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- GRATIOT CO., MICH. NOV 29 1887
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- C. Chamberlain, P.M. JUL 11 1891 BREEDSVILLE, MICH.
- ACME, MICH. JUL 7 1882 H. K. Beecham, P.M.
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- S. MUNROE, P.M. JAN 14 1891 BREEDSVILLE, MICH.
- BRECKENRIDGE, MICH. SEP 9 1884 C.H. HOWD, P.M.
- \*BOYNE\*, CHARLEYDIX CO. MAY 17 1884 MICHIGAN.
- ASHLEY, Gratiot Co. APR 19 1886 MICHIGAN.
- BIRCH RUN, MICH. DEC 8 1886 Isaac Totten, P.M.
- DELWIN, JUN 13 1883 Isabella Co. Mich.
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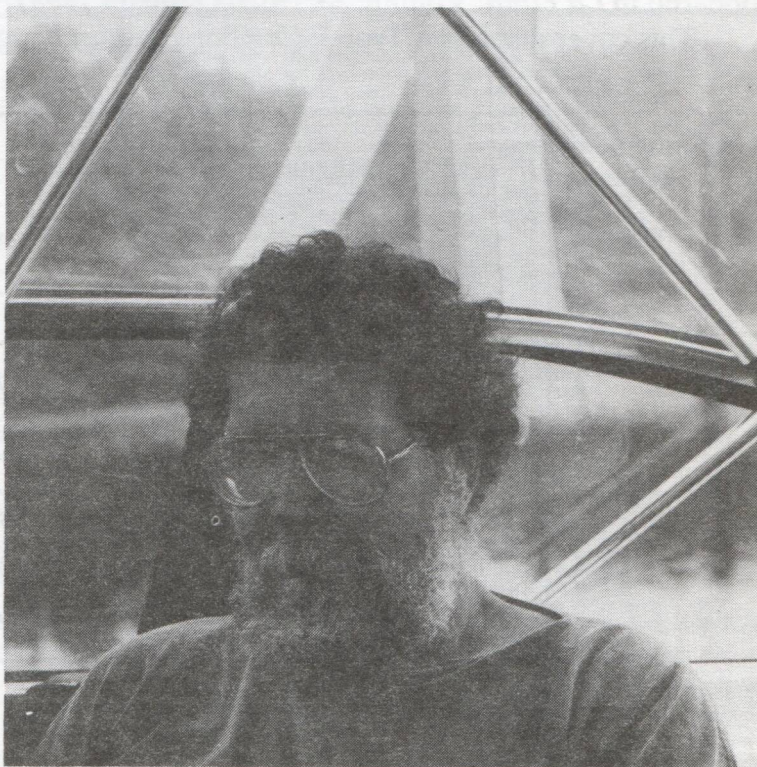
### News Tidbits & Assorted Apologies

Just back from the ARIPEX show in Tucson. Had a wonderful time renewing old acquaintances and meeting many new friends from the Southwest as well as few Snowbirds from the Midwest and East Coast. We added 12 new La Posta subscribers during the three day affair, and several other visitors to our table acquired sample copies and may join us at a later date. I'm convinced that if we could figure out some way to place a copy of this journal in the hands of enough collectors nationwide, we would very quickly push the number of subscribers to over two thousand. To a large extent we still remain "a well kept secret."

Betsy Towle demonstrated once again that she is one of the most capable and imaginative people in the country when it comes to chairing a major stamp show. Making it all look easy, things pretty well ran like clockwork. As the guy in the football commercial says, "I'm a BIG fan!"

*United States Doanes*, all 232 pages of it with 15,200 plus different Doane cancel listings has been at the printer for the past two weeks or so, and I am hopeful that it will be mailed out to all of you who took advantage of the pre-publication offer just shortly after this issue of *La Posta* hits the mail stream. Please accept my apologies for missing the announced January mailing date target. That target proved to be too optimistic given the number of parties involved in the book's layout, printing, binding and mailing, and the disrupted work schedule created by year end holidays. We are, I am confident, now well on track, and everyone who ordered a pre-pub copy should have it very soon. I think you'll like the finished product, and, incidentally, anyone wishing to buy a copy of *United States Doanes*, who did not get in on the pre-publication offer, the postpaid price is now \$27.50. The initial printing was limited to 600 copies, and my guess is that once word reaches the collecting fraternity at large (thus far word of *United States Doanes* has been limited to just *La Posta* subscribers) these will move rather fast. I recommend that anyone who wants a copy of this book should act quickly. It will be a popular title!

*La Posta's* business office will be closed from February 13th through March 8th while yours truly enjoys a brief escape from the cold weather and cloudy wet Oregon skies. as a result, the next Subscribers' Auction --Number 44 -- will not be mailed until March. Let me assure those who have consigned material that I will do my best to clear everything currently on hand (lots submitted from August 1992 through January 1993) out by the end of Spring. This will probably entail having two fairly substantial auctions. I regret the delay in bringing submitted material into our auctions, as well as, the wait that must be endured by those of you who are eagerly seeking to add these tidbits to your collections.



I can assure you that I understand that the slow pace of our auction proceedings may be frustrating, but the Subscribers' Auctions have become a very time consuming endeavor which, frankly, can be hard to fit into the overall schedule of publishing activities. If they are to continue, which I fully intend they will, I believe they must be paced to a level of about four or five per year. More than that number of auctions prohibits, or severely limits, undertaking other activities such as developing new monographs and books, or merely pursuing postal history research subjects of my own choosing. I sincerely hope that everyone concerned will understand. My commitment to our hobby is long term -- permanent. I plan to continue publishing this journal, our various books and monographs, and running our little auctions just as long as the flesh permits, but, if I'm going to be able to do these things without losing my wits, then I simply must have time to undertake diverse activities as well as time to smell the roses. From February 13th through March 8th I will be smelling the roses.

One more piece of "old business" before I go. Several sharp-eyed readers spotted a major goof in our last issue. The last page of Bob Schultz' article, "Machine Cancels: The Krag Machines", was accidentally omitted. The missing page, which contains an illustration of the scarce Type F Krag marking appears as page 4 of the current issue. My apologies both to Bob and the readership for this omission.

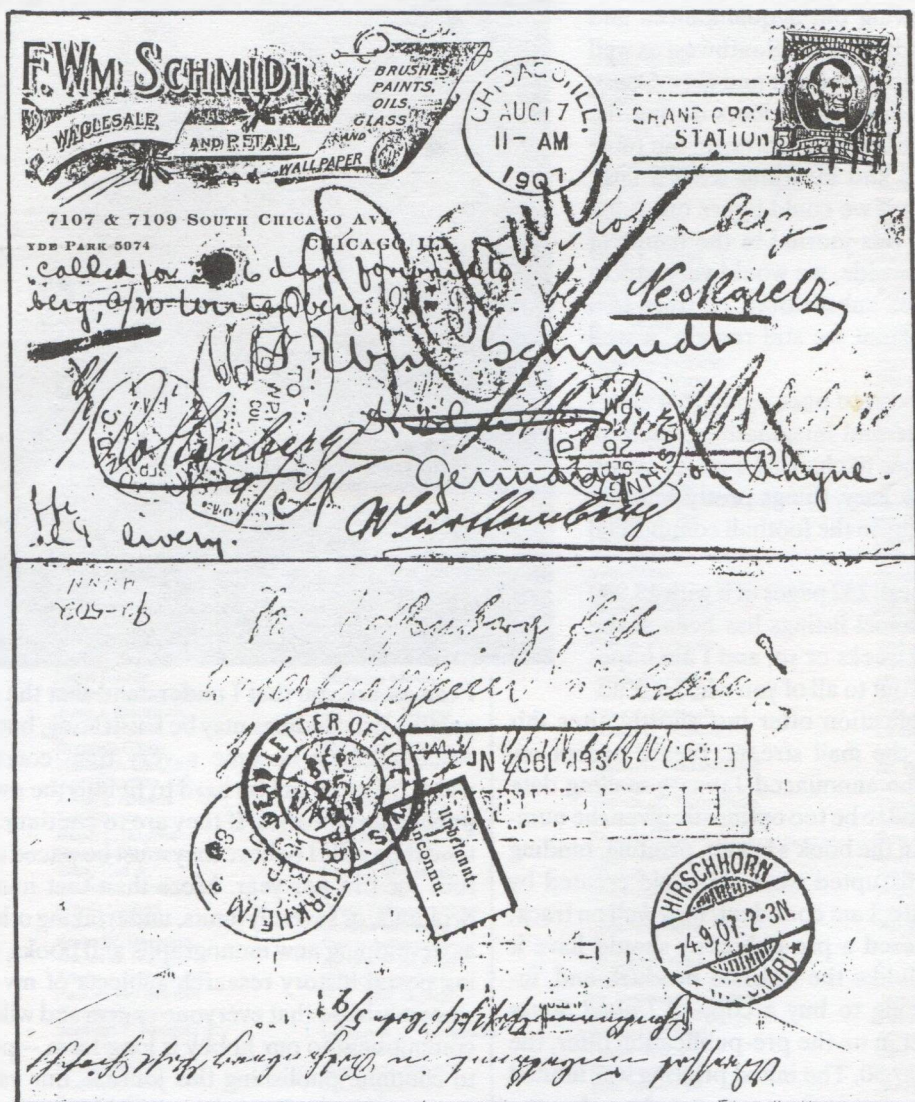
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Addenda to "Machine Cancels: The Krag Machines", by Robert Schultz, an article which appeared in *La Posta*, Volume 23, No. 6 (January 1993)

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36. SLUGO, 1910, F 4-bar on PPC (08-41) Est. \$5.00

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37. AMADORE, 1914, F 4-bar on PPC (73-34) Est. \$5.00
38. CHIPPEWA STATION, 1914, G 4-bar on PPC (78-25) Est. \$5.00
39. GOODISON, 1913, F 4-bar on PPC (72-23) Est. \$6.00
40. HAMMOND, 1909, VG Doane on PPC (94-30) Est. \$6.00
41. LAKE POINT, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC (09-19) Est. \$6.00
42. MERLE BEACH, 1909, VG Doane on PPC (98-22) Est. \$6.00
43. SHILOH, 1914, F 4-bar on PPC (77-35) Est. \$5.00

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46. FATE, 1919, F 4-bar on PPC (08-25) Est. \$5.00
47. FLOYD, 1932, VG 4-bar on last day cover (93-32) Est. \$5.00
48. GAZETTE, 1908, VG cds on PPC (87-32) Est. \$5.00
49. HALLS, 1882, mss. on cover w/toning & sm. tear (78-54) Est. \$5
50. JAKE PRAIRIE, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (75-33) Est. \$5.00
51. MARCH, 1908, VG Doane on PPC (88-15) Est. \$6.00
52. NOTCH, 1909, VG Doane on PPC (95-34) Est. \$5.00
53. RILL, 1909, F 4-bar rec'd. on PPC (08-26) Est. \$5.00
54. STEEN PRAIRIE, 1901, F cs on cover w/tear (60-12) Est. \$5.00
55. ZORA, 1910, VG Doane on PPC (87-31) Est. \$5.00

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56. GROTTTO, 1911 VG 4-bar on PPC (10-18 per.) Est. \$5.00
57. INGLEWOOD, 1909, F cds on PPC (89-23) Est. \$8.00
58. NAVAL TORP. STA. KEYPORT BR., 1934, VG 4-bar on cover (31-47) E\$5
59. SOLDUC, 1914, VG 4-bar on PPC (11-16) Est. \$10.00
60. U.S.PACIFIC TORPEDO STA., 1927, F 4-bar on cover (23-31) E\$10

## R.P.O.s (Towle Types)

61. ALBO & WILLIAMS, 1906, VG (984-K-2) on PPC. Est. \$12.00
62. ASHFORK & LOS ANG/WD, 1920, G (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
63. AUBURN & CRETE, 1903, VG (934-H-1) on PPC (CRETE light) Est. \$5
64. BELLEVILLE & J. CITY, 1908, G (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
65. CALEXICO & LOS ANG., 1934, G (994-1-D-2) on cover. Est. \$6.00
66. CAMB. JU(NCT &) BURL., 1908, VG partial (42-D-2) on PPC. Est. \$5
67. CHADRON & LANDER, 1919, VG (936-F-1) on cover. Est. \$6.00
68. CHAMBERS & RICH FURN., 1898, G light (NEW TYPE) on GPC. Est. \$6
69. CHANUTE & TULSA, 1908, VG (909-M-1) on PPC (stamp 20% gone) E\$8
70. CHATT. & MERID., 1916, VG (NEW TYPE) on PPC w/toning. Est. \$5.00
71. CLARI(ND &) BIGHLOW, 1914, F (off @ top) (NEW TYPE) on PPC. E\$5
72. C.FORGE & HUNT., 1909, F (303-T-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
73. COFFEYVILLE & LROCK, 1907, VG (453-E-2) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
74. DANVILLE & THEBES, 1912, F (899-C-6) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
75. DEMING & SAN FRAN., 1884, VG (993-G-2) on cover w/tear. Est. \$20.
76. DENISON & HOUSTON, 1913, G+ (470-H-3) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
77. DENVER & FT. W. N.d., 1943, F (958-T-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
78. DENVER & GRAND JUNC., 1912, VG (953-K-2) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
79. EL PASO & LOS ANG., 1911, F (963-M-3) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
80. ENID & VERNON, 1910, G light (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
81. ENID & WAURIKA, 1912, F (931-1-C-2) on PPC Est. \$6.00
82. FAIRMONT & RICH., 1911 F (286-D-2) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
83. FREETP. & FT. DODGE, 1909, F (759-W-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
84. GREAT BEND & SCOTT., 1913, VG (918-7-A-2) on toned PPC. Est. \$5.00
85. GREAT FALLS & WIDEN, 1909, VG (891-5-1) on toned PPC. Est. \$12.

86. GREEN & SPRING., 1909, VG (48-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
87. HAVRE & BUTT(E), 1910, G (891-6-B-3) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
88. HEMPSTEAD & LLANO, 1912, G (474-D-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
89. HOUS.FLAT & SAN ANTO., 1918, F (476-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
90. JACK & MIAMI, 1910, F (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
91. K. CITY & CALDWELL, 1912, VG (922-F-3) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
92. (LEW)STOWN & HARLOW(TOWN), 1911, G partial (NEW RUN) on PPC. Est. \$10
93. LINC. & BILL/E.D., 1909, VG (948-J-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
94. MC COOK & IMPERIAL, 1908, F (947-9-A-1) overstruck on PPC. Est. \$8.00
95. MEND. & CENTRALIA, 1913, VG light (709-M-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
96. MIAMI & KEY WEST, 1910, G overinked (392-K-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
97. (M)NIDOKA & BUHL, 1911, VG partial (896-10-B-1) on PPC w/tear. E\$5
98. MON. & FT. WORTH, 1903, F (910-N-1) on cover w/IND. TERR. cc. E\$7
99. NAHCO(TTA & AS)TORIA, 1910, VG partial (904-5-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
100. NEVADA & WICHITA, 1915, VG (824-J-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
101. NEW BED. & NANTUC., 1910, VG (B-3-a) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
102. NORTHPORT & SPOK., 1918, F (NEW TYPE) on FRONT of cover. E\$5
103. NO.WOODS & PLYMOUTHm, 1911, F (31-1-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$8
104. OROVILLE & SACRAMENTO, 1903, VG (982-I-1) on cover. Est. \$8.00
105. POCATELLO & PORT., 1904 VG (898-P-1) on PPC. Est. \$5
106. PORTLAND & BEND, 1915 F (899-1-B-2) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
107. PORT. & TILLAMOOK, 1931, VG (900-3-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
108. PUEB. & AMARILLO, 1903, F (958-N-1) on PPC. Est. \$12.00
109. RANDOLPH & MANKATO, 1912, F (NEW TYPE) overstruck on PPC. E\$5
110. RUMSEY & ELMIRA, 1909, VG (992-8-B-2) on PPC. Est. \$10.00
111. SAC. & FRES., 1948, F (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
112. SAG. & GRD RAP., 1909, G (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
113. ST.P. & SPOK/4th DIV., 1909, F (892-M-1) on PPC. Est. \$5
114. S. L. CITY & LOS ANG./W.D., 1931 VG (972-K-1) on PPC. Est. \$5
115. S.B'D'NO & SAN JACINTO, 1912, VG (987-J-1) on PPC. Est. \$10.00
116. SAN FRAN & BAKERSF., 1924, VG (993-3-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
117. SAN FRAN & FRESNO, 1929, F (983-W-1) on cover. Est. \$7.00
118. SAN FRAN (M)ENDOTA & LANG., 1898, VG partial (NEW TYPE) on cover. E\$12
119. S.F. & PORTERSVILLE, 1907, VG (963-AC-1) overstruck on GPC w/filling holes. E. \$5.
120. SAN FRAN & S. L. OBISPO, 1919, VG (980-K-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
121. T.C. SAN FRAN WHARF, 1912, F (999-E-1) on PPC. Scarce. Est. \$20.00
122. SEATTLE & SEWARD, 1918, VG (X-14-b) overstruck on PPC. Est. \$15.00
123. SEATTLE & SEWARD, 1937, G+ (X-14-m) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
124. SEATTLE & SE(WARD), 1940, VG partial (X-14-a) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
125. SEWARD & UNALASKA, 1927, G+ (X-49-a) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
126. SPOKANE & ADRIAN, 1913, G+ light (906-6-A-3) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
127. SPOK. & LEWISTON, 1913, G+ (908-4-C-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
128. SPOKANE & PENDLETON, 1933, F (NEW TYPE) on cover. Est. \$6.00
129. (ST)ITES & LEWISTON, 1909, VG partial (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
130. TA(COMA & GLE)NAVON, 1910, G partial (NEW RUN) on PPC. Est. \$15.
131. TEMPLE & CLOVIS E.D., 1944 F (484-I-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
132. TUCSON & NOGALES, 1907, VG light (985-1-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$15.00
133. TUCAMCARI & EL PASO, 1913, VG (999-3-F-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
134. WALHALLA & GD (FORKS), 1909, VG partial (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
135. W.M.SPORT & GAZZAM, 1891, G (136-G-1) on cover shortened @ left. E\$15
136. WILLETS & SAN FRAN., 1908, G (985-U-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
137. WINKLEMAN & PHOENIX, 1914, G (968-1-C-4) on PPC. Est. \$15.00
138. WOODBURN & SPRING., 1910, G+ (NEW TYPE) on toned PPC. Est. \$12.00
139. WOODSVILLE & MONTELLIER, 1917, G+ (NEW TYPE) on toned PPC. Est. \$5.00
140. YANKTON & PLATTE, 1907, VG (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
141. YORK BEACH & PORTS., 1908, F (15-C-1) [Electric] on PPC. Est. \$15.
142. ALBUQUERQUE/TRANS. CLK., 1915, F (965-9-A-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
143. ALBUQUERQUE/TRANS. CLK., NYD, VG (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
144. ATLANTA/TERM. R.P.O., 1928, F (374-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$3.00
145. CHARLOTTE/TR.CLK., 1910, F (332-C-1) on toned PPC. Est. \$5.00
146. CRESTUNE, O./TR.CLK., 1911, VG (901-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
147. EL PASO, TEX./TRANS. CLERK., 1909, VG (497-E-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
148. EL PASO, TEX. TERM., 1915, VG (497-E-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
149. ERIE, PA/TRANS CLK., 1922, VG (237-E-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
150. KNOX, TENN/TRANS CLERK., 1908, F (515-K-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
151. LA JUNTA, COLO/TRANS CLK., 1913, VG (959-E-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
152. LOS ANG., CAL./TRANS CLK. S.P. STA., 1908, G+ (999-B-5) on PPC. E\$5
153. LOS ANG., CAL./TRANS CLK. S. FE STA., 1909, VG (999-B-4) on PPC. E\$5
154. MEMPHIS, TENN./TR. CLK., 1913, F (NEW TYPE) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
155. MOBERLY, MO/TR. CLK., 1908, VG (808-H-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
156. OAKLAND PIER CAL./TR. CLK., 1926, VG (999-F-3) on PPC. Est. \$3.00
157. PUEBLO, COLO./TRANS CLK., 1907, VG (959-C-4) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
158. SHELBY, OHIO/TRANS. CLK., 1911, F (801-M-3) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
159. TERRE HAUTE, IND/TRANS CLK., 1907, VG (680-P-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00

## STREET CARS (Towle Types)

160. BALTIMORE, ROL. PARK & HIGHLANDTOWN flag, 1917, VG (BA-4-ob) on PPC. E\$5
161. BROOKLYN, N.Y. CIRCUIT, 1905, F (BR-5-d) on PPC as transit mark. E\$8
162. BROOKLYN, N.Y. CIRCUIT, 1908, F (BR-5-f) on PPC as transit mark. E\$8
163. BROOKLYN SO. SHORE, 1908, VG (BR-6-b) on PPC as transit mark ("RPO" not struck) Est. \$6.00
164. CHI. & N.CLARK ST., 1908, VG (CH-1-b) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
165. CHI. & WENT (AVE.)/STREET, 1918, G (CH-7-c) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
166. THIRD AVE. DIST. CAR/N.Y.CITY, 1898, VG (NY-1-c) overstruck as b/s on cvr. E.\$12
167. PITTSBURG, PA ST., 1908, G (PI-3-a) on PPC w/BROOKLYN SO. SHORE. E\$12
168. PITTSBURG, PA STREET, 1908, G overinked (PI-5-b) on PPC. E\$12
169. PITTSBURG, PA STREET CAR/R.P.O., 1911, F flag (PI-7-a) on PPC. E\$5
170. ST. LOUIS, MO. NORTHWEST, ca. 1912, VG (SL-12-c) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
171. ST. LOUIS, MO. OLIVE, 1912, VG (SL-10-c) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
172. SEATTLE, 1910, G off @ top (SE-1-a) on PPC. Est. \$10.00

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## CALIFORNIA

1. ANGEL ISLAND, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC (75-45). Est. \$5.00
2. BURNETT, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC (97-29). Est. \$8.00
3. CARSON HILL, 1911, G 4-bar as rec'd. on PPC (09-36). Est. \$4.00
4. CASA VERDUGO, 1908, VG Doane 3/1 on PPC (06-13). Est. \$10.00
5. CASA VERDUGO, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC (06-13). Est. \$8.00
6. CRAFTONVILLE, 1907, G + Doane 3/5 ('VILLE' on stamp) on PPC (92/20) E\$8
7. EAST SAN DIEGO, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (06-24). Est. \$7.00
8. EDEN VALE, 1909, G + 4-bar (bars o'strick) on PPC (93-16) Est. \$9.00
9. EMERYVILLE, 1908, G duplex on PPC (84-09). Est. \$5.00
10. ETHANAC, 1913, G + 4-bar (part of dial off card) on PPC (00-25) E\$5
11. FLORENCE, 1909, G Doane 3/3 on PPC (78-18). Est. \$6.00
12. FRENCH CORRAL, 1907, VG 4-bar on cover opened ruff @ rt. (59-45) E\$8
13. FRUITVALE, 1907, G + cds (2) (late use) on PPC (92/07). Est. \$8.00
14. HARDWICK, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC (95/42) Est. \$5.00
15. HERMON, 1907, VG Doane 2/1 on PPC (04-16). Est. \$7.00
16. HEROULT, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (07-28). Est. \$7.00
17. HOLLYWOOD, 1907, VG duplex (late date) on PPC (98-07). Est. \$6.00
18. LANKERSHIM, 1912, F 4-bar on PPC (08-26). Est. \$6.00
19. McKNILEYVILLE, 1911, G + 4-bar ('VILLE' on stamp) on PPC (03-21). E\$8
20. MIDLAKE, 1913, F 4-bar ('KE' on stamp) on PPC (00-45). E\$7
21. MOORLAND, 1911, VG 4-bar on stained PPC (02-15). Est. \$10.00
22. NORTH COLUMBIA, 1908, G + Doane 3/2 ('LUMBIA' on stamp) on PPC (80-31). E\$8
23. OLEANDER, 1910, G 4-bar on PPC (81-35). Est. \$5.00
24. SURREY, 1911, F 4-bar ('REY' on stamp) on PPC (91-15). Est. \$6.00
25. VACATION, 1911, G 4-bar on PPC (04-41) Est. \$5.00
26. VANTRENT, 1911, G + Doane 2/1 on PPC (04-18) Est. \$12.00
27. VORDEN, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC (02-36). Est. \$6.00
28. WATTS, 1909, VG Doane 2/1 on PPC (04-26). Est. \$6.00
29. WATTS, 1912, G 4-bar on PPC (04-26). Est. \$5.00
30. WRIGHTS, 1915, G + 4-bar on PPC (79-38). Est. \$5.00

## COLORADO

31. ARROW, 1907, VG Doane 3/5 on PPC (05-15). Est. \$6.00
32. ARROW, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC (05-15). Est. \$6.00
33. BASHOR, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (09-18). Est. \$10.00
34. CONIFER, 1908, VG Doane 3 on PPC (94-29). Est. \$12.00
35. DOVER, G Doane 3/1 (partly obscured) on embossed PPC (05-31). E\$5
36. DOVER, 1909, VG Doane 3/1 on PPC (05-31). Est. \$7.00
37. FORKSCREEK, 1908, G Doane 3/2 double-struck on PPC (78-27). Est. \$6.00
38. FOSSTON, 1918, G 4-bar on creased PPC (10-41). Est. \$7.00
39. HAHN'S PEAK, 1899, G cds on cover (ruff R) w/dial of CRAIG, CO flag on back (77-41). Est. \$6.00
40. MONTCLAIR, 1908, G Doane 2/1 on PPC (88-12). Est. \$5.00
41. MONTCLAIR, 1909, VG Doane 2/1 on PPC (88-12). Est. \$7.00
42. RUEDI, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC (corners scraped) (89-41). E\$5
43. TOLLAND, 1907, G + Doane 2 overstruck on PPC (04-44). Est. \$4.00
44. TOLLAND, 1910, VG 4-bar (part dial off card) on PPC (04-55) E\$7
45. WALDORF, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (08-12) Est. \$7.00

## MONTANA

46. BASCOM, 1918, G + 4-bar on PPC (10-36). Est. \$5.00
47. BOWLER, 1915, VG 4-bar on PPC (94-36). Est. \$6.00
48. BRUFFREYS, 1913, G ca ('MONT' not full strik) on PPC (02-14) E\$12
49. BURNS, 1922, G + 4-bar on PPC (08-43). Est. \$5.00
50. CHICO, 1908, G + duplex on PPC (74-19). Est. \$6.00
51. DELPINE, 1911, VG 4-bar on PPC (99-29). Est. \$12.00
52. FULLERTON, 1911, VG Doane 2/1 (purple) on PPC (04-14). Est. \$15.00
53. GAGE, 1918, G + 4-bar (date smear) on PPC (08-40). Est. \$5.00
54. GREGSON, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC (97-37). Est. \$6.00
55. LITTLE CROOKED, 1918, VG 4-bar (early) on PPC (18-30). Est. \$15.00

## NEBRASKA

56. ARMOUR, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (90-34). Est. \$5.00
57. BENSON, 1908, G + scribble on PPC (91-13). Est. \$5.00
58. BUSS, 1910, G + Doane 2/1 on PPC (88-33). Est. \$6.00
59. CANTON, 1912, G 4-bar (purple) on PPC (90-21). Est. \$5.00
60. CENTERPOINT, 1917, G 4-bar on PPC (02-19). Est. \$7.00
61. CLOSTER, 1908, G + 4-bar on PPC (80-17). Est. \$5.00
62. DAKOTA, 1908, G 4-bar on PPC (58-16). Est. \$5.00
63. DESOTO, 1907, G + cds on PPC (55-34). Est. \$6.00
64. EDHOLM, 1908, F 4-bar on PPC (92-33). Est. \$6.00
65. FREEPORT, 1907, G + Doane 2/2 on PPC (87-11). Est. \$8.00
66. GEORGETOWN, 1920, G 4-bar on PPC (75-22). Est. \$6.00
67. HUXLEY, 1911, G Doane 3 on PPC (79-27). Est. \$5.00
68. KOWANDA, 1911, F 4-bar on PPC (88-21). Est. \$6.00
69. LAVACA, 1912, G + Doane 3/1 on PPC (84/34). Est. \$4.00
70. MARENGO, 1911, G + 4-bar on PPC (91-34). Est. \$5.00
71. MAYBERRY, 1908, VG 4-bar on PPC (84-35). Est. \$6.00
72. MILLERTON, 1911, F 4-bar on PPC (88-35). Est. \$6.00
73. MUMPER, 1910, F Doane 2/1 on PPC (98-34). Est. \$7.00
74. PAWLET, 1910, VG 4-bar on PPC (77-20). Est. \$6.00
75. PHOENIX, 1911, G 4-bar on PPC (87-33). Est. \$5.00
76. RAIN, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (94-18). Est. \$9.00
77. SCOTTVILLE, 1909, F Doane 2/1 on PPC (87-17). Est. \$8.00
78. SIOUX, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (94-14). Est. \$6.00
79. SPARTA, 1911, Vg Doane 3/1 on PPC (80/12). Est. \$8.00
80. SYBRANT, 1915, G + 4-bar on PPC (95-32). Est. \$5.00
81. VIAN, 1918, VG 4-bar on PPC (10-35). Est. \$6.00
82. VIM, 1908, VG cds on PPC (78/12). Est. \$11.00
83. WAREHAM, 1910, F 4-bar on PPC (07-13). Est. \$15.00
84. WEYERTS, 1908, F cds on PPC (88-28). Est. \$5.00
85. WHITE, 1908, F Doane 2/1 on PPC (04-36). Est. \$5.00
86. WILLOWDALE, 1903, G cds on PPC (74-04). Est. \$10.00

