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Once in A Lifetime?

On January 12, 1989, a remarkable event is scheduled to take place in Tucson, Arizona. Billed as a "Postal History Seminar", the conference is sponsored by the Western Pos-

tal History Museum and will take place the day before ARIPEX '89 (See Announcement & Details on Page 11). Although exactly what will happen at this event is still very much a matter of conjecture, the fact that the Seminar is being organized is a matter of potentially great importance to the hobby. Whether or not the event manages to realize its potential is, at this time, unimportant. What is important is that its being held at all.



The Western Postal History Museum has invited a group of people, whose names are more or less known in the hobby, to take part in a series of discussions focused on topics of concern in postal history. Each discussion will feature a panel of invitees and will be open to public participation. It is my understanding that the invitees are there merely to contribute their information and opinions and to organize the discussions. This is not to be a lecture series, although the exact format of each discussion is being left open by the Museum.

The framework for the Seminar appears ideal for generating some ideas of lasting importance to the hobby. It has a structure which will bring together people of similar interests, and yet is flexible enough to encourage new and unexpected views and information. This framework, on its own, is likely to insure that both invited and public discussion participants will have a good time and learn something new, but in order for the discussions to be truly productive, i.e., to have a broad and lasting impact on the hobby, there must be two key ingredients added to the discussions.

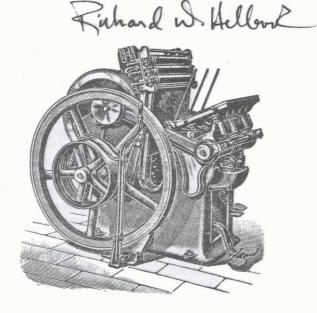
First and foremost, there must be participation by people whose names do not appear on the program listing. The fact that the Seminar is scheduled for the day before ARIPEX should help to encourage broader participation, for there will be no conflict between activities at the show and the scheduled discussions. But I am concerned that some might view the whole affair as an attempt by "insiders" to massage their egos. As a likely participant in some of the discussions, I can give my complete assurance that this is not the intent of the event as I see it.

Postal history is a fascinating and vital hobby. Its vitality flows directly from the variety of ideas generated by those who participate in it. There is no way that anyone can compose a list of 20 or 30 names and claim that these people have a corner on the important ideas in the hobby. So it is with the invited participant list. Without participation by new and different voices, the discussions are apt not to realize their broader possibilities.

The second key ingredient must be a acceptance of responsibility by those invited to prepare themselves for meaningful participation. Even though invited participants are not being directly compensated, each of us has a real stake in the hobby and we ought not to let this opportunity to bring changes slip by. Some of the discussion topics address themselves to ways in which collectors can acquire more enjoyment from the hobby, others are more philosophical and long range in scope. All of the topics represent avenues along which changes could be made for the betterment of postal history. We, as individuals, have often talked about ways in which we would like to see postal history evolve. These Seminar discussions represent an opportunity to move our ideas beyond mere conversation. It is important that we devote the necessary time to organize our own thoughts, be ready to accept new ideas, and devise ways and means to propel improvements in the hobby beyond the Seminar.

A hearty thanks to the men and women of the Western Postal History Museum! Your planned Seminar has provided the hobby a forum through which we might, just might, be able to bring about some meaningful improvements in our hobby. If nothing else, we should all have a good time and get to know each other a little better.

I urge all of you to consider the possibility of a trip to Tucson in January. The weather is usually nice, there will be lots of interesting displays and events associated with ARIPEX, and the Postal History Seminar could possibly be a once in a lifetime event.



"Woodn't yew know it." Sinclair Lewis HI FIENDS: HAUING PILES OF S FUN HERE IN THE SOU PINEY WOODS. SEE M YOU FLAT LANDERS TOO SOON, I'M AFRAND ON HOPEFULY, BARTLES +JAMES RURAL ROUTE 4

A modern Rural Free Delivery cancel.

LETTERS TO LA POSTA

William Nix of Underwood, WA, sends along the card illustrated above and the following information about modern day Rural Carrier cancellations.

"In reference to our telephone conversation about Rural Carrier cancellation of mail picked up on the route for delivery further on the route; I've enclosed one card as an example. This type of delivery is not often encountered by the carrier, except in the case of a business at the beginning of the route sending out bills to customer further down the route.

I've been told that the carriers usually bring the mail back to the office for processing rather than sorting in the route car and (making a) cancel application to the stamps. Apparently, this a matter of carrier preference, or more rightly, carrier dedication to customer service. Taking the mail to the office will result in a one day delay in delivery.

The USPS provides for this type of situation in their *Rural Carrier Manual* (M-37) (stating that) any mail picked up on the route for delivery on down the route may be canceled by the carrier and delivered. A carrier is instructed to cancel by "writing" the office, date, and route on the postage. Of course, this is a laborious method of canceling mail, so the carriers don't do it.

Now, according to the dictionary, "write" or "writing" is the application of symbols to a surface via a tool, not necessarily the act of using a ball point on paper stamps. The example I'm sending was canceled by a carrier on the route utilizing a hand held device similar to the mimeo printer, data was typed onto the screen each day, and the cancel was disposed of each day. For future reference, the carrier is no longer on this route, so requests for cancels by collectors cannot be honored. Also, to be in strict compliance with the M-37, the carrier may only cancel mail for delivery further on down the route that was picked up earlier on the route."

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BOOKS IN REVIEW

IDAHO PLACE NAMES: A GEOGRAPHICAL DIC-TIONARY By Lalia Boone. Published in 1988 by the University of Idaho Press, Moscow, ID 83843. Available at \$19.67 postpaid (\$17.95 plus \$1.72 shipping) from Pacific Northwest Books, P.O. Box 314, Medford, OR 97501.

While not actually a postal history reference, this new volume should appeal to anyone interested in Idaho postal history. The book offers a wealth of location data and historical information on past and present Idaho towns and obscure post offices.

The author has based her investigation of Idaho place names on numerous previous, more localized studies. The previous studies have been neatly combined and supplemented by new research to yield over 3000 listings encompassing the entire state.

For a particular town or other feature, the location is given by present-day county as well as township, range, and section. Adjacent rivers and railroads are also specified. An explanation of the origin of the name under consideration is then provided along with a concise historical description of the place. Unfortunately, whereas the location data is reliable, the historical information is occasionally questionable. In cases where the only known derivation of a place name might be regarded as fanciful or dubious due to the absence of original documentation, the suspicious derivation is sometimes given without any disclaimer (e.g, Salubria and Winchester). On the other hand, in cases where alternative explanations of place names are recognized, the alternatives are usually treated objectively (e.g., Bruneau and Weiser).

From a postal history standpoint, the most irksome problem with the treatise is its tendency to blame place names on arbitrary dictates by the Post Office Department. Supposed disapprovals of one name in favor of another name when post offices were established are typically illogical and inconsistent with postal records (e.g., Beecherville is noted as having been rejected as a Post Office name because it was "too long," yet postal records show a Beecherville Post Office as existing 1880-81). Apparently, postal records were not checked thoroughly. The dates of operation for post offices that are given in the book are frequently wrong.

Inaccuracies relating to postal records notwithstanding, strengths far outweigh weaknesses in this first authoritative study of Idaho place names. The book is an important contribution to the body of literature on Idaho history.

Mark Metkin

LATER 20TH CENTURY "FALSE REPRE-SENTATION" HANDSTAMPS by James H. Patterson, 1988. Published by, and available from, the author at \$8.50 postpaid: Box 3456, Phoenix, AZ 85030. Southbound, 8.5x11, 48pages.

Definitely one of the more specialized studies of postal markings I have come across, Patterson explains, classifies and illustrates these interesting auxiliary markings in a forthright, easy to follow fashion. Markings in this study date from 1975 to the present, and, since the monograph is labeled "Fraud-Nonmailable Monograph Series No.6", there are presumably other numbers dealing with markings of this type from an earlier era.

Patterson, a lawyer with over 12 years experience with Fraudulent markings, illustrates each of the markings, along with the post office from which it was used and the range of dates it was used. Appendices reprint the text of rules and regulations governing the handling of lottery mail and false representation, under which these markings are used.

This is an interesting, well-organized, and ambitious monograph providing in-depth coverage of a sidelight of postal history with which most of us are completely unfamiliar.

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MANITOBA POST OFFICES. Edited by William G. Robinson, 1988. Published by William Topping, 7430 Angus Drive, Vancouver, BC V6P 5K2 CANADA. Available from the publisher for \$8.00 + \$1.54 Canadian funds). Softcover, 6x9 inches, 48 pages.

The latest in a series of post office listings edited by Robinson and Topping continues the same format they have used for British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan. Post offices are listed alphabetically, and information for each office includes dates of operation, types of cancels known to have been used, location of the office, and a rarity factor applied to postmarks from that office.

The booklet is a no-frills approach to post office listings, which allows the editors to maintain a low price and thus makes the information available to the greatest number of people. This reviewer heartily applauds Robinson and Topping for taking this approach, and strongly recommends the purchase of this, as well as the other volumes in their series, by anyone with an interest the post offices of western Canada.

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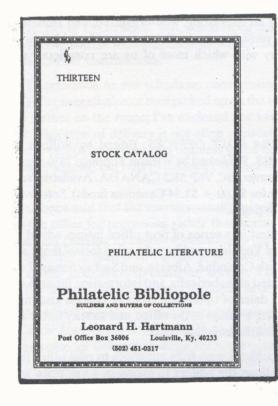
LEONARD HARTMANN'S THIRTEENTH STOCK CATALOG OF PHILATELIC LITERATURE. Compiled by Leonard Hartmann, 1988. Available from Hartmann for \$2.00 postpaid: P.O. Box 36006, Louisville, KY 40233. Soft cover, 8.5x5.5 inches, 96 pages.

La Posta has carried reviews of earlier editions of Hartmann's Stock Catalogs, and we are pleased to recommend this latest edition. This listing contains the most complete offering of postal history literature available in the United States, and Leonard Hartmann has earned the reputation of being an honest, well-organized businessman, who fills his orders promptly.

The Hartmann catalog lists literature according to the following headings: Classic US, CSA, GB, Forgery and Maritime. Listings of available "State Postal Histories" cover nine and one-half pages!

It would be easy for me to rave on and on about the merits of Hartmann's catalog, but I will simply say that, in my opinion, the \$2 spent for a copy of the catalog is the second best investment you can make in postal history --ranking just behind a \$10 subscription to LA POSTA.

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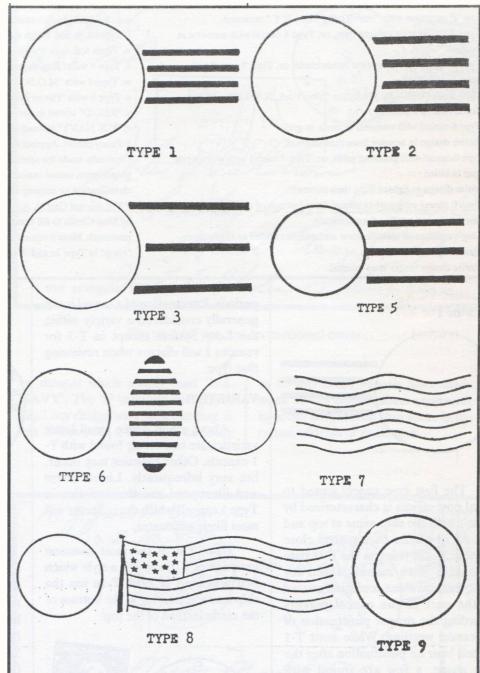
THE LOCY SYSTEM - PART I

By Jim Myerson, USCS Naval Historian

Some 20 years after the establishment of shipboard post offices in 1908, Lt. Commander Francis Locy (MC), U.S.N., devised a system to classify the types of postmarking devices which had been used by United States naval vessels. Known as the Locy System, this classification is still used today by naval collectors in virtually the identical form written by Commander Locy. The few changes which have been incorporated into the original have generally reflected new cancel types which were issued after Locy's death.

The Locy System classifies postmarks by device design. The circle containing the ship name and date slug, and the number, size, and spacing of the killer bars are the primary elements which identify the different Locy System types. Today, the system encompasses nine numbered cancel types. They are numbered 1 through 3 and 5 through 10, and are expressed as "Type 1", "Type 2, and so on, and are abbreviated T-1, T-2, etc. Type 4, which was part of the original system. has since been deleted and incorporated as a variety. There are two further types, and these are known as Type F and Type P. Type F (Fancy) is used to designate cancels not regularly issued by the government. Type P (Provisional) recognizes government cancels altered by mail clerks to affect repairs (such as replacing worn out killer bars with target killers), or inserting ship names into cancelling devices which were issued reading "U.S. Navy" for censorship purposes during wartime.

Variations in each basic Locy type cancel are designated by small letters. Some variations occur in only one type



Nine numbered cancel types of the Locy System.

cancel. Others can occur in more than one type. When this happens, the same small letter is used with the different basic types. For example, the small letter "a" signifies that all killer bars of a cancel have been removed or are missing. Whether a T-1, T-2, or T-3 basic type cancel, the small "a" after the number would mean that the killer bars are missing. Varieties of the basic cancel are abbreviated T-1a, T-3b, etc.

KEY LETTERS TO VARIATIONS

- a. All bars missing or removed.
- b. One or more, but not all, bars missing or removed.
- c. Any "f" variation with "New York (Br.) N.Y." removed.

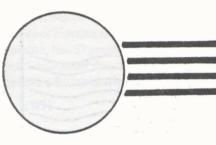
d. Type 7 cancel with straight bars, or, Type 6 cancel with numeral in open grid.

e. Type 6 cancel with year date inside circle, or, Type 7 cancel with vertical bars for killer.

f. "New York (USS---Br.) N.Y." or "New York, N.Y. USS---Br." in addition to ship's name.

- g. Type 6 cancel with numeral in circle in grid.
- h. Entire design in heavier lines than normal.
- i. Type 6 cancel with pointing grids, or, Type 7 cancel with wording or slogan in killer.
- j. Entire design in lighter lines than normal.
- k. Type 5 cancel with dashes absent from bottom of circle.
- m. Entire design smaller than normal.
- n. Ship's number or classification and number added to ship's name.
- o. Bars longer than normal.
- p. Entire design larger than normal.

TYPE 1



The first type cancel issued to Naval post offices is characterized by a circle with the ship name at top and four narrow killer bars spaced close together. Since this was the first time postmarks were manufactured for ships, it seems some confusion existed on the part of the cancel makers regarding the proper punctuation of the cancel wording. While most T-1 cancels bear no punctuation after the ship name, a few are found with periods after the name, and some with commas. It is thought that production workers who made the cancel dies. used to properly punctuating town postmarks with "TOWN, STATE", inserted commas after some ship names from habit. Perhaps, realizing that this was incorrect, some T-1 postmarks appear with periods after the ship name, i.e., the ship name being the end of a statement. The majority of T-1 cancels bear neither commas nor periods. Punctuation of a cancel is not generally considered a variety within the Locy System except in T-3 for reasons I will discuss when reviewing that type.

VARIETIES

About a half dozen small letter varieties are commonly found with T-1 cancels. Other varieties may occur, but very infrequently. Listed below and illustrated are the varieties in Type 1 cancels which the collector will most likely encounter.

T-1u This is the most common variation of T-1, and it is a style which first appeared in 1910. T-1u has the ship name appearing at the bottom of the circle instead of the top.



Figure 1.1 Type 1u.

- q. Type 7 cancel with 6 wavy lines instead of 7.
- r. Wider spacing than normal of letters in ship's name.
- s. U.S.S. and ship's name in serif letters.
- t. Types 2, 3, and 7 with ship's name at top of circle.
- u. Types 1, 5, 6, or 9 with ship's name at bottom of circle.
- v. Type 9 with "Registered" added in circle.
- w. Type 9 with "M.O.B." added in circle. (Money Order Business)
- x. Type 9 with "Parcel Post" added in circle.
- y. "REC'D" added in circle.
- z. "U.S. NAVY" instead of ship's name in circle.

F Fancy cancel. Applies to all cancels not government issued. Generally made for special purposes or events. Also includes government issued cancels not classifiable under existing system of classification or coming under Type P Provisional.

P Provisional Cancel. Applies to government issued cancels fixed up by Mail Clerks to fill temporary needs until arrival of new or suitable postmark. Most frequent example is substitution of ship's name for "Navy" in Type 2z and 3z cancels.



Figure 1.2 Type 1s.

T-1s The "s" variety refers to any postmark in which a serif typeface is used. In T-1, a small point serif typeface was selected for ships with long names (*PENNSYLVANIA*, *IN-DEPENDENCE*, *NEW HAMP-SHIRE*, etc.) to permit these names to fit within the T-1 circle. All save one of the T-1s cancels recorded are in small typeface represented by the example illustrated from *INDEPENDENCE* (Fig. 1.2). The exception is the *WEST VIRGINIA*. In addition to having a standard T-1s cancel, she also had one with a much larger typeface (Fig. 1.3).



Figure 1.3 Type 1s (large typeface).

T-1p The entire design of the circle and lettering is larger than normal (Figure 1.4).



Figure 1.4 Type 1p.

T-1m The entire design of the circle and lettering is smaller than normal (Figure 1.5).

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Figure 1.6 Type 1ru on censored cover.

by devices which simply read "U.S. NAVY". The "z" variation recognizes any Locy design with such wording. It has always been a source of curiosity

as to why these cancels were made when covers bearing them commonly have the uncensored ship name in the return address or enclosure.



Figure 1.5 Type 1m.

T-1ru The "r" variation denotes wide spacing between the letters of the ship name. This variation has been noted in Type 1 cancels in conjunction with a "u" variation (see above) as in the illustrated example from PUEBLO (Fig. 1.6).

T-1z Censorship was enforced during both WWI and WWII. By the end of each conflict, postmarks with the names of ships had been replaced

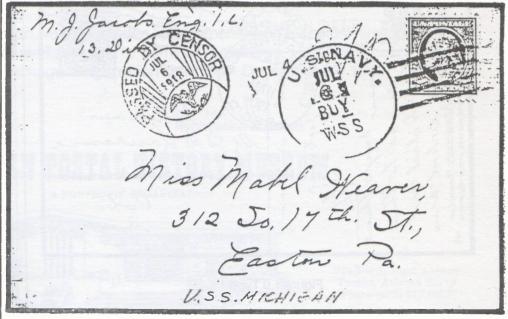


Figure 1.7 Type 1z-note slogan "BUY/WSS" war savings stamps.

T-1a The "a" variation denotes the absence of killer bars (Fig. 1.8 AL-BBANY).



Figure 1.8 Type 1a.

T-1ay T-1ay cancels are the receiving marks issued to the first ship post offices in 1908-1909. As receiving marks, no killer bars were needed. The cancels, therefore, bear an "a" designation, and the "y" indicates the wording "REC'D" in the bottom of the circle. Type 1ay cancels are seldom noted after 1909, and only a handful have been seen as late as 1911.

ODDS AND ENDS

There will always be cancels that are a bit unusual, and which don't exactly fit the System. A couple such cancels are illustrated in Figures 1.10 and 1.11 . The NORTH CAROLINA postmark is the only Type 1 recorded in its small condensed typeface. The WISCONSIN T-1u cancel was repaired after the dial and killer bars became separated. Whoever fixed it was 180 degrees off. (Similar reconstructions have been noted on CONNECTICUT T-1u and on the illustrated T-1p from NEW JERSEY).

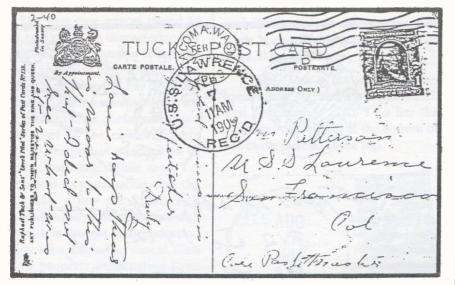


Figure 1.10 Type 1 (small typeface).



Figure 1.11 Type 1u after repair.







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DOANE 1 SEARCH UPDATE

The request for additional information on those elusive Type 1 Doane cancels brought an encouraging response over the past two months. Thanks to the dilligence of our readers, we are able to add over 100 new towns and dates of use, including a few from some previously unlisted states. The updates are reported below on a state by state basis. Numbers following the name of each state indicate the number of towns known to have used Doanes over the number of towns statistically expected to have used Doanes. LA POSTA wishes to thank the following cooperative spirits for sharing their information: Thomas Reiersgord; William C. Coles, Jr.; Walt Shivik; Bob Hedges; Bruce Hazelton; Ross Willey; Jim Mehrer; Randy Kimes; George Morris; James Hayes; Gordon Twedt; Ted Woodward; Alyce Evans; Robert Warfield; Douglas Penwell; Tom Mulvaney; Jack Smith; Michael Wiedemann; Andrew Buckland; Charles Boubelik; G.A. Estus; and a gentleman who reported two New York state towns and a Pennsylvania town, but who name became separated from his report. To all of you, our thanks. Please keep the reports of your new discoveries coming in. we've still got a long way to go, and some states are badly underreported. Send your reports to me, Bill Helbock, here at LA POSTA. NO* EARLIEST DATE LATEST DATE

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Northeastern Section

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So who's an expert?

Joe Karpenski of Norway, Michigan was one of those kind La Posta readers to greet me to the Northeast Section position. He also expressed amazement at the ability to decipher cover markings into a meaningful story. It's an acquired skill: those who have been around longer simply have more of it.

A bit of practical assistance will be addressed in the following pages. Hopefully it may help peel away fears that prevent others from making interesting contributions to our journal.

A comment to Mr Karpenski was that he must buy or borrow handbooks and read, read. Few of these were available 20 years ago. Postal research has come a long way since! Unfortunately philatelic books come in small printings usually and are difficult to locate, which is where various society lending libraries become indespensible.

(In future, reference lists will follow each article to provide the reader with a bibliography of sources with which to further his or her abilities.)

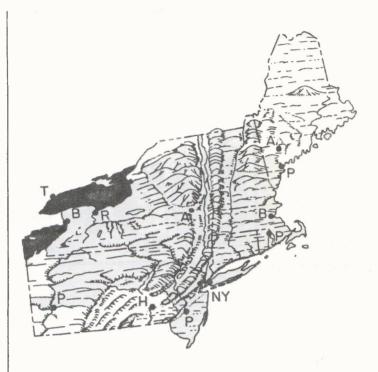
Philadelphia local and postal historian Al McCloskey and Bob Stets, former La Posta staffer, offered me a few slices of humble pie by suggesting a contrary opinion or two about Cover One ("Slow But Steady in Philadelphia") in the July 1988 issue.

Al has studied the Olney locale for 40 years. He relates that the "NS" after the street name stands for North Side, inasmuch as the area then was without street numbers--one of the outback regions of the city/county of Ph-. He went so far as to interview one of the last dwellers of what is left of Fishers Lane! That's research! Thanks.

Bob pointed out that the computer (of course!) had confused information about the last return trip: from Logan Station at 430PM on the 29th to Philadelphia, which received it and immediately transited it back north by 6PM, finally reaching its destination the next day by 730AM. Even more mysterious.

For this issue Doug Penwell, currently of Nevada, writes of his home town region in upstate New York and his adventures in decoding manuscripts. The "backwaters" of postal history have limitless interesting stories to tell. We all become near expert in many phases of our hobby. Why not shed some light with us on your favorite cover/town?

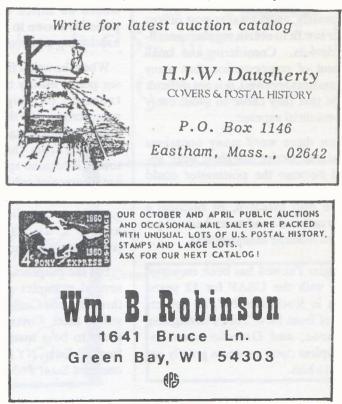
Those readers who are willing to write articles, please don't hesitate! Those too shy to become fully an author, scratch some ideas down, send them along and together with my computer style-grammar program, we'll be glad to help flesh them out.



Put your ideas on a cassette tape for that matter and send it. La Posta readers will no doubt be pleased with your insights as well.

Everytime we visit a show we hear great stories and comments about our hobby. These and your own views need to be written for us all to enjoy!

Let's have a favorite cover from the Northeast for each issue. Just describe it (with a clear, contrasty xerox) and tell why it has caught your imagination. Why NOT include covers from Vermont, Rhode Island, New Jersey, etc???



Inguista

Cover #1.

MANUSCRIPT MARKINGS: SOME OBSERVATIONS AND PROBLEMS

By Douglas Penwell

Many postal historians are much less excited about manuscript townmarks than they are about handstamps. Unfortunately, many smaller post offices never saw fit to obtain regular cancelling devices. Considering the small amount of compensation that many postmasters received, it is not difficult to see that they chose to avoid every non-essential expense.

Then there were many occasions when manuscript markings were applied because the postmaster could not locate his favorite canceller prior to the mail dispatch, or because a newly ordered handstamp had not yet arrived from the manufacturer.

Douglas Penwell has been on active duty with the USAF for 12 years Born in Rochester, NY, he collects covers from New York's Livingston Monroe, and Ontario counties Stampless cover contents greatly ap peal to him. Consider also that the rate was most often applied by pen in the stampless era. First issues are often seen cancelled with several strokes of a pen. Would it not be just as easy to do the entire job in manuscript?

And then there are the instances where an office during the same period is known to have applied both handstamp and manuscript markings.

When the writer first started collecting postal history there was a reluctance to pay higher prices for manuscripts. As the collection grew and circular datestamp markings were obtained from the more common towns, it became apparent that keeping manuscript markings at bay would be impossible if a representative grouping were to be assembled. This article discusses common problems associated with them.

For the purposes of this discussion, several examples of markings from three Monroe County, NY post offices will be used. Cover 1 shows what appears to be a manuscript townmark from Webster, NY franked with three one-cent Scott #63s. After obtaining this item, research revealed that Webster had been using handstamp townmarks previously in the early 1850s.

Hoping for further information, the writer contacted Henry Chlanda, the knowledgeable New York State approval dealer, to obtain examples of Webster postmarks used on the threecent Scott #65. One of these is illustrated as Cover 2.

Comparing this with stampless Cover 3 (1850s), one can readily see they are similar. The hand canceller at Webster had been in use for some time.

Feeling something wasn't right, the writer put Cover 1 aside. In February of this year additional covers (4 and 5) from the same correspondance were sent from the same dealer in Florida. Cover 4 was posted from West Webster. It was posted 10 weeks earlier use than cover 1 and bears a single three-cent Scott #26, as does cover 5.

The letter accompanying cover 1 is headed West Webster. Finally the writer became suspicious enough to

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check the envelope very carefully. The cover with the letter removed was held to the light. This revealed a hidden "W"--for West--under the first stamp! Cover 1's mystery was solved, thanks to two handstamped covers, research, and last minute inspiration. This experience should convince more people to examine their covers more carefully!

The postmaster may have penned both the address and town name, applying the stamps over the "W" for lack of space. The ink and handwriting used in the address and the postmanrk do appear to be by the same person.

Notice too that Cover 4 (November 14) indicates a late use of the threecent 1857. These stamps were to have been redeemed in September 1861. Cover 1 shows the transition to the one-cent 1861 10 weeks later (February, 1862). One wonders if the new one-cent stamps were supplied before the new three-cent stamps? Still more questions.

A problem which has not been resolved concerns Cover 6. This manuscript is from Fairport, NY. An office named Fairport opened in Chemung County in 1839 and was discontinued January 15, 1853. Another office of the same name was established in Monroe County January 22, 1853 (Kay and Smith), a town which had formerly been called Perinton (see Town Note below).

Since there is no year date, no letter, and no docketing, the "Paid 3" notation could have originated from either office between the advent of the three-cent rate on July 1, 1851 and 1855, when the use of stamps to prepay postage became compulsory. There have been manuscript markings reported from the Monroe County Fairport as early as late 1853.

(The cover has since been sent back East to see if anyone from the Empire State Postal History Society can distinguish which office by handwriting or some other method.)

So, one mystery solved, another is still a problem. Such is the saga of



Cover No. 6

identifying manuscript townmarks. Anyone who has struggled to decypher these postal markings will know how interesting but frustrating they can be.

A note about rarity: Because there are no manuscript postal markings reported from a particular town does NOT mean that such townmarks are rare. A peculiarity of manuscripts is that in many cases those from small, discontinued offices are more common than than those from large operating ones! Large offices tended to receive hand cancels early in their existences. Many of the smaller offices never used handstamps, as mail volume determined whether the office survived. And survival correlated with sufficient salary for the Postmaster to invest in cancelling equipment.

As for New York State manuscript townmarks, the years listed in the *American Stampless Cover Catalog* mean very little. It predates the manuscript publication of the EMPHS in 1984, and the ASCC dates are from single recorded examples. There are many examples known of both earlier and later dates. If you are interested in current data on New York manuscript townmarks, write to Empire State PHS, Box 5475, Albany, NY 12205.

A final word of warning about research: some collectors hold back information on covers in their possession for the purpose of representing certain items later as "rare".

A NOTE ABOUT THE TOWNS

Webster was known as North Penfield until about 1840 when the residents attended a speech by Daniel Webster in Rochester. They were so impressed they renamed the town after him. West Penfield changed its name to West Webster in 1844.

Fairport, Monroe County, was known as Perinton until 1853. The office is still open today in the township of Perinton. This office shared the common "port" suffix with many towns that were situated on the Erie Canal. Brockport and Spencerport can be found farther down the canal in Western Monroe County.

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Information for Budding Detectives

By Tom Clarke

Based primarily on big city mail, the following takes a glance at some of the changes that took place with postmarks since the 1850s. Please note the tentativeness of many statements, implying the major efforts still to me made in the discipline. Every collection has material that will expand the knowledge horizon. The reader/detective ought to consider making his or her contribution. Between 1830 and 1850 the American population doubled, letters by five times. In 1850 there were 3 letters posted per capita. Within four years the figure grew to seven. (Fuller)



Fig. 1. Reduced rate from UTICA/NY; PAID 5-cents, 4/24/1846.

Prior to that time postal markings were in their infancy, and while many are now rare and desirable, they don't exude the personal quality of later markings, which have served all elements of society, many times over. High rates, pre-1845, meant postage was a privilage of the elite. Reduction was a



Fig. 2. Pre-paid 50 cents. Penna. male workers received \$6/week (females \$4, kids \$2) makings this cover a half day's work expense!

godsend, and a "binder of men" for all.

More letters, more activity, more bureaucracy, more control, thus more markings in style and quantity for the philatelic detective to understand.

Since the advent of postage stamps in 1847, the USPO/USPS's desire to document a cover's travels has ranged between rigor and negligence. Activity built to a crescendo of use- and place-markings by the turn of the century. Today there is a seeming lamentable state of Post Office unconcern.

Covers from those more conscientious years sometimes appear as shocking disarrays of ink and scribble, but with a modicum ofeffort we can successfully determine the cover's



Fig. 3. Ft. Yates, Dakota, forwarded, dead. Good complexity of markings.

routing. Simplicity and common sense are the keys. The table at the end shows a logical thought process that will help.

Between 1845 and the Civil War post office rules concerning postmarks changed little except to try to insist that separate heavily inked obliterators kill the stamp. Properly applied, the postmark appeared opposite the stamp. This format was made mandatory in 1860. (Simpson)



Fig. 4. 1848? U.S. #1 carefully postmarked and an 1852 #10 hastily done.

Early in the war years, the drudgery of using multiple



Fig. 5. 1863 experimental duplex killer which failed to cut the stamp.

stamping devices gave way to duplex cancels consisting of a dial with attached killer.

Collectors give thanks to the need for heightened Post Office internal controls stemming from the post-war economic boom, the mass movement west, the reopening of the south, and the attendant PO problems. City delivery (1863) then became widespread (1873) and for instance multiplied the need for carrier handstamps.



Fig. 6. Carrier pickup (way) letters were distinguished briefly thus - ca. 1869.

Backstamps became mandatory for first class and registered mail and later, special delivery and air mail. These innovations boost cover decoding to a detective's art.



Fig. 7. A pale, rare, ormate registry b/s "Philad'a DEC 28 77"

Larger cities began to use (if not the name itself) code letters and numbers within the origin mark's accompanying killers to distinguish local area stations.



Fig. 8. A New York Station "I" killer, Jan. 24, 1876. (See Skinner)

Also, Post office sections/divisions, in dividing their workload, might give killers particular abbreviations or numbers. The Postmaster had to be able to track down problem areas with the rapid end-of-century increase in mail volume. The true meaning of many of these alpha/numeric indicators is still open to speculation. New York City as with most cities in the 1870s used duplex-killer codes to indicate specific work stations. (Bond) The same applies to machine cancels soon to follow.

The duplexes used varying number series, for instance 1-23 in one series of handstamps in Philadelphia and up to the



Fig. 9. New York handstamp #46, May 25, 1889.

50s for New York. Louisville, KY didn't bother to reissue the same replacement numerals as generally happened, but oddly issued increasingly higher numbers, into the hundreds, far higher than the previously mentioned big cities. (Cohen) Just a different type of inventory control?

Machine cancels beginning in the mid-1890s had station



Fig. 10. From the Cohen monograph: high numbers from the 30's and 40's.

names at times included within the killer lines or in "wavy boxes" or in flags. These easily indicate part of the letter's routing.



Fig. 11. Former First Lady Harrison's frank on NYC Sta. Y cover; "wavy box" of Penn Square Station, Machine 1; Station A flag of Boston.

Growing populations in the suburbs created with the easy-access automobile and trolley caused mail volume to spiral ever upward. As tasks increased both the main office and local stations added more machines, reflected in the individual machine numbers



Fig. 12. Very high #50 machine number used in Chicago - only on air mail?

.Variations of these machine cancels with tiny separate T, D, C, or R's imbedded were to indicate how the letter came to that office: in Transit, by Drop, Collection box, or Receipt



Fig. 13. Properly canceled Pittsburgh drop, NYC Station D collection box, and a Chicago received machines.

from another office. It is readily seen, though, that clerks didn't bother to be so minutely fastidious. Each code letter can be found doing all the others' jobs, and at times they are disregarded and blanked entirely.

By the mid 20s and 30s, beginning with Pittsburg, postal zones came into use. With the crush of mail how were the authorities to maintain the need to provide information as to origin, route, etc? Taxpayers do expect a lot. And the P.O. had a disciplinary need to know too. In Philadelphia, at least, machinery had been doing most of the cancellation chores for almost two generations. Now, following the dial town name was what some writers call a machine number, but what others--mostly correctly--call a station (zone) indicator. This number provides a direct way to backtrack mailings. For instance, Olney (Philadelphia), Pa, zone 20,



Fig. 14. Improper Allegheny, Pa. "collection box" received; Cleveland, Ohio, "received" origin mark; and Philadelphia "transit" origin.

now 19120, would be the site for the cancellation of the "20" dial.



Fig. 15. If Olney, Phila., Pa. did not use the 20 dial, were only handstamps used-- if so, where are they?

Duplex counter cancelers manytimes continued to include local station names along with a code number used predominantly for specific task operations or to identify specific clerks or desks. The large main office's handstamps would have had to code the killer for similar reasons.



