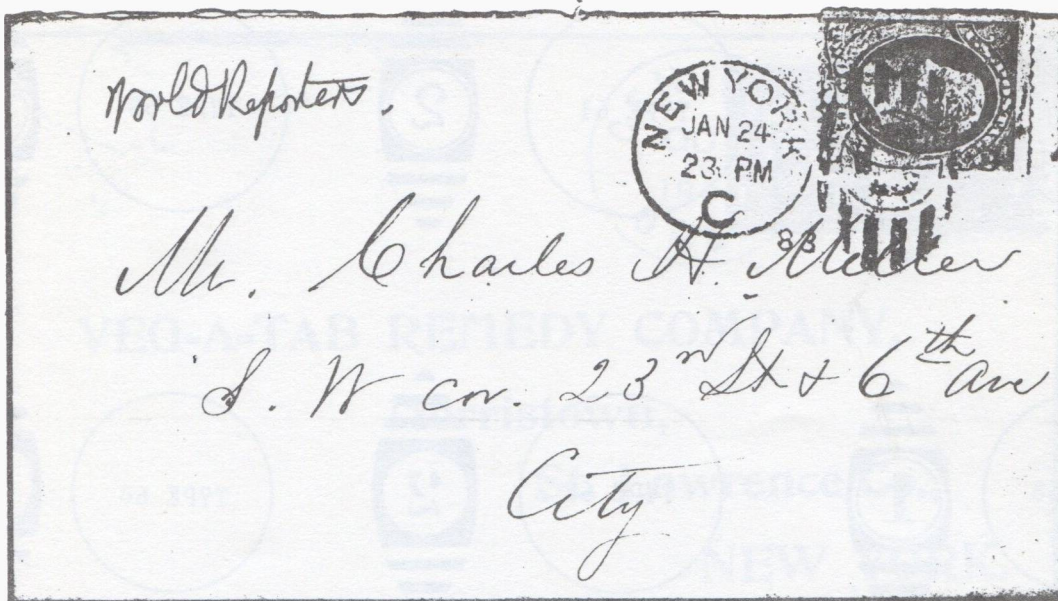


Figure 10. Type D duplex handstamps were used extensively by the lettered stations of New York City. In this 1888 example from Station C at 583 Hudson Street, the C in the cancel matches the C in the postmark.



## TYPE E2 METAL DUPLEXES USED IN CALIFORNIA

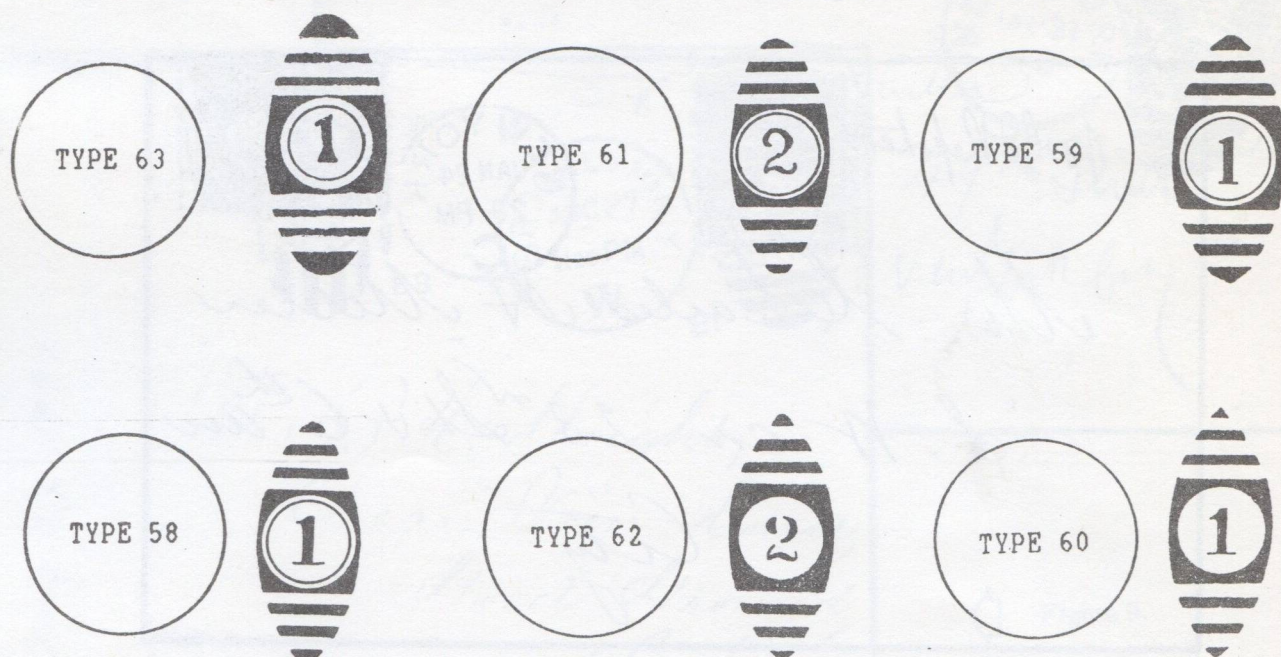
Williams #	Known Use	Measurement
63	1896-1902	16.0 x 34.0
61	1915-1916	13.0 x 31.0
59	1916-1935	14.5 x 33.0
58	1920-1928	13.5 x 32.0
62	1933-	13.5 x 32.5
60	1935-	14.5 x 33.0

Apparently impressed with the success of the duplex metal handstamps in large post offices, the United States Post Office Department began distribution of three new types of metal duplex handstamps to smaller post offices in the late 1880's. These types, identified as F, G, and H in Figure 5, were distributed to Second Class post offices in an effort to provide them with more durable post-marking/canceling equipment. Although still a tentative conclusion, the evidence suggests that the distribution of these types was strictly limited to Second Class offices in the beginning. In 1888, for example, Seattle was still

classed as a Second Class post office, and we have examples of a Type G duplex handstamp in use there in 1890. By 1891 Seattle had been upgraded to a First Class office, and the earlier Type G duplex was replaced by a Type E in that year (Fig. 12).

All three types of Second Class duplexes received fairly wide distribution during the late 1880's and early 1890's. It is difficult to say which of the three types received the widest distribution without the benefit of a broader census, but the winner in what was apparently a form of design competition was clearly Type H. Beginning in late 1898, duplex handstamps of the design identified as H2 in Figure 5 were distributed to Third Class and a number of larger volume Fourth Class post offices around the country. Once again, the exact extent of this distribution is unknown, but there were in 1898 over 2,800 Third Class offices and devices of this type are known to have been used in many larger Fourth Class offices. In addition, certain newly established offices, which

FIGURE 11. WILLIAMS CLASSIFICATION OF TYPE E2 DUPLEXES USED IN CALIFORNIA





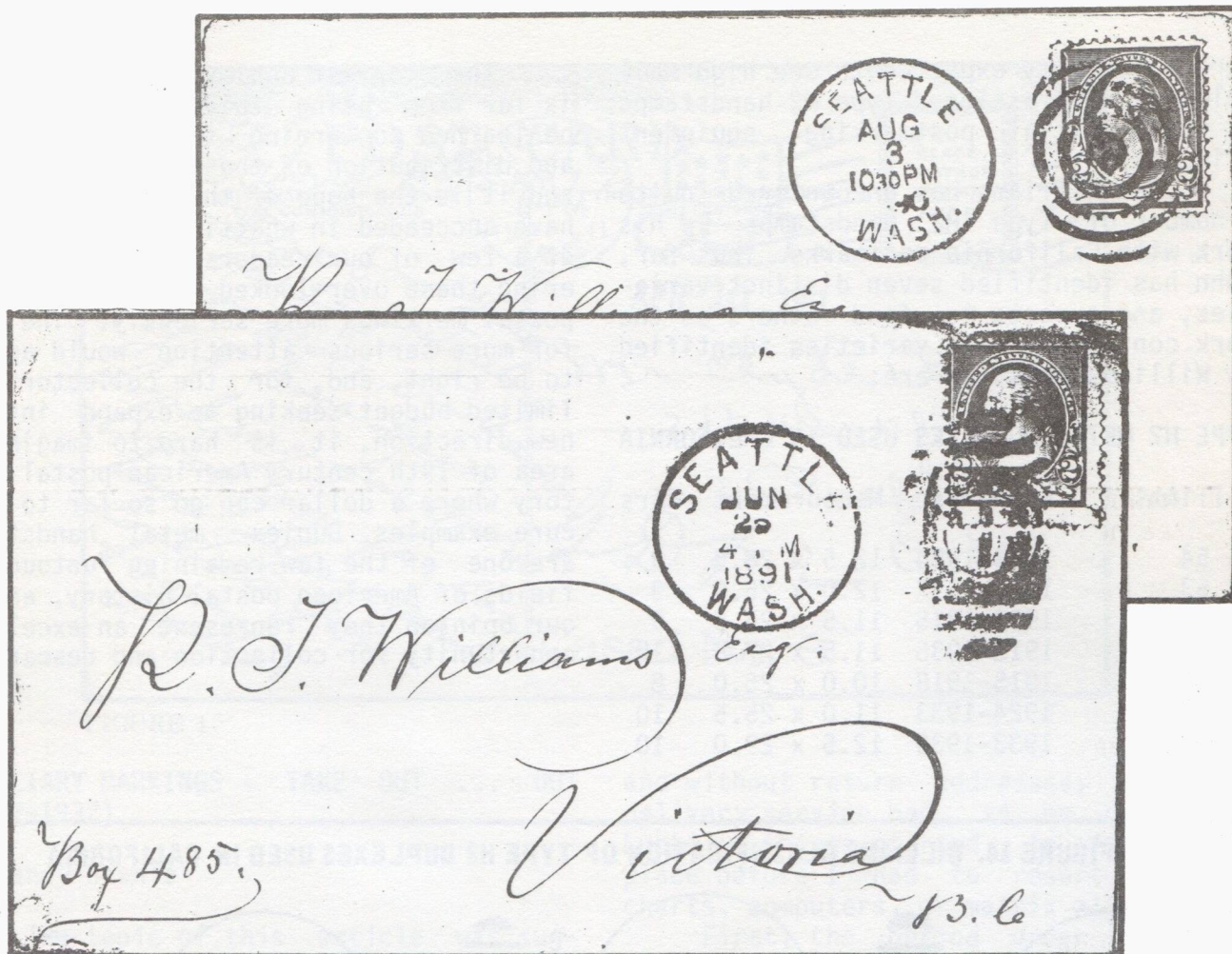


Figure 12. In 1888 Seattle was a Second Class post office and was issued a Type G handstamp. By the time a replacement was needed, Seattle had advanced to a First Class office and was issued a Type E duplex handstamp.

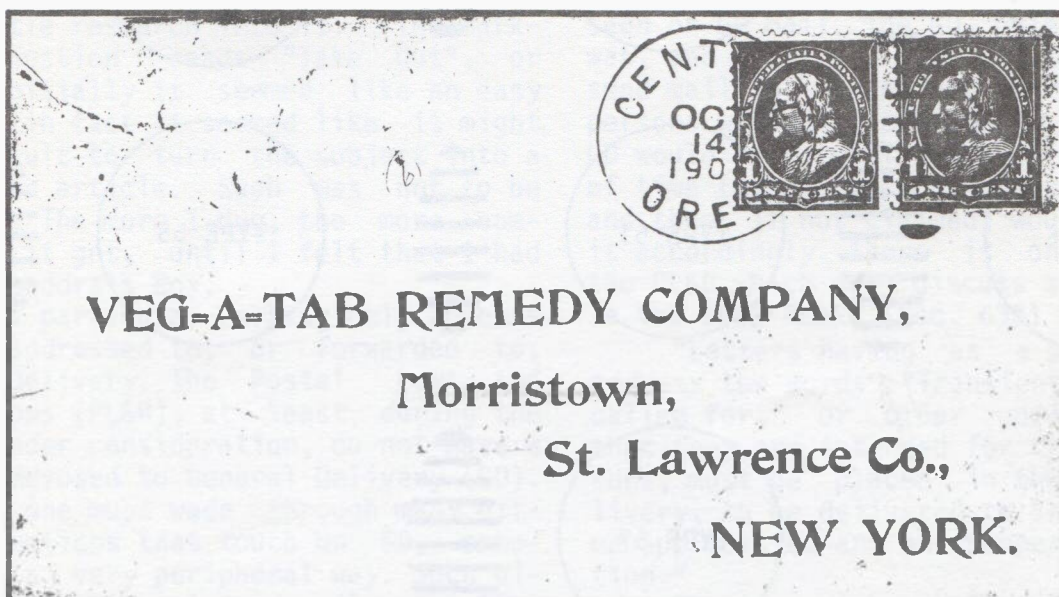


Figure 13. Because it served Portland's Center Addition, the Central Post Office was issued a Type H2 metal duplex when it was established in 1900 in anticipation of high volume mail. Events proved otherwise, however, for Central postmaster's salary was only \$112.86 in 1901 and the post office was closed at the end of 1903.



were apparently expected to see high mail volumes, were assigned Type H2 handstamps as their initial postmarking equipment (Fig. 13).

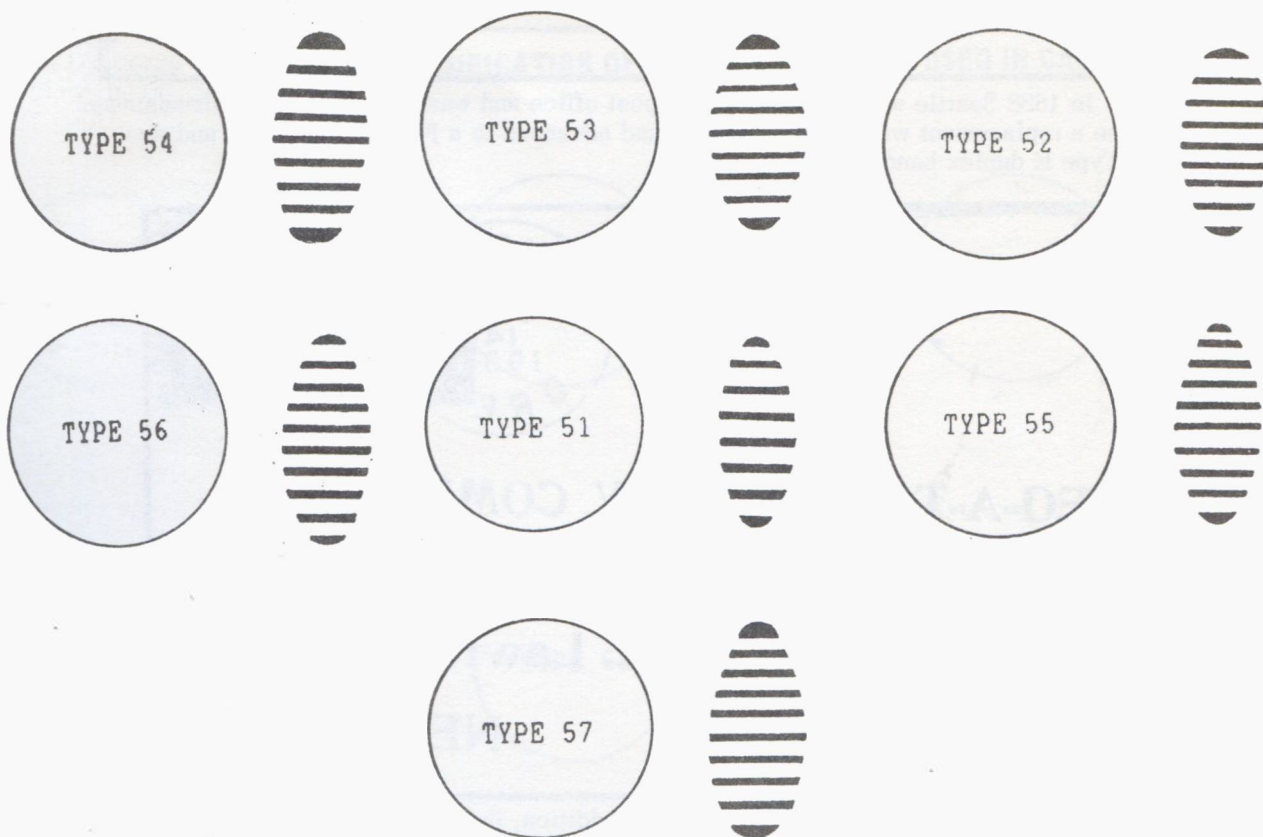
John Williams has encountered quite a number of Type H2 handstamps in his work with California postmarks. Thus far, John has identified seven distinct varieties, and expects to find others as the work continues. The varieties identified by Williams thus far are:

#### TYPE H2 METAL DUPLEXES USED IN CALIFORNIA

Williams #	Known Use	Measurement	Bars
54	1899-1904	12.5 x 28.5	9
53	1900-1917	12.0 x 26.0	9
52	1907-1915	11.5 x 25.5	9
56	1912-1935	11.5 x 27.5	10
51	1915-1918	10.0 x 25.0	8
55	1924-1933	11.0 x 25.5	10
57	1933-1935	12.5 x 29.0	10

The story of duplex metal handstamps is far from being told. Much remains to be learned concerning the history, use and distribution of these durable devices and it is the hope of the authors that we have succeeded in whetting the appetites of a few of our readers to begin considering these over-looked and under-rated postal markings more seriously. The time for more serious attention would appear to be right, and, for the collector on a limited budget seeking to expand into a new direction, it is hard to imagine an area of 19th century American postal history where a dollar can go so far to procure examples. Duplex metal handstamps are one of the few remaining "untouched" fields of American postal history, and in our opinion they represent an excellent opportunity for collection and research.

FIGURE 14. WILLIAMS CLASSIFICATION OF TYPE H2 DUPLEXES USED IN CALIFORNIA



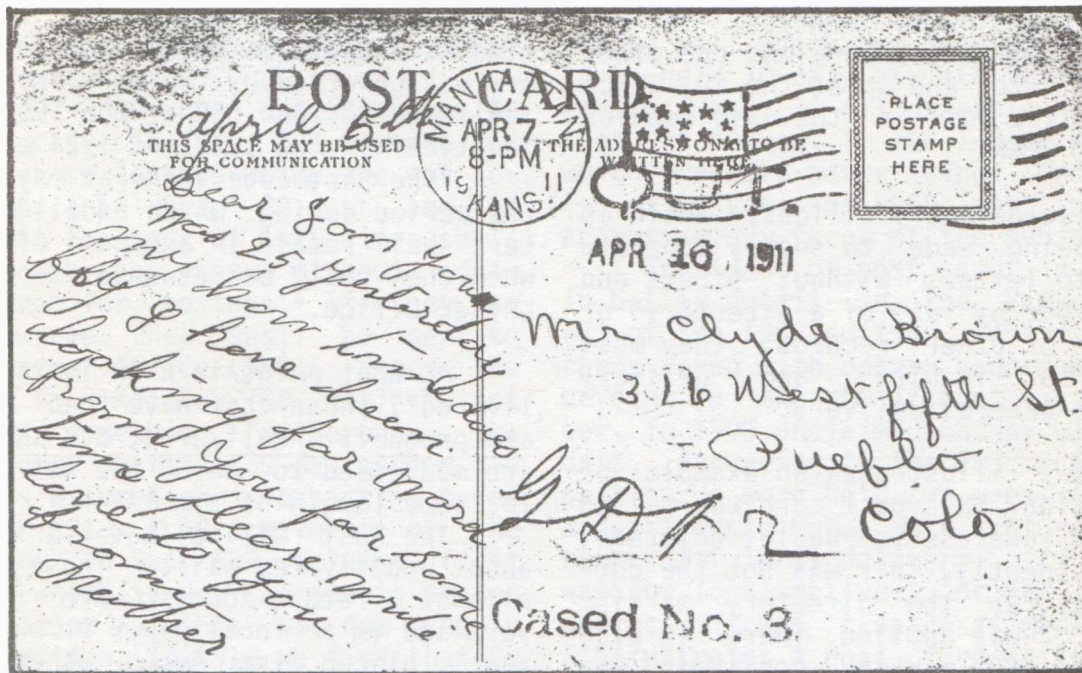


FIGURE 1

# AUXILIARY MARKINGS - TAKE OUT ... OUT (1902-1932)

By Randy Stehle

The topic of this article was suggested by Bill Helbock, publisher of LA POSTA. Bill reported that he had received numerous inquiries about a certain type of auxiliary marking, and so I agreed to do a little research into it. The marking in question reads "Take Out", or "Out". Initially it seemed like an easy subject, in fact it seemed like it might be difficult to turn the subject into a full-sized article. Such was not to be the case. The more I dug, the more complicated it got, until I felt that I had opened Pandora's Box.

This particular marking only appears on mail addressed to, or forwarded to, General Delivery. The Postal Laws and Regulations (PL&R), at least during the period under consideration, do not have a section devoted to General Delivery (GD). Instead, one must wade through many different sections that touch on GD, sometimes in a very peripheral way. Such diverse topics as unclaimed mail; advertising of mail; the Dead Letter Office; directory service; treatment of single post cards, double post cards; of mail with

and without return addresses; and city delivery service had to be consulted. Luckily, things started to fall into place before I had to resort to flow charts, computers, or matrix algebra.

First, the period under study is limited to 1902-1932 -- a period which is under the authority of PL&Rs for 1902, 1913 and 1924, including revisions. As mentioned above, these markings are only seen on GD mail. The GD, briefly stated, was, and still is, supposed to be used to send mail to transient persons, i.e., persons without a permanent address. The GD would hold mail for a certain amount of time (duration to be discussed later), and then, if not claimed, would deal with it accordingly. There is one section of the PL&R which does discuss some of this. In the 1902 PL&R, (Sec. 636) we find:

"Letters having as a part of their address the words "Transient," "To be called for," or other words indicating that they are intended for transient persons, must be placed in the general delivery, to be delivered to the addressees on application and on proper identification."

"Letters without street and number, or box number, shall be treated as transient letters and placed in the general delivery."



These rules were identical in the 1913 & 1924 editions. There was one other way for mail to end up at the GD, which is also spelled out in the same section of the 1902 PL&R:

"At free-delivery offices, while an effort is being made to supply complete addresses to letters without street and number, either by use of a directory or examination of other records, they must be subject to inquiry and delivery through the general delivery."

Figure 1 illustrates an example of this situation. This post card was mailed to a street address in Pueblo, Colorado, in 1911. Evidently, this was not the correct address, as the directory marking "Cased No. 3" was applied. There is also a manuscript "GD" marking, confirming the fact that this card was sent there and a directory clerk tried to determine the correct address. Subsequently, the marking "OUT./Apr. 16, 1911" was applied, indicating that someone claimed it at the GD about a week after it was first received.

While all this tends to explain the use of the marking, one must look a little deeper into such matters as length of time mail would be held and treatment of

different types of mail. The length of time mail could be held at General Delivery was governed by the very broad wording found in Sec. 669 of the 1902 PL&R -- identical in the 1913 and 1924 editions:

"The Postmaster-General may regulate the period during which undelivered letters shall remain in any post office, and when they shall be returned to the Dead Letter Office."

At what point is a GD letter "undelivered"? Those that have "bad" addresses are probably undelivered, but those which are addressed to the GD are not (at least for some length of time).

The Post Office had various rules about undelivered mail. Those letters without a return address were to be advertised in a local paper or on a prominently placed list. Among other items of mail that could not be advertised (per Sec. 665 1902 PL&R and Sec. 627 1913 PL&R) was "matter addressed to persons who call regularly at the post office, or which there is a special reason to believe will be called for..." One could interpret this to mean that GD mail (or at least mail addressed to the GD) could not be advertised. Markings seen by the author tend to support this conclusion. For what its worth, the 1924 PL&R renders

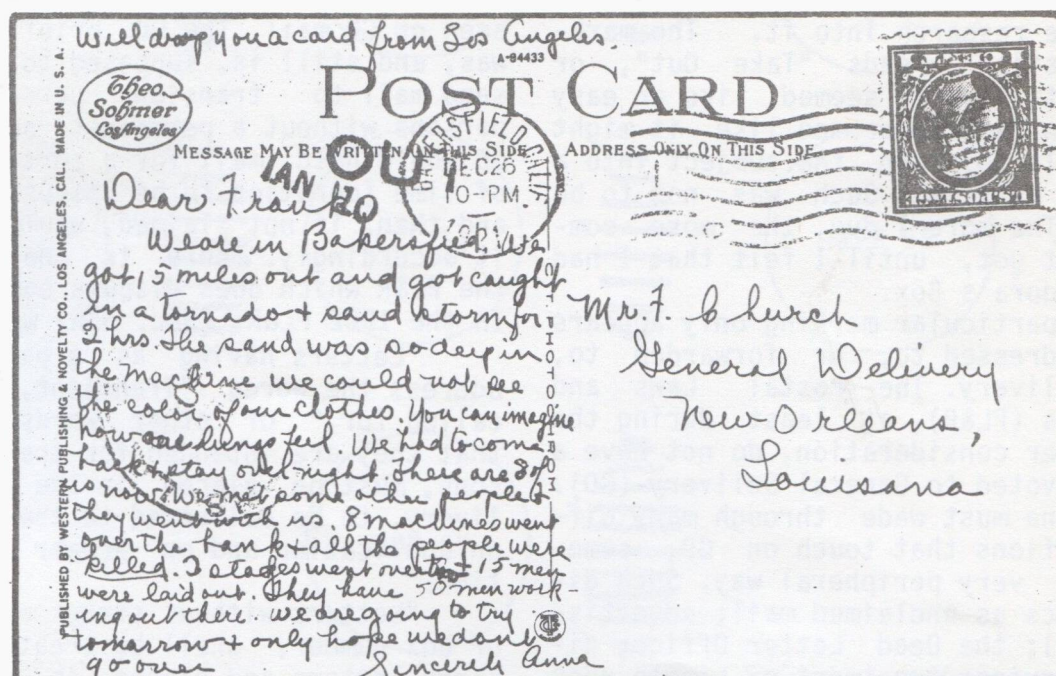


FIGURE 2

this a moot point with the terse sentence: "Unclaimed domestic matter shall not be advertised."

The 1902 PL&R does not specifically mention GD mail in Sec. 670, where we read that those letters which are not advertised shall be held 30 days, and, if unclaimed at the end of this time, shall be returned to the writer without additional charge for postage. If they can not be returned, they shall be sent to the Dead Letter Office (DLO). Since the time limit for holding GD mail is not specified as something different, the author assumes that the 30-day period did apply. This assumption is basically borne out by the 1913 PL&R treatment of the same subject. In Sec. 633 unclaimed first class mail which is not claimed is broken into categories -- this was not done in the 1902 edition. In 1913 we find that GD mail (except post cards, which are discussed below) with a return address will be held 10 days if the post office has city-carrier service and 15 days if it does not. The 1924 PL&R contains identical wording. The length of time to hold GD mail without a return address is not mentioned in any PL&R covering the period under consideration. The author would conjecture that the period would not exceed 30 days, and might depend upon the

class of the office. In the 1902 and 1913 PL&Rs, mail which had been advertised was to be held 30 days at 4th class offices and two weeks at all others -- in addition, of course, to the 1-week of holding which preceded advertising. Unfortunately, as we see, the PL&R does not always address every facet of the subject.

Treatment of post cards is laid out in better detail in the PL&Rs. In Sec. 673 of the 1902 edition, all single post cards (even with return addresses) are to be sent to the DLO if unclaimed. Remember, in 1902 unclaimed matter was held 30 days. According to the 1913 PL&R, single post cards were held two weeks (Sec. 634) and, if unclaimed, were returned to the sender (if local delivery). If the card was not local delivery, or had no return address, it was treated as waste. Figure 2 illustrates a post card mailed in 1921 to GD, New Orleans. It was received Dec. 30, and has the "OUT" marking with the date "Jan.10" applied.

In the 1924 PL&R (Sec. 638.3) post cards (at letter-carrier offices) were to be held 10 days, and if unclaimed, were to be sent to the DLO. There is also one additional twist. Non-local cards with a return address were to be returned for a 1-cent fee. Figure 3 shows a post card which was subject to the rules of the

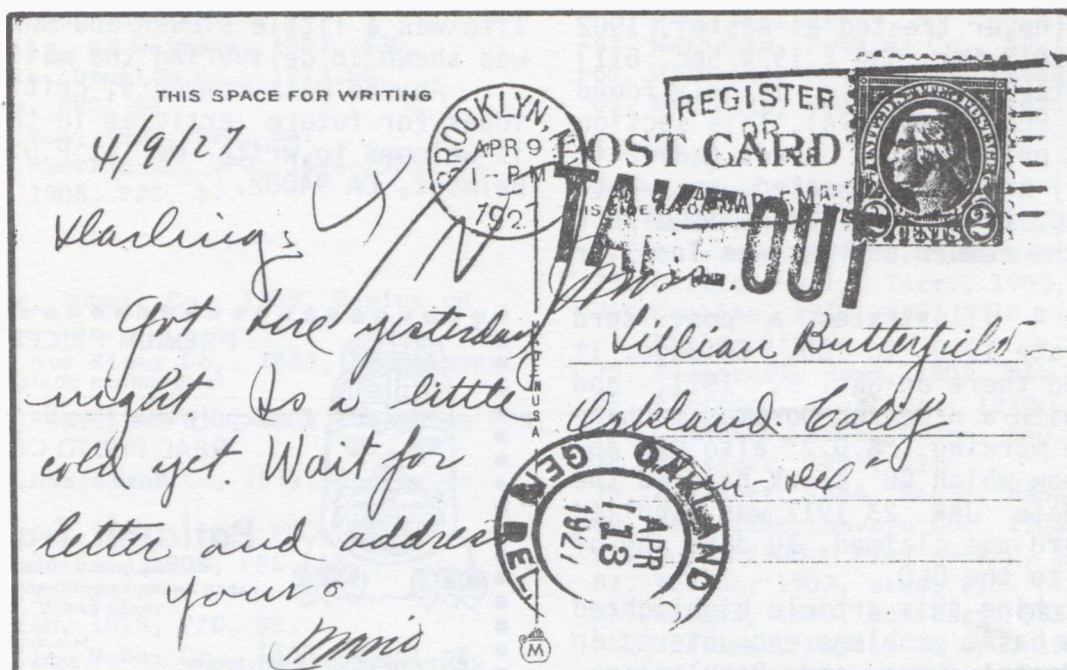


FIGURE 3





FIGURE 4

1924 PL&R. The card was mailed in 1927 to GD, Oakland, CA. It was received Apr. 13, and on Apr 23 (in mss.) the marking "TAKE OUT" was applied. The 10-day holding period expired on the day it was claimed.

The treatment of double post cards more closely mirrors the way in which letters were treated. In all three PL&Rs, they were to be returned if there was a return address, and if not they were sent to the DLO (never treated as waste). [1902 Sec. 673.2; 1913 Sec. 634 & 1924 Sec. 611]

One interesting rule is only found in the 1902 PL&R (Sec. 674). This section states that printed post cards (advertising matter) are to be treated as waste if unclaimed. In other words, it didn't matter if the return address was local or not.

Figure 4 illustrates a post card mailed in late 1910 to GD, Chicago. It was received there on Jan. 3, 1911, and impressed with a nice red Doremus machine cancel. The marking "G.D.2" also was applied to show which GD clerk handled the card. The date JAN 23 1911 was applied when the card was claimed, 10 days shy of being sent to the DLO.

Researching this article highlighted some of the basic problems encountered in using the Postal Laws and Regulations. Incomplete coverage of some subjects;

rules that change every 11 years (after the 1932 PL&R, rules were changed every 8 years for a while); lack of a concordance between the 1902 and 1913 editions; and language that is sometimes deliberately ambiguous to allow for local conditions or special circumstances, are some of the obvious problems which face a researcher. In spite of all this, the PL&Rs give one a fascinating insight into a time when life was a little slower and more effort was shown in delivering the mail.

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4. Coalville, Summit Co., 1909, Duplex on P/c, \$3.
5. Colfax, Whitman Co., RFD on PPC, \$15.
6. Cusick, 1907, PPC, \$1.
7. Davenport, 1909, PPC, \$5.
8. Deer Park, Spokane Co., 1910, P/C, \$7.
9. Ellensburg, 1906, PPC, \$4.
10. Graham, 4 Bar on P/C, \$1.
11. Lacrosse, Whitman Co., 1907, PPC, \$4.
12. Lakeside, Okanogan Co., 1909, DPO on PPC, \$12.
13. Maple Valley, Doane on PPC, \$10.
14. Naches, Indistinct 4 Bar on PPC, \$1.
15. Olalla, 1912, Doane on PPC, \$6.
16. Pacific Beach, 1907, 4 Bar on PPC, \$5.
17. Pacific Beach, 1907, 4 Bar on PPC, \$5.
18. Pasco, Duplex on PPC, \$5.
19. Pearson, Kitsapco, DPO, P/C, \$15.
20. Pullman, Whitman Co., PPC, 1909, \$8.
21. Puyallup, 1910, Duplex on PPC, \$6.
22. Rochester, 1911, Doane, TY2, \$5.
23. Rockford, 1910, 4 Bar on PPC, \$1.
24. Spokane, 1909, PPC, \$2.
25. Spokane, 1910, PPC, \$3.
26. Stanwood, Snohomish Co., \$17.
27. Tacoma, Hotel Ad, \$15.
28. Walla Walla, to Germany, 1887, \$30.
29. Waterville, Douglas Co., 1913, \$8.
30. Wenatchee, PPC, \$2.
31. White Salmon, 1909, PPC, \$4.
32. Willapa, Pacific C., DPO, 1884-1955, \$7.
33. Winslow, 1908, PPC, \$7.

## UTAH

34. Coalville, Summit Co., 1909, Duplex on P/C, \$3.
35. Corrine, Box Eloer Co., 1885, Backstamps, \$20.
36. Garfield, Saltlake Co., 1907, Doane on PPC, \$17.
37. Garfield, Saltlake Co, 1912, Duplex on PPC, \$3.
38. MaHa & Ogden, RPO, 1922, PPC, \$2.
39. Moab, Grand Co., L908, PPC, \$3.
40. Ogden, 1892, \$9.
41. Ogden, Utah, 1918, P/C, \$2.
42. Slaterville, Weber Co., 1893, Wheel of Fortune fancy, DPO, \$17.
43. Toole, Utah, 1923, Duplex on PPC., \$5.

44. Alice, Cass Co., Doane, 1911, P/C, \$10.
45. Arena, 1907, Doane, \$7.
46. Ashley, McIntosh Co., 1905, Faint Duplex on P/C, \$3.
47. Beaufort, 1902, Duplex, \$3.
48. Charlson, McKenzie Co., 1908, P/C, \$7.
49. Courtenay, 1909, Duplex on PPC, \$10.
50. Devils Lake, Ramsey Co., P/C, \$7.
51. Dickey, Lamoure Co., 1906, Duplex on P/C, \$8.
52. Ellendale, Dickey Co., 1901, Manuscript, \$10.
53. Englevale, Ramsom Co., 1913, PPC, \$30.
54. Fort Yates, Sioux Co., \$10.
55. Hope, 1912, PPC, \$1.
56. Ipswich, Dakota Terr., 1887, Backstamped, \$10.
57. Joliette, 1895, Reg. Backstamped, \$30.
58. Lisbon, 1908, Oval Grid on PPC, \$10.
59. Mandan, 1895, \$3.
60. Marmoth, 1917, PPC, \$1.
61. Mayville, Trail Co., 1906, \$3.
62. Minnewauken, 1909, Oval Grid, P/C, \$7.
63. Mott, Hettingen Co., 1909, Doane on B & W, PPC, \$15.
64. Portal, 1908, St. P & Portal RPO, \$6.
65. Valley City, 1900, Red & Blue Adv., \$10.
66. Valley City, Barnes Co., 1900, Red & Blue c/c, \$10.
67. Walhalla, Pembina Co., \$7.
68. Walhalla, Pembina Co., Duplex, \$9.
69. Walhalla, Pembina, Co., \$9.

## ARIZONA

70. Ashford, 1910, PPC, \$3.
71. Ashfork, Ariz. Terr., 1907, \$4.
72. Arizona, 1907, P.O. Receipt, \$20.
73. Clifton, Ariz. Terr., 1903, \$12.
74. Cochise, 1923, #503 #510 tied to R.R., Reg'd, \$12.
75. Flagstaff, used, 1909, B&W P/C, \$6.
76. Florence, Pinal Co., 1929, \$3.
77. Granview, 1906, Doane, \$40.
78. Prescott, 1883, \$9.
79. Prescott, 1884, Rec'd, Manuscript, \$40.
80. Snowflake, Navajo Co., 1903, \$80.
81. Tuba, 1908, Flag on PPC, \$40.
82. Tucson, 1907, used, \$15.
83. Wilcox, 1890, Scarcity, \$85.
84. Williams, Duplex on P/C, 1905, \$6.

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## TRIPLE "S" POSTAL HISTORY INC.

MAIL AUCTION NO. 21 P.O. BOX 224  
URBANA, OHIO 43078 513-653-8094  
BIDS CLOSE: MAY 20, 1987

### MONTANA

85. Deer Lodge, Deer Lodge Co., PPC, \$7.
86. Florence, Lewis & Clarke Co., 1909, Duplex on P/C, \$5.
87. French Town, Missoula Co., 1908, Doane on PPC, \$15.
88. Gardiner, 1907, Flag on PPC, \$7.
89. Gardiner, PPC of Yellowstone, \$2.
90. Garnet, Granite Co., 1914, P/C, \$3.
91. Glendive, Dawson Co., 1912, Flag on PPC, \$7.
92. Great Falls, 1892, \$7.
93. Livingston, Gallatin Co., Duplex on PPC, \$10.
94. Malta, Valley Co., \$3.
95. Miles City, 1921, PPC, \$10.
96. Miles City, 1908, Tri-Fold P/C, \$15.
97. Missoula, Missoula Co., PPC, \$5.
98. Libbey, 1899, to England - Forward to Switzerland, \$20.
99. Warm Springs, 1907, PPC, \$9.
100. West Yellowstone, 1922, PPC, \$2.

### OREGON

101. Ashland, Jackson Co., Forwarded- stampfault \$15.
102. Astoria, used P/C, \$7.
103. Aumsville, Marion Co., 1910, 4 Bar on PPC, \$5.
104. Bandon, 1907, Duplex on B&W PPC, \$8.
105. Corvallis, 1908, Flag on PPC, \$2.
106. Florence, Lane Co., 1911, 4 Bar, \$7.
107. Gaston, 1910, 4 Bar on PPC, \$2.
108. Grans Pass, 1910, Flag on P/C, \$5.
109. Hermiston, 1908, 4 Bar on PPC, \$6.
110. Hubbard, 1911, Duplex on PPC, \$1.
111. McMinnville, 1907, Unusual killer on PPC, \$6.
112. Oakland, 1910, 5 Bar on PPC, \$4.
113. Pendleton, 1922, B&W on PPC, \$15.
114. Roseburg, 1912, Flag on PPC, \$6.
115. Sandy, Clack Co., 4 Bar on PPC, \$3.
116. Sherwood, 1912, Duplex on PPC, \$3.
117. Springboro, Doane on PPC, \$4.
118. Turner, 1907, 4 Bar on PPC, \$6.

END OF SALE

## POSTAL HISTORY LITERATURE COURT OF HONOR

LA POSTA will herein list currently available titles which are judged to be of broad geographic interest and a high degree of merit in terms of content and production. In short, these books are the recommended resources on the market today for students of American postal history.

BAKERS' U.S. CLASSICS by Hugh J. Baker and J. David Baker. Published by The U.S. Philatelic Classis Society, Inc., 1985. Clothbound, 343 pp. Available from USPS, P.O. Box 14338, Columbus, IN 43214. \$29.50 postpaid.

A reprint of the wide-ranging columns of the Baker Brothers, which originally appeared in STAMPS magazine from 1962 to 1969. This volume, which adds new illustrations and a wonderful 3,000-entry index to the Bakers' text, is highly recommended as both an important reference on many aspects of classic US postal history and a bargain.

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AMERICAN STAMPLESS COVER CATALOG, Volume 1, edited by David G. Phillips. Published by D.G. Phillips Pub. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 611388, North Miami, FL 33261-1388. Hardbound \$50; Softbound \$40 postpaid from the publisher.

Fourth edition of the standard catalog for American stampless covers containing nearly 400 pages of listings arranged by state and territory. Copiously illustrated throughout and a quality production, it belongs on the shelf of anyone interested in postal history of the United States.

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U.S. ROUTE AND STATION AGENT POSTMARKS by Charles L. Towle. Published by the Mobile Post Office Society. Clothbound, 486 pp. Available from MPOS, RFD 1, Box 91, Contoocook, NH 03229. \$33.00 postpaid.

Author Towle's works have a habit of becoming out-of-print rather quickly, and this, his latest book, is likely to be no exception. With lists and illustrations of over 3,300 railway route, agent and waterway postmarks, this well-indexed reference will long endure as the "bible" of classic US RPO marks.

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POSTAL MARKINGS OF UNITED STATES EXPOSITIONS by William J. Bomar. Published by D. G. Phillips Pub. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 611388, North Miami, FL 33161. Softbound \$25; Hardbound \$35, postpaid.

An attractive and well-illustrated guide to an interesting facet of U.S. postal history. Covers exhibitions from 1853 to 1984 with tracings, dates and values of postal markings, and details on post cards, illustrated covers and related items.

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## THE MIDWESTERN EDITOR

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For all practical purposes, the scope of postal history collecting is limitless. In reality, there are a finite number of collectible pieces of paper, but there are so many variations even among "common" items that the number of different types of cancels available must number well up into the millions.

Add to this the other factors that appeal to collectors, such as rate and stamp usage, advertising corners, enclosures, auxilliary markings, view cards, or the identity of the sender or receiver of a particular piece of mail, and the number of items which are unique predominate. It makes going to a bourse like shopping at a supermarket with an infinite number of choices.

Because of this, collectors have to determine their own limits of what to collect. Some collectors are omniverous, tending to accumulate almost everything; but unless the collector has no financial constraints even the omniverous accumulators have to focus in on those areas of special interest. At the other extreme, a collector specializing only in 1881 covers from Podunk, Nebraska (Yes, there was such an office!) may wait an eternity to add an item to the collection, so most collectors broaden their horizons in one of two ways.

One way is geographical, as much collection-building is done by collecting by county or groups of counties, widening to states or groups of states. If one cannot find sufficient material to add to a collection with a narrow geographical scope, it is always possible to add another county or state to the collection's scope.

The other way is to diversify within the same geographical boundary. If you don't find the 19th century material you collect -- why not look at 20th century material? Look for street scenes,



sending and receiving marks. A collection of advertising corners can piece together a fascinating composite of the commercial aspects of a community.

Some collectable categories have been scorned by collectors. Most notable of these are odd-sized envelopes. I don't like 'em myself -- they just don't fit into normal filing systems. I've seen them mounted in albums vertically and diagonally; I've seen them folded and even cut to make them fit. Most of the time they're just ignored. It's a pity really, for there is a lot of good postal history living on odd-sized envelopes. If you want to build an interesting collection cheaply, these items are worth taking a look at.

Another type of item I would bet many of you have passed up as being uninteresting are cards or covers containing no town datestamp, but have the stamp canceled with a scribble, or perhaps a bit of writing. These are RFD markings. RFD markings have received increased attention lately, but even those interested in them bypass the scribble cancels. Yet, when you think of it, they are most intimately connected with the community identified with the addressee -- a piece of mail picked up by the RFD carrier and canceled en route, to be delivered to another patron on the same route, without ever passing through a post office!



Doane cancels have become increasingly popular with the publication of lists for various states. As postmark catalogs start appearing for various states (they exist now for territorial Alaska and Oregon to 1900) it should broaden the appeal of other types of cancelling devices. Machine cancel collectors have also made inroads to cataloging; few collectors are unaware of the existence of Flag Cancels and a book to catalog them.

With all the directions one can go in building a collection it is hard to comprehend anyone bemoaning being unable to find anything of interest for their collection. It's really a matter of perspective and the setting of the scope of the collection.

Being able to find material and being able to afford the premium items are two different matters, however. I'm sure the cost involved in building a collection is a matter of concern to almost everyone. A number of collectors finance their collection by buying material for sale to other collectors. This is a sensible way to build a collection. But with collectors buying for resale, and dealers buying for resale, it is no wonder that prices keep escalating. You don't offer for resale at less than your purchase price, or you don't last very long. Dealers buy from other dealers, and soon the better items are priced so that only someone specializing in that area or topic would even consider the purchase. If all the items you would like to buy fall into this category, it may be time to enlarge the boundaries of your collecting interest.

The Central Section has articles on hand or in the works concerning aspects of postal history for Wisconsin, South Dakota, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Iowa. Except for Oklahoma, these are all states that have had major articles in *La Posta* within the past year. How about some authors to do some articles on some of the states that have been less well-represented?