## OREGON

87. CLEVELAND, 1908, G cds (mostly on stamp) on PPC (74-23). Est. \$5.00
88. FREMONT, 1917, G 4-bar ('OREGON' not struck) on PPC (08-19) Est. \$9.
89. GOOSEBERRY, 1917, G 4-bar on creased PPC (84-18). Est. \$6.00
90. LAKE, 1913, G 4-bar on PPC (06-43). Est. \$5.00
91. MACLEAY, 1908, G + 4-bar on PPC (82-39). Est. \$5.00
92. RANGE, 1909, G 4-bar ('OREGON' not struck) on PPC (08-43). Est. \$6.00
93. SISKIYOU, 1920, G 4-bar (red) on PPC (95-32). Est. \$5.00
94. SOUTH FOREST GROVE, 1908, G 4-bar (part off card) on PPC (08-14) E\$5

## SOUTH DAKOTA

95. BURCH, 1910, G + Doane 2 on PPC (87-12). Est. \$8.00
96. DIAMOND, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (07-18). Est. \$8.00
97. EFFINGTON, 1912, VG 4-bar on PPC (82-16). Est. \$9.00
98. LE BEAU, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (82-25). Est. \$6.00
99. MANILA, 1908, G + Doane 2/27 on PPC (98-28). Est. \$5.00
100. OLD TRAIL, 1912, G 4-bar ('S.DAK' not struck) on PPC (08-14) E\$8
101. ROCKERVILLE, 1913, VG 4-bar on PPC (79-15). Est. \$7.00
102. SAMPONT, 1911, F 4-bar on PPC (05/18). Est. \$8.00

## WASHINGTON

103. ARLETTA, 1917, G + 4-bar on PPC (93-27). Est. \$6.00
104. CHOPAKA, 1915, G 4-bar on PPC (08-43). Est. \$5.00
105. COLUMBIA RIVER, 1912, VG 4-bar (purple) on PPC (08-26). Est. \$12.00
106. DEWEY, 1909, G 4-bar on PPC (98-18). Est. \$6.00
107. DOWNS, 1911, G + Doane 2/7 on PPC (02-30). Est. \$6.00
108. FORT CASEY, 1908, G + cds (part overstruck) on PPC (00-32). Est. \$6.00
109. HARTLAND, 1890, G cds on PPC (81-30). Est. \$5.00
110. HOT SPRINGS, 1905, G Doane 2/1 ('GS' on stamp) on creased PPC (87-10) E\$5
111. HOVER, 1909, G + 4-bar on PPC (05-49). Est. \$5.00
112. KANE, 1911, G 4-bar (light) on PPC (07-15). Est. \$9.00
113. KOPIAH, 1911, G + 4-bar on PPC (08-28). Est. \$6.00
114. MERIDIAN, 1919, G + 4-bar on PPC (90-36). Est. \$5.00
115. MOAB, 1908, G cds on PPC (02-29). Est. \$6.00
116. MORA, 1912, G + 4-bar on PPC (00-42). Est. \$6.00
117. MOUNT PLEASANT, 1915, F 4-bar on PPC (12-26). Est. \$14.00
118. PORT MADISON, 1912, F 4-bar on PPC (58-43). Est. \$6.00
119. PUGET, 1910, G + 4-bar on PPC (04-26). Est. \$7.00
120. SPOKANE BRIDGE, 1909, G 4-bar & BUCKEYE cds (rec'd) VG on PPC (87-58) & (03-34). Est. \$8.
121. SPRING VALLEY, 1911, G + 4-bar on PPC (07-42). Est. \$6.00
122. THREE LAKES, 1910, G + 4-bar (year not fully struck) on PPC (03-26) E\$8
123. TIMBER VALLEY, 1911, VG Doane 2/7 on PPC (05-19). Est. \$10.00
124. WINESAP, 1918, G + 4-bar on PPC (09-44) Est. \$6.00

## R.P.O.s (Towle types)

125. ALBUQUERQUE & ASHFORK, 1909, VG (964-D-1) on PPC. Est. \$9.00
126. ASHFORK & LOS ANGELES, 1909, VG (964-M-1) on PPC. Est. \$9.00
127. BAY VIEW & GRAND RAPIDS, 1910, G (832-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
128. CHICAGO, DECATUR & QUINCY, 1915, G + (711-D-2) on PPC (stutter strike). E\$7
129. COLUMBUS & LINCOLN, 1912, G (935-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
130. DUBUQUE & ALGONA, 1919, G (753-Q-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
131. EGAN & MANILLA, 1914, G + (886-E-1) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
132. FRANKFORT & TOLEDO, 1913, G (841-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
133. JACKSONVILLE & MIAMI, 1910, G + (392-I-1) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
134. LITCHFIELD & DANBURY, 1910, G (89-E-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
135. LOS ANGELES & SAN(TA BARBARA), 1908, G (980-E-2) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
136. MADISON & CLUNTON, 1912, G (739-3-C-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
137. MARION & COUNCIL BLUFFS, 1908, G [NEW TYPE] on PPC. Est. \$6.00
138. MINNAPOLIS & CENTRALIA, 1909, G (709-M-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
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141. NEWTON & AMARILLO, 1913, G + (928-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
142. OMAHA & COLORADO SPRINGS, 1920, G (941-I-1) on PPC. Est. \$5
143. OWASSO & MUSKEGON, 1908, G (834-B-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
144. PORTLAND & SAN FRANCISCO, 1908, G (894-R-1) on PPC. Est. \$4.00
145. RED OAK & LINCOLN, 1908, G [NEW TYPE] on PPC. Est. \$5.00
146. ROANOKE & CHARLESTON, 1914, G [NEW TYPE] on PPC. Est. \$6.00
147. ROCK ISLAND & ST. LOUIS, 1913, G [NEW TYPE] on PPC. Est. \$5.00
148. ST. JOE & OXFORD, 1909, G + (935-R-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
149. ST. LOUIS, ELDON & KANSAS CITY, 1909, G (822-C-1) on PPC. E\$5
150. (ST.) PAUL & SPOKANE, 1908, G (874-AD-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
151. SALT LAKE CITY & LOS ANGELES, 1909, G (972-L-1) on PPC. Est. \$7.00
152. SIOUX FALLS & ONAWA, 1909, G + ('AWA' on stamp) (759-Y-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.
153. SPIRIT LAKE & DES MOINES, 1912, G (784-F-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
154. SPOKANE & PORTLAND, 1918, G + (904-B-B-1) on PPC (part of dial off card) E\$7
155. TOLEDO & THURSTON, 1912, G (588-D-1) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
156. WILLIAMS & LOS ANGELES, 1907, G + (964-Q-1) on PPC. Est. \$8.00
157. WINONA & HURON, 1914, G (898-AB-1) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
158. CHICAGO & MILLARD AVE., 1910, G + (CH-5-b) on PPC. Est. \$5.00
159. ROLAND PARK & HIGHLANDTOWN, 1919, G (BA-4-ca) on creased PPC. E\$5
160. ST. LOUIS/NORTH B'WAY, 1909, G (SL13-b) on PPC. Est. \$6.00
161. ST. LOUIS/NORTHWEST, 1912, G (SL12-c) on PPC. Est. \$6.00

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Figure 1. This folded lettersheet represents the earliest known piece of mail to have originated in Hawaii. Dated May 14, 1820, the letter was carried by a sea captain to New York where it entered the U.S. postal system and was carried on to its destination.

## THE FIRST LETTER FROM HAWAII

By Herman Herst, Jr.

Most of Hawaii's philatelic literature was written almost a half century ago. The outstanding reference of course is Henry A. Meyer's book, *Hawaii: Its Stamps and Postal History* (1948), which quotes all of the early letters from the missionaries who arrived in Hawaii in 1820. The Rev. Hiram Bingham was one of the first missionaries, and Meyer quotes the letter of his wife, Sybil, as the first letter from India. It was dated June 27, 1820.

Just forty years ago the writer turned up a letter sent from Hawaii some six weeks earlier. It was dated May 20, 1820, and was sent by Mrs. Maria Loomis, the wife of Elisha Loomis, a printer from Connecticut, who arrived in Hawaii on the brig *Thaddeus* some four weeks before his wife's letter was written. It is addressed to William Williams of Utica, Oneida County, New York (Figure 1).

Mrs. Maria T. Loomis was from Michigan. Early in her life she felt the call to devote her life to God, and she applied for passage to Hawaii to become a missionary to the natives there. Since she was unmarried, and only married persons

were accepted as missionaries, her application was turned down.

Elisha Loomis had a similar call, but his request to become a missionary was turned down for the same reason. However, the two applications reached the same desk at the Missionary Society, and each person was asked whether a marriage might be possible so that the applicants could go as husband and wife. Each one readily acquiesced with the suggestion and they became man and wife at the Missionary Society headquarters. The couple sailed on the *Thaddeus* as part of the first group of missionaries to reach Hawaii.

It was a fearful trip on the tiny overcrowded brig, and the rounding of the "horn" or South America was a particularly bad time. Eventually the brig reached Hawaii, and as it approached the island, dozens of naked Hawaiian girls swam out and boarded the ship to the delight of the sailors aboard who were quite unaccustomed to such a welcome.

Rev. Bingham, once on shore, was taken to the king. He assured the king that they were there only to do good, and that he would be responsible



for the conduct of all aboard the ship. The first night the crew of the *Thaddeus* went ashore and spent a riotous night with the girls, plying them with liquor and using tobacco in their presence. Some fires resulted and the king withdrew his welcome to the missionaries.

Bingham tried to explain that it was not his party which was responsible for the night's incidents, but the king was not impressed. The king informed Bingham that, if he wished to continue bringing Christianity to the islands, he must turn over six members of his party to be held as hostages. Bingham agreed and six men were confined to what passed as the local prison.

Bingham was indignant at the turn of events. He had instituted Sunday religious services

which the crew had been compelled to attend ever since leaving the United States. On the first Sunday in Hawaii the service was a reprimand for the crew, and a collection of money was ordered to be given to the king as evidence of the men's regret for their excesses. The king was deeply impressed and released the six hostage missionaries.

Today we know the place where the missionaries landed as Honolulu. The natives were

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**FIRST MISSIONARY LETTER**—Here is the "cover" of what has been identified as the first letter home to be written by a member of the first company of New England missionaries to arrive in Hawaii in 1820. According to the established dates, it was written more than a month before another which, until now, has been considered the first missionary communication.

## First Missionary 'Letter Home' Is Brought to Light

The pages of Hawaiian history were turned back 131 years recently with the finding on the mainland of what has been identified as the first "letter home" to be written by a member of the New England missionary company that arrived in Hawaii in April, 1820.

Now the property of Herman Herst Jr., of Shrub Oak, N. Y., prominent philatelist and stamp dealer, the letter was written in Honolulu on May 14, 1820, less than a month after her arrival, by Mrs. Maria T. Loomis, wife of Elisha Loomis, a printer. They were members of the first missionary company that arrived from Boston aboard the brig *Thaddeus*.

**HERETOFORE** the earliest known letter to be sent to America by a member of the first company was dated June 27, 1820, and was written by Mrs. Sybil Bingham, wife of the Rev. Hiram Bingham.

Hence Mrs. Loomis' letter was written and dispatched to America more than one month before Mrs. Bingham's letter. Mrs. Loomis sent her letter to William Williams of Utica, Oneida county.

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Figure 2. A report of the discovery of the Loomis letter appeared on the front page of "The Honolulu Advertiser" on March 25, 1951.

unable to speak the letter "L", and substituted for it our letter "R". Mrs. Loomis' letter is headed "Hanaroora, Woahoo" each being the spoken equivalents for what we call "Honolulu, Hawaii."

One of the first tasks the missionaries assigned themselves was convincing the natives that, as Christians, they must cover their bodies. Her letter includes the paragraph:



*We have in one sense commenced our labors. We have been engaged ever since we came on shore in making coats, pantaloons, gowns, etc. for the Chief; even the Governor sent us his pantaloons to be made and though we have scarce had time to breathe yet we think it is a duty to leave all (else) and sit down and do all work of this kind which is before us. we think it favorable that they should have a taste for dress.*

Apparently the sexual desires of the natives annoyed the work of the missionaries. Mrs. Loomis refers to these difficulties with the use of dashes in the middle of her sentence. One paragraph in her letter reads:

*We are almost constantly surrounded by the natives begging to ----- and ----- . The first sermon that was preached was from these words "Behold, I bring you good tidings". The Governor and many of the natives were present and seemed pleased especially with the singing.*

Mrs. Loomis mentions the inadequacy of the mails. The only way in which letters to the States might reach their destination was to hand them to a transient ship captain for his private carriage. If he were to reach a port serviced by the U. S. mails, he would turn the letters in receiving a very small fee for carrying them this far and the Post Office Department would then take them to their final destination.

The Loomis letter was turned in at New York on November 21, 1820, almost six months after it had been written. The New York post office applied a straight line "SHIP" marking along with a manuscript "20" to cover the captain's fee and the postage for the trip to Utica.

One task to be accomplished by Mrs. Loomis in Hawaii was to adopt a little native girl and to name the child Laura Hurd. In her letter Mrs. Loomis asks the addressee, William Williams, to tell Mrs. Seward that her favor will be taken care and the child named as promised.

Mrs. Loomis added a postscript dated May 15th which read in part:

*I have time to add one word which in my haste I omitted last night. We send this by Capt. Starbuck, an English whaler.*

The reference to Captain Starbuck was of particular interest to me. Many years earlier I had owned a series of letters from Capt. Starbuck postmarked Edgartown and Nantucket, Massachusetts, and Sag Harbor, New York. Starbuck, while still at sea hunting whales, had given his letters to fellow sea captains who trips in search of whales were nearer their conclusions than his own.

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# MICHIGAN COUNTY & POSTMASTER MARKINGS

By David M. Ellis

One of the most fascinating periods in the postal history of the United States is that between the early 1870's and the mid to late 1890's when the Post Office Department openly permitted the use of non-government issue postmarking equipment. In 1874 the Post Office Department established a system of classifying post offices as First, Second, Third or Fourth Class offices. The vast preponderance of offices, including newly established post offices were considered Fourth Class. Michigan had 1,277 post offices on September 1, 1876, of which 1,177 were identified as Fourth Class. Fourth Class post offices with revenues of less than \$50 a year (including newly established offices) were not provided with government issue canceling equipment. It was up to the individual postmasters to provide their own postmarking devices. This meant manuscript markings or locally purchased equipment. There are examples of manuscript markings by Michigan post offices, especially newly established ones, during this time, but they are few and far between which would mean that most postmasters opted to purchase postmarking devices.

During the 1880's the *United States Official Postal Guides* even carried advertisements of a number of private manufacturers of postmarking devices. These varied greatly in style. There were traditional circular postmarks as well as oval, octagons and even plaque and shield shaped town markings. One thing that these privately manufactured did provide that most U. S. Government issued postmarks had heretofore omitted was the year date. Needless to say, this inclusion of a year date aids greatly in the tying down of the earliest and latest usage dates.

Another feature that was sometimes provided as an option by the private manufacturers was a county identification along with the required post office name and state (or territory) in the postmark dial. No doubt this helped to pinpoint the location of many small rural communities. A second option, which could also be added to the postmark, was the postmaster's name. The real value of this bit of information is questionable, but it did serve to identify the postmaster as a local VIP and must have been a powerful selling point for postmasters looking to get their name before the public. These *County and/or Postmaster markings* generally rate as scarce to rare by collectors, and have long been a popular form of postal history study and research.

We who collect Michigan can, as of this time, identify 215 different post offices that used County and/or Postmaster markings. A number of these offices used more than one type of marking and so the total number of different postmark types now stands at 269. No doubt there are many more yet to be identified and your help would be greatly appreciated in expanding this listing.

A previous listing of Michigan County and Postmaster markings appeared in *The Peninsular Philatelist*, official pub-

lication of the Peninsular State Philatelic Society, in 1979 (Vol. 25, Numbers 2 & 3). This will serve to update that list and provide illustrations for as many of the individual postmarks as possible. My grateful thanks to William E. Brooks, current president of PSPS and William C. Allen, long time Michigan postal history collector, who helped me assemble this listing. The author also wishes to acknowledge the source of illustrations, and has chosen to do so by adding a number in parentheses under each tracing or photocopy. These sources are:

- 1 - Maurice F. Cole, *Michigan Postal Markings*
- 2 - Billig (reprints) *United States County and Postmaster Postmarks*; Vol. 8 (H. K. Thompson, MD); Vol. 3 - (Edith R. Doane). These two works were combined and published as the *Doane-Thompson Catalog of County and Postmaster Postmarks* in 1990 by David G. Phillips Publishing Co., Inc. (Edited by Kenneth L. Gilman).
- 4 - Illustrations originally published in *The Peninsular Philatelist*.
- 5 - Examples from private collections.

## KILLERS

Government regulations required that the postmark identifying the originating post office be placed away from the stamp and that a separate "killer" be applied to the stamp to prevent its reuse. Many, but not all, of the County and Postmaster postmark handstamps were supplied with attached killers. These killers range from simple cork blots and geometrics to stars, Maltese crosses, and even wheel-of-fortune designs. An attempt has been made here to identify the killer (or killers) used with each postmark, although this is not always possible since in some cases the known postmark examples have appeared as receiving marks which did not require a killer. In cases where the killers are separate from the postmark, the two can appear struck in different colors. Where this is known to have occurred a footnote has been added (Note #11) to indicate that the killer appears in a different color (usually black) than the postmark.

### KILLER TYPES PARALLEL LINES



Pl 1



Pl 2



BULLSEYES or TARGETS

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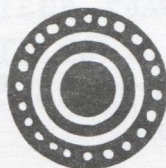
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MICHIGAN COUNTY & POSTMASTER MARKINGS

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			EARLIEST	LATEST			
001	<u>AARWOOD</u>	Kas 1887-1901					
A	AARWOOD, Kalkaska Co./MICH.		6 Aug 92	8 Nov 94	Cork	B/	
002	<u>ABRONIA</u>	All 1871-1902					
A	ABRONIA, MICH./T.F. Bingham, P.M.		7 Jul 82	4 Sep 82		B/	
003	<u>ACME</u>	GnT 1869-1933					
A	ACME, MICH./H.K. Beecham, P.M.		81	7 Jul 82			
B	ACME, MICH./G. T. Co.		3 Feb 86				
004	<u>ADA</u>	Ken 1837-					
A	ADA,/KENT CO. MICH.		30 Oct 85	19 Apr 87	S3	B/V/	
005	<u>ALABASTER</u>	Ios 1864-1962					
A	ALABASTER, MICH./J.W. Shaver, P.M.		26 Oct 81	18 Feb 84	B1	B/	
006	<u>ALDEN</u>	Ant 1892-					
A	ALDEN, MICH./ANTRIM CO.		92	95	B1	B/	
007	<u>ALLOUEZ</u>	Kew 1873-					
A	ALLOUEZ P.O. KEWEENAW CO./MICH.		2 Nov 78	3 Nov 83			
B	ALLOUEZ P.O./ KEWEENAW CO./MICH.		8 May 82	11 Dec 82	Cork	B/	
C	ALLOUEZ, KEWEENAW CO./MICH.		16 Oct 83				
008	<u>ALAMANDO</u>	Mid 1888-1905					
A	ALAMANDO,/Midland Co./MICH.		27 May 93				
009	<u>ALMONT</u>	Lap 1846-					
A	ALMONT, LAPEER CO. MICH/(date)/		26 Feb 46		nk		
010	<u>ANCHORVILLE</u>	StC 1885-					
A	A.J. CHRISTIE, P M/ANCHORVILLE, MICH.		18 Dec 94		B2	V/	
011	<u>ANDERSON</u>	Liv 1885-1913					
A	(outer) ANDERSON, MICHIGAN (inner) LIVINGSTON CO./J.T.EAMAN,P.M.		5 Jan 86		S3	B/	
012	<u>ARGENTINE</u>	Gen 1842-1929					
A	HENRY ADAMS, P.M./Argentine, Mich.		20 Jul 98	1 Aug 98	B1	V/	
013	<u>ARKDALE</u>	Lap 1882-1891					
A	ARKDALE/LAPEER CO./MICH.		83				



## MICHIGAN COUNTY and/or POSTMASTER'S MARKINGS



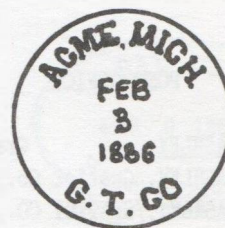
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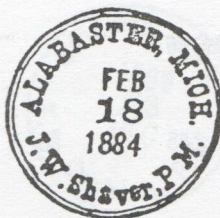
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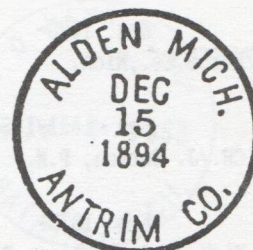
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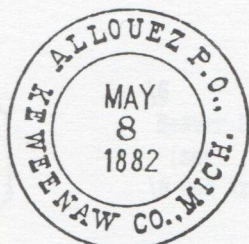
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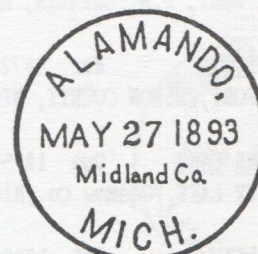
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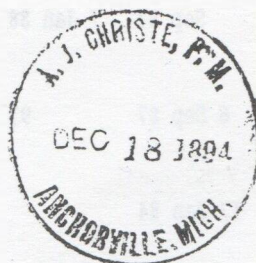
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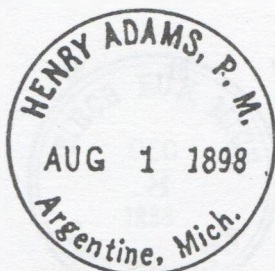
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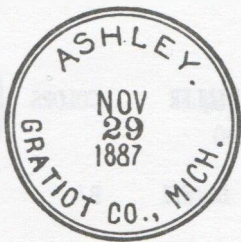

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A	ASHLEY, Gratiot Co.,/MICHIGAN		19 Apr 86	15 Jun 86	Mc3	B/	
B	ASHLEY,/GRATIOT CO., MICH.		13 Jul 87	18 Apr 88	Mono	B/Bl/	
015	<u>AVOCA</u>	StC 1890-					
A	F.A. HILL, P.M./AVOCA, MICH.		96				
016	<u>BAD AXE</u>	Hur 1870-					
A	BAD AXE,/Huron Co.,Mich.		9 Mar 80				
017	<u>BALCH</u>	Len 1881-1888					
A	BALCH, MICH./J. Butten, P.M.		85	86			
018	<u>BALDWIN</u>	Lak 1875-					
A	Baldwin, Mich./F.S. Cashion, P.M.		14 Dec 89	26 Dec 89	Mc2v	B/	
019	<u>BATAVIA</u>	Bra 1838-1954					
A	J.D. HASY, P.M./BATAVIA, MICH.		1 Nov 93		B2		
020	<u>BAY PORT</u>	Hur 1872-					
A	BAY PORT,/HURON COUNTY, MICH.		16 Mar 86		B3	B/	
021	<u>BEAVER LAKE</u>	Oge 1875-1895					
A	BEAVER LAKE,/Ogemaw Co.,Mich.		22 Feb 83	9 Apr 85	B1	B/	
022	<u>BELLAIRE</u>	Ant 1880-					
A	BELLAIRE,/Antrim CO. Mich		8 Feb 83	16 Apr 83	Mc2	B/	
023	<u>BENNETT</u>	Lak 1887-1900					
A	BENNETT,/LAKE CO. MICH.		Sep 87	7 Jan 88	USMono	B/	
024	<u>BERNE</u>	Hur 1882-1896					
A	BERNE,/HURON CO. MICH		6 Sep 87	91	nk	B/	
025	<u>BINGHAM</u>	Lee 1878-1908					
A	BINGHAM, MICH./S.C. Darrow, P.M.		17 Jan 84				-7-
026	<u>BIRCH RUN #1</u>	Sag 1868-					
A	BIRCH RUN, MICH./M.J.Colon,P.M.		21 Nov 82	22 Jul 85	C/B1	B/	
B	BIRCH RUN, MICH./Issac Totten, P.M.		14 Jul 86	15 Feb 87	Wf2	B/	
027	<u>BLACK RIVER</u>	Alc 1877-					
A	BLACK RIVER, ALCONA CO./MICH.		84	87	B1	B/	
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A	F. RIEMSA, P.M./BURCULO, MICH.		14 Feb 98				





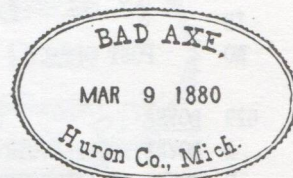
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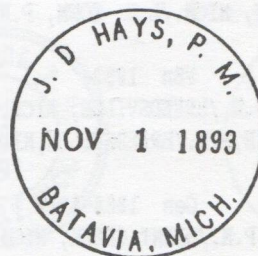
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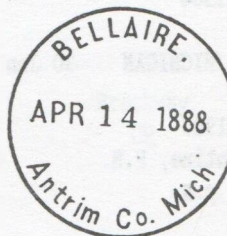
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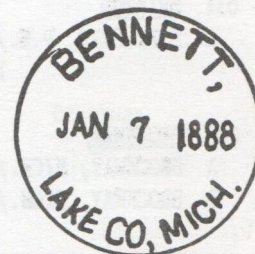
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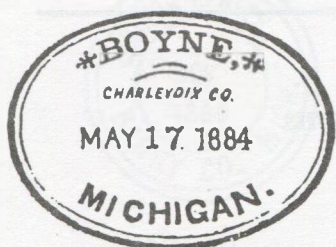
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029	<u>BOYNE</u>	Cha 1869-1910					
A	BOYNE, /CHARLEVOIX CO. /MICHIGAN		22 Apr 83	17 May 84	B1/Wf1	B/	
B	BOYNE, CHARLEVOIX CO. /MICHIGAN		84				
030	<u>BRECKENRIDGE</u>	Gra 1873-					
A	BRECKENRIDGE, MICH. /C.H. HOWD, P.M.		14 Aug 84	22 Sep 84		V/	
B	BRECKENRIDGE, MICH. /L.H. TOWN, P.M.		18 Dec 85	86		V/	
031	<u>BREEDSVILLE</u>	VBn 1852-					
A	S. MONROE, P.M. /BREEDSVILLE, MICH.			14 Jan 91			
B	C. CHAMBERLAIN, P.M. /BREEDSVILLE, MICH.		11 Jul 91	24 Jul 91			
032	<u>BRENT CREEK</u>	Gen 1888-1919					
A	F.R. BROWN, P.M. /BRENT CREEK, MICH.			27 Mar 97			
033	<u>BRICE</u>	Gra 1882-1904					
A	BRICE, /Gratiot Co., Mich.		23 Mar 86	26 Jun 88	B3	B1/	
034	<u>BRINTON</u>	Isa 1888-1906					
A	S.F. FRYE, P.M. /BRINTON, / ISABELLA CO. /MICHIGAN		30 Jan 93	11 Apr 93	pc	V/	
035	<u>BROCKWAY</u>	StC 1852-1907					
A	BROCKWAY, MICH. /Wm. H. Balentine, P.M.		84	85			
B	BROCKWAY, MICH. /J.W. GUSTIN, p.m.		85				
036	<u>BURNIP'S CORNERS</u>	All 1868-1915					
A	BURNIPS CORNERS /W.H. Goodman, P.M.		30 Aug 83		B1	B1/	
037	<u>BURNSIDE</u>	Lap 1866-1913					
A	BURNSIDE, MICH. /LAPEER CO.			11 Mar 84	C	B/	
038	<u>BUTTERNUT</u>	Mtc 1888-1955					
A	BUTTERNUT /MONTCALM CO. / J.E. DENNIS, P.M. /MICH.		89				
039	<u>CAMBRIA</u>	Hil 1882-1906					
A	CAMBRIA, /HILLSDALE CO., MICH.		13 Apr 85	12 Jan 86	Mc2v	B/	
040	<u>CAMBRIA MILLS</u>	Hil 1848-1882					
A	CAMBRIA MILLS, /Hilldale Co., MICH.		22 Jun 80	14 Dec 80	S1	B/	
041	<u>CAMDEN</u>	Hil 1840-					
A	CAMDEN, HILLSDALE CO., /MICH.			23 Jan 82		B/	
B	J.C. BRADLEY, P.M. /HILLSDALE CO., / CAMDEN, MICH.		22 Jun 83	28 Aug 84	S1	B/	
C	(same as "B" but smaller)		14 Dec 92	22 Sep 93	B1		

