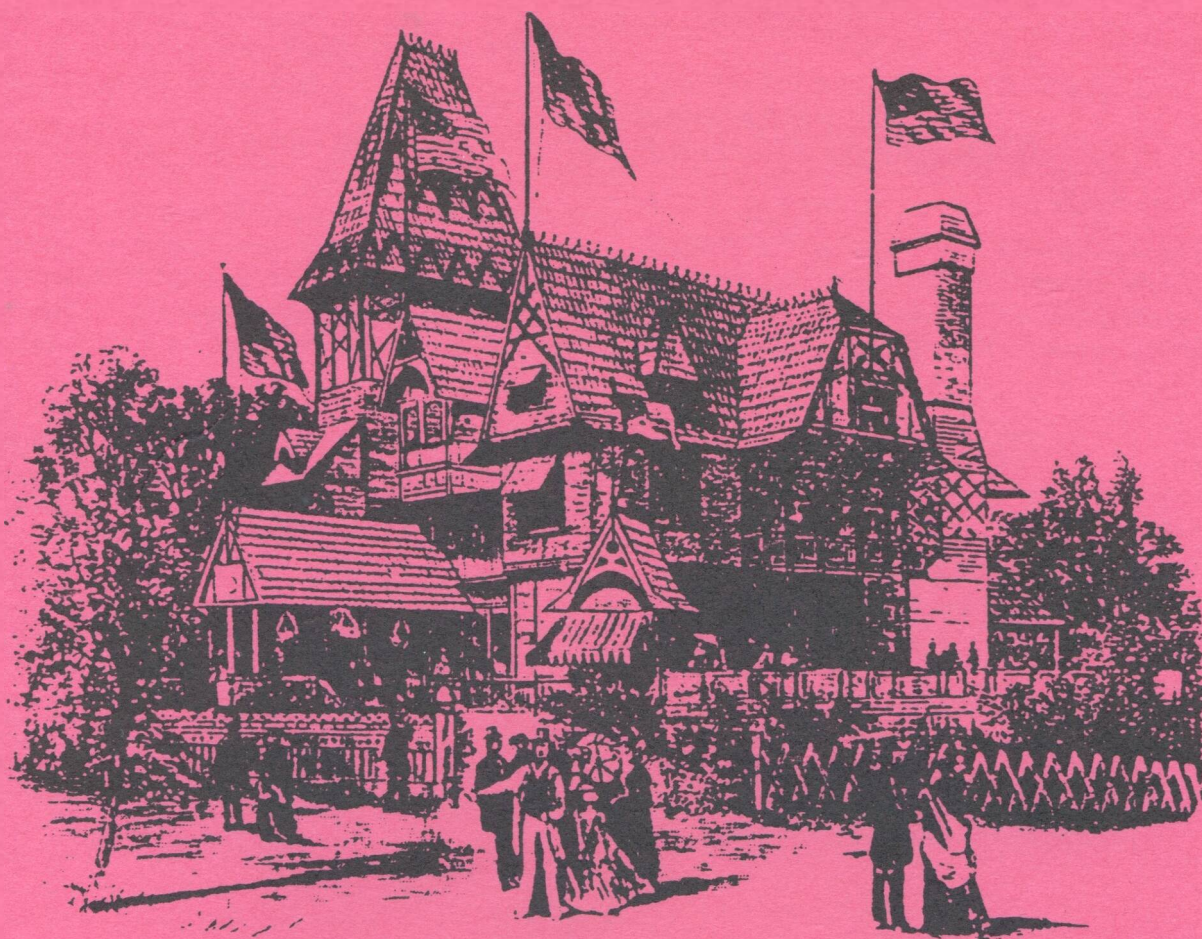


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We continue to experience occasional delivery problems caused by unknown U. S. Postal Service abuses and accidents in transit from our Tarpon Springs printer to your mail box. Tom Adams of Newton Lower Falls, Massachusetts, sent us his September issue which arrived as nothing more than a crumpled front and back cover with only the first two sheets of the journal left intact. It was really ugly, and Tom was not too happy. More typically, readers have reported receiving copies with "tire tracks", wrinkled covers, and torn pages. In all fairness to the USPS, I hasten to point out that – thus far – the number of reports of damaged copies has been reasonably low – less than one per cent. But, if it is *your* copy that arrives in sad shape, then the low percentage of damage has little meaning and chances are you are upset. If you receive a damaged copy of *La Posta*, we will replace it! Merely drop us a card or give us a call, and I'll send you a replacement in the next day's mail.

Subscribers' Auction No. 55, which closed September 24th, was a very successful sale, and Auction No. 56 should be in your mail box not long after you read these lines. It, too, has some rather spectacular items, and, while we are not about to give up on our policy of auctioning low priced cards and covers, it is certainly lots of fun to offer a "seasoning" of scarce and attractive pieces. Future sales are expected to be held about once a quarter, and subscribers are invited to submit material for auction at any time. Lots will be considered on a first come first served basis, and any material deemed unlikely to attract bidders will be returned. By the way, the key phrase here is "unlikely to attract bidders". If you material is returned, it in no way is meant to suggest that I believe it has no value. Our auctions are mail bid sales, which means that very few bidders actually see the lots they bid on before bidding. That means that condition is extremely important, and I have returned numerous pieces simply because I could not accurately describe their condition in a line of text.

We are very pleased to offer you some exceptional pieces of postal history research in this issue. Michael Dattolico's Spanish-American War domestic camp articles the result of two years of intensive research into the subject. Michael has thus compiled and organized information which should

allow collectors to develop a whole new aspect of the Spanish-American War story. Gus Spector treats us to the first two installments of his four-part series on the Centennial International Exposition of 1776. This is really an impressive display of Exposition postal history material, and we are highly grateful to Gus for sharing it with our readers. After many years absence from our pages, Robert Renick has returned with another of his Kentucky county postal histories. This time his subject is Bracken County on the Ohio River in northeastern Kentucky. Dan Meschter continues his groundbreaking series on early Trans-Mountain Express Contracts in the West. Randy Stehle and Doug DeRoest present Part 32 of their intensive study and catalog of twentieth century non-standard postmarks. Bob Schultz gives us an update of the listing of Doane cancellation from Missouri, and Nancy Foutz presents an interesting Civil War letter from a Union soldier stationed at Fort Nasemond near Suffolk, Virginia. All in all, a pretty lively and entertaining issue I believe.

With summer behind us, we have entered the season of increased philatelic and postal history activity. Those who live near major urban centers may enjoy an increased number of exhibits and bourses, as we begin to anticipate the international at Pacific 97 in San Francisco next spring. Others, who find it difficult to attend such events, may benefit from an increasing presence of philatelic and postal history people on the Internet in the form of auctions, discussion groups and Web sites. The number of *La Posta* readers who are now *On Line* continues to grow, and we now have a listing of E-mail addresses which has spilled onto a second page (see pages 4 & 5). If you decide to join the *On Line* crowd, we hope you will take a moment and let us hear from you. We will be only too happy to add your name and interests to our listings.

Happy holidays!

Bill

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The new authors solicit photocopies of any earlier or later TOB uses of varieties listed in the monograph, as well as any additional varieties that La Posta readers may have found. Please send this information to Ralph Edson, 365 Westland Ave., Cheshire, CT 06410.

[Ed Note: Incidentally, La Posta Publications still has a very limited number of the original Wesson monograph (Vol. 5) available for \$8 postpaid.]

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Wawrukiewicz, Anthony S. and Henry W. Beecher, *U.S. International Postal Rates, 1872-1966*, CAMA Pub. Co., 1966, 422 pages soft or hardbound. Available from CAMA Pub. Co., P.O. Box 19730155, Portland, OR 97280-0730 for \$44 softbound or \$55 hardbound (both postpaid in US). Outside US add \$4 per book.

The long awaited "Second Beecher book" is now in print, and based upon first impressions -- the book arrived just minutes ago and I am rushing to include

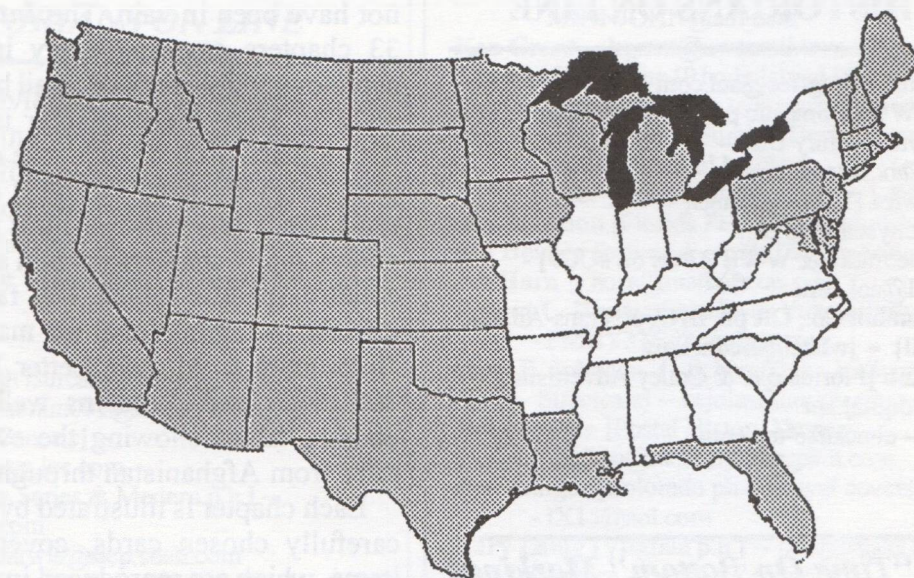
this review in our November issue -- the wait will not have been in vain. The *International* includes 33 chapters covering every imaginable rate and service available for U.S. mail bound overseas from 1872 to 1966. Each chapter is cleanly organized with a discussion of each rate or service and compact tables showing the rates as they varied over time. Since international rates vary from nation to nation, many chapters contain a sizeable number of country specific tables. My favorite -- given my interest in international air mail -- is Chapter 13, "International Airmail Letter Rates", which runs 108 pages and contains well over 100 specific country tables showing the evolution of air mail rates from Afghanistan through Zimbabwe.

Each chapter is illustrated by a small selection of carefully chosen cards, covers and other postal items, which are reproduced in attractive halftones. The book contains three useful appendices which include a set of simplified domestic and international rate and fee charts, 1863-1996; a listing of Universal Postal Union Congresses; membership dates for nations joining the UPU; and US Postal Bulletin references to suspended and interrupted international mail service. There is a seven page index which should prove highly useful.

The book is printed on high quality glossy paper, which feels substantially heavier than the paper used for the earlier *Domestic* book. In my opinion, this is an important advantage, for I have absolutely no doubt that owners of this book will return to its pages over and over again to find answers to the perplexing questions involving these complicated international rates and fees.

Given the wealth of information and quality of presentation in *U. S. International Postal Rates, 1872-1966*, the price tag is a real bargain! This is a beautiful book, and, unlike some of the beautiful books produced in postal history which focus on narrow and even obscure subjects, this book has a wide range of highly useful information which should be of benefit to nearly everyone in the hobby. It was my pleasure to know Henry Beecher both as a correspondent and in person for several years before his death. I'm only sorry that Henry did not live long enough to see what a fine job Tony Wawrukiewicz has done in preparing his work for all of us to use. There isn't a doubt in my mind, however, that Henry would be proud of this book!

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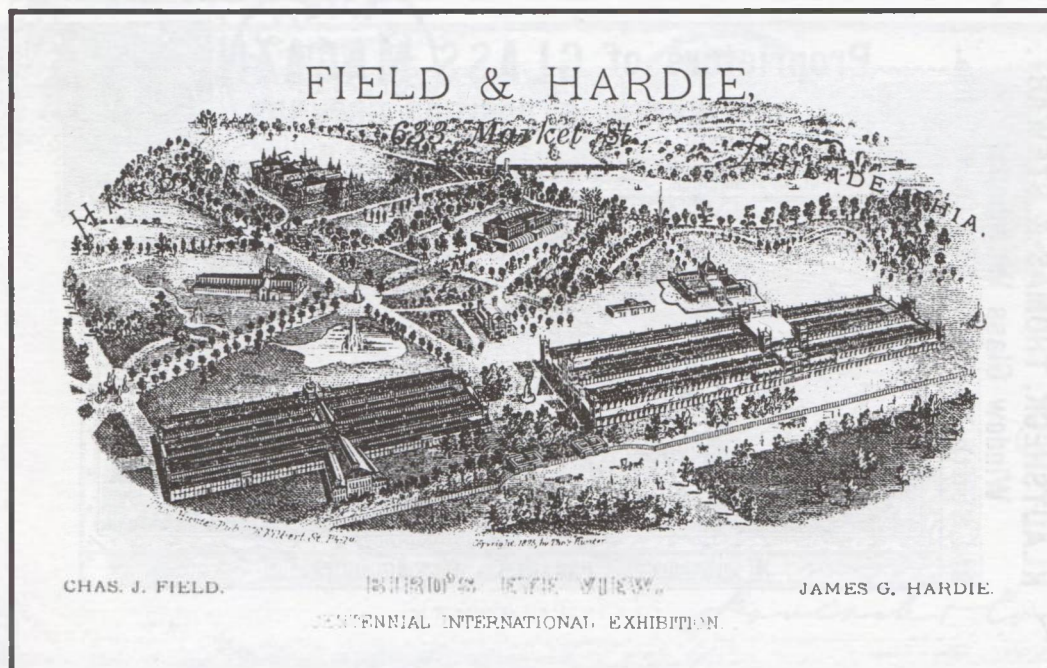


Figure 1. An over-all aerial view of the Centennial complex (author's collection)

POSTAL HISTORY DESCRIPTIVE OF THE PHILADELPHIA CENTENNIAL OF 1876

PART I-

by Gus Spector

The Centennial Exhibition of 1876 was a celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of American Independence. Philadelphia, the Cradle of Liberty, was the obvious and final choice for this event.

The Centennial Commission was established in March of 1871 by an act of Congress to hold "an International Exhibition of Arts, Manufactures, and Products of the Soil and Mine". Two hundred and eighty-four (284) acres of raw fields and ravines were transformed into a magnificent park on the outskirts of Philadelphia in Fairmount Park. (fig. 1)

Although the Centennial was actually opened for only 159 days, from May 10 through November 10, 1876, the planning stages and architectural designs had begun three years earlier. Bearing this in mind, it can be seen that postal stationery, advertising

envelopes, and letterheads would have had to be prepared well in advance of this great event. Many covers, then, were mailed prematurely, before the Fair even opened its gates.

The key to this article, and the succeeding parts II-IV, to be found in future issues, is not in the postal markings, some of which are not from 1876, but to create a vivid portrait of the Centennial Exhibition through its illustrated postal history.

The Main Building, an iron-and-glass structure, covered 21.5 acres and was a mammoth 1880 feet long by 46 feet wide. Constructed at a cost of \$1.6 million, its exhibitions included minerals, ores, mining and metallurgical products, chemical manufactures, ceramics, pottery, paper, silk fabrics, carriages, vehicles, and scientific and philosophical instruments. (figs. 2, 3)

Memorial Hall, the Art Gallery, was a huge granite building capped with a glass dome, covering 1.5 acres. Built at a cost of \$1.5 million, it housed the largest international art collection ever assembled in

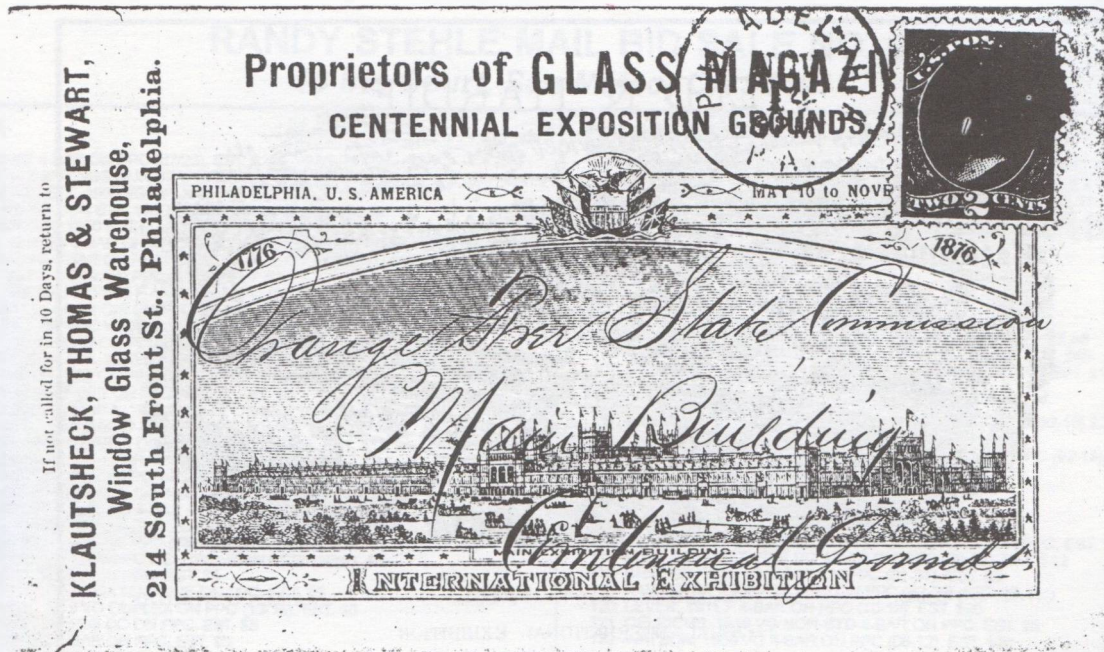


Figure 2. The Main Exhibition Building. (author's collection)

the United States. Pictures literally hung from ceiling to floor, from frame to frame. Statuary was voluminous, and larger pieces were displayed outside on the Grounds. Memorial Hall remains standing today as the only extant major building of the

Centennial. It currently functions both as an exhibition hall and a police station. (figs. 4,5)

Horticultural Hall, the most beautiful Centennial Building, was a vast iron-and-glass hothouse. It had 1.5 acres of exhibition space under one roof, and

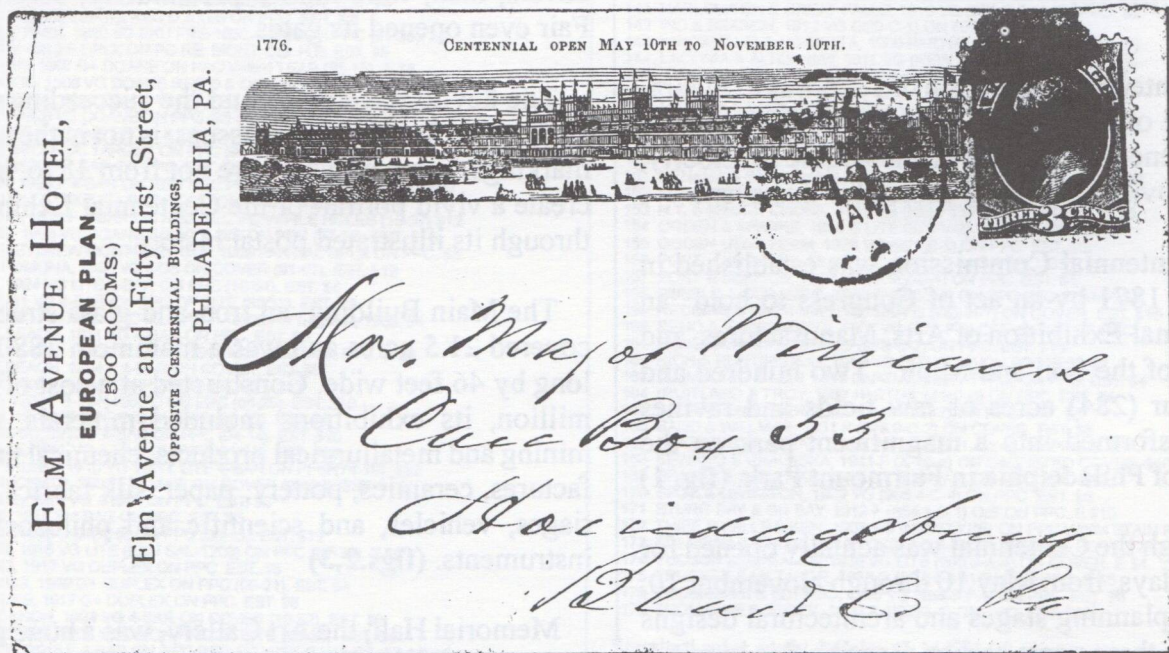


Figure 3. Another view of the Main Building. (author's collection)



Figure 4. Memorial Hall. (author's collection)

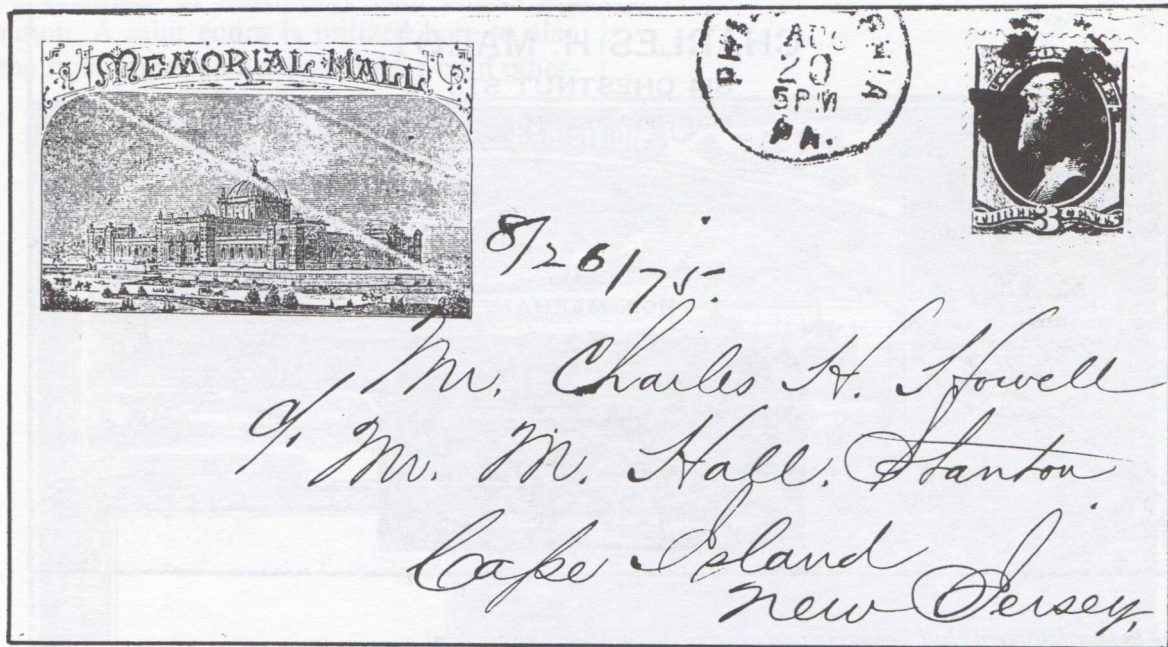


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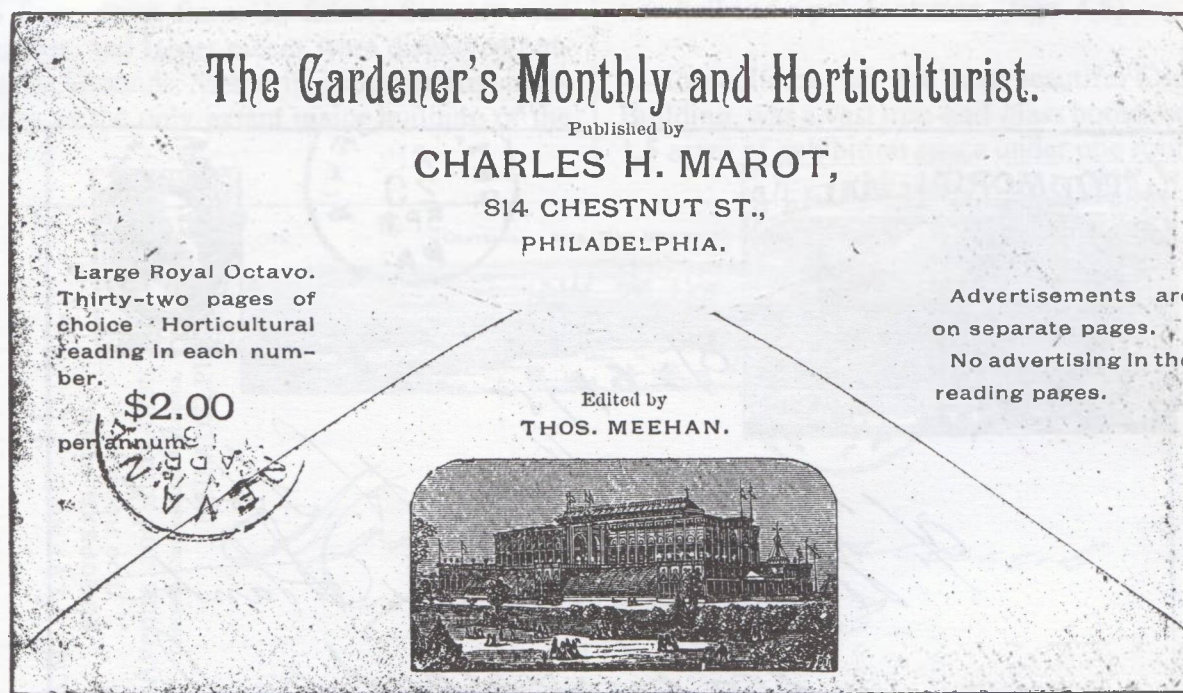
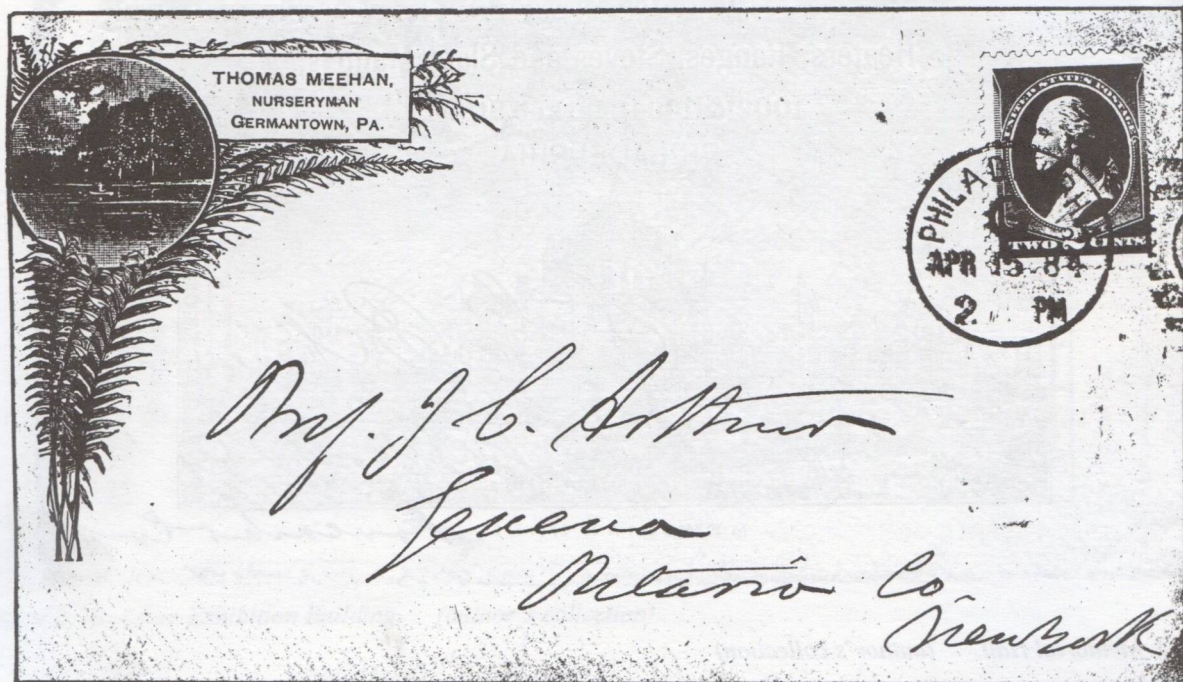


Figure 6. Horticultural Hall - obverse and reverse. (author's collection)

was built at a cost of \$300,000. A Victorian paradise, it was resplendent with a myriad of plants, trees, garden tools and accessories. The building

remained open to the public until 1955 when it was destroyed by Hurricane Hazel. (fig. 6)

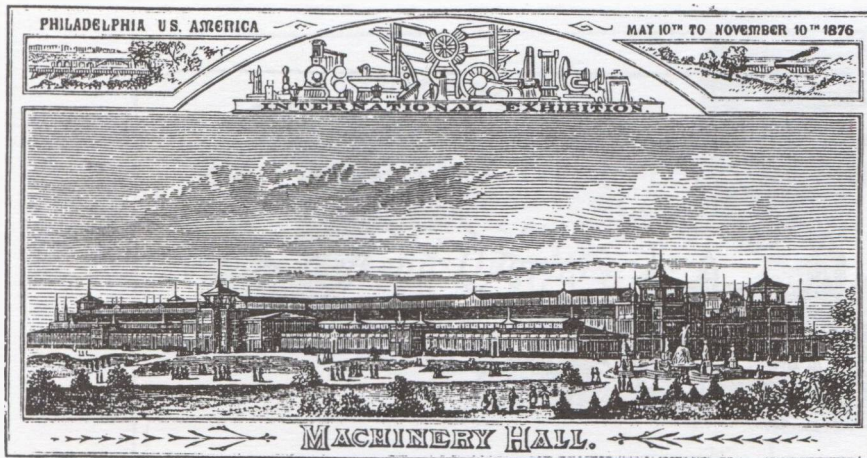


Figure 7. Machinery Hall (author's collection)

Machinery Hall, built at a cost of \$800,000, was undoubtedly the most spectacular attraction at the Centennial. It housed 14 acres of shiny, "new-fangled" machines, including the mighty Corliss Engine, the largest steam engine in the world. Twice a day, the public gawked at its 56 ton flywheel as it revolved without noise or vibration.

Used examples of Machinery Hall covers are uncommon. A mint entire is utilized here to also view the right upper corner inset that would other-

wise be missed in a used example. The tiny inset building was at the S.W. corner of 7th and Market Streets in Philadelphia. Originally the building where Jefferson allegedly wrote the Declaration of Independence, it was, in 1876, home of Longacre and Company, printers and lithographers. (figs. 7,8)

Agricultural Hall was a 9 acre wooden structure built in the gothic style at a cost of \$300,00. It housed fruits from all parts of the world, agricultural products, land and marine animals, fish-culture and apparatus, tillage machines, and textile substances of vegetable or animal origin. Outside, livestock was judged, and agricultural machinery tested. (fig. 9)

Sadly, as stated above, except for Memorial Hall, after the popularity of the Exhibition diminished, the major buildings were eventually emptied and demolished. Photos, lithographs and advertising covers remain as a few of our surviving mementoes.