## NEW PUBLICATIONS

The Wisconsin Postal History Society has issued Bulletins 17 and 18. Bulletin 17 is a "Flag and Doane Postmarks of Wisconsin", a revised listing prepared by Andrew Buckland. Bulletin 18 is also a revision, "Nineteenth Century Fancy Cancellations of Wisconsin", revised by Frank Moertl. For information on these or any of the other fine Bulletins, please contact the Wisconsin Postal History Society, 5401 Raymond Road, Madison WI 53711.

## POST OFFICE CENTENNIALS May-June 1987

The spring of 1887 saw a steady stream of post offices established. Although some were in Eastern states, the bulk of them were in the Plains states, where homesteaders were settling on agricultural land. Below is a list of currently operating post offices that were established in May and June of 1887. None of these towns have become important population centers, although some of them are locally important marketing centers.

MAY	11	Alligator MS, Ora* SC
	13	Sunnyside UT
	14	Bucyrus KS, Crowley LA
	18	Niotaze* KS, Hicks LA, Tenney MN
	21	Ingalls* KS, Gonzales LA
	23	Meservey IA, Somerdale OH
	24	Isabel KS, Fosters Falls VA
	26	McVille ND
	27	Claflin KS, Sheyenne ND, York ND
JUNE	1	Rooney IA
	2	Springfield CO
	3	Pixley CA
	7	Coats KS, Wilmore KS
	8	Hornick IA, Gary MN, Pisek ND, Spencer SD
	10	Dunning NE
	11	Sigurd UT
	14	Red Rock AZ, Covina CA, Dobbins CA
	15	Montague CA, Smolan KS
	17	Bogue* KS
	18	Ransom* KS, Sawyer KS, Bradshaw MD, Childs MD, White Marsh MD
	20	Vilas CO, Fort Duchesne UT
	21	Rockham SD
	23	Mammoth AZ

Offices established under a different name are designated with an asterisk.

Thanks to John Gallagher for the information.

By Robert G. Schultz

Shortline railroads exert a particular fascination. Railfans love their twists and turns of routes, quirky finances and out of the ordinary equipment. Collectors seek their often elusive RPO markings. Postal historians attempt to trace the rise and fall of towns along the ephemeral right of way. The St. Louis and Hannibal railroad fulfills the requirements of all three groups. This article will begin with a short history of the ill-fated route; then it will trace the postal history of the towns with emphasis on the relationship with the railroad; finally it will cover the RPO markings, some previously unknown, of the route.

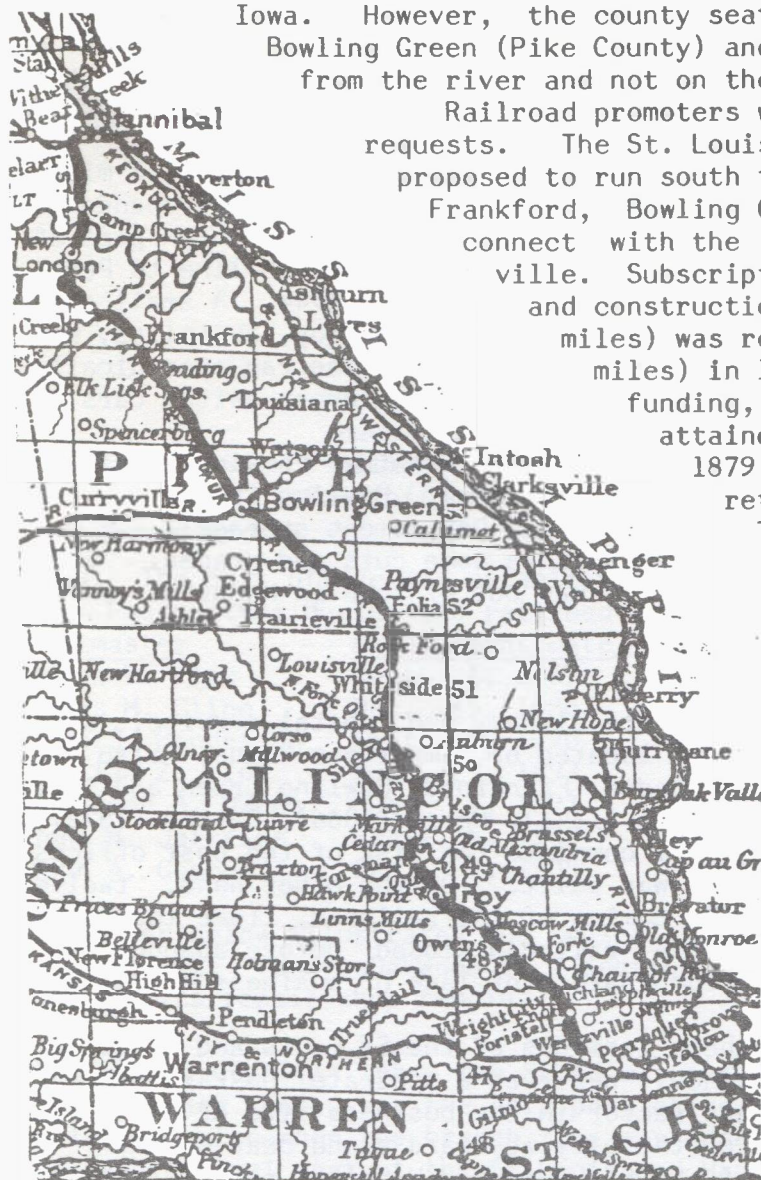
#### RAILROAD HISTORY:

After the Civil War, the Missouri Counties of Ralls, Pike and Lincoln wanted another railroad. A route was being built, along the Mississippi River, north from St. Peters in St. Charles County, through Hannibal to Keokuk, Iowa. However, the county seats of New London (Ralls County), Bowling Green (Pike County) and Troy (Lincoln County) were far from the river and not on the railroad route to St. Louis.

Railroad promoters were all too happy to satisfy the requests. The St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk Railroad proposed to run south from Hannibal through New London, Frankford, Bowling Green, Prairieville and Troy to connect with the Wabash main line east of Wentzville. Subscriptions and promises were exchanged and construction began in 1871. New London (10 miles) was reached in 1871 and Frankford (19 miles) in 1872. After a pause for further funding, Bowling Green (33 miles) was attained in 1878 and Prairieville in 1879 (45 miles). Another pause for refinancing delayed completion to Troy (68 miles) and Gilmore, the

Wabash connection (86 miles) until 1882. A branch line was completed from New London to Center and Perry (18 miles) in 1891-92. Somewhere along the way, the route picked up a nickname "The Short Line." This was not because the final route to St. Louis was shorter than any other, but rather because the uncompleted route was so short. The name stuck and the railroad used it in much of their later advertising.

The railroad wasn't well built. The needed bridges and trestles were light in weight. Grading was sketchy and the roadbed laid on thin layers of gravel or on bare ground. Wet weather played



From the 1884 Map of the Missouri Railroad Commission



ST. LOUIS AND HANNIBAL RAILWAY. 439														
S. S. PALMER, President, 52 Wall Street, N.Y.					W. C. MODISSETT, Gen. Freight & Pas. Agent. J. C. SHURMAN, Auditor. D. B. LOTT, Gen. Agent, 105 N. Broadway, St. Louis, Mo. General Offices—Hannibal, Mo.									
Mix.	Mix.	6	3	1	Mi.	February 5, 1893.								
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	LEAVE	ARRIVE	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
7:15	7:40	12:15	12:50	1:15	1:40	0 + Hannibal	1:55	10:50	10:00	3:40				
6:05	8:50	3:20	1:18	6:42	10 + New London	1:27	10:21	9:15	2:30					
6:10	8:55	3:30	1:24	6:45	11 + Rail's Junction	1:24	10:17	9:05	2:25					
		4:15			19 + Center				8:30					
		5:00			29 + Perry				7:30					
6:43	9:55	P. M.	1:43	7:00	19 + Frankford	1:07	9:55	A. M.	1:43					
7:10	10:35		2:03	7:19	26 + McCune	1:48	8:40		1:25					
7:45	11:30		2:20	7:35	33 + Bowling Green	2:32	9:25		1:55					
8:05	12:18		2:32	7:47	39 + Cyrene	3:18	9:12		1:08					
8:57	12:48		2:48	8:03	46 + Eolia	4:02	8:57		10:35					
9:18	1:10		2:57	8:13	50 + Whiteside	4:52	8:48		10:10					
9:40	1:45		3:10	8:27	56 + Silex	5:40	8:32		9:35					
10:27	2:53		3:38	8:59	68 + Troy	6:30	8:04		8:08					
11:45	3:15		3:51	9:13	73 + Moscow	7:04	7:50		7:35					
11:45	4:20		4:55	9:50	86 + Clifton	8:15	7:10		7:30					
			8:30	10:53	105 + St. Charles	9:27	6:20							
			8:55	11:20	115 + Ferguson	9:50	6:45							
			9:25	11:55	128 + St. Louis	10:30	6:09							
			9:45	12:40	128 + Montgomery	11:15	5:05							
			10:15	12:55	154 + Mexico	11:45	2:05							
			10:45	1:00	205 + Jefferson City	12:15	7:15							

N.B.—Trains marked † run daily, except Sunday; ‡ daily, except Saturday; § Sunday only; ¶ Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday only; \* Monday, Wednesday and Friday only. + Coupon stations; † Telegraph stations.

CONNECTIONS.—1 With Hannibal & St. Joseph R.R.; Mo. Kan. & Tex. Ry.; Wabash R.R.; Chic. Burl. & Quincy R.R. and St. Louis, Keokuk & N. W. R.R. 2 With Chic. & Alton R.R. 3 With Wab. R.R.

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ment of the southern route from Moscow Mills on the CB&Q to Troy, 5.2 miles, was resurrected as the St. Louis and Troy in 1933. This short line ran sporadically until 1961 when it was abandoned because the CB&Q would no longer switch cars to the route for fear of derailment.

Today, only a few features of the St. Louis and Hannibal remain. Station buildings remain in Silex (implement dealer's storage), Bowling Green (apartments), New London (bar), and Center (State Highway Department storage). A few culverts and bridge remnants can be seen as well as some cuts and grades. Some rails that were part of the original right of way out of town in Hannibal remain as an industrial siding.

## POSTAL HISTORY DURING THE RAILROAD ERA:

Major towns along the new railroad route already had postal service, some for many years. A few smaller towns, located on important roads, also had earlier postal service. Hannibal, New London, Frankford, Bowling Green and Troy all had mail service by 1830. Prairieville (1846), Perry (1866), Center (1872), Moscow Mills (1878) and Hoeberville (1879) complete the list of ten post offices on the right of way before the railroad was built. On the other hand, twelve post offices owed their existence to the coming of the railroad. (see the table below.) Only four of the offices on the railroad closed before abandonment. These closures were probably due to a combination of lack of business and expansion of RFD service in the area.

**HANNIBAL.** Hannibal was the northern terminus of the St. Louis and Hannibal, and, because of its size and importance, deserves a separate postal history. The StL&H was never a very significant factor in the business life of the city. The railroad ran from the south side of the city westward along Bear Creek.

**OAKWOOD.** Oakwood was the site of the St. Louis and Hannibal repair shops on flat land near Bear Creek a few miles west of the river and downtown Hannibal. The railroad built through in 1871 and stayed until the final abandonment in

hob with the route. Tracks sank into the ground as trains passed over. Bridges and trestles washed away. The railroad was not well planned financially either. There was not enough business in the few towns along the route. Most years the railroad lost money and seldom paid interest on the bonds issued for its construction. It went bankrupt for the first time in 1890. In another bankruptcy and reorganization in 1917, it was sold to the Ringling interests (of circus fame) and added to their stable of shortline railroads. Little could be done to insure financial stability. The deathknell of the Saint Louis and Hannibal sounded when a paved state highway was built in the late 1920's and early 1930's that paralleled the right of way. The southern part of the line (52.8 miles south of Bowling Green) was abandoned in April, 1932. The northern part of the line and the branch line to Perry were abandoned in 1944. A small seg-

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POST OFFICES ON THE ST. LOUIS AND HANNIBAL

<u>Rail- road Miles</u>	<u>Railroad Stations and Post Offices</u>	<u>Years of Post Office Service</u>	<u>Years of Rail Service</u>
0	Hannibal	1828-now	1871-1944
3	*Oakwood	1887-1953	1871-1944
	Camp Creek	-- - --	1871-1944
10	New London	1820-now	1871-1944
11	Ralls Junction	-- - --	1872-1944
19	Center	1872-now	1892-1944
29	Perry	1866-now	1892-1944
	Plum Creek	-- - --	1872-1944
19	Frankford	1830-now	1872-1944
26	*McCunes Station	1879-1920	1878-1944
33	Bowling Green	1824-now	1878-1944
39	*Cyrene	1879-1964	1879-1932
	*Edgewood	1879-1955	1879-1932
	Prairieville	1846-61/65-87/90-92	[1879-1932]
46	*Eolia	1881-now	1881-1932
50	*Whiteside	1883-now	1882-1932
56	*Silex	1882-now	1882-1932
	*Briscoe	1882-1959	1882-1932
	*Davis	1882-1959	1882-1932
	*Famous	1883-1908	1882-1932
68	Troy	1823-now	1882-1932/1961
73	Moscow Mills	1878-now	1882-1932/1961
	*Owens (Station)	1883-1915	1882-1932
	Hoeberville (Enon)	1879-1914	1882-1932
86	*Gilmore	1884-1959	1882-1932

\*Post office formed when (or after) railroad arrived.

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1944. The post office was established in 1887 and lasted until 1953.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

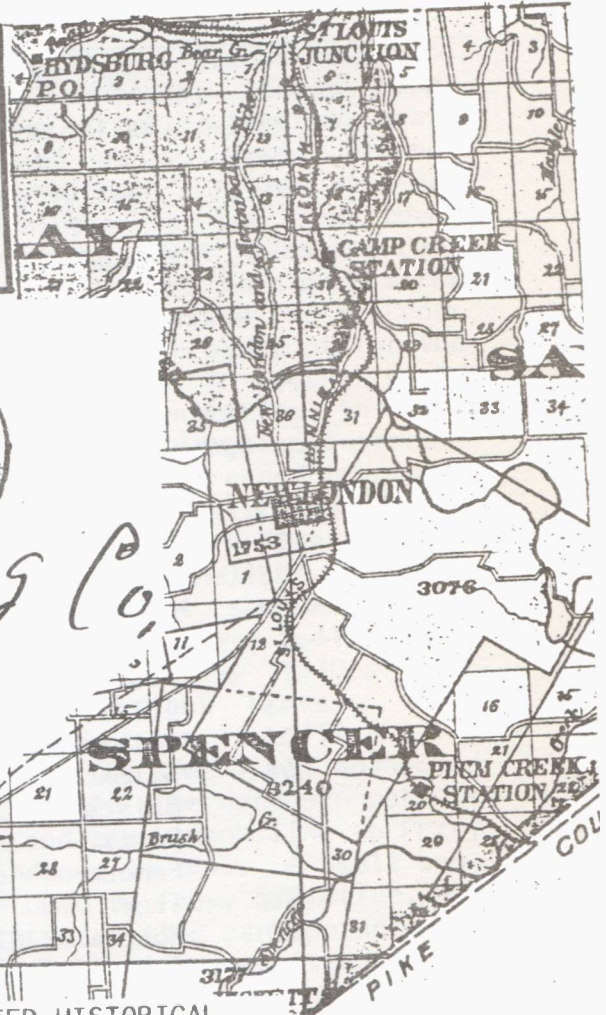
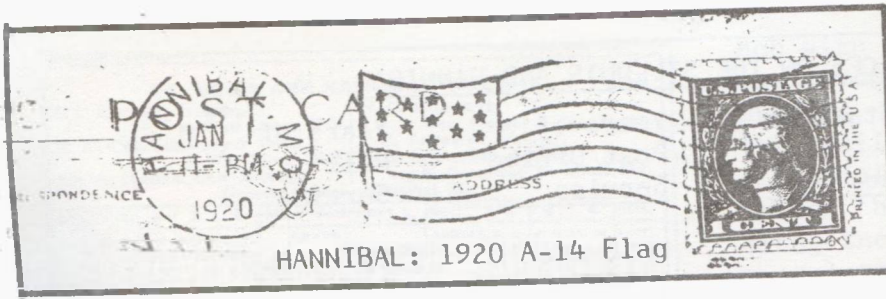
<u>Postmaster</u>	<u>Appointment Date</u>	<u>Postmaster</u>	<u>Appointment Date</u>
James W. Link	Sept. 1, 1887	George W. Henwood	Jan. 12, 1906
James M. Cline	Dec. 15, 1888	Wilbur H. Biggs	Jan. 4, 1908
John J. Henderson	Sept. 25, 1890	Anna J. Tillitt	Jan. 5, 1914
William Z. Link	Aug. 23, 1893	Anna W. Davis	July 16, 1918
Harrison A. Owens	Aug. 4, 1897	Jacob E. Burns	Sept. 8, 1931
John B. Jeffries	April 5, 1902	Otis W. Christian	Feb. 1, 1940
John A. George	Jan. 7, 1905		

The cover below illustrates the typical four-bar device in use just prior to abandonment. Today, Oakwood is a section of Hannibal and few traces of the railroad or its repair shop remain.

RALLS COUNTY: When the StL&H was originally built through Ralls County in 1871-72, New London was the only post office served. Center and Perry also received service when the branch line was added in 1892. Although the branch line was an integral part of the St. Louis and Hannibal, it carried a separate corporate name, the Ralls Junction and Perry Railroad.

NEW LONDON: New London was one of the earliest post offices in the area.



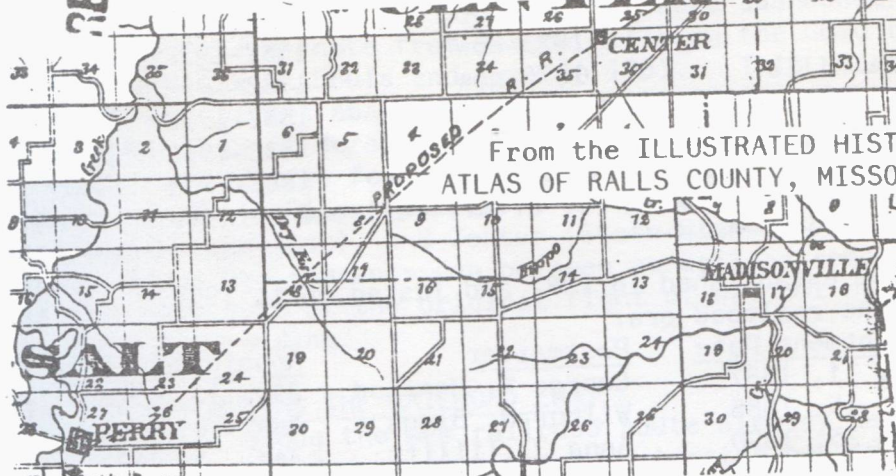


*P. Hammett  
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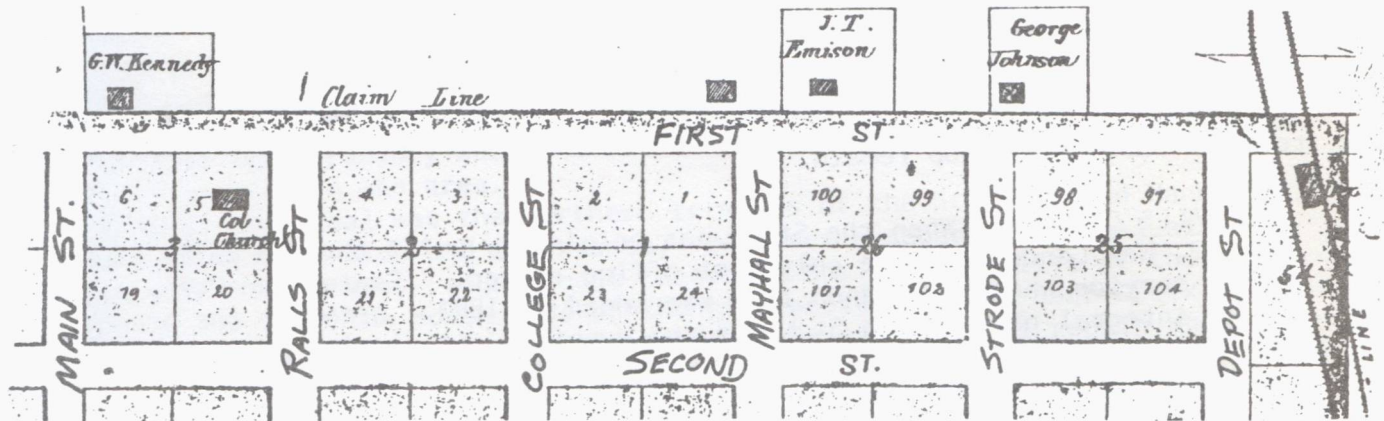
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St. Louis  
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1895 Oakwood



From the ILLUSTRATED HISTORICAL  
ATLAS OF RALLS COUNTY, MISSOURI, 1878.

NEW LONDON, 1878  
The County Court  
House is located  
at Main and  
Fourth Streets

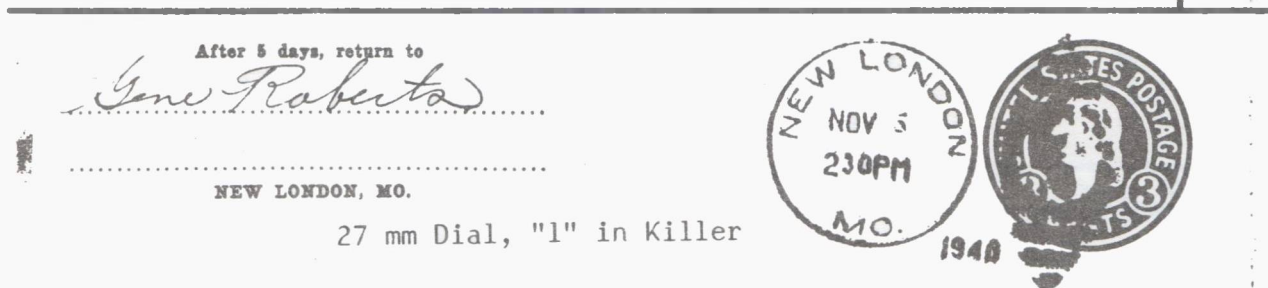
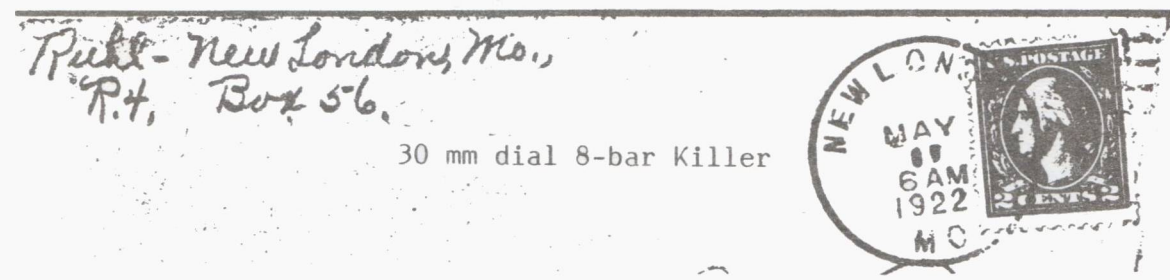


It was established in 1820, a year before Missouri statehood. The railroad was built through on the east side of the town in 1871. The station was a local tavern for many years after abandonment. As the county seat of Ralls County, a larger volume of mail was generated, but New London remained a fourth class office until after the turn of the century. By 1942, a machine cancel was used.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date	Postmaster	Appointment Date
James Emerson	Mar. 8, 1871	Hugh McCune	Sept. 30, 1904
William F. Rosser	June 19, 1872	Blanche G. Smith	May 15, 1908
James R. Tuft	July 29, 1874	J.W. Elliott	Sept. 3, 1912
Samuel Megown	May 25, 1881	James L. Smith	July 2, 1917
Elbert D. Ireland	Oct. 27, 1881	Henry Dodge	Mar. 29, 1922
James T. McNeal	May 24, 1883	Mary E. Dodge	July 2, 1928 *
Clay C. Mayhel	Sept. 25, 1885	Geraldine Briscoe	July 16, 1928 *
Theodore McCune	April 29, 1889	Bert G. Bottorff	Feb. 9, 1929
Jacob W. Coontz	June 15, 1893	Harry f. Yaeger	Nov. 15, 1933
James W. Rudisill	Nov. 25, 1896	Owen T. Briscoe	Jan. 31, 1939 *
Millard F. Cox	June 19, 1897	Lloyd M. Weaver	July 18, 1939
Frank Buchanan	Mar. 10, 1899	Cleveland Jameson	April 15, 1942 *
Thomas H. Sykes	April 21, 1902	Edward C. Glascock	Dec. 4, 1942

\*Acting postmaster.



**BESSE HENDERSON**  
CIRCUIT CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO  
RECORDER OF DEEDS  
NEW LONDON, MO.



North Missouri Life Insurance Co.,  
112 E. Washington St.  
Kirksville, Mo.



Just south of New London, the branch line split off at "Ralls Junction" (no town or post office) and ran west to Center (8 miles) and Perry (18 miles). The site is near the intersection of State Highway 19 and US Highway 61.

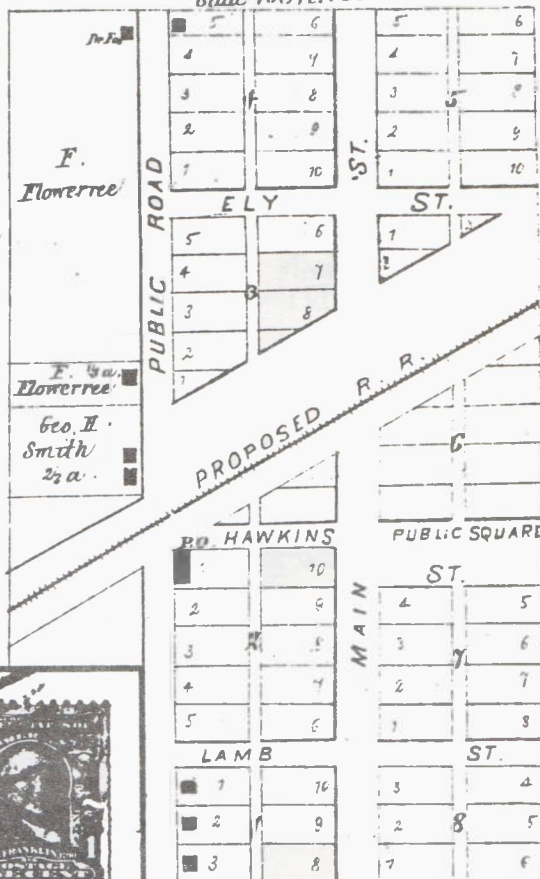
**CENTER:** The railroad ran directly through the center of Center, which is in the center of Ralls County. In 1878, the Ralls County Atlas showed that the town had been platted to allow for the coming of the proposed railroad (at right). Traces of the right of way can still be seen paralleling State Highway 19.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
Laura V. Robinson	Dec. 15, 1892
Eugene Mayhall	Aug. 7, 1893
Harry M. Piper	May 25, 1897
Percy P. Hummel	Dec. 13, 1900
Harry M. Piper	Aug. 26, 1904
Eugene C. Pennington	May 4, 1911
Edward F. Layne	Sept. 26, 1913
Robert D. Gardner	Jan. 14, 1924
Benjamin F. Coleman	May 1, 1936

## Center

Scale 100 ft. 1 in.



1907 8-Bar Killer

POST CARD



*Miss N. J. H. H.*

Return to THEO. BAXTER,  
IF NOT DELIVERED IN 5 DAYS,  
CENTER, - MO.



*Myers Bros*  
*wholesale druggist*  
*St Louis*  
*mo*

PERRY: When the branch line was built, it was projected to run through Perry to Mexico and beyond. In fact, the route was graded into Perry and about a mile past to the southwest. Optimism was replaced by reality and no tracks were ever laid past Perry. Few traces of the railroad remain in town.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date	Postmaster	Appointment Date
Myra Pettitt	Aug. 31, 1887	A.H.Martin	May 1, 1913
Edgar H. Ralls	Aug. 10, 1893	William F. Morris	Feb. 2, 1922
Mark P. Myers	June 1, 1896	Clarence C. Ross	Feb. 4, 1928 *
Ollie McCune	June 16, 1897	Fred M. Rich	Feb. 27, 1928
Thomas A. Fitzpatrick	Mar. 23, 1899	Burney L. Fishback	Jan. 29, 1935 *
William A. Martin	Oct. 9, 1900	Arch B. Yound	Mar. 1, 1936
William F. Morris	Aug. 12, 1907	*Acting postmaster	

There never was RPO service on the branch line, but closed pouches of mail were carried under Post Office Department contract. Much if not most of the mail leaving Center and Perry was carried on the Ralls Junction and Perry Railroad.

*The Postmaster making up Registered Letters, &c., for dispatch, will fill up the other side of this Bill, and write the name of his Post Office, County, and State in the blank address on this side.*  
*The Postmaster receiving this Bill in Registered Package will at once compare entries with letters, &c., inclosed; make entries on record of registered matter received; stamp postmark below; sign this Bill on other side, noting any errors, and return it to the mailing Post Office without cover.*  
*A penalty of \$300 is fixed by law for using this card on other than official business.*

**Post Office Department.**  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Post Office at \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN TO:

Postmaster at \_\_\_\_\_ **Mont Clare,**  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ **Cook,**

Stamp here naming Post Office  
**PERRY**  
**MAY 14 1920**  
and date of receipt.

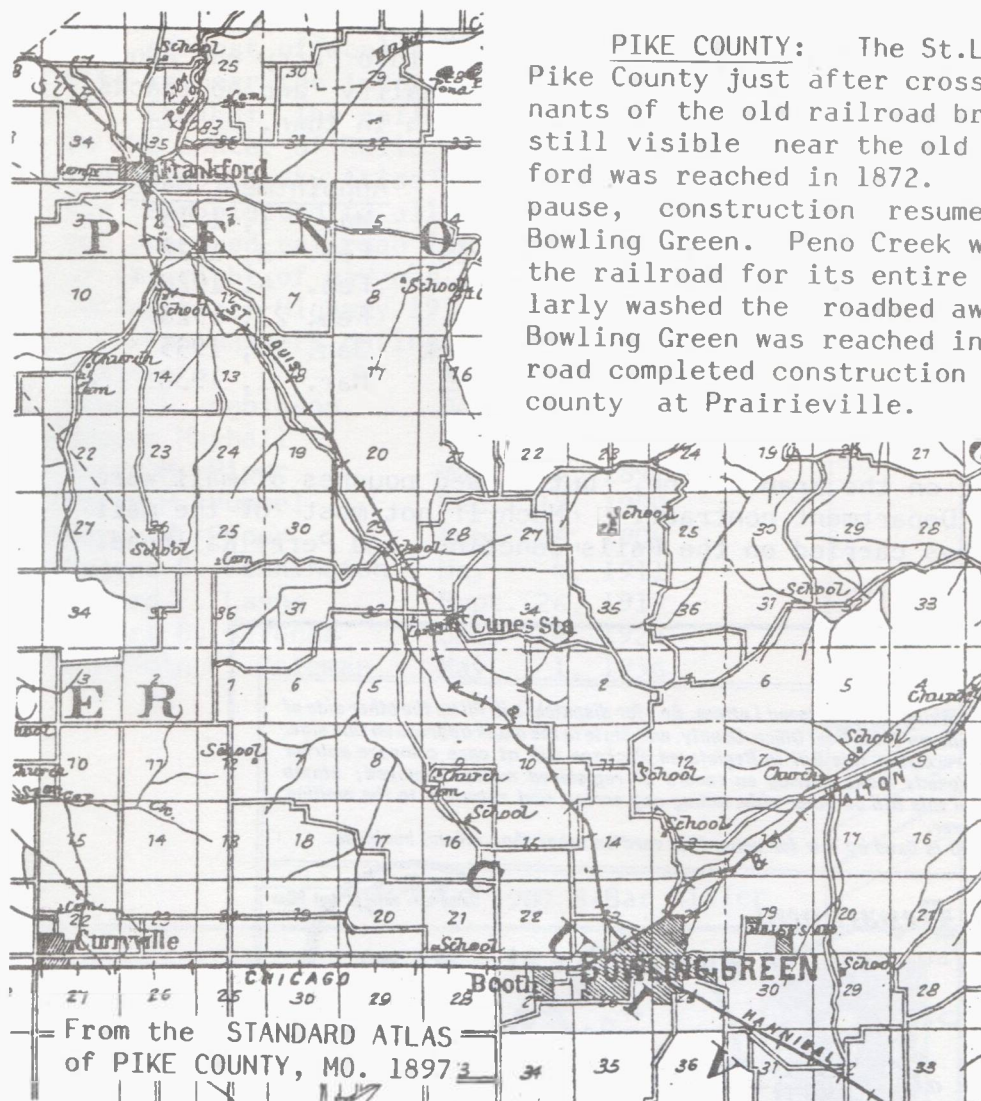
AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO  
**M. L. SMITH**  
BREEDER OF

**Pure Bred Poland China Hogs**  
ROUTE No. 2 PERRY, MO.

**PERRY**  
**MAY 18 12 M 1920**  
**MO.**

*Joseph W. Smith*





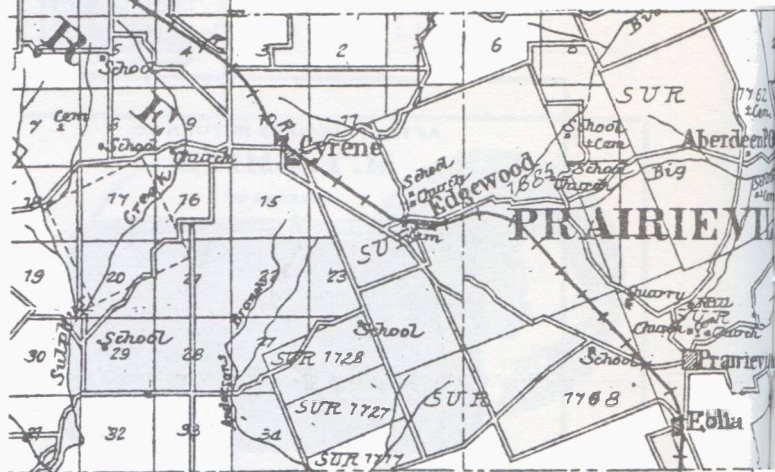
**PIKE COUNTY:** The St. Louis and Hannibal entered Pike County just after crossing Spencer Creek. Remnants of the old railroad bridge across the creek are still visible near the old Highway 61 road. Frankford was reached in 1872. After an almost six-year pause, construction resumed up Peno Creek towards Bowling Green. Peno Creek would remain a problem for the railroad for its entire life. Flash floods regularly washed the roadbed away and disrupted service. Bowling Green was reached in 1878. By 1879, the railroad completed construction to the south edge of the county at Prairieville. Again construction paused for lack of financing.

#### **FRANKFORD:**

Terrain is hilly in the area. Originally the railroad built a long, high trestle to cross a ravine east of town. Later this was filled in to a massive earthen embankment with a limestone arch passageway. Frankford post office was established in 1830. A map of the town showing the location of the railroad and depot from an 1897 County Atlas is on the next page.

#### **Postmasters during the railroad era:**

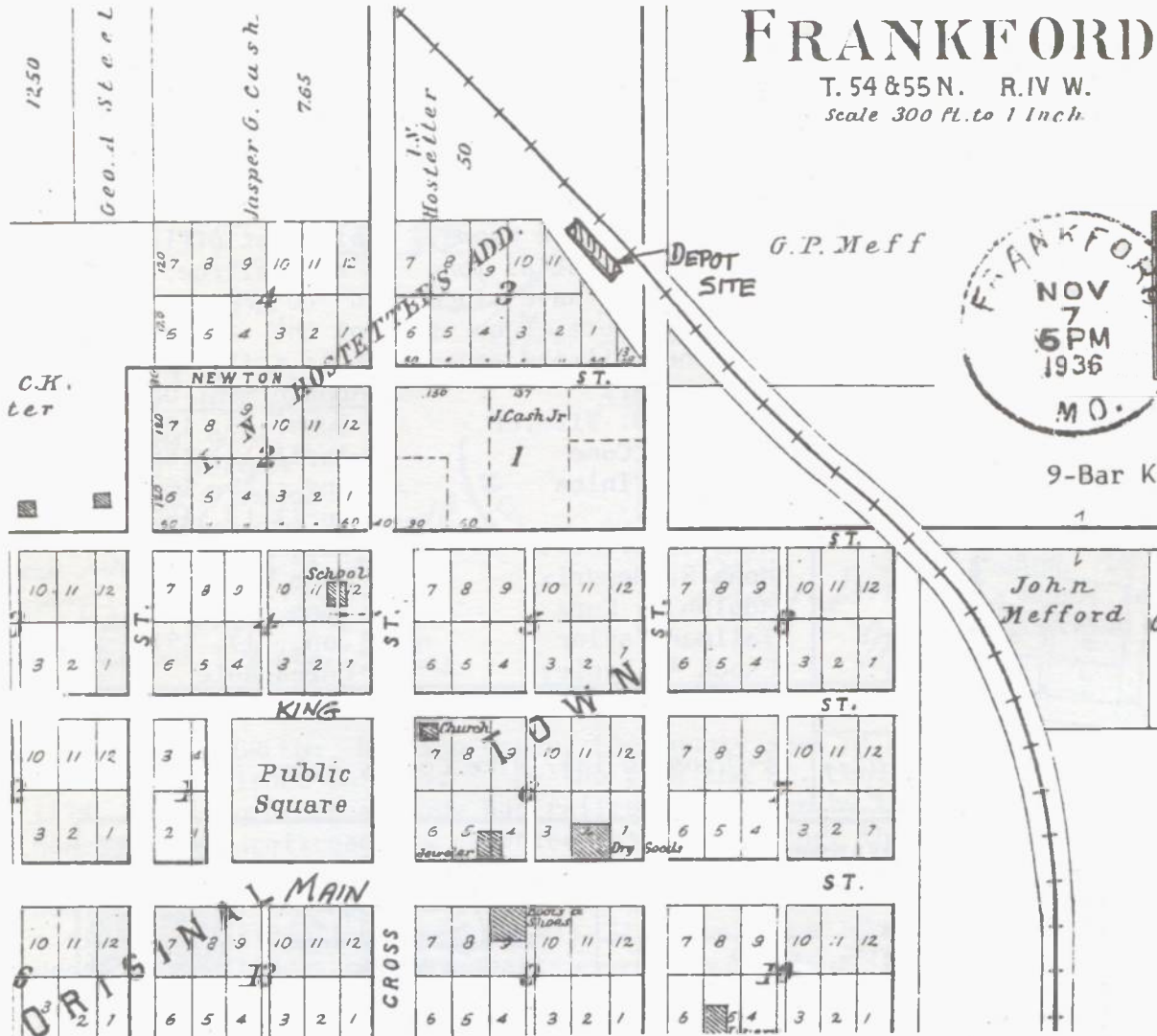
Postmaster	Appointment Date
Daniel F. Stark	Oct. 26, 1871
John Farrell	Sept. 4, 1872
Jonathan F. McClure	May 4, 1874
John Staley	Dec. 17, 1879
Samuel J. Dunham	Mar. 25, 1886
Mrs. A.A. Dunham	April 18, 1888
William C. Thomson	June 10, 1889
William H. Sykes	June 20, 1893
Levi C. Rinker	May 26, 1897
Jennie Rinker	Sept. 28, 1897
James R. Weldy	July 25, 1905
Isaac N. Kennedy	June 26, 1907
Leonard D. Kennedy	Jan. 26, 1909
Edgar Jones	May 22, 1917
Stephen D. Steele	Nov. 1, 1921
Enos S. Bradley	June 17, 1922
Levi C. Rinker	Nov. 9, 1926



Postmaster	Appointment Date
Robert Teague	Dec. 19, 1927
Charles Updike	Oct. 21, 1929
Alonzo Robertson	June 30, 1924 *
Carl E. Latimer	May 1, 1935

\*Acting postmaster





RETURN AFTER FIVE DAYS

**Mammoth Bronze Turkeys**  
**Barred Rocks**  
Blue Ribbon Winners.  
Sale in Season.  
MRS. J. T. OWENS,  
Maple Wood Farm Frankford, Mo.

**FRANKFORD**  
FEB 20 6PM  
MO.

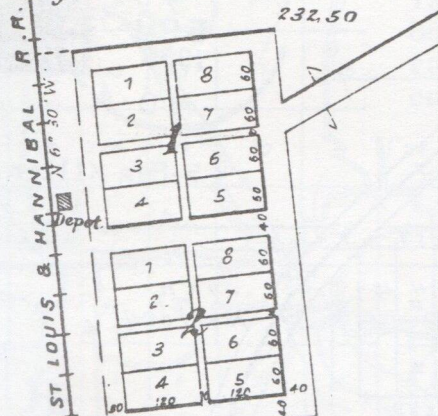
8-Bar Killer

W. W. Day  
Valley View Farm  
Janesville  
Wisconsin



Scale 300 ft to 1 inch.

Магу С. М<sup>с</sup> Сипе.



J. B. Catvot

37

A. Müller

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McCUNE'S STATION: This small settlement was a direct result of the coming of the railroad. The post office was established within the first year of the railroad arrival in 1878. Both a steel bullseye killer with a 27.5 mm. dial (1909) and a four-bar killer with a 33mm. dial (1912) are known. This post office did not even last as long as the railroad. It appears to have succumbed to RFD Service. Today, there is no sign of the settlement, but the railroad embankment is still visible.

## Postmasters

Emanuel J. Witmyer

Joseph McCune

James H. Inlow

J.R.Smack

William R. Hufty

Noah R. Hendrix

Adolph H. Kurz

Tallman Taylor

Enoch A. Tapley

Discontinued:

## Appointment Date

June 23, 1879

April 12, 1880

Nov. 28, 1888

April 13, 1891

July 2, 1895

June 27, 1907

June 13, 1910

Jan. 13, 1912

Unreadable

Mar. 31, 1920

← From an 1897 Pike County Atlas

This side may have a message written upon it for Inland Postage, but the right hand side must be reserved for address and stamp only.

00-1819

POST CARD

The Address to be written  
on this side.



POST CARD

FOR CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ADDRESS 222

14  
SS ONLY  
A.M.  
1912

Mo.

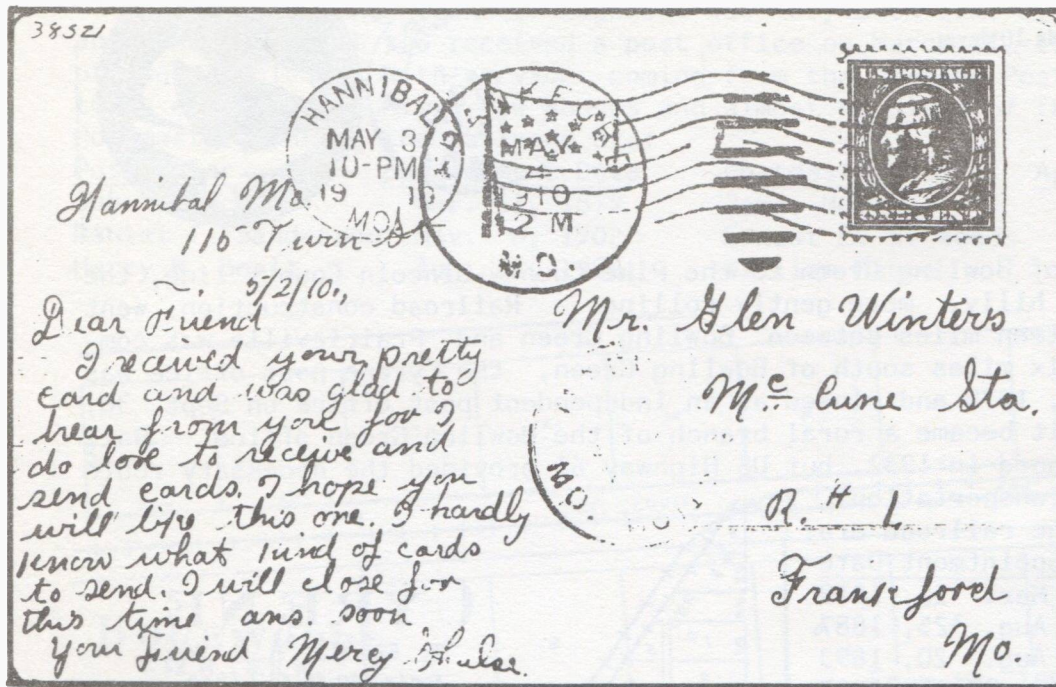


to Mr Glen Winters

Rock Island  
Ill

602-45-25





A postcard that undoubtedly traveled the railroad, probably twice!