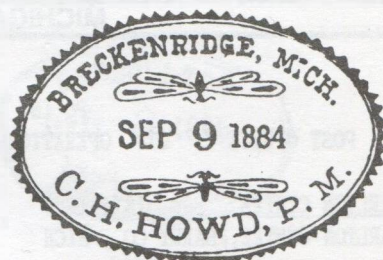




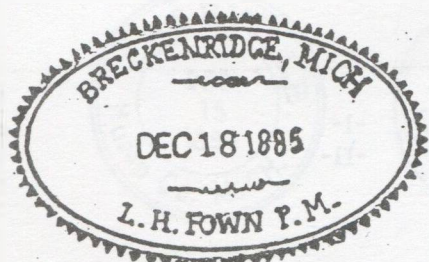
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OvD

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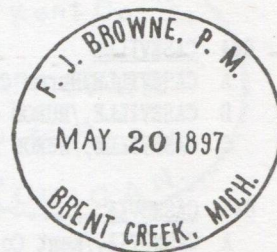
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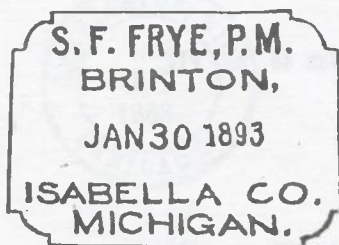
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Brockway  
CP

035A

Brockway  
CP

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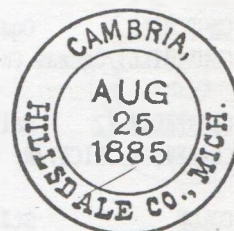
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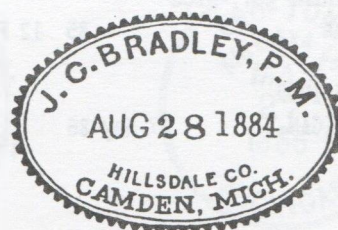
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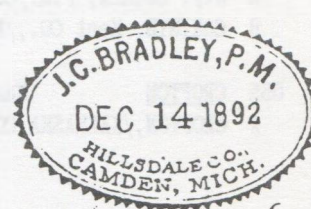
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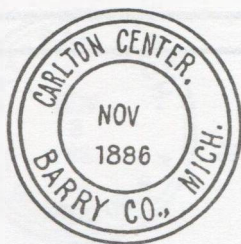
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			EARLIEST	LATEST			
042	<u>CARLTON CENTRE</u>	Bar 1874-1903					
A	CARLTON CENTRE,/BARRY CO., MICH		84	17 Nov 86	Wf1	V/	
043	<u>CARROLLTON</u>	Sag 1864-					
A	CARROLLTON Sag. Co., Mich.			78			
B	CARROLLTON,/Sag. Co., Mich.		4 May 78	3 Nov 85	B1	B/	
044	<u>CASEVILLE</u>	Hur 1863-					
A	CASEVILLE/Huron Co. MICH.		25 Jul 84	15 Dec 84	Wf1	B/	
B	CASEVILLE,/HURON CO., MICH.		13 Jul 87	22 Dec 87	S4	B/	-1-
C	CASEVILLE,/HURON CO. MICH.		24 May 94	6 Jul 96	Cork	Bl/	-11-
045	<u>CASNOVIA</u>	Ken 1851-					
A	CASNOVIA,/Kent Co.,/ M.L.SQUIER,P.M./MICHIGAN.		10 Apr 86	88	B1	B/	
046	<u>CEDAR CREEK</u>	Bar 1850-1904					
A	CEDAR CREEK,/Barry Co., Mich.		20 Jan 87	3 May 87	Wf1	B/	
047	<u>CHARLESTON</u>	San 1872-1908					
A	CHARLESTON, MICH./SANILAC CO.		4 Aug 86	16 Jan 88	P11	B/	
048	<u>CHARLESWORTH</u>	Eat 1874-1907					
A	WM. PEACOCK,/Charlesworth, P.O. MICH.		85				
049	<u>CHESANING</u>	Sag 1853-					
A	CHESANING/Saginaw Co., Mich.		24 Mar 73	11 Jan 75	Geom	Bl/	-11-
050	<u>CHIPPEWA LAKE</u>	Nec 1870/					
A	CHIPPEWA LAKE, MICH./N.F.WILBER, P.M.		15 Nov 86		S2	B/	
051	<u>CHURCHILL</u>	Oge 1875-1892					
A	CHURCHILL,/Ogemaw Co., Mich.		28 Feb 80		Mc6	B/	
052	<u>CLARENDON #2</u>	Cal 1883-1910					
A	CLARENDON, MICH./R. F. SIMONDS, P. M.		10 Mar 86		S1a	B/	
053	<u>COLON</u>	StJ 1836-					
A	COLON, ST. JOSEPH CO./MICH		15 Oct 80	90	nk/s1	B/V	
054	<u>CORINTH</u>	Ken 1871-1899					
A	J.F. HACKER, P.M./CORINTH/KENT CO., MICH						
B	CORINTH, Kent CO.,/Michigan		85	12 Feb 86	B1	V/	-11-
055	<u>CROFTON</u>	Kas 1886-1909					
A	CROFTON,/KALKASKA CO./MICHIGAN.		27 May 86		B1	P/	





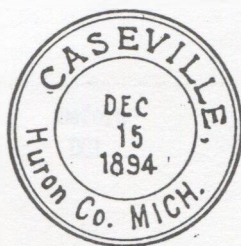
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OvDF

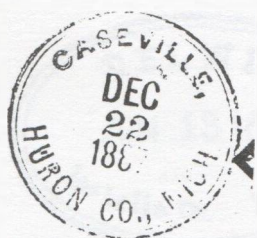
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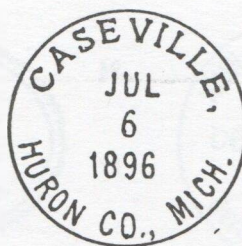
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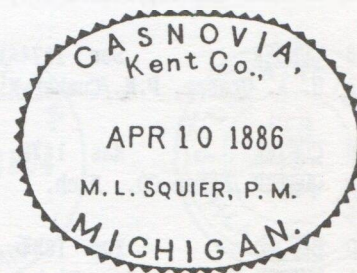
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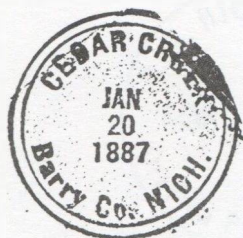
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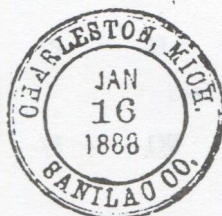
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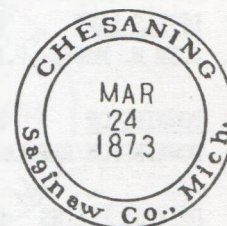
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Charlesworth  
CD

048A



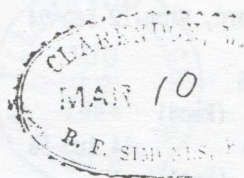
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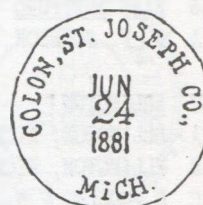
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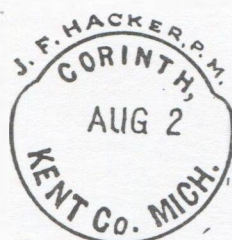
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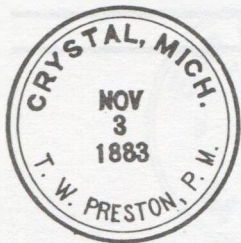
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056	<u>CRYSTAL</u>		Mtc 1857-					
A	CRYSTAL, MICH./T. W. PRESTON, P.M.			3 Nov 83	12 Apr 86	Mc4	V/	
057	<u>CRYSTAL VALLEY</u>		Oce 1871-1954					
A	CRYSTAL VALLEY,/OCEANA CO., MICH.			79				
058	<u>CUMBER</u>		San 1874-1915					
A	J. A. Graham, P.M./Cumber Mich.			94				
059	<u>CUSTER</u>		Mas 1878-					
A	CUSTER /Mason CO., Mich.			87				
060	<u>DEFORD</u>		Tus 1884-					
A	DEFORD,/Tuscola Co., Mich.			7 Jul 85		S3	B/	
061	<u>DELWIN</u>		Isa 1880-1906					
A	DELWIN,/Isabella Co. Mich.			13 Jun 83				
062	<u>DEVILS LAKE</u>		Len 1885-1936					
A	JOHN W. McGEE, P.M./DEVILS LAKE, MICH.			13 Jun 94	9 Feb 95	B2	P/	
063	<u>DOWNINGTON</u>		San 1883-1914					
A	DOWNINGTON/SANILAC CO., MICH.			16 Feb 84	87	Wf1	B/	
064	<u>DRAYTON PLAINS</u>		Oak 1858-					
A	C. H. RICHMOND,/Drayton Plains, Mich.			23 Aug 94	5 Mar 95	B1	Bl/	
065	<u>EAST SAUGATUCK</u>		All 1874-1965					
A	J. MELNIRGA, P.M./East Saugatuck, Mich.			94				
066	<u>EAST THETFORD</u>		Gen 1873-1902					
A	E. F. JOHNSON, P.M./East Thetford, Mich.			12 Feb 94				
067	<u>ELLINGTON</u>		Tus 1862-1905					
A	ELLINGTON, MICH./D. GOULD, P.M. (Recd)							
B	ELLINGTON, MICH./D. GOULD, P.M.			14 Aug 86				
C	D. GOULD, P.M./Ellington, Mich. (Recd)							
068	<u>ELLSWORTH</u>		Ant 1884-					
A	ELLSWORTH, MICH./Antrim Co.			90				
069	<u>ELM</u>		Way 1858-1906					
A	J. R. Shaw, P. M./Elm, mich.			6 Oct 93		B2	B/	
070	<u>ELWELL</u>		Gra 1880-					
A	ELWELL,/ Gratiot Co., Mich.			20 Apr 80	8 Nov 80	B1	B/	





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Crystal Valley  
OvDF

057A

Cumber

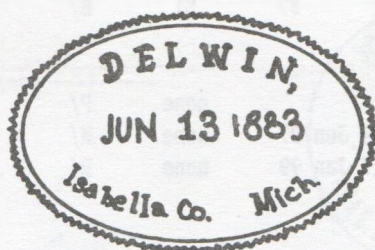
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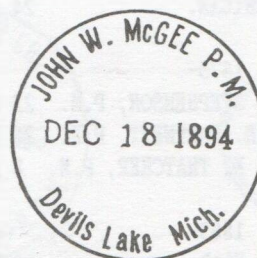
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Deford  
DCI

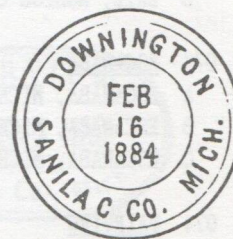
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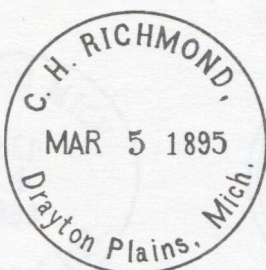
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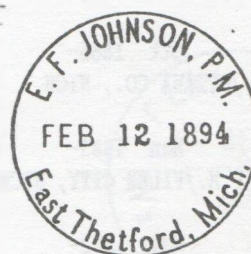
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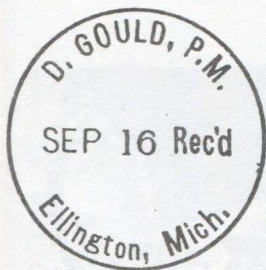
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East Saugatuck  
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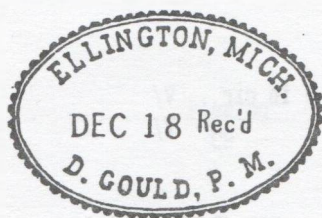
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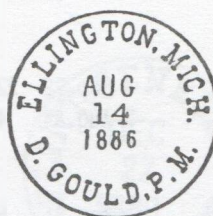
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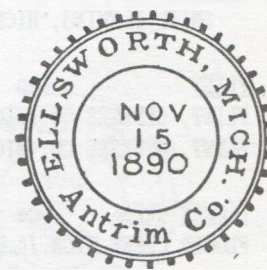
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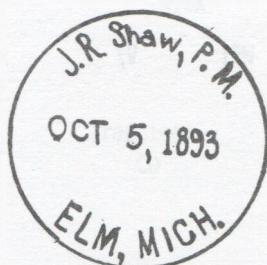
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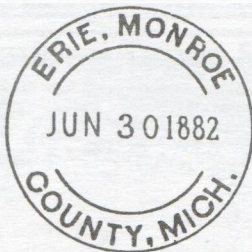
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A	EMMETT, /W. E. O'NEILL, P.M./MICH.		23 Nov 86				
072	<u>ERIE</u>	Mon 1835-1872					
A	ERIE, MONROE/COUNTY, MICH.		30 Jun 82	14 Jun 83		V/	
B	ERIE, Monroe CO., /MICHIGAN.		24 Apr 84	87	S1	B/	
073	<u>ESCANABA</u>	Del 1875-					
A	ESCANABA, MICH./ C.C. STEPHENSON, P.M.		22 Feb 92		none	P/	
B	ESCANABA, MICH./JOHN M. HARTNETT, P.M.		28 May 97	24 Jun 97	none	M/	
C	ESCANABA, MICH./CHAS. M. THATCHER, P.M.		8 Aug 98	17 Jan 99	none	R/	
074	<u>FAIRVIEW</u>	Osd 1883-					
A	FAIRVIEW, /Oscoda Co., Mich.		29 Dec 90	30 Jan 93	S4	B/	
075	<u>FALCON</u>	San 1882-1898					
A	FALCON, MICH./ C.W. Arnot, P.M.		24 Sep 83				
076	<u>FERRYSBURGH</u>	Ott 1866-					
A	FERRYSBURGH, /OTTAWA CO., MICH.		28 Aug 82	26 Feb 83	Wf1	B/	
077	<u>FILER CITY</u>	Man 1883-					
A	R. HOFFMAN, P.M./FILER CITY, MICH.		84	87			
078	<u>FLAT ROCK</u>	Way 1872-					
A	FLAT ROCK, /Wayne Co., Mich.		19 Apr 86	24 Jun 87	S1	P/	
B	FLAT ROCK, /WAYNE CO., /Mich./C.G.MUNGER, P		89			b/	
079	<u>FLEMING</u>	Liv 1842-1902					
A	SMITH/FLEMING, MICH.		93				
080	<u>FLINT</u>	Gen 1836-					
A	FLINT, GENESEE CO./MICH.		4 Sep 79	22 Dec 80	J in cir	V/	
B	FLINT, /GENESEE CO. MICH.		7 Aug 84	4 Dec 84		V/	
081	<u>FLOWER CREEK</u>	Oce 1863-1901					
A	FLOWER CREEK, MICH./A.H.Armitage, P.M.		Mar 81	5 Jun 82	pc	V/	
082	<u>FRANCISCO</u>	Jac 1877-1914					
A	H. KALMBACH, /Francisco, Mich.		93				
083	<u>FRANKENLUST</u>	Sag 1852-1882					
A	FRANKENLUST, MICH./J.A.Linberger, P.M.		27 Oct 82?		Wf1	V/	
084	<u>FRANKENMUTH</u>	Sag 1851-					
A	FRANKENMUTH, /SAG. CO., MICH.		82				

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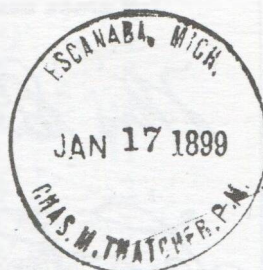


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----- Similar to Escanaba -----  
073C



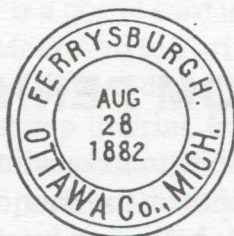
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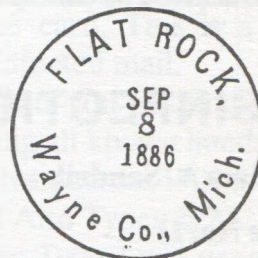
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Filer City  
CD

077A



078A



078B (4)

Fleming  
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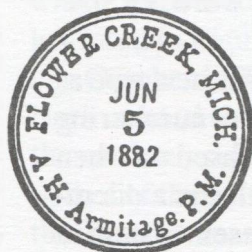
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080A (1)



078B (2)



081A (1)

Francisco  
CD

082A

Frankenlust  
(Fremont  
Type)

083A

Frankenmuth  
CD

084A



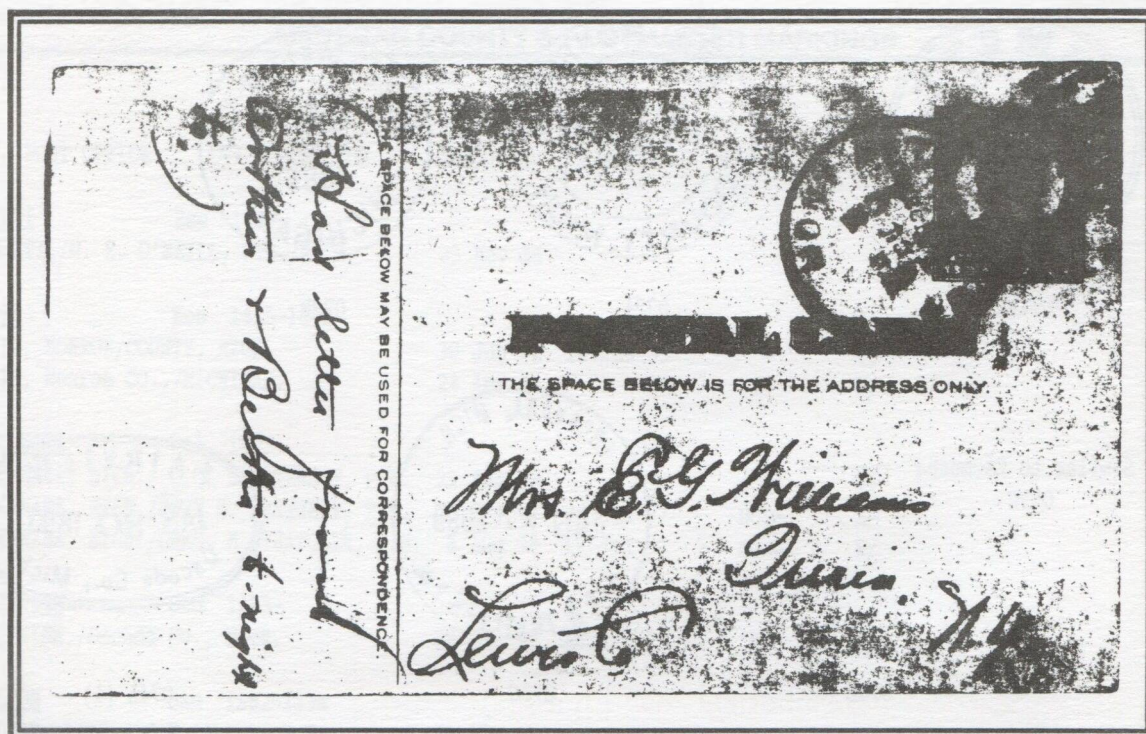


Figure 1. One cent postal card mailed from Mont Alto, Pennsylvania on November 9, 1910. A Type 3A Disinfected handstamp is struck at the left of the stamp imprint.

## DISINFECTION MARKINGS FROM PENNSYLVANIA

By William A. Sandrik

(Update No. 1)

Since publication of my earlier article on Disinfection Markings from Pennsylvania, in the May 1992 issue of *La Posta*, several readers informed me of examples in their own collections. Also, a new type of handstamp has been added to the listing from Mont Alto. Not one, but two examples of this new type are now recorded.

In the earlier article, I listed a combined total of 78 recorded examples from Mont Alto, Cresson, Hamburg, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. (The Total Recorded Examples shown on page 13 of the earlier article incorrectly stated 77). I can now report a total of known 107 examples. Types 1 and 1A from Mont Alto were the least scarce in the original article and remain even more so now, having increased from 35 to 50. There are quite a number of collectors of Disinfected Mail who still do not own a single example from Mont Alto. In addition, auxiliary marking

and Washington/Franklin collectors are also in pursuit of them for their collections.

Shown below is a brief summary of the changes in reported examples of the various types over a 13 month period. This would not have been possible without the positive responses I received from readers of this magazine as well as from *Pratique*, Journal of the Disinfected Mail Study Circle.

With regard to the new type from Mont Alto, which I have classified as Type 3A is the same size and dimensions as Type 3, one and a half millimeters high by 21 millimeters long. The only difference is the font type. Type 3 is in San serifed type, and Type 3A has serifs on the letters. Types 2 and 2A are also similar, but Types 3 and 3A contain the correct spelling of the word DISINFECTED.

Originally I planned to classify this new type as Type 5, as I wanted to keep the numbering scheme in some sort of sequence, based on when new types are discovered. This is always a dilemma. I believe I can still keep the present system in



**Changes in Disinfection Marking Types Recorded, Feb 1992 - Jan 1993**

Description		Feb 92	Jan 93	Increase
Mont Alto	Type 1	24	36	12
Mont Alto	Type 1A	11	14	3
Mont Alto	Type 2	3	3	0
Mont Alto	Type 2A	4	5	1
Mont Alto	Type 3	1	1	0
Mont Alto	Type 3A	0	2	2
Mont Alto	Type 4	5	7	2
Cresson	Type 1	5	8	3
Cresson	Type 1A	8	12	4
Hamburg	Type 1	2	2	0
Philadelphia	Type 1	11	13	2
Pittsburgh	Type 1	3	3	0
Pittsburgh	Type 2	1	1	0
	Total	78	107	29

syn by assigning this as Type 3A. In hindsight now, I realize that I probably should have assigned a different Type number to Types 2, 2A, 3 and 3A.

Illustrated in Figure 1 is a postal card used on November 9, 1910 from Mont Alto to Turin, New York. The light violet disinfected marking is struck to the left of the stamp imprint, but does not show very clearly in the photo. This postal stationery card is the first postal stationery item I have seen that contains any disinfection marking from Pennsylvania. The other known example was used on November 16, 1911.

I recently purchased a new example of a Type 4 marking from Mont Alto, and it is illustrated in Figure 2. This item was used on December 22, 1913 to Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. The disinfected marking is struck in black ink across the stamp, and is the only known disinfected cover that contains a Parcel Post stamp. The stamp was used during the valid period of use for First Class postage.

The most remarkable item that was brought to my attention by a reader of the original article which appeared in *La Posta* was the card illustrated in Figure 3. This card was discovered in late October in Texas. Apparently an over zealous clerk wanted to be sure the recipient was assured the card was safe to handle. The card contains 17 strikes of the Mont Alto Type 1 and two strikes of the Type 1A markings. I believe we can now safe-

ly assume that the Type 1 and Type 1A handstamp markings are the same handstamp, and Type 1A was created based on how the handstamp was held when it struck the card. This is a most remarkable piece of disinfected mail.

At the end of this update you will find an updated summary illustrating all known handstamp markings used in Pennsylvania from 1909 to 1924. The illustration of Mont Alto Types 2, 2A, 3, 3A and 4 as well as Hamburg Type 1 was generated using WordPerfect 5.1 and are more accurate than the hand drawn versions illustrated in the earlier article. Please advise me of any additional examples you happen upon in order that I may update this information. I can be contacted at Post Office Box 5527, Arlington, Virginia 22205.

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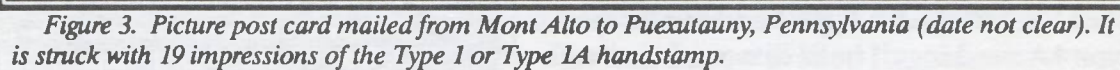
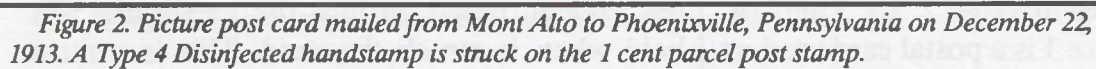
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## SUMMARY OF PENNSYLVANIA DISINFECTION MARKINGS

By William A. Sandrik

## MONT ALTO

Type 1 3 1/2 mm x 30mm

- 06 April 1909
- 12 December 1912

DISINFECTED.

Recorded examples: 36

Type 1A 3 1/2 mm x 29mm

- 27 September 1909
- 02 December 1912

DISINFECTED

Recorded examples: 14

\*\* Type 2 1 1/2 mm x 21mm

- November 1910
- 17 October 1911

DISINFECTED.

Recorded examples: 3

\*\* Type 2A 1 1/2 mm x 21mm

- 08 June 1911
- 13 April 1912

DISINFECTED.

Recorded examples: 5

\*\* Type 3 1 1/2 mm x 21mm

- 28 November 1912
- 28 November 1912

DISINFECTED

Recorded examples: 1

\*\* Type 3A 1 1/2 mm x 21mm

- 09 November 1910
- 16 November 1911

DISINFECTED

Recorded examples: 2

\*\* Type 4 2 mm x 26mm

- 08 May 1913
- 02 December 1914

DISINFECTED

Recorded examples: 7



**CRESSON**

Type 1 3 mm x 34mm

- 26 February 1913
- 24 December 1915

**DISINFECTED.**

Recorded examples: 8

Type 1A 3 mm x 33mm

- 22 March 1913
- 26 June 1914

**DISINFECTED**

Recorded examples: 12

**HAMBURG**

\*\* Type 1 1 1/2 mm x 15mm

- 14 June 1915
- 29 February 1916

DISINFECTED

Recorded examples: 2

**PHILADELPHIA**

Type 1 3 mm x 32 mm

- 24 December 1903
- 14 January 1923

**DISINFECTED**

Recorded examples: 13

**PITTSBURGH**

\*\* Type 1 6 mm x 38 mm

- 13 February 1920
- 20 March 1920

**DISINFECTED**

Recorded examples: 3

Type 2 8 mm x 46 mm

- 19 September 1924
- 19 September 1924

**DISINFECTED**

Recorded examples: 1

Total Recorded Examples: 107  
(as of January 1993)

- = Earliest Known Date
- = Latest Known Date

\*\* Computer generated or hand drawn and not precisely accurate.



# LIST OF RAILROAD-RELATED MAIL SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS WHICH OCCURRED IN THE UNITED STATES

Second in a Series

By Henry J. Berthelot

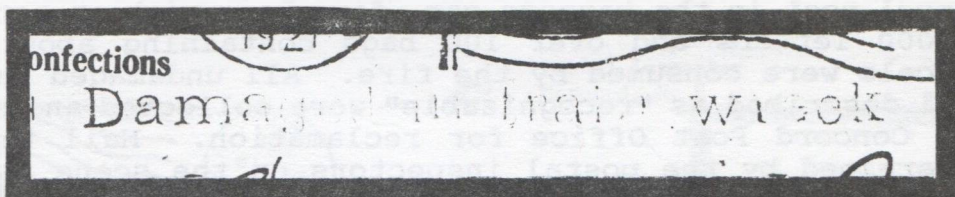
## INTERRUPTION NO. 1921-09-17

The Blue River runs three-quarters of a mile north of Edinburg, Indiana. In 1892, the Pennsylvania Railroad built an iron keystone railroad bridge across Blue River. Resting on stone abutments, the bridge was supported by a stone piling located near the river's north bank. At that point, the river was one hundred fifty feet wide and approximately thirty feet deep near the piling.

Train number 327, traveling north, approached the bridge at nine o'clock P.M. on 17 September 1921. As the train reached the center of the bridge, the structure toppled into the river, carrying with it the engine, tender and RPO car. The train separated at the coupling between the RPO car and the combination car. The latter car remained on the abutment with one end precariously hanging over the water. A day coach and three Pullman sleepers did not leave the rails.

Three railway mail clerks were at work in the RPO car at the time of the wreck. Injured only slightly when hurled into the lower end of the car, each clerk managed to scramble to safety ahead of the intruding water. A wrecking crew was dispatched from Indianapolis, Indiana. Within an hour of the wreck happening, that crew had begun salvage operations.

Recovered mail was forwarded to and processed at Indianapolis. A single-line handstamp, applied in black ink, has been seen on the mail salvaged.



