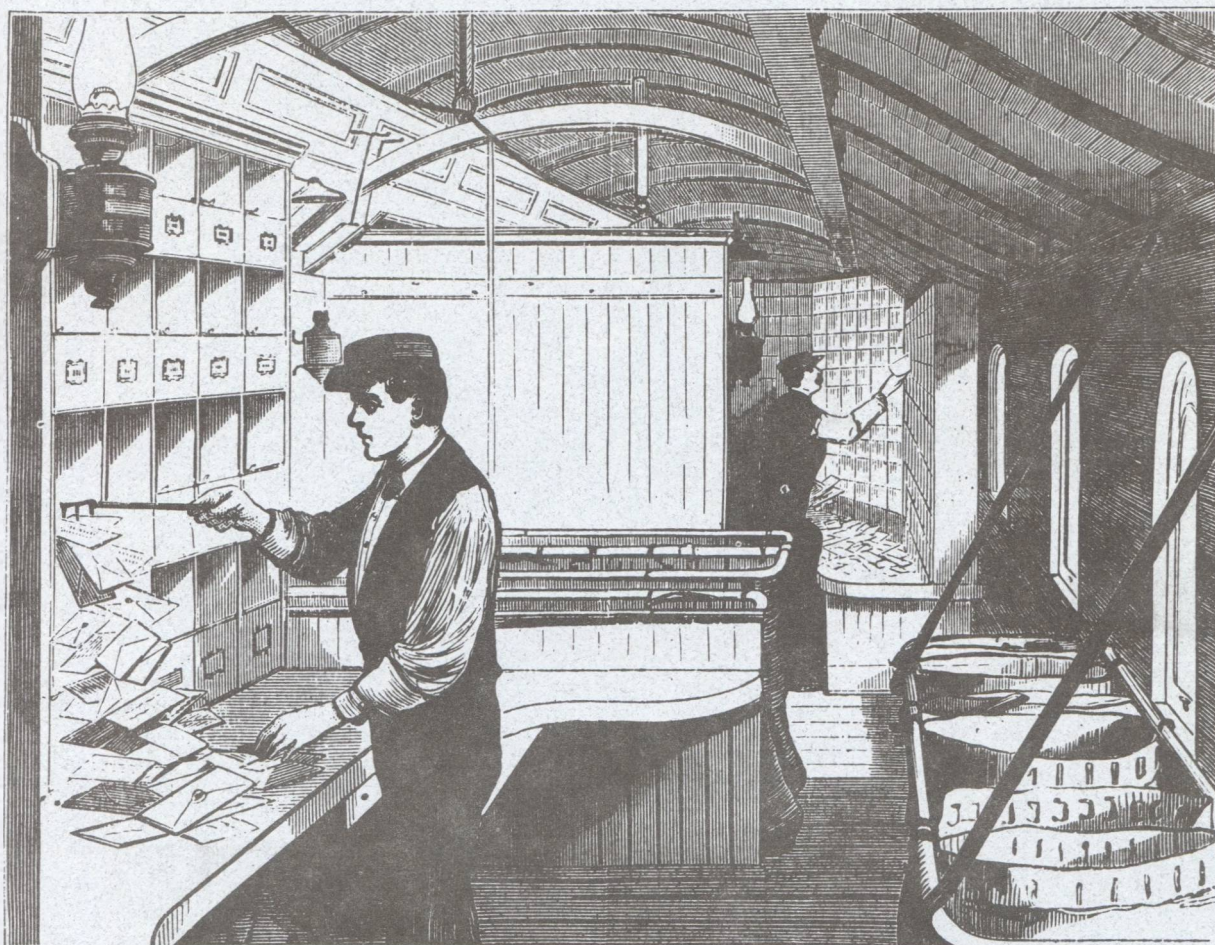


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So What Good's A Data Base?

Recently La Posta Publications expanded its inventory to include selected postal history data bases. Press releases providing details of our new data base offerings were mailed to *Linns*, *Stamp Collector*, *Stamps*, and the other major national philatelic publications. To the best of my knowledge, *Stamps* is the only organ to publish any mention of our data bases to date. Maybe the others will, maybe they won't. I'm beginning to believe that there are lots of people who might not understand what we mean by the term "postal history data base", and therefore can not appreciate the advantage offered by one of these things.

A *postal history data base*, as I am using the term, is a collection of information consisting of *fields* and *records*. Our popular State Post Office Checklists offer a very simple example of data bases. Here, the *fields* are Post office name, County, State, Dates of Operation and Scarcity Index (S/I). Each post office represents one *record*. Some people might prefer to visualize our data bases as very large tables, where each column head is a field, and each row is a record. In a sense, each of our state post offices checklists is such a table, and the same is true of many of our more popular books such as *United States Doanes*, *Western Post Offices*, and Harold Richow's *Encyclopedia of R.F.D. Cancells*. In fact, quite a few of the books we rely on to provide a foundation for our hobby are really little more than data bases. "So," you might ask, "what good's a data base if I've already got the book?"

Computer data bases offer three major advantages over books containing the same information: *searching*, *sorting*, and *customizing*. Books are great for searching just as long as the information is arranged logically -- usually alphabetically or chronologically -- according to the subject one is looking for. For example, in *Western Post Offices*, if you wish to see how many offices were named "Fort ---", it's very simple to turn to the "F" section and see all the forts listed from Apache to Yukon. On the other hand, if you wish to see how many post offices had the word "Bridge" in their name, or ended in the letters "ville", then you are in for a long, laborious search through the book. "Not practical", you say, "I'm not likely to be hunting post offices based on how their names end." Perhaps, but what about that situation where you come across a partially struck postmark in which the last several letters of the town name are clear, but you can't quite make out the first three letters? With a book, it might be a very long search, but with a data base you simply ask your computer to search based on the letters you can read with wild card characters replacing those you can't read.

Data bases also allow one to conduct searches which focus on fields other than the organizing field. Let's say you wanted to find all the western post offices established in 1850. Using our book, *Western Post Offices*, it could be done, but it would require hours of patient searching through the Dates column. With our "Western Post Offices" Data Base, you could have your list in seconds. Similarly, you could make searches by county, by state, or by Scarcity Index number if you so desired.

Sorting information in a data base is similarly advantageous. In a book, the information is sorted by primary field only. Post offices are arranged alphabetically in *Western Post Offices*. With a data base, however, one can sort information according to any field they choose. The "Western Post Office" Data Base allows you to make lists of post offices according to county and/or state of location, chronological order of establishment, or Scarcity Index (S/I) number.

The third major advantage of data bases is their ability to allow the user to customize the information they contain. For example, I often see collectors at shows using our state post office checklist books as personal checklists to keep track of what they have in their collection. The books are small and easy to carry, but the printing is by necessity small and adding information on what is in one's collection can be a real challenge in making tiny pencil markings in code. With a data base of the same information, a collector could easily customize the state post office listing to include a few columns with headings of his own choosing. He might, for example, add a column to indicate whether his collection already contains a townmark, and if so whether it is on a card or cover. He might also add a column summarizing the condition of the postmark or cover, the date(s) of the postmark, when he acquired the piece, or how much it cost. In other words, the data base may quite easily be turned into a personal inventory, and this inventory might then be printed in a convenient format for packing along to shows. With our postal history data bases, everyone can become an "author" of their very own post office checklist/inventory, and it can be arranged, formatted and printed exactly the way they want it!

Now, I'm not about to urge you readers to stop buying our books, and I'm certainly not about to stop publishing postal history books containing information which can be presented in data bases. I am, however, suggesting that if you have access to a computer, and enjoy using it, then postal history data bases can be a really attractive and useful tool to increase your enjoyment of our hobby.

Bill

Richard W. Helbock, Publisher

Postal History Data Bases on Computer Disk

Now, for the first time, La Posta Publications is offering for sale selected postal history data bases on computer disk. Use our data bases to create your own checklists, writeup collections, design new tables and wantlists. Simply load our files, which are available on either 3.5 or 5.25 inch floppy disks in a variety of popular data base and spreadsheet formats [e.g., Lotus 1-2-3[®], Access[®], dBASE[®] or ASCII comma-delimited], into your own data base program and begin designing tables and checklists, cataloguing, and tracking prices.

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BOOKS IN REVIEW

Billings, Bart. *International Postal Supply Co., Hey - Dolphin Cancelling Machine, Model HD-2, Volumes 1 and 2*. Machine Cancel Society: April 1995. Volume 1 is 160 pages. Volume 2 is 190 pages. Both volumes 8.5 x 11 inch format, loose leaf. Society Members Prices: \$15.00 per volume or \$25.00 for the two volume set from Art Hadley, Secretary, 3407 N 925 E, Hope, IN 47246. Non-members should write the Secretary to obtain prices.

This latest addition to a rapidly growing body of literature produced by members of the Machine Cancel Society has a formidable official title, but will undoubtedly be referred to as the International Hand-driven Model 2 monograph. As is the case with the other excellent volumes in this series, Bart Billings first provides a look at the history of the company -- in this case the International Postal Supply Company -- and their cancelling machines. This is followed by details of the evolution of the cancel types and a type chart. The major body of the study consists of a state by state listing of all the towns known to have used International Hand-driven Model 2 machines along with the type of cancel and earliest and latest dates. A specialized listing of uses by military, naval, territorial and mobile postal units follows the 267 page state list. A 20-page appendix provides detail of the Model L International Hand-driven machines including post offices which used this machine, and a second appendix presents patent information.

La Posta readers over the past several years will undoubtedly be aware of my feelings regarding the work being published by Bob Payne, Reg Morris, Bart Billings and others of the Machine Cancel Society. Quite simply, it is consistently the best research being published by any U.S. postal history

specialty group today, and it stands up well in comparison with the efforts of Charles Towle, John Kay, and other researchers of the Mobile Post Office Society in the late 1970's and 1980's. I urge all readers intent on building a solid research library of 20th century United States postal history to look into these Machine Cancel Society monographs if you haven't already done so. The publication prices are very fair. The work is fundamental.

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FLORIDA GROUP TO CENSUS STAMPLESS COVERS

Deane Briggs, editor of the *Florida Postal History Journal*, sends word that the Florida Postal History Society has begun updating the census of Florida stampless covers to 1860. Anyone who owns stampless covers from any Florida post offices up to 1860 is asked to send photocopies and/or listings to **Donald G. Thompson**, 7 Rockingham Road, Greenville, SC 29607. The group is particularly interested in manuscript markings and listings of exact spellings and abbreviations used. Color of ink is also important.

The Florida Postal History Society is a fairly new group of people interested in the postal past of the Sunshine State. Members receive three copies of the *Journal* each year, and dues are only \$10.00 per year. Interested persons should request a membership application from Donald Thompson at the address given above.

IN THIS ISSUE OF LA POSTA

Associate Editor **Bob Munshower** demonstrates once again that he definitely listens to a different drummer by taking us on a tour of Christmas related postal history. Early Spring snows in Boulder might be the reason, but the Publisher is of the opinion that Bob's seasonal clock may have slipped a few gears. Too many tropical cruises perhaps...

Randy Stehle and **Doug DeRoest** present us with Part 28 of their monumental study of 20th Century Non-Standard postmarks. Randy, whose real life involves accounting, preferred to omit the introduction this time citing pressing obligations involving the IRS. By the way, Randy & Doug will be taking the next couple of issues "off" -- so that Doug can get his eyes refocused from all that postmark tracing -- but they will resume the Non-standard study in the fall. Meanwhile, Randy has promised to work up a couple Auxiliary marking articles for the next two issues of *La Posta*.

Tom Clarke conducts a tour of the postal history and postmarks of Colonial Philadelphia and **Gus Spector** presents a look at the Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon, also located in the City of Brotherly Love. **Bill Helbock** and **Rod Crossley**

examine the domestic Army camps and cantonments used in World War II in the latest installment of their W.W.II domestic base postal history series.

The remainder of this issue has a decided railway postal history orientation. We are pleased to reprint **Deane Briggs** article on the Key West Railway Post Office Service, which originally appeared in the *Florida Postal History Journal*. **Bob Schultz** sends along a wonderful contemporary account of the Fast Mail Trains of the Pennsylvania Railway Company which originally appeared in the October 2, 1876 issue of *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*. Part 14 of **Hank Berthelot's** series on interrupted railway mail service, which was itself interrupted in the March issue because of space limitations, concludes in this issue.

All in all, a fairly meaty issue. Hopefully you'll find something of interest here, but if not, and we have been slighting your particular postal history fascination, why not get the ball rolling by sending us a sample of what most appeals to you in our hobby. There are so many facets on this gem we call postal history, and *La Posta* can publish articles only on those subjects which intrigue our authors. You can become an author in an upcoming issue. Promote your particular interest in the hobby! Drop us a line, give us a call, send us a fax, post us an e-mail message. We will be delighted to help you break into print.



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Where Are The Christmases Of Yesteryear?

by Robert G. Munshower

On December 20, 1993 and then again on December 19, 1994, Richard B. Graham devoted his *Postal History* columns in **LINN'S STAMPNEWS** to two great articles about the scarcity and the collecting of commercial and other types of early Christmas covers. Graham first notes, then comments on, the apparent scarcity of early commercial Christmas covers. As Graham also stated (when referring to a well known Bloomingdale's Department Store Christmas cover): "... considering the design was probably part of a large mailing, the covers should be relatively common." As a long time collector of Christmas related postal history, I can honestly say that I too, wish such material was common, but, as the years go by, I have come to the conclusion that multicolor, or any other type of Christmas advertising covers were not common, even during the time they were produced and mailed.

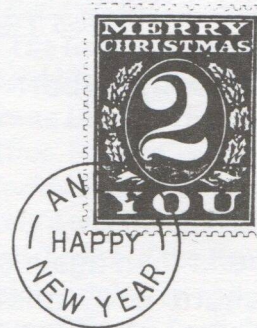
After some thought, and having had discussions with friends afflicted with like or similar collecting interests, I have come to the realization that this type of postal history will always be rare due to the different cultural and societal forces which were in place in this country at both the turn of, and during the early years of, the twentieth century. During that period, one might argue that our individual lives, as well as society in general, was not as commercially driven and influenced as it is today. In a time where an average kid might receive a paper horn, an orange, some hard candy, and a tin soldier as Christmas gifts, the economic stakes were nowhere near as high as they are today.

Using those comments as a reference point for understanding the scarcity of such covers, it is not too difficult to see why they are rare; for, in the end, there was really no economic justification for them. If protecting, then expanding one's market share, targeting specific economic and demographic groups and playing to the lowest common denominator of taste were as important as selling concepts as they are now, we might see these items in the quantities Graham feels (and I wish!) we ought to. It seems that it simply may not have been worth the expense for most turn of the century merchandisers and mercantile establishments to create and mail these sorts of covers. If an average boy's Christmas presents, in total, cost less than twenty or twenty five cents, it would be hard indeed to justify a mailing and advertising effort that cost at least a penny or two for the envelope, two to four cents in postage, plus who knows how much for handling. Admittedly, Bloomingdale's was not then, and is not now, a bottom-end merchandiser, but, for every Bloomingdale's there had to be hundreds, if not thousands, of retailers that were.

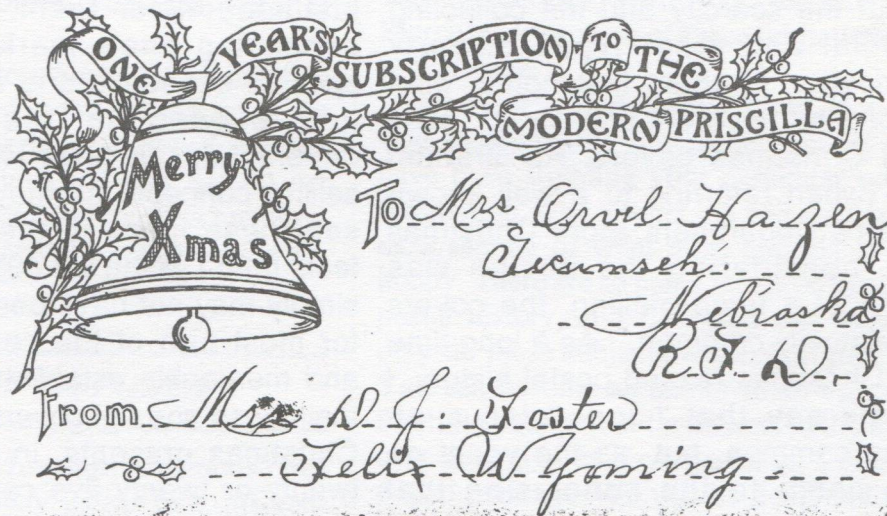
Something else about the cover shown by Graham, as well as many of the commercial Christmas covers I own, or I have seen, have been mailed from one merchandiser or commercial firm to another. This sort of mailing would have been more profitable and probably would have justified the cost of printing and mailing such specialized envelopes.

Just about anyone who collects Christmas related postal history can verify

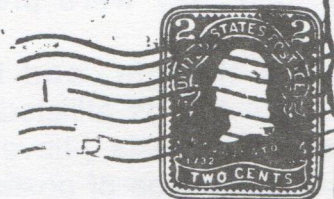
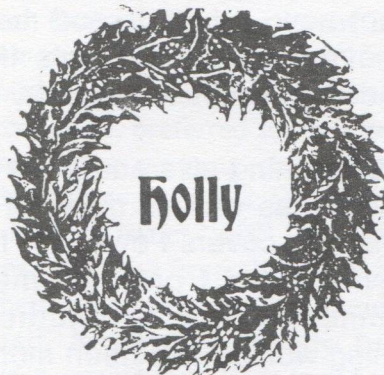
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Figures 1 through 3

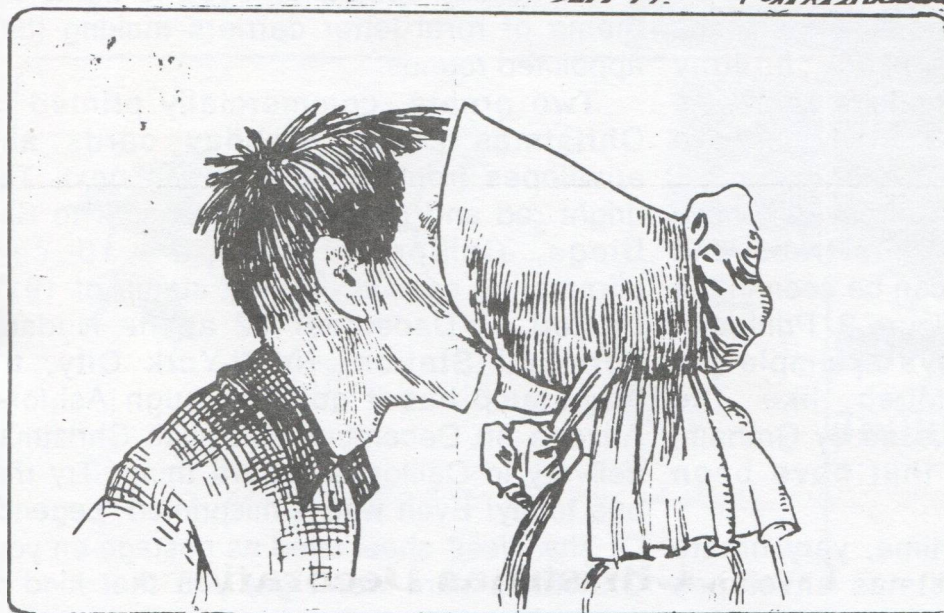
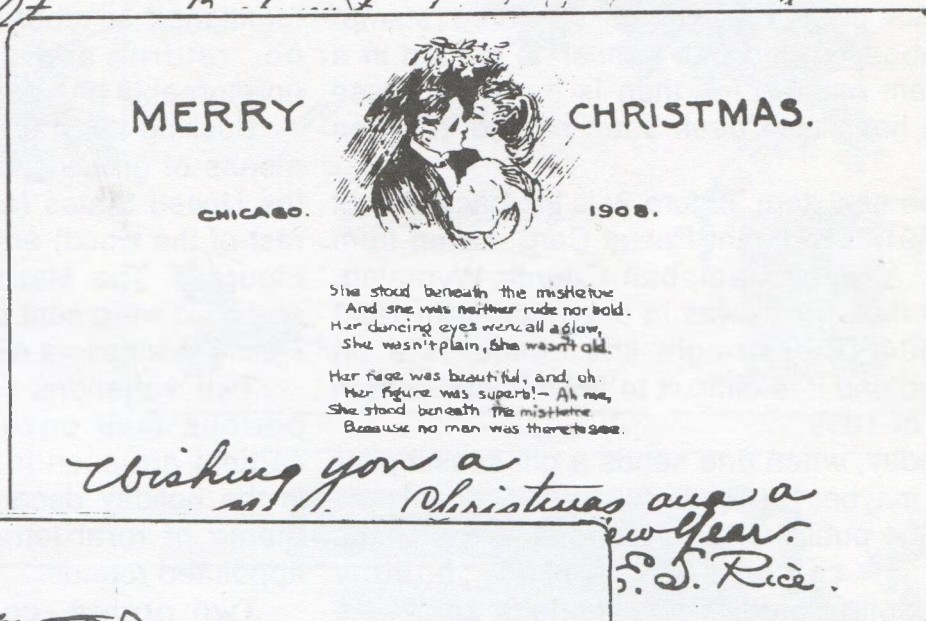
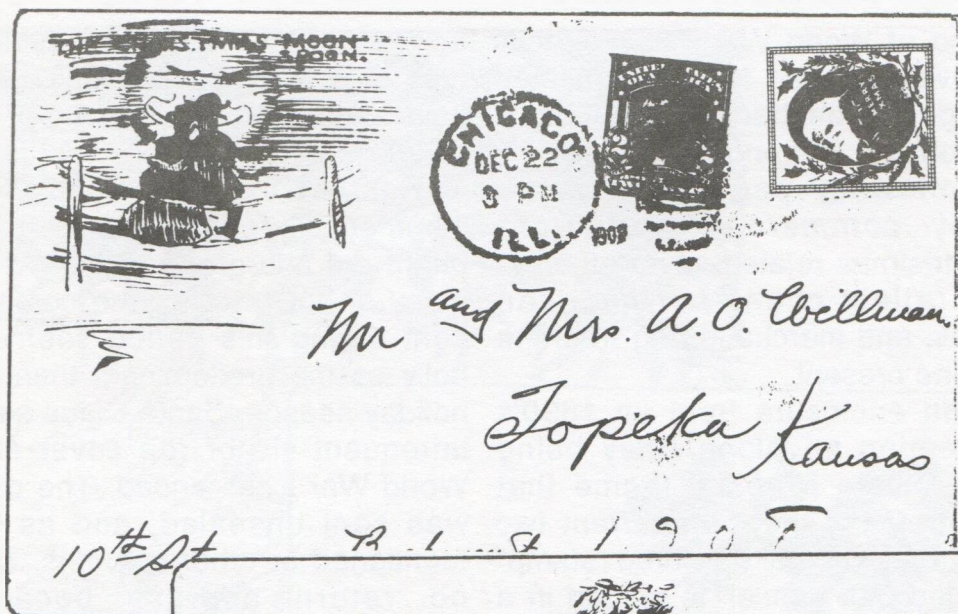


Figure 4.

that by the end of World War I, commercial advertising envelopes tied to the Christmas merchandising season had become more colorful, more ornate, and, more common.

On the following pages are some examples of commercial and non-commercial Christmas related covers that, in themselves, reflect changing American tastes, attitudes, and merchandising from the late 1890's to the present.

Figure 1, an enclosure from an 1890's Christmas greeting envelope (they being quite rare too) uses a postal theme that coincidentally, reflects the then current two cent first class rate. The lake colored "stamp" is embossed and the "cancel" is printed in a different colored ink than is the text. These items have also been seen printed in green ink.

The next item, Figure 2, is the back side of an 1891 U.S. Grant Postal Card mailed from Felix, a small Campbell County Wyoming, post office which was in operation from 1893 to 1904. The straight line cancel is a bit blurred and it is difficult to tell if it was sent in 1898 or 1899.

Today, when one sends a gift subscription (like, maybe, La Posta?) to a friend or loved one, the publisher or a direct-mail firm sends out a computer-generated holiday subscription card in the sender's name. As can be seen by this card, that may not have always been the case!

One of the few commercial covers I have seen that utilizes Christmas trees and wreaths as the sales pitch can be seen in the 1906 example shown as Figure 3. Printed in red and green, it conveys a simple yet attractive message. Much like the Bloomingdale's cover discussed by Graham, this is one of just two that have been reported.

Long about the same time, very ornate private or personal Christmas envelopes seem to appear with increasing frequency. Figure 4 shows a spectacular example of a privately made combination greeting

card/wrapper. Produced in 1908 on some type of a white or blueprint machine, it may have been sent by a newly or recently wed couple.

Another example from 1908, this one commercially printed and sent, is printed in bright red and green colors. As will be seen, many, if not most, of the commercial covers sent during this period seemed to feature holly as the predominant thematic tie to the holiday season. Santa Claus seems to be an infrequent visitor (on cover at least!) until World War I has ended. The cover in Figure was sent unsealed, and as Graham has mentioned in other columns, such mail had no return address because it was unreturnable if undeliverable.

Bucking the then booming post card as a means of greeting, a trend then prevalent in the United States (as well as in much of the rest of the world) are the two covers seen as Figure 5. The Mason City, Nebraska cover and card were sent unsealed, while the Eden Prairie, Minnesota example was not.

Two variations of the cards left in rural patrons mail boxes by their rural letter carriers are seen in example 6. Again, holly is the holiday decoration used to frame the theme of rural letter carriers making their appointed rounds.

Two ornate, commercially printed "A Christmas Letter" holiday cards and envelopes from 1911 are seen next. The bright red and green envelope sent to San Diego, California bears a 10 cent ultramarine special delivery stamp of 1911. Posted on December 22 at the Hudson Terminal Station, New York City, the backstamp has it going through Ashfork, Arizona on December 23rd with Christmas delivery in California a sure thing. Try that one today! Even with a misprinted "Legends Of The West" sheet used as postage on your Christmas card won't get you that kind of service!

Another truly spectacular example of a commercial Christmas cover, this one from

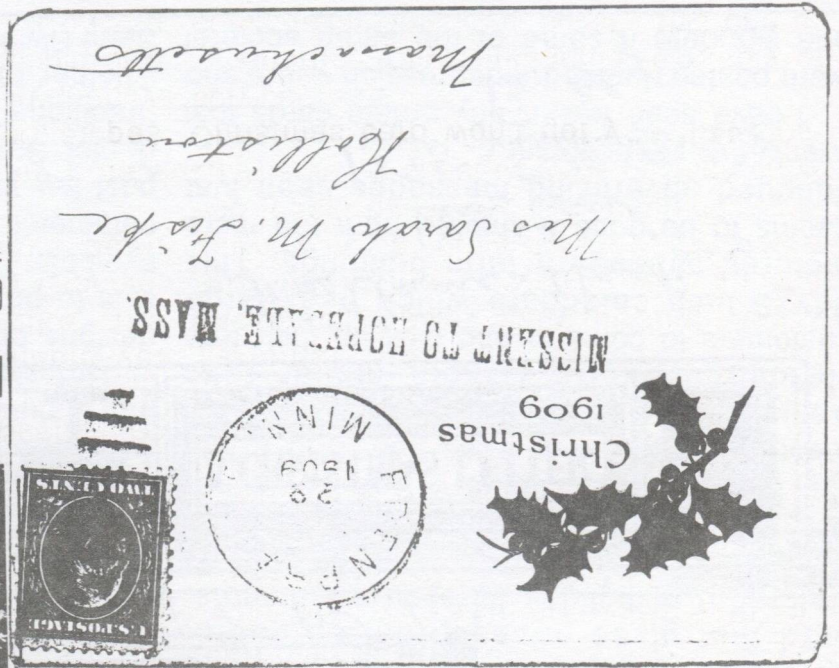
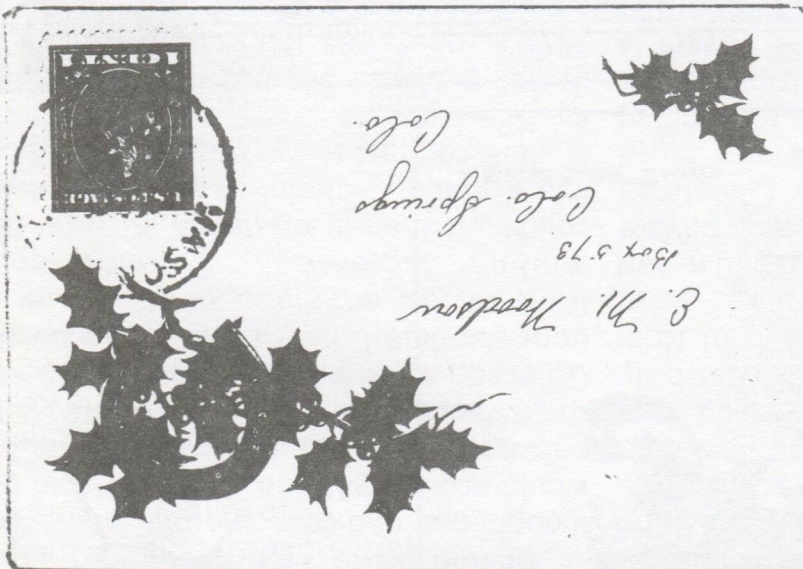


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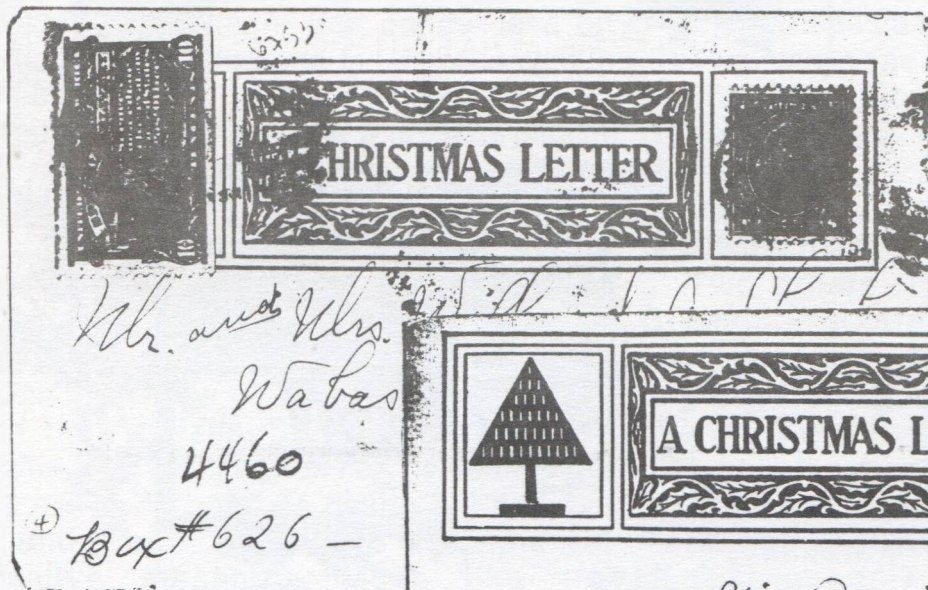
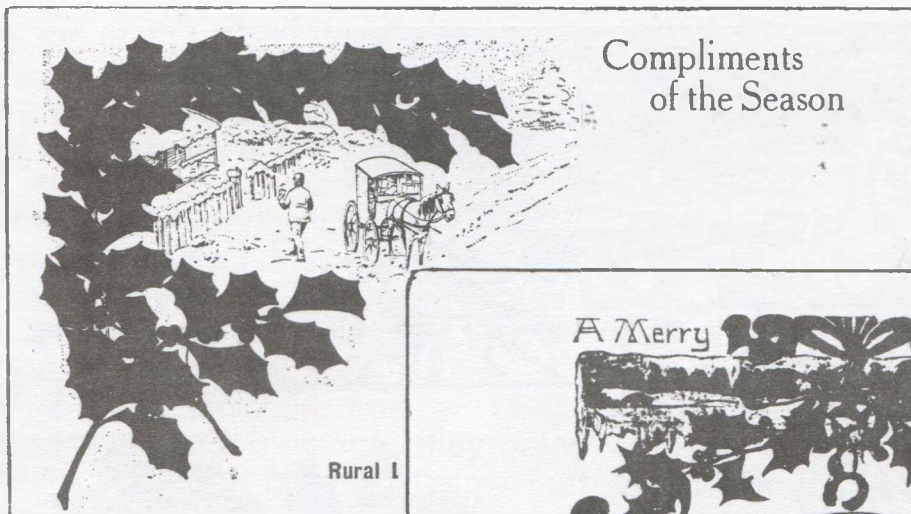
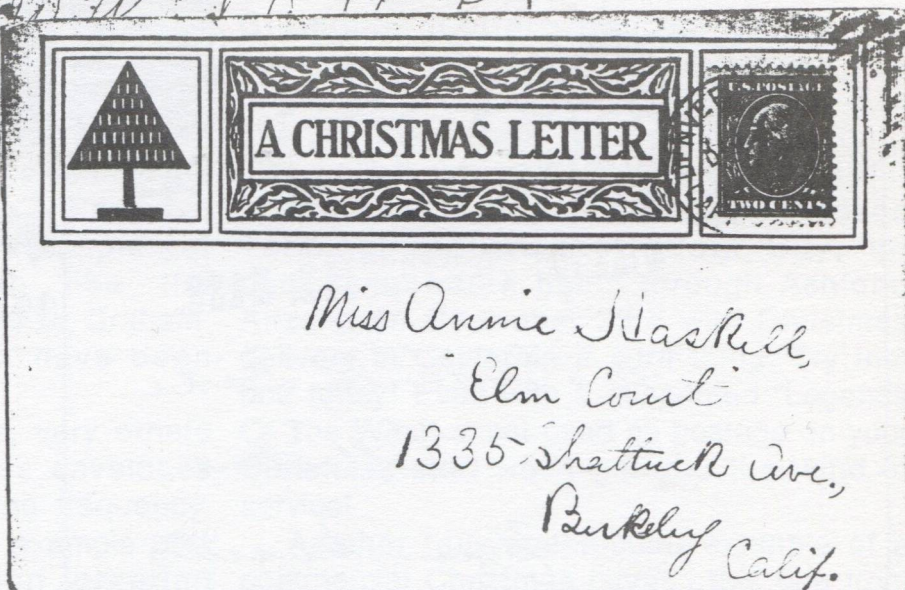


Figure 6.



1919, (Figure 7) came into being simply because a resident of Leonard, Colorado (1900-1941) re-used a merchandise package that had contained Christmas seals, tags, and cards. Had that soul not reused this bit of packaging, this Christmas cover would now fall under the very rarest, but all too common category of postal history, and that being, non-existent! Sent from Leonard on December 17, one is hard put to decide who deserves greater thanks, the ingenious (or frugal!) sender, or the recipient who happened to save it! In addition, had the sender rode the train a few miles down the line, the cover could have been mailed from Noel, Colorado (1909-1923)! The possibility of a Christmas tie-in with the town of Noel was just too much to hope for.

By the time the 1920's and 1930's had rolled around, both commercial and private Christmas mail bearing familiar Christmas themes began to appear more and more often. One unusual aspect of this developing phenomenon is that the advertising or the thematic approach seen on these covers is much more subdued. Figures 8 through 11 seem representative of that trend. All were posted prior to the Great Depression, so that could not be a factor in why such changes were occurring. Figure 9 is a fold out mailing card that gives prices (from La Junta, Colorado) of holiday floral arrangements, trees, and poinsettias. All could be sent by telegram to any city in the country although the familiar FTD Delivery Service is not mentioned. Christmas trees from 3 to 8 feet went for \$1.00 to \$3.50 delivered! The 1928 Newburgh, North Dakota mailer tells customers to come in and pick up their free 24x28 inch calendars which bear large pictures of modern farm buildings. This seems to be quite a change from the more subdued advertising messages seen just twenty-five years earlier.