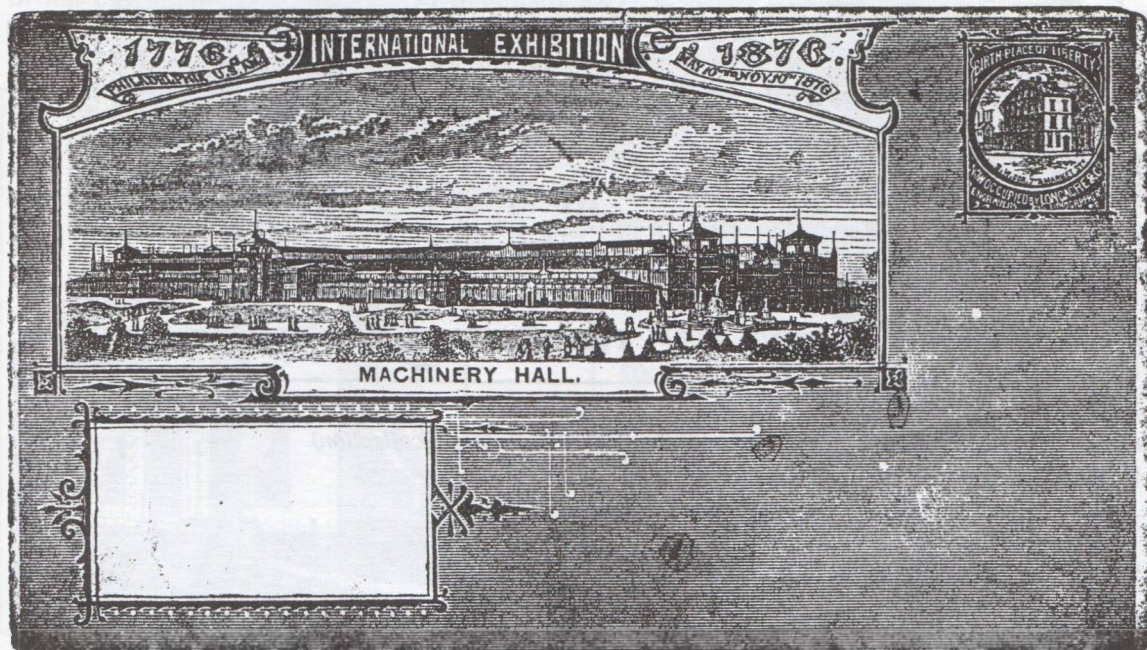


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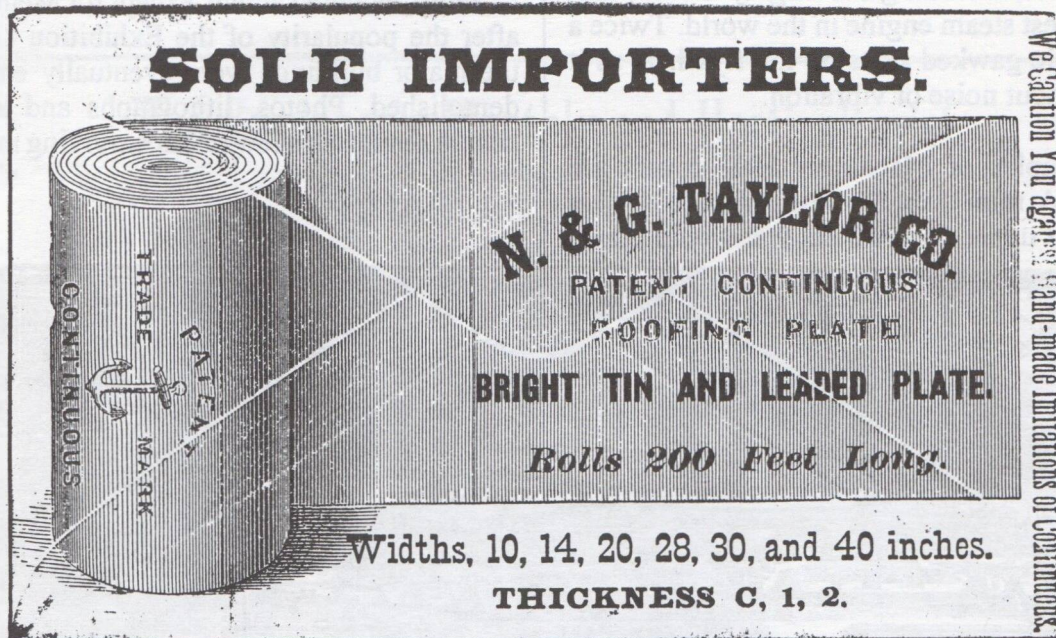


Figure 9. Agricultural Hall, with reverse of a similar cover. (author's collection)

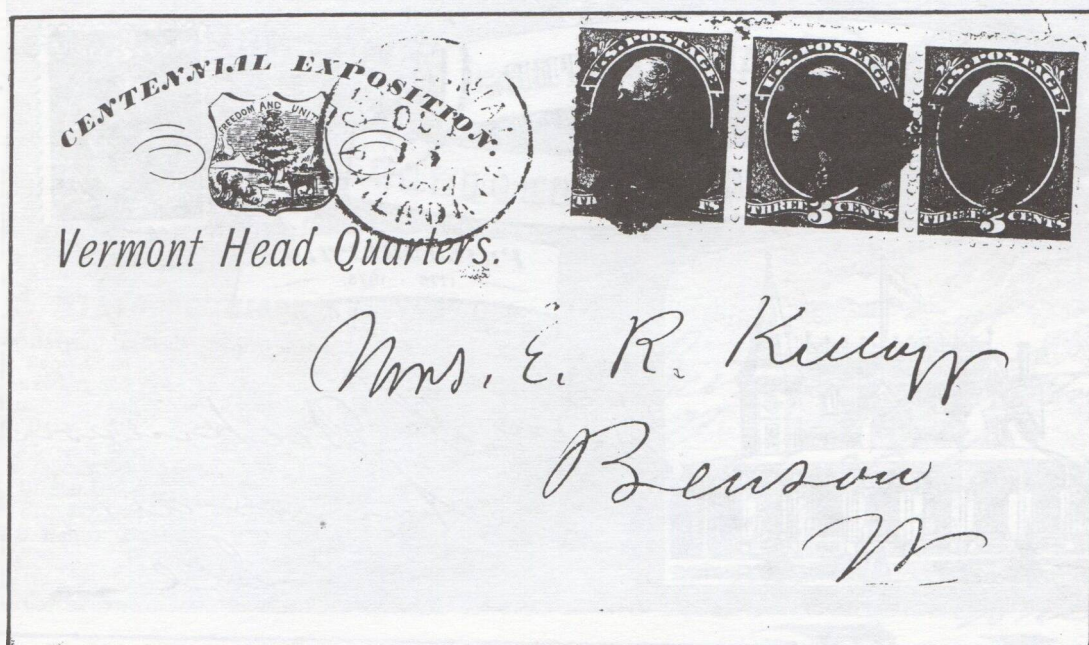


Figure 10. Vermont Headquarters, Centennial cancellation. (author's collection)

PART II-

The Centennial Commission invited each of the States of the Union, and other public and private concerns, to erect buildings on the exhibition grounds, each supposedly being germane to the theme of the buildings. This article will detail the postal history of some of those buildings.



Figure 11. Illustration of Vermont Headquarters Building. (author's collection)

The Vermont Building was situated in a garden plot near Machinery Hall. Its dimensions were only 35 by 40 feet, its interior being adorned with tastefully stained Vermont pine. Its exterior boasted a slate roof, one of the state's most important products. The building contained the offices of the Vermont State Commissioners, a reading room, ladies' parlor, and a beautiful Estey organ. (fig. 10, 11)

The Illinois Building, a handsome frame cottage was truly not an exhibit, but a hospitality center. It contained a large reception hall, a fine organ, piano, reading room, and the offices of the State Commission. (fig. 12)

The Wisconsin Building, a comfortable, plainly furnished cottage, was a reception hall, containing a ladies' parlor and Commission office. It also sported portraits of two of the state's oldest inhabitants: Joseph Crete, who died in 1866 claiming to be 141 years old, and a Native American woman who purportedly lived to age 160! (fig. 13)

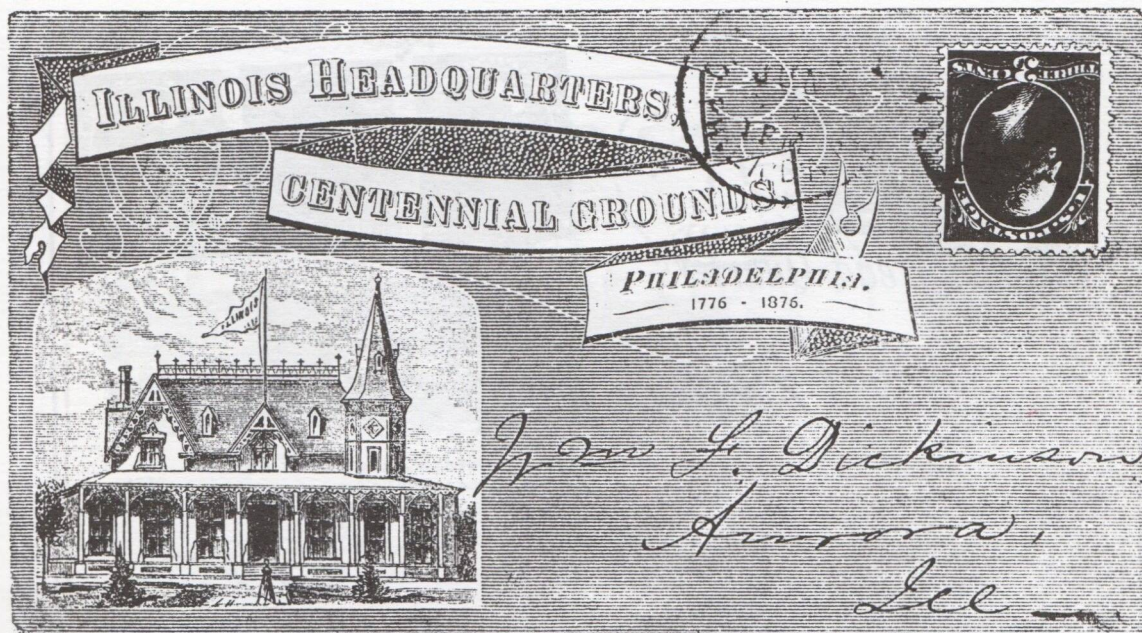


Figure 12. Illinois Headquarters, Centennial cancellation. (author's collection)

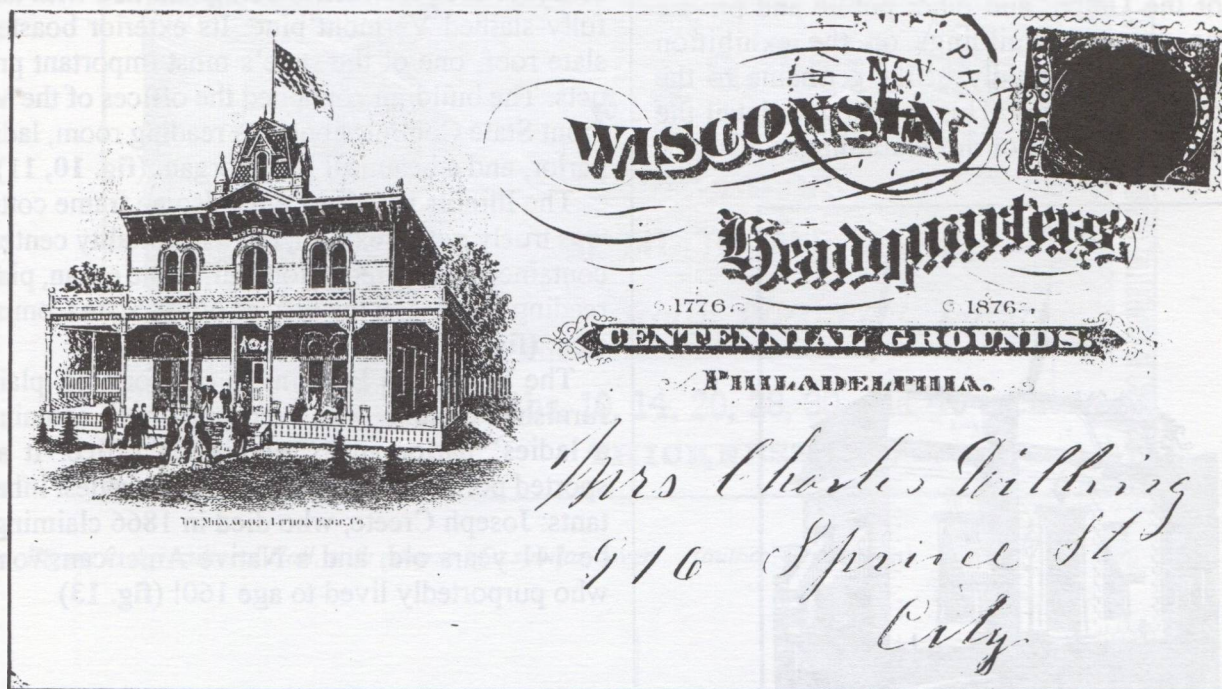


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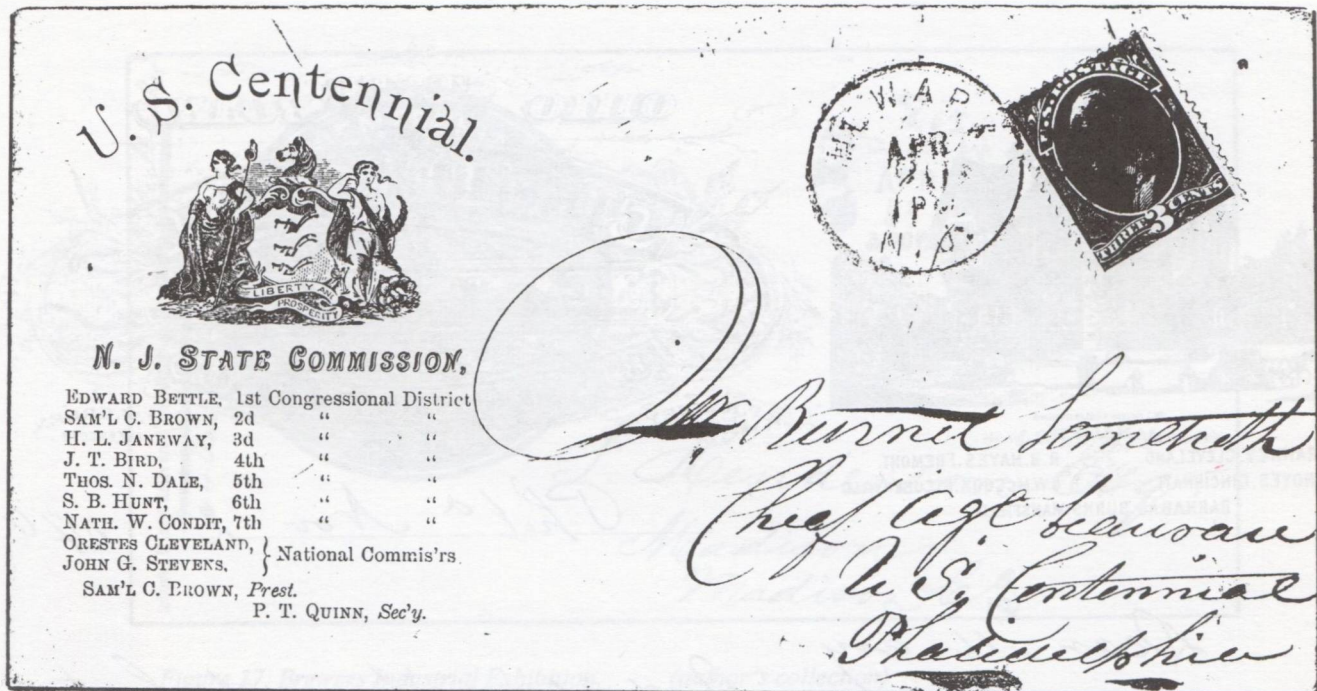


Figure 14. New Jersey State Commission, official envelope. (author's collection)

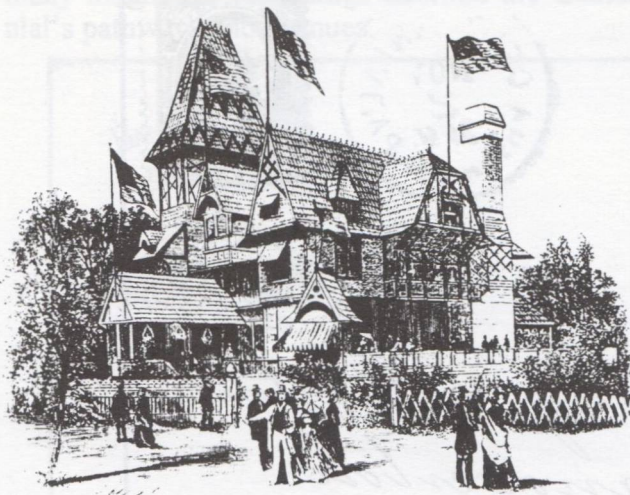


Figure 15. Illustration of New Jersey State Building. (author's collection)

The New Jersey Building, being 82 by 42 feet, was one of the most elaborate on the grounds. It was a wooden structure adorned by tiles made of native New Jersey clay. The interior contained the usual office reception area, ladies' parlor and offices. (figs. 14, 15)

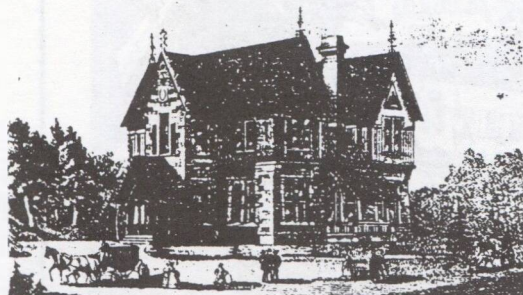
The Ohio Building, probably the most elegant of the state buildings, was constructed of dressed

stone, furnished by twenty-one Ohio quarries. The two story structure was forty feet square and had a full attic. The Ohio Building is the only state building that remains standing today. It is currently being used for administrative purposes. (fig. 16)

The Brewers' Industrial Exhibition Building was a striking large wooden edifice, constructed at a cost of \$30,000. At the rise of one roof was a beer barrel decorated with the flags of all nations. The building displayed the processing of malt and the brewing of beer, ale, and porter. Its finished products were sold to the public at the Centennial. (fig. 17). Ironically, the Brewers' Industrial Building was located not far from the Catholic Total Abstinence Fountain.

Very little descriptive material is available concerning the Bank Officers' and Bankers' Building. As the name implies, it was dedicated to the art of banking. (fig. 18)

Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, the largest park system in the United States, was the site of the Centennial Exhibition. It remains as a beautiful, multipurpose city park, although most traces of the Centennial are gone forever. Driving along its wind-



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Figure 16. Ohio State Building, Centennial Grounds, with matching enclosure. (author's collection)



Figure 17. Brewers Industrial Exhibition.

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ing roads, it is really difficult to imagine that so many magnificent buildings adorned the Centennial's pathways and avenues.

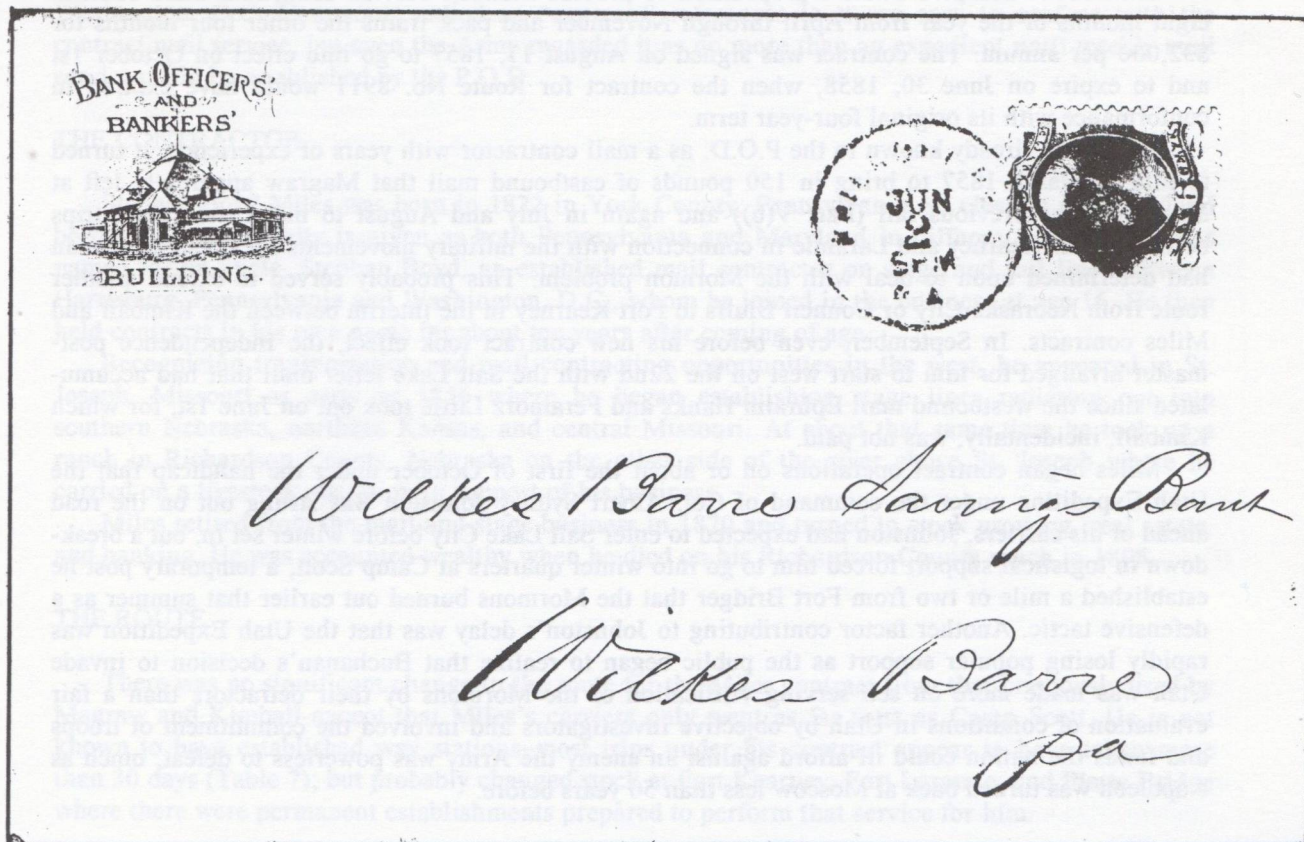


Figure 18. Bank Officers' and Bankers' Building.

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THE FIRST TRANSMOUNTAIN MAIL ROUTE CONTRACTS, 1850 - 1862

PART V(c) - THE MILES CONTRACT

Route No. 8911
Independence, Missouri to Salt Lake City, Utah
October 1, 1857 to March 30, 1858

by Daniel Y. Meschter

Salt Lake letter mail began accumulating in the Independence post office as soon as the Post Office Department annulled Hiram Kimball's contract in June 1857, together with heavy document mail that had been piling up already for more than a year. A new contractor on Route No. 8911 was needed and soon!

It was the P.O.D.'s practice to turn to the second low bidder if the low bidder was unable to fulfill a route contract for any reason. The second low bidder in this case was Wm.M.F. Magraw, the former contractor, but Magraw had been appointed a superintendent on the Fort Kearney, South Pass and Honey Lake Wagon Road in the meantime and was in the mountains that summer. The Department's next choice was S.B. Miles whose \$27,000 bid for monthly service from Independence (Appendix 8) was third lowest, but other bidders apparently were invited to submit proposals, too. One by John M. Hockaday has been recovered, *infra*.

The P.O.D. accepted Miles's proposition to provide monthly service using four-mule coaches eight months of the year from April through November and pack trains the other four months for \$32,000 per annum. The contract was signed on August 17, 1857 to go into effect on October 1st and to expire on June 30, 1858, when the contract for Route No. 8911 would have expired in conformance with its original four-year term.

Miles was already known to the P.O.D. as a mail contractor with years of experience. It turned to him in March 1857 to bring in 150 pounds of eastbound mail that Magraw apparently left at Marysville the previous fall (Part V(b)) and again in July and August to make two round trips between Forts Kearney and Laramie in connection with the military movements President Buchanan had determined upon to deal with the Mormon problem. This probably served to extend another route from Nebraska City or Council Bluffs to Fort Kearney in the interim between the Kimball and Miles contracts. In September, even before his new contract took effect, the Independence postmaster arranged for him to start west on the 22nd with the Salt Lake letter mail that had accumulated since the westbound mail Ephraim Hanks and Feramor Little took out on June 1st, for which Kimball, incidentally, was not paid.

Miles began contract operations on or about the first of October under the handicap that the Utah Expedition under the command of Col. Albert Sydney Johnston was strung out on the road ahead of his carriers. Johnston had expected to enter Salt Lake City before winter set in, but a breakdown in logistical support forced him to go into winter quarters at Camp Scott, a temporary post he established a mile or two from Fort Bridger that the Mormons burned out earlier that summer as a defensive tactic. Another factor contributing to Johnston's delay was that the Utah Expedition was rapidly losing popular support as the public began to realize that Buchanan's decision to invade Utah was made more on self-serving vilification of the Mormons by their detractors than a fair evaluation of conditions in Utah by objective investigators and involved the commitment of troops and funds the nation could ill afford against an enemy the Army was powerless to defeat, much as Napoleon was turned back at Moscow less than 50 years before.

The Buchanan Administration brought the Mormon War to an end in the spring of 1858 through the expedient of an amnesty proclamation that unilaterally pardoned the people of Utah for their crimes against the nation and declared peace. The Army marched through a nearly deserted Salt Lake City in late June to take up a position at Camp Floyd, forty-five miles to the southwest. There, in one of the paradoxes the muse of history so loves, the invader became the benefactor of the enemy it came to destroy by creating markets for its farmers and craftsmen and jobs for its labor force.

Among the objectives of the Utah Expedition was to install a group of federal appointees in office including Governor Alfred Cumming, U.S. Attorney John M. Hockaday, and Salt Lake City postmaster Hiram F. Morrell, together with Territorial Secretary John Hartnett, Chief Justice D.R. Eckels, and U.S. Marshal Peter Dotson, all of whom accompanied the expedition (Hafen, 1958, p. 298). Morrell, a non-Mormon from New York, was appointed postmaster on October 28, 1856. In his case, the incumbent, Elias Smith, refused to turn the office over to him when he arrived in Salt Lake City until he filed his official bond. He fled Utah on April 15, 1857 with U.S. Surveyor David H. Burr, Marshal Dotson, and one of the former associate judges in the face of what they perceived as Mormon hostility (*Liberty Weekly Tribune*, June 5, 1857).

Cumming, Hockaday, Morrell and the others spent the winter of 1857 at Camp Scott where Cumming bided his time until he could enter Salt Lake City and assume his office as governor. Elias Smith's comments the next year on the Salt Lake postmastership indicate that Morrell opened an unofficial post office at Fort Bridger, or Camp Scott as the case may have been, and served as its postmaster during this period, "by virtue of his appointment as postmaster at this place (Salt Lake City)," when there was no established post office there (*Deseret News*, June 1, 1859). The old Fort Bridger post office was officially discontinued the previous June 9, 1857, although it had not operated for some years before that, and would not be reestablished until August 6, 1858 during the military occupation of Utah (Meschter, 1978, p. 11).

In the meantime, Johnston's command organized a courier service for carrying military dispatches from its field headquarters at Camp Scott to Forts Laramie and Leavenworth and on to Washington, D.C. Commonly called an "express," references to it are easy to confuse with the contract mail service, but even the Army regarded it as no more than an expedient until weekly mail service could be established by the P.O.D.

THE CONTRACTOR

Stephen Boyd Miles was born in 1822 in York County, Pennsylvania, so close to the Maryland border that his nativity is given as both Pennsylvania and Maryland in different sources. He was named for an uncle, Stephen Boyd, an established mail contractor on stage and rail lines between Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C., whom he joined in the business at age 16. He then held contracts in his own name for about ten years after coming of age.

Recognizing transportation and mail contracting opportunities in the west, he appeared in St. Joseph, Missouri as early as 1856 where he began establishing stage lines radiating out into southern Nebraska, northern Kansas, and central Missouri. At about that same time he took up a ranch in Richardson County, Nebraska on the other side of the river above St. Joseph where he carried on a livestock operation in support of his business.

Miles retired from the mail and stage business in 1870 and turned to stock growing, real estate, and banking. He was accounted wealthy when he died on his Richardson County ranch in 1898.

THE ROUTE

There was no significant change in the route for the Miles contract from that previously used by Magraw and Kimball except that Miles's carriers only went as far west as Camp Scott. He is not known to have established way stations—most trips under his contract appear to have taken more than 30 days (Table 7); but probably changed stock at Fort Kearney, Fort Laramie, and Platte Bridge where there were permanent establishments prepared to perform that service for him.

OPERATIONS

The *Deseret News* made no mention of mail dispatches or arrivals, or the lack thereof, via the Independence route during the Miles contract and the only reference to Salt Lake mail found during this period is an item in the (Leavenworth) *Kansas Weekly Herald* (January 16, 1858, reprinted from the *Kansas City Journal*): "The Salt Lake mail party arrived home on Wednesday." This, of course, implies only that the mail was carried on the Salt Lake route, not that the party actually departed from Salt Lake City. Nor is it clear how much responsibility Elias Smith was willing to accept for dispatching mail on the Independence route in the absence of the current appointee, although he did continue normal service locally and on the California route. Utah's only contact with the outside world between the summer of 1857 and June 1858.

In fact, Smith had little choice in the matter. The *New York Times*' correspondent with the Utah Expedition reported that under the circumstances of Smith's refusing to acknowledge Morrell as his successor, "General Johnston ordered the Salt Lake mails to be detained at Camp Scott where Mr. Morrell opened his office in due form, under a Sibley tent" (*New York Times*, June 30, 1858). Johnston's embargo, of course, worked both ways with no eastbound mail being accepted from Salt Lake City. All of the evidence points to Miles's carriers terminating at Camp Scott, where Miles probably was justified in concluding he was fulfilling the terms of his contract when he delivered the mail to the person he would have recognized as the Salt Lake City postmaster, no matter where he was.

Thus it appears that the only westbound mail to reach Salt Lake City via the Independence route between October 6, 1856 and mid-June 1858, were the last two Magraw dispatches that arrived on March 24, 1857 and the two dispatches by Kimball's carriers in May and June 1857. The only eastbound mail to leave Salt Lake City during this same period was the dispatch carried by Hanks and Little in December 1856 and the six trips by Kimball's carriers between February and July 1857.