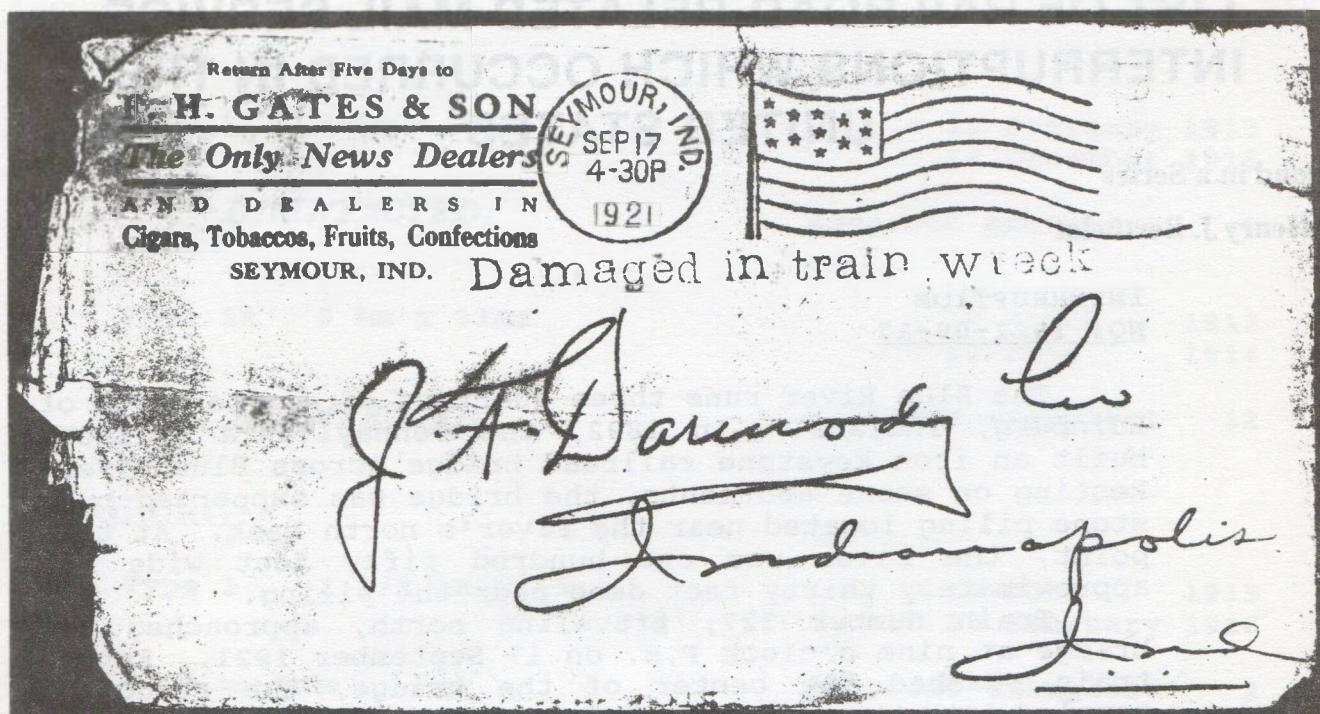
MARKING NO. 1921-09-17  
(enlarged)

[insert illustration #4]

This water damaged envelope was among the mail aboard Train Number 327 when it wrecked. The handstamped marking noted the cause of the damage.

Reference: The Indianapolis Star, 18 - 19 September 1921 editions.





**INTERRUPTION**  
**NO. 1956-12-20**

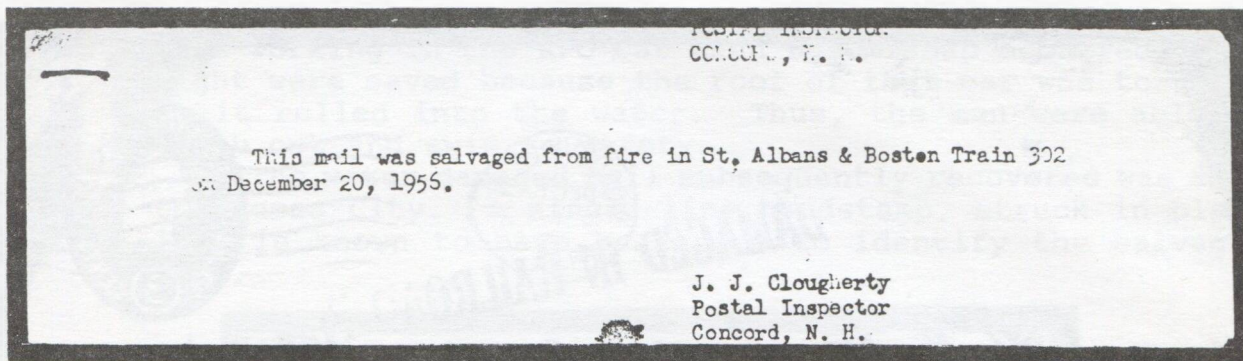
The scheduled run of the St. Albans & Boston Train No. 302 originated in Montreal, Canada and terminated in Boston, Massachusetts. On 20 December 1956, the train was en route from White River Junction, Vermont to Concord, New Hampshire when a fire, later ascertained to be of "undetermined cause", began among the mail bags in the baggage car. Discovered by the Baggage-master, the fire was burning out of control as the train approached Danbury, New Hampshire. The train made an emergency stop in Danbury, where the local fire department was summoned to assist the train crew in extinguishing the blaze.

Of the 386 mail bags which contained mostly Christmas parcel post in the baggage car, five bags with an estimated 10,000 letters and over 100 bags containing about 1,000 parcels were consumed by the fire. All undamaged mail and mail described as "recognizable" were collected and sent to the Concord Post Office for reclamation. Mail that was determined by the postal inspectors on the scene as being "beyond saving" deliberately was burned, at the inspectors direction, along the tracks at Danbury.

The Post Office investigation of this mishap was conducted by Concord Postal Inspector J. J. Clougherty. In a subsequent interview, Clougherty noted that many of the recovered letters were forwarded "in new envelopes, with a notation explaining their damaged condition." This statement evidences that ambulances were utilized in remailing badly damaged items salvaged from this mishap.

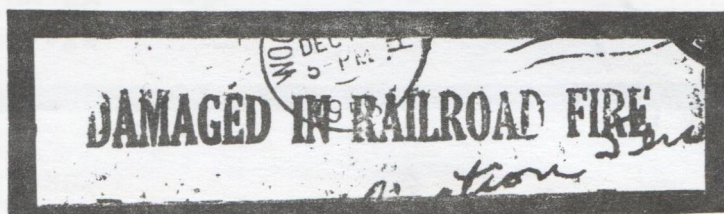
Two markings have been seen from this mishap, a 2 1/4 inch wide by 8 1/4 inch long mimeographed strip which was stapled to some of the recovered items and a single-line handstamped marking struck in magenta ink.



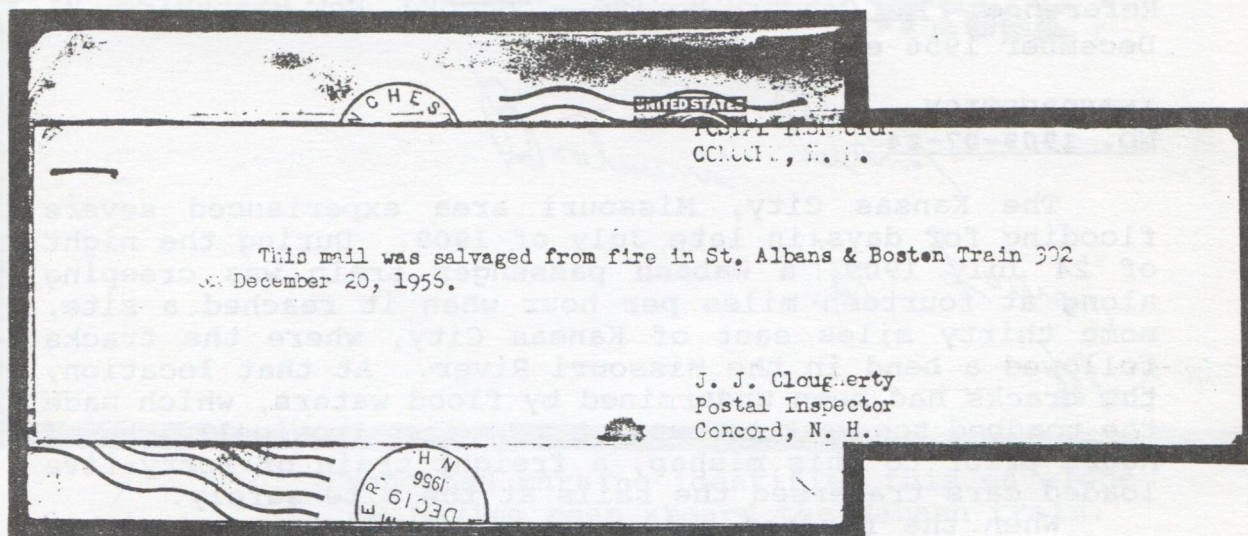


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MARKING NO.  
1956-12-20 (a)



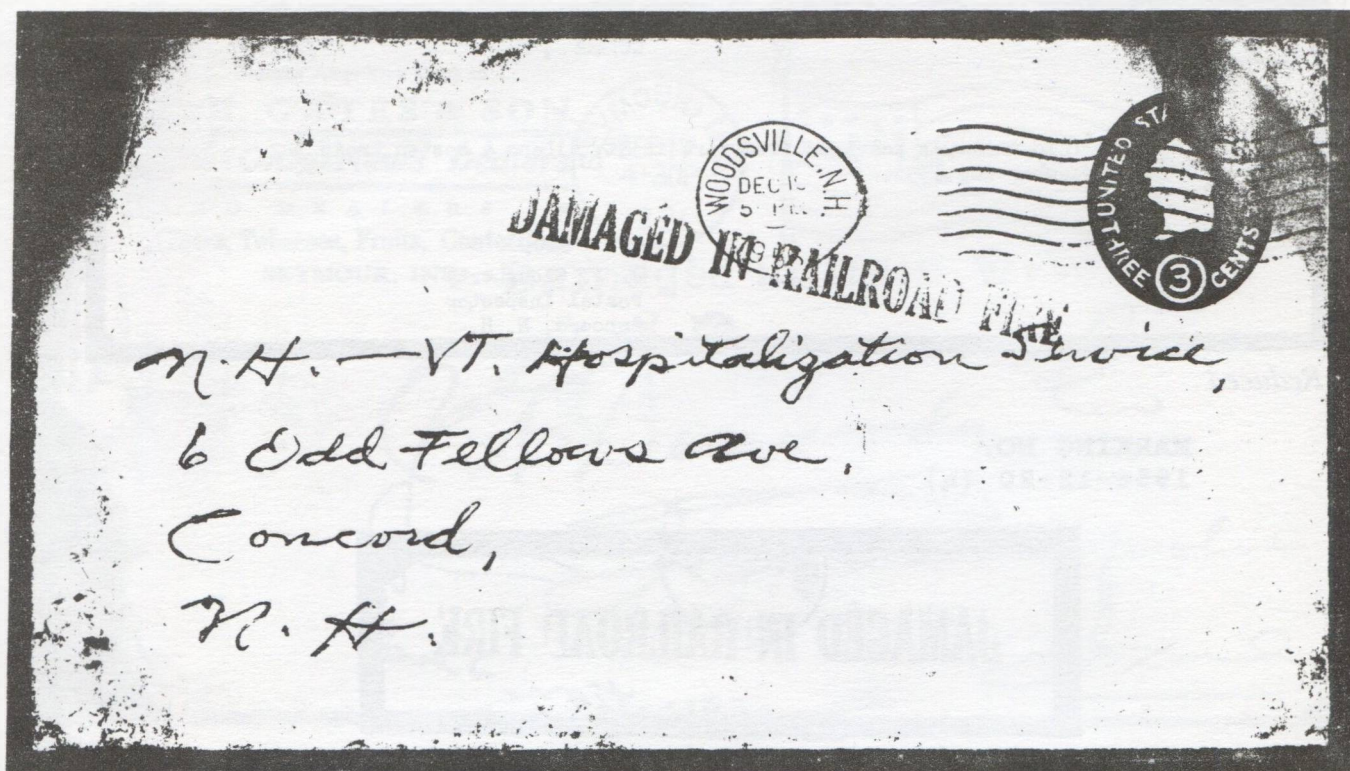
MARKING NO.  
1956-12-20 (b)



*Reduced*

Domestic Franklin postal card saved from the  
fire and forwarded with a  
mimeographed strip stapled to it.





This envelope was among the recovered items identified with the handstamped marking.

Reference: The Concord Monitor, Concord, New Hampshire, 21 December 1956 edition.

**INTERRUPTION**  
**NO. 1909-07-24**

The Kansas City, Missouri area experienced severe flooding for days in late July of 1909. During the night of 24 July 1909, a Wabash passenger train was creeping along at fourteen miles per hour when it reached a site, some thirty miles east of Kansas City, where the tracks followed a bend in the Missouri River. At that location, the tracks had been undermined by flood waters, which made the roadbed too weak to support a train. Ironically, three hours prior to this mishap, a freight train of forty-five loaded cars traversed the rails at the site safely.

When the roadbed collapsed, the railway cars either "slipped or rolled into the water". The reduced speed at which the train was traveling accounted for some of the railway cars remaining on the tracks. The RPO car was among the cars that fell into the river. A chair car and two Pullman cars remained on the tracks.

The locomotive of a local freight train was behind the passenger train at the time of the mishap. The locomotive moved forward and was attached to the three intact cars, carrying them and the survivors from the Wabash train to Kansas City.



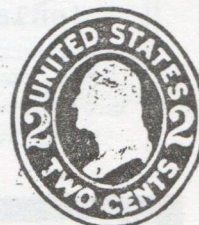
As relates to the mail, eight railway postal clerks were working in the RPO car when the mishap occurred. All eight were saved because the roof of that car was torn off as it rolled into the water. Thus, the men were able to climb out and swim to safety.

The water damaged mail subsequently recovered was sent to Kansas City. A single-line handstamp, struck in black ink, is known to have been used to identify the salvaged mail.

**Damaged, Wab. Wreck**

MARKING NO.  
1909-07-24

After 10 days, return to  
PEOPLES STATE BANK,  
KINGFISHER, OKLA.



**Damaged, Wab. Wreck**

*Peoples State Bank  
St. Louis,  
Mo.*

Truncated marking identified this envelope as having been aboard the Wabash train.

Reference: The New York Times, 26 July 1909 edition.

**INTERRUPTION**  
**NO. 1963-09-18**

Boston & Albany Train No. 143 left Boston, Massachusetts on 17 September 1963, en route to Chicago, Illinois. Among the cars on that train was a storage car - NYC 7939. As the train passed through Richmond, Massachusetts, smoke was seen coming from the storage car.

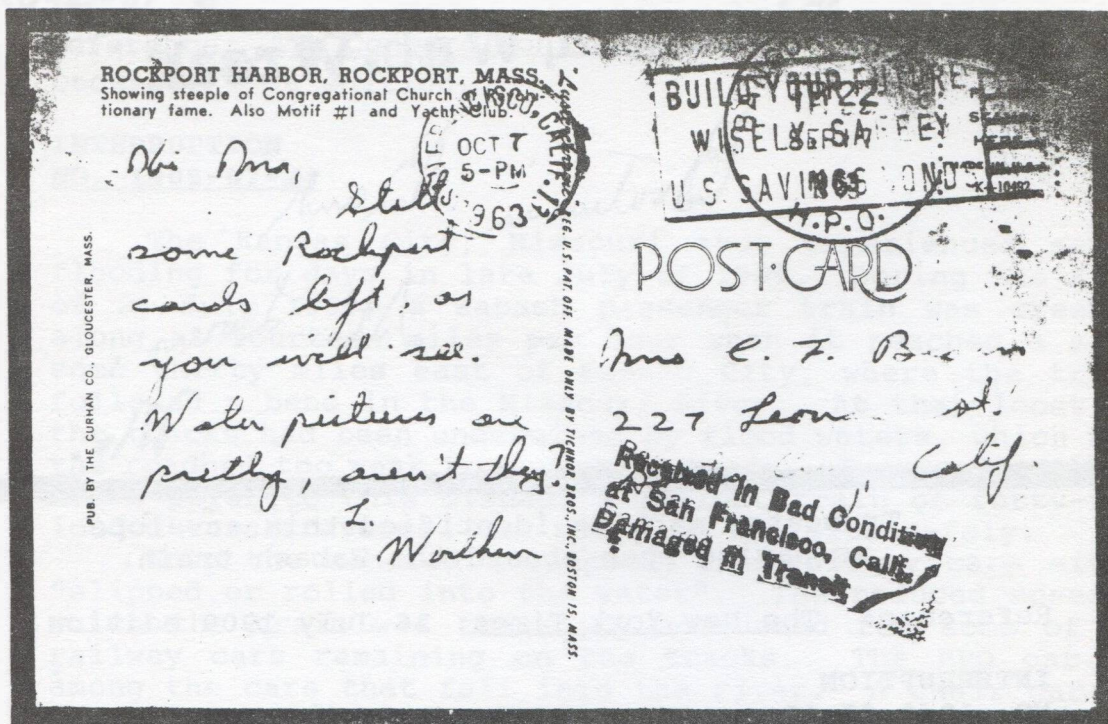
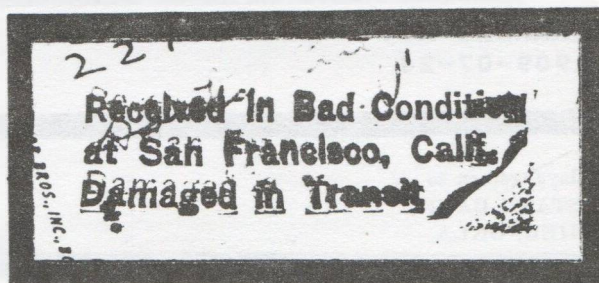


The local fire department was notified in Canaan, New York, and its personnel met the train as it stopped in Canaan. After the fire was extinguished, the train continued on its run. At Chatham, New York, the train again was stopped and the storage car was removed.

The mail in the storage car - 703 pieces - had been collected from the Boston, Wochester and Springfield, Massachusetts areas. That mail was destined for points in western New York State and the western states. Eighty percent of the mail involved in this mishap was destroyed.

No marking REPORTEDLY was used on the mail items recovered; the items simply were repouched and forwarded. At San Francisco, California, a three-line handstamp, struck in magenta ink is known to have been used on the mail delivered to that post office.

MARKING NO.  
1963-09-18  
(enlarged)

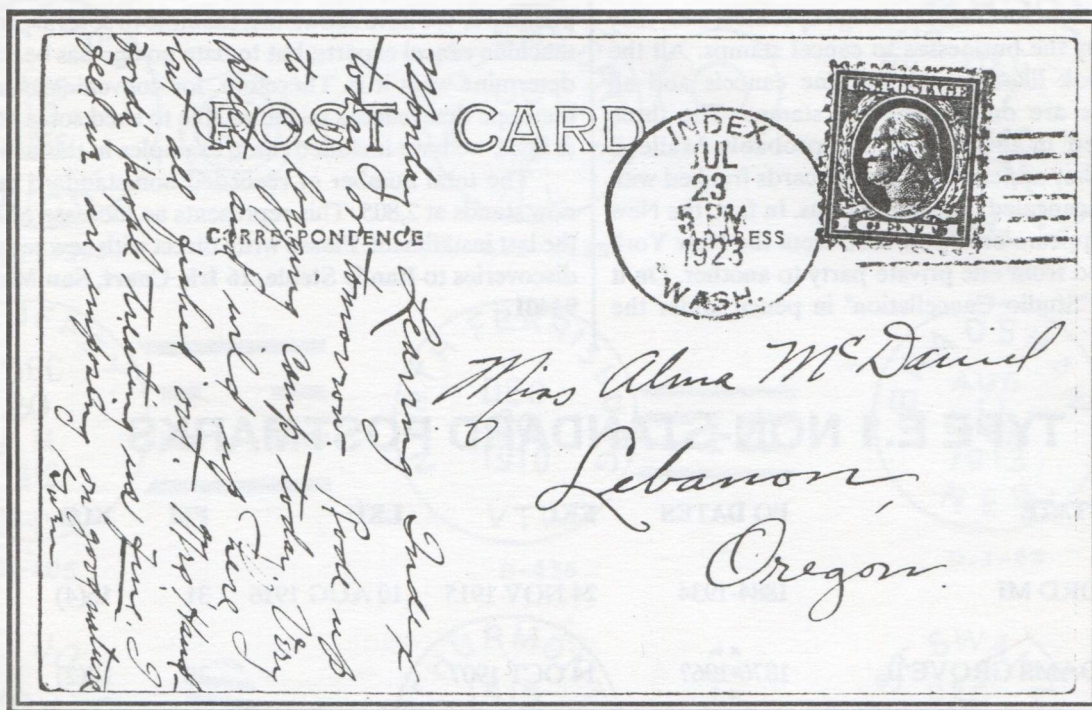


Post card recovered from the fire  
aboard storage car NYC 7939.

Reference: Notice to Postmasters from an unknown postal publication (article too closely cropped to determine the publication in which it appeared).

(to be continued)





Pseudo machine cancels, such as the marking from Index, Washington, which appears on this card, are believed by some to have been used by small town postmasters to give the impression that their towns were more important (bigger) than they really were by imitating the postmarks of big cities.

## 20TH CENTURY NON-STANDARD POSTMARKING & CANCELING DEVICES

### Part 17 - Catalog Section, Type E.1 continued

By Randy Stehle and Doug DeRoest

This section continues the presentation of the pseudo machine cancels (Type E.1). In addition, new discoveries are shown for the 19th century mimics (Type A), Doane mimics (Type B) and barred duplex mimics (Type D.1).

All four barred duplex mimics are altered devices. Both the Bradshaw, NE and the Thurmont, MD have had their grid killers filed down to produce some rather attractive designs. The Saint Johns, OR has had its entire dial filed off, while the West Swanzy, NH has had a portion of its dial removed.

In the pseudo machine section we find several offices that used two different styles of devices. One office, Greenfield, MI used four different types. Greenfield has been discussed in *The Machine Cancel Forum*, and was the subject of an article by David Ellis which appeared in a monograph published by the Machine Cancel Society. Greenfield is now a station of Dearborn, MI and the site of Greenfield Village. This historic village was started by Henry Ford and consists of dozens of buildings such as Edison's lab, an old fashioned post office, and the Wright Brothers cycle shop. Many picture post cards from the numerous tourists who have visited the attraction have survived over the years providing us with

an ample supply of Greenfield's four different pseudo machine cancels.

The first three types are all fairly similar with the major difference being the space between the town name and the state. The earliest device is shaped like an inverted pear, while the second is slightly ovate. In addition to these handstamp pseudo machine markings, Greenfield is known to have used at least three different types of Type F (CDS only) handstamps. They are all very large, with one handstamp measuring 40mm being used in the late 1950's and early 1960's. During the 1970's Greenfield used two different double circle handstamps with outer dial diameters of 46 and 47 millimeters.

There are three large cities represented in this article: Los Angeles, Milwaukie and New York. Most of the devices shown in this study were used in small Fourth Class post offices, and usually any device used at an office of higher classes is included because it has been altered. The huge First Class offices mentioned above would not be likely places for the postmaster to buy a postmarker/canceler from a non-government source. We believe that these three devices were not used by the post offices in question, but were privately applied markings. In the introduction to this series, the subject of Mailers' postmarks was discussed (May 1991). These postmarks were used by businesses on mail to their clients.



If these devices met Government design specifications, they could be used by the businesses to cancel stamps. All the designs seen look like pseudo machine cancels and all recorded usages are on precanceled stamps. The three devices reported in this article are probably Mailers' postmarks, but they appear on covers or cards franked with regular (non precanceled) postage stamps. In fact, the New York example appears on a post card from the New York Aquarium mailed from one private party to another. On it someone wrote "Studio Cancellation" in pencil under the

postmark. We have shown this example to several prominent machine cancel experts, but to date no one has been able to determine what it is. Therefore, for convenience sake and the hope that readers might be able to shed some additional light, we have included these examples in this article.

The total number of recorded non-standard markings now stands at 2,805. This represents an increase of 70 since the last installment. Please write direct with new reports and discoveries to **Randy Stehle, 16 Iris Court, San Mateo, CA 94401.**

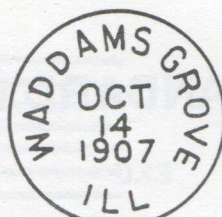
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A.1-1135 WADDAMS GROVE IL	1876-196?	14 OCT 1907		28	17(2)		2
A.6- 35 BIBLE SCHOOL NY	1911-	17 DEC 1940		34.5	13	3	2
B- 405 McGUFFEY OH	1883-	06 DEC 1912	20 DEC 1912	32	20(4)		2
B- 436 NORTH FERRISBURG VT	1893-	23 AUG 1910	30 DEC 1910	32.5	12(4)		2
D.1- 65 BRADSHAW NE	1880-	11 AUG 1913		30.5	28(8)	4	2
D.1-405 SAINT JOHNS OR	1873-1912	03 NOV 1910		26	26(9)	5	2
D.1-472 THURMONT MD	1894-	23 DEC 1915		30	25(9)	6	2
D.1-520 WEST SWANZEY NH	1849-	24 DEC 1915	20 MAR 1921	26	26(8)	7	2
E.1-290 FORT TICONDEROGA NY	1902-1959	12 JUL 1922	07 AUG 1925	28	17(7)	8	2
E.1-300 FORTSON WA	1902-1954	23 MAR 1916	27 APR 1932	24.5	16(6)	8	3
E.1-310 FOUNTAIN CITY IN	1878-	24 MAY 1913		30	21(7)		3
E.1-320 FRANKFORT KY	1794-	30 AUG 1937	29 SEP 1938	33	19(4)	1	2
E.1-330 GLENPOOL OK	1908-	25 APR 1923		31	18(7)	2	3
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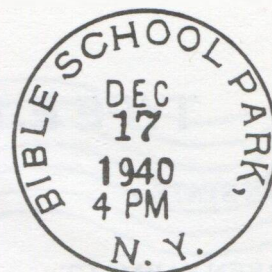
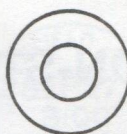




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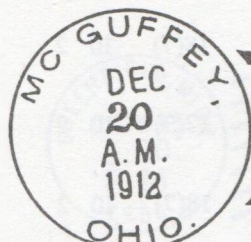


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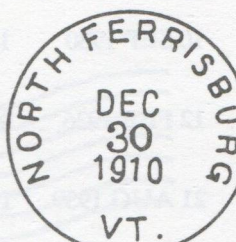


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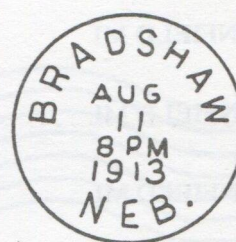
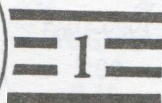
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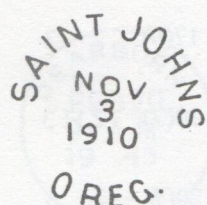
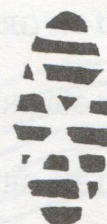
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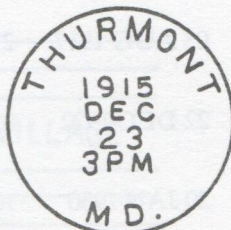
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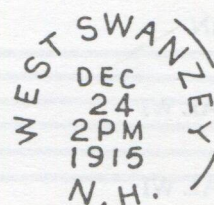
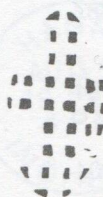
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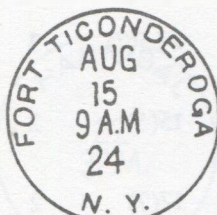
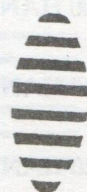
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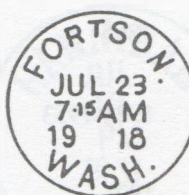
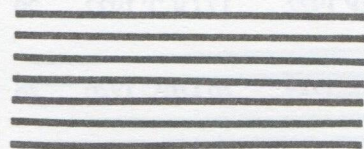
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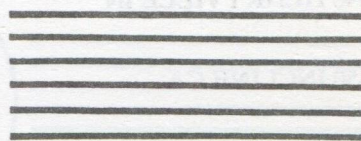
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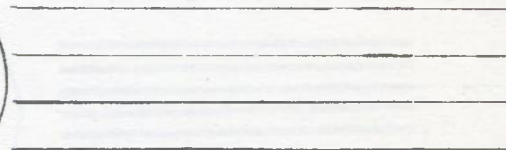
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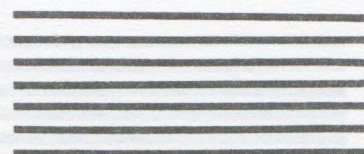
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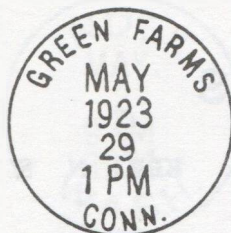




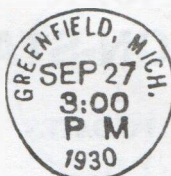
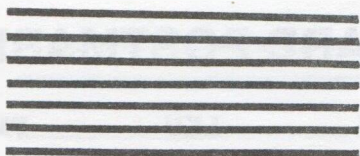
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E.1-360 GREENFIELD MI	1929-1963	10 SEP 1930	18 NOV 1935	22	18(7)	10	2
E.1-370 GREENFIELD MI	1929-1963	12 FEB 1936	05 NOV 1938	23	17(7)	10	2
E.1-380 GREENFIELD MI	1929-1963	21 AUG 1939	19 SEP 1940	24	18(7)	10	2
E.1-390 GREENFIELD VILLAGE MI	1929-1963	09 AUG 1941	20 FEB 1945	30	24(6)	1,10	2
E.1-400 HANNA IN	1882-	03 AUG 1917	27 MAR 1920	25	17(6)	2	3
E.1-410 HANNIBAL WI	1904-	22 DEC 1922	02 FEB 1929	29	20(7)	2,11	3
E.1-420 HANNIBAL WI	1904-	20 JAN 1930	10 JUL 1931	32	20(7)	2	3
E.1-430 HARTLY DE	1882-	26 AUG 1920		25	16.5(6)	2	3
E.1-440 HENRYVILLE IN	1865-	28 SEP 1922	17 OCT 1922	29	17.5(7)		3
E.1-450 INCLINE CA	1924-1953	15 JUL 1924	26 DEC 1926	28	15(5)		2
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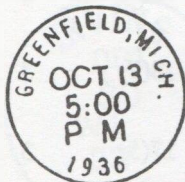
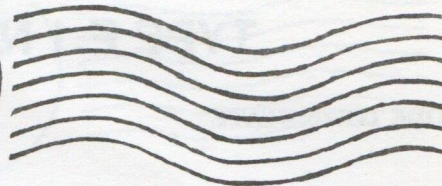