I have seen few, if any ornate cards that were posted during the depression years and one wonders if some of the same societal

and cultural restraints seen at the turn of the century, began to re-emerge during the grim years of the Depression.

An unused subscription return envelope from Columbus, Ohio to Philadelphia, without a single sprig of holly to be seen, manages to bring back the man with all the toys as the favorite and, perhaps, most effective seasonal advertising motif, appears as Figure 12.

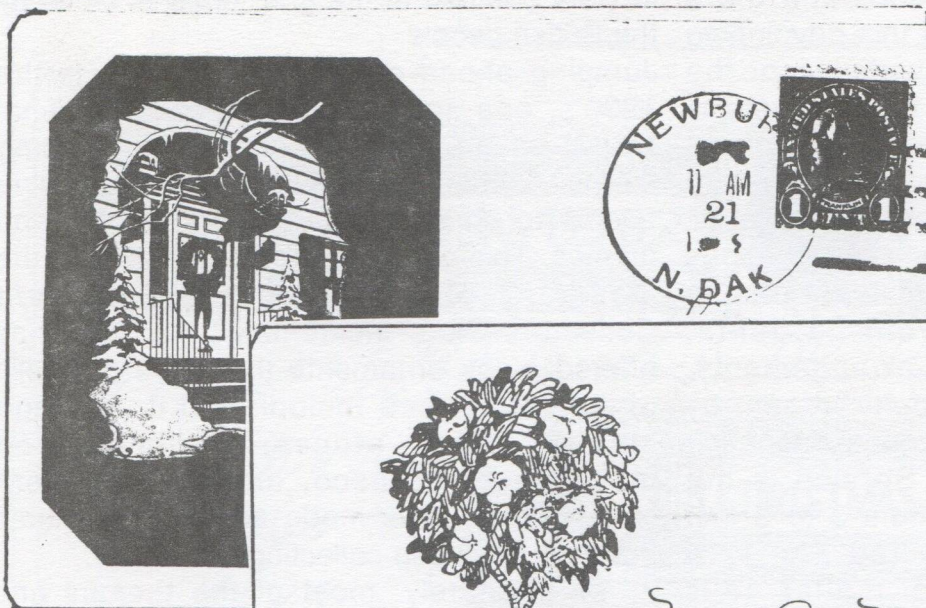
Moving on to Figure 13, who would've thought that one collector, in a single lifetime, would acquire not one, but two, label or seal packages used as envelopes? This one is even more unusual than the 1919 Noel, Colorado example because it was mailed from war-time Britain (1943). In addition, the front of the envelope itself is one huge mailing label/seal. Considering the conditions then in existence in Great Britain, this extremely colorful bit of postal history is in stark contrast to the grim realities faced by the British people.

Jumping ahead several generations to the 1990's, one sees the return of holly (what else?) as an effective holiday advertising theme. Contemporary Christmas advertising seems to come in all sorts of designs and themes. This one was sent in a mailing to the members of the Hallmark Ornament Collectors Club. Incidentally, Hallmark has offered many ornaments that have philatelic or postal themes including U.S. postage stamps, post offices, mailmen and messengers. Enesco, another ornament manufacturer, has made several ornaments that feature stamp collecting.

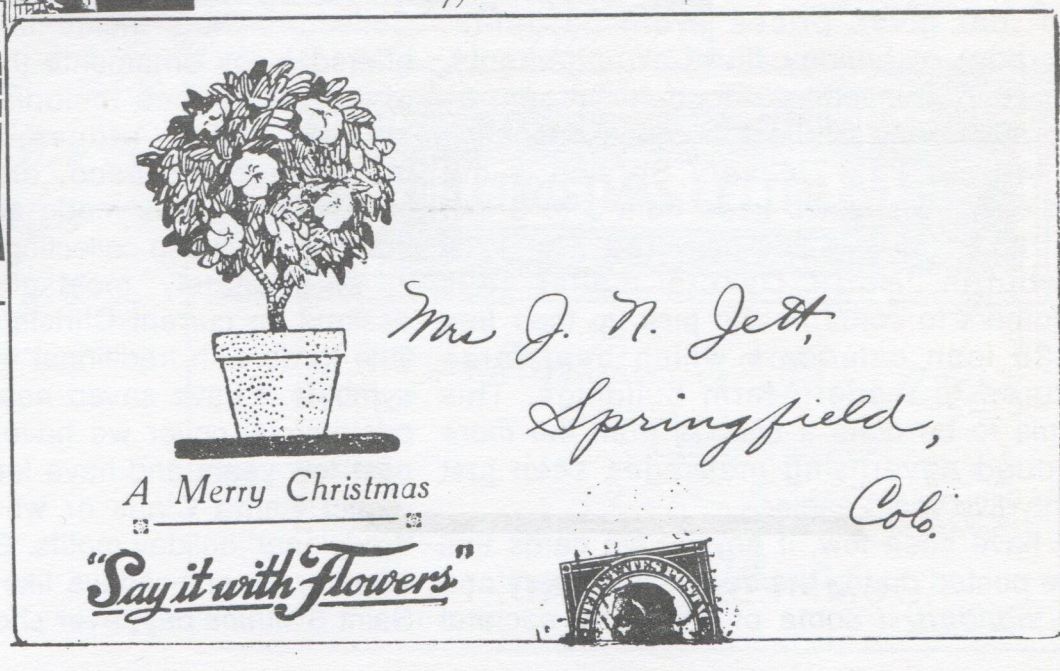
Unfortunately, most of the themes and designs on current Christmas mailings have little to do with traditional holiday motifs and symbols. I have saved nearly every holiday commercial cover we have received for the past few years and have found very few that depict Santa Claus or what we might call "traditional" holiday motifs. One also wonders whether other holidays like Thanksgiving or Saint Swithins day, ever show up as a theme

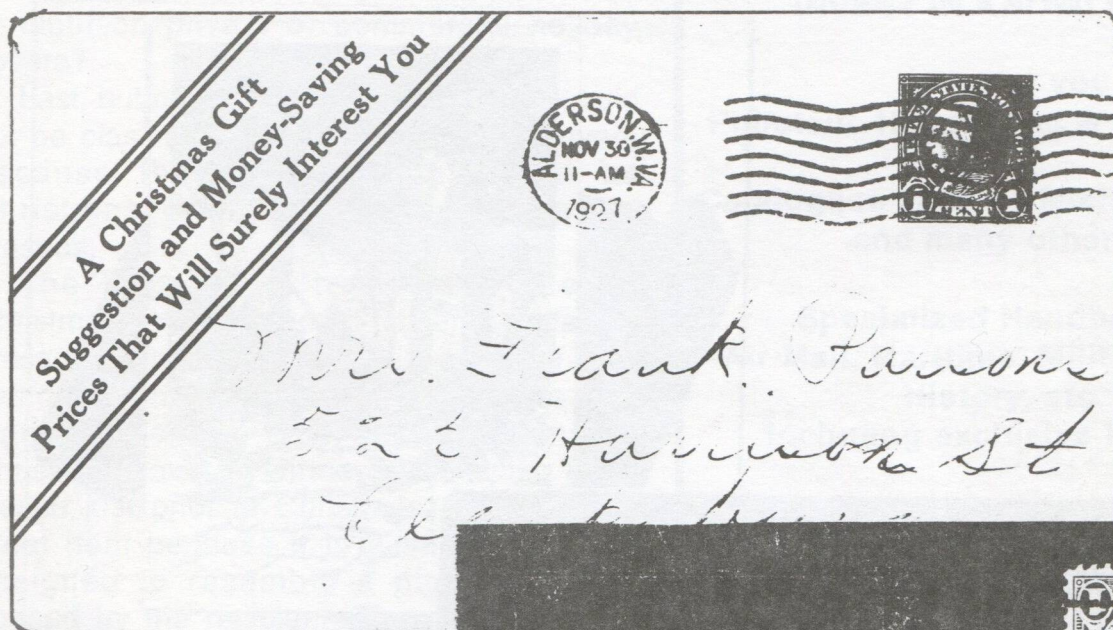


Figures 7 and 8



Figures 9 and 10

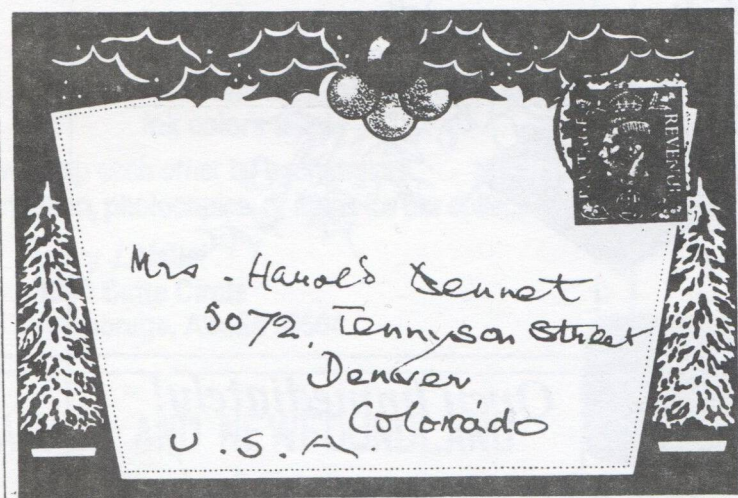




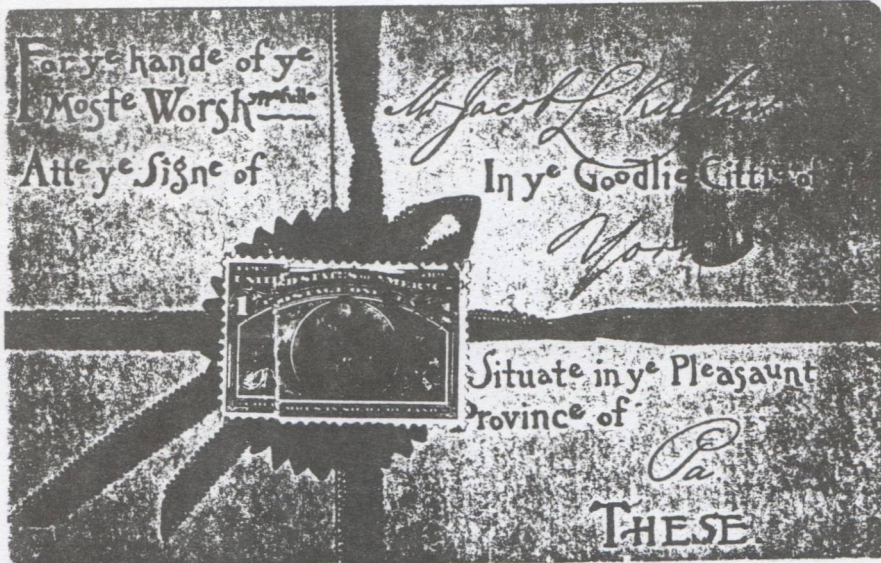
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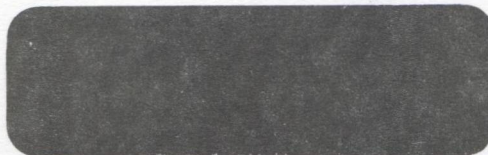
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or motif on private or commercial holiday covers?

Last, but not least, are two items that could not be classified along with the other covers because they can be considered as Christmas oriented for much different reasons.

The large 1890 trade card uses a Christmas day postmarked cover to tie ladies dress (read sweat) shields to the idea of their being a highly sought after Christmas gift. Figure 14. on the other hand, becomes a Christmas cover by virtue of its having been mailed just prior to Christmas, 1894. It is a great item because it is a three part card designed to resemble a package to be opened by the recipient. The novel way the card is addressed, makes it very holiday oriented, that is, until one reads what is being advertised. In this case, it is cold rolled and buffed copper guttering "equal to any ever made." Just think of the lucky American lady who found not only a box of Lily Dress Shields under her tree, but also found three or four hundred feet of "Alaska" hot rolled brazier's copper guttering as well! Merry Christmas!

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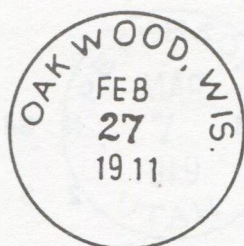
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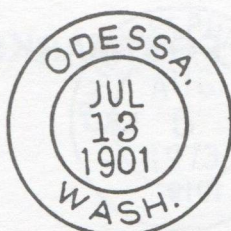
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F-3950 PALM BEACH FL	1887-	16 MAR 1912		32		2
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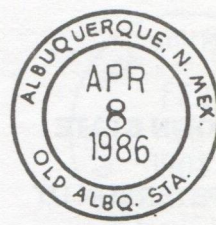
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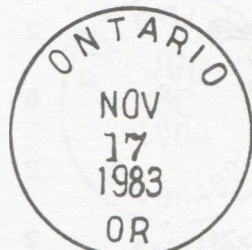
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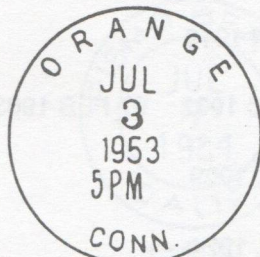
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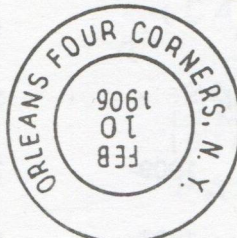
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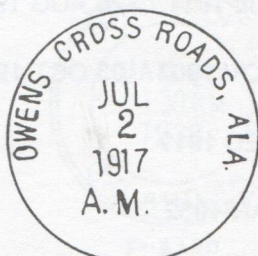
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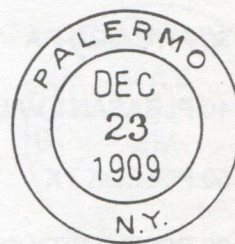
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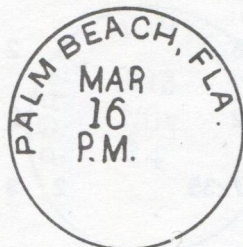
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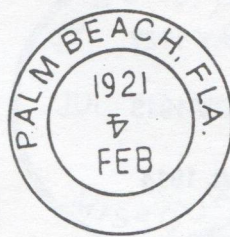
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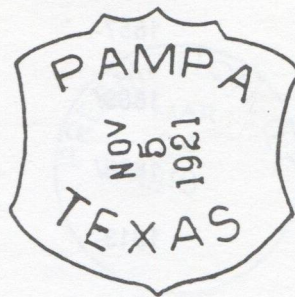
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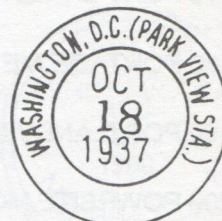
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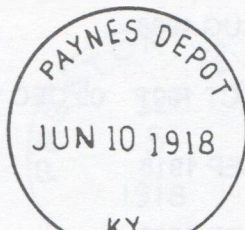
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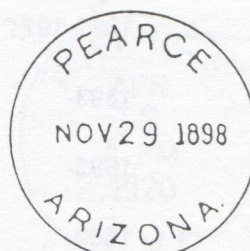
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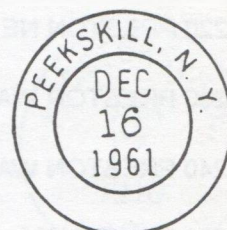
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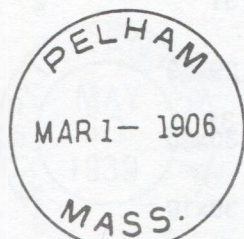
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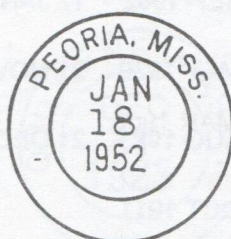
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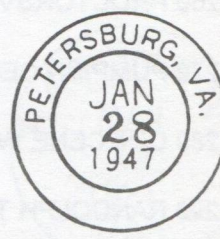
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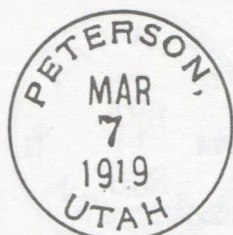
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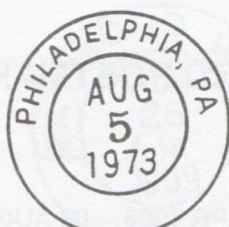
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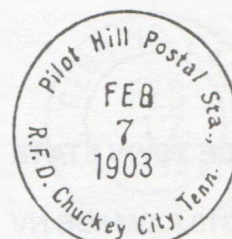
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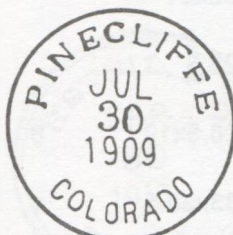
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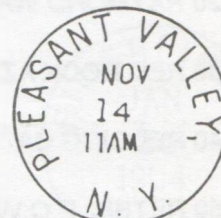
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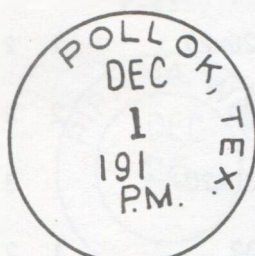
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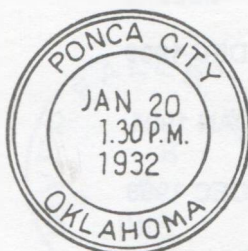
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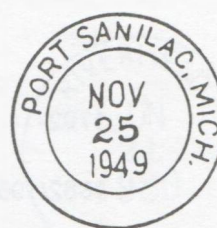
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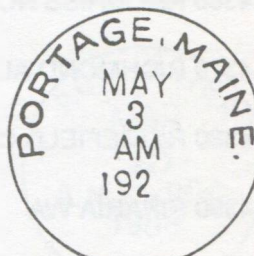
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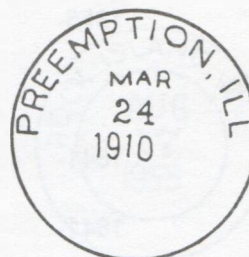
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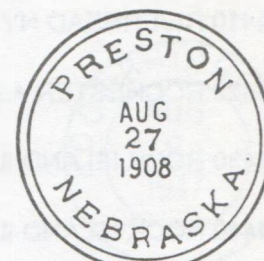
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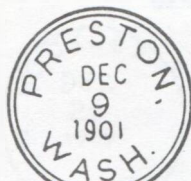
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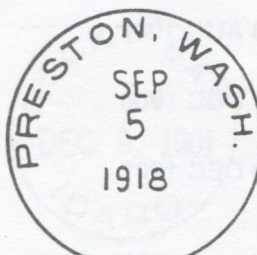
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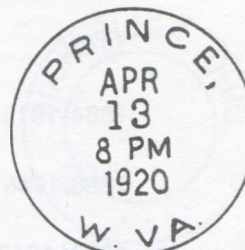
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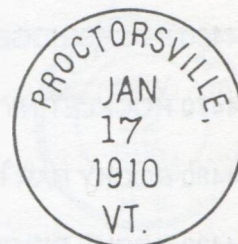
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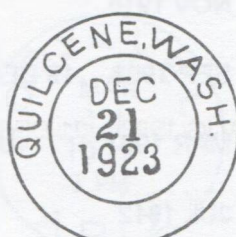
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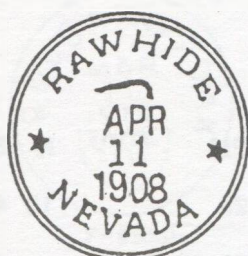
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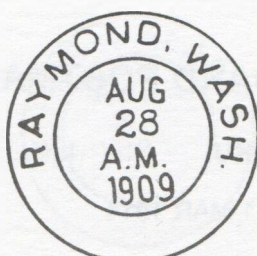
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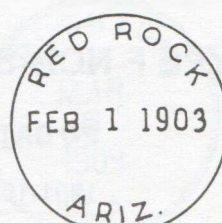
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F-4330 RED ROCK AZ	1895-1953	01 FEB 1903		28.5		6
F-4340 REDDING CA	1872-	17 FEB 1945		28.5x19	8	2
F-4350 RETSIL, P.O. WA	1915-1966	30 SEP 1915		33x30.5	1	5
F-4360 RHODHISS NC	1901-	20 APR 1907		31	2	2
F-4370 RICHMOND AL		10 DEC 1909		29x20	1	2
F-4380 RIDGEFIELD CT	1792-	24 JAN 1904		30	2	2
F-4390 RIPARIA WA	1882/1963	25 DEC 1908		30x20		3
F-4400 RIVER FALLS AL		04 ??? 1918		32	1	2
F-4410 RIVERHEAD NY	1855-	21 JUN 1980		30.5		1
F-4420 ROCHESTER A.M.F. NY		15 MAR 1989		32		1
F-4430 ROCK ISLAND IL	1841-	08 JUL 1926		29x19	9	2
F-4440 ROCK ISLAND IL	1841-	24 JUL 1926		30x20	9	2
F-4450 ROCK ISLAND IL	1841-	17 AUG 1955		31x20	4	2
F-4460 ROCKBRIDGE MO	1842/	08 AUG 1947		29x20	1	2
F-4470 ROCKLET NY	1884-1915	24 DEC 1906		24.5	7	2
F-4480 ROCKY BAR ID	1868/1946	09 DEC 1901		30	2	4
F-4490 ROCKY RIDGE OH	1873/ 191?			30x20		2
F-4500 RODANTHE NC	1873/	22 NOV 1916		28x27x18	2	3
F-4510 ROGGEN CO	1883-	27 SEP 1908	19 DEC 1910	29		3
F-4520 ROOSEVELT AZ	1904-	14 MAR 1907		31		4
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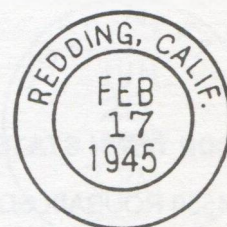
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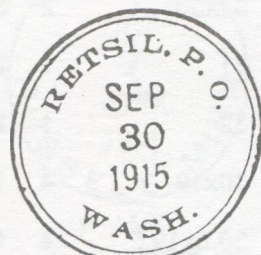
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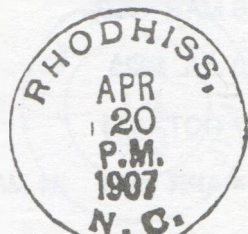
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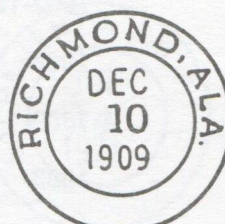
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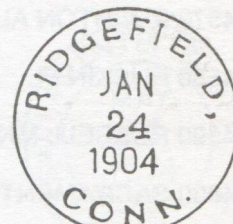
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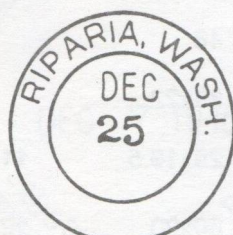
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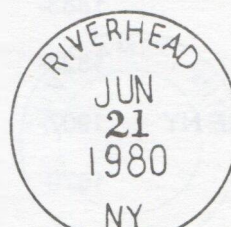
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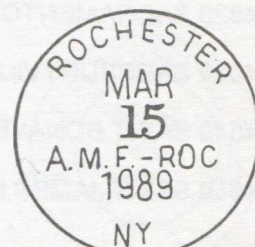
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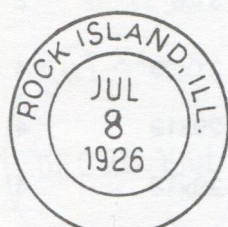
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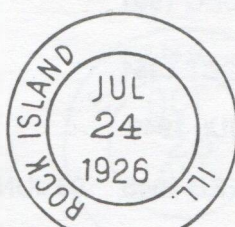
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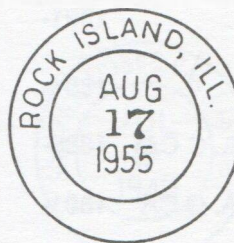
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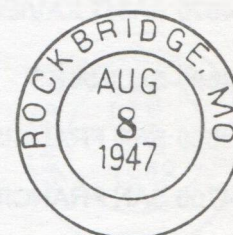
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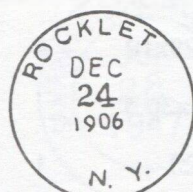
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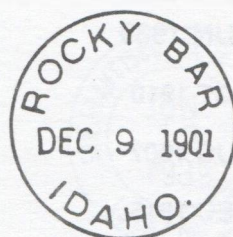
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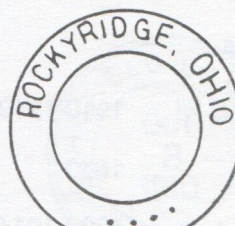
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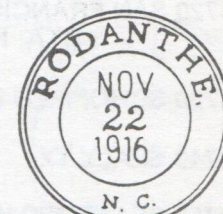
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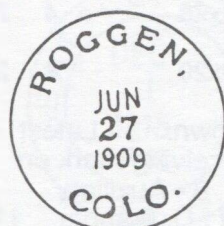
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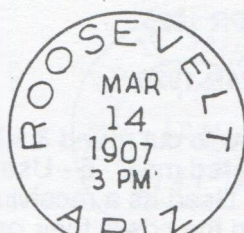
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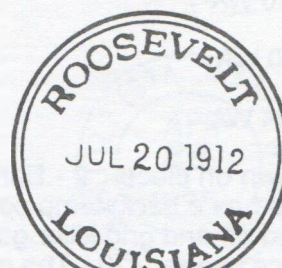
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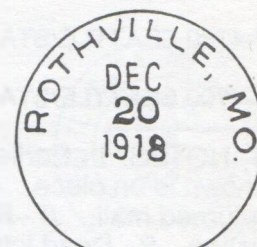
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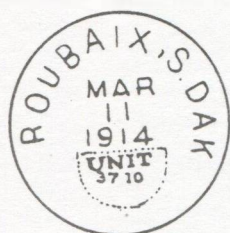


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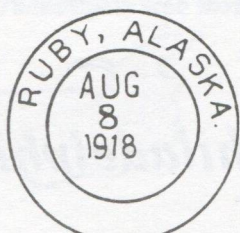
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F-4590 RUSSELL MN	1889-	07 OCT 1914		32	1	2
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F-4620 SACRAMENTO CA	1883-	24 MAY 1974		31x21	4	1
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F-4650 SAINT JAMES MN	1870-	?? DEC 192?	?? DEC 192?	29x19.5	11	2
F-4660 SAINT PETERSBURG FL	1888-	11 MAR 1950		30x20	12	2
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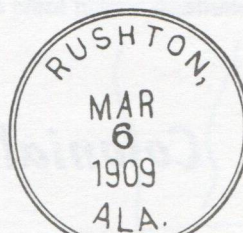
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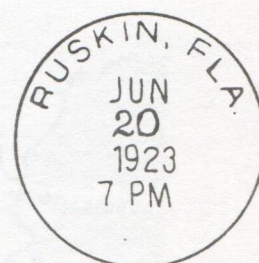
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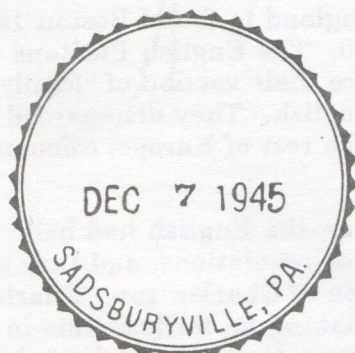
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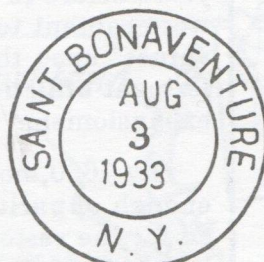
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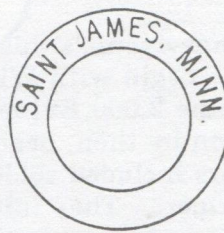
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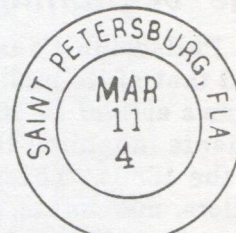
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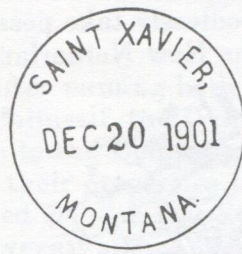
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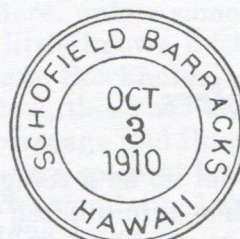
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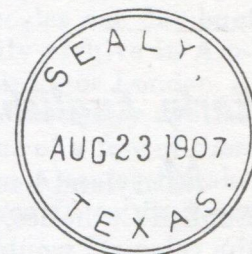
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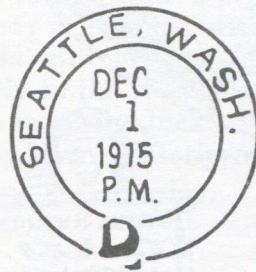
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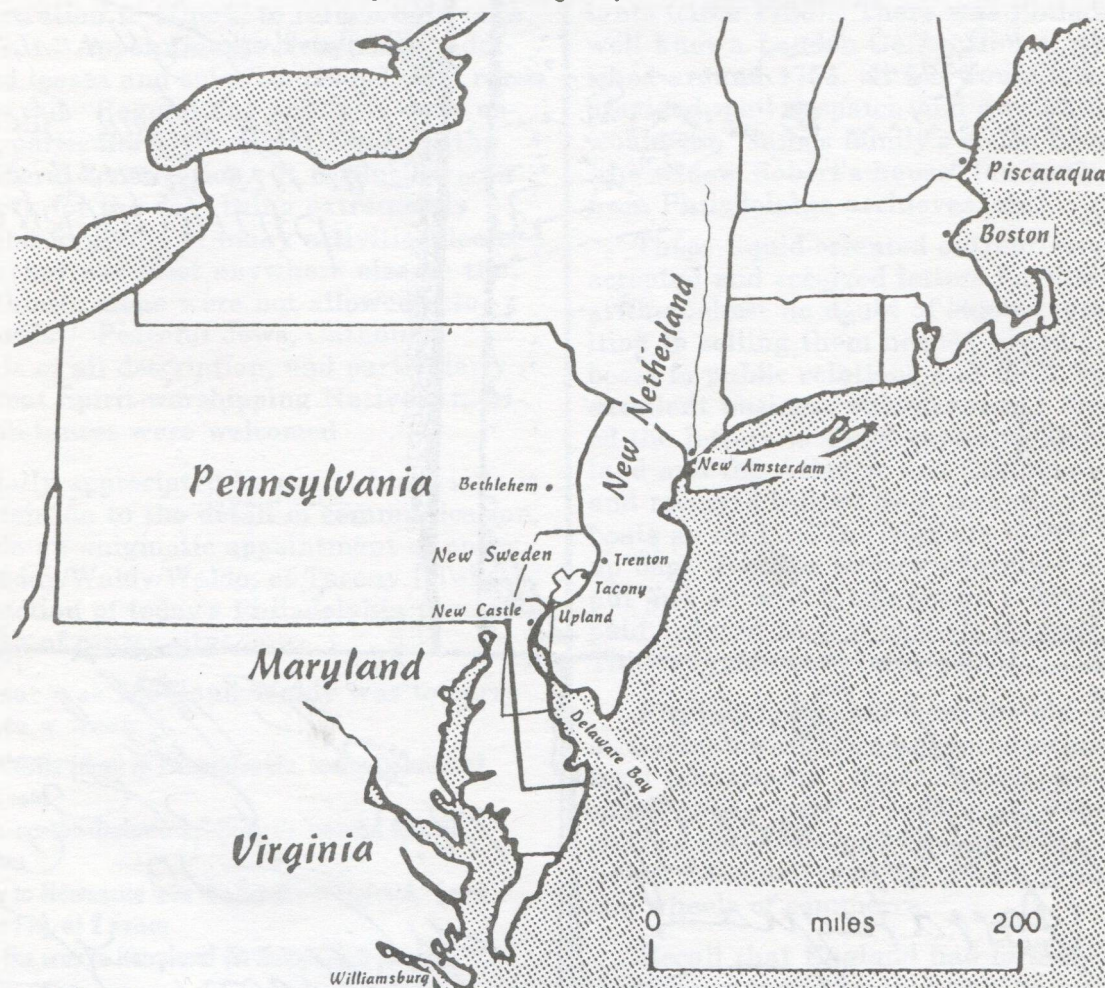


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The Philadelphia area showing the place names mentioned.



After naming both the colony and settlement after himself, the Duke readily sent his fleet south to the Delaware Bay to oust the Dutch from their properties there, too. The newly arrived English lost little time surveying the Delaware Valley and West New Jersey, no doubt to the consternation of the Colony of Maryland and smaller Delaware. Additional settlers spread down from New York.

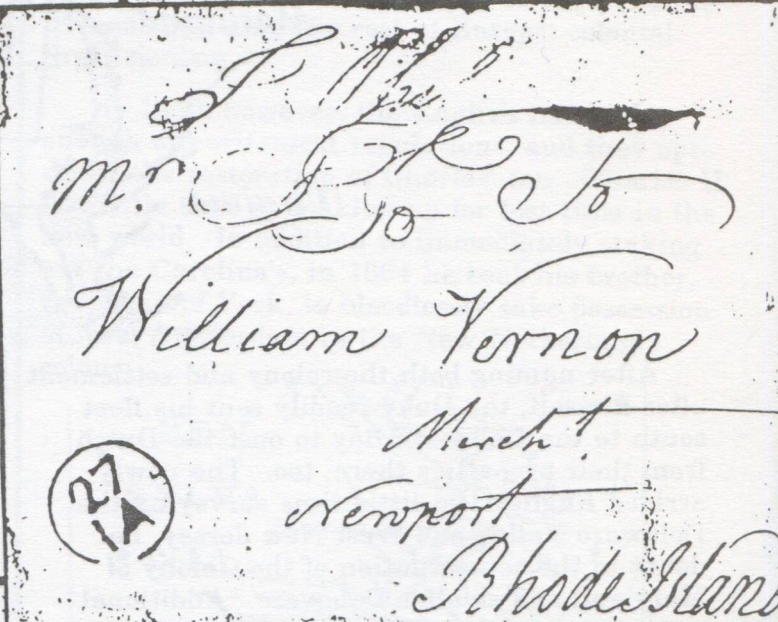
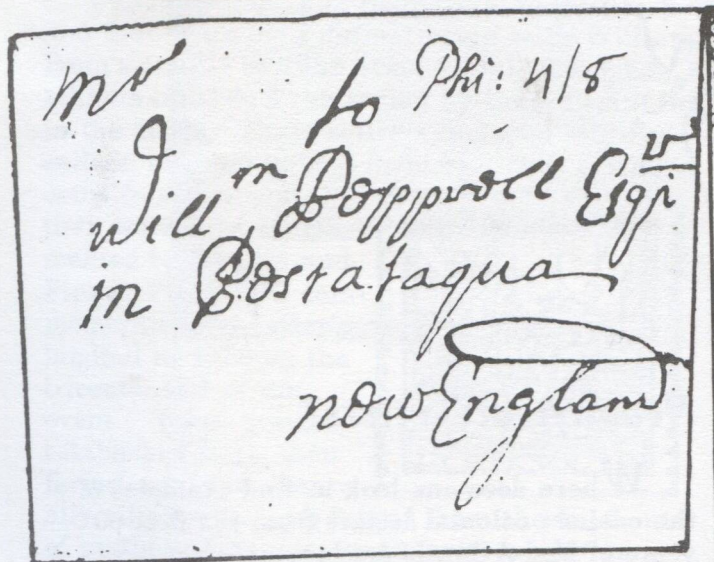
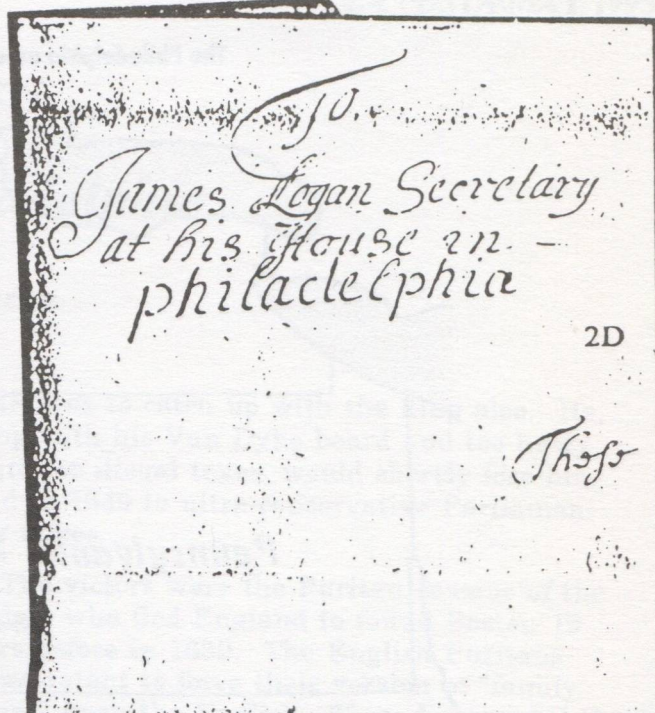
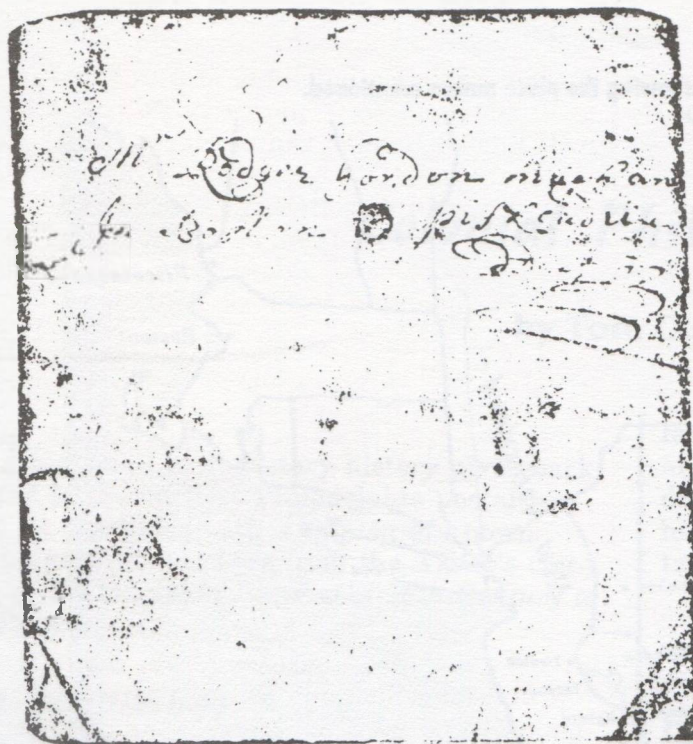
Charles II acknowledged his indebtedness to Admiral Penn, William Penn's father, and it was agreed that some of the recently claimed English land would be acceptable repayment. (The king could also help rid himself of a nuisance to the Church of England, that quaking Society of Friends, many members of which would willingly hasten with the Quaker Penn family to the New World.) The Duke of York, soon to be the luckless King James II, conceded part of his territory for this purpose.