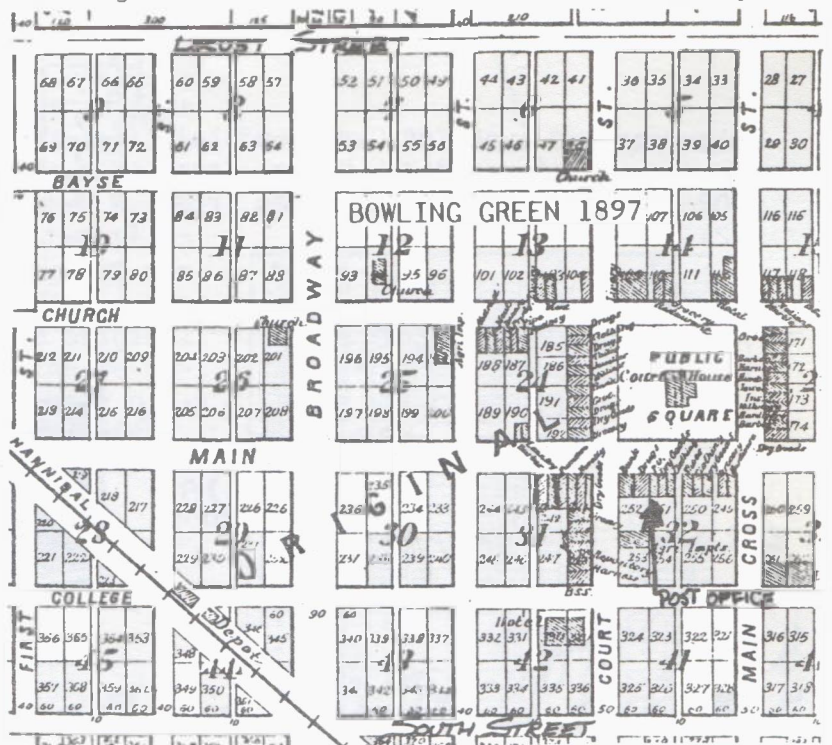
There was some confusion of address and the card went first from Hannibal to Frankford where it received the clear 8-bar cancel. Then on to McCunes Station where it received a much less clear receiving mark.

**BOWLING GREEN:** Bowling Green, the county seat of Pike County, had its post office established in 1824. By the time the St. Louis and Hannibal arrived in 1878, Bowling Green already had railroad service by the Chicago and Alton RR. However, this railroad was oriented east-west rather than southward toward Saint Louis. The StL&H ran from the northwest to the southeast on the western side of Bowling Green. It passed over the Chicago & Alton and was connected with it by a siding. The Bowling Green StL&H depot stands today, used as apartments. Upon the first abandonment in 1932, it became the southern terminus of the railroad. The town was one of only two third class offices on the railroad on its completion in 1882.

Postmasters during the St. Louis and Hannibal Railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
George A. Lea	June 17, 1869
Wm. J. Sheppherd	Feb. 8, 1882
Edmund P. Matthews	Sept. 28, 1885
Frank L. Wilson	Aug. 17, 1889
J. R. McAlester	Nov. 1, 1893
Frank L. Wilson	Oct. 18, 1897
W.F. Mayhall	Dec. 16, 1915
Alex P. McPike*	Mar. 16, 1917
John H. Buster	April 24, 1917
Louis E. Meyer	Feb. 17, 1922
Homer C. Wilcoxon*	Mar. 1, 1935
Carroll Wisdom	Nov. 16, 1935
Charles O. Pool	May 13, 1940

\*Acting postmaster.



From the 1897 Pike County Atlas.



Return to T. J. AYRES & CO.,  
BOWLING GREEN, Mo.,  
If not delivered within 10 days.

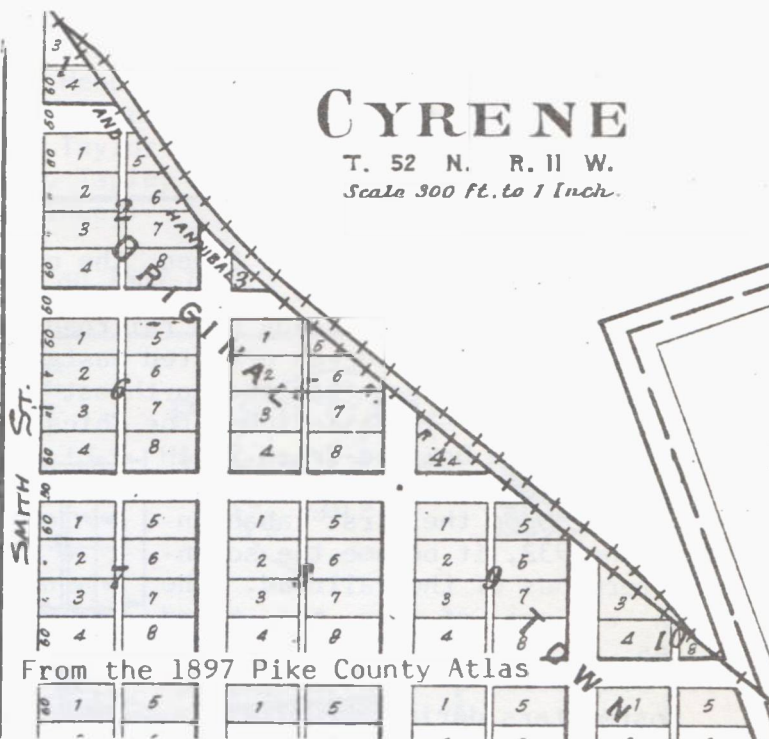


**CYRENE:** South of Bowling Green to the Pike County-Lincoln County line, the terrain becomes less hilly, more gently rolling. Railroad construction went rapidly. The thirteen miles between Bowling Green and Prairieville was completed in 1879. Six miles south of Bowling Green, the Cyrene post office was established March 11, 1879 and closed as an independent post office on Sept. 30, 1964. At that time it became a rural branch of the Bowling Green office. Rail service was discontinued in 1932, but US Highway 61 provided the necessary route for continued mail transportation.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
David E.S. Taylor	Mar. 11, 1879
Fannie A. Burkholder	Aug. 25, 1887
David E.S. Taylor	Aug. 20, 1893
Fannie A. Burkholder	April 27, 1897
Daniel T. Sanderson	June 5, 1914
A. Sidney Mitchel	April 1, 1920
Millard Dean*	Sept. 30, 1922
Miss Elsie L. Brown	Oct. 19, 1929

\* Acting Appointment.



Below are two types of Cyrene postal markings, a type 3(3) Doane from 1909 and a four-bar handstamp from 1924.

From the 1897 Pike County Atlas

POST CARD



Elsie.

or Correspondence.

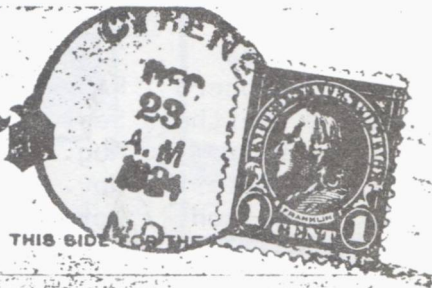
I wish you  
y more returns  
a day.

with a s.

This side for Address.

Miss Elsie Bacon,

Cyrene,



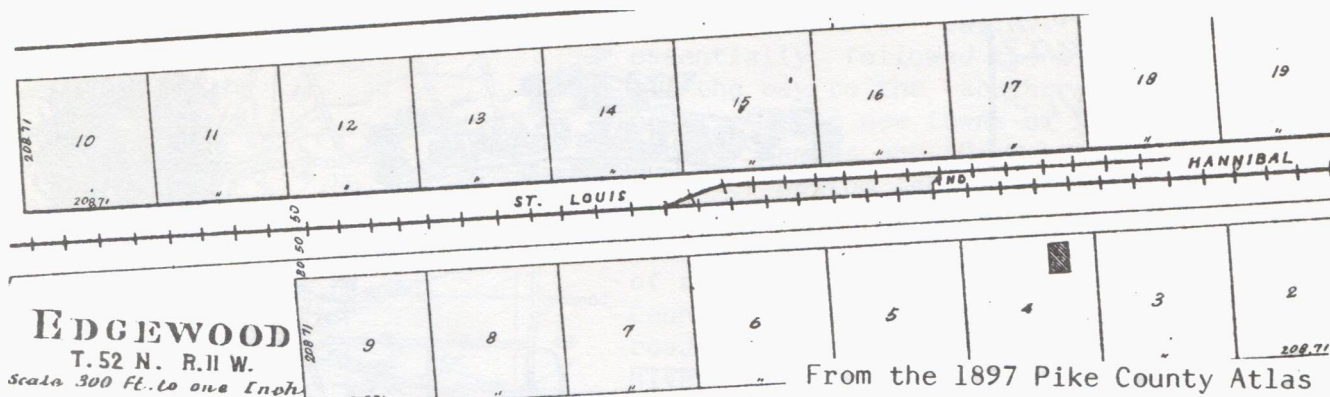
Postcard from Cyrene carried  
northward to Bowling Green  
on the StL&H

Mrs. Bell Renner

EDGEWOOD: The "town" of Edgewood was very much like Cyrene, but considerably smaller. It too received a post office on March 11, 1879. In 1955, the office was closed with service coming from the Cyrene Post Office. Edgewood today consists of only a few houses and almost no signs of the railroad grade.

Postmasters during the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date	Postmaster	Appointment Date
John J. McCune	Mar. 11, 1879	James Magee	May 8, 1908
Daniel T. Sanderson	Nov. 6, 1902	Ernest E. W. Woods	Oct. 12, 1908
Harry W. Beall	Aug. 31, 1906	William Magee	Oct. 8, 1915

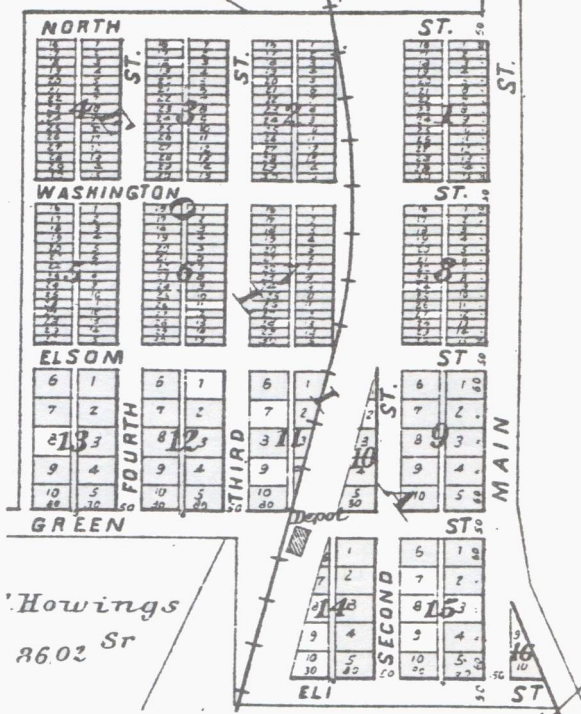
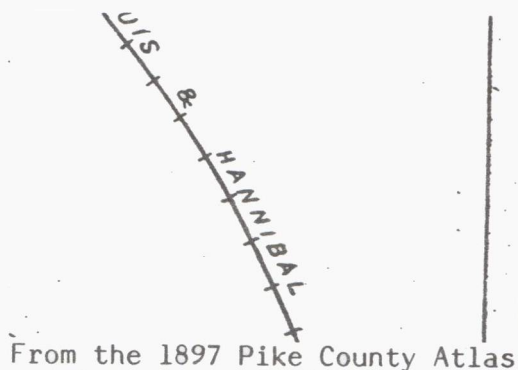


PRAIRIEVILLE/EOLIA: When the Pike County phase of railroad construction was completed in 1879, the terminus reached was "Prairieville." But Prairieville was not itself on the railroad. Apparently the line was built into the region and the only town nearby was Prairieville. It was an old town that had had a post office as early as 1843.

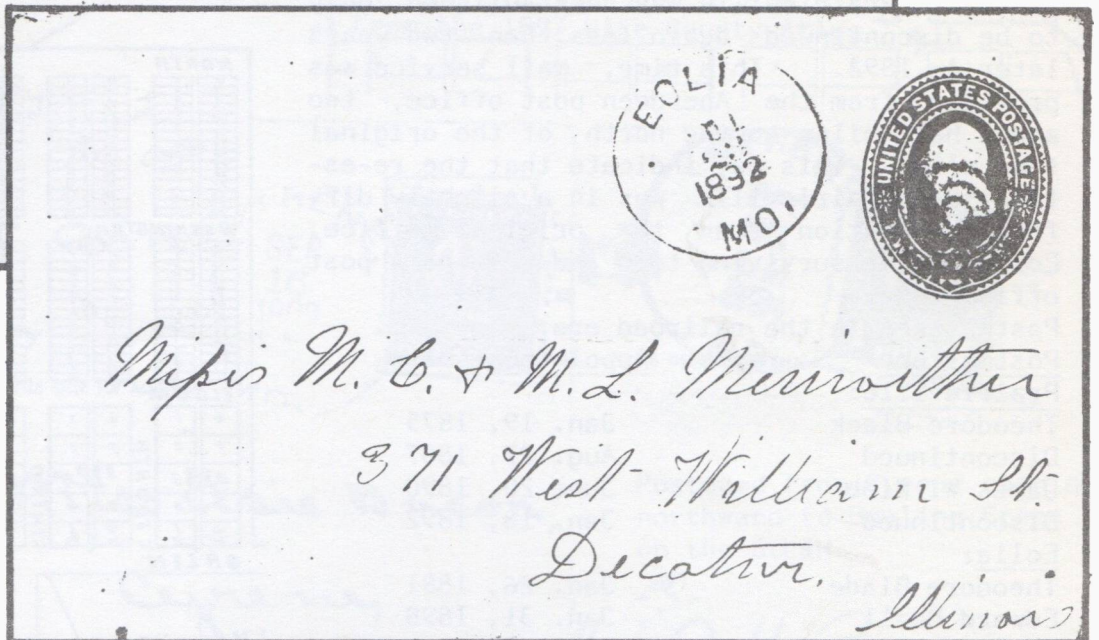
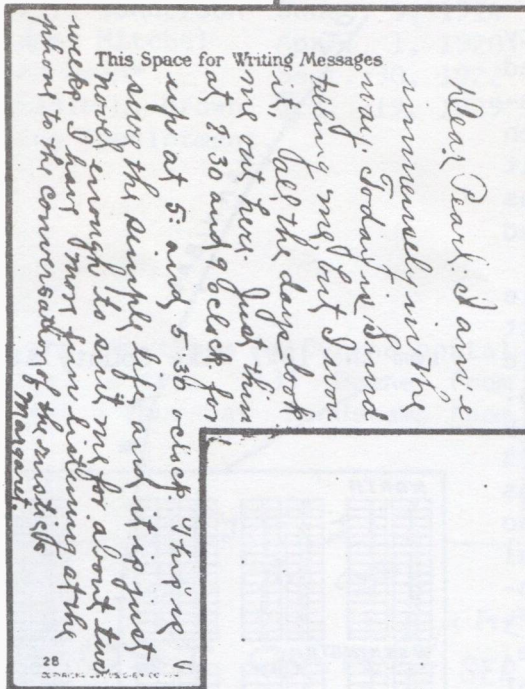
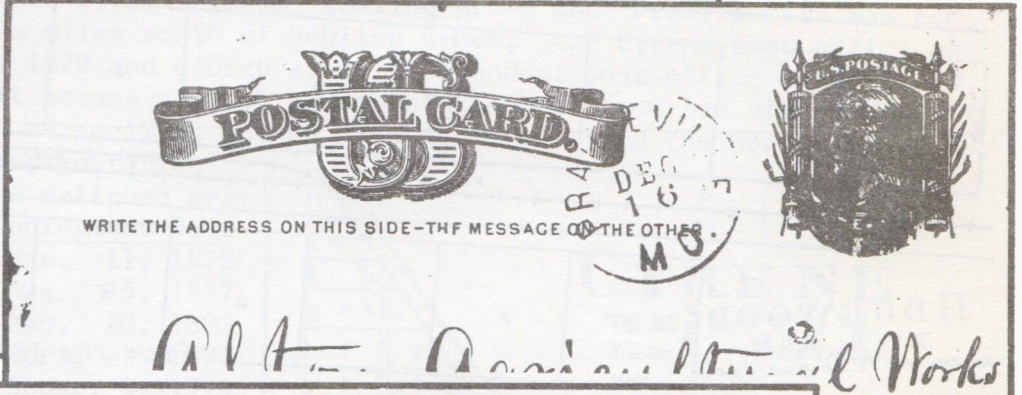
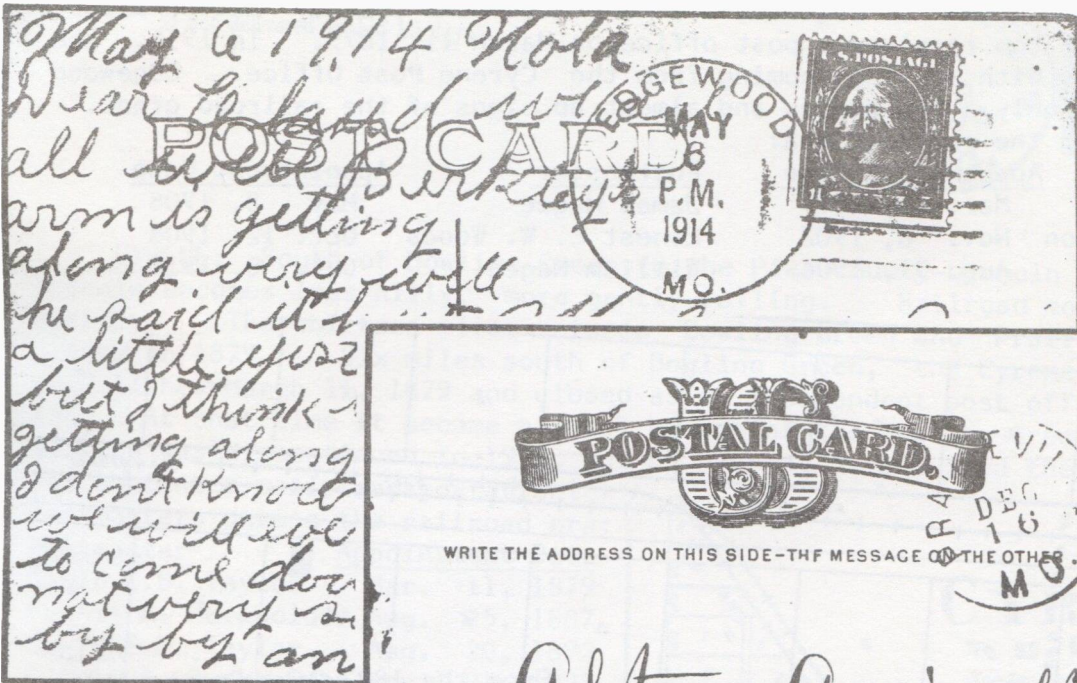
Eolia was established less than one mile south of Prairieville. It received a post office Jan. 26, 1881. In 1887, Prairieville was discontinued with mail service via Eolia. In 1890, Prairieville was reestablished only to be discontinued again less than two years later in 1892. This time, mail service was provided from the Aberdeen post office, two and a half miles to the north of the original town site. This may indicate that the re-established Prairieville was in a slightly different location than the original office. Eolia is the surviving town and retains a post office today.

Postmasters in the railroad era:

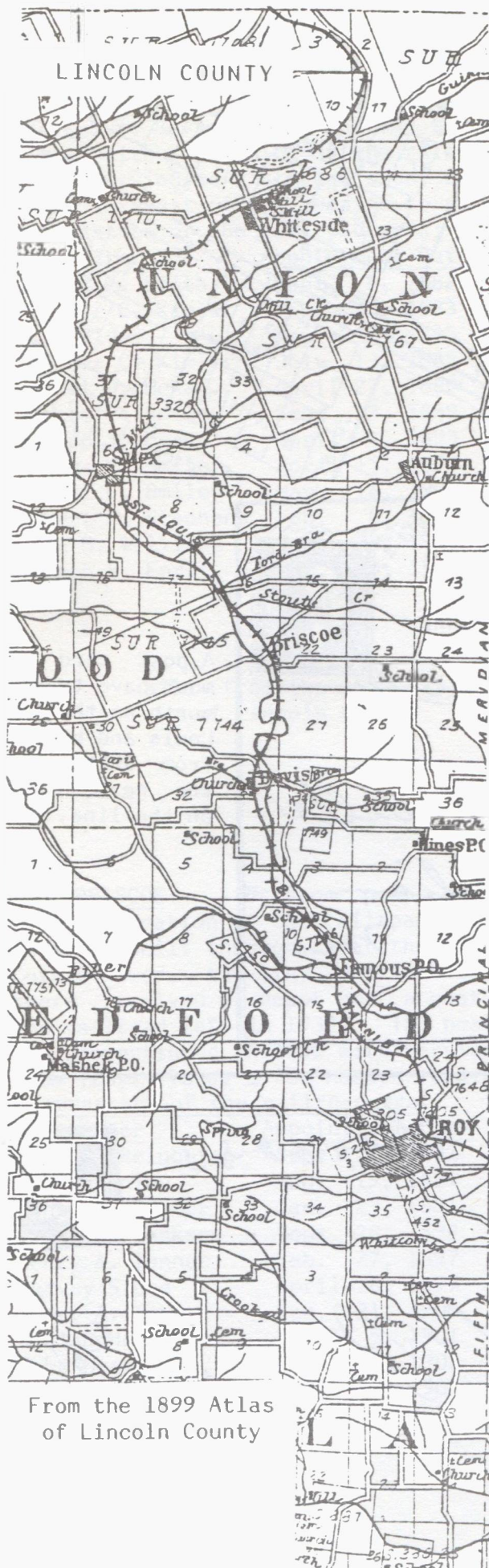
Postmaster	Appointment Date
<u>Prairieville:</u>	
Theodore Black	Jan. 19, 1875
Discontinued	Aug. 27, 1887
James W. Bibb	June 20, 1890
Discontinued	Jan. 18, 1892
<u>Eolia:</u>	
Theodore Blade	Jan. 26, 1881
Edward Beall	Jan. 31, 1898
(served to 1934)	











From the 1899 Atlas  
of Lincoln County

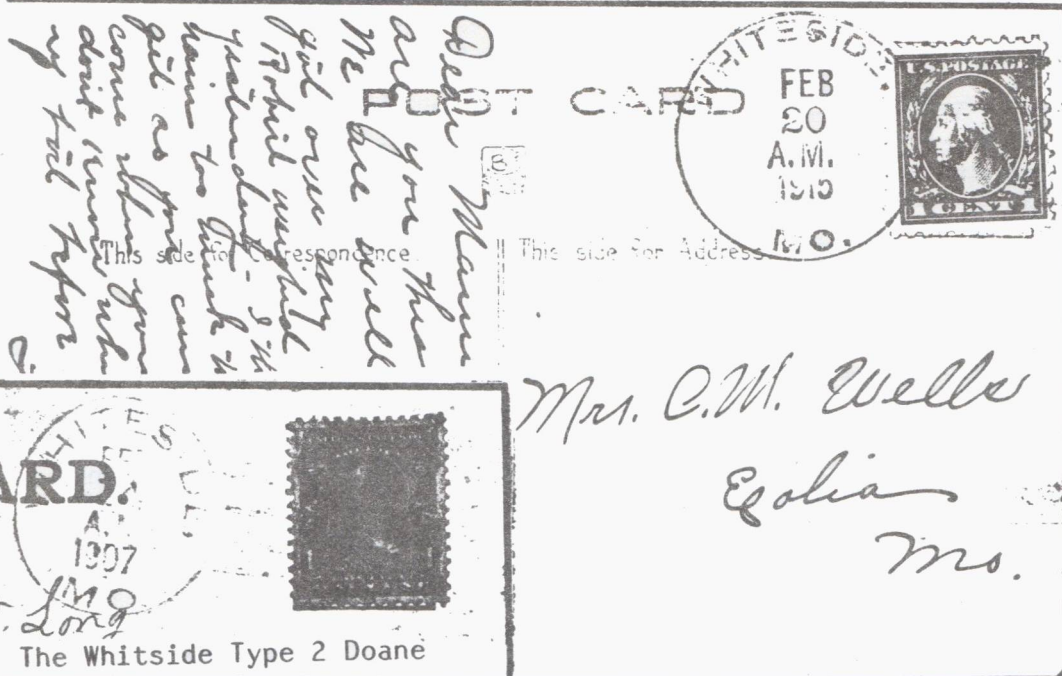
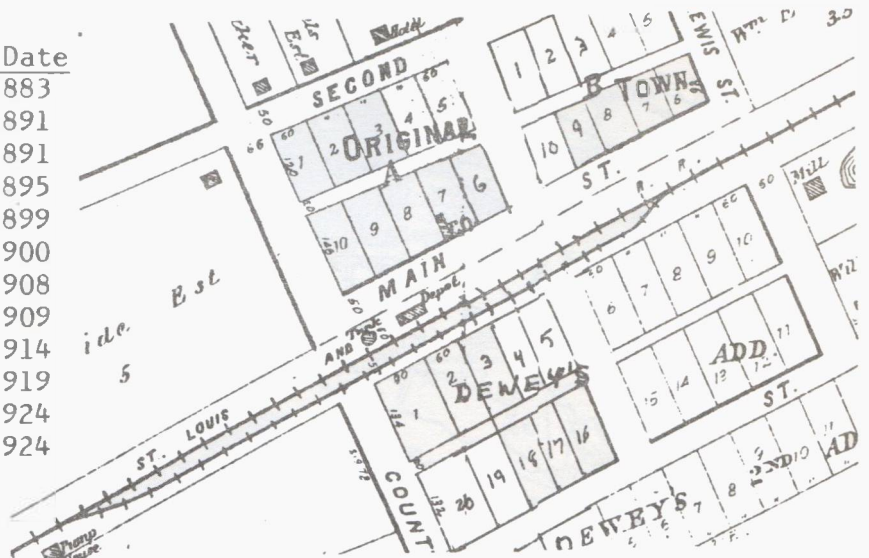
**LINCOLN COUNTY:** As the railroad paused to gain financial strength for its final push through Lincoln County, the Troy Free Press began a campaign to speed construction with a combination of pleading and threat. Finally, the construction began in 1882. Track was laid from Eolia southwest to Whiteside and then down into the Cuivre River valley. The railroad essentially followed the river southward all the way to the southern border of the county. The new towns of Silex, Briscoe, Davis, Famous and Owens Station were all on river bottom land. Moscow Mills was on the river and Troy, although higher, was not far from the river. Again the choice of route, like that of Peno Creek in Pike County, would come back to haunt the railroad. Much of the land near the Cuivre River and its tributary creeks was marshy. The river itself was prone to flooding. The floods, while not as violent or rapid as found with Peno Creek, were sufficient to suspend operations and damage right of way.

**WHITESIDE:** Whiteside is the second of six in a row towns that received post offices as a direct result of the coming of the railroad. The railroad arrived in 1882 and the post office was established in 1883. The rails were removed in 1932 but the post office remains in service. The town is still small.

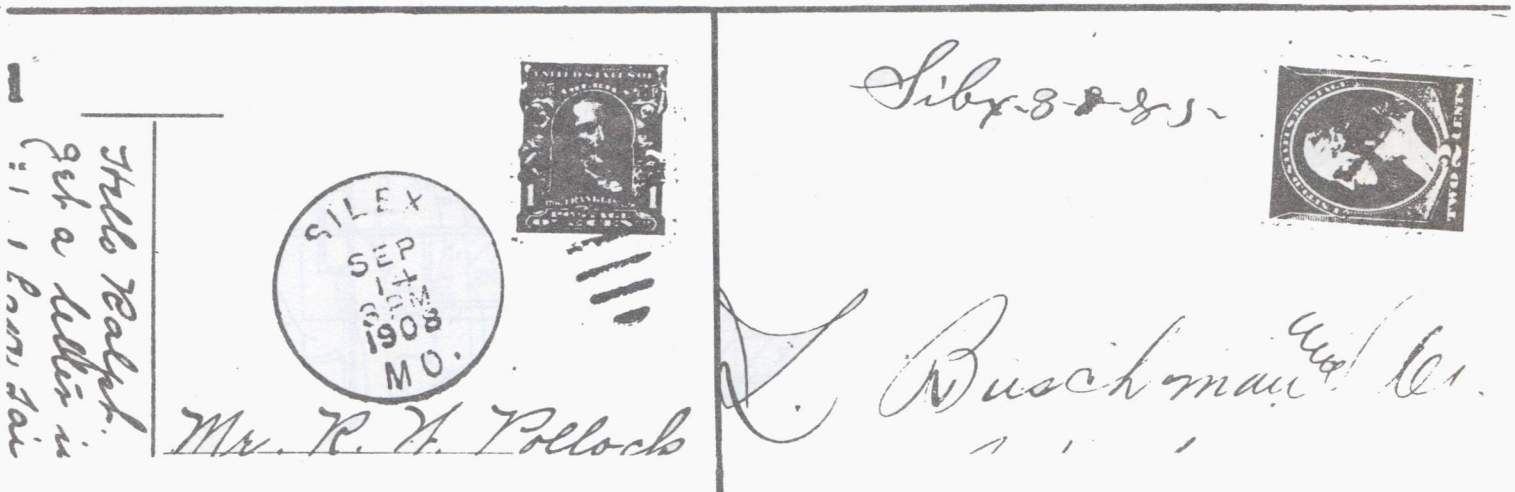


Postmaster	Appointment Date
Dayton J. Mosley	June 19, 1883
James R. Gibson	Oct. 19, 1891
George B. Smiley	Nov. 11, 1891
William M. Shields	April 6, 1895
James W. Smiley	April 28, 1899
Ella M. Sauneders	Feb. 1, 1900
E.E. Stephens	Jan. 7, 1908
Louis N. Downing	March 18, 1909
Thomas A. Halley	July 21, 1914
William M. Shields	Jan. 9, 1919
W.S. Lilenract	April 26, 1924
Cecil T. Magruder	July 26, 1924

Whiteside from the 1899 Atlas  
of Lincoln County.



A post card that must have traveled north on the Saint Louis and Hannibal from Whiteside to the next station on the line, Eolia.

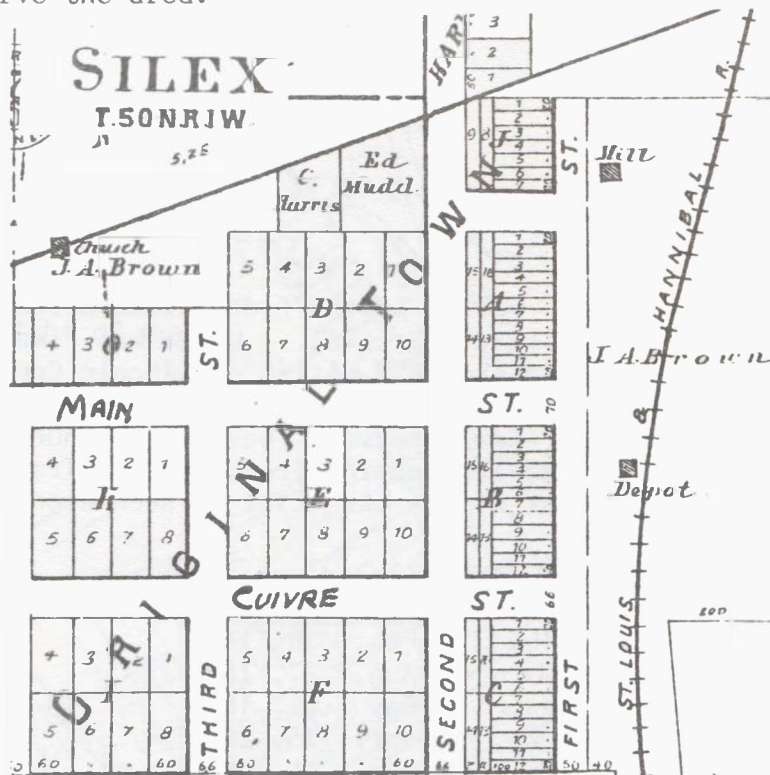


**SILEX:** Southwest from Whiteside, the railroad began a curving descent into the Cuivre River valley and the town of Silex. Again, the post office was established with the coming of the railroad. Traces of the railroad remain: the old depot serving as a storage shed, cuts, embankments and a few culverts in the area. The post office remains to serve the area.

Postmasters of the railroad area:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
George P. Smith	Feb. 8, 1882
Leander C. Kimler	March 20, 1883
E.I. Crider	May 7, 1885
Leander C. Kimler	July 13, 1885
Samuel H. McKay	April 27, 1889
George P. Smiley	Sept. 13, 1889
Joseph S. Brown	April 4, 1893
George P. Smiley	April 15, 1897
Samuel L. Smiley	May 16, 1906
Albert M. Stephens	Feb. 4, 1907
John B. Williams	June 25, 1913
Joseph V. Forst	Mar. 3, 1923

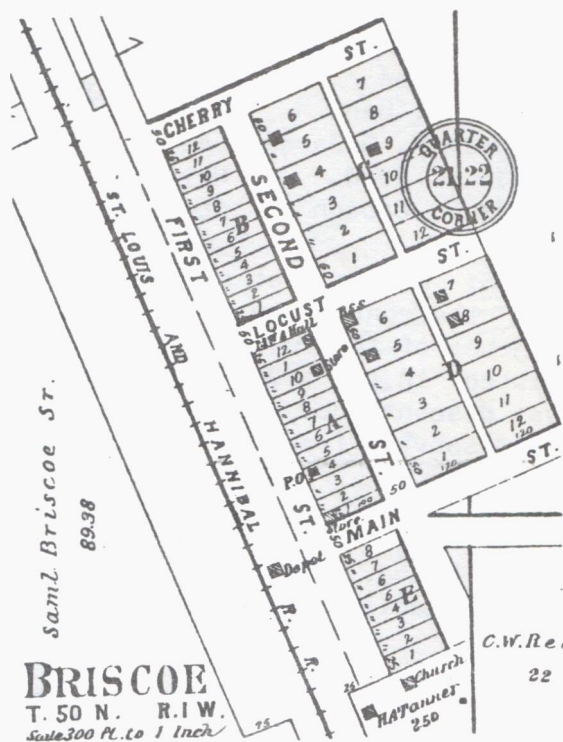
Silex from the 1899 Atlas of Lincoln County



**BRISCOE:** Briscoe post office was another creation of the railroad. When the railroad built through near the bank of the Cuivre River, the tiny settlement already there received a depot and a post office. The railroad left in 1932. The post office was discontinued in 1959 with service coming from Troy. Today a few houses remain.

Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
Joel G. Reinbuton	Sept. 25, 1882
Cyrus Finley	Aug. 19, 1884
Henry A. Tanner	Jan. 23, 1891
James A. Jackson	Sept. 28, 1892
Henry A. Tanner	Feb. 27, 1897
Harvey Stone	April 16, 1897
Henry A. Tanner	Feb. 21, 1900
Josiah Hearn	April 5, 1901
John Hearn	Sept. 25, 1902
Albert Wells	Sept. 17, 1904
Louis F. Muensterman	Jan 25, 1921
Cartie H. Wells	Oct. 9, 1924





*Davis. August 11 1886.*

Early Davis MS



*Mrs. Marnie Cornell.  
Edgewood  
Pike Co.  
Mo.*

*Briscoe & Co  
North 3rd Street.*

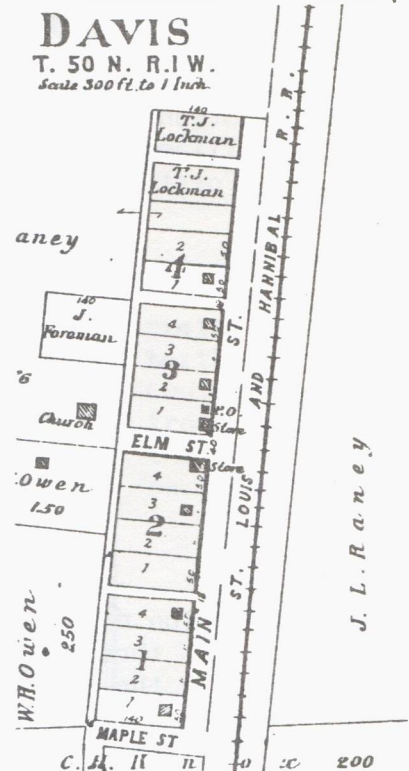
A post card that traveled north by rail from Briscoe to Edgewood. (1910)

**DAVIS:** Davis' post office, like Briscoe's came with the railroad's arrival. Davis was smaller than Briscoe, and in the 1899 Atlas of Lincoln County, no depot was shown, but a post office was indicated. Also like Briscoe, mail service was discontinued in 1959 with later service coming from Troy. Traces of the railroad right of way can still be seen along what was Main Street.

Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
Frederick A. Martin	Feb. 8, 1882
Zacharia Martin	Aug. 27, 1884
William H. Owens	May 21, 1885
James S. Cox	April 15, 1897
John W. Foreman	Dec. 19, 1898
Cyrus Howell	Mar. 8, 1900
James S. Owen	Oct. 19, 1902
William K. Mattocks	Jan. 24, 1903
John T. Owen	Feb. 3, 1904
William H. Owen	May 2, 1905
Benjamin F. DeJarnatt	Aug. 9, 1905
Mallie V. Reed	Nov. 17, 1910
Mallie V. Gibson	April 20, 1912

**DAVIS**  
T. 50 N. R. 1 W.  
Scale 300 ft. to 1 inch.



**FAMOUS:** Famous post office was located near the confluence of the two major branches of the Cuivre River. No town existed in the area. The post office was discontinued in 1908 with further mail service from Troy. Markings are scarce.

Postmaster	Appointment Date
Logan Howell	July 9, 1883
Simeon M. Todd	Feb. 15, 1896
Richard F. Gurney	May 6, 1897
Discontinued	May 14, 1908

Famous MS ca. one year after establishment

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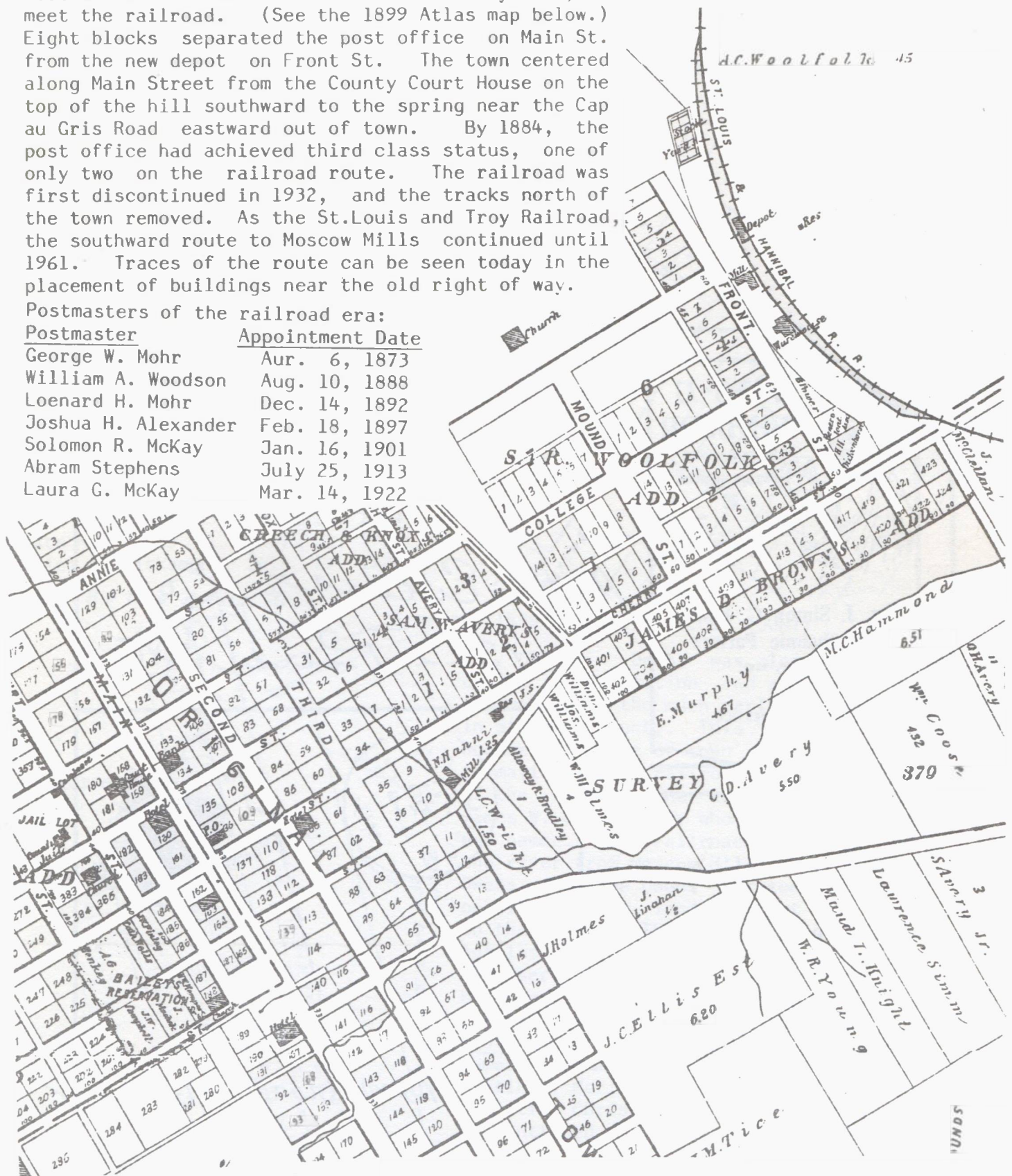
*Famous mo 8-4-84*



TROY: The St.L&H left the river bottoms after Famous post office and built southward to near Troy, the county seat of Lincoln County. The route arrived east of town in 1882 with much fanfare. By 1899, the town had built eastward to meet the railroad. (See the 1899 Atlas map below.) Eight blocks separated the post office on Main St. from the new depot on Front St. The town centered along Main Street from the County Court House on the top of the hill southward to the spring near the Cap au Gris Road eastward out of town. By 1884, the post office had achieved third class status, one of only two on the railroad route. The railroad was first discontinued in 1932, and the tracks north of the town removed. As the St.Louis and Troy Railroad, the southward route to Moscow Mills continued until 1961. Traces of the route can be seen today in the placement of buildings near the old right of way.

Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
George W. Mohr	Aur. 6, 1873
William A. Woodson	Aug. 10, 1888
Loenard H. Mohr	Dec. 14, 1892
Joshua H. Alexander	Feb. 18, 1897
Solomon R. McKay	Jan. 16, 1901
Abram Stephens	July 25, 1913
Laura G. McKay	Mar. 14, 1922



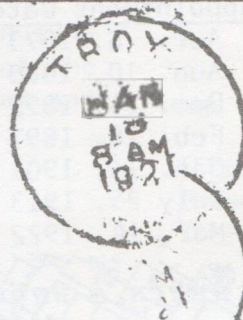


A cover that traveled  
south on the StL&H to  
Owen from Troy



Miss Clara McBine  
Owen Mo.

**FITS-U  
WINDSOR**  
EYEGASSES  
My prescription  
©  
RETURN  
TO  
Dr. J. Simon C. Hivner  
Ophthalmic Parlors  
TROY, MO.  
DISTINCTION,  
QUALITY  
SERVICE



A. H. Eilers & Co.  
1322 Pine St.



A cover that traveled  
south on the StL&H to  
Owen from Moscow Mills

Miss Clara McBine  
Owen Station

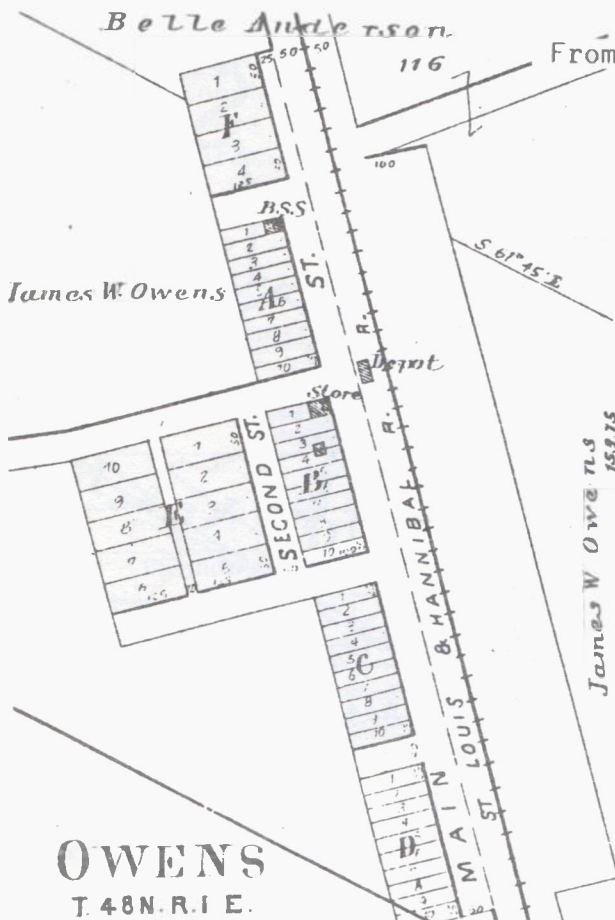
**MOSCOW MILLS:** Moscow Mills is an old Lincoln County settlement, but one that did not get a post office until 1878, only four years before the railroad arrived. In building between Troy and Moscow Mills, the railroad chose the easy route, mostly on Cuivre River bottomland. Several areas were marshy and a few tributary creeks had to be spanned requiring considerable fill and trestle work. In Moscow Mills, the depot was built near the river and only about a block from the main part of town. The main part of town was higher and away from possible flooding. The railroad grade is still evident in the riverside park.

Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
William Hammer	March 22, 1878
Charles Brandes	June 16, 1884
James H. Anderson	Sept. 24, 1885
Charles W. Brandes	April 27, 1889
Robert R. Cosley	July 17, 1893
Louis G. Brandes	June 10, 1897
Julia M. Brandes	July 27, 1901
Frank H. Weitkamp	Jan. 20, 1911
Kate A. Wing	July 21, 1914
Kate A. Camper	July 27, 1921
Amiel A Weitkamp	July 17, 1922



From the 1899 ATLAS of LINCOLN COUNTY



**OWENS:** Owens was also sometimes called Owens Station and should not be confused with the much earlier Owens Sta. in St. Louis County. This "town" is still another example of town and post office formation due to railroad arrival. Most of the land in the area was owned by James W. Owens, for whom the post office was named. The railroad again followed the river from Moscow Mills southward to Owens, but the Owens settlement, while on river bottom land, was not very close to the river. The Owens post office did not last even as long as the railroad. RFD service was extended from Moscow Mills and the railroad depot closed.

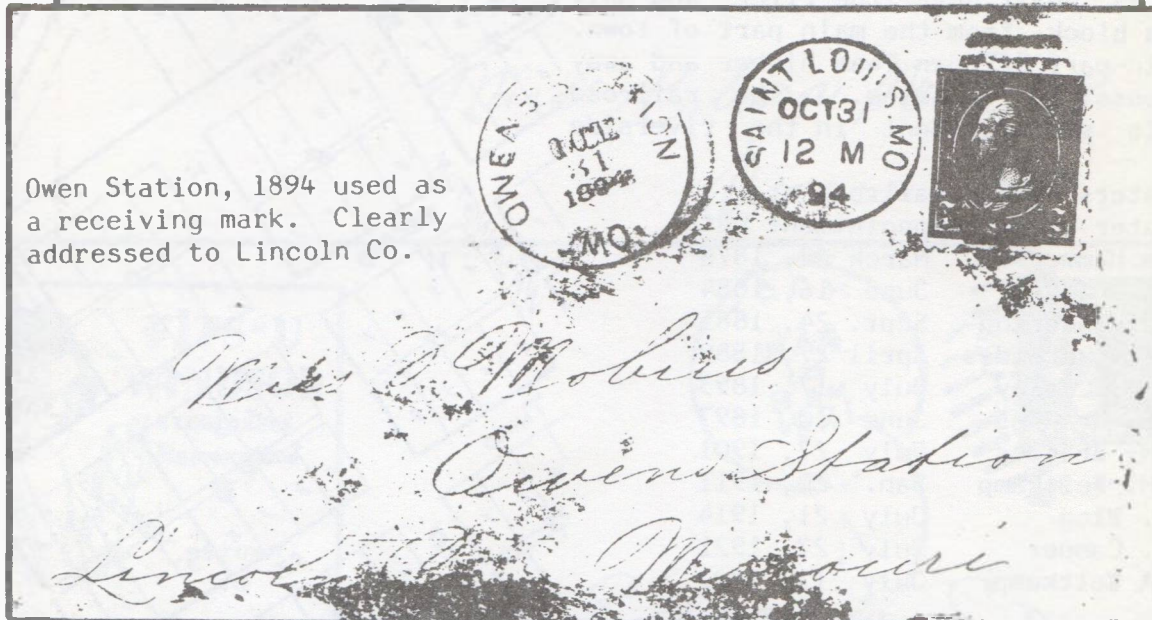
Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
James W. Wommack	May 15, 1883
Martin V. Morley	Feb. 29, 1884
Christian Christiansen	Mar. 14, 1894
Discontinued	Jan. 31, 1915



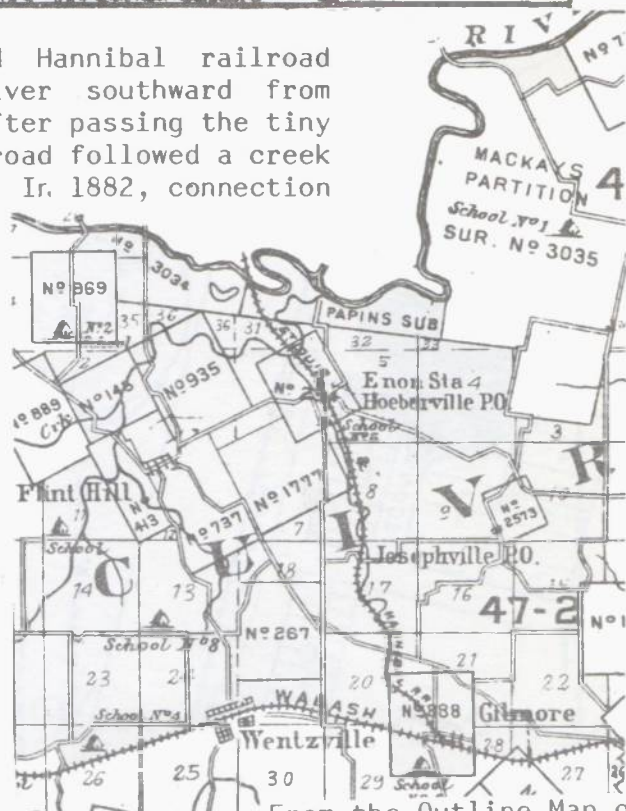


Owen Station, 1894 used as a receiving mark. Clearly addressed to Lincoln Co.

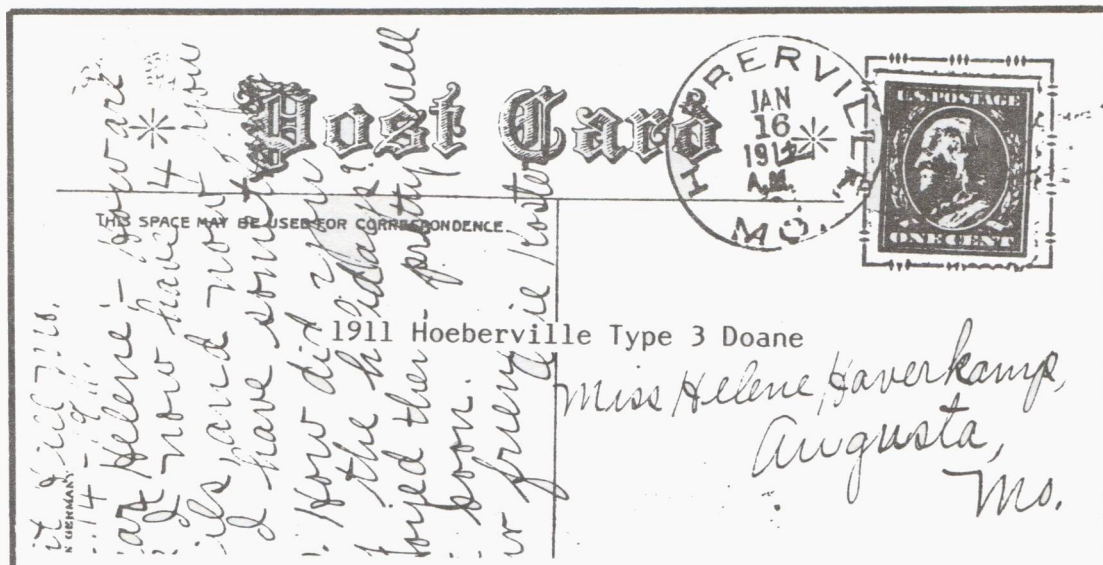


**ST.CHARLES COUNTY:** The St.Louis and Hannibal railroad crossed the Eagle Fork of the Cuivre River southward from Lincoln County into St.Charles County. After passing the tiny settlement of Hoeberville (Enon), the railroad followed a creek up and out of the Cuivre River watershed. In 1882, connection was completed with the Wabash. A town, Gilmore, was created at the junction. The railroad was not an important factor in the life of St. Charles County and few people missed its passing in 1932.

**HOEBERVILLE:** Enon was the original name of the settlement, but, because that name was already taken for a post office (in Moniteau County), the name Hoeberville was chosen for the office. The building that served as post office, home, store and distillery has only recently been torn down. Only two postmasters served during the time the office was open. Frank Hoeber was appointed on May 5, 1879 and Theodore Hoeber was appointed on May 19, 1903. The office was discontinued May 16, 1914. A few traces of the railroad right of way can still be seen.



From the Outline Map of St. Charles County, 1905



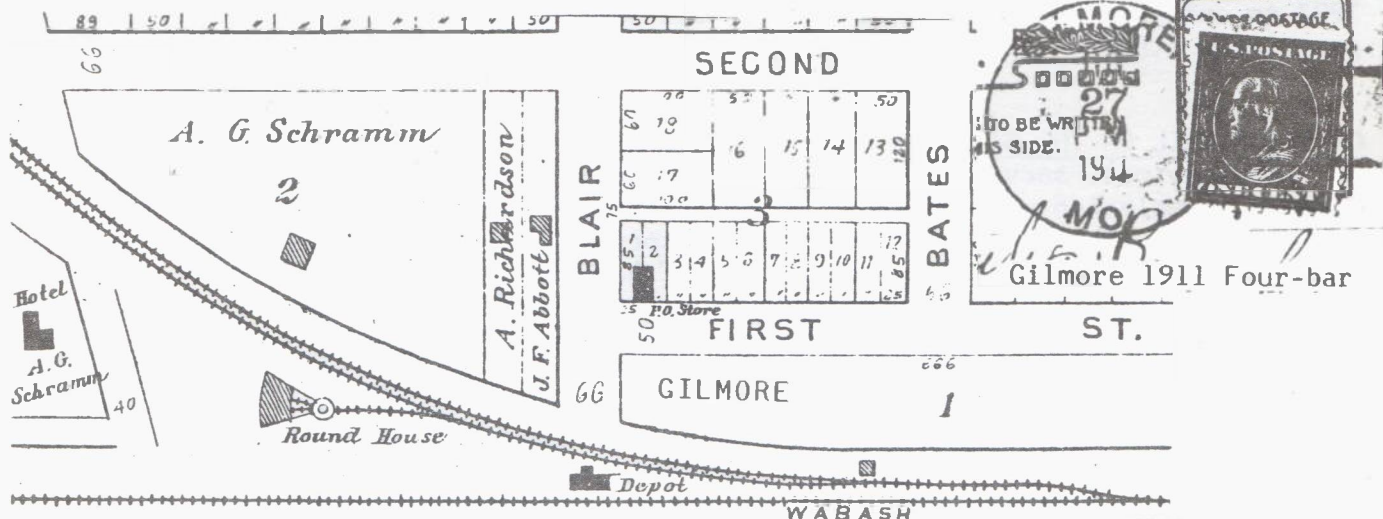
GILMORE: At the place that the StL&H met the Wabash in St. Charles County, a new town, Gilmore, was established. It was named for Thomas Gilmore, an early settler in the area. In addition to a depot, the railroad also maintained a roundhouse-repair shop and turntable. The depression where the turntable was located was still visible in recent years. The post office was established over a year after the railroad arrived. This probably reflects the time needed to build the population needed for postal service.

Postmasters of the railroad era:

Postmaster	Appointment Date
Adam J. Schramm	Jan. 31, 1884
Anton G. Schramm	June 30, 1890
Edward A. Schramm	May 11, 1894
Oliver Martin	April 29, 1898
Fred F. Koestler	Dec. 16, 1898
Agnes Showers	April 12, 1915
Ida W. Schramm	Aug. 5, 1920
Leonard H. Wilmes	Jan. 6, 1927



Gilmore 1902 9-Bar Cancel



From the 1905 Outline Map of St. Charles County



### RURAL FREE DELIVERY SERVICE:

Rural Free Delivery Service exacted a terrible toll on the small fourth class post offices of the nation. Of the twenty post offices along the main and branch lines of the StL&H, fully eighteen were fourth class offices in 1900. The railroad provided mail service to these fourth class offices and they, in turn became distribution points for RFD mail. This set them apart from the average fourth class office.

By 1917, many of the post offices along the route had been upgraded. Six had risen from fourth to third class (New London, Center, Perry, Frankford, Eolia and Silex) and one, Bowling Green, had gone from third to second class. Eight fourth class offices remained and four had been discontinued. Of the eight remaining fourth class offices, five had RFD routes emanating from them. Of the four discontinued fourth class offices, only one, McCunes Station, had had an RFD route.

#### POST OFFICE CLASSIFICATION AND RURAL FREE DELIVERY SERVICE from Towns Along the St. Louis and Hannibal

TOWN	OFFICE CLASS		RFD ROUTES		TOWN	OFFICE CLASS		RFD ROUTES	
	1900	1917	1907	1921		1900	1917	1907	1921
Oakwood	4	4	0	0	Whiteside	4	4	2	2
New London	4	3	4	4	Silex	4	3	3	3
Center	4	3	4	4	Briscoe	4	4	1	1
Perry	4	3	4	5	Davis	4	4	0	0
Frankford	4	3	4	5	Famous	4	DPO	DPO	DPO
McCunes Sta.	4	DPO	1	DPO	Troy	3	3	5	5
Bowling Green	3	2	8	8	Moscow Mills	4	4	2	2
Cyrene	4	4	2	2	Owen (Sta.)	4	DPO	0	DPO
Edgewood	4	4	0	0	Hoeberville	4	DPO	0	DPO
Eolia	4	3	3	3	Gilmore	4	4	1	1

This rosy picture of rail service post offices is contradicted by the table below. Although the number of RFD routes remained steady, the number of off-line towns served from the railroad towns steadily decreased from thirty towns in 1903 to only six in 1915. (See table below.) Decreasing mail volume probably paralleled other decreasing railroad revenue.

### CARRYING MAIL ON THE ST. LOUIS AND HANNIBAL:

Railway mail service on the St. Louis and Hannibal began early. Almost as early as completion of the route to Gilmore, the Hannibal and Gilmore RPO was established. The notation in Kay's Directory of Railway Post Offices indicates that prior to Aug. 1, 1882 a route agent had served on the railroad. For a short time (Nov. 11 - Dec. 25, 1884) the route was called the Hannibal and Saint Louis RPO; then it reverted again to the Hannibal and Gilmore RPO.

On January 18, 1932, clerks on the route were rostered to the Hannibal and Moberly RPO but continued to serve on the Hannibal and Gilmore RPO. This roster move was in preparation for the partial abandonment of the route. On May 23, 1932, the Hannibal and Bowling Green RPO was established. However, this RPO lasted for only about a year. It was discontinued on May 8, 1933.

When the branch line was built in 1892 from Ralls Junction near New London to Perry, it was chartered as a separate entity, the Ralls Junction and Perry Railroad. It was a wholly-owned subsidiary of the St. Louis and Hannibal. This

# ST. LOUIS & HANNIBAL RAILROAD RPO AND CLOSED POUCH SERVICE

## HANNIBAL & GILMORE RPO

Taken from General Scheme for Missouri, 1903, 1905, 1908, 1915

Division	Station/Town or Junction	Towns Receiving Distribution from Station/Town			
		Town Served	1903	1905	1908 1915
Hannibal & Ralls Jct.	Hannibal	-			
	Oakwood	-			
	New London	-			
	Ralls Jct.	-			
Ralls Jct to Bowling Green	Ralls Jct.	For meaning of notations see below.			
	Frankford	Elk Lick Springs	*	o	o o
		Haw Creek	*	o	o o
		Spencerburg	*	*	o o
	McCunes Sta.	-			
	Bowling Green				
Bowling Green to Gilmore (1903, 1905)	Bowling Green	Ashley	+	+	+ +
		Hildrey	+	*	o o
		Marzolf	*	o	o o
Bowling Green to Troy (1908, 1915)		New Hartford	+	+	+ +
		St. Clement	+	+	* o
		Farmer	-	-	* o
	Cyrene	Louisville	-	+	+ *
	Edgewood	-			
	Eolia	Aberdeen	+	+	* o
		Calumet	+	+	* o
		Stark	+	+	o o
		Hobart	-	*	o o
		Okete	-	+	* o
	Whiteside	Auburn	+	*	o o
	Silex	Blair	*	o	o o
		Corso	+	+	+ +
		Fairview	*	*	o o
		Markville	*	o	o o
		Millwood	*	*	o o
		Olney	+	+	+ +
	Briscoe	Hines	+	+	o o
		Okete	-	+	* o
	Davis	-			
	Famous	-			
	Troy				
Troy to Gilmore (1908, 1915)	Troy	Hawk Point	+	+	- -
		Linns Mills	*	*	o o
		Mashek	+	*	o o
	Moscow Mills	Owen Station	-	-	- *
	Owen Station	-			
	Hoeberville	-			
	Gilmore	Josephville	+	+	+ o
<u>RALLS JCT. &amp; PERRY RR.</u>					
	Center	Madisonville	+	+	- -
	Perry	Greenlawn	+	+	- -
		Laddonia	+	+	- -

### Notes:

- = No entry for office;

+ = Entry for office

\* = Office discontinued due to RFD Service

o = Office not listed, discontinued



route carried closed pouch mail on the daily trip between Hannibal and Perry. Sometime between the closure of the St. Louis and Bowling Green RPO in 1933 and the final abandonment in 1944, service was shifted from closed pouch to trucks. The exact date of this changeover has not yet been located.

#### ROUTE MARKINGS:

No examples of any route agent markings from the St. Louis and Hannibal Railroad have yet been reported. The Towle United States Transit Markings Catalog shows only one marking, numbered 821-B-1 and dated Feb. 4, 1932 for the Hannibal and Gilmore RPO. Only one marking, numbered 821-A-1 and dated Sept. 10, 1932, has been reported for the Hannibal and Bowling Green RPO.



821-B-1

821-A-1

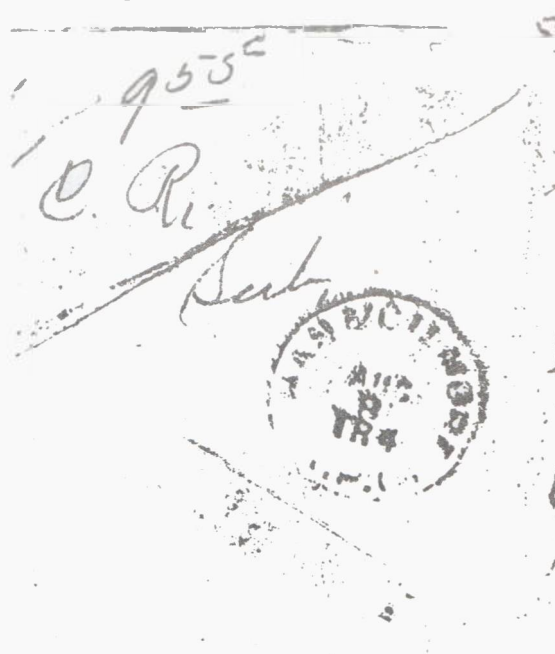


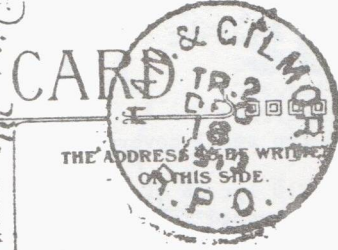
The earliest marking seen thus far is an 1895 transit mark on a registered envelope sent from Eolia to St. Louis. This marking (below) is similar to the 821-B-1 marking but also differs in several respects. In 821-B-1, the arrangement of entries is Trip (4)/Month/Day/Year while in the 1895 example it is Month/Day/Trip (4) with no year date in the dial. Overlaying copies of the two markings shows significant differences in the placement of the "N & G" in HAN & GILMORE.

A new type of marking has also been found. This has been seen from both 1905 (shown below) and 1909. In this marking, the route is expressed as "HANNI.&GILMORE." It has a six-bar RMS killer and a 30 mm. dial. The entries in the dial are arranged in the order Month/Day/Year/Trip. Only Trip 1 has been seen in this marking thus far.

Two more variants on the "HAN & GILMORE RPO" marking have been noted. One, seen in 1905, carries a trip 3 marking, a 28 mm. dial and an 8-bar RMS oval shaped killer. The other, from 1910, carries a Trip 2 marking, a 30 mm. dial and a 6-bar RMS killer.

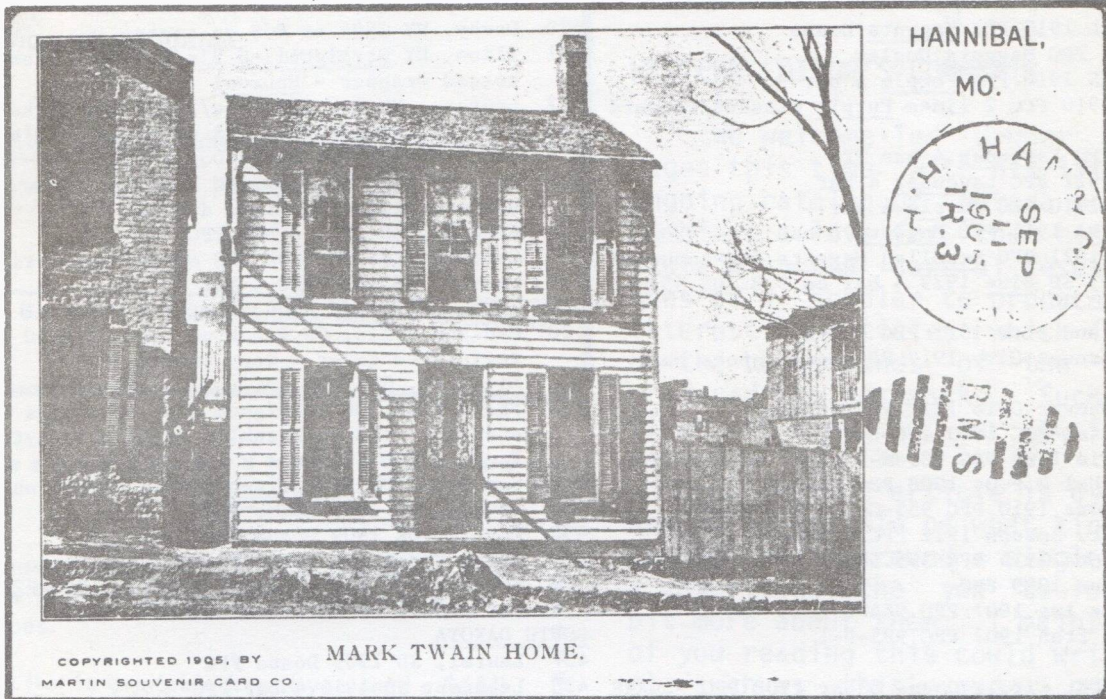
In the early years, the St. Louis and Hannibal Railroad offered two numbered passenger trips each way daily. Four trip numbers are seen in the RPO markings and each trip number has a different type marking. This may be a coincidence, but it is possible that different devices were used for each trip.





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#### CONCLUSION:

The St. Louis and Hannibal Railroad disappeared from the landscape many years ago and only a few traces of its presence can be found by anyone searching it out. Today, modern highways serve most of the towns and settlements that once were hard to reach by any means but the railroad. However, its effect is still visible in another way. At a time when the fourth class post office was disappearing, falling victim to RFD service, the small post offices along the railroad mostly remained and prospered. Some even advanced in classification. This because the railroad carried the mail to them. Many post offices were a direct result of the railroad's coming. Because of the influence of the railroad on patterns of commerce, some of these towns, with their post offices, are still active today in an area where other settlements and post offices have long since disappeared.



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ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, COLORADO

- 356 Tortilla Flat, AZ 1940 4 bar PPC  
357 Cherokee, CA 1907 4 bar PPC  
358 Cummings, CA 1939 4 bar PPC  
359 Entfield, CA 1910 Doane PPC  
360 Oakfield, CA 1883-84 two small covers opened at right into stamps  
361 S. Francisco, CA US #210 1st mo of use in CA Oct. 19, 1883 envelope opened into stamp  
362 Baldwin, CO 1919 4 bar on UX 20  
363 Byers, CO 1911 large 4 bar and straightline Magenta missent to Brighton, CO - pretty  
364 Glacier Lake, CO 1907 Doane as rec mk crease in PPC  
365 Hardin, CO 1908 4 bar PPC  
366 Sugar Loaf, CO about 1910 4 bar - no year, month or day in indicia. Lightly emb card

COLOR HANDSTAMPS

- 367 Lee Center, IL 1910 PPC Magenta Doane  
368 Kent, IA 1911 PPC Magenta Duplex  
369 Rock Creek, KS 1910 PPC Purple 4 bar  
370 Spencer, MA 1910 PPC 2 lines Purple missent/forward Halifax 4 bar  
371 Worthington, MO Lavender 4 bar PPC  
372 Livonia, MO 1911 PPC Lavender 4 bar  
373 Phillips, NE 1910 PPC Purple 4 bar  
374 Strongstown, PA 1911 PPC Magenta 4 bar  
375 Millbank, SD 1921 PPC Scrolled Magenta Box- unusual  
376 Running Water, SD Blue 1929 4 bar on P.B. US 551

RAILROAD

- 377 Tr Clerk Oakland Pier 1911 PPC 999-F-2  
378 Round Table Kansas City 1917 PPC rough spots on card  
379 Union Depot Denver Colo 1912 PPC 959-A-7  
380 Burl & Carrolton PPC 1909 750-E-2  
381 Eureka & Scotia 1906 PPC 985-M-1 piece of rim miss.  
382 Rol Pk & St. Hel R.P.O. 1908 PPC BA-3-K  
383 Salida & Alamosa 1910 PPC 955-G-2 kills stamp  
384 St. Louis & St. Joseph 1912 PPC 815-G-1  
385 Tampa & Sarasota 1914 PPC 395.5-B-1  
386 Towson & Catons 1909 PPC  
387 Williams & Los Ang 1907 PPC 964-Q-2  
388 Willits & San Fran 1907 PPC 985-U-1

MISCELLANEOUS

- 389 Centuria, WI DBL Circle Doane 5 bar 1908 PPC - RARE  
390 Middlefield, CT 5 bar Double Circle 1910 PPC - RARE  
391 Knoxville, IL Mans. RFD "Knoxville Ill Aug 12-31 KOW" to RR#1. Very late use  
392 Fayette, IA "6/8/14 Fayette IA" Mans. RFD PPC  
393 Dunlap, KS "Dunlap Kans Oct 8-10" in pencil, PPC  
394 Homestead, IA 1933 3 bar w/message in bars like a ship cancel "Return address - all your mail" - ODD  
395 WX 13 Tied by Louisville KY machine  
396 US #370 Alaska - Yukon tied by 4 bar, non phil  
397 US #372 Tied by Salamanca NY machine, corner of stamp torn, non phil

INDIANA TERRITORY, ILLINOIS, IOWA, KANSAS

- 398 Tahiequah, IND. T. as B/S on 1897 cover. Collect & Dist. Wagon on front. Env has edge faults. Xerox this  
399 Chicago, IL Early 1850's stampless env w/Red Paid 3 in arc. Black Chicago readable  
400 Chicago, IL Nice Black townmark w/1858 year date, ties 3c 1857 - Nice  
401 Franklin Grove, IL Large balloon townmark ties 3c 1857 "Mail direct via College Hill"  
402 Galena, IL Large Black balloon townmark 3c 1861 "c/o Gen. O.E. Babcock Gen. Grants Hdqrs"

- 403 Green Prairie, IL 1916 4 bar PPC - into design  
404 Hesterman, IL 1910 Doane PPC - into design  
405 Rockford, IL 1890 Rockford carrier on fully illustrated factory envelop (Orange)  
406 Viola, IL 1907 4 bar on Main Street Real Photo PPC  
407 Lewis, IA Late 1850's early 1860's stampless env w/Mans. "Lewis Iowa August 14 (paid)" Black  
408 Logan(s)port, IA Red fair/good strike on 1842 SFL  
409 Cedar Bluff, KS 1910 4 bar PPC  
410 Formoso, KS 1908 Doane PPC  
411 Hymers, KS 1907 Doane PPC  
412 Kanorado, KS 1911 Doane PPC  
413 Nonchalant, KS 1911 fair/good strike PPC  
414 Park, KS 1907 large (largest?) Doane PPC  
LOUISIANA, MISSOURI, NEW YORK, OHIO, OKLAHOMA, PENNSYLVANIA  
415 Addis, LA 1911 4 bar on PPC  
416 Darrow, LA 1906 Doane PPC  
417 Elton, LA 1910 4 bar PPC  
418 Barry, MO 1850's manuscript 3c 1851  
419 Cherry Creek, NY 1886 neg star CDS  
420 Danby, NY 1894 as B/S on cover  
421 Ilion, NY Straightline Black cancel ties 2c embossed wrapper - Unusual  
422 Laurens, NY Two covers w/large townmarks banknote  
423 Lodi, NY Blue/Purple CDS on small 1880's cover  
424 South Gilboa, NY Large Doane 1910 PPC - into design  
425 Abe, OH 1906 Doane w/two strikes, pleas. plain Ohio Doanes, Ridgeville Ind. duplex  
426 Arnhiem, OH 1909 4 bar PPC  
427 Cedar Mills, OH 1900 CDS opened rough right  
428 Creola, OH 1910 PPC 4 bar  
429 Iler, OH as B/S 1909 cover  
430 Madison Mills, OH Block of four US #250 on U311 registered cover - very pretty  
431 Millport, OH 1929 LDC  
432 Poast Town, OH Fair/good Blue strike as B/S on Blue envelope, fwd to Franklin w/CDS and Dayton duplex. Fancy USPOD killer  
433 Sun Dale, OH Blue Green double circle on front 1886  
434 Lovell, OK 1909 Doane PPC  
435 Lovell, OK 1909 Doane PPC  
436 Otter Creek, PA Very nice manuscript in box registered cover to Chicago. U311 and US #226 Magenta rec cancel

SOUTH DAKOTA

- 437 Laurel, SD 1909 Doane PPC  
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We welcome Ted Gruber back to our pages this time with his latest in the ongoing catalog of Nevada postmarks. Ted combines a love for the history of his state with the careful research techniques of a scholar to produce some highly interesting articles which illuminate us on the backgrounds of the towns which produced the postmarks. Such details add flesh and blood to our post cards and covers.

Our second article is by yours truly and is an example of what kind of a piece can be built around a single photograph, a cover, and the yen to learn a little bit more about them. I maintain that any of you reading this could write an article such as this, and I certainly wish some of you would. It is a truly pleasurable experience for the author, but, sadly, there is no way to convince someone of that until they give it a try. The time required to write this article from start to finish, including looking up the necessary dates, locations, etc., was about 5 hours. Spread over a few evenings, this kind of a little project is most rewarding, and, I hope, provides pleasure to others who read it. Please don't take my word for it. Give it a try. I'll be glad to pass on advice on sources and so forth. Just give me a call (503) 657-5685, day or evening, but before 9PM please. LA POSTA needs some new authors with new ideas and new perspectives. You could be just the right person with just the right story.



## THE NEVADA POSTMARK CATALOG

By Ted Gruber

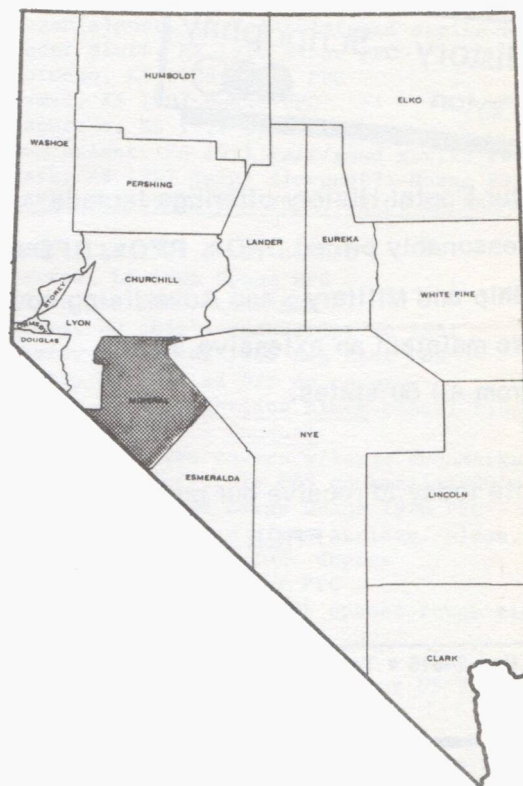
### Part IX: Mineral County

Mineral County is the second youngest county in Nevada. It was created in February 1911 when the state legislature divided Esmeralda County, with the northern half forming the new county of Mineral. During the 19th century, most of Esmeralda County's population resided in the area which later became Mineral County, and all but nine of the post offices that have operated in present Mineral County were established in Esmeralda before it was split in two.

As its name implies, Mineral County's leading industry has been mining. When the first gold and silver discoveries in the county were made in August 1860, the area was still geographically part of Utah Territory. Later that month the Esmeralda mining district was organized. Miners from Virginia City, Carson City, and several eastern California camps came to the new district and pitched their tents on a small hill near the mineral discoveries. As more people arrived, the town of Aurora was laid out in a more favorable location about one mile to the west. The rich discoveries resulted in rapid growth and development -- an unofficial census taken in May 1861 placed the town's population at 2,000.

Aurora did not obtain a post office until September 1861, although some type of unofficial postal facility served the district as early as June, as evidenced by manuscript Aurora postmarks. When a post office finally was established, it took the name Esmeralda, which had earlier been applied to the surrounding mining district. The town continued to grow during the next two years as mining activity increased. By the summer of 1863 Aurora had businesses of all types to serve its 6,000 residents.

Because of its proximity to the unsurveyed boundary between California and the newly-created Nevada Territory, Aurora enjoyed a unique and colorful political status. The California legislature created Mono County in the spring of 1861 and named Aurora as the county seat. When the Nevada Territorial legislature con-



vened for the first time in November 1861, it created Esmeralda County and likewise designated Aurora as the county seat. The allegiance of most residents was to California, if for no other reason than the fact that Mono County was created first. Apparently the first postmaster shared this sentiment, since the Esmeralda post office was initially listed in the Mono County records.

Both the Nevada and California governments had appropriated funds for a boundary survey, but one did not begin until June 1863. In September, as the survey was in progress, a double county election was held. Citizens voted for Mono County officials in one building and Esmeralda County officials in another. When the boundary survey was completed later that month and showed that Aurora was actually located four miles inside Nevada, the double county seat status ended. The California officials temporarily relocated to Bodie, which was safely across the line in California. Although it took postal officials until January

1864 to transfer the Esmeralda post office to the Nevada records, an "Esmeralda N.T." postmark was in use by June 1863, more than three months before the completion of the boundary survey.

Aurora began to decline in the summer of 1864 when excessive promotion caught up with the town. Most of the ore processing mills shut down, and by 1865 the district's population had fallen by 50 percent. By 1869 the easily accessible ore bodies near the surface were exhausted, which further contributed to the decline. The mining boom at nearby Bodie, California, brought new life to Aurora from 1877 until 1882. During this time Aurora had a peak population of perhaps 500. Aurora lost the county seat to Hawthorne in 1883 and lost its post office in 1897, but it was re-established in 1906 when mining resumed.

Mining activity in southern Mineral County centered around the Northern Belle mine, a silver producer which was originally discovered in 1865. The Northern Belle was worked intermittently until 1873 when a rich body of ore was uncovered in the mine. That same year an ore processing mill was built eight miles northwest, and the town of Belleville soon formed around the activity. Belleville grew to a population of 500 over the next three years, and a second mill was constructed there in 1876.

As mineral production from the Northern Belle increased and other mines began operations nearby, the need for a townsite closer to the mines became apparent. Candelaria townsite was platted in August 1876 below the Northern Belle. By October the new town had acquired the typical variety of mining camp businesses as well as the distinction of being the largest town in the county. In the early 1880s Candelaria attained its peak population of about 1,500, and with the arrival of the Carson & Colorado Railroad in February 1882, Candelaria's future indeed looked optimistic.

Problems began to plague Candelaria in 1883 when a legal battle started between the Northern Belle and the Holmes mines. This was followed by a fire that destroyed most of the buildings on the south side of Candelaria's main street in

December 1883. The effect of these problems is reflected in the mineral production for Candelaria, which fell from over \$1,200,000 in 1883 to a mere \$27,000 in 1884. The Holmes mines acquired the Northern Belle in 1885 and that year produced \$500,000 from the mines despite a summer-long labor strike and falling silver prices. By 1890 the population of Candelaria had fallen to about 350, and in November 1891 the mines closed. Modest revivals occurred early in this century and after World War I.

The mining activity at Candelaria led to the formation of two smaller mining camps in the region. Marietta, located about 18 miles northwest of Candelaria, was founded in 1877 and grew to a population of 150. Metallic (or Metallic City) was situated in a steep canyon immediately above Candelaria. It briefly flourished in 1879 and 1880, during which time the camp may have had as many as 300 residents.

Construction began on the narrow gauge Carson & Colorado Railroad south from Mound House (on the Virginia & Truckee) to Candelaria in May 1880. The railroad selected a location two miles south of Walker Lake as a division point, and here the town of Hawthorne was born. A wagon road was constructed from this point over the mountains to Bodie in anticipation of the coming of the railroad. The tracks reached Hawthorne in April 1881, and later that month the Carson & Colorado offered free transportation so that prospective bidders could attend the auction of townsite lots. Hawthorne grew in the early 1880s and acquired the county seat from Aurora in July 1883. For the rest of the century Hawthorne remained a stable railroad town with about 350 residents.

The Carson & Colorado extended its line from Hawthorne to Candelaria in 1881 and 1882. It passed through Belleville, and even with the new railroad, the milling industry at Belleville declined sharply after 1882 when a new mill was built at Candelaria so that the ores could be processed locally.

A stage station named Deep Wells and the small community of Soda Springs were located between Belleville and Hawthorne.



After these places were made stations on the Carson & Colorado in 1881, they were renamed Luning and Sodaville respectively. Luning served as a supply point for silver mines located five miles to the east and was the terminus of a stage road to Grantsville, a new mining camp in Nye County. Sodaville functioned as a minor station and resort because of its two popular mineral springs.

In 1882 and 1883 construction continued on the Carson & Colorado from a point six miles west of Candelaria, over Montgomery Pass, and into the Owens Valley of California. Keeler, California, became the southern terminus of the line, and regular train service to Keeler began in August 1883.

The Southern Pacific purchased the Carson & Colorado in March 1900. The mineral discoveries at Tonopah were made just two months later, and by 1901 Sodaville thrived as an important station where stage connections could be made to Tonopah. Sodaville declined in importance after the narrow gauge Tonopah & Goldfield Railroad was built in 1904, connecting with the main line about ten miles south of there at a place that became known as Tonopah Junction.

In 1905 the Southern Pacific converted the line between Mound House and Tonopah Junction to standard gauge and created a new corporation called the Nevada & California Railway to manage all of the former Carson & Colorado trackage. In addition to being regauged, the railroad was also realigned in several places. The most important realignment was near Hawthorne, where the railroad was shortened so that it bypassed the town. As a result, Hawthorne was left seven miles from the railroad. The consequent decline of Hawthorne led to the removal of the county seat to Goldfield in 1907.

Because Hawthorne was no longer on the railroad, the Nevada & California was forced to find a new location for its division point. Sodaville was the railroad's first choice, but in the summer of 1905 speculators acquired the available land there, so the railroad selected a new location about three miles north. In August 1905 the railroad surveyed a townsite named Mina and built extensive rail-

road facilities there. The population of Mina soon numbered 400, a figure which has remained fairly constant to this day.

There were several other stations on the Nevada & California Railway that acquired post offices early in this century. When the railroad bypassed Hawthorne in 1905, Thorne station was established on the new line to serve Hawthorne. It had a post office from 1912 to 1921. Queen station, on the western slope of Montgomery Pass, had a post office from 1912 to 1914. The station at the summit of Montgomery Pass was originally served by the Buena Vista post office beginning in 1905. This office was renamed Sunland in 1911 and was discontinued the next year. The next office to serve the station was Bley, which operated for one year in 1914 and 1915. In 1916 Mount Montgomery post office was established here; apparently its name was the most popular of the four since it existed for nearly 30 years.

Other post offices were established in the 19th century to serve mining camps and other towns. Fletcher was a stage station on the road between Hawthorne and Bodie. Coryville and Garfield were silver camps active in the 1880s. Eagleville which acquired a post office in 1889, was a small mining camp that was thought to be in Churchill County until the county line was surveyed in December 1907. The community of Schurz was, and still is, the headquarters for the Walker River Indian Reservation. Rhodes was located on the Carson & Colorado Railroad and existed because of nearby salt and borax mining. Douglass and Montelle were mining camps that were active around the turn of the century.

The most famous 20th century mining town in Mineral County was Rawhide. The camp formed in February 1907 after initial gold and silver discoveries were made in late 1906. Higher-grade ore was found in the summer of 1907, and by fall Rawhide consisted of about 60 tents. A post office was established in October; before then Rawhide's mail service consisted of a tin box nailed to a pole along with a crude sign which read "Deposit mail here for Rawhide". The town was claimed by both Churchill and Esmeralda Counties,

and in December a survey of the county line proved that Rawhide was in Esmeralda County. Early in 1908 an incredible mining rush took place which transformed Rawhide into a metropolis of 8,000 people by June. Rawhide was greatly publicized in virtually all newspapers in Nevada, and this attracted thousands of individuals who had missed out on opportunities at places like Tonopah, Goldfield, and Rhyolite. The new town had all of the conveniences of a modern city, including telephone service and electric lights.

Disaster struck Rawhide in September 1908 when a fire leveled nine square blocks of the business district and left 3,000 people homeless. The town began rebuilding at once, but by 1909 Rawhide's bubble burst when most people realized that less than \$1,500,000 had been produced from the overpublicized mines.

The camp of Luckyboy emerged early in 1909 after additional silver discoveries were made in the Lucky Boy mine, which had been worked intermittently after it was discovered in 1906. Luckyboy was located on the east slope of the Wasuk Mountains high above Hawthorne, on the road between that town and Bodie. In 1910 the new camp had 800 residents and a modest business district, but by 1912 the excitement wore off and most people left.

Several short-lived mining camps had post offices early in this century. Oneota post office served the camp of Gold Hitt. During 1907 and 1908, Copperhill, Dutch Creek, Granite, Loma (later known as Reservation), and Mountain View acquired post offices. Rand, Omco, and Simon also did during the next decade.

The activity at Rawhide, Luckyboy, and numerous smaller mining camps resulted in the creation of Mineral County in February 1911. Hawthorne was chosen as the seat of the county. The town once again began to prosper, but by 1920 it had started to decline as mining activity in the county decreased. Another blow was dealt to Hawthorne in 1926 when a fire destroyed most of the town's business district as well as many residences. By this time the population of Hawthorne had fallen to just 150 people. However, a turnaround came in 1928 when

it was decided to move the Naval ammunition depot from Lake Denmark, New Jersey, to Hawthorne. The depot was completed in 1930 and assumed a major role as an ammunition assembly plant for the armed forces during World War II. At the height of activity in 1944, Hawthorne and adjacent Babbitt had a combined population of 13,000. Although this figure has since declined to about 5,500, Hawthorne is still by far the largest town in Mineral County. The ammunition depot and tourism are now the major industries in Hawthorne.

The only change in the boundaries of Mineral County was made in March 1933 when an area in the northwestern part of the county was annexed to Lyon County for financial reasons. This region included the Wichman post office as well as the sites of former post offices at Rockland, Cambridge, Elbow, Pine Grove, Washington, and Sweetwater.

Some supplemental notes should be made concerning two Mineral County post offices. The name of the Candelaria post office was officially listed as "Candalaria" during its first six years of operation, although the town name was always spelled "Candelaria". Postmarks with the old spelling are known after the official name change, and postmarks with the new spelling are known before the change. Furthermore, all three of the Nevada post office books (Frickstad, Harris, and Gamett) show the Candelaria post office operating continuously until 1939, but actually the office was discontinued on January 2, 1907, and was then re-established on October 26, 1920. The Rhodes post office was officially known as Dea from October 1907 until May 1908, but this name change was apparently rescinded. It is thus doubtful that any Dea canceling device ever existed.

A total of 42 post offices have operated in what is now Mineral County. Only one of these offices, Broken Hills, was established after the 1920 cutoff date for this series. Hawthorne, Luning, Mina, and Schurz are the only post offices presently operating in the County.

In the initial Mineral County report, 76 different postmark types have been documented representing 20 of the 41



pre-1920 post offices. Aurora, with 12 postmark types, has more types listed than any town in the county. Hawthorne, Candelaria, and Sodaville follow with ten, nine, and eight types respectively. The Candelara type 2 postmark is especially interesting because it was made by removing the date slug from either the Candelaria type 2 or type 3 postmark and placing it in the Candelara type 1 device.