Fig. 16. Main office and station number killers; both covers are special delivery-- do the numbers imply this?

Contrary to killer numbers use merely for "inventory control," some say that, at small stations, a handstamp's killer "1" indicates first class mail, a killer "2" second class, etc. (Has anyone ever seen a regulation requiring this?) Meanwhile, at the main Philadelphia office, in the 40s and 50s at least, the "14" saw use it appears exclusively on air mailings. Each collector soon becomes sensitive to the local prevailing preferences.



Fig. 17. Meadowbrook, Pa. "1" for first class? and the Philadelphia "14" air mail.

Second class (newspaper/periodical), Third (impersonal printed matter), and fourth class (parcel post) items can be infuriating to a philatelic detective. These classes could not use dated dials--what postmaster could stand the steady abuse from tardy deliveries? And, sadly, these pieces are only rarely accompanied by useful, dated contents. But the common double oval killers used do contain a wealth of letters and codes, some still little understood.

Philadelphia like other cities began with lone cork obliterators, then in the late 1870s with single ovals



Fig. 18. Pre-oval use of a non-descript cork to kill non-First Class mail.

containing numbers (or straightlines as for Boston, etc). By 1880 the familiar double oval had appeared with central



Fig. 19. St. Louis, clerk?/station? "2" sent this air mail 9/25/1935.

numbers eventually reaching the high hundreds. These numerals frequently indicate specific "number stations".



Fig. 20. 60th Street and Haverford Ave. is where the US Postal Guide places numbered station 57.

Stations at times developed more obvious alpha-numeric equivalents such as J3 or S2, etc. They all need profound investigation.

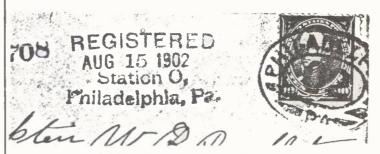


Fig. 21. Station O, clerk/window 2 handled this registered item.

Double ovals are found on package pieces and oversized envelopes, and are often are plain messy looking. Some collectors shy away from non-standard, unaesthetic item despite the wealth of postal history thus ignored.

Similar obliterators, with codes specific to the task required, joined the letter/number oval type at the turn of the onrushing 20th century. We see ovals with PP-parcel post, REG-registry, FD-foreign division, RD-registry division in use at main P.O.'s and at a variety of individual stations.



Fig. 22. The Registry Division of the Main Office forgot to double circle backstamp this piece, caught the front instead.

In the 20s and 30s period came quite unambiguous ab-



Fig. 23. Philadelphia's Commercial, North Philadelphia (Canceler #5), and Second Street used these devices.

breviations for (at least Philadelphia) stations: COM-Commercial Station, PT BR-Point Breeze, etc.

Frustrating to any postmark detective are the mute ovals appearing at the time of the Depression. Do they categorically imply Main Office usage in parallel with the similar sta-



Fig. 24. Chicago, Wilson Ave Station mutes of 2/14/1947 on local mail.

tion types in the previous paragraph? Or was it postmaster perogative?

Security is the reason that registration backstamps won't let the philatelic sleuth down. Hand obliterators--double ovals-- were used with city and state only, dates did appear on accompanying markings. By the turn of the century magenta three, four, or five-line straightline front or back-



Fig. 25. Backstamped straight 4 line and the regularly seen double circles.

stamps were used, soon followed by the familiar double circles.

Such were the halcyon days of postal progressiveness. First class backstamping died before official permission to do so came in 1913. Busy workers had stamped letters and packages in mad abandon yielding a wonderful quantity of data, of cancel types, dates, and times.

But, after this time, what some call "postal character" has evaporated. Many collectors conclude their searches if not with the 1870s then about 1910. Sadly, many machine collectors profess ignorance of post-1920 items.

However, postal history continues up to yesterday's delivery. Machinery, as with life overall, adds impersonality, but for cover collectors there still remains tremendous

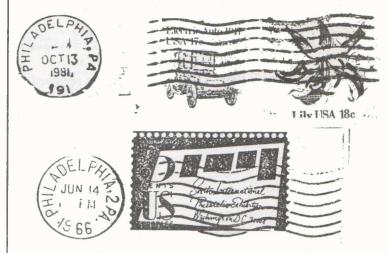


Fig. 26. Uncommon modern machine cancels may indicate experiments, failed contracts, or personal ingenuity. The zone before the PA and the 3-digit ZIP are eye catchers.

latitude for typing, cancel investigation, and all-around cover sleuthing...

Including precancels, an under-investigated field. A modern rapid service postal service allowed for them with increasing frequency after 1923. They have been permitted on all classes of mail. But they unfortunately give little useful information to the sleuth. Imprint style and stamp

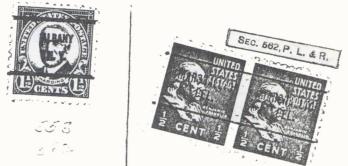


Fig. 27. Precancels are postal history's step-children. Albany, N.Y. (n.d) and Marshalltown, DE (4/8/1939) are nonetheless postal history fare.

variety, unless with contents, are the only clues which the cover detective can use.

In even more recent years, though, cancels have begun to reflect population glut and our wretched dependence on modern technology. A nasty decision of the new USPS was



Fig. 28. Sometime between 9/20 and 11/1/1961 time stopped in Philly.

felt about October 1, 1961. Time slugs were to be removed from postmarks (varies with city).

To be able to see the elapsed time between mail handling is fascinating and helps the postal historian (and postal investigator) make decisions if several alternatives were offered. But no more.

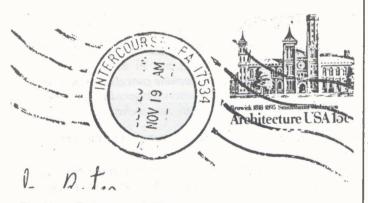


Fig. 29. Pennsylvania "Dutch" farmers named this town because they cared about trade; do they care about time?

We see machines and four-bar, roller cancels, and double-circle counter "daters" with no hour

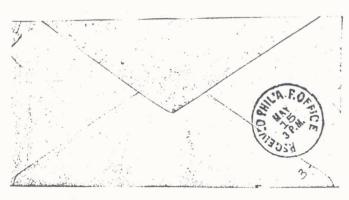


Fig. 30. One of the earlier Philadelphia receiving marks, 5/15/1868-- with time indication.

indication. The public and the P.O. cared for about 95 years (hour indications first appear in Philadelphia about 1868, some other towns earlier) but care or not, time has disappeared. Sleuthing current postal history can now only have a generalization as a result.

Recently too the dial's big city name became sanitized into a deceptive Sectional Center Facility plus zip code combination, which only a zip code directory could love. However many patrons have complained at demise of



Casimir Pulaski, Savannah, 1779

Fig. 31. "Southeastern, PA" is homebrew of the ruder sort. Both sender and receiver are ZIP 190xx; their mail detoured through 194xx.

hometown names and to some degree the USPS has relented in their favor.

Worse still for the modern cover Holmes is the disappearance of station names, because in general, local stations don't cancel mail anymore.

Philadelphia mail, like mail from all other major urban sites, is bagged uncanceled, shipped to the Main Office at 30th and Market Streets (zip 19104) and canceled



Dact Card

Fig. 32. Does the Frankfort Station (19124) still have machines? This card was canceled miles from the collection office.

PHILADELPHIA, PA 191, showing no regard for the actual mailing point.

That includes non-city mail far into the suburbs, even from non-191xx zips. Sectional Center Facility--it sounds so pure and wholesome--and impossible if you need to determine where your correspondant lives!

With a background in the range of markings under a cover detective's belt, piecing bits of data together should not be a major hurdle. Deciphering begins with arranging the chronology of a cover. Only then can we develop a useful postally historical analysis. Even "simple" covers may whisper unconsidered secrets. A hodge-podge of ink can be

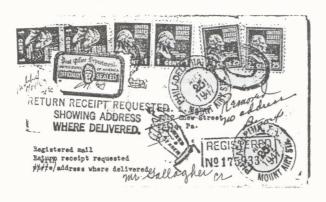


Fig. 33. Local Philadelphia cover that went everywhere but where it was intended-- see the July, 1988 issue.

intimidating, but if their data is briefly charted, errors can be prevented. Hasty notes alone will only add to the confusion. A decoding chart as shown forces the investigator to keep markings orderly and to see relationships between them. Maps old and new have to be at hand, on a large and small scale, showing roads, and homes if possible, as with Geodetic Survey maps. After noting the markings and determining the letter's route comes an important part. Aside from the cold facts concerning a cover's travels (not to mention the regulations behind the useage, etc.), are the personal qualities of mail.

Going back in time to uncover the contemporary mood and surroundings in which the correspondents lived gives a dimension not of postal history but of human. For many that is an underlying cause for becoming involved with covers in the first place.

To aid with this area of research several very useful sources can be put to excellent use. Churches, schools, museums, and libraries, which besides any written information or maps they may hold, can refer you to others who will have the particular information you need to complete your study. Local historians harbor a wealth of knowledge about former street and station locations and the personalities, plus the very desirable "atmosphere" of the locale you are sleuthing. Did the trolleys conform to the printed routes; were there carriers in that area; which business was on which street; was the post office open on Sunday as advertised; what was old Mrs. Jones like anyway?

Then there are the rules and regulations. In the narrow sense, this is the postal history. Proper analysis of the markings requires that the sleuth know if the markings were properly used, how much was paid for the service, and what are the legal statements behind these. Knowledge of the

Post Offices by States-New Jersey.

AshlandCamden	*Bernardsville Somerset	Cape May Point Cape May
Atco 1Camden	BevansSussex	(Carlstadt, Ind. Sta.
Athenia Passaic	*Beverly 1.Burlington	Rutherford.)
Atlantic City	Birmingham	Curlton Hill. Bergen
Atlantic	Burlington	Carmel Cumberland
Stations.	BivalveCumberland	Carpentersville Warren
No. I Boardwalk and	Blackwells Mills	•CarteretMiddlesex
Virginia Ave.	Somerset	CassvilleOcean
No. 2, Virginia and At-	Blackwood 1.Camden	tCaviarCumberland
lantic Avenues.	BlairSussex	Cedar Brook
No. 3. Massachusetts	*Blairstown 1	Camden
and Madison Avenues.	Warren	CedargroveEsser
No. 4, Pacific and Del-	Blawenburg Somerset	Cedar RunOcean
aware Avenues.	*Bloomfield Essex	Cedarville
No. 5, 2325 Atlantic	Bloomingdale	Cumberland
Avenue,	*Bloomsbury 1,	CentertonSalem
No. 6, 525 N. Indiana	Hunterdon	CentervilleHunterdon
Avenue.	Blue Anchor 1	tChadwickOcean
No. 7, 1408 Atlantic Ave.	Camden	Changewater Warren
No. 8, Atlantic and	*Boonton 2Morria	Chapelbill Monmouth
Ohlo Aves.	•Bordentown	Charlotteburg Passaic
No. 9, 2919 Atlantic	Burlington	*Chatham 2Morris
Avenue.	BougherBurlington	Chatsworth
	*Boundbrook 2	Burlington
Atlantic High-	Somerset	Cherry HillBergen
lands Monmouth	Bradevelt Monmouth	Cherryville Hunterdon
AtsionBurlington	*Bradley Beach	Chesilhurst .Camden

Fig. 34. This page from the 1907 Guide gives the addresses for Atlantic City's Stations.

available literature and of those postal history works which have made use the original sources, if you cannot find them, is mandatory.

Postal Guides/Mail Manuals provide quantities of information and state the current class requirements, give brief rules for the various mailings, and list of post offices (for the 1907 and previous editions with station addresses). They refer you to the more highly detailed Public Laws and

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A Decoding Chart may help sort out markings and routes.

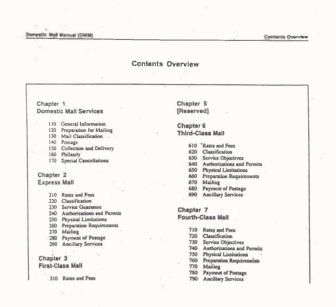


Fig. 35. Successor to the Guide; the Domestic Mail Manual's partial Table of Contents

Regulations handbooks. Both were published somewhat regularly beginning in the early 19th century.

Some society libraries have smatterings of dates of these publications. Others have reprinted selected volumes for collectors. This writer has had many issues microfiched to save space. Having consulted these, you have verified the (in-)correctness and breakdown of charges, perhaps discovered the name of the postmaster who inscribed the manuscript markings, and with luck you have also uncovered an unpublished anecdote or nuance about postal workings. You are a detective of note. Now, write an article describing your adventures.

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- 22. PEARCE, 190? PPC Type 5 Fine strike \$22.50
- 23. REDROCK, 1909, PPC to BERK, CA. Type 4 FVF strike \$40.00
- 24. SAFFORD, 1905 cover Type 10 VG/F (Name F/VF) \$10.00
- 25. SENTINEL, 1893 cover to Pico Hats., CA opened left little rough \$60.00
- 26. SENTINEL, 1908, PPC Type 6 magenta cl F/VF \$55.00
- 27. SENTINEL, 1910, Type 6 cover w/corn advert. F/VF
- sl red. \$60.00
- 28. SPRINGERVILLE, 1910, Type 8 PPC Fine strike card a little rough \$20.00
- 29. SUPERIOR, 1911, PPC Tytpe 2 F/VF nice strike, \$100.00
- 30. TUCSON, 1881 cover W/FVF strike and nice fancy cl. \$20.00
- 31. TUCSON, 1881 cover w/Fine strike Fancy cl opened top. \$20.00
- 32. YOUNG, 1898 cover Fine/VF strike sl.reduced rt. \$45.00

CALIFORNIA

- 33. BERKELEY, 1900, VG cds to Nova Scotia w/3-color PAN-AM LABEL. \$75.00
- 34. DOWNIEVILLE, WELLS FARGO BLUE OVAL to Galway, NY. Fancy cl (P) \$75.00
- 35. SACRAMENTO, to San Francisco WELLS FARGO; 2 blue ovals \$50.00
- 36. SAN FRAN WELLS FARGO & CO.'s EXPRESS, VF dcds (P) \$85.00
- 37. SAN FRAN., 1860, WELLS FARGO & CO's. Express, Fine DCDS \$75.00
- 38. SAN FRAN., 1861, US #35 VF cds w/part. imprint yellow cover; crease in cover doesn't effect stamp. \$65.00
- 39. SAN FRAN., 1860 WELLS FARGO EXPRESS cover, VG/F strike. \$45.00
- 40. SAN FRAN., 1894, US #237 VF sm dial 7-bar mach. to SWISS. UL cnr town. \$10.00
- 41. SAN FRAN., 1897, #268, U311 Fine BARRY mach. edge fit. \$15.00
- 42. SANTA BARBARA, 1870, WELLS FARGO blue ovai (P) \$150.00
- 43. SANTA CRUZ, 1870, WELLS FARGO blue oval Fine w/BLUM & CO. forw. marking in blue on back. Nice clean cover (P) \$150.00
- 44. WEAVERVILLE, on GREENHOOD & NEWBAUER NORTHEPN EXP. cover, fine. \$125.00

- MAINE
- 45. FAIRFIELD. 1878, red cds with target killer. VF \$15.00
- 46. FARMINGTON & PORTLAND RPO, 1893, U348, US#230. min def. \$15.00
- 47, GARLAND, 1886 cover with fine OCTAGON cl. \$15.00
- 48. WESTFIELD, manuscript cl to Lowell, Maine; VF script \$10.00 49. WEST SCARBOROUGH, 1885, cover FVF cds w/target killer \$15.00
- 50. WINDHAM CENTRE, fancy 1887 magenta w/target VF \$15.00 51. #147 with indistinct Maine cds to SAN FRAN via STEAMER
- CONTINENTAL w/handstamp cc of GRANITE CO. from BLUEGILL. Oval marking "Have Your Mail Addressed Street & #" opened rough SL red rt. \$40.00

MICHIGAN

- 52, AMBER, 1879, manuscript cancel, fine script \$17.50
- 53. ANN ARBOR, 1887, U.of Mich. enclosure, FVF strike w/FANCY STAR. \$20.00
- 54. CORUNNA, 1869, w/letter; Fancy crn card; opened rt. Fine st. \$25.00
- 55. HANCOCK, 1860's, Fancy Neg, STAR ccl, \$30.00
- 56. HUNTERS CORNERS, manuscript on CIVIL WAR PATRIOTIC; open rough on right. \$65.00
- 57. LAKEVIEW, 1892, dcds with COUNTY CCL; Fine strike. \$20.00
- 58. LANSING, RFD on 1904 PPC with DOANE killer. \$17.50
- 59, ST, JOHNS, RFD and DOANE killer on 1901 cover; stamp damaged doesn't effect cover which has VF strike & enclosure. \$15.00
- 60. SENEY, 1894 cover with dcds; FVF strike & cm card. \$12.50
- 61. SOUTH ROGERS, 1899 Registered cover; FVF strike \$35.00
- 62. WEST CAMPBELL, 1901 Registered cover FVF strike \$25.00

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- 63. ALFRED CENTER, #11 on forwarded cover originating in SCIO/NY; PAID 3 in circle VF (P) \$75.00
- 64. AMPERSAND, 1890. (Fra. 1889/1908) VF magenta st/cover vf. \$40.00
- 65. ANDRUSVILLE, 1866, cover with VG/Fine strike (Fra. 1852/72) \$27.50
- 66. BROOKLYN, 1860's, US #73 on tiny embossed Ladies cover. tr. \$30.00
- 67. BROOKTON, 1885, VF OCTAGON ccl. \$25.00
- 68. BUTTERNUT GROVE, 1897 cover VG/strike crn card. \$10.00
- 69. CLERMONT, #11 ST.L. + MS. tied on small cover; Fine.
- \$110.00
- 70, DUANE, 1923, US #528 tied with four-bar in magenta; VF \$10.00
- 71, EASTON, 1888, magenta OVAL VF \$25.00
- 72. ELMONT, 1884 (Queens, later Nassau) VF strike w/FANCY \$50.00
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- 77. GANG MILLS, 1871 manuscript VG on small neat cover \$40.00
- 78. GRANT, 1888, magenta OCTAGON VF strike opened lft. \$20.00
- 79. HAVERSTRAW, 1860's; US 65 w/Fancy cl; FVF \$20.00
- 80. HILLSDALE, 1880 with Fancy magenta STAR-IN-CIRCLE; VF \$12.50
- 81. HOLMESVILLE, 1890, magenta dcds w/STAR-IN-CIRCLE, FVF \$10.00
- 82. HOLMESVILLE, 1894, double OVAL w/crn card, FVF strike \$17.50
- 83. HOMER, 1888, unusual cds w/STAR-IN-CIRCLE. \$20.00
- 84. HUDSON, green cds on stampless with green PAID. \$25.00
- 85. KEENEY SETTLEMENT, VF manuscript cl strip of 3 #156.
- \$25.00 86, LUDLOWVILLE, 1846 stampless; VF manuscript. \$20.00
- 87. McGRAWVILLE, 1883, dcds w/POSTMASTER cl. \$25.00

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- 89. MIDDLESEX, US #65 large dcds tied to neat cover. \$75.00
- 90. MOOSES KILL, neat little cover; fine strike. \$12.50
- 91. NEW YORK, 1863, WELLS FARGO cover on rare use of U40 (p) \$300.00
- 92. NEW YORK, WELLS FARGO EXPRESS dcds blue; fine; opened top. \$40.00
- 93. NEW YORK, US #73; NY WORLD illustrated cc; rough opened. \$35.00
- 94. NEW YORK, #157, neat cover w/NEG #11. \$60.00
- 95. NORTHPORT, 1877, blue cl on neat cover. \$45.00
- 96. NORTH SALEM, 1880's to PARIS, FRANCE; fine strike \$25.00 97. OBI, 1896, registered cover, Fine \$22.00
- 98. ONTARIO, rimless cds; VF strike with US #65. \$15.00
- 99. PIERREPONT MANOR, 1890, VF strike in magenta w/NEG
- STAR. \$25.00
- 100. PHELPS, 1848, stampless FVF strike w/PAID 5. \$20.00
- 101. PHILMONT, 1888, FVF strike; cds with STAR-IN-CIRCLE killer. \$17.50
- 102. POLARRIDGE, US #11 tied to buff cover to HOPKINTON/RI; gum stains around edges. \$200.00
- 103. PORT JERVIS, 1880's; misspelled "JARVIS". \$20.00
- 104. PORT ONTARIO, 1866, rimless cds VG/F. \$12.50
- 105. REXFORD FLATS, 1885, somewhat smugged, still FVF cds w/Fancy STAR with hollow insides. \$15.00
- 106. ROOT, US #65 manuscript cancel on tiny cover. \$20.00
- 107. SAG HARBOR, #65 VF stamp, target ccl. \$10.00
- 108. SARATOGA SPRINGS, US #26: VF cds. \$20.00
- 109. SARDINIA, #65 tied by oversized cds; VF. \$10.00
- 110. SCRIBA, #65 SE with target, fine strike. \$10.00
- 111. SENECA FALLS, nice FORWARDED in BOX oval, fine stk.; reduced left. \$12.50
- 112. SO. LIVONIA, (Liv.1832/1937), VF cds. \$17.50
- 113. TABERG, 1885, magenta OCTAGON; VG/Fine w/target killer. \$10.00
- 114. TROY-RUSHVILLE, FWD, DUE 3; 1860 cover with #26. \$12.00
- 115. UTICA, with #65 fancy rosette cancel. \$17.50
- 116. UTICA, #73 fancy rosette; sm. piece missing; sl. soiling. \$30.00
- 117. UTICA, #115, cds, sl.toning, faded address, fine stamp. \$80.00
- 118. VAN VECHTEN, (Sce. 1866/73), Fine strike, rare town. \$50.00
- 119. WADHAM MILLS, neat target 7, addressed to ... STEWART, The Millionaire of New York City, \$35.00
- 120. WATERTOWN, 1824, stampless cover with fancy NEG N.Y. VF \$35.00
- 121. WESTBURY STATION, 1887, fancy magenta OCTAGON cl. (P) \$50.00
- 122. WESTKENDALL, 1861, FVF manuscript cl. VF #65. \$15.00
- 123. WINDSOR, 1880, VF dcds with fancy MALTESE CROSS; both mag. \$12.00
- 124. WOLCOTT, fine strike with VF #114, sl.cvr fit not affecting the marking or stamp. \$16.00
- 125. US #24 dcds CARRIER, S.O.N., addressed to John Jacob Astor, New York, NY; VF and lovely. \$125.00

OREGON

- 126. ACME, 1914, PPC, Fine strike. \$20.00
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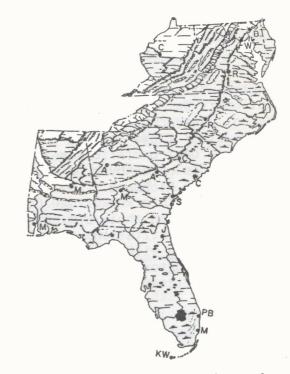
As I assume the helm of the Southeastern section, I must first give a well-deserved "hats off" to Bob Stets under whose leadership this region was handled for several years. As I "stop preaching and start meddling," I want to thank those persons who have made the effort to forward their congratulations to me. These remarks have been very welcome, especially those made by Alan Patera, Ken Schoolmeester, Tom Clarke, Chuck James, and Alan Blair.

I want to let the authors of many fine articles that were published under Bob Stets' direction know that even though they may not know me personally, I still value their continued support. If I haven't already contacted you personally, this is not intentional.

I also want to thank Bill Helbock for all of his kind words that appeared on the July, 1988 <u>LA POSTA</u> Publisher's Page. I hope that you feel that I am worth all of the "hype."

As Bill mentioned, I have particular interest in the Southeast from several perspectives that include collector/accumulator, part-time dealer, and exhibitor. I am an active collector of Virginia postal history and exhibit my collection of "Richmond Stampless Covers, to 1854." 1789 I have some other collecting interests that I'll keep you in suspense about. I also have some general collecting/dealing interests in North Carolina, Maryland, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and several other southern states. With this background, I hope to bring some diverse postal history articles to you. If you have an article that falls within the Southeastern geographic region, please feel free to drop me a line. I'd love to help you have it published in LA POSTA.

For my debut issue, I take great pride in presenting a fine article on Lexington,



Virginia postal history written by one of my oldest friends, Jim Snead, a well-known expert on Virginia postal history. Jim has written articles and exhibited for many years. He has written for the <u>CONFEDERATE</u> <u>PHILATELIST</u> and <u>WAY MARKINGS</u>, the journal of the Virginia Postal History Society.

Jim's article deals only with the prewar (War Between the States that is) postal history of Lexington. Jim has assured me that he will publish a second article that deals with the wartime markings. Lexington, Virginia is well-known for its wonderful VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUE advertising covers and its handstamp paids and provisional markings.

Lexington, Virginia is an old Virginia town, home of the VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUE and WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY. Located in Rockbridge County (Formed in 1788 and named for the celebrated Natural Bridge), Lexington was named shortly after the Revolutionary War battle that bore the same name. North of Roanoke, Virginia and south of Staunton, the town is typical of several in the Shenandoah Valley.

Let me say in closing that I'm happy to be here. I encourage you to provide me with your comments about what you'd like to see (or not see).

LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA POSTAL HISTORY by

JAMES E. SNEAD, III, VMI '72

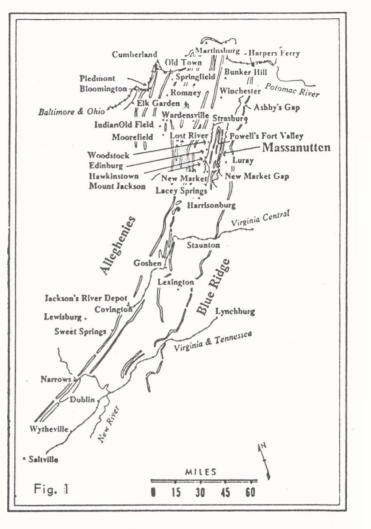
Lexington, Virginia was named early in the Revolutionary War just after the battle of Lexington, Massachusetts in 1775. The Maury (North) River flows through the town. and early canal boat operations were begun from Lexington to Lynchburg on the James River and thence to Richmond. Lexington is the major town within Rockbridge County. Many schools have had their beginnings in Two institutions of higher Lexington. learning are located within the boundaries of the town--Washington and Lee University and The Virginia Military Institute.

Geographically, Lexington is located between the Blue Ridge in the area mountains and the Alleghenies, the area commonly known as the Shenandoah Valley. Figure 1 illustrates a pre-war map of the valley, and illustrates the relationship of Lexington to other key cities.

Washington and Lee University was founded as Liberty Hall (1776-1782). Liberty Hall Academy (1782 - 1798). Washington Academy (1798-1813) in honor of George Washington, a benefactor, Washington college (1813-1871), and upon the death of President in 1870-its then-current Washington and Lee (1871-present).

The Virginia Military Institute was the first state supported journey founded as military college on the site of the old absence of a "paid" marking indicated that Lexington Arsenal on November 11, 1839. the addressee was to pay the postage. VMI furnished more professional military officers than West Point or the Military College of South Carolina (The Citadel) for the Confederacy. Thomas Jonathan (Stonewall) Jackson was a professor at VMI. The entire corps of Cadets fought as a body at the Battle of New Market, Virginia on May 15, 1864.

earliest known item of dated The postal history from Lexington is a folded letter sheet with a manuscript "Lex Va. Dec 1-." This lettersheet, illustrated in Figure 2, is dated 1802. A manuscript "17" indicated the 150 to 300 mile distance rate under postal rates of 1799 for the letter's



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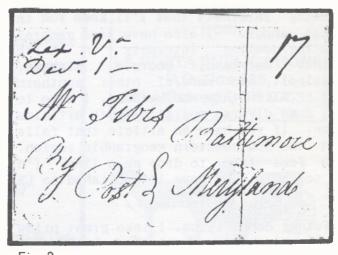


Fig. 2

It appears that Lexington obtained its first cancelling device in 1803. Following the vogue of the period, the postmaster bought an oval (31x23mm) cancellation device. Figure 3 illustrates the oval datestamp and has the "Lex, Va. Jul 6" oval cancel in black. The "17" cent red ink rate allowed the letter to travel from Lexington to Greenbrier County. Under the 1799 postal rate structure, the 17 cent rate was assessed for a 150 to 300 mile journey as previously discussed. The postmaster appears to have over-rated the letter as Greenbrier County is not 150 miles from Lexington. It may be of interest to note that the addressee, Colonel M. Stuart, appears to be well-known, as no town is indicated. This folded letter (figure 3) is only one of two Lexington ovals known and is the earliest, the other being July 13, 1803.



Fig. 3

Until the establishment of the Virginia Military Institute, stampless covers from Lexington are quite rare. Lexington did utilize a triple circle cancellation device during the period of 1833 to 1838. This device is illustrated in Figure 4. The inner circle appears to indicate removable date slugs, as it is broken.



On or before September 13, 1838, the Lexington cancellation device must have become broken, been lost, or have been stolen or given up. Figure 5 illustrates a manuscript "Lexington, Va. 17 Sep" stampless folded letter datelined September the face. Many collectors of Richmond 13, 1838. The "Paid 18 3/4" indicated that postal history have contended that this

Derington Val Pais 184 Rev? Prof. J. McLeon Napon Hall Princeton N.Ju Single 3 Fig. 5

the 150 to 400 mile distance rate under postal rates of 1825 was prepaid by the sender, George Armstrong. Armstrong was a Presbyterian clergyman and was the author of the controversial "Christian Doctrine of Slavery."

In the 1840's, Lexington utilized a standard 30mm cancellation device similar to those employed by other post offices during this period. The Lexington postmaster used a variety of colored inks including red, blue, black, and brown. Auxiliary markings such as "FREE" and "PAID" are known. Markings such as "MISSENT," "FORWARDED," and "ADVERTISED" are presumed to exist.

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Figure 6 illustrates a folded letter utilizing the 30mm circular datestamp and an "18 3/4" cent rate for a single to Richmond. By contemporary post roads, Richmond was just over the 150 mile rate category distance. An unusual feature of this cover is also a blue "1" or "/" across

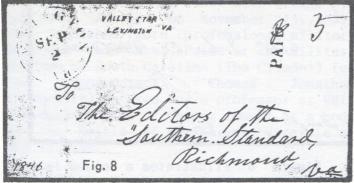
mark may be indicative of a carrier fee for local mail delivery in Richmond. {EDITOR'S NOTE: See <u>Confederate</u> <u>States</u> of <u>America</u> Markings and Postal History of Richmond, Virginia by Peter W. W. Powell, page 105}

Figure 7 illustrates an interesting folded letter bearing a blackish-brown Lexington 30mm circular datestamp rated "5" in manuscript paying the post-1845 under 300 mile rate to Petersburg, Virginia. The content, datelined "VMI July 2, 1846," is from a Cadet Jackson, VMI class of 1847, and concerns his homeward travel plans. Jackson planned to travel with his roomate, William Mahone. Mahone was later a Confederate Major General and Governor of Virginia.

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Fig. 7

Figure 8 illustrates a brown 30mm circular datestamp and a 16mm matching "PAID." The letter is datelined 1846.



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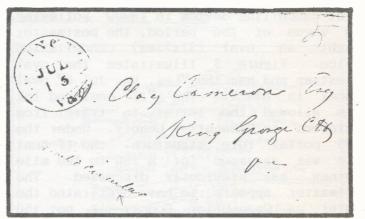
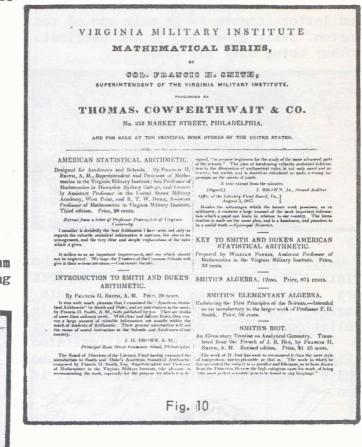


Fig. 9



An 1849 folded letter is illustrated in Figure 11 that has a blue circular datestamp. It is actually a letter from Colonel Smith to General Roger Jones, the 10 are fantastic Adjutant General of the United States Army, examples of Lexington postal history. A and requests a supply of army regulations blue, 30mm circular datestamp has been for the VMI cadets. The manuscript "5" was circular that obliterated after its application, no doubt Smith's (VMI's because the official use was noted after its application.

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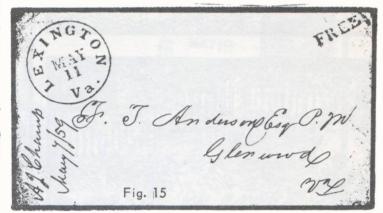
Beginning in 1849, Lexington began using a 33mm circular datestamp device and numeric rate handstamps as illustrated in Figure 12. Likewise, both "PAID" and rate numerals were used in conjunction with each other as illustrated in Figure 13 by an 1854 folded letter to Dr. Stribling, Superintendent of Western Lunatic Asylum in Staunton, Virginia. This folded letter has the 33mm circular datestamp and a "PAID 3" handstamp, all in blue ink.

Ola. A. S. Brown V. M. C. Charles toron Fig. 12 PAID 3 Haunton

Forwarded covers have always proved interesting due to the different possible combinations of cancels and rates. Figure 14 illustrates the blue 33mm Lexington circular datestamp, a blue "5" handstamp, and a 30mm forwarding circular datestamp of "FAIRFIELD Va." An additional manuscript "5" was applied at Fairfield.

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illustrates Figure 15 a third auxiliary marking device used in addition to a numeral rate or "PAID" is the "FREE" cover with handstamp. This a 33mm Lexington circular datestamp and matching "FREE" blue was sent to Francis T. Anderson, postmaster of Glenwood, Virginia. Postal rates provided that mail sent to postmasters travelled "FREE."

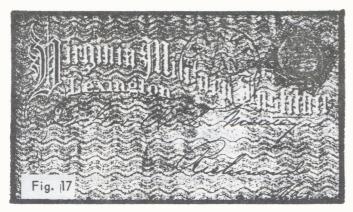


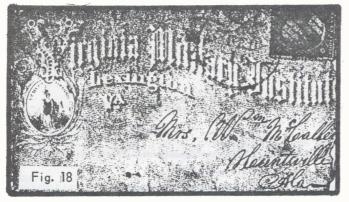
When adhesive stamps became available in 1847, the Lexington post office used two primary methods of cancelling the new convenience. The envelope illustrated in Figure 16 shows a 3¢ 1851 Washington with the blue 33mm Lexington circular datestamp. The second method of cancelling adhesive

Fig. 13



stamps was the use of a grid cancel used in conjunction with a circular datestamp marking. This is shown by the example of an 1857 3¢ Washington tied to an overall orange Virginia Military Institute college cover by the blue grid cancel with the 33mm Lexington datestamp at left (Figure 17). Figure 18 illustrates a 3¢ 1857 tied by both the circular datestamp and the grid on an overall brown VMI college cover.