Nonexistent Letters?

Where does one look to find examples of the earliest colonial letters from the first 50 years of Mid-Atlantic settlement? Nowhere. Nowhere, unless someone decides one day to sell off a little known dusty family archive in Amsterdam, Stockholm, or Helsinki, or London. For now, these are only hypothetically available. For coverage and illustrations of a few of these ultra-rare colonial letters, see Alex ter Braake's superb compilation, *The Posted Letter in America, 1628-1790*.

However, for completeness' sake, and with the eternal optimism of a rummager through endless dealers' boxes, numbers are assigned for pre-1683 Philadelphia correspondence (catalog 1A, B, and C).

Once here, Penn began the work of bureaucritizing the colony. He would soon leave for



from Treasury Board respecting
1000 Dollars of Continental currency
belonging to the Frenchman

Nathaniel Appleton Esq
Commissioner of the
Continental Loan Office
Boston

Clockwise from top left:

- 1) A letter via the post? from New York to Boston and forwarded to "Piscadua;"
- 2) Pleasant to imagine that Postmaster Captain Hamilton actually handled, even delivered this letter to famous early Philadelphian James Logan at his home;
- 3) An early Franklin Mark, of Jan 27, 1776, also showing a #23 ms Phil 4 (dwt);
- 4) #29, the no-postmark phase after re-establishing the government at Philadelphia;
- 5) Earliest recorded Philadelphia postmark: to Piscatua (NH), 1728.

England in 1684, allowing the day to day colonial administration to others, to return only once, in 1699-1701. Appointments were made, additional land leases and sales concluded, and roads were surveyed. Regulations and laws were established, particularly the Great Charter, the colony's liberal constitution. It is considered a master-work for the day, being extremely tolerant and forgiving of many activities deemed evil and abhorrant most anywhere else on the globe. Athiests alone were not allowed into "Penns-woods". Peaceful Jews, Catholics, Protestants of all description, and particularly Penns' Great Spirit-worshipping Native American acquaintances were welcomed

Especially appreciated by postal historians is Penn's attention to the detail of communication. Penn made an enigmatic appointment of one Henry Waddy/Waldy/Waldo, of Tacony ("Tekonay"), a section of today's Philadelphia several miles north of center-city.

The year was 1683 and Waldy was to carry letters once a week:

- to New Castle (then in Pennsylvania, today Delaware), 4 pence rate
- to "Falls-on-the-Delaware," (today's Trenton NJ), no rate given
- Halfway to Newcastle was the Swede's "Upland," (now Chester PA), at 2 pence
- and all the way to Maryland (St Mary's?), 6 pence.

According to Horowitz and Lowe's *Colonial Posts in the United States of America, 1606-1783*, "in 1683 post riders carried mail between Philadelphia and Maryland..it went over trails marked only with blazed trees" (p. 32-3).

Waldy's times of departure were to be posted "on the meeting house doore." With the hope that one day a letter or letters determined to have been carried by Waldy will be discovered, a pre-postmark Pennsylvania mail catalog number is included (catalog 2A). Though such letters would have to be registered as quasi-governmental, given their primitive setting, who would question their validity as postal history -- and of the supremest sort?

Coffee House and Stage Mail

There is another category of pre-postoffice mail. As the years passed and colonists arrived and procreated, there came to be a proliferation of owners of inns and coffee houses in a youth-

ful, desirable Philadelphia of 3 to 4,000 inhabitants (circa 1730). There was Philadelphia's well known London Coffee House, which flourished around 1754. It too would have doubtless provided mail despatch and receipt service, as would the "James family's coffee house;" and "the widow Robert's house" (an inn?), known from Philadelphia archives, etc.

These liquid-oriented entrepreneurs readily accepted and received letters for their customers at the behest no doubt of ship's captains, in addition to selling them needed libation. It gave a boost to public relations and must have been an excellent business enhancement. Owners handed the letters to ships' captains bound for England and the Atlantic and Caribbean islands, and received letters from incoming ships and boats as well. "The Masters bound thither put up bags in coffee houses wherein the letters are put and for which one penny a letter is usually paid out and 2d if it exceeds a single letter. This is lyable to several abuses...." (Lowe)

Precious messages from the old country were anxiously awaited and eagerly picked up by the local inhabitants. Businessmen, whose letters make up the bulk of such mail, would have considered their sea mail indispensable to making a living. Seamail was the grease that lubricate the wheels of commerce.

Recall that England had forbid colonists from developing industry, insisting under their mercantile statutes that only raw materials be shipped outward, and then only to the mother country, so it could reap the bounty of sales of finished goods. Thus to traffic in orders from England in the triangle trade (England-Africa or Islands-America) was utterly necessary for American businessmen, even if profits were stunted, in order to keep ample money in the cupboard.

Then there were the teamsters who hauled goods from village to village and between colonies. Leave the soil for others to work! Wouldn't they readily offer to carry letters as well as packages along with their barrels, bales, and bundles? There's money to be made in goodwill and that can easily be cultivated by bringing up-to-date news. There was, for example, a Benezet's stage stop (at Benezet's Inn?) at the terminus of the route from Bethlehem PA to Philadelphia. Possibly the words *Benezets* may someday be found scrawled on an otherwise innocuous looking folder letter or wrapper.

Perhaps the item listed as 5A, from 1734, is just such an item. Did a handy type kit allow for the destination to be stamped rather than merely the carrier's name? We must continue to look at early incoming and outgoing letters with an very critical, though skeptical, eye.

Whether or not such mail will be definitively distinguished one day, allowance for decades of innkeeper and stageman diligence should be made, on the chance that one day they will come to light (catalog 2C).

True Postoffice Mail

The main category of post-Penn, but pre-postmark mail is that group of letters which truly passed through the fledgling Post Office under its early postmasters:

Postmasters at Philadelphia

1. unknown	June 1, 1693 (see Lowe, p.32)
2. unknown, PM change	1694 (see Lowe, .32)
3. unknown, PM change	1695 (see Lowe, .32)
4. Andrew Hamilton (Neale's Amer. Rep., not PMG)	1696 to 1698
5. Henry Flower (not Fowler)	Sep 2, 1698 to 1707
6. Capt John Hamilton (son of Andrew)	1707 to Dec 1717?
7. (William Bradford Sr (his term is questionable)	Dec 1717 to 1722?
8. Henry Fowler, 2d term	1722 to Apr 1725
9. Andrew Bradford	Apr 1725 to 1737
10. Alexander Spotswood	1730 to ?
(he was Deputy PMG for the Colonies, headquartered at Phila)	

The institution of official mail service commenced in the colonies as of June 1, 1693, when the Duke of York posted the following rates from his New York colony:

- Philadelphia 4-1/2d
- Connecticut 4-1/2d
- Rhode Island, 9d
- Maryland and Virginia, 9d
- Boston, 15d
- beyond Boston, 19d.

But by 1699, delivery by land to Virginia was still just a hope, as mentioned. In 1700-01, the Pennsylvania Assembly passed a law "that there be a General Post Office erected and established in Philadelphia to send letters to colonies planted in America or in any of the King's Kingdoms in foreign lands." Postriders are mentioned operating between Piscataqua

and Philadelphia. The rates quoted from Philadelphia were:

- to Boston or Rhode Island, 18d
- to Piscataqua (Portsmouth NH) and east of Boston, 24d
- New York, 8d
- to Maryland and Virginia, 18d if by post, 4d if privately carried to the office.

The Maryland-Philadelphia Waldy-rate mentioned previously was 6 pence, circa 1683; however, the more recent (1693) royal mail limitation was Newcastle DE, as quoted from England's PMG Neale's American representative Andrew Hamilton in 1699. Hamilton's suggestion was that mail should be carried "to James [town] in Virginia, about 400 miles [further]."

In the northerly direction, according to ter Braake (p. K-6), "as early as May 1693 a weekly intercolonial mail service was started between Piscataqua and New Castle on the Delaware, a route which operated in five stages." By 1717 the route extended to Williamsburg in the south; Philadelphia-Newport VA was a 24-hour round trip.

Lowe (p.32) extols the following: "The Penn Post was one of the successful mail enterprises of the Colonies and used horses until 1756, when some stages came into use. This post had its Philadelphia office at the sign of the "Death of the Fox" in Strawberry Alley. The mail from Philadelphia via Trenton and Perth Amboy reached New York in three days, leaving early Friday

morning and reached New York on Saturday night (1710), rate 6d. The Philadelphia-Baltimore route, via Christiana and French Town (Elk River) operated once a week."

Bad weather could be daunting to mail riders, which surely must have been the case of the letter quoted by Lowe as sent from John Bartram of Philadelphia to Gloucester VA on December 3, 1763. It reached its destination 74 days later, on February 15, 1764, 68 days total. A similar letter took 74 days in transit.

By the end of the colonial period, 1783, Philadelphia's population had rapidly climbed to 40,000, leading Boston (20,000) and New York (less than 20,000). In 1753 it was estimated at only 5,000. Availability of collectible letters seems aptly proportionate to those figures.

Category Four: Everything else

It is questionable whether early official mail will ever be distinguishable from correspondence routed via stage, innkeepers, family servant-messengers, or accomodating friends. Therefore, allowance is made for a catchall reference number, 2D, for indeterminate source mail, as illustrated. All non-governmental carried mail, since it is unmarked (unless internally it can be oterwise assigned), must be by default labeled thus.

It is easy to see that a provincial town would eventually outgrow the scant workload of part-time postal officials. By Frankiln's time, the 1740s-50s, Philadelphia had need for a complete compliment fulltime postmasters and assistants.

The colony was growing far beyond the town and county limits of Philadelphia. Still, Philadelphia provided the only postal services in Pennsylvania Colony until those of Elizabethtown, 1757, and Lancaster, 1768/1773 (ter Braake, p. II-90 and Lowe, p.33), were established. Other outposts in Pennsylvania with post offices may possibly have included early Bedford, Bristol, Carlisle, Chester, and Pittsburgh (Lowe). Till 1757, Philadelphia was alone.

Listing Manuscript Markings The Old, Standard Method

It is an unpleasant task to conceive of Philadelphia's colonial manuscript postmarks as has been done traditionally, i.e., to chronologically categorize all manuscript markings, vaguely in time order, according to the form of letter content as penned onto folded letters. An alternative is to group all manuscripts together as though they were one "type," and move on. Simple, if inelegant, but at least there are no false impressions. Still, isn't the traditional system just as artificial, arbitrary, and elementary?

It is a false economy. It very improperly allows that postmasters were consistent with their inscriptions. Accordingly, one differentiates between "Phil" and "Phila", "Philad" and "Philada," even though they may have been written at approximately the same time, and conceivably by the same person, all because of the inclusion or exclusion of the letters *a* and *d*.

Because our clerk only infrequently added that extra *d* or *a*, the manuscript postmark market could continue to claim the penned aberrations as rare or even unique. But plain misspellings would also fit that bill, and epistemologically they may well be *unique*, but neither postally meaningful or historically significant!

This method surrenders logic for the whims of the particular postal clerk or postmaster, their varying moods, the daily demands on their time and their creative initiative at the time the postmark was applied. Not a reliable set of human circumstances. Our own casual writing habits and our own daily flights of fancy reveals the absurdity of the standard treatment. No one consistently executes his daily chores in the same manner day in and day out, let alone for months or years at a time. The traditional manuscript 'typology' is built on a premise of sand. No true historical classification can thus be achieved; it makes for terrible history.

Style versus Form

Unfortunately, the proper method is probably not achievable. It is not practical to hope to categorize manuscript postmarks by individual Postmasters' or clerks' handwriting styles, and in most cases the required document examples are no longer extant. Could he or she learn to distinguish with sufficient precision the different hand-writings of many clerks and postmasters whose terms surely overlapped through varied administrations? Then only would we have an ultimate, accurate, and meaningful catalog.

Still, it is a worthy endeavor for lay collectors to attempt to establish the handwriting styles of long-gone individuals. The results would be worth the effort. One editor, Tom Mazza, has reasonably attempted this with good affect in compiling several county catalogs of Pennsylvania stampless markings.

A Practical Alternative


In the meantime, at the bare minimum, we need to allocate manuscript, as well as early handstamp, cancels according to each postmaster's term in office. This would initiate the academically correct solution. Within each postmaster's term we could subgroup all significant, distinctive types (not alphabetic content) but by

format: inclusion of date; rate, etc. Some manuscripts may duplicate the form of the previous or succeeding regime, but by that very reason, they are 'different' marks.

(All that being said, the traditional system is

retained here (!) since the writer has not had favorable logistics to permit hands-on marking comparisons and research. It is sufficient for now to know that the concept would be accepted by collectors who will catalog their areas accordingly.) ☒

Philadelphia Colonial Markings

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|----|---------------------------|-----|---|----|--------------------------|
| 3 | <i>Phi:</i> | 12 |  | 28 | — |
| 4 | <i>PH</i> | 13a | — | 29 | — |
| 5 | <i>Phi</i> | 13b | <i>Phi^d</i> | 30 | PHILA. MAY 4 |
| 5A | PHILADELPHIA | 14 | PHILA
DELPHLA | 31 | P. MAY: 15 |
| 6 | <i>Phila</i> | 20 | PHILA MAR: 21 | 32 | P. MAY 22 |
| 7a | <i>Philad</i> | 21 | PHILA: SEP 7 | 33 | P. JUNE: 4 |
| 7b | — | 22 | <i>Phi</i> | 34 | P. JUNE: 19 |
| 8a | <i>Phi Phi:</i> | 23 | <i>Phil^a</i> | 35 | P AUG 21 |
| 8b | — | 24 | PHIL ^a OCT. 8 | 36 | Philadelphia,
May 20. |
| 9 | <i>Pha.</i> | 25 | PHILAD. FEBRUARY 17 | 37 | PHILA. AUG 16 |
| 10 | <i>Phil</i> | 26 | PHIL.A AUGUST 5 | 38 | PHILADELPHIA, JULY 11 |
| 11 | <i>Philad^a</i> | 27 | PHILA AUGUST 12 | | |

PRE-POSTMARK MAIL

Pre-Philadelphia Mail to 1682

- 1A Swedes and Finns, after ca 1640, letters perhaps originating from their settlements in the vicinity of Kingsessing and Fox Chase, and farm sites scattered throughout the original Philadelphia County limits.
- 1B Dutch, after 1630s, near Cobbs Creek, a mill, and elsewhere.
- 1C English, pre-Penn correspondence; scattered along the Delaware riverfront and inland.

After Philadelphia Is Founded, 1682

- 2A Mail carried by Henry Waddy/Waldo, after July, 1683-1693?
- 2B Pre-postmark colonial postmasters mail, Spring 1693-1728.
- 2C Private mail handlers: coffee house and stage mail
- 2D Undistinguished, unmarked mail
 - courtesy or private messenger mail
 - other unscribed mail from the above three categories
 - unmarked inbound ship and boat mail.

POSTMARKED MAIL-AFTER 1728

- 3 **Phi:** ms, black (Stets M 1)
EKU 1728 LKU 1729
 - The earliest recorded Philadelphia postmarked letter was sent to "Piscataua, New England," (Portsmouth, NH) in 1728/9, and sold at the Nov 1987 David Phillips Sale for \$1150.
- 4 **PH** ms, black (Stets M 2)
EKU 1733 7/27
- 5 **Phi** ms, black (Stets M 3)
EKU 1734 7/29
- 5A **pHiLADELpHia** SL35x4, Bl (Stets H22)
EKU 1734 (formerly, 1794)

Very un-bureaucratic look; dating is doubtful; according to early writer Arthur Nichols it may be earlier than the classic PHILA / DELPHIA's. Conceivably it is a private, coffee house or stageline mark; see discussion on previous pages.

The figure shown is an early writer's rendition of the mark (Horace W Barr, in *Congress Book 10*, 1944, p55). It may be faulty, showing differences in lettering. The accompanying date appears very like 1734. Examples of 18th century 9's with curly tails aren't seen, but 3's with top curl and mid-indentation are common; thus the assumption that 1734 is the true date.

- 6 **Phila** ms, black (Stets M 4)
EKU 1743 6/xx LKU 1766 9/24

- 7a **Philad** ms, black (Stats M 5)
EKU 1748 11/xx LKU 1764 7/28

- 7b **Same**, red (Stets M 5a)
EKU 1762 LKU 1763 8/22

- 8a **Phi** or **Phi:** ms, black (Stets M 6)
EKU 1743 1/8 LKU 1765 1/21

- 8b **Same**, red (Stets M 6a)
EKU 1754 9/10 LKU 1766 9/24

- 9 **Ph^a.** ms, black (Stets M 7)
EKU 1757 4/2

- 10 **Phil** ms, black (Stets M 8)
EKU 1764 11/30

- 11 **Philad^a** ms black
EKU 1748 1/1 LKU 1766 2/22

• considered by Philadelphia cataloguer Robert Stets as a variant of **M 5, Philad**

- 12 (**Franklin Mark**) (Stets H 16, H 21)
EKU 1765 10/9 LKU 1798 ??

There are many shades from Magenta-Red-Brown-Black; shades do not seem to be date-significant, only indicative of the different batches of ink on hand.

- 13a **Phi^a** ms, black (Stets M 9)
EKU 1766 2/24

- 13b **Same**, red (Stets M 9)
EKU 1766 5/1

- 14 **PHILA / DELPHIA** S2L54x16 Red (Stets H 1)
EKU 1764 LKU 1774 12/31

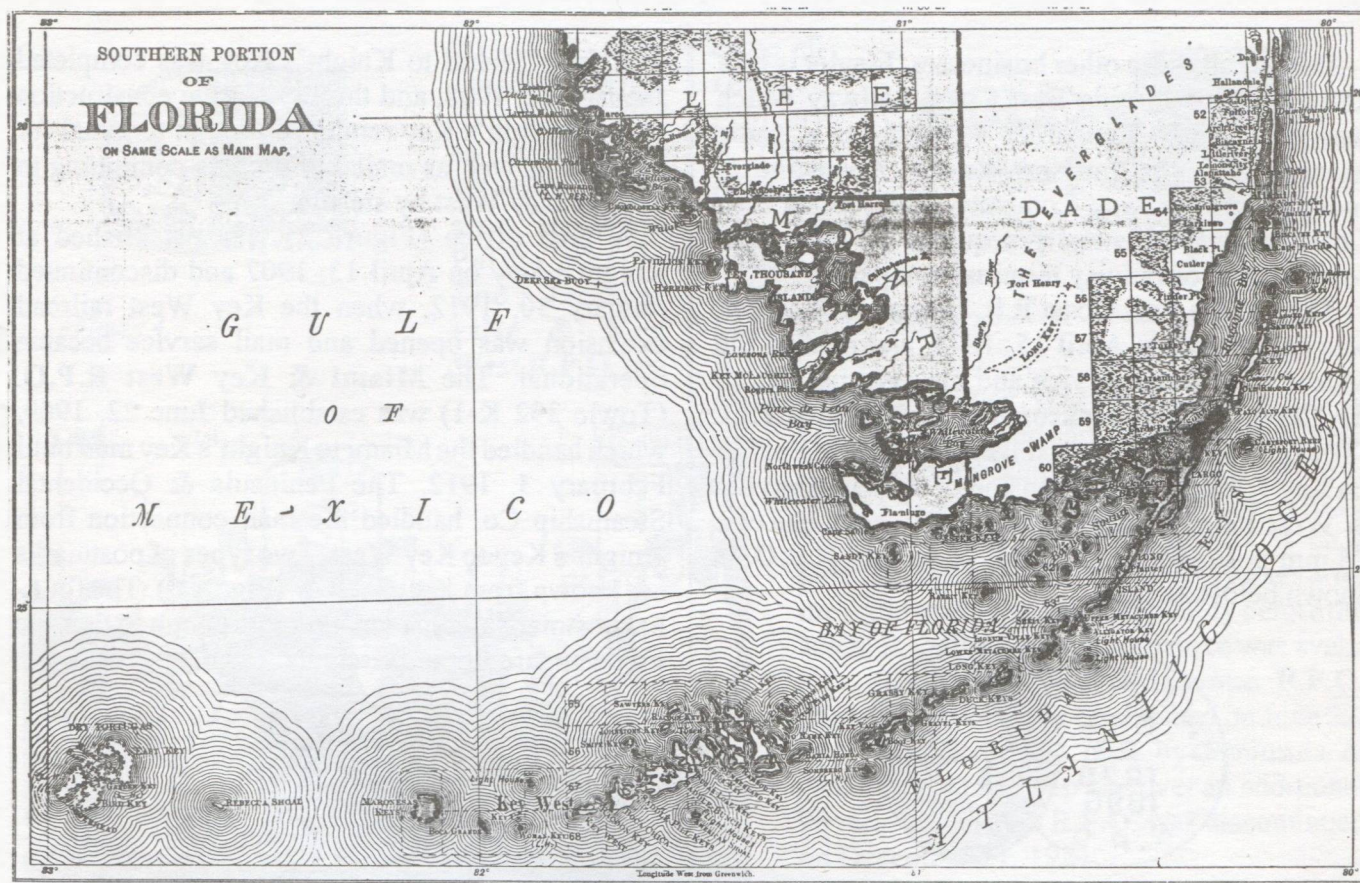
2. Revolutionary War to 1798

- 20 **PHILA (MO: day)** red (Stets H 2)
EKU 1775 3/21 LKU 1775 7/13

- 21 **PHILA: (MO day)** red (Stets H 3)
EKU 1775 7/4 LKU 1775 9/7
- 22 **Phi ms, Bl** (changeling from red?) (St M 20)
EKU 1775 7/31 LKU 1775 8/20
- 23 **Phil^a.. ms, red** (Stets M 21)
EKU 1775 10/12 LKU 1777 3/17
- 24 **PHIL^A (MO. day)** black (Stets H 4)
EKU 1776 6/26 LKU 1777 8/12
- 25 **PHILAD. (MO day)** black (Stets H 5)
EKU 1777 2/17
- 26 **PHIL.A (MO day)** [A small] black
(Stets H 6)
EKU 1777 4/8 LKU 1777 8/5
- 27 **PHIL.A (MO day)** [A large] black
(Stets H 7)
EKU 1777 8/12
- 28 **NO POSTMARK** - British Occupation
between Sep 26, 1777-Jun 18, 1778.
- **Note: Boston postmarks accompanied by Franklin Marks are known sent by patriot correspondence committees during the early, otherwise "no post-mark," period (in yellow-gold!, later red, colors.)**
- 29 **Same, Revolutionaries re-occupation** from
Jun 18, 1778 - Apr?, 1782
- 30 **PHILA. (MO day)** black (Stets H 8)
EKU 1782 5/4 LKU 1782 8/12
- 31 **P. (MO day)** black (Stets H 9)
EKU 1782 5/15 LKU 1782 5/20
- 32 **PH--A, / (mo day)** black (Stets H 14)
EKU 1782 5/20
- 33 **P* (MO day)** red (Stets H 10)
EKU 1782 5/22 LKU 1782 5/24
- 34 **P* (MO: day)** black (Stets H 11)
EKU 1782 5/28 LKU 1782 6/4
- 35 **P(.) (MO* day)** black (Stets H 12)
EKU 1782 6/4 LKU 1782 8/7
- 36 **P (MO day)** black (Stets H 13)
EKU 1782 8/7 LKU 1782 8/21
- 37 **PHILA* (MO day)** Black (Stets H 15)
EKU 1783 8/16
- 38 **PH--A, (MO day)** black (Stets H 17)
EKU 1787 7/19

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Key West Railway Post Office Service - Railway Postal Clerk Markings

By Deane R. Briggs

Henry M. Flagler, a multi-millionaire industrialist and late partner of John D. Rockefeller in The Stanford Oil Company, came to St. Augustine, Florida, in the winter on 1883 to escape the bitter cold of the north. Finding the climate delightful, he undertook to transform the east coast of Florida into an "American Riviera". His first priority was to build a number of elaborate hotels (The Ponce de

Leon, Cordova and Alcazar in St. Augustine and the Ormond in Ormond Beach). In order to service these and other hotels along Florida's east coast, better transportation was needed, and as a result Flagler became a railroad magnate.

Before his death in 1913, Henry M. Flagler had acquired or built hotels in Nassau (The Royal Victoria, Carthagenia and Colonial), Palm Beach (The Royal Poinciana and The Breakers) and in Miami (The Royal Palm). Land companies he controlled acquired or were granted 2,040,000 acres (at the rate of 8000 acres per mile of railroad built). Steamship lines carried passengers and mail between Miami, Key West, Havana and Nassau (Peninsula & Occidental Steamship Co.).

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Despite all these other businesses, Flagler is best known for his Florida East Coast Railway which was established September 9, 1895, as a name change from The Jacksonville, St. Augustine & Indian River Railway Company. The Florida East Coast Railway eventually acquired 20 other railroad, bridge, or railway terminal companies.

The Florida East Coast R.R. extension to Miami was completed on April 15, 1896, and opened the Miami area to rail service and the eventual tourist development. The **Jacksonville & Miami R.P.O.** (Towle* 392 I-3) was established shortly thereafter on July 1, 1896, as an extension of the **Jacksonville & West Palm Beach R.P.O.** A very early use of a 28 mm postmark of the **Jack. & Miami R.P.O.** is shown below as fig. 1.



Figure 1.

The idea of a true "overseas" railway to Key West was at best only a dream until 1905 when Flagler undertook the impossible - the building of railroad trestles, bridges and viaducts to span the entire 156 miles from Miami to Key West. A 112 mile exten-

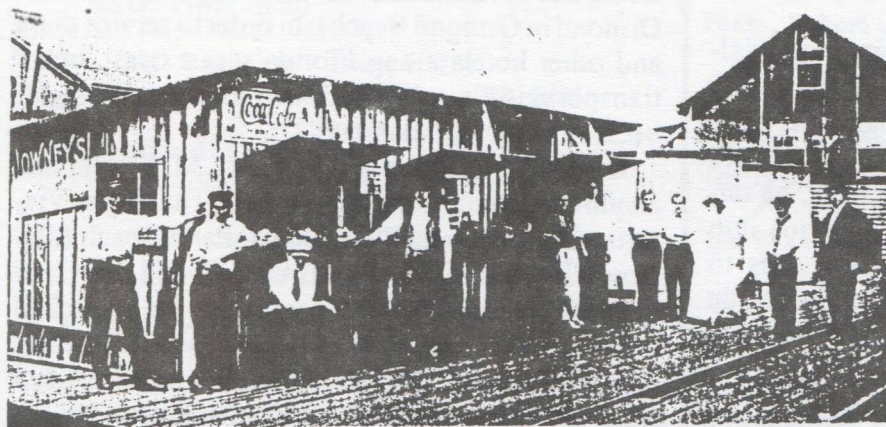


Figure 2. Knight's Key post office was housed in this building for at least part, if not all, of its five year existence.

*Towle numbers refer to those published in the *U.S. Transit Markings Catalog*

sion from Miami to Knight's Key was completed January 22, 1908, and throughout the construction period Knight's Key remained the rail terminal for supplies as well as mail and tourists continuing to or from Key West by steamer.

A post office (Figure 2) was established at Knight's Key on April 13, 1907 and discontinued January 30, 1912, when the Key West railroad extension was opened and mail service became operational. The **Miami & Key West R.P.O.** (Towle 392 K-1) was established June 22, 1909, which handled the Miami to Knight's Key mail until February 3, 1912. The Peninsula & Occidental Steamship Co. handled the mail connection from Knight's Key to Key West. Two types of postmarks are known from Knight's Key (Figure 3). The four-bar postmark is considerably more common than the non-standard double circle date stamp.



Figure 3.

The previously unrecorded use of a railway postal clerk hand-stamp as a postmark on a post card mailed at Knight's Key on February 24, 1911, is shown in Figure 4. This J.M. Ripley - Jacksonville & Miami R.P.O. postmark was probably applied to the postcard along the route north from Knight's Key. Figure 5 shows the Knight's Key Station Agent and possibly J.M. Ripley himself!

The completion of the "overseas" railroad to Key West was cause for celebration and Flagler himself was among the dignitaries to arrive January 22, 1912, on the first train to Key West (fig. 6). Flagler died on May

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Figure 4.

20, 1913, after spending his last five months as an invalid in his Whitehall mansion in West Palm Beach. The Jacksonville & Key West R.P.O. be-

came effective February 3, 1912, replacing the Jacksonville & Miami R.P.O.



Figure 7.

and the Miami & Key West R.P.O. A rare, previously unrecorded early use of a postal clerk marking as a postmark is shown in Figure 7.

This *Jack. & Key West / 2 - 22 - 1912 / *A.C. McLean magenta postmark is on a post card mailed from Key West 19 days after the route was opened and probably before the actual R.P.O. postmarking device was available. The Key West & Havana R.P.O. (Towle I-26-a,b) was established on June 22, 1912, to handle the mail by Peninsula & Occidental Steamship Co. over an additional 90 mile route. This R.P.O. was discontinued on December 21, 1921.

The existence of a Jacksonville & Key West R.P.O. marking is unknown, and if actually used, could have only been used until 1913 when the route was divided into Northern and Southern Divisions reflecting personnel changes at Fort Pierce. Jack. &

Key West R.P.O. N.DIV (Towle 392 F-1) and Jack. & Key West R.P.O. S.DIV (Towle 392 O-1,2) serviced this 522 mile route. I believe the (392 O-1) and (392 O-2) are the same postmarks as use was limited to only a few months and different postmarking devices do not seem warranted. Towle does show a Jack. & Key West R.P.O. S.D. (Towle 392 H-1) and (Towle 392 H-2) with 1912 usage which may have been recorded in error or were used for a short time in 1912 before the S.DIV. devices were used. These postmarks must be scarce (not a II valuation as in Towle) as they could have been used

only for a few months until early 1913 when the



Figure 5. Knight's Key Station Agents.

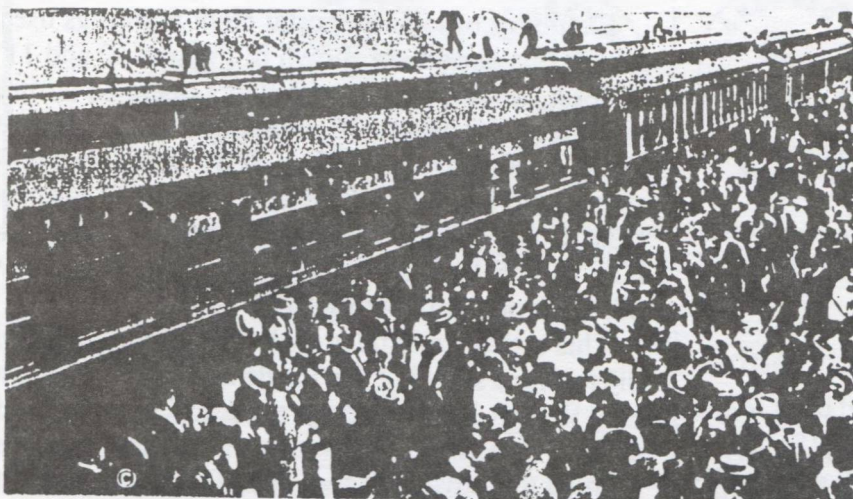


Figure 6. The first train to Key west arrived January 22, 1912.

Jack. & Ft. Pierce R.P.O. (Towle 392 D-1) and **Ft. Pierce & Key West R.P.O.** (Towle 392 A-1,2) began use April 28, 1913. It is likely that (Towle 392 H-1,2) were used correctly in 1926 although not recorded in the M.P.O.S. catalog.

Both the **Jack. & Ft. Pierce R.P.O.** and the **Ft. Pierce & Key West R.P.O.** routes have previously unrecorded railway postal clerk markings used during this period with a magenta double circle mark (without clerk's name)



Figure 8.

from November 1, 1915 used as a postmark on a northern division route (Fig. 8) and magenta and green rimless **Ft. Pierce & Key West R.P.O. / C. O. Metzger** backstamps known from 1921-1923 used on southern division route mail arriving from Cuba and Costa Rica (fig. 9). Towle records a second postal clerk marking for this route as **Ft. Pierce & Key West R.P.O. S.M. Bulloon** (Towle 392 N-1) with January 21, 1924 use.



Figure 9.

On April 24, 1926, the route reverted back to the **Jacksonville & Key West R.P.O.** with (Southern Division) **S.D.** (Towle 392 H-1) and (Northern Division) **N.D.** (Towle 392 G-1) denoting the continued Ft. Pierce, Florida site of crew change. This route operated by rail until September 2, 1935, when the Labor Day hurricane permanently destroyed the overseas railway. R.P.O. service did continue with an extension by air from Miami until October 1,

1944, as this was more economical than the cost of rebuilding the railroad. Towle lists an example of **Jack. & Key West R.P.O. TR 46 Oct 3, 1929** (Towle 392 E-1), but this should not exist without a division notation. Anyone with a confirmation of this R.P.O. marking is requested to send a photocopy to the author for documentation.



Figure 10.



Figure 11.