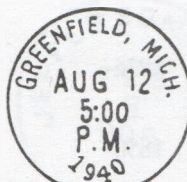
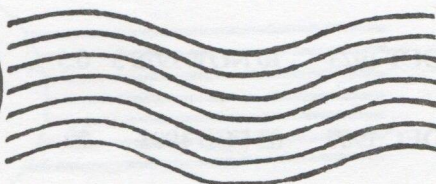
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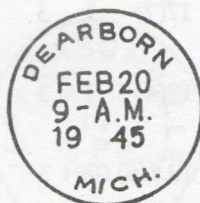
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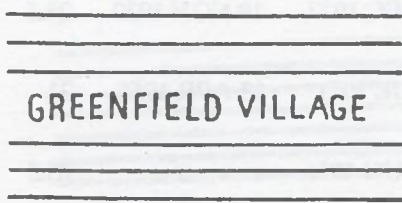
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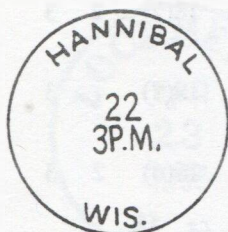
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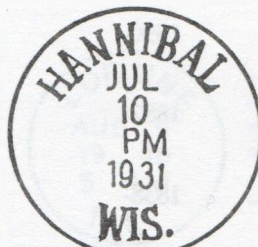
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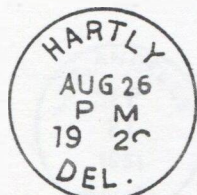
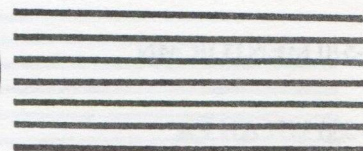
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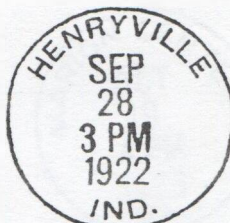
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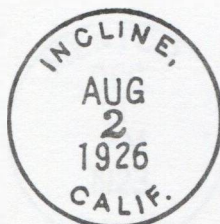
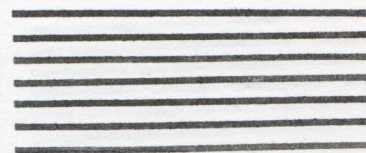
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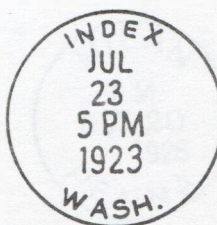
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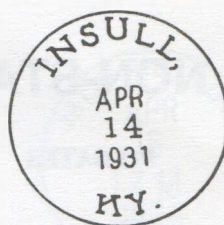
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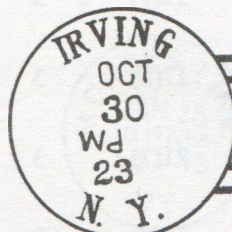




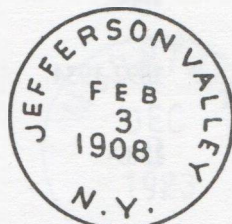
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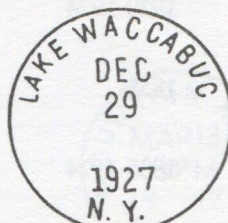
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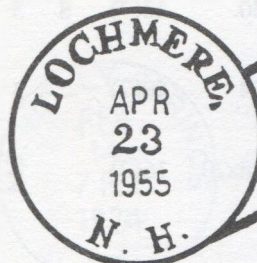
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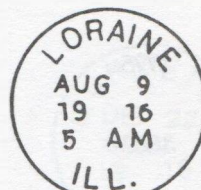
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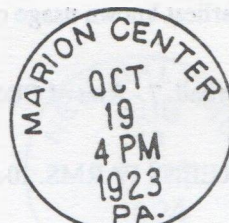
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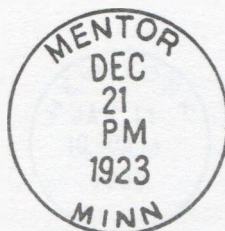
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E.1-620 MOUNTAIN WI	1889-	03 DEC 1923 1	0 JUL 1931	30	21(7)		3
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E.1-640 MOUNTAIN WELLS VT	1910-1924	23 JAN 1917	13 MAR 1917	25	16.5(6)	2	3
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E.1-680 NEW BALTIMORE MI	1855-	12 AUG 1924	02 OCT 1924	30	18(7)	8	3
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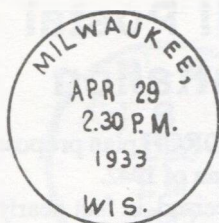
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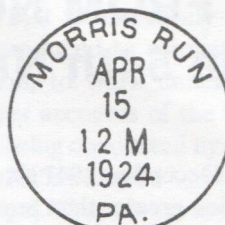
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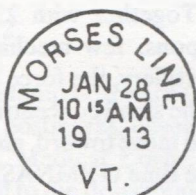




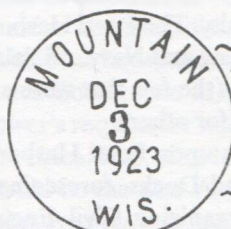
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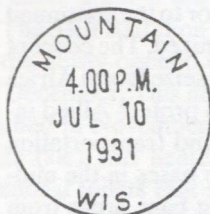
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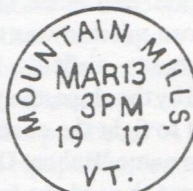
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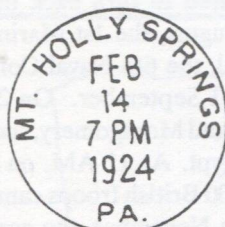
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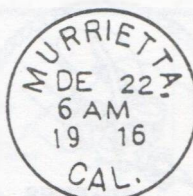
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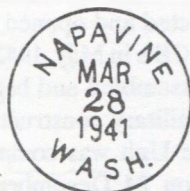
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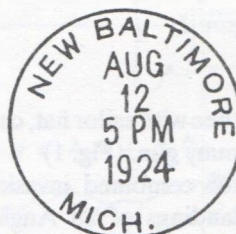
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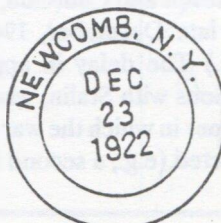
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## POSTMARKS FROM NORTH AFRICA: WW II Postal History of the 54th Naval Construction Battalion

By C. Randy Kimes

The attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941 shocked the United States into a mobilization greater than any ever seen before. After years of isolationism and chest-thumping, the United States, as some would graciously say, was only 'half-prepared' to fight a war and not very convinced that any enemy would provide much difficulty. The Pearl Harbor attack identified to high-ranking Army and Navy officials the desperate position of Allied bases (the few that were available), and the overwhelming need for others.

A few weeks before the attack upon Pearl Harbor the Navy's Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks, foreseeing the potential for calamity, began organizing Civil Engineer Corps units of skilled construction workers. Eventually, the concept of civilian construction workers, operating as a consolidated, trained, United States Navy unit, flourished in the form of the Navy's 150 Construction Battalions (and 39 'Special' stevedore battalions), whose mission was the expeditious construction of forward bases, airfields, harbor facilities, and all those things needed by the ships, the planes, and the ground forces in their effort to fight the enemy.

The first such unit, which took the name "Bobcat Detachment" from the code name of the base they were to build, was organized, packed, and en route to Bora Bora on 27 January 1942. By March 1942, the Navy Department had officially approved the name and insignia of the Construction Battalions, and had begun to assign numbers to each of the units. (The 'Bobcat Detachment' became the First Construction Battalion, Bobcat; other construction units were designated by numerals, the 1st Construction Battalion being commissioned on 15 March, 1942.). "Seabee" came from the initials "C.B.", and their insignia, a further play on the initials, became a furious, fighting bee with sailor hat, carrying a hammer, a wrench, and a Tommy gun. (Fig. 1)

On 25 July, 1942, the plan for combined invasion (Casablanca, Oran, and Algiers) landings of an Anglo-American force in North Africa was re-named TORCH. (The original plan, GYMNAST, was the result of three weeks of meetings between Roosevelt and Churchill, held in Washington, DC, beginning in late December, 1941, and called the Arcadia Conference.) The delay in approving TORCH resulted from negotiations with Stalin, who had a different perspective on the manner in which the war against the Axis forces should be conducted (e.g., a second front in

Europe). The final consensus to the TORCH plan proposed landings in North Africa for the autumn of 1942.

Well before GYMNAST was conceived, in fact nearly a year, General Rommel (later Field Marshal) was in North Africa commanding a small German force, the Afrika Corps, assigned by Hitler to support Mussolini's glorious intent to restore the old Roman Empire. Together with 250,000 Italian troops with obsolete weapons, few mechanized vehicles, and World War I vintage artillery, the force handily overran unarmed tribesmen and the small concentrations of British troops in the Axis' extended move toward, and into Egypt. By December 1941, about the time GYMNAST was being conceived, British forces attacked the largely-Italian force, virtually destroying them, and driving them out of Egypt into Libya. Shortages of men and materials prevented the re-establishment of a large Axis force into Egypt, but the threat to British installations, to the Suez, or to the continued use of the Mediterranean had been recognized. The concept of GYMNAST, and later TORCH, was to seize North Africa from Axis control. Additionally, it was to protect Allied installations, to maintain communication and transportation through the Mediterranean toward those bases in the middle and far-East, and to establish staging base areas from which Europe could be attacked from the south.

Late 1942 was a busy time for United States and Allied forces. While consolidation and growth were occurring, sufficient strength had not been generated to turn back the enemy. Early on the morning of 7 August, the 1st Marine Division came ashore on Guadalcanal, the 6th Naval Construction Battalion arriving there on 1 September. On 23 October, the British under Alexander and Montgomery, successfully attacked at El Alamein, Egypt. At 11 AM, on 8 November, 86,000 American and 26,000 British troops came ashore invading North Africa. In late-November, the construction men recruited to form the 54th Naval Construction Battalion arrived at Camp Bradford, outside Norfolk, Virginia, to begin 'boot camp'.

Camp Bradford was hastily constructed and opened for training the newly recruited men of the CB's in May, 1942. It was here that the 54th Battalion was assembled and began the process of becoming a cohesive military construction team on 23 November 1942. Until the Unit was commissioned as an 'active' Navy organization 24 December, a quarantine was emplaced, the time being used by the Navy to introduce regulation and procedure by a series of lectures, and for the recruits to learn 'the Navy way' of doing things - drilling, guard duty, chow lines (fun things!). (Note: It is unclear from the record which may have been worse, the "shots and vaccinations" or, "...is the coffee rotten!") Mail from Camp Bradford was processed through the Norfolk, VA post office; only one example was found, attributed to the Camp Bradford PO, that shows a "U.S. NAVY" (Locy Type



Figure 1



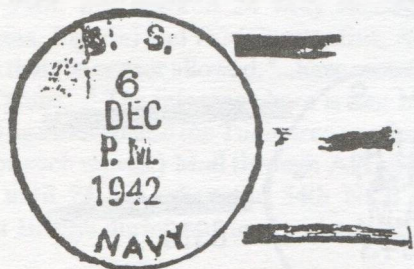


Figure 2

3z) handstamp postmark (Fig. 2). (The classification system of Naval postmarks, developed by Lt. Cmdr. Francis E. Locy, Medical Corps, U.S. Navy, has been generally restricted to the description of Naval *ship* postmarks. In that requisitions for postmarking devices, for either ship or shore station, were probably processed by the same Naval supply system and source, and the Locy classification is adequate for description, it will be used in this narrative.)

The 54th Battalion moved from Camp Bradford, arriving at the newly-opened Camp Peary, VA, near Williamsburg, 29 December. This new base, with a capacity of 40,000 men, opened in November, and housed the Battalions "...in bericks (sic) and heated with big coal stoves and no more chemical toilets that stink so bad. Nice toilets, wash bowls and showers and each Company has their own." While at Camp Peary, the 54th was given the opportunity (!) to receive three weeks of training by Marine Corps instructors, "The marines had us all day yesterday and it was nearly six

o'clock when we left the drill field...." It was through such training that an effectively-civilian construction force became introduced to combat duties, and measures of self-protection, to work under enemy fire. Considering the newspaper accounts of the war effort at the time, and the training being conducted by marines, it is not surprising that the 54th NCB believed "...we will probably embark from the west [coast]. They always speak of Island X as where you are going. In other words, unknown."

Supplying the combat areas of North Africa became a pre-dominate problem to Allied commanders. The region was primitive and arid, distant from the sources of supply, and lacking base installations or modern transportation. The Casablanca Conference in mid-January addressed, in part, Eisenhower's request for additional transportation facilities in North Africa. Too, after long argument, it was agreed that Sicily would be the next Axis area taken. A few days later, Rommel moved his headquarters from Libya into southern Tunisia, and the 54th Naval Construction Battalion had completed their training at Camp Peary.

The Navy staggered a one-week 'liberty' for the 1079 men, and 32 officers of the 54th, beginning 22 January, with the provision that they report to the Seabees' Naval Advance Base Depot, in Davisville, Rhode Island. Here, the Battalion received final training, "...[we] get to fire a hundred and fifty rounds in five positions." A survey of the nearby area showed stockpiled equipment, "enough equipment on docks to build a base or wharf on every island in the world." On 8 February, Company B was instructed to delete their Company and Battalion designations on outgoing mail, to use, instead, Navy No. 8315. (Note: Navy Dept directives of 30 Jan 43 instructed





use of Unit designation, abolishing Navy Numbers.) Companies C and D, 54th NCB, departed Davisville 16 February. Three days later, Rommel attacked at Kasserine. Scuttlebutt between the remaining A, B, and HQ Companies at Davisville: "A lot of the boys seem to think we are going to Africa...." At 1200, 4 March 1943, the balance of the 54th Naval Construction Battalion, under the command of CMDR Wallace L. Rinehart (CEC, USNR), left Davisville, R.I., "...to board a boat (sic) at New York," departing the next day for North Africa. The 54th entered the port at Oran, Algeria, thirty miles west of Arzew, 19 March 1943, two days after Patton successfully ambushed a large Axis armored force in southern Tunisia. On 21 March, the sixteenth day since leaving Davisville aboard the embarkation convoy, the 54th NCB retrieved their gear and set up headquarters at Arzew, Algeria. While relatively shallow, the harbor at Arzew was to become one of the staging and practice areas for the amphibious landings on Sicily in July, 1943.

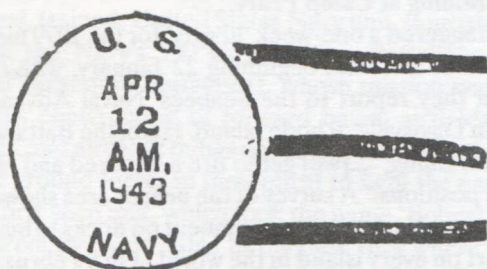


Figure 3

The 54th's postal section, a part of Headquarters Company, was in operation as early as 26 March, employing a Type 3z handstamp device, distinctive in that the middle killer bar is bent, sloping downward over one-third its length (Fig. 3). Initially (2 April), orders were issued limiting outgoing mail to two letters per man per week. (This directive was amended on 19 April when the CB's could use three V-mail envelopes per week.) Too, "They have changed the order that no Air Mail [stamps] on V-mail, so really don't know which will go faster...." Expectations of mail from home, as with any deployed unit, ran high, "...talked with some soldiers that received mail ten days after arriving...." It was not to be for the 54th NCB, "Seems someone made a boner and failed to leave our address with the Fleet Post Office" - the first mail received by the 54th Seabees in North Africa arrived 21 May.

Construction of the base and harbor facilities at Arzew continued both day and night. Until Quonset huts, the standard military structure, were assembled in sufficient quantity, the Battalion was bivouaced in tents a short distance from the harbor. "The only pests we seem to have here is flies... which nearly drive us crazy." Without knowing of the directive, or with disregard for it (see above), postal clerks of the 54th Battalion inserted their [old] Navy number 8315 between the lower two killer bars of the postmarking device

in use. The earliest use of this 'new' postmark is found on 14 April 1943 (Fig. 4).

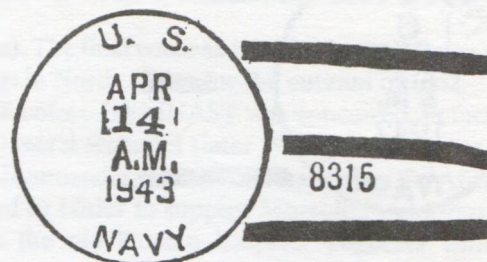


Figure 4

The 53d Naval Construction Battalion, which departed Davisville nearly a month before the 54th, and originally assigned construction duties in Casablanca, acquired a portion of the 17th NCB, and was 're-commissioned' the 120th Naval Construction Battalion under CMDR George A. Rezac (CEC, USNR). Their headquarters became Oran, from which they worked cooperatively with the 54th west to Mers-el-Kabir, and easterly to Mostaganem. In addition to general port-facilities reconstruction, these Battalions set up flood lights and worked twenty-four hours a day to build ammunition depots, training camps, Quonset hut housing, aircraft hanger installations, and the vast Naval Supply Depot and Mobile Hospital at Oran.

The improved logistical structure at the North African ports increased the efficiency of rushing forward equipment to combat troops - the impact soon becoming direct and profound. Together with a change in command of American ground forces (Patton assigned command of II Corps, 6 March), receipt of new equipment, and concentration of the American 1st, 9th, 34th Infantry, and 1st Armored Divisions, the final phase of the North African campaign was launched on 22 April. Bizerte and Tunis saw the entry of Allied forces 7 May, Axis resistance ceased 13 May, the day that the 54th NCB stood offshore Bizerte en route to Tunis, arriving 15 May 1943.

Headquarters, 54th NCB, including the postal clerks, remained at Arzew, Algeria, for a time. Mail from the Battalion deployed in Tunisia was processed by the Army's postal service, primarily (but not exclusively) through APO 531



Figure 5



(El Aouina, Tunisia). (Three letters from a crane operator of the 54th, postmarked 24 May through APO's 538 (Telergma, Algeria) and 763 (Constantine, Algeria), are unusual in that the censor allowed, "...have seen Bizerte...we are now at Tunis...." The inference here is that both APO's 538 and 763 had moved into the Tunis area previous to published dates for such moves.) Mail through APO 531 (Fig. 5) continued until 24 Jun when the 54th NCB went through, "...about 10 days during moving," without mail service.

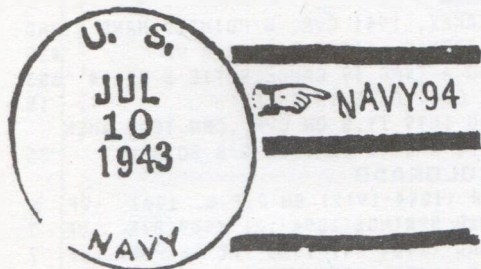


Figure 6

It would appear that Headquarters, 54th NCB, (or a detachment from it) moved from Arzew to the Tunis area about 10 Jul 1943, and began processing the Battalion's mail. A new handstamp device was employed, incorporating NAVY 94 between the top and middle killer bars (Fig. 6), and used exclusively for processing 54th NCB mail until discontinued 27 Jul 1943.

During May and June, shipments containing 5760 steel boxes - five by seven by five feet, weighing about 2600 pounds each - arrived at North African Naval bases for assembly into ninety-six 175-foot pontoon causeways. As a result of the shallow water off the Sicily (and later, Salerno) invasion beaches, deepening only very gradually, landing ships could approach no closer than 500 feet, where the water was still six-feet deep, preventing off-loading of troops and equipment. RADM R. L. Conolly, commanding landing craft in Africa, directed that the first-approaching LST's carry the causeways - one slung from each side of the ship - and release them once the ship grounded.

Maintaining some of the ship's momentum, each pair of causeways, now floating like barges toward shore, carried a Seabee contingent of one officer and twenty-four men to secure the sections together in slide rule fashion between

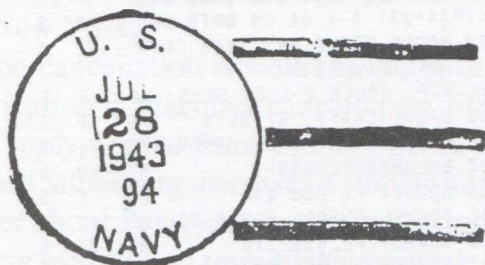


Figure 7

LST and shore. With this method, attributed to Seabee ingenuity, equipment reached the beach within seven minutes of the LST's grounding. The 54th NCB manned the port facilities in Tunis, the main logistical base supplying 478,000 men, throughout the Sicily campaign which ended 17 August 1943. Ten days later, the 54th moved from Tunis to Bizerte, strengthening port operations in preparation for the 700-ship, 170,000-man invasion force which was to land at Salerno, Italy, 9 September.

Beginning 28 July, the postal section of the 54th NCB employed a new handstamp postmarking device. Still of the Type 3z format, the locations of strengthening (or 'extra') lines paralleling each killer bar is different from previous usages, the killer-bar spaces are blank, and '94' has been incorporated into the dater circle (Fig. 7). On 4 August, the postal clerks began using this device with END WAR/BY '44 inserted between the killers (Fig. 8); by mid-August, two Type 3z devices were in simultaneous use, the second having YOU WRITE/WE FIGHT as killer-bar insertions (Fig. 9). From late-August, and throughout the 54th Naval Construction Battalion's remaining tour of duty in North Africa, the

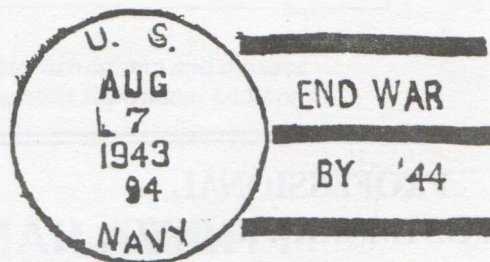


Figure 8

postmarks above were discontinued, substituted with the same device first used in April, identified by the sloping middle killer, and with '8315' between middle and lower killers.

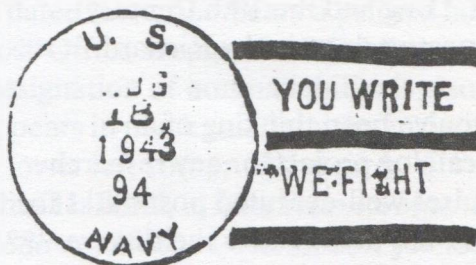


Figure 9

Departure, homeward-bound, from Bizerte occurred 21 November 1943. Assembled in 'sections', the 54th NCB boarded returning supply ships (e.g., USS TARAZED (AF 13)) and sailed westward to Oran, standing offshore two days for convoy assembly. By 27 November, the convoy was underway, passing Gibraltar 29 November, arriving 17 December 1943 at Norfolk, VA, where the story of the 54th Naval Construction Battalion began.



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- ...TO VF CVR. DATE INVERTED 15
- 3 JUNEAU 1899 TY.8 ON CVR., CRN TEAR WHEN
- ...OPENED, AMS-43 SEATTLE B/S BOTH VF 35

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- 11 MEDIA(1878-1903) 1892 CVR. W/ENCL. F 12
- 12 NEW ALBANY 1885 DBL CRCL ON SM. CVR.VF 8
- 13 SANTE FE(1886-1925) 1912 ON CRD. VF 10

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- 14 EAST LAS VEGAS 1908 TY. 13 ON FRED HARVEY
- ...CARD OF THE CASTENEDA BOTH VF+ 10
- 15 MORIARTY 1907 4 BAR ON N.Y CARD F 22

### OKLAHOMA

- 16 CANTONMENT(1879-1917) FARM SC. CARD VF 5
- 17 CHANT(1903-10) 1910 4 BAR ON CARD F 15
- 18 PEARL(1897-1911) 1910 4 BAR ON CARD VF 9
- 19 WAYSIDE(1910-31) 1912 4 BAR ON CARD VF 8

### NORTH DAKOTA

- 20 BACHELOR(1901-18) 1903 NON-STAND 4 RING
- ...BULL ON CVR., ST.JOHN,ND B/S BOTH ABT.F 10
- 21 CHRISTINE,DAK MAY 1887 ON COVER F 20
- 22 FARGO,DAK.1883 W/REDFIELD,DAK. B/S F 8
- 23 GRAFTON,DAK JUN 1889 ON CLEAN CVR. F 8
- 24 GRAND FORKS B-14 FLAG 1906 W/HOTEL ANTLER
- ...C.C. W/ELK HEAD DULUTH BARRY B/S VF 8
- 25 ELLENDALE,DAK.1888 ON PRTD GPC F 10
- 26 NOEL(1901-10) ON GRTG CRD 1911 F 25

### SOUTH DAKOTA

- 27 CASTLEWOOD,D.T.1889 W/CO. BANK c.c. G 15
- 28 CAVOUR,DAK 1883 ON GPC TO MICH. G 13
- 29 HAROLD,DAK 1887 ON SM. COVER LT. 10
- 30 FAULKTON,DAK. 1888 W/CO.CNCL B/S/ G 12
- 31 WATSON(1908-12) 1911 4 BAR ON PPC VF+20

### TEXAS

- 32 BIG CREEK(1904-18) 4 BAR ON P.C. VF 8
- 33 BOWERS(1887-98) 1888 DBL CRCL CVR. VF 20
- 34 GLASS(1904-27) D-1 #1 ON GRTG CRD. VF 8
- 35 MISSION,MOORE FIELD BR. 1943 CVR. VF 5

### WASHINGTON

- 36 858 FDC H.P. ADLER 2 RUST STNS MC F 6
- 37 858 FDC CACHETCRAFT W/ BL/4 HS VF 6
- 38 858 FDC LINPRINT SGND BY MAYOR MC VF 8
- 39 858 FDC HOLLAND PL 858-1 MC VF 5
- 40 858 FDC CROSBY PL 858-14e MC F 5
- 41 858 FDC TORKEL-GUNDEL PL858-20e MC VF 18
- 42 858 FDC GRANDY PL 858-21d MC VF 8
- 43 858 FDC GRANDY PL 858-22d HS VF 12
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- 45 WYNACO(1910-13) 1911 ON XMAS CRD. VF 40



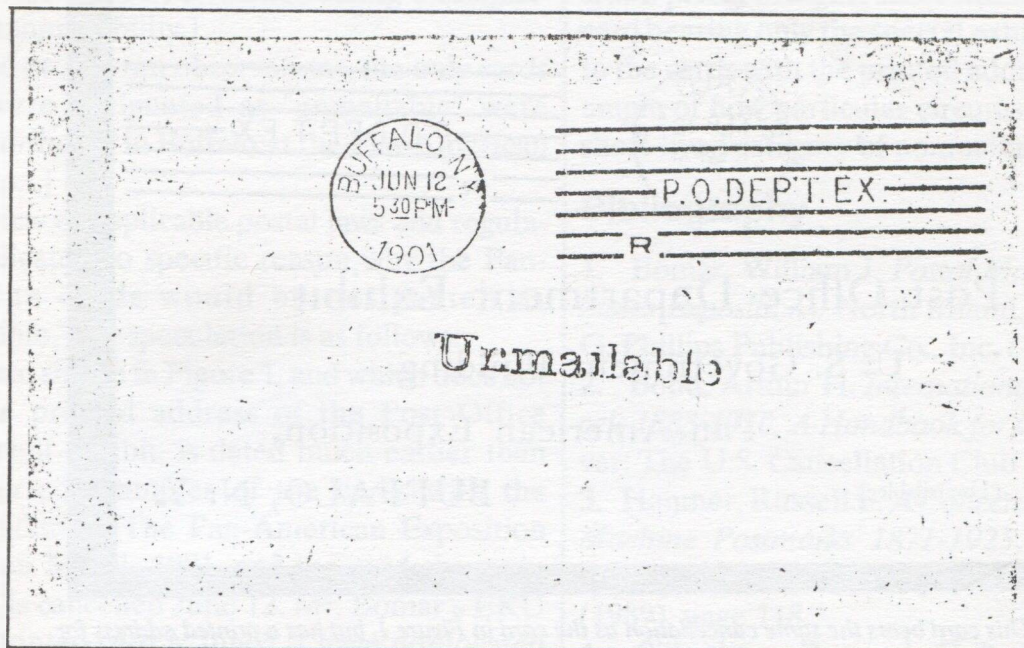


Figure 1. This thick card bears a straight-line "Unmailable" handstamp and a scarce International machine cancellation from the 1901 Pan-American Exposition. (Author's Collection)

## ASPECTS OF NONMAILABILITY

By James H. Patterson

### Part II: A Post Office Exhibition Card

The item is singularly unremarkable at first glance. It is a thick brown card with a mottled texture, much heavier than standard postal card stock; but the size of postal cards of the era, 130mm X 77mm. Figure 1.