The *Times* reporter went on to say that the mail accumulating at Camp Scott amounted to "a couple of large wagon loads" by the end of May when Johnston finally ordered it forwarded to Salt Lake City. Cumming assured Morrell at the same time both of his personal safety and that of the mail he was to take in to the Salt Lake City post office "immediately." The *St. Joseph Gazette* (copied in *Freedom's Champion*, July 3, 1858) reported that Morrell started for Salt Lake City on June 3rd. He should have arrived there by the 6th with the first Independence mail in a year.

Those large wagon loads may have included at least part of the 29 sacks of document mail weighing more than two tons that had been accumulating in the Independence post office since before the Kimball contract. It was for conveying this mail to Salt Lake City between November 1, 1857 and June 25, 1858 that the P.O.D. recognized Miles's service (marginal note, September 16, 1858); but it is unclear how the P.O.D. thought it could hold Kimball liable for its cost when he never had a legal contract at all as far as the P.O.D. was concerned and was not paid for two westbound dispatches he did carry.

There are few direct references to mail dispatches and arrivals in the press at the east end of the route for the period from October 1857 through June 1858. Table 7 is constructed mostly from passing references to the mails in letters and interviews with travellers quoted in the press, except for the dispatch carried by Hockaday leaving Fort Bridger on January 1, 1858. The marginal note of May 28, 1858 shows that this service was by agreement with the Salt Lake postmaster, which is to say Hiram Morrell at Fort Bridger, at \$3,000 to be charged to S.B. Miles. The *New York Times* (February 20, 1858) reported he left Fort Bridger on January 5th and the *Kansas Weekly Herald* (February 27, 1858) that he left Green River on the 11th. The April and May 1858 eastbound dispatches also are taken from the marginal notes.

The May eastbound dispatch no doubt was the April westbound mail party on its way back from Camp Scott. An interesting point about that trip was that when A.F. Gerrish, a Salt Lake merchant arriving from Fort Bridger, told the *St. Louis Democrat* that he met it on the trail near Scott's Bluff on April 26th, he referred to it as "Miles and Jones' mail" (*Weekly Tribune*, May 28, 1858). He also referred to an eastbound mail party in the same words when he overtook it east of Fort Kearney. This is the only mention of a connection between Miles and John S. Jones, later of Jones, Russell & Company, that has been encountered.

On the whole, Miles seems to have maintained reasonably regular service as far as Camp Scott under difficult circumstances and received extra pay for two eastbound half trips after his contract was annulled and before his successor was ready to start operations.

ANNULMENT OF THE MILES CONTRACT

The annulment of Miles's contract on April 1, 1858 was not unexpected. There clearly were things going on behind the scenes that were never spelled out either in the press or official documents when Hockaday gave up his appointment as U.S. Attorney and returned to the States.

The official reason for the annulment given in the marginal note of April 1, 1858 (Part V(d)) was: "The service on this route being insufficient for the public wants and the present contractor having failed to perform the service required by his present obligations . . ." The insufficiency clearly was the monthly service, which was no fault of Miles, and the "public wants" was the Army's desire for weekly service. This would become an issue a couple of years later when the P.O.D. ordered a reduction in service as the Army was withdrawing from Camp Floyd. Miles's failure to perform could have been his not carrying the mails through to Salt Lake City, but that was little more than an excuse for accommodating the Army.

That the military occupation of Utah underlay his action is confirmed in a letter from Postmaster General Holt to the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads in which he wrote on May 5, 1860: "[Hiram Kimball] not having executed contracts in proper season, and *for other reasons*, the route was, by order, afterwards let to S.B. Miles, at \$32,000 per annum. His performance being very irregular, and monthly service being found to be insufficient for the public wants, in consequence of the threatened rebellion of the Mormon population . . . (emphasis supplied)" (Senate Report No. 259, June 6, 1860, Views of the Minority, p. 16, Serial 1040,).

It seems certain that the War Department was urging the need for a weekly mail on the Postmaster General to serve the military occupation of Utah that the Buchanan Administration decided upon as part of its strategy to end the Mormon War. What made Hockaday a key player was not only his bids for Route 8911, together with those of Kimball, Magraw, and Miles in October 1856 (Appendix 8), but a series of proposals he submitted on August 1, 1857, of which one was for semimonthly service (Id., p. 38-39; Appendix 9). It is quite evident he was called to Washington to work out a new mail contract providing for weekly service on a faster schedule.

There is no indication Miles opposed the cancellation of his contract. It had been for only nine months to begin with and only had three months left to run and his carriers were fairly busy during those three months with the two eastbound dispatches and the heavy document mail, the last of which he may have carried all the way through to Salt Lake City. Moreover, he never made the investment in the route a longer term contract would have justified. He eventually accepted one month extra pay and relief from the \$3,000 the P.O.D. charged him for the January 1858 dispatch carried by Hockaday as compensation in full for the annulment of his contract.

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TABLE 7 - MAIL TRIPS BETWEEN INDEPENDENCE
AND CAMP SCOTT, UTAH

Route No. 8911, October 1, 1857 to March 30, 1858

WESTBOUND			EASTBOUND		
<u>Leave Independence</u>	<u>Arrive Camp Scott</u>	<u>Carriers/remarks</u>	<u>Leave Camp Scott</u>	<u>Arrive Independence</u>	<u>Carriers/remarks</u>
<u>1857</u>	<u>1857</u>		<u>1857</u>	<u>1857</u>	
Oct	19 Nov	Miles contract			
	<u>1858</u>				
Nov	Jan	Miles contract	29? Nov	30? Dec	Miles contract
<u>1858</u>			<u>1858</u>	<u>1858</u>	
Jan		Miles contract	5 Jan	19 Feb	J.M. Hockaday
Mar	12 Apr	Miles contract	Mar	? May	Miles and Jones (?)
1 Apr	17 May	Miles and Jones (?)	18 Apr	4 Jun	
			23 May	19 Jun	

MARGINAL NOTES (CONTINUED FROM PART V(b))

Aug. 17th Contract with S.B. Miles of St. Joseph, Mo. at his proposition of \$32,000 per ann. in 4 mule coaches from 1st April to 1st Dec^r, remainder of year on pack mules to take effect from 1st October next, or earlier if practicable provided he shall in the meantime return to the P.O. Dept. the contracts for the service duly executed by himself and two good and sufficient sureties to be approved and certified by P.M. at St. Joseph, Mo.

Contractor, S.B. Miles of St. Joseph, Mo., at \$32,000 per ann., 4 mule coaches, 1st Apl. to 1st Dec. & residue pack animals, from 1st October 1857.

1858, Jan'y 23^d Recognise the service of S.B. Miles of St. Joseph, Mo. in conveying the accumulated mails at Independence, Mo. for the months of June, July & Aug. 1857, to Salt Lake City, departing on the 22^d September 1857, at \$8,000, being prorata of a quarters pay, under his contract agreeably to arrangement and refer to Auditor to pay him that amount.

1858, May 28 Recognise the service of John M. Hockaday, of Independence, Mo. in bringing in from Fort Bridger, the January mail by agreement with the P.M. of Salt Lake City (leaving Fort Bridger the 1st January 1858, and arriving in Independence on the 19th February 1858), at \$3,000, agreeably to arrangement and refer to Auditor to pay him that amount. S.B. Miles contractor to be charged.

1858, Sept. 16 Recognise the service of S.B. Miles of St. Joseph, Mo. in conveying 29 sacks of accumulated document mails weighing 4,258 lbs., from Independence, Mo. to Salt Lake City, Utah Ty. between 1st November 1857 & 25th June 1858 at \$7,096.⁶¹, that being the prorata for the additional weight based on an average of 800 lbs. per trip agreeably to arrangement and refer to Auditor to pay him this amount. Hiram Kimball, former accepted bidder to be charged.

1858, Sept. 16 Recognise the service of S.B. Miles of St. Joseph, Mo. in conveying mails between Fort Kearney and Fort Laramie, two trips in July and August 1857, at \$1,000 each, in all \$2,000, agreeably to arrangement with the Postmaster at Fort Kearney and refer to the Auditor to pay him that amount.

Sept. 17 Recognise the service of S.B. Miles of S. Joseph, Mo. in conveying mails from Camp Scott, Utah Ty to Independence, Mo., leaving Camp Scott on the 18th April and 23^d May and arriving at Independence on the 4th and 19th June 1858, two half trips at rate of \$32,000 per ann. and refer to Auditor to adjust and pay subject to fines and deductions.

1869, March 3 Allow S.B. Miles, under order of April 1, 1858, annulling his contract, one month extra pay; also modify order of May 28, 1858, recognizing service of John M. Hockaday by striking out clause charging said Miles.

(CONTINUED IN PART V(d))

APPENDIX 9 - ROUTE No. 8911
 Proposal of John M. Hockaday, August 1, 1857

I, John M. Hockaday, of Great Salt Lake City, county of Great Salt Lake, Territory of Utah, propose to convey the mails on route No. 8911, from Independence, Missouri, to Great Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, agreeably to form advertisements, on terms specified by the Postmaster General, and by the following modes of conveyance, vis:

Carrying the entire mail once a month each way in four or six mule carriages when the roads will admit of coach service; packing the mail on horses or mules when the roads become impassable for carriages. Conveying the *letter and paper* mail when the mountain passes are blocked with snow, between Fort Bridger and Great Salt Lake City, on snow shoes for the annual sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand (\$115,000) dollars.

Or I will carry the entire mail each way twice a month by the modes of conveyance specified above, with the same exception when the snow shoes are indispensable, for the annual sum of one hundred forty-nine thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, (\$149,750.)

Or I will carry each way once a month seven hundred pounds of mail matter by the several modes of conveyance above specified for the annual sum of sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars, (\$62,500,) or any given amount over seven hundred pounds at *pro rata* rates.

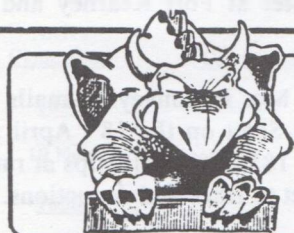
Should either of the above propositions be accepted, I will start the mail from Independence, Missouri, at such time, after fifteen days, as the Po

stmaster General; may designate, and from Great Salt Lake City at such time, after sixty days from time of such acceptance, as may be designated. Time allowed for each trip, thirty days or one month.

This proposal is made with full knowledge of the distance of the route, the weight of the mails to be carried, and all other particulars in reference to the route and service, and also after careful examination of the laws and instructions.

JOHN M. HOCKADAY

WASHINGTON CITY, D.C., August 1, 1857. (Emphases in original)



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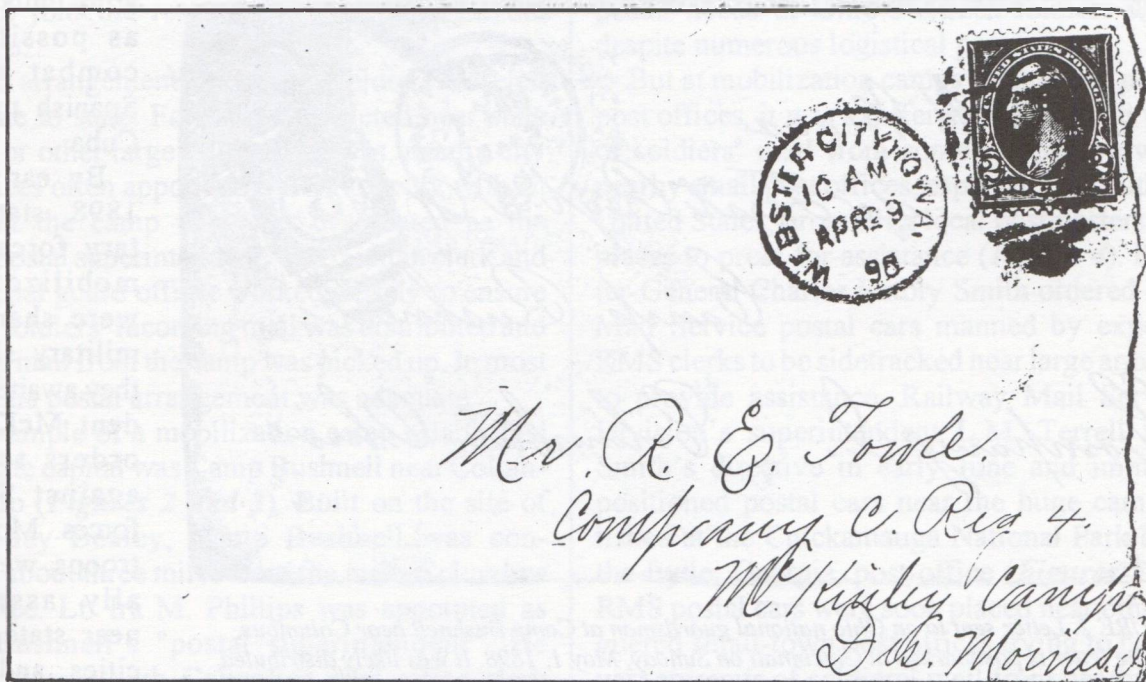


FIGURE 1. A very early example of mail sent to a mobilized national guardsman immediately after war against Spain was declared on April 25, 1898. This letter was sent to R.E. Towle, a school teacher in civilian life, from one of his students. The writer tells Towle how the kids "...feel real bad when they walk past his room...."

NATIONAL GUARD CAMPS OF THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

By Michael Dattolico

Spanish-American War philately is one of the most popular collectible areas of American military postal history today. The war's unique postal history combined with an aura of romanticism that surrounds the conflict attracts ever-increasing numbers of collectors each year.

Postal historians tend to begin collecting two particularly popular Spanish-American War postal history areas. Those areas are patriotic covers indigenous to that conflict, and military postal station cancellations seen on military mail from the Philippines, Cuba and Puerto Rico. Soldiers, sailors and marines covers mailed from Hawaii, Guam or Japan during the 1898-1904 period area are highly sought items, as are U.S. covers mailed from military postal stations established in China during the Boxer Rebellion (1900-1901).

But one area of Spanish-American War mail is often ignored by postal historians. It is the mail sent to or from national guardsmen called to active duty

to augment the regular army in the spring of 1898 that is often overlooked by collectors. Mail from young, homesick national guardsmen in 1898 often consists of poignant, heart-rending notes similar to those sent by later generations of Americans during their first days of military service (Figure 1). Because such mail is ordinary in appearance and is certainly not scarce, it is often pushed aside by many Spanish-American War collectors. But when found, these covers and letters can provide interesting insights into the early days of the Spanish-American War as seen by the recently mobilized citizen-soldiers.

An understanding of the military situation in April, 1898, when war was declared against Spain will help put the *postal* situation in perspective. War was declared against Spain on April 25, 1898. Regular army units assembled at strategic points in western United States and at places in southeastern United States. In response to President McKinley's call for 75,000 additional soldiers to supplement the small regular army, national guard forces were ordered to active duty. These state troops were mobi-

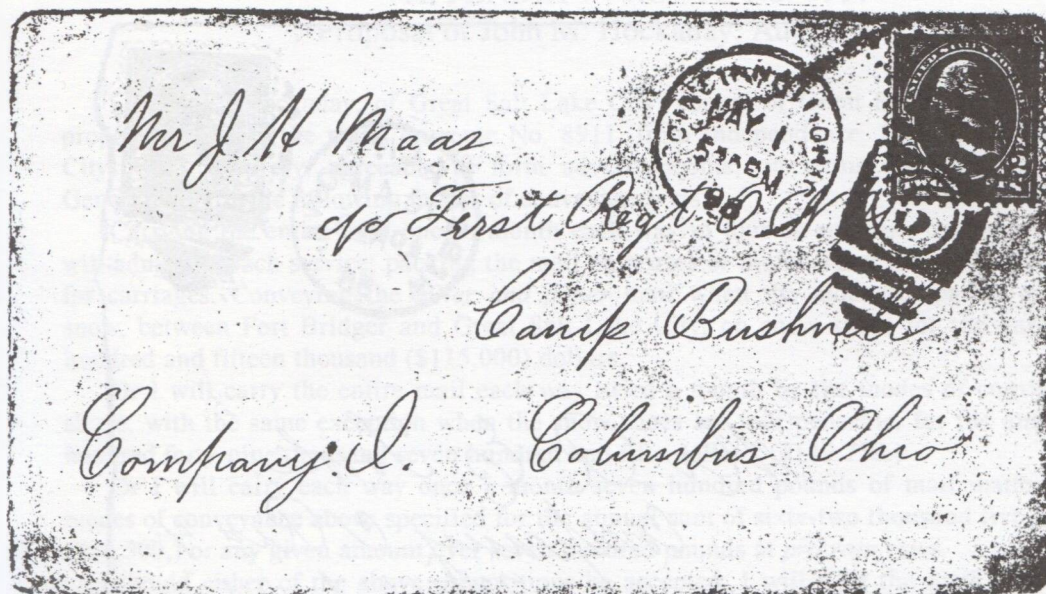


FIGURE 2. Letter sent to an Ohio national guardsman at Camp Bushnell near Columbus, Ohio. The letter is postmarked at Cincinnati on Sunday, May 1, 1898. It was likely distributed during the afternoon mail call at Camp Bushnell on Monday, May 2, 1898. A near riot broke out among the soldiers on May 2nd when word of Dewey's victory in the Philippines swept through hundreds of Ohio soldiers queued up near the postal tent. Rowdy soldiers nearly knocked the postal tent down as they cheered Dewey's victory. Ironically, the recipient of this letter was a postal clerk at the Cincinnati post office.

lized at central locations in each state to await further orders. It was assumed that the state national guard units would be ordered to join regular U.S.

troops. In some camps, soldiers lived in tents or barns for weeks or even months while awaiting

army units as soon as possible for combat against Spanish troops in Cuba.

By early May, 1898, state military forces were mobilized and were sharpening military skills as they awaited President McKinley's orders to move against Spanish forces. Most state troops were usually assembled near state capital cities, and public areas such as race-tracks or fair-grounds were the usual encampment sites of the state

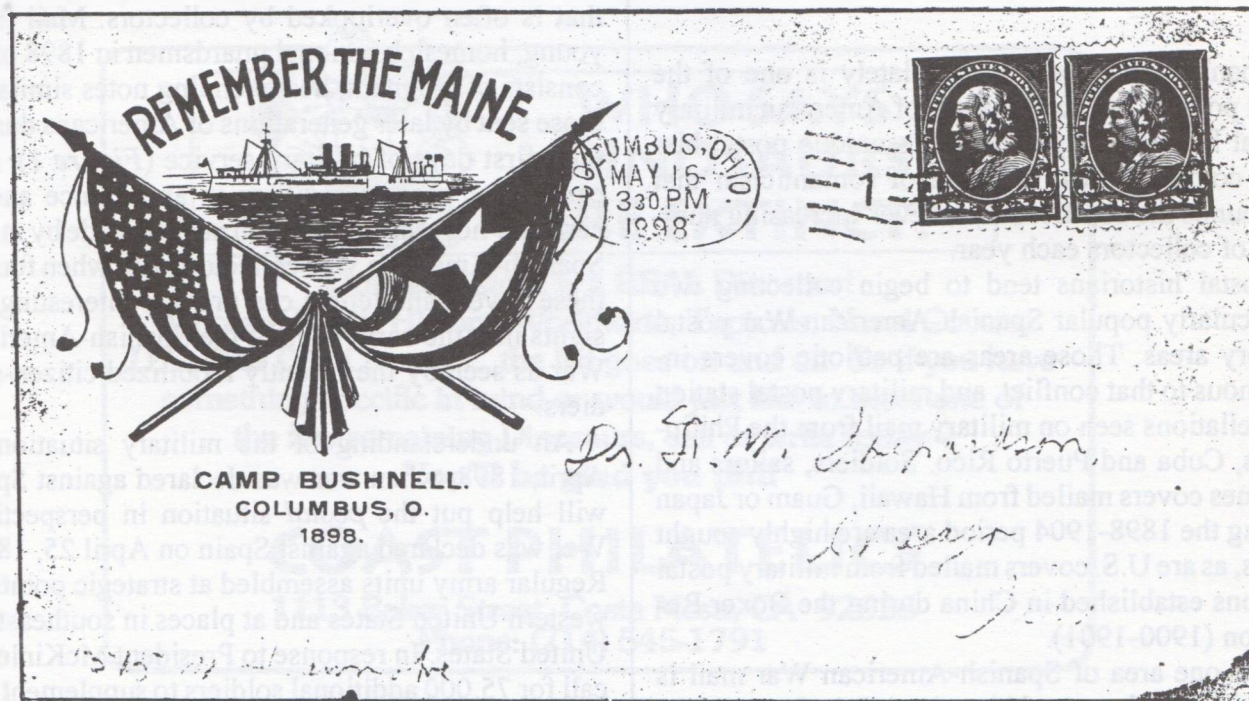


FIGURE 3. Multi-colored cover from Ohio soldier. The Columbus, Ohio post office handled Camp Bushnell's mail. It is widely thought that this patriotic cover was provided to the Camp Bushnell soldiers free by the local YMCA. Camp Bushnell closed a few days after this letter was mailed.

orders to join the rest of the army to fight the Spaniards.

Postal arrangements for these soldiers differed from state to state. For soldiers billeted near state capitals or other large municipal areas, nearby city post offices often appointed a clerk to work with an officer at the camp who was designated as the camp's postal superintendent. The civilian clerk and the national guard officer worked closely to ensure that the soldiers' incoming mail was distributed and outgoing mail from the camp was picked up. In most places, this postal arrangement was adequate.

An example of a mobilization camp established near a state capital was Camp Bushnell near Columbus, Ohio (*Figures 2 and 3*). Built on the site of present-day Bexley, Camp Bushnell was constructed about three miles from the main Columbus post office. Lt. Ira M. Phillips was appointed as Camp Bushnell's "postal superintendent". He worked closely with Columbus post office clerk Holmes Hankinson, a local stable owner who was employed by the Columbus post office during the war emergency. During the two weeks that Camp Bushnell was operational, the two men saw that the

postal needs of Ohio's citizen-soldiers were met despite numerous logistical problems.

But at mobilization camps established near small post offices, it was a different story. Great volumes of soldiers' mail from some camps overwhelmed nearby small post offices, especially in southeastern United States, prompting local postmasters at those places to press for assistance (*Figure 4*). Postmaster-General Charles Emory Smith ordered Railway Mail Service postal cars manned by experienced RMS clerks to be sidetracked near large army camps to provide assistance. Railway Mail Service 4th Division's superintendent L.M. Terrell received Smith's directive in early June and immediately positioned postal cars near the huge camp established at the Chickamauga National Park and near the Lytle, Georgia, post office (*Figures 5 and 6*). RMS postal cars were soon placed near other beleaguered small-town post offices trying to handle the vast amounts of soldiers' mail from nearby camps.

It is generally accepted by many students of Spanish-American War postal history that Railway Mail Service clerks produced some "MILITARY STATION" circle-date cancelers locally for use

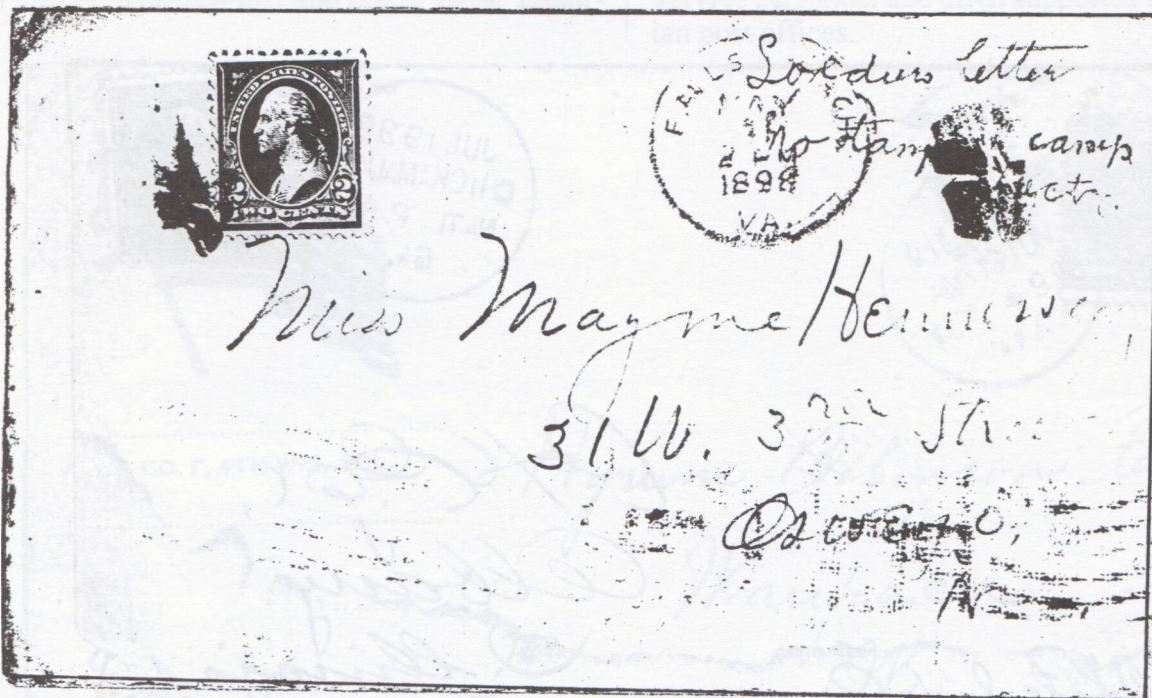


FIGURE 4. Soldier's letter from Camp Alger, Virginia, situated near the Falls Church, Virginia, post office. According to the soldier sending this letter, there were no stamps available, leading some postal historians to believe that this cover was handled before railway mail service postal cars were sidetracked near the camp to assist the Falls Church post office with soldiers mail coming from the camp. A military postal station was established near Camp Alger in late May or early June, 1898.

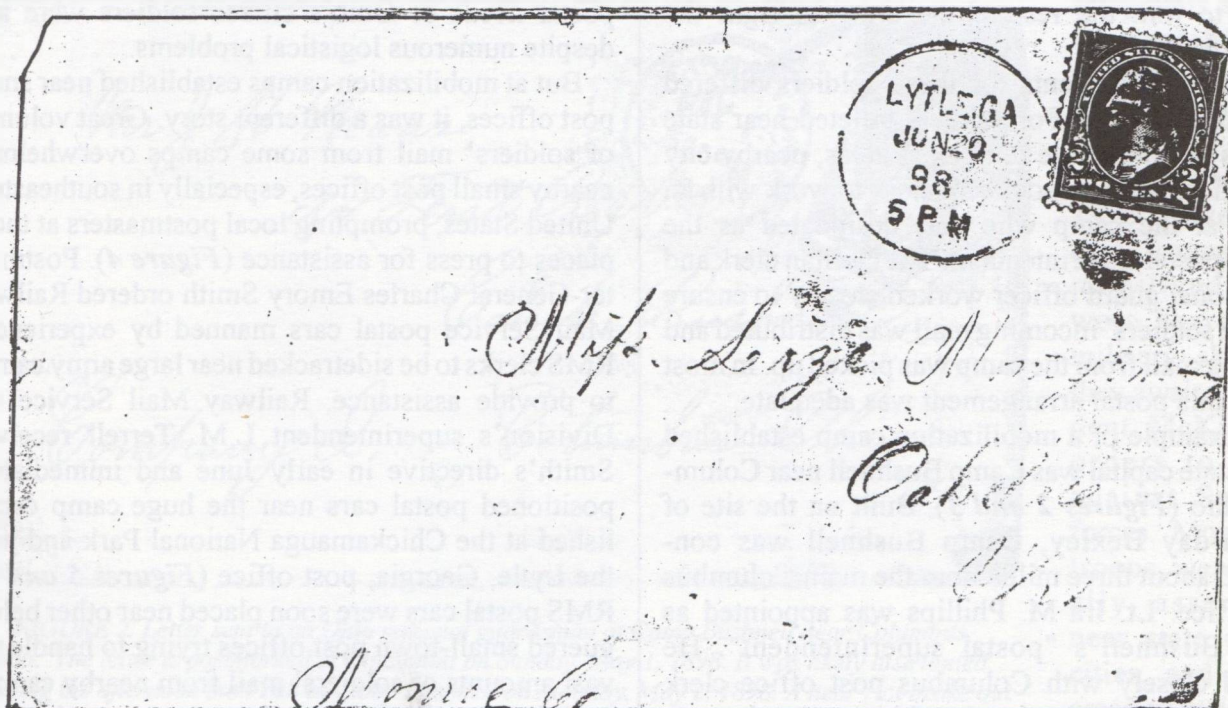


FIGURE 5. Railway mail service postal cars were sidetracked near large mobilization camps to handle the voluminous amounts of soldiers' mail and to assist small local post offices. Note the block-like letters and their uneven positioning in the canceler. It is felt by many Spanish-American War postal historians that the RMS personnel either made these unique circle-date cancelers locally or requisitioned them from Washington on an emergency basis.

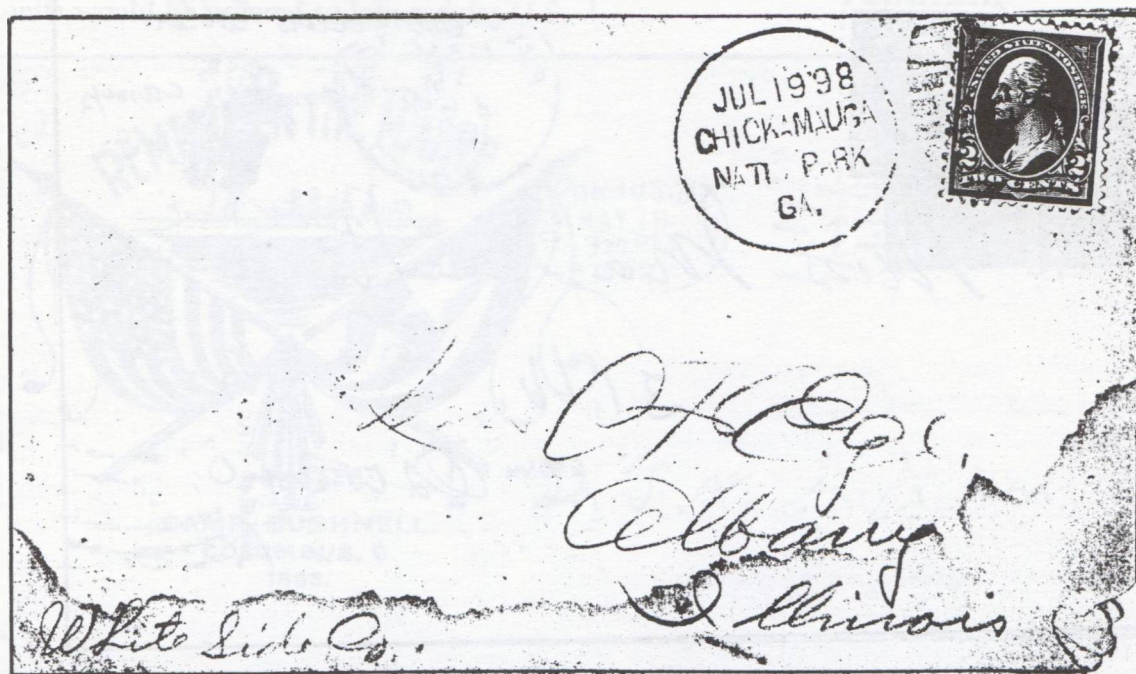


FIGURE 6. Letter from soldier at the Chickamauga National Park encampment also known as Camp George H. Thomas. Again, railway mail service clerks manning sidetracked postal cars near large camps handled the vast overflow of soldiers' mail along with clerks at nearby local post offices. This common cancel is believed to have been produced by RMS personnel somewhere along the line.