The 21 Mineral County post offices from which no pre-1920 postmarks have been reported are:

Bley (1914-1915)  
Dea (1907-1908)  
Douglass (1898-1905)  
Dutch Creek (1907-1909)  
Garfield (1883-1884)  
Granite (1908-1909)  
Loma (1907-1909)  
Metallic (1880-1881)  
Montelle (1900-1911)  
Mountain View (1908)  
New Boston (1879)  
Oneota (1906-1907)  
Queen (1912-1914)  
Rand (1915-1935) \*  
Redlich (1907-1912)  
Reservation (1909)  
Rhodes (1893-1907, 1908-1911)  
Simon (1919-1938) \*  
Sunland (1911-1912)  
Thorne (1912-1921)  
Woodruff (1882-1885)

Postmarks after 1920 are known from those towns identified by an asterisk (\*) in the above list.

Any collectors possessing pre-1920 postmarks from the 21 unreported Mineral County post offices, new types of postmarks for the towns listed in this report, or postmarks which extend the usage dates for reported types, are kindly asked to submit photocopies of these items for inclusion in the updated Mineral County report. The author may be contacted at P.O. Box 13408, Las Vegas, NV 89112.

Finally, the author is pleased to add George Morris, Frank Novielli, and LaMar Peterson to the list of collectors and dealers who are participating in this study.

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### Oregon Doanes & D.P.O.'s.

1. 1907 Acme, Lane. 3/3 (1885-1916)	Rec.OS	lt.	P.
2. 1911 Airlie, Polk 3/4 (1882-1943)	F.	P.	
3. 1910 Barlow, Clack. 2/2 (1871-1975)	VG.	P.	
4. 1909 Biggs, Sherman. 2/1 (1886-1954)	LT.	P.	
5. 1909 Boyd, Wasco. 2/2 (1884-1953)	Lt.	P.	
6. 1908 Brooks, Marion. 2/2 (1871-1960)	VF.	P.	
7. 190- Carlton, Yamhill. 3/6 (1874---	VG.	P.	
8. 1906 Dayscreek, Douglas 3/2 (1878--)	R.	G.	P.
9. 1907 Detroit, Marion. 2/3 (1891--)	VG.	P.	
10. 1910 Elkton, Douglas. 3/4 (1851--)	VF.	P.	
11. 1908 Lents, Mult. 3/5 (1886-1917)	F.	P.	
12. 1909 Sampson, Douglas (1898-1912)	3/2	F.	P.

### Idaho Doanes & D.P.O.'s

13. 1910 Athol, Kootenai 3/1 (1891--)	F.	P.	
14. 1907 Centerville, Boise. 2/3 (1893-1952)	F.	P.	
15. 1909 Clifton, Franklin. 2/2 (1870--)	RR	G.	P.
16. 1910 Crawford, Valley 2/1 (1890-1915)	VG.	P.	
17. 190- Kootenai, Bonner 2/1 (1885-1963)	G.	P.	
18. 1907 Malad City, Oneida 2/10 (1865--)	VG.	P.	
19. 1908 Meadows, Wash. 3/2 (1883-1966)	VG.	P.	
20. 1910 Middleton, Canyon 3/3 (1866--)	VF.	P.	
21. 1907 New Plymouth, Payette 2/3 (1896--)	VF.	P.	
22. 1908 Oreana, Owyhee. 2/2 (1885-1982)	VF.	P.	
23. 1908 Pearl, Gem 2/5 (1895-1925)	F.	P.	
24. 1912 Stanton, Blaine 3/1 (1884-1914)	VF.	P.	
25. 1912 Starkey, Adams 3/1 (1906-1943)	F.	P.	
26. 1908 Lenia, Bonanza. 4B (1901-1909)	VF.	P.	
27. 1918 Clear Lake, Gooding. 4B (1905-18)	G.	P.	
28. 1891 Soldier, Camas. (1882-1922)	F.	RR.	
29. 1908 South Boise, Ada. (1907-1915)	R.	VF.	P.

### Washington Doanes & D.P.O.'s.

30. 1910 Arden Stevens. 2/1 (1890-1914)	F.	P.	
31. Battleground 1911 Clark 3/3 (1876--)	F.	P.	
32. 1909 Clear Lake, Skagit. 3/5 (1891--)	VF.	P.	
33. 1909 Home Valley, Skam. 2/1 (1892--)	F.	P.	
34. 1906 Johnson. 2/3 Whitman (1888-1955)	F.	P.	
35. 1911 Malo, Ferry. 2/1 (1903--)	R.	VG.	P.
36. 1908 Mossy Rock, Lewis. 2/2 (1895--)	F.	P.	
37. 1908 Ocean Park, Pacific. 3/1 (1906--)	F.	P.	
38. Olalla 1911 Kitsap 3/2 (1834--)	VF.	P.	
39. 1911 Orchards, Clark. 2/2 (1895-1955)	VG.	P.	
40. 1911 Silvercreek, Lewis. 2/1 (1875--)	F.	P.	
41. 1910 Stevenson, Ska. 3/4 (1894--)	F.	P.	
42. 1908 Turner, Colum. 2/1 (1904-1931)	lt.	G.	P.

### R.P.O.'s

43. Baker & Prairie City (Oreg.)	1920	F.	P.
44. Butte & S.L. City (Utah & Mont.)	1934	F.	C.
45. Green R. & Portland (Wyo. & Ore.)	1934	F.	C.
46. Joseph & LaGrande. (Ore.)	1916	Av.	P.
47. Ketchum & Shoshone (Idaho)	1934	F.	C.
48. Minidoka & Buhl. (Idaho)	1931	F.	C.
49. Pocatello & Buhl. (Idaho)	1930	F.	C.
50. Ontario & Burns (Oregon)	1932	F.	C.

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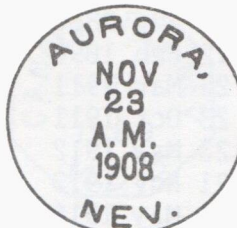
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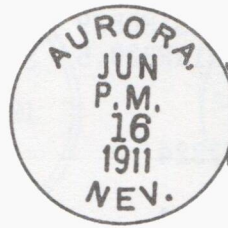
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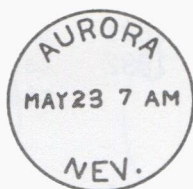
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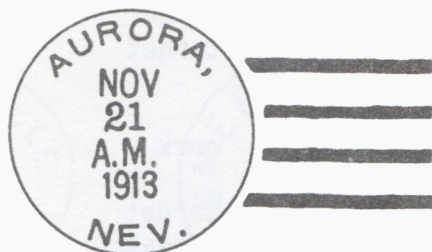
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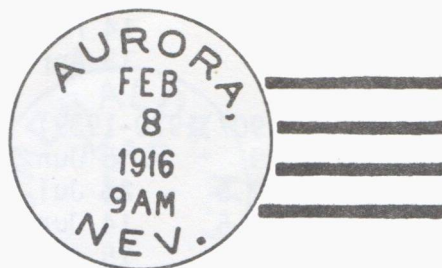
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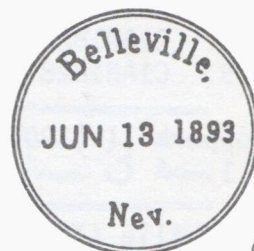
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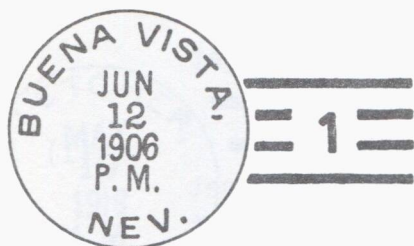
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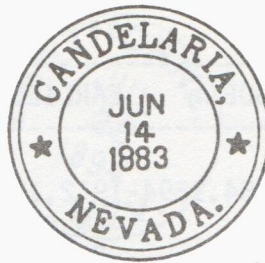
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2.	M	22 May 1866	2 Jul 1866	target	
3.	C1AA1BBR23	2 Oct 1866	May 1875	grid,star	
4.	C21AS1RRB30	6 Jul 1879		target	
5.	C21BS1B33	23 Apr 1885?		target	
6.	C21B12S1RBB29	11 Mar 1886	13 Aug 1886	target	
7.	C21BN1RRB29.5	24 Nov 1888	12 Feb 1890	star	
8.	D3/1	23 Nov 1908	27 Mar 1911		
9.	D3/1	5 Jun 1911	23 Oct 1911		
10.	C1AT7B24	22 May 1912	23 May 1912		
11.	B	30 Apr 1913	21 Nov 1913		
12.	C1AT1B34	24 Dec 1914	29 May 1916		
Belleville (1874-1894,1915-1918)					
1.	C31BN1RRB29	17 Oct 1877	8 Feb 1879	cork	
2.	C21BN1B29.5	12 Apr 1885	10 May 1891	target	
3.	C1AN1BBR27.5	28 Feb 1892	14 Jul 1892	target	
4.	C21AS1R'R'B32	13 Jun 1893		star	
Buena Vista (1905-1911)					
1.	D3/1	12 Jun 1906	14 Sep 1911		
Candalara (1876-1882)					
1.	C1AA1BBR25.5	14 Feb 188?	22 Jun 1881?	target	
2.	C1AN1B25.5	13 Apr 1883		target	
Candelaria (1882-1907,1920-1939)					
1.	C31B11N1RRB29	6 Jun 1878		cork	
2.	C31B11N1RRB32.5	27 Jul 1881	10 Aug 1881		
3.	C41B11N1RRB33.5	14 Jun 1883		target	
4.	C41BT3RRB32.5	15 Aug 1883?	17 Jun 1884	target	
5.	C1AN1B27	27 Oct 1885	30 Oct 1889	cross	
6.	OC1A'12N1B26	1 Jul 1889			
7.	C21BS1B33.5	5 Feb 1891	18 Jun 1895	star	
8.	C1AN1B28.5	7 Oct 1895	4 Apr 1896	cork	
9.	C1AN1B28.5	14 Aug 1902	26 Nov 1902	ovate grid	
Copperhill (1907-1914)					
1.	A	3 Oct 1908	5 Mar 1911		
Coryville (1883-1888)					
1.	C41AS1RRB33	2 Mar 1884	16 Jun 1884	star	
Eagleville (1889-1913)					
1.	C1AN1BBR27.5	6 Jul 1898	20 Dec 1905	target	
Esmeralda (1861-1866)					
1.	M	28 Mar 1862	8 Apr 1863		(1)
2.	C1C'N1BBR33	11 Jun 1863	29 Dec 1863	target	
3.	C1C'A1BBR33	9 Aug 1863	23 May 1864	target	
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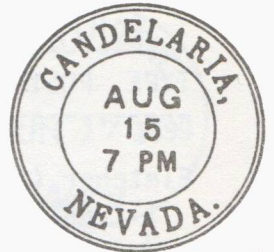
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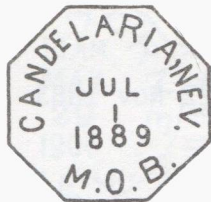
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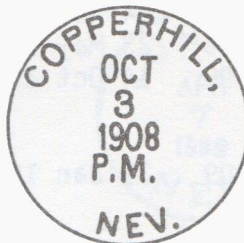
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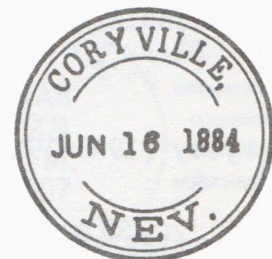
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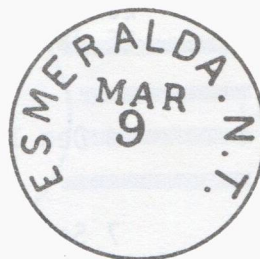
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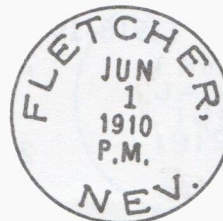
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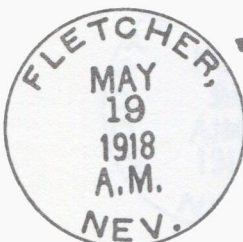
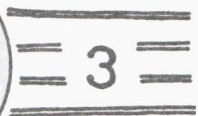
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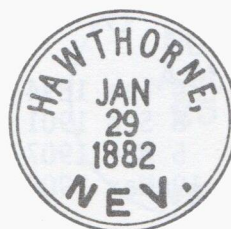
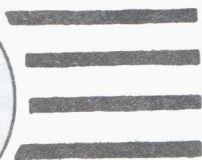
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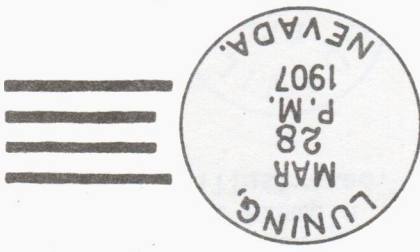
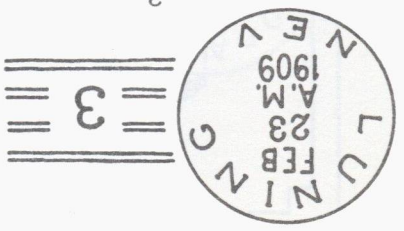
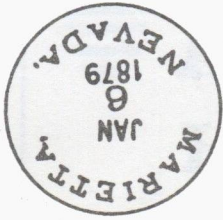
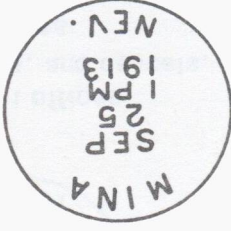
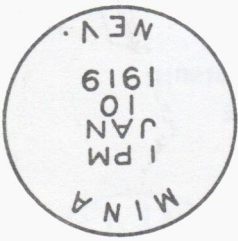
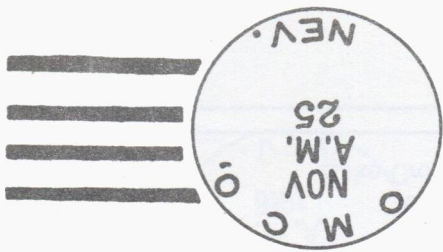
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Fletcher (1883-1894,1894-1912,1915-1918)					
1.	C41B1N1B30	8 Apr 1889	10 Apr 1889	star	
2.	C1AN1B29	29 Mar 1893			(2)
3.	C1AN1B27.5	9 May 1898	4 Jun 1899		(4)
4.	D2/3	13 Aug 1908	1 Jun 1910		
5.	B	19 May 1918			
Hawthorne (1881-date)					
1.	C21AN1B29.5	29 Jan 1882	22 Nov 1883	target	
2.	C21A12S1BRB33	11 Feb 1886		target	
3.	C21A12S1RRB30	15 Aug 1887			
4.	C1BS1B29.5	4 Mar 1891			
5.	C1AN1B27.5	9 Jun 1891		cork	(4)
6.	C1AN1RRB30	6 Nov 1892	9 Sep 1895	bars	
7.	C1AS1B29	2 Dec 1895	17 Jun 1899	target	
8.	C1AN1B28.5	24 Dec 1900	14 Nov 1904	cork	
9.	D2/7	17 May 1906	23 May 1909		
10.	A	28 Aug 1909	14 Oct 1910		
Luckyboy (1909-1913)					
1.	A	1 Nov 1909	31 Jan 1911		
Luning (1882-date)					
1.	C21AN1RRB28	23 Jan 1888	7 Apr 1889	star	
2.	A	28 Mar 1907	13 Jun 1910		
3.	D2/3	23 Feb 1909	8 Jul 1909		
4.	B	25 Jan 1916	7 Jun 1917		
Marietta (1877-1881)					
1.	C1BN1RBB28	4 Dec 1878	28 May 1880	manuscript	
Mina (1905-date)					
1.	C1AT1B29	7 Sep 1906		ovate grid	
2.	C1AT1B29.5	5 Jun 1912	8 Jun 1917	ovate grid	
3.	C1AT1B30	10 Dec 1918	10 Jan 1919	ovate grid	
Mount Montgomery (1916-1945)					
1.	B	25 Nov 1918			
Omco (1917-1921)					
1.	B	25 Nov 1918	18 Apr 1919		
Rawhide (1907-1941)					
1.	A	25 Dec 1907	24 Jun 1908		ovate grid (4)
2.	C21B11N1RRB31	11 Aug 1908	1 Sep 1909		
3.	C1AT7B25.5	8 Aug 1910			
Schurz (1891-date)					
1.	C1AN2BBR27.5	24 Feb 1894		target	
2.	C1AN1B28.5	8 Sep 1901		target	
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4.	A	19 Mar 1908	17 Feb 1910		



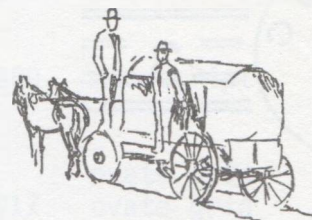


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3.	C1AN1BBR27.5	6 Dec 1891	7 Jan 1892		cork (3)
4.	C1AN1B29	10 Oct 1904			cork
5.	C1AN3B29	18 Feb 1905			cork
6.	C1AT1B29.5	10 Dec 1906	23 Sep 1907		ovate grid
7.	A	11 Feb 1909	29 May 1910		
8.	B	22 Jun 1916	2 Jul 1916		

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- (1) Postmarks have a California state designation.
- (2) Earliest example is on piece.
- (3) Latest example is on piece.
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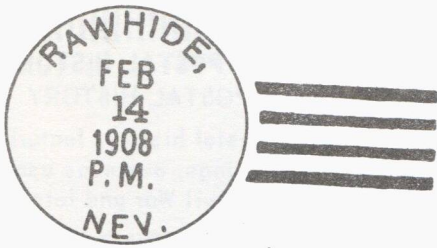


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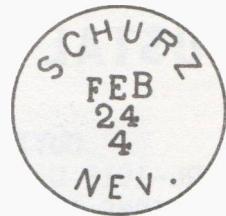
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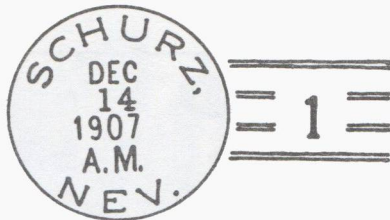
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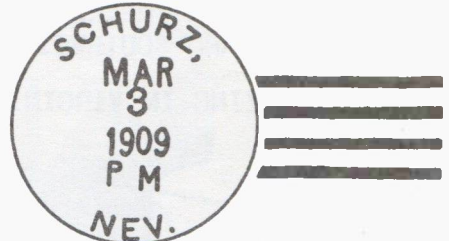
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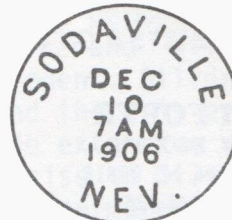
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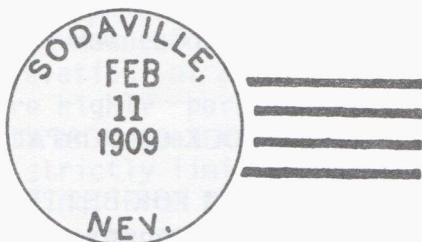
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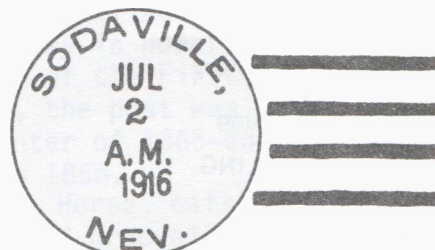
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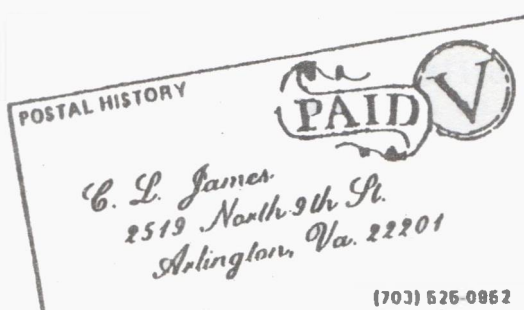


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## SUBLIME ISOLATION — OREGON'S SILVER CREEK VALLEY

By Richard W. Helbock

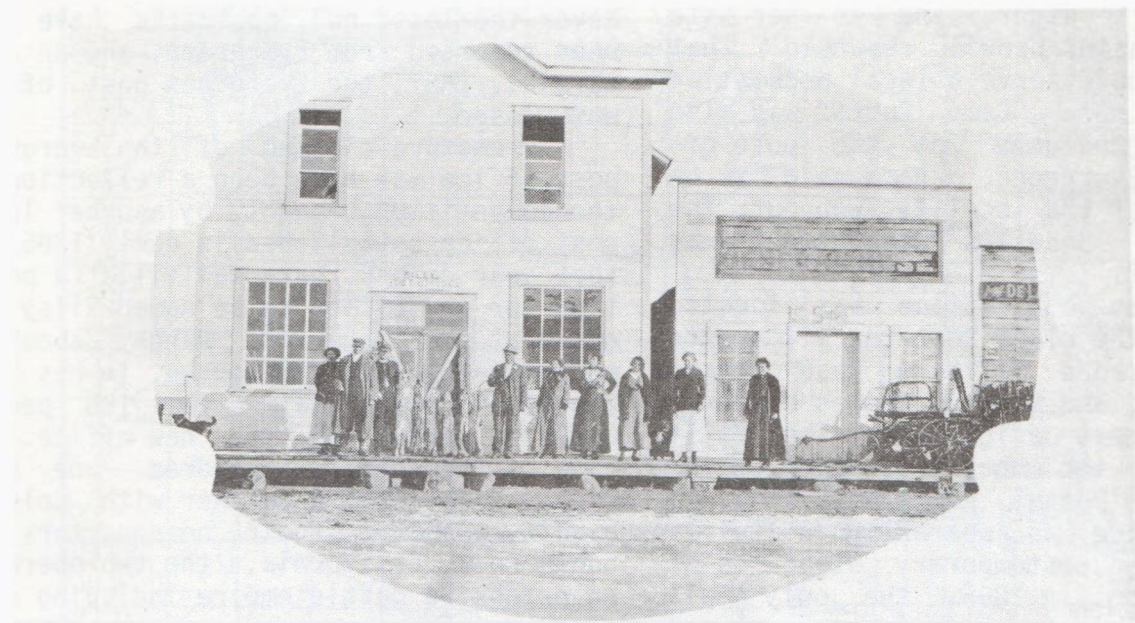


Figure 1. Towns folk pose in front of Hembree Mercantile at Riley about 1912. This store housed the Riley post office from 1902 to 1918, and Guy Hembree served as postmaster. It appears that the occasion of this photograph was to display a sizeable killing of coyotes.

For many years, residents of Burns, Oregon (pop. 3,600) have claimed to live in the most isolated town in the United States. No matter the direction, it is necessary to travel over 100 miles to reach a larger community from Burns, and the nearest cities -- Boise, Reno and Portland -- represent journeys of several hours. A glance at the map quickly confirms the fact that, in Burns, its a long ways to anywhere, and, whether or not Burns is the most isolated town in the country (excepting Alaska), it is certainly very isolated.

Burns and the region in which it is located are part of Oregon's high lava plateau. Built up during past eruptions of the Cascade Mountains, the plateau has a general elevation of about 4,000 feet. The soils are highly porous, and, when combined with an annual rainfall of about 11 inches, strictly limit the opportunities for farming. From the days of earliest settlement, the economy of the region has been tied to stock raising and, to a lesser extent, timber harvesting from the Blue Mountains to the north.

Thirty miles west of Burns, a small stream named Silver Creek flows southeast out of the Blue Mountains and empties into one of the great playa lakes of Harney County. As anyone familiar with arid regions knows, a permanent stream is a valuable resource and will most likely attract settlement. Silver Creek is no exception, and there is evidence that early Indians made extensive use of the springs which give rise to Silver Creek, although the built no permanent settlements.

The first settlement of record along Silver Creek was made in August 1865 when the U.S. Army established a camp during their Indian pacification campaign at a place called Indian Springs. Named Camp Currey in honor of Colonel George B. Currey of the First Oregon Volunteer Cavalry, the post was occupied only during the winter of 1865-66, and was abandoned in May 1866.

Horse, cattle and sheep raising spread gradually into the Silver Creek area during the early 1870's. By 1881 there were enough local residents to submit a successful petition for a post of-



fice. This pioneer post office was named Evergreen, and Mary E. Bedell was appointed the first postmaster. The office was located on land belonging to A.O. Bedell, Mary's father, and in her Site Report Postmaster Bedell reported that the office would serve a local population of 100. The name "Camp Curry" was also suggested as the name for the post office, but Evergreen, a name said to be descriptive of the locality, won out. The date of Mary Bedell's appointment was June 30, 1882.

Evergreen post office was located quite near the place that the Willamette Valley & Cascades Military Road crossed Silver Creek, and was 25 miles south of Hardin, the next office along the Military Road to the north as shown on the October 1883 "Postal Route Map" (Fig. 2). The post office was apparently a fairly busy place by contemporary standards of eastern Oregon. In 1885, the only full

year for which figures are available, the Evergreen postmaster --then B.R. Witzell -- was paid \$105.41, as compared with the Hardin postmaster's salary of \$21.70. Never-the-less, no postmarks have yet been reported from Evergreen, and on January 21, 1887, the Evergreen post office was closed.

Premature closing of the Evergreen post office may have been a reflection of the competition brought by another local post office established in early 1885. In that year John F. Oakerman filed a petition for an office to be named Riley located at the Oakerman Ranch, about 9 miles southeast of Evergreen. In his Site Report, Oakerman claimed that 150 people would be served by the new office. The name of the office honored one Amos Riley. Riley was a partner with Colonel Hardin, and from their headquarters in Santa Rosa, California, the two operated an extensive cattle empire including con-

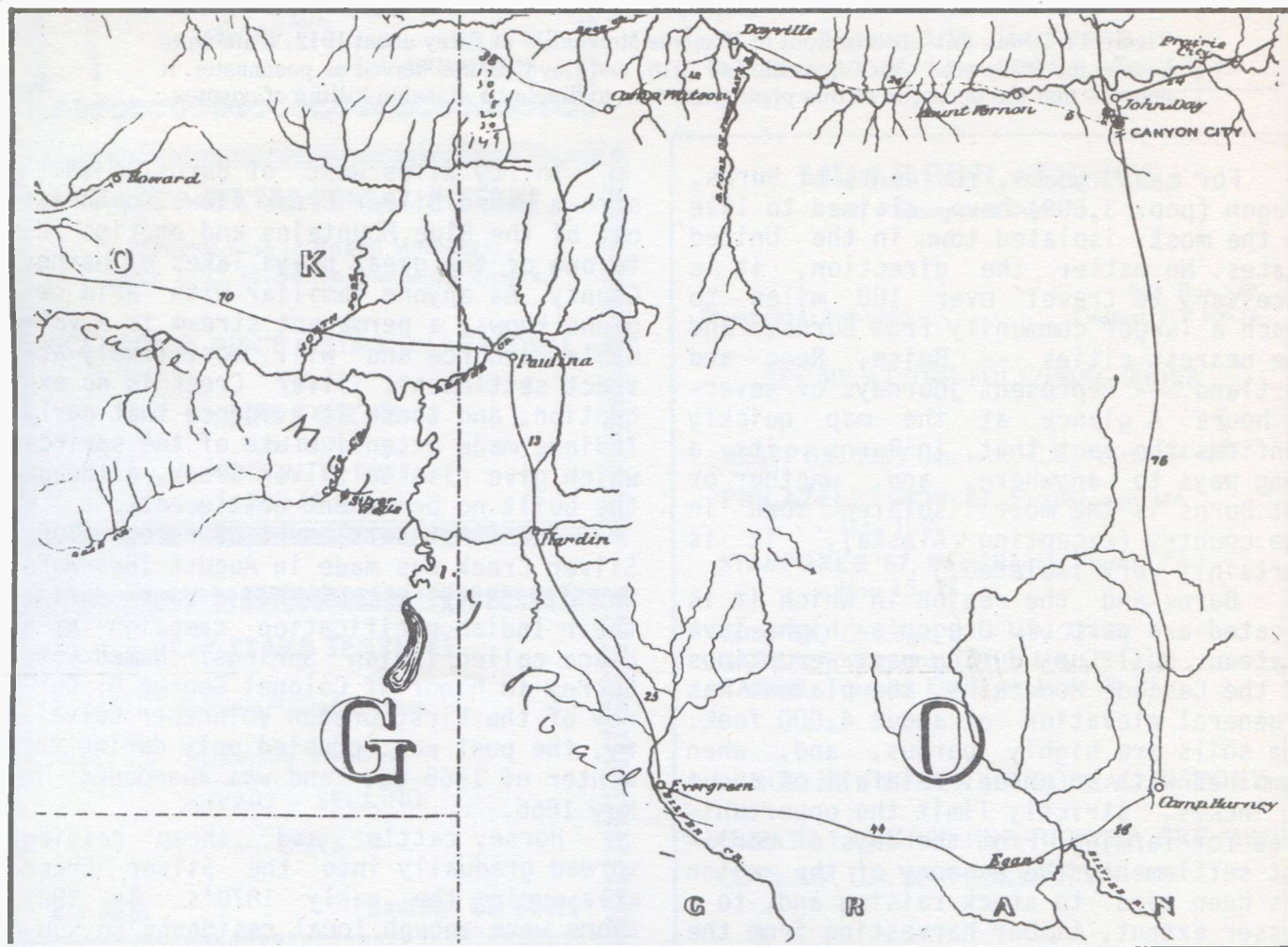


Figure 2. Portion of the 'Postal Route Map of Oregon & Washington', October 1883.



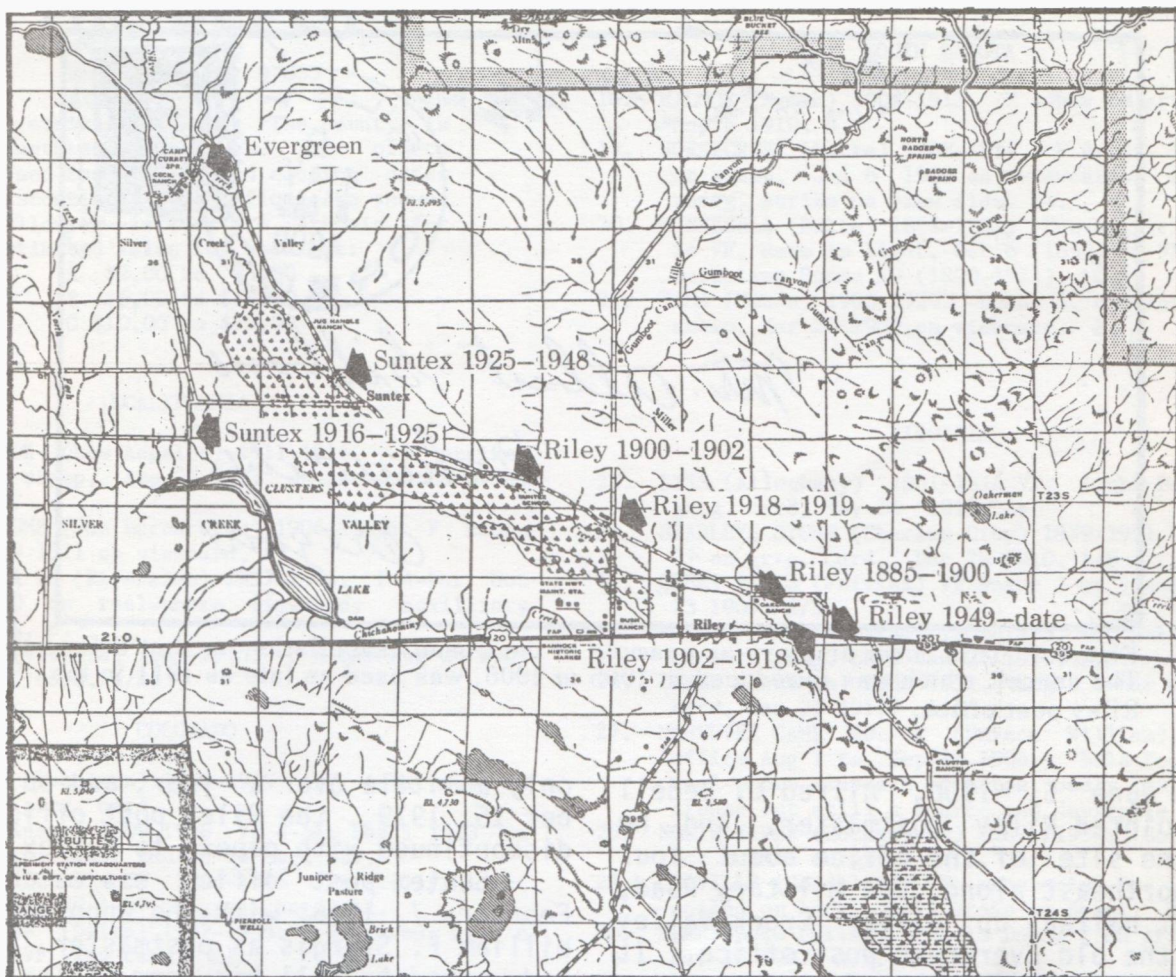


Figure 3. Post office locations in the Silver Creek Valley.

siderable holdings in central and eastern Oregon. Since Colonel Hardin had been honored by the naming of the nearest post office to the north beyond Evergreen, it seemed fitting that Riley should be so honored by this new office. Postmaster Oakerman's appointment was dated February 19, 1885.

The Riley post office was to remain in the same location at the Oakerman Ranch for the first 15 years of its life (Fig. 3). John Oakerman served five years as postmaster, and he was succeeded by Hannah Oakerman, who served 10 more. All during those years, postal receipts remained remarkably constant as shown in records of postmaster compensation (Table 1).

TABLE 1

RILEY POSTMASTER COMPENSATION, 1885-1911

Year	Postmaster	Compensation
1885	John F. Oakerman	.....
1887	John F. Oakerman	\$75.38
1889	John F. Oakerman	70.08
1891	Hannah M. Oakerman	87.18
1893	Hannah M. Oakerman	92.92
1895	Hannah M. Oakerman	94.18
1897	Hannah M. Oakerman	96.90
1899	Hannah M. Oakerman	75.18
1901	Alfred O. Bedell	91.97
1903	Guy L. Hembree	112.50
1905	Guy L. Hembree	131.84
1907	Guy L. Hembree	180.00
1909	Guy L. Hembree	172.00
1911	Guy L. Hembree	200.00



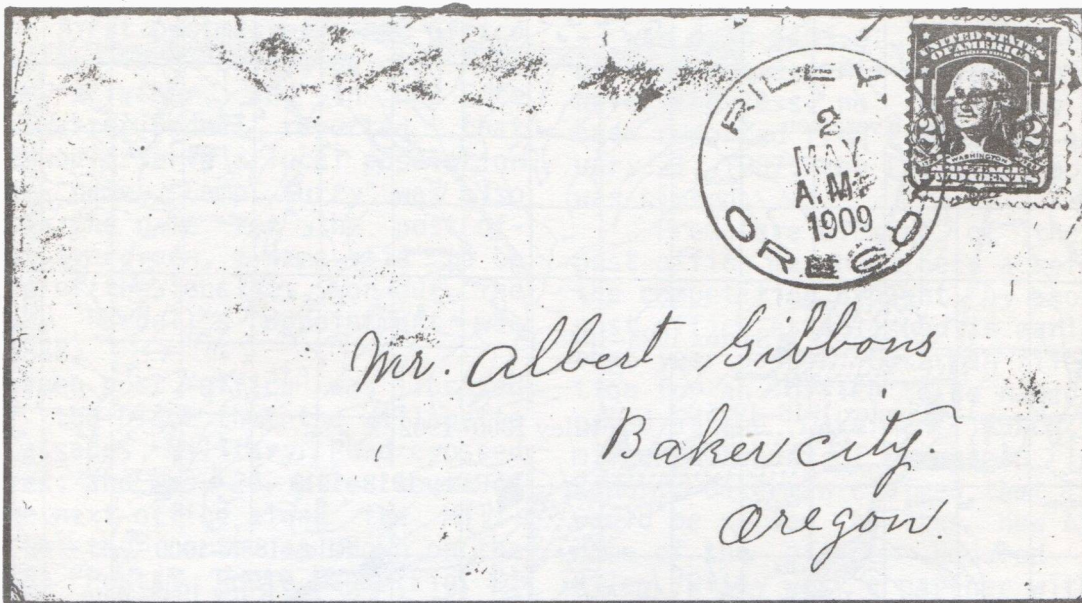


Figure 4. This cover displays an example of the Doane cancellation used at Riley. The cancel, which was introduced in 1905 or 1906, was used as late as 1911 in the Riley post office.

On June 5, 1900, Alfred O. Bedell was appointed Riley postmaster, and he moved the site of the office about four miles northeast along the Military Road, or about halfway up Silver Creek Valley toward the old Evergreen post office. It must be noted here, that from the entire 15 year-period that Riley post office was located at Oakerman Ranch, only one example of a postmark from the office is known. That example exists as a manuscript postmark dating from 1897.

Guy L. Hembree was appointed Riley postmaster on November 12, 1902. Hembree was a merchant, and he soon moved Riley post office to his mercantile store which was located at the intersection of the old Military Road and the new Bend-to-Burns Road, now U.S. Highway 20. Riley post office remained in the store at this location until 1918. Figure 1 shows the Hembree Mercantile as it appeared about 1912.

On September 23, 1918, after serving as postmaster for almost 16 years Hembree stepped down. He was replaced by Grover Hudspeth, who moved the office about four miles northeast along the old Military Road. Hudspeth served as postmaster for

only a little over a year, and on November 15, 1919, the Riley post office was discontinued with papers to Suntex.

Suntex post office was established February 7, 1916, with the appointment of William F. Sturgis as postmaster. Sturgis had wanted to call his new office "Rye", but the Post Office Department, perhaps fearing confusion with Rye Valley in Baker County, selected the name Suntex. The Suntex post office remained at its original location, about 3 miles west of Silver Creek (Fig. 3), until 1925, at which time it was moved east to the old Military Road. From that time until 1948, Suntex developed as an established settlement, but on January 1, 1949, the post office was moved to a site along U.S. Highway 20 very near the former site of Riley post office, and the name of the office was changed to Riley.

After all these years of sublime isolation, the Riley post office continues to serve the scattered ranches of Silver Creek Valley, as well as the motoring tourist who finds it necessary to stop by one of the few post offices along Highway 20 to send a card to the folks back home.

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8. GRAND MESA (Delta) 1927-1958. VF 4-bar Aug 6 1940 on VF view card. A.
9. LOCO (Kit Carson) 1903-1922. F 4-bar Mar 17 1913 on real-photo view of farm. Few smudges but nice. B+.
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15. TIFF CITY (McDonald) Bold cancel Aug 16 1894 on cover. B.
16. ZEITONIA (Wayne) 1887-1906. VF duplex Oct 18 1902 on cover. Cover has faults, original contents. B.

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17. DAYTON (Eddy) 1903-1944. VF 4-bar Jan 10 1911 on cover, ragged rt. into address but not into stamp. TERRITORIAL. B.

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19. HORSE CREEK (Butte) 1908-1914. F 4-bar, bold but on stamp, Jul 6 1909 on viewcard. St. Onge recvg. strike on view side. B+.
20. MINNESELA (Butte) 1882-1901. Uneven strike, name is VF, date is light, Oct 6 (1899) on VF cover; backstamp Snoma SD (1890-1911). C.
21. TAMA (Meade) 1905-1929. Doane 1, two letters on stamp, Mar 20 1909 on viewcard. B.

## VIRGINIA

22. BESS (Alleghany) 1881-1914 VF, light Doane? on grtg. card, May 16 1910. A+.
23. BRADLEYS STORE (Charles City) 1879/1911 VF Doane 2? on grtg. card., Dec 29 1910. A/B.
24. GREAT FALLS (Fairfax) VF Doane 2 on viewcard, Aug 23 1909. A/B.
25. KOPP (Prince William) 1901-1928. VF, Bold duplex on worn grtg. card Jan 25 1910. A/B.
26. LENA (Loudoun) 1883-1932. Light 4-bar on grtg. card, Jan 25 1911? A.
27. MANEUVER CAMP NO. 2 (Prince William), 6-week office Aug 1 to Sep 15 1904. Bold Doane 4 on real-photo viewcard of ships. Sadly faulted with crease but still a scarce and desirable item. C.
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31. PINE BEACH (Norfolk) 1904-1912 F 4-bar, part of cancel on stamp, Aug 25 1907. B.
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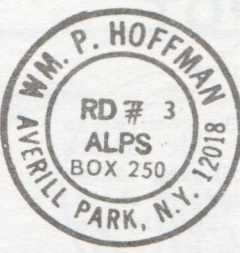
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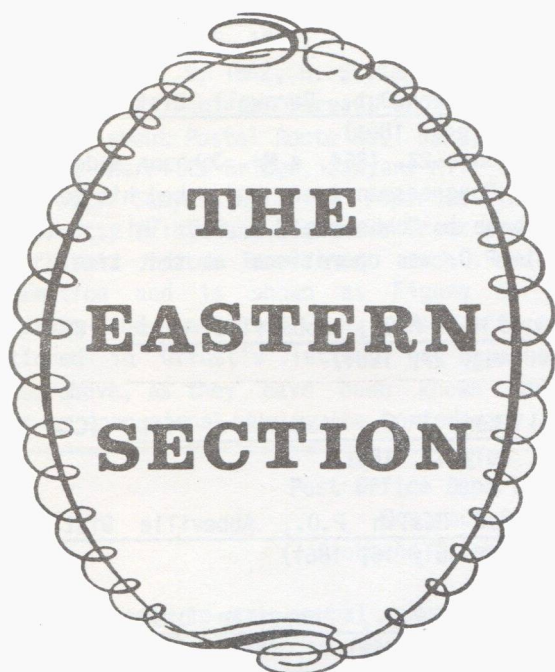
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Two periods of time that provide the greatest challenge to postal historians are the years prior to 1813 and the years 1861-65 in those States that were members of the Confederate States of America.

For both of these periods the official postal records are incomplete, so other sources of information must be used to supplement and verify the records available from the respective Post Office Departments.

Two examples of such "other sources" are illustrated in this issue's Eastern Section. For the period prior to 1813, a map of the Post Roads in South Carolina authorized by Acts of Congress between 1800 and 1810 is illustrated.

Another example is provided in the article by Harvey Teal, where he reports postal data culled from the files of two members of the C.S.A. House of Representatives, still carefully preserved in a Library in Columbia, S.C.

Yet another source of information is found in contemporary newspapers, which frequently reported the opening of a new post office and included the name of its first postmaster.



Such secondary references can do much to fill in the gaps that appear in official records.

This month's Eastern Section also includes an interesting portrayal of postmarks and fancy cancels used by New Jersey towns about 1869.

But what about potential authors in the other states? Are you going to let New Jersey and South Carolina get all the limelight? Contact your Eastern Section editor now and let's see that article about your favorite state in print soon.

A report by the Stampless Cover Catalog Committee of the Pa. Postal History Society confirms my own experience with South Carolina listings in the American Stampless Cover Catalog (ASCC)-- some of the Penna. listings are of offices not known to be in Pennsylvania in the year listed by ASCC!

Now that we have well developed lists of post offices for many states, each state postal history society should compare the ASCC listings with its own list of post offices known to have operated in that state. Then notify the publisher of your findings, so that corrections can be made.

In examining the listings for South Carolina I found four post office names that operated in states other than S.C., but not in S.C.! Then there were four other listings of post offices that never operated in S.C., but post offices with similar names did operate (probably typographic errors over the years).

Let's Clean Up the ASCC Listings!



## SOUTH CAROLINA CONFEDERATE POSTAL HISTORY: A MISCELLANY

By Harvey S. Teal

In the July, 1986 issue of LA POSTA, there appeared a splendid article by Bob Stets, exploring the re-establishment of the U. S. Postal System in South Carolina following the close of the War Between the States in 1865. This facet of South Carolina postal history is closely allied to the study of the establishment or discontinuance of South Carolina Confederate Post Offices and the identification of their postmasters.

Bob has been able to collect quite a bit of information on these South Carolina Confederate Post Offices and postmasters, and several of us fellow collectors have provided assistance. Due primarily to scattered and incomplete records and the lack of a few dedicated collectors to devote the time and energy, a thorough study on this topic remains to be done.

Some information on Confederate postmaster appointments has been discovered, but little information is available as to how long these offices operated, and if, or when they closed.

Recently, while engaged on another research project, I had occasion to examine the records of two South Carolina Confederate Congressmen, L. M. Ayers and Milledge L. Bonham, which are in the South Caroliniana Library, University of South Carolina. While on this project, I noticed a number of items containing information about Confederate Post Offices, postmasters and postal affairs. After completing that project, I have since gone back and compiled all the Confederate postal history items from the two collections. This article presents information broken down into the categories of "Post Offices Shown to be Operating", "Postmasters Identified at Specific Dates", "Railroad Route Agent Information", and the U.S. Reopening of a Former Confederate Post Office.