Examples of railway postal clerk markings used during this period are shown in Figures 10 and 11. At least two different postal clerks operated during this time with figure 10 showing a magenta oval **Jack. & Key West, R.P.O. / W.R. Roberts** backstamp used Sep. 5, 1928 on mail coming by steamer from Cuba. Figure 11 shows a magenta **Jack. & Key West S.D. / C.O. Metzger** backstamp used May 27, 1929 on mail coming from Cuba.

This article concludes with a set of reduced size illustrations showing the Towle listing of all known Key West R.P.O. markings used during this period (Figure 12). As noted earlier, it is the author's opinion that several of these R.P.O. markings are in fact duplications with slight differences in tracings of size. A refinement of the listing should be undertaken in future updated. Anyone with addition examples or unrecorded examples are encouraged to submit photocopies for publication.



Figure 12. All known Key West RPO markings used during the period illustrated in reduced size from the *USTM Catalog with Towle numbers*.

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Addendum

In the August 1994 issue of the *Florida Postal History Journal* Vol. 1, No. 3, I wrote an article entitled "Key West Railway Post Office Service" which received several comments and additional examples which are recorded as follows:

Herbert P. McNeal sent another example of an oval postal clerk backstamp marking "Jax. & Key West RPO, S.D. / L.W. Crews" dated May 17, 1929. (Fig. 13)

A previously unrecorded R.P.O. postmark has recently been discovered and is now recorded as **Fort Pierce & Ky. West / R.P.O.** and is dated Oct. 4, 1923 / TR 38 (Fig. 14)



Figure 13.

began service on February 3, 1912, and replaced this R.P.O.

Herbert P. McNeal sent an example of the rare Key West, Fla. / Jan 1912 flag machine cancel with slogan "Over-Sea Railroad / Celebration / Jan. 22, Feb. 3, 1912". David G. Phillips sent a copy of member William J. Bomar's original article on this postmark



Figure 14.



Figure 15.

A very late use of **Jacksonv. & Miami R.P.O.** (Towle 392 M-1) with a black bar replacing the train notation is recorded as Figure 15. Note that this usage of Mar 6, 1912, is 4+ weeks after the effective date of the Jacksonville & Key West R.P.O. which

began service on February 3, 1912, and replaced this R.P.O. Herbert P. McNeal sent an example of the rare Key West, Fla. / Jan 1912 flag machine cancel with slogan "Over-Sea Railroad / Celebration / Jan. 22, Feb. 3, 1912". David G. Phillips sent a copy of member William J. Bomar's original article on this postmark from *The Florida Philatelist*, May - June 1981, pp. 51-66. (Fig. 16) This is an excellent article on 20th Century Florida postal history.



Figure 16.

Herbert P. McNeal also has sent a beautiful example of the Over-Sea Hotel advertising cover with a **Ft. Pierce & Key West R.P.O.** (Towle 392 A-1) Feb. 4, 1918 postmark. the beauty of this cover is the reversed side. (Figure 17)

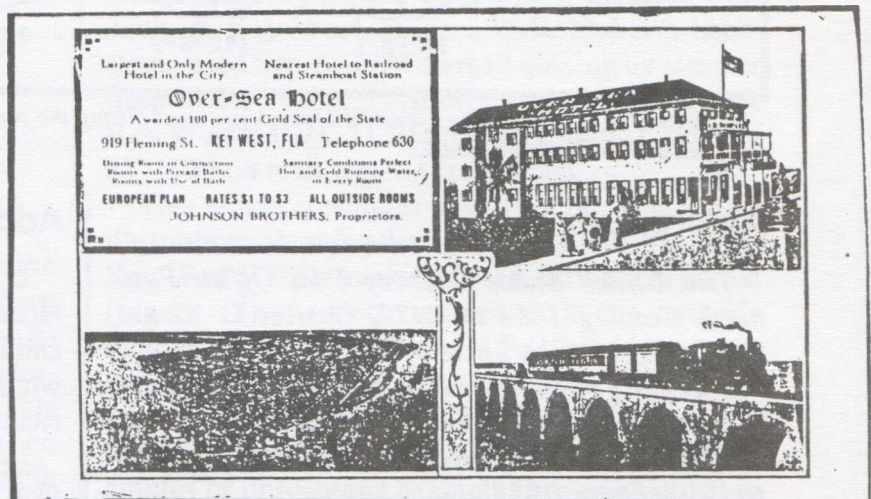
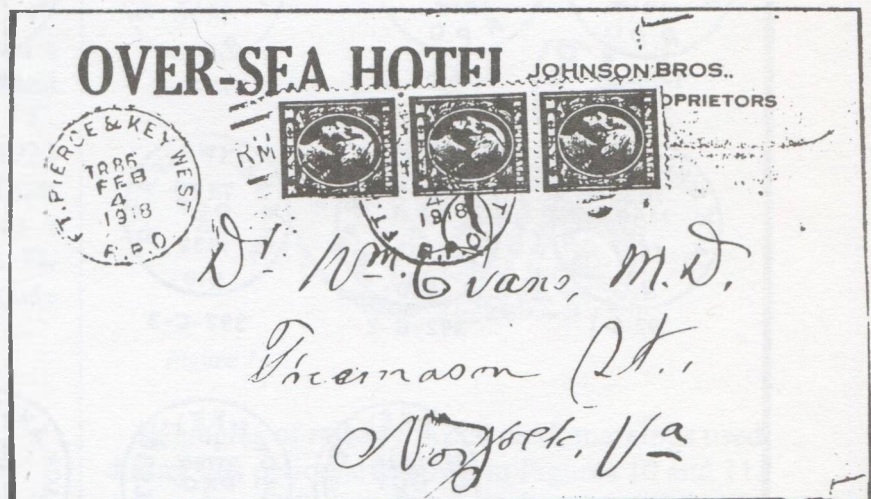
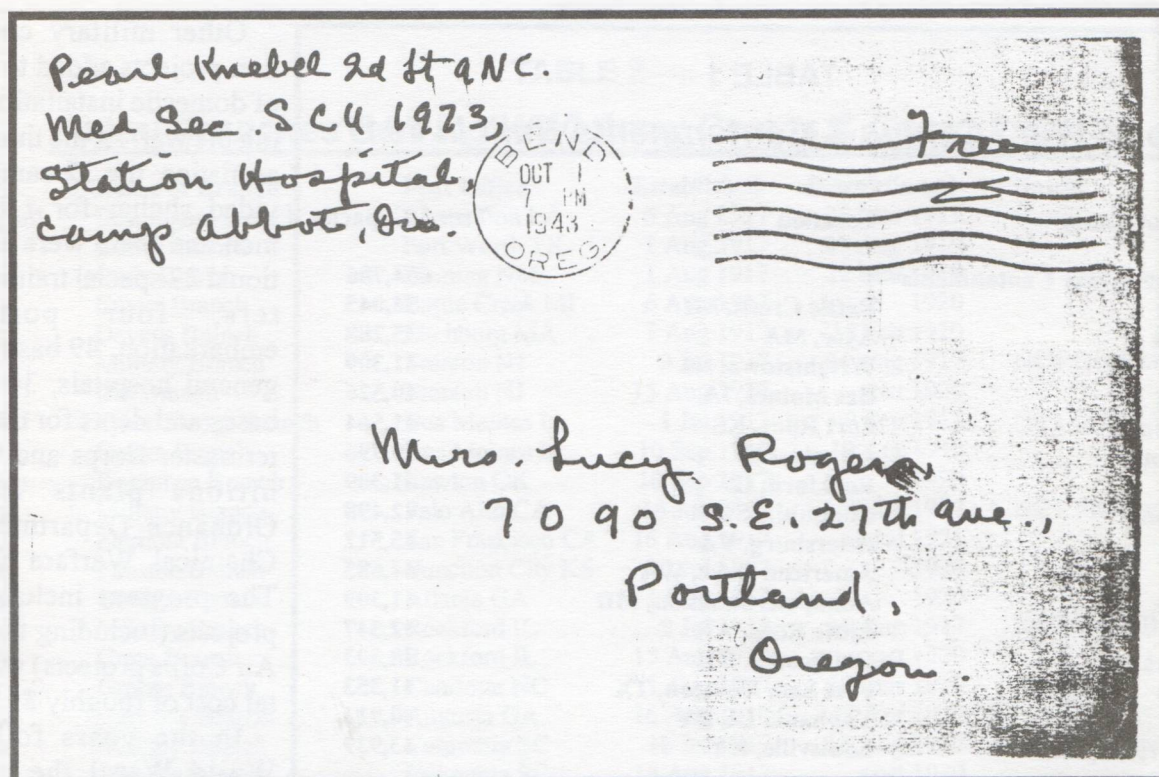


Figure 17.



This cover was mailed by an Army nurse stationed at the Camp Abbot station hospital. Camp Abbot was a small Engineer training center located near Bend on Oregon's high lava plateau. Locating examples from small camps such as this can prove a challenging task.

POSTAL FACILITIES OF UNITED STATES DOMESTIC MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN WORLD WAR II

Part III. Camps and Cantonments

By Richard W. Helbock and Rod Crossley

The Army of the United States built its own posts wherever and whenever they were needed through the 19th century. As the westward movement demanded military protection, hundreds of small military posts -- most of rude design -- were built by the troops along the frontier. Many of these were soon abandoned, but, at a few garrisons, buildings of brick and stone replaced the log or adobe structures of earlier days. From time to time a large military construction project such as the Jeffersonville Depot in Indiana or the quarters for the Hawaiian Division at Schofield Barracks was undertaken, but for the most part between 1865 and 1900 Congress never authorized more than 150 new military buildings per year in the United States. At the turn of the century, the Army was housed in 120 permanent posts and stations with a total capacity for 34 thousand men. Fort Riley, Kansas, was the largest

post and could accommodate 1,300 troops. The rest varied in size all the way down to tiny Fort Ontario, New York, with quarters for only 40 men.

Declaration of war against Germany in April 1917 found the Army completely unprepared to train, equip and house the troops necessary to conduct a military campaign in Europe. On May 19th the Cantonment Division of the Quartermaster Corps was established with a single mission -- to complete 32 camps and cantonments at an estimated cost of \$90 million by September 1917. These garrisons were to offer suitable quarters for the training of 1.1 million men at 32 different locations around the country (see Table 1)

The National Guard Camps differed from the Army Cantonments principally in their lack of barracks, cook shacks, and certain other permanent structures. The National Guardsmen had their own tents and field kitchens, and came equipped with tools to dig their own latrines. Beyond these differences, however, both the camps and cantonments were veritable small cities complete with roads,

TABLE 1

World War I Camps & Cantonments Built in 1917

Name of Camp	Location	Troop Capacity
National Army Cantonments		654,786
Custer	Battle Creek, MI	34,045
Devens	Ayer, MA	35,288
Dix	Wrightstown, NJ	41,309
Dodge	Des Moines, IA	40,526
Funston	Fort Riley, KS	41,564
Gordon	Atlanta, GA	39,796
Grant	Rockford, IL	41,309
Jackson	Columbia, SC	42,498
Lee	Petersburg, VA	45,512
Lewis	American Lake, WA	44,685
Meade	Annapolis Junction, MD	41,309
Pike	Little Rock, AR	42,347
Sherman	Chillicothe, OH	38,393
Travis	Fort Sam Houston, TX	41,353
Upton	Yaphank, LI, NY	40,913
Zachary Taylor	Louisville, KY	43,939
National Guard Camps		438,042
Beauregard	Alexandria, LA	27,152
Bowie	Fort Worth, TX	27,152
Cody	Deming, NM	27,152
Doniphan	Fort Sill, OK	27,152
Fremont	Palo Alto, CA	27,152
Greene	Charlotte, NC	27,152
Hancock	Augusta, GA	27,152
Kearney	Linda Vista, CA	27,152
Logan	Houston, TX	27,152
McClellan	Anniston, AL	27,152
MacArthur	Waco, TX	27,152
Sevier	Greenville, SC	27,152
Sheridan	Montgomery, AL	27,152
Shelby	Hattiesburg, MS	30,762
Wadsworth	Spartansburg, SC	27,152
Wheeler	Macon, GA	27,152

walks, power lines and water systems. All the camps were serviced by their own independent branch postal branches (Table 2). In the cantonments troops lived in 250-man barracks heated by steam or wood stoves. In the camps National Guardsmen were quartered in snug, floored tents equipped with stoves or heaters. Never before had American soldiers been so well housed in time of war. The entire construction scheme, while not without many headaches and setbacks, was an immense success with housing completed for more than one million men by late 1917.

Other military construction projects added to the list of domestic installations during the war. At the time of the armistice, the 32 camps provided shelter for 1,736,000 men and there were an additional 22 special training centers, four ports of embarkation, 49 base and 40 general hospitals, 30 supply bases and depts for the Quartermaster Corps and 95 munitions plants for the Ordnance Department and Chemical Warfare Service. The program included 581 projects (including the Army Air Corps projects) with a total cost of roughly \$1 billion.

In the years following World War I the military budget was drastically reduced. The enlisted strength of the Regular Army declined to 132,106 in July 1922, and dropped below 120 thousand in 1923. In 1921 Secretary of War John Weeks placed nine of the camps and cantonments built in 1917 in caretaker status to be used as training areas for the nine corps areas -- Devens, MA (1st Corps); Dix, NJ (2nd); Meade, MD (3rd); McClellan, AL (4th); Knox, KY (5th); Custer, MI (6th); Fun-

ston, KS (7th); Travis, TX (8th); and Lewis, WA (9th). He also selected five special cantonments built late in the war as "homes" for the various branches -- Humphreys, VA, renamed Belvoir (Engineers); Vail, NJ, renamed Monmouth (Signal Corps); Eustis, VA (Railway Artillery); Bragg, NC (Field Artillery); and Benning, GA (Infantry). Weeks also retained Aberdeen Proving Ground, Edgewood Arsenal, eight airfields, two general hospitals and several dozens other installations. The rest of the huge wartime military plant was designated surplus, and slated to be salvaged and sold at

TABLE 2
Postal Branches Serving WWI Army Camps & Cantonments

Camp	Name of Branch	Post Office	Established	Discontinued	Notes
Beauregard	Beauregard Branch	Alexandria LA	6 Aug 1917	25 Mar 1919	
Bowie	Bowie Branch	Fort Worth TX	1 Aug 1917	15 Aug 1919	
Cody	Cody Branch	Deming NM	1 Aug 1917	22 Mar 1919	
Custer	Custer Branch	Battle Creek MI	6 Aug 1917	1920	
Devens	Devens Branch	Fitchburg MA	1 Aug 1917	15 Feb 1920	
Dix	Military Branch	Trenton NJ	9 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Dix Branch
	Dix Branch	Trenton NJ	15 Aug 1917	post 1920	
Dodge	Camp Dodge Branch	Des Moines IA	1 Jul 1917	9 Sep 1917	NCT Dodge Branch
	Dodge Branch	Des Moines IA	10 Sep 1917	19 Apr 1919	
Doniphan	Doniphan Branch	Lawton OK	10 Sep 1917	1920	
Fremont	Military Branch	Palo Alto CA	18 Jun 1917	15 Aug 1917	NCT Fremont Br.
	Fremont Branch	San Francisco CA	16 Aug 1917	31 Jul 1921	
Funston	Funston Branch	Junction City KS	23 Jul 1917	1920	
Gordon	Gordon Branch	Atlanta GA	1 Aug 1917	1920	
Grant	Military Branch	Rockford IL	9 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Grant Branch
	Grant Branch	Rockford IL	15 Aug 1917	post 1920	
Greene	Greene Branch	Charlotte NC	1 Aug 1917	15 Mar 1919	
Hancock	Hancock Branch	Augusta GA	16 Aug 1918	12 Apr 1919	
Jackson	Military Branch	Columbia SC	16 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Jackson Br.
	Jackson Branch	Columbia SC	15 Aug 1917	post 1920	
Kearney	Kearney Branch	San Diego CA	15 Aug 1917	31 Jul 1921	Converted to PO
Lee	Military Branch	Petersburg VA	18 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Lee Branch
	Lee Branch	Petersburg VA	15 Aug 1917	1920	
Logan	Logan Branch	Houston TX	6 Aug 1917	20 Mar 1919	
Lewis	Military Branch	Tacoma WA	22 Jun 1916	15 Jul 1917	NCT American Lake Branch
	American Lake Branch	Tacoma WA	16 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Lewis Branch
	Lewis Branch	Tacoma	15 Aug 1917	30 Nov 1924	
MacArthur	MacArthur Branch	Waco TX	6 Aug 1917	30 Apr 1919	
McClellan	McClellan Branch	Anniston AL	24 Jul 1917	1921	
Meade	Meade Branch		1 Aug 1917	14 Dec 1919	
Pike	Military Branch	Little Rock AR	10 Jul 1917	15 Aug 1917	NCT Pike Branch
	Pike Branch	Little Rock AR	15 Aug 1917	post 1921	
Sevier	Sevier Branch	Greenville SC	1 Aug 1919	10 Apr 1919	
Shelby	Shelby Branch	Hattiesburg MS	6 Aug 1917	15 Oct 1919	
Sheridan	Sheridan Branch	Montgomery AL	6 Aug 1917	31 Mar 1919	
Sherman	Military Branch	Chillicothe OH	16 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Sherman Br.
	Sherman Branch	Chillicothe OH	15 Aug 1917	post 1920	
Travis	Travis Branch	San Antonio TX	3 Sep 1917	15 Feb 1923	
Upton	Upton Branch	Brooklyn NY	21 Jul 1917	31 Jul 1920	
Wadsworth	Wadsworth Branch	Spartanburg SC	1 Aug 1917	30 Sep 1919	NCT Base Hospital Branch
Wheeler	Wheeler Branch	Macon GA	6 Aug 1917	15 Feb 1919	
Zachary Taylor	Military Branch	Louisville KY	20 Jul 1917	14 Aug 1917	NCT Taylor Branch
	Taylor Branch	Louisville KY	15 Aug 1917	1920	

auction. Although local public opinion in communities near military posts and Congressional opposition prevented the Weeks plan from being fully enacted, the prevailing attitude toward properties not on the "save" list during the 1920s and early 1930s was neglect.

As discussed in earlier sections of this study, it became abundantly clear to America's leadership by the late 1930s that two decades of near complete neglect of the military would have to be redressed by a massive construction campaign if the nation were to defend itself from the threat of Hitler's

Germany. In early 1940, as mobilization plans began to take shape, the General Staff decided to set up divisional camps and cantonments and to build a network of reception and training centers. Troops were to be trained in all nine corps areas, and divisions would be placed so that they could readily be assembled into corps and armies. General Marshall preferred to expand existing posts before establishing new ones, and to build whatever new camps were required on federal and state-owned land when possible.

The Regular Army divisions, which included nine Infantry divisions, two Cavalry divisions, and two newly formed Armored divisions, were to be housed at Fort Bragg, NC; Fort Benning, GA; Fort Lewis, WA; Fort Knox, KY; Fort Jackson, SC; Fort Riley, KS; Fort Ord, CA; Fort Devens, MA; Fort Houston, TX; Fort Custer, MI; Fort Bliss, TX,; and a 40 thousand acre tract near Leon, Iowa, which had been approved for acquisition by Congress in 1936.

Sites for the National Guard divisions presented more of a problem for planners. Many of the Guard divisions were previously scheduled to report to big reservations such as Benning and Lewis, but the decision to concentrate Regular Army troops at the largest posts forced a considerable amount of review including new surveys of many old installations which had previously been considered too small or dilapidated to serve as training centers. Eventually, a list of 18 sites was decided upon to house the National Guard divisions (Table 3). Funds were appropriated September 9, 1940, and construction teams had from one week to three months to ready the camps for the Guard divisions.

An entirely different set of problems was raised by the need to find accommodation for the first of the draftees from the Selective Service Act. The fall

quota of 400,000 selectees to be inducted between 15 Oct 1940 and 15 January 1941 were to be assigned to Regular Army and Guard units, and, while the Regulars and Guardsmen were assumed to be able to rough it for a time using field tents and latrines, Congress had mandated that the draftees must have snug barracks, toilets, showers, heating and electric lights available when they arrived at camp.

The crash construction program failed to complete all of the Guard camps on time, but, despite a particularly severe winter in much of the nation, most of the original projects were completed by February 1941. The actual rates of National Guard and Selective Service inductions lagged considerably behind the schedules worked out in mid-1940.

In late December 1940, before the first round of camps had been completed, military planners began to lay out zone by zone schemes for additional facilities in each corps area. These schemes included a detailed schedule of prospective camp requirements complete with the type and purpose of each post, the strength and composition of its garrison, and the priorities that would govern construction. Site selection followed throughout the early months of 1941, and the second wave of was launched. By early December 1941 there were a total of 61 camps and cantonments completed with 10 more under-way.

The Pearl Harbor attack had an almost immediate impact on the building program. In the 10 days following the bombing, 45 construction directives were issued, twice the number issued during the preceding 190 day period. Fighting a war in both Europe and the Pacific caused planners to re-evaluate their manpower requirements. AS plan crystallized in mid-January 1942, General Marshall decided that an army of 3,600,000 would have to be

TABLE 3

Schedule For Housing National Guard Divisions in 1940

Division	Station	Priority	Occupancy Date	Division	Station	Priority	Occupancy Date
30th	Jackson, SC	I	16 Sep 1940	37th	Shelby, MS	II	15 Oct 1940
41st	Lewis, WA	I	16 Sep 1940	34th	Claiborne, LA	III	15 Nov 1940
44th	Dix, NJ	I	16 Sep 1940	38th	Shelby, MS	III	15 Nov 1940
45th	Sill, OK	I	16 Sep 1940	40th	San Luis Obispo, CA	III	15 Nov 1940
27th	McClellan, AL	II	15 Oct 1940	43rd	Blanding, FL	III	15 Nov 1940
31st	Blanding, FL	II	15 Oct 1940	26th	Edwards, MA	IV	15 Dec 1940
32nd	Beauregard, LA	II	15 Oct 1940	28th	Indiantown Gap, PA	IV	15 Dec 1940
35th	Robinson, AR	II	15 Oct 1940	29th	Meade, MD	IV	15 Dec 1940
36th	Bowie, TX	II	15 Oct 1940	33rd	Grant, IL	V 1	5 Dec 1940

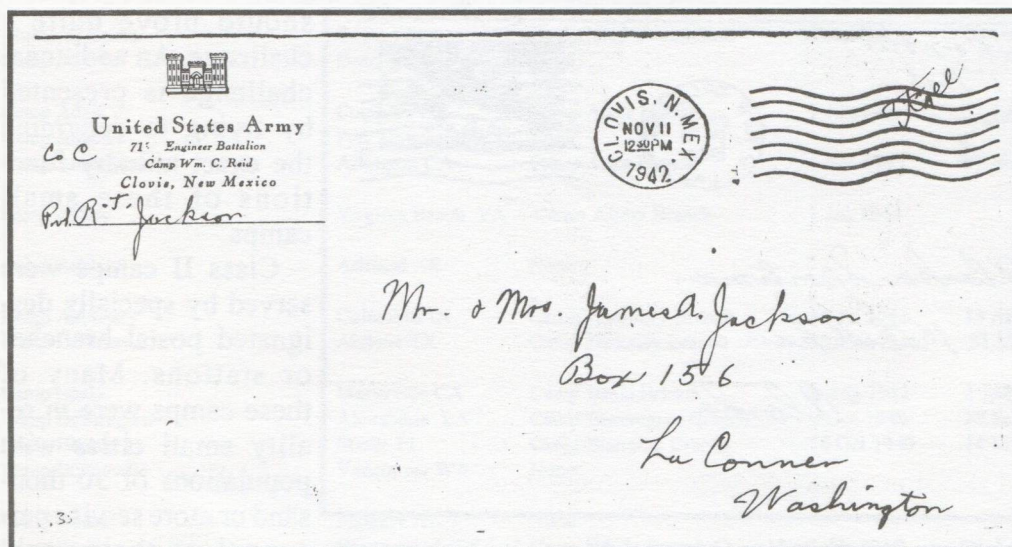


Figure 2, Covers from small Army camps, such as Camp William C. Reid near Clovis, NM, were typically postmarked at nearby civil post offices. Many were free franked.

ready by the end of the year. Thirty-seven divisions and forty new air groups would have to be created, and camps to house these additional units, training, transport, and storage facilities would all have to be increased accordingly. The estimated cost of this essential war construction was pegged at \$10 billion during 1942.

On January 15, 1942, housing was available for approximately 1,700,000 officers and men at posts scattered throughout the nation. Facilities for another half-million men were under construction. The new realities added the requirement of finding accommodations for an additional 1.3 million men. It was decided that the quickest, most efficient way to do this was to build five new cantonments, to expand the capacity of existing posts to the limit, and, whenever possible, to buy or lease civilian properties, including resort hotels.

Construction moved into high gear by the spring of 1942 and proceeded at a frenzied pace throughout the summer and fall. During the last quarter of 1942 the Corps of Engineers and civilian contractors completed or readied for use nearly 900 major projects. In all of 1942 there were 389 Ground Force facilities -- camps and cantonments, reception and replacement training centers, general hospitals, internment camps, and overseas discharge and replacement depots. In addition, the Corps built and supervised 482 Air Force facilities, 164 storage and shipping facilities, 149 industrial factories, and hundreds of miscellaneous installations. Total housing

capacity was 4,370,445 men. The total cost of military construction, maintenance, and improvements during 1942 was nearly \$17.8 billion dollars, or approximately 11 per cent of the gross national product.

After 1942 the pace of military spending on domestic construction projects diminished as planners turned their attention overseas to the increasing number of American service personnel on foreign soil.

By early 1944, in fact,

the Army had already begun disposing of surplus property. Dozens of tactical airfields, anti-aircraft artillery sites, harbor defenses, and other protective installations -- including even Fort Brady, Michigan, which guarded the locks at Sault Sainte Marie -- were being sold or leased to civilians.

Table 4 lists all known domestic military installations with the name "camp". As one might expect, this is far from a homogeneous listing. While the list is believed to contain all the camps and cantonments which housed Army personnel in World War II in the 48 contiguous states, it also contains the names of many "camps" which served functions other than Army housing and training. Wherever possible the functions of each installation have been identified in the "notes" column. The table also displays information concerning postal service provided these domestic camps by way of specially designated postal branches and stations. The authors make no claim that this listing is complete, and would very much appreciate hearing from readers with additional or supplementary information.

COLLECTING COVERS FROM WWII DOMESTIC CAMPS

A cursory examination of Table 4 reveals that there were a great many domestic camps served by independent postal branches and stations. While most of these postal units operated for only a few years during the war, many served the needs of

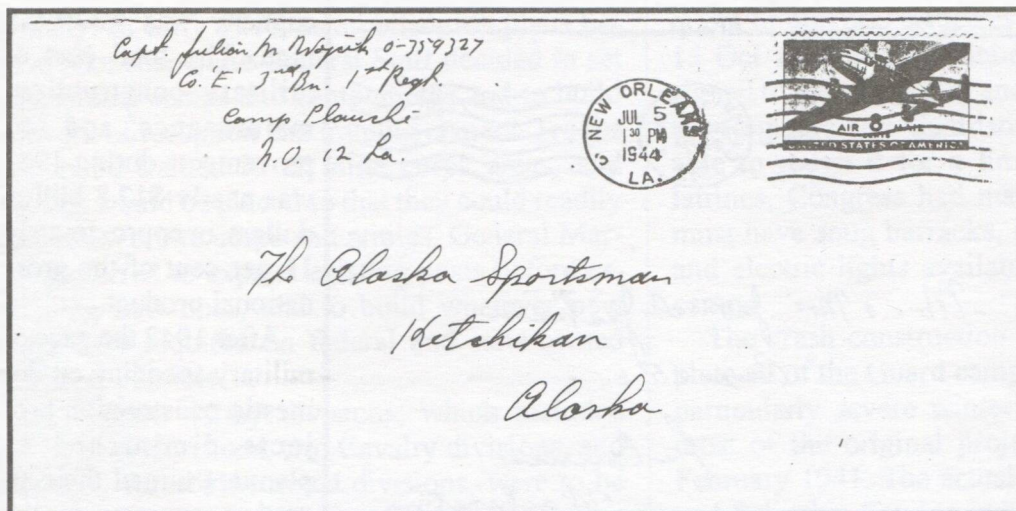


Figure 3. Cover mailed from Camp Plauche at New Orleans, LA.

thousands of service men and women who depended heavily on sending and receiving mail. In other words, there is an ample supply of surviving postal history material from most of the camp branches and stations to build impressive collections today.

Army camps may be divided into two main classes on the basis of their postal service and the cards and covers which survive from them: Class I, smaller camps with no independent and, Class II, large camps with independent postal branches. There is, in fact, a third group of camps in which the primary function was to provide temporary housing for troops en route overseas, but some of these were discussed in Part II, and more details will be forthcoming in later installments on the peculiarities of their postal service.

Cards and covers from Class I camps can only be identified on the basis of their return addresses. Many were free franked such as the cover illustrated in Figure 2 from Camp William C. Reid, but others were franked with standard postage such as the cover from Camp Plauche in Figure 3. In some cases the name of the camp was omitted from the return address such as the cover from Camp Gilbert C. Grafton shown in Figure 4. Typically, camps of this class were rather small, specialized facilities, and finding examples of covers from each

should prove quite a challenge. An additional challenge is presented by trying to determine the exact military functions of these small camps.

Class II camps were served by specially designated postal branches or stations. Many of these camps were in reality small cities with populations of 30 thousand or more service personnel at their peak. Mail volumes were often quite heavy as evidenced

by the fact that many of these branches were issued canceling machines to process the mail. Plates I through III illustrate machine cancels from a number of Army camps. Note that in the case of Camp Berkeley, Camp Edwards and Camp Upton machines by more than one manufacturer were used. Covers bears examples of machine cancels from the various camps are believed to be plentiful, and it should be possible to build a representative collection at very little cost.

Somewhat less common are covers bearing examples of handstamp postal markings from the Class II camps. Most mail was either canceled by one of the camp postal branch machines or proc-

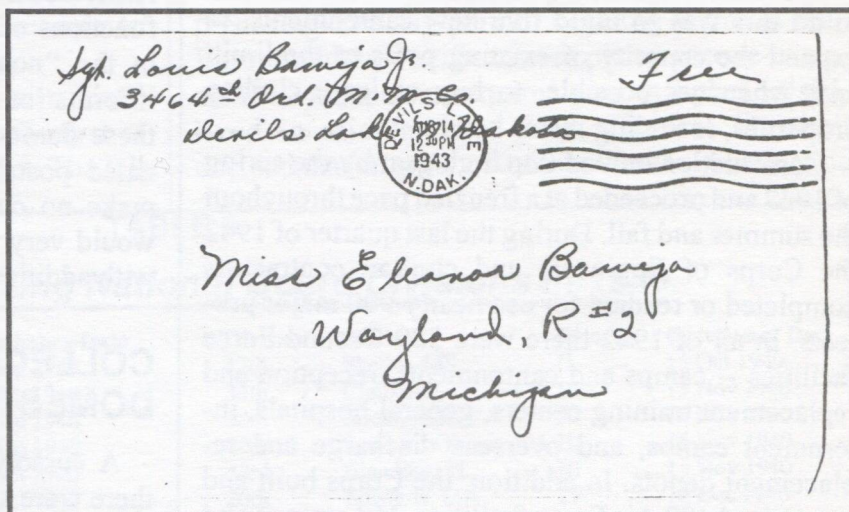


Figure 4. This cover mailed from a sergeant stationed at Camp Gilbert C. Grafton failed to indicate the name of the camp. The listing presented in Table 4 should help readers identify the origin of such covers.