Table 1 MILITARY POSTAL STATIONS ESTABLISHED IN THE U.S. DURING THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

Albany, Georgia
Americus, Georgia
Anniston, Alabama
Athens, Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia
Augusta, Georgia
Falls Church, Virginia
Middletown, Pennsylvania
Camp Merritt, California
Chickamauga Park, Tennessee
Columbia, Tennessee
Dunn Loring, Virginia
Fernandina, Florida

Fort Monroe, Virginia
Gainesville, Georgia
Greenville, South Carolina
Hempstead, New York
Huntsville, Alabama
Jacksonville, Florida
Key West, Florida
Knoxville, Tennessee
Lakeland, Florida
Lauderdale, Mississippi
Lewes, Delaware
Lexington, Kentucky
Macon, Georgia
Manasquan, New Jersey

Mobile, Alabama
Montauk Point, New York
Newport, Kentucky
Newport News, Virginia
Panama Park, Florida
Portland, Oregon
Port Tampa, Florida
Presidio, California
Savannah, Georgia
Summerville, South Carolina
Tampa, Florida
Thoroughfare, Virginia
Tompkinsville, New York
Waycross, Georgia

near some camps. Other postal historians feel that some of the "block-style" circle-date cancelers were supplied by the post office department in Washington on an emergency basis. In any case, crude yet distinctive cancelers were used at military postal stations servicing large military camps and at small post offices in the summer and fall of 1898. Exam-

ples of these cancels are seen as illustrations which are part of this article

Table 1 contains a listing of military postal stations established in the United States during the Spanish-American War. Many of these postal stations were manned exclusively by Railway Mail Service personnel and often supported nearby civilian post offices.

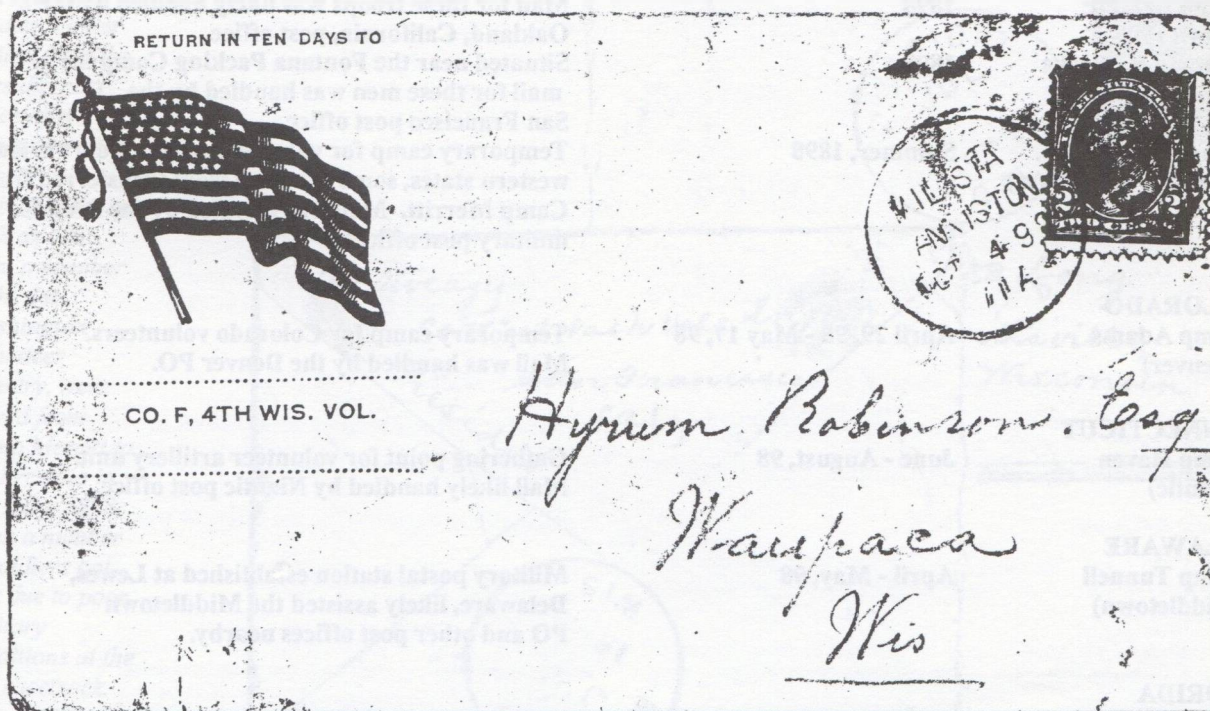


FIGURE 7. Letter from soldier at Camp Anniston, Alabama, October, 1898. Note the MIL STA cancellation. It is likely that RMS personnel continued to assist the Anniston post office throughout the remainder of 1898 while Camp Anniston was operational.

Table 2 lists all known Spanish American War mobilization camps alphabetically by state. The table provides dates during which the camps were

in operation and details the postal arrangements for troops.

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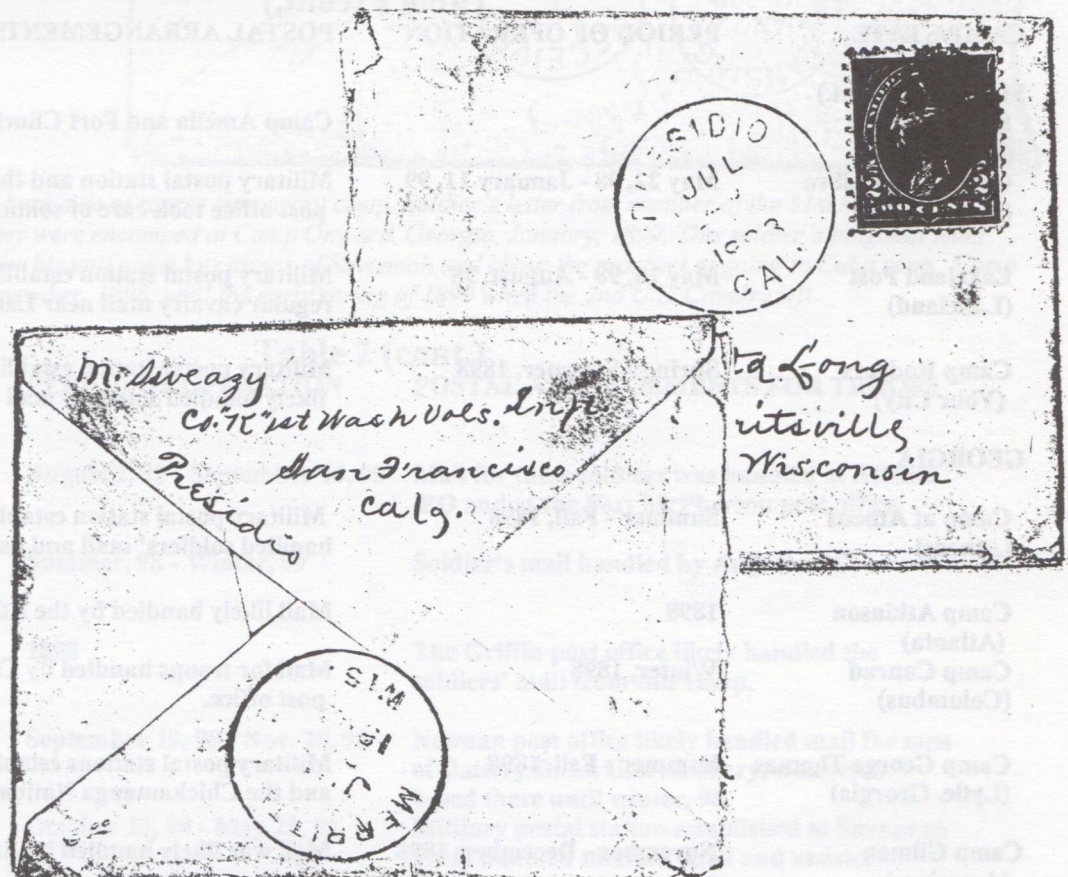
Domestic Spanish American War Camps by State with Dates of Operation and Postal Service for Troops

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
ALABAMA		
Camp Anniston (Anniston)	May 21, 98 - Fall 98	Military postal station established near the camp to handle soldiers' mail and assist the Anniston post office.
Camp Clark (Mobile)	Spring - Summer, 1898	Military postal station established near the camp to assist the Mobile post office. It is likely that naval militia used this postal station also.
Camp Forse (Huntsville)	August 7, 98 - February, 99	Military postal station established to assist the Huntsville post office in handling the soldiers' mail.
Camp Johnston (Mobile)	May, 1898	Mail handled by the Mobile post office.
Camp Spring Hill (Mobile)	May, 1898	Camp located near Camp Johnston. The Mobile post office handled the camp's mail.
ARKANSAS		
Camp Dodge (Little Rock)	May 2, 98 - Summer, 98	Mail handled by Little Rock post office.
CALIFORNIA		
Camp Merritt (San Francisco)	May 19, 98 - July 18, 98	Mail handled by the San Francisco post office until mid-July when soldiers were transferred to Presidio reservation.
Camp Barrett (Fruitvale)	1898	Mail for these troops was likely handled by the Oakland, California, post office.
Fontana Barracks (San Francisco)	1898	Situated near the Fontana Packing Company, mail for these men was handled by the San Francisco post office.
Camp Miller (Presidio army base)	Summer, 1898	Temporary camp for volunteer troops from various western states, some of whom were transferred from Camp Merritt. Mail was handled by the Presidio military post office.
COLORADO		
Camp Adams (Denver)	April 29, 98 - May 17, 98	Temporary camp for Colorado volunteers. Mail was handled by the Denver PO.
CONNECTICUT		
Camp Haven (Niantic)	June - August, 98	Gathering point for volunteer artillery unit. Mail likely handled by Niantic post office.
DELAWARE		
Camp Tunnell (Middletown)	April - May, 98	Military postal station established at Lewes, Delaware, likely assisted the Middletown PO and other post offices nearby.
FLORIDA		
Camp Amelia (Fernandina)	Spring - Summer, 98	Located on Amelia Island. Mail was likely handled by the military postal station at Fernandina.



FIGURE 8. U.S. postal stationery mailed by soldier of the 20th Kansas Infantry based at Camp Merritt, San Francisco, California. The postcard was handled by the San Francisco post office on July 3, 1898. The San Francisco post office was less than a mile from Camp Merritt, which was situated at the city race track grounds, and handled Camp Merritt's mail soldiers at Camp Merritt were transferred to the Presidio in late July, and the Presidio's postal station then handled those troops' mail. The 20th Kansas Infantry left for the Philippines in the summer of 1898 and saw extensive combat there.

Figure 9. Soldier's letter mailed from the Presidio post office after Camp Merritt closed. Mobilized troops such as this man, a member of the 1st Washington Volunteer Infantry, were moved from Camp Merritt to the Presidio in late July, 1898, when a number of soldiers got sick due to poor sanitary conditions at the city racetrack. Note the regular circular date stamp.



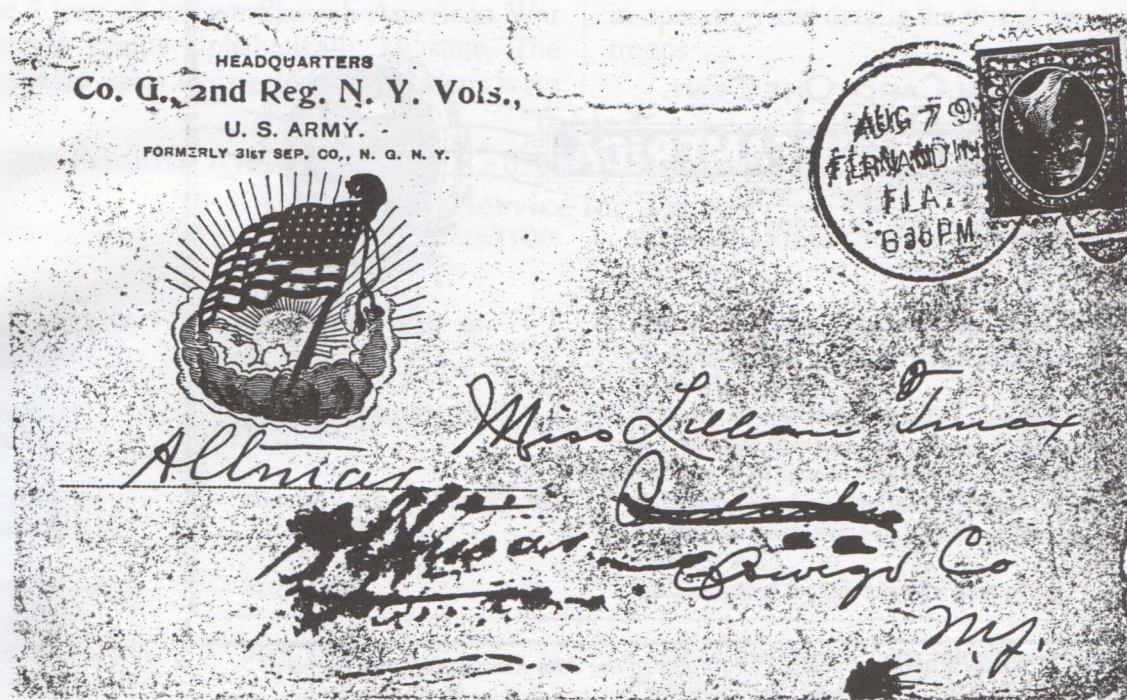


FIGURE 10. Soldier's letter from a camp in northeast Florida, either on Amelia Island or in the Jacksonville area. This canceler was probably produced by RMS personnel working at either the military postal station at the northeast Florida town of Fernandina near Jacksonville or in a sidetracked postal car nearby.

Table 2 (cont.)

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
FLORIDA (Cont.)		
Fort Clinch (Fernandina)		Camp Amelia and Fort Clinch.
Camp Cuba Libre (Jacksonville)	May 22, 98 - January 11, 99	Military postal station and the Jacksonville post office took care of soldiers' mail.
Lakeland Post (Lakeland)	May 16, 98 - August, 98	Military postal station established to handle regular cavalry mail near Lakeland post office.
Camp Rodgers (Ybor City)	Spring - Summer, 1898	Military postal station established near Tampa likely handled soldiers' mail at this camp.
GEORGIA		
Camp at Athens (Athens)	Summer - Fall, 1898	Military postal station established at Athens handled soldiers' mail and assisted nearby post offices.
Camp Atkinson (Atlanta)	1898	Mail likely handled by the Atlanta post office.
Camp Conrad (Columbus)	Winter, 1898	Mail for troops handled by Columbus, Georgia, post office.
Camp George Thomas (Lytle, Georgia)	Summer - Fall, 1898	Military postal stations established near Lytle, Georgia, and the Chickamauga National Park encampment.
Camp Gilman (Americus)	November - December, 1898	Mail was likely handled by Americus, post office.

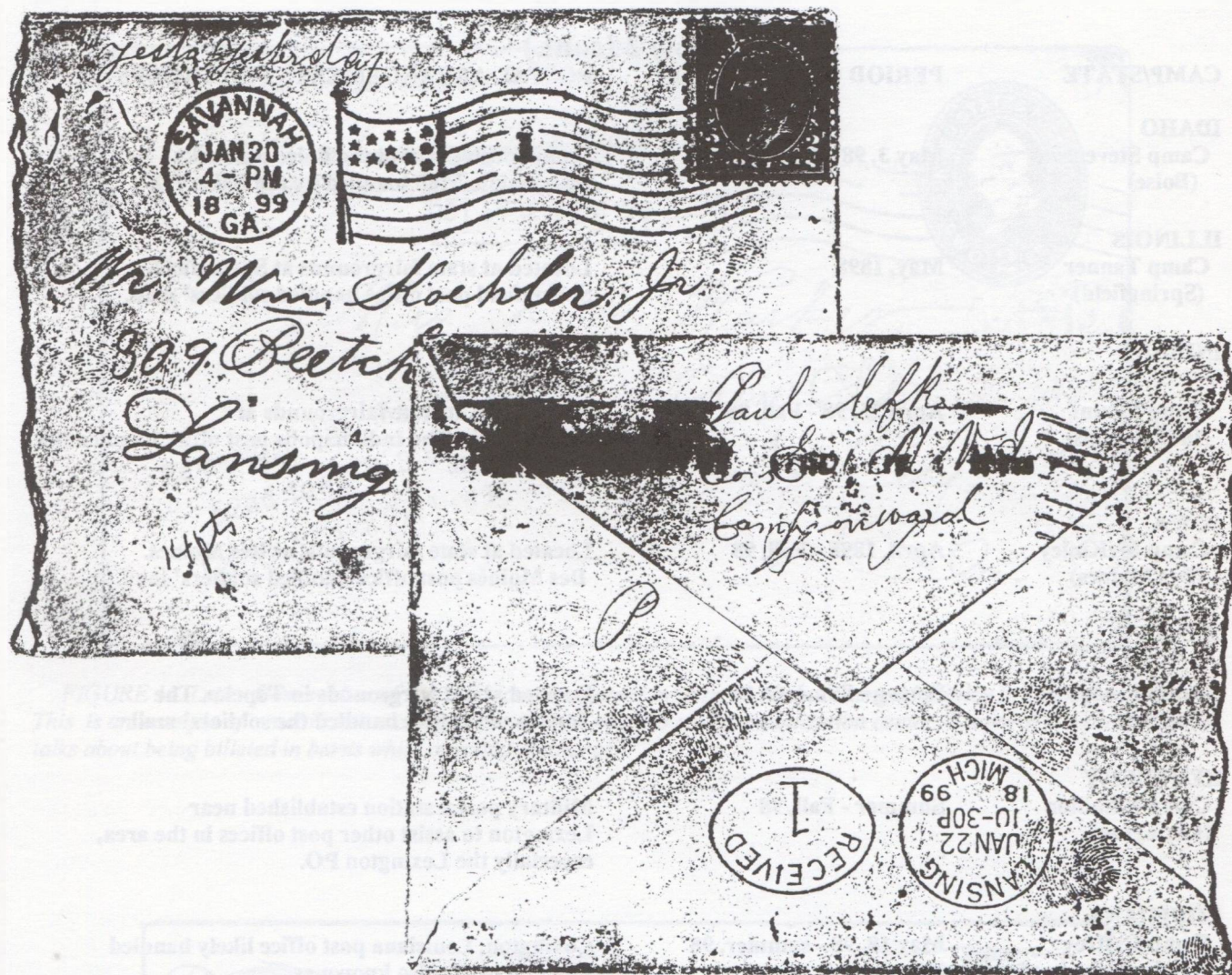


FIGURE 11. Front and back side of scarce temporary camp. Soldier's letter from member of the 31st Michigan Volunteer Infantry when they were encamped at Camp Onward, Georgia, January, 1899. This soldier's poignant letter talks about public picnics for his unit given by citizens of Savannah and about the prospect of going to Cuba soon. Camp Onward was open from November, 1898, until the early spring of 1899 when the 2nd U.S. Cavalry left.

Table 2 (cont.)

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
GEORGIA (Cont.)		
Camp Hobson (Lithia Springs)	August 2, 98 - September 16, 98	Mail for these soldiers was handled at Atlanta PO and at the Fort McPherson post office.
Camp McKenzie (Augusta)	Summer, 98 - Winter, 99	Soldier's mail handled by Augusta PO.
Camp Milner (Griffin)	1898	The Griffin post office likely handled the soldiers' mail from this camp.
Camp at Newnan (Newnan)	September 19, 98 - Nov. 20, 98	Newnan post office likely handled mail for men of Battery D, 1st U.S. Artillery, who were based there until winter, 98.
Camp Onward (Savannah)	October 23, 98 - May 25, 99	Military postal station established at Savannah likely handled soldiers' mail and assisted Savannah post office at this camp.

Table 2 (cont.)

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
IDAHO		
Camp Stevenson (Boise)	May 3, 98 - May 19, 98	Camp located within the Boise Barracks reservation. Mail handled by the Boise PO.
ILLINOIS		
Camp Tanner (Springfield)	May, 1898	Located at state fairgrounds at Springfield. Springfield post office handled soldiers' mail.
INDIANA		
Camp Mount (Indianapolis)	April 25, 98 - Fall, 98	Established at state fairgrounds at Indianapolis. The Indianapolis post office handled the soldiers' mail.
IOWA		
Camp McKinley (Des Moines)	April, 1898 - Fall, 98	Located at state fairgrounds at Des Moines. Des Moines post office handled soldiers' mail.
KANSAS		
Camp Leedy (Topeka)	Spring - Summer, 98	Located at old fairgrounds in Topeka. The Topeka post office handled the soldiers' mail.
KENTUCKY		
Camp Hamilton (Lexington)	Summer - Fall, 98	Military postal station established near Lexington to assist other post offices in the area, especially the Lexington PO.
LOUISIANA		
Camp Caffrey (Covington)	May 18, 98 - summer, 98	Covington, Louisiana post office likely handled soldiers' mail. Also known as Camp Covington.
Camp Corbin (New Orleans)	Summer, 1898	Located at fairgrounds at New Orleans. The New Orleans post office likely handled soldiers' mail.
Camp Foster (New Orleans)	Summer - Fall, 98	Also located at fairgrounds at New Orleans. The New Orleans post office likely handled soldiers' mail.
MASSACHUSETTS		
Camp Dewey (Framingham)	Spring - Summer, 98	Also known as Camp McGuinness. Located at fairgrounds at Framingham, that city's post office handled the troops' mail.
MICHIGAN		
Camp Eaton (Grayling?)	May - June, 98	Located near Island Lake and later near Grayling. Postal arrangements are not known.
MINNESOTA		
Camp Mueller (New Ulm)	September, 1899	Demobilization camp. The New Ulm PO likely handled the camp's mail.
Camp Ramsey (St. Paul)	April 29, 98 - May 16, 98	Located at state fairgrounds at St. Paul. St. Paul post office likely handled the soldiers' mail.
Camp Van Duzee (St. Paul)	September 23, 98 - Winter, 98	Located on farmland near St. Paul. The St. Paul post office handled the mail.

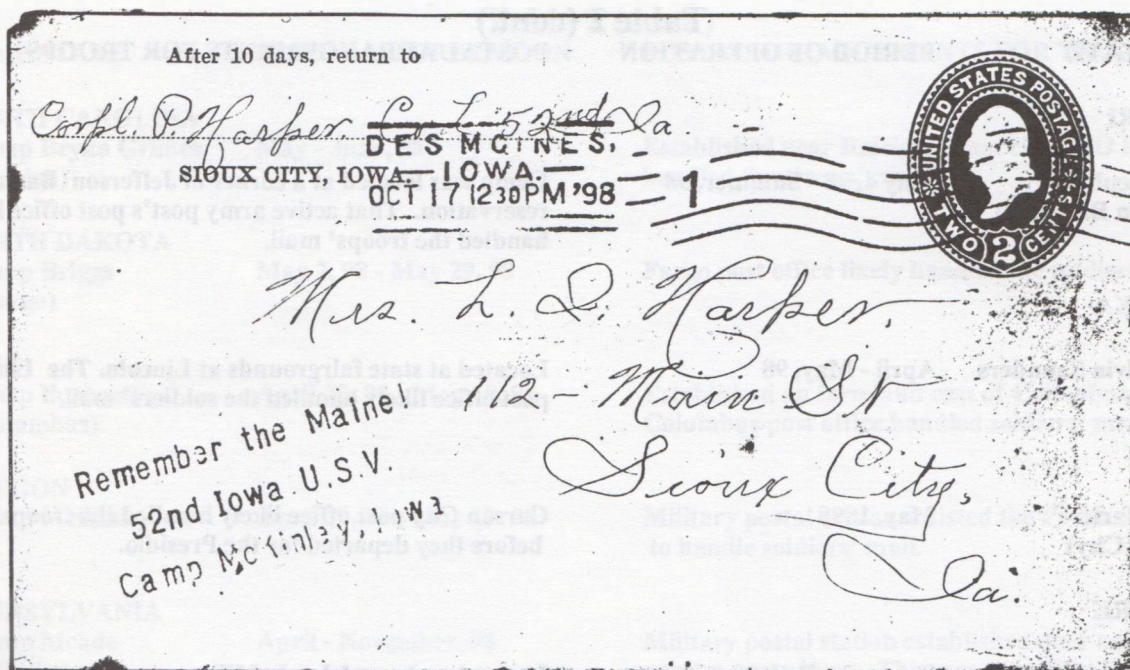


FIGURE 12. Letter from soldier of the 52nd Iowa Volunteer Infantry mailed at Camp McKinley in October, 1898. This is an example of a mobilization camp that was later manned as a demobilization center. Corporal Harper's letter talks about being billeted in barns while awaiting discharge.

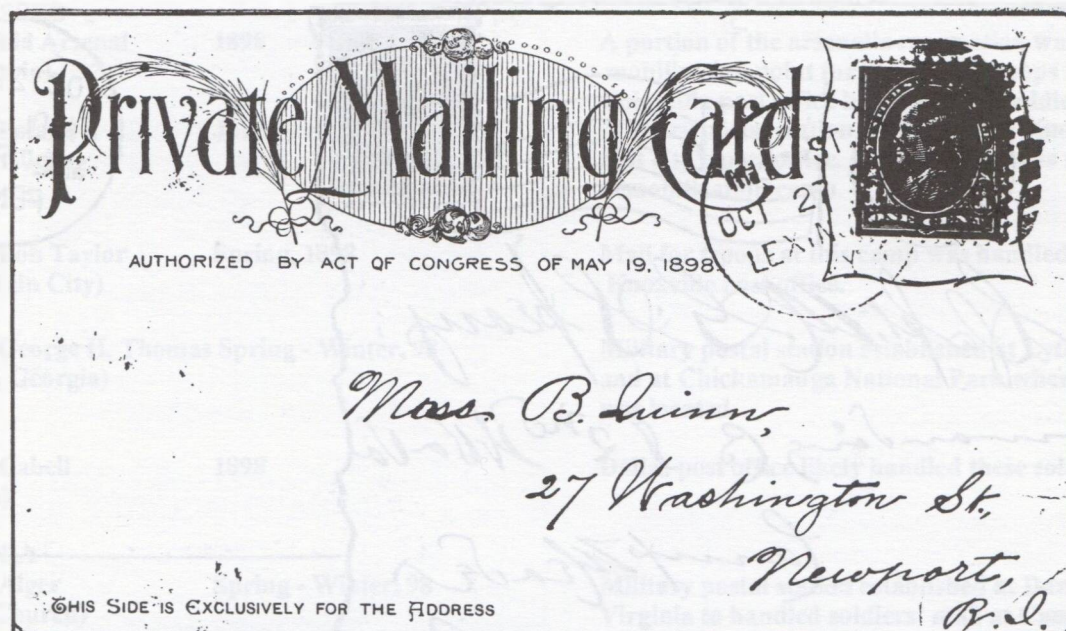


FIGURE 13. Private mailing card from an army nurse (female) mailed at the military postal station at Lexington, Kentucky, October, 1898. Note the distinctive, "MIL STA" which identifies mail from the military postal station at Lexington. A major hospital was located near Lexington, Kentucky.

Table 2 (cont.)

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
MISSOURI		
Camp Stephens (Jefferson Barracks)	May 4, 98 - Summer, 98	Camp was located at a corner of Jefferson Barracks reservation. That active army post's post office likely handled the troops' mail.
NEBRASKA		
Camp Alvin Saunders (Lincoln)	April - May, 98	Located at state fairgrounds at Lincoln. The Lincoln post office likely handled the soldiers' mail.
NEVADA		
Camp Clark (Carson City)	May, 1898	Carson City post office likely handled the troops' mail before they departed for the Presidio.
NEW YORK		
Camp Wikoff (Long Island)	Summer - Fall, 98	Located on Long Island. Military postal stations located in the New York City area likely assisted local post offices in the area.

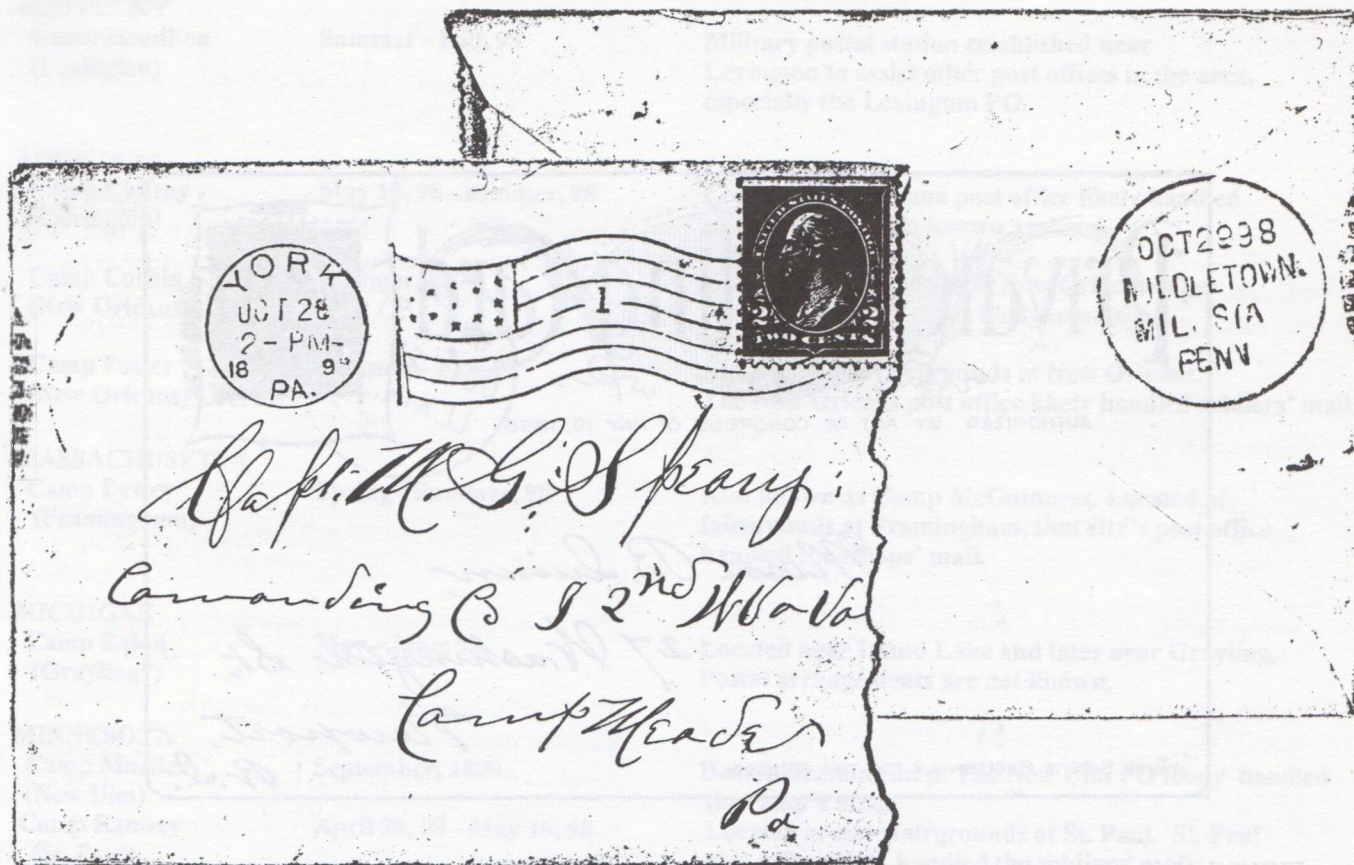


FIGURE 14. Front of cover addressed to an officer of an infantry unit from West Virginia encamped at Camp Meade, Pennsylvania, October, 1898. The back of the cover shows the Middletown, Pa. Military Station cancel used as a receiving marking. Several variations of this military station cancellation have been seen.