### References to Operating Dates of South Carolina Confederate Post Offices and their Postmasters.

1. Mims P.O., Barnwell Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861) - On December 14, 1863, a Mr. W.H. Ogden made a routine request of Congressman Ayers and asked him to direct his response to Mims P.O., S.C. He obviously would not have done this if the Mims P.O. was not in operation then.

2. Johnson's Turn Out, Barnwell Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

On October 22, 1864, a Mr. Johnson made a request of Congressman Ayers and asked him to direct his response to Johnson's T.O., S.C. This indicates that this P.O. was operational at that time.

3. Diamond Hill P.O., Abbeville Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. Aug. 27, 1861)

4. Level Land P.O., Abbeville Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 17, 1861)

5. Temple of Health P.O., Abbeville Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 16, 1861)

6. Lowndesville P.O., Abbeville Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

On August 27, 1862, the postmaster of Level Land, S.C. (J.M. Casville) wrote Congressman Bonham requesting his support in establishing a new post-route to service the post offices of Diamond Hill, Level Land, Temple of Health and Lowndesville, S.C. All these post offices, except Diamond Hill, are listed as operating in the New Dietz Catalog.

This letter establishes August 27, 1862 as a date when all were operational. No information was found verifying the establishment of the requested new postal route.

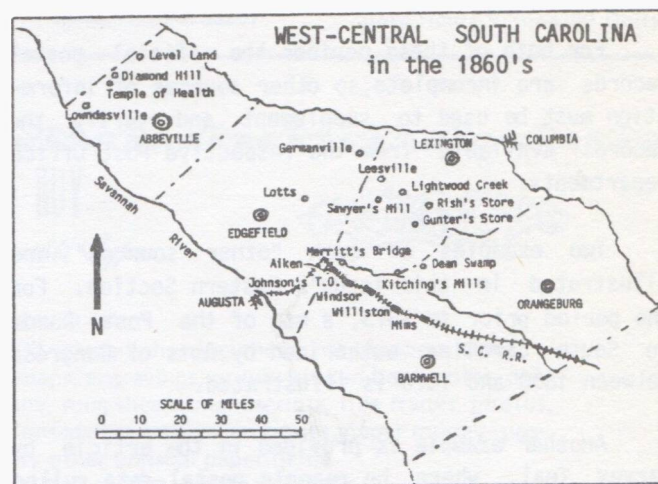


Fig. 1 Post offices mentioned in items 1 - 18

7. Merritts Bridge P.O., Barnwell Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

8. Sawyers Mill P.O., Lexington Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

9. Lightwood Creek P.O., Lexington Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

On September 9, 1862, H. St.Geo. Offutt, Chief of the C.S.A. Contract Bureau, wrote to Congressman Bonham about Postal Route No. 5622, that was servicing Merritts Bridge, Sawyers Mill and Lightwood Creek. Sawyers Mill is reported in Dietz, but Merritts Bridge and Lightwood Creek are not.

Offutt's letter contained much additional information and is shown as Figure 2. Aiken, Leesville and Lexington C.H. post offices are mentioned in Offutt's letter, but have not been listed above, as they have been known for many years as operational during the Confederacy.

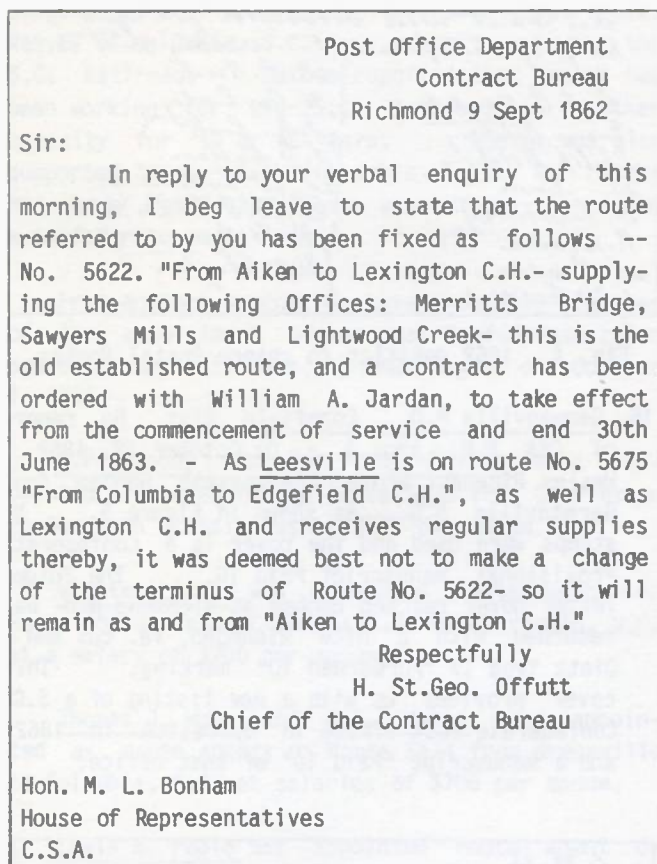


Fig.2 Letter referencing items 7, 8 and 9.  
(courtesy South Caroliniana Library)

10. Lotts P.O., Edgefield Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

The Lotts P.O. is reported in the New Dietz Catalog, but on March 17 1862, Clinton Ward wrote a most interesting letter from Lotts P.O. to Congressman Ayers, complaining about not getting paid for several months for servicing Mail Routes 5712 and 5675. He asked Ayers to intercede in his behalf with postmaster Reagan, threatening to terminate carrying the mail if pay was not received.

11. Orangeburg P.O., S.C. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

On March 31, 1862, Henry Ellis wrote Congressman Ayers, recommending a Mr. E. Ezekiel for postmaster of Orangeburg. Ellis said the Orangeburg postmaster was now a captain in the Army. Possibly the most interesting feature of this letter is the use of the Orangeburg Post Office cds at the top to date it. The postmark thus became a part of the letter's heading. How Ellis had access to the postal device is not clear. Perhaps he wrote the letter in the Orangeburg post office and got the deputy postmaster (who may have been Mr. Ezekiel) to date it with his postmark. (see Figure 3) On the back of the letter, Ayers noted that he had replied to Ellis that others from Orangeburg were being considered and that the Post Office Department was disposed to let Postmaster Glover appoint a deputy in his absence, if it suited the people of Orangeburg.

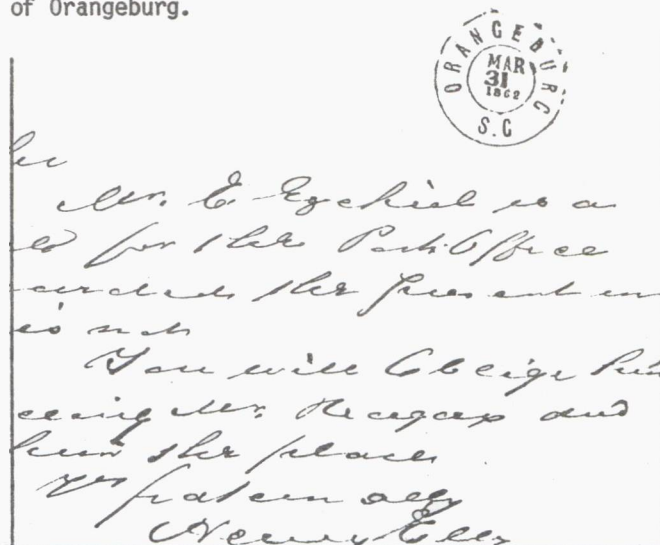


Fig. 3 Portion of letter dated with postmark.

John V. Glover was appointed CSA postmaster at Orangeburg on July 6, 1861 and was the Orangeburg postmaster when he joined the Confederate Army. He apparently wanted to retain the job for his return from the War. It appears that the CSA P.O. Department was agreeable to this practice. H. Ezekiel was the deputy postmaster at Orangeburg in 1861, and at least until January 10, 1862. In a letter dated November 18, 1861, a Mr. Stevens recommends Ezekiel as postmaster of Port Royal because of satisfactory service as deputy postmaster of Orangeburg. (Apparently unknown to Mr. Stevens, 10 days earlier, the Yankees had occupied all the Port Royal area, thus dashing Ezekiel's hopes). However, on January 10, 1862, Henry Ellis



was recommending Ezekiel as Postmaster at Port Royal at War's end!

Having Ezekiel serve as Deputy Postmaster of Orangeburg and keeping the position open until the incumbent could return is a practice that may have been wide-spread. It appears that Glover was the Confederate Postmaster of Record at Orangeburg, although he was away in service.

12. Windsor P.O., Barnwell Dist. (no CSA record)
13. Jackson's Store P.O. ? Dist. (no CSA record)
14. Dean Swamp P.O., Lexington Dist. (reestablished as a CSA P.O. Aug. 27, 1861)
15. Kitchings Mills, Orangeburg Dist. (no record of CSA P.M. appt.)
16. W.Gunter's (Gunter's Store), Lexington Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 26, 1861)
17. Rish's Store P.O., Lexington Dist. (CSA P.M. appt. July 6, 1861)

12-17. On April 8, 1862, a petition to change mail routes was sent to Congressman Ayers for presentation to the Confederate House of Representatives (see Figure 4). In this petition, the post offices numbered 12 to 17 above are mentioned, and several things are noteworthy about them.

a. No record of a Union or Confederate post office called Jackson's Store was located. b. Dean Swamp P.O. was discontinued in 1860, but reestablished by CSA POD. c. The first signature on the petition is "L.A. Culler, Postmaster". An L.A. Culler was postmaster at Kitchings Mills in 1860, and it seems reasonable to assume that he was the Confederate Postmaster at Kitchings Mills in 1862, although we have not yet found a record of his appointment by the CSA POD. The next two names on the petition are also members of the Kitchings family. d. The offices of Lotts and Williston mentioned in this petition are listed in the New Dietz Catalog as operating Confederate post offices. e. Since Confederate Route 5769 is described in this petition as running from Rish's Store to Kitchings Mills, it is reasonable to conclude they too were operating Confederate post offices on April 8, 1862. f. However, since no record has been found that the proposed changes ever went into effect, it is uncertain whether Confederate post offices were ever established at Windsor or Jackson's Store.

To the Hon. house of representatives of the Confederate States, we the humble petitioners of Barnwell Orangeburg and Lexington do pray for a mail route to run from Windsor on the Ca Rail Road to Jacksons Store on the Edgefield or minute six road three times a week therefore your petitioners will ever pray distance twenty miles one office at Kitchings Mills S.C. and a office at Dean Swamp and office at W. Gunter's and at Jacksons Store, and to stop the reselp rout from Rish's (5769) Store to Kitchings Mills and also stop the rout from Lotts to Williston S.C. this rout will be carried for less than half of the present weakly rout

L.A. Culler P.M.  
James Kitching  
Philip Kitching  
Cook  
J. E. J. J. J.  
R. Brodie  
J. Brodie  
J. W. Brodie

B. P. Root  
H. M. Berley  
John Cook  
L. B. Culler  
J. W. Culler  
W. W. Pitts (M.D.)  
B. Holman  
Wm. Clayton

Fig. 4 1862 petition to change Postal Routes.

18. Germanville P.O., Edgefield Dist. No record of CSA P.M. appt.) - On October 12, 1862, a Wesley Rinehart wrote Congressman Bonham from Germanville S.C., as shown in Figure 5. No stamps were used and the cover is a Confederate Provisional manuscript Paid 10. The folded letter never reached Bonham at Richmond and was returned with a nice Richmond, Va. cds and a Dietz type IV "Forwarded 10" marking. This cover provides us with a new listing of a S.C. Confederate Post Office in operation in 1862, and a manuscript "Paid 10" of that office.

CHM  
OCT 12  
1862  
Va. S.C.

Germanville S.C. paid 10

FORWARDED 10

Gen. M. L. Bonham  
Richmond

Edgefield  
S.C.

Fig. 5. Previously unknown manuscript "Paid 10" from Germanville (Edgefield Dist.) S.C.

## SOUTH CAROLINA RAILROAD ROUTE AGENTS

On February 27, 1862, Wm. C. Meredith, Jr. wrote to Congressman Ayers for support to be appointed route agent on the S.C. Railroad. Meredith had been in the Army since April 12, 1861. Towle, in his U.S. Route and Station Agent Postmarks, 1986, reports Meredith as being a route agent on the S.C. Railroad from 1857-59 and being discharged for "abandoning the mails". No record has been found to indicate that Meredith actually became a Confederate route agent.

On July 18, 1862, W. Talley McKuen of Orangeburg requested Congressman Ayers to support L.L. Reeves of Columbia, S.C. for route agent on the S.C. Railroad. McKuen reported that Reeves had been working for the S.C. Railroad in another capacity for 10 or 12 years. Reeves was also supported by one of the Columbia banks. No record has been found that Reeves was actually appointed a Confederate route agent.

From another source, I have recently learned of the appointment of several Confederate route agents on the railroads, by PMG Reagan on October 1, 1861:

E.P. Moody and Henry G. Duffus were appointed route agents on Route 5776 from Charleston to Savannah at salaries of \$700 per annum.

William Little was appointed route agent on Route 5673 from Columbia S.C. to Charlotte, N.C. at a salary of \$700 per annum.

Thomas J. Webb and J.P. Wells were appointed as route agents on Route 5674 from Greenville to Columbia, S.C. at salaries of \$700 per annum.

Lewis N. Poole was appointed route agent on Route 5698 from Alston to Spartanburg, S.C. at a salary of \$700 per annum.

Adam J. Conner and Wm. D. Locke were appointed route agents on Route 5628 from Charleston to Florence, S.C. at salaries of \$800 per annum.

## RE-OPENING OF POST OFFICES

On March 1, 1866, a W.D. Simpson wrote Gen. Ayers from Laurens, S.C. as shown in Figure 6.

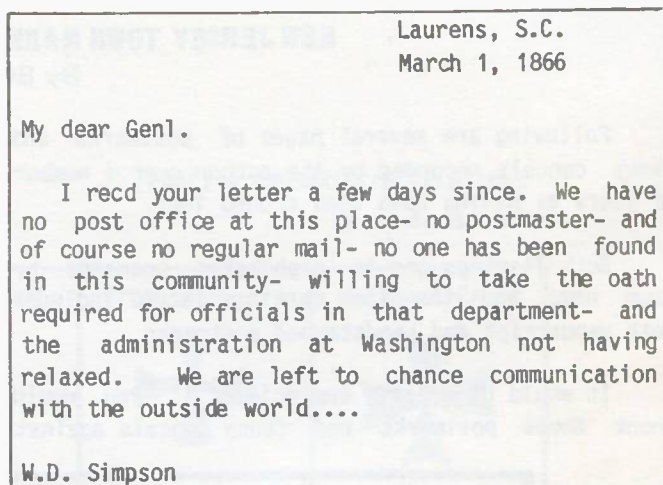


Fig. 6 Problems of Re-establishing Post Offices

On Sept. 6, 1865, PMG Dennison had appointed D.A. Anderson as Postmaster at Laurens c.h., at a time when Dennison was not insisting on postmasters "taking the oath". Quite possibly when Congress insisted that only persons who would take the oath could be employed, Anderson was dismissed and the Laurens c.h. P.O. closed. It was not until July or August 1866 that someone was found who would "take the oath" and August W. Kruse was named postmaster at Laurens c.h.

In April, 1866, PMG Dennison reported that 8,902 postmasterships existed in the South, but only 2,042 had been filled, and of these, only 1,777 qualified for office. 420 of the fully qualified group were female appointees. The remaining 265 remained unqualified and unappointed because they could not take the test oath, and 6,860 post offices remained completely closed.

One final editorial comment is in order, following a review of the Ayers and Bonham Confederate Congressional correspondence. The constituents of these two men were writing on military topics and others pertaining to the "War" effort. However, on the other side of the coin, they were writing about patronage matters such as jobs and special favors very much like people do today. The two Congressmen were providing constituent service similar to present day congressional practices. This "War" was not all-consuming to the extent that political considerations were eliminated. These considerations were still important in the South although to a lesser degree than in the antebellum period. ■



## NEW JERSEY TOWN MARKINGS AND FANCY CANCELS

By Brad Arch

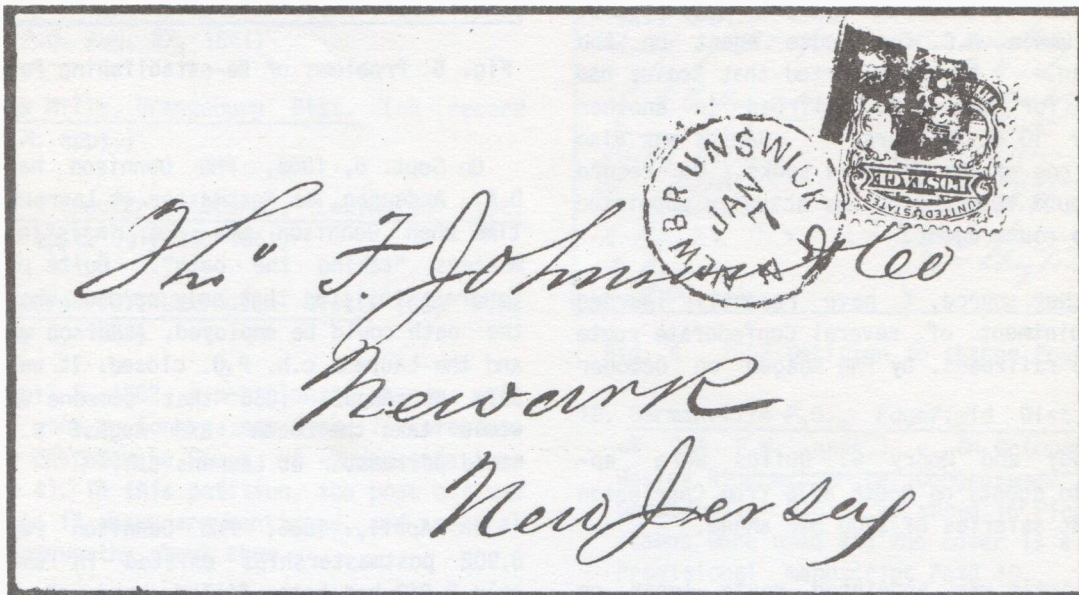
Following are several pages of postmarks and fancy cancels recorded by the author over a number of years as having been used around 1869.

Both listings are in alphabetic sequence by town name and the town markings record includes both manuscript and handstamped postmarks.

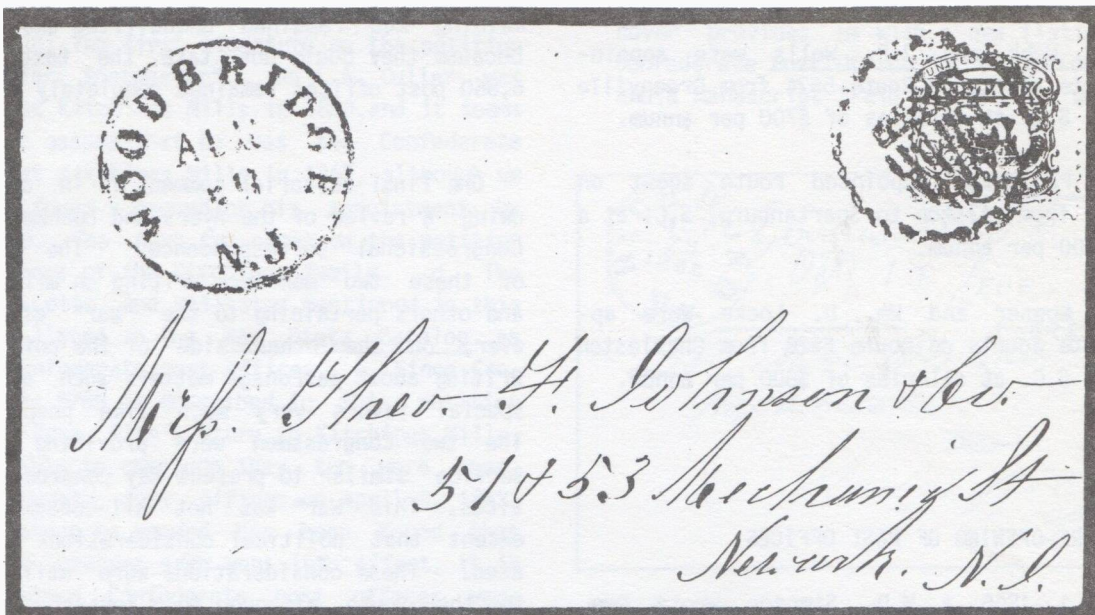
It would be greatly appreciated if you would check these postmarks and fancy cancels against

any 1869 New Jersey covers in your collection and send clear photocopies of all additional towns or fancy cancels to Brad Arch at the address listed at the end of this article, to help with an ongoing project of the New Jersey Postal History Society.

Information on activities and membership in the New Jersey Postal History Society is available from Brad Arch at the same address.



"PD" Cancel from New Brunswick.




























"Shield In Wreath" Design from Woodbridge.

# New Jersey circa 1869

FANCY & UNUSUAL CANCELLATIONS

By : Brad Arch

<p>Leaf</p>  <p>PP-L 25 BORDENTOWN</p>	<p>Cut Star</p>  <p>BRIDGETON</p>	<p>Lady w/Bonnet</p>  <p>PH-F 7 CAMDEN</p>	<p>Propeller</p>  <p>CAMDEN</p>	<p>Maltese Cross</p>  <p>CAMDEN</p>
<p>Outline Star</p>  <p>DOVER</p>	<p>4 Hearts</p>  <p>EGG HARBOR CITY</p>	<p>Negative Club</p>  <p>ELWOOD</p>	<p>Large Doughnut</p>  <p>SD-T 35 ELIZABETH</p>	<p>Fancy Target</p>  <p>FRANKLIN</p>
<p>Geometric</p>  <p>HUDSON</p>	<p>Geometric</p>  <p>CR-X 13 KEYPORT</p>	<p>Leaf</p>  <p>LAMBERTVILLE</p>	<p>Negative Cross</p>  <p>LAMBERTVILLE</p>	<p>RR Crosstracks</p>  <p>LAMBERTVILLE</p>
<p>Cross Roads</p>  <p>LAMBERTVILLE</p>	<p>Leaf</p>  <p>PP-L 39 LIBERTYVILLE</p>	<p>Cross Roads</p>  <p>MIDDLETOWN</p>	<p>2 Hearts w/Arrow</p>  <p>PH-H 20 MORRISTOWN</p>	<p>Solid Star</p>  <p>MORRISTOWN</p>
<p>5 Diamonds</p>  <p>MORRISTOWN</p>	<p>6 Diamonds</p>  <p>MORRISTOWN</p>	<p>Negative "MH"</p>  <p>LC-M 1 MOUNT HOLLY</p>	<p>Anchor in Circle</p>  <p>PO-An 39 NEWARK</p>	<p>-same- worn</p>  <p>PO-An 39a NEWARK</p>


























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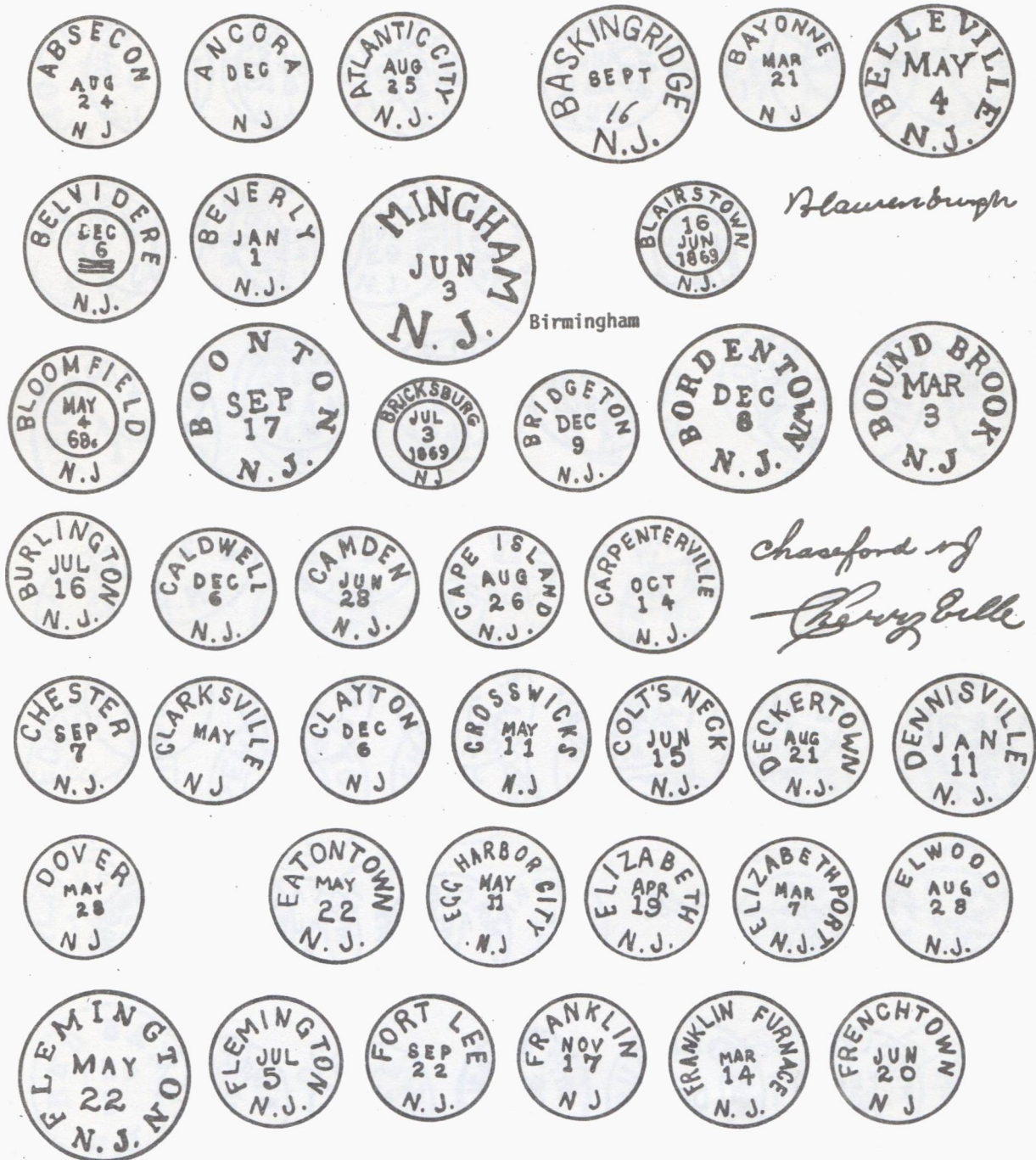
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<b>Star in Geom.</b>  <b>ST-E 16 NEW DURHAM</b>	<b>Geometric</b>  <b>ORANGE VALLEY</b>	<b>4 Diamonds</b>  <b>PATERSON</b>	<b>Reversed "P"</b>  <b>PLAINFIELD</b>	<b>Geometric</b>  <b>PRINCETON</b>
<b>Free Form "S"</b>  <b>LS-S 4 SADDLE RIVER</b>	<b>Cut Star</b>  <b>SOUTH AMBOY</b>	<b>Small Starfish</b>  <b>TOMS RIVER</b>	<b>Large Starfish</b>  <b>TOMS RIVER</b>	<b>Axe</b>  <b>PO-Wt 2 TRENTON</b>
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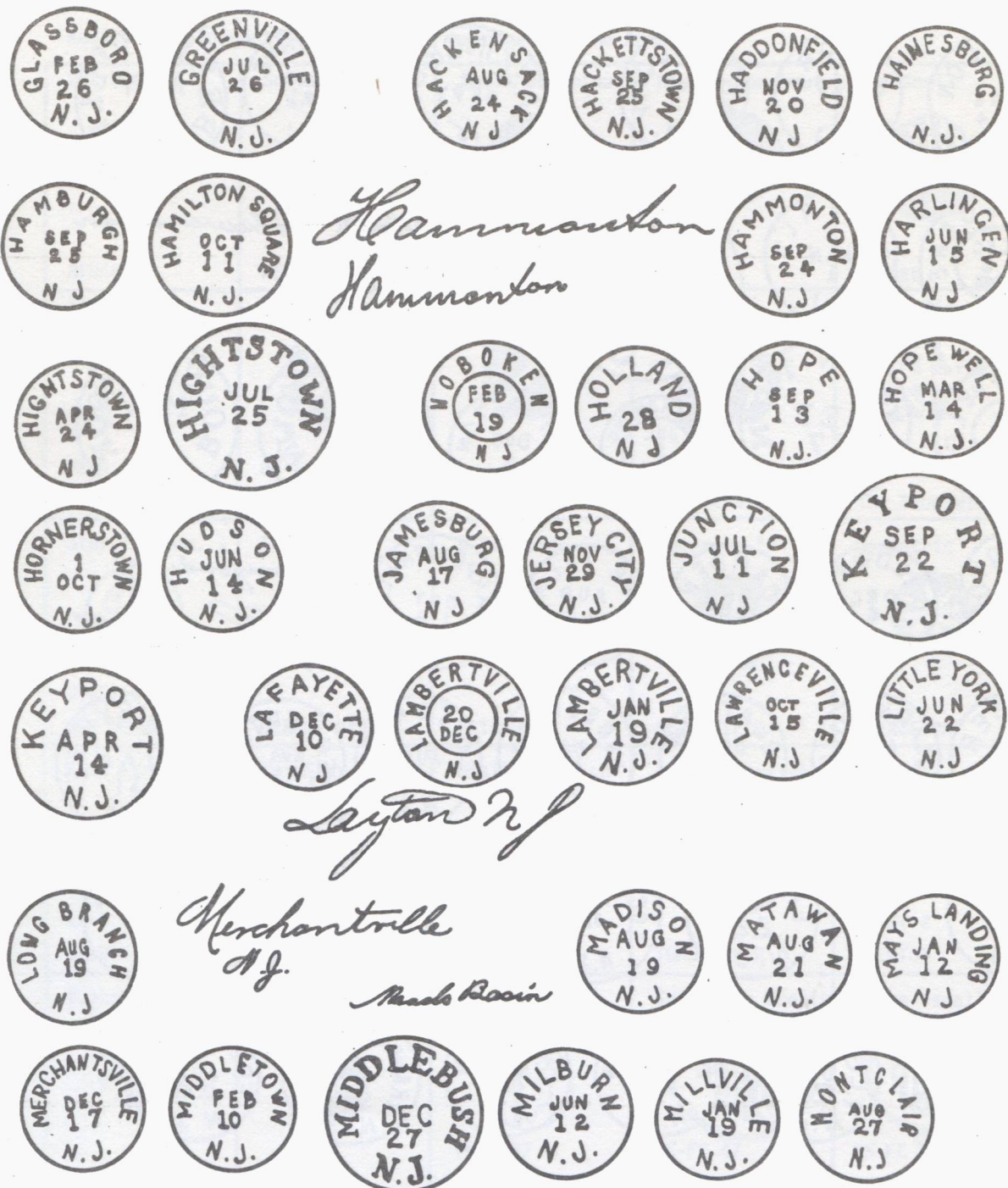


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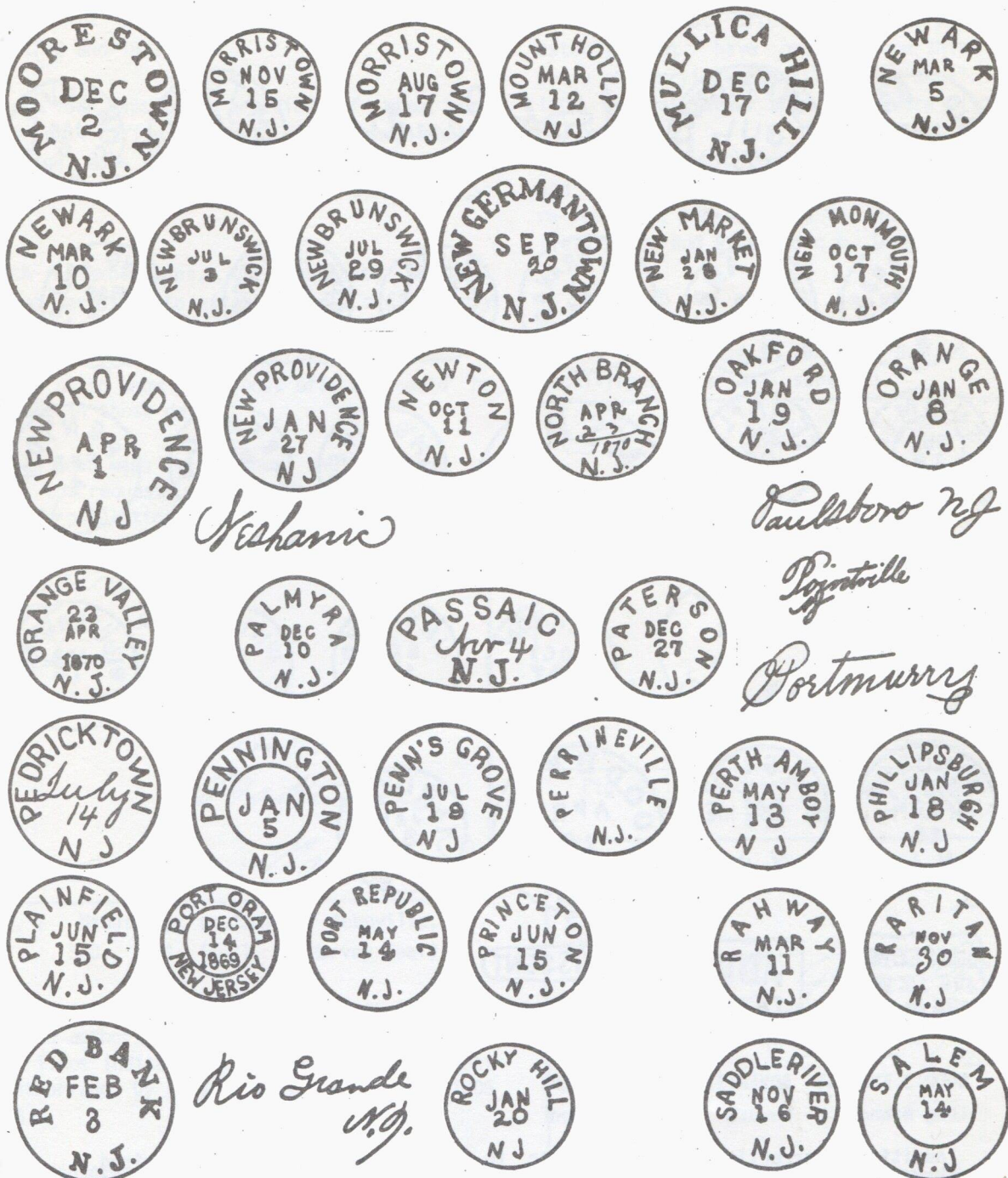
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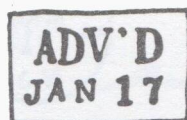
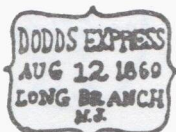
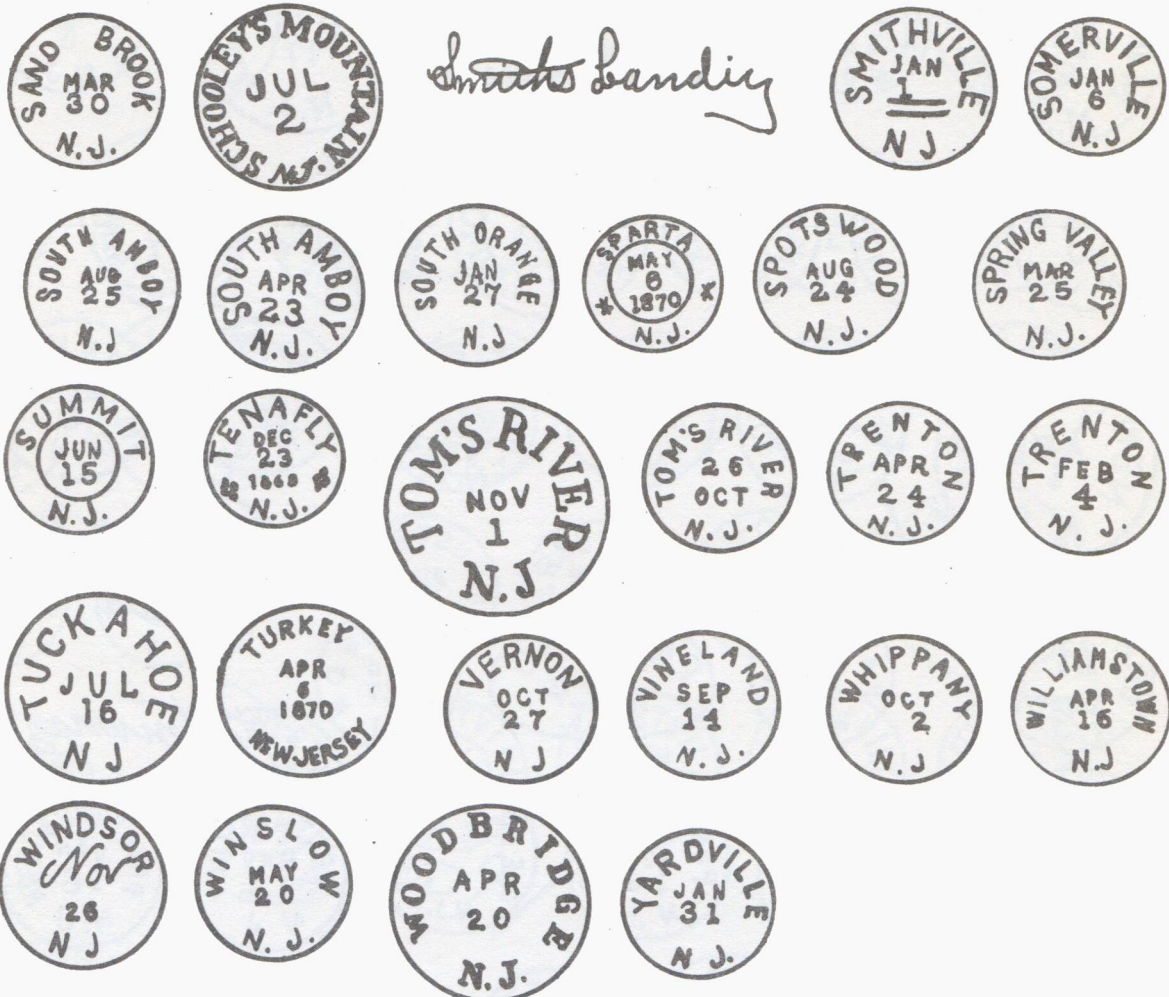


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DODD'S EXPRESS  
Long Branch

ADVERTIZED  
Newark

MISSENT  
Newton

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## POST ROADS IN SOUTH CAROLINA 1800-1810

By Robert J. Stets

The map accompanying this article is the fourth in a series portraying the post roads in South Carolina authorized by Acts of Congress between 1792 and 1812.

These four maps cover a period of time when written post office records are incomplete and provide one more source for determining which offices were actually operating during these years.

With few exceptions, the Postmaster General (PMG) was permitted to establish post offices only along post roads authorized by Congress, hence a knowledge of where these post roads ran makes it easier for us to know where post offices could be established in those days.

These four maps also show the response of Congress to requests to provide mail services to the growing population of South Carolina.

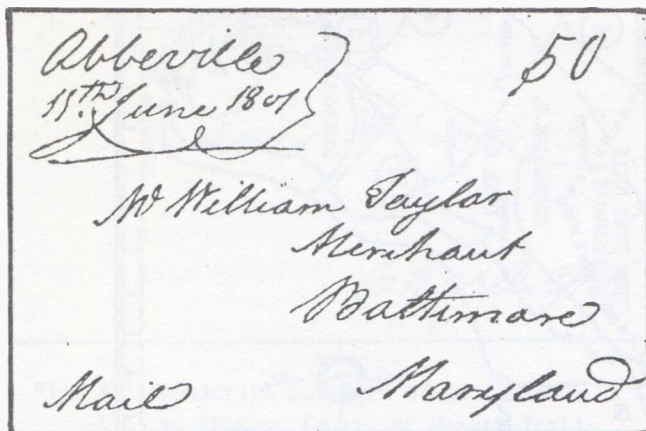


Fig. 1 Manuscript postmark of Abbeville, S.C., 1801. (coll. of Harvey Teal)

On the accompanying map, solid lines show the post roads authorized in 1800, while various other types of lines indicate additional post roads that were authorized by Acts of 1801, 1802, 1804, 1805 and 1806.

It is interesting to note that by 1800 the town of Cheraw c.h. was seeking a new name, for in the 1800 Act, it is called "Greenville", but later it decided to go back to its earlier name "Society Hill" (before the Court House was located there).

The major changes represented by the Act of 1800 are in roads #2, 9, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

By Act of March 2, 1799, Congress required the PMG to report annually to Congress every post road "which shall not, after the second year from its establishment, have produced one-third of the expense of carrying the mail on the same". Thus, in 1800, several former post roads were discontinued.

Road #2 (which had been discontinued in 1797 and replaced by service along the coast) was again re-instated, and extended to Chatham in Chesterfield Dist. and Richmond c.h. in North Carolina.

Road #9 was altered to provide service to York c.h. (where regular service had been discontinued in 1797) and to Union c.h. (not previously receiving regular mail service).

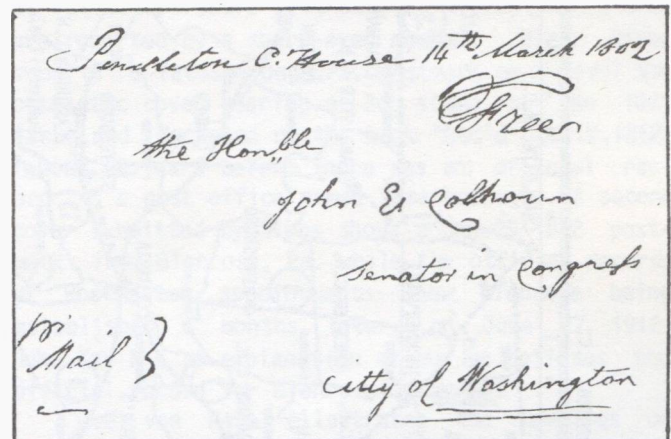


Fig. 2 Manuscript postmark of Pendleton, S.C. in 1802 (coll. of Harvey Teal)

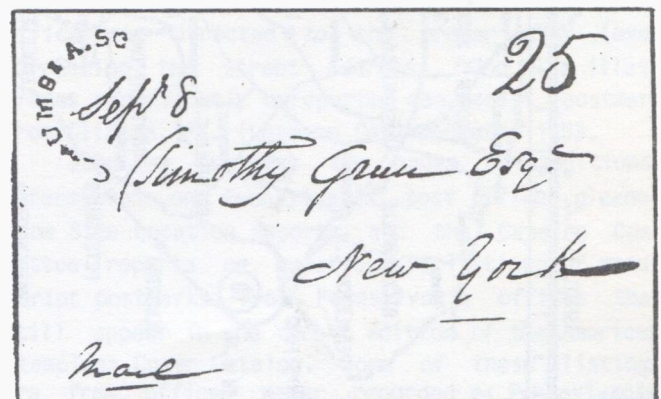
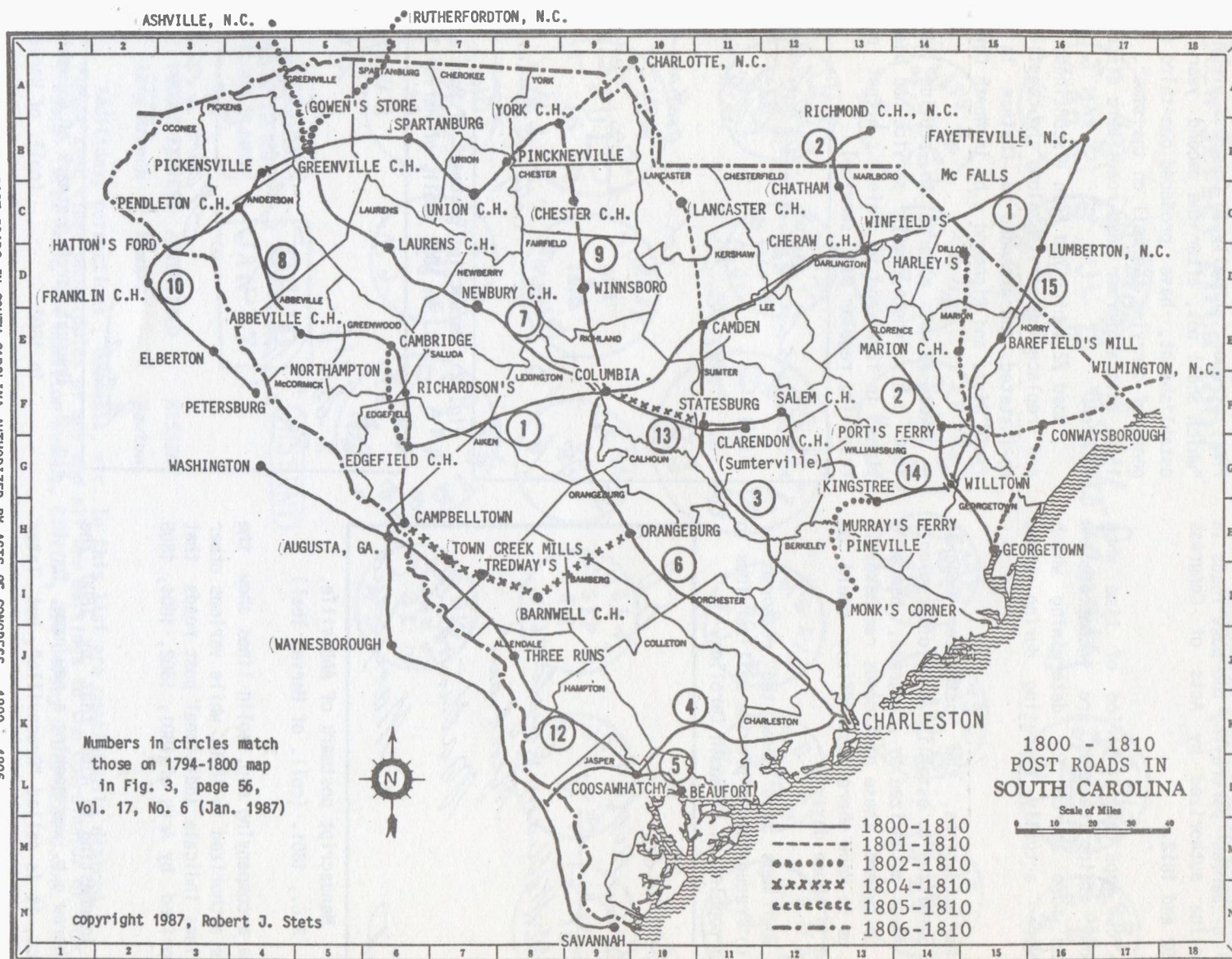


Fig. 3 Unusual "arc" postmark of Columbia, S.C. in 1802. (coll. of Harvey Teal)

Road #12 represents a shortened route, discontinuing regular service to the Barnwell c.h. area (which was restored in 1804).