Our study of pre-war Lexington, Virginia comes to a close with the example of an embossed envelope with a 33mm blue Lexington, Virginia circular datestamp. The docketing on the left side indicates that the letter contained correspondence from VMI's Superintendent, Colonel Francis H. Smith. (Figure 21)



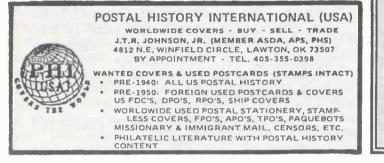
Two interesting Lexington pre-war usages are illustrated in Figures 19 and In conclusion, Lexington, Virginia has 20. A 3¢ 1857 is illustrated in Figure 19, a pre-war history of 85 years. Postal on a Jarge overall blue-grey VMI college History comprehends at least 58 of these cover. Figure 20 illustrates another 3¢ years. I have illustrated the evolution of 1857 used on an attorney's cornercard a crude manuscript cancel into advertising envelope. sophisticated circular markings with auxiliary handstamps. In future articles, I hope to delve further into Lexington's historical postal past including an indepth look at the college covers of the Virginia Military Institute.

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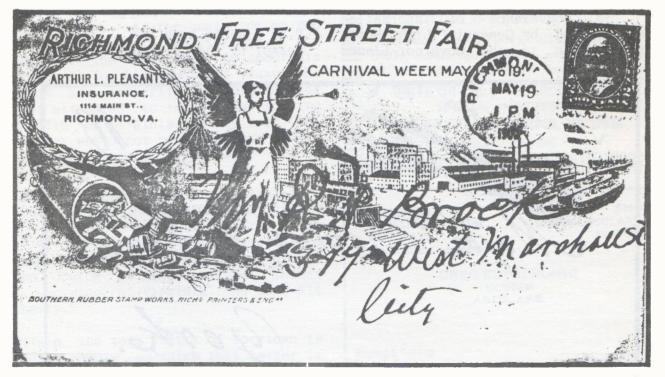
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SOUTHEASTERN COVER OF THE MONTH



FROM THE EDITOR'S COLLECTION, A MARVELOUS RICHMOND, VIRGINIA ADVERTING COVER.

THOMAS NELSON, VIRGINIA SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

\mathbf{BY}

DAVID ROBINSON AND BRUCE ROBINSON

The accompanying illustrated folded letter bears a "RICHMOND. JUNE 4 1798" black straight line handstamp. The "10" rate was assessed under postage rates of 1799 for a 41 to 90 mile journey.

In 1790, Augustine Davis was appointed Postmaster. He was also editor and publisher of the bi-weekly "Richmond Gazette". It is generally accepted by Richmond postal historians that Davis utilized spare or extra printing type to make straight line postmarks. Richmond has a large variety of straight line markings that are the result of Davis' use of lead type. The postmark on the illustrated cover demonstrates Davis' use of ornate printing type.

The text of the folded letter is as follows:

Petersburg, June 2d 1798

Dear Sir,

In conveyance of information communicated by General ("Light-Horse Harry") Lee to the Governor (James

Wood from Frederick County), of the delinquency of his Brigadier's in neglecting to forward their respective returns, I have been ordered by the latter to report to him at the expiration of a fortnight from this time the Brigadiers who shall then be delinguent. Of this circumstance, I take the liberty to request you to inform Generals Mathews & Young; and if either or both of them should forward their returns to you within the limited time, I have further to request, by direction of General Lee, that you will transmit the same to me, that in my report to the Governor the punctuality or delinquency of each Brigadier may be correctly ascertained and determined.

> With very great esteem & respect, I am, Dear Sir, Your most obedient servent,

> > Major G. T. Taylor.

P.S. I shall hope for answer by the 17th instant.

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history are quick to recognize, the folded and handsome Virginia Independence. were Carter Braxton, Benjamin Harrison, Thomas Jefferson, Francis Lightfoot Lee, Richard Henry Lee, and George Wythe.

Nelson was a Virginia representative the Continental Congress from 1775 to to 1777 and in 1779. Nelson was Commander of the Virginia Militia at Yorktown during the American Revolution.

During the siege of Yorktown, the Nelson house, perhaps the most prominent the town, was objective in military fire. Nelson untouched by American inquired why his house was being spared from cannon fire and asked that it not be spared from destruction as the British staff was using it as their headquarters. Nelson ordered that two cannon be pointed against it and fired. The British officers in the house were killed by the first shots and the next shots forced the remaining British soldiers to abandon the house.

Thomas Nelson, Jr. was Governor of the Commnwealth of Virginia from June 12 to November 22, 1781. At the beginning of the Revolution, he was a wealthy man by the standards of the day, but he spent his fortune freely for his country's cause. He maintained his integrity as Governor, as when the attempted to raise money for the Commonwealth of Virginia, he was told that the Governor would not be loaned any money, but that Thomas Nelson, Jr. would.

Against these loans for Virginia's contribution the the Continental cause. his entire fortune as pledged Nelson collateral. In the end, he was left to On his tomb in the churchyard of the pay. Yorktown Church is this epitaph: "Thomas Nelson, Governor of Virginia. He Gave All For Liberty."

Within the town limits of Yorktown is the Nelson house to which this letter is addressed. The house takes its name from its builder, William Nelson. The mansion

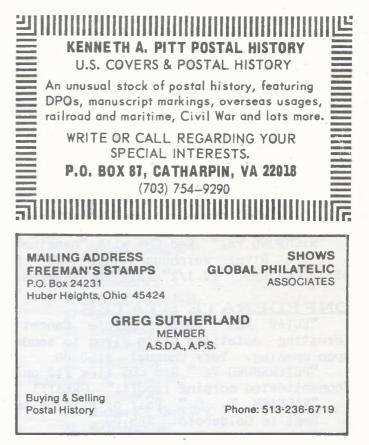
As well-versed students of Virginia has spacious rooms with deep window-seats The Nelson wainscoting. letter's addressee is Thomas Nelson, Jr., a horses and hounds were famous in the Signer of the Declaration of Tidewater area of Virginia, and fox-hunts Virginia's other signers often started from the Nelson House across the low-lands. The house, built between 1725 and 1740 is now owned and operated by the National Park Service.

> Virginia has also honored this important son by naming 471 square miles in 1807 "Nelson County." In August, 1967. construction began Thomas on Nelson Community College in Hampton, Virginia. The college serves the area that includes Nelson's Yorktown Estate.

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2 upon opening. Very Unusual. \$150.00 19. "PETERSBURG Va." Red CDS ties #12 on FLAP of Small adversity envelope made from a "consolidated morning report." GREAT!! \$175.00

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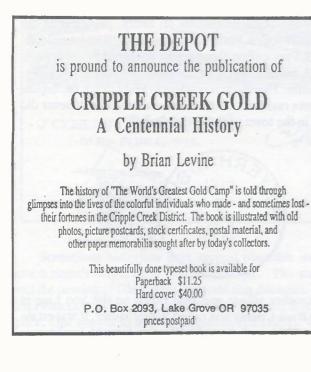
Central Section

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When All Else Fails...

Normally, this is the spot in LA POSTA where you can expect to find the personal messages of Alan Patera, our trusty Midwestern editor. This time the words are not of wisdom, but explanation, and this time they come not from Alan, but Bill Helbock. Alan has been silenced -- temporarily, we hope. About a week ago, as LA POSTA was nearing it's crucial publication deadline, I got a call from Alan who sounded more than a little down in the dumps. "Guess what?", he said in a morose Paterian voice, "I turned on my computer a little while ago, and a cloud of blue smoke came out of it." "My God!", said I, "What happened?" Alan went on to explain that some sort of faulty internal connection had fried a chip, and that the whole machine was dead in the water. He had ordered the necessary part for repair, but it would be several days before it could be shipped in to Portland. In the meantime, everything was at a standstill.

Fortunately, much of the Central Section had already been prepared, and, as a result, you will find two outstanding articles by James Hale and Oscar Becker in the pages which follow. What remained to be done was the little details which complete the section, such as an editorial. Hence, we have no editorial from Alan this issue, but he wishes to assure everyone that he will be back in the next issue once his electronic difficulties have been overcome.





September-October-November 1988

It has been pointed out that mail service occasionally delays La Posta so that the earlier dates have already passed by the time the magazine is received. To remedy this, in this issue we have information for three months in advance. None of the towns celebrating their centennials during this period have grown into large towns, although several have important local marketing functions.

September 11 Meridian ID, Parkman* WY

- 12 Edson KS
- 20 Farlin IA
- 22 Carnarvon IA
- 28 Miley SC

October 3 Saint Anthony ID, Dresden KS

- 9 Saint Stephens WY
- 11 Rake IA
- 12 Wheeler KS
- 13 Lester Prairie MN
- 17 Seibert CO
- 18 Strandburg SD
- 29 Rosie AR
- 31 Reedley CA
- November 6 Bisbee ND
 - 11 Vandiver AL
 - 14 Kismet KS, Shell WY
 - 21 Kearsarge NH
 - 23 Edgemoor SC

POST OFFICE PLACE NAMES

by James B. Hale

A pleasure often overlooked by postal history collectors is searching out the derivation of post office names. Many collectors specialize in a certain geographic area, but seem to be interested only in acquiring covers that are older than the collector. Much more can be done with a county collection, such as adding pertinent railway post offices, meters, permits, precancels, and first day covers of the USPS 1971 and 1973 (Scott ##1396, 1489-1498); but many collectors seem to give these interesting aspects scant attention.

The study of place names may seem dull at first glance, but there is much of importance for postal historians in interpreting the past through post office names. Place names mirror the history of a region and the background of its people. Gard and Sorden (1968) wrote "The names of places lie upon the land and tell us where we are or where we have been or where we want to go... All around us on every side, the appeal of Wisconsin echoes and re-echoes in its names: girls' names, early settler names, classic names, president's names, Bible names, names that were supposed to be something else, forgotten names, nostalgic names supplied by homesick immigrants, geographic names, names from wars, from other cities and places, from feats of strength, from heroes, from friendships, lovers, dreams, from railroads, poetry and humor. The place names of hamlets, crossroads, villages, townships, cities, counties, lakes, streams, -- all are monuments to someone's imagination, courage, strength, will power, kindness or devotion But present or forgotten, the place names of Wisconsin are always with us. They are in our present and their roots are in our past."

With these thoughts in mind, let's look at some specific examples of post office namings from Rusk County, Wisconsin. The study of this county's post office names is complicated by the fact that several of its post offices changed their county of location twice within a 5-year period.



Flambeau, established in 1873 and named for its location on the banks of the Flambeau ("flaming torch") River, was the first post office in what is now Rusk County. At the time of its establishment the entire area was included in Chippewa County. Gates County was set off from Chippewa County by the State Legislature on May 29, 1901. It was named for James L. Gates, who owned great tracts of land in northern Wisconsin, but on July 26, 1905 it was renamed Rusk County in memory of Jeremiah M. Rusk, a former governor of Wisconsin.

Rusk County has had 28 post offices, of which 8 are still active. Six of the latter opened while the area was in Chippewa County, before Gates County was established. Five of the offices that have operated changed their name at least once in their lifetime.



The Rusk County seat is Ladysmith. About 1880 the first community at its location began to develop, named Flambeau Falls from its location. In 1885 settlement was stimulated by the completion of the Soo Line Railroad from Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, through Rusk County to Minneapolis, Minnesota. Soon after the railroad was completed, Robert Corbett of Cumberland, Wisconsin arrived in the community. He built a large sawmill, a hotel, and a boardinghouse. In 1887 he obtained a post office with the name Corbett and became the first postmaster. When the railroad built its depot they called the station Warner after a railroad official. The post office changed its name to Warner in 1890.

In 1900 the name of the village was changed again to Ladysmith, which name it has retained. The name was in honor of the bride of Charles R. Smith, president of the Menasha Wooden Ware Company, a big local employer. The U.S. Post Office Department accepted the new name on July 1, and the Soo Line changed its station name shortly thereafter. However, according to Hill (1951), the Smiths were never residents of the town, and Mrs. Smith never did set foot in the town named in her honor.



Another village and post office on the Soo Line in western Rusk County was called Weyerhauser. It was established n 1884 and named after the famous lumberman Frederick Weyerhaeuser, who also had large land holdings in the area. You'll note that the post office name incorrectly spelled the name of the man for which it was named; the mis- spelling of his name remained until 1976, when USPS corrected it to Weyerhaeuser.

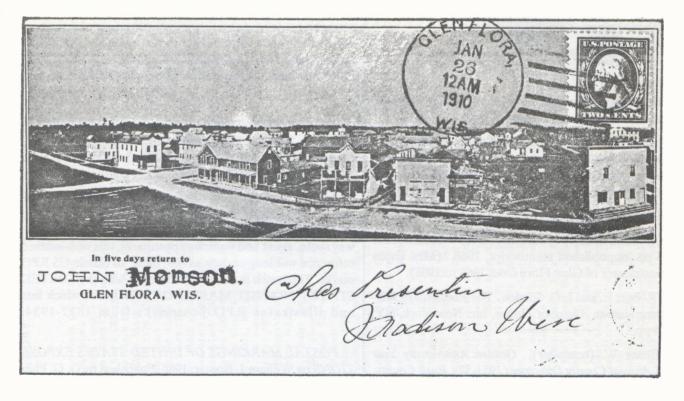


Another Weyerhaeuser family member was honored with a post office name when Apollonia, located seven miles east of Weyerhaeuser on the Soo Line, was in service from 1894 to 1933. Apollonia was Frederick's daughter.

A short-lived post office in the northeast part of the county was Czestohowa. It existed for less than a year, from July 1, 1915 to May 15, 1916. It was located in a rural community of Polish settlers and named for the city of Czestohowa, Poland, home of the Roman Catholic cathedral with the famous "Black Madonna" portrait. name of Miller having built a mill at that location.... As the name Millers Siding sounded more like a spur track than a growing, enterprising village, a meeting was held to agree on a name more appropriate. Two of the pioneer settlers were Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Otis, both of whom were good Christian people, respected by the others in the locality.... Mrs. Otis was a great admirer of the wild flowers which carpeted the ground under the virgin forests which at that time covered most of the territory adjacent to the village. She suggested that the village be called 'Flowery Glen'. After some discussion the name Glen Flora was agreed upon, which means the same."

A second version of the naming was proposed by Evjen (1968): "This place in the forest was commonly known as Millers Siding, named for Mr. Miller, a big logger. The Millers had a boy named Glen, and a girl named Flora. The name agreed for the Post Office was Glen Flora."

Just west of Glen Flora on the Soo Line is a village named Tony, which has had a post office since 1897. It was named for the first postmaster, Anton Hein, who was also manager of the Hein Lumber Company. Tony is typical of many 19th century post offices that owe their name to the name of the first postmaster, an event that frequently hap-



Sometimes historians have several plausible stories about a name's origin from which to choose. The stories about the naming of Glen Flora illustrate this dilemma. The Glen Flora post office was established in 1887 and is still in service. One story of its naming is given by Hill (1951): "Glen Flora was originally called Millers Siding, a party by the pened in situations where the post office was located in a previously unsettled area.

Rusk County, like many others in Wisconsin and elsewhere, had many post office named for prominent local residents - politicians, lumbermen, merchants, and land owners.



The Rusk County offices of Conrath, Hawkins, Ingram, Strickland, and Walrath are in this category.

Knowing the story of the naming of a post office puts life into a collection of postal material and gives insight into the history of an area that merely looking at a map or a postmark on a cover cannot provide.

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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.

U.S. ROUTE AND STATION AGENT POSTMARKS by Charles L. Towle, 1986. Published by the Mobile Post Office Society. Clothbound, 486 pp. Available from MPOS, RFD 1, Box 91, Contoocook, NH 03229. \$33.00 postpaid.

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8.00 CA-234 Oleum, 1913, clear blackCDS w/4 bar tied to 2¢ entire 5.00 CA-235 Orland, 1887, clear black dbl rim CDS on Registry Bill 20,00 CA-236 Orloff, 1908, clear black Doane cancel on PPC 7.50 CA-237 Oroville, Las Plumas Rur. Sta., 1966, clear black CDS w/4 bar Patchin, 1913, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 1¢ green on PPC 8.50 CA-238 7.50 CA-239 Pedley, 1934, smudgy legible black CDS w/4 bar on cover 15.00 Pennington, 1885, sharp blue dbl rim CDS, target killer faulty #210 CA-240 15.00 Perkins, 1928, clear black CDS w/4 bar, 2¢ red CA-241 5.50 CA-242 Pike, 1915, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 2¢ entire, Trimmed left 20.00 Plainsburg, 1875, clear oily black CDS. 3¢ entire. Docketed reverse CA-243 6.00 Playa Del Rev. 1907, clear brown Doane tied to 1¢ green on PPC CA-244 CA-245 PLeasant Grove, 1883, clear magenta CDS, black target 3¢ BN. Ladies 7,50 CA-246 Pleasant Valley, 1915, clear blackCDS w/4 bar tied to 1¢ green on PPC 6.50 12.50 Plymouth, 1894, clear black baloon CDS, 2¢ red toned CA-247 15.00 CA-248 Pollasky, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 2¢ entire 10.00 Pope VAlley, 1880s, spotty legible black CDS, target on faulty #210 CA-249 Portersville, 1888, clear black baloon CDS ties #213 w/target killer 27.50 CA-250 15.00 CA-251 Port Kenyon, 1908, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC Prattville, 1888, weak legible magenta CDS, targets on 3¢ BS & 3¢ ent.20.00 CA-252 12.50 CA-253 Presidio, 1900, clear black CDS, two 1¢ greens on cover 15.00 CA-254 Preston, 1903, clear black CDS, target on 2¢ entire on cover 15.00 CA-255 Princeton, 1873, clear black CDS, target killer on 3¢ entire 3,50 Pulga, 1935, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on3¢ entire CA-256 15.00 Quartz, 1905, clear black CDS on GPC CA-257 12.50 CA-258 Quick Silver, 1906, weak legible black CDS, target 2¢ red 8:50 Railroad Flat, 1903, clearpurple CDS, purple killer 2¢ red CA-259 CA-260 Redding, Matheson Rur. Sta. 1955, clear black conc CDS w/4 bar on cvr 3.50 Redlands, 1904, clear magenta R.F.D. cancel on GPC 17.50 CA-261 5.00 Redwood City, 1922, clear black CDS. Flag cancel CA-262 3.50 CA-263 Redwood City, Woodside Rural Sta, 1956, clear black CDS w/4 bar 5.00 CA-264 Represa, 1892, clear black dbl rim CDS, 2¢ red on toned cover CA-265 Resort, 1930, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 6.50 Retreat, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 4,50 CA-266 10.00 Reward, 1911, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC CA-267 10.00 CA-268 Rich. 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 7.50 CA-269 Ripon, 1881, clear magenta dbl rim CDS ties 3¢ BS. Trimmed left Riverside, 1910, clear black CDS, Ar1.Sta. 2¢ red on PPC 4.00 CA-270 18,50 CA-271 Rosedale, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC CA-272 Roseville, 1884, weak legible blue conc. CDS w/"Paid",2¢ entire faulty 6.50 125,00 CA-273 Round Tent. ca 1860. MS postmark. MS cancel on faulty #33 Sacramento, 1967, weak leg. black conc CDS, fancy can 3¢ ent.Doc.rev. 10.00 CA-274 CA-275 Sacramento, 1885, smudgy leg. black CDS, fancy cancel faulty 2¢ entire 7.50 4.00 CA-276 Sacramento, Terminal St., 1928, clear black CDS, mach. can. Adv c/c CA-277 Sacramento City, 1850s, clear black CDS tiestwo #10 with Ms cancels 10.00 30.00 CA-278 Saint Helena, 1869, weak legible blue conc CDS, 3¢ entire 12.50 CA-279 Saint Vincents, 1908, clear black Doane cancel, 2¢ red Salada Beach, 1927, clear magenta CDS w/4 bar ties plate block of 629 20.00 CA-280 Sandberg, 1923, clear purple CDS w/4 bar tieseach of four 1¢ greens 3.50 CA-281 San Buena Ventura, clear black CDS, cork killer 2¢ entire 20.00 CA-282 San Buena Ventura, 1886, clear black CDS ties #210 w/cork killer 20.00 CA-283 7.00 CA-284 San Francisco, 1860s, clear black conc CDS, fancy cancel #65 Nice CA-285 San Francisco, 1864, clear black conc CDS, cogwheel killer on (4) #65 50.00 3.50 CA-286 Saugus, Agua Dulce Rur. Sta, 1957, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer 4.00 CA-287 Scales, 1912, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on2¢ red

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CA-288 Scotty's Castle, 1951, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on GPC 7.50 CA-289 Seal Garden, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on PPC 35,00 CA-290 Section Base Br., Eureka, 1942, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PC 10.00 CA-291 Sequoia, 1901, weak legible black CDS ties 2¢ red w/target killer 20.00 CA-292 Sequoia, 1888, clear purple dbl rim CDS, target #213.trimmed trough 17.50 CA-293 Shasta Springs, clear purple CDS (except year date) w/4 bar killer PPC 6.50 CA-294 Shawmut, 1907, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on PPC 9.00 CA-295 Shaver, 1912, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 10.00 CA-296 Shively, 1907, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 5.00 CA-297 Shore, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar ties 1¢ green on PPC 12.50 CA-298 Skaggs, 1905, clear black Doane cancel on PPC 6.50 Skyland Heights, 1910, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC CA-299 15.00 CA-300 Sky Londa Rur. Sta., Redwood City, 1954, bold black CDS w/4 bar, FDC 5.00 CA-301 Sky Valley Rur. Sta. Desert Hot Springs, 1959, Clear Black CDS w/4 bar 3.50 CA-302 Slatington, 1907, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC 16.50 CA-303 Soldiers Home, 1894, weak legible black CDS, split cork killer 2¢ red 8,50 CA-304 Stanislaus, 1916, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 3.50 CA-305 Stanwood, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar ties 1¢ green on PPC 13.50 CA-306 Stateline, 1905, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC 4.00 CA-307 Stirling City, 1905, clear black Doane cancel on PPC 12.50 CA-308 Stockton, 1860s, clear black CDS, target #65. Content=3 letters 16.50 CA-309 Stony Point, 1870s, spotty legible black CDS ties 3¢ BN w/cork killer 20.00 CA-310 Taison, 1888, weak legible black County CDS, cork killer #210 Toned 25,00 CA-311 Tallac, 1910, clear purple, CDS w/4 bar tied to 1¢ green on PPC 10.00 CA-312 Terminal, 1906, clear black CDS, Doane cancel on PPC 4.50 CA-313 Tesla, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied tol¢ green on PPC 12.00 CA-314 Thorn, 1951, sharp black CDS w/4 bar on Gpc 6.50 CA-315 Tierra Del Sol, 1956, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 5.50 CA-316 Towle, 1892, clear magenta County CDS ties 2¢ Columbian entire on cvr 27.50 CA-317 Trigo, 1942, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC 5,00 CA-318 Tropico, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 10.00 CA-319 Tuscan, 1909, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC 12.50 CA-320 University, 1894, clear black CDS., cork killer 2¢ Col entire 10,00 CA-321 Upper Mattole, 1943, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on GPC 4.00 CA-322 Vacation, 1928, clear black CDS w/4 bar ties 2¢ red on cover 4.50 CA-323 Valley Springs, 1898, clear black CDS, cork killer. Hotel c/c 5.00 CA-324 Vallevista, 1908, weak legible black CDS, 1¢ green on PPC 10.00 CA-325 Vallicita, 1940, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cacheted LDC 4.00 CA-326 Verona, 1910, clear black Doane cancel on PPC 8,00 CA-327 Visalia, 1860's, clear black CDS, target #65. MS"Tah-oo-chay-pah-Pass" 25,00 CA-328 Vorden, 1936, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on GPC. LDC 6.00 CA-329 Vultee Field, 1941, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on 12 entire 12.50 CA-330 Waldo, 1909, clear black CDS, 1¢ green on PPC 12.50 CA-331 Walsh Station, 1910 clear red w/6 bar. Also Montague in Clear blk tied12.50 CA-332 Watts, 1911, clear black CDS ties 1¢ green on PPC 7.50 CA-333 Wawona, 1930, clear black CDS on PPC 5.00 CA-334 West Butte, 1905, clear black CDS on PPC 5.00 CA-335 West Butte, 1908, clear black Doane cancel, 2¢ red on cover 8,50 CA-336 West Butte, 1908, clear black Doane cancel, 1¢ green on leather PC 10.00 CA-337 Willow, 1887, clear black dbl rim CDS tied on GPC 10.00 CA-338 Winthrop, BOL wklegible red CDS, red target on 2¢ red on cover 15.00 CA-339 Wrights, 1884, clear black triple CDS, target #210 on toned Ladies CVR12.50 CA-340 White Oak Lodge, 1932, weak leg, green CDS tied on GPC, LDC 20.00 CA-341 Wilbur Springs, 1943, sharp black CDS w/4 bar on cover 5.00 7.50 CA-342 Woodbridge, 1882, clear black CDS ties 3¢ BN on cover CA-343 Woodleaf, 1909, clear black Doane cancel on PPC 9.50 CA-344 Woodward, 1907, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 10.00 CA-345 Yankee Hill, 1936, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 3.50 CA-346 Yankee Jims, 1901, spotty legible black CDS.2¢ red on Veg-A-Tab cvr 10.00 CA-347 Yuba City, 1889, clear black CDS, 2¢ entire. Docketed 6.00 CA-348 Yuba City, clear black CDS ties #35 on cover 37.50

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MN-001 Balsam, 1930, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 4,00 8.00 MN-002 Belgrade, 1893, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ BN. Adv c/c 6.00 MN-003 Birchlake, 1908, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 3.50 Blackberry, 1938, (2) clear black CDSs w/4 bar, Hand painted Cachet MN-004 5.00 MN-005 Blooming Prairie, 1934, clear black CDS, Flag cancel on cover MN-006 Brager, 1909, clear black Doane cancel on GPC 5.00 MN-007 Brooten, 1933, clear black CDS, Flag cancel on cover 6.00 MN-008 Burr, 1918, clear black CDs w/4 bar on PPC 4.00 5.00 MN-009 Clearbrook, 1933, clear black CDS, Flag cancel on cover MN-010 Clifford, 1904, clear black CDS tied on GPC 7.50 MN-011 Clinton Falls, 1907, clear magenta CDS w/4 bar on PPC 4.00 MN-012 Cove, 1911, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC 7.50 5.00 MN-013 Detroit, 1907, clear black CDS, 2¢ entire. Adv c/c MN-014 Detroit City, 1889, weak legible black CDS on GPC 5.50 MN-015 Detroit, Shoreham Rural Station, in clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 5,00 4.50 MN-016 Dovle, 1935, clear purple CDS w/4 bar on LDC 6,00 MN-017 Duluth, Morgan Pk. Sta., 1933, in clear black CDS w/Flag cancel MN-018 Dunbar, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 3¢ entire. LDC 6.00 MN-019 Esplee, 1911, clear black CDS, target killer on PPC 3.50 MN-020 Falun, 1906, clear black CDS on PPC 6.00 MN-021 Feeley, 1910, clear black CDS tied on PPC 8.50 MN-022 Flaming, ca 1910, clear black CDS (except yr date) w/4 bar on PPC 7.50 MN-023 Fleming Lake, 1911, clear black CDS w 4/bar on PPC 5.00 MN-024 Frontier, 1917, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC 3.50 MN-025 Gladstone, 1914, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC 3.50 MN-026 Glen Lake, 1943, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 3.50 MN-027 Grey Eagle, Ward Springs Rur. Sta., 1959, in clear black CDS on GPC 3.50 MN-028 Grogan, 1932, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC 6.00 MN-029 Gunflint, 1950, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC 15.00 MN-030 Gunflint Trail, 1953, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover 7.50 MN-031 Gunflint Trail/Gunflint, 1950, both clear black w/4 bar on GPC.FD/LDC 15.00 MN-032 Hagan, 1901, clear black CDS. target 2¢ entire 12.50 MN-033 Harlis, 1932, clear purple CDS w/4 bar on LDC 6.50 MN-034 Hutchinson, 1881, clear black triple fancy CDS, cork killer 3¢ BN 3.50 MN-035 Invergrove/Inver Grove, 1950, both clear black w/4bar on GPC.FD/LDC 3.50 MN-036 Lake Park, 1898, clear black CDS, cork killer 2¢ red on cover 7.50 MN-037 Lanesboro, 1905, R.F.D. 2 in clear black on cover 12.50 MN-038 Linnell, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 15.00 MN-039 Langdon, 1909 (inverted), clear black Doane cancel on PPC 4.00 MN-040 Lonesome, 1886, MS postmark on Registry Bill 40.00 MN-041 Mallard, 1907, clear black CDS on PPC 6.50 MN-042 McCombe, 1923, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 3,50 MN-043 Minneapolis/Philatelic Exhibition Sta., 1929, bold black CDS w/4 bar 5.00 MN-044 Minneapolis, 1906, clear black machine cancel "Riverside/Station" 5.00 MN-045 New Richland, 1881, sharp black sawtooth CDS, Star killer 3¢ BN 30.00 MN-046 North Saint Paul, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 3.50 MN-047 Norway Lake, 1902, clear black CDS, cork killer 2¢ red on cover 6.50 MN-048 Norwood, 1910, weak legible black CDS, cork killer. PPC 5.00 MN-049 Nymore, 1915, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC 5.00 MN-050 Opstead, 1943, smudgy ledible black CDS w/r bar on LDC 5.00 MN-051 Palo, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on3¢ entire. LDC 6.00 MN-052 Parker, 1890, clear black CDS, target killer on creased GPC 12.50 3.50 MN-053, Penturen, 1937, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on GPC MN-054 Poupore, 1932, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 2¢ entire on cover 4.00 MN-056 Rapidan, 1914, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ green on PPC 4.00 MN-057 Rollag, 1911, clear black CDS tied on PPC 5.00 MN-058 South Park, 1910, clear black CDS tied on PPC 5,00 MN-059 St. Paul, 1908, clear magenta boxed Rirground cancel on PPC 12.50 12.50 MN-060 Stillwater, 1860s, clear black CDS, fancy cancel #65 8.50 MN-061 Sutton, 1898, clear purple CDS tied to 2¢ entire MN-062 Terrebonne, 1914, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ green on PPC 5.00

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MO-001 MO-002	Agnes, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC Barks, 1917, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	4.00
M0-003	Barren, 1932, clear purple CDS w/4 bar on cover	4.00
M0-004	Carthage, 1902, R.F.D. 5 in clear purple on cover	10.00
MO-005	Clark's Fork, 1895, clear black sawtooth oval County CDS. Rare	40.00
M0-006	Doyle, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC	4.50
M0-007	Drake, 1878, MS postmark, MS cancel 3¢ BN on Ladies cover	10.00
M0-008	Dykes, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC	4.00
M0-009	Ebb, 1910, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ green on PPC	7,50
MO-010	Edgehill, 1932, clear black CDS w/4 bartied to 3¢ entire on LDC	4.00
MO-011	Edina, NYD, clear purple CDS tied to 3¢ entire w/neg Star killer	10.00
MO-012	Everton, 1892, clear purple dbl rim CDS, black killer 1¢ BN	8,00
MO-013	Ferguson, 1908, clear black Doane cancel on PPC	7,50
MO-014	Feuersville, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	4,00
MO-015	Floyd, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	6.00
MO-016	Jacksonville, 1905, R.F.D. 1 in clear black on cover	15.00
MO-017	Jefferson Barracks,1891, clear black CDS, 2¢ entire. Toned	20,00
MO-018	Lancaster, 1931, clear black CDS & Flag cancel on cover	4.50
MO-019	Locust Hill, NYD, weak legible black CDS, "FLower" killer 3¢ entire	7.50
M0-020	Locust Hill, 1880, clear magenta triple CDS on GPC	7,50
MO-021	McCunes Station, 1912, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	4.00
MO-022	Mendota, 1930, clear purple CDS w/4 bar on cover	3.50
MO-023	New Haven, 1933, clear black CDS & Flag cancel on cover	5.00
MO-024	New Haven, 1904, R.F.D. ? in clear black on cover. Adv c/c	10.00
MO-025	Pawnee, 1907, clear black Doane cancel on PPC	9.00
MO-026	Pleasant Hill, 1925, clear black CDS, Scarce Flag cancel on cover	10.00
MO-027	Potsdam, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC	5.00
MO-028	Pratt, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar on LDC	6.00
MO-029	Rockford, 1925, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover	7,50
MO-030	St. Louis, 1904, clear black CDS, Expo cancel on souvenir PC	36.00
MO-031	Saint Louis, 1887, bold black CDS, #210. Railroad c/c	7.50
MO-032	Simcoe, 1906, clear black Doane cancel on GPC	7,50
MO-033	Skidmore, 1886, clear black octagonal M.O.B., CDS, machine cancel	7.50
M0-034	Townley, 1908, clear black CDS tied on 1¢ green on PPC	7.50
MO-035	Triumph, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	7.50
MO-036	Useful, 1909, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	10.00
MO-037	Wardsville, 1933, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to 3¢ entire on LDC	4.00
MO-038 MO-039	Washington, NYD, clear black CDS, Star killer 3¢ entire	6.50
MO-039 MO-049	Yarrow, 1911, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ green on PPC	7.50
110-049	Hallsville, 1887, Ms postmark, Ms cancel on UX8 GPC	6.50

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OR	075	Sams Valley, 1953, clear black CDS w/4 bar killer on GPC	8.00
OR	076	Shaw, 1911, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	8.00
OR	077	Sheaville, 1943, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC	8.00
OR	078	South Forest Grove, 1913, clear black CDS on PPC	8.00
OR	079	Springwater, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC	15.00
OR	080	Stauffer, 1943, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC	7.50
OR	081	Summit, 1914, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	5,00
	082	Tillamook,1904, clear black CDS on Registered cover	17.50
	083	Toketee Falls, 1955, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC	8.00
	084	Victor, 1911, clear black Doane cancel on PPC	17.50
	085	Wells, 1936, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC	7,50
	086	Wilhoit, 1909, clear black CDS on PPC	6.50
	087	Woods, 1935, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC	7.50
	088	Woodstock, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	12.50
	089	Wrentham, 1911, clear black CDS, cork killer PPC	15.00
	090	Wyeth, 1936, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC	8.00
OR	091	Yaquin, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	3.50

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TX		Double Bayou, 1917, clear black CDS on toned cover, trimmed rt 5.00	
TX		El Paso,1904, clear black CDS tied to Spec.Del. on PPC. "Due 1¢"20.00)
TX	800	Fort Sam Houston, 1904, weak legible black CDS, 2¢ red on cover 4.00)
TX	009	Foster Field/Victoria, 1942, (2) bold black conc CDSs on Air Cvr 5.00	
ΤX	010	Galena Park, 1931, clear black CDS w/4 bar on fine FDC 10.00	
TX	011	Goodfellow Field, 1943, clear black CDS tied on Cover 4.00	
TX	012	Hansford, 1910, clear black CDS tied to 1¢ green on PPC 4.00	
ΤX	013	Hobby, 1931,(2) smudgy leg. black CDSs w/4 bar (1) tied on cvr 7.50	
TX	014	Iowa Colony, 1920s, clear purple CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC 10.00	
ŤΧ	023	Manning, 1940, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC 3.50	
ΤX	024	Meridian, 1934, clear black CDS, Flag cancel on cover 6.00)
ΤX	025	Millett, 1911, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC 3.50)
TX	026	Monthalia, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC 8.50)
TX	027	Pasche, 1940, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cacheted LDC 4.00)
TX	028	Soash, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC 12.00)
TX	029	Valley, 1897, smudgy leg. black CDS, targetkiller 2¢ entire 20.00)
TX		Vinton, 1940, clear blue CDS w/4 bar tied to 3¢ entire on LDC 4.00)
TX		Wichita Falls, 1936, clear black CDS, Monroe St/Station Flag cvr 4.00)