Table 2 (cont.)

CAMP/STATE	PERIOD OF OPERATION	POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TROOPS
NORTH CAROLINA Camp Bryan Grimes (Raleigh)	May - June, 98	Established near Raleigh. That city's PO likely handled the troops' mail.
NORTH DAKOTA Camp Briggs (Fargo)	May 2, 98 - May 29, 98	Fargo post office likely handled the soldiers' mail.
OHIO Camp Bushnell (Columbus)	April 29, 98 - May 18, 98	Established on farmland east of Columbus. The Columbus post office handled soldiers' mail.
OREGON Camp McKinley	April 29, 98 - May 19, 98	Military postal station assisted the Portland post office to handle soldiers' mail.
PENNSYLVANIA Camp Meade (Middletown)	April - November, 98	Military postal station established near camp to assist nearby post offices. This was one of the largest mobilization camps in the United States.
RHODE ISLAND Camp Dyer (Warwick)	May 7, 98 - Summer, 98	Warwick post office likely handled soldiers' mail.
SOUTH DAKOTA Camp Dewey (Sioux Falls)	May, 1898	Camp located near Sioux Falls and that post office likely handled the troops' mail.
TENNESSEE Columbia Arsenal (Columbia)	1898	A portion of the arsenal's reservation was used as a mobilization point for Tennessee troops in 1898. The Columbia post office handled these soldiers' mail.
Camp Poland (Knoxville)	June - Fall, 98	Military postal station established at Knoxville to assist that city's post office. Camp Poland was a major demobilization camp.
Camp Bob Taylor (Fountain City)	Spring, 1898	Mail for troops at this camp was handled by the Knoxville post office.
Camp George H. Thomas (Lytle, Georgia)	Spring - Winter, 98	Military postal station established at Lytle, Georgia, and at Chickamauga National Park where camp was located.
TEXAS Camp Cabell (Dallas)	1898	Dallas post office likely handled these soldiers' mail.
VIRGINIA Camp Alger (Falls Church)	Spring - Winter, 98	Military postal station established at Dunn Loring, Virginia to handle soldiers' mail at Camp Alger and to assist other post offices in the area.

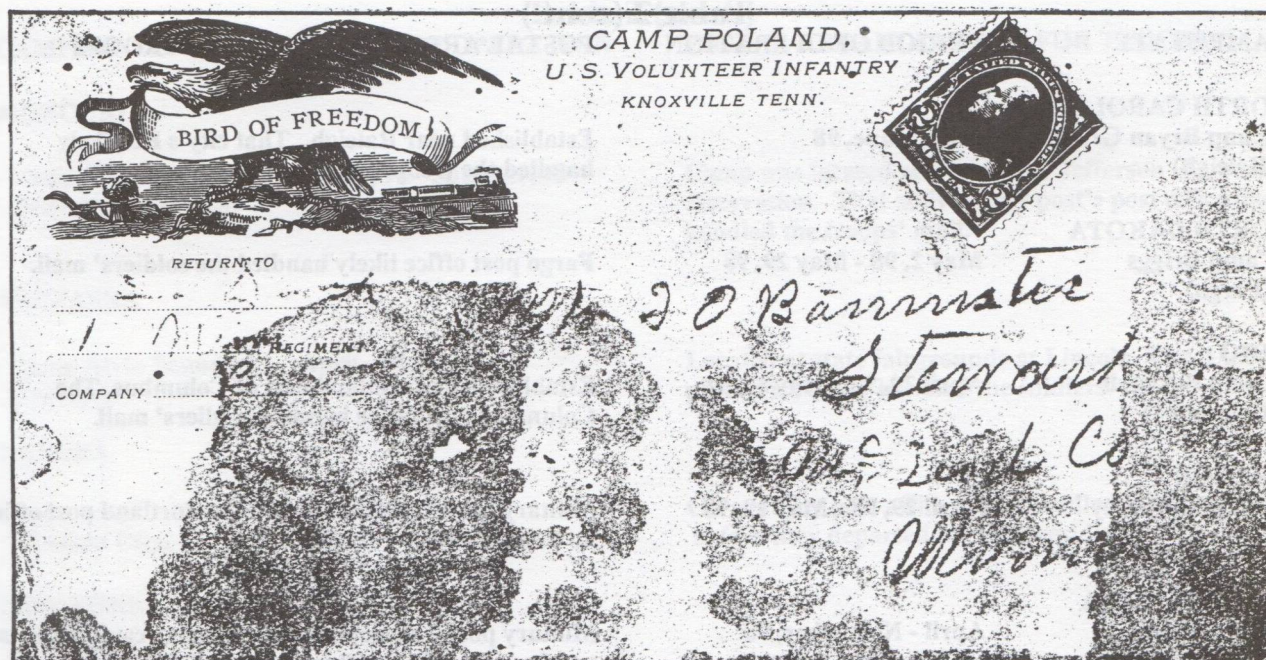


FIGURE 15. Letter sent from Minnesota soldier at Camp Poland, Knoxville, Tennessee, late summer of 1898. Camp Poland was a major demobilization center for eastern U.S. troops who did not go to either Cuba or Puerto Rico. The Knoxville post office handled mail for soldiers at this camp.

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THE POST OFFICES OF BRACKEN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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On December 14, 1796 the Kentucky General Assembly approved the formation of Kentucky's twenty third and twenty fourth counties -- Bracken, taken from parts of Mason and Campbell Counties, and Montgomery. Over the years Bracken lost territory to Pendleton and Robertson Counties and assumed its present 203 square mile area in 1882. It was named for two creeks -- Big and Little Bracken -- which honored William Bracken, a pioneer trapper, who had visited that area in 1773 and later settled on one of the creeks where he may have been killed by Indians.

As is true with Mason County, Bracken is drained by the Ohio River and the Licking's North Fork and their tributaries. Major branches of the Ohio are Holts, Willow, Snag and Little Snag, Locust, Turtle, and Bracken Creeks. North Fork streams include Willow and Willow Camp Creeks. Above Santa Fe, the North Fork forms Bracken's border with Robertson County.

Bracken's first county seat was at Augusta, just below the mouth of Bracken Creek (**Map 2**). From 1800 to 1802 the seat was at an indefinitely located place called *Oxford*. In 1839 it was officially and permanently moved to its present site, the centrally located Brooksville, 63 road miles north northeast of downtown Lexington and 52 miles southeast of downtown Covington.

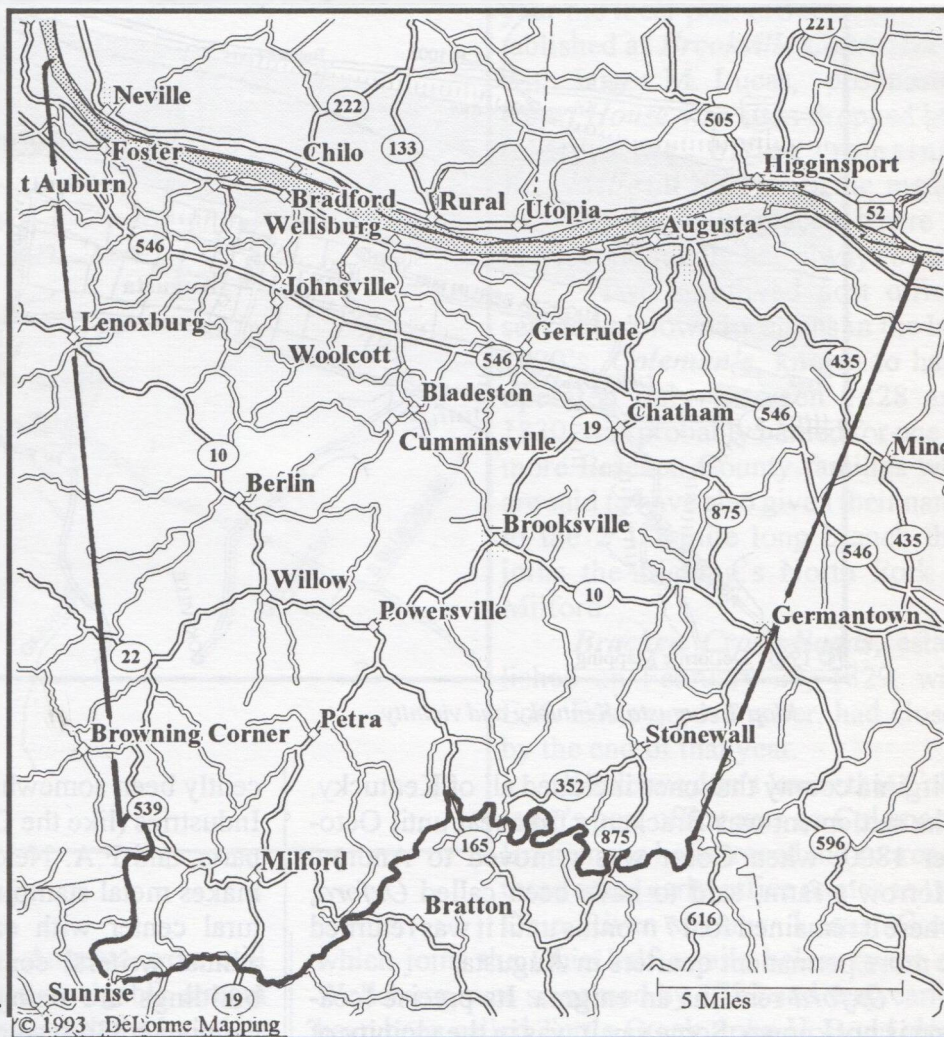
Bracken has been primarily an agricultural county. After the Civil War it became a major burley

tobacco producer and, for a while, was one of the country's leading wine producing counties. Still dominating the economy, agriculture is now being supplemented by tourism and some small industrial activity such as a plastics factory. Nearly 7,800 county residents were Counted in the 1990 Census.

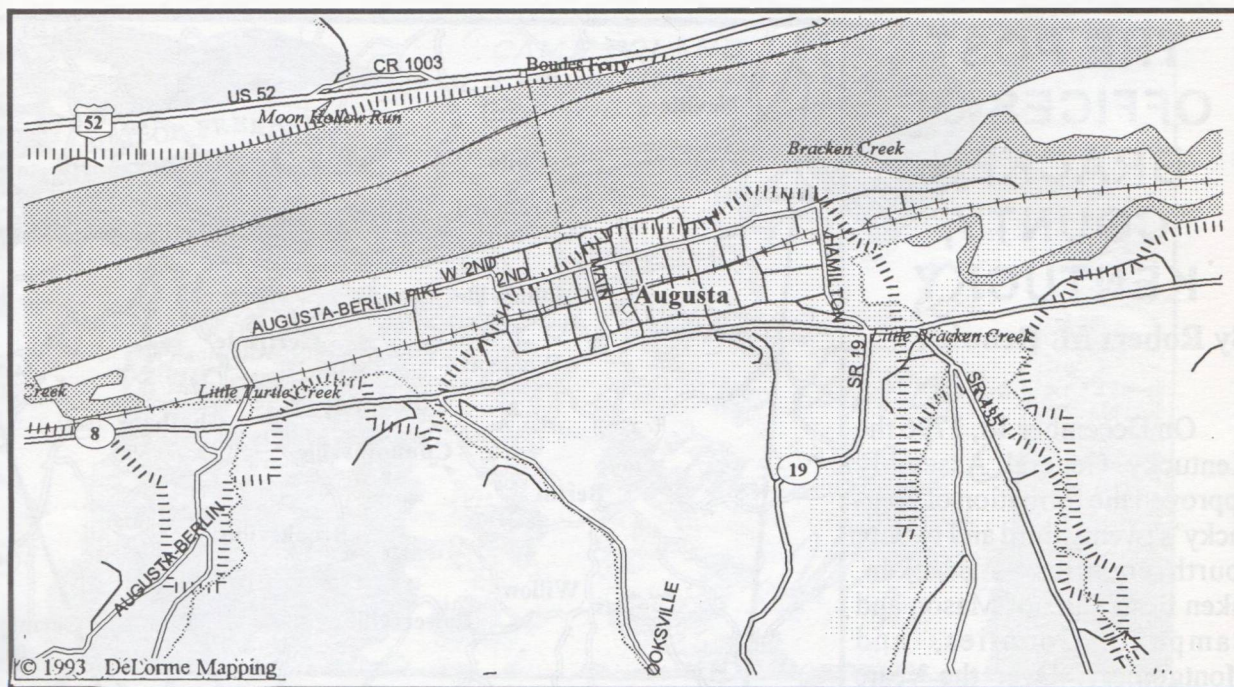
Post Offices

Post offices discussed below are located by road miles from the junction of Kentucky Highways 10 and 19 in downtown Brooksville.

The fourth class city of **Augusta**, Bracken's largest and earliest community, is on the Ohio River flood plain, 18 miles below Maysville and nine miles nne of Brooksville (**Map 2**). It was established in 1796-97 on 600 acres deeded by Capt. Philip Buckner and was probably named for the large



Map 1. Bracken County, Kentucky



Map 2. Augusta, Kentucky and vicinity.

Virginia county that once included all of Kentucky. The settlement was Bracken's first seat until October 1800, when Court was removed to Andrew Morrow's farm, said to have been called *Oxford*, where it remained for 17 months until it was returned to more permanent quarters in Augusta.

Oxford remains an enigma. Its precise location is not known. Some say it was in the vicinity of the old Rocky Point School. It may have been on Kentucky 10, near the Bluegrass Road, or it was one mile east of Brownsville. It is doubtful that it was ever actually a town. Moreover, no one knows why the court was moved there nor why its stay was so short. There is no evidence that it ever had its own post office, and if it did it was not called Oxford.

Augusta's post office was probably established on September 6, 1800 as *Augusta or Bracken Court House*¹ with William Brooks its first postmaster. Brooks was succeeded in January 1801 by Capt. Buckner's son William, one of the new town's leading citizens. The office may have closed before 1803 for there is no further record of its operation until 1805 when Nathaniel Patterson was appointed postmaster.

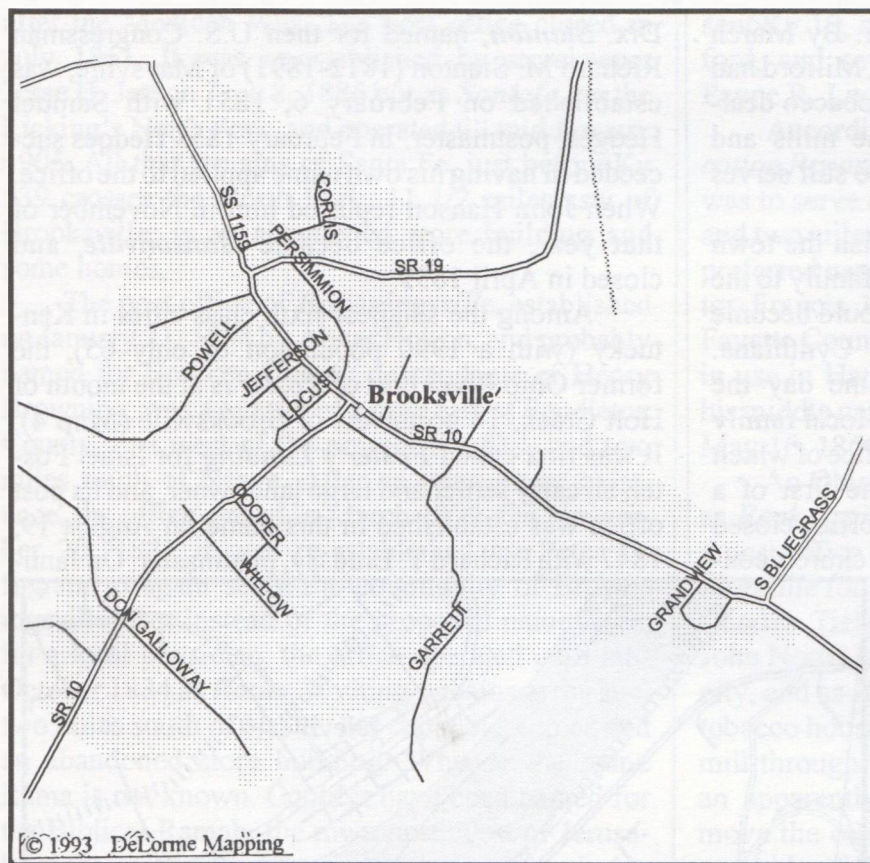
For most of the nineteenth century the town's economy was largely based on river traffic and, after the late 1880's, rail traffic. Its gradual decline throughout most of the twentieth century has re-

cently been somewhat offset by the arrival of a few Industries (like the Clopay Corp., makers of plastic parts, and F.A. Neider, an old company that now makes metal stampings), and its new role as a cultural center with crafts stores, galleries, and an annual writers' conference. Many of its historic buildings are being restored. The 1990 Census counted 1,336 residents.

Germantown is one of the few Kentucky cities that straddle a county line. This sixth class city with a 1990 population of 213 centers at the junction of Ky 10 and 875, just west of the Mason County line, and seven miles east of Brooksville. The town was laid out in 1794-95 by Whitfield Craig, *et al.*, on 320 acres then owned by Philemon Thomas and was incorporated on December 10, 1795. It is said to have been named for a group of Pennsylvania-Germans who had earlier settled at nearby *Buchanan's Station*.

The Germantown post office was established on the Mason County side of the line on December 8, 1817 with Ludwell Owings (?) as postmaster. In 1851 the office was moved to the Bracken County side, and for nearly a century it shifted between the two counties. It is now back in Bracken County to which most of its residents are now oriented.

Though Germantown was a fairly prosperous mill town and rural trade center with some 600



Map 3. Brooksville, Kentucky

residents when Maysville and Augusta were still only landings, its location off a navigable stream and its later failure to attract a railroad precluded its development. During World War One a patriotic effort to rename it *Maytown* was successfully blocked by local residents.

The fifth class city of *Brooksville* is one of Kentucky's smallest county seats with a 1990 population of only 670. It centers at the junction of Ky 10 and 19, roughly where the pioneer road between Augusta and Cynthiana crossed one of the old buffalo traces (Map 3). William and Joel Woodward arrived here from Germantown just before 1800, and the site was soon known as *Woodwards Crossroads*. This name was also given to the local post office that operated from 1825 to 1828.

This site's central location so appealed to many persons in the county that its seat was moved here from Augusta in 1833. But this move was not officially sanctioned by the Kentucky legislature until February 16, 1839. It was renamed then for David Brooks, the state representative who introduced the bill to authorize the transfer. On October 15 of that

year the local post office was re-established as *Brookville Court House* with James M. Lucas, postmaster. *Court House* was soon dropped but, oddly, the office remained *Brookville* till 1901 when the medial "s" was formally placed where in fact it colloquially had always been.²

Two shortlived post offices served unknown locations in the late 1820's. *Coleman's*, known to have operated only between 1828 and 1830, was probably named for one or more Bracken County families who are said to have also given their name to the 2 1/2 mile long branch that joins the Licking's North Fork at Milford.

Bracken Cross Roads, established on February 28, 1829, with E.K. Easley, postmaster, had closed by the end of that year.

While we don't know that *Coleman's* post office was on Coleman's Branch, we have traced the source of three other early office names to two Ohio River streams. Locust Creek

which joins the Ohio half a mile below (west of) Wellsburg, was so named by 1782 and may earlier have been called Turtle Creek. John H. Rudd alone operated the *Locust Grove* post office somewhere on its banks between April 1, 1830 and late January of the following year. On July 5, 1839 Jacob Stroube established the post office of *Locust Mills* 1 1/2 miles up the stream from its confluence and six miles from Brooksville.

Somewhere on Holt's Creek, which heads in Pendleton County and joins the Ohio at Foster, was the *Holt's Creek* post office. This operated between May 23, 1843 and mid August 1847 with Peter Demoss, its only postmaster. The stream was probably named for Joseph Holt who had acquired some 2,700 acres on the Ohio River in the mid 1780's.

The small mill village of *Milford* on Ky 10, just north of the Licking's North Fork, and 9 1/4 miles southwest of Brooksville, was founded in 1831 by John Ogdon, the co-owner of a local store. It was named for S.L. Snodgrass' water-powered grist mill and a ford that crossed the river at that site. The post office was established on December 1,

1832 with Daniel B. Ellis, postmaster. By March 1870, when the place was incorporated, Milford had five stores, several mills, two hotels, tobacco dealers, and a saddle-harness maker. The mills and hotels are gone but the local post office still serves several stores and other businesses.

Sometime after helping to establish the town of Augusta, Philip Buckner moved his family to the site of a future travelers inn on what would become the main road between Augusta and Cynthiana. Here, on December 1, 1832 (the same day the Milford post office was established), a local family gave its name to the *Powersville* post office of which E. H. Early and John Power were the first of a succession of postmasters. Though its office closed in late July 1904, several stores and a church continue to serve this community on Kentucky 19, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Brooksville.

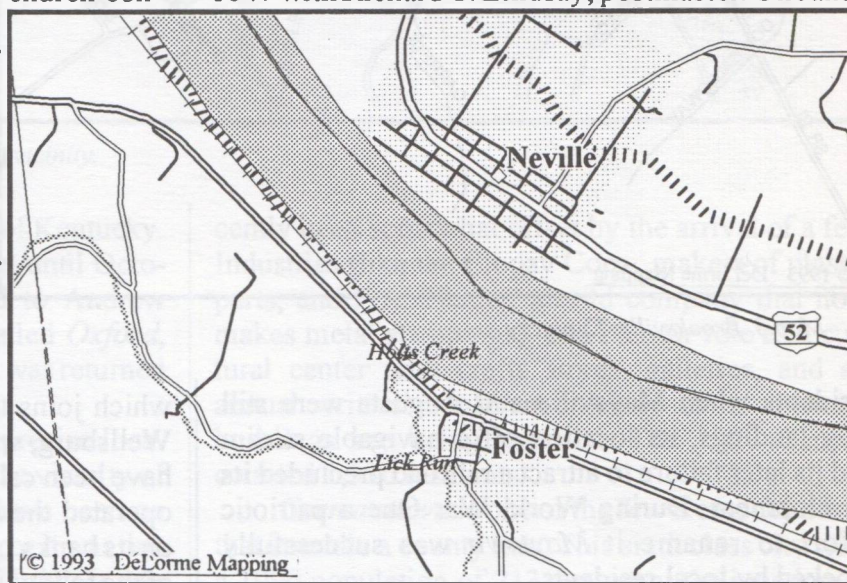
Only some homes and abandoned store buildings on Ky 10, 8 1/4 miles west of Brooksville, remain of the once busy rural trade center of *Berlin*. Named for the capital of the country of origin of some of its early residents, the town and its post office had a curious history.

The first post office to serve that area was *Pleasant Ridge*, established at an unknown site on November 13, 1837 with Richard M. Poe, postmaster. On February 11, 1859 it was moved to or simply renamed *Berlin* by Samuel B. Lennex (or Lennix or Lenox). In October of that year Lennex renamed it *Hagensville* for a local family. In two months it was again *Berlin*, but less than a year later it returned to *Hagensville*. It was back to *Berlin* in June 1865, then to *Hagensville* once more in December of that year, and back to *Berlin* again in September 1868. On March 15, 1869 the town was incorporated as Berlin and thus the post office retained that name till it closed in mid December 1913. The *Berlin* name is used exclusively now; *Hagensville* is all but forgotten; and *Pleasant Ridge* identifies only a Methodist church, 1 1/2 miles north.

Another pair of shortlived post offices also remain unlocated. *Dix's* was operated between January 17, 1840 and late August 1842 by William

Dix. Stanton, named for then U.S. Congressman Richard M. Stanton (1812-1891) of Maysville, was established on February 6, 1851 with Samuel Hedges, postmaster. In February 1853 Hedges succeeded in having his own name applied to the office. When John Hanson replaced him in November of that year, the office became *Hansonville*, and closed in April 1855.

Among the smallest sixth class cities in Kentucky (with a 1990 population of only 65), the former Ohio River port of *Foster* is at the mouth of Holt Creek, 14 northwest of Brooksville (Map 4). It was first called *Foster's Landing* for Israel Foster, an early settler and large landowner, and its post office was established in this name on August 19, 1847 with Richard T. Lindsay, postmaster. On Janu-



Map 4. Foster, Kentucky and Neville, Ohio.

ary 29, 1850 the office was renamed *Foster*, by which name the town was incorporated on the following day. For the rest of the century and especially with the coming of the Chesapeake & Ohio (C&O) Railroad in 1888, the town boasted tobacco warehouses, shoe and cigar factories, a bank, a hotel, a depot, and other businesses. Its post office, a store, and a small ceramics factory survive.

No one knows how Bracken County's *Santa Fe* got its name. Its post office opened on November 22, 1848, with Edward Artsman, postmaster, about the time several other such named places were established in other parts of the country, most referring to the city in that new territory ceded to the U.S.

after the Mexican War. The post office closed in July 1861. It was re-established by storekeeper Jesse H. Jett on June 8, 1886 but as *Santafe*, on the Licking's North Fork, and operated till mid January 1905. All that remains of Santa Fe, just before Ky 539 crosses the North Fork, 11 1/2 miles ssw of Brooksville, is an abandoned store building and some homes.

The post office of *Browningsville*, established on January 21, 1854 by Abner Holton, and probably named for Bracken County descendants of Henry Browning, was a quarter of a mile east of Pendleton County, just west of the present Ky 539, and two miles south of Neave. After an intermittent existence, the office closed in March 1879. On November 20, 1881 it was re-established by Peter G. Ingram to again serve the community of Browningsville. But instead of the proposed name *Rigg*, for a local physician, the office operated until mid October 1884 as *Rama*. Nothing remains at the site, two miles south of Neave, but some old homes and an abandoned store building. Whence the name Rama is not known. Could it have been named for the Biblical Ramah, the town northwest of Jerusalem, that earlier had been the place where Judge Deborah deliberated?

Was an early bridge over the North Fork of Licking, in the southeast corner of the county, the source of *Bridgeville*? This post office, established by James L. Hannah and operating between September 29, 1857 and late April 1861, and again from February 15, 1875 to July 1877, served several stores and a flour mill, 9 1/2 miles sse of Brooksville. Nothing is there now.

Now the site of little more than the Lenox Lumber Company, the former Ohio River landing and rail station of *Bradford* is eight rail miles below Augusta and 9 3/4 miles nnw of Brooksville. It was first called *Metcalfe's Landing*, probably for the local family of Franklin Metcalfe, and in this name its post office was established on April 22, 1863 with John T. Sullivan, postmaster. In February 1866 the community was incorporated as a town and named for Laban J. Bradford, a local businessman and town trustee. On April 2nd the post office also became *Bradford* and operated till 1956.³

Intermittently, from September 24, 1864 to mid July 1904, the inexplicably named *Petra* [pee/tree] post office served two stores on the pre-

sent Ky 19, midway between Powersville and Milford, and seven miles southwest of Brooksville. Payne R. Lucas was its first postmaster.

According to Henry Harmon Miller's *Site Location Report*, a post office he would call *Cleveland* was to serve an area some five miles north of Petra and two miles east of Kincade (*sic*) Creek. Since his preferred name, probably honoring then State Senator Francis L. Cleveland, was already in use in Fayette County, and his second choice, *Harlan*, was in use in Harlan County, Miller's post office took his middle name *Harmon*. He alone operated it from May 16, 1866 till sometime in 1870.

An Ohio River Landing and settlement known as *Rock Spring* since before the Civil war secured a post office on September 6, 1870. It was named *Tietzville* for its first postmaster, a local storekeeper Charles Tietz, Jr. In April 1884 then postmaster John Norris had the office renamed for the community, and as *Rockspring* it served several stores and tobacco houses, a brick factory, distillery, and sawmill through January 1910. Sometime after 1885 an apparently unsuccessful attempt was made to move the office over a mile east to a point on the east side of Wrangling Run. On all late nineteenth and twentieth century maps *Rockspring* is shown on the C&O railroad, 0.7 miles east of Wellsburg (Elmgrove), and eight miles north of Brooksville. There is nothing there now. The origin of Rockspring's name has not been explained.

I can not help wondering if those who named the *Mount Hor* post office, just south of the abandoned Belmont (Belle Mount) Baptist Church, two miles north of Santa Fe, and some nine miles southeast of Brooksville, could have intended it to be named for the Biblical Mount Horeb. According to the Rev. Isaac Taylor, in his *Words and Places*⁴, *Hor* as a name simply means "mountain." Curiously, though, the only *Hor* shown on modern maps is *Hor Dalmaj*, an Iraqi lake southeast of Baghdad, with *Hor* "meaning lake or marsh".

Anyway, Bracken County's *Mount Hor* post office operated between April 20, 1871 and mid July 1904 with the local druggist Jonathan W. Jacobs its only postmaster. All that remains at the site is the old church cemetery.

Chatham was a small village centered at the junction of the present Ky 19 and 875, four miles northeast of Brooksville. Its post office, operating from December 4, 1871 through June 1904, is said

to have been named by its first postmaster, William S. McKibben, for a town in Columbia County, New York. Only some homes and a couple of churches survive.