TABLE 4 - WORLD WAR II DOMESTIC ARMY CAMPS

Name of Camp	Town State	Designated Postal Unit	Established	Discontinued	Notes
Camp Abbott	Bend OR	None			Engineer Replacement Training Center Infantry Division Camp
Camp Adair	Corvallis OR	Camp Adair Branch	1 Jun 1942	31 Jan 1946	
Camp Angeles	Port Townsend WA	None			
Camp Anza Branch	Arlington CA	Camp Anza Branch	1 Feb 1943	31 Mar 1946	Staging area for Los Angeles P.O.E.
Camp Ashby	Virginia Beach VA	Camp Ashby Branch	1 Jan 1944		Anti Aircraft Artillery Training Area
Camp Ashland	Ashland NE	None			National Guard Training Camp
Camp Atterbury	Columbus IN	Camp Atterbury Branch	15 Jul 1942	15 Apr 1947	Division Training Area
Camp Barkeley	Abilene TX	Camp Barkeley Branch	15 Mar 1941	31 Mar 1946	Armored Division Campy & Medical Tng. Ctr.
Camp Beale	Marysville CA	Camp Beale Branch	1 Aug 1942	2 Jun 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Beauregard	Alexandria LA	Camp Beauregard Branch	1 Dec 1940	28 Feb 1945	Military Reservation
Camp Blanding	Starke FL	Camp Blanding Branch	16 Oct 1940	14 May 1946	Infantry Traing Center
Camp Bonneville	Vancouver WA	None			Range for Vancouver Barracks
Camp Bouse	Phoenix AZ	None			Training Area
Camp Bowie	Brownwood TX	Camp Bowie Branch	1 Jan 1941	31 Aug 1946	Armored Division Camp
Camp Boyd	Fort Bliss TX	None			
Camp Branch	Morehead City NC	None			
Camp Brandford	Norfolk VA	None			
Camp Breckinridge	Morganfield KY	Camp Breckenridge Branch	1 Sep 1942		Infantry Training Center
Camp Bullis	San Antonio TX	None			Sub Post Fort Sam Houston
Camp Butner	Durham NC	Camp Butner Branch	1 Aug 1942	30 Apr 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Callan	San Diego CA	Camp Callan Branch	24 Feb 1941	15 Jan 1946	Anti Aircraft Artillery Traing Center
Camp Campbell	Clarksville TN	Camp Campbell Branch	1 Aug 1942		Armored Division Camp
Camp Carrabelle	Tallahassee FL	Amphibious Training Center Branch	16 Oct 1942	1 Mar 1943	Name changed to Camp Johnston
Camp Carson	Colorado Springs CO	Camp Carson Branch	13 Jul 1942	31 Oct 1954	Mountain Division Training Camp
Camp Chaffee	Fort Smith AR	Camp Chaffee Branch	4 Mar 1942		Armored Division Camp
Camp Chemical	Freeport TX	Camp Chemical Branch	1 Jun 1942	5 May 1945	
Camp Claiborne	Alexandria LA	Camp Claiborne Branch	16 Dec 1940	15 Jan 1946	Infantry Division Camp & Engineer Tng. Ctr.
Camp Clark	Nevada MO	Camp Clark Branch	5 Apr 1943	1 Jul 1944	
Camp Clatsop	Warrenton OR	None			National Guard Training Area
Camp Coles	Red Bank NJ	None			Sub Post of Fort Monmouth
Camp Conley	Point Pleasant WV	None			
Camp Cooke	Lompoc CA	Camp Cooke Branch	1 Jan 1942	15 Dec 1949	Infantry Division Camp
			1 Sep 1950	31 Mar 1953	National Guard Camp
Camp Croft	Spartanburg SC	Camp Croft Branch	17 Feb 1941		Infantry Training Center
Camp Crowder	Neosho MO	Camp Crowder Branch	15 Dec 1941	1 Jan 1947	Signal Corps Training Center
Camp Cushing	San Antonio TX	None			
Camp Custer	Battle Creek MI	Camp Custer Branch	15 Jun 1922	15 Aug 1940	Name changed to Fort Custer
Camp Davis	Wilmington NC	Camp Davis Branch	16 Apr 1941	31 Oct 1944	Anti Aircraft Artillery School & Tng. Ctr.
			15 Mar 1945	15 Aug 1945	National Guard Camp
Camp Dawson	Kingwood WV	None			
Camp Des Plaines	Joliet IL	None			
Camp Detrick	Frederick MD	None			Chemical Command
Camp Dodge	Des Moines IA	Camp Dodge Branch	15 Aug 1942		Basic Traing Center
Camp Edison	Sea Girt NJ	None			Signal Corps Training Center
Camp Edwards	Falmouth MA	Camp Edwards Branch	6 Jan 1941	1 May 1946	Anti Aircraft Artillery Training
Camp Ellis	Macomb IL	Camp Ellis Branch	15 Apr 1943	28 Feb 1947	Army Service Forces Train ing
Camp Evans	Belmar NJ	None			
Camp Fannin	Tyler TX	Camp Fannin Branch	23 May 1943	30 Apr 1946	Infantry Training Center

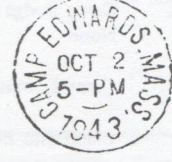
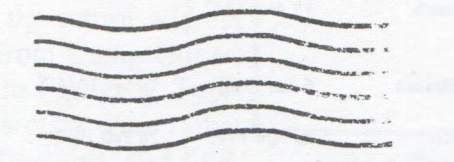
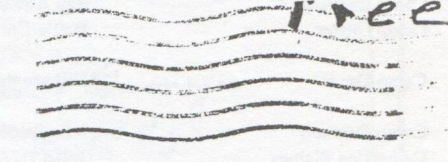
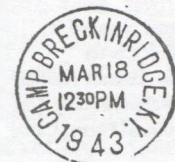
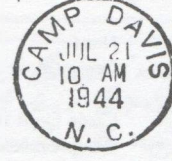
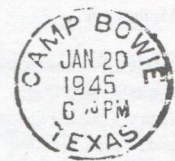
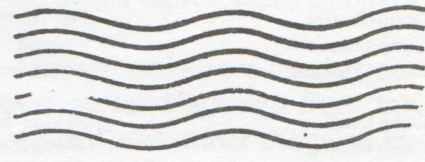
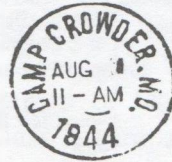
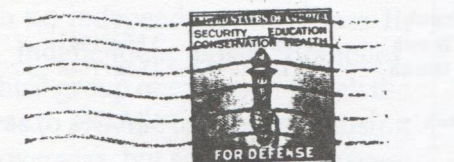
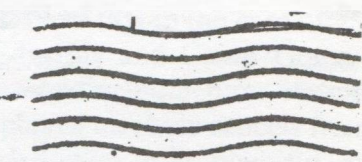
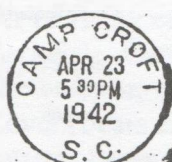
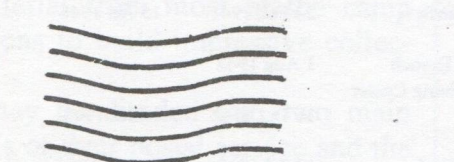
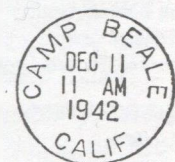
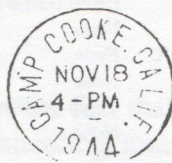
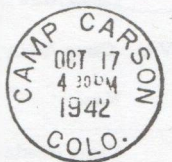
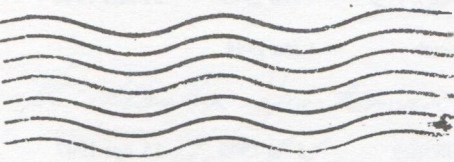
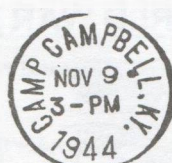


Plate I

TABLE 4 - WORLD WAR II DOMESTIC ARMY CAMPS

Name of Camp	Town State	Designated Postal Unit	Established	Discontinued	Notes
Camp Forrest	Tullahoma TN	Camp Forrest Branch	15 Feb 1941	30 Apr 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Funston	Fort Riley KS	None			
Camp Gadsden	Gadsden AL	None			
Camp George Jordan	Seattle WA	None			
Camp Gordon	Augusta GA	Camp Gordon Branch	22 Dec 1941	31 Oct 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Gordon Johnston	Tallahassee FL	Camp Gordon Johnston Branch	1 Mar 1943	31 Mar 1946	Formerly Amphibious Training Center Br.
Camp Gilbert C. Grafton	Devils Lake ND	None			
Camp Grant	Rockford IL	Camp Grant Branch	17 Mar 1941	1 Jun 1946	Medical Unit Training Center
Camp Gruber	Muskogee OK	Camp Gruber Branch	15 May 1942	31 Mar 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Guernsey	Guernsey WY	None			Maneuver Area, Fort Francis Warren
Camp Haan	Riverside CA	Camp Haan Branch	15 Jan 1941	15 May 1947	Anti Aircraft Artillery Training Center
Camp Hale	Denver CO	Pando Branch	1 Jun 1942	25 Oct 1945	Mountain Division Training Center
Camp Hatheway	Vancouver WA	None			
Camp Hayden	Joyce WA	None			Harbor Defense of Puget Sound
Camp Hero	Long Island NY	None			
Camp Hoffman	Southern Pines NC	Camp Hoffman Branch	1 Feb 1943	1 Apr 1943	Changed to Camp Mackall; Airborne Ctr.
Camp Holabird	Baltimore MD	Camp Holabird Branch	16 Dec 1940	1 Sep 1950	Changed to Fort Holabird; Railroad Shops
Camp Hood	Killeen TX	Camp Hood Branch	1 Sep 1942		Infantry & Tank Destroyer Training Center
Camp Howze	Gainesville TX	Camp Howze Branch	15 Sep 1942	1 Jul 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Hulen	Palacios TX	Camp Hulen Branch	1 Dec 1940		Anti Aircraft Artillery Training Center
Camp Irwin	Barstow CA	Camp Irwin Branch	16 Jan 1943	3 Nov 1945	Anti Aircraft Artillery Training Center
Camp Jackson	Columbia SC	Camp Jackson Branch	16 Nov 1939	15 Aug 1940	Changed to Fort Jackson; Infantry Training Ctr.
Camp John T. Knight	Oakland CA	None			
Camp Joseph T. Robinson	Little Rock AR	Camp Joseph T. Robinson Branch	16 Dec 1939	25 Apr 1940	Infantry Training Center
			2 Jan 1941	31 Jul 1946	
Camp Kilmer	New Brunswick NJ	Camp Kilmer Branch	3 Jun 1942	post 1950	Staging area New York P.O.E.
Camp Kohler	Sacramento CA	Camp Kohler Branch	16 Oct 1942	15 May 1947	Western Signal Corps Training Center
Camp Langdon	Portsmouth NH	None			
Camp Lee	Petersburg VA	Camp Lee Branch	15 Feb 1941		Army Service Forces Training Center
Camp Leroy Johnson	New Orleans LA	None			
Camp Livingston	Alexandria LA	Camp Livingston Branch	1 Dec 1940	7 Feb 1946	Army Ground Forces Training Center
Camp Lockett	San Diego CA	Camp Lockett Branch	15 Aug 1942	31 May 1944	Cavalry Training Center
Camp Mackall	Southern Pines NC	Camp Mackall Branch	1 Apr 1943	15 Dec 1945	Airborne Center: Was Camp Hoffman
Camp Maxey	Paris TX	Camp Maxey Branch	16 Aug 1942	1 Jul 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp McCain	Grenada MS	Camp McCain Branch	1 Dec 1942	30 Apr 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp McCoy	Sparta WI	Sparta Military Branch	1 Jun 1918	circa 1931	To Camp McCoy
		Camp McCoy Branch	circa 1931	post 1950	Infantry Division Camp
Camp McQuaide	Watsonville CA	Camp McQuaide Station	1 Jun 1941	31 Mar 1949	Army Disciplinary Camp & Coast Artillery Tng.
Camp Merced	Merced CA	Camp Merced Branch	7 Dec 1942	31 May 1946	Japanese American Internment Camp
Camp Millard	Bucyrus OH	None			Railway Unit Training Center
Camp Murphy	West Palm Beach FL	Camp Murphy Branch	16 Jul 1942	23 Nov 1944	Signal Corps Technical School
Camp Murray	Tacoma WA	None			National Guard Camp
Camp Myles Standish	Taunton MA	Camp Myles Standish Station	9 Oct 1942	31 Oct 1946	Staging Area Boston P.O.E.
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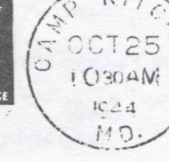
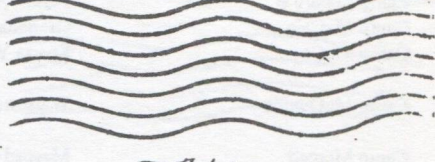
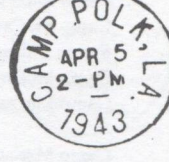
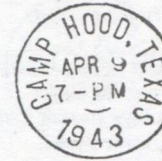
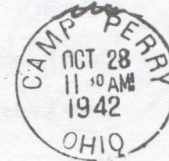
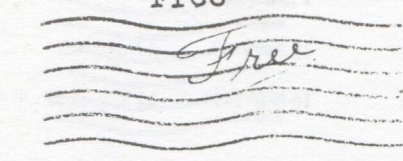
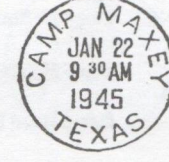
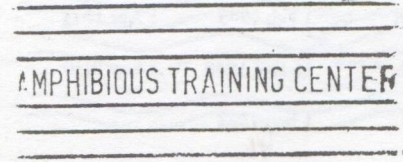
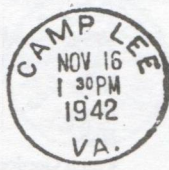
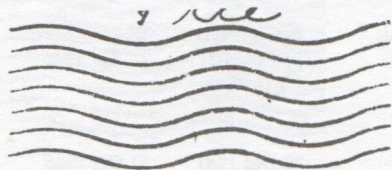
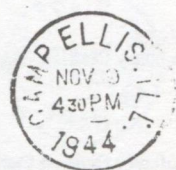


Plate II

TABLE 4 - WORLD WAR II DOMESTIC ARMY CAMPS

Name of Camp	Town State	Designated Postal Unit	Established	Discontinued	Notes
Camp Papago	Phoenix AZ	None			
Camp Parks (Shoemaker)	Oakland CA	None			
Camp Patrick Henry	Newport News VA	Camp Patrick Henry Branch	15 Nov 1942	5 Mar 1946	Staging Area Hampton Roads P.O.E.
Camp Peay	Tullahoma TN	Camp Peay Branch	3 Jan 1941	15 Feb 1941	Changed to Camp Forrest
Camp Pendleton	Virginia Beach VA	None			Dover Range Combat Training Area
Camp Perry	Port Clinton OH	Camp Perry Branch	10 Jun 1920	1 May 1969	Was Erie Proving Ground Branch
Camp Phillips	Salina KS	Camp Phillips Branch	16 Oct 1942	30 Jun 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Pickett	Blackstone VA	Camp Pickett Branch	1 Jun 1942	28 Jun 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Pine Camp	Watertown NY	Pine Camp Branch	1 Apr 1941	1944	Armored Division Camp
Camp Pinedale	Fresno CA	Camp Pinedale Branch	1 Sep 1942	31 Dec 1943	Changed to Airbase Br.; An Air Force depot
Camp Plache	New Orleans LA	None			
Camp Polk	Leesville LA	Camp Polk Branch	1 Jun 1941		Armored Division Camp
Camp Pontchartrain	New Orleans LA	None			Engineer Firefighting Sch.
Camp Rapid	Rapid City SD	Camp Rapid Branch	1 Sep 1943	circa 1948	
Camp Redman	Aberdeen MD	None			
Camp Reynolds	Greenville PA	Camp Reynolds Branch	1 Dec 1943	31 Dec 1945	Service Forces Replacement Depot
Camp Rimini	Helena MT	None			Quartermaster War Dog Training Center
Camp Ripley	Little Falls MN	Camp Ripley Branch	1 Jul 1943		Cavalry Training Center and School
Camp Ritchie	Hagerstown MD	Camp Ritchie Branch	1 Sep 1942	15 May 1946	Military Intelligence Training Center
Camp River Rouge Park	Detroit MI	None			
Camp Roberts	Paso Robles CA	Camp Roberts Branch	16 Mar 1941	15 Nov 1943	Infantry & Field Artillery Training Center
Camp Rodman	Aberdeen MD	None			
Camp Rucker	Ozark AL	Camp Rucker Branch	15 May 1942	1 Sep 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo CA	Camp San Luis Obispo Branch	15 Dec 1940	31 Jan 1948	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Santa Anita	Arcadia CA	Camp Santa Anita Station	14 Apr 1942	31 Jul 1944	Ordnance Training Center; Was Japanese American Assmbly. Ctr..
Camp Savage	Savage MN	Camp Savage Branch	1 Dec 1943	15 Aug 1944	Military Intelligence Language School
Camp Seeley	Imperial CA	None			Desert Ordnance Proving Ground
Camp Shanks	Orangeburg NY	Camp Shanks Branch	15 Feb 1943	31 Aug 1946	Staging Area New York P.O.E.
Camp Shelby	Hattiesburg MS	Camp Shelby Branch	22 Oct 1940	31 Aug 1946	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Sheridan	Chillicothe OH	None			
Camp Sibert	Attalia AL	Camp Sibert Branch	11 Jan 1943	1 Feb 1946	Chemical Warfare Training Center
Camp Sibert	Boulder City NV	None			
Camp Simms	Washington DC	None			
Camp Skell	Oscoda MI	None			
Camp Skokie	Glenview IL	None			
Camp Smith	Parkskill NY	None			
Camp Stanley	San Antonio TX	None			
Camp Stewart	Savannah GA	Camp Stewart Branch	28 Nov 1940	5 Jan 1946	Anti Aircraft Artillery Training Center
Camp Stockton	Stockton CA	Camp Stockton Station	7 Dec 1942	19 Jun 1946	
Camp Stoneman	Pittsburg CA	Camp Stoneman Branch	1 Jun 1942	31 Jul 1956	Staging Area San Francisco P.O.E.
Camp Story	Virginia Beach VA	Camp Story Branch	15 Feb 1941	1 Mar 1941	Name changed to Fort Story Branch
Camp Sutton	Monroe NC	Camp Sutton Branch	1 Apr 1942	28 Feb 1945	Engineer Training Center
Camp Swift	Bastrop TX	Camp Swift Branch	1 Jun 1942	3 Mar 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Thalia	Virginia Beach VA	Camp Thalia Branch	20 Dec 1942	1 Jan 1944	
Camp Thomas A. Scott	Fort Wayne IN	None			
Camp Toccoa	Toccoa GA	Camp Toccoa Branch	10 Dec 1942	circa 1950	Airborne Basic Training Center
Camp Toombs	Ayersville CA	None			

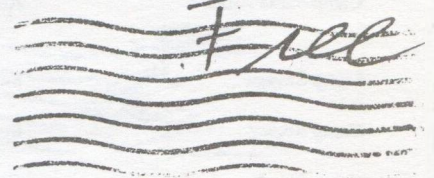
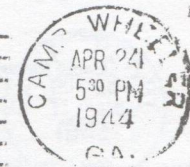
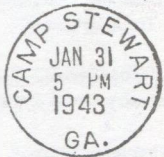
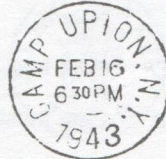
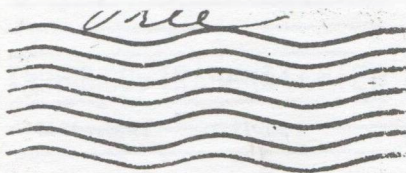
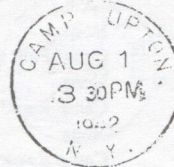
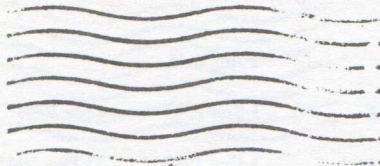
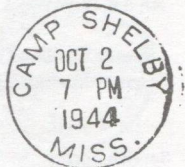
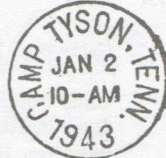
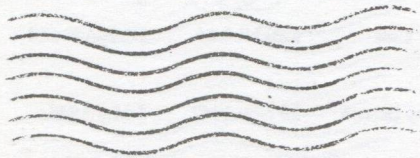


Plate III

TABLE 4 - WORLD WAR II DOMESTIC ARMY CAMPS

Name of Camp	Town State	Designated Postal Unit	Established	Discontinued	Notes
Camp Tyson	Paris TN	Camp Tyson Branch	15 Dec 1941	31 Aug 1944	Barrage Balloon Tng. Ctr.
Camp Upton	Riverhead NY	Camp Upton Branch	1 Feb 1941	15 Aug 1946	Reception Center
Camp Van Dorn	McComb MS	Camp Van Dorn Branch	16 Nov 1942	20 Nov 1945	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Varnum	Boston Neck RI	None			
Camp Walerga	Sacramento CA	Camp Walerga Branch	11 May 1942	23 Jun 1942	Sub Depot Stockton Depot
Camp Wellfleet	Mashpee MA	None			Anti Aircraft Firing Range & School
Camp W. G. Williams	Lehi UT	None			National Guard Camp
Camp Wheeler	Macon GA	Camp Wheeler Branch	17 Feb 1941	15 Mar 1946	Infantry Training Center
Camp White	Medford OR	Camp White Branch	15 May 1942	31 Jul 1947	Infantry Division Camp
Camp Whiteside	Fort Riley KS	None			
Camp William C. Reid	Clovis NM	None			
Camp Williams	Camp Douglas WI	None			Bombardier Training
Camp Williston	Boulder City NV	None			Military Police Training Camp
Camp Wolters	Mineral Wells TX	Camp Wolters Branch	15 Mar 1941	1 Feb 1946	Infantry Training Center
Wyoming National Guard Camp	Guernsey WY	None			
Camp Young	Indio CA	None			Desert Training Center

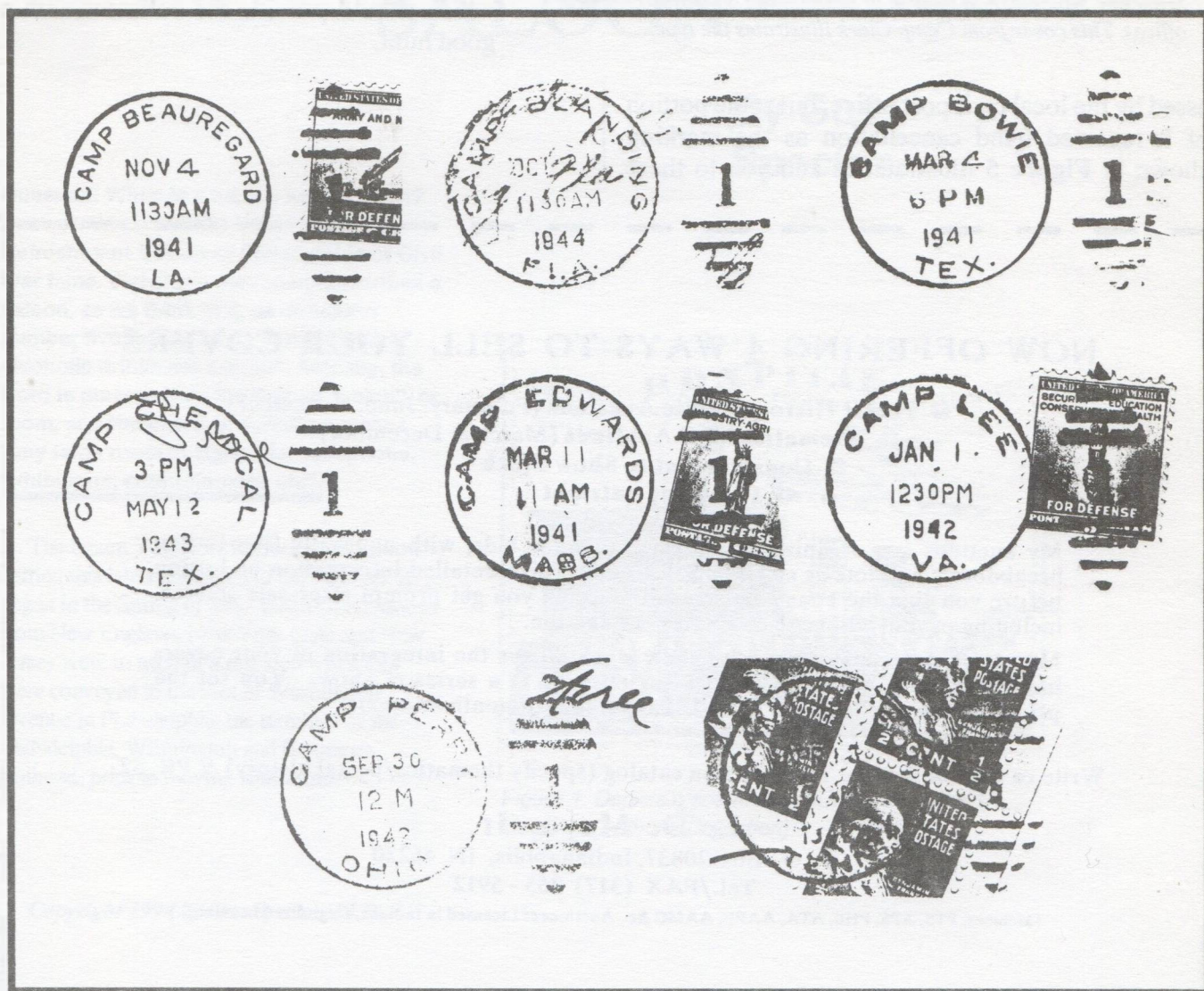


Figure 5. A selection of impressions from steel duplex handstamps used at larger Army camps.

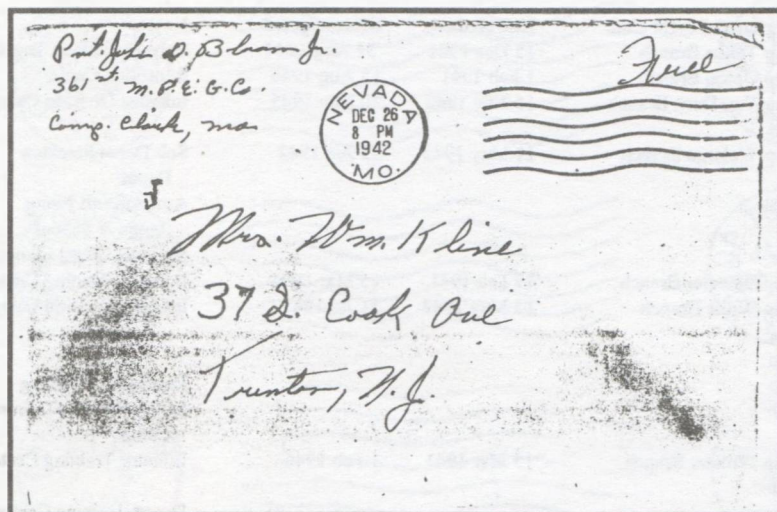


Figure 6. Some camps, which were authorized their own postal branches, typically had their mail postmarked at nearby civil post offices. This cover from Camp Clark illustrates the type.

steel duplex hand cancel impressions, collectors should be on the lookout for double circle utility dater markings from any camps with designated postal branches. In some cases, despite the fact that a camp was authorized its own postal branch, most mail appears to have been postmarked and canceled at the parent civil post office. The cover from Camp Clark, Missouri, illustrated in Figure 6 is typical of this situation.

In summary, the proliferation of Army camps from 1940 to 1942 in the United States present a lively challenge to today's postal historian. Examples of postal markings from many should be fairly easy and inexpensive to find, but there will be some which should provide the collector with a good hunt.

essed by the local civil post office, but some portion of it received hand cancellation as the marking shown in Figure 5 illustrate. In addition to these

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THE UNION VOLUNTEER REFRESHMENT SALOON

By Gus
Spector

Question: When is a saloon not a saloon?

Answer: When it is the Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon of Philadelphia of Civil War fame. Webster's dictionary describes a saloon, as we think of it, as definition number five being "a bar, a place where alcoholic drinks are served". Actually, the word is derived from the French "salon", or room, and the true first definition means "any large room designed for receptions, exhibitions, entertainment, etc".

The Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon carried this latter definition to the extreme. It began in the Spring of 1861 when Union troops from New England, New York State and New Jersey were in need of a rest stop when they were conveyed to the foot of Washington Avenue in Philadelphia, the terminus of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, prior to moving southward.

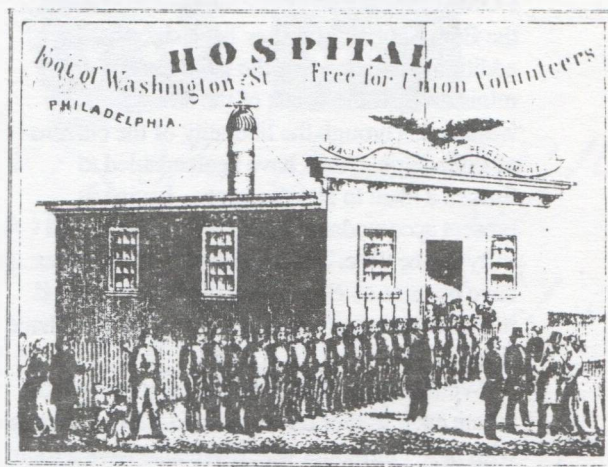


Figure 1. Depicts a scene at the Union Volunteers' Hospital. (Author's Collection)

A small pamphlet issued by the Saloon Committee explained it all:

On the breaking out of the Rebellion, and only a few days after the President's Proclamation was issued, Pennsylvania troops began to arrive in our city on their way to the Capital, and were detained for a short time at the Baltimore Depot, Broad and Prime Streets, where they were liberally entertained by the citizens in that vicinity. Soon after this, troops from other States began to arrive in rapid succession at Washington Str. Wharf, - many of them suffering for want of food. The citizens who lived in the neighborhood threw open their houses to them, while others procured what they could, and entertained them on the pavements, -in this way causing a scarcity of provision, and forcing many a poor man to go to his daily work without his accustomed meal. Mr. Bazilla S. Brown, seeing the willingness of all to contribute, felt the necessity of concentrating their efforts. He received, as a donation from SAVERY & CO., a thirty gallon boiler, and placed it in a yard near the S.W. cor. of Washington and Swanson Sts. where he erected a rough table, from which sandwiches and coffee were served out to the soldiers. On the 27th day of May, 1861, THE UNION REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE was organized. They procured the Boat Shop, where they have since made additions for extending the tables, and ministering to the wants of the sick and wounded. Through the liberality of the citizens of Philadelphia, they have been enabled to furnish a meal to all who apply, -having at present accommodations for Four Hundred and Fifty at one time. Those in charge of the tables have become so expert, that they can clear and re-set them in ten minutes after the soldiers have finished.

We have forty basins with spigots attached, where each soldier can wash, and fill his canteen with pure Fairmount water. We also have a room and accommodations for writing, where over one hundred and fifty letters have been written and mailed during one night. By the liberality of the Press, we are enabled to furnish many with the latest news, which is often eagerly read at the table before the meal.

A few days since, seven barrels of coffee, with a meal for our portion of thirty-three hundred volunteers, were given out between the hours of two and seven o'clock, A.M. This was in addition to the doings, on that morning, of the "Cooper Shop" on Otsego Street. Over Five Thousand Men have been provided with a meal in twenty-eight hours' time, at this saloon alone. Up to this date (Dec., 1861) some five hundred sick and wounded have been cared for, -many for weeks, at private houses, by ladies connected with this saloon. About one hundred and fifty thousand soldiers have been provided with a meal since the organization of the committee.

They have never asked or received any aid from City, State, or United States Government - this institution being kept up solely by the voluntary contributions of the citizens of Philadelphia. The time and labor of the committee is all volunteered, and their duties, though arduous, have been and will be cheerfully met. The Union Soldier may be sure of receiving a hearty welcome in the "City of Brotherly Love", and a "God speed" on his way to uphold our glorious Flag, the Star Spangled Banner".

Although monies were not requested, endorsements from government officials helped to foster the activities of the Saloon. A letter from Robert Carson, corresponding secretary of the Volunteer Saloon Committee to New York Governor E.D. Morgan read:

*Philadelphia May 5th/62
To Governor Morgan of New York
Dear Sir.*

Knowing the interest you feel in the welfare of the Union Soldiers, and particularly in those from your own State, I take the liberty of enclosing the Card of the "Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon of Phila.

The troops from your state (of whom we have entertained some sixty thousand) have shown that they appreciated our saloon, in letters received from them thanking the Committee for the warm reception extended to them in this City.

We are about to make our first annual report, and we are anxious to show the Citizens who have contributed to this institution, that it is appreciated by such men as yourself.

My object in addressing you, is to request a line from your pen, endorsing the usefulness of our saloon, which would be thankfully received by the Committee.

Yours very truly,
Robt. R. Carson

Cor. Sec.
Box 258 P.O.
Philadelphia

Morgan was an ardent supporter of the Union war effort and in September, 1861, Lincoln made him a Major-General in recognition of his recruiting talents. He also had great wealth, and contributed to various organizations during and after the war.

The Saloon continued to grow in size as funds increased. John Russell Young, in volume one of "Memorial History of Philadelphia",

stated that the Saloon was eventually capable of feeding 15,000 men in a single day - as many as 12,000 at once! Total expenditures for the enterprise were \$98,204.35, and materials were furnished at a cost of \$30,000.00. Over 40,000 men were able to secure a night's lodging.

According to Westcott's "History of Philadelphia", a hospital was opened on the premises, under the charge of Dr. Elias Ward, who provided his services gratis throughout the War. It contained, at first, only fifteen beds. Nearly 11,000 sick and wounded were treated, and twice that amount had their wounds dressed. It was the first military hospital in the City of Philadelphia. Figure 1 portrays the view of the hospital on the card mentioned above that was sent to Governor Morgan.

Religious services were held on Sunday afternoons and were attended by large numbers of citizens and soldiers. Music was provided by regimental bands and by the choirs from downtown churches.

Facilities, according to Frank H. Taylor, in "Philadelphia in the Civil War", were provided in the form of writing paper and envelopes to soldiers wishing to write home. All letters were

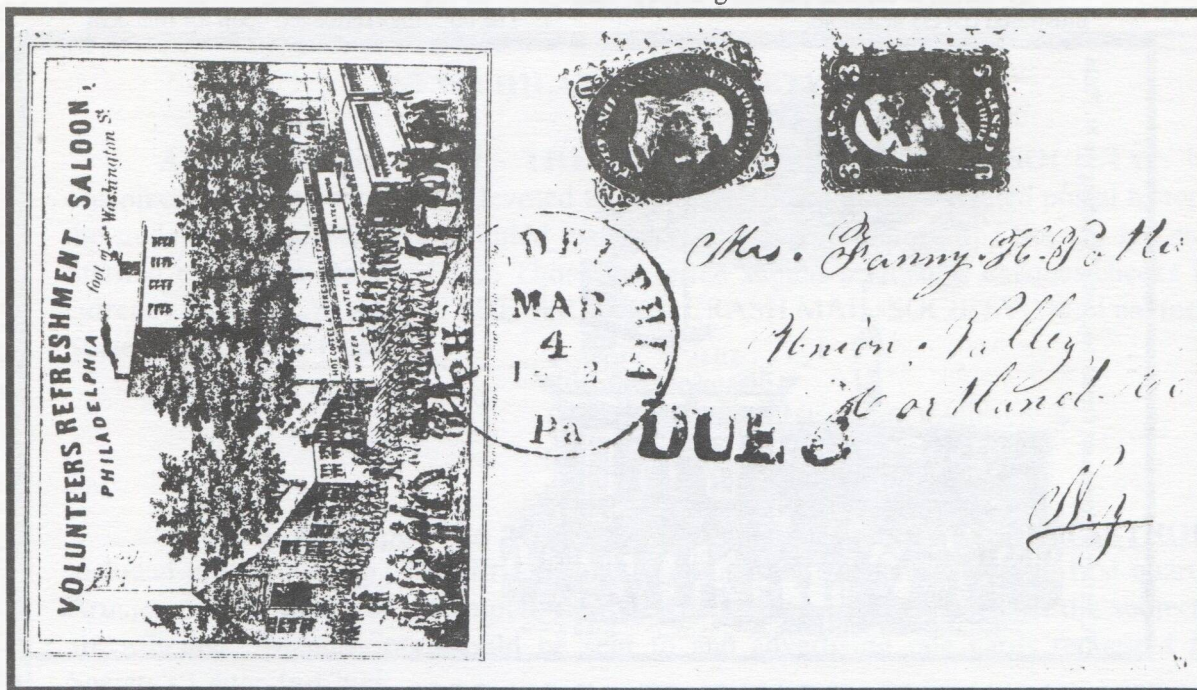


Figure 2. A rare cover from the Volunteers' Refreshment Saloon. (Author's Collection)

soldiers until December 1, 1865 and were then sold at auction. In his diary, Sidney George Fisher complained about the scarcity of laborers immediately after the Civil War:

I had heard recently that discharged soldiers of our army and rebel deserters were coming in great numbers North & that they were eagerly sought as laborers by farmers & others & one or two instances were mentioned in which rebel deserters had proved satisfactory. They are anxious to get employment & will accept moderate wages. I went to the Volunteer Refreshment Saloon at the foot of Washington St., where these people are collected. The officer in charge told me that they were getting them everyday in large numbers, & that they were eagerly sought by farmers & immediately got places. The Union Volunteer Refreshment Saloon and Hospital, obviously the predecessor of today's United Service Organization or USO, certainly fulfilled its mission, providing aid and support for the many homeless, homesick, injured and wayfaring soldiers.

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- 062 TWO RIVERS, 1914 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (05-33) EST. \$8.

R.P.O.s (Towle types)

- 063 (A)DDISON & WHARTON, 1916 VG PART'L (153-E-1) ON PPC E \$10.
- 064 ARK CITY & LINDSAY, 1911 VG (930-A-2) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 065 ASQUAM LAKE, 1939 VG (C-18-a) ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 066 ATLANTA, MAC. & MONTG, 1910 READABLE (360-Q-1) ON PPC. E \$5
- 067 ATL ROCKMART & BIRM, 1912 F (378-G-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 068 ATL ROCKMART & B'HAM, 1912 F (378-E-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 069 AUG & PORT ROYAL, 1924 VG (335-I-1) ON REG'D REC. EST. \$6.
- 070 BALTO & DURBIN, 1914 VG (275-H-1) ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 071 BAY & NEW PHILA, 1912 LEGIBLE (553-F-1) ON PPC W/NO STAMP. 4
- 072 BIRM (& GREEN)VILLE, 1914 F PART'L (368-G-3) ON PPC. E \$5.
- 073 BRISTOL & CHATT, 1911 F (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 074 CAIRO & TEXARK, 1909 VG OVERINKED (450-A-2) ON PPC. E \$5.
- 075 CALISTOGA & VALLEJO, 1909 F (983-E-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 076 CALISTOGA & VALLEJO JC, 1905 VG (983-F-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 077 CAZADERO & SAN FRAN, 1910 LEGIBLE (985-H-3) ON PPC. E \$4.
- 078 CHADRON & LANDER, 1911 F (936-F-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 079 CHATT & MEMPHIS, 1908 VG LITE (502-G-4) ON PPC. EST. \$4.
- 080 CHATT ROME & ATLANTA, 1914 F (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 081 COL & G. BRIDGE, 1912 F (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$8.