It has two markings which call it to the collector's attention: a straight line "Unmailable", hand-stamped in magenta; and a rare International Postal Supply Co. machine cancellation from the 1901 Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, New York.

The cancellation is well-known, both in Pan American and machine cancellation literature. In his study, *United States Stamps, Series of 1901*, Bernard Silberberg discusses a similar item in his chapter about Pan-American cancellations:

*There was also an unmailable souvenir card issued by the Post Office Department Exhibit that*

*contained a special straight line machine cancellation.*

The cancellation and card described in Mr. Silberberg's book are shown as Figure 2. The Figure 2 card contains an identical cancellation - only dated later; and bears a printed address of the Post Office Department Exhibit in Buffalo. The designation of nonmailability is also printed and appears in much smaller print in parentheses in the lower left corner of the card.

Arthur H. Bond, in *International Machine Cancels 1888 to 1910, A Handbook for Collectors* describes the cancellation and the card as follows:

*This cancel was produced for visitors to the P.O. Department Exhibit at the Pan- American Exposition on souvenir cards with a printed note "Unmailable". The few examples recorded are dated July 5 to Sept. 24, 1901 and bear the service letter "R". These cards are rare.*

The statement by Mr. Bond that the designation of nonmailability is printed suggests that he





Figure 2. This card bears the same cancellation as the card in Figure 1, but has a printed address for the Post Office Department Exhibit, and a printed designation as "(Unmailable)." [Illustration from Bernard Silberberg's book, "United States Stamps, Series of 1901"]

had viewed a printed card similar to that shown in Figure 2.

In his book, *Postal Markings of United States Expositions*, William J. Bomar commented on the cancellation and card:

*An International machine cancel, containing the inscription "P.O. DEPT EX." within the center of the killer, consisting of 7 horizontal lines. Always seen with an "R" in the killer die space. These were applied only to souvenir cards handed out by the P.O.D. to visitors to the Department exhibit. The card was an "UNMAILABLE" item. I have never seen an example postally used. This was the first such P.O. Dept. Ex. handback sample, with similar ones known from St. Louis (1904) and Norfolk (1907).... I have recorded just over 20 examples.*

Mr. Bomar indicates that the earliest known use for the cards is July 2, 1901; and the latest known use was October 16, 1901.

James U. Smith, Jr., in his article, "Postal Markings of the Pan-American Exposition of 1901," contained in *The Congress Book* for 1962, also describes the marking and reproduces one of the pre-printed non-mailable cards; but the date in the cancellation cannot be determined from the illustration.

[In his section on the Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904, Mr. Bomar notes that a similar pre-printed "unmailable" souvenir card was distributed to visitors at that event. However, the only examples of the St. Louis cancellation I have seen (either pictured or in person) have been on souvenir cards with no designation of non-mailability, either handstamped or printed. the St. Louis souvenir cards I have observed do state the postage requirement (one cent domestic, two cent foreign) in a box in the upper right corner, suggesting that the cards could have been mailed if postage had been applied.

[With respect to the Jamestown Exposition of 1907, Mr. Bomar reported that the example he had seen was not on "the usual 'unmailable' hand-out card." The only example I have seen is a photograph of a card franked with a 1-cent Jamestown commemorative stamp, appearing to have been postally used, and bearing no indication of "unmailability."

[Mr. Bond also notes that a similar International cancellation was used at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in 1904 (with the service letter "C") and, at the Jamestown Exposition in 1907 (with a service letter "D"). Neither the St. Louis



nor the Norfolk cancellations and souvenir cards are described by Mr. Bond as bearing a designation of nonmailability.]

[Based on my own observations, the only cards which were designated as "unmailable" were those distributed in Buffalo at the Pan-American Exposition.]

A review of applicable postal laws and regulations indicates no specific reason why the Pan-American cards would be designated as "unmailable." My speculation is as follows:

The card shown in Figure 1, and which does not have the printed address of the Post Office Department exhibit, is dated much earlier than the reported examples of the cards with the printed address. The Pan-American Exposition opened on May 1, 1901, and the card shown in Figure 1 is cancelled June 12. Mr. Bomar's EKU for the printed card is July 2. I have not located any information suggesting when the Post Office Department Exhibit may have opened at the exposition, or when cancelling of cards as souvenirs for visitors may have commenced.

I speculate that plain (that is, unprinted) cards originally were used by employees of the Post Office Department, and were run through the canceler to receive a souvenir impression of the postmark and cancellation.

I would guess further that visitors took these cards, which were the same size as regular government penny postal cards, and treated them as such -- namely, they added addresses on the front side, messages on the back side, and attempted to mail them -- without adding postage.

Since it was not the intent of the Post Office Department to give visitors a free mailing privilege, postal employees soon began to stamp "Unmailable" on the face of the plain cards, so that no one would treat them as prepaid postal cards, or try to use them for that purpose. Sometime later, the Post Office Department prepared cards with a pre-printed address as a further safety device to keep the cards from being used, and the "unmailable" designation which previously had been hand-stamped, was also incorporated onto the front side of the card.

The card illustrated in Figure 1 would be a transition piece, bridging the evolution from a plain card bearing only the special exhibit cancellation, to the cards with the printed address -- an odd example of how particular circumstances created a short-lived category of nonmailable material.

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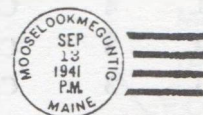
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# COLORADO POSTAL MARKINGS TO 1900

By Richard C. Frajola

## PITKIN COUNTY

### ASHCROFT

1.	4	CDS34	13 Jul 83	
2.	3	CDS27.5	12 Jul 92	target

### ASPEN

1.	4	CDS34	16 Nov 80	3 Nov 81	maltese cross	reg. receipt card/irreg. circle
2.	5	MAN	6 Feb 82	26 Mar 82	target	
3.	3	CDS18	18 May	22 Feb 83	target	
4.	2	CDS26	19 Sep 84	7 Jun 85	target	
5.	2	OCT27	4 Mar 85	29 May 85	neg. x	
6.	2	CDS28	18 Jun 85	4 May 86	neg. m,v,p,x	
7.	3	CDS27.5	23 Jul 87	2 Oct 87		
8.	2	CDS28	14 May 88	28 Nov 90	neg.a,x, target	
9.	4	REG42	29 Jan 89			
10.	2	CDS27.5	14 Jan 90		neg. x	
11.	2	CDS28	1 Jun 91	14 Feb 92		
12.	2	CDS29	30 Jun 92	7 Dec 95	oval grid	
13.	3	CDS30	11 Aug 94			reg. receipt card only
14.	4	REG34	3 Jan 96	10 Feb 96		
15.	2	CDS25	12 Dec 96	30 Jun 98	oval grid w/"1"	
16.	2	REG50	8 Jan 98		oval grid w/"1"	

CALCIUM (no reported examples)

CAREY (no reported examples)

CHIPETA (no reported examples)

CHLORIDE (no reported examples)

CURRAN (no reported examples)

DAVIES (no reported examples)

### EMMA

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2.	3	CDS27	18 Sep 97	1 Jan 98	
3.	3	CDS28	24 Mar 99	19 May 99	target

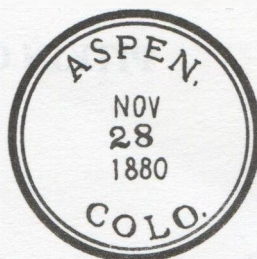




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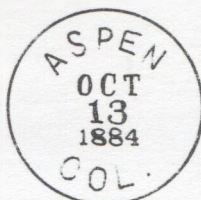
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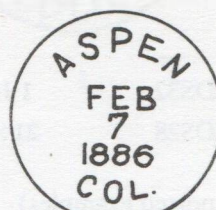
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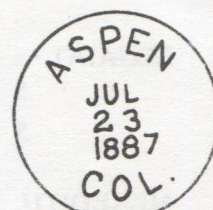
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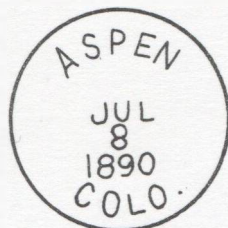
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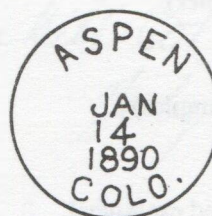
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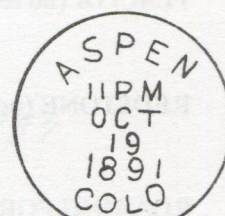
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Aspen, Colo.  
JAN 29 1889

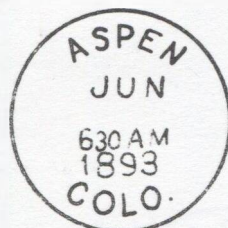
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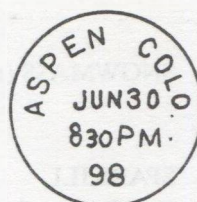
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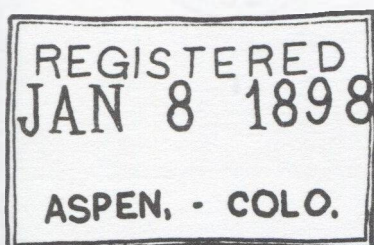
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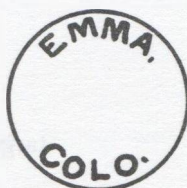
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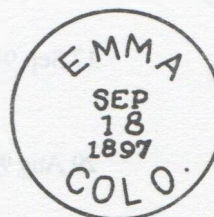
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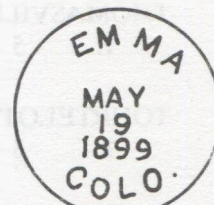
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## PITKIN COUNTY

FARWELL (no reported examples)

GULCH (no reported examples)

IVANHOE

1.	5	CDS28	4 Aug 89	target
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JANEWAY (no reported examples)

LENADO

1.	5	CDS32	1 Jun 91	target
2.	5	CDS28	21 Sep 91	target

MEREDITH (no reported examples)

NORRIE (no reported examples)

PLACITA (no reported examples)

REDSTONE (no reported examples)

ROARING FORK (no reported examples)

SELLAR (no reported examples)

SIDNEY (no reported examples)

SNOWMASS (no reported examples)

SPARKILL

1.	4	MAN	31 Jul 82	14 Oct 85
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SPRING GULCH (no reported examples)

THOMASVILLE

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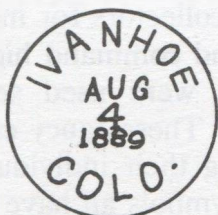
TOURTELOTTE

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WATSON

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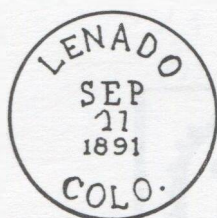




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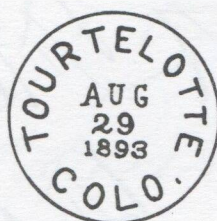
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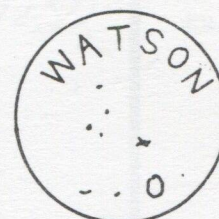
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## The St. Louis "Sun Face" Cancels

Fancy cancels have captured the imagination of collectors such as the Waterbury "running chicken" and the "running horse" are little more than broken blobs. Early examples were used as postmarkers while later examples were used as postmarkers. These fancy cancels were often carved from corks by clerks who were given their own individual affiliations. Animals, geometric patterns, and other devices, being made of soft cork, wore out and were replaced or recarved.

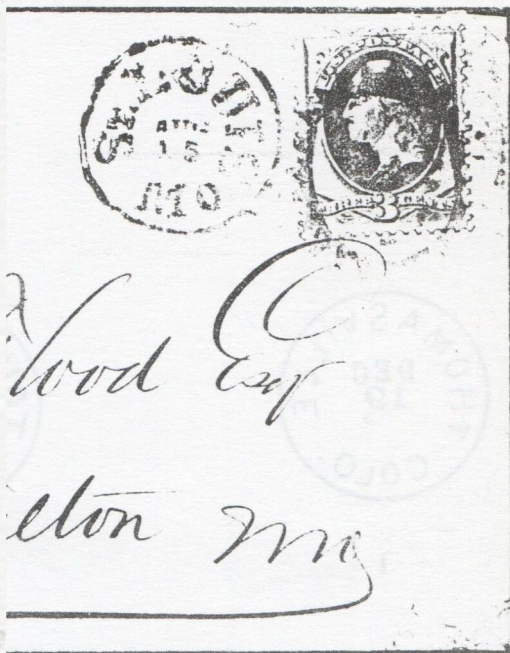
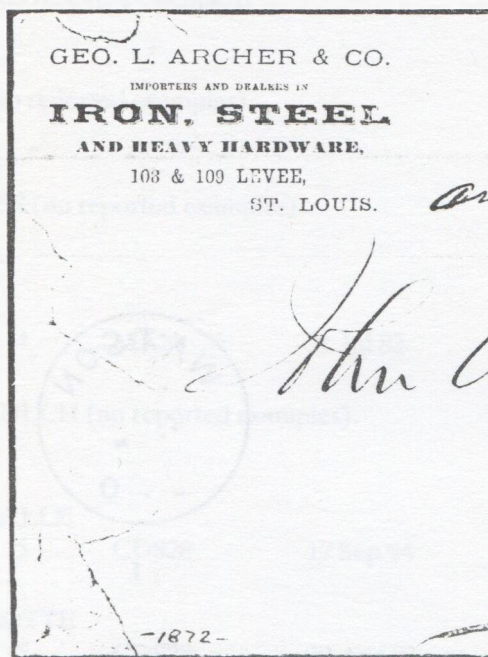
St. Louis, like other cities producing fancy cancels, has produced many numerals, letters and patterns are all found. St. Louis are the "sun face" cancels from the late 19th century. Two types have been reported from St. Louis, while undated examples appear to be from the early 1870s. Those who would be interested in hearing from collectors should order to determine the dates of usage. Write to: P. O. Box 28961, St. Louis, MO 63132.

by Dave Semsrott and Bob Schultz

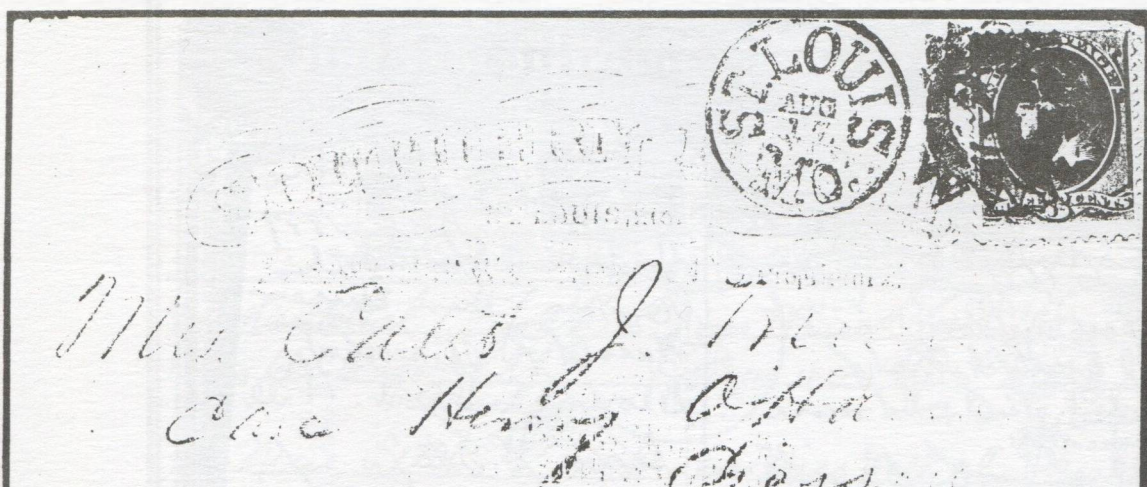
of collectors for many years. Some, however, command high prices. Others are used separately from the postmark. These fancy cancels were often carved from corks by clerks who were given their own individual affiliations. Animals, geometric patterns, and other devices, being made of soft cork, wore out and were replaced or recarved.

Examples of fancy cancels. Geometrics, particularly a striking style from Saint Louis. Four types of sun faces are known. (determined from internal dating) and two from 1875. Examples are shown below. We can date any of these markings in a note to Bob Schultz at P. O. Box

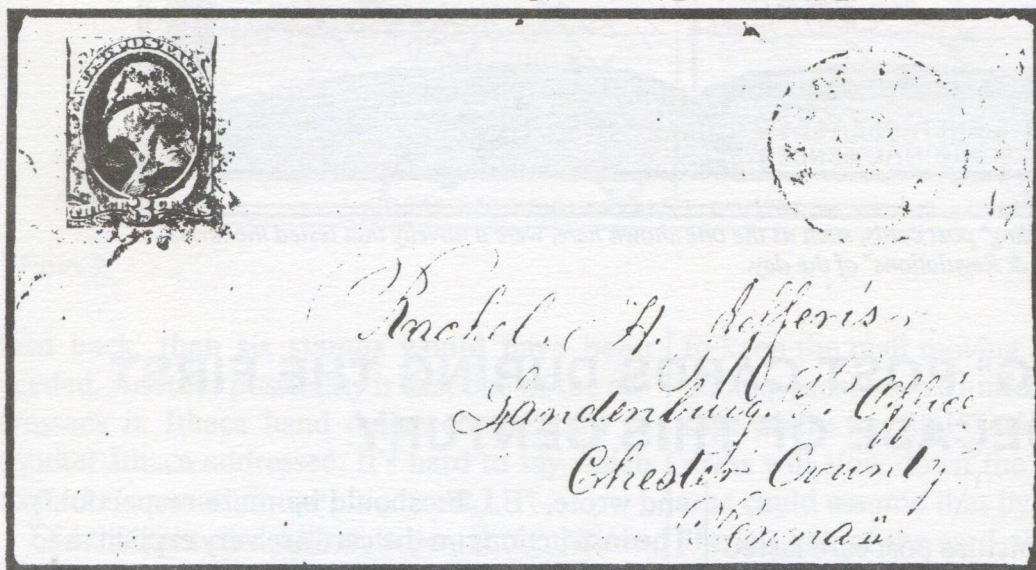
Large Sun Face - 1875



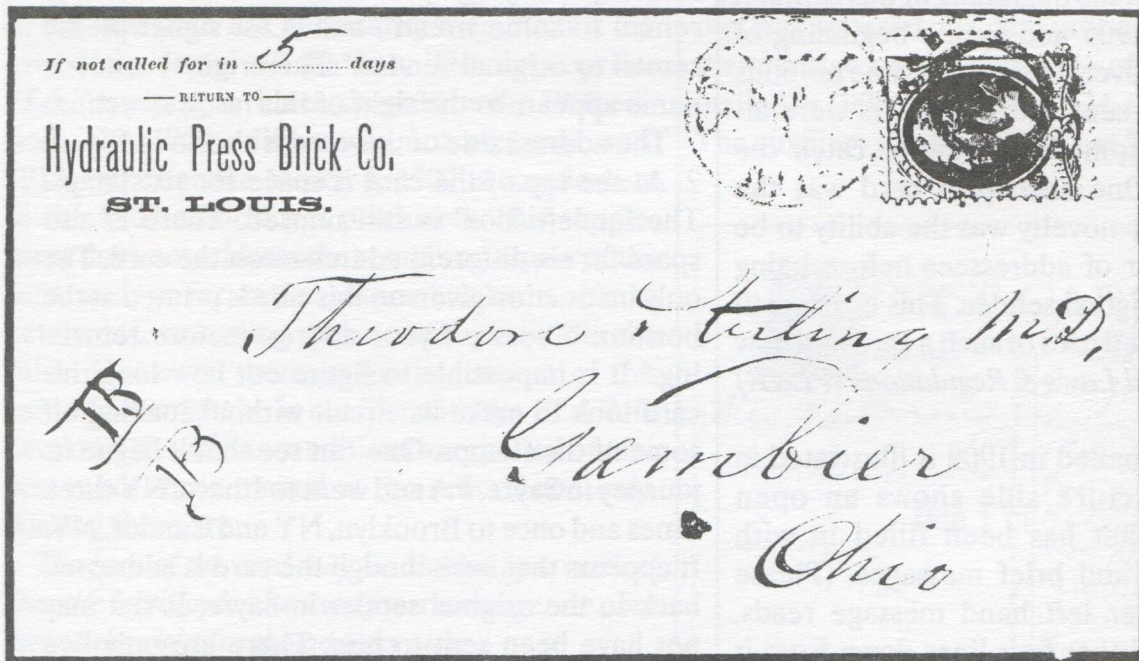




Heavy  
Sun Face  
with  
Eye Brows  
1872



Sun Face  
ca. 1875



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ca. 1875



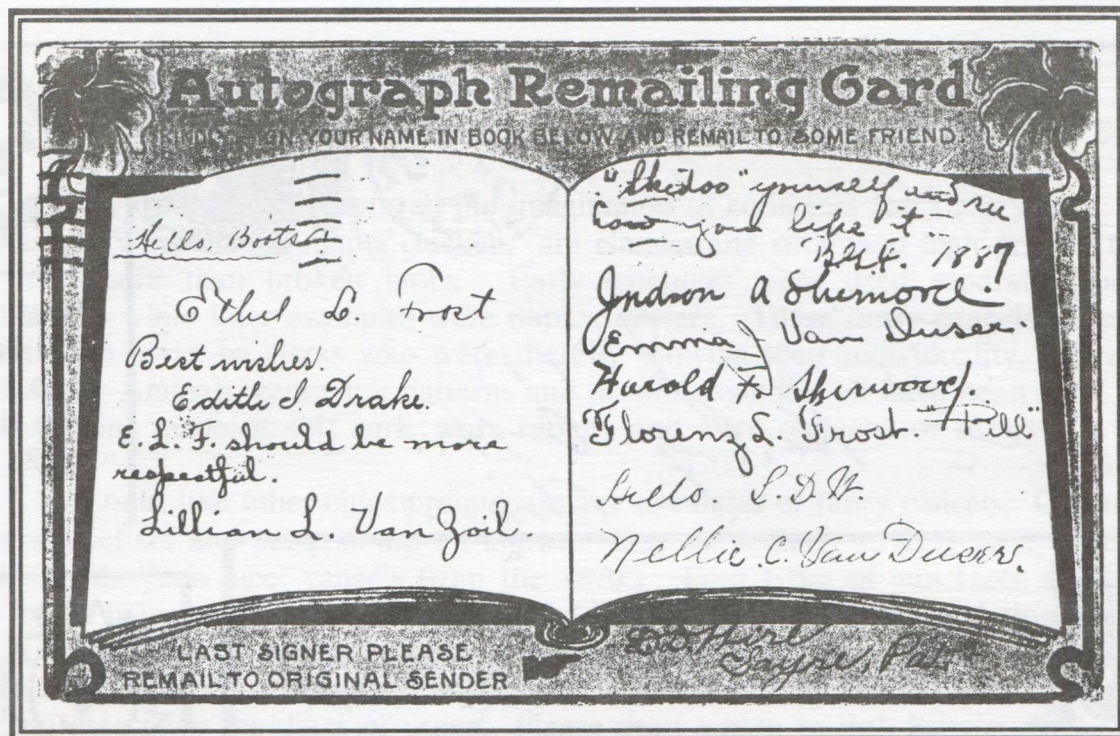


Figure 1. "Remailing" post cards, such as the one shown here, were a novelty that tested the limits of the "Postal Laws & Regulations" of the day.

## "REMAILING" POST CARDS DURING THE FIRST DECADE OF THIS CENTURY

By Randy Stehle

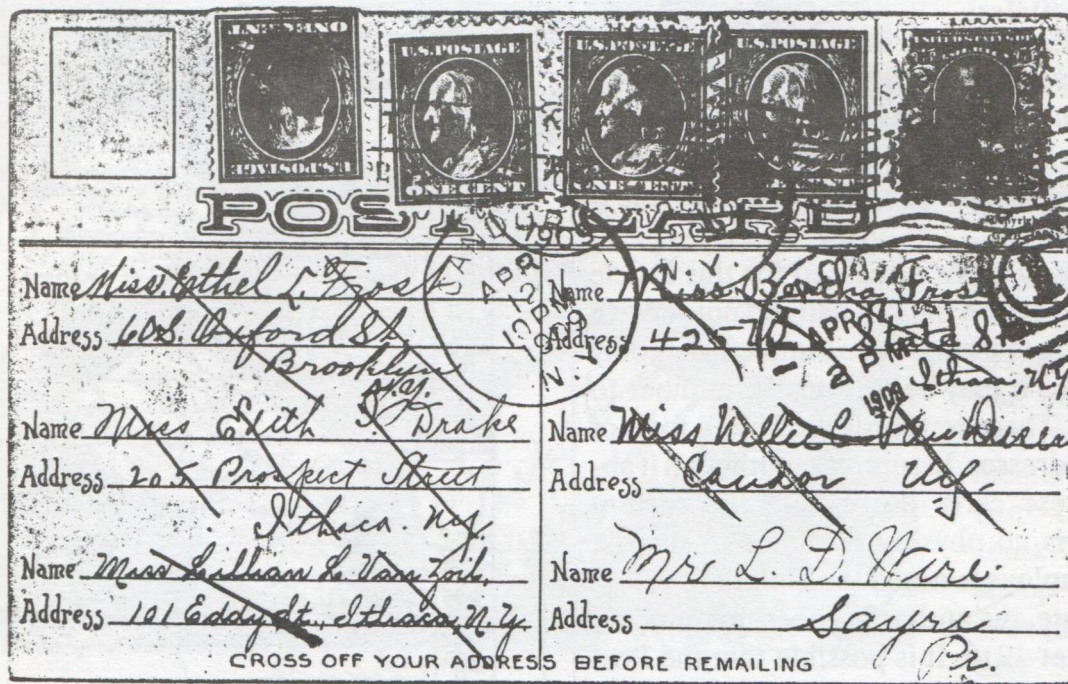
The Golden Age of the picture post card lasted less than ten years at the beginning of this century. It started around 1905 and by the beginning of World War I it was over. During this time millions of post cards were sent and publishers were always looking for something new to catch the consumer's eye. One such post card was the "remailing" card. Its novelty was the ability to be resent to a number of addressees before being sent back to the original sender. This article will examine the intended uses of such a card and how it fits into the *Postal Laws & Regulations (PL&R)* of the time.

A typical card mailed in 1909 is illustrated in Figure 1. The picture side shows an open autograph book that has been filled in with various signatures and brief messages. (Please note that the upper left hand message reads, "Hello, Boots!" and that four lines down from it another signer took exception to such language

and wrote, "E.L.F. should be more respectful.") The instructions on the card are very explicit as to its use: "Kindly sign your name in book below and remail to some friend", and "Last signer please remail to original sender." The original sender's name appears to the right of this last instruction.

The address side of this card is shown in Figure 2. At the top of the card is space for six stamps. The far left "box" is still unused. There is also space for six different addresses on the card. The only instruction given on this side is printed at the bottom: "Cross off your address before remailing." It is impossible to figure out how long this card took to make its circuit without soaking off some of the stamps. One can see that it began its journey in Sayre, PA and went to Ithaca, NY three times and once to Brooklyn, NY and Candor, NY. It appears that even though the card is addressed back to the original sender in Sayre, PA, it may not have been sent to him. There are only five stamps on this card. If the original sender got the





**Figure 2**

card back, then six stamps would have been needed. Another possibility is that one of the addressees in Ithaca hand delivered the card to another Ithaca addressee. It's hard to say which scenario (or another one) is correct.

Did this post card adhere to postal regulations then in effect? There are no auxiliary markings on it, but that does not necessarily mean that it followed the letter of the law. The appropriate *PL&R* applying to this card would be the 1902 edition. The 1902 edition was not replaced until 1913, but effective March 4, 1907, a supplement to the 1902 edition was produced. This supplement does not address the remaining aspect of the card, and, as far as the author has been able to determine, remaining such as this was within the rules. However, there is another aspect of this card which might be in conflict with the *PL&R*. In Section 418, various conditions are spelled out for post cards to be mailed at the rate of one cent. Among these are:

*The face of the card may be divided by a vertical line; the left hand to be used for a message, etc., but that to the right for the address only.*

What this means is that one can not put a message on the right half of the address side. In order

to keep the mail moving in a timely fashion, the address must be in a uniform place. To put a message where a postal clerk expects to see the address will slow down the process. By extension, one could assume that by putting the address on the left half of the card, the sender is also violating the same rule. Figure 3 illustrates a post card that was assessed one cent postage due for having the message on the right side of the card. It was mailed in 1908 from Tahoe, CA to San Francisco. The auxiliary marking "Due 1 ct." was applied and

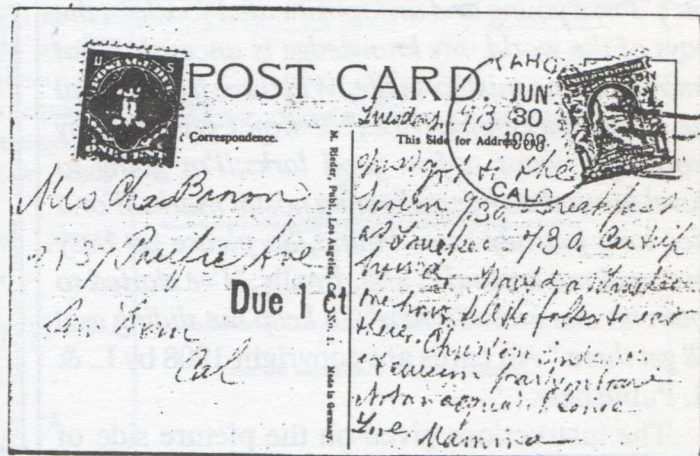


Figure 3



the postage due collected as evidenced by the due stamp affixed to it.