Bethesda, a shortlived post office that hardly anyone remembers, began on April 19, 1872 as **Hillsdale**, the present name of the road on which it was located. James W. Henderson and Nelson Byar were its only postmasters till it closed in mid July 1874. It was re-established on April 16, 1891 by Florence and John A. Armstrong, who had its name changed to **Bethesda** in April of the following year. It closed for good two years later. The office, just north of Ky 10, and five miles east of Brooksville, served an area of small plantations best known today as the boyhood home of John G. Fee, the co-founder of famed Berea College in Madison County. Whence Hillsdale and Bethesda is not known.

Another of Bracken's intercounty towns, **Lenoxburg**, straddles the Pendleton County line. Its post office, which started and ended in Bracken County, was established on July 14, 1874, with storekeeper William H. Landen as postmaster, and was probably named for Samuel B. Lenox, another local storekeeper. The town was incorporated in April 1882 and had a steam-powered flour mill, wagonmakers, and three general stores. Though the office closed in mid January 1906, the community on Ky 10, 12 3/4 miles wnw of Brooksville, still has its stores, one in Pendleton County.

On Rt. 1109, just north of the new Double A Highway, and eight miles northwest of Brooksville, was a Community once called **Fairview**. According to tradition, an early settler, William A. Yelton, named it for the fair view he had of the surrounding hills from the front door of his new home. When it came time to establish the local post office, postmaster-designate John W. Riley proposed the name **Jacksonville**, probably for John Jackson, a local resident. Learning that this name was unacceptable, he suggested instead **Johnsville** for himself, Jackson, and Johnson E. Yelton, a local storekeeper, who soon became the second postmaster. The office operated from April 11, 1879 through February 1906. By 1884, when it was incorporated as a town, the place had a tobacco warehouse, hotel, at least three general stores, wagonmakers, and the other usual village institutions. Only some homes survive

along with two nearby churches, one still preserving the **Fairview** name.

A local family of Neaves, descendants of Virginia-born pioneer Walter Neave or Neaves, gave its name to the post office established to serve a settlement first called **Holton's Corner** for an early storekeeper. According to postmaster-designate Robert Fishback's *Site Location Report*, the community was then called **Miller's Cross Roads** and this was the name first proposed for his office. Robert and his daughter Mary ran the **Neave** [neev] post office on the present Ky 22, 9 1/2 miles west of Brooksville, between December 2, 1879 and mid July 1906.

The community of **Willow** on Ky 10, six miles west of Brooksville, may have been named for the North Forks aptly named Yellow Willow Creek, one of whose branches heads just south. Its post office, though, was **Pearl**, named for descendants of John Pearl (1795/6-1878), and it operated between January 14, 1880 and August 1882 and from March 1887 till mid July 1904. Charles V. True was the first postmaster. Only an abandoned store building and the local church remain.

Three miles south of Ky 10 and five miles southeast of Brooksville was the old **Parina** post office that Albert H. McBeth established on August 2, 1880, and which operated till mid July 1906. Its name origin is not known though one may wonder from its pronunciation whether it referred to South America's second longest river on whose banks Argentina's capital once stood. It is also the name of one of Brazil's southern states.

The post office of **Bladeston** on the present Rt. 1159, 3 1/2 miles nnw of Brooksville, was established on February 8, 1884 with William W. Dean, postmaster, to serve the community of **Great Crossing**.⁵ The office closed in November 1886, but was re-established in March 1891 by John William Dean. To serve a mill and the newly opened rail spur between Brooksville and the Ohio River, Dean, in January 1901, had the office moved half a mile southwest where it took the name **Cumminsville** and operated 'till 1933. The two post offices were named for local families. The Bladeses were descended from Zadock Blades (1776-ca.1844), a Daver area pioneer. Little remains at either site: there are only three homes at Cumminsville, and only the Concord Church and several homes survive at Bladeston.

Belcourt and *Waelder* were the names given to a small village and its post office that may have been at what is shown on contemporary maps as *Stonewall*. The office was established as Belcourt on February 10, 1890 in place of the preferred name *Collins* for postmaster-designate George W. Collins. In October of that year Collins was succeeded by Mamas J. Griffith who continued as postmaster through November of the following year. On February 4, 1901 Griffith re-established the office, intending to call it *McKinley*. Since this name was in use in McLean County and *Belcourt* by then had been applied to an office in Webster County, he called his office *Waelder* instead. It closed in late November 1903. The derivations of Belcourt and Waelder are not known⁶

Two more post offices served C&O stations just south of the Ohio River. One, *Elmgrove*, established on April 4, 1890, with William Grgeory Hall, postmaster, served the village and station of *Wellsburg*. Now only some homes mark the site just south of the junction of Ky 8 and 1159, 7 1/2 miles north of Brooksville. *Elmgrove* may have been aptly named, while *Wellsburg* was probably named for the local descendants of Francis Wells, one of the countys first justices and an early Augusta trustee.

The Wellsburg site is 0.3 miles east of *Wellsburg Junction* to which the ten mile long Brooksville and Wellsburg Railroad was completed in 1897 to join the C&O, providing a rail outlet to Brooksville merchants. After an unglorious career, this line was abandoned in 1931.

The other post office and C&O station on the river was the aptly named *Willowgrove* at the site of an early landing at the mouth of Snag Creek. It operated from February 20, 1891 through February 1910. D. Caarroll Thomas was its first postmaster.

From March 25, 1891 to late March 1906, James Weatherington and George O'Neal ran the inexplicably named *Gertrude* post office at the junction of the Augusta-Berlin and Locust Ridge Roads, five miles north of Brooksville.

Champ T. Morris, a grocer and justice of the peace, and his wife Cornelia M., a milliner, ran the post office of *Morris* at or near the site of the present Western Hills Elementary School on Ky 10, 9 3/4 miles wnw of Brooksville. The office opened on November 18, 1893 and closed in mid July 1904.

Bracken's last established post office, *Walcott*, served a store and *Murray's Station* (on the Brooksville and Wellsburg line) from June 26, 1901 till October 1922. This early settlement of Murray's may first have been called *Cedar Fork* for its site just above the mouth of this Locust Creek branch that is now known as Goose Creek. Early in the nineteenth century the Murray progenitor, James Hugh Murray, built his familys home, a store, and a mill on land he had acquired from Philip Buckner in 1797. Nearby is Kentuckys oldest extant covered bridge, a 74 foot long wooden structure built in 1824 that spans Locust Creek, 4 1/2 miles nnw of Brooksville.

According to local tradition, the first postmaster Stephen H. Thomas had intended to name his office *Woolcott* for a town in England he had heard about, but for some reason it was spelled *Walcott*. In recent years this error was acknowledged, with published maps giving the intended spelling.

In 1954 the Walcott (or White) Bridge was closed to traffic with the rerouting of Ky 1159 and the building of a new concrete structure over Lccust Creek. The bridge, one of only thirteen covered bridges still standing in Kentucky, is now the center of a modest park. A small grocery is at the south side of the new Double A Highway that, to the disgruntlement of Murray's descendants, splits this old community.

Five of Bracken's 36 post offices (Augusta, Brooksville, Germantown, Foster, and Milford) are active, the first four serving still incorporated towns. Eleven offices were the foci of villages that once existed but do no longer, though most still serve a rural church and a store or two.

Local area people accounted for fourteen post office names. Five offices were named for distant places, while to three were transferred the names of nearby features (a grove, a creek, and one or two mills). One office was named for the county. Two had geographic or descriptive names, and one had a name that may have been derived from a local feature (a bridge). Another referred to a local activity. The origins of nine office names have not yet been derived. Seven offices have not been precisely located.

Seven offices have names that were not originally proposed for them. Six served communities with other names. Nine had name-changes.

FOOTNOTES

¹The post offices of many of Kentucky's early county seats were officially given these dual names while other offices were merely unofficially referred to by the county names in addenda. In either case this generally lasted only a few years until the one word town name became the post offices only name.

²It was not until November 6, 1912 that the U.S. Board on Geographic Names officially authorized the Brooksville spelling.

³The Bradfords were a prominent Bracken County family whose progenitor, the English-born William, came to the county in 1791 and served as sheriff and magistrate until his death in 1830. His son Laban J. and grandson Alexander Jewell later represented the county in the Kentucky legislature. Laban's brother, Joshua Taylor, was a noted Kentucky physician.

⁴*Words and Places or Etymological Illustrations of History, Ethnology, and Geography*, London: George Routledge & Sons, Ltd., 1909, P. 337.

⁵This community was identified as Grand Crossing in the 1884 *Lake Atlas*.

⁶*Waelder* also identifies a small community in Gonzales County, Texas, between Houston and San Antonio.

⁷Plans to extend the line to West Liberty as the Cincinnati and Licking River Railroad Company never materialized. The line went into receivership in 1917 and was re-incorporated two years later as the Brooksville and Ohio River Railroad.

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NON-STANDARD POSTMARKING AND CANCELING DEVICES FROM 1900 TO DATE

Part 32 - Catalog Section - New Discoveries, Type F

By Randy Stehle and Doug DeRoest

This installment shows newly reported Type F (circular date date) markings, and will conclude the presentation of newly reported markings begun in Part 31 (*La Posta* 27/3, July 1996). In our next article we shall begin the presentation of Type G (horizontal bar killer) markings and include examples that range from a simple 2-bar design up to devices that boast 17 and even 18 bars!

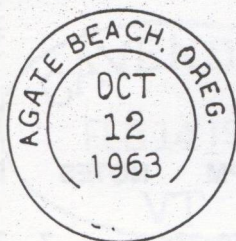
The term *circular date stamp*, as used in this series, refers more to the lack of any killer than to the exact shape of the postmark. This installment reports three post offices that used *oval* postmarks: Cavendish, VT (F-835); Ellsworth, NH (F-1605) and Plumas Junction, CA (F-4145). One postmark is just a rectangle -- Grand Central Sta. No. 1 of Santa Ana, CA (F-2065), while another is entirely rimless -- Palisades Park, MI (F-3945).

Since the last installment, four months ago, the number of non-standard markings has risen to 3,708. This represents an increase of 57, which is over 50% more than the average number of new reports per month (8 or 9) that we have been experiencing over the last year. On the surface this appears to show a fairly large jump in the number of new reports, in reality there is another factor at play. While researching the Doane mimic article for the September 1996 *La Posta* (27/4, pp. 9-16), a number of new reports came to light. These new Doane mimics accounted for 15 of the 57 new discoveries, and without them our new finds averaged only about 10 per month-- only a slight increase over the recent average.

Please send any new reports or date extensions to Randy Stehle, 16 Iris Court, San Mateo, CA 94401.

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F- 76	AIR MAIL FIELD IL		09 MAR 1935		30X20	3	1
F- 78	AIRLIE OR	1882/1943	30 OCT 1899	25 JAN 1900	30		2
F- 115	ALEXANDER NV	1895-1901	22 DEC 1898	04 JAN 1900	31.5		8
F- 135	ALMOND WI	1850-	08 APR 1909		30x20		2
F- 175	AMF MO		15 JUL 1994		31		1
F- 165	ANDERSON CA	1878-	07 MAR 1967		30x20	4	1
F- 245	ARMSTRONG IN	1878-1957	19 NOV 1907		31x21		2
F- 247	ARNOLDS PARK IA	1888/-	10 AUG 1917	22 AUG 1917	32		2
F- 405	BARNARD IN	1880-1912	09 FEB 1909		30.5		2
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F- 435	BATH BEACH STA. NY	1898-	01 FEB 1995		34		1
F- 485	BERNER GA	1896-1957	15 OCT 1910	02 MAY 1911	31		2
F- 535	BLAND NM	1894-1935	13 NOV 1899	13 APR 1900	24		4
F-575	BREMERTON WA	1892-	13 APR 1949		30x19.5	5	1
F- 577	BRENFORD DE	1866-1929	31 MAR 1903		29	1	3
F- 595	BRISTOL CENTER NY	1893-1972	30 MAR 1923		32		2
F- 645	BURNSIDE IL	1868-	08 JUL 1908		28.5		2
F- 655	BURNSVILLE AL	1841/1956	24 JUN 1910		31		2
F- 665	BURNT RANCH CA	1858/-	20 MAR 1911		33x31		2
F- 705	CABIN CREEK WW	1918-	22 DEC 1918		34		2
F- 800	CARONDELET STA. MO		07 SEP 1948		29x19	5	2
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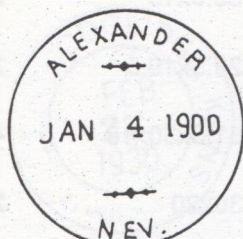
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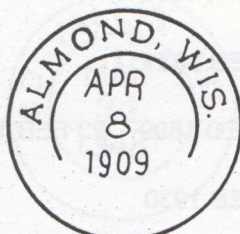
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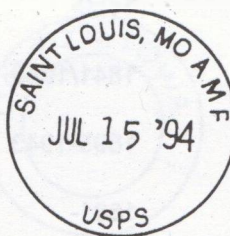
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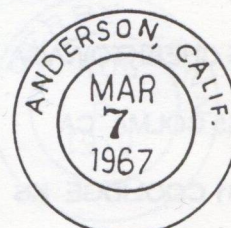
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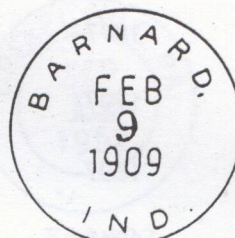
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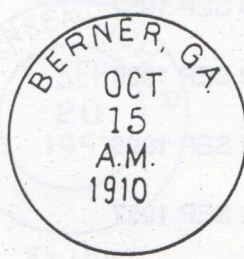
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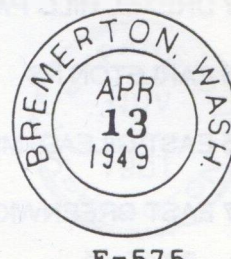
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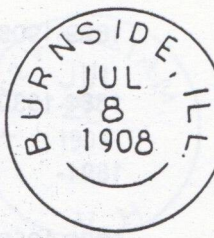
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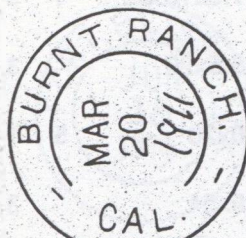
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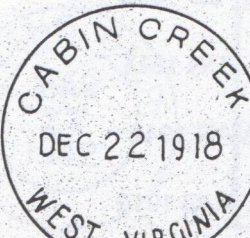
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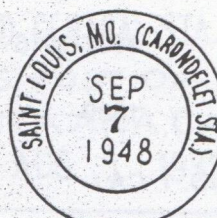
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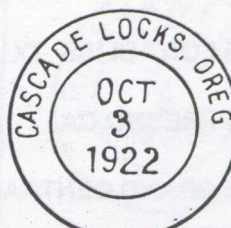
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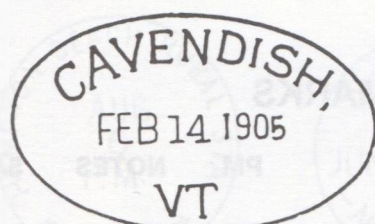
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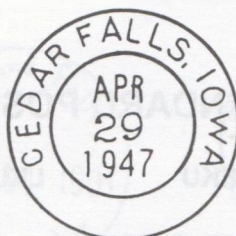
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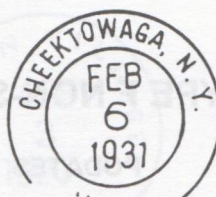
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F- 16ff	FAIRVIEW NM	1881-1930	01 NOV 1895	29 DEC 1905	31		3
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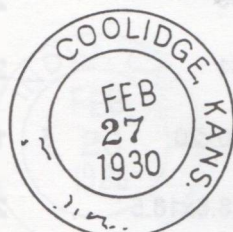
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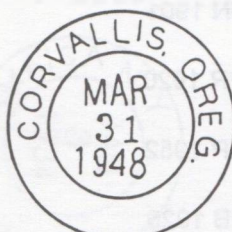
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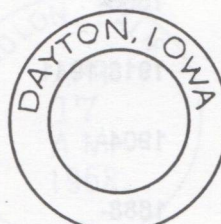
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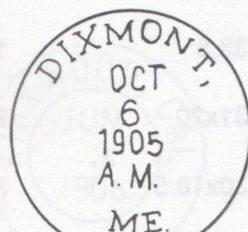
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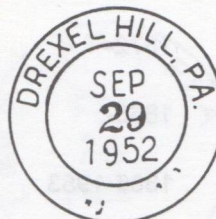
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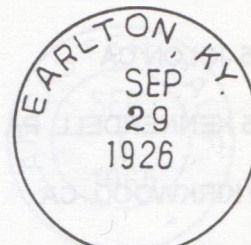
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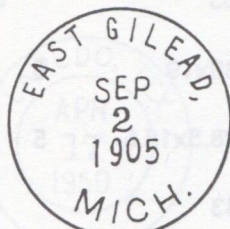
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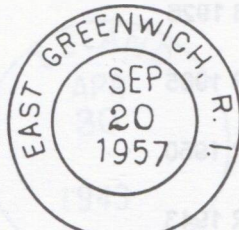
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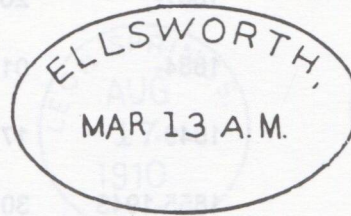
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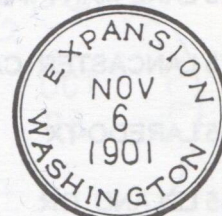
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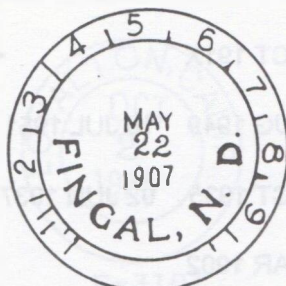
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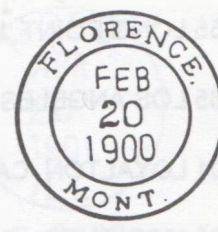
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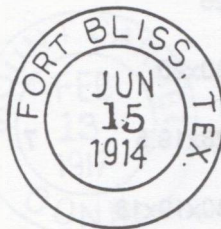
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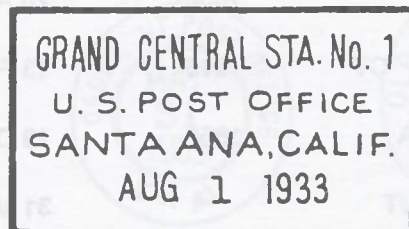
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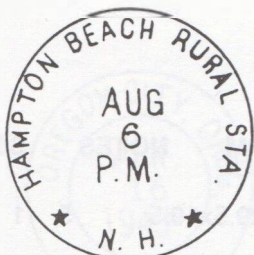
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F- 2235	HAMPTON BEACH R.S. NH	1907-	06 AUG 191X		33		1
F- 2365	HIGHLAND FALLS NY	1866-	14 JUN 1901		30		2
F- 2395	HILTON VILLAGE VA	1918-1941	03 APR 1920		31		2
F- 2405	HOMESTEAD FL	1904-	27 SEP 1952		30x20	5	1
F- 2485	INDIO CA	1888-	20 FEB 1926		28.5x18.5		2
F.- 2555	JAMAICA NY	1794-	03 JAN 1934		29X19	7	1
F.- 2595	JOLON CA	1872-	17 APR 1968		33.5		1
F.- 2685	KENNERDELL PA	1865-	?? AUG 1910		31x20		2
F- 2749	KIRKWOOD CA	1886-1953	24 SEP 1898	22 JUN 1906	30x18.5		3
F- 2775	KNOWLES OK	1907-	05 MAY 1920		31x20.5		2
F- 2845	LAKE MARY FL	1887-	26 FEB 1926		33		2
F- 2875	LANCASTER CA	1884-	01 SEP 1965		30x19	5	1
F- 2815	LAREDO TX	1849-	17 APR 1950		28.5x18.5	5	1
F- 2945	LELAND OR	1855-1943	30 APR 1943		33		1
F- 2955	LEON SPRINGS TX	1857-1918	17 AUG 1910	27 AUG 1910	28		2
F- 3055	LONG POINT IL	1847-	28 OCT 191X		34		2
F- 3065	LOS ANGELES CA	1850-	29 AUG 1949	16 JUL 1951	30x20	5	1
F- 3101	LOYALTON CA	1864-	02 OCT 1935	02 JUN 1937	29x19		2
F- 3485	MORICHES NY	1802-	21 MAR 1902		29	1	2
F- 2499	MORO IL	1856-	20 APR 1901		26		2
F- 3515	MOUNT CARMEL CT	1915-	13 FEB 1917		30x20		2
F- 3629	NEVADA CITY CA	1850-	19 DEC 1923		28x19.5	7	1
F- 3835	OGDEN/STA #3 UT		31 MAY 1985		30x19x18		1
F- 3860	OLD WASHINGTON OH	1911-	13 JAN 1916	12 OCT 1916	32	2	2



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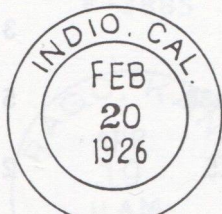
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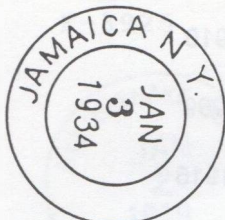
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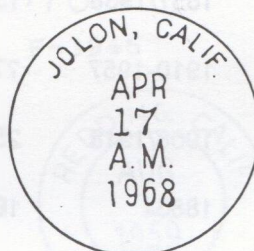
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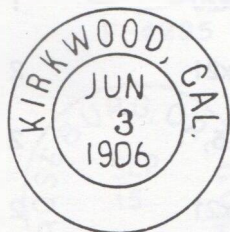
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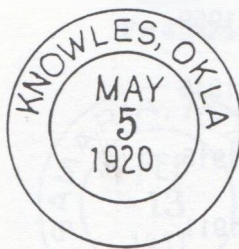
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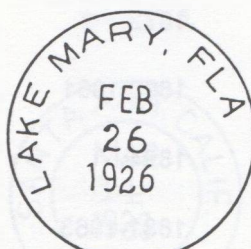
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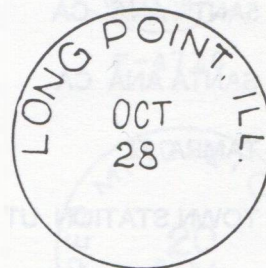
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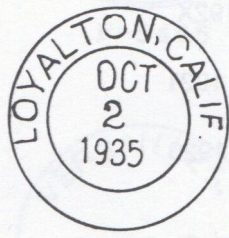
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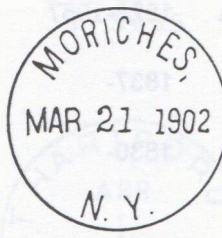
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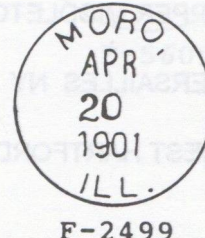
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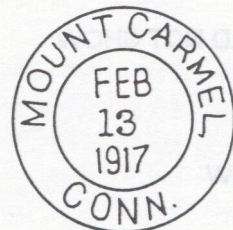
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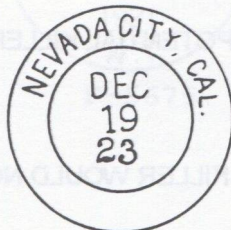
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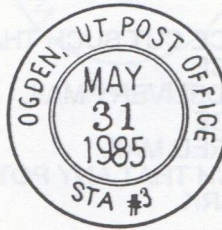
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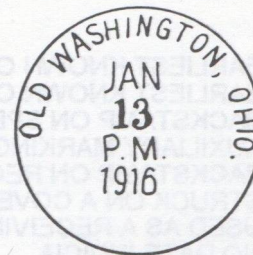
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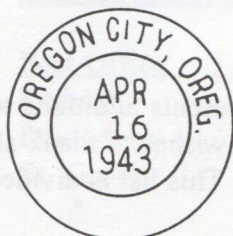
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F- 3925	OZARK OH	1857/1938	13 DEC 1907		30.5x28	7	3
F- 3945	PALISADES PARK MI	1910-1957	?? ??? 1910		32		3
F- 4145	PLUMAS JUNCTION CA	1908/1918	25 JUL 1909		44x30		5
F- 4285	RAGO KS	1883-	19 APR 1916		32.5		2
F- 4305	RATTLESNAKE BUTTES CO	1918-1938	02 JAN 1919		30	6	3
F- 4341	REDDING CA	1872-	11 AUG 1959		31x20		1
F- 4405	RIVERTON OR	1890/1961	31 DEC 1945		30x21		2
F- 4525	ROSEBURG OR	1894-	25 SEP 1915		30.5		2
F- 4685	SAMARIA ID	1881-1963	13 FEB 1911		31x21		2
F- 4725	SANTA ANA CA	1870-	14 MAR 1933		30x20		1
F- 4726	SANTA ANA CA	1870-	?? ??? 194X		32x19	9	2
F- 5325	TAMPA FL	1834-	18 APR 1950	2	8.5x18.5	5	1
F- 5445	TOWN STATION UT	1977-	23 OCT 1978		31X29x20		1
F- 5455	TRACY MN	1877-	?? JUL 1909		27		2
F- 5605	UPPER MIDDLETOWN PA	1828-1957	20 ??? 192X		32		2
F- 5675	VERSAILLES NY	1837-	18 AUG 1921		32		2
F- 5855	WEST HARTFORD VT	1830-	01 APR 1920		32		2

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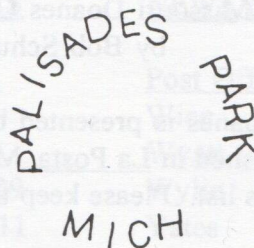
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- 4 AUXILIARY MARKING USAGE
- 5 BACKSTAMP ON REGISTERED MAIL
- 6 STRUCK ON A COVER SUCH THAT ANY POTENTIAL KILLER WOULD NOT SHOW
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- 8 NO DATE INDICIA
- 9 USED TO CANCEL A POSTAGE DUE STAMP



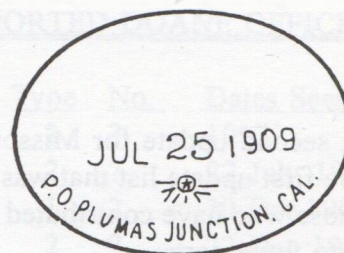
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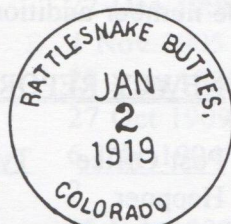
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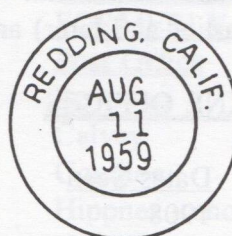
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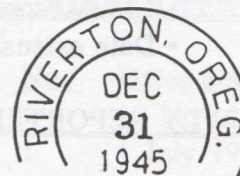
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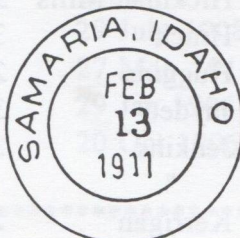
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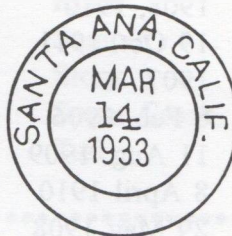
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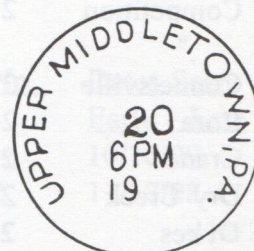
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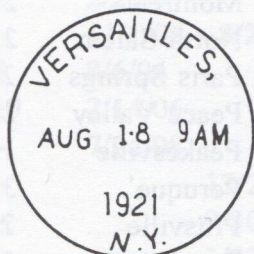
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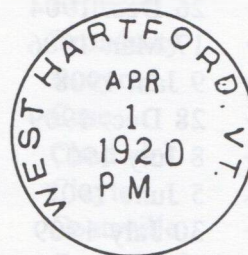
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Missouri Doanes Update - 2
by Bob Schultz

A second update for Missouri Doanes is presented below. This update represents additions to the first update list that was published in La Posta, March, 1994. The author wishes to thank all those who have contributed to this list. Please keep the information coming! This list is divided into three parts:

- Newly reported Doane offices (79)
- Newly reported Doane offices that were "NYR" (not yet reported) in the list (11)
- Date extensions (earlier and later) and type number additions and changes.(171)

NEWLY REPORTED DOANE OFFICES

<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Dates Seen</u>
Arrol	2	?	1908
Aurora Springs	1	3	1 May 1909
Beulah	2	1	?
Birdsong	3	1	1908, 1910
Black	3	1	19 Oct. 1911
Bronaugh	3	?	1907
Browns Station	3	3	8 Feb. 1906
Brunot	2	2	11 Aug. 1909
"			8 April 1910
Busch	3	1	29 May 1908
Carlow	2	1	1908
Catawissa	1	3	1907
Competition	2	?	21 July 1906
"			27 Jan 1908
Connelsville	3	?	20 Nov. 1907
Cora	2	?	30 April 1907
Crane	2	?	12 June 1907
Dry Creek	2	1	30 June 1911
Dykes	2	1	1907
Flemington	3	3	10 June 1910
Franks	3	4	1 Dec. 1911
Gideon	2	2	26 Dec. 1904
"			17 Mar. 1906
Glover	2	?	9 Jan. 1908
Goodhope	1	?	28 Dec. 1909
Goodwater	2	?	8 July 1907
Gravelhill	3	1	5 June 1907
Grandview	3	2	30 July 1909
Greeley	3	1	1908
Halfway	3	3	20 June 1912
Hattie	3	1	1908
Hazelrun	2	1	31 July 1907

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<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Dates Seen</u>
Heppner	3	1	2 Oct 1909
"			10 Oct 1912
Hercules	2	1	18 Mar. 1909
Hickman Mills	3	4	21 Aug 1908
Hinch	3	2	22-23 May 1910
Huggins	2	2	1908
Jaydee	3	1	24 April 1909
Jenkins	3	3	23 Nov 1909
"			12 Feb 1910
Kerrigan	2	?	8 Nov 1934
Langdon	2	?	24 Dec 1907
Lebo	2	1	11 July 1906
Lentner	2	4	8 Feb. 1907
"			22 Feb. 1910
Lively	3	1	1910
Lonedell	2	2	4 April 1907
Mahan	3	1	1909
Manes	2	2	24 June 1908
McKinley	2	?	4 Jan. 1909
Milton	2	1	1907
Molino	1	2	25 Nov. 1907
Montreal	2	3	16 Dec. 1907
North Salem	2	3	1909
Paris Springs	2	1	1909
Peace Valley	2	2	19 Dec 1910
Peakesville	1	1	25 May 1903
Peruque	3	2	7 Sept 1907
Pittsville	2	?	1908
Potsdam	2	2	31 July 1908
Proctor	3	2	30 Dec 1933
"	3	2	30 Dec 1938
Rector	2	1?	10 Jan 1911