R.P.O.s (continued)

- 082 (CO)RS(IC)ANA & HILLSB, 1909 PART'L (488-P-1) ON PPC. E 15
- 083 DENVER & GRAND JUNCT, 1911 VG (953-L-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 084 DENV & KREMMUNG, 1907 VG (962-2-C-1) ON PPC. EST. \$15.
- 085 DES M & CAINESV, 1908 VG (NEW TYPE) ON CREASED PPC. E \$5
- 086 DETROIT & ALGONAC, 1920 VG (Q-3-c) ON PPC. EST. \$25.
- 087 ELK & CHARLESTON, 1912 G+ (286-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$5.
- 088 ENID & WAURIKA, 1908 F (931-1-C-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 089 EUREKA & S.F., 1941 VG (985-L-1) ON PPC. EST. \$5.
- 090 (F)AIRMONT & RICH, 1910 F PART'L (288-D-1) ON PPC. E \$5.
- 091 FAY & JACKSONVILLE, 1909 F (340-O-2) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 092 FAYETTE & OKMULGEE, 1911 VG LITE (462-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$5.
- 093 FLORENCE & AUGUSTA, 1908 VG (340-Q-2) O/S ON PPC. EST. \$5.
- 094 FLORENCE & ELLINWOOD, 1916 VG (918-1-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 095 FT DODGE & DES M, 1914 VG (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 096 FT PIERCE & KEY WEST, 1921 F (392-A-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 097 GILMAN & ST LOUIS, 1913 VG (719-E-3) ON PPC. EST. \$4.
- 098 GRANGEVILLE & LEWIS, 1909 F (904-3-D-2) ON PPC. EST. \$15.
- 099 GREAT BEND & SCOTT, 1914 VG (918-7-A-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 100 GREEN RIVER & POC, 1923 VG (988-H-1) ON CREASED PPC. E \$5
- 101 HAMLET & ANDREWS, 1925 F (348-A-1) ON REG'D REC. E \$8.
- 102 HAYWARDS & OAK, ca1910 DECIPHERABLE (992-8-A-1) ON PPC. 10
- 103 HOUSTON & BEEV, 1908 VG LITE (482-C-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 104 HOUSTON & BEEVILLE, 1912 VG (482-D-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 105 HUTCH & BLACKWELL, 1908 G+ (918-6-A-1) ON PPC W/NO STAMP. 5
- 106 KENOSHA & HARVARD, 1911 F (836-F-1) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 107 LAKELAND & FT MYERS, 1912 G+ (388-B-2) ON PPC W/NO STAMP. 5
- 108 LAWRENCE & GRIDLEY, 1909 F (909-AC-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 109 LIVERMORE & SAN FRAN, 1909 F (992-10-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 110 LOS ANGELES & SAN B'D'NO KITE, 1913 F (993-1-A-1) ON PPC. 15
- 111 LOS ANG & SAN B'D'NO KITE, 1915 VG (993-1-C-1) ON PPC. 20
- 112 LOS ANG & SANTA ANA, 1911 VG (988-B-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 113 LYNCH & NORTON, 1907 F (311-Y-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 114 (MALAD CITY & S.L CITY, 1907 PART'L ON PPC. EST. \$10.
- 115 MCALESTER & SAYRE, 1916 G+ (455-K-1) ON PPC W/NO STAMP \$ 8
- 116 MEND & CENTRALIA, 1909 VG (709-O-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 117 (MIDDLETON & MOBILE, 1907 PART'L (427-G-2) ON PPC. E \$10
- 118 MISSOULA & WALLACE, 1910 VG (891-11-A-1) ON PC. EST. \$8.
- 119 NEW ORLEANS & DURAS, 1909 LEGIBLE (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. E \$8.
- 120 NEW ORLEANS & DURAS, 1909 G+ (448-A-1) ON PPC. E \$12.
- 121 NESTORIA & DULUTH, 1908 F (638-L-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 122 N.O. B. ROUGE & HOUSTON, 1924 VG (442-D-1) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 123 OMAHA & COLORADO SPGS, 1913 G+ (941-E-2) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 124 PORT & DUNSMUIR, 1934 VG (894-K-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 125 PORT & TILLAMOOK, 1919 VG (900-3-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$5.
- 126 POTTSV. PA & PHILA, 1909 F (190-L-1) ON PPC. EST. \$6.
- 127 QUINNIM(ONT &) LESTER, 1911 PART'L (292-3-B-1) ON PPC. E 8
- 128 RUMSEY & ELMIRA, 1907 F (992-8-B-4) ON TORN PPC. EST. \$5.
- 129 SALIDA & GRAND JUNC, 1910 G+ (957-K-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 130 S.L CITY, ST(OCK &) SIL (CITY), 1909 (973-3-C-1) ON PPC. 10
- 131 SAN ANT & (COR) CHRISTI, 1916 PART'L (482-L-1) ON PPC. \$5
- 132 (S)AN BDNO & ORANG(E), 1906 PART'L (993-2-B-1) ON PPC. \$8.
- 133 SAN FRAN & PAC GROVE, 1910 F (980-I-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 134 SAN FRAN & S.L OBISPO, 1921 VG (980-K-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 135 SAPULPA & FT WORTH, 1913 F (921-1-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 136 SEATTLE & SEWARD, 1937 VG (X-14-h) ON CREASED PPC. E \$10.
- 137 SEATTLE & SEWARD, 1939 VG (X-14-s) ON SHIP C/C COVER. E \$10
- 138 SEATTLE & SKAGWAY, 1925 G+ (X-19-c) ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 139 (SI)DELL & OLNEY, 1909 PART'L (728-B-1) ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 140 SOLOMON & BELOIT, 1909 G+ (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 141 SPIRIT L & DES M, 1909 F (784-F-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 142 SPOKANE & ADRIAN, 1910 F (906-6-A-3) ON PPC. EST. \$18.
- 143 STERLING & CHEY, 1912 VG (947-3-K-1) ON PPC W/NO STAMP. \$5
- 144 STERLING & PEORIA, 1909 VG (740-1-A-1) ON PPC. EST. \$15.
- 145 STORM LAKE & D(ES)M, 1913 PART'L (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. E \$5
- 146 (THE) DALLES & BEND, 1914 PART'L (896-6-A-1) ON PPC. E \$10
- 147 TRACY & BLUNT, 1941 F (886-W-2) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 148 UKIAH & SAN FRAN, 1896 VG (NEW TYPE) ON COVER. EST. \$15
- 149 WELLS & BELL, 1911 VG (NEW TYPE) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 150 WILLMAR & SIOUX CITY, 1914 F (787-8-H-1) ON PPC. EST. \$8.

Street car R.P.O.s (Towle types)

- 151 ARL & SO BALTO, 1906 F (BA-1-g) ON COVER WEDGE FAULTS \$4
- 152 CHILLI COTT GRO AV, 1907 VG (CH-3-e) ON PPC. EST. \$4
- 153 CHI & WENT AVE, 1906 F (CH-7-b) ON PPC. EST. \$8.
- 154 WENT(WORTH) AVENUE, 1906 PART'L DOREMUS (CH-7-a2) ON PPC. 20
- 155 CLEVELAND CIRCUIT, 1909 F FLAG (CL-1-b) ON PPC. EST. \$4.
- 156 MISSION ST., 1905 G (SF-3-b) O/S ON TONED PPC. EST. \$15.
- 157 PITTSBURG, PA, ST. 1908 F (PI-2-c) O/S ON PPC. EST. \$12.
- 158 PITTSBURG, PA, STREET, 1908 F (PI-2-e) O/S ON PPC. E \$12
- 159 PITTSBURG STREET CAR, 1908 F (PI-2-k) ON PPC. EST. \$12
- 160 ROLAND PARK & ST. HELENA, 1902 VG (BA-3-f) ON COVER. E \$8
- 161 ST LOUIS/GRAND AVE CIRCUIT, 1899 G+ (SL-3-a) ON COVER \$12
- 162 ST LOUIS/OLIVE, R.P.O., 1909 G+ (SL-10-b) ON PPC. EST. \$8
- 163 ST LOUIS/SOUTH B'WAY, 1910 F (SL-15-b) ON CREASED PPC. E \$8
- 164 ROL PK & ST HEL, 1910 VG (BA-3-g) ON PPC. EST. \$4.
- 165 ROL PARK & HIGHLANDTOWN, 1915 F FLAG (BA-4-ab) ON PPC. \$4.
- 166 TOW & CATONS, 1909 F (BA-5-g) ON PPC. EST. \$4.
- 167 TOWSON & CATONSVILLE RPO 2, 1923 F (BA-5-gb) ON PC W/TEAR 5
- 168 WASH. DC PA AVE, 1911 G LITE (WA-1-b) ON PPC. EST. \$12.

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GARY ANDERSON MAIL BID SALE NO. 3

698 E. HOYT AVE., ST. PAUL, MN. 55106

COLORADO

- 001 ASSOCIATION CAMP, 1917 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (CAMP ON STAMP) (16-66) EST. \$6.
 002 CARLTON, 1928 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (91-60) EST. \$5.
 003 ELDORA, 1948 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (97-67) EST. \$4.
 004 ESKDALE, 1918 G 4-BAR ON PPC (SOME LETTERS SPOTTY) (11-33) EST. \$15.
 005 FIRSTVIEW, 1955 VG 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC GPC (07-61) EST. \$4.
 006 GLEN, 1915 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (05-20) EST. \$20.
 007 HAXTUM, 1910, G SPOTTY 4-BAR ON PPC (88-22) EST. \$8.
 008 KELLY, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (DOUBLE STRUCK) (09-16) EST. \$25.
 009 LONGVIEW, 1917 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (11-37) EST. \$12.
 010 PLAINVIEW, 1920 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (09-52) EST. \$6.
 011 SORRENTO, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (07-18) EST. \$20.
 012 TOLL AND, 1908 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (04-44) EST. \$8.
 013 TRAIL RIDGE, 1948 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (37-54) EST. \$4.
 014 VALVERDE, 1908 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (89-08) EST. \$25.
 015 WEST PORTAL, 1939 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (DAMAGED STAMP) (23-39) EST. \$6.
 016 WOLFCREEK, 1911 G+ 4-BAR REC'D ON PPC (SLIGHTLY DOUBLED) (10-19) EST. \$12.

IDAHO

- 017 BLAKE, 1907 G+ CDS & TARGET ON PPC (00-13) EST. \$25.
 018 CEDARHILL, 1930 G OVERINKED 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC COVER (14-38) EST. \$5.
 019 COLBURN, 1911 F 4-BAR ON PPC (01-59) EST. \$6.
 020 FORD, 1913 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (11-30) EST. \$20.
 021 GIFFORD, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (01-64) EST. \$4.
 022 GREENCREEK, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (97-75) EST. \$4.
 023 HOLLISTER, 1955 VG 4-BAR ON LD GPC (10-55) EST. \$4.
 024 IDAHOME, 1915 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (14-42) EST. \$5.
 025 MOHLER, 1914 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (00-59) EST. \$8.
 026 OREANA, 1914 G+ 4-BAR ON GPC (85-82) EST. \$4.
 027 ROSEWELL, 1909 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (93-54) EST. \$4.
 028 WILLOLA, 1909 G LIGHT CDS & CORK ON PPC (99-12) EST. \$15.

MONTANA

- 029 ACTON, 1915 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (10-83) EST. \$4.
 030 BAYLOR, 1919 G 4-BAR ON PPC (11-43) EST. \$8.
 031 BUCKEY, 1908 F 4-BAR ON PPC (06-15) EST. \$25.
 032 BURCH, 1912 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (12-13) SCARCE 17 MONTH PO! EST. \$75.
 033 CHICO, 1907 VG DUPLEX ON PPC (74-19) EST. \$8.
 034 COLLINS, CIRCA 1909 F 4-BAR ON PPC (03-61) EST. \$5.
 035 COMET, 1885 F FANCY DCDS ON REG RECEIPT (77-94) EST. \$75.
 036 COOLIDGE, 1930 F BLUE 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC COVER (22-32) EST. \$15.
 037 DALEVIEW, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (07-14) EST. \$15.
 038 EAST ROUNDUP, 1908 F 4-BAR ON PPC (UP ON STAMP) (MAR. 24, 1908 - MAY 30, 1908) VERY SCARCE SHORT TERM DPO! EST. \$200.
 039 FARMINGTON, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (SOME LETTERS LIGHT) (99-51) EST. \$4.
 040 FRANKLIN, 1934 VG 4-BAR ON COVER (10-53) EST. \$5.
 041 GLENDALE, 1883 G CDS AND TARGET ON GPC (75-00) EST. \$35.
 042 HINGHAM, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (10-OP) VERY EARLY! EST. \$4.
 043 HOCKETT, 1908 G 4-BAR ON PPC (SLIGHTLY OFF TOP) (89-12) EST. \$12.
 044 HODGES, 1909 G+ CDS & TARGET ON PPC (98-68) EST. \$6.
 045 HOWIE, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (92-15) EST. \$25.
 046 LEEDY, 1916 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (03-38) EST. \$6.
 047 MCRAE, 1917 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (16-53) EST. \$10.
 048 MONTFORD, 1908 G CDS & TARGET ON PPC (00-10) EST. \$20.
 049 ORVILLE, 1911 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (10-15) EST. \$12.
 050 SAVOY, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (09-58) VERY EARLY! EST. \$8.
 051 SCOBAY, 1910 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (01-15) EST. \$8.
 052 THALE, 1956 VG 4-BAR ON LD CARD (51-56) EST. \$8.
 053 VALLEY TOWN, 1929 VG 4-BAR ON COVER (TOWN ON STAMP) (08-42) EST. \$6.
 054 WALDHEIM, 1913 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (09-19) EST. \$25.
 055 WILLARD, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (10-OP) VERY EARLY! EST. \$4.
 056 YALE, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (SLIGHTLY DOUBLED) (88-10) EST. \$12.

SOUTH DAKOTA

- 057 AMMONS, 1909 VG 4-BAR REC'D ON PPC (08-13) EST. \$12.
 058 BRUSHIE, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (05-12) EST. \$15.
 059 BULLOCK, 1916 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (11-57) EST. \$5.
 060 CAPA, 1909 F 4-BAR ON PPC (07-76) EST. \$6.
 061 CRANDON, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (81-35) EST. \$6.
 062 FALES, 1915 VG 4-BAR ON COVER (95-20) EST. \$8.
 063 EDSON, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (10-49) EST. \$8.
 064 EMPIRE, 1912 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (82-12) EST. \$25.
 065 FAIRPOINT, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (09-66) EST. \$5.
 066 HOWELL, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (DAK LIGHT) (83-23) EST. \$12.
 067 LADNER, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (10-65) EST. \$6.
 068 LANE, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (03-85) EST. \$5.
 069 MCCLURE, 1936 F 4-BAR ON LD GPC (03-36) EST. \$8.
 070 OLD TRAIL, 1908 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (06-14) EST. \$25.
 071 ORTON, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (08-35) EST. \$8.
 072 POTTER, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (87-12) EST. \$25.
 073 RENNER, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (02-85) EST. \$4.
 074 THUNDER HAWK, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (09-65) EST. \$5.
 075 VERNON, 1909 G 4-BAR ON PPC (92-13) EST. \$10.
 076 WATSON, 1909 G SPOTTY 4-BAR ON PPC (08-12) EST. \$12.

NEW MEXICO

- 077 ADEN, 1914 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (94-25) EST. \$15.
 078 BARD CITY, 1912 G 4-BAR ON PPC (09-13) EST. \$20.
 079 CORREO, 1951 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (17-59) EST. \$4.
 080 DEXTER, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (02-OP) EST. \$10.
 081 ELIDA, 1908 G 4-BAR ON PPC (MEX ON STAMP) (02-OP) EST. \$8.
 082 FRENCH, 1931 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC COVER (08-45) EST. \$8.
 083 GRANT, 1916 G 4-BAR ON PPC (82-35) EST. \$6.
 084 HOLLYWOOD, 1939 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (26-70) EST. \$4.
 085 LA LANDE, 1915 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (06-55) EST. \$20.
 086 LAMY, 1915 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (81-63) EST. \$6.
 087 MANULETO, 1911 G 4-BAR REC'D ON PPC (BARS OFF CARD) (81-74) EST. \$10.
 088 SUGARITE, 1931 VG 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC COVER (12-44) EST. \$8.

NEW YORK

- 089 CHESHIRE, 1908 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (35-08) EST. \$5.
 090 GEDDES, CDS & CORK ON COVER (19-88) EST. \$6.
 091 MONGAUP, 1860 VG MANUSCRIPT CANCEL ON #11 ON COVER (53-43) EST. \$12.
 092 NORTH LITCHFIELD, 1889 VG FANCY DCDS ON COVER (62-02) EST. \$8.
 093 PEORIA, 1891 G CDS & TARGET ON COVER (41-11) EST. \$6.
 094 SCHUYLER, 1890 G CDS & TARGET ON COVER (88-04) EST. \$8.
 095 WASHINGTON HOLLOW, 1889 G CDS & TARGET ON COVER (22-03) EST. \$6.

OREGON

- 096 BLACHLY, 1907 G+ CDS & TARGET ON PPC (92-75) EST. \$6.
 097 BUTLER, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (95-11) EST. \$25.
 098 CLEONE, 1912 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (83-14) EST. \$8.
 099 GALICE, 1915 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (76-42) EST. \$8.
 100 GIBBON, 1935 VG 1930'S TYPE 4-BAR ON GPC (92-66) EST. \$6.
 101 HURON, 1907 G+ DOANE (3-1) REC'D ON PPC (05-13) EST. \$20.
 102 KERBY, 1915 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (56-65) EST. \$6.
 103 NORTONS, 1908 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (95-34) EST. \$8.
 104 ONA, 1914 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (90-20) EST. \$10.
 105 PRESCOTT, 1914 G 4-BAR ON PPC (OREGON SPOTTY) (07-45) EST. \$6.
 106 PRINCETON, 1948 VG 4-BAR ON CARD (10-60) EST. \$4.
 107 TIERNAN, 1944 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (19-70) EST. \$6.
 108 TROY, 1915 F 4-BAR ON PPC (02-65) EST. \$8.

WASHINGTON

- 109 ALOHA, 1909 G 4-BAR ON PPC (06-81) EST. \$6.
 110 BIRMINGHAM, 1912 G LIGHT 4-BAR ON PPC (10-23) EST. \$10.
 111 BOGACHEL, 1907 G CDS & TARGET ON RP PPC (WASH. NOT STRUCK) (92-12) EST. \$20.
 112 EAST SEATTLE, 1914 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (04-24) EST. \$15.
 113 EAST STANWOOD, 1916 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (SLIGHTLY OFF TOP) (13-61) EST. \$7.
 114 ELGIN, 1912 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (92-36) EST. \$8.
 115 FORT CASEY, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (00-32) EST. \$10.
 116 GLENCOVE, 1906 VG CDS & TARGET O S ON PPC (96-24) EST. \$12.
 117 LITTLE FALLS, 1909 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (LLS ON STAMP) (74-13) EST. \$12.
 118 MACHIAS, 1914 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (92-43) EST. \$8.
 119 MONSE, 1917 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (16-62) EST. \$6.
 120 NATCHEZ, 1907 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (06-08) EST. \$25.
 121 NISQUALLY, 1927 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (15-60) EST. \$8.
 122 O'BRIEN, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (90-20) EST. \$15.
 123 OPPORTUNITY, 1912 G+ 4-BAR ON PPC (O S ON STAMP) (11-53) EST. \$8.
 124 PRINDLE, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (09-38) EST. \$8.
 125 STABLER, 1915 G SPOTTY 4-BAR ON PPC (15-33) EST. \$12.
 126 THREE LAKES, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (03-26) EST. \$15.
 127 VAN ZANDT, 1911 F 4-BAR ON PPC (92-55) EST. \$8.
 128 VERADALE, 1911 F 4-BAR ON PPC (11-OP) EARLY! EST. \$5.

WYOMING

- 129 BERTHA, 1910 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (04-34) EST. \$8.
 130 CAMP STOOL, 1910 G 4-BAR ON PPC (OL ON STAMP) (08-34) EST. \$8.
 131 ECHETA, 1909 G 4-BAR ON PPC (07-45) EST. \$8.
 132 FLATTOP, 1915 G 4-BAR ON PPC (WYO. SPOTTY) (14-54) EST. \$6.
 133 HANSMFORK, 1931 F PURPLE 4-BAR ON PHILATELIC COVER (98-33) EST. \$6.
 134 JIREH, 1912 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (08-43) EST. \$8.
 135 LUTHER, 1907 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (O S BY BETHANY, MINN. DOANE) (07-10) EST. \$25.
 136 PINE TREE, 1935 G 4-BAR ON COVER (28-44) EST. \$8.
 137 SPRING VALLEY, 1908 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (SLIGHTLY DOUBLED) (00-32) EST. \$15.
 138 VIOLA, 1911 VG 4-BAR ON PPC (96-35) EST. \$8.
 139 WAUNETA, 1913 G 4-BAR ON PPC (SLIGHTLY DOUBLED) (11-31) EST. \$10.
 140 WOODROCK, 1911 G 4-BAR ON COVER (OCK ON STAMP) (05-13) EST. \$25.

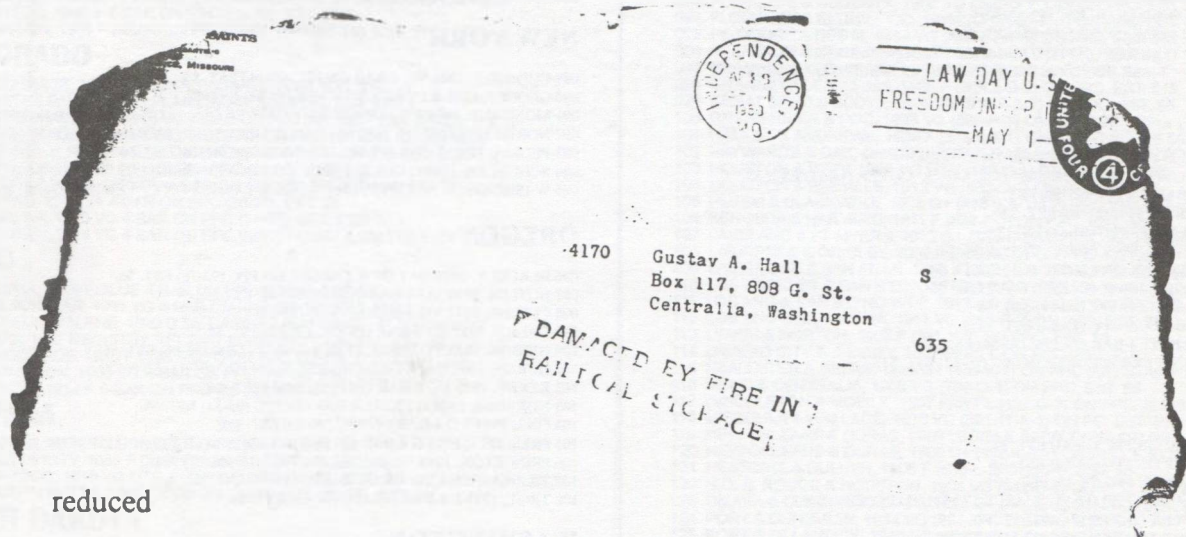
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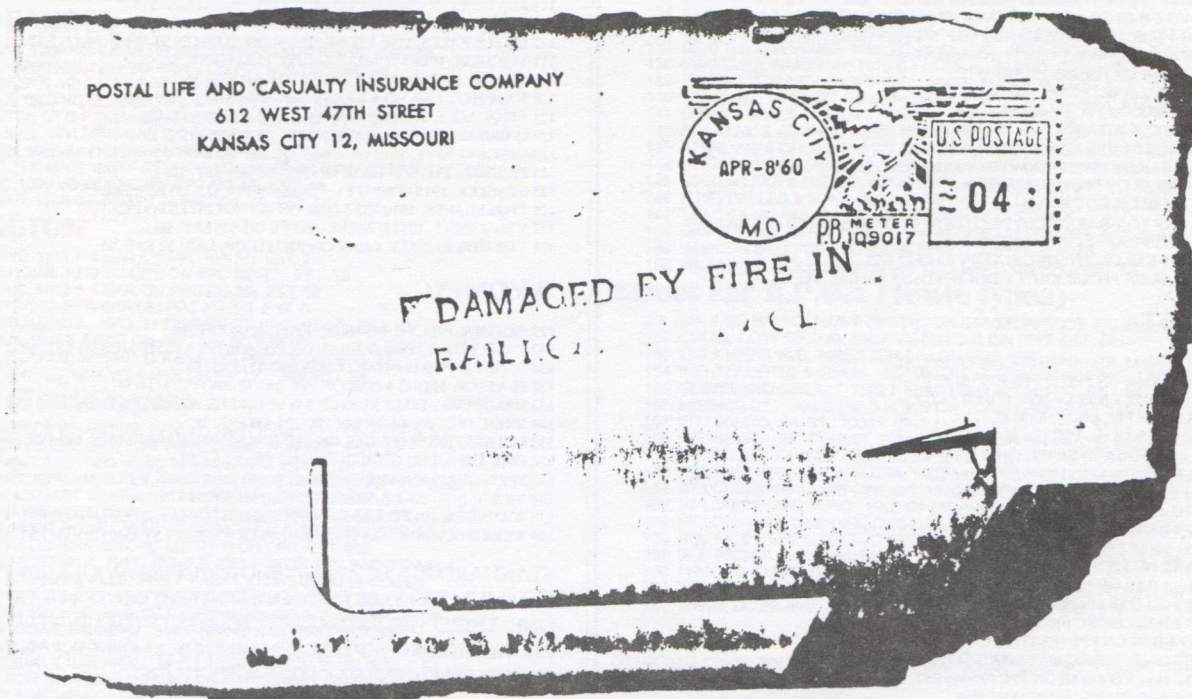
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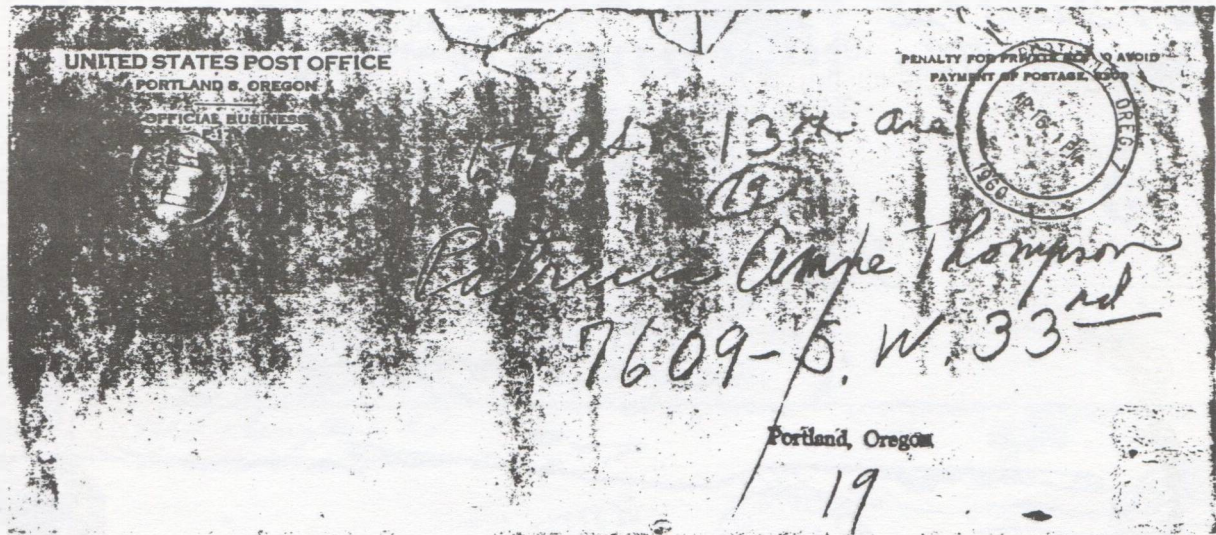
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By Henry J. Berthelot



Postmarked Independence, Missouri, on 8 April 1960, this envelope was en route to Centralia, Washington





reduced

An 8 April 1960 Kansas City, Missouri, meter shows the mailing date of this badly damaged envelope, which was enclosed, along with Marking No. 1960-04-09, and forwarded in the ambulance shown

1944

Information remains illusive about the railroad-related mail service interruption that precipitated the three covers illustrated on page 16 and 17 in the November 1994 edition of this journal. In regard to my request, Rod sent to me a copy of the Brownwood, Texas, Bulletin, dated 14 January 1944, which reported the collision of two trains in a snow storm at Novice, Texas, then "a little Santa Fe flag stop, 18 miles northwest of Coleman (Texas)." Reportedly, the collision happened at noon on 13 January 1944. Were these covers from that wreck? Rod stated in his letter that he doubted the Novice wreck was the culprit. I agree, based on the following: The newspaper account did not report any mail being involved, and more importantly, the account did not mention that there was a fire. Too, the Novice wreck occurred on the 13th; all varieties of the markings seen from the "yet unknown" interruption state the date of the fire as the 15th.

Rod sent copies of covers (seen below) showing other varieties of markings utilized to identify mail salvaged from this "yet unknown" interruption.

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 Hollywood,
 California

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To summarize, we have the following mail items salvaged from the "yet unknown" interruption which occurred on 15 January 1944:

Foreign (British) mail that was posted on 21 December 1943.

Northern mails.

Johnstown, Pennsylvania, mail posted 11 January (5:30 PM);
 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, mail posted 11 January (6:30 PM);
 Baltimore, Maryland, mail posted 11 January (12:30 PM);
 Urbana, Ohio, mail posted 11 January (10:30 AM); and
 Hibbing, Minnesota, mail posted 12 January (5:30 PM).

Southern mails.

Miami, Florida, mail posted 11 January (6:30 PM); and
 Roanoke, Virginia, mail posted 11 January (9:00 PM).

All these items were addressed either to Hollywood, California or to Los Angeles, California. Does anyone have an item from this mishap that was mailed in a state farther west than Minnesota?

In addition, we know that the Novice, Texas, mishap of 13 January 1944, which involved a troop train running into the rear of a passenger train, was not the source of these covers.

Is there any railroad sleuth among our readers who can piece together this puzzle from the information known and at least give an educated guess as to what railroad route was used to transport the mail to the West coast and at what point, moving west, along that route were the Northern and Southern mails listed above combined? (Then, we will have a starting point to begin our westward research!)

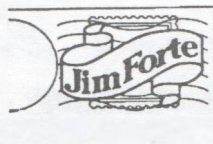
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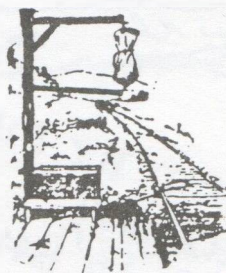
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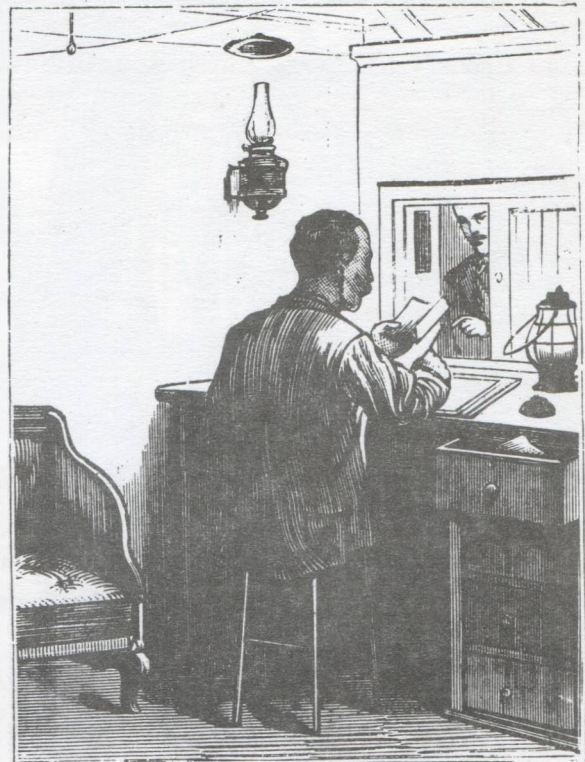
Probably no branch of the public service shows such marked improvements as does the Post Office Department. The contrast between what it was when the Federal Government was first formed in 1789 and what it is at present is so striking as to be almost incredible. Then lumbering wagons, stage-coaches, slow sailing-vessels, horseback-riders, and sometimes pedestrians, were the means used to carry the mails from place to place, and what with the delay of transportation and the lack of system in the whole management of the Post Office, our worthy ancestors must have had but a faint gleam of the inestimable value of the system that in our day works so smoothly and effectively, and makes the mail our most useful and trusted servant. Step by step postal reform and improvement have been advancing, until perfection has almost been reached.

The railway mail service began in 1836, but it was not until 1864 that Colonel Geo. B. Armstrong suggested the plan, which was subsequently adopted

of putting "post-office cars" on the principal railroad lines. On the 28th day of August, 1864, the first postal-car left Chicago for Clinton on a trial trip, and on the 31st of the same month it began running regularly. In October, 1864, improvements were made in the postal-car, and a force of expert clerks from the Department at Washington were placed in the cars running between New York and that city. On the 9th of November post-office cars were placed upon the lines between Chicago and Davenport, Ia., and Chicago and Dunleith, Ill. On January 17, 1865, the Chicago-Burlington and Galesburg-Quincy lines were established, and on May 22nd, the first railway post-office service was put in operation on the Philadelphia-Pittsburgh route. About the same time, or a little later, postal-cars were placed upon all the principal lines leading out of Chicago, and also upon the Hudson River and New York Central Railroads, between New York, Albany and Buffalo, carrying and distributing along the line the Northern and Western mails.



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CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE.

The establishing of fast mail trains has been a pet scheme of the Post Office Department for several years, and Colonel George S. Bangs, General Superintendent of Mail Routes, has worked

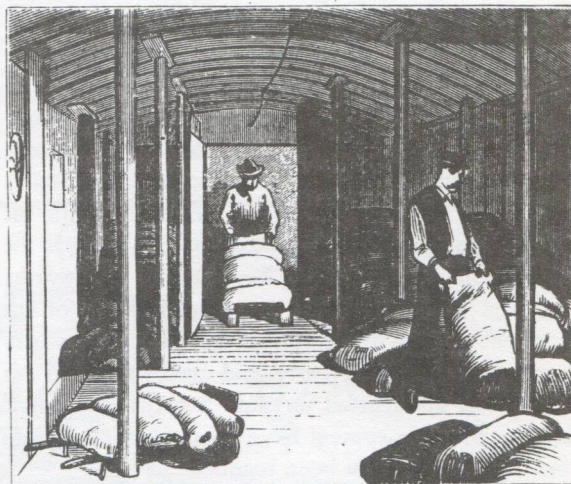
industriously to perfect the system. He met with much opposition from railroad officials, who complained that the compensation for running postal-cars was insufficient. So strong was the dissatisfaction of the companies, that in the Winter of 1873 the presidents of some of the leading lines threatened to withdraw the postal-cars. The grievance of the railroad companies was the law which limited the compensation of mail-carriers to \$375 per mile per annum, no matter how much weight of mail matter was carried. By talking with the various representatives of the dissatisfied roads, Mr. Bangs became instrumental in averting the calamity which a withdrawal of the postal cars would certainly have been. Subsequently, after a great deal of legislation, the basis of payment for the transportation of mails was changed by Congress to something more equitable, and the new law rendered a concentration of mail matter on any one line mutually profitable to the line and to the department. This is easily understood. The settlement opened the way for pushing the subject of fast mails, and after long discussions with railroad officials, a plan for lightning postal trains between the East and the West was perfected.



EMPTYING THE BOXES INTO THE MAIL-BAGS, AND TRUCKING THEM INTO THE TENDER.

About the 1st of July last, the officers of the New York Central Railroad announced their willingness to run a mail train from New York to

Chicago in twenty-six hours. This proposition from the Central road was at once accepted by the department, and almost immediately afterwards came a similar proposal from the Pennsylvania Railroad, which was also gladly accepted. Specifications and plans for the new equipment necessary to carry out this undertaking were furnished each road, and the construction of postal-cars was immediately begun.



INTERIOR OF THE TENDER—THE MAIL-BAGS STORED AWAY.

The 16th of September was fixed upon as the date for the inauguration of the new enterprise, and on that day the two special trains started from the city, each carrying a large mail, post office officials and invited guests.

The New York Central train left the Forty-Second Depot at 4:15 A.M. and the Pennsylvania Central train started from Jersey City at 4:30 A.M.