The same PL&R states in Section 418 (4):

*Cards which do not conform to the prescribed conditions shall be charged with postage according to the character of the message - at the letter rate if wholly or partly in writing, or the third class rate if entirely in print.*

The remailed cards examined for this article that had addresses on the left half did not receive any postage due markings. The sample size is only ten however, so it may be too small a number to be significant. These ten cards did have a total of 19 left-side addresses. In summary, although it appears that these cards did violate the current PL&R, there is no physical evidence to suggest that postal employees noted the violation.

As a side note, the author has seen no remailed cards used after 1910. It is possible that the Post Office Department (POD) discouraged or outlawed their use. Anyone possessing a card used after 1910 is urged to send a copy to the author at the address given at the end of the article.

The most commonly seen remailing card is shown in Figure 4. Instead of simply an autograph card, this one allows space for up to four lines of verbiage. It could be sent to three people and then back to the original sender. Several different variations of this card are known to exist, and the opening lines are the easiest way to tell them apart. The card shown in Figure 4 has the longest opening line. Other varieties seen read: "Here I start, now it's up to you, / Please get busy and see me through."; "This is the way that gossip grows / Bit by bit."; "I'm a young and unsophisticated youth / In the ways of the world, my knowledge is uncouth. / That I may make no mistep in life, / Will three friends mail me a sage piece / of advice.;" "I won't get home by morning, / I want a few good larks; / I'm going to travel around awhile / collecting postal marks. / For a nice long journey I am bound, / So please get busy and send me around.;" and, finally, "I've started to roam no one knows where, / So keep me sliding and I'll get there." All cards are copyright 1908 by L. & G. Publishers.

The instructions given on the picture side of the card are quite explicit: "Draw a line through

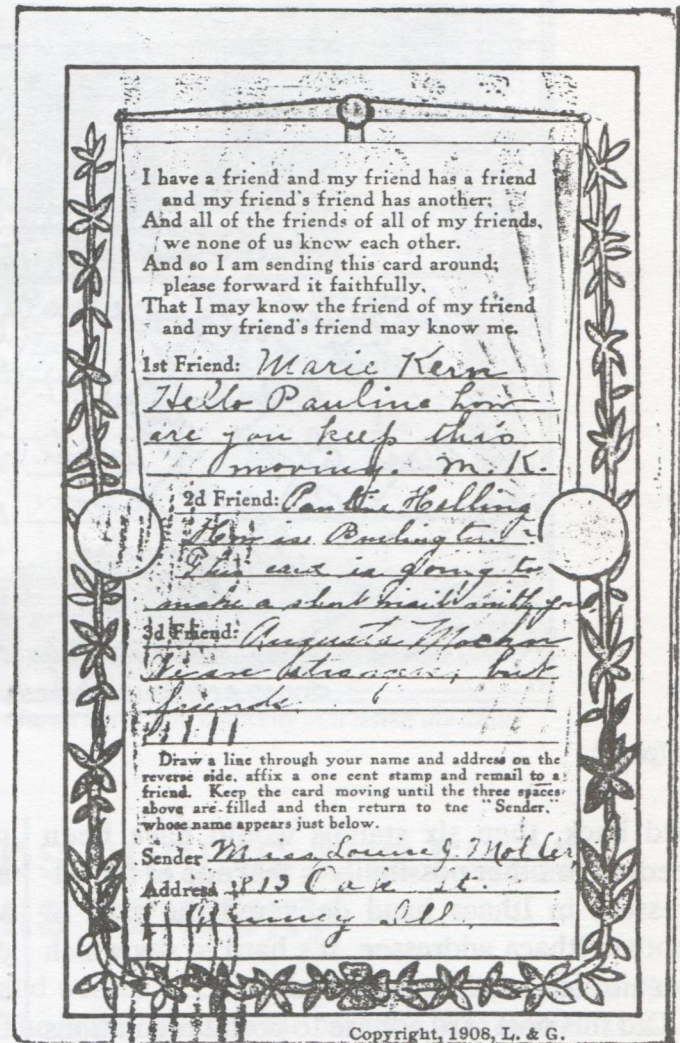


Figure 4

your name and address on the reverse side, affix a one cent stamp and remail to a friend. Keep the card moving until the three above are filled and

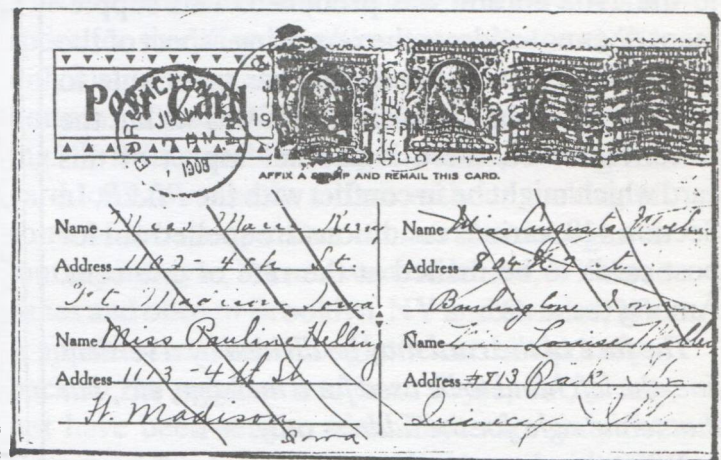


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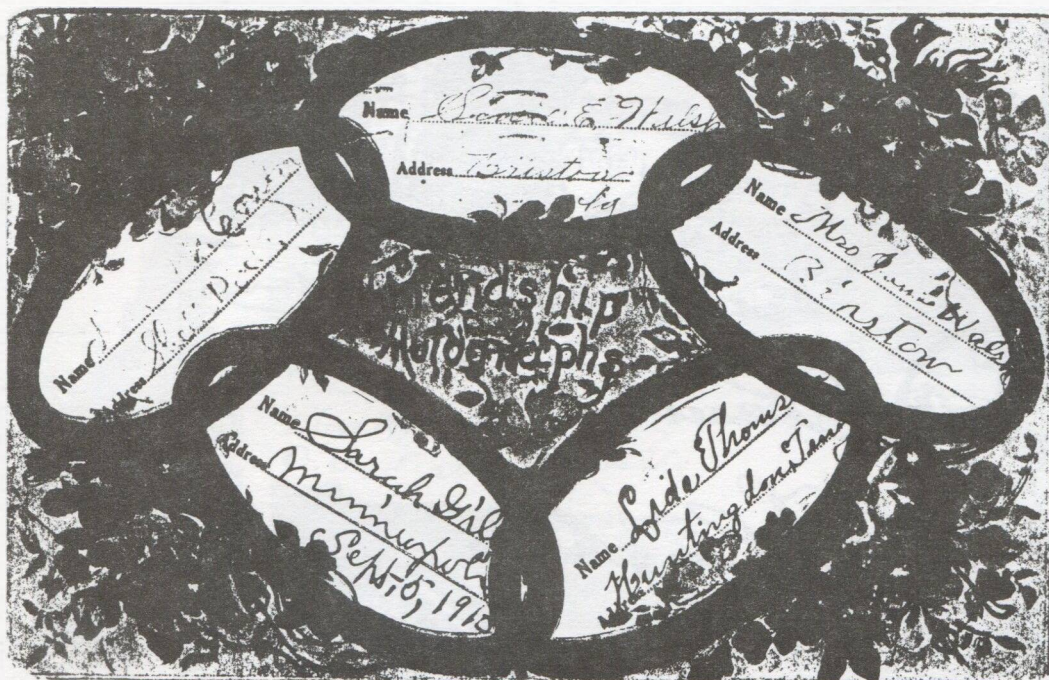


Figure 6

then return to the Sender, whose name appears just below."

The address side of this card is shown in Figure 5. It has the same general layout as the card illustrated in Figure 2, except that it only has space for four stamps and addresses.

Another variation on the autograph remailing card is shown in Figure 6. This design only provides space for a name and address. In this case the five links design allows space for five different addresses not including the sender. This means that the card was intended to be sent six times.

The method of sending this card was quite different than that used to

send the cards previously discussed. Figure 7 shows the address side of this card and there are two major differences evident. First, there is only one "box" for stamps as opposed to the four or six shown earlier. This means that when the card was remailed a new stamp was placed over the canceled one. Second, there is only one place for an ad-

dress and this is on the right side of the card thus adhering to postal regulations. This method of re-addressing used the quite novel approach of attaching five little sheets of paper to the card with a staple and a bit of glue. The sheets were actually one long sheet folded accordion style into five sections. The instructions say it all: "Tear off top

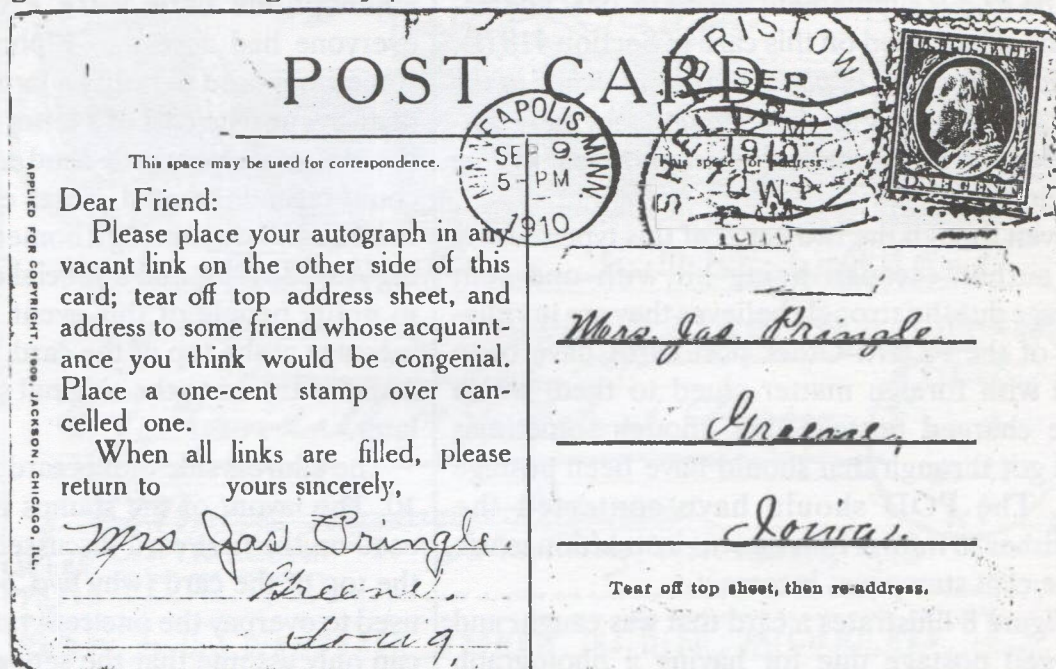


Figure 7





Figure 8

sheet, then re-address." When the last (fifth) sheet was torn off, the original sender's address could be written directly on the card. It's curious that the card bears no indication of being copyrighted. The author has seen only two examples of this card. The other example was used in late 1909.

The *PL&R* supplement issued in 1907 addresses the sheets used on this card in Section 418 (f):

*Very thin sheets of paper may be attached to the card, and then only on the condition that they completely adhere thereto. Such sheets may bear writing and printing.*

Even though the two cards of this type seen by the author escaped being hit with one cent postage due, he strongly believes they are in violation of the *PL&R*. Other post cards have been seen with foreign matter glued to them which were charged postage due, though sometimes mail got through that should have been postage due. The POD should have contacted the publisher to inform him that his instruction to use a one cent stamp was incorrect.

Figure 8 illustrates a card that was caught and charged postage due for having a photograph pasted on the address side. The card was charged

the letter rate of two cents, which explains the marking "This is the letter for which/you sent postage."

The final example of a remailing card is shown in Figure 9. Unlike the other cards which were for gathering autographs or short messages, this card served a more utilitarian purpose. Back in 1909 when phone calls were expensive and not everyone had access to a phone, the mail was sometimes used to notify a large group of people of an event. The cost of a letter was two cents, but it only cost a penny to send a post card. If one could resend the card, it was even cheaper. Milwaukee, WI was having a homecoming commencing Aug. 3, 1909, and a special card was prepared to notify people of this event. According to the message at the top of the card, it was mailed July 2 and returned to the original sender just 12 days later.

The address side of this card is shown in Figure 10. The layout of the stamps is identical to that used on the first card discussed -- six in a row at the top of the card (why two 2-cent stamps were used to overpay the one cent rate is a puzzle. One can only assume that the sender was out of one-cent stamps or was ignorant of the postage rates).



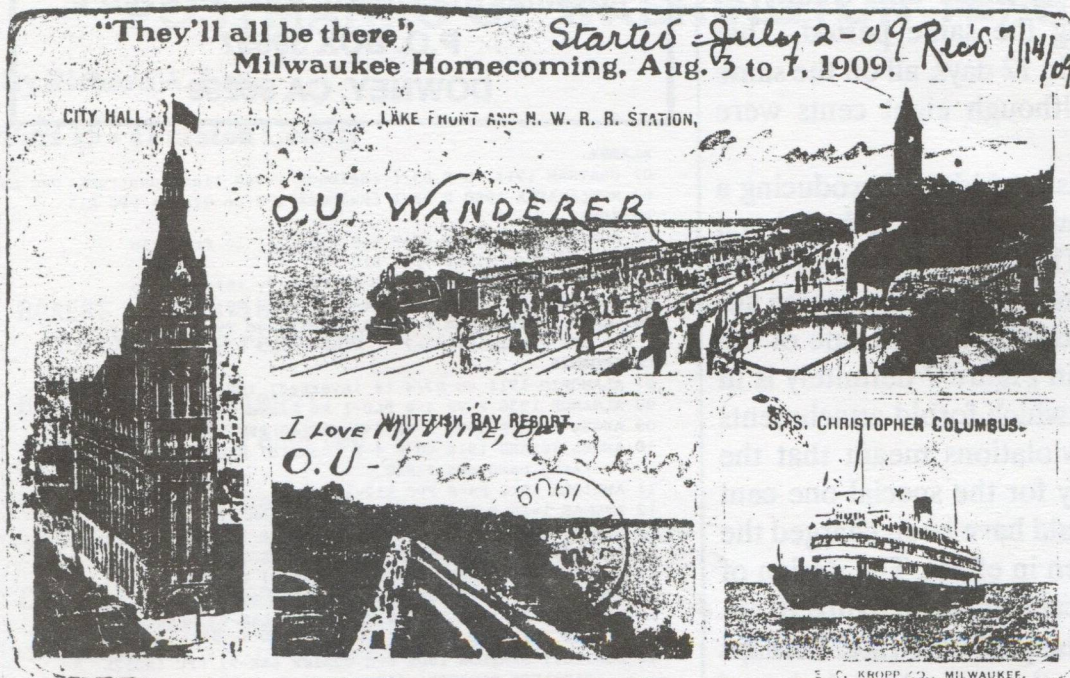


Figure 9

The area for the address is six straight lines that run across the entire card. There are no printed instructions pertaining to returning the card to the original sender. Perhaps a homecoming announcement did not need to travel full circle, unless the original sender were keeping tabs on who was contacted. By using a post card that went helter-skelter from one person to another there is no guarantee that everyone who should be notified will be. Some people may get more than one of these cards as there does not seem to be a way of notifying people in an orderly fashion. Also, there is no indication if the people contacted will attend the event. The

original sender improvised a "return to sender" instruction at the bottom of the card. The printed instruction is self-explanatory: "Do this for Milwaukee, Cross out your name and on the line below it, write the name and address of someone outside of Milwaukee, who you desire to attend the

homecoming. Place a one cent stamp in space next to last stamp. DO IT NOW."

What is truly remarkable about this card is that it not only went to six people in 12 days (at addresses in Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin), but that it also chased the second addressee -- Miss Lamp

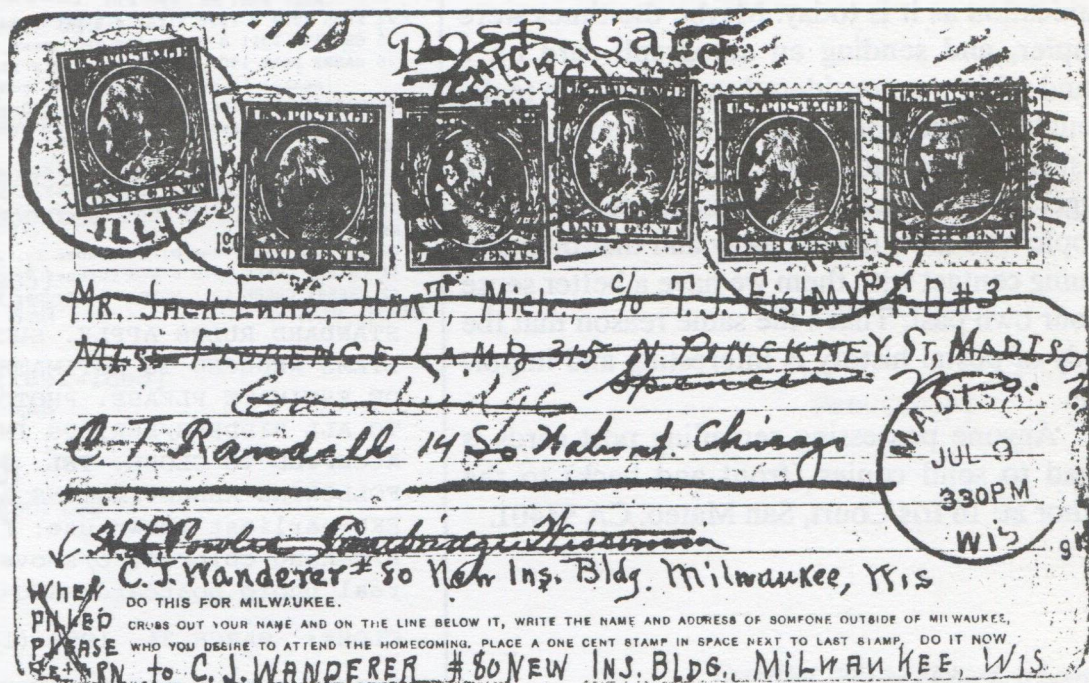


Figure 10



-- from Madison to Spencer and finally to Cambridge, WI during the same period. That makes eight addresses in 12 days, all on the same card, for six cents (although eight cents were used).

The post card publishers' idea of producing a card that could be remailed appears to have been a short-lived novelty. The cards shown in Figure 2 and 5 appear to violate the *PL&R* by having addresses incorrectly placed on the left side of the card. The card shown in Figure 7 definitely is in violation of the *PL&R* which forbid attachments to post cards. These violations meant that the cards would not qualify for the special one cent post card rate, and should have been charged the two cent letter rate then in effect. The design of the address side of the card shown in figure 10 appears to qualify it for the post card rate. Perhaps production of the cards that were in violation of the *PL&R* was halted by POD pressure to carry notice that they required two cents postage. An additional penny postage may have been enough to make them unattractive to consumers of eight decades ago. This is all speculative, of course, but there is another lesson that can be learned from these cards.

They remind us that it was just as important eighty years ago to maintain the line of communication as it is today. Maybe the times were simpler, and sending an autograph card on a round robin was considered something fun to do. It might be considered old-fashioned nowadays to do such a thing, but we must not lose sight of the bigger picture: that we are connected to many people who have moved away and that by maintaining contact with them we have a better sense of our own past. That's the same reason that the study of postal history is interesting and important.

Anyone possessing remailing post cards is urged to send copies (front and back) to the author at: 16 Iris Court, San Mateo, CA 94401.

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### ALASKA

- 01 CHATHAM 1911 VG-F D3/1 (Helbeck 1-#&2 lines unstruck) PPC E90
- 02 METLAKATLA 1980 F D2/1 (Helbeck 1-# on stamp) PPC E15

### ARIZONA

- 03 ADAMANA 1920's(?) VG-F 4-B (Ty.C/1) 1c Franklin PPC (h/c Albertype) E10
- 04 CAMP VERDE 1911 VG-F 4-B (Kriege Ty.16) PPC E15
- 05 DOUGLAS 1907 F-VF rec'd mk PPC #328 E9
- 06 GRAND CANYON 1908 F-VF D3/11 (Kriege Ty.4-# on stamp) PPC (Detroit) E5-7

### CALIFORNIA

- 07 ALAMORIO 1911 VG D3/4 (# inverted) IMP-1 PPC E20-25
- 08 ALMANOR 1936 F-VF 4-B PLU-1 RP (lake) E8
- 09 ANGEL ISLAND 1911 F-VF 4-B MRN-40 PPC E9
- 10 ANGEL ISLAND 1918 VG-F 4-B (nonstd.) MRN-60 PPC (trng camp mess) E10
- 11 ANGIOLA 1910 F4-B PPC E12-15
- 12 AROMAS 1915 F-VF 4-B SAB-20 PPC Open/STU E5
- 13 ARROWHEAD SPRINGS 1909 F-VF 4-B SBE-135 (new EKU?) PPC E5-7
- 14 ARROWHEAD SPRINGS 1909 F-VF 4-B SBE-135 PPC E5-7
- 15 ARTESIA 1911 F-VF D3/1 (# on stamp) LOS-250 PPC E5
- 16 BANGOR 1908 VG-F cds w/cork killer PPC Open/STU E5-7
- 17 BARTLETT SPRINGS 1907 G-VG duplex LAK-93 LAKEPORT rec. mk. PPC E10
- 18 BARTLETT SPRINGS 1909 F-G duplex LAK-93 PPC (HOTEL BARTLETT SPRINGS) E15
- 19 BAY CITY 1909 F D2/1 (#on stamp) ORA-165 PPC E10
- 20 BEN HUR 1906 VF-XF D2/1 MAR-114 (new EKU?) PPC E15
- 21 BIG BASIN 1950 VF 4-B PPC E5
- 22 BLAKE 1909 F 4B SBE-370 PPC (STAGE COACH NEAR NEEDLES) E25
- 23 BLUE CANYON 1912 F 4-B PLA-301 PPC (BEV Reno) E12-15
- 24 BOSTONIA 1905 F(lite) purple D2/3 rec. mk. SAN-325 PPC E5
- 25 BRADLEY 1917 VF 4-B MOT-180 PPC Open/STU E5
- 26 BRENTWOOD 1908(?) F D/? PPC Open/STU E5
- 27 BROOKDALE 1907 F-VF 4-B SCR-245 PPC Open/STU E5
- 28 BYRON 1908 VG D2/? PPC Open/STU E5
- 29 BYRON HOT SPRINGS 1917 G-VG duplex PPC (hotel & gardens) E5-7
- 30 CAJON 1912 G-VG D2/2 (# on stamp/killer bars indistinct) PPC (highway "wreck" described) E5-7
- 31 SOUTH BERKELEY STATION 1911 VF WPPE f.c. ALA-261 PPC E5-7

### COLORADO

- 32 BUFORD 1908 F-VF cds w/target RP (deer/79x56 mm image) E8-10
- 33 BYERS 1913 VG-F nonstd. (Stehle Ty.A.1) cancel w/ o/s WOLF CREEK rec. mk. PPC E20
- 34 EADS 1907 F (bit lite) 4-B PPC Open/STU E5
- 35 GRANITE 1911 G-VG duplex PPC (town view) E8-10
- 36 HAHNS PEAK 190? F 4-B (year date partially unstruck) RP (peak?) 1c postage due (J15) added later E15
- 37 HARGISVILLE 1909 F-VF 4-B PPC ("Greetings from Hargisville, Colo.") Message inscribed at Midway, Colo E30

### MONTANA

- 38 HUNTERS HOT SPRINGS 1908 G-VG cds w/smudge killer PPC (Lower Hotel...) E15
- 39 LAKE McDONALD 1936 F-VF 4-B 1c Franklin PPC E5

### NEVADA

- 40 BAUVARD 1908 VG-F D3/6 (Gruber Ty. 2-# unclear) PPC E12
- 41 CHERRY CREEK 1910 G 4-B (Gruber Ty. 6) PPC E10
- 42 CHERRY CREEK 1911 VG-F 4-B (Gruber Ty. 7) PPC E12

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By Richard A. Long

## Part 15 - Thurston County

BAKERS (1858-1863)

No examples reported

BEAVER (1859-1883)

No examples reported

BUCODA (1888-open)

1. 1 CDS27.5 28 Jul 1889

COAL BANK (1860-1873)

No examples reported

COINMO (1888-1893)

No examples reported

FORT STEVENS (1857-1858)

No examples reported

GRAND MOUND (1854-1874, 1879-1955)

1.	2	MAN	4 Apr 1856	3 Sep 1867	
2.	6	CDS28	27 Nov 1883	27 Apr 1886	
3.	2	MAN	9 Nov 1886	31 Jul 1888	Postmark

ILKUMEEEN (1858-1860)

No examples reported

KEY (1878-1880)

No examples reported

LITTLE ROCK (1879-1891, 1892-1895)

No examples reported

MEADOW (1880-1905)

1. 1 MAN 5 Nov 1889 Manuscript

MIAMA PRAIRIE (1861-1868)

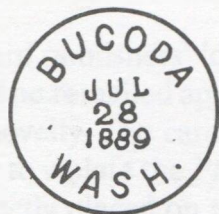
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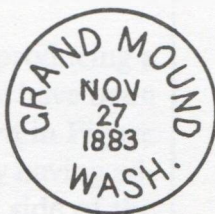
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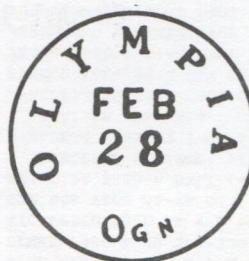
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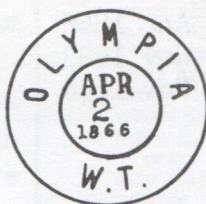


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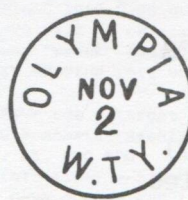


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*March 1*



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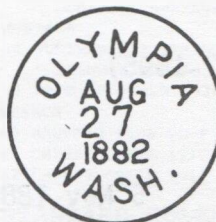
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*July 6, 1852*

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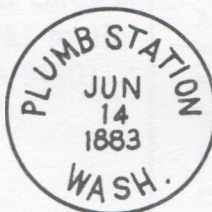
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OLYMPIA, WASH.

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*Plumb Station Wash.*  
*July 13 - 1881*

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## OLYMPIA (1850-open)

1.	5	MAN	19 Sep 1851	1 Mar 1853	Manuscript
2.	15	CDS32	28 Feb 1852	1860	Postmark
3.	12	CDS32	May 1858	21 Jun 1862	Postmark
4.	10	CDS26	10 Mar 1862	Apr 1866	10, Pmk, Grid
5.	21	CDS24	28 Aug 1867	18 May 1871	Cork, Pmk
6.	22	CDS25	16 Oct 1872	1879	Circle Wedges
7.	10	CDS27.5	Feb 1881	21 Apr 1884	Cork
8.	1	REG	9 Jan 1886		
9.	15	CDS27.5	9 Apr 1886	21 Jun 1889	Cork, Pmk
10.	8	REG	30 Jun 1886	18 Nov 1887	

## PLUMB STATION (1879-1885)

1.	1	MAN	13 Jul 1881		
2.	1	CDS27	14 Jun 1883		Target

## SCATES CREEK (1854-1857)

No examples reported

## SCATTER CREEK (1857-1860)

1.	1	MAN	11 Mar 1859		
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## SEATCO (1870-1873, 1883-1888)

1.	1	CDS34	27 Sep 1885		Manuscript
2.	1	CDS27	14 Jan 1887		Cork

## TANALQUOT (1870-1876)

No examples reported

## TENINO (1873-open)

1.	4	CDS24	7 Sep 1882		
2.	5	CDS27	10 Nov 1882	6 Jun 1888	Target
3.	1	CDS25	24 May 1885		
4.	1	CDS27.5	29 Jun 1889		

## TUMWATER (1863-1960)

1.	1 or 2	CDS26.5	25 May		Manuscript
2.	1 or 2	CDS26.5	1874		Cork
3.	3	CDS25.5	2 Aug 1879	5 Jan 1880	
4.	1	CDS28.5	31 Dec 1883		Target
5.	5	CDS30	20 Jul 1884	15 Aug 1889	Star in Circle

## YELM (1858-open)

1.	1	MAN	28 Feb 1871		
2.	2	CDS25	6 Feb 1878	12 Oct 1883	Manuscript
3.	2	CDS31.5	19 May 1884	1 Aug 1884	Star
4.	1	CDS25.5	Oct 1885		Manuscript



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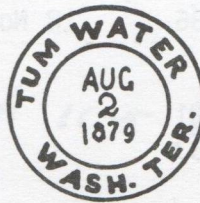
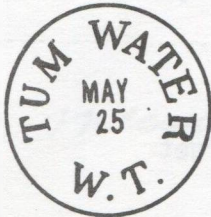
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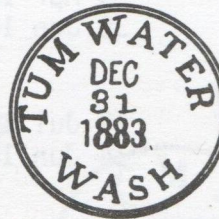
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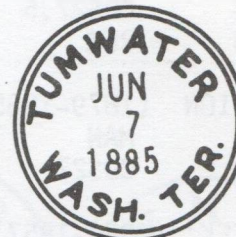
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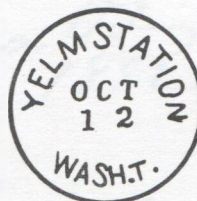
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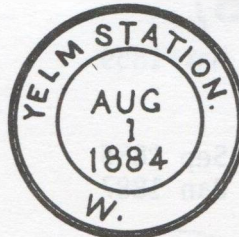
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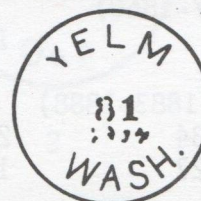
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BUCODA 1 is unique, a clear marking on a government postcard.