NEW MEXICO

NM	001	Akela, 1943, clear CDS w/ 4 bar tied on PPC	7.50
NM	002	Alameda, 1915, clear black CDS, target killer PPC	4.50
NM	003	Anapra, 1913, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	22,50
NM	004	Anthony, 1904, clear black CDS, 2¢ red on cover	25.00
NM	005	Aztec, 1909, clear black CDS on PPC. Terr.	8.50
NM	006	Bennett, 1957, clear black CDS w/4 bar on cover	3.50
NM	007	Black Rock, 1919, clear black CDS w/4 bar on Reg. Dispatch Rec. Card	3.50
NM	008	Clovis, 1925, clear black CDS, Flag cancel on PPC Creased rt	4.00
NM	009	Clovis, Lovis Air Force Base Br., 1957, clear mag. conc CDS. LDC	17.50
NM	010	Collins Park, 1955, sharp black CDS w/4 bar on GPC. LDC	8.00
NM	011	Colmor, 1921, clear blue CDS tied to 1¢ green	10.00
NM	012	Colmor, 1911, clear black Doane cancel on Reg. Pkg. Receipt	5.00
NM	013	Conchos Dam, 1936, clear black conc M.O.B. tied on GPC. FD/LDC	17.50
NM	014	Dawson, 1916, clear black CDS tied to 2¢ red on cover	10.00
NM	015	East Vaughn, 1916, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on PPC	4.00
NM	016	Edgewood, 1936 (FD), Barton, (LD) both clear black w/4 bar on GPC	10.00
NM	017	Elkins, 1929, weak legible black out of rd CDS w/4 bar on cover	4.00
NM	018	Fairview, 1895, clear black oval CDS on Reg. Package REceipt	25.00
NM	019	Faywood, 1910, weak leg. black CDS w/4 bar Reg. Package Receipt	25.00
NM	020	Grants, Milan Rur. Sta., 1958, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied on CVR	5.00
NM	021	Georgetown, 1887, weak legible black dbl rim CDS on cover	35.00
NM	022	Guadalupita, 1890, clear black CDS, target #213	25.00
NM	023	Guagolotes, 1937, clear black CDS on post card	25.00
NM	024	Haynes, 1932, clear black CDS w/4 bar on toned cover	25.00
NM	025	Holy Cross, 1938, clear black CDS on cacheted cvr	20.00
NM	026	James (LD), Jamez (FD), 1950 both bold black CDSs w/4 barson GPC	30.00
NM	027	Jamez (LD), Jamez Pueblo (FD) 1950, both clear black w/4 bar on GPC	30.00
NM	028	Koehler, 1909, clear black CDS w/5 bar on PPC	30,00
NM	029	Lake Valley, 1884, clear blackCDS tied to faulty #210 on cover	25.00
NM	030	Lake Valley, 1909, clear black Doane tied to 1¢ green on PPC	15.00
NM	031	Lakewood, 1910, clear black CDS w/4 bar tied to GPC	10.00
NM	032	Logan, 1901, clear black CDS tied on PPC. NIcked upper left	22.50
NM	033	Nara Visa, 1910, clear black CDS on PPC	15.00
NM	034	Newcomb, 1944, clear black CDS w/4 bar on GPC LD	4.50
NM	035	Nolan, 1911, clear black CDS w/4 bar on PPC	10.00

ND 01	Agricultural College 1908 ppc	7.50
ND 02	Anselm 1909 ppc "Doane"	10.00
ND O3	Aplin 1909 cover	20,00
ND 04	Ardoch 1910 ppc	8.50
ND 05	Badland 1911 ppc	20,00
ND 06	Barlow 1921 ppc	4,00
ND 07	Barton 1908 ppc	3,00
ND 08	Battleview 1907 ppc	2.50
ND 09	Blanchard 1911 ppc	4.00
ND 10	Brantford 1913 ppc	3,50
ND 11	Brazil 1909 ppc VF	15.00
ND 12	Brazil 1910 ppc	8.50
ND 13	Brinsmade 1916 ppc	3,50
ND 14	Britton 1910 ppc	8.50
ND 15	Buffalo Springs 1932 cover	4.00
ND 16	Burlington 1931 cover	2.50
ND 17	Burt 1930 cover	4.00
ND 18	Buxton 1902 cvr	2.00
ND 19	Canfield 1907 ppc	15.00
ND 20	Cashel 1912 ppc blue cancel	7.50
ND 21	Casselton 1893 cover	6.00
ND 22	Clyde 1909 ppc	5.00
ND 23	Cook 1911 ppc	40.00
ND 24	Crocus 1909 ppc	7.50
ND 25	Cuba 1913 cover	7.50
ND 26	Cumings 1918 ppc	6.00
ND 27	Cumings 1907 ppc "Doane"	12.50
ND 28	Daglum 1908 ppc	18.50
ND 29	Deep 1911 ppc	15.00
ND 30	Delamere 1911 ppc	3.50
ND 31	Easby 1910 ppc	7.50
ND 32	Elbowoods 1927 ppc	4.25
ND 33	Elliot 1908 ppc	3.25
ND 34	Elsberry 1913 ppc	15.00
ND 35	Emerson 1909 ppc	10.00
ND 36	Fargo C4ONAD cover 1924	36.00
ND 37	Fargo 1902 machine cancel cv	2.50
ND 38	Fayette 1911 ppc VF	12.50
ND 39	Fayette 1910 ppc VG	6.00
ND 40	Flora 1912 ppc	7.00
ND 41	Gilstrap 1908 ppc	40.00
ND 42	Glencoe 1909 ppc (Doane)	12.50
ND 43	Glover 1911 ppc	7.50
ND 44	Graber 1910 ppc	30.00
ND 45	Grand 1911 ppc	5.00
ND 46	Gray 1912 ppc	17.50
ND 47	Gray 1912 ppc Gray 1909 ppc VF	25.00
ND 48	Hansboro 1911 ppc	4.00
ND 49	Hartford 1909 ppc(Doane)	10.00
ND 50	Hastings 1914 ppc	4.50
ND 51	Heart 1909 ppc (Doane)	20.00
ND 52	Hecker 1909 ppc (Doane)	45.00
ND 53	Helena, 1910 ppc	20.00
ND 54	Hesper 1955 LDC	2.50
ND 55	Hickson 1911 ppc	3,50
ND 56	Hoosier 1910 ppc	20.00
ND 57	Hickson 1911 ppc Hoosier 1910 ppc Hufflund 1936 LDC	10.00

ND	58	Independence 1914 ppc	30,00
ND		Johnstown 1907 gpc	7,50
ND		Judson 1968 LDC	3,00
ND		Kempton 1912 ppc	4.00
ND		Kermit 1910 ppc	8.50
ND		Kindred RFD 1 1904 cover	20.00
ND		Larson 1908 ppc VF	5.00
ND		Leal 1911 ppc	5.00
ND		Liberty (b/s) 1909 ppc	12.50
ND		Mary 1915 ppc	12.50
ND		Medberry 1909 ppc	7.50
ND		Melville, 1911, ppc	5.00
ND	70	Melby 1911 ppc	20.00
ND	71	Minot 1898 reg cover	17.50
ND	72	Mara 1011 ppc (blue Doane)	15.00
ND	73	Mose 1911 ppc (blue Doane) Mount Carmel 1911 ppc	4.00
ND	74	Nelson 1936 LDC	10.00
ND	75	New England 1933 Flag cancel	5.00
ND	76		6.00
ND	77	Nishu 1941 LDC Nishu 1941 LD card	4.00
		Nishu 1941 LD Card	18,50
ND	78	Noel 1910 ppc	
ND		Noel 1911 ppc	20.00
	80	North Chautauqua 1907 Doane	12.50
	81	Numedahl 1910 ppc	12.50
	82	Perth 1910 ppc	4.00
	83	Pettibone 1930 cover	3.50
	84	Riga 1907 ppc	15.00
	85	Rockspring 1911 ppc	17.50
	-	Roger 1909 ppc stained - fair Rolla 1933 Flag	r10.00
	87	Rolla 1933 Flag	5.00
	88	Roop 1894 Cover EXF	60.00
	89	Rudser 1911 ppc	20.00
ND	90	Rugby, Harold D Walland, unlisted PM Cancel 1932	25.00
ND	01	Unlisted PM Cancel 1952	30.00
ND		Seaborn 1908 cover	7.50
	92 93	Silverleaf 1938 LDC gpc	12.50
		Skogmo 1932 LDC	20.00
ND	-	Stampede 1910 ppc	25.00
ND		Stampede 1916 ppc	
ND	96 97	Stady 1914 ppc	4.50 3.50
		Stady 1955 LDC	
ND		Stillwater 1910 ppc (Doane)	20.00
ND		Stowers 1912 ppc	7.50
ND		Stowers 1909 ppc	10.00
ND			3.00
ND	102	Taft 1909 ppc clear/stained	15.00
ND		Tagus 1951 gpc	3.25
ND			10.00
ND		Temple 1934 cover	5.00
		Tioga 1907 Photo ppc	6.00
ND		Tunbridge 1912 ppc	3.75
ND	108	Tunbridge 1911 ppc	7,50
ND	109	Tunbridge 1955 LDC	3.00
		A University 1910 ppc	8.00
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		Wogansport 1893 cover	17.50
		Wolfurd 1908 ppc	3.00
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	Edith 1910 ppc	30.00
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CO 11	Forkscreek 1906 ppc "Doane"	15.00
CO 12	Fosston 1941 LDC	10.00
CO 13	Galatea 1906 cover "Doane"	17.50
CO 14	Cardiff , 191? Railroad Cvr	22.50
CO 15	Hastings 1901 cover	20.00
CO 16	Home 1938 ppc	10.00
CO 17	Home 1914 cover	15.00
CO 18		10.00
CO 10	Leadville 1879 Transatlantic	07 50
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THE MAIL GETS TO MIKKELSON A Personal Remembrance by Oscar Becker

In the spring of 1920 I had been working in Montana when I decided to go home to my folks, who lived along the Little Missouri River about 42 miles north of Medora in western North Dakota. The way to get there was to go to Medora and go out with the stage that carried the mail to Mikkelson. The Mikkelson post office (discontinued in 1934) had once-a-week service on Wednesdays. The stage also carried passengers.

Medora was then just a little old cow town minus the saloons. There were two general stores, a livery stable, the county Court House, the Rough Rider Hotel (a pitcher and bowl type), a few residents, and the U.S. post office, which processed the mail for Mikkelson and other scattered ranch communities. That's about all there was to the town since the 1880s when Teddy Roosevelt frequented the town.

I arrived in Medora on Tuesday evening and planned to go to Mikkelson with the stage on Wednesday, March 30th. I had lived near the Little Missouri River since 1914 and knew from experience the river might be a little high from the spring rains. However, when I saw Schuyler - the man who drove the mail stage - he told me the river was very high. This presented problems because normally the stage crossed the river about 20 times in the 36 miles to the Mikkelson post office, which was located in the river valley near Teddy Roosevelt's Elkhorn Ranch. Under the circumstances the stage would have to travel over wagon trails through the hills to try to get to Mikkelson.

Schuyler, who was an old timer, had punched cows for Teddy Roosevelt. He knew the country and the difficulty of traveling over its trails. But if there was a way to get through to Mikkelson, he was the man that could do it.

The Little Missouri River flows through the middle of the North Dakota Bad Lands. It meanders from one side of the valley to the other. At the sides it generally flows at the base of high banks or cliffs, making it impossible to travel very far up or down the valley without crossing the river. In normal times the stage followed wagon trails over the bottom lands from one river crossing to the next. When the flow in the river was normal, there was no problem. The depth of water at the crossings then was seldom more than twelve inches, and during drought years the flow virtually ceased. When, as now, the river carried the runoff from excessive rains or melting snow, it became a turbulant, fast-flowing silt-laden river, and few ventured on



it even with a boat. The stage was a buckboard, a light four-wheeled spring wagon pulled by a two-horse team, no match for a river in flood.

The trail through the hills was also somewhat difficult to travel at this time. The creeks which carried the runoff from the areas tributary to the Little Missouri on either side were also flowing strongly. Although there was no troublesome depth of water, these smaller streams presented problems at crossings, as the banks were eroded and muddy, making it difficult for the horses on the uphill side.

Because of this situation Schuyler had another man drive the teams while he rode along on a saddle horse. When we came to a creek crossing that looked troublesome, he would tie one end of his lariat to the end of the wagon tongue and the other to the saddle horn. Then when the team started up the slippery creek bank, he could give the team a good assist by having his saddle horse pulling from good footing above the creek bank.

By evening we had tavelled the equivalent of only 20 miles by the river road. We stopped at a cabin belonging to a well-known bachelor cowboy nicknamed "Six Shooter Slim". There was no one home, but the cabin was not locked and there was food in the cabin, and the barn had feed for the horses. The custom in the Bad Lands was to feed and provide lodging for travelers, so we knew we were welcome to stop there.

Then Schuyler said, "You fellows stay here tonight and tomorrow, then go to the Halfhide Place and wait there for me. I am going back to Medora and build a boat; then I'll use it to come down the river and take the mail the rest of the way."

The Halfhide Place was a homestead cabin a few miles further on our way and near the river. It was the end of the trail on the east side of the river, as far as we could go with a team and wagon toward Mikkelson without crossing the river. The next morning I said to the driver, "Why not go to the Halfhide Place today; we can wait there as well as here." He agreed, so we carried the mail a few miles further on its way while he returned to Medora.

When we arrived at the Halfhide cabin again there was no one home. We put the horses in the barn and fed them, and then went to take a look at the river crossing. On the other side of the river was Mr. Short, also down to look at the prospects of a crossing. I called to him and said, "Con, do you want your mail?"

"Yes, but I'd like to know how in hell you are going to get it here."

I replied, "I'll bring it over."

I went up to the cabin for an axe, a cracker box, some rope (which I had ordered and was in the mail cargo for me), the mail, and a package for the Short Ranch. Returning to the river bank, I went to work. There were numerous dead trees along the river bank. I cut three logs 12 to 15 inches in diameter and eight to ten feet long. I tied these together near the ends with barbed wire, twisting the wire between the logs to make spacers between the center log and the two outside ones. Then I cut two logs about six inches in diameter and the same length as the others and wired theres in the spaces. An old board made a paddle.

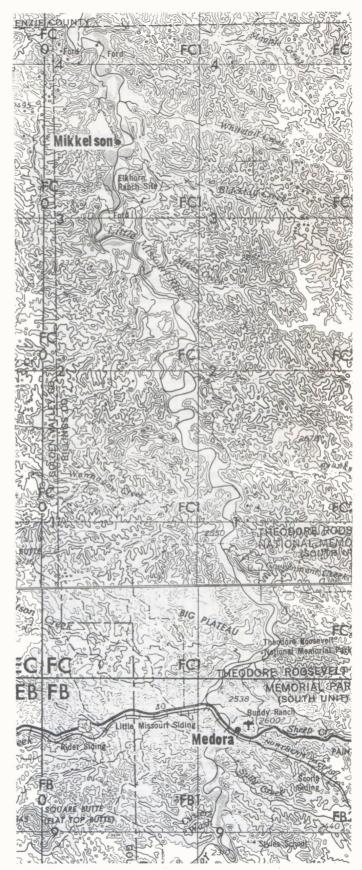
The driver helped me put the raft together and take it to the edge of the water. I then tied my rope to the wires at one end of the raft, set my box in the middle for a seat, and prepared to push out into the river current. Con Short, who was watching from the other side of the river, called, "Never mind the mail, just bring the tobacco."

I answered, "I'm bringing the mail." Then I pushed off into the river current.

Mr. Short watched my raft hit the current and pick up speed. He then saddled a horse and rode down stream, thinking it would be some distance down before I would manage to get to his side. A short distance below the Short Ranch, the river made a short left turn and if I had not reached the opposite side before getting into the bend, the swirling current would have carried me away from the left bank, which is what Mr. Short anticipated.

However, I did manage to get to the far shore just at the beginning of the bend. I tied my raft to one of the numerous cottonwood trees on the bank, and took the tobacco and mail to the Short Ranch. There, although it was past lunch time, Mrs. Short gave me an excellent lunch. It was about 2 p.m. when I once again pushed out into the river current on the raft, hoping to make it home before dark.

While it lasted it was a very pleasant ride, going down the river sitting on a cracker box and going somewhere between five and seven miles an hour without any effort on my part. In some places there were irregularities on the river bottom, causing the water to be quite rough. That part of the raft that was above water



Mikkelson is near the top of this map, with Medora on the railroad near the bottom. USGS 1:250,000

was wet and blended in with the color of the river water, so that from a distance all that one could have seen was me sitting on a box floating down the river.

While it required no effort on my part for propulsion, I did have to be on the alert, continuously watching for trees, snags, and large rocks which washed out of the river banks during high water and got stuck in the channel. When such obstructions appeared, I made use of my paddle to avoid hitting them, as the impact might break apart my little raft and dunk me in the water.

By five o'clock I had traveled between 15 and 20 miles down the river. Looking ahead I saw a big tree setting upright in the river. I paddled on one side and then on the other, trying to guide the raft to either side to avoid the tree. However, try as I might, the raft insisted on heading straight for the tree and hit it head on. The front end of the raft dipped down. I was thrust against the tree and held on. The cracker box hit my back side and broke. The raft stood on end for a moment then flipped around the tree and was gone.

There I was, out in the river in a tree which might break loose at any time and roll with the current down stream until it got stuck again. Between me and the east river bank was about 75 feet of turbulant, silt-laden water, seven or eight feet deep and with a temperature very little above freezing.

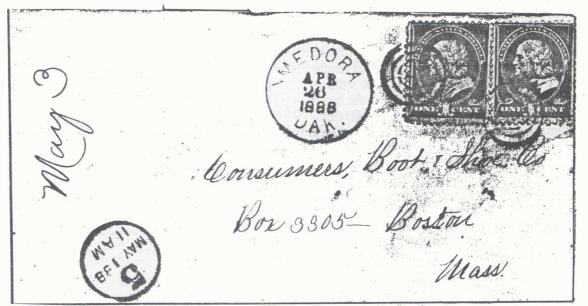
I considered my position for a minute or two. It was apparent that I would have to get out of there one way or another before dark. Even if that tree stayed put I could not survive a night in it; and the chances of it being there in the morning were rather slim. I knew I had to get help, or had to swim to the east bank. Swimming would be the last resort, because the flow in the river was very swift and would carry me some distance down stream. Furthermore, a short distance down stream the river flowed at the base of a high cliff, and the current would pull me away from the near bank. I decided to see what chance there was for getting help and climbed into the top of the tree to get a look around.

The weather was in my favor. The temperature was in the low twenties, and not a breeze was stirring. A voice would carry a long distance, and the coyotes had not started their serenade, which noise would interefere with the sound of my voice.

From up there in the tree I saw that my raft wrecked in a most favorable spot. I was only about a half mile from the Gardner Ranch, with only a cultivated field between me and the ranch buildings. I also saw two men with a team of horses and a wagon just a short distance from the ranch buildings. This gave me hope that I might get some help to get out of my predicament.

The first thing to do, I thought, was to make myself as conspicuous as possible, so I broke off all the branches I could from around me. I tied my handkerchief to the largest branch that I broke off to make a flag. I watched as the team moved towards the buildings and stopped. One man went to open a gate. I called as loud as I could and waved my flag. The man stopped to listen, and I called again. The second time he was able to pinpoint the noise, and he saw me waving the flag. He closed the gate, got on the wagon and came towards me with the team on the run. When they got to the river bank and saw me out there in a tree high and dry, they could hardly believe what they saw.

I was acquainted with one of the men, George Gardner, the owner of the ranch. So far as he knew, I was someplace in Montana, and here I was in a tree out in the river. After he realized it was actually me out there and not a mirage he said, "Well! I'll be damned, I



Territorial cover from Medora. From the span of years over which it operated, there surely must be postmarks from Mikkelson in existence, but as yet none have been reported.

see you there but I'd like to know how in the hell you got there."

I explained briefly - which he found difficult to comprehend because no one had ever tried to ride a raft on that river during high water. After absorbing the situation, he said, "How am I going to get you out of there? I can't throw a rope that far." After thinking a few minutes, he said, "I'll go back to the house and put the boat on the river and come down in it."

He left and in a short time he came with the boat. He maneuvered it alongside the tree and tried to hold it so I could get in. However, the minute he stopped the boat water started to flow over the sides, so he had to release his hold to prevent the boat from being swamped. He rowed to the opposite shore, where there was a sand bar, beached the boad and tipped out the water.

Then he pulled it upstream a ways and started down again, but this time as he approached the tree he said, "Catch this rope as I pass by." So I hung by my knees from a low limb so I could use both hands to try to take the rope from him as he passed by. As he approached the tree, however, I realized that he could not take a hand off an oar without taking a chance on having the boat dashed against the tree. So instead of grabbing the rope, I grabbed the limb with my hands and dropped into the boat as it passed beneath me. I hadn't time to adjust my drop to counter the movement of the boat; as a result, when my feet hit the bottom of the boat I turned a backward somersault into the turbulent river.

It seemed many seconds before I got my head above water and saw that the boat was not far from me. As I started to swim towards it, Mr. Gardner called, "For God's sake don't upset the boat." I assured him I would be careful and swam to the rear of the boat and climbed into it. He took me to the east river bank where the other man was with his team and wagon.

As they could not leave the boat in the water and it would take some time to pull it out of the river, I ran to the ranch house to keep from freezing in the cold weather. I was in pretty good physical condition, so it didn't seem to take too long to run the half mile to the ranch house. When I got there my clothes were frozen stiff. Mrs. Gardner provided me with some of Mr. Gardner's clothes while mine dried out; and although his clothes were large for me, they felt very good.

It was now evening, the day after mail day, and everyone wondered what had happened to the mail. After getting the chill out of my system, I told the Gardners where the mail was and about Schuyler's scheme to bring the mail down the river in a boat. After my experience we had little faith in Schuyler carrying out his plan. I was also concerned about my personal belongings, which were with the mail. Mr. Gardner and myself decided to go after the mail the next day. It was a nice morning as George Gardner and I mounted on two saddle horses a rode through the hills to the Halfhide Place leading two pack horses. We put the mail and my belongings on the pack horses and returned to the Gardner Ranch. We then took the mail across the river by boat and walked it the remaining half mile to the Mikkelson post office. Instead of the mail arriving at 4 p.m. on Wednesday as scheduled it got there about 4 p.m. on Friday.

In the three days I managed to travel the equivalent of 36 miles by the river road by a most circuitous route that covered many more miles. I was still six miles from home, and would have to travel over ten miles through the hills to get there. Mr. Gardner loaned me a saddle horse, which I later returned.

I have been in the Bad Lands quite a few times since I made this memorable trip in 1920. Time has brought change to the area. Medora has greatly increased in size and now attracts more tourists during the summer months than any other town in North Dakota. It is near the entrance to the southern unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park. It even has an outdoor theater in the hills a short distance south of town. The Rough Rider Hotel, which Teddy Roosevelt frequented in the 1880s, has been modernized and is still doing business.

The country too has changed. There is no more mail going down the river valley to Mikkelson. It has been wiped off the map. Most of the wagon trails we traveled over by stage in 1920 are now all-weather roads. The creeks have been bridged. Much of the area towards Mikkelson is now in the park, and driving through there now you might see some buffalo, and you'd surely see some prairie dog towns. Except for the all-weather roads the area is being restored to its original wild state.

The Little Missouri River, however, is as unpredictable as it ever was. There is one difference, though; with present communication systems people can be warned about ice jams and unusual high water and be prepared for them. Years ago, there was no warning.

> Oscar Becker has held many jobs, including working for the North Dakota Highway Planning Board and the state Water Conservation Board. He is now 92 years old and lives in California.

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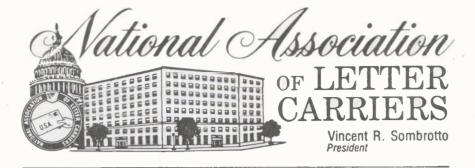
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Contact Candace Main Rush, Information Specialist, National Association of Letter Carriers, 100 Indiana Ave., N.W, Washington, D.C., 20001 (phone: 202-393-4695) if you are willing to lend any such items to the exhibition or if you know of any other sources of relevant materials.

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Getting the Good Stuff

The last few months and the next few to come represent one of those infrequent times in the hobby when an abundance of very good western material comes on the market. Summer sales by Richard Frajola of the Len Persson Collection and Daniel Kelleher of the David Beals Military Fort Collection brought to the market a quantity of outstanding western covers, and sales scheduled by Frajola for September and January promise an even more impressive offering of spectacular western items from the second part of the Persson Collection and the Rohloff Territorial Collection.

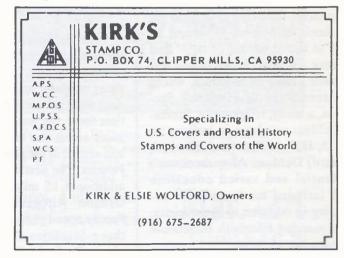
Those of us who have been involved with western postal history for several years recognize that opportunities such as this come along very seldom. Oh, its almost always possible to find desirable covers from our favorite dealers or in the normal run of auctions, but the offering of an abundance of first quality western material is something that happens only rarely.

The first thought for many of us of modest means and limited postal history budgets might be, "So what? What interest is it to me that these goodies are all coming on the market if my budget won't allow me to buy them? All the good stuff will just be snapped up by some rich guy, or bought for resale by some well-heeled dealer." Ah, but that's just the point. The offerings represented in these sales are so big and so varied, that it is highly unlikely that anyone -- be he dealer or collector -- can buy all the good stuff. These are major redistribution sales, and, since even the wealthy make choices, the items offered are likely to realize lower prices (perhaps even far lower) than they would if they were to come on the market by themselves in the normal course of things. The result will be, if not outright bargains, at least prices which are ultimately fair for most of the material to be sold.

Naturally, the jewels of the material coming on the market have, and will, sell at jewel-prices. The Fort Defiance, N.M. franked with a pair of the 12-cent black (Scotts #17), and illustrated in color on the cover of Kelleher's catalog brought \$4,000 (plus 10%). But with so many jewels for sale, the lesser covers pale by comparison and sometimes sell at what would normally be bargain basement prices. If you don't believe me, study the prices realized in the Kelleher Sale (#578) and the Frajola Sale (#36). Compare the prices realized in those sales with similar items which have sold at auction over the past few years. The message is clear.



Quite aside from the opportunity to acquire some important covers, the sale of some much high quality material in such a short span of time also has enormous research value. Ours, as we all know, is a collecting hobby without the benefit (some might say disadvantage) of a priced catalog. Much of what we buy and sell is priced solely on the basis of informed (hopefully) opinion. The information comes from a knowledge of past price realizations, comparisons of scarcity and condition, and general experience. The offering of so much high quality material all at once will go far toward establishing market prices for western postal history over the next several years. If you do nothing else, be sure to obtain a copy of the catalog and prices realized for these sales. The modest amount you might spend to acquire them will come back to you many times over in terms of the knowledge you will acquire.



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DE MOSS SPRINGS, OREGON: MUSICIANS AMONG THE SAGEBRUSH

By Henry C. Dierck

In the late 1850's and early 1860's, many settlers were still pushing westward. Large ox-trains plodded their way across the endless prairies and over the mountain passes. Among those caught up in the movement were missionaries, following closely on the boot heels of Marcus Whitman, all trying to better the lot of their Red Brothers. Included in this group was Professor James M. DeMoss, whose ancestors were of Hugenot persuasion, a hardy, religious lot, Professor DeMoss was born in Indiana on May 15, 1837, of Peter and Elizabeth (Steward) DeMoss. After receiving a substantial and varied education which included music and civil engineering in addition to the ministry, James married Elizabeth Bonebreak on November 25, 1858.

In 1862 Professor DeMoss and his young family outfitted a wagon drawn by ox-team, and attached himself to a large ox-train heading west. There were still considerable dangers in the form of raids by hostile Indians, and, in addition, the train provided safety and insurance in case of a wagon breakdown. Once the trains were past the areas of greatest dangers, most missionaries took off on their own to find fertile ground in which to work.

The DeMoss Family made its way across through the Snake River Valley of what was soon to become the Territory of Idaho, and first settled down near what is now Weiser. After some time there, the family moved about 75 miles across the border into Oregon and settled in the community of North Powder. The next move took them an additional 15 miles north to Cove, Oregon. Altogether, the DeMoss Family spend about 21 years in these three localities. In each of these places, Professor DeMoss helped establish the first community post office. He often spoke of the overland journey with the ox- train, saying that if they logged 15 miles in a day they had done well.

While living in Cove, DeMoss built the first sawmill in the community and constructed many bridges over area streams. He also preached on Sundays, and in 1872, produced his first concert. The family were all talented musically, and soon began singing and playing instruments for many different groups.

After about 10 years of concert work in the Cove area, DeMoss decided that the time had come to once again move on. They traveled by wagon northwest to Pendleton and then on to present-day Boardman, where they met the Columbia River. At communities all along their route the DeMoss Family gave concerts. When the family reached Biggs, they decided it would be interesting to head south up Biggs Canyon (also



Tenth Annual Tour of the DeMoss family — 1882. Lizzie, Mae. Mother, Henry, Father, George and Minnie.

known as Spanish Hollow), and so they proceed south along the Biggs Canyon Road to Wasco in Oregon's dryland wheat farming country. Proceeding south towards Moro, the next town of size, the family happened upon a beautiful spot in a canyon -- a real little oasis, full of green vegetation and trees, with a big spring bubbling from the ground. Mrs. DeMoss, being not of good health, wanted a place to settle down and call home, and after looking over the canyon oasis carefully, the Professor declared "this is it." In 1883 DeMoss bought the site in what was then known as the Badger District of Wasco County. The District was named for Thomas R. Badger, who operated a store at this location, and had become postmaster of the Badger post office in 1882. The Badger post office continued to serve the little community until August 5, 1887. On that date Thomas J. Cocking became postmaster, and the name of the office was changed to DeMoss Springs; a name which it retained until being closed July 14, 1923.

The DeMoss Springs place became a summer home for the DeMoss Family. It was a place to come back to after musical tours which took the family farther and farther afield. The family was not interested in ranching like their neighbors, and rented the surrounding lands so that others could gain their productivity. In 1886 Elizabeth DeMoss and one of her daughters both died, and after this tragedy the Professor and his four remaining children went on a 10-year tour. They traveled to every state in the Union, and appeared at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago, where they were a very popular attraction. In 1895 the

family made their first European concert tour on which they studied for two years at the Royal Academy of Music in England and performed in many countries including concerts for royalty.

Professor DeMoss remarried in 1889 to Julia Emma Shatto. Julia bore two more children to the Professor while he was in his sixties, and he continued be active until his death at the age of 75 in January 1912. The Professor's son, George, carried on the concert program until his death in 1933.

The DeMoss Springs place had an open air concert stage, a horsepropelled merry-go-round, picnic tables and benches. The air was always filled with music. Henry DeMoss, one of the Professors gifted sons, wrote much of the music for the DeMoss concerts. People came from miles around to listen, for their was not

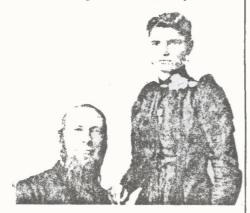
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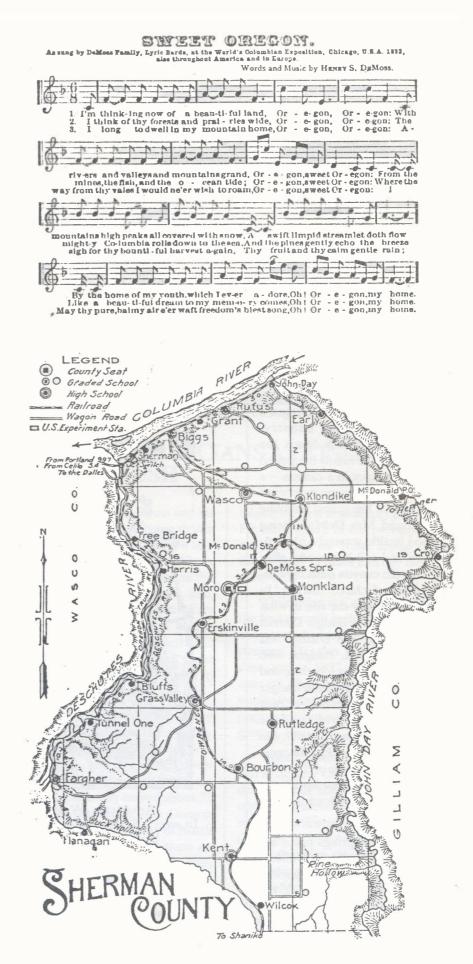
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James & Julia Emma (Shatto) DeMoss in 1891.

The second Mrs. DeMoss taught singing and organ lessons to the daughters of local ranchers in the town of Monkland. The children were invited to sing at some of the local concerts. Three little girls from Monkland who were taught music by Mrs. De-Moss and invited to sing on the outdoor stage are still living in the Northwest. Now in their nineties, two of the ladies live in a nursing home in The Dalles, Oregon, and the third lives in Tacoma, Washington.

Although now little more than an impressive residence and historical marker along side Highway 97 in Sherman County, one may still visit De-Moss Springs. Descendants of John DeMoss, a son of the Professor's second marriage, currently operate a wheat ranch on the property. The music of the DeMoss Family has long since faded into history, but the lonely site still boasts great natural beauty, and on a warm summer night, with the bright stars shining overhead, it might -- just might -- be possible to catch a bit on melody drifting on the wind.



POSTAL HISTORY OR DOCUMENTARY HISTORY: THE CASE OF ROCKY BAR AND ESMERALDA, IDAHO

By Lynn Langdon

Every collector has the right to collect whatever he or she chooses. Some limit their collections to express covers, others collect covers from a particular state, some do not want postcards or limit their collecting to a particular cut-off date. Still others, taking a broader approach, collect collateral material such as pictures, express waybills, cancels on post office receipts, or maps which detail the location of post offices, routes, an so forth. Where then does "postal History" leave off and "documentary history" begin?