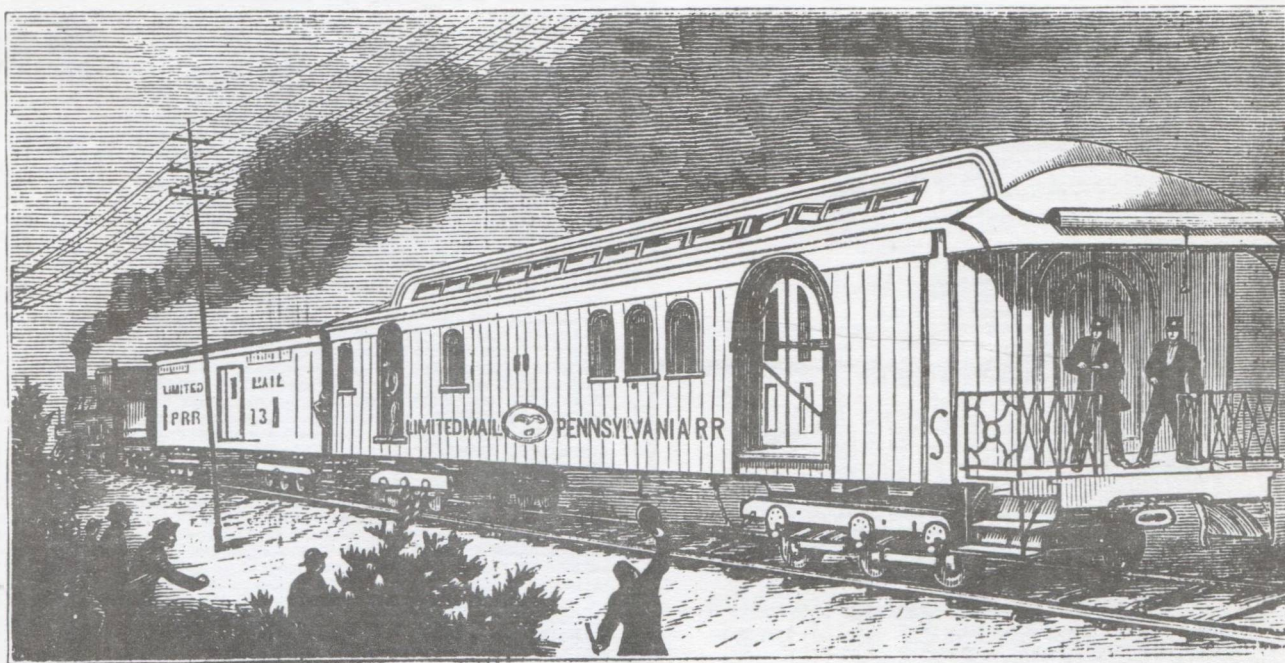
The rivalry between the two roads led to some little dissention and resulted in the Pennsylvania Company dispatching a "limited mail" on September 13th. The officers of the road state that when they offered to run a fast mail train and newspaper train to Cincinnati and St. Louis, the Post Office authorities accepted the offer, and requested the Company to have its cars ready by September 12th. This gave the Company only thirteen days in which to build the cars. The work was accomplished by the prescribed time; but the Post Office authorities, on being informed that the New York Central Railroad cars were not ready, declined to send any mail matter until the 16th. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company was not willing to wait until the New York Central Railroad should be ready, and accordingly sent out its first train.

The limited mail train left the Jersey City depot at 4:45 A.M., consisting of a locomotive and three cars. The first of the cars was the baggage car which contained 25,000 copies of daily newspapers

published in New York for distribution at Philadelphia and intermediate places. Besides these there were 2,500 copies for the West. Following this car came the postal-car, and behind this was a car containing several New York journalists, Samuel Carpenter, the General Eastern Agent of the road, and George W. Barker, the Division Superintendent.

The postal car is of a peculiar form of construction, and will be run with a tender. The tender will be a simple express-car arranged for merely carrying through-mails. The postal-car proper is of ordinary width, but longer than usual having a length of 60 feet. It is built of white pine wood, and painted white inside and out. Internally the car is divided into three compartments. The first of these contains 975 pigeon-holes, each of them representing a station. A shelf surrounding the holes is used for the purpose of sorting the letters. Letter-drops, with their apertures to the outside of the car, are in this

compartment, and may be used by persons just as the ordinary drops are. The next compartment of the car is fitted up with boxes and hooks for the reception of mail-bags and newspapers destined for way-stations. Behind this, and in the last compartment, are a number of boxes arranged in rows. One side of these boxes is open, while the opposite side is closed by a door on hinges. From hooks in these boxes the mail-bags are suspended, and the newspapers as fast as sorted are thrown through the boxes into the bags, each of which represents a station. Four of these postal-cars, with tenders, will be put on the line. At present, however, only three are built, and these were constructed within thirteen days after notice was received by the railroad officials to prepare the cars. The cars are well heated and lighted, and have the recently-invented appliances for keeping out sparks of the fire from the locomotive, and for catching mail-bags at stations, etc.



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- 16 PETERSBURG, 1907 FINE Ty 2 (Ty3/3 DOANE) Est \$30.00
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- 24 AMEDEE, 1912 VG Ty A-1 4-Bar (lass 90-24) Est \$12.00
- 25 ATHLONE, 1908 VG Ty 3 DOANE as rec'd (Merced 81/37) Est \$4.00
- 26 BOYES SPRINGS, 1917 G+ Ty B 4-Bar (Sono 11-38) Est \$4.00
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- 54 SHELTON, 1911 FINE Ty A2 4-Bar (Sacra 60/13) Est \$18.00
- 55 STONEYFORD, 1907 G+ Ty 1 DOANE (Colusa 91-Op) Est \$5.00
- 56 TROPICO, 1911 G+ Duplex (Los Angeles 88-12) Est \$3.00
- 57 UPTON, 1908 VG CDS/Target (Siskiyou 97-07) Est \$25.00
- 58 VENICE, 1907 G Ty 1 DOANE (Los Angeles 05-Op) Est \$3.00
- 59 WADDINGTON, 1909 G Ty 2/3 Doane (Humbolt 91-40) Est \$5.00
- 60 WARNERSVILLE, 1907 VG Ty 2 DOANE, wee bit hi (Stanis 98-09) Est \$18.00
- 61 WAWONA, 1923 G+ CDS, bit lite, (Marip 83-35) Est \$5.00
- 62 WESTLEY, 1908 FINE Ty 3 DOANE (Stanis 89-Op) Est \$4.00
- 63 WOODWARD, 1911 VG purple Ty A2 4-Bar (Con Cos 01-13) Est \$20.00

IDAHO

- 64 ARROWROCK, 1914 G+ PURPLE 4-Bar CDS ties 1st GRN (Boi 11-17) E \$25.00
- 65 CHESLEY, 1908 VG+ CDS as Rec'd (Nez Per 99-13) Est \$10.00
- 66 CLEARWATER, 1908 VG+ Ty 2 Doane (Idaho 72-84) Est \$5.00
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- 68 DICKEY, 1908 VG lite, PURPLE Ty 2 DOANE (Cust 85-34) Est \$8.00
- 69 ENNAVILLE, 1910 VG bit Lite Ty 3 DOANE (Shoshone 91/76) Est \$6.00
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- 71 FERDINAND, 1906 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Idaho 98-Op) Est \$8.00
- 72 FRASER, 1910 VG Ty 3/2 DOANE (Clear 90-20) Est \$15.00
- 73 GIBBS, 1911 VG Ty A2 4-Bar (Koot 10/54) EARLY Est \$ 8.00
- 74 GILBERT, 1909 readable CDS/Target (Clear 94/22) Est \$5.00
- 75 HOT SPRING, 1934 VG Ty C2 4-Bar on L.D. GPC (Owy 92-34) Est \$6.00
- 76 MEADOWS, 1908 VG Ty 3 DOANE (Adams 83-66) Est \$5.00
- 77 MIDMONT, 1911 G lite Ty 3 DOANE (Koot 91-63) Est \$8.00
- 78 MOORE, 1910 G+ Ty 2 DOANE on stamp, (Butte 02-Op) Est \$3.00
- 79 OLA, 1911 G+ Ty 1 DOANE on stamp, (Gem 82-Op) Est \$3.00
- 80 POLLOCK, 1909 VG Ty 3 DOANE (Idaho 93-Op) Est \$4.00
- 81 PRESTON/MINKCREEK RUR STA 1959, VG F.D. CVR, Est \$3.00
- 82 SUMMIT, 1934 FINE Ty C2 4-Bar on L.D. CVR (Nez Per 00-34) Est \$12.00
- 83 SAINT CHARLES, 1915 VG PURPLE Ty A1 4-Bar (B Lake 67-Op) Est \$4.00
- 84 THORNTON, 1953 FINE Ty F 4-Bar on GPC (Madison 04-85) Est \$3.00
- 85 VOLLMER, 1910 VG Ty A2 4-Bar (Lewis 07-19) Est \$8.00

MONTANA

- 86 ALLARD, 1911 G Ty A1 4-Bar (Dawson 84/23) Est \$8.00
- 87 BEARMOUTH, 1907 Ty A1 4-Bar (Granite 92/49) Est \$5.00
- 88 BELTON, 1918 G+ Ty B 4-Bar (Flat 00-49) Est \$5.00
- 89 BOLE, 1930 G+ Ty C1 4-Bar (Teton 14-43) Est \$4.00 p73
- 90 BRUCE, 1915 VG Ty B 4-Bar (Garf 1913-1919) Est \$35.00
- 91 CARDWELL, 1910 G Ty A2 4-Bar EARLY (Jeff 09-Op) Est \$4.00
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- 93 COOKE, 1913 FINE Ty B 4-Bar (Park 82-57) Est \$4.00
- 94 GARNEILL, 1908 just G Ty 2 DOANE (Fergus 99-75) Est \$5.00
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- 98 LENNER, VG Ty B 4-Bar, O'Strk (Meagher 03-62) Est \$4.00
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- 101 MARTINDALE 1909 VG PURPLE Ty 3/3 DRC DOANE MIMIC Est \$8.00
- 102 MONIDA, 1898 VG CDS on GPC W/interesting message (Beav 91/64) E \$8.00
- 103 RIMINI, 1912 G+ CDS ties 1st Grn (Lew & Clark 84-36) Est \$8.00
- 104 RIVERSIDE, 1909 VG Ty A2 4-Bar on faulty PPC (Park 08-09) Est \$8.00
- 105 RUBY, 1908 G Ty A1 4-Bar (Madison 01-24) Est \$6.00
- 106 SALTESE, 1951 VG Ty F 4-Bar (Mineral 92-83) Est \$3.00
- 107 SILVER STAR, 1897 G+ CDS/Target on CVR bit rough @ Rt Est \$4.00
- 107 TERRY, 1910 FINE Ty 3/4 DOANE (Prairie 82-Op) Est \$12.00
- 108 THOMPSON, 1908 Vg Duplex (Sanders 82/12) Est \$4.00
- 109 WARLAND, 1912 Vg bit fuzzy Ty A1 4-Bar as Rec'd (Linc 07-57) Est \$4.00

OREGON

- 110 BANCROFT, 1910 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Coos 92-39) Est \$15.00
- 111 BARNES, 1917 G+ Ty A2 4-Bar PPC W/Scrubbles (Crook 09-25) Est \$15.00
- 112 BEULAH, 1908 VG Ty A1 4-Bar (Malh 84-47) Est \$8.00
- 113 BLAINE, 1909 FINE Ty 2 DOANE as rec'd (Till 92-58) Est \$4.00
- 114 BOURNE, 1908 G+ Duplex (Baker 95-18) mining camp Est \$15.00
- 115 BRADWOOD RUR STA./Clatskanie, 1960 Fine commercial CVR (59-62) E \$8.00
- 116 BRIDGEPORT, 1910 FINE ty 2 DOANE, bit O'Strk, (Baker 83-67) Est \$25.00
- 117 BROADACRES, 1916 G+ Ty B 4-Bar (Marion 14-28) Est \$8.00
- 118 BROWNLEE, 1943 Vg Ty C2 4-Bar on L.D. GPC (Baker 10/43) Est \$7.00
- 119 CAYUSE, 1910 VG CDS/Cork (Umatilla 67/85) Est \$8.00
- 120 CLARNO, 1907 G+ Ty A2 4-Bar, lite crease (Wheeler 94/49) Est \$8.00
- 121 CLIMAX, 1908 VG CDS/Target (Jackson 91-33) Est \$12.00
- 122 COPP(ERF)ELD, 1912 Ty A1 4-Bar off @ top (Baker 99/27) Est \$8.00
- 123 COURTROCK, 1953 FINE Ty F 4-Bar on L.D. Cover (Grant 26-53) Est \$5.00
- 124 DENZER, 1909 VG Ty A2 4-Bar, EARLY (Lincoln 09-33) Est \$6.00
- 125 DILLARD, 1908 G+ Ty 1 DOANE (Doug 84-Op) Est \$5.00
- 126 DUNCAN, 1956 FINE Ty F 4-Bar on Philat. CVR (Umatilla 99-58) E \$6.00
- 127 FISHER, 1926 VG Ty B 4-Bar (Lincoln 92/42) Est \$8.00
- 128 FOLLYFARM, 1949 VG Ty F 4-Bar on L.D. GPC (Malh 29-49) Est \$8.00
- 129 GEISER, 1902 G+ lite CDS as rec'd on CVR back, Mine CC and letter inside on "ORO MINE CO." letterhead, (Baker 98-09) Est \$35.00
- 130 GOLDEN, 1908 G+ CDS/Target (Josephine 96-20) Est \$15.00
- 131 GREENHORN/REC'D, 1912 G CDS as rec'd unusual for this town Est \$18.00
- 132 HAINES, 1911 G+ Non-Stand. straight line and large black bar Est \$15.00
- 133 HILGARD, 1909 G+ Ty A1 4-Bar PPC W/some soil & crease Est \$5.00
- 134 HOBSONVILLE, 1907 Ty 1 DOANE on stamp & H off (Till 83-13) E \$6.00
- 135 KEATING, 1911 VG Ty A2 4-Bar (Baker 80-75) Est \$5.00
- 136 KERNVILLE RUR STA./TAFT, 1957 FINE 4 Bar on F.D. CVR (57-65) E \$5.00
- 137 LIME, 1909 G+ Ty 3 DOANE (Baker 99-64) Est \$6.00
- 138 MALHEUR, 1944 VG Ty A3 4-Bar on L.D. Cover (Malh 70-44) Est \$5.00
- 139 MOHAWK RUR STA./Springfield, 1958 VG Philat. CVR (57-61) Est \$8.00 p73
- 140 MOSIER, 1908 G+ Ty 2 DOANE (Wasco 84-Op) Est \$5.00
- 141 ONTARIO, 1922 VG FLAG on CVR, used only 20-26, tough one Est \$12.00
- 142 PARKERSBURG, 1917 VG (OREG Indist.) Ty B 4-Bar (Coos 77-19) Est \$15.00
- 143 PERRY, 1909 VG Ty A1 4-Bar, Horiz crease (Union 90-31) Est \$5.00
- 144 PILOTROCK, 1909 FINE Ty 2/5 DOANE (Umatilla 68-Op) Est \$6.00
- 145 PIONEER, 1917 G Ty A2 4-Bar (Linc. 00-29) Est \$10.00
- 146 RIETH, 1949 VG Ty F 4-Bar, part on stamp (Umat. 18-71) Est \$5.00
- 147 RITTER, 1912 FINE Ty A2 4-Bar (Grant 67-92) Est \$ 4.00
- 148 SPARTA, 1918 VG Ty A2 4-Bar (Baker 72-52) Est \$8.00
- 150 TAFT, 1935 FINE Ty E, DEPRESSION 4-Bar (Linc 06-65) Est \$6.00
- 151 TENMILE, 1909 FINE Ty 2 DOANE (Douglas 70-Op) Est \$6.00
- 152 UNITY, 1908 VG Ty 3/4 DOANE (Baker 91-Op) Est \$8.00
- 153 VOLTAGE, 1933 FINE Ty E, DEPRESSION 4-Bar, L.D. GPC (Ham 08-33) \$20.00
- 154 WILLOWCREEK RUR STA./ALE, 1959 VG 4-Bar on F.D. CVR (Malh 59-69) \$5.00

WASHINGTON

- 155 ALBION, 1909 G+ Ty 3 DOANE (Whitman 01-Op) Est \$4.00
- 156 ALSTOWN, 1921 VG Ty B 4-Bar, lite crease (Douglas 13-34) Est \$8.00
- 157 BRINNON, 1907 G+ Ty 3/3 DOANE (Jefferson 88-Op) Est \$5.00
- 158 CLIFFDELL, 1934 VG Ty A3 4-Bar on LD GPC (Kittas 24-34) Est \$12.00
- 159 CLYDE, 1934 VG Ty C2 4-Bar on LD GPC (Walla Walla 91-34) Est \$4.00
- 160 COLUMBIA CITY, 1896 VG CDS/Target on GPC (King 91-02) Est \$25.00
- 161 DES MOINES, 1909 FINE Ty 2/2 DOANE, stamp gone (King 89-66) Est \$5.00
- 162 EAST SEATTLE, 1907 FINE Ty 2/1 DOANE as rec'd (King 04-24) Est \$10.00
- 163 EASTSOUND, 1910 VG Ty 2/4 DOANE on CVR (San Juan 77-Op) Est \$5.00
- 164 EGYPT, 1907 FINE Ty 2/2 DOANE, 1/2" tear @ Rt (Linc 92-10) Est \$15.00
- 165 GENEVA, 1910 VG lite Ty 2 DOANE (Whatcom 88/19) Est \$18.00
- 166 GRANDMOUND, 1899 G+ CDS/Target on CVR, rough @ Rt (Thur 54/55) E \$3.00
- 167 INDEPENDENCE, 1940 VG, Wash lite Ty F 4-Bar on CVR (Thur 11-44) E \$6.00
- 168 KENDALL, 1909 VG Ty 2/1 DOANE on stained PPC (What 02-26) Est \$10.00
- 169 LATONA, 1896 VG CDS as rec'd on CVR back (King 90-01) Est \$5.00
- 170 LINDBERG, 1912 VG Ty B 4-Bar (Lewis 11-25) Est \$15.00
- 171 MEADOW, 1902 VG CDS as rec'd on CVR back (Thurston 80-05) Est \$40.00
- 172 MILITARY BR./VANCOUVER, 1917 VG Duplex, O'Strk (Clark 17-19) E \$15.00
- 173 MILITARY STA./ACOMA, 1955 VG Duplex used on commercial CVR Est \$15.00
- 174 MILLVILLE, 1908 G+ Ty A1 4-Bar CDS on stamp, part of dial rim & H of WASH off at right (Stevens 1906-1912) Est \$10.00
- 175 MONTE CRISTO, 1934 VG Ty A3 4-Bar on LD GPC (Snohomish 92/34) E \$12.00

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- 176 MOSES LAKE, 1908 VG Ty 3 DOANE (Grant 06-34) Est \$5.00
 177 NEW WHATCOM REC'D, 1897 VG CDS as rec'd on CVR back (What 91-01) \$3.00
 178 PUGET, 1908 G+ Ty 2/1 DOANE as rec'd (Thurs 04-28) Est \$5.00
 179 RENO, 1915 G+ Ty B 4-Bar, lite stain (Cowitt 12-19) Est \$40.00
 180 RICHMOND, 1908 VG Ty 2 DOANE, (King 89-10) Est \$8.00
 181 ROCK LAKE, 1909 VG Ty A1 4-Bar (Whitman 07-12) Est \$40.00
 182 ROCKPORT, 1909 VG Ty 2/1 DOANE on CVR, rough @ Rt (Skag 01-Op) \$8.00
 183 SAUK, 1910 FINE Ty 2/4 DOANE (Skagit 86-44) Est \$6.00
 184 SEABECK, 1908 G+ Ty 2 DOANE, part on stamp (Kitsap 58-Op) E \$4.00
 185 SHAW ISLAND, 1910 VG Ty 3/1 DOANE, O'Strk (San Juan 06-Op) Est \$25.00
 186 SKAMOKAWA, 1907 VG Ty 2/5 DOANE (Wahkiakum 73-Op) Est \$5.00
 187 SPANGLE, 1889 (Feb) FINE CDS/Target on Registered CVR 2ct Grn + 10ct brown banknote LONG Type 7, Rare (three known) Est \$50.00
 188 SPOKAN (E B) RIDGE, 1908 VG Ty 2/1 DOANE, off @ top (Spok 67-58) E \$5.00
 189 TWISP, 1907 VG Ty 2/4 DOANE, toned PPC (Okanogan 98-Op) Est \$6.00
 190 VANASSETT, 1911 VG Ty 2/3 DOANE "ELT" on stamp (King 92-13) Est \$15.00 p73
 191 WILCOX, 1909 VG Ty 3/1 DOANE (Whitman 92-35) Est \$8.00

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- 191 ALAMOSA & DURANGO, 1913 G+, ALAMOSA lite, NARROW GAUGE 955-F-3 Tr 115 Est \$6.00
 192 ALLIANCE & DENVER, 1914 G+ 946-C-1 T308 Est \$5.00
 193 BALD & ELKINS, 1908 G, bit hi, 275-I-1, TR 2, Est \$10.00
 194 BELLINGHAM & SEAT, 1910 VG 901-1-B-1, T343 Est \$6.00
 195 BLAINE & SEATTLE, 1916 VG Ty 903-A-1, T355 on Cover, Est \$6.00
 196 BUTTE, MONT/TRANS CLK, 1914 G+ DUPLEX Est \$8.00
 197 BUTTE & S.L. CY, 1923 F 890-I-1 TR 29, Est \$4.00
 198 CAL & VALEJO JUNCT, 1900 FINE, on CVR W/letter 983-I-1, TR 61 Est \$10.00
 199 CHEY & POCATELLO, 1908 G 932-Q-1, TR 2 Est \$5.00
 200 C.SPGS & GLEN SPGS, 1909 VG 956-C-1, TR 4 Est \$12.00
 201 COEUR D'ALENE & SPOK, 1921 G 906-1-A-1, EAST on CVR (ELECTRIC) E 15.00
 202 DAYTON & PASCO, 1908 G 906-5-A-1, WEST, on toned CVR Est \$8.00
 203 DENVER & CRAIG/E.D., 1922 VG Uni. TYPE, TR 21, Est \$8.00
 204 EL PORTAL & MERCED, 1908 VG 997-1-A-1, TR 1, Est \$8.00
 205 GD JUNC & OGDEN, 1908 G+, OGDEN on stamp, 953-AC-1, TR 4, Est \$6.00
 206 G.RAP & C. BLUFFS/DAY, 1886 FINE unlisted Route W/Bold E killer E \$18.00
 207 GRANDVIEW & NO YAKIMA, 1915 VG 901-6-A-1, T337, on CVR Est \$25.00
 208 GLACIER & BELLINGHAM, 1913 G+, GLACIER lite, 905-1-A-1, WEST E \$20.00
 209 GREELY & DENVER, 1908 G+ (SPERROR) 951-K-2, TR 22, Est \$8.00
 210 GREEN R & PORT W.D., 1940 VG 898-K-1, TR 17 5, on Cover, Est \$4.00
 211 LEWISVILLE & SHREVE, 1917 VG 450-K-1, T804, Est \$10.00
 212 MANDAN KILDEER, 1917 just G, 888-O-A-1, Est \$6.00
 213 MANSFIELD & WENATCHEE, 1913 G+, Mansfield lite O'Strk, 902-3-A-1, \$8.00
 214 MEM GRENADA & N.O., 1904 VG, 421-V-1, TR 3, on CVR Est \$5.00
 215 MILES C. & SEAT M.D., 1941 Fine 892-J-1, TR 3, Est \$4.00
 216 MOSCOW & AYRE, 1952 VG 896-5-C-1, TR 61, on Philat. CVR Est \$20.00
 217 NILES & SAN JOSE, 1906 VG 982-9-A-1, TR 95, Est \$8.00
 218 NORFOLK JC & DALLAS, 1910 VG, 939-E-1, T494, Est \$10.00
 219 NO. PLATTE & DENVER, 1908 VG, Uni. TYPE, WEST, Est \$7.00
 220 PASCO & YAKIMA/H.P.O., 1957 FINE, TRIP 64, Philat. CVR (57-60) E \$5.00
 221 PITTSBURG STREET CAR R.P.O., 1916 VG, PI-7-b, TRIP 7, FLAG on CVR 15.00
 222 PORT & SEASIDE, 1921 G, 899-2-B-1, TR 32, Est \$4.00
 223 ROYAL TRAIN R.P.O., 1939 FINE RT-2-a, machine on CVR, Est \$8.00
 224 ST P & SPOK 3rd DIV., 1909 FINE 874-AS-2, TR 3, Est \$7.00
 225 SALIDA & GRAND JUNC, 1910 VG 957-K-1, T316, Narrow Gauge, E \$15.00
 226 SEATTLE & SEATTLE, 1910 G, SE-1-A, STREET CAR, Est \$10.00
 227 SEATTLE & SKAGWAY, 1915 FINE X-19-C, WEST, Steamship, Est \$18.00
 228 SEATTLE & SKAGWAY, 1937 FINE X-19-E, NORTH, Steamship, Est \$10.00
 229 SPOKANE & ADRIAN, 1918 VG 906-8-A-3, T316, on CVR Est \$18.00
 230 SPOK PASCO & SEAT, 1917 VG, 892-O-2, TR 1, on CVR Est \$8.00
 231 SPOK & PENDLETON, 1912 Fine, 896-5-D-2, TR 7, Est \$6.00
 232 SPOKAN (E & T) TACOMA, 1898, G+, off @ top, 892-Q-1, WEST, on CVR, E \$8.00
 233 VALLEY (SPRINGS) & LODI, 1908 G+, off @ top, Uni ROUTE, Est \$20.00
 234 WALLA WALLA & PASCO, 1914 VG, 901-5-B-1, T348, on CVR, Est \$8.00
 235 WALLACE & SPOKANE, 1910 G+, 896-7-A-1, WEST, stamp gone, Est \$5.00
 236 WALLACE & TEKOA, 1906 FINE, 896-7-C-1, EAST, on toned RRB cover with OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO. CC, uneven @ Lft Est \$15.00
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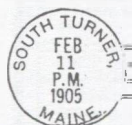
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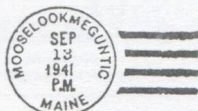
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- W001 ABERDEEN, 1889 (Aug 22), G+ (light) Type 3 & target canceled #213 on cover to Centralia. Est. \$75.00
- W002 AINSWORTH/W.T., 1883 (Sep 23), VG blue triple cds (Type 3) w/matching blue target tying #147 on cover to Portland. Est. \$100.00
- W003 AINSWORTH/WASH.N., 1885 (Oct) G+ (light) double octagon Type 4 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W004 ALMOTA, 1889 (Nov 4), G+ unlisted cds on 2c green entire w/enclosure. Est. \$100.00
- W005 ALPOWA, 1884 (Mar 8), VG Ty & target on 2c red entire w/flattened vert. crease along right edge (1874-1923). One of two reported. Est. \$200.00
- W006 ALTO/Wash., 1885 (Sep 19), G+ magenta dcds as backstamp rec'd. marking on GPC (1882-1903). Est. \$50.00
- W007 ARGYLE, 1888 (Apr 2), G (light) cds as backstamp rec'd. mark on cover from PORT TOWNSEND; flattened vert. crease & toning. Est. \$20.00
- W008 BADGER/WASH. T., 1887 (Jun 9), VG cds & cork killer ties #210 on cover (1884-1890). Est. \$150.00
- W009 BARRY, 1889 (Mar 5), VG cds ties #213 on cover (FRONT ONLY) opened a bit unevenly along left edge. Est. \$50.00
- W010 BAY CITY, 1885 (Nov 28), VG cds (only reported example) on legal size registered cover w/#150 tied by target; flattened vert. crease. Est. \$100.00
- W011 BELLEVUE/KING CO./WASH. TER., 1889 (Aug 6), G+ toothed cds as backstamp rec'd. mark on GPC from Tacoma. Est. \$75.00
- W012 BERRYMAN, 1888 (Jan 9), FINE triple cds (Type 1) One of two known examples) w/STAR KILLER on #213; KALAMAWASH TER. b/s as fwd. mark. Est. \$250.00
- W013 BICKLETON/WASH. T., 1880 (Jul 25), FINE magenta triple cds (Ty 1) & light STAR IN CIRCLE KILLER ties #147. Est. \$150.00
- W014 BLACK DIAMOND/W.T., 1892, & NEGATIVE STAR IN CIRCLE early statehood use on this territorial marking; G (very light) on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W015 BLAINE/WASH. TERRY, 1887 (Mar 8), FINE dcds on 2.5x1.5 inch trimmed piece w/2c brown embossed stamp. Est. \$20.00
- W016 BOISFORT, 1886 (Oct 16), G+ Type 2 w/year in mss. on cover w/#210; w/enclosure. Est. \$150.00
- W017 BOISTFORT, 1888 (Nov), VG Type 3 w/T* on GPC; only recorded territorial example of this marking. Est. \$175.00
- W018 BRENTS, 1888 (Dec 17), G+ type 1 cds on GPC (1882-1890). Est. \$150.00
- W019 BUCODA, 1889 (Jul 28), VG Type 1 (only known example) on GPC w/minor pin holes UR corner. Est. \$200.00
- W020 CAMP SIMEAHMOO/W.T., 1858 (Nov 26), bold cds w/mss month & day on 10 Nesbit FRONT w/fancy star killer. Front has been remounted on another cover. Est. \$200.00
- W021 CAPPS, 1885 (Sep 17), mss. on GPC w/light diagonal crease @ UR corner (1882-1889). Only two examples known from this PO. Est. \$200.00
- W022 CARBONADO, 1888 (Dec 1), G+ Type 2 as rec'd. mark on legal size registered cover (trimmed 1.5" @ left) from SEATTLE. Est. \$60.00
- W023 CASCADES, 1886 (Dec 6), G+ cds on cover trimmed 1/8" through #210 along rt. edge; w/enclosure (51-07). Est. \$125.00
- W024 CASTLE ROCK, 1876 (Apr 20), mss. on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W025 CASTLE ROCK, 1884 (Dec 23), mss. on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W026 CATHLAMET/WASH. TY., 1888 (Jun 20), VG Type 5 on Reg. Pck. Rect. Est. \$30.00
- W027 CATHLAMET/WASH. TY., 1889 (Jun 20), VG purple Type 5 on Reg. Pck. Rect. Est. \$30.00
- W028 CENTREVILLE, 1872 (Mar 5), mss. on cover w/pen canceled #147 to New Hampshire (1870-1877). Est. \$125.00
- W029 CENTRALIA, 1886 (Feb 19), VG purple oval (Type 1) ties pair 1c blue banknotes on cover to Grand Mound, Wash. T. Est. \$100.00
- W030 CENTRALIA, 1888 (Nov 26), G+ Type 2 cds on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W031 "Chambers Prairie/May 7, 1858" heads 4-page letter w/sketch map of land claim. No cover, but good newsy letter. Est. \$100.00
- W032 CHEHALIS, 1884 (Mar 29), VG Type 6 cds & target on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W033 CHENEY/WASH. TER., 1882 (May 10), VG triple cds [Type 2] & target on 3c green entire struck in purple. Est. \$100.00
- W034 CHENEY/WASH. TER., 1884 (Jan 1), G+ triple cds [Type 2] & target on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W035 CHENEY, SPOKANE Co./WASH. TER., 1886 (Apr 7), G+ fancy oval [Type 4] on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W036 CHENOWITH, 1889 (Apr 20), mss. on 2c green entire to Indian Territory. Est. \$150.00
- W037 CHEWELAH/WASH. TER., 1886 (Oct 9), VG cds & target ties #210 on cover. Est. \$125.00
- W038 CLAQUAT/WASH. T., 1889 (Jun 7), G+ Type 2 cds on cover w/1c blue tied to target to Centralia [Ty 2 backstamp]; sm. cl. tear. Est. \$125.00
- W039 CL ELUM, 1889 (Jan 5), VG cds on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W040 COLE, 1889 (Mar 29), VG cds as backstamp rec'd. mark on cover w/stamps cut off (1881-1889). Est. \$40.00
- W041 COIN, 1889 (Aug 27), VG cds as backstamp rec'd. mark on cover w/stamps cut off (1881-1889). Est. \$40.00
- W042 COLBY/WASH. TER., 1889 (Jun 14), G+ (bit blurry) triple cds [Type 1] in magenta w/WHEEL OF FORTUNE killer on #213, AVON/WASH. [Ty 2] b/s. Trimmed 1/2" along left edge. Est. \$150.00
- W043 COLFAX/WASH. TER., 1883 (Dec 15), G+ Type 5 on cover w/#210; letter enclosed. Est. \$50.00
- W044 COLFAX/WASH., 1884 (Apr 22), G (light) Type 4 on 2c red entire to Ogden, Utah Terr. w/OGDEN b/s. Est. \$25.00
- W045 COLFAX/WASH., 1885 (Oct 6), VG Type 4 on GPC. Est. \$30.00
- W046 COLFAX/WASH. T., 1887 (Jun 6), VG Type 7 on toned cover w/printer's advert. over much of front; trimmed 3/8" @ left. Est. \$30.00