NEWLY REPORTED DOANE OFFICES

<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Dates Seen</u>
Redman	2	1	1906
Roubidoux	2	1	1908
St. George	2	1	24 Dec 1909
"			11 Nov 1911
St. Marys	3	7	1907
Sanford	2	?	12 Aug 1905
Spring Garden	3	4	22 Dec 1908
Steele	2	?	4 Nov 1905
Stotesbury	3	?	23 Aug 1908
Success	2	1	27 Oct 1909
Sweden	2	1	6 July 1904
Sycamore	2	?	?
Timber	2	1	15 Feb 1908
Tindall	3	3	7 Sept 1911
Waco	2	2	1909
Walnut	2	1	29 July 1908
"			27 Mar. 1913
Wanda	2	2	29 Jan 1904
Westville	2	2	20 Oct 1906

NEWLY REPORTED DOANE OFFICES

<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Dates Seen</u>
Wien	2	3	1907
Wyatt	2	?	22 July 1907
Wylie	1	2	30 Oct 1908
Yates	2	?	22 Dec 1908
Youngers	2	1	8 Feb 1906

NEWLY REPORTED DOANE OFFICESFORMERLY "NYR"

<u>Post Office</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Dates Seen</u>
Bowman	3	1	13 Nov 1908
Calvey	2	1	1 July 1904
Goodloe	3	1	13 Jan 1908
Hippner - should be Heppner.			See above.
Holman	1	1	16 Oct 1907
Kinderpost	3	1	3 Jan 1910
Risco	1	1	29 May 1907
Sample	3	1	1908
Story	2	1	25 Mar 1909
Sugar Creek	2	1	10 June 1907
Taft	2	1	4 July 1908

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			<u>Early - Late</u>				<u>Early - Late</u>
Aid	--	--	2/12/08 - 1911	Biehle	--	--	10/16/09 -
Alexandria	--	--	5/2/06 -	Birmingham	3	2	11/17/08 -
Altenburg	--	--	12/22/06 -	Boles	--	--	- 12/25/09
Anglum	--	--	6/18/06 -	Boyer	--	--	- 7/8/09
Appleton	--	--	- 10/8/12	Brays	--	2	2/10/09 - 6/12/12
Arkoe	--	--	2/27/07 -	Brimson	--	--	- 3/25/13
Athens	--	--	11/1/06 - 8/2/10	Broadway	--	--	12/25/07 -
Ava	2	8	8/6/04	Bucyrus	--	--	1908
Ava	3	10	2/14/06 -	Case	--	--	8/11/06 -
Avert	--	--	7/24/08	Chadwick	--	--	- 5/30/08
Barnhart	--	--	- 12/23/09	Clayton	2	1	- 7/11/08
Barnumton	--	--	- 9/30/07	Coatsville	--	--	- 11/17/10
Beaufort	--	--	- 1/23/07	Cook Station	--	--	- 4/21/09
Bedison	--	--	- 12/26/09	Cooper Hill	--	--	11/12/03 -
Benton City	--	--	3/27/07 -	Cooter	--	--	- 4/8/09
Bethel	--	--	- 11/22/10	Cottbus	--	--	- 1/9/10

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Crystal City	--	--	8/6/06 -	Huron	--	--	- 1911
Curzon	--	--	- 1911	Huzzah	--	--	4/24/09 -
Danby	--	--	- 9/3/12	Iconium	--	--	- 12/18/11
Davisville	--	--	4/4/08 -	Inza	--	--	- 4/14/10
Dawn	--	--	5/16/05	Isbell Station	--	--	7/7/08 -
Dittmer	--	--	- 4/10/09	Keener	2	1	- 6/17/10
Downing	--	--	11/18/07 - 12/22/10	Kinserlow	--	--	- 8/19/11
Duenweg	--	--	- 4/15/11	Koenig	--	--	6/15/08 -
Dunnegan	--	--	8/20/07 -	Larussel	--	--	8/19/07 -
Edwards	--	--	1907	Latham	--	--	7/10/08 - 10/4/11
Elwood	--	--	- 5/9/07	Leasburg	--	--	- 10/11/07
Emma	--	--	3/26/-7 -	Lecoma	--	--	- 1/13/10
Esther	--	--	10/2/08 -	Lemonville	--	--	3/5/08 -
Fairplay	--	--	2/13/08 -	Livonia	--	--	10/30/07 -
Fenton	--	--	12/30/07 -	Lois	3	1	8/13/06 -
Fisk	--	--	2/20/07 - 10/26/12	Lone Jack	--	--	1/6/08 -
Florissant	--	--	- 2/13/12	Long Lane	--	--	4/13/08 -
Fornfelt	--	--	- 3/4/09	Loring	--	--	12/20/07 -
Fortescue	--	--	7/6/07 -	Luebbering	--	--	11/7/05 -
Fowler	--	--	- 12/16/11	Macomb	--	--	1910
Frazer	--	--	- 1/25/11	Manchester	2	1	- 10/23/07
Friedheim	--	--	- 1/5/15	March	--	--	- 5/18/11
Fruitland	--	--	- 1/15/08	Marion	--	--	4/21/08 - 2/17/11
Gasconade	--	--	4/2/07 - 1909	Marquand	--	--	8/5/08 - 3/7/11
Gentry	2	5	- 8/25/09	McBaine	--	--	- 2/12/12
Gifford	--	--	8/10/07 -	Medoc	--	--	- 12/30/12
Gladstone	--	--	9/3/10 -	Menfro	--	--	4/9/09 -
Goodland	--	--	11/6/07 -	Meta	--	--	12/22/07 -
Goodman	--	--	11/22/06 -	Millgrove	--	--	- 12/11/09
Greentop	--	--	7/7/08 -	Millspring	--	--	1907
Halcyon	--	--	12/10/04 -	Moody	--	--	6/24/08 -
Halls	--	--	- 2/7/11	Morrellton	--	--	- 12/9/10
Harriston	1	1	--	Mount Moriah	--	--	12/6/07 -
Hastain	--	--	- 6/18/09	Napier	--	--	- 6/16/10
Hendrickson	--	--	- 6/21/09	Nashua	--	--	11/6/08 -
Hollister	3	2	8/4/08 -	Naylor	--	--	4/11/08 -
Holmes Park	--	--	2/25/08 -	Nelsonville	--	--	11/6/08 -
Holts Summit	--	--	- 10/04/09	New Truxton	--	--	- 4/15/11
Horine Sta.	--	--	- 12/31/09	Nickleton	--	--	- 1911
Houstonia	--	--	9/6/06 -	Nixa	--	--	- 4/27/11
Hulda	--	--	12/22/09 -	Norman	--	--	7/17/09 -

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			<u>Early - Late</u>				<u>Early - Late</u>
Northview	--	--	8/15/08 -	Shinkle	--	--	1/1/08 -
Old Mines	--	--	- 11/17/10	Simcoe	1	1	4/13/06 -
Osage Iron Works	--	--	4/11/07 -	Snyder	--	--	- 12/24/12
Pansy	--	--	- 1/25/10	Spokane	--	--	2/27/08 -
Patton	1	3	- 11/9/07	Spruce	--	--	1/7/08 - 12/20/11
Pawnee	--	--	- 12/12/07	Spurgeon	--	--	9/1/06 - 6/9/10
Pearl	--	--	2/14/08 -	Sudheimer	--	--	- 1/24/13
Peru	3	3	7/20/06 -	Swan	--	--	- 11/25/10
Philadelphia	--	--	1907 - 12/20/12	Swedeborg	--	--	- 12/11/12
Plato	-	--	7/21/08 -	Tavern	--	--	- 8/5/12
Pleasantview	--	--	11/4/08 -	Teresita	--	--	12/14/04 -
Plum Valley	--	--	1907 -	Townley	--	--	- 9/2/08
Pocahontas	--	--	- 12/25/09	Turney	--	--	9/8/07 -
Point Pleasant	--	--	- 4/8/09	Tyrone	--	--	- 5/27/11
Ponce DeLeon	--	--	12/26/10 -	Ulman	2	2	- 4/24/06
Ponder	--	--	8/7/07 - 1910	Van	--	--	- 12/27/11
Prairie Hill	--	--	- 8/18/08	Venable	--	--	- 7/18/11
Prior	--	--	3/24/08 -	Vigus	--	--	- 7/15/09
Purcell	--	--	- 7/10/09	Westboro	--	--	- 2/1/10
Rea	--	--	- 9/16/11	Westphalia	--	--	- 12/3/12
Redford	--	--	- 1908	Whitechurch	--	--	- 9/10/12
Reeds Spring	--	--	6/12/05 - 7/21/14	White Oak	--	--	- 11/7/08
Reno	2	1	--	Whiton	--	--	- 1911
Rhineland	--	--	11/7/05 - 21/31/09	Wickes	2	?	8/29/07 -
River Aux Vases	--	--	1909 -	Womak	--	--	11/18/07 -
Riverside	--	--	- 1/27/08	Wooldridge	--	--	- 12/23/10
Sampson	--	--	6/19/08 -	Yancey Mills	--	--	- 4/9/11
Seybert	--	--	- 4/11/10	Yarrow	--	--	4/10/07 - 12/30/11
Sheldon	3	9	5/14/07 - 4/9/09				

The author would be glad to send the complete, twenty page revised listing of Missouri Doanes - incorporating the original list as it appeared in Bill Helbock's United States Doanes (1993), the March, 1994 addendum and this list to anyone who would like it. Please send \$3.00 to cover cost of copying and mailing to:

Bob Schultz
P. O. Box 28961
St. Louis, MO 63132.



THE DEATH OF COLONEL BAKER,

Entered according to Act of Congress in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, by T. Mayes, in the year 1861.

The letter which follows was written under this attractively illustrated letterhead. Which of our Civil War buff readers can share with us the story of Colonel Baker?

A LETTER FROM FORT NASEMOND

Presented by Nancy Foutz

Fort Nansemond
Suffolk VA
April 8, 1863
Dear Sister

Your long looked for letter came duly to hand this evening. It was gladly received and read with pleasure for it has been some four weeks since I have heard from you and I began to think that you had forgotten me altogether. I was glad to learn that you had got those pictures in which I sent you. The picture of me and my wife I would not lose for a farm for I think that is as good a picture as I could get of my wife and more than that, if I ever live to bid the bloody soil of Virginia goodbye and return to my wife and friends I wish to keep that to remember how that she looked when she was young. You

did not say how you liked the looks of her, only said that you wanted to know if I heard from her now a days. Of course I hear from her often. The last time that I heard from her was last week and she had a nice little girl eight days old and it weighed 10 pounds at its birth and so you can see that providence has smiled upon me with \$500 more as the old saying is. I don't want to hear you saying anything against her or trying to set me against her by what the people say about her there for will be all of no use and more I don't wish to hear it for I think as much of her probably as anyone could and perhaps a little more.

Well, I will change the subject to war matters the cavalry scouts fetch in prisoners almost daily and deserters are continually arriving and they say that

their troops are a suffering for clothes and victuals and they say that if the whole of their army would desert if they could, that is the section of the black-water where our captain Taylor was killed. Some of the rebs that have deserted have enlisted in the eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry. There is quite a large force here. There is some four Connecticut regiments and I have been all through them to see I could find anyone or any of my connection but found none. I found one Atwood but no connection very near. I find several by the name in different regiments (in) Illinois and other states. Oliver is in the hospital and has been for the last three months. He has acted so that there is no one that likes him and the doctor has got sick of him and says that he shall send him to the general hospital for he is such a nuisance that he don't warrant to have him there. Horatio has been returned to camp but don't do any duty nor work for three months to come. We have very easy times here at the fort. All we have to do is to stand our guard once in twenty days. We don't to drill once a week. We fired our big guns the other day at target and made some very good shots. We have been enlarging our log house and making single bunks as it is getting warm weather and we think that it will be more healthy. There is five of us boys, four from our company and one from Company C. We have very good times. We do our own cooking and lay a bed smoke or loaf about Suffolk. I made a good strike when I left the company for the boys in the regiment have to be on picket camp guard or fatigue or marching out to see if the rebs are about every two or three days whether it storms or not. But where we are on guard we are in

the magazine under cover and when we have stood two hours we can go to our shanties and sleep four hours before we go on again. It is very pleasant to sit at our back door these nice mornings and behold the camps of thousands glistening in the southern sun. I give you a kind of a map of Suffolk about those pictures you can see Fort Nansemond on it. I will try before I write again and draw a better one and give you the full description of the town.

Now about home affairs. You wanted to know how many guns there were. There were three four watches and you wanted to know if there was anything that I wanted saved for me. I want to have that best double wagon kept for me anyway and I believe that the crowbar and the chains too and those two

best watches, the gold and the one that father has had so long, then be sure and save and get the spoons. I only left them with father. The old woman has nothing to do with whatever and get that coverlet too. You will have to give her five dollars for be sure and get them things that I have mentioned.

I had a letter from Stimp Bundy last night and he said that I would have to set off the mill to the old woman or she would or she should have to have part of the farm. He said that he went to Warsaw to have the will proved (probated?) and he said that he talked with the surrogate about my affairs and he said that we had better have the mill set off to the woman and then we could have control of the farm and if not they would have to set off part of the farm to her and he said that he should advise us to do it for it would be better for us both of us. He says that he supposes that I know how the will is made and as soon as we set it off we should have control of the farm if she accepts of it. If not, she would hold it for one year. I don't know how the will reads and I have written to him for an explanation about setting off the mill. If the will is made I don't see how she can hold or have anything to do with the farm a tall. I want to have you write

immediately on receipt of this and tell me how the will reads in full and what it is about setting off the mill. And you wanted to know how much that I should want for my part of the farm and I think that I ought to have \$200 for it and if you can't get that take \$175 or do the best you can. I shall be home within a few days. I possibly can about the repairs on the Marila farm. I don't wish to have anything on the mill but rent the land if you can. Well I must close for it is ten o'clock and I must get to bed for I feel most sick. I think that I have got the ganders. I have been taking medicine for the last six weeks. I will give you my directions again and see that you put it on so that I can get it without going to the regiment.

Yours respectfully from your only brother,

B.F. Atwood

Write on receipt.

P.S. Please to direct like this Benjamin F. Atwood, Fort Nansemond, Suffolk, Virginia, Care of Lieut. O.W. West, no regiment nor company on

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NON STANDARD, military period (San Luis Obispo 14-Op) E \$20.00
- 2 CASA VERDUGO, 1908 VG Ty 3 DOANE (Los Angeles 06-13) Est \$8.00
- 3 CONSTANTIA, 1914 G+ TOURQUOISE Ty B 4-Bar (Lassen 12-27) Est \$15.00
- 4 ECCLES, 1913 G+ but very lite 4 Bar (Santa Cruz 93-15) Est \$12.00
- 5 EDEN VALE, 1910 G+ Ty A2 4-Bar (Santa Clara 93-16) Est \$7.00
- 6 FORT JONES RFD 1, 1910 G Ty 2FD HANDSTAMP Est \$10.00
- 7 HARDY, 1909 G+ Ty B 4-Bar (Mendocino 02-15) Est \$12.00
- 8 HAZELCREEK, 1908 G+ Ty 2/2 DOANE as Fwd/Transit (Shasta 77/54) \$7.00
- 9 HURLETON, 1921 VG Ty B 4 Bar, creases (Butte 80-22) Est \$10.00
- 10 JACKSONVILLE, 1911 G lite Ty A1 4 Bar (Toul. 51-18) Est \$10.00
- 11 KEYSTONE, 1910 VG Ty 2 DOANE CDS on stamp, (Toul. 05-13) Est \$10.00
- 12 LITTLE BEAR LAKE, 1917 VG+ Ty B 4 Bar "Lake" on stamp (17-22) \$20.00
- 13 LOCKWOOD, 1908 G Ty 3/2 DOANE, lite soil (Monterey 88-Op) Est \$8.00
- 14 MERRILLVILLE, 1907 VG Ty A1 4-Bar (Lassen 75/28) Est \$12.00
- 15 NORTHSPUR, 1914 G+ Ty B 4-Bar (Mendocino 10-22) Est \$50.00
- 16 PITTVILLE, 1908 VG Ty 3/2 DOANE (Lassen 73/61) Est \$10.00
- 17 POSTS, 1907 VG+ Ty 3/1 DOANE (Monterey 89-10) Est \$15.00
- 18 SANTA BARBARA, 1936 VG GERMAN ROLLER, only one used in USA, ON CVR \$7.00
- 19 SHERWOOD, 1909 G+ Ty 2/3 DOANE, part on stamp (Mendo 83/20) Est \$10.00
- 20 SPENCERVILLE, 1915 VG Ty B 4-Bar (Nevada 72/32) Est \$8.00
- 21 SUDDEN, 1913 G+ Ty A1 4 Bar, part on 1st Balboa (01/14) Est \$18.00
- 22 SUR, 1908 G+ Ty 3 DOANE (Monterey 89-13) Est \$8.00
- 23 TABLE BLUFF, 1888 G but very lite TRIPLE CDS/Target, ON CVR w/stain not
affecting cancel (Humbolt 61/01) Est \$20.00
- 24 VARAIN, 1911 VG Ty A1 4 Bar (Mariposa 07-19) Est \$20.00

IDAHO

- 25 BYRAM, 1910 FINE Ty A2 4 Bar as recd, O'strk (Canyon 10-12) \$35.00
- 26 CHATCOLET, 1917 G+ Ty B 4 Bar (Benewah 09-57) Est \$5.00
- 27 DUDLEY, 1909 VG Purplish Ty A2 4 Bar (Kootenai 95-57) Est \$4.00
- 28 FIRTH, 1918 FINE Ty B 4 Bar (Bingham 05/Op) Est \$10.00
- 29 FISHHAVEN, 1917 G Ty A1 4 Bar (Bear Lake 67-82) Est \$5.00
- 30 GREER, 1909 G+ Ty A1 4 Bar (Clearwater 99-57) Est \$4.00
- 31 KIPPEN, 1908 G Ty 1/1 DOANE on embossed PPC (Lew 98-09) Est \$10.00
- 32 LARDO, 1917 G+ Ty B 4 Bar (Valley 89-17) Est \$12.00
- 33 MICA, 1907 readable CDS (& Lyondale Doane recd) O'strk & stmp gone \$5.00
- 34 NOTUS, 1911 VG Ty 2/2 DOANE, inverted, dial part on stamp \$8.00
- 35 RIVERSIDE, 1913 G+ but very lite, Ty B 4 Bar (Bonner 11-15) E \$30.00
- 36 SALUBRIA, 1912 VG Ty B 4 Bar on neat real photo PC main street view
of Cambridge, Idaho (Washington 70/16) Est \$25.00 83
- 37 SOUTHWICK, 1910 VG, purplish Ty A2 4 BAR (Nez Perce 88-73) Est \$5.00
- 38 THARP, 1910 VG but "Idaho" indist Ty A2 4 Bar (Idaho 09-15) E \$10.00
- 39 U.S. NAVY, (Camp Scott, Farragut, Idaho) VG 1943 Intnl. Mach. E \$8.00
- 40 WAHA, 1908 G+ CDS/Target (Nez Perce 79/41) Est \$5.00

MONTANA

- 41 BASIN, 1886 G+ CDS/Cork on cvr, bit rough @ lft (Jef. 80-Op) E \$6.00
- 42 BAY HORSE, 1939 VG Ty C2 4 Bar on small Philt. PC (17-55) Est \$4.00
- 43 BLACKFOOT, 1930 VG Ty C1 4 Bar on GPC (Glacier 08-82) Est \$ 4.00
- 44 BELGRADE RFD #1, (C. 1908) Ty 11 Ms, scribble Est \$12.00
- 45 BROADUS, 1936 VG Ty C1 4 Bar on clean CVR (Pow.Riv. 00/Op) E \$3.00
- 46 CASA(DY), 1915 VG Ty B 4 Bar, "DY" on stamp and stamp gone E \$5.00
- 47 CHESTER, 1911 VG, worn Ty 2 DOANE (Liberty 95-Op) Est \$6.00
- 48 COHAGEN, 1930 VG Ty A3 4 Bar on clean CVR, (Garfield 05-Op) E \$3.00
- 49 COLLINS, 1913 VG Ty A2 4 Bar (Teton 91/61) Est \$5.00
- 50 CRESTON, 1912 VG Ty A2 4 Bar (Flathead 94-56) Est \$5.00
- 51 ELECTRIC, 1909 VG bit hi Non-Standard 4 Bar Mimic (Park 04-15) \$15.00
- 52 ELKHORN, 1909 G+ Ty A1 4 Bar (Jefferson 84-24) Est \$15.00
- 53 EUREKA, 1909 G Ty A1 4 Bar, crease (Lincoln 04-Op) Est \$3.00
- 54 FRENCHTOWN, 1930 FINE Ty C1 4 Bar on clean cover (68/Op) E \$3.00
- 55 GOLDBUTTE, 1907 VG Ty A1 4 Bar as recd, pict. side, creases E \$5.00
- 56 KENDALL, 1909 just G, Duplex (Fergus 01-23) Est \$5.00
- 57 MARTINDALE, 1909 VG Magenta Ty 3/3 DOANE, unlisted Est \$8.00
- 58 MARTINSBURG, 1910 FINE Greenish double circle Ty 1/3 DOANE MIMIC \$10.00
- 59 MEYERSBURG, 1910 VG but lite, Ty 2 DOANE, unlisted (87-11) E \$18.00
- 60 MOORHEAD, 1917 G purple Ty B 4 Bar (Powder River 90-58) Est \$4.00
- 61 PHILBROOK, 1909 G Ty A2 4 Bar "PH" smeared (Jud.Bas.81/12) E \$4.00
- 62 PIEGAN, 1892 VG CDS/Cork on stamped Indian Agency penalty cover to
FORT ASSINABOINE with enclosure (Glacier 77-02) Est \$50.00
- 63 PINECREEK, 1910 G lite Ty 2/1 DOANE "REEK" on stamp (04-14) E \$7.00
- 64 ROBERTS, 1908 G+ Ty 2/2 DOANE "RTS" on stamp & O'strk, faulty PPC 3.00
- 65 RUBY, 1907 VG Ty A1 4 Bar as Recd (Madison 01-24) Est \$7.00
- 66 SALESVILLE, 1910 VG "Mont" slutter (Gallatin 80/27) Est \$6.00
- 67 STEARNS, 1910 VG Ty A2 4 Bar (Lew & Clk 91-21) Est \$12.00
- 68 SUPERIOR, 1932 G+ weird wavy 4 Bar NON STANDARD on Cover E \$6.00
- 69 TAFT, 1908 readable Ty A1 4 Bar, PPC birds eye view of town \$ 15.00
- 70 UTICA, 1884 readable CDS on CVR (Jud.Bas. 81-59) Est \$5.00
- 71 WASHOE, 1934 VG Ty C2 4 Bar on clean cover (Carbon7-59) Est \$5.00
- 72 WINDHAM, 1908 VG Ty A1 4 Bar (Judith Basin 07-66) Est \$5.00

OREGON

- 73 ANTONE, 1914 VG Ty B 4 Bar (Wheeler 94/48) Est \$6.00
- 74 BERLIN, 1907 VG Ty 3 DOANE (Linn 99-37) Est \$6.00
- 75 DEER ISLAND, 1908 VG Ty 1 DOANE (Columbia 87-58) Est \$5.00
- 76 ELGAROSE, 1917 VG Ty B 4 Bar on stamp (Douglas 16-24) Est \$40.00
- 77 FISHER, 1909 VG Ty 3/1 DOANE (Lincoln 92-42) Est \$5.00
- 78 FULTON, 1905 G+ Ty 2 DOANE (Multnomah 83-05) Est \$40.00
- 79 GLENADA, 1908 G+ but lite, Ty 2 DOANE (Lane 90-43) Est \$6.00
- 80 GREENHORN, 1915 VG scarer duplex w/OREGON in dial (Baker 02-19) \$35.00

OREGON (Cont.)

- 81 GRIZZLY, 1906 G+ CDS/Target faulty PPC, (Jefferson 90/48) Est \$10.00
- 82 HOLLEY, 1907 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Linn 90-57) Est \$6.00
- 83 HOME, 1939 VG NON STANDARD 4 Bar MIMIC, CVR rough @ Rt. (11-46) \$8.00
- 84 HOOD RIVER RFD #1, 1902 G+ Ty 2F HANDSTAMP on entire rough @ Lft \$30.00 p73
- 85 HOT LAKE, 1905 VG+ scarce Ty 2/2 DOANE, as recd on CVR back Est \$18.00
- 86 IMNAHA, 1908 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Wallowa 85-Op) Est \$8.00
- 87 IZEE, 1908 G Ty 3 DOANE (Grant 89-54) Est \$6.00
- 88 LAIDLAW, 1909 VG Ty 2 DOANE, (Deschutes 04-15) Est \$15.00
- 89 MORGAN, 1909 VG Ty 3/2 DOANE some letters filled (Morrow 08-55) \$7.00
- 90 PARADISE, 1911 FINE Ty 2/2 DOANE (Wallowa 89-42) Est \$8.00
- 91 RILEY, 1909 VG bit lite Ty 3 DOANE (Harney 85-19) Est \$12.00
- 92 SILVERTON, 1928 VG FLAG on clean CVR, "PINE CAMP, W.O.W." CC E \$7.00
- 93 TANGENT, 1907 G scarce Ty 2 DOANE, soil @ Rt (Linn 72-Op) Est \$6.00
- 94 TOP, 1953 VG Ty B 4 Bar on LD GPC (Grant 15-53) Est \$4.00
- 95 WARRENTON, 1922 VG 4 Bar MIMIC, NON STANDARD Est \$5.00
- 96 WESTFALL, 1908 G Ty 2/4 DOANE as recd (Malheur 89-Op) Est \$4.00
- 97 WORDEN, 1911 VG Ty B 4 Bar (Klamath 10-26) Est \$15.00

WASHINGTON

- 98 ANGLIN, 1910 VG Ty A2 4 Bar as Recd on picture side (Okan.02-21) \$8.00
- 99 BELMA, 1906 G+ CDS as Recd on picture side (Yakima 94/07) Est \$25.00
- 100 CHETLO HARBOR, 1912 VG+ Ty B 4 Bar (Pacific 11-18) Est \$30.00
- 101 CHRISTOPHER, 1909 G+, "Wash" not struck (King 87-17) Est \$10.00
- 102 ELLSWORTH, 1906 G+ CDS ties 1st green (Clark 01-06) Est \$80.00
- 103 ETNA, 1910 G+ Ty A1 4 Bar, stamp replaced (Clark 82-18) E \$10.00
- 104 FRIDAY HARBOR RFD RT.#2, (C. 1915) Ms Ty 11 scribble Est \$12.00
- 105 GLACIER, 1907 VG Ty 2 DOANE, O'Strk (Whatcom 04-60) Est \$4.00
- 106 HARMONY, 1910 G lite Ty 2 DOANE (Lewis 90-24) Est \$7.00
- 107 HOH, 1909 VG Ty 2/1 DOANE as recd (Jefferson 04-34) Est \$7.00
- 108 INCHELIUM, 1917 VG Ty B 4 Bar (Ferry 10-Op) Est \$3.00
- 109 KNOWLTON, 1907 G+ CDS/Target (Okanogan 02-23) Est \$12.00
- 110 LONGBRANCH, 1911 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Pierce 91-64) Est \$5.00
- 111 MILLWOOD, 1918 FINE Ty B 4 Bar, EARLY (Spokane 15-53) Est \$6.00
- 112 MINERAL, 1909 VG Ty 3/2 DOANE unlisted, crease (Lewis 92-Op) E \$10.00
- 113 MOUNT HOPE, 1910 VG+ Ty A2 4 Bar on GPC (Spokane 90/58) Est \$3.00
- 114 NORTH YAKIMA, WASH TER. 1886 G+ CDS/Target on CVR FRONT W/Spindle 10.00
- 115 OLEQUA, 1908 G CDS/Target (Cowlitz 75-12) Est \$12.00
- 116 OLGA, 1909 FINE Ty A2 4 Bar (San Juan 90-Op) Est \$4.00
- 117 POMEROY, WASH TER. 1886 G+ fancy CDS W/Maltese crosses, Star in circle
killer on Gvt. Entire FRONT only, W/Spindle Est \$10.00
- 118 PORT LUDLOW, 1909 VG Ty 2 DOANE (Jefferson 57-65) Est \$6.00
- 119 SNOWDEN, 1914 VG Ty A2 4 Bar (Klickitat 03-33) Est \$8.00
- 120 TWINFISH, 1939 FINE Ty F 4 Bar on collector made PC (38-39) E \$25.00
- 121 VANASSEL, VG Ty 2/3 DOANE (King 92-13) Est \$10.00
- 122 WISHKAH, 1911 G+ Lite, part on stamp (Grays Harbor 82/17) Est \$22.00

R.P.O.'s TOWLE TYPES

- 123 BELLEVILLE & J.CITY, 1908 G+ 915-L-2 (T128) "J.CITY" on stamp E \$6.00
- 124 BOSTON CIRCUIT R.P.O., 1915 VG BO-10-F, Flag (street car) E \$4.00
- 125 CHEH & SOUTH BEND, 1906 VG lite, 901.3-D-1 (WEST) stamp part gone 20.00
- 126 CHI & N CLARK ST. (2), 1905 G+ CH-1-b (TR8) ties stamp E \$6.00
- 127 DEADWOOD & CHAD, 1909 G+ 936-G-1 (TR5) Est \$6.00
- 128 ELLS & WATERTOWN, 1907 VG 748-P-1 (WEST) Est \$6.00
- 129 GREEN RIVER & POC, 1920 VG 898-H-7 Uni.Type Est \$6.00
- 130 JOSEPH & LA GRANDE, 1923 G+ 896-B-A-1 (WEST) Est \$12.00
- 131 KANSAS CITY & COLO SPRINGS, 1912 VG 922-AK-1 (TR40) Est \$6.00
- 132 MAS SPR'GS & UTICA, 1905 VG 102-X-1 (TR6) lite creases E \$6.00 p73
- 133 PLACERVILLE & SACTO, 1914 G+ 981-C-1 (T531) "SACTO" on stamp \$5.00
- 134 PHILA & WEST PHILA, 1897 G+ PH-8-A (T32) as recd BS on CVR \$15.00
- 135 RENO & MINDEN, 1949 VG 978-D-2 (TR1) Est \$8.00
- 136 RENO & VA CITY, 1907 VG 978-C-4 (TR2) W/1st Balboa Est \$15.00
- 137 RICHMOND IND. LOCAL AGENT, VG 680-M-2 "R" killer on GPC Est \$10.00
- 138 ROL PARK & HIGHLAND TOWN (2), VG BA-4-O Flag, street car Est \$6.00
- 139 SEATTLE & SEATTLE, 1910 VG SE-1-A (6PM) Street Car Est \$30.00
- 140 TRACY & GETTYSBURG, 1907 VG, 866-X-1 (T502) soiled PC Est \$30.00
- 141 TRUCKEE (& LAKE) TAHOE, 1906 just G 997.4-A-1, toned PC Est \$8.00
- 142 WALLACE & SPOKANE, 1914 G 898.7-A-2 "SPOK" lite Est \$4.00