Roads #13 and 14 provide new services to the huge areas between Columbia and Georgetown, but when drawn on the map, they clearly show an overlapping of service for a portion of the routes. Although I could find no record of any post road in South Carolina being discontinued between 1800 and 1810, it seems reasonable to assume that the route from Columbia to Statesburg that was authorized in 1804 was intended to replace the Columbia to Clarendon c.h. route of 1800, thus eliminating the overlapping service.

Road #15 was apparently expected to provide better service to Georgetown and the new settlements in Horry District, where the road along the coast from Wilmington, N.C. had been discontinued. Obviously responding to complaints regarding that abandonment of communication along the coast, alternate routes, running somewhat inland, were authorized in 1802 and 1806, connecting Georgetown with Charleston and Wilmington.

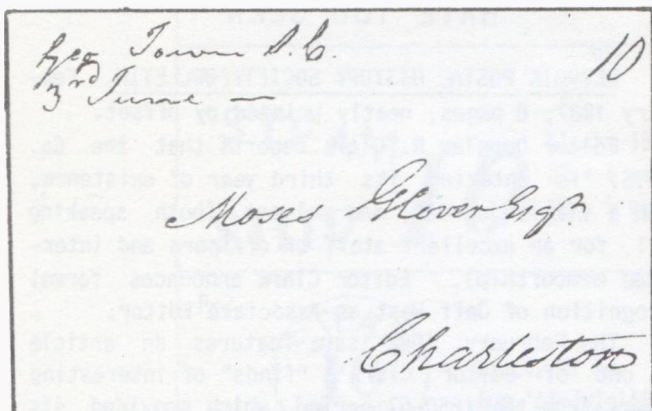


Fig. 4 Manuscript postmark of Georgetown, S.C. in 1805. (coll. of Harvey Teal)

The road between Charlotte, N.C. and Camden, S.C. had been discontinued in 1800, but pressure from inhabitants of the area (this road went past the home of Genl. Andrew Jackson) led to its restoration in 1801. Also, in 1801, improved service from Charlotte, N.C. was supplied to the northwest area of South Carolina by a road extending to York c.h., replacing the one from Lincolnton, N.C. which had been discontinued in 1797.

The additional route authorized between Cambridge and Edgefield c.h. in 1802 was not a duplicate route, but an alternate one, with the rider to travel via Richardson's Tavern in one direction and via the dotted line on his return.■

## HAVE YOU SEEN ?

PENNSYLVANIA POSTAL HISTORIAN, Sept-Oct/ Nov-Dec, 1986 (delayed). 16 pages, 8½ x 11, neatly printed and punched with holes to fit a standard 3-ring binder. The Historian is mailed under a non-profit bulk mailing permit.

In this issue, Norman Shachat presents a thought provoking article that will have postal history enthusiasts hunting for an answer- 18 letters from Philadelphia and Germantown to the Chew Family (who lived in upper Germantown) franked with a 3c stamp in the period 1863-68, when local postage was only 2c (Germantown was then a part of the Philadelphia Post Office). Two of the covers are commercial uses, where you would assume that a business firm would not use a 3c stamp if the rate was only 2c.

Two anomalies of covers postally used before an official record of that post office's existence are reported by a sharp-eyed member. Blair Gibbs reports a Yatesborough, Pa. postmark on a Civil War patriotic cover bearing a 3c stamp of the 1861 issue, and docketed on the back "Rec'd Oct 10, 1862" (about 28 years before there was an official record of a post office named Yatesborough). A second cover submitted by Gibbs shows a Jan 29 1912 postmark from Glenrose, Pa. while the official records of Postmaster appointments show Glenrose being established 6 months later, on June 27, 1912. John Kay has an explanation of why he believes the official record for Glenrose is wrong!

Joe von Hake illustrates the markings on front and back of a cover that show how a letter mailed in 1905, to a street address in "Pa." (no city named) was handled by the P.O. Dead Letter Office and directed to the proper city (even correcting the street address). Joe also illustrates a previously unreported manuscript postmark from Clifton, Pa. (Luzerne Co.) docketed 1853.

John Kay provides two pages of additional information on Pennsylvania post offices gleaned from Site Location Reports, and the Catalog Committee reports on questionable listings of manuscript postmarks from Pennsylvania offices that still appear in the recent edition of the American Stampless Cover Catalog. Some of these listings are from offices never recorded as Pennsylvania post offices, others represent possible typographic errors of spelling that have crept into the ASCC listings over the years.

Published bi-monthly by the Pennsylvania Postal History Society, Joe von Hake, editor. Information from John L. Kay, 329 Milne Street, Philadelphia, PA 19144.



## HAVE YOU SEEN ?

WAY MARKINGS - A journal of Virginia postal history, February, 1987. 16 pages, 8½ x 11, neatly printed by offset, with a supplement containing pages 133-48 of Virginia Postal Markings and Postmasters.

This issue contains three feature articles, two pages of Society news, and a financial statement of the Virginia Postal History Society.

1. Tom Stanton continues his "Railroads of Virginia" series with Part V- the Washington to Richmond Route. This installment includes a listing of the route agents that served on this route 1839-1847 and illustrates the postmarks recorded during that period.

2. There follows an interesting summary of known information about "Virginia Local Posts" by William Wickert, ending with an appeal for additional information so that this segment of Virginia's postal history may be fully documented.

3. Part 16 of "Confederate Soldier Due Covers from Virginia" by Stefan T. Jaronski reports on the postal activities at GUINEY'S STATION, VA.

The Society's ambitious project "Virginia Postal Markings and Postmasters" (up to 1865) shows what can be done when many specialist collectors pool their knowledge. The publication is a "must" for anyone who has even the slightest interest in Virginia postal history, and is available, without additional charge, to all Society members.

Way Markings is edited by Stefan & Genevieve Jaronski and published quarterly by the Virginia Postal History Society. Applications for membership are available from Frank & Lucy Bowling, 2703 Dellrose Ave., Richmond, VA 23228.

## HAVE YOU SEEN ?

THE VERMONT PHILATELIST, February 1987, 12 pages, 5½ x 8½, folded and stapled, attractively printed by offset, and mailed with a precancelled 6c Tricycle coil, being the only Northland publication which I received on schedule during the "Winter of 1986-87".

This February issue contains illustrations of covers from two short-lived Vermont D.P.O.'s- Cold River (1889-95) and Centerville (1895-1903). Also illustrated are manuscript postmarks of 1850 from Rupert and West Rupert post offices.

Part 2 of an article by John C. Wriston, Jr. covers Westminster Station P.O., including a map of various P.O. locations and a photo of the railroad depot where the P.O. was located about 1920.

"Reminiscences of a Vermont Postmaster" provides some amusing insights into how the mail was handled in the South Newbury, Vt. area during the 1952-1982 period. "In the years that I was postmaster, we went through rail pickup, highway post offices, different sized trucks coming in four or five times a day, down to the present day of one truck in and one out".

Three registered covers (supplementing an article in the November issue) are illustrated: - an 1847 cover endorsed "No. 73" and also bearing a Lake Champlain "STEAMBOAT"; an 1870 mixed franking of a 12c 1869 and 3c Banknote issue paying a 15c registry rate from Wallingford; and a 15c Banknote paying the registry rate from Jeffersonville.

This issue also contained a 1779 letter, a page of Society news, and a 42 lot auction.

Published quarterly by the Vermont Philatelic Society, Morton Nash, editor. Contact Dr. Paul G. Abajian, 209 Pearl St., Essex Junction, VT 05452.

## HAVE YOU SEEN ?

GEORGIA POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY BULLETIN, February 1987; 8 pages, neatly printed by offset.

Editor Douglas N. Clark reports that the Ga. P.H.S. is entering its third year of existence, with a viable journal, and solvent, (both speaking well for an excellent staff of officers and interested membership). Editor Clark announces formal recognition of Jeff West as Associate Editor.

The February, 1987 issue features an article on one of Editor Clark's "finds" of interesting covers from the 1850-67 period, which provided its owner with enough cash to afford a long-desired cruise. A "letter to the editor" inquires about a "last day" cover from ARP, Ga. in 1932, because an article in the previous issue of G.P.H.S. had stated that the ARP P.O. operated 1880-1905. Associate editor West replies that there were two "ARP" P.O.'s, one operating 1880-1905 in Banks Co., the second in Irwin Co. 1910-1932, and that multiple use of the same name was not unusual. West reports that one name- Pleasant Grove- was used five times in Georgia!

The "Feature County" for this issue is Jefferson County, with a list of post offices, dates of operation and names of first postmasters, prepared by Alan Patera, our Midwest Section editor.

The GPHS Bulletin is published irregularly, as contributions permit, by Georgia Postal History Society. Information from Secretary-Editor Douglas N. Clark, Box 51, Lexington, GA 30648.

# PHILADELPHIA MARITIME MARKINGS

By Robert J. Stets

"STEAMBOAT"    "STEAMSHIP"

"Steamboat" letters were delivered to a post office by the clerk or captain of a non-contract steamboat, travelling over inland or coastal waters. The captain usually received a fee of 2c for each letter. At Philadelphia, the usual postal charge was just the normal inland rate.

"Steamship" letters are those picked up enroute and carried into the port of Philadelphia, by contract steamships travelling over routes considered as post roads by the U.S. Post Office Department.

CAT. NO.	COLOR, SIZE, USE	CAT. NO.	COLOR, SIZE, USE
ST-1	<div>STEAMBOAT</div> <div>Red-brown, 41 x 4 mm., 1825 - 26</div>		
P-1	<div>STEAMSHIP 10</div> <div>Black, 1866 22 x 4 mm. 18 x 5 mm.</div>	P-1A	<div>STEAMSHIP 20</div> <div>Black, 1866 22 x 4 mm. 18 x 5 mm.</div>
P-2	<div>STEAMSHIP 10</div> <div>Black, 21 mm. Aug.'66-July'69</div>	P-3	<div>STEAMSHIP 20</div> <div>Black, 21 mm. Aug.'66-Jan.'69</div>
P-4	<div>STEAMSHIP 10</div> <div>Black, 22 mm. June, 1871</div>		
P-5	<div>STEAMSHIP DUE 10</div> <div>Black, 21 mm. Apr.'73-Feb.'74</div>	P-6	<div>STEAMSHIP DUE 20</div> <div>Black, 21 mm. Feb.'73-Feb.'75</div>

"STEAMSHIP" data is reproduced with the permission of Theron Wierenga from his recent publication: "United States Incoming Steamship Mail 1847-1875" available from the author at P.O. Box 595, Muskegon, Michigan 49443. Wierenga's catalog numbers are used to avoid confusion. Item P-1A is a new listing reported to us by Mr. Wierenga.



**TOM TODSEN MAIL AUCTION**  
2000 ROSE LANE LAS CRUCES, NM 88005

**MIXED TRAIN**

1. AZ, Casa Grande, K16, 2Feb09, VF ppc of Tucson st., E12
2. AZ, Crown King, K5, 12Dec05, VF Doane, gpc. E15
3. AZ, Harrington, K1, 4Sep06, VF Doane, cvr ruff top. E20
4. AZ, Kirkland, K3, 6Jun04, VF, gpc, E40
5. AZ, Kirkland, K5, 14Feb11, F, ppc, E15
6. AZ, Poland, K2, 21Feb06, VF Doane, reg rct, E30
7. AZ, Roosevelt, K3, 1Mar09, VF, ppc, E10
8. CO, Arrow (1905-15), 22May07, VF Doane ties #328 to ppc. E6
9. GA, Neal (1886-1929), 19Jan94, F mss, U349. E10
10. GA, Stephensville (1869-1905), 30May79, F, gpc. E10
11. GA, Stilesboro (1846-1955), 12Nov--, F blue cds & killer of 8 wedges, 3-ct green. E10
12. KS, New Lancaster (1859-1906), 28Dec--, VG, soiled U184. E5.
13. KS, Taw, (1883-1913), 2Feb12, VF Doane, ppc. E8
14. NM, Las Palomas, T3, 40Oct09, VF, cut down legal cvr. E15
15. NM, Las Vegas, T9, 31Jan80, VF purple cds w/ Cross in Circle, gpc. E10
16. NM, Mountainair, T2 (latest), 27Mar09, F, ppc. E15
17. NM, Obar, T1, 5Jun09, VF, ppc. msg. smeared, E30
18. OR, Forest Grove, unl. type, 3Jul00, VF, soiled cvr. E10
19. PA, York Sulphur Springs, 30Aug(60's), F blue cds, U59 w/Db1 oval ad handstamp. E10
20. TX, Jud (1905-18), 27Feb09, VF magenta Doane, ppc. E10

**RPOS**

21. ALBUQUERQUE & ASHFORK, 964-D-1, 40Oct08, VF, Calif. Ltd. cvr. E10
22. ALBUQUERQUE & EL PASO, 911-K-3, 11Aug99, VF, cvr. E15
23. ALBUQUERQUE & WILLIAMS, 964-K-1, 25May07, VF, ppc. E15
24. ASHFORK & LOS ANGELES, 946-L-7, 2Jan03, VF ATSF cvr. E15
25. ASHFORK & PHOENIX, 967-A-3, Oct98, VG, #230 & #285 tied. E40
26. ASHFORK & PHOENIX, 967-A-4, 1Jul06, VF, cvr, E40
27. CHICAGO, FREEPORT & DUBUQUE, unl. type, 19Sep02, VF ppc. E10
28. DENISON & HILLSBORO, unl. type, 11Dec08, VF, ppc. E8
29. GREENSBORO & WINSTON, 325-C-1, 6Jul85, VF, cvr w/ltr. E10
30. HEMPSTEAD & LLANO, unl. ty., 25Dec07, F, ppc (RR depot) E15
31. KANSAS CITY & SAPULPA, unl. type, 7Sep10, VF, ppc. E10
32. KNOXVILLE & WALLAND, 506-C-1, 18Oct09, VF, ppc. E6
33. LA JUNTA & ALBUQUERQUE, 911-Q-3, 18Jul99, F, cvr. E10
34. MONETT & OKLAHOMA, unl. type, 28Aug06, VF, ppc. E8
35. NEWTON & FT. WORTH, unl. ty., 13Aug04, VF, #324 tied. E10
36. OGDEN & SAN FRANCISCO-SACRAMENTO CITY DELIVERY, new to Towle, 24 Oct 1894, VF, gpc. E10
37. OMAHA & OGDEN, W.D., unl. ty., 10May09, F, Hotel Ad cvr. E8
38. OMAHA & KEARNY JUNCTION, unl. type, 23Jun80, VF, gpc. E10
39. PHILADELPHIA & GERMANTOWN, PH-4-b, 15Apr99, VF, cvr w/#286. E15
40. PORTLAND & SACRAMENTO, unl. ty., 30Apr88, F, cvr. E20
41. PORTSMOUTH, GREAT FALL & CONWAY/RR, 20-A-2, 80ct--, VF, cvr. E10
42. PRESCOTT & CROWN KING, 967.3-B-2, 12Sep05, XF, gpc. E40
43. SAN FRANCISCO, MAYFIELD & SANTA CRUZ, 980-Y-1, 15Jul11 F, ppc, E10
44. SEALY & MATAGORDA, unl. type, 2Apr07, VF, ppc. E10
45. SIOUX CITY & OMAHA, unl. type, 29Dec11, VF, ppc. E10
46. SIOUX CITY & PACIFIC, 763-B-1, 24Sep76, F USTMC illus gpc, E20
47. SKIDMORE & FALFURRIAS, unl. type, 31Dec07, VF, ppc. E8
48. TAMA CITY & ALGONA, unl. route, 21Aug82, VF, gpc, "E" killer. E15
49. WASHINGTON & OSKALOOSA, 754-C-1, 24Feb77, VF USTMC illus, gpc. E30
50. WILLIAMS & LOS ANGELES, 964-Q-1, 22May07, F, ppc. E10

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## ALABAMA

- 101 BEAVER MEADOW P.O., 1894, mss. on U349. DPO. Est. \$10.
- 102 SFL carried outside the mails "Favor..." headed Mobile 1844 to Many County/Alabama. Est. \$4.00

## ALASKA CATALOG NUMBERS REFER TO PTA III

- 103 ALEKNAGIK, 1951, G+ Ty1 on FFC. Est. \$6.00
- 104 ANIAK, 1934, VG Type 2 on FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 105 BARGE, 1950, VG Type 1 on phil.cvr. Est. \$12.00
- 106 CHANDALAR, 1939, VG red Ty1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 107 CHISANA, 1934, VG Type 2 on flight cover. Est. \$12.00
- 108 CIRCLE SPRINGS, 1931, VG purp. 4-bar on ph.cvr. Est. \$8.
- 109 CRAIG, 1930, VG Ty4 on cvr shortened @ rt. Est. \$12.
- 110 DEERING, 1931, VG Type 4 on FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 111 DOT LAKE, 1952, VG Type 1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 112 EKWAK, 1944, G+ Type 1 on FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 113 EUREKA, 1909, G+ Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$40.00
- 114 FAIRBANKS, 1917, VG Ty11 (FLAG) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
- 115 FORT YUKON, 1951, VG Type 4 on phil.card. Est. \$3
- 116 FOX, 1939, VG magenta Ty 4 on cml.cvr. Est. \$12.00
- 117 HAINES, 1941, G+ Ty8 on cvr w/Chilkoot Bks.r.a. E.\$6.00
- 118 HOT SPRINGS, 1935, F Ty 2 on signed FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 119 JACK WADE, 1946, VG Type 4 on phil.cvr. Est. \$8.00
- 120 JONESVILLE, 1929, readable Ty1 on GPC. Est. \$10.00
- 121 JUNEAU, 1917, VG Ty14 on cover. Est. \$8.00
- 122 KANAKANAK, 1940, VG Type 1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 123 KENNECOTT, 1933, VG Ty2 on FFC w/GILLIAM AIRWAYS label on reverse. Est. \$15.00
- 124 KETCHIKAN/ALL AMERICAN CITY, 1958, VG on cach.cvr. E\$4
- 125 KETCHIKAN/ANNETTE ISL'D L'NDG.FIELD BR., 1941, G FDC.E\$8
- 126 KIMSHAN COVE, 1938, VG Ty1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 127 KLAWOOCK, c.1925, G Ty4 on cover. Est. \$20.00
- 128 KLUKWAN, 1958, F Ty1 on cacheted cover. Est. \$4.00
- 129 KODIAK, 1958, F Ty9 on cacheted cover. Est. \$4.00
- 130 KOGGIUNG, 1936, F Type1(earlier) on ph.GPC. Est. \$20.
- 131 KOYUK, 1958, F Ty1 on cacheted cover. Est. \$4.00
- 132 KOYUKUK, 1958, F Ty2 on cacheted cover. Est. \$4.00
- 133 KWETHLUK, 1958, F Ty1 on cacheted cover. Est. \$4.00
- 134 LASSEN, 1941, F Ty1 on FFC. Est. \$20.00
- 135 LEVELOCK, 1958, G Ty2 on cacheted cover. Est. \$3.00
- 136 MANLEY HOT SPRINGS, 1958, G Ty2 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.
- 137 MCCARTHY, 1939, VG Type3 on phil. GPC. Est. \$12.00
- 138 McGRATH, 1931, G Ty2 (MOB) on signed FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 139 MEADE RIVER, 1957, VG mag. Ty1 on cachet cvr. Est. \$8.
- 140 METLAKATLA, 1958, VG Ty6 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.00
- 141 MILLER HOUSE, 1957, VG Ty3 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.00
- 142 NAKNEK, 1957, G+ Ty6 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.00
- 143 NAPAMUTE, 1958, VG Ty3 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.00
- 144 NAPAMUTE, 1942, VG Ty1 on censored FFC. Est. \$10.00
- 145 NEW KNOCK HOCK, 1950, F Type 1(FDC) on ph.cvr. Est. \$12.
- 146 NIKOLSKI, 1957, VG Ty1 on cachet cvr. Est. \$4.00
- 147 NONDALTON, 1938, F Type 1 (FDC) on GPC. Est. \$10.00
- 148 NORTH POLE, 1958, VG Ty4 on cach.cvr.w/addl.pm cach.E\$5
- 149 NORTHWAY, 1958, G+ Type 2 on cachet cover. Est. \$4.00
- 150 OLD HARBOR, 1958, VG Type 4 on cachet cover. Est. \$4.00
- 151 OUZINKIE, 1957, VG Type 2 on cachet cover. Est. \$4.00
- 152 PETERSBURG, 1913, VG Type4 on PPC. Est. \$25.00
- 153 POORMAN, 1938, VG Type 2 on FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 154 RAMPART, 1908, G Ty5 on PPC missing UR cnr. Est. \$15.
- 155 RICHARDSON, 1938, F Ty4 on FFC. Est. \$8.00
- 156 SAINT MICHAEL, 1913, G magenta Ty8 on PPC. Est. \$12.00
- 157 SAINT MICHAEL, 1912, G+ Ty 8 on PPC. Est. \$12.00
- 158 SAINT TERESE, 1938, F Type 1(FDC) on GPC. Est. \$10.00
- 159 SELAWIK, 1932, VG Type 1(early) on GPC. Est. \$10.00
- 160 SITKA/ALASKA DAY slogans, 1957 & 1958 on 2 cach.cvr.E\$6
- 161 SITKA, 1905, about G Ty15 on cvr w/SITKA TRAINING SCHOOL cc. Est. \$20.00
- 162 SKAGWAY/TRANSIT, 1902, as b/s on cvr from DAWSON, NWT to Florida. Some wear. Est. \$10.00
- 163 SOLOMON, 1903, VG Type 1 on Pvt.Mail Card (rp Dog Team pub. at Nome) Very Early Alaska PPC! Est. \$150.00
- 164 SUMDUM, 1937, Fine Ty2 on phil.card. Est. \$20.00
- 165 SUSITNA, 1936, VG Type 1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00
- 166 TALKEETNA, 1935, VG Ty2 on cover. Est. \$8.00
- 167 TANANA, 1912, VG Ty3(later) on PPC on PPC w/message headed "Fort Gibbon, Alaska" Est. \$25.

## ALASKA

- 168 TREADWELL, 1910, VG Type1 on PPC. Est. \$10.00
- 169 UNALAKLEET, 1934, VG Type 3 on cover. Est. \$8.00
- 170 WINDY, 1929, G Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$15.00
- 171 WRANGELL, 1910, VG Ty 2 on PPC. Est. \$12.00
- 172 WRANGELL, 1915, VG Ty 4 on PPC. Est. \$8.00
- 173 S.S.PRINCESS LOUISE, 1946, VG cds on cvr pm KETCHIKAN.E\$8
- 174 Gold Rush Correspondence, 1898-1909, 17 ltrs. w/covers Several covers torn, but detailed & newsy letters. Pms(SKAGWAY, T.1,2&5; DOUGLAS T.5, NOME T.5,7,10,12)E\$300

## ARIZONA

- 175 BISBEE, 1885, G+ Ty2(early) ties #210 on cvr. E.\$40.
- 176 BISBEE, 1911, G FLAG cancel on bi-fold PPC (Birds eye view of city) to Argentina. Very nice piece. Est. \$10.
- 177 CHANDLER HEIGHTS, 1938, F 4-bar on signed FDC. Est. \$4.
- 178 GLENDALE, 1909, VG Ty2 on PPC. Est. \$8.00
- 179 HUMBOLDT, 1907 F Type 1 (DOANE) on GPC. Est. \$10.00
- 180 LAVERN, 1915, G 4-bar on PPC w/horiz. crease.Early.E\$4
- 181 PATAGONIA, 1910, G Type 5 on PPC. Est. \$12.00
- 182 SWANSEA, 1916, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1909-24) Est. \$15.
- 183 TUCSON, 1882, as fwd. & TOMBSTONE as rec'd on UX5 from Indiana. Est. \$8.00

## CALIFORNIA

- 184 ALMA, 1910, G dplx on PPC.(73-52) Est. \$3.00
- 185 ANGEL ISLAND, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC.(Marin 75-45) E.\$6.
- 186 ANGLOLA, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC.(Tul.98-27) Est. \$6.00
- 187 ANGLOLA, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC. (Tul.98-27) Est. \$6.00
- 188 BENICIA, 1886, G lite cds on 2-ct brown ent. Est. \$5.00
- 189 BOULDER CREEK, 1878, G cds on cvr w/encl. Est. \$10.00
- 190 CAMP BALDY, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC. (S.Bern.13-51)E.\$6
- 191 CARRVILLE, 1937, VG 4-bar on GPC. (Trin.82-43) E.\$4.
- 192 CEMENT, 1906, G cds & target on PPC.(Sol.03-28) E.\$8.
- 193 CORAM, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. (Shasta 06-22) Est. \$8.
- 194 CORANADO, 1889, readable cds on GPC w/printed ad for Hotel Del Coranado on reverse. Est. \$8.00
- 195 DECOTO, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (75-59) Est. \$4.00
- 196 DOWNIE-VILLE, 1868, G+ dcds on 3-ct pink ent. Est. \$12.
- 197 FARMINGTON, 1887, VG cds on 2-ct brown entire. Est. \$6.
- 198 FOREST, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Sierra 95-47) E. \$4.00
- 199 HAMMONTON, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC.(Yuba 06-57) Est.\$4.
- 200 HERNDON, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Fres.87/56) E. \$4.00
- 201 HUNTERS, 1909, G 4-bar on PPC. (Teh.88-30) E. \$5.00
- 202 LATROBE, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC.(El Dor.64-21) Est. \$5.00
- 203 LAWS, 1907, G+ DOANE on PPC(rp BISHOP b.e.view) E.\$8.
- 204 LETCHER, 1909, VG mag. DOANE on PPC. (Fres.86-15)E.\$8
- 205 LITTLE YORK, 1880, G+ mag. dcds on cvr.(Nev.55/86) E.\$20.
- 206 MARTELL, 1907, G DOANE as rec'd on PPC w/partial SACRAMENTO RFD marking as sending mark. Est. \$4.00
- 207 MCKINNEY, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Plac.84-28) Est.\$5.
- 208 MEYERS, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. (ElDo.04-57) Est. \$5.00
- 209 MIDLAKE, 1908, G+ 4-bar on PPC.(Lake 00-45) Est. \$6.00
- 210 MONETA, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (LA 90-44) Est. \$4.00
- 211 NORD, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Butte 71/33) E. \$5.00
- 212 OAKLAND, c.1870, VG cds & target ties #114 on cvr.E\$8.
- 213 OPHIR, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. (Plac.66-10) Est. \$12.
- 214 OREGON HOUSE, 1908, G lite DOANE on PPC. Est. \$3.00
- 215 PEARBLOSSUM, 1936, F 4-bar on cover. Est. \$2.00
- 216 PEPPERWOOD, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC.(Humb.87/65) E.\$4.
- 217 PINOGRANDE, 1905, G cds on PPC.(El Dor.02-09pd) E.\$12.
- 218 PISMO, 1916, G 4-bar on PPC.(94-23) Est. \$3.00
- 219 POMINS, 1919, legible (o'strk) purple 4-bar PPC. E. \$4.
- 220 PORT HARTFORD, 1890, G+ cds on cvr. (SLO 82-07) E.\$15
- 221 PORTERSVILLE, 1887, VG cds ties #210 onb cvr. Est. \$8.
- 222 PRATTVILLE, 1910, G+ 4-bar on PPC.(Plum.74-14) Est.\$8.
- 223 REDWOOD PARK, 1925, G 4-bar on PPC.(S.Crz.07-28) E.\$5.
- 224 SACRAMENTO CITY/6 PAID, c.1854, part'l red cds on cvr.E\$5
- 225 SAINT JOHN, 1911, G 4-bar on PPC.(Glenn 64-17) E.\$8.00
- 226 SAN FRANCISCO, c.1872, 2 diff. cds on 2 cvrs. both w/ 3-ct green banknotes. Strikes G-VG. Est. \$5.00
- 227 SANTA CRUZ, 1888, VG cds ties 2-ct banknote on cvr.E\$6
- 228 SHERWOOD, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Mend.67/20) E. \$6.
- 229 THERMALITO, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Butte 95-20) E.\$8.
- 230 TOWLE, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC.(Placer 91-35) Est. \$5.00
- 231 UPPER LAKE, 1889, G+ cds ties 3-ct bnknote on cvr.E\$8
- 232 VANTRENT, 1910, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Plac.04-18) Est. \$10

## COLORADO

- 233 DENVER/40TH ST.STA., 1906, G+ dplx on PPC. Est. \$4.00
- 234 ELK HEAD, 1912, VG 4-bar on cover. (10-17pd) Est.\$20
- 235 FORBES JUNCTION, 1909, G(d'strk) 4-bar on PPC.(06-10)E\$20
- 236 GORHAM, 1914, G 4-bar on PPC. (99-42) Est. \$8.00
- 237 HALFWAY, 1905, G+ DOANE on PPC(G-twn Loop) Est.\$4.00



**COLORADO (Continued)**

- 238 LARIMER, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1907-14) Est. \$25.00  
 239 PINE, 1907, VG 4-bar on PPC. (82-18pd) Est. \$6.00  
 240 RICHARDS, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (1912-38) Est. \$8.00  
 241 SAINT CLOUD, 1909, G 4-bar on PPC. (84-13) Est. \$8.00

**CONNECTICUT**

- 242 GUILFORD, c.1863, readable cds on cvr w/#65 tied by Hand Carved 5-point star. Est. \$4.00

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

- 243 BROOKLAND, 1890, readable cds on cover. (88/00) Est. \$5  
 244 POTOMOC HOTEL/St.George's Island,Md., in bold red dble. oval on cover pm WASHINGTON duplex h/s 1881. Est. \$8.00  
 245 WASHINGTON/DC, 1841, G red cds on SFL w/FREE handstamp and mss. "E.H.Allen/M.C." to Ohio. Est. \$12.00  
 246 WASHINGTON,D.C./FREE, 1866, G dcds on cvr w/mss. "Richd. Yates/U.S.S." to Illinois. Enclosure. Est. \$10.00

**FLORIDA**

- 248 Bradenton Beach Post Office w/local US Mail Truck & Driver, c.1954, Unused real ph. PPC. Est. \$10.00  
 249 CEDAR KEYS, c.1880, G cds on cvr w/3-ct bnknote.E.\$15.  
 250 FRANCIS, 1911, G 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
 251 ISLAMORADA, 1909, hand-drawn postmark ties 2-ct red on cvr to NYC w/RECEIVED/NYPO/3rd Dov/IN BAD CONDITION. Also Ox11 tied by NY,NY b/s. Interesting. Est. \$12.00  
 252 WACISSA, 1930, G blue 4-bar ties #688 on cvr. Est. \$3.

**HAWAII**

- 253 HONOLULU/NAV.AIR STA BR.,1941,VG dplx on GPC. Est. \$5.  
 254 HONOLULU/NAV.AIR STA KANEONE BAY BR.,1948,4-bar.cvr.E.\$5  
 255 HONOLULU/NAV.AIR STA KANEONE BR.,1941,dplx on GPC. E.\$5  
 256 HONOLULU/SEC.BASE BISHOP'S PT.OAHU BR.'41,3-bar.GPC.E.\$5  
 257 WAILUA, 1902, G+ dplx ties #247 & 250 on 2-ct entire to Switzerland. Est. \$10.00

**IDAHO**

- 258 ALBANY FALLS, 1909, readable 4-bar on PPC. (1907-14) E\$10  
 259 ALBION, 1907, G red non-standard cds as rec'd.PPC.E\$4  
 260 BRIDGE, 1909, Fine 4-bar on PPC. (79/71) Est. \$4.00  
 261 CAMERON, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC.(81/55) Est. \$5.00  
 262 DIETRICH, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (1909-72) Est. \$4.00  
 263 DUDLEY, 1910, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (95-57) Est. \$5.00  
 264 GRANITE, 1911, G lite 4-bar on PPC. (83/54) Est. \$3.00  
 265 HARRISON, 1897, VG cds on 2-ct green ent. Est. \$8.00  
 266 JUNCTION, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (74-19) Est. \$10.00  
 267 LANE, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC. (91/56) Est. \$4.00  
 268 LELAND, 1922, VG 4-bar on PPC. (88-42) Est. \$6.00  
 269 LEWISTON, 1901, G+ dplx on cvr w/readable RUSSELL b/s. Est. \$6.00  
 270 MACE, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (99-22) Est. \$8.00  
 271 MINERAL, 1911, G+ DOANE as rec'd on PPC.(84/19) E. \$6.  
 272 MOSCOW, 1895, VG cds on cover. Est. \$4.00  
 273 SALUBRIA, 1900, G cds on cvr w/stains & edge wear.E.\$8  
 274 SILVER CITY, 1887, VG dcds as b/s on cover. Est. \$5.  
 275 SOUTHWICK, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (88-73) Est. \$4.00  
 276 THREE CREEK, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Owy.87-51) E.\$6.00  
 277 VANWYCK, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC. (88-17) Est. \$8.00  
 278 WORLEY, 1916, F 4-bar on PPC. Early for PO. E.\$2.00  
 279 Lot of 3 diff. towns on PPC, 1910: ATHOL & MOORE, VG DOANES & CAREY, G 4-bar. Est. \$5.00

**ILLINOIS**

- 280 CEDARVILLE, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. Est. \$2.00  
 281 CHAMPAIGN, 1862-64, pair of cvrs w/G-VG dcds franked w/#65. Est. \$5.00  
 282 CHICAGO/S.D.STA., 1879, VG cds on toned UX5. Est. \$4.  
 283 DEERGROVE, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. Est. \$2.00

**INDIANA**

- 284 HARRISVILLE, c.1861, mss. on worn PATRIOTIC cvr. E. \$12.

**IOWA**

- 285 BROWNSVILLE, 1911, VG DOANE on PPC.(61-14) Est. \$8.00  
 286 EMMETSBURGH/PALO ALTO CO., 1882, G triple cds on worn covers. Est. \$5.00  
 287 FORT MADISON, 1882, VG cds & star-in-circle killer ties 3-ct banknote on cvr w/hotel cc. Est. \$15.00  
 288 FRANKVILLE, 1857, G balloon cds on Nesbitt w/ltr.E\$15  
 289 HUSTAD, 1910, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (95-11) Est. \$8.00  
 290 MT. OLIVE, 1866, mss. on cvr w/#65. (1860/67). E.\$15.  
 291 SHELLSBURG, c.1862, G cds on cvr w/3 x #63. Est. \$8.00  
 292 YARMOUTH/DES MOINES CO., 1883, VG fancy cds as backstamp on cvr pm.BURLINGTON w/THE HAWKEYE cc. Est. \$7.00  
 293 Lot of 8 diff 4-bar/DOANES on PPC, 1908-21, G-VG: VOLGA, EXLINE, DURANGO, SPECHTS FERRY, etc. Est. \$10.00

**KANSAS**

- 294 CHANCE, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. (04-23) Est. \$10.00  
 295 DETROIT, 1918, VG 4-bar on PPC (1866-1961) Est. \$3.00  
 296 JERICO, 1910, VG DOANE on PPC. (05-23) Est. \$8.00  
 297 LOST SPRINGS, 1892, G cds on GPC. Est. \$4.00  
 298 VALHALLA, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. (1903-21) Est. \$8.00  
 299 Lot of 9 diff 4-bar/DOANES on PPC, 1907-24, G-VG: VIRGIL, IDANA, CULVER, PARTRIDGE, GLEN LOCH, etc. Est. \$12.00

**KENTUCKY**

- 300 SUNSHINE, 1938, F 4-bar on signed LDC. Est. \$4.00

**MAINE**

- 301 CENTER LEBANON, 1910, VG DOANE on PPC.(28-11) Est. \$8.  
 302 CHEBEAGUE ISLAND, 1922, G+ 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$2.00  
 303 WEST SCARBORO, 1910, G+ 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$3.00

**MARYLAND**

- 304 ANNAPOLIS, c.1885, VG cds on #10 cvr w/Seal of STATE OF MARYLAND from Sec.of State. Est. \$4.00  
 305 BALTIMORE, 1864, VG blue dcds & target on ent, E.\$4  
 306 LILYPONS, 1936, VG 4-bar on cover. (33/63) Est. \$4.  
 307 MT.WASHINGTON, c.1880, G blue cds on cvr.(68-96) E.\$10.

**MASSACHUSETTS**

- 308 BELCHERTOWN/Ms(s hi), c.1847, G+ red cds on SFC. E. \$6.  
 309 HEATH, c.1862, mss. on cvr w/strip of 3 #63. Est. \$12.  
 310 VINEYARD GROVE, 1871, G blue cds on 3-ct entire opened about 1/4 into stamp. DPO. Est. \$4.00

**MICHIGAN**

- 311 MANGUM, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1903-18) Est. \$8.00  
 312 REDRIDGE, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. (95-57) Est. \$4.00  
 313 ROSS, 1908, VG blue 4-bar on PPC.(71-22) Est. \$8.00  
 314 SILVERCREEK, 1916, VG 4-bar on PPC. (95-33) Est. \$5.00

**MINNESOTA**

- 315 AUSTIN, 1870. G cds & cork ties #114 on cvr. Est. \$4.  
 316 BERNE, 1893, readable cds ties 2-ct Col. (58-02) E.\$10.  
 317 MARION, 1866, VG cds on cvr w/encl. (57-05) Est. \$12.  
 318 OTTAWA, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC. (56-54) Est. \$4.00  
 319 WEST CONCORD, 1892, F dcds w/STAR killer on cover. E.\$10.  
 320 Lot of 3 cover w/G-VG strikes, all 3-ct green bnates: SHAKOPEE, RED WING & ST.PAUL. Est. \$4.00

**MISSISSIPPI**

- 321 FAYETTE, 1841, VG cds("i" high) & mss "25" on SFL.E\$12.

**MISSOURI**

- 322 BRICE & BENNETT SPRINGS, 1939, FDC & LDC on 2 cvrs.E.\$5  
 323 CLAYSVILLE, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. (50-08) Est. \$8.00  
 324 CLIO, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (06-14) Est. \$8.00  
 325 HOXIE, 1885, mss. on cover w/encl. (1883-85) Est. \$15.  
 326 NISHNABOTNA, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC. (71-53) Est. \$4.  
 327 PAWNEE, 1907, G lite(d'strk) DOANE on PPC.(86-08) E.\$5.  
 328 Lot of 9 diff 4-bar/DOANES on PPC, 1908-22, G-VG: TURNERY, MAYWOOD, ARGYLE, BARINO, PLEVNA, etc. Est. \$12.00

**MONTANA**

- 329 ARMSTEAD, 1913, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (07-62) Est. \$4.00  
 330 BASIN, 1905, VG dplx w/inv.date on cover. Est. \$3.00  
 331 BEARMOUTH, 1909, G(o'strk) 4-bar on PPC.(95-49) E.\$4.  
 332 BIGFORK, 1906, G DOANE on PPC. Est. \$2.00  
 333 BILLINGS, 1883, VG cds on UX5. Est. \$6.00  
 334 COLLINS, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC. (03-61) Est. \$5.00  
 335 COLLINS, 1937, G+ 4-bar on cvr. (03-61) Est. \$4.00  
 336 CYR, 1910, G lite 4-bar on PPC. (1908-14) Est. \$15.00  
 337 DEER LODGE, 1883, G cds as b/s on cvr pm LOS ANGELES.E\$2  
 338 DUNKIRK, 1911, readable 4-bar on PPC. (11-58) E.\$3.00  
 339 ELKHORN, 1908, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (84-24) Est. \$8.00  
 340 FLOWEREE, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1910-74) Est. \$4.00  
 341 FORT KEOGH, 1881, in blue box strk twice on cover to Honolulu. One strike has "H" on #183 which has been replaced. Send for illustration. Est. \$15.00  
 342 HAMILTON, 1916, FLAG on promotional PPC for MISSOULA STAMPEDE (RP Rodeo rider) Est. \$8.00  
 343 HELENA/MONTANO, c.1872, G+ cds & cork on cvr. E.\$20.  
 344 JUDITH, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (80/19) Est. \$10.00  
 345 LAKE BASIN, 1918, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1913-17). Est. \$15.  
 346 LANARK, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (09-31) Est. \$8.00  
 347 LENNEP, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. (1900-62) Est. \$5.00  
 348 LININGTON, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC. (March-Nov.1914)E\$30  
 349 LOGAN, 1905, VG DOANE on 2-ct red ent. DPO. Est. \$8.00  
 350 LOMBARD, c.1908, G dplx on PPC(Helena st.scene)DPO.E\$5  
 351 LOTHROP, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1900-13) Est. \$8.00  
 352 MIDBY, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1914-22) Est. \$20.00  
 353 NATAL, 1907, G lite DOANE on PPC. (1905-29) Est. \$10.  
 354 PHILBROOK, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (81/12) Est. \$15.00  
 355 RACETRACK, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (79-35) Est. \$6.00  
 356 SAGE, 1917, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (1912-18) Est. \$20.00

**MONTANA**

- 357 URET, 1897, VG cds on cover. (1881-1904) Est. \$15.00  
 358 WILLOW CREEK, 1900 & 1903, 2 diff. handstamps on 2 cvrs  
 opened into 2-ct red entires. Strikes about Good. E\$8.