As a collector for over 50 years, I have answered this question to my own satisfaction by collecting from as broad a perspective as possible. I collect express covers, territorial postmarks, Doane cancels, postmarks of discontinued offices on covers and postcards. To these I add western stocks and bonds, cancelled checks, warrant books and booklets, bill and letterheads, post office guides and documents not only from my primary state of Idaho, but also from the states that border Idaho. Often, I have found that, through my broad approach to collecting, it has become possible to answer puzzling historical questions in postal history by consulting information in my collateral documentary material. Unfortunately, even the broadest collecting approach sometimes fails to solve all the puzzles.

A case in point involves the towns of Esmeralda and Rocky Bar, Idaho. Both of these towns served as county seat in Alturas County during the 1860's, and, as seats of county government, both should have been responsible for the generation of certain amounts of official documents. Oddly, my research into the documentary history of these towns has only deepened the mystery concerning them.

The exact location of Esmeralda has never been determined. Many historians, and some post office records, state that Esmeralda was simply renamed Rocky Bar, and, hence, the two communities were really the same place. My search, however, suggests that there was more to the story than a simple renaming.

Part of the mystery surrounds the lack of existing covers from Esmeralda. To my knowledge, which includes over 40 years spent trying to locate one, no cover postmarked Esmeralda -- either manuscript or handstamp -exists. Since Esmeralda was the county seat, and had a post office according to official records from 1864 to 1868, this in itself is quite surprising. My collection contains various notes, county warrants, court documents, and invoices which originated in Esmeralda. But no covers have yet come to light, and, if anyone reading this knows of such a cover, I would greatly appreciate receiving a photocopy, not only for my own records but those of the Idaho State Historical Society.

Lets examine what other researchers have reported about Esmeralda. Guy Reed Ramsey, in his unpublished manuscript "Postmarked Idaho", lists under Alturas County: "Esmeralda established June 23, 1864 ... Arnold Nordheimer last P.M. ... renamed Rocky Bar January 20, 1868." Also under Alturas County: "Rocky Bar established as Esmeralda June 23, 1864 ... renamed Rocky Bar Jan. 20, 1868 .. Wm. Mullaley 1st postmaster." Frank Schell, in his book IDAHO GHOST TOWNS AND LIVE ONES, lists "Esmeralda 1864. Name changed to Rocky Bar 1868." A question comes to mind. Why the sudden change in postmasters if the town was only renamed?

Pursuing the early directories, I find in George D. Teller's AMERICAN SHIPPERS AND EX-PRESS GUIDE, TRAVELLERS DIRECTORY AND OFFICIAL POST OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH GUIDE, 1870 edition, that Esmeralda is listed as a post office and Rocky Bar is listed as a courthouse and post office. Since these directories were typically about two years behind the times in their compilations, both Esmeralda

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Esmeralda, Alturas County Warrant dated December 26, 1864.

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Covers from Rocky Bar: Wells, Fargo & Co. oval c. 1865 (top); townmark 1878 & townmark 1880. (Author's Collection)

and Rocky Bar may have existed in 1868.

THE IDAHO ENCYCLOPEDIA, a Federal Writers Project published in 1938 by Caxton Printers, contains the following description of Esmeralda by Project Director Vardis Fisher:

Esmeralda (Elmore County). A difference of opinion exists as to the location of Esmeralda. Some think that it was situated near the present site of Featherville, on the South Fork of the Boise River. Others contend that it was on Feather River 12 m. above Pine. At the latter location have been found piles of stones which indicate fallen chimneys and fireplaces, and some beams of an old mill buried under fallen limbs, leaves, and silt. The discrepancy as to location may be accounted for by the fact that Feather River was formerly known as a part of Bear Creek and was not given its present name until late in the 1860's. Esmeralda has the unique record of having been named as the seat of old Alturas County before the town itself existed. After the county was established in 1864. Esmeralda was developed on the site of an old camp which, according to legend, was settled by California Spaniards, or possibly white men from the California gold rush of 1849. Early miners who came here in 1863 found an almost deserted camp, although there were evidences of a former population of about 300 people. Arrastras, crude rock crushers, sluice boxes, and old rifles were found. In only a year or so, Esmeralda was as deserted as the old camp had been. Quartz mines at and near Rocky Bar caused that town to spring into life, and the county seat was moved there, leaving only empty buildings where the first seat had been located.

George A. McLeod, in his HIS-TORY OF BLAINE AND ALTURAS COUNTIES, states:

The records of the first board of county commissioners of Alturas county, now in the fireproof vault of the Blaine county court house, and which are as legible today as the day they were written, namely, April 4, 1864, show that the board consisted of Samuel Stover, chairman, Robert A. Sidebottom and John Roach. Their clerk, who was also auditor and recorder, was Charles Woodbury Walker. The sheriff was John G. Howell. All these officers were appointed by William B. Daniels, acting governor of the territory of Idaho. The board, after approving the bonds of said officers, took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m. The minutese disclose that "pursuant to adjournment the court convened at 2 o'clock."

Whereupon the following order was made and entered:

"It appearing to the court that, whereas the first session of the legislature located the county seat of said county at a place known as Esmeralda in said county, and whereas it seems impossible for this court, as required by law, to provide proper offices, and procure stationery, lights and fuel for said offices at said Esmeralda, therefore, it is ordered that the county seat be, and the same is hereby transferred from the said Esmeralda to the town of Rocky Bar, on Bear creek, in said county of Alturas, Idaho territory." Contemporary newspaper accounts seems to add to the confusion. On August 8, 1864, the Boise *IDAHO TRI-WEEKLY STATESMAN* carried the following announcement:

A NEW POST-OFFICE has been established at Rocky Bar, Alturas county, and John McLaughlin appointed P. M. What provision has been made for the transmission of the mails we have not learned, but the people of Alturas will not now be long without an U.S. mail. It is gratifying to see that the Department is at last moving to accommodate the mining regions in this Territory. They have deserved it before. Men who will prospect in and wring wealth from the mountains and gorges of Alturas, deserve only less encouragement from the Government than those fighting its enemies.

All well and good, but in November the same paper carried two letters to the editor; one datelined "Esmeralda, Nov. 6, 1864", the other datelined "Rocky Bar, Nov. 14, 1864." The Rocky Bar letter complains about mail service and mentions "a mail route from established from Boise City to Esmeralda."

LETTER FROM ALTURAS. ESMERALDA, Nov. 6, 1864.

MR. EDITOR:-The excitement of our political contest has become very much modified, and a large number of the citizens of our place have, some time since, songht a milder clime in which to spend the stormy winter months. The good people of Fameralda were suddenly thrown into a state of jpyful excitement on Thursday last, by the announcement that Gov. Lyon, and suit, were within half an hour of town. The news spread rapidly up the creek, and all was anxiety and excitement. Soon the Sovernorand suit appeared, and the boom of the anwil told all of their arrival. The stars and stnipes were thrown to the bracze, and thus, away up here among the mountains and Quartz Bedges, which twelve months ago was void of human haditation, was welcomed the appeamage of the first Governor that ever wisited the place, and thus commensed the jubilee and festivities, which were lept up two days and nights. On the evening of

ROCKY BAR, Nov. 14, 1864. ED. STATESMAN: About eight inches of snow fell here this week, and the weather is now cold enough to occasion trouble in starting some of the arastas in the morning, as many of the huge frames are still unenclosed. A good' number of miners will winter here, and at Yuba Creek, but the larger number have gone to Boise City, either to winter or lay in supplies. Several wagon trains have arrived this week with a next spring's stock of provisions, which must be laid in this fall or freighted over a road nearly impassable early in the spring, from Boise City to Little Cumas, where the Newburg Road commences. The road recently completed by Newburg & Co. can be travelled at all seasons of the year by the beaviest teams, and'it opens a channel of communication as far as it goes, but from Little Camas; its western terminus, there is the ragged, winding emigrant track, over one of the highest hills, and on which no' improvement has been mede. From recent surveys, it appears that by bridging the Boise, a good road several miles shorter than the emigrant road, can be built avolding heavy grades and boggy ground in the spring. The vast amhight of heavy freight required for the development of our inexhaustible ledges, demands a continuation of the Newburg Road, so that for three months in the spring, we may not be shut out from freighting from Boise City. Newburg & Co. propose to construct from the end of their road on Little Camas, a good wagon road, including a bridge across Boise to Boise City, and to charge nd additional toll for the South Boise travel. providing a charter can be obtained extending the franchise over the same. It is understood that they will apply to the begislature for an extension of their charter, with the understanding that the South Boise travel pay no extra toll. Judging from the energy with which they have prosecuted the work already done, the extension could not fall into better hands.

When are we to have a direct mail from here to Boise City? This is a metter of no small interest to us who are compelled' to winter in these mountains of snow. It was understood that there was a mail route established "from Boise City to Esmeralda" direct. But instead of traveling that route in one day, we get all our mail and express matter via Idaho City, in from one to two day's longer time than it might come from Boise City direct. If we are to have a mail at all, it ought to be rendered as convenient to the people as possible. JACQUES.

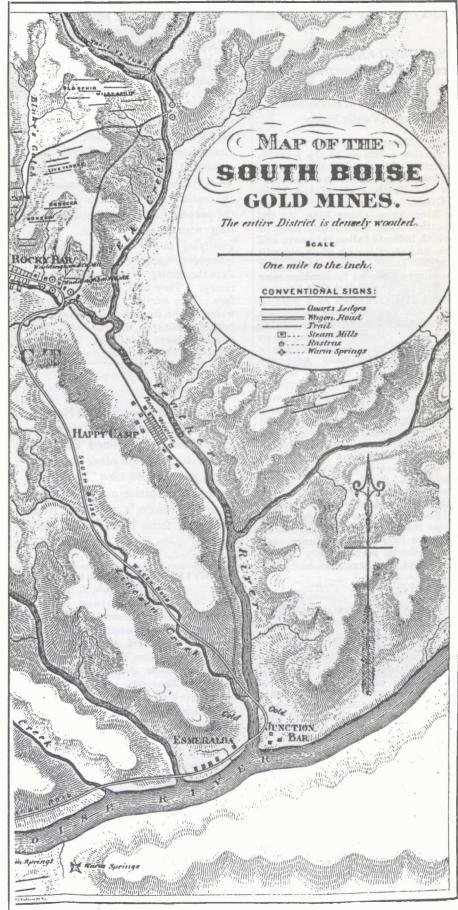
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Additional evidence that Esmeralda and Rocky Bar were not at the same place appears on the contemporary "Map of the South Boise Gold Mines," a portion of which is reproduced herein. Note that Rocky Bar is shown on Feather River, just above the junction of Elk Creek, while Esmeralda -- indicated as a much smaller place by the number of structures -- is located about eight miles below Rocky Bar on the Feather at its junction with the South Boise River.

Rocky Bar became the county seat in 1865, and how it could have managed without a post office until 1868 is difficult to understand. We do know that Rocky Bar had a Wells, Fargo & Company express office during that time, but surviving express covers are quite scarce. I have noted only four such covers sold in auctions over the past 25 years. After 1868, Rocky Bar postmarks are fairly common. At least five different postmarks styles are known from the office during the Territorial period prior to July 3, 1890.

In conclusion, while the addition of documentary history may shed additional light on questions raised in postal history, the firm answers can still remain elusive. It would appear that Esmeralda and Rocky Bar were not quite the same place, but did each have a post office for some period of time, or was the Esmeralda post office relocated to Rocky Bar in 1868? How did Rocky Bar manage without a post office from 1865 to 1868? Why are no postmarks known from Esmeralda? These questions remain, and the author welcomes response from any reader who might shed additional light on the subject. Please contact the author in care of LA POSTA.





FORT BRIDGER - THE PIONEER YEARS

By Les Whall

This famous trading post on Black's Fork came into being when beaver trapping became an unprofitable enterprise. A few hundred men in just twenty to thirty years had nearly exterminated the beaver in western America, depleting their numbers until nearly all advantage for trapping them was lost. Jim Bridger was among those frontier trappers and was also affected with the demise of profitable beaver.

Bridger came to the Rocky Mountain wilderness as a young recruit of William Ashley's enterprises. He may have been the first white man to reach the Great Salt Lake, he then presumed it to be part of the Pacific Ocean. Bridger spent ten or more years with the early trappers and attended the various rendezvous associated with that trade. In that time he gained journeyman knowledge into the trials and practices of mountain trading and the supply of that commerce.

Jim Bridger spent much of the 1830's as a guide for various exploring expeditions throughout the Rocky Mountain regions; country that was completely familiar to him. In 1839 he attended a rendezvous on the Green River, probably one of the last such frontier meetings. At this time he became associated with Louis Vasquez, and both men became active a guides for wagon caravans making their way into the new wilderness. It was in the year 1842 that Bridger and Vasquez took a supply train out of St. Louis and established their first trading outpost on Black's Fork. Previously, in 1841, Bridger in conjunction with Henry Fraeb had established an outpost on the Green River several miles from the ultimate Fort Bridger on Black's Fork.

The Black's Fork enterprise developed into the last major supply center before the long treks toward the Pacific Coast. Various wagon trains noted Bridger's Fort and availed themselves of the services and supplies offered. In 1841 a traveler reported that Fort Bridger was then but a single cabin surrounded by several lodges occupied by trappers and Indians. There was a good supply of animal robes, pelts, and clothing, along with Indian craftsmanship articles offered in trade for food supplies and eastern merchandise. Fort Bridger, it was said, also had a large herd of cattle, sheep, and goats.

Fort Bridger became the last principal outpost for traffic to the West Coast. From this point travelers chose courses to California or Oregon considered the fastest or safest. There was much confusion and disagreement on most routes as they were then but recently discovered and used for wagons. In this frontier commerce and expedition, Fort Bridger became a principal destination and mark of travel for nearly all westward emigration.

Any such common depot was a natural focus for communications both eastward and westward. By 1847 the first Mormon exodus passed this way and took advantage of Fort Bridger's services and the chance for returning messages to their families in the Missouri River settlements. The long Mormon wagon train also marked the beginning of the many thousands who would follow this wagon road into western America.

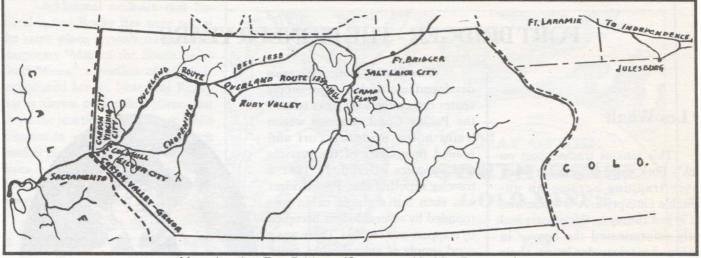
In 1847 the Mormons established their extensive settlement east of Great Salt Lake. This city quickly became the main supply refurbishing center for westward wagon traffic. With the multitude of citizens engaged in settlement and commerce west of the Rockies, there followed a demand



Jim Bridger

for federal mail service between the West Coast and the Western states and territories along the Mississippi and Missouri rivers. In that enterprise, southern and northern mail routes were developed. The northern express operated out of Missouri and followed the original wagon road west to Fort Laramie, Fort Bridger, Salt Lake City, and then on westward to the Pacific Coast.

The late 1840's also brought dramatic political change to the West as the entire western segment of America south of Oregon was wrested from Mexico. Fort Bridger became a part of Utah Territory in 1850. The Mormons and Jim Bridger did not coexist well, and in 1853 the federal judge in Salt Lake City sent his marshall to arrest Bridger for aiding and abetting the Indians in acts against Mormon settlements. Jim Bridger vacated his premises and was not ar-



Map showing Fort Bridger. (Courtesy of LaMar Peterson)

rested. After a long verbal duel, the Mormons bought Fort Bridger and made a final payment for that transaction in 1858. During the interval, both Bridger and Vasquez were represented and advised by Hiram F. Morrell, a lawyer who became the postmaster at Salt Lake City in 1858.

In 1853, Green River County was defined from the original Salt Lake County. It included ferry sites working along Green River, Fort Bridger, and the Mormon's new outpost -- Fort Supply. The Mormons rebuilt Fort Supply and enclosed the premises inside a stone wall 16 feet high and five feet thick. Adjoining the fortification was a livestock corral, again enclosed in rock walls about half as high and thick as those around the fort.

During this time the overland mail service was developed between the Missouri River settlements and the West Coast. The Rocky Mountain express section came up from the plains into Fort Laramie, across South Pass through Fort Bridger, and then through the Wasatch Mountains into Salt Lake City. Fort Bridger, because it was already established and about half way between Fort Laramie and Salt Lake City, became an important mail and freighting station. The first western overland mail express service into Salt Lake City was initiated in 1850, and the contract was awarded to Samuel Woodson and James Brown of

Independence, Missouri. It was a monthly service, or intended so, but Rocky Mountain terrain and weather soon deteriorated the service into a summertime operation. The service became a constant source of complaint from western residents and businessmen. Woodson had only what way stations then in existence to depend upon, so he had to carry the first mails by pack train and depend on the same animals for the entire route. Fort Bridger thus became very important in Woodson's operation for fresh animals, forage, and some semblance of rest facilities for the expressmen and their animals. In attempts at winter passage, Fort Bridger became an absolute survival station for any traveler.

During these formative years, Mormon expressmen carried much of the mail from Salt Lake City in all directions. They tried to gain the overland contract but never were successful until 1856. Operators of the overland mail express won that contract by being the lowest bidder. After winning the contract, they were faced with the impossible task of establishing, manning, and stocking way stations across 1,500 miles of inhospitable terrain in order to operate the service. Fort Bridger's Mormon manager complained to Brigham Young of the express company constantly being in arrears for services and supplies rendered.

The mail service to Salt Lake City changed hands in 1854, but delivery remained entirely dependent on the weather. In the mountain stations, months of undeliverable mail sacks piled up to be forwarded when Spring weather finally opened the trails.

The Mormons were declared to be in rebellion against the laws of the United States in 1857. President Buchanan ordered troops to Utah to restore law and order. He also named a new governor and federal officers for Utah Territory, and these men accompanied the Army on their overland expedition westward. Among these newly appointed officers was Hiram F. Morrell (formerly mentioned as counsel for Bridger and Vasquez). He claimed that he had been appointed postmaster of Salt Lake City in 1856, but had been refused his office, so he, too, was marching with the Army into Utah.

The Mormons broadcast their intentions to defend their city with arms, and to destroy the city if necessary. Mormon militia units waged guerrilla warfare against supply trains and livestock herds supporting the Army column. They burned grasslands along the route between Fort Laramie and Fort Bridger. To deny their use by the Army, Mormon leaders ordered Fort Bridger and Fort Supply burned to the ground.

Army forces finally reached Fort Bridger in November of 1857. By that time, they were in a terrible condition of exhaustion and near starvation. They had lost over a thousand head of livestock to the weather and Mormon raiders. Their outlook for surviving the winter was very bleak. Commanding Officer, Col. Albert Johnston, added some defenses to Fort Bridger's rock walls, and assigned it as their supply depot. Army forces, federal officials, and various Army and civilian wagon personnel made a huge camp that sprawled along Black's Fork. It became known as Camp Scott. Into this rambling tent city more than 2,000 people settled, as best they could, to survive the winter's extreme weather on short food rations. On orders from Colonel Johnston all mail expresses from the east were stopped at Camp Scott and held there. To facilitate mail delivery to persons at the camp, Hiram F. Morrell set up services in a Selby tent and provided what accommodations he could. A post office was not officially assigned to Fort Bridger until August of 1858.

In April of 1858, Elias Smith, the acting postmaster at Salt Lake City, wrote to Colonel Johnston requesting that the considerable mail held at Camp Scott be forwarded to Salt Lake City. He also included with his petition some mail for the Army that had come by way of the Pacific Coast. Colonel Johnston did not see fit to honor the request at that time.

In June, after much negotiating, the Army began their march into the Salt Lake Valley. Along with the formation was carried the winter's accumulation of postal material which had piled up at Camp Scott. Most of the citizens who had accompanied the Army to Camp Scott departed with the troops, and, with their departure, Fort Bridger again returned to its earlier purpose as a primary mail and stage station on the overland expressway.

On August 6, 1858, William F. Carter was appointed the postmaster for Fort Bridger, and the facility has operated continuously since that date. Postmaster Carter's first financial reporting, posted in 1859, indicated compensations of \$125.86, and net proceeds of \$133.38.

William Carter came to Fort Bridger as the sutler for the Army. He was named Probate Judge for Green River County by Governor Cumming when the Army moved into Great Salt Lake Valley. Thereafter, he was always known as Judge Carter. He wore many hats as Fort Bridger resumed its role as a principal supply station along the Mormon Trail. Besides his many business interests, Judge Carter was appointed to county offices and federal assignments for the region. He was also very influential in maintaining peaceful relations with the Indians surrounding Fort Bridger.

Fort Bridger was declared a military reservation on September 9, 1859, and an area of 500 square miles was set aside to delimit the boundaries of the post. Major Hoffman from Fort Laramie was made commander, and troops were assigned to man the new post. Log structures were quickly erected, and in a short time, trees and ditches provided the new post with the appearance of a proper frontier military outpost.

The Pony Express operated through Fort Bridger in 1860 and 1861, and Judge Carter was the local agent for that enterprise. The

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FORT BRIDGER/U.T. cds with star-in-circle cancel, c.1862.



Judge William Carter

transcontinental telegraph service was also completed in 1861, and Fort Bridger was an important supply source for that construction. Until the arrival of the railroad, Fort Bridger remained a principal way station for gigantic freighting operations that serviced and supplied the western military posts, the ever-increasing numbers of pioneer settlers, and the thousands of adventurous citizens who raced westward yearly to seek their fortunes in the gold fields.

With the onset of the Civil War, the Army closed its operations in Utah, and ordered its supplies and equipment sold at auction. The Mormons were the principal beneficiaries of this forced sale, and they reasserted their claims to the Fort Bridger property also. Once again, Jim Bridger's inability to provide a legal claim to his location prohibited the Mormons from proving their ownership to the same property. In the ensuing transactions, Judge Carter and his wife became the owners of Fort Bridger.

The Indians surrounding Fort Bridger became bolder with each depletion of military forces, and, by 1862, Judge Carter had formed a volunteer force of men from the region and also enlisted the support of Chief Washakie, the one friendly chief in the area. Through their combined efforts, peace was maintained until another military force could be installed. East of Fort Laramie and south to Denver the overland express stations were being attacked and burned along with wagons and mail pouches. Hundreds of lives were lost and thousands of animals were destroyed or driven off into Indian strongholds. The situation became so bad that mail shipments were held at bordering safe stations until they could be returned to be shipped by water to California.

Brigham Young took the initiative in 1861 and ordered a section of the territorial militia to patrol the route between Salt Lake City and South Pass. Later that same year, Colonel Connor commanded troops from California to provide a federal force in the Wasatch Mountains. A small contingent force was ordered to Fort Bridger. Nothing was done by the Army to develop or expand the fort. It remained primarily an important way station for emigrants and freighting companies. Gold discoveries brought a great flurry of new activities beginning in 1867.

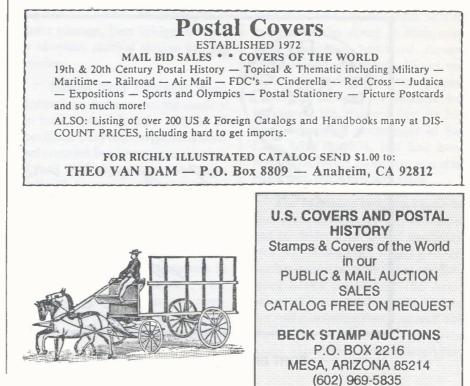
The transcontinental railroad passed Fort Bridger in 1868, and was completed to the West Coast in 1869. Construction of the railroad involved great industry at Fort Bridger, but it was short lived, and, with the railway in place, Fort Bridger's reason for existence nearly ceased. Wagons and stages still ran into the regions north of the fort, but they were a trifle in comparison with commerce of years past. On July 25, 1868, the Wyoming Territory was established, and Fort Bridger began a new history as part of that enclave. Fort Bridger certainly served a most significant and important role in the discovery and development of the western United States.

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CALIFORNIA RAILWAY POST OFFICES MONOGRAPH PART 8

by Rod Crossley

ODDS AND ENDS

In this section we will look at Southern Pacific branch line operations in the Central Valley and East Bay. This includes the Sacramento Valley Railroad, the first California railroad, built in 1854. We will also cover electric operation in the cities of San Francisco and Hayward. There wer two ship RPO routes in California; the longest traveling post office in U.S. history to Alaska and the Southern Pacific Netherlands Route on the Sacramento River.

Southern Pacific Branch Lines

(46) Sacramento Valley Railroad: The company was incorporated in 1852 to build a 5 foot gauge line, 23 miles from Sacramento to Folsom where it would connect with the California Central, which was to build north to Marysville. Construction was not started until 1854 due to right-of-way problems and was finished by 1856. The line was the first commercial railroad to be built west of the Mississippi River. The railroad was then sold to the Central Pacific in 1865 who converted it to standard gauge. The line was under CP control but operated under its own name until 1877.



The Placerville and Sacramento Railroad was incorporated in 1862 and was constructed between 1863 and 1865. The line was some 26 miles long, being built between Folsom and Shingle Springs. The company ran into financial problems and was sold at foreclosure in 1869. The railroad was then conveyed to the Central Pacific, which operated the Sacramento Valley line between 1873 and 1877.

In 1877 the Sacramento and Placerville Railroad was formed to take control of both the Sacramento Valley and the Placerville and Sacramento. The new railroad operated the combined companies until 1888, while under CP control. Operations were suspended between Folsom and Shingle Springs from 1882 to 1883 due to being in receivership. The Shingle Springs and Placerville Railroad was formed to build the 11 miles between the two towns in 1888. The entire line was operated by the SP for a short while before it became part of the Northern Railway, which in turn joined the Southern Pacific in 1898.

Mail Service

The Post Office started closed pouch service over the line in the 1860's. This was expanded to agent operation in the late 1870's. During the suspension of service the agent stopped at Folsom. When the line was reopened, the agent



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was replaced by an RPO. As soon as the railroad was opened to Placerville, the route was extended over the new line. In 1939, all mail service along the branch ended when passenger service stopped.

Shingle Springs-Sacramento 1880-1888 Yes 981 A-E 46A Agent to 82 Placerville-Sacramento 1888-1939 Yes 981 BCD 46AB

(47) California Northern Railroad: The railroad was incorporated in 1860 by local interests to build from Marysville to Oroville, Construction was slow and the 27 miles was not finished until 1864. The line went into receivership in 1877 and was reorganized as the Northern California Railroad, later changed to the Northern California Railway in 1885. The new company built 27 miles from Marysville to Knights Landing between 1889 and 1891. Some of this line followed the old CP line that was washed away in the flood of 1871. The company was leased to the SP in 1889 and became a part of it in 1898. The section between Wilson and Knights Landing was abandoned in the 1930's.

Mail Service

Closed pouch service was established over the line to Oroville soon after the route was finished. Service was later extended to Woodland when the section to Knights Landing was completed. In 1897 the Post Office established RPO services between Oroville and Sacramento. The route followed the old Cal P line from Knights Landing through Woodland and Daviesville to Sacramento. For a few short months in 1899 the line was extended to San Francisco, but soon reverted back to Sacramento. All RPO service on the branch ended in 1917 being again replaced by closed pouch service.

Oroville-Sacramento 1897-1899	Yes
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Oroville-San Francisco 1899	No
Oroville-Sacramento 1899-1917	Yes
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(45) Vaca Valley Railroad: The railroad was incorporated in April 1869 to build the 4 miles from Elmira on the California Pacific main line to Vacaville which it completed the same year. Due to problems, the railroad was sold at a sheriff's sale in 1870. The new owners built another 13 miles to Winters by 1875 where construction again stopped. The company assets were transferred to the Vaca Valley and Clear Lake Railroad in 1877. This company, which was to have extended the line to Clear Lake, only built the first ten miles to Madison. The railroad came under Southern Pacific control in the 1880's, which consolidated it with several other companies to form the Northern Railway in 1888. This company finished the final 24 miles to Rumsey started by the Vaca Valley and Clear Lake that same year. The section from Rumsey to Capay was abandoned in 1934 with further cutbacks to Esparto in 1941.

Mail Service

Soon after the line was extended to Madison, the Post Office established closed pouch operation between there and Elmira. When the section to Rumsey was completed, the service was upgraded to full RPO. Service was to be one round trip per day and would last some 43 years until 1932. That year the route was cut back to Guinda some five miles from Rumsey. However, this change was to last a little over 18 months before all RPO service on the branch would end.

Rumsey-Elmira 1889-1932	Yes
992.8B 45 AB	
Guinda-Elmira 1932-1933	Yes
992.8A 45 A	

(52) San Ramon Valley Railroad: This railroad was incorporated in April 1888 to build from Avon near Martinez on the SP Valley main line some 35 miles south to Pleasanton. There was no construction and the paper company became part of the Southern Pacific in May of that same year. The SP then built the 20 miles from Avon to San Ramon in 1891. Some 18 years later the SP finished the 9 miles from San Ramon to Radium on the old Western Pacific line to Oakland.

Mail Service

Closed pouch operation started as soon as the line was finished to San Ramon. In 1899 this was expanded to a full RPO between San Ramon and San Francisco via the Oakland Pier. When the section to Radium was completed, the route was extended to Livermore on the WP main line to the east of Radium. The RPO was cut back to San Ramon in 1917 and to Danville in 1981. However, this new route lasted only 20 days before all RPO service on the branch was discontinued.

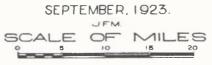
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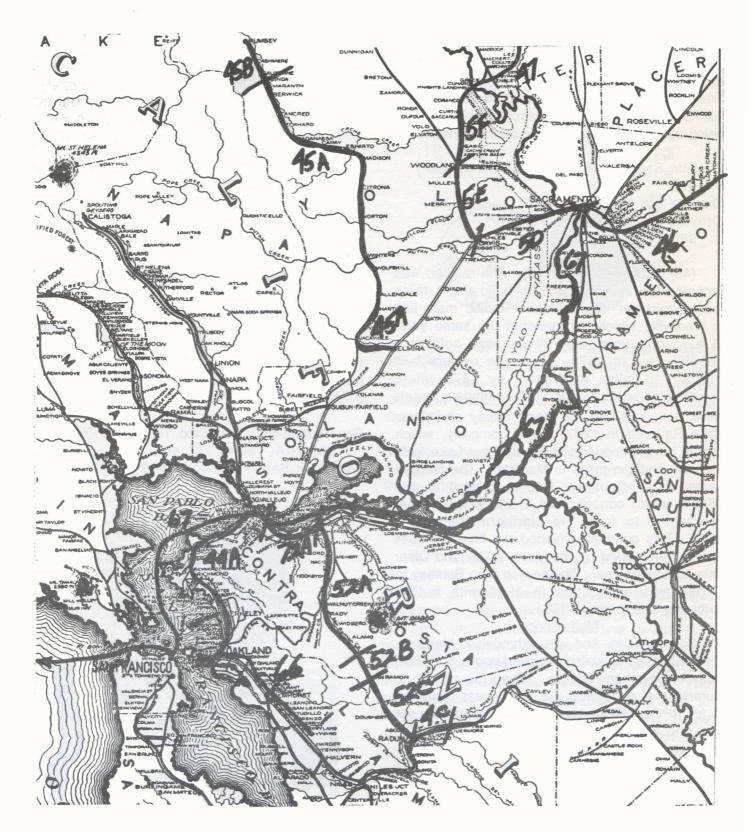


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SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY







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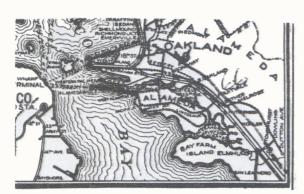
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(66) Oakland, San Leandro and Hayward Railroad: There were several large traction networks in the East Bay, but only one was an interurban. The Oakland, San Leandro and Hayward was founded in 1891 with construction starting from Hayward that same year. The 14 mile narrow gauge line was finished to 13th Street in Oakland the next year. It would be another year before the company could obtain a franchise to build into downtown Oakland. The interurban became part of the Oakland Transit Company in 1902, which would change both its gauge and its name to Oakland Traction Company in 1906. During the 1920's-30's, service was reduced on the line with the last car leaving Hayward in 1935.

Mail Service

When the interurban line reached downtown Oakland, the Post Office established closed pouch service on the line. This was upgraded in 1901 to a full RPO operation with 4 round trips daily. With the construction of better roads into Hayward, the need for the route declined, so service was discontinued in 1920.

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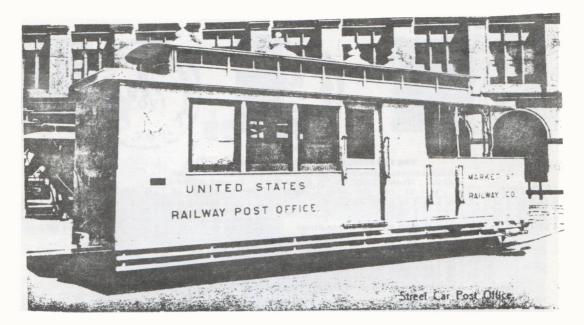


(20) San Francisco City Service: San Francisco grew from a sleepy little town that was the starting point for the Gold Rush to the financial and cultural hub of the West Coast within less than 25 years. This growth caused a need for local transportation of which the first was an omnibus line called the Yellow Line. It was built from the main Post Office along Keary, Third and Mission to Mission Delores in 1852. Next came the Market Street Railroad in 1860. the first Street Car franchise on the West Coast. The company used steam power until it was outlawed, then horses until it was sold in 1882 to Leland Stanford, who replaced the horses with that new invention, the cable car. The Ferries and Cliff House Railway built a cable car line along Powell, Washington, Jackson and Sacramento Streets in the late 1880's and early 90's.

In 1893, the Ferries and Cliff House, Omnibus Line, Market Street and North Beach and Mission were formed by interests identified with the Southern Pacific into the Market Street

Railway. The new company went on an expansion program, extending the Sacramento Street line via Lake and 6th to Golden Gate Park in time for the California Midwinter Fair in 1893. Soon after, the Mission Street line was electrified. The United Railway of San Francisco was formed in 1902 from the Market Street Railway and all other independent owned street railroads in the city by Eastern Capital.

Yes



The great earthquake occurred at 5:18 a.m., April 18, 1906, interrupting all rail service in the city. The Mission Street line was running by the following May, with the Sacramento Street line next. The Market Street cable line was converted to an electric operation that same year. In 1921, the railway changed its name back to the Market Street Railway and in 1944 was combined with the Municipal Railway Sacramento. Street Cable was removed in 1942. while the Mission Street line was converted to buses in 1949 and Market Street in now only used for the Annual Trolley Festival. Several of the Ferries and Cliff House cable car lines are still running.

Mail Service

The Market Street Railway used standard and narrow gauge cable and electric cars to proved RPO service over their lines. The first route to be established was the Mission Street line, a standard gauge cable line operating from the Ferry Building to Mission and 22nd Street in August, 1896. In September, due to the success of the Mission Street RPO, the Post Office established two more routes. The first was the Sacramento Street line, a narrow gauge cable line which ran from the foot of Market Street at the Ferry Building to Fulton and 6th. Early in 1902 the route was cut back from Fulton to Sacramento and Walnut. The last route to be started was the Market Street line, a standard gauge electric line which also started at the Ferry Building and ran along Market to Hayes, then west to Stanyan Street at the entrance to Golden Gate Park.