GRAND MOUND 1, the manuscript from the early period, is known in 2 collections.

GRAND MOUND 2 is scarce, with just 6 reported; 3 are from one collection.

GRAND MOUND 3 is the rare manuscript from the second period of the office.

Two are reported in collections; the illustrated one is on a 2¢ envelope.

MEADOW 1 is a unique manuscript marking.

MIAMA PRAIRIE 1 is a unique manuscript marking on a cover from the Guy Ramsey collection sold by McBride's December 1980 for \$176. Catalog says "no date".

OLYMPIA 1 is the Oregon Territory manuscript, a rare and popular item. We show three of the five reported markings - are these all authentic?

OLYMPIA 2 is known in 15 examples, the rare "OGN" balloon marking.

OLYMPIA 3 is the "WT" version of the Olympia balloon; 12 reported to date.

OLYMPIA 4 is the double-circle marking of the mid-1860's; 10 reported.

OLYMPIA 5 is common, with 21 reported. It and #6 are seen in many collections.

OLYMPIA 6 is the other common one, with 22 reported to date.

OLYMPIA 7 is not so common, with 10 examples known to date. An octagonal marking from the same period appears to have been used only as a receiving mark.

OLYMPIA 8 is unique, reported in a September 1985 Siegel auction catalog as a boxed registered marking.

OLYMPIA 9 is the common later marking, with 15 known to date. A handwritten article from a collector states that it was in use from 1884.

OLYMPIA 10 is a fairly common 3-line straightline registered marking.

PLUMB STATION 1 is a unique manuscript marking in an Oregon collection.

PLUMB STATION 2 is a unique cds sold in an Antique Paper Guild auction Oct 1990.

SCATTER CREEK 1 is a unique manuscript marking in a California collection.

SEATCO 1 is a unique balloon marking with a manuscript date.

SEATCO 2 is also unique, and it also has a manuscript date.

TENINO 1 is a very scarce, attractive little marking; 4 are known.

TENINO 2 is scarce, with 5 reported.

TENINO 3 is reported only in Chase-Cabeen, in the Darlington collection. It is given as 1885, but it certainly appears to be an earlier-style marking.

TENINO 4 is a receiving mark that was used at least once as a sending mark.

TUMWATER 1 appears the same as #2 but for style of date. My records show one each of these two, with a third reported but date style unconfirmed.

TUMWATER 2 - see remarks for #1.

TUMWATER 3 is known in 3 collections; 2 are reported in magenta.

TUMWATER 4 is unique, in a Washington collection.

TUMWATER 5 is known in 5 collections; at least 2 are used as receiving marks.

YELM 1 is a unique manuscript marking.

YELM 2 is known in 2 collections; it is the first of 2 "YELM STATION" markings.

YELM 3, the second YELM STATION marking, is also known in 2 collections.

YELM 4 is unique; date on back of railroad Gov't postcard is 14 Oct 1885.

NOTE: The word "unique" has been used in recent years to mean "unusual", or even "interesting". I do not use the word in this sense; to me it means "one-of-a-kind", the original meaning that I learned years ago.



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- 014. NORTHPORT CAMPGROUND, 8-8-06 Doane on PPC, office open 1878-1907. \$4.00
- 015. NOTCH, 8-24-10 on PPC, Notch slightly off card, office open 1882-1913. \$3.00
- 016. PARK, 8-17-06 Doane on PPC, office open 1896-1914, a beauty! \$6.00
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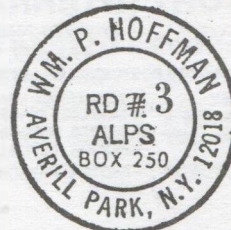
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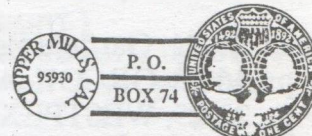
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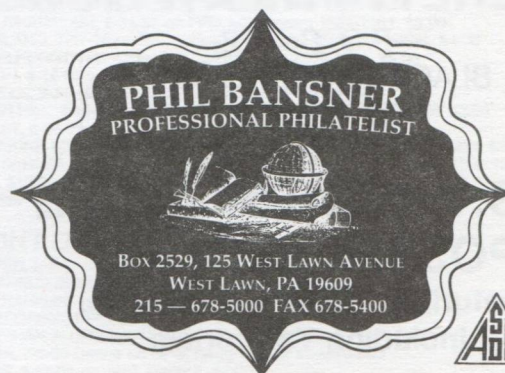
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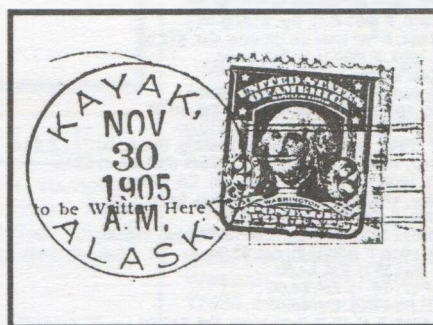
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6. CHI & FREEPORT, 1909, F (890-J-1). Est. \$4.00
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9. CHI & W.LIB/DAY, 1890, F (702-P-2); UX card. Est. \$4.00
10. CLEVE & PITTS/N.L., 1885, F on cvr. Est. \$10.00
11. DOWNING & LANGAS, 1912, VG (187-C-1) on cvr. Est. \$4.00
12. DENVER & FT. WORTH, 1893, VG (958-K-1) cvr; some ltrs weak. Est. \$5.00
13. DENVER & GRAND JUNC., 1907, G (951-K-1); 40% rim missing. Est. \$5.00
14. DENVER & GR. JUNCT., 1908, VF (953-M-1). Est. \$10.00
15. DENVER & GRAND JCT., 1919, F (953-Q-1). Est. \$5.00
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21. ELAND & MERRILLAN, 1916, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$5.00
22. FAIRCHILD & MONDOVI, 1912, F (834.1-A-1). Est. \$12.00
23. FARGO & EDGELEY, 1920, F (884.4-A-1). Est. \$6.00
24. FT.W. TEACUE & HOUSTON, 1909, VG (475-B-1); lower rim & last 'S' missing. E. \$4.
25. GEN. & W.MSPORT, 1890, F cvr (NT) with date 'SOUTH'. Est. \$10.00
26. GRAFTON & CIN., 1898, F cvr (571-D-5). Est. \$5.00
27. GD. JUNC. & OGDEN, 1908, F (953-AC-1). Est. \$6.00
28. GREAT BEND & SCOTT, 1910, F (918.7-A-1). Est. \$6.00
29. GREELY & DENVER, 1908, F (961-K-1). Est. \$12.00
30. GR. BAY & WINONA, 1884, F 'W' killer on UX card. Est. \$12.00
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46. INLET & OLD FORGE, 1911, F (F-12-a) [lake boat]. Est. \$10.00
47. INLET & OLD FORGE, 1922, F (F-12-b) [lake boat]. Est. \$5.00
48. JACK & KEY WEST, 1932, VG 'EST' weak (NT) No Div. noted. Est. \$5.
49. JACK & PORT TAMPA, 1911, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$8.00
50. K.C. & LA JUNTA, 1908, F (911-AE-1). Est. \$3.00
51. KALISPEL & SPOKANE, 1898, F 'EAST', cvr rough open @ left. UNLISTED. E\$30
52. K. CITY & CALDWELL, 1915, F (922-F-1). Est. \$5.00
53. K.C. & COLO. SPRINGS, 1908, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$6.00
54. KANS. CITY & DENVER, 1922, VF (907-N-1) 'E.D.'. Est. \$5.00
- 54a. KANS. CITY & EMPORIA, 1909, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$8.00
55. K.C. & COLO. SPRGS/W.D., 1908, VG (941-D-1) some ltrs lte. Est. \$4.00
56. KANS CITY & PHILLIPS, 1911, F (922-O-1). Est. \$5.00
57. K. C. & WELLINGTON, 1910, F (NT) diff. spacing. E\$8
58. KENOSHA & HARVARD, 1906, F (NT) with TRAIN NO. Est. \$8.00
59. KEY WEST & HAVANA, 1916, (I-28-b) Ship mail. not all ltrs. strck. E\$10
60. KINGSTON & ONEON, 1908, F (117-E-1). Est. \$4.00
61. KNOX & WALLAND, 1910, (508-C-1), some ltrs. lte. Est. \$6.00
62. LA JUNTA & ALBUQ., 1908, VF (911-AI-2). Est. \$6.00
63. LAKE WINNEPISAUKEE, 1930, F (C-18-b) on PPC U.S. Mail Boat. Est. \$4.00
64. LINC & BILLINGS/E.D., 1910, VG (946-J-1). Est. \$5.00
65. LINC & BILL/WD, 1909, F (946-T-1). Est. \$5.00
66. LYONS & W., 1910, F (NT) with TRAIN NO. Est. \$5.00
67. MACK & DET., 1908, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$5.00
68. MACK & RICH, 1911, F (620-T-1). Est. \$4.00
69. MANSFIELD & WENATCHEE, 1914, F (902.3-A-1). Est. \$10.00
70. MASS SPRGS & UTICA, 1908, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$5.00
71. MASS SPRINGS & SYR, 1912, F (102-J-1). Est. \$4.00
72. McHENRY & SANBORN, 1910, VG (888.8-A-1) 30% rim missing. Est. \$8.00
73. MEMPH GRENADA & N.O., 1910, F (421-X-1). Est. \$3.00
74. MENDOTA & CLINTON, 1916, VG (726-E-1) w/some ltrs lte. Est. \$6.00
75. MEM & SO. McALESTER, 1908, G (455-I-1) lwr. rim missing. Est. \$4.00
76. MERIDIAN & SHREVE, G (424-E-1) on UX card; lte ltrs. Est. \$5.00
77. MILES CITY & BUTTE, 1918, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$10.00
78. MILW & GALENA, 1908, VG (858-D-1) some ltrs. lte. Est. \$5.00
79. JACKSON & MOBILE, 1898, F (420-M-1) on UX card. Est. \$5.00
80. JACK & PENS/WD, 1943, F (381-O-1). Est. \$4.00
81. LA JUNTA & ALBUQ., 1909, F (911-AI-2). Est. \$6.00
82. LOGANS. & KEOKUK, 1908, F (858-H-3). Est. \$5.00
83. MIL & NO. McGREGOR, 1910, VG (843-R-1); lte strike. Est. \$4.00
84. MINN & MILLBANK/AGT., 1883, G (871-B-1) on UX card 'ILLBANK' missing. E\$5
85. MINNEAPOLIS & OMAHA, 1911, VG (870-M-1). Est. \$4.00
86. MISSOULA & HAMIL, 1910, VG (891.10-C-1) 'MI' missing. Est. \$8.00
87. MONETT & FT. WORTH, 1909, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$6.00
88. MONETT & PARIS, 1914, VG (826-B-3) 10% off @ top. Est. \$4.00
89. NAHCOTTA & ASTORIA, 1912, F (904.5-A-2). Est. \$10.00
90. NEST & DUL., 1948, F (838-M-1) on cvr. Est. \$3.00

91. NEW LONDON & N. HAVEN, F (70-AA-1). Est. \$4.00
92. NEWOWENYO & MOJAVE, VG (990-E-1) 'MOJAVE' lte. Est. \$20.00
93. NEWPORT & SPRING, 1903, F (35-N-2) on UX card. Est. \$4.00
94. NEWTON & AMARILLO, 1921, F (928-F-1). Est. \$5.00
95. NEWTON & CALD/AGT, 1882, F (924-A-1). Est. \$12.00
96. N.O. & COVINGTON, 1908, VG (432-D-1). Est. \$8.00
97. N.Y. & CANAL ZONE, VG (E-1-b) [ship] some ltrs lte. Est. \$10.00
98. N.Y. & CANAL ZONE, F(E-1-b) on 10c Haiti stamp; 'G' in duplex E\$12.00
99. N.Y., GENEVA & BUFF., 1908, F (135-G-2). Est. \$4.00
100. N.Y., GEN & BUFF., 1908, F (135-I-1). Est. \$4.00
101. N.Y. & PT. PLEASANT, 1909, VF (246-A-2). Est. \$3.00
102. NORFOLK & COL., 1894, F (311-AB-1) on cvr. Est. \$6.00
103. N. JUDSON & CIN., 1907, F (885-C-1). Est. \$10.00
104. NORTHVILLE & FONDA, 1910, VF (106-D-1). Est. \$5.00
105. OGDEN & SAN FRAN/RPO, 1884, VF (NT) w/'4' in duplex on cvr. Est. \$10
106. OIL CITY & ANDOVER, circa 1920, D 'ANDOVER' lte. UNLISTED. Est. \$20.
107. OLD BEACH & CALEXICO, 1909, F (994.1-C-1) Est. \$20.00
108. OMAHA & CHADRON/WD, 1940, F (936-V-1) on cvr. Est. \$4.00
109. OMAHA & COLO. SP'GS/W.D., 1929, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$5.00
110. OMAHA & K. CITY, 1909, F (NT) 29.5 mm. dial. Est. \$5.00
111. ONTARIO & BURNS, 1940, F (898.11-A-1). Est. \$5.00
112. PADUCAH & MEM., 1907, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$8.00
113. PALESTINE & HOUSTON, 1923, F (485-I-1). Est. \$4.00
114. PHILA & W. CHESTER, 1907, F (204-B-1). Est. \$5.00
115. PHOENIX & MARICOPA, 1918, VF (988.2-A-1). Est. \$25.00
116. PORTAGE & MADISON, 1912, VG (NT) 'SOUTH'. Est. \$6.00
117. PORTAGE & EUGENE, 1920, F (NT) Time instead of train no. Est. \$8.00
118. PORT & SEASIDE, 1909, F (899.2-A-1). Est. \$5.00
119. POTTS & PHILA, 1890, VF (190-G-2) on cvr. Est. \$4.00
120. PUEBLO & SILV., 1905, VF (NT) w/train no. Est. \$15.00
121. NORFOLK JC & WINNER, 1913, VG (939-D-1) 'NO' missing. Est. \$10.00
122. NORFOLK & RICH, 1908, F (G-44-c) [BOAT]. Est. \$10.00
123. OYSTER BAY & LONG CITY, 1894, cover short top (112-O-1). Est. \$10
124. OMAHA & OAKDALE, 1912, F (NT) WEST, direction no Train #. Est. \$8
125. POCATELLO & PORT, 1909, F (898-P-2). Est. \$4.00
126. POCATELLO & PORT, 1916, F (898-P-1). Est. \$5.00
127. POCATELLO & PORT, 1908, F (NT) 28mm. dial. Est. \$8.00
128. PORT & SWANTON, 1907, VF (11-K-2). Est. \$3.00
129. RAND & McINTYRE, 1937, F (731-D-1). Est. \$5.00
130. RED OAK & LINCOLN, 1913, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$6.00
131. RENO & GOLDFIELD, 1908, F (977.2-B-1). Est. \$10.00
132. RENO & VIRGA CITY/AGT, F, cvr short rt. (978-B-1). Est. \$25.00
133. RINCON & SILVER CITY, 1898, F (985.4-C-2). Est. \$20.00
134. ROCK ISL. & PEORIA, 1888, (706-C-1) 'ROCK ISL' light. Est. \$5.00
135. ROCKWOOD & OAKLAND, 1919, VF (6-H-1). Est. \$5.00
136. ROUSE POINT & ALBANY, 1909, VF (NT) 30mm dial. Est. \$6.00
137. ST. ALB. & BOSTON, VF (24-I-2). Est. \$4.00
138. ST. JOHNSBY & SWAN, 1911, VF (11-R-2). Est. \$4.00
139. ST. JOE & OXFORD, 1907, VF (935-R-1). Est. \$5.00
140. ST. JOSEPH & TOPEKA, 1914, VG (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$5.00
141. ST. L. & COLUMBUS, 1907, F (NT) diff. spelling. Est. \$5.00
142. ST. LOUIS & PARSONS, 1909, VF (804-Q-2). Est. \$3.00
143. ST. PAUL & ABERDEEN, 1920, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$8.00
144. ST. PAUL & HAVRE/WD, 1915, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$6.00
145. ST. P. & MILES CITY/E.D., 1916, F (874-AH-1). Est. \$3.00
146. ST. P. & MILES CITY/E.D., 1916, F (NT) diff. spacing. Est. \$4.00
147. ST. PAUL & CEDAR RAP., VG (746-H-1) on UX card. Est. \$4.00
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150. ST. PAUL & MINOT, 1892, F (889-AH-1) cvr rough open left. Est. \$8
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153. ST. P. & SPOK/3RD DIV, 1907, VF (874-AS-2). Est. \$5.00
154. ST. VINCENT & ST. PAUL, 1913, VG (889-AW-2) on cvr. Est. \$4.00
155. SALA & OIL CITY, 1913, F (151-D-2) 10% off @ top. Est. \$4.00
156. SALIS & CHAT, 1908, F (329-J-1). Est. \$5.00
157. S.L. CITY & LOS ANG., 1909, F (972-J-1). Est. \$10.00
- 157a. SAN ANT & COR CHRISTI, 1908, VF (482-L-1). Est. \$3.00
158. SAN ANT & SANDERSON, 1913, F (476-U-1). Est. \$5.00
159. S. B'DNO & SAN JACINTO, 1909, F (987-J-1). Est. \$10.00
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163. SHREVE & MC KINNEY, 1908, VF (479-C-1). Est. \$10.00
164. SHE & MERRILLAN, 1908, F (851-V-1). Est. \$10.00
165. S. FALLS & ONAWAN, 1923, F (759-Y-1). Est. \$5.00
166. SODUS POINT & STANLEY, 1908, F (129-I-1). Est. \$5.00
167. SO. BEND & STREATOR, 1914, F (682-B-1). Est. \$10.00
168. SKOW & PORT/AGT, circa 1882, F (4-O-1) on cvr. Est. \$10.00
169. SO. CA/R (1875), VG (336-E-1) on UX card w/file holes. Est. \$25.00
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171. STAPLES & OAKES, 1932, F (881.5-A-2) on cvr. Est. \$6.00
172. STURG. BAY & GR. BAY, 1910, F (854.1-B-1). Est. \$8.00
173. STURGEON BAY & G. BAY, 1908, F (854.1-A-1). Est. \$8.00
174. SMITHVILLE & MONTGOMERY, 1918, F (360-AF-1). Est. \$4.00
175. SPOK & LEWISTON, 1916, F (906.4-C-2). Est. \$4.00
176. SPOKANE & PORTLAND, 1911, F (NT) 30mm dial. Est. \$6.00
177. SPOKANE & PORTLAND, 1919, F (NT) with 'SOUTH' direction. Est. \$8.00
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**LUZERNE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA:** I am always looking for interesting items, but would especially like to see the following: through Feb 21, 1810 (Asylum, Athens, Bridgewater, Sheshwquin, Willingborough, Wyalusing & Wysox); through May 1, 1843 (Bowman Creek, Braintree, Eaton, Factoryville, Falls, Forkston, La Grange, Mehoopany, Nicholson, North Flat, Russell Hill, Skinners Eddy, Sterlingville, Unison); through Aug 13, 1878 (Abington, Bald Mount, Clarks Summit, Clifton, Daleville, Dickson City, Drinker, East Benton, Fleetville, Gibsonburgh, Glenburn, Green Grove, Greenville, Jermyrn, Lackawanna, La Plume, Madisonville, Milwaukee, Moosic, Mountain Valley, Olyphant, Scott, Scottsville, Springbrook, Tompkinsville, Wallsville, Winton & Yostville); Any Cover (Albert(s), Alum, Beach Grove, Beaumont, Beaver Brook, Berwick (thru Nov 1814), Black Creek, Black Ridge, Blindtown - to 1839, Breslau, Buckalew - to Mar 1847, Campbell - to 1860, Charlestown, Chases Mills - to 1860, Chauncey, Christopher, Church Hill, Clerks View, Coalridge, Dakin, Deringer, Dorrance, Downingville thru 1835, East Sugarloaf thru 1850, Eberville, Edwardsdale, Exeter, Falls Run City, Frisbie, Ganoga, Gateway, Gowen, Gregory, Hainesville, Harding, Hardpan, Harleigh, Harrison thru June 1829, Heimville, Hendricksburgh, Hudson, Hughes, Hunters Range thru Feb 1850, Huntington thru Sep 1828, Idetown, Jenkins, Jessup thru Sep 1858, Ketchan, Keelers Ferry thru Nov 1817, Kunkle, Koonsville, Lake House, Lamburg, Lamoreau, Lane, Laurel Hill, Laurel Run, Lutsey thru June 1858, Maltby, Marr, Meerer, Morrison thru Feb 1879, Mountain Home, Narrows, New Columbus, New Covington, New Middletown thru Apr 1, Newport Centre thru June 1, Oakleaf, Olivers Mills, Orchard, Pardeesville, Paynesville thru Nov 1841, Pencader, Petersburg thru Jan 1843, Port Blanchard, Port Griffith, Pringle, Red Rock, Ridgewood, Ripple, Rittenhouse, Schooly, Silkworth, Slocum, Sloyersville, South lifton, Sunshine, Sutton Creek, Swoyers, Throopsville thru 1856, Trolly, Turnbach, Union thru Jan 1840, Weintz, Welsh Hill, West Halleton, Westmoor, Weston, west Pitston, West Wyoming, Wilsons Crossroads thru Apr 1848, Woodside, Wright, Yates & Zeiserville thru Aug 1844. They may be stampless, stamped, postmarked, or manuscript cancelled. Please contact Dorothy Lee, Box 1705, Plains, PA 18705 [24-2]

**SOUTH DAKOTA** postal history from territorial to modern wanted for my personal collection. Top prices paid. Ken Stach, 3208 Amber Drive, Wilmington, NC 28409 [24-3]

**TEXAS - ESPECIALLY** before 1900. Early barb wire, windmill, lightning rod illustrated advertising covers - any state. Send pictures/approvals (APS) Jim Alexander, 5825 Caldwell, Waco, TX 76710. [24-4]

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**TEXAS - NUECES, SAN PATRICIO, ARANSAS & REFUGIO** counties before 1900. Also Republic of Texas, any county. Send photovopy and price. R.H. Stever, First City Bank Tower, FCB 167, Corpus Christi, TX 78477. [24-4]

**WEST VIRGINIA** postal history wanted, from stampless to modern. Send photocopies or on approval. Wayne Farley, 2633 S.E. 20th Place, Cape Coral, FL 33904 [24-5]

**WYOMING TOWNS** on cover or card 1900 and later, especially DPO's dated before 1950. Copies/approvals appreciated. Leonard McCabe, 1249 N. Calaveras, Fresno, CA 93728 [24-3]

## RFD: WANTED

**RFD CANCELS:** Covers or postcards. All states wanted. Any quantity - send priced or for offer. Joseph Horn, 3311 Big Bend Dr., Austin, TX 78731. [24-3]

## RAILWAY POST OFFICE: WANTED

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**WANTED:** Collection & Distribution Wagon cancels from N.Y., Washington, Buffalo. Send Xerox copies. Will pay cash or trade. Bruce L. Corey, 108 Marilyn Ave., Westbrook, ME 04092.

[24-1]

## MISCELLANEOUS: FOR SALE

**WESSONS, DOANES, Towns, Unusual cancels, Machine Cancels, Auxilliary Markings, Military, RPO, The Works.** Send for free lists. Paul Bourke, Box 125, Ashland, MA 01721. [24-4]

## MISCELLANEOUS: WANTED

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**BUYING WESTERN PHOTOGRAPHS** - Cabinet cards, Stereographs, CDVs. Also Daguerreotypes, Ambrotypes, and Tintypes of occupational, outdoor, and unusual subjects. Permanent want, postage and copying reimbursed for approvals. Jeremy Rowe, 2331 E. Del Rio, Tempe, AZ 85282. [24-2]

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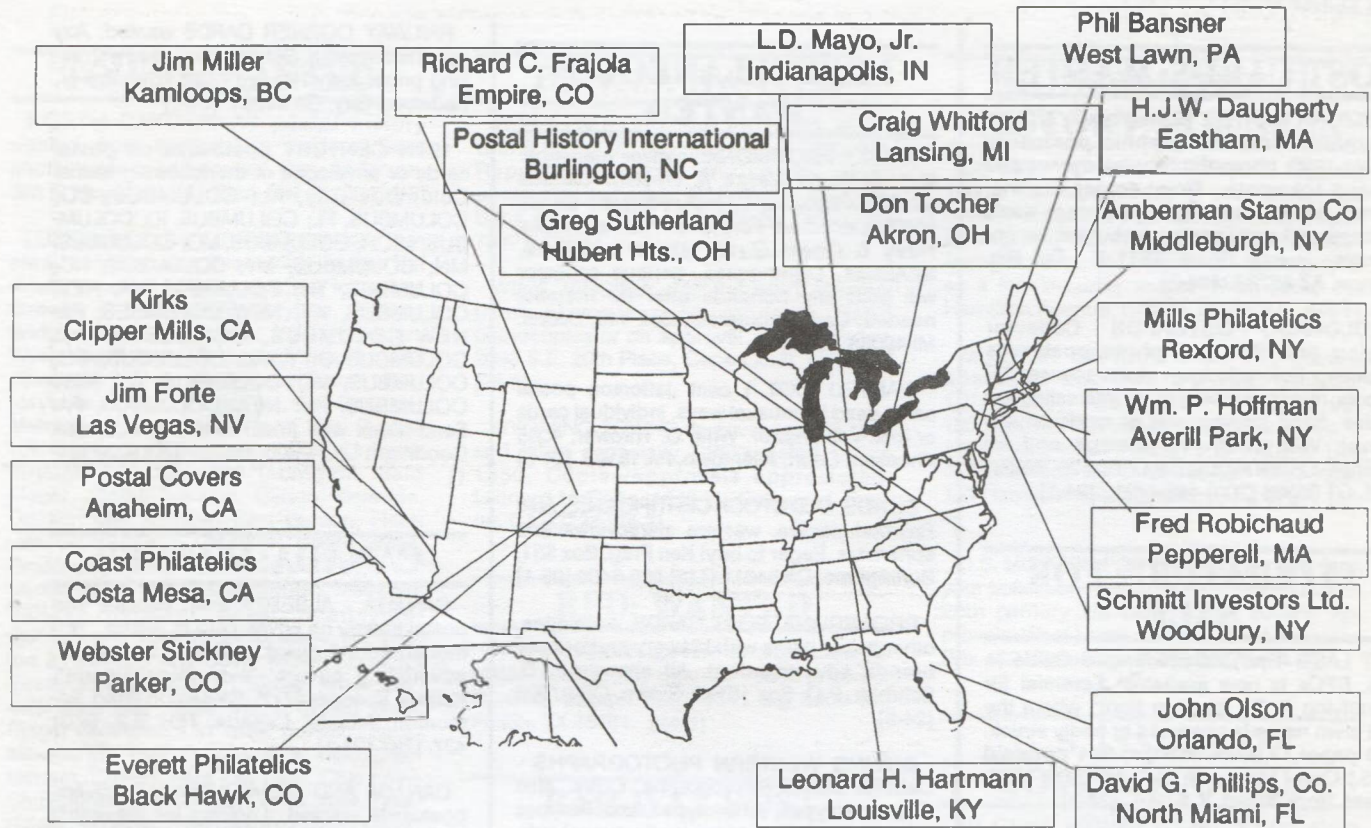
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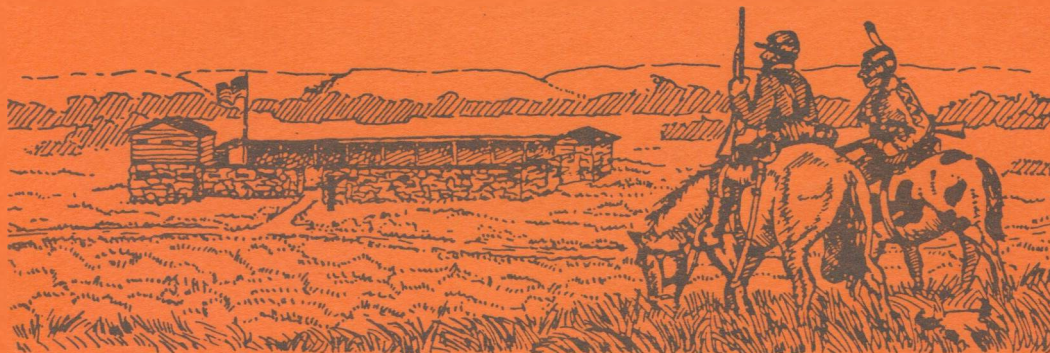
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