- W047 COLUMBUS, WASH. TER., 1882 (Jan 18), mss. [one of only three known] on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W048 COLVILLE/W.T., 1887, VG dcds on 2c brown entire. Est. \$100.00
- W049 CONNELL/WASH. TER., 1888 (Jan 11), VG bright magenta Type 1 dcds on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W050 COSMOPOLIS/Chehalis Co. Wash. Ty., 1888 (Apr 30), G+ (light) fancy double oval [Type 2] on GPC w/a 2nd near perfect example on piece. Est. \$100.00
- W051 COUPEVILLE/SLAND/COUNTY/WASH. TY., 1889 (Jan 8), G+ Type 8 w/targets cancels on pair 1c blue; cover has flattened creases and soiling. Est. \$75.00
- W052 COUPEVILLE/WASH., 1888 (Sep 17), FINE cds [Ty 6] & target on 2c gm entire to NH; minor corner nick UL. Est. \$100.00
- W053 COVELAND/WASH. (1876), VG Type 2 on docketed cover to Whatcom, W.T. (1857/1881). Est. \$150.00
- W054 COVELLO/WASH. TER., 1887, VG triple cds on cover to Kalama/Steamer Tacoma(a), W.T. w/stamp trimmed off in neat 1x2" cut. Est. \$25.00
- W055 COMLITZ W.T. Dec 10th 1858 in mss. on cover franked w/10 green to Mass. Est. \$250.00
- W056 DAMON W.T./10. 6. 88. in mss. on cover trimmed along rt edge through #213 (1881-1910); only 3 terr. examples known: OLYMPIA & PORT TOWNSEND backstamps. Est. \$125.00
- W057 DAMON W.T./4-13-1887 in mss. on cover w/target canceled #213 One of only 3 terr. examples known: OLYMPIA/TRANSIT & PORT TOWNSEND backstamps. Est. \$150.00
- W058 DAVENPORT, 1889 (Oct 18), G+ Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W059 DAVENPORT, 1889 (Aug 3), VG Type 1 on Reg. Pck. Rect. Est. \$25.00
- W060 DAYTON/WASH. TER., 1879 (Apr 29), VG magenta dcds on legal size registered cover refolded to 3.5x6.5 inches. Est. \$50.00
- W061 DAYTON, 1883 (Jun 1), G+ octagon on cover w/lock tied #147 to Pomeroy, W.T.; repaired UL corner. Est. \$50.00
- W062 DAYTON/WASH., 1887, G+ (light) cds on POD penalty eps. Est. \$30.00
- W063 DAYTON/WASH., 1889 (Jun 17), VG cds on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W064 DEEP CREEK FALLS/W.T., 1884 (Nov 4), G+ Type 3 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W065 DEEP CREEK FALLS/W.T., 1888 (Oct 5), VG Type 3 as backstamp rec'd. mark on GPC from TACOMA. Est. \$25.00
- W066 DISCOVERY/WASH., c1880, G+ Type 2 cds ties #147 on cover to San Francisco Used at Port Discovery P.O. Est. \$200.00
- W067 DWAMISH/WASH., 1887 (Aug 18), VG (bit underinked) cds & target on 2c brown entire (1860/1901). Est. \$100.00
- W068 EAST SOUND/WASH., 1889 (May 14), VG Type 3 on cover w/#213; minor surface wrinkle UL corner (1872-1895). Est. \$125.00
- W069 EAST SOUND/WASH., 1889 (Sep 3), VG Type 3 on Reg. Pck. Receipt w/PO PT TOWNSEND backstamp (1872-1895). Est. \$30.00
- W070 ELBERTON W.T./9-5/87 in mss. on toned cover w/pen canceled #210; fancy boxed WARDNER/DAHO backstamp. Est. \$100.00
- W071 ELBERTON W.T./1-10-88 in mss. on cover w/small neatly trimmed from UR corner. Est. \$25.00
- W072 ELLENSBURGH/WASH. TER., 1884 (May 19), G+ (light) triple cds w/target killer on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W073 ELLENSBURGH/WASH. TY., 1887 (Dec 13), VG dcds w/WHEEL OF FORTUNE killer struck upside down on GPC. Est. \$30.00
- W074 ELLENSBURGH/WASH. TY., 1887 (Dec 25), VG dcds w/WHEEL OF FORTUNE killer on GPC. Est. \$30.00
- W075 ELLENSBURGH/WASH., 1888 (Apr 17), G+ cds on cover w/#213 with NORTH YAKIMA/W.T. b/s rec'd. mark. Est. \$25.00
- W076 ELMA, WASH. TERR. 5-17-80 in mss. on GPC w/flattened crease and scraped stamp indicia. One of two recorded. Est. \$125.00
- W077 ELMA/WASH., 1884 (Jun 10), G (light) Type 2 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W078 ELMA/WASH., 1886 (Feb 8), G+ Type 2 & WHEEL OF FORTUNE KILLER on GPC; 3/8 inch closed tear to pm rim front top edge. Est. \$100.00
- W079 ELMA/WASH., 1887 (Dec 25), VG bold purple Type 2 on GPC w/WHEEL OF FORTUNE mostly off card @ left. Est. \$150.00
- W080 ENDICOTT/WASH. TER., 1886 (Nov 11), NEAR PERFECT Type 1 (Only three examples recorded & this is a beauty w/matching WHEEL OF FORTUNE). Est. \$150.00
- W081 FAIRVIEW, 1884 (Jan 14), G+ (pl. o'strk. red Northern Pac. RR oval) on Reg. Pck. Rect. (1881-1894); only two known from PO. Est. \$60.00
- W082 FARMINGTON/WASH. TER., 1882 (Mar 7), VG Type 2 w/MALTESE CROSS killer on 3c green entire (Only recorded example of type). Est. \$100.00
- W083 FARMINGTON/WASH., 1887 (May 17), VG Type 4 & target on GPC (Only recorded example of this type). Est. \$75.00
- W084 FIDALGO/WASH., c1885, G+ Type 1 on 2c red entire to White River, W.T. (1891-1910). Est. \$75.00
- W085 FISHERS/WASH. T., 1886 (Oct 24), FINE Type 1 w/Target killer on 2c brown entire trimmed a bit close along rt. edge; w/enclosure. Est. \$175.00
- W086 "Fishers Ldg., Wash. Ter. Jan 8th 1887" dateline on letter w/illustrated WINDMILL from Cook & Goss. Also 2nd letter on same stationery header "Fishers... Mar 14 1887". No covers. Est. \$20.00
- W087 FLORENCE/4-14-85 in mss. on 2c brown entire w/printed Stanwood cc. Only three examples of this type recorded. Est. \$125.00
- W088 FORT SIMCOE/WASH. TER., 1883 (Jan 1), VG magenta Type 3 & matching TARGET KILLER on toned 3c green entire to Olympia; small tear along left edge. Est. \$75.00
- W089 FORT SIMCOE/WASH. TER., 1883 (May 2), VG magenta Type 3 & matching TARGET KILLER on 3c green entire to Tulalip. Est. \$100.00
- W090 FORT SIMCOE/WASH. TER., 1886 (May 16), VG octagon [Type 4] & target on 2c brown entire to North Yakima. Est. \$100.00
- W091 FRANKLIN/WASH., 1888 (Nov 16), partial ("FRA" indistinct) cds on GPC (1886-1916). Est. \$60.00
- W092 FRANKLIN/WASH., 1889 (Oct 18), G+ cds on GPC (1886-1916). Est. \$100.00
- W093 FREEPORT/WASH. TER., 1885 (Oct 21), VG magenta Type 3 on GPC (1867-1883). Est. \$125.00
- W094 GARFIELD/WASH., (1884) Oct 27, VG Type 2 cds on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W095 GARFIELD/WASH., 1889 (Feb 26), G+ large cds [Ty 6] w/STAR-IN-CIRCLE killer tying #213 on cover to Montana; MISSOULA b/s. Est. \$40.00
- W096 GARFIELD - WASH./APR 1 1889/H. D. IRWIN, P.M. in VG STRAIGHT LINES [Ty 7] ties #213 on cover. (Only 3 of this type known). Opened a bit unevenly along left edge. Est. \$200.00

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- W097 GEER W.T./3-22-87 mss. on cover w/pair pen canceled 1c blue banknotes; cover opened through right stamp along rt. edge (1888-1891). Est \$200.00
- W098 GOLDENDALE/WASH., 1882 (Feb 25), G+ cds [T3] on cover w/3c green to Silverton, OR; piece of letter w/date enclosed. Est \$50.00
- W099 GOLDENDALE/WASH., 1884 (Apr 26), G+ Type 3 on cover w/#210 to Washington DC, opened a bit unevenly along rt. edge. Est \$50.00
- W100 GOLDENDALE/WASH., 1885 (Nov 27), G+ cds on 2c red entire to Illinois; cover opened a bit unevenly just touching emb. stamp. Est \$50.00
- W101 GOLDENDALE/WASH., 1889 (Aug 24), G (light) Type 4 struck in magenta as rec'd mark on GPC from TACOMA. Est \$30.00
- W102 GRAND MOUND/WASH., 1883 (Nov 27), VG Type 2 (earliest) on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W103 GRAND PRAIRIE/WASH., c1870 (Mar 4), VG Type 2 on 3c green entire w/closed surface tear @ left; also trimmed 5/8" @ left (1881-1874). Est \$250.00
- W104 GUY/WASH. TERR., 1885 (Aug 31), G+ (light) Type 1 on 2c brown entire opened into embossed stamp (1881-1901). Est \$125.00
- W105 HARRINGTON/WASH. TY., 1888 (Apr 12), VG duds [Type 1 - Only recorded example]. Est \$175.00
- W106 HARTLAND/WASH. TERR., 1885 (May 30), FINE Type 1 cds (Only recorded example) on cover to Honolulu; handstamp 15/T & SAN FRANCISCO b/s. Est. \$250.00
- W107 HILLHURST/WASH., 1887 (Dec 18), FINE unlisted cds on cover w/target tied #210; also 3x1 5-inch piece w/FINE Type 1 cds (1878-1920). Est. \$175.00
- W108 HOQUIAM, 1887 (Oct 6), G+ (ptl. o. strk.) Type 2 on GPC. Only 3 reported examples of this type. Est. \$75.00
- W109 HOQUIAM/Chehalis Co., Wash. Ter., 1889 (Jul 22), G+ fancy double oval [Type 3] on cover w/target tied #213; cover shows wear and has some toning. Est. \$75.00
- W110 HOT SPRINGS, 1889 (Aug 21), G+ cds on GPC (1887-1916). Est. \$100.00
- W111 HOUGHTON, WASH. TY./July 22nd 1882 in mss. on cover w/partial SEATTLE cds as transit mark to White River; letter accompanies (1881-1961). Est. \$125.00
- W112 HOUGHTON/WASH. T., G+ 1886 (Apr 21), G+ cds & target on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W113 ILWAC/WASH. TER., 1887 (Apr 18), G (light) Type 5 on cover trimmed through #210 along right edge. Est. \$50.00
- W114 JACKSON/WASH. TER., 1889 (Oct 9), G+ purple triple cds w/italic lettering [Type 1] struck twice on GPC (1883-1902). Est. \$200.00
- W115 KENNEWICK/WASH., 1885 (Nov 10), VG purple cds on Reg. Pck. Rct. Early statehood. Est. \$20.00
- W116 KENNEWICK/WASH. T., 1896 (Mar 29), VG cds on cover w/cork tied #210 to Oregon; w/letter. This is the early 1885-86 period of this PO! Est. \$200.00
- W117 KENT/WASH., 1887 (11 Aug), G+ cds as rec'd backstamp on cover from WALLA WALLA. Est. \$30.00
- W118 KENT/WASH., 1889 (1 Aug), VG cds on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W119 KELSON/WASH. TER., 1888 (Aug 6), VG cds & WHEEL OF FORTUNE [Ty 1] on GPC. Est. \$80.00
- W120 KNAPP/TON/WASH. T., 1886 (Nov 16), FINE purple duds [Ty 2] & matching target on 2c brown entire opened just a bit unevenly along rt. edge. Est. \$150.00
- W121 LA CENTRE/Washington Ter., c1885 (Feb 16), G+ Type 2 ties #210 on cover to Woodland, W.T. Est. \$125.00
- W122 LA CONNER, W.T./Joseph Alexander/P.M., 1880 (Aug 13), FINE red fancy cds & target [Type 3] ties 3c green on beautiful cover. Est. \$250.00
- W123 LAKE VIEW/WASH. TER., 1885 (Oct 7), VG magenta Type 2 cds ties 3c green on lightly toned cover. Est. \$100.00
- W124 LAREN/WASH., 1885 (Oct 3), G+ Type 2 cds & target on GPC (1881-1908). Est. \$150.00
- W125 LATAH/WASH., 1887 (Jan 9), G+ Type 3 on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W126 LITTLE FALLS/W.T., 1888 (Feb 8), VG Type 1 cds struck twice as forwarding marks on cover pm TACOMA; Northern Pacific RR cc. Est. \$100.00
- W127 LONE PINE/WASH., 1888 (Apr 13), G+ Type 2 cds & target on 2c green entire opened just a bit unevenly into stamp; w/letter & 2nd letter same correspondence dated May 30th 1888 (1879-1890). Est. \$150.00
- W128 MAPLE VALLEY W.T. (1885, Sep 23), mss. on GPC. Very early for this PO! Est. \$150.00
- W129 MAPLE VALLEY/KING CO./C. O. RUSSELL, P.M./WASH. TERR., 1889 (Apr 12), readable (left side very light) fancy toothed cds on GPC w/flattened crease. Est. \$100.00
- W130 MARION/WASH., 1885 (Jan 12), G+ Type 1 cds on GPC. (Only recorded example) (1883-1904). Est. \$250.00
- W131 MEADOW/Lewis CO/WASH., MAY 1st 86, in mss. on registered 2c brown entire w/pen canceled 10 brown to NY (1880-1905) (now Thurston Co.). Est. \$250.00
- W132 MEDICAL LAKE, W.T./Thos. Campbell, P.M., 1885 (Jan 29), G+ Type 2 (only recorded example) on GPC w/pair remnants along rt. edge over two small closed tears. Est. \$175.00
- W133 MEDICAL LAKE/WASH., 1889 (May 23), VG Type 3 cds & target on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W134 MELBOURNE, WASH./4 - 5 - 87 in mss. on registered 2c brown entire w/cork tied 10c brown to NY. Est. \$200.00
- W135 MELROSE/WASH. TY., 1885 (Nov 18), FINE Type 1 cds & target ties #210 on clean cover (1884-1889). Est. \$150.00
- W136 MINTER/W.T., 1889 (Nov 22), VG Type 2 (early statehood use) as backstamp rec'd mark on cover pm VAUGHN/WASH.; w/letter. Est. \$75.00
- W137 MONDOVI/WASH., 1889 (Jan 1), G+ Type 2 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W138 MONTESANO/WASH., 1886 (Jan 22), VG Type 2 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W139 MONTESANO/WASH. TER., 1886 (Dec 13), FINE Type 3 cds w/MALTESE CROSS KILLER tying #210 on cover trimmed 1/2 through stamp along right edge; w/letter; OLYMPIA/TRANSIT & SEATTLE backstamps. Est. \$125.00
- W140 MONTICELLO W.T./June 10th 1887 in mss. on legal size 6c pink entire to Olympia (1850-1876). Est. \$150.00
- W141 MONTICELLO/WASH. N., c1874 (Sep 30), G+ Type 2 on 3c green entire. Est. \$200.00
- W142 MOUNT COFFIN WASH/Oct 11/83 in mss. on registered 2c pink entire w/pen canceled 10c brown to Boston. Beautiful cover. Est. \$200.00
- W143 MOSSY ROCK/WASH., 1888 (May 9), VG Type 3 & target on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W144 MOUNT VERNON/WASH. TER., 1888 (Feb 13), FINE purple Type 4 w/matching WHEEL OF FORTUNE KILLER on GPC w/add'l. type 2 tying #210 on 2.5x3 inch piece of cover. Est. \$150.00
- W145 NAPAVINE/WASH. TER., 1889 (Jun 11), G+ (light) purple triple cds & TAR KILLER [Type 2] on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W146 NAPAVINE/WASH., 1888 (Jun 25), G+ (light) Type 3 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W147 NEAH BAY/WASH. T., c1880, G (light) Type 2 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W148 NEAH BAY/WASH. T., 1889 (Jan 3), VG triple cds [Type 3] w/o kicking mule on Reg. Pck. Rct. Est. \$50.00
- W149 NEWAUKUM/WASH., 1882 (Oct 16), G+ (light) purple Type 1 w/negative STAR IN CIRCLE KILLER on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W150 NEW DUNGENESS/WASH., 1884 (Aug 19), VG Type 3 ties #210 (x2) & 3c green (x4) on registered cover to NY w/POST OFFICE SEAL (OX4) along left edge & RECEIVED IN BAD CONDITION aux. markings. GREAT cover! Est. \$300.00
- W151 NEW LEBANON W.T./12/12 (c1880), mss. on cover w/pen canceled 3c green (1878-1882) Only reported example from this PO. Est. \$300.00
- W152 NEW TACOMA/WASH., 1878? (May 6), VG Type 4 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W153 NEW TACOMA/WASH. T., 1880 (Jun 18), G+ Type 6 on GPC w/flattened creases & toning. Est. \$25.00
- W154 NEW TACOMA/WASH. T., 1883 (May 30), G+ Type 6 on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W155 NORTH YAKIMA/WASH. TER., 1886 (Apr 29), G+ Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W156 NORTH YAKIMA/WASH. T., 1886 (Dec 9), G+ Type 2 on 2c brown entire. to Boston. Est. \$40.00
- W157 NORTH YAKIMA/W. T., 1888 (Jul 1), G+ Type 4 w/MONOGRAM IN CIRCLE KILLER tying #213 on cover within light vert. stains. Est. \$40.00
- W158 NORTH YAKIMA/W. T., 1889 (Jan 16), G+ Type 5 w/circular bar grid KILLER on GPC. Est. \$30.00
- W159 NOVELTY/WASH., 1884 (Apr 22), G+ cds & target on GPC (1878-1904). Est. \$125.00
- W160 OKANOGAN/WASH. TER., 1886 (Jun 15), G (light) magenta cds & bar grid ties #210 on cover w/closed tear top center into postmark (1884-1888). Est. \$100.00
- W161 OAKLAND/W.T., 188 (Jun 27), VG duds on Reg. Pck. Rct. (1858-1890). Est. \$60.00
- W162 OLD TACOMA, Pierce Co./WASH. TER., 1887 (Mar 21), G+ (trifle light) triple cds & STAR IN CIRCLE killer [Type 1]. Est. \$125.00
- W163 OLEQUIA/Cowlitz Co., W.T., 1890 (Apr 21), G+ (light) early statehood use of this Type 2 marking on 2c green entire. Est. \$100.00
- W164 "Olympia/Puget Sound/Oregon" address on stampless cover w/mss. MOSCOW M (Mich. ?)/May 25 1853 & "X" w/letter. Some edge wear & missing top back flap. Est. \$75.00
- W165 "Olympia/Puget Sound/Washington Territory" on stampless cover w/mss. CRANESVILLE O/Aug 18 (1854) & "Paid 6" w/letter. Some edge wear & tape remnant on top back flap. Est. \$50.00
- W166 OLYMPIA/W.T., 1857 (July 15), G ("PIA" indistinct) balloon cds [Type 3 - altered device] ties 3c 1857 on cover to Steilacoom W.T. Est. \$125.00
- W167 OLYMPIA/W.T., c1875, VG Type 5 w/cut cork killer ties 3c green on cover. Est. \$30.00
- W168 OLYMPIA/WASH., 1883, VG Type 7 w/cut cork killer on GPC. Est. \$20.00
- W169 OLYMPIA/WASH., 1886, VG Type 8 w/cork killer on ties #210 on cover. Est. \$20.00
- W170 OYSTERVILLE/WASH. TER., 1886 (Jul 26), VG Type 5 & STAR IN CIRCLE on 2c brown entire trimmed 1/2 way thru stamp along rt. edge. Est. \$60.00
- W171 OYSTERVILLE/WASH. TER., 1889 (Apr 12), G+ Type 5 & STAR IN CIRCLE (light strike) on GPC. Est. \$60.00
- W172 PAHAWASH., 1889 (Nov 8), VG cds on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W173 PALOUSE/P.O. WASHINGTON, 1885 (Oct 2), VG magenta Type 3 w/FANCY STAR IN CIRCLE killer on cover w/#210. Est. \$100.00
- W174 PALOUSE/P.O. WASHINGTON, 1887 (Dec 10), G+ Type 3 w/FANCY STAR IN CIRCLE killer on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W175 PASCOM/WASH., 1887 (Jul 8), G+ Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W176 PATAHA CITY/W.T., 1881 (Feb 7), G+ magenta Type 1 ties 3c green on cover w/light flattened creases. Est. \$100.00
- W177 PATAHA CITY/WASH. TER., 1886? (Oct 27), G+ ("CITY" indistinct) & STAR IN CIRCLE on cover w/#210; bit uneven along lwr right edge. Est. \$60.00
- W178 PENAWAWA/Whitman Co., W.T., 1881 (May 1), G+ ("WAWA" partial) TOOTHED OVAL [Type 1] on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W179 PENAWAWA/WASH. TER., 1889 (Jun 20), G+ unlisted type on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W180 PETERSONS POINT/WASH., 1883 (Oct 19), VG Type 1 on cover w/target tied 3c green; cover has rough tear along bottom edge (1879-1887). Est. \$125.00
- W181 PINE CITY/WASH., 1889 (May 2), G+ Type 2 as backstamp rec'd mark on GPC. Est. \$40.00
- W182 PIONEER/WASH. TER., 1888 (Dec 13), G+ unlisted cds w/straight line date on cover w/PORTLAND/OREG. forwarding mark to Woodburn; trimmed unevenly along rt. edge (1873-1905). Est. \$125.00
- W183 POMEROY/WASH. TER., 1883 (Jun 25), FINE Type 4 ties 3c green on clean cover to Maine. Est. \$125.00
- W184 POMROY/WASH., 1885 (Feb 19), VG Type 5 on POD penalty envelope. [Note spelling variant]. Est. \$125.00
- W185 POMEROY/WASH. TER., 1886 (Feb 2), VG Type 6 w/STAR IN CIRCLE on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W186 PORT ANGELES/W.T., 1887 (Sep 19), G+ Type 2 w/mss. date on cover w/pen canceled #65; closed tear on surface. Est. \$150.00
- W187 PORT DISCOVERY/WASH., 1882 (Jun 14), G+ Type 3 w/NEG. STAR IN CIRCLE killer ties 3c green on cover to NY; tie uneven along rt. edge. Est. \$200.00
- W188 PORT GAMBLE/WASH. TER., 1878 (Sep 10), FINE Type 2 struck in magenta on cover w/3c green to Boston. Est. \$125.00
- W189 PORT GAMBLE/WASH. T., 1884 (Feb 12), VG Type 4 & target killer on 2c red entire w/flattened vert. crease. Est. \$75.00
- W190 PORT GAMBLE/WASH. T., 1889 (Jul 15), barely readable Type 6 on GPC. Est. \$30.00
- W191 PORT LUDLOW/WASH., 1887 (Dec 29), G ("PORT" not struck) purple Ty 4 w/WHEEL OF FORTUNE KILLER on cover w/#213. Scarce marking! Est. \$100.00
- W192 PORT MADISON/W.T., (1873, Aug 26), G+ Type 2 on 3c green entire to Olympia; trimmed close along rt. edge. Est. \$150.00
- W193 PORT TOWNSEND/W.T., c1868, legible big balloon cds [Type 2] & cork grid ties #65 on cover w/mss. "From U.S. REV. Str. 'Lincoln'". Closed tears along bottom edge. Est. \$75.00
- W194 PORT TOWNSEND/W.T., 1871 (Aug 11), G+ balloon cds [Ty 2] ties 3c green on cover w/letter headed Port Gamble. Minor closed tear. Est. \$125.00
- W195 PORT TOWNSEND/WASH., 1880 (Feb 21), VG blue Type 6 w/BOLD STAR killer on 3c green entire. Est. \$100.00
- W196 PORT TOWNSEND/WASH., 1882 (Jun 12), FINE Type 9 & target ties 3c green on cover to Mich. Scarce marking. Est. \$150.00
- W197 PORT TOWNSEND/WASH., 1886 (Jul 17), VG Type 13 w/KICKING MULE on #210 on cover to Seattle w/encl. cover missing top back flap. Est. \$200.00
- W198 PORT TOWNSEND/WASH., 1888 (Aug 20), VG Type 14 w/cork killer tying #213 on cover addressed to Tatoosh Island Light House. Est. \$75.00
- W199 PRESCOTT/WASH., 1884 (Mar 13), G+ Type 3 & target killer on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W200 PROSSER/WASH., 1885 (Dec 21), VG cds on registered cover w/#205 target canceled on #U238; flattened crease & wrinkles. Est. \$125.00
- W201 PUYALLUP/WASH. TE(R.), 1883 (Dec 26), boldly struck red Type 5 on cover opened unevenly along right edge tearing off last two letters of PO name; franked w/#210. Est. \$50.00
- W202 PURDY W.T. NOV 10 1888 mss. ties pair #213 on cover w/enclosure (1888-1895). Est. \$250.00

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- W203 PURDY/WASH. TER., 1891 (Nov 15), G+ Type 2 statehood use on cover trimmed through 2c red; enclosure. Est. \$125.00
- W204 RENTON/WASH. TER., 1884 (Jul 16), VG cds w/st. line date & TARGET KILLER on 3c red entire. Est. \$100.00
- W205 RENTON/WASH. T., 1887 (Apr 16), G ("ON" indistinct) dcds w/Maltese Crosses on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W206 RICHARDSON/San Juan Co. WT., 1889 (Mar 13), FINE toothed oval [Type 1] on 2c green entire w/bright red SEABECK/WASH [Ty 4] as forwarding mark. Trimmed into stamp along rt. edge, but a great cover! Est. \$300.00
- W207 RIPARIA/WASH., 1889 (Feb 19), G+ cds & target on cover w/railroad contractor's printed cc. Only reported example of this postmark. Est. \$200.00
- W208 RITZVILLE WT/Ag 3/84 in mss. on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W209 RITZVILLE/WASH., 1889 (Jan 4), VG cds on GPC. Est. \$50.00
- W210 ROCKFORT/WASH. T., 1888 (Mar 12), G+ Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W211 ROCKFORT/WASH. T., 1889 (Jul 11), G Type 2 ("ASH. T." indistinct) on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W212 ROSALIA/WASH. TER., 1885 (Sep 30), VG triple cds [Type 2] on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W213 ROY/Pierce Co. W.T.), 1889 (Oct 25), VG purple Type 2 ("T" not struck) & STAR IN CIRCLE killer on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W214 SAN JUAN/WASH., 1881 (May 28), FINE Type 1 & NEGATIVE STAR IN CIRCLE ties 3c green on cover to La Conner (1873-1886). Est. \$300.00
- W215 SATSOP/WASH., 1888 (Dec 4), G+ Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W216 SEABECK/W.T., 1888 (Mar 2), VG Type 2 struck twice (once as killer) on 3c pink entire. Est. \$150.00
- W217 SEATCOM/WASH. TER., 1885 (Sep 27), G+ (a bit blurry) Type 1 w/mss. date on GPC (1883-88 period). Est. \$200.00
- W218 SEATTLE/W.T., c1881 (Nov 7), VG cds & COG WHEEL KILLER ties #65 on cover to Maine. Est. \$150.00
- W219 SEATTLE/W.T., 1887 VG cds w/pen canceled #65 on cover w/o all illus. of SNOQUOLOME HALL/ C. PLUMMER Dry goods on reverse. Est. \$250.00
- W220 SEATTLE/W.T., (1887, Feb 13), VG 25mm cds on cover w/#68 tied by target. Addressed to New Brunswick w/backstamps. Est. \$100.00
- W221 SEATTLE/WASH., 1882 (Dec 6), VG OCTAGON on registered cover to Washington DC; tears along top edge. Est. \$60.00
- W222 SEATTLE/WASH., 1887, G OCTAGON ties 1c blue on early drop rate cover. Est. \$30.00
- W223 WELLS FARGO & CO./SEATTLE, (W.T.), c1880, G (light) oval on franked 3c green entire. Est. \$100.00
- W224 SEATTLE/WASH., c1880, VG cds on 1c blue entire w/SCHWABACHER BROS. & CO. printed cc. Est. \$25.00
- W225 SEHOMEWASH., 1883 (Feb 27), VG dcds on cover to BOHEMIA w/#150 tied on 3c green entire by target killer. Est. \$150.00
- W226 SHARON WASH/ 12/16-87 in mss. on GPC (1870-1895). Est. \$200.00
- W227 SHAR(ON)/WASH. (TER.), 1889 (Apr 5), partial purple Type 2 cds on GPC. Only 2nd example of this strike reported. Est. \$75.00
- W228 SHELTON/W.T., 1888 (Mar 30), G+ magenta dcds & BOLD STAR killer ties #210 on cover trimmed 3/8" @ left. Est. \$75.00
- W229 SHELTON/W.T., 1889 (Jan 30), VG dcds & BOLD STAR killer ties #213 on cover w/ny nick in UR corner; OLYMPIA/TRANSIT b/s. Est. \$100.00
- W230 SIDNEY/WASH. TY., 1889 (Feb 3), VG Type 2 w/light WHEEL OF FORTUNE canceling #213 on cover to NY (1886-1893). Est. \$250.00
- W231 SILVER CREEK/WASH., 1885 (Oct 18), VG Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W232 SILVER CREEK/WASH., 1888 (Aug 8), G ("SIL" indistinct) Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W233 SKAMOKAW/WASH., 1876 (Feb 20), G+ Type 2 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W234 SKOKOMISH/W.T., 1877, VG cds struck twice (once tying 3c green) & bold "3" handstamp on cover to Olympia; opened a bit unevenly along right edge just into stamp (1858-1890). Est. \$150.00
- W235 SKOKOMISH/WASH., 1889 (Dec 21), FINE early statehood use of dcds & MALTESE CROSS KILLER tying #213 on cover to California. Est. \$100.00
- W236 SKOOKUM CHUCK/WASH. TER., 1882 (Aug 19), G magenta oval ("HUCK" not struck) on GPC. Est. \$75.00
- W237 SKOOKUM CHUCK/WASH. TER., 1883 (Jan 5), FINE magenta oval on cover w/repaid area under 3c green @ upper left; w/enclosure. Est. \$75.00
- W238 SLAUGHTER/WASH. T., 1885 (Feb 7), VG dcds on cover w/rgid canceled #210 to CANADA (1867/1893). Est. \$125.00
- W239 SLAUGHTER/WASH., 1889 (Sep 6), VG magenta cds as backstamp rec'd. mark on cover from NY. Est. \$25.00
- W240 SNOHOMISH/W.T., 1888 (Jul 7), G+ toothed cds [Type 8] on 2c green entire w/flattened crease along left edge. Est. \$125.00
- W241 SNOQUALMIE/WASH. TER., 1887 (Mar 25), VG cds w/STAR IN STAR KILLER on 2c brown entire. Est. \$150.00
- W242 SOUTH BEND/WASH. T., 1888 (Jan 24), VG Type 1 on GPC. Est. \$125.00
- W243 SPANGLE/WASH., 1884 (Oct 22), VG (exc. year) Type 7 on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W244 SPANGLE/WASH., 1887 (Dec 21), VG (exc. year) Type 7 on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W245 SPOKANE BRIDGE/WASH. TY. c1888 (Mar 16), VG Type 2 cds & target killer on w/m, toned 3c pink entire. Est. \$150.00
- W246 SPOKANE BRIDGE/WASH., 1887 (Jul 17), G cds (similar to Ty 3, but different letter spacing) on GPC; light strike. Est. \$75.00
- W247 SPOKANE BRIDGE/WASH., 1888 (Dec 7), G+ Type 3 cds on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W248 SPOKAN FALLS/WASH. TER., 1880 (Apr 22), G (light) magenta Type 2 on cover trimmed 1/2 through 3c green along right edge. Scarce marking. Est. \$75.00
- W249 SPOKAN FALLS/WASH., 1882 (Nov 13), VG Type 4 [duplex] on GPC. Est. \$25.00
- W250 SPOKANE FALLS/WASH., 1888 (Feb 1), G+ Type 6 ties #213 on cover w/printed SPOKANE COLLEGE cc. Est. \$40.00
- W251 SPRAGUE/WASH., 1883 (Nov 3), FINE Type 2 w/target killer on GPC. Est. \$150.00
- W252 SPRAGUE/WASH. TY., 1885 (Aug 26), G+ Type 4 on GPC. Est. \$100.00
- W253 STANWOOD/WASH. TER., c1880 (Mar 13), VG magenta Type 2 struck twice (once tying 3c green) on cover to NH. Est. \$75.00
- W254 STEILACOOM CITY/W.T., 1887 (Apr 23), G+ balloon cds [Type 2] on cover w/#65 to California; SANTA CLARA b/s; minor closed tear @ top left edge. Est. \$300.00
- W255 STEILACOOM CITY/WASH., c1870 (Apr 7) G+ Type 4 (23 mm cds) on 3c pink entire w/1x5" piece torn from top center. Est. \$75.00
- W256 STEPHENS W.T./Nov 25/86 in mss. on GPC (1882-1890). Est. \$250.00
- W257 STEPTOE P.O./WASH. TER., 1886 (Nov 2), partial Type 1 (latest of just two recorded) on cover w/pen canceled #210. Est. \$75.00
- W258 SUMNER/WASH., 1887 (Nov 13), VG magenta cds & WHEEL OF FORTUNE killer [Type 3] ties #213 on cover w/waterstain along bottom edge. Est. \$100.00
- W259 SUMNER/REC'D/WASH., 1889 (Jan 5), VG cds & WHEEL OF FORTUNE backstamp rec'd. marking on cover from Iowa. Est. \$30.00
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Ad Size	One Issue	Three Issues	Six Issues
1/8-page	\$13.00	\$29.90	\$54.60
1/4-page	\$30.00	\$69.00	\$126.00
1/2-page	\$55.00	\$126.50	\$231.00
1-page	\$100.00	\$230.00	\$420.00

These charges include Type setting & Layout

AUCTION/NET PRICE ADS: The charge for placing a 1/2-page ad is \$45.00; 1-page \$90.00; 2-pages \$170.00

These prices are for prepaid camera ready copy. Add \$15 typing charge is for 1/2-page auctions, \$35 for 1-page auctions; and auctions over 1-page must be camera ready or provided on computer disc.

Ad Deadlines are as follows: Dec/Jan issue - Nov 20; Feb/Mar issue - Jan 20; Apr/May issue - Mar 20; Jun/Jul issue - May 20; Aug/Sep issue - July 20; Oct/Nov issue - Sep 20.

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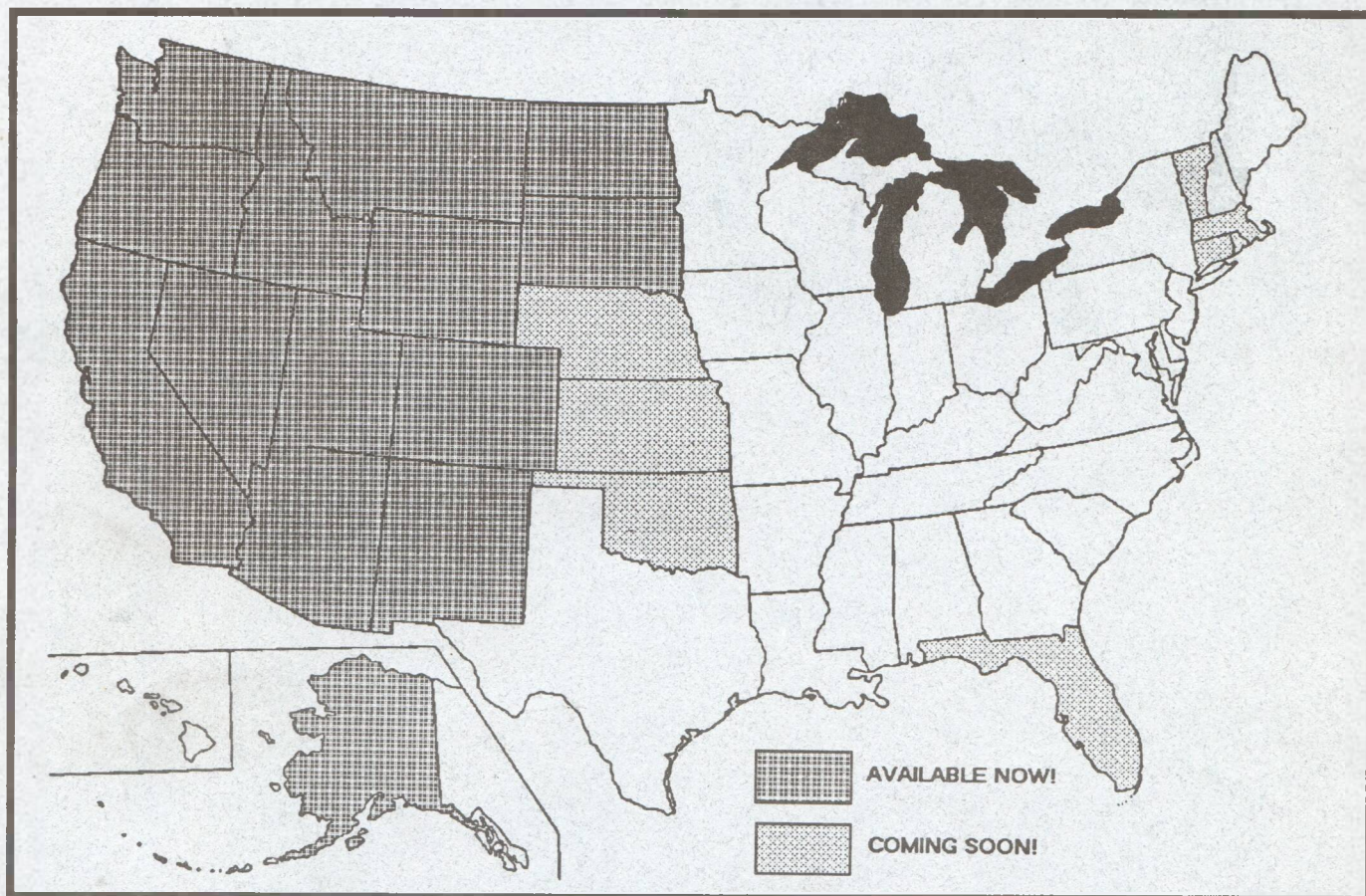
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Oregon Post Offices	\$4.50	\$14.95
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