All RPO operations in the city were replaced by closed pouch operation on September 1, 1905 some seven months before the quake. The pouch service operated between the Ferry Building and the new Post Office at 7th and Mission Street. To handle the increase volume of bulk and pouched mail, the United Railroad of San Francisco built two special cars, both of which were in service when the quake came, thus being trapped and destroyed. A detailed history of the San Francisco RPO operation can be found in the Berdsly and Pinkerton book published by the MPOS in 1984.

- San Francisco-Market Street 1896-1905 Yes SF 1A 20A
- San Francisco-Mission Street 1896-1905 Yes SF 2A 20B
- San Francisco-Sacramento Street 1896-1905 Yes SF 2B 20C

WATER ROUTE RPO

(72) Yukon River: The Yukon River was an unexplored part of Alaska for a great number of years following the purchase from Russia. It was not until 1889 that the first Post Office was established on the river at Mitchell. Mail service prior to this had been spotty. Overland routes were tried to Mitchell but failed due to many problems. The Postal Service established summer service by boat from San Francisco and Seattle to the river. The 1897 contract issued to North American Trading and Transportation



SAN FRANCISCO-MARKET STREET R. P. O. (Market Street Railway Company (Cable), 3.82 m/s.) Rt. 376003.

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Note; On holidays cars run same as Sundays including first week day round trip.

Company was to have been 5 times per year, but was canceled due to problems.

When the Klondike Gold Strike really started in 1898, the Postal Service reevaluated the needs of the river. Based on this, the Post Office sent a postal inspector to establish five offices along the Yukon. The inspector traveled with everything needed to start up these new offices, including stamps.

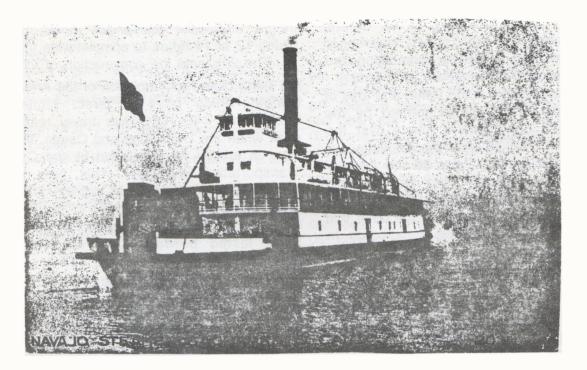
In 1899, the Post Office established the longest traveling Railway Post Office in United States history to service these offices along the Yukon. The route was some 4,395 miles long (2,850 ocean and 1,545 river) and operated three times during June and July. The Alaska Commercial Company operated the route from San Francisco to St. Michael on the coast, then up the creek to Dawson Creek, Yukon Territory. The route only lasted for 3 years. However, there are examples of the cancel bing used in 1915 when the correct cancel would have been Yukon River Alaska RPO. At the same time that the San Francisco and Yukon River was started, the

Postal Service also started the Seattle and Yukon River which was to make 3 round trips on the river during June, July and August from Seattle (see La Posta, Vol. 6, No. 6 and Vol. 9, No. 3 for more details on Alaska RPO).

San Francisco-Yukon River 1898-1901 Yes X - 1 72 1915 date use found

NETHERLANDS ROUTE

(67) S.P. Sacramento River Operation: The river flows from Mount Shasta to the San Francisco Bay through the Central Valley. Thus, through the years, it has been the natural highway to the coast. The California Gold Rush brought demands for fast passenger service on the river. To meet these needs, many new steam driven paddlewheeler boats were introduced on the river. Some of these set speed records, but several were lost to river snags or weak boilers. In 1854 several of the boat owners formed the California Steam Navigation Company which soon had a monopoly on the river due, in part, to its



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WILLIAM MCKENZIE, Supt., Southern Pacific River Steamers, Pacific Street Wharf, San Francisco, Cal.

F. A. FISH. Asst. Supt., Southern Pacific River Steamers, Pacific Street Wharf, San Francisco, Cal.

H. G. OTIS, Agent, Southern Pacific River Steamers, Pacific Street Wharf, San Francisco, Cal.

Steamer NAVAIO leaves San Francisco 8:30 a. m., daily except Sunday. stopping at all points en route.

Steamer NAVAJO leaves Sacramento 9:00 p. m., daily except Sunday. No stops en route.

Steamer MODOC or APACHE leaves San Francisco 12:00 noon, daily, except Sunday, leave Sacramento 10:00 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Fare between San Francisco and Sacramento \$1.50. Meals: Breakfast and Dinner a la carte, Luncheon \$0.50.

- Berths \$0.50. Staterooms \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.
 - Special accommodations for Automobiles.

Rates for autos between San Francisco and Sacramento are as follows:

Regular ticket to be held by each passenger

L. RICHARDSON, District Freight and Passenger Agent, Broadway and 13th Street, Oakland, Cal.
 H. C. COLLINS, D. F. A., 461 Market Street, Telephone Kearny 3160, San Francisco, Cal.

- G. C. WILLIAMS, Agent, K Street Wharf, Sacramento, Cal. JAS. O'GARA, District Freight and Passenger Agent, 801 K Street, Sacramento, Cal.

Information Bureaus: Market St. Ferry Station, Palace Hotel, Third & Townsend Sts. Station, Flood Building, San Francisco.

SACRAMENTO RIVER R. P. O Southern Pacific Co.

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mail contract. With the coming of the Central Pacific, the need for high speed passenger service declined, but to reduce competition, the Cental Pacific bought the company in 1871.

South of Sacramento is the Delta, and area of islands, sloughs and swamps formed by the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers over the years. The 1870's-80's saw the beginning of farming operation in the Delta as the farmers cleared the island and built dikes to control the water. As passenger service declined, the freight business on the river increased to the point that the Southern Pacific built two new boats in 1880. The boats regularly stopped at several towns along the river, but would also stop at a farmer's landing to take on or discharge cargo. An idea of the volume of this freight can be seen from the 1918 data. During that year, the inbound cargo was primarily agricultural supplies, while outbound the boats carried 2,193 carloads of deciduous fruits, 850 cars of celery, 250 cars of asparagus, plus additional cars of berries, nuts, beans, onion, etc.

As the tourist business developed in California after the turn of the century, the SP Passenger Department needed a name for the Sacramento River service. So to the Shasta. Overland, Coast and Sunset Routes was added the Netherlands Route, based on the resemblance of the levies and island to Holland. The business increase of passenger and freight caused the Southern Pacific to build three new boats over the next 12 years. Daily, except Sunday, service was offered over the route, with the morning boat from San Francisco stopping at several towns along the way. The night boat from Sacramento normally left around 10 p.m., arriving back at San Francisco at 7 a.m. with no stops along the way. The round trip of about 250 miles was normally handled by one boat, which between 1909 and 1917 was the Navajo. ln. addition, a boat left both cities daily to primarily

freight and local passenger traffic, normally taking 12 to 14 hours to complete the trip.

The 20's saw the construction of roads into the Delta plus the completion of the Antioch Toll Bridge, which gave a direct highway to Sacramento. In 1926 river travel reached its peak when the Delta King and Queen, the latest word in luxury, were finished by the California Transportation Company. This, plus the new roads and the depression, caused the SP to discontinue river operation in April, 1930. However, passenger service on the Sacramento River lasted between the two towns until November, 1941.

Mail Service

The California Steam Navigation Company had a contract with the Post Office to carry bulk pouched mail between Sacramento and San Francisco. After the CP gained control of the company, this contract was expanded into a daily except Sunday closed pouch route. This was in turn upgraded in 1903 to a full RPO operation.

The boats used to start the service were the Apache and the Modoc in which the SP built 15' x 8' mail rooms. The route's only stops were at Walnut Grove, Rio Vista and Collinsville, but mail bags were exchanged at other towns along the route during the trip. By 1909, the Navajo was assigned to the morning RPO from San Francisco, while the Modoc or Apache handled the morning down river run from Sacramento. In addition, the Postal Service added an express mail run from San Francisco, normally leaving after the Navajo. This was at first handled by the short lived boat, the Seminole, then after its sinking in 1913, by whichever boat did not do the daily Sacramento to San Francisco run. With the coming of World War I, the service was again reduced to a closed pouch operation. This route was first handled by the Souther Pacific, later by the California Transportation Company and would last until 1941.

BEAR MOUNTAIN PHILATELIC P.O. BOX 13911 BOULDER, COLORADO 80308

ELECTRIC RPO

- 001 Coeur D'A. & Spok 9-8-39 on card 906.1-B-1
- 002 Ft. Wayne & Newcastle 9-5-39 on card 686.1-A-1
- 003 Ft. Wayne & Newcastle 11-26-40 on card, cachet 686.1-A-1
- 004 Pittsburgh PA ST 7-7-03 3 stps, 2 cancels, P1-3a Pretty Cover
- 005 Third Ave Dist. Car 11-10-99 NY-1-C as b/s, NY City RAILROAD
- 006 Cranberry & John City 1925 ppc, scarce narrow
- 007 C. Spgs & Glen Spgs 956-C-1 1907 lite/readable, ppc
- 008 Denv & Kremmling 962.2-C-1 1908 on design ppc credse
- 009 Frannie & Cody 961-J-1 1911 ppc (fy lite)
- 010 Ithaca & Owego 131-C-1 1906 ppc scarce
- 011 Ithaca & Owego 131-C-1 1906 ppc scarce
- 012 Joliet & Pekin 722-H-1 1908 ppc Pekin on stamp
- 013 Keokuk & Red Oak 787.3-B-1 1915 ppc
- 014 KC & La Junta RARE straightline 1908 "KC & La Junta TR 5 8-16-09 E.H. Riepe" ppc
- 015 Loup City & Gr Isid 948.2-A-1 ppc 1908 Scarce
- 016 KC & Virginia 923.4-A-1 1908 ppc
- 017 Lyons & Denver 961-N-1 1906 partial strike, ppc RARE
- 018 Omaha & Bonesteel 939-F-1 1906 ppc, 25% rlm lite
- 019 Toluca & Kirby 951-R-1 1909 ppc, crease, RARE
- 020 Townsend & Centerville 261-E-1 1916 ppc, couple letters lite
- 021 TR Clk Jersey Clty 259-A-6 CRR STA 1905 ppc
- 022 Walla Walla & Pasco 901.5-B-1 1909 ppc
- WESTERN STATES
- 023 Fox, Alaska 192? 4 bar ppc
- 024 Pirtleville, AZ 1920 4 bar Igl cdr Chinese on FRT enc. in Chinese
- 025 Fieldbrook, CA 1907 cds ppc
- 026 Gaviota, CA 1911 Purple 4 bar ppc
- 027 Dover, CO 1910 Doane ppc
- 028 Elkton, CO 1922 Duplex ppc
- 029 Flagler, CO 1907 Doane ppc
- 030 Gulnare, CO 1906 Doane ppc
- 031 Henry, CO 1912-13 2 ppc's, one good strike on design, one fair on design
- 032 Stratton, CO 1907 Doane ppc
- 033 Vilas, CO 1908 Doane ppc, bit off at top
- 034 Kimama, ID 1932 4 bar Purple signed PM LDC
- 035 McCammon, ID 1894 Purple Dbl Circ
- 036 Douglass, IA 1903 cds
- 037 Quartz, MT 1912 cds ppc
- 038 Lloyd, MT 1916 Purple 4 bar ppc
- 039 Twete, MT 1912 4 bar ppc
- 040 Harrison, NE 1937 Handstamp Flag mimic Igl cvr
- 041 Harrison, NE 1937 Handstamp Flag mimic Ig! cvr
- 042 Asylum, NE 1908 ppc
- 043 Jess, NE 1909 small Doane ppc
- 044 Nysted, NE 1912 Doane emb ppc
- 045 Orafino, NE 1908 cds ppc
- 046 Valyrang, NE 1932 4 bar LDC

- 047 Elida, NM 1907 cds ppc
- 048 Koehler, NM 1910? 4 bar part off card, picture of Koehler Mine and Power House
- 049 Penasco, NM 1895 cds pair #246 Pretty Cover
- 050 Otten, NM 1932 LDC Purple 4 bar signed P.M.
- 051 Janesburg, ND 1912 4 bar Leith 4 bar as b/s
- 052 Mary, ND 1932 4 bar LDC
- 053 Bishop, OK 1932 4 bar LDC
- 054 Stillwater, OK 1901 Duplex
- 055 The Dalles, OR 1870's cds banknote cover
- 056 Howell, SD 1911 4 bar ppc
- 057 Jolley, SD 1914 Duplex ppc
- 058 Karinen, SD 1927 4 bar ppc
- 059 Melham, SD 1932 4 bar Purple LDC
- 060 Vilas, SD 1909 4 bar into ppc design
- 061 Virgli, SD 1915 Manuscript (RFD?) ppc
- 062 Bonney, TX 1909 Doane ppc
- 063 Cherry Spring, TX 1911 4 bar ppc
- 064 Kaufman, TX 1891 Bold cds
- 065 Laguna, TX 1911 4 bar bit dbl struck
- 066 Rex, TX 1909 4 bar ppc stamp cnr torn
- 067 Henefer, UT 1899 cds
- 068 Ft. Ward, WA 1915 4 bar ppc
- 069 Red Apple, WA 1932 4 bar LDC P.M. signed
- 070 Chugwater, WY 1910 Blue 4 bar o/s Albla dup. ppc
- 071 Meadow, WY 1910 cds ppc
- 072 Wind River, WY 1934 4 bar Lewis & Clark cachet
- 073 Willow, WY 1932 4 bar LDC
- ILLINOIS
- 074 Bayle City, IL 1908 Unusual, odd Purple cds ppc
- 075 Bloomington, IL 1869? cds w/3cent 1869
- 076 Ellsworth, IL 1883 Purple Triple Circle U.S. #183
- 077 Jacob, IL 1910 Doane no # in bars UX20
- 078 Lanark, IL 1860's solled cvr w/3 cent 1861
- 079 Linter, IL 1911 Doane ppc
- 080 Seehorn, IL 1871 Manuscript U163
- SHIP CANCELS
- 081 USS Holland 1932 <u>Purple</u>4 bar <u>Purple Double Circle</u> signed by P.M.
- 082 Det River Sta 1932 first trip large cachet
- 083 Det River Sta 1935 4th July cachet "Posted S.S. Becker" signed by P.M.
- 084 Baiboa CZ Paquebot 1941 cds S.S. Monroe Voyage #1 H/S
- 085 Paquebot 1920's Black straightline handstamp on ppc Cuba to U.S.

Bids close September 30, 1988. \$2.00 minimum bid. High bid wins by small advance over second bid. Free Xerox with SASE. Buyer pays postage.

La Posta Mail Auction Sale 3

MARYLAND STAMPLESS COVERS Standard size unless noted

ANNAPS MD F-VF black Feb 16 cds, ms purple " $12\frac{1}{2}$ " on neat 1830 fl, slt normal edge toning (\$5-10) ANNAPS MD F-VF red Aug 5 cds, ms black " $12\frac{1}{2}$, underch $25/37\frac{1}{2}$ " on 7" folded cvr, sm tear (\$5-10) ANNAPOLIS MD Fine black cds, black stamped "PAID", ms "10" on 1841 fl, little wear, soiling (\$5-10) ANNAPOLIS MD Bold black cds, magenta " $12\frac{1}{2}$ " on Fine 1842 fl, embossed Anne Arundel County seal (\$5-1 1) K-7 2) K-7 3) K-8 4) K-8 (\$5-10)ANNAPOLIS Md F-VF blue Oct 17 cds, blue ms"50" on tan 1844 folded cvr, little tear, wear 5) K-10 (\$5-10) ANNAPOLIS Md. F-VF blue cds, stpd blue "PAID", "5" on VF 1850 printed prospectus for Naval Gazette (\$10) BALTIMORE M^D. VG blue Apr 8 cds, magenta "12" on 1845 printed fl from state Commissioner of Stamps, 6) K-11 7) K-28 7) K-28 BALTIMORE MY VG Diue Apr 8 cds, magenta "12" on 1845 printed fi from state Commissioner of Stamps, giving rates for which bonds, notes etc are to be taxed, asking County Clerks to order stamps. Nice F-VF (\$10)
8) K-29 BALTIMORE Md. F blue cds, stpd blue "PAID", "10" in oval on VG-F blue fl to Liverpool, England; rec mk on back "AMERICA/LIVERPOOL MY 30 1847", amazing cross-written contents looks like a quilt. (\$25)
9) K-40 BALTIMORE MD F-VF black Jan 28 cds on brown cvr to London, England, ms "pr Br. M. Steamer America from Boston, red stpd "PAID", "21", "19", boxed "PAID 12 FEB 1856"; on back black Jan 30 Boston cds. F cover (\$25)
10) K-41 BALTIMORE MP F blue ar 18 cds on brown cvr to London, England, ms "pr Steamer Africa", ms pencil "48", ms red "48", stpr red "PAID", "48", circled "PAID FA AP 1 1856" Fine cover (\$25)
11) K-1 BELAIP MM Nice black Mar 28 cds stpd black "PAID" "5" on E VE blue fl 1951. (\$10-20) "48", stpr red "PAID", "48", circled "PAID FA AP 1 1856" Fine cover (\$25) BELAIR Md Nice black Mar 28 cds, stpd black "PAID", "5" on F-VF blue fl 1851. (\$10-20) BEL AIR MD VG black cds on F brown 8±x3-3/4" cover, stpd black "5". Scarce pmk 1854 only. (\$25 CAMBRIDGE. MD VF red cds, brown ms "Paid 10" on F-VF 1829 fl to Denton. (\$20) CAMBRIDGE. Md VF red July 24 cds, ms "Paid 10" on Fine fl, graffiti on back. Scarce pmk. (\$25 CAMBRIDGE Md. Fine red cds, ms blue "20" on 1842 fl, nice VF condition. 2-year pmk. (\$15-20) CAMBRIDGE Md. F-VF red Mar 8 cds, ms "40" on Fine 1845 fl to Denton. (\$5-10) Centreville Md. Manuscript Dec 4. ms "6" on 1827 turned fl GHESTEPTOWN Dec 7. cds (K-10). Chesten K-1 11) 12) K-2 (\$25-35)13) K-3 14) K-4 (\$25)15) K-8 16) K-9) K-9 CAMBRIDGE Md. F-VF red Mar 8 cds, ms "40" on Fine 1845 ff to Denton. (\$5-10)) ms Centreville Md Manuscript Dec 4, ms "6" on 1837 turned fl, CHESTERTOWN Dec 7 cds (K-10). Chestertown only G-VG but listed as pricing V = \$60-75, fewer than 25 known. The fl is decent for turned item, G-VG. (\$25)) K-1 CENTREVILLE Md. F-VF blue cds, ms "5" on 1847 fl, neat and clean. (\$10-15)) K-1 CENTREVILLE Md. Decent VG black 4 Feb cds on VF tan 1852 cover, stpd black "PAID", contents. (\$10)) K-12 CHESTERTOWN Md. VF red cds, stpd red "PAID", ms "6" on F-VF 1842 fl to Centreville. (\$10)) K-12 CHESTERTOWN Md. VF red cds, stpd red "PAID", ms "6" on F-VF 1842 fl to Centreville. (\$10) 17) ms 18) 19) 20) CHESTERTOWN Md. F green Mar 9 cds, stpd green "PAID", "5" on 1850 blue VF fl. Scarce color. (\$25) CHESTERTOWN MD. VG Dec 5 (1852 contents, earlier than cat date 1853) blue-green cds, matching stpd 21) K-12 (\$25)K-13 22) "FREE", ms "Free, I A Pearce" on 81/2x3-3/4" rather worn cover to Centreville. (\$10) CHESTERTOWN MD. F-VF green Nov 24 cds, matching stpd "PAID","3" on VG-F fl to Centreville. (\$20) CUMBERLAND M^C F-VF green Sep 3 cds etc inside turned fl, FREDERICK Sep 5 (1844) Fine item (\$20) CUMBERLAND M^C VF red Oct 30 cds, ms red "5" on lt blue fl, nice VF item. (\$10-15) CUMBERLAND M^C VG-F red May 10 cds, stpd black "5" in circle on VF 1851 fl; later than cat 1848. (\$10) 23) K-13 24) K-9 25) K-9 K-9 26) K-2 EASTON, MD. Black Oct 9 "tin hat" usual partial strike, ms "paid 8" on neat F-VF 1805 small fl. (
 K-2 EASTON, MD. Black nice but usual partial September 27 "tin hat", ms "Free, Tho^S Perrin Smith, P.M. Easton, Md" on F-VF fl. Smith was Easton Postmaster 1801-1825. Nice item with his signature. (\$25) 27) (\$20)28) Black nice but partial September 9 "tin hat", ms "paid 6" on 1817 F fl. Fewer than 10 are 29) K-7 EASTON, MD known according to Kendall; 2-yr type, decent strike as good as catalog illustration. (\$30-40)30) K-7 EASTON, MD Black partial January 8 cds, ms "paid 12" on 1818 VG f1; cat says only 1817. (\$20) uncat EASTON Md Apparently uncataloged type wth S,T parallel but S much higher. Unusually nice strike for Easton, VG+ black May 21 cds on rather soiled, worn but decent 1822 fl, with ms "12½". (\$25-40) K-10 EASTON Md. Very Nice for Easton, Nrly Fine Sept 2 cds, ms "paid 6" on VG fl 1823. (\$20-25) K-15 EASTON, MARYLAND Fairly clear oval cds, ms date, ms "paid 6" on nice F-VF 1835 fl. (\$15) 31) 32) 33) EASTON, MARYLAND Unusually clear Nrly F oval cds, ms date Oct 3, ms "6" on F-VF fl EASTON Md. Nice blue Nrly Fine cds, ms "5" on F-VF 1847 fl to Denton. (\$10) 34) K-15 (\$20)K-19 35) K-19 EASTON Md. Nice blue Nrly Fine cds, ms "5" on F-VF 1847 fl to Denton. (\$10) uncat ELK RIDGE LANDING Md Uncataloged type, ELK RIDGE in semicircle form above, LANDING semicircle below, Md above DIN of LANDING, in 30mm circle, ms date Aug 20, ms "10", on somewhat soiled but decent fl to Annapolis. Contents headed, "Ellicotts Mills Augt 18th 184(7 or 9?) Ink appears magenta; probably rare item. (\$100-200) ms Elkton 15 June manuscript pmk, ms "paid 10", "Paid" on Fine 1811 fl, some wear but nice (\$20) ms Elkton March 16th manuscript pmk, ms "10" on F-VF 1819 fl, little normal toning. (\$20) K-1 ELKTON. MD Pretty red F Jan 4 cds, ms "10" on F-VF 1837 fl, attractive strike. (\$10-15) K-3 ELKTON Md Nice VG-F black Mar 3 cds, stpd black "PAID 3" in circle on F 1853 fl. Scarce color (\$20) K-1 EMMITSBURG MD * F red Aug 23 cds, matching red stpd "5" on F 1853 fl, slt soiling but nice (\$10) K-1 EMMITSBURG MD * F red Triple-ring cds, ms Jany 17, ms "Paid 6" on small Fine fl, pen notations (\$10) K-4 FREDERICK MD F-VF red Mar 17 cds, ms "10" on F-VF 1838 fl, lengthy contents, copy of legal interro-oation about ownership of slaves. Nice clean, attractive item, good contents. (\$25-40) 36) 37) 38) 39) 40) 41) 42) 43) about ownership of slaves. Nice clean, attractive item, good contents. (\$25-40) FREDERICK MP. Bold red VF Dec 23 cds, ms "12½" on 1840 turned fl originating in Cumberld VG-F (\$20) HAGER! MP. F red May 14 cds on 1829 fl, Fine, later than catalog dates of 1817-27. (\$20) HANCOCK MP. F red Oct 25 cds, ms "10" on Fine 1839 fl. (\$10) gation 44) K-4 45) K-14 46) K-2 LEONARD TOWN Md. VG-F green Oct 4 cds, ms "10" on 1842 fl, Fine. Scarce pmk, rare color. (\$25) MOUNT AIRY MO Partial red Mar 23 cds, stpd red "PAID", boxed "5", ms "Paid 5" on Fair 1847 fl (\$25) PRINCE FREDK TOWN MD Very decent VG-Fine black cds, ms Mar 21, ms "20" on F-VF fl, no contents (\$25) PRINCE FREDK TOWN MD Another nice Nrly F black cds, ms Jun 17th, ms "25, overchgd 5/ 20" on 3½x8½" 47) K-1 48) K-1 49) K-1 K-1 50) 1833 fl, nice F-VF item. Scarce pmk cat \$75 in ASCC, \$30-45 in Kendall. (\$25)
18.33 fl, nice F-VF item. Scarce pmk cat \$75 in ASCC, \$30-45 in Kendall. (\$25)
K-1 PRINCESS-ANNE M. VG-F red Jan red cds, ms day 14, ms "Single","25" on nice F-VF 1841 fl headed
Dec 13, 1840. Scarce pmk, later than catalog range of 1834-40. Rate to Mississippi (\$35)
K-2 PRINCESS ANNE Md. Nice F-VF green Feb 20 cds, ms "12½" on F-VF 1842 fl, embossed county seal (\$20-25)
K-5 ROCKVILLE Md. VF red Nov 9 cds on nice F-VF 1843 fl, pen notations but attractive (\$10-15)
K-5 ROCKVILLE Md. F-VE red Mar 2 cds on nice F-VF 1844 fl ms "6" (\$10-15) 51) 52) 53) F-VF red Mar 2 cds on nice clean VF 1844 fl, ms "6". (\$10-15) ROCKVILLE Md. 54) K-5

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Richard A. Long

POST OFFICE BOX 472 BANDON OR 97411

SPECIAL AUCTION OF A NATIONWIDE DPO COLLECTION LA POSTA, P.O.BOX 135, LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97034 (503) 657-5685

The following lots are composed of one man's DPO collection formed in 1941 and early 1942. Postmarks appear to represent virtually all offices which closed during that period. Examples are all on 1-cent Government postal cards (Scott's UX 27). The postmarks are mostly very well struck, and many appear in colored ink. Bidders may submit their bids along with Subscribers' Auction bids, but please remember to include the 'D' perfix for each lot in this special sale. Complete listings of towns in the larger state lots (except the remainder lot) are available over the telephone or by mail if you send a stamped addressed envelope, Normal Subscribers' Auction rules apply, and photocopies of Individual pieces are available for a SASE.

ALABAMA

201. Lot of 5 different LDCs Including CALDWELL, ROCK RUN, RURAL, WATSONIA & WILSON DAM. Est. \$12.00

ALASKA D02. BARROW, BETTLES & WISEMAN, Aug 31, 1942 on CENSORED GPC. Est. \$8.00 D03. LUCKYSHOT, 1942, VG Type 1 on LDC. Est. \$15.00 D04. MATANUSKA, 1941, G + Type 2 on LDC. Est. \$12.00

ARIZONA D05. APACHE, 1943, G + 4-bar on LDC (08-43) Est. \$6 D06: CALVA, 1941, Fine magente 4-bar on LDC (1938-41) Est. \$25.00 D07. CHINLE, 1941, Fine 4-bar on FDC. Est. \$5.00

ARKANSAS D08. Lot of 6 different LDCs including ARKANSAS POST, CAPPSTOWN, HAND, MANY ISLANDS, MILO & RICH MOUNTAIN. Est. \$12.00

CALIFORNIA

DOB. EUREKA/SECTION BASE BR., 1942, Fine 4-bar on FDC. Est. \$5.00 D10. SWITZERLAND, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC (San Bern. 1939-41) Est. \$12.00 D11. Lot of 12 different LDCs Incl. BAY, BLACKBEAR, DUNMOVIN, HODGE, OLYMPIA, OWENYO, REIFF, TRGO & VENADO. Est. \$25.00

COLORADO D12. ACKMEN, 1941, Fine 4-bar on LDC (1917-42) Est. \$8.00 D13. FOSSTON, 1941, Fine 4-bar on LDC (1910-41) Est. \$6.00 D14. LAKEWOOD, 1942, Fine magenta 4-bar on LDC (1937-41) Est. \$6.00 D15. RUEDI, 1941, VG magenta 4-bar on LDC (1839-1941) Est. \$6.00

CONNECTICUT D18. TYLERVILLE, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC (1871-1941) Est. \$4.00

FLORIDA D17. Lot of 8 different Incl. DOWLING PARK, LACOTA, LAKEPORT, MARINELAND, PIRATES COVE & WINDSOR Est \$15.00

GEORGIA D18. Lot of 5 different Incl. CLYDE, DUE, OASIS, PADESA & WAYS STATION. Est. \$10.00

IDAHO D19. Lot of 3 different incl. PARDEE, MELROSE & SUBLETTE. Est. \$8.00

ILLINOIS D20. FAIRGRANGE, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$4.00 D21. PARKER, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$4.00

INDIANA

D22. Lot of 3 different Incl. CLIFFORD, GUTHRIE & ELKINSVILLE. Est. \$6.00

IOWA D23. BENTONSPORT, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC (1838-1942) Est. \$4.00 D24. TICONIC, 1942, Fine 4-bar on LDC (1868-1942) Est. \$4.00

KANSAS D25. Lol of 5 different Incl. BASIL, BANCROFT, BIG BOW, BRADFORD & MUNJOR. Est. \$10.00

KENTUCKY D26. Lot of 30 different Incl. ANCHOR, BANDY, BLUFF BOOM, COLLE, HIKE, IVAN, JEAN, MINOR (Doane), OTTER POND, TABOR, TURKEY CREEK, WALTZ, etc. Est. \$50.00

LOUISIANA D27. Lot of a different LDCs Incl. BIG CANE, BOLIVAR, DENN'S MILLS, ENON, WILLS POINT, ZEBEEDEE, etc. Est. \$15.00

MARYLAND D28. Lot of 6 different LDCs Incl. ALTAMONT, BROWN, FORT GEORGE MEADE, MIDDLE RIVER, SHARON & VALE SUMMIT. Est. \$10.00

MASSACHUSETTS D29. GAY HEAD, 1941, G 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$4.00 D30. HAYDEN ROW, 1941, Fine red 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$5.00

MICHIGAN D31. Lot of 4 different LDCs. including ISABELLA, LULU, PAYMENT & WAUCEDAH. Est. \$8.00

MINNESOTA D32. OAK POINT, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC. (1910-42) Est. \$5.00 D33. SETON, 1942, Fine magente 4-bar on LDC (1922-42) Est. \$8.00

MISSISSIPPI D34. Lot of 8 different LDCs incl. ABBOTT, CRAIG, GOWDEY, LOCKHART, LOMBARDY, PECAN, PENTON & PYLAND. Est. \$15.00

MISSOURI

D35. Lot of 20 different LDCs Incl. BARTLETT, BLOODLAND, CHILTON, COOKVILLE, DELAWARE, FLORIDA, HICKORY, TRIBUNE, VERA, etc. Est. \$45.00

MONTANA

D36. Lot of 4 different LDCs including COMANCHE, DALEVIEW, FAIRCHILD & NICKWALL Est. \$12.00

NEBRASKA D37. SOMERSET, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC. (1887-1941) Est. \$4.00

NEVADA D38. JOHNNIE MINE, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC (1937-42) Est. \$12.00 D39. POTTS, 1941, G + magenta 4-bar on LDC (1898-1941) Est. \$6.00 D40. VYA, 1941, Fine 4-bar on LDC (1910-41) Est. \$8.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE D41. MILL VILLAGE & GOSHEN, 1942, Fine 4-bars on LDC/FDC card. Est. \$5.00 D42. WATER VILLAGE, 1942, G + 4-bar on LDC. (1840/1942) Est. \$4.00

NEW JERSEY D43. VAIL, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$5.00

NEW MEXICO D44. CUNICO, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC. (1927-42) Est. \$8.00 D45. TURLEY, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC. (1908-41) Est. \$6.00

NEW YORK D48. Lot of 3 different LDCs including BORDER CITY, VERBANK VILLAGE & STERLINGVILLE. Est. \$8.00

NORTH CAROLINA D47. Lot of 10 different LDCs incl. BENTLEY, CARBONTON, DEHART, ETNA, GILLETT, JAPAN, MARINES, etc. Est. \$25.00

NORTH DAKOTA D48. BLACKWATER, 1941, VG magenta 4-bar on LDC (1906-41) Est. \$8.00 D49. MANITOU, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC (1905-41) Est. \$6.00

OHIO D50. Lot of 3 different LDCs including INGOMAR, PORTERSVILLE & WEST DOVER. Est. \$8.00

OKLAHOMA D51. Lot of 5 different LDCs Incl. BERWYN, LUTIE, PEORIA, TANGIER & ZAFRA. Est. \$12.00

OREGON D52. Lot of 3 different LDCs including EIGHTMILE, BEAGLE & QUARTZ MOUNTAIN. Est. \$12.00

PENNSYLVANIA D53. Lot of 19 different LDCs incl. BERTHA, BILLMEYER, BRUNNERVILLE, HORNING, IDAMAR, ONNALINDA, QUEEN, STONE CHURCH, etc. Est. \$35.00

SOUTH CAROLINA D54. NINE TIMES, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$5.00 D55. STOKAES, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC. Est. \$5.00

SOUTH DAKOTA D50. BADNATION, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC (1938-42) Ext. \$12.00 D57. HEADLEE RANCH, 1942, VG 4-bar on LDC (1924-42) Ext. \$10.00

TENNESSEE D58. Lot of 4 different LDCs including CYPRESS, GILLISES MILLS, HEDGECOTH & RADER. Est. \$10.00

TEXAS D59. Lot of 6 different LDCs incl. CLEAR LAKE, EDGAR, EMBRYFIELD, FRY, SACHSE & THRIFTY. Est. \$15.00

UTAH D80. LEOTA, 1941, Fine magenta 4-bar on LDC. (1928-41) Est. \$10.00 D81. PINTO, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC (1864/1941) Est. \$6.00

VIRGINIA D82. Lot of 22 different LDCs incl. ADIAL, BUFFALO STATION, COAN, ELWAY, LLOYDS, MOORMANS RIVER, ZENOBIA, etc. Est. \$45.00

WASHINGTON D83. DALKENA, 1942, Fine magenta 4-bar on LDC. (1903-42) Est. \$8.00 D84. Lot of 3 different LDCs including SAM, BORDEAUX & YALE. Est. \$12.00

WEST VIRGINIA D85. Lot of 17 different LDCs incl. ACUP, CONCHO, DEAN, ENON, MUNITION, NEALS RUN, PAD, RAMP, SNOW HILL, THREE CHURCHES, etc. Est. \$35.00

WISCONSIN D66. MARSHVILLE, 1941, VG 4-bar on LDC (1898-1941) Est. \$6.00 D67. POLLEY, 1942, Fine red 4-bar on LDC (1907-42) Est. \$6.00

WYOMING D88. Lot of 3 different LDCs including BIGTRAILS, FONTENELLE & FOSSIL. Est. \$12.00

NATIONWIDE REMAINER D89. Lot of 100 + mostly different duplicates to DPOs appearing in above lots. Very little duplication within this lot & most are LDCs. Est. \$125-150.