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- 143 HIGHLAND GOLD MINES CO., SUMPTER, OREGON 1905, Stock Certificate
Three vignettes of mining scenes, blue black and gold printing
Issued & Cancelled..... Est \$10.00
- 144 NEVADA STATE CONTROLLERS WARRANT, 1881 Legislative Fund. Nice
vignette at left of miners in shaft, Train in mountains at upper
right. Black print on yellowish parchment, Issued & cancelled E \$10.00

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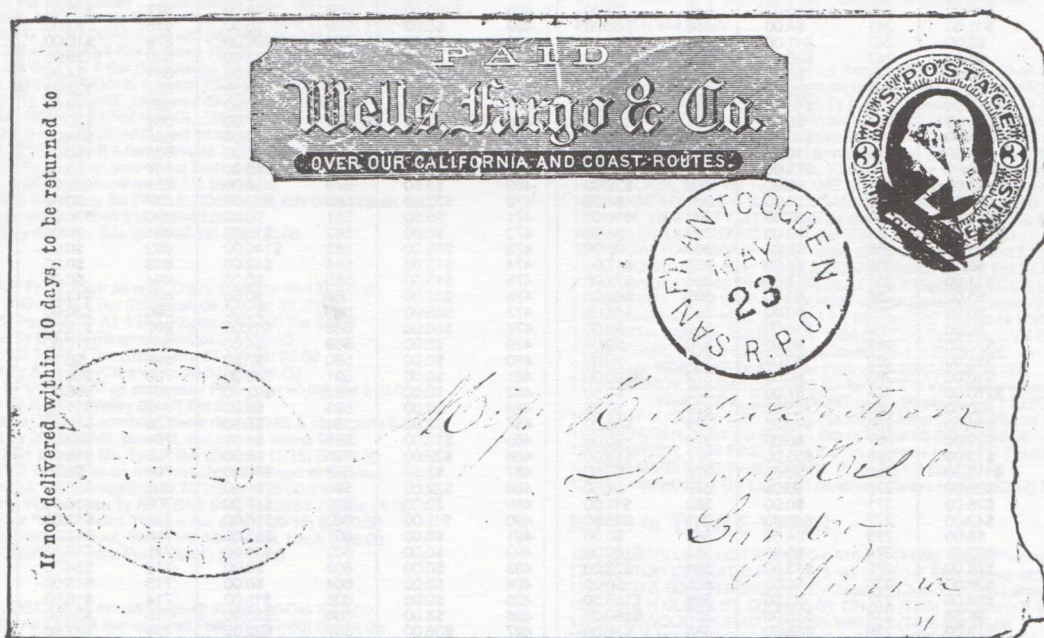
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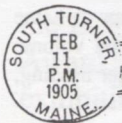
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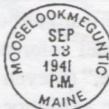
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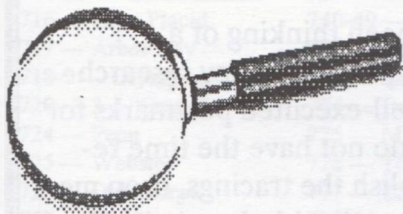
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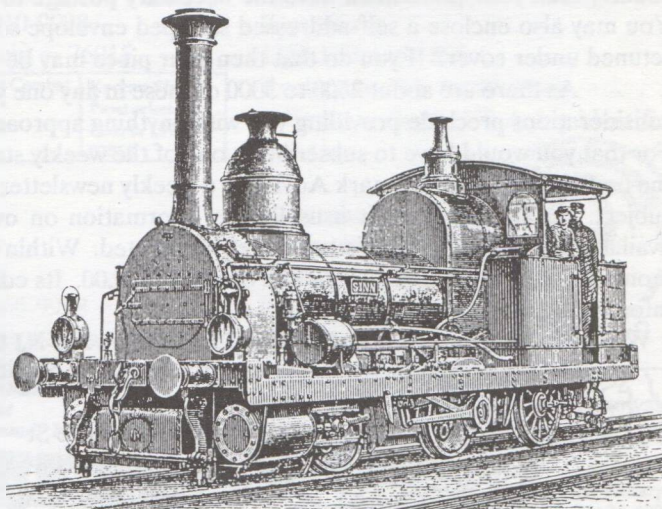


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Be sure that the piece you submit has first class postage - post cards are acceptable. You may have the pieces you are submitting sent to you unenclosed but then it must be addressed. If you do this and you are having it sent to another country then your piece must have the necessary postage to reach that country. You may also enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope so your piece may be returned under cover. If you do that then your piece may be unaddressed.

As there are about 2500 to 3000 of these in any one year, space and time considerations preclude providing you with anything approaching completeness. For that you would have to subscribe to one of the weekly stamp newspapers or, the best source, The Postmark Advisory, a weekly newsletter devoted to just this subject. In any one year it usually has information on over 100 cancels not available elsewhere. And it is extensively illustrated. Within the US rates are: 3-months \$13.00; 6-months \$22.00; and one year \$40.00. Its editor is providing the information for this column.

Write: General Image, Inc; P O Box 335; Maplewood NJ 07040.



October 5
Stampedia Stamp Club Station
Postmaster
One Bennoch Rd
Orono ME 04473-9998
Cartoon of three horses and three postage stamps.

Hazel Celebration



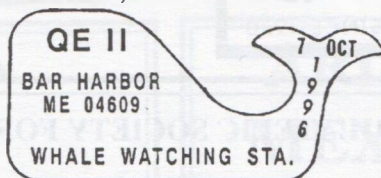
October 5, 1996
Hazel Station
Postmaster
304 Main St.
Hazel, KY 42049-9998
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304 Main St
Hazel KY 42049-9998

A man riding a bicycle with a big front wheel, "Hazel Celebration."



October 5-6

Evanspex '96 Station
Postmaster
800 Sycamore St
Evansville IN 47708-9998
Riverboat, sun.



October 7
Whale Watching Station
Postmaster
55 Cottage St
Bar Harbour ME 04609-9998
Simple outline of a whale, "QE II."



October 12
Homecoming Station
Postmaster
USPS
Rochester TX 79544-9998
Steam locomotive, steer, flags of Texas and of the US, "90th Anniversary 1906-1996."

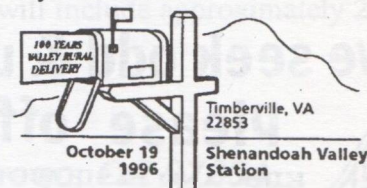
October 12
Christopher Columbus Museum

Station
Postmaster
P O Box 9998
Columbus WI 53925-9998
Not a pictorial.



October 15
Westminster RFD Centennial Station
Postmaster
83 E Main St
Westminster MD 21157-9998

Large mail wagon with carrier, driver (with whip), and two horses. The carrier is handing a letter to a girl standing nearby. "1896-1996."



October 19
Shenandoah Valley Station
Postmaster
USPS
Timberville VA 22853-9998

Rural mail box, mountain in the background, "100 Years Rural Free Delivery."



October 19
ChicoFest Station
Postmaster
USPS
Chico TX 76431-9998

Silhouettes of a boy playing the trumpet and two girls running.



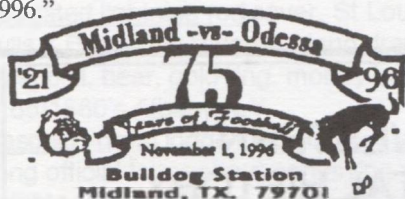
October 26-27
Tosapex Station
Postmaster
P O Box 5066
Milwaukee WI 53201-9998
American Indian, "Honoring the American Indian."

November 1
Anniversary
Station

Postmaster
Highway 81

Panna Maria TX 78144-9998

Non-pictorial. "John Paul II/50/
Priestly Ordination Anniversary 1946-
1996."



November 1
Bulldog Station
Postmaster

10000 Sloan Field Blvd
Midland TX 79701-9998

Tiny images of a bulldog and a bucking bronco, "Midland vs Odessa/'21 - '96/75 Years of Football."

November 1
Broncho Station
Postmaster
200 N Texas Ave
Odessa TX 79760-9998

Picture as above but reversing the animals' positions and city names.

R.F.D. CENTENNIAL
NOVEMBER 3, 1996
STAMP SHOW STATION
CLIFTON NJ 07011



November 2-3
Stamp Show Station
Postmaster
811 Paulison Ave
Clifton NJ 07015-9998

A horse is pulling a wagon that looks like a booth, "RFD No 2/US Mail," a mail carrier is within. Also, a rural mail box.

PITTPEX '96
EXHIBITION STATION
PITTSBURGH, PA 15290
NOVEMBER 2, 1996



GATEWAY TO THE WEST

November 2-3
Pittpex '96 Exhibition Station
Postmaster
700 Grant St

Pittsburgh PA 15290-9998

Detailed drawing of a riverboat, "Gateway to the West."

MID-CITIES EXPO STATION



ARLINGTON TX
NOV 2 1996
76015

November 2-3
Mid-Cities Expo Station

Postmaster

300 E South St

Arlington TX 76010-9998

Lizard. Cancel zip = 76015.



First All-Jet Combat
in History
Nov. 8, 1950

Korean Station
Pawtucket, R. I.
Nov. 8, 1996
02860

November 8

Korean Station

Ms Betty Temblay

40 Montgomery St

Pawtucket RI 02860-9998

Jet aircraft, "First All-Jet Combat in History/Nov. 8, 1950."

BicenTENNial Station

Dyersburg, TN 38024 July 9, 1996
Celebrating Tennessee's 200th Birthday



Tennessee 1796-1996

November 9-17

BicenTENNial Station

Customer Service Support

525 Royal Parkway

Nashville TN 37229-9998

Locomotive with three cars, the last two show logos representing the flags of TN and the US, "Celebrating Tennessee's 200th Birthday/Tennessee 1796-1996."

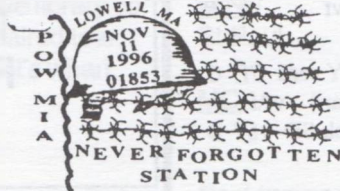
This is the last in a series of 39 identical cancels used in Tennessee from July 4th on. To get the complete set on uncacheted envelopes send a check for \$39.00 (US addresses) made out to Postmaster: Nashville TN to:

Marguerite Chesser

Customer Service Support

525 Royal Parkway

Nashville TN 37229-9996



November 11

Never Forgotten Station

Postmaster

44 Post Office Square

Lowell MA 01853-9998

Army identification tags and helmet, barbed wire.



November 11

POW/MIA Station

Postmaster

1335 Jefferson Rd

Rochester NY 14692-9998

Eagle in flight, US Army identification tags.

November 11

Anniversary

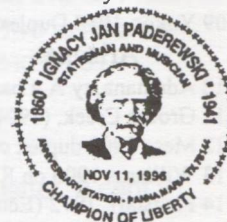
Station

Postmaster

Highway 81

Panna Maria TX 78144-9998

Portrait of, "Ignacy Jan Paderewski/
Statesman and Musician/1860-1941/
Champion of Liberty."



90th Anniversary
November 23, 1996

Fighting Lung Disease

Christmas Seal Station
Rochester NY 14692

1-800-LUNG-USA

November 23

Christmas Seal Station

Postmaster

1335 Jefferson Rd

Rochester NY 14692-9998

Christmas seal showing a snowman wearing a scarf and a top hat and holding a shovel, "Season's Greetings 1996," the double barred cross of, "The American Lung Association." Also, "90th Anniversary/Fighting Lung Disease/1-800-LUNG-USA."

14 pictorial cancels were used in Chisago County MN during the summer and fall for the sesquicentennial of Swedish immigration. Complete sets of these cancels (uncacheted) are available for \$11.00 plus \$1.50 for postage (US addresses) and a self-addressed gummed label from:

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Taylors Falls MN 55084-9998

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Alaska

- 01 Fort Lisicum 1909 ty. 4 on ppc of high bridge f/f C
- 02 Juneau Duplex ty. 13 on R.H.Lord card vg/f A
- 03 Gambell 11-2-40 cover W/4 bar, Nome B/S 1 mo. later f/f A
- 04 Juneau 1899 cvr. ty. 8 W/AMS 43 B/S LR cm torn vg/f D
- 05 Juneau 1936 Reg. cvr. W/ltr on mining, Sc. 698 plus f/f B
- 06 Juneau 1936 Reg. cvr. W/ltr. franked 2-694 plus, lt st. vg/f C
- 07 Skagway, 1909 ty. 11 on cvr. to ky. f/f A
- 08 Thane 1916 ty. 2 on ppc of Juneau vf/f C
- 09 Yukon 1918 Duplex to Stamp Co. in Omaha vg/vg A

Arizona:

- 10 Adamana, ty A 4 bar W/O date on ppc B/S 1911 flag f/f C
- 11 Groom Creek, (1904-08) nov. 1905 on Reg. Rec. vf/f D
- 12 Mesa 1909 duplex on artist signed card vg/f A
- 13 Williams 1906 on R.Ph. card lt overstrike und/bk vg/vg A
- 14 Flagstaff, 1972 (Edmunds Park Rur. Br.), Happy Jack 1970 cvr.
 Peach Springs 1925 on ppc lt st., Sonota 1933 on Radio crd A

California

- 15 Acton, Los Angeles Co. 1917 ty. "B" on card vf/vf A
- 16 Banta, Riverside Co. 1941 on cover vf/vf A
- 17 Camp Curry (1909-1920) on ppc of Yosemite f/vf A
- 18 Carpenteria (1867-1900) 1893 on U349 ft. W/ c.c. f/vg A
- 19 Cowell (1922-1963) Super strike, Union Oil ad card s/s A
- 20 Los Angeles, 1926 Dplex Arcade Sta, Airmail cvr., Oakland
 Recreation Camp, 1954 on card, Sacramento, 1910 Oak park
 Br. Duplex on ppc all strikes VF or better vf/vf B
- 21 San Francisco flag 1897 B14 (1) 90 pts, plus Upperlake M.O.B
 on lt blue cover, both B/S, both VF ++ C
- 22 Angwin, 1928 on cvr. Azusa, 1911 on forwarded ppc
 Piru, vf 1910 On card stamp msg. San Andreas 1910 on gpc. A
- 23 Perkins 1911 on card, stamp msg., Los angeles ad cover
 st. msg, Hotel Huntington, The Valona House c.c ad cvr. B

Florida

- 24 Fort Barrancas, DPO on ppc of Turpentine Still f/vf A

Montana

- 25 Allard, (1907-12) Dawson Co. 1908 on grtg card vf/vf B

New Mexico

- 26 Los Tanos, Rec'd on card of ND church (1907-25) f/vf C

South Dakota

- 27 Butteview, (1911-16) Ziebach Co. ty. "B" on card f/vf D
- 28 Cavour, Dak. cds on Gov't p.c. sm cm chip. to Mich. f/g C
- 29 Parkston, Dak. 1893 Hutchinson County Bank, c.c. f/f B
- 30 Glenham, Lemmon, Pollock on crd. all 1908 EX. cards vg/f A
- 31 Astoria, Meadow, Warner, Veblen on card, all f/vf B

Canada

- 32 Alta, Carlstadt (1909-15) 1912 split ring on N.Y card f/f C
- 33 Alta, Seven Person 1911 split ring on Tammen card vf/f A
- 34 Sask. Meridian, (1899-1914) Rec'd W/White Rock SD vf/f B

Miscellaneous

- 35 Pa, McVeytown ty. 11 F RFD on St. Pat card 1911 f/f A

- 36 Green Bay & Winona RPO 1911 ty 845-F-1 on card f/f A
 - 37 Thief R falls & Ken ty 880.1-O-1, card of India 1911 g/f A
 - 38 Station Chicago Winnemac Sta. 1909 duplex vf/vf C
 - 39 Station Chicago 1911 ty MD-03 Pullman Station f/vf A
 - 40 Station, Chicago Ravenswood Sta. 1908 (1900-17) f/vf A
 - 41 Xmas seal 1919 tied on card vf/vf A
 - 42 Xmas seal 1921 tied on card vf/vf A
 - 43 Wisc. Curtiss Doane ty 2 #3 spelling is correct 2 S's vf/vf B
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PO BOX 3484 BOULDER, COLORADO
80307

Mail sale closing December 15, 1996
Postal History

UNUSUAL COVERS

1871 Pittsburgh Box Machine Cancel. With star killer on 2c Jackson env. Fine offset on back. R at right.
Illustrated lightning rod cover. St Louis Mo. 1930
Bulls & Bears! On reverse, Hand drawn ink sketch of great bull, bear, gold ring, money bag, price of gold (1.65) 1860's Albany N.Y.
Masonic - great lodge logo cc. Ovid, Mich. 1901
Long official letter about conferring degree.
Knights of Malta - great illus. lodge cc 1903
Harrisburg Pa.
Lodge - U.O.T.R. illustrated cvr w/lodge bldg. 1895
Richmond cds. Lodge illus. bus. ltr enclosed.
Pablo Casals - 1926 Conn. College cover w/list of concerts on front. 1926 sesqui 2c red.
Fancy Cancel - "Gunsight" type on 1863 cvr from Cambridgeport Mass to NY. 2nd 3c 61 added (Maltese Cross killer) "For. Due 3c" (To Fayetteville) in manuscript. Into both stps at left.
Bot Springs ?? Manuscript with 3 cent 1851.
"WEST DIV VIA CHICAGO Ill." in 1870's octagon as backstamp. Part Chicago Ill purple carrier o/s.
1860'S Cover made from blueprint paper! Has white yellow writing. Portland Me cds 3c 1861
Vietnam War 10 U.S. Navy ship "Free" or "Free Combat Zone" w/cachets.
Agriculture/Steam Thresher Great 1908 Palo Alto Cal illus. ad cover for gas-powered steam thresher

CAL

Berkely 1887 lge. purple dbl. circle.
Kingsburg 1890 cds
Los Angeles 1881 cds, 3c green, Cal. is lite.
Los Angeles 1909 wavy line ties HUDSON-FULTON
Soldiers Home 1913 duplex
North San Juan 1870's octagon w/3c green
Oroville 1913 duplex ties 2c HUDSON-FULTON forwarded.
Pasadena Beautiful artsy ill cc for Marshauser's copper studio. Illustrated letterhead.
Sacramento 1901 duplex 2c locomotive library cc
Santa Barbara 1870's rimless circle. Repaired tear.
Santa Cruz Great illus. fish cc - Goebel's wharf.
Stanford University 1900 cds
Suisun City 1870's w/3c green.
Vallejo 1870's w/3c green

CONN

???? unreadable town has large fancy cancel

"CHE" struck 3x on 1 and 3c banknotes
New Haven Fully illus. ad cvr for Phoenix Mutual
3 cent 1869

New London See Unusual cvrs above.

DEL

Delaware City 1850's.
Faulkland 1879 Red cds

ILL

Minonk 1863. Blue cds ties 3c 61 fwd to New Orleans. Also N.O. cds, 2nd 3c 61.

See stps on cvr.

Young America 1870's w/3c green.

IND

New Albany 1852 stamped, folded letter. 3 cent 51 with large margins.

Washington 1860's blue

KY

Lodisa 1860's, 3c 1861. Small rep. tear.

ME

Great Work Large townmark on 3c 1857

MD

Aiken Nice 1926 cvr to France w/5c Roosevelt. Forwarding marks.

MASS

Charlemont Large townmark as rec. mk on face of 1 cent unsealed circ. Same cancel on reverse.

West Tisbury 1850's balloon townmark. 3c 1857.

MICH

Steamship S.S. Eastern St(a)tes straightline on ppc of same NYD. (1900-10?) "From Detroit Mich." in manuscript.

Coldwater dblweight cvr w/lge Blue townmark w/both 3c 57 and 3c 61.

Dexter Townmark ties 3c 1851 piece of stp miss before mailing.

Hudson 1865 double circle cds.

Lawrence Very large 1883 magenta cds.

Lowell 1870's large double circle cds.

Milton 1870's double circle cds.

Saint Johns 1870 with nice crossroads killer.

MINN

St Paul 1903 machine on 5c Lincoln to Switzerland. For. Brch & Zurich backstamps.
1898 purple "Union Station Registry Division St Louis Mo" on large registry card. Various RR and terminal markings.

East Lynne Spotty 1870's rimless circle.

So. St. Louis Sta 1881? Nice cds w/2c green.

St Louis "C" 1894 Columbian cvr to Argentina (b/s)
purple sl "received at.... without cont."

NH

Hivehill 1884 lge. cds as rec. mark on face of
cover. Small piece out of top.

Mason Village Huge 1865 double circle w/3c 1861.

Milton Huge 1887 purple fancy double circle.

Raymond 1860's cancel w/3c 61.

Walpole Large townmark 3c 61. Couple letters lite.

West Lebanon Nice, large handstamped cc for Tilden
Ladie's Seminary. W. Lebanon cds.

NJ

Whitehouse Station/Pleasantrun as backstamps on
1882 cover from Queens NY. (fancy star)

NY

Addison 1870's dark blue cancel. 3c green.

Andes 1860's townmark. Pt of rim miss. 3c 1861

Essex Large townmark struck twice 3c 1861.

Fishkill On The Hudson 1870's.

Olean Huge red 1860's townmark

Pierrepont 1884 blue county (Manor) cancel off at top

W. Westmoreland Two covers one 1860's, one
1870's. One w/green cancel, one black.

OHIO

Limaville 1850's manuscript

Newtown Large townmark ties 3c 1857.

New Washington Lite. Huge purple 1887 cds with
"H" in circle fancy cancel.

Martin's Ferry 1889 fancy cancel "1" in between eight
horizontal bars. Empire O. b/s.

Pt Isabel 1850's manuscript. 3c 1857. piece out
at top. Repaired.

Roundhead 1899 cds

PA

Chatham 1885 fancy Chester County type pm

Mt Jackson Large 1860's townmark

Peale Huge 1 1/4x2 1888 Clearfield Co. oval.
Rough at right

Pittsburgh July 6, 1871 Hursy-Goff machine cancel
on 2c Jackson emb. env. Rough at right.
fine offset on backside

Sheridan Large 1878 fancy oval county postmark
(blue).

Thorndale Iron Works 1892 cds, spotty but readable.

Wellsborough 1887 cds.

RI

Oakland 1932 4-bar

Westerly 1850's townmark w/3c 1857. Flap damage.

Westerly 1904 Watch Hill Sta duplex

S. C. 1889 cds, pair 1c blues, red. into right.

Greenville C.H. On 3c 1861 cover.

TENN

Pincon 1890's cds

VA

Air Point? 1880's manuscript.

Norfolk Large blue 1863 blue double circle.

Talcott Two strikes w/3c 1869 on small cover.

WASH

Moses Lake Base Br. 1943 double circle (partial).

Tacoma 1908 ill ad cvr w/Rhodes build. & trolley

WASH DC

Georgetown Large red Georgetown DC townmark part
on 3 cent 1851.

Wash. DC Two petite 1887 cvrs w/DC rec'd and
carriers 1 and 9 on reverse

Washington City DC Free On two cvrs, 3c 1857's. one
with 1861 year date.

WISC

Augusta 1860's on cvr w/2c 1861's.

Fitchburg 1850's manuscript

(**)ivords 1864partial manuscript as cc.

STAMPS ON COVER

Alaska-Yukon Nov, 1909 Los Angeles machine.

Alaska-Yukon 1910 Walpole N.H. Duplex

Alaska-Yukon 1910 Westerly, R.I. machine

Hudson-Fulton Dec 1909, Illiopolis, Ill. duplex.

Hudson-Fulton Nov, 1909. New York, N.Y. Duplex.

Hudson-Fulton Oct, 1909. Irvington, N.Y. machine.

Hudson-Fulton June, 1913. Oroville, Cal. duplex and
New Haven flag. Forwarded.

Hudson-Fulton Oct, 1922. Passaic, NJ machine.

Military Covers

Spanish-American War Ingersoll, Canada cds on 3c
Queen w/adhesive USS Maine-Stars & Stripes label.

Albany, NY rec'd. 1898.

WW1 1918 APO 714 duplex to Ohio usual markings.

From Capt 6th Eng. Marvelous six page letter about life
at the front, troops, food and much else.

WW1 1918 APO 704 duplex usual markings. Great
bold printed cc "Captain..... 2nd Trench Mortar Battery
American Expeditionary Forces."

WW1 Newport News Va. Stuart Branch Jan 1919 mach
ine cancel. Red Cross cc

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TOWNS: WANTED

LOUISIANA and other mid-Gulf Coast states. Stamped/stampless, etc. postal history (1790-1917). Individual items/entire correspondences. Ron Trosclair (APS), 1713 Live Oak St., Metairie, LA 70005 PH: (504) 835-9611 [28-3]

RADERSBURG(H), MONTANA March 1, 1870 through 1873. Also, other Montana postal history, documents, checks, ephemera. Ken Hamlin, 517 So. 5th Ave., Bozeman, MT 59715. [28-1]

NORTH DAKOTA: All postal history wanted, from territorial to modern. Send photocopies or on approval. Gary Anderson, 698 E. Hoyt Ave., St. Paul, MN 55106 [28-3]

NORTH DAKOTA WANTED for personal collection. Territorial to modern also Real Photo cards, towns, depots, machinery in operation, covers with hotel corner cards. Gordon Twedt, Box 280, Maddock, ND 58348 [28-4]

OREGON, PRE-1950 cancels of all types - operating - and D.P.O.'s especially 19th century. Washington Doane cancels and unusual cancels from anyplace. Send priced or approval, or photocopies, or request my offer. Doug DeRoest, 482 Modulaire, LaGrande, OR 97850 [28-1]

SOUTH DAKOTA postal history from territorial to modern wanted for my personal collection. Top prices paid. Ken Stach, 212 E. Woodglen Road, Spartanburg, SC 29301. [28-4]

UTAH BRANCH PO POSTMARKS. Need Salt Lake City branches/stations: Air Base, Army Air Base, Granger-Hunter, Hunter, Kearns 1942-46 only, Pioneer 1920-45 only, Sugarhouse Station 1899-1908 only; Ogden's Station A, NPO 10295; Delta's Topaz Br cds only; Brigham's Bushnell General Hospital Sta. Any numbered station/branch of any Utah PO. Received markings/special delivery/general delivery/ect. for any Utah Branch/Station. Send photocopy or approval with price. Dennis Pack, 1915 Gilmore Ave., Winona, MN 55987 [27-6]

WEST POINT, NEW YORK covers -- stampless to WW II -- wanted for personal collection. Send on approval or photocopies. Prompt response promised. Richard Helbock, P. O. Box 135, Lake Oswego, OR 97034 [28-4]

DOANES: WANTED

DOANE CANCELS: Buy and trade Doane cancels of all states. Send photocopies or on approval. Gary Anderson, 698 E. Hoyt Ave., St. Paul, MN 55106 [28-3]

ADVERTISING COVERS: WANTED

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MISCELLANEOUS: WANTED

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS covers wanted all states. Send priced photocopies or approvals. Harold Richow, 31552-58 Railroad Canyon Road, Canyon Lake, CA 92587. [27-6]

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DOCUMENTS WITH REVENUE STAMPS. Primarily 1857-72, secondarily 1898-1902. Especially Western Territorial, incl. anything Calif., Nevada or Oregon State revenues. Will also sell, trade, correspond. Michael Mahler, 2721 2nd St. #211, Santa Monica, CA 90405. (310) 399-9304. [28-1]

POSTAL ARTIFACTS/memorabilia, hand cancellers, cancellation machines, badges, locks, street letter boxes, toys, board games, sheet music with postal logo. Price description. Ifshin, 7134 Byron Ave., Miami Beach, FL 33141. [28-3]

PRE 1900 VIRGINIA items - stampless, Civil War, letters, covers, documents, checks, photos. Also collecting any cdv photos with revenue stamps attached. Gary Ronk, 6247 Cove Road, Roanoke, VA 24019. (540) 562-2368 [27-5]

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U. S. OFFICIAL ENVELOPES (U01-U069), covers and early penalty covers. Send photocopy or item with price or phone (903) 784-8777. Schmidt, 4325 Smallwood Road., Paris, Texas 75462. [27-5]

FOREIGN: WANTED

DANISH "WILD WILD WEST" Indies postal history (1874-1917). Approvals or photocopies. Prompt response. Ron Trosclair (APS), 1713 Live Oak St., Metairie, LA 70005-1069. PH: (504) 835-9611 [28-3]

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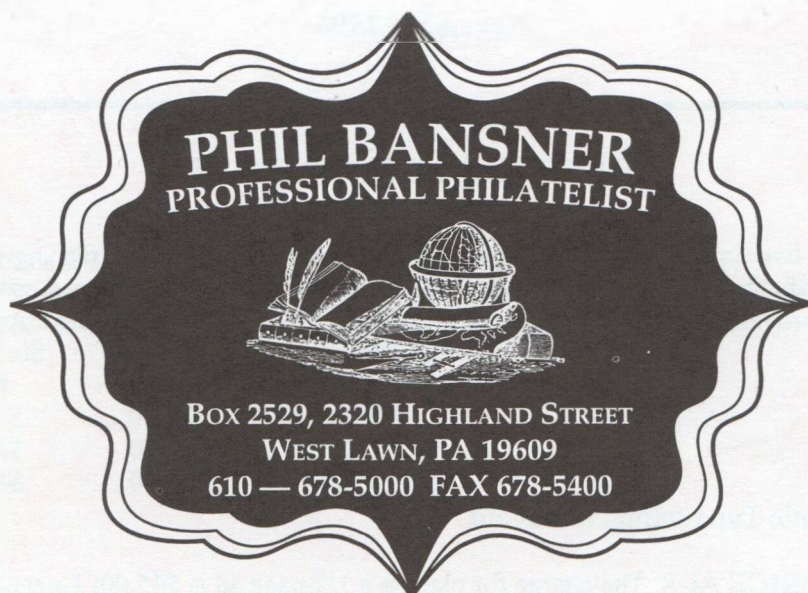
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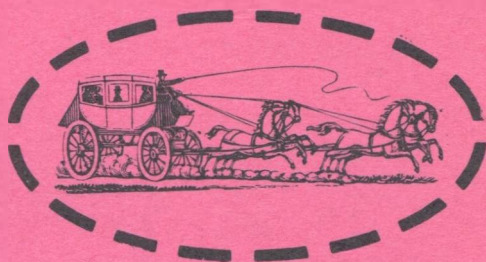
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