**NEBRASKA**

- 359 BRIGHTON, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1910-16) Est. \$20.00  
 360 DAKOTA, 1907, VG 4-bar on PPC. (56-16) Est. \$8.00  
 361 EASTWOOD, 1907, VG 4-bar as rec'd on PPC. (07-17) E.\$6.  
 362 FORT ROBINSON, 1910, G 4-bar on PPC. (79-53) Est. \$5.00  
 363 HOAGLAND, 1940, G+ 4-bar on Reg. cvr. (12-45) Est. \$6.  
 364 PHOENIX, 1907, G 4-bar on PPC. (87-33) Est. \$6.00  
 365 PINE CAMP, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (85-34) Est. \$6.00  
 366 SAINT JAMES, 1909, G lite 4-bar on PPC. (58-09) E. \$8.00  
 367 SIOUX, c.1909, VG dplx on PPC. (95-14) Est. \$3.00  
 368 VENUS, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (80-59) Est. \$4.00  
 369 VIAN, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (1910-35) Est. \$6.00

**NEVADA**

- 370 BAUVARD, 1910, G DOANE on PPC. (1904-12) Est. \$10.00  
 371 BEOWANE, 1918, VG 4-bar on GPC. Est. \$6.00  
 372 BLAIR, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC. (06-16) Est. \$12.00  
 373 ELDORADO CANYON, 1894, readable cds on cover. (79-07) E.\$10  
 374 GOLD HILL/REC'D., 1907, as rec'd on PPC. Est. \$3.00  
 375 GOLDFIELD, 1907, G+ machine cancel on PPC. Est. \$2  
 376 HUMBOLDT HOUSE, 1907, VG cds as rec'd on PPC. (72-09) E\$8  
 377 MARBLE, 1909, G DOANE as b/s rec'd on cover. (06-17) E\$6  
 378 RHYOLITE, 1908, about G dplx on PPC. (05-19) Est. \$5.  
 379 WINNEMUCCA, (1874), faintly readable cds on cvr. Est. \$8.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

- 380 CANOBIE LAKE, 1931, F blue 4-bar on ph.cvr. (86-63) E.\$4.  
 381 ELLSWORTH, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$10.00  
 382 SHORT FALLS, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$4.00

**NEW JERSEY**

- 383 DECKERTOWN, 1890, G cds on cover. (16-01) Est. \$8.00  
 384 PATTENBURG, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. (57-24) Est. \$6.00

**NEW MEXICO**

- 385 ANGUS, 1910, VG Type2 on PPC. Est. \$20.00  
 386 ARMIJO RUR.STA., 1962, VG mag. 4-bar on phil.cd. E.\$5  
 387 CAPITAN, 1909, VG Type 5 on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 388 CARRIZOZO, 1908, VG Type 3 on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 389 FORT STANTON, 1909, VG Type17 on PPC. Est. \$12.00  
 390 GLENCOE, 1910, VG Type 2 on PPC. Est. \$25.00  
 391 GLENCOE, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC w/badly damaged stmp. E\$6  
 392 LAMY, 1908, G+ Type 10 on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 393 LAS VEGAS, 1880, VG Ty9 on UX5. Est. \$12.00  
 394 LOVINGTON, 1918, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 395 SOCORRO, 1900, VG Type 15 On cvr w/attorney cc. E. \$6.  
 396 THREE RIVERS, 1925, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 397 TUCUMCARI, 1911, VG Ty4 on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 398 WHITE OAKS, 1907, VG Type13 on cover. Est. \$8.00

**NEW YORK**

- 399 CASTILE, 1883, VG fancy dcds w/solid star ties 3-cent  
 green on cvr w/PIKE NY straight-line on reverse. E.\$10.  
 400 GREENFIELD, 1863, mss. on cvr w/#65. (U1st.52-28) E. \$8.  
 401 GROVENOR CORNERS, 1909, VG cds on PPC. DPO. Est.\$5.  
 402 JASPER, c.1857, bold heavy lettered cds ties #11. E\$8  
 403 MIDDLESEX, 1857, VG dcds on 3-ct Nesbitt. Est. \$10.00  
 404 NEW YORK, 1857, legible cds ties #26 on cvr w/Due 3  
 handstamp to Boston. Est. \$4.00  
 405 NEW-YORK, 1861, VG cds ties #26 (UR cnr damage) to VG  
 multicolor PATRIOTIC addr. to soldier. Est. \$20.00  
 406 ROCKLAND LAKE, 1907, G+ cds on PPC. (42-66) Est. \$3.  
 407 SALEM CENTER, 1898, VG cds on cover. (26/60) Est. \$6.00  
 408 SPRAGUEVILLE, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
 409 SUB STATION NO.14/BUFFALO/1897, in 3 st.lines on REG.  
 cover w/cc of Raynor Hubbell Stamp Co. Est. \$10.00  
 410 WATKINS, G+ dcds ties #65 on cvr. (54-26) Est. \$6.00  
 411 Lot of 7 diff 4-bar/DOANES on PPC, 1906-20, G-VG: IRA,  
 CALLICOON CENTER, SMITHS BASIN, etc. Est. \$8.00

**NORTH CAROLINA**

- 412 BEARCREEK, 1908, G+ 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$2.00  
 413 BINGHAM SCHOOL, 1884, VG cds on 2-ct red. ent.DPO. E.\$35  
 414 EAST BEND, c.1880, G cds on cvr w/tobacco dlr cc. Est. \$6  
 415 OXFORD, c.1870, G+ cds & killer ties #114 on cover w/  
 embossed school cc. Est. \$25.00  
 416 RALEIGH, 1844, G+ red cds and mss "18 3/4" on SFL. E\$20

**NORTH DAKOTA**

- 417 BISMARCK/DAK., 1884, G cds on 2-ct ent. FRONT. E. \$2.00  
 418 CLARE, 1911, G DOANE on PPC. (04-11) Est. \$12.00  
 419 FLEAK, 1910, almost G DOANE on PPC. (04-21) Est. \$6.00  
 420 GLADYS, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. (06-18) Est. \$12.00  
 421 HATTON, 1918, VG reg dcds on REG cvr w/cc of THE HATTON  
 FREE PRESS. Est. \$5.00

**NORTH DAKOTA (Cont.)**

- 422 HOMESTEAD, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC. (94-30) Est. \$6.00  
 423 LAWTHOR, Nov 1912, G 4-bar on PPC. (Apr-Dec 1912) E. \$15  
 424 PRETTY ROCK, 1940, VG 4-bar on Last Day GPC. (07-40) E\$5  
 425 Lot of 2 DPOs (BLABON & RUSSELL), 1910, G 4-bars. PPCs. E\$5

**OHIO**

- 426 CINCINNATI, 1856, VG blue cds ties #11 on cvr. Est.\$10  
 427 NEW MILFORD, 1892, mag. cds & solid star ties 2-ct red  
 on cover with minor repaired tear. Est. \$6.00  
 428 POMEROY, 1881, VG toothed cds & Maltese Cross on GPC. E\$8  
 429 SAINT CLAIR, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. (48/18) Est. \$6.00

**OKLAHOMA**

- 430 AHPEATONE, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1907-16) Est. \$15.  
 431 BARDEN, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1906-12) Est. \$12.00  
 432 DAVENPORT, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. TERR. Est. \$5.00  
 433 FLORENCE, 1913, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (95-22) Est. \$8.00  
 434 FORAKER, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (06-78) Est. \$4.00  
 435 GUTHRIE/IND.T., 1890, VG cds on cover. Est. \$12.00  
 436 GUTHRIE/OKLA.T., 1890, VG dplx on cvr w/encl. Est. \$10.  
 437 HEAVENER, 1913, VG dplx on PPC. Est. \$2.00  
 438 KELTNER, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. (06-10) also POSTLE  
 G+ 4-bar (05-15) on PPC to Illinois. Est. \$15.00  
 439 KENDRICK, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (03-85) Est. \$4.00  
 440 REAGAN, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (94-31) Est. \$5.00  
 441 STOCKHOLM, 1910, about G 4-bar on PPC. (01-15) Est. \$6.  
 442 WANN, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$4.00

**OREGON**

- 443 ARLETA, 1907, G DOANE on PPC. (Mult.04-11) Est. \$5.00  
 444 BAKER CITY, 1909, VG purple dcds on #10 Reg.cvr. E. \$3  
 445 BROWNSVILLE, 1878, G Ty3 (octagon) on GPC. Est. \$12.00  
 446 BUNCOM, 1910, G DOANE on PPC. (Jacks.96-17) Est. \$12.  
 447 CAZADERO, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. (04-18) Est. \$12.00  
 448 DEADWOOD, 1909, readable 4-bar on PPC. (Lane 84-14) w/  
 THOMAS, VG 4-bar as rec'd. Est. \$8.00  
 449 FISHER, 1917, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (12-42) Est. \$12.00  
 450 GLENTENA, 1892, VG cds as b/s on #10 cover pm EUGENE.  
 Scarce Lane Co. PO (1888-1902) Est. \$10.00  
 451 GOOSEBERRY, 1906, VG cds on PPC. (84-18) Est. \$15.00  
 452 GRANTS PASS, c.1894, partial Ty 8 on cvr. Est. \$5.00  
 453 LAMPA, 1910, G+ DOANE as rec'd on PPC. (Coos 05-18) E\$5  
 454 MELROSE, 1910, G DOANE on PPC. (90-33) Est. \$6.00  
 455 MORO, 1899, G+ Type 4 on 2-ct red entire. Est. \$10  
 456 OREGON CITY, c.1865, G+ Type 5 on 2-ct pink ent. E\$20  
 457 RICKREALL, 1919, VG 4-bar on cover. Est. \$2.00  
 458 RUCH, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (97-39) Est. \$6.00  
 459 SALEM, 1898, VG Type 17 on cover. Est. \$4.00  
 460 SODAVILLE, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Linn 71-33) E.\$5.  
 461 SPRINGFIELD, 1888, G+ cds (unlisted) on cover. Est.\$15  
 462 STEAMBOAT, 1909?, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Jacks.88-15) E.\$12.  
 463 STRASSEL, 1914, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Wash.13-34) E.\$8.00  
 464 SUMMIT, 1908, readable duplex on PPC. (Bent.68-59) E\$3  
 465 SUSANVILLE, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Grant 88-52) E.\$5.  
 466 SUVER, c.1890, VG Type 1 on cover a bit ruff @ rt.E.\$25  
 467 TAKILMA, 1958, F 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$4.00  
 468 TALLMAN, 1910, VG cds on PPC. (Linn 86-23) Est. \$6.00  
 469 THOMAS, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (98-21) Est. \$12.00  
 470 TIERNAN, 1959, VG 4-bar on GPC. (Lane 19-70) Est. \$3.  
 471 TIGARD, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Wash.08-57) Est. \$5.00  
 472 TILLAMOOK, 1894, G Type 6 on cover. Est. \$8.00  
 473 TIMBERLINE LODGE, 1940, VG 4-bar on PPC (rp of Interior  
 of Lodge Dining Room) (Clack.39-42) Est. \$6.00  
 474 TUALITIN, 1906, VG dplx as rec'd on PPC. (69-15) E.\$4  
 475 UMAPINE, 1927, VG 4-bar on cover. (Umat.16-66) Est. \$4.  
 476 VENATOR, 1959, G+ 4-bar on PM signed LDC. Est. \$4.00  
 477 VICTOR, 1910, G+ DOANE as rec'd on PPC w/no stamp. E.\$3  
 478 WALKER, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Lane 91-25) Est. \$6.00  
 479 WELLS, 1910, VG duplex on PPC. (Bent.80-36) Est. \$5.00  
 480 WENDLING, 1930, VG 4-bar on cover. (Lane 99-52) E.\$4  
 481 WHITESON, 1944, G 4-bar on PPC. (39-53pd.) E. \$5.00

**PENNSYLVANIA**

- 482 DELTA, YORK CO., 1885, VG dcds on 2-ct.ent. Est. \$8.00  
 483 PENNSYLVANIA FURNACE, 1907, F DOANE on PPC.DPO. Est. \$5.  
 484 PORT TREVORTON, PA./PA., 1912, VG 4-bar error.PPC. E.\$5.  
 485 U.S.P.O.DISPATCH/PHILA., VG octagon cds ties #63 on cvr  
 cut down at left. Est. \$8.00  
 486 ULYSSES, 1860, mss. ties cent.line cpy.#26 on cvr.E\$8  
 487 Lot of 7 diff DOANES/4-bars on PPC, 1907-12, most G-VG,  
 WHITEDEER, GEIGERS MILLS, KEOWA, etc. Est. \$8.00

**RHODE ISLAND**

- 488 ANTHONY, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (51-25) Est. \$6.00  
 489 ARCTIC, 1911, VG dplx on PPC. (89-25) Est. \$6.00



## SOUTH CAROLINA

- 490 MAYESVILLE/SUMTER CO., 1889, G+ cds on cvr w/#210. E.\$25  
491 PECKS STATION, 1894, VG cds on cvr w/merchant cc. E.\$10  
492 ZENO, 1857, mss. on 3-cent Nesbitt. Est. \$15.00

## SOUTH DAKOTA

- 493 BAKERSVILLE, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC. (86/30) Est. \$8.00  
494 BIGSTONE, 1906, G+ dplx on cover. (94-10) Est. \$8.00  
495 CASTLE ROCK, 1910, VG 4-bar on UX22. Early. Est. \$6.00  
496 HOSMER, 1930, VG nonstandard 4-bar on phil.cvr. E.\$4  
497 MALTBY, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. (09-19) Est. \$12.00  
498 NORDEN, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1907-12) Est. \$15.00  
499 PENVILLE, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1908-19) Est. \$12.00  
500 PLUMA, 1906, VG DOANE on PPC. (98-12) Est. \$15.00  
501 VAN METRE, 1911, G 4-bar on PPC. (07-60) Est. \$5.00

## TENNESSEE

- 502 LOCUST MOUNT, 1883, mss. on UX7. DPO. Est. \$10.00  
503 LOYSTON, 1936, F 4-bar on LDC w/PM signed message stating that PO is to be submerged by Norris Dam. Est. \$5.00

## TEXAS

- 504 GALVESTON MILITARY BRANCH, 1913, VG red(o'strk) 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
505 GILMER, 1897, G+ cds on GPC. Est. \$4.00  
506 IRELAND, 1932, VG 4-bar on GPC signed by PM. DPO. E.\$4  
507 SPRING CREEK, 1924, G 4-bar on cvr. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
508 WASHBURN, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$4.00  
509 Lot of 3 diff handstamps, 1891-1910, G-VG on cvrs: GAINESVILLE, AUSTIN & KEMP. Est. \$5.00

## UTAH

- 510 GARDEN CITY, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. Est. \$4.00  
511 GRASS CREEK, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC. (04-35) Est. \$10.  
512 SILVERLAKE, 1908, VG cds on PPC w/damaged #300. (99-43) E\$8  
513 Lot of 9 diff handstamps on PPC, 1908-40, most G-VG, ABRAHAM, MIDWAY, RUBYS INN, etc. Est. \$10.00

## VERMONT

- 514 BERLIN, 1885, G cds on cvr. DPO (R-4) Est. \$5.00  
515 BURLINGTON ('97) & CHELSEA ('94), both VG handstamps on covers w/fancy corner cards. Est. \$6.00  
516 MONKTON RIDGE, c.1870, G cds on cvr torn just into pm from top. (69-04) Est. \$4.00  
517 PANTON, 1900, G cds on cvr w/repai red wear. DPO. E\$10  
518 Sample PPC from Green Mt. Card Co., 1923, w/rates. PM WHITE RIVER JUNCTION/VT. FLAG. Est. \$4.00  
519 SOUTH DANVILLE, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$10.  
520 UPPER FALLS, 1879, G+ fancy mag. cds on cvr. DPO. E.\$5.  
521 WALDEN HEIGHTS, 1954, F 4-bar on LDC w/note from postal inspector. (1916-54) Est. \$5.00  
522 WATERFORD, 1931, G 4-bar on PPC. DPO (R-4). Est. \$3.00  
523 WEST CORNWALL, 1895, VG cds on cvr. (50-06) E.\$6.00  
524 WEST RANDOLPH, c.1862, F cds ties #65 on cvr. DPO. E.\$5  
525 WHEELLOCK, 1955, VG blue 42mm-dial 4-bar on cvr. DPO. Said to be the largest pm used in VT. Est. \$9.00  
526 Exceptional cover w/4 diff. townmarks applied as it toured VT in 1894. Franked w/#210. Est. \$8.00  
527 Lot of 13 diff. townmarks on cards/cvrs., 1881-1922, strikes G-VG. About 1/2 19th cent. Est. \$15.00  
528 Lot of 15 diff. townmarks, 1870's-1913 (most 1880's) all strikes G-VG. Very nice lot. Est. \$40

## VIRGINIA

- 529 BASIC CITY, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
530 BLUERIDGE SPRINGS, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. DPO. E\$5.00  
531 BUFFALO, c.1850, mss & mss. "5" on stampless env. Est. \$10  
532 BURKEVILLE, 1875, G cds on cvr w/encl. Est. \$5.00  
533 Crewe Post Office, real photo PPC. Ca.1920. unused E\$8  
534 HALE FORD, 1857, mss on 3-cent Nesbitt w/light soiling and minor wear. Est. \$6.00  
535 MUSSELMAN, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$10.00  
536 SWEET CHALYBEATE, V1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. E.\$5

## WASHINGTON

- 537 BALLARD, 1906, G+ dplx on PPC. (89-08) Est. \$6.00  
538 CARROLLTON, 1915, about G 4-bar on PPC. (79-15) E.\$6.  
539 CHETLO HARBOR, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Pac.1911-18) E.\$20  
540 DOE BAY, 1909, G DOANE on PPC (San J.81-54) E. \$5.00  
541 DOT, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (85-22) Est. \$5.00  
542 EDEN, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Wahkia.03-35) Est. \$8.00  
543 EDGEComb, 1913, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (99-53) Est. \$4.00  
544 EGYPT, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. (Linc.92-10) Est. \$8.00  
545 FAIRHAVEN, 1893, VG cds on cover. (What.89-04) Est. \$25  
546 FERRY, 1923, VG 4-bar on Reg.Pk.Rct. (1904-44) E.\$6.  
547 FIR, 1902, VG cds on cover. (Skagit 80-32) Est. \$8.00  
548 FIRDAL, 1913, G 4-bar on cvr w/letter. (Pac.12-18) E.\$20  
549 FLORENCE, 1901, G+ cds on cover. (Snoh.84-49) E.\$8.00

## WASHINGTON

- 550 FORT CANBY, 1901, G+ duplex on cover. (Pac.90-23) E.\$10  
551 FORT FLAGLER, 1901, VG cds on cover. (Jeff.00-33) E.\$10.  
552 FORT FLAGLER, 1903, G+ cds on #10 cover. (00-33) E. \$6  
553 FOSTER, 1905, VG DOANE as rec'd on PPC. (King 1903-07) also BLACK RIVER cds as fwd.mark. Est. \$15.00  
554 FULDA, 1909, G+ DOANE on PPC. (Klick.77-12) E.\$8.00  
555 GEORGETOWN, 1909, G dplx on PPC. (1901-10) E. \$4.00  
556 GLACIER, 1908, G+ DOANE on PPC. (What.04-60) Est. \$6.00  
557 GOSHEN, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC. (What.91-18) Est. \$8.00  
558 GULER, 1914, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Klick.03-36) Est. \$5.00  
559 HARMONY, 1919, G lite 4-bar on Reg.Pk.Rct. (90-24) E.\$6  
560 HILLYARD, 1915, VG dplx on PPC. (Spok.94-10) Est. \$5  
561 IRONDALE, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Jeff.01-20) E.\$12.00  
562 JOHNSON, 1930, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (Whit.88-56) E\$5  
563 KAMILCHE, 1897, G cds on GPC (Mason 78-07) Est. \$20.  
564 LADU, 1910, G (db le.strk.) DOANE on PPC. (95-13) E.\$8.  
565 LAFLEUR, 1921, G 4-bar on USDA Pen.cd. (17-41) E.\$8.00  
566 LAKESIDE, 1911, F dplx on PPC. (Che1.93-56) Est. \$6  
567 LOWGAP, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Grant 06-21) E.\$10.00  
568 MANZANITA, 1910, VG cds & target on PPC. (1903-27) E.\$8  
569 MCCORMICK, 1914, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (Lewis 99-29) E.\$10.  
570 MELROSE, 1890, VG cds on cover. (Pierce 84-89) Est. \$50.  
571 MILITARY STA./TACOMA.REC'D, 1906, G cds rec'd on PPC. A very scarce 3-month postal unit. Est. \$20.00  
572 MOAB, 1928, VG 4-bar on slightly o'size cvr. (02-29) E\$8  
573 MOFFETT SPRINGS, 1907, F 4-bar on PPC. (1907-08). E\$60.  
574 NEW DUNGENESS/REC'D, 1891, VG cds as sending mark on cover w/encl. letter. (Clall.69-92) Est. \$50.00  
575 NORTH YAKIMA, 1902, VG dplx w/inv.date on cover. Est. \$4.  
576 OTTER, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Graps 92-12) E. \$12.00  
577 PASCO, 1887, G cds on cvr cut into #210. Terr. Est. \$6  
578 PEOLA, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (80-35) Est. \$5.00  
579 PLAZA, 1910, G+ DOANE on PPC. (88-74) Est. \$4.00  
580 PRINDLE, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (08-38) Est. \$5.00  
581 PUGET, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Thurs.04-28) E. \$6.00  
582 SHARON, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC w/UR cnr.off. (08-45) E.\$6.  
583 SOUTH PRAIRIE, 1890, G cds on cvr. Est. \$8.00  
584 YOUNGSTOWN, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (1905-09) Est. \$6.  
585 Lot of 3 19th cent.cvrs, 1890-99, G-VG: TACOMA, WALLA WALLA & VANCOUVER. Est. \$10.00

## WISCONSIN

- 586 ALLENVILLE, 1910, G+ 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
587 CALHOUN, 1913, VG DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
588 CALVARY, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
589 COOPERSTOWN, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
590 DETROIT HARBOR, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$4.  
591 HIKA, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
592 LIMA CENTER, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00  
593 ROCKTON, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
594 ROSELAWN, 1906, F DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00  
595 SAWYER, 1907, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00  
596 Pair of covers w/VG DOANES: POYSIPPI & HUB CITY. E\$5.

## WYOMING

- 597 ACME, 1915, VG 4-bar on cover. (09-80) Est. \$5.00  
598 CAREYHURST, 1909, lite, readable 4-bar on PPC. DPO. E.\$4  
599 FREDERICK, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (94-23) Est. \$10.00  
600 NEWFORK, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC. (88-18) Est. \$12.00  
601 SHOSHONE AGENCY, 1903, G+ dplx on cvr. (81-05) Est. \$12.

## POSSESSIONS

- 602 ARECIBO/P.R., 1898, readable Spanish-style cds ties 2-ct OMAHA on cover. Est. \$12.00  
603 CHRISTIANSTED/V.I., 1945, VG dplx ties #C26 on cml.cvr. E\$3  
604 MIL.STA.No.2 PHILIPPINE ISLANDS/CAVITE, 1901, VG dplx ties pair of #214 (one damaged) on cvr. Est. \$20.00  
605 YAP/CAROLINE ISLANDS, 1955, VG 4-bar on cml.cvr. E.\$8.

## CANADA

- 606 CHURCH HOUSE/B.C., 1911, VG split ring on PPC. DPO. E.\$6  
607 WEBBER/ALTA., 1912, VG split-ring as rec'd on PPC. E.\$8  
608 APO 462, Sta.6, in r.a. on 1944 cover w/APO 4-bar. Sent by a member of 331st Engrs. Alaska Hwy. Est. \$8.

## RURAL FREE DELIVERY

- 609 ALTA/ILL., 1915, RT.29, UNLISTED FANCY CIRCLE on PPC. E\$50  
610 CEDAR FALLS/IOWA, 1902, VG Ty1 on cvr opened into 2-ct red. Est. \$4.00  
611 Dover/NJ, c.1913, Ty11F on PPC. Est. \$4.00  
612 Emmett/Ida., c.1910, Ty11F on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
613 FISK/WIS., 1907, VG Ty2FA, Rt.26, on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
614 FRANKFORT/ILL., 1910, G Type2F on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
615 GENEVA/N.Y., 1902, Rt.4., VG Ty1 on cover. Est. \$8.00  
616 Hall/NY, 1915, Ty11A on PPC. Est. \$6.00

**RURAL FREE DELIVERY (Cont.)**

- 617 Jefferson/OR., c.1910, Ty11F on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 618 LAMAR/IND., 1911, about G Ty6DG (FLAG) on PPC. Est. \$30.  
 619 METHUEN STA./LAWRENCE/MASS., 1906, G+ red Ty1A. PPC. E\$8  
 620 Portland/OR., c.1912, Ty11F on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 621 RUTHVEN/IOWA, 1908, VG purple Ty1W on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 622 STAMFORD/NEB., 1909, VG mag Ty 1W on PPC. Est. \$8.00  
 623 TERRYVILLE/CONN., 1906, G Ty 2F on PPC. Est. \$5.00  
 624 WATERLOO/N.Y., 1902, Vg Ty1 on cover. Est. \$8.00  
 625 Winside/Nebr., c.1908, Rt.2, Ty11F on PPC. Est. \$5.00

**RAILWAY POST OFFICES**

- 626 ALBANY & YAQUINA, 1918, VG (900.1-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.  
 627 ALBUQ. & WILLIAMS, 1907, G+ (964-K-1) on PPC. Terr. E.\$12  
 628 ASHFORK & PHOENIX, 1908, VG (967-A-1) TERR. PPC. E.\$30.  
 629 ASHLAND & SAN FRAN., 1911, G (894-I-1) on cvr. Est. \$5.  
 630 BIGGS & SHANIKO, 1913, G+ (896.4-A-1) on PPC. E.\$10.  
 631 BILLINGS & RED LODGE, 1909, G(891.5-B-1) on PPC. E.\$6.00  
 632 BILLINGS & THERMOP., 1911, VG (961-H-1) on PPC. E.\$12.  
 633 BROOKINGS & GETTYS., 1910, VG (887.2-A-1) on PPC. E.\$10  
 634 C.B.OF B. & M.R./RR., c.1874, VG (749-A-1) on UX3. E.\$20.  
 635 C.CREEK JUNC. & KAYFORD, 1910, G (287-C-1) on PPC. E\$10.  
 636 DENVER COLO. TERMINAL/R.P.O., 1944, VG mach. on PPC. E\$2  
 637 DODGE & TRINIDAD, 1926, G+ (911-T-1) on PPC. Est. \$4  
 638 EL PASO & LOS ANG., 1901, VG (963-M-1) on Pv.Mail.PPC.E\$8  
 639 FAYETTE & BENNETTS., 1914, G+ (324-C-unl.) PPC. Est.\$8.  
 640 HARR. & LEWES, 1891, G+ (265-G-1) on cvr. Est. \$6.00  
 641 HEMPSTEAD & LLANO, 1924, G+ (474-D-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.  
 642 KNOX & WALLAND, 1912, VG (506-C-1) on PPC. Est. \$10.00  
 643 LYONS & WILLIAMSPORT, 1915, VG (136-D-unl.) PPC. E.\$6.  
 644 MACKINAW & HOUGHTON, 1895, G lite (638-I-1) on cover w/fancy cc of Detroit White Lead Works. Est. \$12.00  
 645 MARYSV. & IDA. FALLS, 1909, VG (890-Q-1) on PPC. Est. \$20.  
 646 MAYSVILLE & STANFORD, 1909, VG (534-D-1) on PPC. Est.\$8  
 647 MERID. & MOBILE/AGT., 1878, lite, readable (420-unl.) on 3-ct green entire. Est. \$10.00  
 648 NEW BED. & NANTUC., 1904, VG (B-3-a) on cvr. (stboat)E.\$8  
 649 NO. WOODS. & PLYMOUTH, 1910, VG (31.1-B-1) on PPC. E.\$6.00  
 650 NORTHPORT & SPOK., 1905, G+(o'strk) (902.1-E-1).PPC.E\$8  
 651 NORWOOD & UTICA, 1893, G (102-R-2) on U349. Est. \$10.  
 652 PAC.JCT. & DENVER/T.RUN, 1906, VG (933-P-1) on PPC. E.\$6  
 653 PORT. & DUNSMUIR, 1930, G+ (894-K-1) on cover. Est. \$6.  
 654 PRINCE & LESTER, 1908, VG (292.3-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$15  
 655 RINCON & SILVER CITY, 1912, VG (965.4-C-3) on PPC. E.\$6  
 656 SAN ANT. & COR. CHRISTI, 1909, VG (482-L-1) on PPC. E.\$6.  
 657 SAN ANTONIO & McALLEN/HPO, 1966, VG 4-bar ties 4-ct Lincoln on NON-PHILATELIC COVER. Est. \$6.00  
 658 SAN BERN. & ESCONDIDO, 1893, VG (987-H-1) on U349.E.\$20  
 659 SAN FRAN.S.JOSE & LOS ANG., 1906. VG(980-P-1) PPC. E.\$4.  
 660 SEATTLE & NEAH BAY/S.R., 1914, readable on PPC. E. \$10  
 661 ST. LOUIS & MON., 1909, VG (807-unl.) on PPC. Est. \$5.00  
 662 STARLAKE & NEW LIS., 1912, VG (848.1-F-1) on PPC. E. \$6  
 663 WILLITS & SAN FRAN., 1905, G+ (985-U-1) on PPC. Est.\$8.  
 664 YACOLT & KALAMA, 1907, about G (901.1-A-1) PPC. E. \$25

**TROLLEYS**

- 665 BALTIMORE ROLAND PARK & SAINT HELENA, 1897, VG FLAG on cover (Ba-3-b(2)). Est. \$10.00  
 666 BALTIMORE TOWSON & CATONSVILLE, c.1920, FLAG on PPC.E.\$3

**SHIPS AND NAVAL RELATED**

- 667 AMERICAN EXPORT LINES/S.S.EXCAMBION/PAQUEBOT MAIL ties 3-ct Liberty on cover w/add'l PAQUEBOT h/s. Non-phil.E\$8  
 668 NEW YORK/NAVAL OPERATING BASE BERMUDA BR., 1941, VG 3-bar on GPC. Est. \$5.00  
 669 SS MAUNA KEA, 1914, 3-line purple ship marking on PPC pm HONOLULU 1 day later. Est. \$12.00  
 670 U.S.M.C./PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI, 1933, readable dplx on non-philatelic cover. Est. \$8.00  
 671 US/NAVY/824, Jul 1 1946 on cvr w/cachet "CARRIED ON ATOM BOMBING PLANE"/.../BIKINI, MARSHALL IS. Light crease. Scarce piece. Est. \$40.00  
 672 USS HELENA, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC w/sm.tear @ bottom.E\$6  
 673 USS PENNSYLVANIA; NAVY 13746 BR., Jun 1946, non-phil. cover from BIKINI ATOLL TEST ship. Est. \$40.00  
 674 USS PENSACOLA, 1920, VG 3-bar on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 675 USS PORTLAND, 1933, VG 3-bar w/LABOR/DAY in bars on #10 envelope with flattened wrinkles. Est. \$3.00  
 676 USS TUSCALOOSA & USS NORTHAMPTON, 1934, VG 3-bars on two cacheted covers. Est. \$6.00  
 677 USS WASHINGTON, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$6.00

**FLIGHTS**

- 678 DENVER 1927 & 1930, pair of attractive air covers to Holland. No cachets, but collector inspired. Est. \$8.00  
 679 F.A.M. 17, 1938, Baltimore-Bermuda FFC. Est. \$4.00  
 680 HONOLULU, 1931/01/30, Pacific Coast Shore-Ship. Est. \$8.  
 681 LAKEHURST/NJ, May 6, 1932, USS AKRON Coast-Coast, cach.E\$8  
 682 LAKEHURST/NJ, Aug.2, 1932, USS AKRON Tr.Flt.cachet. E\$4  
 683 LINDBERGH, CHICAGO-ST.LOUIS, 2-21-28, horseshoe cachet w/final destination in Holland. Est. \$10.00  
 684 LOS ANGELES, Aug.26, 1929, Graf Zeppelin to Lakehurst/NJ cachet w/Lakehurst b/s. Est. \$8.00  
 685 NYC-HARTFORD, 1926, FFC, #C7 tied by Triple cds. E.\$6.  
 686 OMAHA/AIR MAIL FIELD, May 30, 1932, BALLOON RACE cach.E\$6  
 687 SAN FRAN., 11/22/1935, China Clipper (SF-Hono.) E.\$6.00  
 688 SAN PEDRO, Jun 12, 1931, 1st ship-shore by Dirigible w/ nice cachets. Est. \$10.00

**MILITARY**

- 689 APO 25, 1952, VG 4-bar ties 15-ct PREXY on air cover to Turkey. Sent by Turkish soldier in Korea. E.\$8.00

**EXPOSITIONS**

- 690 OHIO CENTENNIAL EXPO., 1888, o'all illus. ad on back on back of cover pm TRANSF.CLERK, COLUMBUS, 1888. E.\$50.00  
 691 PHILADELPHIA MODEL PO, 1926, VG machine ties #C7 on Sesqui. Cent. FFC. Est. \$8.00  
 692 PORTLAND, ORE./EXPOSITION STATION, 1905, G+(PO5-02) on Lewis & Clark PPC(N.C.R. Motion Pictures) Est. \$10.00

**MACHINE CANCELS**

- 693 BOSTON, 1897, VG INVOLUTE FLAG P-43(c) on cvr. Est. \$6.  
 694 CHICAGO, 1896 & 1899, 2 FLAGS ("O" & "N") on 2 cvrs. E\$3  
 695 PITTSBURGH PA STA C, 1899, VG HAMPDEN Ty5 on cvr. E. \$5  
 696 PUKWANA, S.DAK., 1924, VG FLAG on #10 cvr. Scarce. E. \$8  
 697 REED CITY, 1912, VG PERFECTION on PPC. Est. \$6.00  
 698 SAN DIEGO, 1909, two FLAG varieties on 2 PPCs. Est. \$2.  
 699 TULSA/IND.T., 1906, G+ FLAG on cover. Est. \$8.00

**AUXILIARY MARKINGS**

- 700 "Unknown to R.F.D.Carriers/Nos..." on PPC pm MILTON, PA 1909 to Milton, Pa. Est. \$5.00  
 701 DAMAGED BY/CANCELLING MACHINE on PPC w/tear postmarked PORTLAND/OREG., 1911. Est. \$8.00

**ADVERTISING COVERS**

- 702 BOTANIC DRUGGIST, fancy red cc on cvr pm red BOSTON dcds & #65 tied by boxed PAID. 1862 w/encl. Est. \$25.  
 703 CHICKEN, illus. poultry dlr cvr pm HOPE/IND RFD, Rt.17 1903. G-VG strike, but cover ruff @ Rt. Est. \$10.00  
 704 CIGAR, multicolor illus ad for mfg. pm DAVENPORT/IA., 1921. Opened roughly into stamp. Est. \$6.00  
 705 COLLECTION Agency illus. cc. on cvr pm BOSTON, 1894, AMERICAN BAR w/"5", VG. Est. \$4.00  
 706 CONFECTIONERS, illus. of store on cvr pm PHILADELPHIA 1893 AM. MACHINE CANCEL. Est. \$10.00  
 707 COW, illus ad cvr of dairy prods.mfg. pm WEST DE PERE/ WIS. FLAG, 1934. UL corner missing. Est. \$12  
 708 COWBOY, illus Livestock Comm. merchants cc on cover pm KANSAS CITY/STOCK YARDS STA., 1910, encl. Est. \$10.  
 709 HARDWARE, illus. factory on cvr pm BURLINGTON/VT.1931.EB  
 710 HORN, shell & bone dlr. cc (not illus) pm NEW YORK ca. 1875. Est. \$4.00  
 711 HORSE, beautiful multicolor stable blanket ad cover w/ads on both sides. Unused. Est. \$5.00  
 712 HORSES, lite handstamp horse breeder ad on cvr w/pm of PLEASANTON/CAL. 1900. Est. \$8.00  
 713 HOTEL, illus cvr from THE HALLIDAY/CAIRO, IL, pm CAIRO TRANS.CLK, 1905, VG. Est. \$12.00  
 714 HOTEL, illus of Appledore House & boat landing on cvr pm PORTSMOUTH/NH, 1892. Est. \$8.00  
 715 HOTEL, illus. BEAVER BLOCK HOUSE/Butte/MT. pm VG BUTTE Flag, 1905. Est. \$12.00  
 716 HOTEL, illus. Lewis & Clark Hotel/Lewiston/ID, pm 1939 LEWISTON. Est. \$5.00  
 717 HOTEL, illus. LIGHTHOUSE on Isles of Shoals Hotel cvr. pm PORTSMOUTH/NH, 1896. Est. \$5.00  
 718 HOTEL, illus. Terminal Hotel/St.Louis cover w/ST.LOUIS TERMINAL STA., 1904, machine tying 2-ct LA PURCH. E.\$15  
 719 HOTEL, multicolor o'all ad illus of EVELYN HOTEL in Thief River Fall, MN on rev of cvr pm ST PAUL & EMPORIA RPO., 1922. Est. \$12.00  
 720 LION, illus on furniture co. ad cvr pm BOSTON, 1898.E.\$4  
 721 MAP, "The Niagara Frontier" o'all illus. on reverse of cover pm BUFFALO, 1896. Est. \$12.00



## ADVERTISING COVER

- 722 MULE TEAM, illus Borax Co. cover pm CHICAGO 1901. E\$10.
- 723 NEWS, New Eng. Associated Press fancy cc on cover pm BOSTON, 1896, OVATE FLAG "8", VG. Est. \$4.00
- 724 RELIGION, cover full of scriptures pm HAMBURG/PA. '08. E\$4
- 725 SASPARILLA, illus ad cvr pm BOSTON FLAG, 1897. Est. \$10.
- 726 SCHOOL, Western Normal... of Shenandoah/Iowa, beautiful illus cover franked w/1-ct banknote but no pm. Est. \$8.
- 727 SCRIP & land warrant dealer, fancy cc on 3-cent Nesbitt pm WASHINGTON/DC, 1859, minor edge toning. Est. \$15.00
- 728 TELEGRAPH, Postal Telgraph-Cable Co., illus cc. cover pm NYC FLAG 18, 1897. Est. \$5.00
- 729 TOBACCO, multicolor CLIMAX PLUG ad on cvr PM JERSEY CITY/NJ, 1894. Est. \$25.00
- 730 WIRE FENCE, printed ad on back of UX9 pm FREDERICK/MD 1887. Est. \$3.00
- 731 WOOD PRODUCTS, illus. cc. on cvr pm SEATTLE FLAG, '99. E\$8
- 732 Lot of 8 diff. CALIF. ad & business cc. covers from 1920's; half are illustrated. G-VG cond. Est. \$20.00

## STAMPS ON COVER

- 733 #789 x 8 frank cml. air cover w/Hotel illus. to Saar. PM St. Louis 1937. B/s FRANKFURT KRAG machine. Est. \$6
- 734 Lot of 3 covers w/#63 x 3. Postmarks: PHILADELPHIA, JERSEY CITY & COOPERSTOWN/NY. Est. \$8.00
- 735 Lot of 3 Drop Rate covers w/#63 + one w/#63 & #65. E.\$8

## MISCELLANY

- 736 Album of Union Pac. Rwy, 20 pp of superb RR & western scenes. Browntone. No date but stamped w/News Agency Cheyenne, W.T. Est. \$30.00
- 737 BICYCLE MAIL, 1944 cacheted commemorative cvr. pm SAN FRANCISCO. Est. \$5.00
- 738 Essay of proposed Victory Stamp('45), later used for 1950 Capital Sesquicentennial stamp. Est. ?
- 739 GRACE COOLIDGE signature as Free Frank on cover pm. CO??, NC., 1934. Est. \$15.00
- 740 STEAMSHIP/10 bold circle handstamp & mss. "pr Columbia" on SFL headed Havana 1862 to NYC. Est. \$40.00
- 741 STEAMSHIP/20 VG circle handstamp on SFL w/"pr. Asti" headed Havana 1861 to NYC. Est. \$40.00
- 742 WYOMING, Pocket Map & Shippers' Guide, 1909. VG-Fine. E\$8.
- 743 Lot of 12 cvrs w/letters to/from CCC worker at Yankee Hill Camp, California. Pms BUTTE MEADOWS, YANKEE HILL & CHICO, 1938. Est. \$15.00

## END OF SALE

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT LOTS FOR AUCTION 16  
IS MAY 20, 1987**

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VF (very fine) - all letters well struck and clearly readable;

F (fine) - one of more letters may be light, but the postmark is clearly readable in its entirety;

G (good) - one or more letters are indistinct, but the postmark is a representative example;

P (poor) or "readable" - there is no doubt about the identity of the postmark, but it is not a great example.

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# ABBREVIATIONS COMMONLY USED:

PPC - picture post card  
GPC - government postal card  
cbs - circular date stamp  
dcbs - double circular date stamp  
sfc - stampless folded cover; no letter  
sfl - stampless folded letter  
dplx - duplex postmark & cancel  
b/s - backstamp  
rec'd - received marking  
LDC - last day cover

## PRICES REALIZED SUBSCRIBERS' AUCTION NO. 14

206	5.00	309	11.00	412	11.00	511	7.50	611	5.50
207	5.50	310	6.50	413	11.00	512	7.50	612	3.50
208	3.80	311	2.50	414	26.00	513	5.50	613	9.50
209	9.50	312	2.50	415		514		614	15.00
210	2.00	313	2.00	416		515		615	55.00
211	280.00	314	3.50	417	4.50	516	8.50	616	2.00
212	4.50	315	5.50	418	11.00	517	8.50	617	11.00
213	5.00	316	24.00	419	22.00	518		618	
214	8.00	317	18.00	420	4.00	519		619	
215		318		421		520	8.50	620	
216	7.00	319	5.00	422		521		621	
217	9.00	320	18.00	423		522		622	6.50
218	3.50	321		424		523		623	
219	4.00	322	4.50	425		524	19.00	624	
220	6.00	323		426		525	14.00	625	6.50
221		324		427		526		626	9.00
222	3.50	325		428		527		627	4.50
223	6.50	326	5.00	429		528	8.50	628	7.50
224	2.50	327	3.50	430		529	4.00	629	12.00
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- 14, 5 Auxiliary Markings (Called Out); RFD Supplement; Postal Note Business; Houghton Co., Michigan; Louisville, KY; Leavenworth & Pike's Peak Expr.; Trinity Co., Calif.; Lucas, NM; Cottage Grove-Laslett (OR); Buffey, Colo.; Nevada Postmark Catalog (Lyon); Unlisted Confederates; Philadelphia Letter Stations; Confederate Mail bags; RR of South Carolina; Schedule of Mail Trains for Nebraska, Colorado & Wyoming, 1917. Prices: \$3.00
- 14, 6 Auxiliary Markings (Unavailable); RFD Supplement; Nevada Postmark Catalog (Orasby); Utah Post Offices (Utah); James Two-good; Charleston, SC; Barry Machines of Pittsburgh; Letter Stations of New York City; Mules & Mail; Philadelphia Letter Stations; Hood, Virginia; Houghton Co., Mich.; Red Cloud, Nebraska; California & Nevada RFDs (The Boon Towne). Prices: \$3.00

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FLAG CANCELS on cover. Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Send priced original or photocopy or request my offer. John White (APS), 780 NW Wallula Avenue, Gresham, OR 97030.

FLORIDA COVERS wanted. Territorial, Confederate, unusual postmarks, franking. Buy or trade. Herb McNeal, 520 Lakemont Ave., South, Winter Park, FL 32792. Phone: (305) 644-4012

IMPERF AND Private perfs on cover, especially multiples everything from common to rare. Also looking for unusual Wash/Franklins on cover or unusual usage of Wash/Franklins, especially coil waste. High prices paid. R.G. Stamps, Box 160503, Sacramento, CA 95816

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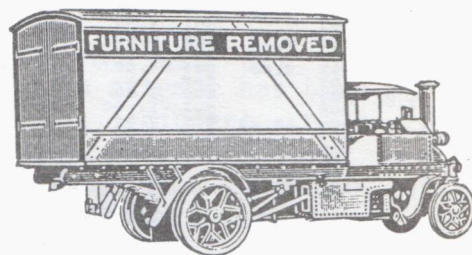
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TEXAS WORLD War I Aeronautics Branch covers wanted. Send description or photocopy. Jane Fohn, Route 2, Box 352, Leander, TX 78641

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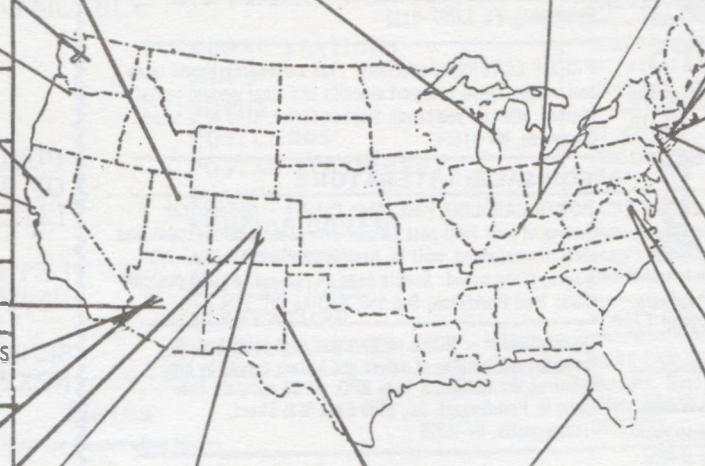
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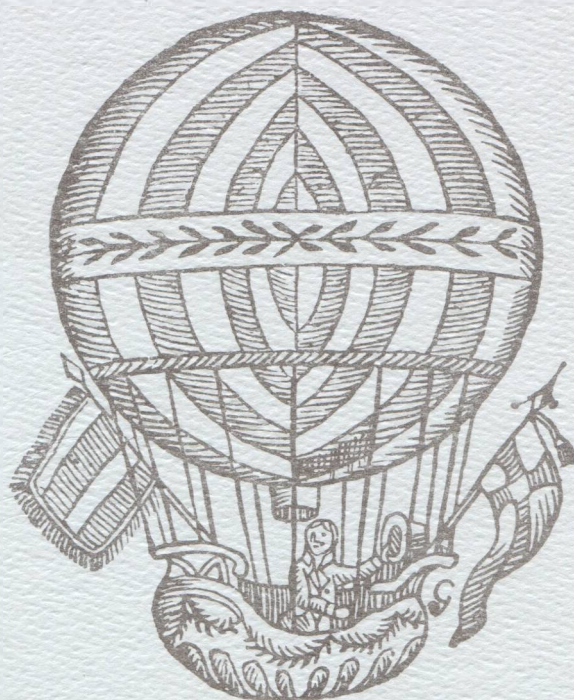
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