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ALABAMA

101 PINCKNEYVILLE, 1857, mss on 3-ct Nesbitt triffe ruff @ top. DPO. Est.\$8.

ALASKA

- LASKA

 102
 ALASKINDIA, 1941, VG Ty1 on FFC. Est. \$15.00

 103
 ANDREAFSKI, 1954, Fine Ty 1 on LDC. Est. \$8.00

 104
 BELL ISLAND, 1941, VG magenta Ty 1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00

 105
 BROAD PASS, 1952, VG Type 1 on Cml. cvr. Est. \$8.00

 106
 BUCKLAND, 1937, VG Type 1 on FFC. Est. \$12.00

 107
 EAGLE, 1938, VG Type 1 on PFC. Est. \$15.00

 108
 BUCKLAND, 1937, VG Type 1 on PFC. Est. \$50.00

 108
 EUREKA, 1910, VG Type 1 on PFC. Est. \$60.00

 109
 FAIRBANKS/NORTH POLE RURI, STA., 1954, Fine Ty 1 on FDC. Est.\$10.00

 110
 HAINES, 1911, VG Type 3 on PFC. Est. \$12.00

 111
 HOT SPRINGS, 1952, VG magenta Ty 4 on cml. cvr. Est. \$8.00

 112
 JUNFAU, 1908, VG Ty 14 on PPC. Est. \$12.00

 113
 JUNFAU, 1908, VG Ty 3 on FFC. Est. \$12.00

 114
 KATALLA, 1938, VG Ty 3 on FFC. Est. \$12.00

 115
 KETCHIKAN/MEYERS CHURCK RUR STA., 1985, error 4-bar on phil.cvr. E\$8.00

 116
 KATWOCK, 1954, G + Type 7 on cml. cvr. Est. \$5.00

 117
 KNIK, 1914, G (of#th) Type 2 on PPC.(1904-19) Est. \$10.00

 118
 LATWOCK, 1954, G + Type 7 on cml. cvr. Est. \$8.00

 120
 LVENGODD, 1962, VG Ty 4 on F58

- 121 NOME/REC D., 1908, On RUSSIAN GPC pm S1.PETERSBURG. Msg. In Russian.

 E88

 122 NOME, 1918, G Type 16 [FLAG] on cover. Est. \$10.00

 123 PETERSBURG, 1910, VG Type 3 on PPC. Est. \$15.00

 124 SAINT MICHAEL, 1910, VG Typ 3 on PPC. Est. \$10.00

 125 SEWARD, 1918, G + Type 6 on PPC. Est. \$10.00

 126 TENAKEE, 1908, G + Type 3 on PPC. Est. \$10.00

 127 WACKER, 1941, VG Type 2 on FPC. Est. \$10.00

 128 WAIRWRIGHT, 1928, VG Type 1 on cover. Est. \$10.00

 129 WHITTIER, 1948, G + Type 3 on PPC. Est. \$10.00

 129 WHITTIER, 1948, G + Type 3 on CM. Cvr. Est. \$20.00

 129 WHITTIER, 1948, G + Type 3 on CM. Cvr. Est. \$20.00

 131 Lot of 3 dill FFCa, 1809-41: SAINT MICHAEL, FORT YUKON & CIRCLE, G-VG strifues. Est. \$5.00

 132 APO 976 (NORTHWAY), Fine 4-bar on CENSORED cover. Est. \$8.00

 133 PROVISIONAL CENSOR, Ty 937-2, well strik on monerch cvr pm lite SEATTLE/N. AIR STA. KDDIAK ALASKA BR, Apr 1942. Est. \$6.00

 134 PROVISIONAL CENSOR, Ty 839-1, strik in blue on phil cd. pm SEATTLE/T. MEARS BR. (Ty1) March 10, 1942. Est. \$60.00

 135 PROVISIONAL CENSOR, Ty 839-1, strik in blue on monerch cvr pm APO 839 Apr 1942. Est. \$50.00

 136 PROVISIONAL CENSOR, Ty 839-1, strik in blue on monerch cvr pm APO 839 Apr 1942. Est. \$50.00

 Apr 1942, Est. \$50.00 136 PROVISIONAL CENSOR, Ty 942-4, strik in blue on Bus. Reply card
- pm ANCHORAGE
- April 1942. Unusual ligitimate use. Est. \$50.00 137 US/NAVY, 1943, on ovr w/Marine Bks, Dutch Harbor nst.addr. CENSORED. E\$10.
- 138 USS SIRIUS,1832, VG Ty 5 w/DURCHHARBOR/ALASKA in bars. Est. \$8.00 139 USS SWALLOW, 1934, VG Ty3 w/GREAT SIT/KIN * ALASKA in bars. ph.cvr.E\$8.00 140 USS SWALLOW, 1934, VG Ty3 w/KANAGA IS./ALASKA in bars. ph.cvr. E\$8.00

ARIZONA

- HZZONA

 141 CASTLE BUTTE, 1948, Fine 4-bar on phil. card (1947-56) Est. \$5.00

 142 FLAGSTAFF, c.1885, readable Type 5 on cvr w/stains. Scarce type. E\$40.00

 143 FLAGSTAFF, Sep 1898, readable Ty 13 on cvr w/2-ct DUE stamp. Est. \$12.00

 144 FLAGSTAFF, Sep 1898, readable Ty 13 on cvr w/2-ct DUE stamp. Est. \$12.00

 145 HACKBERRY, 1908, about G Type 8 on PPC. Est. \$5.00

 146 HEREFORD, 1908, readable Ty 1 [DOANE] on PPC. Est. \$10.00

 147 JACOB LAKE, 1954, VG 4-bar on GPC (1933-55) Est. \$5.00

 148 PARTANO, 1938, VG 4-bar on CM. cvr. (80/52) Est. \$5.00

 149 SELIGMAN, 1910, G Type 8 on PPC. Est. \$30.00

 150 SENTINEL, 1963, VG 7 ppe 2 on U348. Est. \$50.00

 161 TOMBSTONE, 1902, Fine Type 23 (Luplex) on cover. Est. \$10.00

 152 Lot of 7 dlff. DPOs on card/cvr., 1939-58. Incl: COPPER CREEK, CACTUS, FRANKLIN, PAUL SPUR, CHIN LEE. All G-VG strikes. Est. \$30.00

ARKANSAS

153 THORNBURN, 1906, VG 4-bar on PPC (1907-15) Est. \$10.00

CALIFORNIA

- 154 AETNA SPRINGS, 1937, VG 4-bar on PPC (Napa 15-45) Est. \$5.00
- 155 ANGIOLA, 1909. VG 4-bar on PPC (Tulare 96-27) Est. \$6.00 156 BENBOW, 1941, VG 4-bar on PPC (Pat. 4.G.8) Est. \$4.00
- 157 BLACK DIAMOND, 1906 VG DOANE on PPC w/COLONY CENTER DOANE as rec'd. Both are scare DPOs. Est. \$30.00
- Both are scare DPOs. Eet, \$30.00 158 CEMENT, c.1912, G + magenia NON-STANDARD pm on PPC.(03-28) Est. \$10.00 159 DAUNT, 1904, G + cds on VEG-A-TAB cover (Tul. 86-11) Est. \$10.00 160 DOLGEVILLE, 1910, VG DOANE on PPC (LA 1904-09) Est. \$40.00 161 GRAHAM STATION, 1914, G + 4-bar on PPC (LA 1911-18) Est. \$10.00 162 HAMMOND, 1910, G 4-bar on GPC (Tulare 05-28) Est. \$40.00 163 JACKSON/C.M.MEEKS, P.M., 1861, G (pil.overinted) cdi on GPC. E\$15,00 164 JERSEYDALE, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (Marip. 90-30) Est.\$50.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 164 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (S.Clara 92-11) Est. \$20.00 165 LLAGAS, 1910, G DOANE on PPC (Bartin Bartin Bartin

- 188 LOCKFORD, 1887, Fine purple cds on 2-ct brown ent. Est. \$8.00 187 MYFORD, 1908, G + cds on PPC (Orange 99-14) Est. \$5.00
- 168 ORIENTAL, 1908, G + DOANE on PPC (88-17) Est. \$10.00

- 169 PARAISO SPRINGS, 1908, G + 4-bar on PPC (Mont. 77/39) Est. \$5.00
- T30 RUST, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (C.Costa 08-16) Est. \$8,00
 T31 SACRAMENTO CITY/Cal., 1857 G baloon cds w/10^o handstamp on SFC. E\$15.00
 T32 SACRAMENTO CITY/Cal., 1857, G baloon cds w/year date (indistinct) on 3-ct Neshitt Est \$12.00
- Nesom: ER. 312.00 173 SAN FRANCISCO, c.1865, VG cds on cvt w/#65 & 'Per Steamer' mss. E\$5 174 SAN JOSE/WEST SAN JOSE STA., 1913, Fine dplx on PPC (1911-16) E.\$10.00 175 SANTA CRUZ, 1874, VG cds on cvt w/encl. Est. \$8.00 176 SANTA RITA, 1911, G 4-bas as rec'd on PPC (S.Bach. 09-14) Est. \$12.00

- T7 SHORB, 1907, Fine Doane on PPC (LA 95-09) Est. \$8.00
 T7 SHORB, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC (Shasta 85-09) Est. \$25.00
 T7 TABLEROCK, 1903, G (lite) cds on VEG-A-TAB cvr (Sierra 57-22) E\$8.00

COLORADO

- JLUHADU

 180 CASCADE, 1889, G+ cds on cover w/2-cl green. Est. \$15.00

 181 CASSELLS, 1909, VG NON-STANDARD w/5 wavy bars on PPC (99-29) Est. \$25.00

 182 CLYDE, 1900, G (light) cds on cover (99/09) Est. \$25.00

 183 DELTA, 1880, G dcds on GPC, Est. \$8.00

 184 EASTONVILLE, 1923, about G 4-bar on PPC (39-29) Est. \$5.00

 185 FRANKTOWN, 1907, VG Type 1 DOANE on PPC. Est. \$5.00

 186 GRIFFITH, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC. (1909-24) Est. \$15.00

 187 LANDSMAN, 1901, VG cds on heavily stained VEG-A-TAB cvr. (83-10) E\$12.00

 188 MALESTIC, 1904, VG cds on cover (1900-14) Est. \$25.00

 189 OPHIR, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. (78-21) Est. \$12.00

 189 OPHIR, 1909, VG ODANE on PPC. (78-21) Est. \$20.00

205 MERIWEATHER, 1874, mss. on UX3. DPO. Est. \$10.00 206 SCARBORO, 1874, mail. on UX3. DPO. Est. \$10.00 207 HANALEI/KAUAI, 1904, VG dplx on PPC. Est. \$10.00

- 1as OPHIR, 1909, V3 DUANE on PPC, (3/3-21) Eitt. \$12:00

 190 PINNEO, 1914, V3 4-bar on PPC (83/31) Est. \$8:00

 191 RUEDI, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (83/31) Est. \$8:00

 192 SIMPSON, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC (1910-43) Est. \$8:00

 193 SMUGGLER, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC (83-81) Est. \$8:00

 194 TUTTLE, 1909, G 4-bar on PPC (83-18) Est. \$8:00

 195 WEBSTER, 1901, G cds on stained VEG-A-TAB cvr. (77-09) Est. \$15:00
- WHEAT RIDGE, 1915, VG 4-bar on GPC. Early for PO. Est. \$5.00
 Lot of 4 diff. DPOs on card/cvr., 1949-55. Inc: FIRSTVIEW, GREAT DIVIDE, RIDGE & TRAIL RIDGE. All VG-Fine strikes. Est. \$15.00

CONNECTICUT

FLORIDA

GEORGIA

IDAHO

ILLINOIS

INDIANA

IOWA

KANSAS

KENTUCKY

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198 SOUTH MANCHESTER, 187?, VG blue cds & cut cork on GPC. (51-33) Est. \$6.00

enclosed. Est. \$10.00 201 WASHINGTON/DC, 1884, VG dpix ties #210 on HOUSE OF REP. cvr. Est. \$6.00

202 PALM BEACH/R.P., 1908, G + 4-bar for use at Royal Poinciana Hotel. PPC.ES8 203 SYLVAN LAKE, 1883, VG cds on Reg. cvr. DPO. Est. \$12.00 204 WINNEMISSETT, 1885, G + cds on cvr w/#210. DPO. Lt. stains but long,

208 ARROWROCK, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (1911-17) Est. \$15.00 209 CHATCOLET, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (1909-57) Est. \$4.00 210 COVE, 1907, VG 4-bar on PPC (98-09) Est. \$15.00 211 GREER, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC (99-57) Est. \$4.00 212 HAYDEN LAKE, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$4.00 213 HAZEL, 1909, Fine DOANE on PPC (1905-14) Est. \$25.00 214 KLOCKMAN, 1918, G (IDAHO not struct) 4-bar on PPC(r.p. view of mill).E\$8.

215 LANE, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC (91/56) Est. \$5.00 216 MOSCOW, 1898, VG rimiese cds on cvr w/small nick @ top. Est. \$12.00 217 WAHA, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC (79-41) Est. \$6.00 218 WESTLAKE, 1910, G 4-bar on PPC (93/51) Est. \$4.00

219 FOREST STA., c.1865, mae on ovr w/#65 (1880-1868) Est. \$25.00 220 RichTON, 1916, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00 221 Lot of 3 diff small towns on GPCs: PLEASANT PLAINS (1875), LAKE FOREST (1881) and TAYLORSVILLE (1880), all strikes VG. Est. \$10.00

222 GAR CREEK, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC. (73-26) Est. \$5.00 223 SELLERSBURGH, 1889, Fine purple cds & MALTESE CROSS ties 3-ct green to cover w/letter. Est. \$6.00

225 BLUE RAPIDS, 1880, G + octagon on cvr w/3-ct green. Est. \$8.00 226 CAIRO, 1917, (87/22) VG 4-bar on PPC w/BACK THE BOYS slogan. Est. \$8.00 227 HOMESTEAD, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC (1876-1913) Est. \$8.00

228 Lot of 3 diff small towns on GPCs: BENNINGTON (1884), MINNEAPOLIS (1884) & SOLOMON CITY (1884), all strikes VG. Est. \$10.00

229 FRANKLIN, 1885, VG trip.cds & STAR-IN-CIRCLE on GPC w/CINCINNATI/TRANSIT on face. Est. \$8.00 230 WHY NOT, 1888, mss. on cvr w/stains. Opened ruff @ rt. DPO. Est. \$6.00

231 Lol of 6 diff LDCs on phil.cards, 1960-64: BATH, BLUESTONE, DELMER, FLAT ROCK, FUSONIA & ILSLEY, all strikes VG-Fine. Est. \$15.00

224 BARNEY, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. (88-34) Est. \$5.00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 199 WASHINGTON (1873) G cds & FANCY CARVED CORK (Flower?) ties 3-ct green on cvr w/attorney cc. Enclosure. Est. \$10.00 200 WASHINGTON/DC (1880) in bold oval ties 1-ct banknote on cvr w/newspaper

way letter. Est, \$15.00

MAINE

232 KATAHDIN IRON WORKS, 1911, G + DOANE on PPC, DPO, Est. \$6.00 233 SUMNER, 1909, G + DOANE on PPC (1811-1935) Est. \$5.00 234 TREFETHEN, 1904, VG DOANE on PPC, DPO, Est. \$6.00

MARYLAND

235 CENTREVILLE, (1871), G + cds on cvr w/#114 canceled by FANCY CUT CORK. E\$8

MASSACHUSETTS

236 BEACH BLUFF, 1887, cds & fancy STAR ties 1-ct banknote on cvr. DPO. E.\$8.

MICHIGAN

- 237
 FT. GRATIOT, c.1885, G cds & cork ties #210 on cvr (26-95) Est. \$15.00

 238
 RANSOM, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (48-36) Est. \$5.00

 239
 UNADILLA, c.1865, VG cds on 3-ct pink ent. (1834-1906) Est. \$15.00

 240
 VIOLA, 1942, Fine 4-bar on LD card (89-42) Est. \$4.00

 241
 WABANINGO, 1910, G NON-STANDARD pm on PPC. DPC. Est. \$6.00

 242
 WATERLOO, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC (1837-1925) Est. \$6.00

 243
 WILLIAMSTOWN, 1880, G + cds on cvr w/encl. (1842-84) Est. \$5

MINNESOTA

- 244 ANOKA/M.T., 1857, VG baloon cds tles #85 on cover. Est. \$20.00 245 COLFAX, 1888, VG cds on 2-ct brown ent. w/fancy h.s. cc.(61/04) Est.
- \$15
- 246 WINSTEAD LAKE, (1879), VG cds on cvr w/encl. (1866-1886) Est. \$12.00

MISSOURI

- 247 FREDERICKSBURG, 1868, mss. ties 3-ct grill on folded itr fron to SWITZERLAND. Marked NEW YORK/TRANSIT & INSUFFICIENTLY PAID. Fragile. Est \$10
- 248 LAKE CITY, 1908, Fine DOANE on PPC (76-14) Est. \$8.00

MONTANA

- ONTANA

 249
 ADEL, 1901, VG cds on cvr w/crease @ top edge (96-30) Est. \$6.00

 250
 BAY HORSE, 1830, G + 4-bar on phil. cvr. (1917-55) Est. \$5.00

 251
 BIGHORN/DEC 21 1914, Im angenta ST.LINES on PPC. Est. \$8.00

 252
 BUSTEED, 1917, VG 4-bar on PPC (1903-33) Est. \$10.00

 253
 CLARWATER, 1911, G + DOANE on PPC (1903-73) Est. \$20.00

 254
 DUDERANCH, 1928, VG 4-bar on PPC (1927-37) Est. \$20.00

 255
 ELLOAM, 1920, VG 4-bar on PPC (1927-37) Est. \$20.00

 256
 FORT ASSINNIBOUNE, 1905, VG duplex on PPC (guard mount @ fort) Est. \$20.00

 257
 GLENDALE, 1884, VG cds wist.line date on GPC; TERRITORIAL Est. \$20.00

 258
 HELENA/M T, 1867, G dcda w/maa 'Paid 3' on FRONT. Rare marking. E\$30.00

 259
 LEI, 1909, G (ii)(ii) DOANE on PPC. (82-36) Est. \$6.00

 261
 HUNGRY HORSE, 1948, VG 4-bar on phil. cvr. (1948-81) Est. \$5.00

 260
 LEE, 1909, G (ii)(ii) to ana chas on GPC. TERRITORIAL. Est. \$15.00

 281
 MILES CITY, 1884, G + blue cds on GPC. TERRITORIAL. Est. \$15.00

 282
 PIEGAN, 1882, VG magenta cds & star-in-circle on GPC. TERR. Es80.00

 283
 QUARTZ, 1900, (ii)(ht, readable cds on C-C tred rent. (82-16) E. \$80.00

 284
 RADERSBURG, 1883, G + octagon on GPC.
- 269 Lot of 4 diff DPOs, 1940-54, Incl: DANVERS, NOHLY, SIMPSON & SQUARE BUTTE. G-VG strikes on GPOs. Est. \$12.00

NEBRASKA

- 270 BENNET/WALT.N.SEELY,P.M.,1880, G + dcds on cvr. w/3-ct green. Est. \$30.00
- 271 CLIFTON, 1872, complete mess, on clean cvr (Nemaha 1870-1883) Est, \$30.00 272 FREEDOM, 1911, G+ 4-bar on PPC, DPO, Est, \$5.00 273 GEORGETOWN, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC (75-22) Est, \$8.00 274 MARENGO, 1912, G+ 4-bar on PPC (91-34) Est, \$6.00 275 MAYFLOWER, 1918, G+ 4-bar on PPC (1906-19) Est, \$10.00

NEVADA

- EVADA 276 ADAVEN, 1939, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC (1939-53) Est. \$8.00 277 AURORA, 1908, VG DOANE on cover. (96/19) Est. \$15.00 278 DELAMAR, 1933, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1934-41 pd.) Est. \$15.00 279 ELDORADO CAN(ON), 1885, G cds on cvr opened into #210. E.\$20.00 280 ELDORADO CAN(ON), 1881, about G ('RAD' not strk) cds on 2-ct green ent. opened into stamp. Est. \$15.00 281 FLANIGAN, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil GPC. (1914-61) Est. \$10.00 282 GOLCONDA, 1907, G + duplex on PPC. Est. \$8.00 283 JOHNNIE, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil GPC. (1918-35 pd.) Est. \$25.00 284 LAS VEGAS, 1907, G + DOANE on PPC. Est. \$5.00 285 MASON, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1908-61) Est. \$8.00 286 MILLETT, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1908-30) Est. \$20.00 287 NELSON, 1911, G + magenta 4-bar on PPC w/vert.crease (05-29) E\$15.00 288 NORTHAM, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1908-28) Est. \$30.00 289 SCHURZ, 1917, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1908-28) Est. \$30.00 290 SIMPSON, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1929-193) Est. \$30.00 293 JOHNNYSIDE, 1927, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1929-193) Est. \$30.00 294 TONOPAH/AIR BASE BR, 1944, VG machine on phil. GPC. (1929-40) E\$10.00 293 TOBAR, 1927, G 4-bar on phil. GPC. (1929-37) Est. \$30.00 294 TONOPAH/AIR BASE BR, 1944, VG machine on phil. GPC. (Est. \$5.00 295 TYBO, 1928, VG 4-bar on phil. GPC, (1929-37) Est. \$30.00 296 Lot of 37 diff. towns, 1927-59, on phil. GPC, most G-VG strikes. Incl. 10 DPOs. (list on request) Est. \$125.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- 297 CANOBIE LAKE, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC w/EAST ACWORTH DOANE. Both DPOs.E\$10.
- 298 CANTERBURY DEPOT, 1890, VG green dcds on 2-ct ent. (88-16) Est. \$12.00 299 ISLES OF SHOALS/AUG.2 1914, VG PROV.ST.LINE on PPC (1914-17) Est. \$25.

300 MT.PLEASANT HOUSE, 1897, VG cds on cvr franked by 2 x 1-ct COLUMBIANS. Has resort cc. (1884/1902) Est. \$12.00 301 NASHUA, 1859, G + cds & DROP/1 ct in circle on SFL. Est. \$20.00 302 NELSON, 1873, VG dcds on cvr w/minor age wrinkles. (1817-1934) E\$10.00 303 SUGARHILL, 1885, Fine cds on cvr w/#210. Est. \$5.00

- **NEW JERSEY**
 - 304 MULLILO HILL, 1857, mss. on cvr w/#26 (1802-67) Est. \$15.00

NEW MEXICO

- EW MEXICO 305 CHAMA, 1908, VG Type 7 on PPC Est. \$10.00 306 COLUMBUS, 1918, G + dpix on PPC. Est. \$4.00 307 COOLIDGE, 1934, G + 4-bar on PPC (1928-57) Est. \$8.00 308 FORT BAYARD, 1910, G Type 13 on PPC. Est. \$8.00 309 FORT UNION, 1878, about G type 11 on GPC. Est. \$20.00 310 FORT WINGATE, 1885, G (light) Ty 4 on GPC. Est. \$20.00 311 GRANT, 1908, VG Type 7 [DOANE] on PPC Est. \$20.00 312 MIAMI, 1914, G + 4-bar on PPC(r.p. view of CLAYTON) Est. \$10.00 313 MOSQUERO, 1918, VG 4-bar on cover. Est. \$5.00 314 SAN MARCIAL, 1907, G Type 12 on PPC. (1912-44) Est. \$8.00 315 SUGARITE, Sep 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (1912-44) Est. \$8.00 316 TAOS, 1889, G (N.MEX not strik) Type 2 on GPC (message confirms) E.\$15.00 317 VERMEJO PARK, 1911, partial(1/3 off @ Rt) Ty 1 on PPC. Est. \$8.00 318 YANKEE, 1915, Vg 4-bar on PPC (1908-22) Est. \$12.00
- **NEW YORK**

Both DPO.E\$10

NORTH CAROLINA

NORTH DAKOTA

OHIO

83

- 319 ALEXANDER, 1885, VG fancy triple cds tles #210 on cvr. Est. \$8.00 320 AMSTERDAM, 1828, mss. as fwd mark on cvr pm ALBANY in red cds. Est. \$8. 321 BURNSIDE, 1909, VG magenta 4-bar on PPC (79-33) Est. \$5.00

- 321 BURNSIDE, 1908, VG magenta 4-bar on PPC (79-33) Est. \$5.00
 322 BYERSVILLE, 1885, VG fancy dcds on faulty cvr w/#210. DPO. Est. \$6.00
 323 CATSKILL STATION, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00
 324 CHEPACHET, 1946, VG d-bar fles 20-ct PREXIE on reg. cvr. (82-53) E\$5.00
 325 DIAMOND, 1904, VG cda on Registered cover. DPO. Est. \$8.00
 326 FENNER, c.1850, mss & mss 'Paid 3' on SFC (1824-1903) Est. \$12.00
 327 FORT COVINGTON, 1943, G + rec cds & 'PAID' on SFL Est. \$6.00
 328 FENNER, c.1850, mss & mss 'Paid 3' on SFC (1824-1903) Est. \$12.00
 327 FORT COVINGTON, 1943, G + rec cds & 'PAID' on SFL Est. \$6.00
 328 FORT MILLER, 1908, G + DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00
 329 FORT SCHUYLER, 1864, G dcds ties #65 on cvr w/edge wear. DPO. Est. \$5.00
 331 LAKE GEORGE ASSEMBLY, 1905, G + cds on PPC, DPO. Est. \$5.00
 332 LIONIS, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00
 333 LOOMIS, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00
 334 LYON HILL 1842, mss w/mss 'Paid 6' on SFL west, crass & some edge wear

- JNOLEUNVILLE, 1940, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00
 LYON HILL, 1842, msa w/msa 'Paid 6' on SFL w/vert. crease & some edge wear (1827-1854) Est. \$20.00
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Both DPO.E510 348 WATKINS, 1878, VG blue fancy dcds w/STAR in 3-ct green ent. Est. \$8.00 349 WEST MENDON, 1837, G (light) cds on SFL w/mss 18 3/4*. Est. \$8.00 350 WEST POINT, c.1865, VG baloon cds on cvr w/2x#65. Est. \$8.00 351 WEST TROV, 1887, VG dcds on 3-ct pink ent. DPO. Est. \$5.00 352 WEST VALLEY, 1885, VG dcds on 0.7. Est. \$4.00 353 Lot of 2 diff. 1878 simi-fancy townmarks: LE ROY In red on clean cvr. & BALDWINSVILLE w/STAR killer on GPC. Est. \$8.00

 ORTH DAKOTA

 355 BROCKS, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (1908-15) Est. \$15.00

 356 CARRINGTON, 1901, VG dpix on Reg.cvr w/o'all ad for FARM SEEDS on reverse. (iliustrated corn, beets, etc) Est. \$30.00

 357 CASSELTON/DAK, 1888, G cds on 2-ct brown entire. Est. \$8.00

 358 DOGDEN, 1907, G + DOANE on PPC (1908-27) Est. \$8.00

 359 EASBY, 1912, G DOANE on PPC (1908-27) Est. \$4.00

 360 FAYETTE, 1808, G + 4-bar on PPC (98-56) Est. \$4.00

 361 FLOYD, 1908, VG cds on Crv w/#210. Est. \$8.00

 362 GRANDIN/DAK, 1887, VG cds on Crv w/#210. Est. \$8.00

 363 LYNCH, 1909, G + cds on PPC (1902-09) Est. \$15.00

 364 NISBET, 1912, G + purple 4-bar on PPC (1904-14) Est. \$15.00

 365 PINTO, 1908, VG - ds on CrV (1907-13) Est. \$20.00

 366 POCP, 1887, VG cds wist. line date on 3-ct entire (1884-1900). Est. \$20.

 367 TASKER, 1911, VG DOANE on PPC (1904-17) Est. \$8.00

 368 WALCOTT, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC. Est. \$4.00

389 IRA/SUMMIT CO., 1880, G(lite) magenta dcds on cvr frk. w/5ct Garfield to Germany. (1883-1953) Est. \$10.00
 370 MOUNT VERNON (1876), VG cds tiles 3-ct green w/SKULL & CROSSBONES killer on small cover w/stains & edge wear. Est. \$12.00
 371 SHALER'S MILLS (1876), VG cds on cover (1850-1884) Est. \$15.00

ADA/IND.T., 1908, G + dpix on cover w/HOTEL c & closed tear @ rt. E\$12.00
ARDMORE/IND.T., 1904, G + dpix on clean cover. Est. \$20.00
CHOTEAL/IND.T., 1887, G cds on 2-ct brown ent. opened uneven @ left. E\$20
CLAREMORE/IND.T., 1907, VG dpix on PPC. Est. \$8.00
DURANT/IND.T., 1907, VG dpix on cvr w/some aging. Est. \$15.00

OKLAHOMA & INDIAN TERRITORY

354 MOUNT HOLLY, VG dcds & grld ties 2 1-ct banknotes on cvr. E\$5.

OKLAHOMA & INDIAN TERRITORY (Cont.)

- 377 HARTSHORNE/IND.T., 1900, VG dpix on cvr opened rough @ rt but carefuliy 377 HARTSHORNE/IND.T., 1900, VG dpix on cvr opened rough @ rt but carefully repaired. Est. \$20.00
 378 MUSKOGEE/IND.T., 1906, G + FLAG on cvr. Est. \$20.00
 379 OKMULGEE/IND.T., G+ dpix on cvr w/confectionery cc. Est. \$10.00
 360 PAULGE/IND.T., 1907, about G dpix o'strk by ARDMORE/IND.T. FLAG. ESt.\$12
 381 SALLISAW/IND.T., 1901, VG dpix on cvr to Talequah,I.T. Est. \$20.00
 382 STIGLER/IND.T., 1908, G + dpix on cvr w/attorney cc. Est. \$20.00
 383 VINITA/IND.T., 1908, G + dpix on cvre. Est. \$15.00
 384 Lot of 11 diff 4-bars on PPCs, 1907-14, incl.: TALIHINI, HOMESTEAD, LOOKOUT, LONGDALE, BERLIN, GRIGGS, etc. G-VG strikes. Est. \$20.00

OREGON

- REGON

 385
 ALBERSON, 1914, VG magenta 4-bar on PPC. (Harney 07-23) E\$20.00

 386
 ANTELOPE, 1808, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$5.00

 387
 BULLRUN, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC. Est. \$5.00

 388
 ANTER LAVE, 1928, VG 4-bar on PPC (Patterson #372) Est. \$8.00

 389
 DESCHUTES, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC (Patterson #372) Est. \$4.00

 390
 DESCHUTES, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC (Patterson #372) Est. \$8.00

 390
 FLORA, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (90-86) Est. \$8.00

 391
 GOOSEBERRY, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (Morrow 84-18) Est. \$150.00

 392
 HAT ROCK, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC (Crook 1910-11) Est. \$150.00

 393
 HLLSBORO, 1879, VG Type 8 on cvr w/encl. Est. \$20.00

 394
 MAPLEWOOD, 1917, VG 4-bar on PPC (Clock, 36-30) Est. \$8.00

 395
 MARMOT, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (Clock, 36-30) Est. \$8.00

 396
 MARMOT, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (Clock, 36-30) Est. \$8.00

 396
 MODOC POINT, 1944, G + 4-bar on #10 cvr retolded to #6 size (Klam. 16-65) Est. \$5.00

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- 396 MODOC POINT, 1944, G + 4-bar on #10 cvr refolded to #6 size (Klam. 16-65) Est. \$5.00
 397 NEW PINECREEK, 1908, G Type 1 DOANE on PPC. Est. \$6.00
 398 NORTH YAMHILL, 1907, G dpix on PPC (Yamhill 51/08) Est. \$10.00
 399 OAKLAND, 1883, G (light) magenta Ty7 w/STAR-IN-CIRCLE killer on 3-ct green entire w/enclosure. Est. \$15.00
 400 OLNEY, 1907, G + cds on PPC (Claisop 75-50) Est. \$6.00
 401 OPAL CITY, 1914, VG 4-bar on cover (Jeff. 1911-41) Est. \$10.00
 402 PARADISE, 1910, G + DOANE on PPC. (39-42) Est. \$6.00
 403 PEDEE, 1928, VG 4-bar on cover (Jeff. 1911-41) Est. \$10.00
 404 PLEASANT HOME, 1917, VG 4-bar on cover (Mult. 13-18 pd.) Est. \$15.00
 405 PROVOLT, 1906, G + DOANE on cover. (99-55) Est. \$8.00
 406 RILEY, 1912, 2 VG 4-bars on cover. (99-55) Est. \$8.00
 407 ROCKY POINT, 1935, VG 4-bar on cover. (99-55) Est. \$8.00
 408 RILEY, 1912, 2 VG 4-bars atruck on revense of REGISTERED cvr (Harney 85-19 pd.) Est. \$15.00
 407 ROCKY POINT, 1935, VG 4-bar on CPC (Claisop 95-44) Est. \$5.00
 408 SVENSEN, 1908, G + dds on PPC (Claisop 95-44) Est. \$15.00
 409 TIMBERLINE LODGE, 1942, Fina 4-bar on cach. cvr. (1939-42) Est. \$15.00
 411 TULE LAKE, 1907, G (pt.) strik) DOANE on PPC (Rolz22] Est. \$15.00
 412 TUMALO, 1918, G red 4-bar on PPC (Claisop 1879-1919) Est. \$12.00
 413 TYGH VALLEY/WAMC RUR.STA, 1979, Fina 4-bar misspelled on ph.cvr. E\$6.00
 414 VESPER, 1911, VG DOANE on PPC (Claisop 1879-1919) Est. \$12.00
 415 WELCHES, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC (Barton 80-39) Est. \$12.00
 416 WELLS, 19107, VG dpix on PPC (Barton 80-39) Est. \$5.00
 417 WAMLAD, PHILOWATH & STAYTON. PPCa. Est. \$10.00

PENNSYLVANIA

- 418 GENESEE FORK/Potter Co., 1881, VG dods & STAR on cvr w/1-ct banknote.E\$8 419 LOCK No 4, 1944, VG dplx on cover. DPO. Est. \$4.00 420 MITCHELLS MILLS, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC. DPO. Est. \$5.00

- 421 OAKLAND X ROADS, c.1865, mss. on cvr w/#65, DPO, Est. \$10.00 422 Lot of 9 diff PHILADELPHIA handstamps, 1870-1887, on clean cvrs. G-VG strikes. Est. \$15.00

RHODE ISLAND

- 423 ALLENTON, 1995, VG cds on Reg. cvr (1850-1957) Est. \$10.00 424 CENTREVILLE, c.1880, about G cds on cvr w/strip of 3 1-ct banknotes.
- 424 CENTREVILLE, c.1880, about G cds on cvr w/strip of 3 1-ct banknotes. (1823-94) Est. \$12.00
 425 DAVISVILLE, 1080, VG cds on cover (1851-1832) Est. \$8.00
 426 FOSTER CENTRE, c.1885, G cds on cover (1850-1872) Est. \$10.00
 428 MANTON, 1888, VG cds on cover (1880-1872) Est. \$10.00
 428 MANTON, 1889, G cds on Registered cover (1828-1925) Est. \$10.00
 430 NOOSENECK HILL, 1908, VG cds on cover (1853-1912) Est. \$10.00
 430 NOOSENECK HILL, 1908, VG cds on cover (1853-1912) Est. \$10.00
 430 NOOSENECK HILL, 1908, VG cds on cover (1853-1912) Est. \$20.00
 431 OLNEYVILLE, 1885, G cds as rec'd on face of 2-ct brown ent. (40-28) Es5.
 432 PEACEDALE, 1885, G cds as nec'd on face of 2-ct brown ent. (40-28) Es5.
 433 SUTH SCITUATE,c.1880, VG cds on cvr w/3-ct green (1849-1924) Est. \$10.00
 434 SOUTH SCITUATE,c.1880, VG cds on cvr (55-26) Est. \$10.00
 435 VALLEY FALLS In magenta S.L. on U354 used to Pawtucket (48-08) Est.\$25.00
 437 WATCH HILL, 1887, Fine cds & target ties #210 on cvr (71-02) Est. \$10.00

SOUTH CAROLINA

436 NAVY YARD, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC, DPO, Est. \$4.00 439 SCRANTON, 1907, Fine DOANE on cvr. Est. \$4.00

SOUTH DAKOTA

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 440 CEDARFORK, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC (1908-13) Est. \$15.00

 441 CRANDON, 1902, G + cdo on stained VEG-A-TAB cvr. (81-35) E\$4.00

 442 DAVISTON, 1909, about G 4-bar on PPC (1908-17) Est. \$8.00

 443 DUMONT, 1900, VG cda on cvr (1981-1906) Est. \$25.00

 444 ESTELINE/DAK, 1888, readeble cda on GPC. Est. \$5.00

 445 GROTON, 1802, VG cda on cvr (1903-13) Est. \$25.00

 446 ESTELINE/DAK, 1888, readeble cda on GPC. Est. \$5.00

 445 GROTON, 1802, VG cda on cvr w/3-ct green tied by NEG.STAR. Est. \$10.00

 446 ESTELINE/DAK, 1888, readeble cda on GPC. Est. \$5.00

 447 HOWELL, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (1903-23) Est. \$8.00

 448 UAMRO, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (1907-11) Est. \$20.00

 448 BANILA, 1908, G + DOANE on PPC (1907-11) Est. \$20.00

 450 MINNEKAHTA, 1908, G + 4-bar on PPC (1974) Est. \$8.00

 451 MYSTIC, 1910, G + DOANE on PPC (1962/54) Est. \$5.00

 452 NAHANT, 1909, VG DOANE an PPC (1907-12) Est. \$5.00

 453 NAVAN, 1911, G (o'strid 4-bar on PPC. (1910-12) Est. \$20.00

 454 NORDEN, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (1907-12) Est. \$20.00

 455 REDFIELD, 1887, G cda on GPC. TERR. Est. \$6.00

456 SAMPONT, 1907, G + DOANE as rec'd on PPC (05/18) Est. \$6.00 457 SPEARS, 1907, VG DOANE as rec'd on PPC (1905-09) Est. \$25.00

TENNESSEE

458 BRAYTON, 1886, VG cds on 2-ct brown ent, opened ruff at rt, DPO, Est.\$6.00

TEXAS

- 459 DOUBLE BAYOU, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC. (60/19) Est. \$8.00
 460 ELENA, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (1905-29) Est. \$5.00
 461 GALVESTON, c.1864, VG cds on cvr addr. to Gen. P. Sidney Post w/cc of HQ Bureau of R.F.& A.L., Dept. of Texas. Est. \$12.00
 462 WOOSTER, 1911, G + 4-bar on PPC (Harris 94-14) Est. \$10.00
 463 ZOAR, 1905, G + DOANE on PPC. DPO. Est. \$10.00

UTAH

- HAT
 484
 EDEN, 1893, VG cds on U349. TERRITORIAL. Est. \$12.00

 485
 FISHSPRINGS, 1911, G + DOANE on PPC tiny file holes (92-21) Est. \$12.00

 486
 HARRISVILLE, 1893, VG cds on U349 (1871-1902) TERR. Est. \$20.00

 487
 HURTSVILLE, 1893, G + cds on U349. TERRITORIAL Est. \$12.00

 486
 KNIGHTVILLE, c.1909, about G 4-bar on PPC (1907-24) Est. \$8.00

 488
 KNIGHTVILLE, c.1909, about G 4-bar on PPC (1907-24) Est. \$8.00

 470
 SALT LAKE CITY, 1888, G + cdcs & target on crv w/865. Est. \$10.00

 471
 SPANISH FORK, 1889, G cds on cvr w/SANTAQUIN, UTAH b/s. TERR. E\$35

VERMONT

VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON

WISCONSIN

Est. \$8.00

WYOMING

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480 BARBOURS CREEK, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (chewed @ lwr cnrs.) DPO. Est. \$4.00 481 BLOOMFIELD, 1896, VG cds as rec'd on face op GPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00 482 CRAIGS CREEK, 1906, VG DOANE as rec'd on PPC. DPO. Est. \$6.00 483 HAMPDEN SIDNEY COLLEGE, 1877, VG cds on cvr w/3-ct green. Est. \$12.00 484 LINDSAY, 1909, G DOANE on PPC DPO. Est. \$5.00

ASHINGTON 485 ARDEN, 1910, VG DOANE on PPC (1890-1814) Est. \$12.00 486 BLACK RIVER, 1899, G + cds on cover (King 91-09) Est. \$12.00 487 BURTON, 1918, VG 4-bar on cvr to Capt. In AEF w/ltr. (94-74) Est. \$5. 488 EDISON, 1896, G + cds on cover (1878-1983) Est. \$10.00 489 EUFALA, 1906, G + cds on cover (95-12) Est. \$6.00 490 FALLBRIDGE, 1911, G + 4-bar on PPC (Kilck, 1911-24) Est. \$10.00 491 GARFIELD/M.O.B., 1890. VG octagon used as pm on cvr w/3-ct green tied by star-In-circle killer. Est. \$30.00 492 GERTRUDE, 1908, G cds on PPC (1900-36) Est. \$5.00 493 GLOBE, 1909, G DOANE on PPC (1905-1912) Est. \$30.00 494 GODFREY, 1909, VG DOANE on PPC (1905-1912) Est. \$30.00 495 GROSS, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (1902/15) Est. \$12.00 496 HAVILLAH, 1907, VG DOANE as rec'd on PPC. (05-44) Est. \$5.00 497 KENT, 1887, VG cds on 2-ct brown ent w/minor edge tear. TERR. Est. \$30.00

497 KENT, 1887, VG cds on 2-ct brown ent w/minor edge tear. TERR. Est.
\$30.00
498 LOPEX ISLAND/W.T., c.1875, G cds on U82 w/flattened crease thru strike.E\$25
499 MOLD, c.1910, G 4-bar on PPC (98-59) Est. \$4.00
500 NEW KAMILCHE, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (Mason 90-31) Est. \$6.00
501 PIEDMONT, 1917, VG 4-bar on PPC (Clail. 94-35) Est. \$5.00
502 SPOKANE(YARDLEY RUR.STA.),1914, VG 4-bar on PPC. (Est. \$20.00
503 SPRAGUE, Jun 1889, G + cds on cvr w/some stains along bottom. TERR. E\$25.
504 SPRING VALLEY, 1918, VG 4-bar on PPC (Spok. 07-42) Est. \$5.00
505 THEON, 1908, G + cds on PPC. (80/09) Est. \$30.00
506 TURNER, 1913, G + 4-bar on PPC (Columbia 1904-34) Est. \$5.00
507 WAITSBURGH (1882) readable cds on cvr cut into 1ct emb. TERR. Est. \$10.
508 WALLULA, 1882, G + dcds on 3-ct green ent. w/some edge wear. TERR.
E\$30.00

E350.00 509 WEST SEATTLE, 1906, VG DOANE on PPC (1889-1908) Est. \$8.00 510 Lot of 2 dff TERRITORIALS: TACOMA (1889) & WALLA WALLA (1888) VG strikes, but minor faults. Est. \$10.00

 SUCUNSIN

 511 ALABAMA, 1891, VG cds on 2-ct green ent. (1870-1903) Est. \$10.00

 512 BELGIUM, 1907, VG DOANE on PPC. Est. \$4.00

 513 CASSIAN, 1911, Fine 4-bar on PPC (1902-13) Est. \$10.00

 514 CREAM, 1909, G+ 4-bar on PPC (1902-13) Est. \$10.00

 515 DEVILS LAKE, 1908, VG Type 1 DOANE on PPC (1903-28) Est. \$6.00

 516 IRON RIDGE, 1882, boid toothed dcds on ovr. Est. \$8.00

 517 JEWETT, 1914, G 4-bar on PPC (1894-1944) Est. \$5.00

 518 RUSSELL, 1888, mas on cvr opened ruff into #210. (1882/1908) Est. \$8.00

 519 SCHLEISINGERVILLE, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (1880-1921) Est. \$8.00

 520 SHEBOYGAN/WHS (1852) Erse bits acte on stamples acr w/PAID 3 in circle

520 SHEBOYGAN/Wis.(1857) Fine blue cds on stampless cvr w/PAID 3 in circle

Est. 36.00R, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (1905-12) Est. \$12.00 522 WOODVILLE/St.Croix Co., 1887, VG fancy dcds in magenta w/star killer tying 2-ct green on cover. Est. \$12.00

523 BONANZA, 1910, VG cds on PPC (87-18) Est. \$15.00 524 CHUGWATER, c.1909, about G dcds on PPC. Est. \$4.00 525 DEPASS, 1909, G + magerita DOANE on PPC (06/25) Est. \$12.00 526 FOSSIL, 1908, VG DOANE on PPC (86/45) Est. \$6.00 527 SHERIDAN, 1885, VG cds on 2-ct brown ent. a bit uneven @ rt.TERR.Est.\$12.

WYOMING

528 SPRINGVALLEY, 1909, VG 4-bar on PPC (1900-32) Est. \$8.00 529 VIOLA, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC (1896-1935) Est. \$8.00

U.S. POSSESSIONS

530 CAYEY/P.R., 1909, G + duplex ties 2-ct red Washington on cvr. E\$6.00 531 GUAYAMA/P.R., 1926 Fine dplx ties 2-ct Sesqui. on RUM ADVERT. cvr. E\$8.

CANADA

- 532 CRAIG/ALTA., 1910, VG split ring on PPC. (1905-12) Est. \$15.00 533 ROSSLAND/BC, 1897, G+ cds ties 3-ct small queen on cvr. Est. \$5.00 534 Lot of 3 diff BC split rings on cvr., 1917-24: DEWDNEY, WHONNOCK (cl.tear)
- & NATAL, All VG strikes, Est. \$6.00

RURAL FREE DELIVERY (Handstamps in CAPS)

- JHAL FREE DELIVERY (Manosiamps in CAPS)

 535 BRIDPORT/VT.,1904, G + Type 1, Rt.1 on cover. Est. \$8.00

 536 EMPORIAKANS., 1903, VG Type 1, Rt.2 on cover. Est. \$15.00

 537 FERRISBURG/VT.,1902, VG Ty2B, Rt. 1, on cover. Est. \$15.00

 538 LATON/CAL., 1906, VG Ty2B, Rt. 1, on PPC. Est. \$8.00

 539 Lyons, Kans., 1907, Ty 11 (complete mss), Rt.4 on PPC. Est. \$8.00

 540 ROWLEY/MASS., 1908, Fine Type 2D, Rt.2 on PPC. Est. \$8.00

 541 SAINT GEORGE/KANSAS, 1908, VG Type 2, Rt.1 on PPC. Est. \$8.00

 543 WILTON/N.H., 1903, Fine Type 1, Rt.2 on cover. Est. \$8.00

 544 YANTIC/CONN., 1902, VG Type 1, Rt.2 on cover. Est. \$6.00

RAILWAY POST OFFICES (USTMC Cat. Nos.)

- 544 YANTIC/CONN., 1902, VG Ťype 1, Rt.2 on corver. Est. \$8.00 ALLWAY POST OFFICES (USTMC Cat. Nos.) 545 ATCH.& LENORA, 1918, VG (908-E-2) on cvr wistain, Est. \$8.00 546 BALT.& BRIS.E.D./R.P.O., 1888, Ilight, readable cds (UnI.) on GPC. Est. 547 BEARDSTOWN & SHAW, 1918, G + (718-unI.) on PPC. Est. \$8.00 548 BEMIDJI & SALW CENT., 1933, G (878.1-A-2) on cvr. Est. \$6.00 549 BOYKINS & LEWISTON, 1907, VG (316-A-2) as recid on GPC. Est. \$8.00 550 BOYKINS & LEWISTON, 1907, VG (316-A-2) as recid on GPC. Est. \$8.00 551 BURL, BDS., 1907, VG (31-U) on PPC. Est. \$6.00 552 CAMPBELL & CARUTH., 1901, VG unisted route (Missouri) on cvr opened just into St.Louis, Kannet & So. RR. cc. Est. \$25.00 553 CENTER BARN.& MANCH., 1914, VG (27-F-1) on PPC (cnr.crease) E\$8 554 CHEBOY.& BAY CITY, 1924, G + (643-E-1) on cvr. Into cc. E\$8.00 555 CHL & DET./R.P.O., 1875, G (1994) (617-F-1) on CV out into cc. Est. 56.00 555 CHL & DET./R.P.O., 1875, G (1994) (617-F-1) on CV out into cc. Est. 56.00 556 DULWARE, SAMES, ED., 1900, VG (874-L-1) on CV cc. Into cc. Est. 56.00 559 DULWARE, SI, 2017, 1909, VG (641-L-1) on CV cc. Into cc. Est. 56.00 560 DUNKIRK & TTUSVILLE, 1912, G + (189-D-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 561 FRANK& TOLEDO, 1909, VG (641-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 562 GD.STONE CV.A. PT.HUHON, 1911, VG (639-H-1) on CV. Est. \$5.00 563 GREEN BAY & WINONA, 1889, VG (485-H-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 564 HARSTING & COLOGKE, 1911, G (337-P-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 565 HENON LAKE & PIPESTONE, 1918, G + (670-G-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 566 HENON LAKE & PIPESTONE, 1918, G + (762-G-1) on CV.Est. \$5.00 567 HOUS.& EL PASO/ED, 1908, VG (478-1-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 568 HUMESTON & SHEN., 1889, VG (787-1-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 571 HOUS.& EL PASO/ED, 1908, VG (787-1-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 572 JAMESTON & SHEN., 1888, VG (787-1-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 574 KINGFIELD & FARMA, 1953, G + (904-2-4-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 575 LANS.& JONEGE, 1907, G + (F-12-a) lake boat on PPC. Est. \$5.00 576 HOUS.& EL PASO/ED, 1908, VG (787-1-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00 576 KOMESTON &

- 593 SAN ANGELO & FT.STOCKTON, 1937, VG uni.variety on Illua. HOTEL cvr from Bakersfield, CA. Est. \$15.00
 594 SAN ANT.& COR.CHRISTI, 1912, Vg (482-L-1) on PPC w/damaged stamp. Est.\$5
 595 SAN BDNO.& ORANGE, 1908, G (high) (993.2-8-1) on PPC. EST. \$10.
 596 SAN FRAN. & PAC.GROVE, 1924, G (980-L-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
 597 SEAT. & HOQUIAM, 1912, G + (901.4-0-1) on PPC Est. \$6.00
 598 SPOK PASCO & SEAT., 1907, VG (892-O-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
 599 SPOKANE & SEATTLE, 1907, VG (892-O-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
 599 SPOKANE & SEATTLE, 1907, VG (802.5-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
 600 ST.P.& SPOK, R.P. O./3d DIV., 1906, VG (874-AR-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
 601 TAY.FALLS & MPLS., 1907, VG (881.6-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
 603 TRUCKEE & LK.TAHOE, 1938, VG (997.4-B-2) on non-phil. cvr. Est.\$10.00
 604 UNION STA.BALTO, MD./TRAN.CLK., 1919, G + dplx ties pr.1-cl WASH on mourning cover. Est. \$5.00
 605 VANCEBORO & BANGOR, 1897, G + Maine Cent. uni. variety on GPC. Est.\$8.00
- Est.\$8.00
- 606 WALLACE & SPOKANE, 1908, G (896.7-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
- 607 WICHITA & PRATT., 1907, VG (918,10-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$10.00 608 WILLIAMS & LOS.ANG., 1906, VG (964-Q-2) on PPC. Est. \$6.00 609 WILLIAMSPORT & ERIE, 1900, VG (198-O-1) on cvr w/ILLUS Hotel cc from Kane,
- PA. Attractive. Est. \$10.00 610 WINTON & DUL, 1949, G + (879.1-B-1) on cml. cvr. Est. \$5.00

611 WISHRAM & BEND, 1936, VG (899.1-E-1) on cover. Est. \$8.00 612 YORK BEACH & PORTS., 1913, G (o'strk) (15-C-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00

TROLLEYS (Streetcar RPOs) 613 PHiLA,PA.GERMANTOWN, 1899, G + (PH-4-b) as rec'd on GPC. Est. \$12.00 614 PHILA,& MANAYUNK, 1898, VG (PH-2-a) as b/s on cover. Est. \$15.00 615 ST.LOUIS/GRAND AVE.CIRCUIT, 1899, VG (SL3-B), TR10 (4) on GPC. Est. \$8.00 616 WASH.DC PA. AVE, 1912, G (WA-1-b) w/RPO missing on GPC. E\$25.00

SHIPS & NAVAL RELATED

- 617 T.S.S. PRINCE DAVID'/POSTED ON THE HIGH SEAS/PURSER'S OFFICE on PPC
- (1) J.S.S. PHINCE DAVID/POSTED NTHE INGN SEAS/PONSER'S OPICE OFFICE
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 (1) U.S.FRIGATE/CONSTITUTION, 1933-4, 3 VG Type 3 cancels w/diff CALLF. towns in killers on cach. cvrs. (SAN DIEGO, SANTA BARBARA & STANTA CRUZ).E\$8
 (2) U.S.FRIGATE/CONSTITUTION, 1933, 3 VG Type 3 cancels w/diff WASHINGTON towns in killers on cach. cvrs. (ANACORTES, PORT TOWNSEND & GRAY'S
- HARBOR).E\$10 HARBOH) ES10 621 USS DETROIT, 1924, VG Type 3 (QUINCY/MASS. in bars) on cvr. E\$6.00 622 USS DUBUQUE, 1911, G Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$10.00 623 USS LOUISANA, 1913, VG Type 3 (VERA CRUZ/MEXICOIn bars) on cvr. Est.\$10 624 USS MARYLAND, 1909, VG Type 1 on cover. Est. \$6.00 625 USS MARYLAND, 1910, about G Type 1 on cover. Est. \$6.00 626 USS MISSOURI, 1918, VG Type 3 on cvr w/large 'Passed by Censor'. Est. \$8. 627 USS NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1909, G Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$6.00 628 USS NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1909, G Type 1 u on PPC. Est. \$6.00 628 USS NEW ORLEANS, 1914, G Type 1 u on PPC w/msg headed 'Sebie Curv Mer/Ef12

MILITARY COVERS

phil ovr. Est. \$8.00

EXPOSITIONS (Bomar Cat. Nos.)

KINZIE, all 1911, strikes G-VG. Est. \$8.00

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MACHINE CANCELS

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- 626 USS NEW ORLEANS, 1914, G Type 1u on PPC w/msg headed "Sahia Cruz,Mex'E\$12
 629 USS PANTHER, 1911, about G Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$8.00
 630 USS PENSACOLA, 1909, G + Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$10.00
 631 USS RALEIGH, 1929, VG Ty 3 (HAIFA/PALESTINE in bars) on phil.cvr.E\$8.00
 632 USS RHODE ISLAND, 1910, G Type 1 uo n PPC. Est. \$8.00
 633 USS SCORPION,1919, G + Type 3 (CONS'ILE/TURKEY in bars) on free franked cover. Est. \$20.00
 634 USS SOUTH CAROLINA, 1911, G + green Type 1 uo n PPC. Est. \$8.00
 635 USS SOUTH DAKOTA, 1910, G + Type 1 on Cover. Est. \$8.00
 636 USS SOUTH DAKOTA, 1914, VG Type 1 on cover. Est. \$8.00
 638 USS USS USS IN, 1910, VG Ty 1u (inv.dial) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
 639 USS WISCONSIN, 1910, VG Ty 1u (inv.dial) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
 640 USS YORKTOWN, 1911, G + Type 1 on PPC. Est. \$10.00

641 AIR FORCE POSTAL SERVICE/BANGKOK AMT, 1975, VG 4-bar on phil.cvr. E\$5.00 642 AIR FORCE POSTAL SERVICE/DANANG AMT, 1972, Fine 4-bar on phil.cvr. E\$6.00 643 APO 773/AUG 19 1918 in 2 clear magenta ST.LINES on YMCA cvr w/edge wear at Rt. Provisional marking. Est. \$15.00 844 ARMY & AIR FORCE POSTAL SERVICE/CAMRHAN BAY AMT, 1987, Fine 4-bar on

phil. cvr. Est. \$6.00
645 CENSORED cvr 'PASSED By CENSOR/initials/CAPTAIN U.S.M.C.' w/no postal markings but ref.addr. 'Santiago, Cuba' encl. itr. dated Jan 1917. Est.\$12.00
646 FORT RILEY/KAN. (1868) G + cds on cvr w/#85 to Major at Fort Wallace/Kans. w/letter from wife to husband talking of dangers of trip to join him.Cover has closed tears, but is presentable. Est. \$30.00
647 MILSTA.NO.2 CAVITE/PHILISL'DS,1899, G + dplx on CENSORED cvr. E\$12.00
648 SP-AM. WAR PATRIOTIC w/2x2-inch color US flag pm CHICAGO FLAG cancel 1200

1899. Est. \$10.00 849 SP-AM, WAR PATRIOTIC w/2x4-inch color flag pm ALHAMBRA,ILL 1898. Est.

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852 SP-AM. WAR PATRIOTIC, o'all red, white & blue 45-star flag pm WINCHESTER, MA. 1898. Very freih, clean cover. Est. \$35.00 853 U.S.FORCES SANTO DOMINGO/OFFICE/OF/CENSOR/PASSED in large magenta circle on PPC from DRESDEN MILLS/ME., 4-bar 1919. Est. \$15.00

654 BUFFALO/NY, 1901, VG Pan-Am Expo BARRY machine (B-01-168) on cvr. E\$5 655 DEL MAR,CALIF/EXPOSITION STA.,1956, Fine dpix on cach.cvr. E\$5.00 656 LOS ANGELES/HOLLYWOOD STA.,1914, VG PAN-PAC FLAG (SF15-25G) PPC.

657 NORFOLK,VA.,1907, VG JAMESTOWN slogan (N07-08) ties 2-ct Jamestown on neat mourning cover. Est. \$12.00 658 POMONA, 1916, VG PAN-CAL FLAG (SO16-05) on PPC. Est. \$12.00

BOMONA, 1916, VG PAN-CAL LILAG (SUFICIO) on PPC. Est. \$12:00
 SS9 SAN DIEGO, 1915, VG PAN-CAL UNIVERSAL mach. (S016-23) on PPC. Est. \$3.00
 SANTA MONICA, 1916, G + PAN-CAL FLAG on Chistmas card size cvr w/top flap missing. (S016-06) Est. \$15.00
 SEATTLE/EXPOSITION STA., 1909, about G(ite) duplex (S09-01) on PPC. E\$75.

ACHINE CANCELS 663 BUFFALO, 1884, about G LEAVITT Ty B on GPC. Est. \$4.00 664 COLORADO SPRINGS/COLO., 1898, VG third class FLAG on 1-ct ent. Est. \$5.00 665 DECATUR/ILL, 1904, G + BARR-FYKE as rec'd on picture side of PPC. E\$5 666 GALVESTON, TEX., c1900, VG PNEUMATIC on cry witrancy Library cc. Est. \$6.00 667 GALVESTON, TEX., c1900, VG G NEUMATIC on cry witrancy Library cc. Est. \$6.00 668 HAVERSTRAW/N.Y., 1903, VG PREFECTION on cover. Est. \$12.00 669 PORT JERVIS/N.Y., 1903, VG PREFECTION on cover. Est. \$12.00 670 SAN DIEGO, 1900, VG BARR-FYKE iss #281 on cry to GERMANY. Est. \$10.00 671 SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, 1911, VG INTERNITL on PPC to ITALY. Est. \$5.00 673 Lot of 2 DAYTON/OHIO LEAVITT B On GPC. Est. \$6.00 674 Lot of 2 DAYTON/OHIO LEAVITTs; VG Type B (1885) & partial Type B w/inv. D In Killer (1889). Both on GPC. Est. \$8.00 674 Lot of 2 diff BALTIMORE LEAVITTs; Type B(D) & Ty C, G-VG strikes. Both on GPC. Est. \$10.00

GPC. Est. \$10.00 675 Lot of 2 diff. WASHINGTON/D.C. LEAVITTs on GPC: Type B (1881). & Ty C (1883). Both VG strikes, but 'C' card has diag. crease. Est. \$12.00 876 Lot of 3 diff CHICAGO TIME-CUMMINS Stations on UX22: STOCK YARDS, CANAL

AUXILIARY MARKINGS

- 677 'Change in address/due to official order' on PPC to FORT LISCUM/ALASKA w/FORT LISCUM Type 4 as forwarding mark. Est. \$20.00
 622 Delayed by expiration/of carrier's time' on PPC pm L/NN,MASS. E\$12.00
 679 'DISINFECTED' in bold red ties 1-ct Franklin on PPC pm MONT ALTO/PA.,1910. Picture side shows view of 'Men's Cottages' Min. Bid \$50.00
 680 'LOTTERY MAIL/RETURN TO SENDER' In 2 red st. lines on 1978 cover from
- MALTA to Portiand, OR. Est. \$5.00 681 'Mail service suspended/to country addressed' on cvr pm PLACERVILLE/CAL, Feb 1917 to GERMANY. Edge wear @ left. 1+2-ct Wash/Franks. on 2-ct ent. F\$15.00
- 682 "Received from Mail Bag/Store House, Wash.D.C." In purple on PPC pm
- CHARLESTON, S.C., 1914. Est. \$8.00 883 'RECEIVED/UNSEALED/AND/SEALED/AT/PHILA.P.O.' in circle as b/s on cvr pm
- NEW ROCHELE/NY 1896. Also Phila. rec'd b/s. Est. \$12.00
 844 'UNMAILABLE' in magenta on 'gitter' PPC pm INDIANAPOLIS 1907. Est. \$8.
 855 Pink label added to cvr explaining delayed delivery to cvr lacking postage postmarked NEW YORK w/#210 (damaged) tied. Interesting! Est. \$15.00
 866 Pointing Hand & 'Not in Rochester,N.Y.Directory/Searcher No.1' on cvr pm ROCHESTER 1908. Est. \$10.00

STAMPS OF SIGNIFICANCE ON COVER

687 3-cl 1869 Issue (lot of 2): MEDFORD/MASS on clean cw & LOC(KP)ORT/NY on

- monogramed mouning cover. Both nice covera. Est. \$6.00 688 5ct. TRANS.MISS. tied by TACOMA/WASH dplx on cvr to England w/small closed tear at top tenf. Est. \$25,00 689 5-ct NORSE AMERICAN + bik of 6 2ct Wash. on Reg. cvr pm TACOMA, 1926.
- Two flattened creases not effecting stamps or pms. Est. \$10.00 690 1-ct NEBRASKA o'print on PPC pm Big SPRING/NEBR, 1929. Good non-phil.
- use Fet \$2 691 3-ct POD OFFICIAL fied on POD envelope by WASHINGTON/DC cds & cork. Minor
- tear at top of cvr. Est. ? 692 Lot of two covers franked w/#205 to GERMANY. One pm WASHINGTON/DC on Treasury Dept./Bureau of Mint pen. env. Est. \$8.00

BULK LOTS ARRANGED BY FRANKING

- The following lots were submitted by a European subscriber. Condition of both strikes
- & covers varies. Estimates are believed to be conservative. These lots are not returnable. 863 STAMPLESS lot of 17 SFC & SFL, mostly New Eng/Mid. Att., poor-good. E\$20. 694 1851/1857 ISSUES: Lot of 14 cvrs w/3-ct or 1-ct values, most pris G-VG &
- are from NE. Incl. PENSACOLA/Flor., SAN FRANCISCO & Louisana cvr w/6 copies of #26. Interesting lot. Est. \$40.00
- Copies of #20. Interesting Iot. Est. \$40,00
 695 1861.3-CENT PINK: Lot of 47 covers from 1880's, good variety of East & Midwest town marks, but a few South & San Francisco. Some military related.E\$60.
 696 3-CENT GREEN BANKNOTES: Lot of 40 covers, most strikes G or better. Heavy in Eastern towns, but good variety. Est. \$40,00
 697 2-CENT BROWN (#210): Lot of 17 covers w/G-VG town marks. Most small towns of East, but note VINITA/IND.T.(faulty) & FOREST GROVE/OREG. Test. \$25,00
- 698 1 & 2-CENT BANKNOTES: Lot of 24 covers w/G-VG strikes (most handstamps) on #156, 183 & 210, Est, \$30.00 699 COLUMBIANS: Lot of 13 covers [1ct (2); 2ct (9); 5ct (2)] Some unusual uses
- such as 1-ct sole to Europe, 2-cb/2 on Reg. cvr to Italy. Est. \$50.00 700 REMAINDER: Lot of over 50 late 19th & early 20th century covers, some to ov
- erseas destinations. Also a few later philatelic items. Est. \$30.00

PREXIES ON COVER (1938 Presidential Series)

- 701 1/2cl (pair) + 2ct defense on cvr to CANADA pm ROCHESTER/NY 1943. E\$4.00 702 1 1/2 cent pair tied by indistinct MAR. US EMBASSY/PEIPING, CHINA, 1940 4-bar. Est. \$8.00

- 1940 4-bar. Est, \$8,00 703 7ct solo on wrapper paying parcel post Insured, 1941. Est. \$5 704 8ct (pair + 1) & 10ct (block of 4) on Reg. Cvr pm NYC 1953. Est. \$12,00 705 9ct + 16ct on 1939 Reg. Cvr pm ATLANTIC CITY,NJ, Est. \$20,00 706 10ct. tied by US NAVY Ty3, Dec 2, 1941 on CENSORED cvr from BERMUDA.E\$6. 707 12ct. solo usage paying double air rate pm LISBON/NH 1941. E\$8.00 708 14ct (pair) + 15-ct S.D. on SPECIAL DEL. cvr pm NEWPORT/PA 1949. E\$20,00 708 15ct + 6ct air paying CERTIFIED MAIL/AIR rate from APO 500 (Tokyo) 1957 to Sandia Base, NM. Certified label intact. Est. \$12.00 710 20ct (pair) on 1940 air cvr pm NYC to CHILE (vert.crease). Est. \$10.00 711 21ct. solo usage on Reg.cvr to Stanley Gibbons pm CHICAGO 1942.Est. \$12,00
- \$12.00

- 712 22ct + 3-ct comm. on Reg. cvr pm NYC 1947. Est. \$30.00 713 30ct + 3ct on Reg. cvr pm SUTHERLIN/OREG. 1954. Est. \$5.00 714 50ct (3 pairs) & 4-ct (1) on reg.cvr pm HOMEWOOD/ILL 1955 (one 50ct stamp is damaged lightly) Est. \$20.00

ADVERTISING COVERS

- 715 BICYCLE illus on ad ovr pm LIVE OAK, FLA.,c. 1900. Est. \$10.00
- 718 BOILER, 2x3-Inch sepia illus, on cvr w/mfg. cc pm CHICAGO, 1881. Est.\$15 717 CHICKENS, illus breeder cc on cvr pm BROOKINGS/S.D. 1900, encl. Est. \$8.
- 718 HOTEL, National Holei, Abilene, KS Illus cc. on cvr pm K.C.& DENVER/RPO,
- 1916. Fel. \$5.00
- 719 HOTEL, The Holland, Orange, Tex. Illus cvr pm ATLANTA,GA. 1902. E.\$5.00 720 HOTEL, Toppenish Hotel illus ad cvr pm TOPPENISH, 1907. Est. \$5.00 721 PLOW illus. on farm supply dir.cc. cover pm BALTIMORE 1892. Edge tear at far left; o'all illus of formato on revense. Est. \$8.00 722 REFIGERATOR, illus in blue on ad cvr pm BURLINGTON/VT. ties 2-ct COLUMBIAN
- Cover has closed rear at top, but looks good, est. \$12.00 723 SOAP (WASHING-TEA) illus, ad ovr pm DETROIT BARRY oval 1900. Est. \$8.00 724 WYOMING FRONTIER DAY 1897, illus color w/bison on ovr pm CHEYENNE dplx. 1897. Est. \$40.00

MISCELLANY

- 725 CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF POSTMASTER at Clarksville, Michigan, 1824, Signed by President Calvin Coolidge. Appr. 14x17-inches. VG condition.
- Min.575 728, Depreciated Currency, 1888, SLC pm RAPALi:O/ITALY to 'Atta California' w/NEW YORK/AUG/5/U.S. 28 NOTES on face. Est. 7 727 FREE FRANK of C.G.Atherton on 1840 SFL to Nashua from Amos Kendali, then
- US Postmaster General, Est, \$20.00

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GPC-government postal card	
cds-circular date stamp	
deds-double circle date stamp	
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sfi-stampless folded letter	
dpix-duplex postmark and cancel	
b/s-backstamp (appearing on reverse of cover)	
rec'd-received marking	
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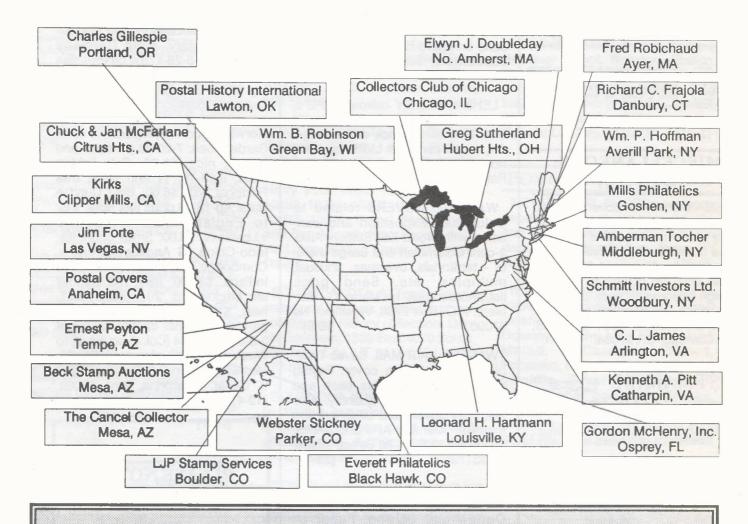
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